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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 22, 2025

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

AN ACT

To amend and reauthorize the Staff Sergeant Parker Gordon Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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 “No Wrong Door for
3 Veterans Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF STAFF**
5 **SERGEANT PARKER GORDON FOX SUICIDE**
6 **PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM OF DEPART-**
7 **MENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

8 (a) DURATION.—Section 201 of the Commander
9 John Scott Hannon Veterans Mental Health Care Im-
10 provement Act of 2019 (Public Law 116–171; 38 U.S.C.
11 1720F note) is amended, in subsection (j), by striking
12 “the date that is three years after the date on which the
13 first grant is awarded under this section” and inserting
14 “September 30, 2026”.

15 (b) EMERGENT SUICIDE CARE.—Such section is fur-
16 ther amended—

17 (1) in subsection (m)—

18 (A) by redesignating paragraph (3) as
19 paragraph (4);

20 (B) by inserting after paragraph (2) the
21 following new paragraph (3):

22 “(3) EMERGENT SUICIDE CARE.—In the case of
23 an eligible individual who receives suicide prevention
24 services provided or coordinated by an eligible entity
25 in receipt of a grant under this section, the eligible
26 entity shall notify—

1 “(A) the eligible individual that the indi-
2 vidual may be eligible for emergent suicide care
3 under section 1720J of title 38, United States
4 Code; and

5 “(B) the Secretary, if an eligible individual
6 notified under subparagraph (A) elects to re-
7 ceive such emergent suicide care.”; and

8 (C) in paragraph (4), as so redesignated,
9 by striking “(1) or (2)” and inserting “(1), (2),
10 or (3)”;

11 (2) in subsection (n)—

12 (A) by inserting “(1) IN GENERAL.—” be-
13 fore “When” and adjusting the margins accord-
14 ingly; and

15 (B) by adding at the end the following new
16 paragraph:

17 “(2) TIME FRAME.—If the Secretary does not
18 provide services under paragraph (1) to an eligible
19 individual during the 72-hour period following a re-
20 ferral under subsection (m), such eligible individual
21 shall be treated as eligible for emergent suicide care
22 under section 1720J of title 38, United States
23 Code.”.

24 (c) REAUTHORIZATION.—Such section is further
25 amended, in subsection (p)—

1 (1) by striking “section a total of \$174,000,000
2 for fiscal years 2021 through 2025.” and inserting
3 “section—”; and

4 (2) by adding at the end the following new
5 paragraphs:

6 “(1) a total of \$174,000,000 for fiscal years
7 2021 through 2025; and

8 “(2) \$52,500,000 for fiscal year 2026.”.

9 (d) REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—Such
10 section is further amended, in subsection (q)(3)—

11 (1) by inserting “an entity that has continu-
12 ously provided mental health care or support serv-
13 ices in the United States during the two-year period
14 before the date on which the entity applies for a
15 grant under this section and that is” after “means”;

16 (2) in subparagraph (A), by striking “or foun-
17 dation” and inserting “, foundation, or health care
18 provider”; and

19 (3) in subparagraph (E), by striking “A” and
20 inserting “a”.

21 (e) TECHNICAL CORRECTION TO DEFINITIONS.—
22 Such section is further amended, in subsection (q)(5), by
23 striking “Medical services” and inserting “The term
24 ‘emergency treatment’ means medical services”.

1 (f) REQUIRED USE OF CERTAIN SCREENING PRO-
2 TOCOL.—Such section is further amended, in subsection
3 (q)(11)(A)(ii), by inserting after “risk” the following: “,
4 which in the case of a grant made on or after the date
5 of the enactment of the No Wrong Door for Veterans Act,
6 shall be the Columbia Protocol (also known as the Colum-
7 bia-Suicide Severity Rating Scale)”.

8 **SEC. 3. INCLUSION OF ADAPTIVE PROSTHESES AND TER-**
9 **MINAL DEVICES FOR SPORTS AND OTHER**
10 **RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES IN MEDICAL**
11 **SERVICES FURNISHED TO ELIGIBLE VET-**
12 **ERANS BY THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AF-**
13 **FAIRS.**

14 Section 1701 of title 38, United States Code, is
15 amended, in paragraph (6)(F)(i), by inserting “(including
16 adaptive prostheses and terminal devices for sports and
17 other recreational activities)” after “artificial limbs”.

1 **SEC. 4. EXTENSION OF CERTAIN LIMITS ON PAYMENTS OF**
2 **PENSION.**

3 Section 5503(d)(7) of title 38, United States Code,
4 is amended by striking “November 30, 2031” and insert-
5 ing “January 30, 2033”.

Passed the House of Representatives May 22 (legis-
lative day May 21), 2025.

Attest: KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Clerk.