

MILVA FY26
Amendment I
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Rep. Carter
FY26 MILCON/VA
Manager's Amendment

Military Construction, Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies
Appropriations Bill, FY26
Manager's Amendment
Rep. John Carter
June 10, 2025

In the bill

Page 9, line 14 – strike “.” and insert the following“: *Provided further*, That of the amount made available under this heading, \$3,200,000 shall be for the projects and activities, and in the amounts, specified in the table under the heading “Military Construction, Air Force Reserve” in the report accompanying this Act, in addition to amounts otherwise made available for such purposes.

Page 27, line 24, strike “2026” and insert “2027”

On page 27, line 23, strike “\$29,454,647,000” and insert “\$29,454,647”

On page 34, line 6, strike “2027” and insert “2026”

On page 55, line 7, strike “\$739,918,000” and insert “\$654,954,000”

On page 55, line 23, strike “of division A of Public Law 117-328 is repealed” and insert “of division A of Public Law 118-42, as continued by division A of Public Law 119-4 is repealed”

On page 56, line 5, strike “\$664,625,000” and insert “\$739,918,000”

On page 67, line 6, strike “2024” and insert “2026”

On page 90, at the end of the bill before the Spending Reduction Account, insert the following new section:

SEC. XXX. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall ensure that the policies and requirements described in the transmittal sheet of the Veterans Health Administration published on August 8, 2019, titled “Smoke-Free Policy for Employees at VA Health Care Facilities (VHA Directive 1085.01)” remain in effect.

In the report

On page 9, before the header “Progressive Design Build”, insert the following new paragraph:

Military Construction Needs.—The Committee recognizes efforts by the Military Services to explore innovative means by which to meet military construction needs. Therefore, the Committee directs the Assistant Secretaries for Energy, Installations, and Environment of each Military Service to submit a report, no later than 120 days after enactment, to include the following:

(a) A feasibility assessment on the potential application of Inter-Governmental Support Agreements (IGSA) for Major Military Construction Projects under a modified term agreement of up to 20 years; and

(b) An assessment of any further modifications to traditional IGSA requirements that may be necessary to support the administration and execution of Major Military Construction, as advisable.

On Page 32, before the header “Veterans Health Administration”, insert the following new paragraph:

Outreach to Veterans.— The Committee supports further outreach efforts via States and Indian Tribes to carry out programs that improve outreach and assistance to veterans and associated parties to ensure individuals are fully informed about, and assisted in applying for, any veterans and veterans-related benefits and programs. Of the funds provided under this heading, \$4,000,000 may be used for the purposes authorized under 38 U.S.C. 6307.

On Page 36, after the header “Reducing Health and Economic Burden of Chronic Liver Disease Among Veterans”, insert the following new paragraph:

The Committee recognizes the work of the VA to administer benefits expansion in accordance with the PACT Act to improve services available for veterans who were exposed to certain toxins during their time in service. The Committee also understands that some veterans who suffered from toxic exposures may have developed severe lung diseases that, in end stage, require high-flow oxygen support. Certain high flow oxygen support devices for end stage lung disease may only be accessible for operation in long-term acute care hospitals. Therefore, the Committee directs the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) to submit a report, not later than 120 days after enactment, to include the following: (a) An overview of current treatments, community care models, and coverage options, to include reimbursement policies, that support long-term, high flow oxygen support for veterans with service-related end-stage lung disease; (b) Steps the VHA may take to facilitate improvements to current treatments, community care models, and coverage options, to include reimbursement policies, to support long-term, high flow oxygen support for veterans with service-related end-stage lung disease; (c) A cost assessment to reflect total funds the VA may require to support a change in policy to allow long-term acute care hospitals to receive continued reimbursement, such that they may be able to administer long-term high flow oxygen treatment for veterans with service-related end stage lung disease who would otherwise require hospice home health services if not for their unique oxygen support needs.

On Page 45, after the header “Colorectal Cancer Screening”, insert the following new paragraph:

Glioblastoma and Toxic Exposure.—The Committee recognizes the urgency of improving research, early detection, and treatment options for glioblastoma, a rare but aggressive brain cancer that has increasingly affected our nation’s veterans, with growing evidence suggesting a link to toxic exposures such as burn pits and other environmental hazards. The Committee urges the Department to prioritize research on the incidence of glioblastoma among veterans, particularly Vietnam War veterans and those with known exposure to environmental toxins, and to evaluate whether existing screening and care adequately reflect the needs of this population. The Committee also encourages the Department to explore partnerships with academic and medical institutions to advance understanding of risk factors and improve outcomes for veterans diagnosed with glioblastoma.

On Page 49, before the header entitled “Suicide Prevention Coordinators” insert the following new paragraph:

Study on Leading Causes of Veteran Suicides.— The Committee directs the Comptroller General of the United States (GAO) to conduct a study on the leading causes of suicides among veterans and submit the completed report to the Committee within one year of the enactment of this bill.

On Page 53, under the header entitled “Staffing at Richard A. Pittman Community Based Outpatient Clinic” in the last sentence strike “uninterrupted” and insert “interrupted”.

