Page 793, after line 22, insert the following:

SEC. 250. (a) Not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall complete a review of the deaths of all covered veterans who died by suicide during the five-year period preceding the date of the enactment of this Act. Such review shall include—

(1) the total number of veterans who died by suicide during the five-year period preceding the date of the enactment of this Act;

(2) a summary of such veterans that includes the age, gender, and race of such veterans;

(3) a comprehensive list of the medications prescribed to, and found in the systems of, such veterans at the time of their deaths, specifically listing any medications that carried a black box warning, were off-label, psychotropic, or carried warnings that included suicidal ideation;
(4) a summary of medical diagnoses by Department of Veterans Affairs physicians which led to the prescribing of the medications referred to in paragraph (3);

(5) the number of instances in which the veteran who died by suicide was concurrently on multiple medications prescribed by Department of Veterans Affairs physicians;

(6) the percentage of veterans who died by suicide who were not taking any medication prescribed by a Department of Veterans Affairs physician;

(7) the percentage of veterans referred to in paragraph (1) with combat experience or trauma (including, but not limited to military sexual trauma, traumatic brain injury, and post-traumatic stress);

(8) Veteran Health Administration facilities with markedly high prescription and suicide rates of patients being treated at those facilities;

(9) a description of Department of Veterans Affairs policies governing the prescribing of medications referred to in paragraph (3);

(10) any patterns apparent to the Secretary based on the review; and

(11) recommendations for further action that would improve the safety and well-being of veterans.
(b) Not later than 30 days after the completion of the review required under subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

(1) submit to Congress a report on the results of the review; and

(2) make such report publicly available.

(c) In this section:

(1) The term “covered veteran” means any veteran who received hospital care or medical services furnished by the Department of Veterans Affairs during the five-year period preceding the death of the veteran.

(2) The term “black box warning” means a warning displayed within a box in the prescribing information for drugs that have special problems, particularly ones that may lead to death or serious injury.