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To amend the Controlled Substances Act to require the Attorney General to make procurement quotas for opioid analgesics publicly available, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. MARKEY introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Opioid Quota Openness, Transparency, and Awareness Act of 2019'' or the ''Opioid QuOTA Act''.

SEC. 2. PUBLIC REPORTING OF PROCUREMENT QUOTAS FOR OPIOID ANALGESICS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 306 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 826) is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(j)(1) In this subsection, the term 'opioid procurement quota' means a quota established by the Attorney General for the quantity of opioid analgesics that a registered manufacturer may procure for purposes of manufacturing dosage forms or other substances.

''(2) The Attorney General shall make publicly available, including through the Web site of the Drug Enforcement Administration—

''(A) the quantity of the opioid procurement quota for each registered manufacturer for each year;

''(B) the quantity of opioid analgesics procured by each registered manufacturer for each year; and

''(C) except as provided under paragraph (3)—

''(i) a copy of the form or other application, including any attachments or exhibits, submitted by each registered manufacturer requesting an opioid procurement quota; and

''(ii) a copy of each year-end or annual report relating to the procurement or use of opioid analgesics submitted to the Attorney

General by a registered manufacturer to whom the Attorney General has issued an opioid procurement quota.

''(3) Upon a request by a registered manufacturer asserting that a document or information described in clause (i) or (ii) of paragraph (2)(C) is exempt from disclosure under section 552(b)(4) of title 5, United States Code, and to the extent that the Attorney General determines that the document or information is exempt from disclosure under such section 552(b)(4), the document or information may be excluded from public disclosure under paragraph (2).''.

(b) GAO REPORT.—The Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to Congress a report that, for the 1-year period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act—

(1) details—

(A) the number of instances in which a registered manufacturer made a request described in section 306(j)(3) of the Controlled Substances Act, as added by subsection (a), with respect to a document or information; and

(B) the number of instances in which the Attorney General determined such a document or information was exempt from disclosure

under section 552(b)(4) of title 5, United States Code; and

(2) evaluates the extent of the independent evaluation conducted by the Attorney General of requests described in section 306(j)(3) of the Controlled Substances Act.