On Page 56, after “Zero Water Laboratory Diagnostic Systems”, insert the following new paragraph:

Enhanced Transparency Requirements for Contractors of High-Cost VA Hospital Projects.— The Committee is concerned about the oversight and execution of select, high-cost construction projects of VA Medical Facilities and VA Health Facilities, and the impacts that lack of adequate contractor performance have had on veteran patient experience at such facilities due to construction or utility failures. The Committee therefore directs the Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Construction and Facilities Management (OCFM) to compile and submit to the Committee, not later than 120 days after enactment, a standardized requirement for an Enhanced Transparency and Community Engagement Plan, which shall apply to major VA construction projects with a total cost of or exceeding \$500 million, and all contractors who support construction elements of such projects shall comply with.

On Page 55, after the header entitled, “Spend Plan” insert the following new paragraph:

Timely Construction of VA Medical Facilities.—The Committee recognizes the critical importance of timely completion of Department of Veterans Affairs medical facilities to ensure that veterans have access to the highest quality of care possible. The Committee is aware that

rising construction costs have the potential to affect project delivery nationwide and delay urgently needed infrastructure improvements. Notwithstanding these rising costs, the Committee strongly urges the Department to prioritize the expeditious construction of all previously appropriated VA medical facility projects. Accordingly, the Committee directs the Department to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House and Senate not later than 90 days after the enactment of this Act. The report shall include a detailed cost comparison between the original budget and current projections, an explanation of cost increases, and a summary of cost containment strategies implemented to mitigate further escalation and ensure responsible stewardship of taxpayer dollars.

On Page 56, before the header entitled, “Bridging Rental Assistance for Veteran Empowerment ” insert the following new paragraph:

Audie Murphy Veterans Hospital Reconstruction.—The Committee is aware that the Department of Veterans Affairs has completed a feasibility study and has initiated an Environmental Impact Statement to evaluate options for replacing the Audie L. Murphy Memorial Veterans Hospital in San Antonio, Texas. The Committee continues to encourage the Department to advance these efforts and to expedite planning and development. Given the hospital’s age, significant infrastructure limitations, and the increasing demand for services in one of the nation’s largest veteran and active-duty military populations, construction of a new, state-of-the-art medical facility in San Antonio is critical. The Committee directs the Department to submit a report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act detailing: (1) the status and findings of the completed or ongoing feasibility study; (2) the anticipated timeline for site selection; and (3) any anticipated resource requirements necessary to support replacement of the existing hospital.

On page 62, before the header entitled “Identity Governance and Administration (IGA) Commercial Pilot Program”, insert the following new paragraph:

Benefits Technology Platform.—The Committee recognizes the importance of simplifying and accelerating the security of the important benefits veterans have earned. To improve this process, the Committee directs the Secretary to adopt a technology platform that assists veterans in the challenges faced when navigating available benefits. Of the funds provided under this heading, up to \$4,000,000 may be used to partner with an outside vendor to implement a software solution that leverages artificial intelligence and automation to assist veterans in navigating the benefits lifecycle, including application, appeals, and service connection processes.

On Page 64 under the header entitled, “Office of Inspector General”, strike \$290,000,000 and insert \$296,000,000.

On Page 66, after the header entitled, “Duplicative State Veterans Home Surveys” insert the following new paragraph:

“Grants for Construction of State Extended Care Facilities Backlog.—The Committee recognizes the Department of Veterans Affairs is experiencing a nearly \$2 billion backlog in identified priority grant projects, and that an increase in resources is required to ensure that State Veterans Homes can continue to serve their vital role for low-income veterans and those wishing to spend their final years housed and cared for among fellow veterans. The Committee directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to brief the Committee no later than August 31, 2025, on the criteria used to prioritize backlogged projects and existing procedural challenges that could impede the execution of funds required to clear the backlog.”

MILCON FY26 Adopted
Amendment #2 34-28

Chairman John Carter
MILCON/VA Subcommittee on Appropriations
FY26 MILCON/VA Appropriations Bill
Republican En Bloc

Bill

On page 50, line 19 strike “Diversity and Inclusion”

On page 50, line 24 strike “\$133,363,000” and insert “\$134,343,000”

On page 50, line 25 strike “Diversity and Inclusion”

On page 50, line 25 strike “\$9,606,581” and insert “\$7,607,000”

Strike section 416 and insert the following:

SEC. ____ (a) None of the funds appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2026 for the Department of Veterans Affairs may be obligated, awarded, or expended to procure or purchase covered information technology equipment in cases where the manufacturer, bidder, or offeror, or any subsidiary or parent entity of the manufacturer, bidder, or offeror, of the equipment is an entity or parent company of an entity listed on any of the following:

- (1) The Chinese Military Company List of the Department of Defense.
- (2) The Non-SDN Chinese Military Industrial Complex Companies List of the Department of the Treasury.
- (3) The Denied Persons List, Entity List, or Military End User List of the Department of Commerce, if the entity is—

- (A) an agency or instrumentality of the People’s Republic of China;
- (B) an entity headquartered in the People’s Republic of China; or
- (C) directly or indirectly owned or controlled by an agency, instrumentality, or entity described in subparagraph (A) or (B).

