

119TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 4348

To reauthorize the Kay Hagan Tick Act, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 10, 2025

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. KEAN, and Mr. TONKO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. REAUTHORIZATION OF PROGRAMS.**

4 (a) NATIONAL STRATEGY AND REGIONAL CENTERS  
5 OF EXCELLENCE IN VECTOR-BORNE DISEASE.—Section  
6 317U of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247b–  
7 23) is amended—

8 (1) in subsection (b), in the matter preceding  
9 paragraph (1), by striking “the Tick-Borne Disease  
10 Working Group established under section 2062 of

1 the 21st Century Cures Act (42 U.S.C. 284s) and  
2 other individuals, as appropriate” and inserting “ap-  
3 propriate individuals”;

4 (2) in subsection (c)(4), by inserting “, includ-  
5 ing by increasing capacity to identify, report, pre-  
6 vent, and respond to such diseases” before the pe-  
7 riod at the end; and

8 (3) in subsection (f), by striking “2021 through  
9 2025” and inserting “2026 through 2030”.

10 (b) ENHANCED SUPPORT TO ASSIST HEALTH DE-  
11 PARTMENTS IN ADDRESSING VECTOR-BORNE DIS-  
12 EASES.—Section 2822(c) of the Public Health Service Act  
13 (42 U.S.C. 300hh–32(c)) is amended by striking “2021  
14 through 2025” and inserting “2026 through 2030”.

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