

Public Law 109–56  
109th Congress

An Act

To amend the Controlled Substances Act to lift the patient limitation on prescribing drug addiction treatments by medical practitioners in group practices, and for other purposes.

Aug. 2, 2005

[S. 45]

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

**SECTION 1. MAINTENANCE OR DETOXIFICATION TREATMENT WITH CERTAIN NARCOTIC DRUGS; ELIMINATION OF 30-PATIENT LIMIT FOR GROUP PRACTICES.**

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 303(g)(2)(B) of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 823(g)(2)(B)) is amended by striking clause (iv).

(b) **CONFORMING AMENDMENT.**—Section 303(g)(2)(B) of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 823(g)(2)(B)) is amended in clause (iii) by striking “In any case” and all that follows through “the total” and inserting “The total”.

(c) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—This section shall take effect on the date of enactment of this Act. 21 USC 823 note.

Approved August 2, 2005.

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**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—S. 45:**

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July 19, considered and passed Senate.

July 27, considered and passed House.