

and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

The text of the bill is as follows:

S. 1646

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

SECTION 1. DESIGNATION OF LEO C. CHASE JR. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS CLINIC.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The community-based outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs located at 207 Stratton Road, St. Augustine, Florida, shall after the date of the enactment of this Act be known and designated as the “Leo C. Chase Jr. Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic” or the “Leo C. Chase Jr. VA Clinic”.

(b) REFERENCE.—Any reference in any law, regulation, map, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the facility referred to in subsection (a) shall be considered to be a reference to the Leo C. Chase Jr. Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic.

The bill was read a third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

STAFF SERGEANT ALEXANDER W. CONRAD VETERANS AFFAIRS HEALTH CARE CLINIC

Mr. TAKANO. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Veterans' Affairs be discharged from further consideration of the bill (H.R. 4983) to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic in Gilbert, Arizona, as the “Staff Sergeant Alexander W. Conrad Veterans Affairs Health Care Clinic”, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 4983

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

SECTION 1. FINDINGS.

Congress finds the following:

(1) Staff Sergeant Alexander W. Conrad of Chandler, Arizona, joined the United States Army on June 1, 2010.

(2) Staff Sergeant Conrad's decorated service includes two deployments to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

(3) Staff Sergeant Conrad subsequently deployed to Africa in support of Operation Octave Shield, while assigned to 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, as a Human Intelligence Non-commissioned Officer.

(4) On June 8, 2018, Staff Sergeant Conrad died in Somalia from injuries sustained from indirect enemy fire.

(5) Staff Sergeant Conrad was posthumously awarded the Purple Heart, Bronze Star with Valor, and Meritorious Service Medal.

SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF STAFF SERGEANT ALEXANDER W. CONRAD VETERANS AFFAIRS HEALTH CARE CLINIC.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The Southeast Veterans Affairs Health Care Clinic located at 3285

South Val Vista Drive, Gilbert, Arizona, shall after the date of the enactment of this Act be known and designated as the “Staff Sergeant Alexander W. Conrad Veterans Affairs Health Care Clinic”.

(b) REFERENCE.—Any reference in a law, regulation, map, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the facility referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the “Staff Sergeant Alexander W. Conrad Veterans Affairs Health Care Clinic”.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The House will resume proceedings on postponed questions at a later time.

COMMANDER JOHN SCOTT HANNON VETERANS MENTAL HEALTH CARE IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2019

Mr. TAKANO. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (S. 785) to improve mental health care provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

S. 785

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the “Commander John Scott Hannon Veterans Mental Health Care Improvement Act of 2019”.

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—IMPROVEMENT OF TRANSITION OF INDIVIDUALS TO SERVICES FROM DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Sec. 101. Strategic plan on expansion of health care coverage for veterans transitioning from service in the Armed Forces.

Sec. 102. Review of records of former members of the Armed Forces who die by suicide within one year of separation from the Armed Forces.

Sec. 103. Report on REACH VET program of Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sec. 104. Report on care for former members of the Armed Forces with other than honorable discharge.

TITLE II—SUICIDE PREVENTION

Sec. 201. Financial assistance to certain entities to provide or coordinate the provision of suicide prevention services for eligible individuals and their families.

Sec. 202. Analysis on feasibility and advisability of the Department of Veterans Affairs providing certain complementary and integrative health services.

Sec. 203. Pilot program to provide veterans access to complementary and integrative health programs through animal therapy, agritherapy, sports and recreation therapy, art therapy, and posttraumatic growth programs.

Sec. 204. Department of Veterans Affairs study of all-cause mortality of veterans, including by suicide, and review of staffing levels of mental health professionals.

Sec. 205. Comptroller General report on management by Department of Veterans Affairs of veterans at high risk for suicide.

TITLE III—PROGRAMS, STUDIES, AND GUIDELINES ON MENTAL HEALTH

Sec. 301. Study on connection between living at high altitude and suicide risk factors among veterans.

Sec. 302. Establishment by Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense of a clinical provider treatment toolkit and accompanying training materials for comorbidities.

Sec. 303. Update of clinical practice guidelines for assessment and management of patients at risk for suicide.

Sec. 304. Establishment by Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense of clinical practice guidelines for the treatment of serious mental illness.

Sec. 305. Precision medicine initiative of Department of Veterans Affairs to identify and validate brain and mental health biomarkers.

Sec. 306. Statistical analyses and data evaluation by Department of Veterans Affairs.

TITLE IV—OVERSIGHT OF MENTAL HEALTH CARE AND RELATED SERVICES

Sec. 401. Study on effectiveness of suicide prevention and mental health outreach programs of Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sec. 402. Oversight of mental health and suicide prevention media outreach conducted by Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sec. 403. Comptroller General management review of mental health and suicide prevention services of Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sec. 404. Comptroller General report on efforts of Department of Veterans Affairs to integrate mental health care into primary care clinics.

Sec. 405. Joint mental health programs by Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense.

TITLE V—IMPROVEMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH MEDICAL WORKFORCE

Sec. 501. Staffing improvement plan for mental health providers of Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sec. 502. Establishment of Department of Veterans Affairs Readjustment Counseling Service Scholarship Program.

Sec. 503. Comptroller General report on Readjustment Counseling Service of Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sec. 504. Expansion of reporting requirements on Readjustment Counseling Service of Department of Veterans Affairs.