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month, I had the privilege of introducing American Legion National Commander
Daniel Seehafer to the distinguished chairmen and members of the Senate and
House Veterans' Affairs Committees as he prepared to testify about the American
Legion's annual legislative agenda.</span> <span style="font-family:
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Commander</span><span style="font-family: 'times new roman', times; font-size:
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last August, in Charlotte, N.C., during the 104th national
convention.</span> <span style="font-family: 'times new roman', times;
font-size: 13pt;">Though he serves all veterans, Mr. Seehafer is a Wisconsinite
through and through. He was born and raised in Merrill, Wisconsin and lives in
Beaver Dam today with his children and wife, Stacey, who is a member of
American Legion Auxiliary Unit 157.</span> <span style="font-size: 13pt;"
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Seehafer spoke to the committees about was the topic of suicide prevention and
mental health. </span><span style="font-size: 13pt; font-family: 'times
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that would help veterans with ease of access to resources, especially mental
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Affairs (VA) to establish the PFC Joseph P. Dwyer Peer Support Program to make
grants to eligible entities for peer-to-peer mental health programs for
veterans. This would particularly help veterans in rural areas without
immediate access to VA clinics. </span>
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Transition Assistance Program (TAP) Promotion Act - Allow VA-accredited
representatives from certain veterans service organizations (VSOs) to provide
information to military members participating in pre-separation counseling
under TAP. Such information would include eligibility for VA benefits and
include information on how VSOs can assist veterans in filing claims for
benefits. Under current law, TAP classroom instructors are not allowed to help
veterans fill out benefits paperwork. </span>
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Legion is lucky to have Mr. Seehafer as a leader, and us members were fortunate
to hear his testimony last week.</span>  <span
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Joseph P. Dwyer Peer Support Program Act - Requires the Department of Veterans

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