- (4) The Uyghur Forced Labor Prevention Act Entity List of the Department of Homeland Security

(b) The prohibition under subsection (a) shall apply to a case in which the Secretary of Veterans Affairs has entered into a contract with a non-Department entity for the procurement or purchase of, or the expenditure of funds on, covered information technology equipment.

(c) In this section, the term “covered information technology equipment”—

- (1) means a computer, printer, or interoperable videoconferencing equipment for direct use by employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs in an office environment; and
- (2) does not include services that use such equipment, including cloud services.

Report

On Page 16, before the header “B-21Raider Infrastructure” insert the following new paragraph:

Barracks Conditions at Fort Cavazos.—The Committee remains concerned about the condition of barracks at Fort Cavazos and notes support for the previously planned investment of \$627,000,000 for five new barracks over the fiscal year 2025 to fiscal year 2029 period at Fort Cavazos. The Secretary of the Army is directed to report to the Committee on Appropriations not later than 60 days after the enactment of the Act on planned investments in barracks at Fort Cavazos over the fiscal year 2026 to 2030 period, including investments in new barracks and refurbishment and routine maintenance of existing barracks. The Secretary shall further perform a condition assessment of each existing barracks at Fort Cavazos and include the results of those assessments in such report.

On Page 34, after “Timeliness of Care at VA Facilities”, insert the following new paragraph:

Equitable Care for Veterans.— As the Veterans Health Administration considers policies that would disregard state anesthesia licensure and practice standards, the Committee requests the Under Secretary of Health submit to the Committee within 180 days of enactment a report on how the Under Secretary intends to ensure that veterans who receive hospital care and medical services furnished by the Department of Veterans Affairs, particularly veterans who are eligible for such care and services under the PACT Act (Public Law 117-168) and the amendments made by that Act, will not receive a lower standard of care than individuals who receive care in non-Department facilities located in the same state or jurisdiction.

On Page 67, Section 210, strike Diversity and Inclusion

AMENDMENT #3

MILVA FY 26

NOT ADOPTED 26-33

RC#2

Ranking Member DeLauro
FY26 – MilConVA
Amendment #1

Amendment to the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs

Appropriations Bill

Offered by Ms. DeLauro of Connecticut

In title II, page 31, after the section on “General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration,” insert a new account:

PROTECT VETERANS FROM TARIFFS (ProVeT)

For necessary reimbursements to veterans as defined in section 101 of title 38, United States Code, for cost increases resulting from tariff policies implemented after January 20, 2025, \$100,000,000 shall remain available until expended.

In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to carry out the program, \$5,000,000 which shall be paid as appropriate for “General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration” and “General Administration”.

In the report, insert where appropriate:

Protect Veterans from Tariffs (ProVeT) Program.— The Committee is concerned that chaotic, inconsistent, and unnecessary tariffs imposed by the Administration have had detrimental impacts on prices, inflation, cost of living, and confidence in the strength of our economy. Trump’s tariff policy has harmed veteran farmers, small business owners, construction workers, and many more. Therefore, the committee provides \$100,000,000 to reimburse veterans who have directly experienced lost productivity, wages, and profits due to Trump’s harmful tariff policy. Within 120 days of the enactment of this Act, the Department is required to provide a spend plan and a briefing on its plan to reimburse impacted veterans.

MLVA FY 26
AMENDMENT #4
NOT ADDED
VV

Rep. Michael Cloud
FY26 – MilConVa
Amendment #1

AMENDMENT TITLE

On Page 24, line 10, insert at the end of the sentence, "Provided further, that of the funds made available by this section, \$3,500,000 be made available for the Naval Air Station Corpus Christi for Planning & Design of their Child Development Center."

MLVA FY26 RC#3
AMENDMENT #5
NOT ADOPTED 27-35

Ranking Member DeLauro
FY26 – MilConVA
Amendment #2

Amendment to the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs

Appropriations Bill

Offered by Ms. DeLauro of Connecticut

In the Bill, on page 37, line 20, strike, “\$450,000,000” and insert, “\$447,000,000”

In the Bill, on page 31, line 9, strike, “\$3,876,425,000” and insert,
“\$3,879,425,000”

In the report, on page 26, after the paragraph titled “Sexual Harassment and Sexual Assault Protections for VA Beneficiaries and Employees”, insert the following paragraph:

Veterans Affairs Servicing Purchase (VASP) Program.— The Committee is concerned with the sudden cancellation of the VASP program with no alternative for veterans who are struggling to avoid foreclosure and keep their homes. The Committee provides \$3,000,000 to continue the VASP Program which includes hiring dedicated full-time staff to ensure the program’s continued success. The Committee directs the Department to provide a briefing within 60 days of the enactment of this Act on a spend plan and how the Department will implement outreach strategies to ensure veteran awareness and access to this program.

MCVA FY26
AMENDMENT #6
NOT ADJUTED

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Rep. Michael Cloud
FY26 – MilConVa
Amendment #2

AMENDMENT TITLE

On Page 3, line 16, insert at the end of the sentence, "Provided further, that of the funds made available by this section, \$9,000,000 be made available for unspecified quality-of-service projects at the Naval Air Station in Corpus Christi, Texas."

