

En Bloc Amendments to H.R. 2810

**Subcommittee on Military Personnel
En Bloc # 3**

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065	Jones	Sets up an advisory board for military commissaries and exchanges.
082	Brady	Directs GAO to provide a report on how military services collect and maintain data on the race and gender of service members convicted under the UCMJ, recommendations on how to improve the process, and analysis to help determine whether racial disparities exist.
102	Speier	Directs the Secretary of Defense to submit to the Committees on Armed Services a report on DOD personnel policies regarding members of the Armed Forces infected with HIV.
149r1	Veasey	Directs SecDef to brief HASC on availability of certified financial planners to service members and how service members are informed of this availability at the onset of the new Blended Retirement System.
191	Wenstrup	Residency Requirements for Podiatrists
284	Thornberry	Creates a defense public service medal to be awarded by the Congress.
287	Carbajal	Sense of Congress re: National Guard's Youth Challenge Program.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2810
OFFERED BY MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA

At the appropriate place in title VI, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 6__ . ADVISORY BOARDS AND REPORT REGARDING**
2 **MILITARY COMMISSARIES AND EXCHANGES.**

3 The Secretary of Defense shall direct each com-
4 manding officer of a military base on which there is a mili-
5 tary commissary or exchange to establish an advisory
6 board, comprised of representatives of military or veterans
7 service organizations, to advise the commanding officer re-
8 garding the interests of patrons and beneficiaries of mili-
9 tary commissaries and exchanges.



**Amendment to H.R. 2810
National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018**

Offered by: Representative Robert A. Brady (PA-1)

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2810, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Comptroller General Report on Race Data in the Military Justice System

The committee is aware of a recent report that concluded that racial disparities may exist in the military justice system. The committee notes that the report relies on incomplete information because of differences in the way in which the military services collect and maintain data on this subject. Therefore, not later than January 30, 2019, the committee directs the Comptroller General of the United States to submit a report to the Armed Services Committee of the House of Representatives containing the following components: (1) how the military services record and maintain the race and gender of service members convicted of violations of the Uniform Code of Military Justice; (2) the reason for any differences in collection and maintenance of this data among the military services; (3) recommendations to improve the collection of this data; (4) data and analysis to assist the committee in determining whether there is a racial disparity in the prosecution of cases under the Uniform Code of Military Justice; and (5) any other matters the Comptroller General believes are relevant to this issue.

Amendment to H.R. 2810 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018

Offered by: Jackie Speier

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2810, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Personnel Policies regarding Members of the Armed Forces Infected with Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)

On September 22, 2014, the Department of Defense (DOD) submitted a report to Congress in response to section 572 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2014 (Public Law 113-66) on personnel policies regarding members of the Armed Forces infected with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and hepatitis B (HBV). The Committee notes that while the report received did outline the current DOD policies, it failed to include how current policies reflect the evidence base and medical advances in the fields of HIV. The report also fell short in describing the criteria for which these policies are implemented throughout different branches and among commanding officers. Therefore, not later March 1, 2018, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on Department of Defense personnel policies regarding members of the Armed Forces infected with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). The report shall include the following:

- (1) A description of policies addressing the enlistment or commissioning of individuals with these conditions and retention policies, deployment policies, discharge policies, and disciplinary policies regarding individuals with these conditions.
- (2) An update on the status of the Department of Army's HIV policy, which was under review during the issuance of the 2014 report.
- (3) An assessment of these policies, with reference to medical experts and literature, which includes how the policies reflect an evidence-based, medically accurate understanding of how this condition is contracted; how this condition can be transmitted to other individuals; the risk of transmission; and treatment regimens available.
- (4) The feasibility of allowing an individual who is currently serving as an enlisted member of the Armed Forces become a commissioned officer of the Armed Forces and what restrictions are different for an officer.

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**Amendment to H.R. 2810
National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018**

Offered by Mr. Veasey of Texas

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2810, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Service Member Financial Planning

The Committee is concerned with the ensuring the Department of Defense provides sufficient assistance to service members retiring under the new Blended Retirement System beginning in January 2018. Specifically, current service members will have the option to opt into the Blended Retirement System and will be authorized to elect to take a lump sum disbursement of their retirement pay. The Committee remains concerned about ensuring service members are fully aware of their options and able to make the best choice for themselves and their families. Therefore, the Secretary of Defense will provide a briefing to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives, no later than March 1, 2018, on the number of financial planners the Department has available to service members and how service members are informed or advised concerning professional financial planning and the availability of professional financial planners.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2810
OFFERED BY MR. WENSTRUP OF OHIO

At the appropriate place in title VII, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 7__ . RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR PODIATRISTS.**

2 (a) **REQUIREMENT.**—In addition to any other quali-
3 fication required by law or regulation, the Secretary of De-
4 fense shall ensure that to serve as a podiatrist in the
5 Armed Forces, an individual must have successfully com-
6 pleted a three-year podiatric medicine and surgical resi-
7 dency.

