

SUBCOMMITTEE ON MILITARY PERSONNEL EN BLOC #1

LOG ID	REV	MEMBER	MARKUP LOC	DESCRIPTION	MARKUP ACT
1544	0	Scott, Austin	MLP	This amendment would elevate the position of the Vice Chief of the National Guard Bureau to the rank of 4-star General. This identical amendment was offered last year by Rep. Scott and included as part of an en bloc package at the mark-up of the FY 22 NDAA.	EB 1
1559	0	Speier, Jackie	MLP	Establish car-sharing pilot on installations in Alaska.	EB 1
1568	0	Speier, Jackie	MLP	Reverse May 1 payment rate cuts to applied behavior analysis payment rates under the Autism Care Demonstration	EB 1
1578	0	Speier, Jackie	MLP	Add plan to expand tele-behavioral health to report on closing behavioral health shortfall	EB 1
1597	1	Stefanik, Elise	MLP	Expands the In Your Home Child Care Fee Assistance Pilot Program from five locations to six locations.	EB 1
1604	0	Stefanik, Elise	MLP	Requires a report on organic software engineering capability in the military services.	EB 1
1619	2	Luria, Elaine G.	MLP	Directs a briefing on the steps taken to address the quality of life issues onboard USS George Washington.	EB 1
1620	0	Crow, Jason	MLP	Establishes a Space National Guard comprised of the National Guard forces of the 8 states/territories currently conducting space missions.	EB 1
1638	0	Scott, Austin	MLP	This DRL directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by July 1, 2023, on the feasibility of allowing military members to transition multiple times throughout the course of a career between full and part-time pay status.	EB 1
1645	0	Johnson, Mike	MLP	Requires SECARMY to report on money spent on recruiting by region / recruiting battalion compared to number of recruits obtained	EB 1
1646	0	Waltz, Michael	MLP	Included in House version of the FY22 NDAA, exempts the spouses, parents, and children of Purple Heart recipients from USCIS's naturalization processing fees	EB 1
1648	0	Waltz, Michael	MLP	Leverages the collective research assets and experience of U.S. & Israel to develop best-practices in research, diagnosing, and treating PTSD. Establishes a grant program for American universities and private non-profit institutions that team-up with an Israeli counterpart.	EB 1
1652	0	Moulton, Seth	MLP	Directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a report and provide a briefing on the prevalence of adverse childhood experiences amongst servicemembers, and correlation with future violence victimization and perpetration.	EB 1

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1654	1	Waltz, Michael	MLP	Provides the Secretary of the Army the authority to offer early commissioning to ROTC students in STEM fields as an additional recruiting incentive, based on Army needs.	EB 1
1658	1	Speier, Jackie	MLP	Require services to promote child care fee assistance and in-home child care pilot program	EB 1
1662	0	Jackson, Ronny	MLP	This would codify the Medical Officer of the Marine Corps.	EB 1
1663	1	Jackson, Ronny	MLP	Require a GAO report within 180 days of the Secretary of Defense entering into a "major military health care contract." The amendment provides a temporary definition and directs DoD to provide the criteria for a "major military health care contract" to inform a future definition.	EB 1
1667	1	Jackson, Ronny	MLP	Improvements for licensure reciprocity for health-care professionals providing medical treatment as part of a mission relating to emergency, humanitarian, or refugee assistance.	EB 1
1671	0	Bacon, Don	MLP	Amends title 10 to allow military service academies to provide limited logistical support and endorsement to charitable foundations that support the academies	EB 1
1683	0	Brooks, Mo	MLP	Proposal would require the FAA to modify 14 CFR 61.73 so DoD civilian pilots that undergo the same training as their active duty, Guard, & Reserve counterparts, receive the same treatment with respect to FAA recognition of pilot ratings.	EB 1
1688	0	Scott, Austin	MLP	This DRL directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by July 1, 2023 on the feasibility of expanding TriCare and military healthcare benefits to dual-status reserve technicians across the services.	EB 1
1691	1	Slotkin, Elissa	MLP	Directs the Department to make broad use of the SkillBridge program by engaging with new industry partners and provide a briefing on the status of the SkillBridge program	EB 1
1695	0	Scott, Austin	MLP	This DRL directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by July 1, 2023, on the current status of the military travel voucher program is possible to streamline this process to reimburse military members for travel.	EB 1
1696	0	Scott, Austin	MLP	This DRL directs the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs to provide a briefing no later than September 30, 2023, to the congressional defense committee on DoD's activities to support global health security.	EB 1
1707	0	Scott, Austin	MLP	This amendment would establish a new partnership program between the United States and Ukraine for military trauma care and research.	EB 1
1716	1	Bergman, Jack	MLP	Report on Legacy Advertising	EB 1

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1717	0	Bergman, Jack	MLP	Cyber Career Field Bonus Report	EB 1
1719	2	Bergman, Jack	MLP	Reserve Component Reporting	EB 1
1740	0	Houlahan, Chrissy	MLP	To direct the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the House Committee on Armed Services on the procurement of novel antibiotics engineered to be effective against drug resistant bacteria.	EB 1
1769	0	Slotkin, Elissa	MLP	Directs the Secretary of Navy to establish a pilot program to provide plant-based protein options to members of the Navy. The pilot program will operate on at least two naval facilities and does not preclude the consumption of regular meat-based products	EB 1
1781	0	Luria, Elaine G.	MLP	Directs a report on first-tour assignment of Sailors to ship in RCOH	EB 1
1783	0	Luria, Elaine G.	MLP	Would require the inclusion of RCOH ship in the department's quarterly manning reports to Congress	EB 1
1789	0	Speier, Jackie	MLP	Comptroller General Review of Part-time Employment of Military Spouses	EB 1
1799	2	Cheney, Liz	MLP	Authorization to award medal of honor to Master Sergeant Roderick W. Edmonds for acts of valor during World War II.	EB 1
1802	2	Scott, Austin	MLP	This DRL directs the Chief of the National Guard Bureau to provide a report to the House Committee on Armed Services by March 1, 2023, on any gaps that exist in writings on the history of the National Guard.	EB 1
1803	0	Houlahan, Chrissy	MLP	Requires the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel & readiness to submit a report and provide a briefing to HASC on the demographics and expertise of PME faculty and leadership.	EB 1
1804	1	Houlahan, Chrissy	MLP	To direct the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study and submit a report on the connection between Active-Duty Military Service and family building challenges.	EB 1
1812	0	Scott, Austin	MLP	Directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the HASC by March 1, 2023, on the feasibility of the Defense Information School conferring higher education degrees to graduates of the Public Affairs & Communication Strategic Qualification course.	EB 1
1815	1	Turner, Michael	MLP	Bill language directing the Secretary of Defense to issue and implement procedures for the issuance of common access cards to professional staff members on relevant oversight committees.	EB 1

