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## Representative Christine Hunschofsky's Legislation to Increase Access to Mental Health Care Passes House Floor

**TALLAHASSEE, Fla.** — **Representative Christine Hunschofsky (D-Parkland)** Today, House Bills **33** and **35**: Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact and Public Rec. and Meetings/Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact sponsored by **Representative Christine Hunschofsky (D-Parkland)** and **Representative Traci Koster (R-Tampa)** expanding telehealth laws for psychologists to ensure continued care across state lines passed the Florida House of Representatives.

"The compact is an important step in providing the ability for our college students to continue their mental health care with their trusted mental health professional once they leave home," said **Representative Hunschofsky (D-Parkland**). "That is one of the major benefits of this bill, in addition to more opportunity for access to quality mental health care for Floridians."

"We are experiencing a shortage of qualified mental health professionals across the state of Florida. My hope is that HB 33 and HB 35 will serve to address this shortage and help families who desperately need access to care," said **Representative Koster**.