MCVA FY26
AMENDMENT #7
WITHDRAWN

Rep. Wasserman Schultz
FY26 – MilConVA
Amendment #1

**AMENDMENT TO MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND
RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS BILL
OFFERED BY MS. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ OF FLORIDA**

In the bill:

In title II, in the paragraph under the heading “Cost of War Toxic Exposures Fund”, insert before the period at the end the following:

“; and, in addition, \$51,742,000,000, which shall become available on October 1, 2026, and shall remain available until expended”.

In the report:

Insert at the appropriate place the following:

Advance Funding for Veterans Medical Care from the Cost of War Toxic Exposures Fund.—For 15 years, the Committee has fulfilled its commitment to fully fund veterans medical care in full and to the best of the Committee’s ability, one full year in advance. Three years ago, the PACT Act established the Cost of War Toxic Exposures Fund (TEF) as a dedicated source of additional mandatory funding to address the increased demand on services at and provided by the VA because of the promises made in that law, including but not limited to increases in the necessary resources for veterans medical care. Consistent with the Committee’s historical commitment to fully fund veterans medical care in advance and the promises made in the PACT Act, the bill includes advance appropriations of \$51,742,000,00 for fiscal year 2027 in the TEF, equal to the President’s request, which is intended to be allocated consistent with the budget request for Medical Services, Medical Community Care, and Medical Support and Compliance.

AMENDMENT IN
THE SECOND DEGREE
TO AMENDMENT #7
WITHDRAWN

Rep. John Carter
FY26– MilCon-VA
Amendment #3

Representative Carter offers an amendment to the amendment offered by Ms. Wasserman-Schultz of Florida.

Strike “and shall remain available until expended” and insert “and shall remain available until September 30, 2027”

AMENDMENT #8
MILCON 26 RC#4
NOT ADOPTED 25-31

Ranking Member Wasserman Schultz
FY26 – MilCon VA
Amendment #2

Amendment to the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs

Appropriations Bill

Offered by Ms. Wasserman Schultz of Florida

In the Report:

On page 3, after the paragraph titled “Advertising Contracts for Small Business”, insert the following paragraph.

“Impact of Tariffs on MILCON. —The Committee directs the Comptroller General to submit a report, not later than 120 days after the enactment of this Act, on the effect of any tariffs announced during the period of January 20, 2025 until the date of the enactment of this Act, on the cost of construction materials used in military construction projects. The report shall include an analysis of the impact to the overall cost of military construction projects and delays to military construction projects for which funding has been provided.”

MLVA FY 26
AMENDMENT #9
WITHDRAWN

Rep. Michael Cloud
FY26 – MilConVa
Amendment #3

AMENDMENT TITLE

On Page 3, line 16, insert at the end of the sentence, “Provided further, that of the funds made available by this section, \$10,602,000 be made available for airfields, runways, and Naval outlying Fields that support the Chief of Naval Air Training and the Naval Air Station in Corpus Christi, Texas.”

MCVA FY26 RCHS
AMENDMENT #10
NOT ADOPTED
27-34

Ranking Member Wasserman Schultz
FY26 – MilCon VA
Amendment #3

Amendment to the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs

Appropriations Bill

Offered by Ms. Wasserman Schultz of Florida

In title II of the bill under Administrative Provisions where appropriate, insert:

SEC. __. No funds shall be available to conduct any reduction in force pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 3501 – 3504 or 5 U.S.C. § 3595, or any similar reduction of positions below the statutorily authorized level, at the Department of Veterans' Affairs, unless such reduction has been provided for in this Act.

MILVA FY 26
AMENDMENT #11
NOT ADDED
28-34

RC #6

Ranking Member Wasserman Schultz
FY26 – MilConVA
Amendment #4

Amendment to the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs

Appropriations Bill

Offered by Ms. Wasserman Schultz of Florida

In the Committee Report, on page 61, after the paragraph titled “Delays with Board of Veterans Appeals” insert the following paragraph:

Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) Access.—The Committee remains concerned that employees assigned to DOGE have unprecedented and potentially illegal access to veteran data including private information such as social security numbers and disability status. Additionally, the Committee is aware that DOGE has censored email communications of VA employees, including blocking key words such as “reduction in force.” This access creates cybersecurity risks for the Department and for all employees at VA and veterans that use VA services. Therefore, the Committee directs the Government Accountability Office to report on DOGE’s activities at VA and provide it to the committee within 90 days of the enactment of this Act. This report shall include details about the number of DOGE employees at VA, their job titles, job descriptions, IT systems they have accessed, any software or artificial intelligence systems they have created and deployed, the kind of personal data on veterans and VA employees they are allowed to access, and GAO’s assessment on the risk this poses to privacy and national security.

MCVA FY26
AMENDMENT #12
NOT ADOPTED
27-34

RC #8

Rep. Marcy Kaptur
FY26 – MILCON/VA
Amendment #1

Amendment to restore funding for NATO

In the Bill:

On page 9, line 24, increase the amount by \$188,000,000.

