

healthcare workers who are continuing to fight this serious infection on the frontlines.

I want to thank the researchers and scientists and thousands of volunteers who are supporting the development of vaccines and therapeutics. Beyond the physical toll this virus has taken, it is also having a profound impact on this country's mental health. This pandemic has brought on a range of new stressors, including isolation, financial struggles, health anxiety, and the stress of teaching children from home.

In a Kaiser Family Foundation poll in March, roughly, one-third of adults reported that their mental health was negatively affected by pandemic-related stresses. By July, that number has risen to more than half of the adults in the United States.

As we continue to discuss what future coronavirus legislation will look like, we should not—we must not—ignore the mental health impact.

I have spoken at length about the need to support community mental health centers and community behavioral health organizations, which are vital mental health providers across much of my State and across the Nation. These providers are a critical source of care and support for those who battle mental health and substance abuse disorders, and the need for their services has only risen during the pandemic.

The one group that is too often ignored in conversations about mental health care is made up of those transitioning from the criminal justice system as well. More than half of those in the criminal justice system have experienced a mental health issue, and our criminal justice system is ill-suited to provide the sort of treatment and support they need. Yet, even when these individuals do receive treatment while they are incarcerated, they are rarely given the tools they need to succeed upon their release. Approximately 80 percent of these people are uninsured after being released, making it nearly impossible for them to continue their mental health treatment.

Earlier this year, I and Senator BLUMENTHAL of Connecticut introduced the Crisis Stabilization and Community Reentry Act to support those who have become part of the criminal justice system and provide a stable source of treatment for them after they leave incarceration.

Most prisoners who receive treatment for a mental health or substance abuse disorder are released without their having plans to keep up with their regimes. This leads to higher recidivism rates, which could be avoided. It also means that law enforcement is too often left to be the first responder to a mental health crisis, which can escalate those scenarios and put both the officers and the individuals at risk.

Our bill creates grants to connect law enforcement officials to State, Federal, and local resources to help individuals who are either engaged in the

criminal justice system or who are being released from prison get access to the support they need. These grants connect those services to make sure that people who are suffering acute episodes can access treatment without there being the risk of unnecessary incarceration. Many times, these people need help. They don't need to go back to jail. It has the ability to strengthen our community-based crisis response, reduce suicides during incarceration, and close the revolving door that leads people back to prison.

I hope the Senate can pass this legislation soon and that our colleagues in the House will follow suit. With the ongoing mental health challenges that have been brought on by COVID-19, there could not be a more critical time to strengthen our Nation's mental health resources.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. CORNYN. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to legislative session and be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

GREG LEMON CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL ACT

Mr. CORNYN. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3589 and that the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 3589) to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Greg LeMond, in recognition of his service to the Nation as an athlete, activist, role model, and community leader.

There being no objection, the committee was discharged, and the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. CORNYN. I ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered read a third time and passed and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 3589) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

RODCHENKOV ANTI-DOPING ACT OF 2019

Mr. CORNYN. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 509, H.R. 835.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 835) to impose criminal sanctions on certain persons involved in international doping fraud conspiracies, to provide restitution for victims of such conspiracies, and to require sharing of information with the United States Anti-Doping Agency to assist its fight against doping, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Mr. CORNYN. I ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered read a third time and passed and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 835) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

NEGRO LEAGUES BASEBALL CENTENNIAL COMMEMORATIVE COIN ACT

Mr. CORNYN. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 4104, which was received from the House.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 4104) to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint a coin in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the Negro Leagues baseball.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. CORNYN. I ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered read a third time and passed and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 4104) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

NATIONAL PURPLE HEART HALL OF HONOR COMMEMORATIVE COIN ACT

Mr. CORNYN. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be discharged and that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 1830.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 1830) to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the National Purple Heart Hall of Honor.

There being no objection, the committee was discharged, and the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. CORNYN. I ask unanimous consent that the Schumer amendment be