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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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## AN ACT

To require a pilot program on activities under the pre-separation transition process of members of the Armed Forces for a reduction in suicide among veterans, and for other purposes.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2   *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2       This Act may be cited as the “Daniel J. Harvey, Jr.  
3 and Adam Lambert Improving Servicemember Transition  
4 to Reduce Veteran Suicide Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. ADDRESSING MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES IN THE**  
6 **TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OF THE**  
7 **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AND THE SOLID**  
8 **START PROGRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF**  
9 **VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

10       (a) TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OF THE DE-  
11 PARTMENT OF DEFENSE.—Section 1142(b) of title 10,  
12 United States Code, is amended—

13           (1) in paragraph (5), by inserting “(11),” be-  
14 fore “and (16)”; and

15           (2) by striking paragraph (11) and inserting  
16 the following:

17           “(11) Information concerning mental health, in-  
18 cluding—

19                   “(A) the availability of mental health serv-  
20 ices furnished by the Secretary concerned, the  
21 Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Veterans  
22 Affairs, or a non-profit entity;

23                   “(B) the treatment of post-traumatic  
24 stress disorder, traumatic brain injury, anxiety  
25 disorders, depression, chronic pain, sleep dis-  
26 orders, suicidal ideation, or other mental health

1 conditions associated with service in the armed  
2 forces;

3 “(C) the risk of suicide, including signs,  
4 symptoms, and risk factors (including adverse  
5 childhood experiences, depression, bipolar dis-  
6 order, homelessness, unemployment, and rela-  
7 tionship strain);

8 “(D) the availability of treatment options  
9 and resources to address substance abuse, in-  
10 cluding alcohol, prescription drug, and opioid  
11 abuse;

12 “(E) the potential effects of the loss of  
13 community and support systems experienced by  
14 a member separating from the armed forces;

15 “(F) isolation from family, friends, or soci-  
16 ety; and

17 “(G) the potential stressors associated with  
18 separation from the armed forces.”.

19 (b) SOLID START PROGRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT  
20 OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.—Section 6320(b)(1) of title 38,  
21 United States Code, is amended—

22 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (G) and  
23 (H) as subparagraphs (I) and (J), respectively; and

24 (2) by inserting after subparagraph (F) the fol-  
25 lowing new subparagraphs:

4 “(H) educating veterans about mental health  
5 and counseling services available through the Vet-  
6 erans Health Administration;”.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall jointly submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report on the information and materials developed pursuant to the amendments made by this Act.

(d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES  
DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate con-  
gressional committees” means—

16 (1) the Committee on Armed Services and the  
17 Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the House of Representatives.

Passed the House of Representatives April 29, 2024.

Attest: KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,  
Clerk.