AMENDMENT TO DIVISION C OF RULES

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At the end of division C (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. ____. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may use existing funds made available to carry out section 101 of the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014 (Public Law 113–146; 38 U.S.C. 1701) to address the crisis of veteran suicides by contracting with community and non-profit mental health networks in order to provide expedited access to evidence-based mental health care services. The Secretary shall create an expedited credentialing process for these networks to ensure the networks are delivering evidenced-based therapies with same-day access to care and can demonstrate effective clinical patient outcomes. The Secretary may cancel such contracts if the credentialed mental health networks do not meet evidenced-based standards.