

**AMENDMENT TO
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At the end of title I, add the following new subtitle:

1 **Subtitle G—Fighting Post-**
2 **Traumatic Stress Disorder**

3 **SEC. 155. PROGRAMMING FOR POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS**
4 **DISORDER.**

5 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6 (1) PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER.—The term “pub-
7 lic safety officer”—

8 (A) has the meaning given the term in sec-
9 tion 1204 of the Omnibus Crime Control and
10 Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10284);
11 and

12 (B) includes Tribal public safety officers.

13 (2) PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATOR.—
14 The term “public safety telecommunicator” means
15 an individual who—

16 (A) operates telephone, radio, or other
17 communication systems to receive and commu-
18 nicate requests for emergency assistance at 911

1 public safety answering points and emergency
2 operations centers;

3 (B) takes information from the public and
4 other sources relating to crimes, threats, dis-
5 turbances, acts of terrorism, fires, medical
6 emergencies, and other public safety matters;
7 and

8 (C) coordinates and provides information
9 to law enforcement and emergency response
10 personnel.

11 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after the date
12 of enactment of this Act, the Attorney General, acting
13 through the Director of the Office of Community Oriented
14 Policing Services of the Department of Justice, shall sub-
15 mit to the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate and
16 the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Rep-
17 resentatives a report on—

18 (1) not fewer than 1 proposed program if the
19 Attorney General determines it appropriate and fea-
20 sible to do so to be administered by the Department
21 of Justice for making state-of-the-art treatments or
22 preventative care available to public safety officers
23 and public safety telecommunicators with regard to
24 job-related post-traumatic stress disorder or acute
25 stress disorder by providing public safety officers

1 and public safety telecommunicators access to evi-
2 dence-based trauma-informed care, peer support,
3 counselor services, and family supports for the pur-
4 pose of treating or preventing post-traumatic stress
5 disorder or acute stress disorder;

6 (2) a draft of any necessary legislation required
7 to ensure that confidentiality is afforded to public
8 safety officers on account of seeking the care or
9 services described in paragraph (1) under the pro-
10 posed program;

11 (3) how each proposed program described in
12 paragraph (1) could be most efficiently administered
13 throughout the United States at the State, Tribal,
14 territorial and local levels, taking into account in-
15 person and telehealth capabilities;

16 (4) a draft of legislative language necessary to
17 authorize each proposed program described in para-
18 graph (1); and

19 (5) an estimate of the amount of annual appro-
20 priation necessary for administering each proposed
21 program described in paragraph (1).

22 (c) DEVELOPMENT.—In developing the report re-
23 quired under subsection (b), the Attorney General shall
24 consult relevant stakeholders, including—

- 1 (1) Federal, State, Tribal, territorial, and local
2 agencies employing public safety officers and public
3 safety telecommunicators; and
- 4 (2) non-governmental organizations, inter-
5 national organizations, academies, or other entities,
6 including organizations that support the interests of
7 public safety officers and public safety telecommu-
8 nicators and the interests of family members of pub-
9 lic safety officers and public safety telecommunica-
10 tors.

