

One Hundred Fourteenth Congress
of the
United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday,
the fourth day of January, two thousand and sixteen*

An Act

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to identify mental health care and suicide prevention programs and metrics that are effective in treating women veterans as part of the evaluation of such programs by the Secretary, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Female Veteran Suicide Prevention Act”.

SEC. 2. SPECIFIC CONSIDERATION OF WOMEN VETERANS IN EVALUATION OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS MENTAL HEALTH CARE AND SUICIDE PREVENTION PROGRAMS.

Section 1709B(a)(2) of title 38, United States Code, is amended—

- (1) in subparagraph (A), by inserting before the semicolon the following: “, including metrics applicable specifically to women”;
- (2) in subparagraph (D), by striking “and” at the end;
- (3) in subparagraph (E), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”; and
- (4) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:
“(F) identify the mental health care and suicide prevention programs conducted by the Secretary that are most effective

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for women veterans and such programs with the highest satisfaction rates among women veterans.”.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate.*