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1ST SESSION

# H. R. 1052

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop best practices for caring for high-risk military occupation veterans as part of the evaluation of mental health care and suicide prevention programs administered by the Secretary.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 14, 2017

Ms. MENG (for herself and Mr. MAST) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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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 “High-Risk Military Oc-  
5 cupation Veteran Suicide Prevention Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CARE OF HIGH-RISK MILITARY OCCUPATION VET-**  
2 **ERANS IN DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AF-**  
3 **FAIRS MENTAL HEALTH CARE AND SUICIDE**  
4 **PREVENTION PROGRAMS.**

5 Subparagraph (E) of section 1709B(a)(2) of title 38,  
6 United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

7 “(E) propose best practices for caring for  
8 individuals who suffer from mental health dis-  
9 orders, are at risk of suicide, or previously held  
10 high-risk military occupations, including such  
11 practices conducted or suggested by other de-  
12 partments or agencies of the Federal Govern-  
13 ment, including the Substance Abuse and Men-  
14 tal Health Services Administration of the De-  
15 partment of Health and Human Services; and”.

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