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Representative Heather Carter (R-15)

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Representative Carter Applauds House Passage of Legislation Creating Overdose Review Team

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – The House of Representatives yesterday voted to pass [HB 2493](#), legislation sponsored by Representative Heather Carter (R-15) that establishes a 21-member team within Arizona Department of Health Services to combat the growing opioid crisis.

The team will develop a system to track drug overdose fatalities and conduct annual analysis on the causes and incidents of overdose fatalities in the preceding fiscal year.

“There must be a system in place to track the growing opioid crisis within the state,” said Representative Carter. **“Once this system is in place, we will be able to effectively battle the growing epidemic to save lives.”**

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