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The Honorable Debra L. Fischer United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Tina E. Smith United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senators Fischer and Smith,

I am writing on behalf of the members of the Fraternal Order of Police to advise you of our support for S. 2444, the "Achieving Through Transparency and Accessibility for Information Navigation on (ATTAIN) Mental Health Act."

Now officers are also expected to be therapists, addiction specialists, and mental health experts. Additionally, county jails, tribal detention centers and State prisons are the nation's largest provider of mental health services, and many rely on Federal resources to access mental health resources for their incarcerees.

Your legislation will create an online dashboard that will allow the public to see Federal grant information related to mental health programs. It would also require law enforcement agencies to be consulted during the process of establishing the dashboard. By creating a user-friendly and publicly accessible website, law enforcement agencies as well as State and local prisons will be able to access information about Federal mental health grants and resources faster and more efficiently to better serve their community.

On behalf of the more than 367,000 members of the Fraternal Order of Police, we thank you for your leadership on this issue. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me or Executive Director Jim Pasco in our Washington, D.C. office.

Sincerely,

Patrick Yoes National President