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1824	3	Moore, Blake D.	MLP	Directive Report Language examining the utility, effectiveness and benefit the the Autism Care Demonstration's Parent Stress Index.	EB 1
1836	3	Brown, Anthony G.	MLP	Next Generation Freeze-Dried Blood Product Development	EB 1
1840	1	Carl, Jerry L.	MLP	Requiring DOD to do a study on cardiac and kidney issues in service members prior to and following the COVID vaccine requirement.	EB 1
1847	0	Garcia, Sylvia	MLP	This DRL asks for a study on the growth potential of the United States Space Force and to identify what type of space-related careers should be military rather than civilian.	EB 1
1855	0	Bacon, Don	MLP	DIRECTS PLAN TO ENSURE REASONABLE ACCESS TO THE JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS	EB 1
1862	0	Wittman, Robert	MLP	Verification of reporting of eligible federally connected children for purposes of federal impact aid programs.	EB 1
1864	0	Gallagher, Mike	MLP	Requires a report to Congress on DoD Reserve Component duty status reforms.	EB 1
1865	0	Gallagher, Mike	MLP	Requires report on MWR modernization.	EB 1
1869	1	Gallagher, Mike	MLP	Requires a briefing on progress surrounding the establishment of the Defense Feeding and Nutrition Board.	EB 1
1871	0	Gallagher, Mike	MLP	Requires briefing on implementation status of GAO recommendations surrounding Basic Allowance for Subsistence and food management.	EB 1
1887	1	Gallagher, Mike	MLP	Prohibits the use of official and unofficial military photographs for the purposes of military promotion.	EB 1
1889	0	Gallagher, Mike	MLP	Directs a briefing on DoD research surrounding TBI prevention.	EB 1
1895	1	Wittman, Robert	MLP	Request for briefing on the Merchant Marine Academy's infrastructure modernization plan.	EB 1

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1904	2	Gallagher, Mike	MLP	Directs an FFRDC survey of military chaplains.	EB 1
1912	1	Speier, Jackie	MLP	Review of promotion rates of military clinical psychologists and social workers	EB 1
1913	0	Jackson, Ronny	MLP	Require a briefing on improving employment opportunities for family members of service members of foreign nations serving in the ENJJPT.	EB 1
1915	0	Speier, Jackie	MLP	Establish 75% minimum fill requirement for carriers undergoing refueling and complex overhaul	EB 1
1917	2	Strickland, Marilyn	MLP	A Report on on the prevalence of caregivers in military families and an assessment of the need for establishing a grant program to support organizations that assist caregivers in military families.	EB 1
1934	2	Larsen, Rick	MLP	Report on negative impacts of delayed reimbursements for government travel.	EB 1
1935	1	Brown, Anthony G.	MLP	This amendment would require a federally funded research corporation to conduct a study of the National Guard promotion system, provide recommendations for reducing these long waits, and require consistent reports to Congress on this longstanding issue.	EB 1
1939	0	Wilson, Joe	MLP	Directs the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Director of the Defense Health Agency, to provide a report on how mobile application technologies can be incorporated into existing tele-mental health services for servicemembers.	EB 1
1945	0	Stefanik, Elise	MLP	Requires a report on the delivery of government-developed medications for use in the operational environment.	EB 1

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. AUSTIN SCOTT OF GEORGIA

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5__ . GRADE OF VICE CHIEF OF THE NATIONAL**
2 **GUARD BUREAU.**

3 Section 10505 of title 10, United States Code, is
4 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
5 section:

6 “(c) GRADE.—(1) The Vice Chief of the National
7 Guard Bureau shall be appointed to serve in the grade
8 of general.

9 “(2) The Secretary of Defense shall designate, pursu-
10 ant to subsection (b) of section 526 of this title, the posi-
11 tion of Vice Chief of the National Guard Bureau as one
12 of the general officer and flag officer positions to be ex-
13 cluded from the limitations in subsection (a) of such sec-
14 tion.”.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MS. SPEIER OF CALIFORNIA

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5 ____ . PILOT PROGRAM ON CAR SHARING ON MILI-**
2 **TARY INSTALLATIONS IN ALASKA.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days after
4 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
5 Defense shall seek to carry out a pilot program to allow
6 car sharing on military installations in Alaska.

7 (b) PROGRAM ELEMENTS.—To carry out a pilot pro-
8 gram under this section, the Secretary shall take steps in-
9 cluding the following:

10 (1) Seek to enter into an agreement with an en-
11 tity that—

12 (A) provides car sharing services; and

13 (B) is capable of serving all military instal-
14 lations in Alaska.

15 (2) Provide to members assigned to military in-
16 stallations in Alaska the resources the Secretary de-
17 termines necessary to participate in such pilot pro-
18 gram.

