

The veteran treatment court model helps prevent the unnecessary incarceration of veterans who have suffered mental health issues, substance abuse, and homelessness related to the military service.

I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting H.R. 2147 to better meet the needs of the program and provide much-needed services to more veterans in need.

Mr. TAKANO. Madam Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentlewoman from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA) who, though she is not a member of the Veterans' Affairs Committee, has had a distinguished record of serving our veterans through very, very significant legislation.

Ms. SINEMA. Madam Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 2147, the Veterans Treatment Court Improvement Act of 2018.

Madam Speaker, it is our responsibility as Americans to help our bravest men and women heal from both the physical and mental wounds of war.

Veteran treatment courts are important, effective tools to help heal the invisible injuries many of our veterans sustained defending our country.

Retired Brigadier General Gregg Maxon, an Arizona veterans court advocate, told me these courts and their employees "make all the difference in how these veterans engage in their treatment programs."

We worked across the aisle on this bill to ensure that lifesaving courts have the resources to serve any Arizona veteran who needs support.

Madam Speaker, too many Arizona families continue to struggle with addiction. In the past year alone, more than 8,000 Arizonans overdosed on opioids. Over 1,200 of those lives couldn't be saved.

Leaders in Congress have attempted to cut programs like Medicaid, known as AHCCCS in Arizona, which ensures treatment and recovery services for many hardworking Arizonans struggling with addiction. But instead of attacking this program that works for everyday people across our State, we should reach across the aisle and work together to find solutions that help families get ahead and build better lives.

This week, we are working across the aisle and I am proud to see our progress. We are passing bills to help reduce foreign shipments of illegal synthetic opioids from places like China that enter our country through the mail system; passing bills to provide additional targeted services for individuals and families struggling with addiction; and passing bills to give law enforcement additional tools to keep synthetic drugs off the streets and out of our communities.

More work remains, and I look forward to working across the aisle to deliver results for everyday Arizonans.

Mr. ROE of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, I am prepared to close. I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. TAKANO. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. CONNOLLY).

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I thank my friend from California for his leadership.

I rise in support of the Veterans Treatment Court Improvement Act of 2018 requiring the Department of Veterans Affairs to hire 50 Veterans Justice Outreach specialists to support veteran treatment courts.

We have a sacred obligation to serve the needs of our Nation's veterans, including those struggling with addiction and the invisible wounds of war. Twenty percent of Iraq and Afghanistan war veterans suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder or major depression. One in six battle with substance abuse.

Left undiagnosed or untreated, these illnesses can lead to an encounter with the justice system. Worse yet, they can also lead to suicide, which veterans commit at more than twice the rate of the civilian population.

Fortunately, specialized veteran treatment courts are being developed across the country to help veterans who suffer from substance addiction or mental health disorders, and they receive the assistance they deserve.

The first such court was established in Buffalo, New York, in 2008. Since then, more than 300 have opened across the country, including one in Fairfax County and another in Prince William County, both counties I represent. I was glad to help establish the first docket in Fairfax County, and have been a proud supporter ever since.

By bringing these service organizations, State Veterans Services Departments and volunteer mentors into the courtroom, veteran treatment courts promote community collaboration and can connect veterans with the programs and benefits they have earned and they need.

Having a veteran-only court docket ensures that everyone, from the judge to the volunteers, specialize in veteran care; and the involvement of fellow veterans allows the defendant to experience the camaraderie to which he or she has become accustomed in the military.

We know this model works. It is our hope that the additional Veterans Justice Outreach specialists provided for in this bill will help promote veteran treatment courts as an alternative to detention for our Nation's returning heroes, and help them with the transition to civilian life.

Mr. ROE of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. TAKANO. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time.

Let me just say that I have personally witnessed the effectiveness of these courts in my own community. They have saved lives; they have fixed lives; they have repaired lives; and they have afforded our veterans a measure of dignity as they heal from their experiences in battle.

So I ask all my colleagues to please join me in passing H.R. 2147, as amended.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. ROE of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, once again, I encourage all Members to support H.R. 2147, as amended, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. MARCHANT). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. ROE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2147, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

H.R. 5890, by the yeas and nays; and H.R. 5891, by the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. The second electronic vote will be conducted as a 5-minute vote.

