

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1540, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. BACA OF CALIFORNIA**

At the end of subtitle C of title V, add the following
new section:

1 **SEC. 5 ____ . DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SUICIDE PREVEN-**
2 **TION PROGRAM.**

3 (a) PROGRAM ENHANCEMENTS.—

4 (1) ENHANCEMENT.—The Secretary of Defense
5 shall take appropriate actions to enhance the suicide
6 prevention program of the Department of Defense
7 through the provision of suicide prevention informa-
8 tion and resources to members of the Armed Forces
9 from their initial enlistment or appointment through
10 their final retirement or separation.

11 (2) COOPERATIVE EFFORT.—The Secretary of
12 Defense shall develop suicide prevention information
13 and resources in consultation with—

14 (A) the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the
15 National Institute of Mental Health, and the
16 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services
17 Administration of the Department of Health
18 and Human Services; and

1 (B) to the extent appropriate, institutions
2 of higher education and other public and pri-
3 vate entities, including international entities,
4 with expertise regarding suicide prevention.

5 (b) SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING COMPONENT
6 DURING RECRUIT BASIC TRAINING.—

7 (1) ARMY.—

8 (A) TRAINING REQUIRED.—Chapter 401 of
9 title 10, United States Code, is amended by in-
10 sserting after section 4320 the following new
11 section:

12 **“§ 4320a. Recruit basic training: availability of sui-**
13 **cide prevention resources**

14 “(a) AVAILABILITY.—As part of the initial entry
15 training program of the Army that constitutes the basic
16 training of new recruits, the Secretary of the Army shall
17 include a training component on suicide prevention.

18 “(b) ELEMENTS.—The suicide prevention training
19 component shall include the following:

20 “(1) Methods for recognizing risk factors for
21 suicide.

22 “(2) Protocols for responding to crisis situa-
23 tions involving members who may be at high risk for
24 suicide.

1 “(3) Information about suicide prevention serv-
2 ices available to members, including toll-free hotlines
3 and Internet resources.

4 “(4) Information on best practices for suicide
5 prevention.”.

6 (B) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of
7 sections at the beginning of such chapter is
8 amended by inserting after the item relating to
9 section 4320 the following new item:

“4320a. Recruit basic training: availability of suicide prevention resources.”.

10 (2) NAVY AND MARINE CORPS.—

11 (A) TRAINING REQUIRED.—Chapter 602 of
12 such title is amended by adding at the end the
13 following new section:

14 **“§ 6933. Recruit basic training: availability of suicide**
15 **prevention resources**

16 “(a) AVAILABILITY.—As part of the initial entry
17 training program of the Navy and the Marine Corps that
18 constitutes the basic training of new recruits, the Sec-
19 retary of the Navy shall include a training component on
20 suicide prevention.

21 “(b) ELEMENTS.—The suicide prevention training
22 component shall include the following:

23 “(1) Methods for recognizing risk factors for
24 suicide.

1 “(2) Protocols for responding to crisis situa-
2 tions involving members who may be at high risk for
3 suicide.

4 “(3) Information about suicide prevention serv-
5 ices available to members, including toll-free hotlines
6 and Internet resources.

7 “(4) Information on best practices for suicide
8 prevention.”.

9 (B) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of
10 sections at the beginning of such chapter is
11 amended by adding at the end the following
12 new item:

 “602. Recruit basic training: availability of suicide prevention resources.”.

13 (3) AIR FORCE.—

14 (A) TRAINING REQUIRED.—Chapter 901 of
15 such title is amended by inserting after section
16 9320 the following new section:

17 **“§ 9320a. Recruit basic training: availability of sui-
18 cide prevention resources**

19 “(a) AVAILABILITY.—As part of the initial entry
20 training program of the Air Force that constitutes the
21 basic training of new recruits, the Secretary of the Air
22 Force shall include a training component on suicide pre-
23 vention.

24 “(b) ELEMENTS.—The suicide prevention training
25 component shall include the following:

1 “(1) Methods for recognizing risk factors for
2 suicide.

3 “(2) Protocols for responding to crisis situa-
4 tions involving members who may be at high risk for
5 suicide.

6 “(3) Information about suicide prevention serv-
7 ices available to members, including toll-free hotlines
8 and Internet resources.

9 “(4) Information on best practices for suicide
10 prevention.”.

11 (B) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of
12 sections at the beginning of such chapter is
13 amended by inserting after the item relating to
14 section 4320 the following new item:

“4320a. Recruit basic training: availability of suicide prevention resources.”.

15 (c) PRESEPARATION COUNSELING.—Section
16 1142(b)(8) of such title is amended by inserting before
17 the period the following: “and the availability to the mem-
18 ber and the member’s family of the suicide prevention re-
19 sources described in section 1177(d) of this title”.

20 (d) FUNDING INCREASE AND OFFSETTING REDUC-
21 TION.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the
22 funding tables in division D—

23 (1) the amount authorized to be appropriated in
24 section 421 for military personnel, as specified in
25 the corresponding funding table in division D, is

1 hereby increased by \$5,000,000, with the amount of
2 the increase allocated to carrying out this section
3 and the amendments made by this section; and
4 (2) the amount authorized to be appropriated in
5 section 101 for other procurement, Air Force, as
6 specified in the corresponding funding table in divi-
7 sion D, is hereby reduced by \$5,000,000, with the
8 amount of the reduction to be derived from Joint
9 Tactical Radio System Maritime-Fixed radios under
10 line 049 Tactical Communications Electronic Equip-
11 ment, as specified in the corresponding funding table
12 in section 4101.