1 (3) Promote such pilot program to such mem-
2 bers.

3 (c) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—Not later than 90
4 days after the date the Secretary enters into an agreement
5 under subsection (b)(1), the Secretary shall submit to the
6 congressional defense committees a plan to carry out the
7 pilot program.

8 (d) DURATION.—A pilot program under this section
9 shall terminate two years after the Secretary commences
10 such pilot program.

11 (e) REPORT.—Upon the termination of a pilot pro-
12 gram under this section, the Secretary of Defense shall
13 submit to the congressional defense committees a report
14 containing the following information:

15 (1) The number of individuals who used car
16 sharing services offered pursuant to the pilot pro-
17 gram.

18 (2) The cost to the United States of the pilot
19 program.

20 (3) An analysis of the effect of the pilot pro-
21 gram on mental health and community connected-
22 ness of members described in subsection (b)(2).

23 (4) Other information the Secretary determines
24 appropriate.

1 (f) MILITARY INSTALLATION DEFINED.—In this sec-
2 tion, the term “military installation” has the meaning
3 given such term in section 2801 of title 10, United States
4 Code.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MS. SPEIER OF CALIFORNIA

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

1 **SEC. 7___ . RATES OF REIMBURSEMENT FOR PROVIDERS**
2 **OF APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—In furnishing applied behavior
4 analysis under the TRICARE program to individuals de-
5 scribed in paragraph (2) during the period beginning on
6 the date of the enactment of this Act and ending on De-
7 cember 31, 2023, the Secretary of Defense shall ensure
8 that the reimbursement rates for providers of applied be-
9 havior analysis are not less than the rates that were in
10 effect on April 30, 2022.

11 (b) INDIVIDUALS DESCRIBED.—Individuals described
12 in this paragraph are individuals who are covered bene-
13 ficiaries by reason of being a member or former member
14 of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Space Force, or Marine
15 Corps, including the reserve components thereof, or a de-
16 pendent of such a member or former member.

17 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms “cov-
18 ered beneficiary” and “TRICARE program” have the

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1 meaning given those terms in section 1072 of title 10,

2 United States Code.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MS. SPEIER OF CALIFORNIA

Section 7____ **【Log 74996】** is amended in subsection (d) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

- 1 (6) A plan to expand access to behavioral
2 health care under the military health system using
3 telehealth.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MS. STEFANIK OF NEW YORK

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5 ____ . EXPANSION OF PILOT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE**
2 **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MEMBERS OF**
3 **THE ARMED FORCES FOR IN-HOME CHILD**
4 **CARE.**

5 Section 589(b) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry
6 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021
7 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 1791 note) is amended
8 by striking “five locations” and inserting “six locations”.



Amendment to H.R. 7900 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023

Offered by: Ms. Stefanik

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Organic Software Engineering Capability in the Military Services

The committee understands the Department of Defense has taken initial steps to recruit, train and retain Active Duty service members with the requisite software development, data analytics, and cybersecurity skills needed to fight on the modern battlefield. However, given the competitive labor market, particularly for those possessing technical skills, the military services must leverage the existing Active Force by re-training service members who are interested in transitioning to these specialties. There is significant interest among the Active Force for this type of training. The committee believes the best way for the military services to grow an organic coding capability is to incentivize participation, ensure service members who complete the training work in their chosen field, and ensure that those in the program remain competitive for promotion. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense in coordination with the Secretaries of the Military Departments to provide a report to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives, not later than April 1, 2023, on whether they intend to establish a comprehensive strategy for how they will grow an organic coding capability, drawing on Active Duty service members who have the knowledge and expertise to securely and rapidly deliver resilient software capability to support the modern battlefield. Furthermore, the committee would like to understand how the military services are leveraging live, interactive, multi-week courses to provide the knowledge and foundation needed to learn software development and coding capabilities.

Amendment to H.R. 7900
National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023

Offered by: Mrs. Luria

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Briefing on Quality-of-Life Issues for Sailors Assigned to Ships Going Through
Repair and Complex Refueling Overhaul (RCOH) Periods

The Committee understands the Navy requires the use of a specialized shipyard in Newport News, VA, for the refueling of nuclear aircraft carriers. However, the committee understands that there are a number of quality-of-life issues for Sailors assigned to ships going through repair and complex refueling overhaul (RCOH) periods. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of the Navy to provide a briefing to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives, no later than January 1, 2023 on the following:

- (1) historical throughput of aircraft carriers that have completed RCOH and the number of Sailors that have been impacted by quality-of-life issues like availability of parking;
- (2) future throughput of carriers going through RCOH and the number of Sailors that are anticipated to be impacted over the next 10 years;
- (3) current parking situation for Sailors and staff supporting RCOH activities;
- (4) current availability of housing and berthing;
- (5) current availability of mental health and resiliency support;
- (6) courses of action and/or recommendations to mitigate quality of life challenges such as berthing and parking, to include estimated costs of public private partnerships; city leasing options and/or military construction or capital projects; and
- (7) courses of action and/or recommendations to mitigate increasing demands on mental health and resiliency support issues.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. CROW OF COLORADO

At the appropriate place in title IX, insert the following:

1 Subtitle ___—Space National Guard

2 SEC. 9 ___. ESTABLISHMENT OF SPACE NATIONAL GUARD.

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—There is established a Space
5 National Guard that is part of the organized militia
6 of the several States and Territories, Puerto Rico,
7 and the District of Columbia—

8 (A) in which the Space Force operates;

9 and

10 (B) active and inactive.

11 (2) RESERVE COMPONENT.—There is estab-
12 lished a Space National Guard of the United States
13 that is the reserve component of the United States
14 Space Force all of whose members are members of
15 the Space National Guard.

