

EXHIBIT D

INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2013-189

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3 REQUESTING THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE, AND
4 LABOR STUDY COST-EFFICIENT METHODS FOR TRACKING ELECTRONIC SALES
5 INFORMATION OF PSEUDOEPHEDRINE PRODUCTS ACROSS STATE LINES.
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7 WHEREAS, while millions of Americans across the country rely on
8 effective over-the-counter cold and allergy medications containing
9 pseudoephedrine for their intended use, a percentage of individuals buy these
10 same medications with the intent of diverting a component into the illegal
11 and highly volatile drug, methamphetamine; and
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13 WHEREAS, methamphetamine is a highly addictive stimulant and the most
14 prevalent synthetic drug in the United States of America; and
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16 WHEREAS, an electronic tracking system can provide an advantage over
17 paper logs as data is centralized and available to law enforcement in a state
18 and across state lines; and
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20 WHEREAS, the State of Arkansas has implemented its own state-operated
21 real-time electronic tracking system for pseudoephedrine pursuant to Arkansas
22 Code § 5-64-1106, but sharing data from this system with other states is
23 often difficult; and
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25 WHEREAS, an electronic tracking system with the ability to be shared
26 across state lines could eliminate the ability of individuals to travel from
27 state to state to purchase pseudoephedrine for the purpose of manufacturing
28 methamphetamine; and
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30 WHEREAS, an electronic tracking system with the ability to be shared
31 across state lines could save the lives of citizens of Arkansas by reducing
32 or eliminating domestic manufacturing of methamphetamine; and
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34 WHEREAS, the citizens of Arkansas are entitled to the maximum
35 protection practicable from the harmful effects of methamphetamine abuse and

1 the harmful effects of excessive and improper exposure to illicit clandestine
2 laboratories for the manufacture of methamphetamine; and

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4 WHEREAS, for numerous reasons, the State of Arkansas should strongly
5 support efforts to study cost-efficient methods for tracking electronic sales
6 information of pseudoephedrine products across state lines to protect the
7 citizens of Arkansas,

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9 NOW THEREFORE,

10 BE IT PROPOSED BY THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE, AND LABOR OF
11 THE EIGHTY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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13 THAT the House Committee On Public Health, Welfare And Labor study
14 different ideas and methods designed to cost-efficiently track electronic
15 sales information of pseudoephedrine products across state lines, including
16 different strategies, programs, or initiatives currently used by other states
17 to track electronic sales information of pseudoephedrine products across
18 state lines

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20 BE IT FURTHER PROPOSED THAT, upon request, the Department of Health,
21 the Department of Human Services, and the Arkansas Crime Information Center
22 shall provide assistance to the House Committee on Public Health, Welfare,
23 and Labor to perform this study.

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25 Respectfully submitted,

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