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STATEMENT ON FINAL SENATE PASSAGE OF FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION SAFETY AND INNOVATION ACT

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We applaud final Senate passage of the reauthorization of the Food and Drug Administration Safety and Innovation Act. This bill is a concrete step in the right direction in addressing the growing number of drug shortages, which affect hospitals' ability to provide patient care.

In order to provide every patient with the right care, given at the right time, in the right setting, it is important that hospitals have access to the right drugs. The Food and Drug Administration Safety and Innovation Act will help hospitals have that critical access.

The AHA appreciates Congress' hard work and dedication in tackling this critical health care issue and looks forward to continuing to work with Congress and the administration to help America's hospitals provide the best treatments for their patients.

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