

In the Senate of the United States,

January 16, 2020.

Resolved, That the bill from the House of Representatives (H.R. 886) entitled “An Act to direct the Attorney General to establish and carry out a Veteran Treatment Court Program.”, do pass with the following

AMENDMENT:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “Veteran Treatment
3 Court Coordination Act of 2019”.

4 SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

5 It is the sense of Congress that veterans treatment
6 courts are a successful program aimed at helping veterans
7 charged with nonviolent crimes receive the help and the
8 benefits for which the veterans are entitled.

1 **SEC. 3. VETERAN TREATMENT COURT PROGRAM.**

2 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Subject to the availability of
3 appropriations, in coordination with the Secretary of Vet-
4 erans Affairs, the Attorney General shall establish and
5 carry out a Veteran Treatment Court Program to provide
6 grants and technical assistance to court systems that—

7 (1) have adopted a Veterans Treatment Court
8 Program; or

9 (2) have filed a notice of intent to establish a
10 Veterans Treatment Court Program with the Sec-
11 retary.

12 (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the Veterans Treat-
13 ment Court Program established under subsection (a) is
14 to ensure the Department of Justice has a single office
15 to coordinate the provision of grants, training, and tech-
16 nical assistance to help State, local, and Tribal govern-
17 ments to develop and maintain veteran treatment courts.

18 (c) PROGRAMS INCLUDED.—The Veterans Treatment
19 Court Program established under subsection (a) shall in-
20 clude the grant programs relating to veterans treatment
21 courts carried out by the Attorney General pursuant to
22 sections 2991 and 3021 of the Omnibus Crime Control
23 and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10651, 10701)
24 or any other provision of law.

1 (d) REGULATIONS.—The Attorney General shall pro-
2 mulgate regulations to carry out this section.

Attest:

Secretary.

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