MCVA FY 26
AMENDMENT #13

RC#8

NOT ADOPTED

28-34

Rep. Bishop
FY26 – MilConVA
Amendment # 1

**AMENDMENT TO MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND
RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS BILL
OFFERED BY MR. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR. OF GEORGIA**

In the report:

Insert at the appropriate place the following:

Spend Plan Required for Medical Community Care Funding.— With an unprecedented increase of 67% funding for Community Care, the Committee requires a spend plan from the Department to account and track the expenses paid through the Community Care program. This plan will help the Committee and Department determine what needs are required that cannot be provided through already established Veteran Affairs Medical Centers and Clinics. The provided spend plan will avoid overspending by the Department and ensure appropriated funds are only spent on veteran care that is not provided at Veteran Affairs Medical Centers and/or care that is inaccessible due to living in rural communities or other like circumstances. Spend plans should be reviewed by the Committee on a quarterly basis.

MCVA FY 26
AMENDMENT #14
RC #9
NOT ADDED
28-34

Rep. Bishop
FY26 – MilConVA
Amendment #2

**AMENDMENT TO MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND
RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS BILL
OFFERED BY MR. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR. OF GEORGIA**

In the report:

Insert at the appropriate place the following:

Veteran Suicide Hotline Report to Determine Effects of Recent Employee Firings.— As of April 2024, 7.7 million calls, 941,000 chats, 377,000 text messages led to a referral of more than 1.5 million veterans to suicide prevention coordinators. During the DOGE attacks on federal workers, the Secretary fired 24 employees at the suicide helpline in February 2025. The Committee directs the Government Accountability Office to conduct a report that details how many suicide hotline employees were fired, and impact on veterans seeing help during the period of January 2025 to June 2025. This report should also include how many suicides were reported during this period of decreased manning to the suicide hotline services.

MILVA FY26
AMENDMENT #15
WITHDRAWN

Rep. Henry Cuellar
FY26 – MILCON-VA
Amendment #1

EFFICIENCY, COMPETITION, PERFORMANCE, AND CONTRACT MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS AMENDMENT

SEC. XXX. EFFICIENCY, COMPETITION, PERFORMANCE, AND CONTRACT MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS.

(a) Performance and Regulatory Efficiency Reviews.

None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act to the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of Defense for military construction, or any component thereof may be obligated or expended unless the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense (or their designees)—

(1) Conducts annual program and operational performance reviews using outcome-based metrics consistent with the Government Performance and Results Modernization Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-352);

(2) Completes a comprehensive review of agency rules, internal policies, and administrative requirements to identify outdated, duplicative, or inefficient provisions, and submits a Regulatory Modernization Report to the Committees on Appropriations within 18 months of enactment;

(3) Identifies cost savings, administrative streamlining opportunities, and overlapping functions;

(4) Adopts a framework to implement technological solutions for project oversight, milestone verification, and transparent reporting of disbursements; and

(5) Submits a consolidated summary of findings and planned improvements to the Committees on Appropriations within 240 days of enactment.

(b) Contracting and Procurement Standards.

None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to enter into a new contract, grant, or cooperative agreement exceeding \$5,000,000 unless —

(1) The award is made through full and open competition, except where urgent financial stability, national security, or public interest functions are certified in writing to the Committees on Appropriations;

(2) The contract, grant, or cooperative agreement includes enforceable provisions requiring (i) project delivery on budget and on schedule; and (ii) the delineation of specific performance objectives and milestones with timelines for meeting such objectives and milestones;

(3) The awarding agency adopts a framework to implement a technology-based or otherwise automated system to (i) verify and track awardee progress against agreement objectives, milestones, and timelines; (ii) make continuous disbursements contingent upon verified completion of agreement objectives, milestones, and timelines; and (iii) securely record and retain verification data and supporting documentation to ensure a transparent audit trail of each disbursement;

(4) The agreement includes appropriate financial penalties, including liquidated damages, for unjustified cost overruns or schedule delays; and

(5) For contracts or agreements exceeding \$10,000,000, the agency must submit a Contract Performance Summary to the Committees within 90 days of award.

(c) Quarterly Oversight Reporting

Each agency covered under this Act shall submit quarterly reports to the Committees on Appropriations that include:

(1) Progress on annual performance reviews and implementation;

(2) Regulatory modernization actions taken or planned;

(3) Performance status of high-value contracts and grants, including details on performance objectives, the completion of milestones, and related timelines in accordance with subsection (b)(2)(ii) and (b)(3), accompanied by verification records preserved by a technology-based or otherwise automated system;

(4) Identified cost savings and reinvestment proposals; and

(5) Status of updated performance metrics as required under section (d).

(d) Development and Submission of Updated Performance Metrics

None of the funds made available by this Act may be obligated or expended unless each agency covered under this section –

(1) Develops or updates performance metrics aligned with the findings of subsection (a)(1);

(2) Ensures all performance metrics are consistent with GPRMA standards and relevant to strategic goals (e.g., procurement timeliness, fraud prevention, IT modernization outcomes), and incorporates provisions for the secure recording and retention of verification data used to confirm the achievement of a contract, grant, or cooperative agreement, ensuring traceability and a transparent audit trail of each disbursement;

(3) Submits the updated performance metrics to the Committees on Appropriations within 180 days of enactment; and

(4) Provides a justification for each measure explaining its role in improving agency effectiveness, cost control, or public service.