16 (b) COMPOSITION.—The Space National Guard shall
17 be composed of the Space National Guard forces of the
18 several States and Territories, Puerto Rico and the Dis-
19 trict of Columbia—

1 (1) in which the Space Force operates; and

2 (2) active and inactive.

3 **SEC. 9 ____ . NO EFFECT ON MILITARY INSTALLATIONS.**

4 Nothing in this subtitle, or the amendments made by
5 this subtitle, shall be construed to authorize or require the
6 relocation of any facility, infrastructure, or military instal-
7 lation of the Space National Guard or Air National Guard.

8 **SEC. 9 ____ . IMPLEMENTATION OF SPACE NATIONAL GUARD.**

9 (a) REQUIREMENT.—Except as specifically provided
10 by this subtitle, the Secretary of the Air Force and Chief
11 of the National Guard Bureau shall implement this sub-
12 title, and the amendments made by this subtitle, not later
13 than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this
14 Act.

15 (b) BRIEFINGS.—Not later than 90 days after the
16 date of the enactment of this Act, and annually for the
17 five subsequent years, the Secretary of the Air Force,
18 Chief of the Space Force and Chief of the National Guard
19 Bureau shall jointly provide to the congressional defense
20 committees a briefing on the status of the implementation
21 of the Space National Guard pursuant to this subtitle and
22 the amendments made by this subtitle. This briefing shall
23 address the current missions, operations and activities,
24 personnel requirements and status, and budget and fund-
25 ing requirements and status of the Space National Guard,

1 and such other matters with respect to the implementation
2 and operation of the Space National Guard as the Sec-
3 retary and the Chiefs jointly determine appropriate to
4 keep Congress fully and currently informed on the status
5 of the implementation of the Space National Guard.

6 **SEC. 9 ___. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS AND CLARIFICA-**
7 **TION OF AUTHORITIES.**

8 (a) DEFINITIONS.—

9 (1) TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE.—Title 10,
10 United States Code, is amended—

11 (A) in section 101—

12 (i) in subsection (c)—

13 (I) by redesignating paragraphs

14 (6) and (7) as paragraphs (8) and

15 (9), respectively; and

16 (II) by inserting after paragraph

17 (5) the following new paragraphs:

18 “(6) The term ‘Space National Guard’ means

19 that part of the organized militia of the several

20 States and territories, Puerto Rico, and the District

21 Of Columbia, active and inactive, that—

22 “(A) is a space force;

23 “(B) is trained, and has its officers ap-

24 pointed under the sixteenth clause of section 8,

25 article I of the Constitution;

1 “(C) is organized, armed, and equipped
2 wholly or partly at Federal expense; and

3 “(D) is federally recognized.

4 “(7) The term ‘Space National Guard of the
5 United States’ means the reserve component of the
6 Space Force all of whose members are members of
7 the Space National Guard.”.

8 (B) in section 10101—

9 (i) in the matter preceding paragraph
10 (1), by inserting “the following” before the
11 colon; and

12 (ii) by adding at the end the following
13 new paragraph:

14 “(8) The Space National Guard of the United
15 States.”; and

16 (2) TITLE 32, UNITED STATES CODE.—Section
17 101 of title 32, United States Code is amended—

18 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (8)
19 through (19) as paragraphs (10) and (21), re-
20 spectively; and

21 (B) by inserting after paragraph (7) the
22 following new paragraphs:

23 “(8) The term ‘Space National Guard’ means
24 that part of the organized militia of the several
25 States and territories, Puerto Rico, and the District

1 Of Columbia, in which the Space Force operates, ac-
2 tive and inactive, that—

3 “(A) is a space force;

4 “(B) is trained, and has its officers ap-
5 pointed under the sixteenth clause of section 8,
6 article I of the Constitution;

7 “(C) is organized, armed, and equipped
8 wholly or partly at Federal expense; and

9 “(D) is federally recognized.

10 “(9) The term ‘Space National Guard of the
11 United States’ means the reserve component of the
12 Space Force all of whose members are members of
13 the Space National Guard.”.

14 (b) RESERVE COMPONENTS.—Chapter 1003 of title
15 10, United States Code, is amended—

16 (1) by adding at the end the following new sec-
17 tions:

18 “§ 10115. **Space National Guard of the United States:**
19 **composition**

20 “The Space National Guard of the United States is
21 the reserve component of the Space Force that consists
22 of—

23 “(1) federally recognized units and organiza-
24 tions of the Space National Guard; and

1 “(2) members of the Space National Guard who
2 are also Reserves of the Space Force.

3 **“§ 10116. Space National Guard: when a component of**
4 **the Space Force**

5 “The Space National Guard while in the service of
6 the United States is a component of the Space Force.

7 **“§ 10117. Space National Guard of the United States:**
8 **status when not in Federal service**

9 “When not on active duty, members of the Space Na-
10 tional Guard of the United States shall be administered,
11 armed, equipped, and trained in their status as members
12 of the Space National Guard.”; and

13 (2) in the table of sections at the beginning of
14 such chapter, by adding at the end the following new
15 items:

“10115. Space National Guard of the United States: composition.

“10116. Space National Guard: when a component of the Space Force.

“10117. Space National Guard of the United States: status when not in Federal
service.”.



