

117TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 8229

To clarify the applicability of certain parity provisions to mental health
and substance use disorder telehealth benefits.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 24, 2022

Ms. MANNING (for herself, Ms. MATSUI, and Mr. FITZPATRICK) introduced
the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and
Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor,
and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the
Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within
the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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mental health and substance use disorder telehealth benefits.

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Telemental Health
5 Parity Act of 2022”.

1 **SEC. 2. CLARIFYING THE APPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN PAR-**
2 **ITY PROVISIONS TO MENTAL HEALTH AND**
3 **SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TELEHEALTH**
4 **BENEFITS.**

5 The provisions of sections 2726 of the Public Health
6 Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300gg-26), 712 of the Employee
7 Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C.
8 1185a), and 9812 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986
9 shall apply to benefits for mental health or substance use
10 disorder services furnished via telehealth in the same man-
11 ner as such provisions apply to benefits for mental health
12 or substance use disorder services that are furnished in-
13 person.

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