

Rep. Chaffetz and Rep. Polis Introduce HR 4913

The Free Speech About Science Act



THE PROBLEM:

Current FDA laws and regulations prohibit any reference to a scientific study by manufacturers of a dietary supplement or producers of healthy foods if the information documents any health benefits.

THE SOLUTION:

The Free Speech About Science Act allows growers and manufacturers of dietary supplement to provide scientific information to consumers that is truthful and not misleading. The provisions of this bill do the following:

- Provide a clear definition of the types of research that may be referenced by growers and manufacturers
- Ensure that referencing such research does not convert a food or dietary supplement into an “unapproved [and therefore illegal] new drug”
- Retain the authority of FDA and FTC to pursue any fraudulent and misleading statements.

Our constituents want this type of helpful information, and the Free Speech About Science Act helps insure their access to legitimate scientific research so that they can make the necessary decisions to improve their personal health and the health of their families. Please join us in cosponsoring this legislation.

PURPOSE: To amend the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act concerning the distribution of information of legitimate scientific research in connection with foods and dietary supplements

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