

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4882

To authorize permissive temporary duty for certain members of the Armed Forces to attend certain seminars, retreats, workshops, or outdoor recreational therapy events.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 30, 2021

Mrs. HARTZLER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Connecting the Com-
5 munity To End Military Suicide Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF PERMISSIVE TEMPORARY**
7 **DUTY FOR WELLNESS.**

8 In order to reduce the rate of suicides in the Armed
9 Forces, the Secretary of each military department shall

1 prescribe regulations that authorize a member of an
2 Armed Force under the jurisdiction of such Secretary to
3 take not more than two weeks of permissive temporary
4 duty each year to attend a seminar, retreat, workshop, or
5 outdoor recreational therapy event—

6 (1) hosted by a non-profit organization; and

7 (2) that focuses on psychological, physical, spir-
8 itual, or social wellness.

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