#### ASSISTING STATES' IMPLEMENTATION OF PLANS OF SAFE CARE ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 5890) to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to provide assistance to States in complying with, and implementing, certain provisions of section 106 of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act in order to promote better protections for young children and family-centered responses, and for other purposes, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. GARRETT) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 406, nays 3, not voting 18, as follows:

[Roll No. 263]

YEAS—406

Abraham	Bishop (GA)	Brown (MD)
Adams	Bishop (MI)	Brownley (CA)
Aderholt	Bishop (UT)	Buchanan
Aguilar	Black	Buck
Allen	Blackburn	Bucshon
Amodei	Blum	Budd
Arrington	Blumenauer	Burgess
Babin	Blunt Rochester	Bustos
Bacon	Bonamici	Butterfield
Banks (IN)	Bost	Byrne
Barr	Boyle, Brendan	Calvert
Barragán	F.	Capuano
Barton	Brady (PA)	Carbajal
Bass	Brady (TX)	Cardenas
Bera	Brat	Carson (IN)
Bergman	Brooks (AL)	Carter (GA)
Beyer	Brooks (IN)	Carter (TX)

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Correa  
Costa  
Costello (PA)  
Courtney  
Cramer  
Crawford  
Crist  
Cuellar  
Culberson  
Cummings  
Curbelo (FL)  
Curtis  
Davidson  
Davis (CA)  
Davis, Danny  
Davis, Rodney  
DeFazio  
DeGette  
Delaney  
DeLauro  
DelBene  
Demings  
Denham  
DeSantis  
DeSaulnier  
DesJarlais  
Deutch  
Diaz-Balart  
Dingell  
Doggett  
Donovan  
Doyle, Michael  
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Duncan (TN)  
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Esty (CT)  
Evans  
Faso  
Ferguson  
Fitzpatrick  
Fleischmann  
Flores  
Fortenberry  
Foster  
Gabbard  
Gaetz  
Gallagher  
Gallego  
Garamendi  
Garrett  
Gianforte  
Gibbs  
Gohmert  
Gomez  
Gonzalez (TX)  
Goodlatte  
Gosar  
Gottheimer  
Gowdy  
Granger  
Graves (GA)  
Graves (MO)  
Green, Al  
Green, Gene  
Griffith  
Grothman  
Guthrie

Gutiérrez  
Hanabusa  
Handel  
Harper  
Harris  
Hartzler  
Hastings  
Heck  
Hensarling  
Herrera Beutler  
Hice, Jody B.  
Higgins (LA)  
Higgins (NY)  
Hill  
Himes  
Holding  
Hollingsworth  
Hoyer  
Hudson  
Huffman  
Huizenga  
Hultgren  
Hunter  
Issa  
Jackson Lee  
Jayapal  
Jeffries  
Jenkins (KS)  
Jenkins (WV)  
Johnson (GA)  
Johnson (LA)  
Johnson (OH)  
Johnson, E. B.  
Johnson, Sam  
Jones  
Jordan  
Joyce (OH)  
Kaptur  
Keating  
Kelly (IL)  
Kelly (MS)  
Kelly (PA)  
Kennedy  
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Kuster (NH)  
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Larsen (WA)  
Larson (CT)  
Latta  
Lawrence  
Lawson (FL)  
Lee  
Lesko  
Levin  
Lewis (GA)  
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Lieu, Ted  
Lipinski  
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Luján, Ben Ray  
MacArthur  
Maloney,  
Carolyn B.  
Maloney, Sean  
Marchant  
Marino  
Marshall  
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McCarthy  
McCaul  
McClintock  
McCollum  
McEachin  
McGovern  
McHenry  
McKinley  
McMorris  
Rodgers  
McNerney  
McSally  
Meadows  
Merrick  
Messersmith  
Meyer  
Miles  
Mint  
Moffet  
Monahan  
Montgomery  
Moore  
Moulton  
Mullin  
Murphy (FL)  
Nadler  
Napolitano  
Neal  
Newhouse  
Noem  
Nolan  
Norcross  
Norman  
Nunes  
O'Halleran  
O'Rourke  
Olson  
Palazzo  
Pallone  
Palmer  
Panetta  
Pascarelli  
Paulsen  
Payne  
Pearce  
Pelosi  
Perlmuter  
Perry  
Peters  
Peterson  
Pingree  
Pittenger  
Pocan  
Poe (TX)  
Poliquin  
Polis  
Posey  
Price (NC)  
Quigley  
Raskin  
Ratcliffe  
Reed  
Reichert  
Renacci  
Rice (NY)  
Rice (SC)  
Richmond  
Roby  
Roe (TN)  
Rogers (AL)  
Rogers (KY)  
Rohrabacher  
Rokita  
Rooney, Francis  
Rooney, Thomas  
J.  
Ros-Lehtinen  
Rosen  
Roskam  
Ross  
Rothfus  
Rouzer  
Roybal-Allard  
Royce (CA)  
Ruiz  
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Russell  
Rutherford  
Ryan (OH)  
Sanchez  
Sanford  
Sarbanes  
Scalise  
Schakowsky  
Schiff  
Schneider  
Schradler  
Schweikert  
Scott (VA)  
Scott, Austin  
Scott, David  
Sensenbrenner  
Serrano  
Sessions  
Sewell (AL)

