



## **The Society of Trauma Nurses Endorses S.1022/H.880 the MISSION ZERO Act**

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### **The Society of Trauma Nurses (STN) formally endorses the MISSION ZERO Act**

STN commends Senator Johnny Isakson (R-GA) and Rep. Michael Burgess (R-TX), for reintroducing the Military Injury Surgical Systems Integrated Operationally Nationwide to Achieve Zero Preventable Deaths Act in the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress as S.1022 and H.880 respectively. The act would assign Department of Defense trauma surgeons to level I, II, and III civilian trauma centers at the recommendation of the National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine in order to address variations of care methods and provide additional training. The act would also create the Military and Civilian Partnership for Trauma Readiness Grant Program. Grants would be awarded to up to 20 eligible trauma centers to allow military trauma teams to provide full-time trauma care and related acute care at those centers provided the recipients allow those teams to be deployed by the DoD for military operations, training, and mass casualty events.

**“Acute care at trauma centers nationwide will greatly benefit from increased access to the highly qualified, can-do medical professionals in our military,”** said Isakson, who serves as chairman of the Senate Committee on Veterans’ Affairs. **“Integrating our nation’s best trauma centers with military doctors who regularly operate in high-pressure situations will greatly benefit Americans.”**