MCVA FY26
AMENDMENT #16
RC #10
NOT AGREED
29-34

Rep. Chellie Pingree
FY26 – MilCon-VA
Amendment #1

**Amendment to Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related
Agencies Appropriations Bill**

Offered by Ms. Pingree of Maine

In the bill:

On page 32, line 17: increase by \$2,000,000

On page 37, line 20: reduce by \$2,000,000

In the report:

On page 51, insert the following text in the paragraph entitled *Prescription Produce*: “The Committee provides \$2,000,000 for VA facilities to partner directly with organizations to develop and implement local VA produce prescription programs and pursue strategies for patient education and outreach.”

MCVA FY 26
AMENDMENT #17

RC #4
NOT ADOPTED
28-34

Rep. Grace Meng
FY26 – MilCon/VA
Amendment #1

**AMENDMENT TO MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND
VETERANS AFFAIRS APPROPRIATIONS BILL
OFFERED BY MS. MENG OF NEW YORK**

In The Bill:

Sec. __ None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to deny back pay in accordance with section 5596 of title 5, United States Code, to any employee of the Department of Veterans Affairs, including employees who were serving under a probationary or trial period due to a promotion, and who were (1) involuntarily removed and subsequently reinstated or appointed to a position at the Department during the period beginning on January 20, 2025, and ending on the date of enactment of this Act. This shall not apply to any individual removed from a political position as described under sections 5312 through 5316 of title 5, United States Code (relating to the Executive Schedule); a noncareer appointee (as that term is defined in section 3132(a) or such title); or a position in the executive branch of the Government of a confidential or policy-determining character under schedule C of subpart C of part 213 of title 5, Code of Federal Regulations.

MCVA FY 26
AMENDMENT # 18
RC # 12
NOT ADOPTED
28-35

Rep. Mark Pocan
FY26 – MilConVA

**Amendment to the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations
Bill**

Offered by Mr. Pocan of Wisconsin

In the Report:

On page 26, after the paragraph titled “Veterans in the Pacific”, insert the following paragraph.

“Impact of FY25 Budget Reconciliation Legislation on Veteran Population.

—The Committee directs the Comptroller General to submit a report, not later than 120 days after the enactment of this Act, on the estimated impacts to the veteran population that could result from the House-passed Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Reconciliation Legislation, or the “One Big Beautiful Bill Act.” The report shall include, but not be limited to, an analysis of estimated impacts to veterans’ access to healthcare, including in rural areas, access to nutrition assistance and overall veteran food insecurity, access to student financial aid and higher education, impacts to average monthly student loan repayments for veterans, veterans’ overall cost of living, and impacts to veteran mental health.

MCA FY 26
AMENDMENT #14
RC #13
NOT ADOPTED
27-35

Rep. Lois Frankel
FY26— MilConVA
Amendment #1

Amendment to the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies

Appropriations Bill

Offered by Ms. Frankel of Florida

Description:

An amendment striking Section 255, which prohibits federal funding for abortion.

AMENDMENT TO THE MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS,
AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS BILL
OFFERED BY MRS. TORRES

At the appropriate place in the bill, insert the following:

**SEC. ____ . PROTECTIONS FOR NON-CITIZEN VETERANS IN REMOVAL
PROCEEDINGS.**

(a) **Access to Legal Counsel.**—None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to remove from the United States any non-citizen veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States unless the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of Justice certify that—

(1) the individual was provided access to legal counsel, at no cost to the government if necessary, and

(2) the individual was afforded a full and fair hearing in removal proceedings before an immigration judge consistent with current law.

(c) **Reporting Requirement.**— Not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate detailing—

(1) the number of non-citizen veterans placed in removal proceedings in the preceding fiscal year;

(2) the outcomes of such proceedings; and

(3) the legal representation status of each such veteran.

MLVAFY26
AMENDMENT #21
RC #15
NOT ADOPTED
27-35

Rep. Torres/ Rep. Levin
FY26 – MilConVA
Amendment #2

**AMENDMENT TO THE MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS,
AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS BILL
OFFERED BY MRS. TORRES**

At the appropriate place in the bill, insert the following:

SEC. ____ PROTECTIONS FOR STATES FORM POLITICAL PROSECUTION

(a) None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to:

- (1) withhold, delay, or condition federal funding to punish states for their political positions;
- (2) create new requirements for federal funding that target specific states based on political considerations; or
- (3) enforce existing federal requirements in a discriminatory manner based on state political leadership.

(b) Any individual who receives funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act and who has reason to believe the above directive in (a) has been violated must share their information with the Inspectors General funded in this Act, as well as the Government Accountability Office. The Inspectors General shall brief the Committee on violations and on willful disregard of provision (a).

(c) If GAO determines a violation of the Anti-Deficiency Act due to the violation of this clause, no funds may be obligated or expended for the Office of the Secretary.

