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Psychological Kevlar Act of 2007

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jul 31, 2007)

Psychological Kevlar Act of 2007 - Directs the Secretary of Defense to develop and implement a plan to incorporate preventive and early-intervention measures, practices, or procedures that reduce the likelihood that personnel in combat will develop post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) or other stress-related psychopathologies, including substance use conditions.

Requires the Secretary to: (1) update the plan periodically; (2) develop and implement a training program to educate and promote awareness among commissioned and noncommissioned officers, front-line medical professionals and primary care providers, and military personnel and their families about the signs and risks of combat stress and stress-related psychopathology; (3) establish a working group to research and develop measures that reduce the likelihood of PTSD or other pathologies in combat veterans; and (4) establish a new Peer-Reviewed Research program for such research and development.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 25, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Jul 31, 2007:** Introduced in House
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