Amendment to H.R. 7900 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023

Offered by: Mr. Austin Scott

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Feasibility of Flexible Pay Status for Military Servicemembers

The committee notes the reliance on the Reserve components of the military to fill active-duty requirements around the world. The committee also understands that for many service members, life circumstances may require a move from active to reserve status, or vice-versa, on multiple occasions during the course of a military career. The committee is aware that currently attempting to transition between reserve and active pay statuses multiple times throughout the course of a military member's career is so fraught with difficulty, red-tape, and departmental barricades that many times this causes a member to stop serving altogether rather than attempt to continuously transition. This leads to a loss of the investments the American taxpayers have made to ensure the professional training and readiness of each individual servicemember. Given the difficulty in transitioning between different pay statuses within the military services, the loss of taxpayer investment each time a member separates due to this difficulty, and the significant quality of life improvement for servicemembers that could be achieved with greater pay status flexibility, the committee encourages the Department of Defense to look for innovative ways to streamline and increase the flexibility allowed for members to transition between active and reserve status. Accordingly, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by July 1, 2023, on the feasibility of allowing military members to transition multiple times throughout the course of a career between full and part-time pay status. The briefing shall include, at a minimum, the following:

- 1.) A listing of all different pay statuses in which a military member (active or reserve) may be placed
- 2.) A step-by-step description of the current process required by each service for a member to transition from active to reserve status, as well as from reserve to active status
- 3.) A preliminary assessment of the viability of allowing service members the flexibility to easily transition multiple times between pay statuses based on life events over the course of a career
- 4.) An alternative plan on pay statuses from each service that would allow for increased flexibility and the ability to transition multiple times between pay statuses during the course of a career

- 5.) What, if any, legislative changes would be required to facilitate more flexibility in pay status transition over the course of a military career
- 6.) Any barriers to implementing a more flexible pay status program the Secretary of Defense deems relevant

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. JOHNSON OF LOUISIANA

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5** ____ . **REPORT ON RECRUITING EFFORTS OF THE**
2 **ARMY.**

3 (a) **REPORT REQUIRED.**—Not later than 120 days
4 after the date of the enactment of this act, the Secretary
5 of the Army shall submit to the congressional defense com-
6 mittees a report on recruiting efforts of the Army. Such
7 report shall contain the following elements:

8 (1) A comparison of the number of active Army
9 enlistments from each region annually during fiscal
10 years 2018 through 2022, the number of recruiters
11 stationed in each region, and advertising dollars
12 spent in each region, including annual numbers and
13 averages.

14 (2) A comparison of the number of active Army
15 enlistments produced by each Army Recruiting Bat-
16 talion during fiscal years 2018 through 2022, the
17 number of recruiters stationed in each battalion, and
18 advertising dollars spent in support of each bat-
19 talion, including annual numbers and averages.

1 (3) An analysis of the geographic dispersion of
2 enlistments by military occupational specialty during
3 fiscal years 2018 through 2022.

4 (4) An analysis of the amount of Federal funds
5 spent on advertising per active duty enlistment by
6 Army Recruiting Battalion and region during fiscal
7 years 2018 through 2022, and a ranked list of those
8 battalions from most efficient to least efficient.

9 (5) A comparison of the race, religion, gender,
10 education levels, military occupational specialties,
11 and waivers for enlistment granted to enlistees by
12 region and Army Recruiting Battalion area of re-
13 sponsibility during fiscal years 2018 through 2022.

14 (b) FORMAT.—The report under this section shall
15 display data through infographics wherever possible.

16 (c) PUBLICATION.—Not later than 30 days after sub-
17 mitting the report under subsection (a), the Secretary of
18 the Army shall publish, on a publicly accessible website
19 of the Army, the report and the data sets (scrubbed of
20 all personally identifiable information) used to generate
21 the report.

22 (d) REGION DEFINED.—In this section, the term “re-
23 gion” means a region used for the 2020 decennial census.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. WALTZ OF FLORIDA

At the appropriate place in division E, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5 ____ . EXEMPTION OF CERTAIN HOMELAND SECURITY FEES FOR CERTAIN IMMEDIATE RELATIVES OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO RECEIVED THE PURPLE HEART.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall include on a certain application or petition an opportunity for certain immediate relatives of an individual who was awarded the Purple Heart to identify themselves as such an immediate relative.

11 (b) FEE EXEMPTION.—The Secretary shall exempt certain immediate relatives of an individual who was awarded the Purple Heart, who identifies as such an immediate relative on a certain application or petition, from a fee with respect to a certain application or petition and any associated fee for biometrics.

17 (c) PENDING APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS.—The Secretary of Homeland Security may waive fees for a certain application or petition and any associated fee for bio-

1 metrics for certain immediate relatives of an individual
2 who was awarded the Purple Heart, if such application
3 or petition is submitted not more than 90 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act.

5 (d) DEFINITION.—In this section:

6 (1) CERTAIN APPLICATION OR PETITION.—The
7 term “certain application or petition” means—

8 (A) an application using Form–400, Appli-
9 cation for Naturalization (or any successor
10 form); or

11 (B) a petition using Form I-360, Petition
12 for Amerasian, Widow(er), or Special Immi-
13 grant (or any successor form).

14 (2) CERTAIN IMMEDIATE RELATIVES OF AN IN-
15 DIVIDUAL WHO WAS AWARDED THE PURPLE
16 HEART.—The term “certain immediate relatives of
17 an individual who was awarded the Purple Heart”
18 means an immediate relative of a living or deceased
19 member of the Armed Forces who was awarded the
20 Purple Heart and who is not a person ineligible for
21 military honors pursuant to section 985(a) of title
22 10, United States Code.

23 (3) IMMEDIATE RELATIVE.—The term “imme-
24 diate relative” has the meaning given such term in

- 1 section 201(b) of the Immigration and Nationality
- 2 Act (8 U.S.C. 1151(b)).



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. WALTZ OF FLORIDA

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

1 **SEC. ____ . GRANT PROGRAM FOR INCREASED COOPERA-**
2 **TION ON POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DIS-**
3 **ORDER RESEARCH BETWEEN UNITED STATES**
4 **AND ISRAEL.**

5 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
6 gress that the Secretary of Defense, acting through the
7 Psychological Health and Traumatic Brain Injury Re-
8 search Program, should seek to explore scientific collabo-
9 ration between American academic institutions and non-
10 profit research entities, and Israeli institutions with exper-
11 tise in researching, diagnosing, and treating post-trau-
12 matic stress disorder.