MVAFY 26
AMENDMENT #72
WITHDRAWN

*Amendment to the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies
Appropriations Bill*

Offered by Mr. Espaillat

At the appropriate place in the bill, insert the following:

SEC. ____.

No funds in this Act shall be used to carry out Executive Order 14224.

MCVA FY 26
AMENDMENT #23
WITHDRAWN

Representative Adriano Espaillat
FY26 – MilConVa

**AMENDMENT TO THE MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED
AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS BILL
OFFERED BY MR. ESPAILLAT**

At the appropriate place in the bill, insert the following:

SEC. __. IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT IN PROXIMITY TO VETERAN AFFAIR
HOSPITALS AND MEDICAL CENTERS

- (a) No funds appropriated by this Act may be used for immigration enforcement measures within the 1000 feet of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers except under exigent circumstances which includes the imminent risk of death, violence, or physical harm to any person, including a situation implicating terrorism or the national security of the United States in some other manner

MILVA FY26
AMENDMENT #29
RC #16
NOT ADOPTED
28-35

Rep. Lauren Underwood

FY26 – MilConVa

Amendment #1

**AMENDMENT TO MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND VETERANS AFFAIRS
APPROPRIATIONS BILL OFFERED BY MS. UNDERWOOD OF ILLINOIS**

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following new section:

SEC. 4__. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to close a hospital of the Department of Veterans Affairs unless the Secretary of Veterans Affairs determines and certifies to Congress that such closure shall not diminish the ability of the Secretary to furnish VA-based hospital care and medical services to veterans in the area served by such hospital.

MCVA FY 26
AMENDMENT #25
ADOPTED VV

**AMENDMENT TO MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND
VETERANS AFFAIRS APPROPRIATIONS BILL
OFFERED BY MS. UNDERWOOD OF ILLINOIS**

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert
the following:

- 1 SEC. _____. None of the funds made available by this
- 2 Act may be used to reduce the staffing, hours of operation,
- 3 or services of the Veterans Crisis Line or any other suicide
- 4 prevention program of the Department of Veterans Af-
- 5 fairs.



MCVA FY 26
AMENDMENT # 26

RL#17

NOT ADOPTED

28-35

Rep. Mike Levin
FY26 – MILCON
Revised Amendment #1

RESPECT AMERICA'S CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT

In the bill.

At the appropriate place insert the following:

“Sec. ____ (a) None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this or any other Act, or provided from any accounts in the Treasury of the United States derived by the collection of fees available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be obligated or expended to—

(1) carry out or facilitate activities that restrict or redirect funds in any way that is not outlined in this Act or in statute.

MEVA F-126
AMENDMENT #17
RC#18
NOT ADOPTED
28-35

Rep. Mike Levin
FY26 – MILCON
Amendment #2

VA CLINICAL TRIAL DISRUPTION

In the report on page 57, after the paragraph titled “Advanced Platform Technology (APT) Center” insert:

“Clinical Trial Disruptions.--The Committee acknowledges the important research VA conducts to improve medical care for veterans. The Committee was disturbed to hear reports of disruptions in lifesaving clinical trials caused by the federal hiring freeze, firings of essential staff, and the cancelation of contracts. The Committee requires the Inspector General at the Department of Veterans Affairs to investigate and report to Congress within 180 days of enactment whether any clinical trials have been cancelled, paused, or delayed since January 21, 2025.”

MILVA FY 26
AMENDMENT #28
NOT ADOPTED
VV

Rep. Mike Levin
FY26 – MILCON
Amendment #3

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION STAFFING AMENDMENT

In the report on page 5, after the paragraph reading “Facilities Sustainment, Restoration, and Modernization (FSRM), insert the following:

“Military Construction Staffing – The Committee is concerned about the impact of the federal hiring freeze, firings of essential staff, and deferred resignations on the military’s ability to build safe and clean housing for service members and their families. The Committee requires the United States Army Corps of Engineers and the Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command to report to Congress within 180 days of enactment on staffing since the beginning of the calendar year, including details of open positions affected by the hiring freeze, the status of exemptions, and the number of staff who are affected by the deferred resignation program.”

MILCON FY 26
AMENDMENT #29

RC #19

NOT ADDED

28-35

Rep. Mike Levin
FY26 – MILCON
Amendment #4

BARRACKS MANAGERS AMENDMENT

In the report on page 4, after the paragraph reading “Reprogramming Guidelines,” insert the following:

“Barracks Managers – The Committee is concerned about the impact of the federal hiring freeze, firings of essential staff, and deferred resignations on the military’s ability to hire and retain barracks managers. The Committee requires the Department of Defense to report to Congress within 180 days of enactment on staffing of barracks manager positions since the beginning of the calendar year, including details of open positions affected by the hiring freeze, the status of exemptions, and the number of staff who are affected by the deferred resignation program.”

MILVA FY26
AMENDMENT #30
ADOPTED VV

Rep. Madeleine Dean
FY26 – MilconVA
Amendment #1

**Amendment to the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies
Appropriations Bill
Offered by Ms. Dean of Pennsylvania**

In the Report:

On Page 42, under the header “Mental Health Programs” replace “\$306,683,000” with “\$311,683,000” and make other conforming changes as necessary.

