117TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 1545

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 3, 2021

Mr. CÁRDENAS (for himself, Mr. Tonko, Ms. Blunt Rochester, and Mr. Trone) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

A BILL

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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,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Crisis Counseling Act".
- 5 SEC. 2. CRISIS COUNSELING ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING.
- 6 After the President declares a major disaster under
- 7 section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Assistance

- 1 and Emergency Response Act (42 U.S.C. 5170b), any re-
- 2 quest made by a State, local, or Indian tribal government
- 3 affected by such disaster shall receive immediate approval
- 4 for services and assistance provided under section 416 of

5 such Act.

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