13 (b) GRANT PROGRAM.—The Secretary of Defense, in
14 coordination with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and
15 the Secretary of State, shall award grants to eligible enti-
16 ties to carry out collaborative research between the United
17 States and Israel with respect to post-traumatic stress dis-
18 orders. The Secretary of Defense shall carry out the grant
19 program under this section in accordance with the agree-

1 ment titled “Agreement Between the Government of the
2 United States of America and the Government of Israel
3 on the United States-Israel Binational Science Founda-
4 tion”, dated September 27, 1972.

5 (c) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—To be eligible to receive a
6 grant under this section, an entity shall be an academic
7 institution or a nonprofit entity located in the United
8 States.

9 (d) AWARD.—The Secretary shall award grants
10 under this section to eligible entities that—

11 (1) carry out a research project that—

12 (A) addresses a requirement in the area of
13 post-traumatic stress disorders that the Sec-
14 retary determines appropriate to research using
15 such grant; and

16 (B) is conducted by the eligible entity and
17 an entity in Israel under a joint research agree-
18 ment; and

19 (2) meet such other criteria that the Secretary
20 may establish.

21 (e) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant
22 under this section, an eligible entity shall submit an appli-
23 cation to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and
24 containing such commitments and information as the Sec-
25 retary may require.

1 (f) GIFT AUTHORITY.—The Secretary may accept,
2 hold, and administer, any gift of money made on the con-
3 dition that the gift be used for the purpose of the grant
4 program under this section. Such gifts of money accepted
5 under this subsection shall be deposited in the Treasury
6 in the Department of Defense General Gift Fund and shall
7 be available, subject to appropriation, without fiscal year
8 limitation.

9 (g) REPORTS.—Not later than 180 days after the
10 date on which an eligible entity completes a research
11 project using a grant under this section, the Secretary
12 shall submit to Congress a report that contains—

13 (1) a description of how the eligible entity used
14 the grant; and

15 (2) an evaluation of the level of success of the
16 research project.

17 (h) TERMINATION.—The authority to award grants
18 under this section shall terminate on the date that is 7
19 years after the date on which the first such grant is
20 awarded.



Amendment to H.R. 7900

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023

Offered by: Mr. Moulton

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Report on Prevalence of Adverse Childhood Experiences for Servicemembers

Extensive research indicates that Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) are among the most significant risk factors for suicide, future mental and physical health crises, and domestic violence. Servicemembers are significantly more likely to have experienced ACEs than the civilian population.

The committee directs the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Defense Health Agency, to submit a report and provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by April 1, 2023, on the prevalence of ACEs amongst Servicemembers. Such report shall include the following elements:

- 1) An analysis of the prevalence of ACEs among servicemembers based on industry standard definition;
- 2) An analysis of the prevalence of ACEs among servicemembers by rank, military specialty, age, gender, race, ethnicity, education, and other factors as appropriate.
- 3) An analysis of the correlation between servicemembers' ACEs and reporting being a victim of domestic violence or sexual assault; including correlation with demographic factors to include rank, military specialty, age, gender, race, ethnicity, education, and additional factors as appropriate.
- 4) An analysis of the correlation between servicemembers' ACEs and perpetrating domestic violence, sexual assault, or other offenses under the Uniform Code of Military Justice; including correlation with demographic factors to include rank, military specialty, age, gender, race, ethnicity, education, and additional factors as appropriate.
- 5) The report shall include an analysis of the funding, facilities, and personnel the military mental health system would need to preemptively screen and treat active duty servicemembers' for ACEs at the initial point of training or initial duty station.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. WALTZ OF FLORIDA

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

1 **SEC. 5 ___. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR SPE-**
2 **cially Selected Members: Army Re-**
3 **serve and Army National Guard.**

4 Section 2107a of title 10, United States Code, is
5 amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a)—

7 (A) by amending paragraph (1) to read as
8 follows: “(1) The Secretary of the Army may
9 appoint as a cadet in the Army Reserve or
10 Army National Guard of the United States any
11 eligible member of the program who—

12 “(A)(i) is enrolled in the Advanced Course
13 of the Army Reserve Officers’ Training Corps
14 at a military college or a military junior college;
15 or

16 “(ii)(I) is enrolled in the Advanced Course
17 of the Army Reserve Officers’ Training Corps
18 at a civilian institution; and

1 “(II) has completed the second year of a
2 course of study in science, technology, engineer-
3 ing, mathematics, or a related field at such in-
4 stitution; and

5 “(B) will be under 31 years of age on De-
6 cember 31 of the calendar year in which the
7 member eligible under this section for appoint-
8 ment as a second lieutenant in the Army Re-
9 serve or Army National Guard.”.

10 (B) by adding at the end the following new
11 paragraph:

12 “(3) The Secretary of the Army may prescribe regu-
13 lations specifying—

14 “(A) the courses of study that may be pursued
15 by a member of the program for purposes of meeting
16 the requirement under paragraph (1)(A)(ii); and

17 “(B) the level of academic achievement needed
18 to meet such requirement.”.

19 (2) in subsection (b)(3)(B)(i), by inserting “or
20 civilian institution” after “military junior college”;

21 (3) in subsection (c)—

22 (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “or ci-
23 vilian institution” after “military junior col-
24 lege”;

1 (B) in paragraph (4)(A), by inserting “or
2 civilian institution” after “military junior col-
3 lege”;

4 (4) by amending subsection (h) to read as fol-
5 lows:

6 “(h)(1) The Secretary of the Army may appoint each
7 year under this section not less than 22 cadets at each
8 military junior college at which there are not less than
9 22 members of the program eligible under subsection (b)
10 for such an appointment. At any military junior college
11 at which in any year there are fewer than 22 such mem-
12 bers, the Secretary shall appoint each such member as a
13 cadet under this section.

