

117TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 4882

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 30, 2021

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

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## 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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