8 (b) **APPLICATION.**—Subsection (a) shall apply with
9 respect to an individual who is commissioned as an officer
10 in the Armed Forces on or after the date that is one year
11 after the date of the enactment of this Act.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2810
OFFERED BY MR. THORNBERRY

At the end of subtitle F of title V, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 562. CONGRESSIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL.**

2 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Chapter 57 of title 10,
3 United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the
4 following new section:

5 **“§ 1136. Congressional Defense Service Medal**

6 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Defense
7 shall award, at the behest of and on behalf of Congress,
8 a Congressional Defense Service Medal to a group or other
9 entity to recognize, subject to subsection (c)(1), the exem-
10 plary service or significant achievement of the group or
11 other entity in furtherance of the defense and national se-
12 curity of the United States.

13 “(b) DESIGN AND CONTENT.—A Congressional De-
14 fense Service Medal shall be a gold medal of appropriate
15 design, with suitable emblems, devices, and inscriptions.
16 The Secretary of Defense may design a Congressional De-
17 fense Service Medal to recognize the specific group or
18 other entity and the service or achievement for which the
19 Congressional Defense Service Medal is being awarded.

1 “(c) ELIGIBILITY LIMITATIONS.—

2 “(1) NATURE OF SERVICE OR ACHIEVEMENT.—

3 For a group or other entity to be eligible for the
4 award of a Congressional Defense Service Medal, the
5 service or achievement to be recognized must—

6 “(A) be in the field of endeavor of the
7 group or other entity; and

8 “(B) represent either a lengthy period of
9 continuous superior service or achievement or a
10 single act of service or achievement so signifi-
11 cant that the group or other entity is recog-
12 nized and acclaimed by others in the same field
13 of endeavor, as evidenced by the recipient hav-
14 ing received the highest honors in the field.

15 “(2) EFFECT OF OTHER FEDERAL RECOGNI-
16 TION.—A group or other entity may not receive a
17 Congressional Defense Service Medal in recognition
18 of service or achievement for which the group or
19 other entity received a medal from the United States
20 previously for the same or substantially the same
21 service or achievement.

22 “(3) PROHIBITION ON AWARD TO AN INDI-
23 VIDUAL.—A Congressional Defense Service Medal
24 may not be awarded to a single individual.

1 “(d) TIME LIMITATIONS.—A Congressional Defense
2 Service Medal may not be awarded to a group or entity—

3 “(1) until at least five years after the conclu-
4 sion of the exemplary service or significant achieve-
5 ment for which the Congressional Defense Service
6 Medal is being awarded; and

7 “(2) unless the award is made within 25 years
8 after the conclusion of the exemplary service or sig-
9 nificant achievement for which the Congressional
10 Defense Service Medal is being awarded.

11 “(e) DUPLICATE MEDALS.—The Secretary of De-
12 fense may arrange for the striking and sale of duplicates
13 in bronze of a Congressional Defense Service Medal, at
14 a price sufficient to cover the cost thereof, including labor,
15 materials, dies, use of machinery, and overhead expenses,
16 and the cost of the gold Congressional Defense Service
17 Medal.”.

18 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
19 at the beginning of chapter 57 of title 10, United States
20 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new
21 item:

“1136. Congressional Defense Service Medal.”.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2810
OFFERED BY MR. CARBAJAL OF CALIFORNIA

At the appropriate place in title X, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 10 ____ . FINDINGS AND SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARD-**
2 **ING THE NATIONAL GUARD YOUTH CHAL-**
3 **LENCE PROGRAM.**

4 (a) **FINDINGS.**—Congress finds the following:

5 (1) Fewer than 30 percent of youth in the
6 United States qualify for military service, either be-
7 cause of poor physical health, a criminal record, or
8 lack of a high school degree.

9 (2) The National Guard Youth Challenge Pro-
10 gram provides the Department of Defense an oppor-
11 tunity to work with State and local governments to
12 engage with the youth of the nation, providing mili-
13 tary-based training, the opportunity to earn a high
14 school degree, and high physical fitness standards.

15 (b) **SENSE OF CONGRESS.**—It is the sense of Con-
16 gress that it is critical to allocate the necessary resources
17 to the National Guard Youth Challenge Program of the
18 Department of Defense as it plays a critical role in pre-

- 1 paring the next generation of qualified youth for military
- 2 service.