14 “(2) The Secretary of the Army may appoint each
15 year under this section the number of cadets from civilian
16 institutions that the Secretary determines to be appro-
17 priate based on the needs of the Army.”; and

18 (5) in subsection (j), by inserting “or civilian
19 institution” after “military junior college”.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MS. SPEIER OF CALIFORNIA

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5 ____ . PROMOTION OF CERTAIN CHILD CARE ASSIST-**
2 **ANCE.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Each Secretary concerned shall
4 promote, to members of the Armed Forces under the juris-
5 diction of such Secretary concerned, awareness of child
6 care assistance available under—

7 (1) section 1798 of title 10, United States
8 Code; and

9 (2) section 589 of the William M. (Mac) Thorn-
10 berry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal
11 Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 1791
12 note).

13 (b) REPORTING.—Not later than one year after the
14 date of the enactment of this Act, each Secretary con-
15 cerned shall submit to the appropriate congressional com-
16 mittees a report summarizing activities taken by such Sec-
17 retary concerned to carry out subsection (a).

18 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1 (1) The term “appropriate congressional com-
2 mittees” means the following:

3 (A) The Committees on Armed Services of
4 the Senate and House of Representatives.

5 (B) The Committees on Appropriations of
6 the Senate and House of Representatives.

7 (C) The Committee on Commerce, Science,
8 and Transportation of the Senate.

9 (D) The Committee on Transportation and
10 Infrastructure of the House of Representatives.

11 (2) The term “Secretary concerned” has the
12 meaning given such term in section 101 of title 10,
13 United States Code.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. JACKSON OF TEXAS

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

1 **SEC. 7___ . IMPROVEMENTS RELATING TO MEDICAL OFFI-**
2 **CER OF THE MARINE CORPS POSITION.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 806 of title 10, United
4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
5 lowing new section (and conforming the table of sections
6 at the beginning of such chapter accordingly):

7 **“§ 8048. Medical Officer of the Marine Corps**

8 “(a) There is a Medical Officer of the Marine Corps
9 who shall be appointed from among flag officers of the
10 Navy.

11 “(b) The Medical Officer of the Marine Corps, while
12 so serving, shall hold the grade of rear admiral (lower
13 half).”.

14 (b) EXCLUSION FROM CERTAIN DISTRIBUTION LIM-
15 TATIONS.—Section 525 of such title is amended—

16 (1) by redesignating subsection (g) as sub-
17 section (h); and

18 (2) by inserting after subsection (f) the fol-
19 lowing new subsection:

1 “(g) A naval officer while serving as the Medical Offi-
2 cer of the Marine Corps is in addition to the number that
3 would otherwise be permitted for the Navy for officers
4 serving on active duty in the grade of rear admiral (lower
5 half) under subsection (a).”.

6 (c) EXCLUSION FROM ACTIVE DUTY STRENGTH LIM-
7 ITATIONS PRIOR TO DECEMBER 31, 2022.—Section 526
8 of such title is amended—

9 (1) by redesignating subsection (k) as sub-
10 section (l); and

11 (2) by inserting after subsection (j) the fol-
12 lowing new subsection:

13 “(k) EXCLUSION OF MEDICAL OFFICER OF MARINE
14 CORPS.—The limitations of this section do not apply to
15 the flag officer who is serving as the Medical Officer of
16 the Marine Corps.”.

17 (d) EXCLUSION FROM ACTIVE DUTY STRENGTH
18 LIMITATIONS AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2022.—Section
19 526a of such title is amended—

20 (1) by redesignating subsections (h) through (k)
21 as subsections (i) through (l), respectively; and

22 (2) by inserting after subsection (g) the fol-
23 lowing new subsection:

24 “(h) EXCLUSION OF MEDICAL OFFICER OF MARINE
25 CORPS.—The limitations of this section do not apply to

3

- 1 the flag officer who is serving as the Medical Officer of
- 2 the Marine Corps.”.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. JACKSON OF TEXAS

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

1 **SEC. 7___ . REPORT REQUIREMENT FOR CERTAIN CON-**
2 **TRACTS UNDER TRICARE PROGRAM.**

3 (a) GAO REPORT UPON AWARD OF CERTAIN CON-
4 TRACTS.—Chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code, is
5 amended by inserting after section 1097d the following
6 new section (and conforming the table of sections at the
7 beginning of such chapter accordingly):

8 **“§ 1097e. TRICARE program: report requirement for**
9 **certain contracts**

10 “(a) GAO REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after
11 the date on which the Secretary of Defense enters into
12 a major military health care contract, the Comptroller
13 General of the United States shall submit to the congress-
14 sional defense committees a report on the contract.

15 “(b) MATTERS.—Each report under subsection (a)
16 shall include, with respect to the contract for which the
17 report is submitted, a review of the process used in award-
18 ing the contract.

1 “(c) MAJOR MILITARY HEALTH CARE CONTRACT
2 DEFINED.—In this section, the term ‘major military
3 health care contract’ means a contract the Secretary de-
4 termines is a managed care support contract for the ad-
5 ministration of the TRICARE program (including the ad-
6 ministration of medical and dental care services under
7 such program) and is estimated by the Secretary to re-
8 quire an eventual total expenditure of more than
9 \$1,000,000,000.”.