MLVA FY26
AMENDMENT #31
RC #20
NOT ADDED
29-34

Rep. Madeleine Dean
FY26 – MilconVA
Amendment #2

**Amendment to the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies
Appropriations Bill
Offered by Ms. Dean of Pennsylvania**

In the report:

Insert at the appropriate place the following:

PFAS Standards: PFAS Chemicals, also known as forever chemicals, because they do not breakdown easily, continue to endanger our men and women in uniform, our families that live in military installations, and communities near closed bases. PFAS chemicals are linked to harmful health effects, and we must do more to reduce exposure and clean up contamination in our communities. The Committee directs the department to remediate PFOA and PFOS to 4 parts per trillion at BRAC installations.

MILVA FY 26
AMENDMENT #33
NOT ADOPTED
VV

Rep. Veronica Escobar
FY26 – MILCON/VA
Amendment #2

**AMENDMENT TO MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS,
AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS BILL
OFFERED BY MS. ESCOBAR OF TEXAS**

In the report:

On page 6, at the end of the paragraph headed “Barracks and Dormitories”, insert the following new paragraph:

Department Of Defense Border Operations and Border Barrier Spend Plan – The Committee acknowledges the Department of Defense’s notification to Congress of the decision to reprogram funds originally designated to support military construction and move funds for barracks restoration and sustainment toward support of the border mission. The Committee also recognizes that continued underfunding of barracks sustainment costs have allowed for persistent degradation of service member quality of life, as included in the September 2023 GAO report titled, “Military Barracks: Poor Living Conditions Undermine Quality of Life and Readiness.” As such, the Committee is concerned about the impacts to service member quality of life, military construction project programming, and projected barracks improvements due to these actions. To ensure appropriate oversight on this matter, the Secretary of Defense shall submit a detailed spend plan, no later than 30 days after enactment, to the Congressional Appropriations Committees, on all Department of Defense funds reprogrammed or reallocated to support border operations and border barrier construction under USC 2803. This spend plan shall, at minimum, include the following:

- (a) The total funds reprogrammed or reallocated for these purposes;
- (b) The disaggregated funding amounts reprogrammed or reallocated to support costs of wider border operations, and border barrier construction, respectively;
- (c) The sources of funds to support each component listed in subsection (B), by account;
- (d) The status of unobligated balances and military construction projects experiencing cost growth that will require future reprogrammings;
- (e) The original spend plan for all funds sourced from Facilities Sustainment, Restoration, and Modernization accounts;
- (f) A list of specific barracks projects that will be delayed, reduced, or canceled due to the reallocation of funds;
- (g) An outline of the present conditions of said barracks projects originally designated to receive funding through the designation of these monies; and
- (h) The total number of service members living in barracks impacted by this reallocation of funds.

MILVA FY26
AMENDMENT #34
NOT ADDED
VV

Rep. Veronica Escobar
FY26 – MILCON/VA
Amendment #3

**AMENDMENT TO MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS,
AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS BILL
OFFERED BY MS. ESCOBAR OF TEXAS**

In the bill:

On page 14, between lines 13 and 14, insert the following new section:

Sec. ____ . None of the funds made available in this Act or any other Act may be obligated or expended for any military construction projects under the authority established under 10 U.S.C. Section 2808 (a) after a period of 90 days has elapsed from the date such authority is exercised under a declaration of war or national emergency, unless written approval is granted from both the Senate and House of Representatives to continue the exercise of such authority.

MILVA FY 26
AMENDMENT #35
ADDITIONAL VV

Rep. Wasserman Schultz
FY26 – MilCon/VA
Amendment #5

**AMENDMENT TO THE MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS,
AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS BILL
OFFERED BY MS. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ OF FLORIDA**

In the bill:

In title II, in the paragraph under the heading “Cost of War Toxic Exposures Fund”, insert before the period at the end the following:

“; and, in addition, \$51,742,000,000, which shall become available on October 1, 2026, and shall remain available until September 30, 2028”.

In the report:

Insert at the appropriate place the following:

Advance Funding for Veterans Medical Care from the Cost of War Toxic Exposures Fund.—For 15 years, the Committee has fulfilled its commitment fully fund veterans medical care in full and to the best of the Committee’s ability, one full year in advance. 3 years ago, the PACT Act established the Cost of War Toxic Exposures Fund (TEF) as a dedicated source of additional funding to address the increased demand on services at and provided by the VA as a result of the promises made in that law, including but not limited to increases in the necessary resources for veterans medical care. Consistent with the Committee’s historical commitment to fully fund veterans medical care in advance and the promises made in the PACT Act, the bill includes advance appropriations of \$51,742,000,00 for fiscal year 2027 in the TEF, which is intended to be allocated consistent with the budget request for Medical Services, Medical Community Care, and Medical Support and Compliance.

MIVA FY 26
AMENDMENT #32
RC #21
NOT ADDED
26-30

Rep. Veronica Escobar
FY26 – MILCON/VA
Amendment #1

**AMENDMENT TO MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS,
AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS BILL
OFFERED BY MS. ESCOBAR OF TEXAS**

In the bill:

On page 79, strike section 260.