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# S. 2011

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 10, 2025

Mr. CASSIDY (for himself and Ms. SMITH) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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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 “Telemental Health  
5       Care Access Act of 2025”.

6       **SEC. 2. ENSURING COVERAGE FOR MENTAL AND BEHAV-**  
7                       **IORAL HEALTH SERVICES FURNISHED**  
8                       **THROUGH TELEHEALTH.**

9       (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1834(m)(7) of the Social  
10      Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395m(m)(7)) is amended—

1           (1) by striking “MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES”  
2           and all that follows through “The geographic” and  
3           inserting “MENTAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERV-  
4           ICES FURNISHED THROUGH TELEHEALTH.—The ge-  
5           ographic”;

6           (2) by striking “subject to subparagraph (B),”;

7           (3) by inserting “, or for the provision of behav-  
8           ioral health services” after “or treatment of a men-  
9           tal health disorder”; and

10          (4) by striking subparagraph (B).

11          (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
12          subsection (a) shall take effect as if included in the enact-  
13          ment of section 123 of division CC of the Consolidated  
14          Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116–260).

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