

119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 9247

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 10, 2026

Mrs. HOUCHIN (for herself and Mr. MRVAN) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Outreach Now: Timely
3 Intervention for Mental Health Emergencies Act” or the
4 “ON TIME Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. STAFFING OF SUICIDE PREVENTION COORDINA-**
6 **TORS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS**
7 **AFFAIRS.**

8 (a) SUICIDE PREVENTION COORDINATOR STAFF-
9 ING.—Section 1720F of title 38, United States Code, is
10 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
11 section:

12 “(m) SUICIDE PREVENTION COORDINATOR STAFF-
13 ING.—The Secretary shall ensure that a suicide prevention
14 coordinator is available at each medical center of the De-
15 partment, including outside the operating hours of such
16 medical center, as needed, to accommodate a request for
17 suicide prevention planning services.”.

18 (b) LIMITATION ON ADDITIONAL POSITIONS.—Sub-
19 section (m) of section 1720F, as added by this section,
20 does not authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to
21 hire any additional full time equivalent positions.

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