Shea-Porter  
Sherman  
Shimkus  
Shuster  
Simpson  
Sinema  
Sires  
Smith (MO)  
Smith (NE)  
Smith (NJ)  
Smith (TX)  
Smith (WA)  
Smucker  
Soto  
Speier  
Stefanik  
Stewart  
Stivers  
Suzuki  
Swalwell (CA)  
Takano  
Taylor

Tenney  
Thompson (CA)  
Thompson (MS)  
Thompson (PA)  
Thornberry  
Tipton  
Titus  
Tonko  
Torres  
Trott  
Tsongas  
Turner  
Upton  
Valadao  
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Veasey  
Vela  
Velázquez  
Visclosky  
Wagner  
Walberg  
Walden

Walker  
Walorski  
Walters, Mimi  
Wasserman  
Schultz  
Waters, Maxine  
Watson Coleman  
Weber (TX)  
Webster (FL)  
Welch  
Wenstrup  
Westerman  
Williams  
Wilson (SC)  
Wittman  
Womack  
Woodall  
Yoder  
Yoho  
Young (IA)  
Zeldin

## NAYS—3

## NOT VOTING—18

Amash  
Barletta  
Beatty  
Bilirakis  
Cheney  
Crowley  
Duncan (SC)

Biggs  
Ellison  
Graves (LA)  
Grijalva  
Hurd  
Katko  
Khanna

Massie  
Long  
Lynch  
Walz  
Wilson (FL)  
Yarmuth  
Young (AK)

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Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. HURD. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea” on rollcall No. 263.

Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea” on rollcall No. 263.

Mr. BARLETTA. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea” on rollcall No. 263.

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted “yea” on rollcall No. 263.

# IMPROVING THE FEDERAL RESPONSE TO FAMILIES IMPACTED BY SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. ISSA). The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 5891) to establish an interagency task force to improve the Federal response to families impacted by substance abuse disorders, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. GROTHMAN) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 409, nays 8, not voting 10, as follows:

[Roll No. 264]

## YEAS—409

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Bishop (GA)  
Bishop (MI)  
Bishop (UT)  
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Blum  
Blumenauer  
Blunt Rochester  
Bonamici  
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Boyle, Brendan  
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Brady (PA)  
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Brooks (AL)  
Brooks (IN)  
Brown (MD)  
Brownley (CA)  
Buchanan  
Buck  
Bucshon  
Budd  
Burgess  
Bustos  
Butterfield  
Byrne  
Calvert  
Capuano  
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Culberson  
Cummings  
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Curtis  
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Davis (CA)  
Davis, Danny  
Davis, Rodney  
DeFazio  
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Delaney  
DeLauro  
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Esty (CT)  
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Grothman  
Guthrie

Kelly (PA)  
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King (NY)  
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Krishnamoorthi  
Kuster (NH)  
Kustoff (TN)  
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Luetkemeyer  
Lujan Grisham,  
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Luján, Ben Ray  
MacArthur  
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Carolyn B.  
Maloney, Sean  
Marchant  
Marino  
Marshall  
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McEachin  
McGovern  
McHenry  
McKinley  
McMorris  
Rodgers  
McNerney  
McSally  
Meadows  
Merrick  
Messersmith  
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Montgomery  
Moore  
Moulton  
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Murphy (FL)  
Nadler  
Napolitano  
Neal  
Newhouse  
Noem  
Nolan  
Norcross  
Norman  
Nunes  
O'Halleran  
O'Rourke  
Olson  
Palazzo  
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Palmer  
Panetta  
Pascarelli  
Paulsen