10 (b) SUBMISSION OF CRITERIA TO CONGRESS.—Not
11 later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of
12 this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall develop specific
13 criteria for the determination of a contract as a “major
14 military health care contract” pursuant to section
15 1097e(c) of title 10, United States Code, as added by sub-
16 section (a), and submit to the congressional defense com-
17 mittees a detailed list of such criteria.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. JACKSON OF TEXAS

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

1 **SEC. 7___ . LICENSURE REQUIREMENT FOR CERTAIN**
2 **HEALTH-CARE PROFESSIONALS PROVIDING**
3 **SERVICES AS PART OF MISSION RELATING TO**
4 **EMERGENCY, HUMANITARIAN, OR REFUGEE**
5 **ASSISTANCE.**

6 Section 1094(d)(2) of title 10, United States Code,
7 is amended by inserting “ contractor not covered under
8 section 1091 of this title who is providing medical treat-
9 ment as part of a mission relating to emergency, humani-
10 tarian, or refugee assistance,” after “section 1091 of this
11 title.”.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. BACON OF NEBRASKA

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5 ____ . AUTHORIZATION OF CERTAIN SUPPORT FOR**
2 **MILITARY SERVICE ACADEMY FOUNDATIONS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter I of chapter 134 of
4 title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after
5 section 2245 the end the following new section:

6 **“§ 2246. Authorization of certain support for military**
7 **service academy foundations**

8 “(a) AUTHORITY.—Subject to subsection (b), the
9 Secretary of the military department concerned may pro-
10 vide the following support to a covered foundation:

11 “(1) The use, on an unreimbursed basis, of fa-
12 cilities or equipment of the United States by the cov-
13 ered foundation, authorized by any—

14 “(A) general or flag officer;

15 “(B) Senior Executive Service employee
16 assigned to the Service Academy supported by
17 that covered foundation; or

18 “(C) official designated by the Secretary
19 concerned.

1 “(2) Endorsement by an individual described in
2 paragraph (1) of—

3 “(A) the covered foundation;

4 “(B) an event of the covered foundation;

5 or

6 “(C) an activity of the covered foundation.

7 “(b) LIMITATIONS.—Support under subsection (a)
8 may be provided only if such support—

9 “(1) is without any liability of the United
10 States to the covered foundation;

11 “(2) does not affect the ability of any official or
12 employee of the military department concerned, or
13 any member of the armed forces, to carry out any
14 responsibility or duty in a fair and objective manner;

15 “(3) does not compromise the integrity or ap-
16 pearance of integrity of any program of the military
17 department concerned, or any individual involved in
18 such a program; and

19 “(4) does not include the participation of any
20 cadet or midshipman, other than participation in an
21 honor guard at an event of the covered foundation.

22 “(c) BRIEFING.—In any fiscal year during which sup-
23 port is provided under subsection (a), the Secretary of the
24 military department concerned shall provide a briefing not
25 later than the last day of that fiscal year to the congress-

1 sional defense committees regarding the number of events
2 or activities of a covered foundation in which an individual
3 described in subsection (a)(1) participated during such fis-
4 cal year.

5 “(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6 “(1) The term ‘covered foundation’ means a
7 charitable, educational, or civic nonprofit organiza-
8 tion under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue
9 Code of 1986, that the Secretary concerned deter-
10 mines operates exclusively to support, with respect
11 to a Service Academy, any of the following:

12 “(A) Recruiting.

13 “(B) Parent or alumni development.

14 “(C) Academic, leadership, or character
15 development.

16 “(D) Institutional development.

17 “(E) Athletics.

18 “(2) The term ‘Service Academy’ has the mean-
19 ing given such term in section 347 of this title.”.

20 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
21 at the beginning of such subchapter is amended by insert-
22 ing after the item relating to item 2245 the following new
23 item:

“2246. Authorization of certain support for military service academy founda-
tions.”.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. BROOKS OF ALABAMA

At the appropriate place in division E, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CIVILIAN PILOTS.**

2 (a) ELIGIBILITY FOR CERTAIN RATINGS.—Not later
3 than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this
4 Act, the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Adminis-
5 tration shall revise section 61.73 of title 14, Code of Fed-
6 eral Regulations, to ensure that a Department of Defense
7 civilian pilot is eligible for a rating based on qualifications
8 earned as a Department of Defense pilot, pilot instructor,
9 or pilot examiner in the same manner that a military pilot
10 is eligible for such a rating based on qualifications earned
11 as a military pilot, pilot instructor, or pilot examiner.

12 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

13 (1) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CIVILIAN
14 PILOT.—

15 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “Department
16 of Defense civilian pilot” means an individual,
17 other than a military pilot, who is employed as
18 a pilot by the Department of Defense.

1 (B) EXCLUSION.— The term “Department
2 of Defense civilian pilot” does not include a
3 contractor of the Department of Defense.

4 (2) MILITARY PILOT.—The term “military
5 pilot” means a military pilot, as such term is used
6 in section 61.73 of title 14, Code of Federal Regula-
7 tions (as in effect on the day before the date of the
8 enactment of this Act).



Amendment to H.R. 7900

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023

Offered by: Mr. Austin Scott of Georgia

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Feasibility of TriCare Benefits for Military Reserve Technicians

The committee notes the dedicated service of dual-status military reserve technicians, the members of our military reserve forces who also serve daily in a civilian capacity while wearing the uniform and work directly alongside their active-duty counterparts. These dual-status military reserve technicians work daily in uniform and perform the same duties, have the same responsibilities, and conduct themselves in a military manner exactly like their active-duty counterparts. However, despite serving full-time in uniform (albeit in a government civilian employee status) these technicians do not receive the same benefits as the active-duty members they work beside daily, most notably in the area of healthcare and TriCare benefits. The committee recognizes the commitment and contribution of these dual-status reserve technicians and the critical role they play in serving as continuity and expertise in the daily defense of our nation. Given the critical role of dual-status reserve technicians, and the significant quality of life improvements that could be achieved with greater access to TriCare benefits and military healthcare, the committee encourages the Department of Defense to seek innovative ways to provide enhanced healthcare benefits to dual-status reserve technicians. Accordingly, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by July 1, 2023 on the feasibility of expanding TriCare and military healthcare benefits to dual-status reserve technicians across the services. The briefing shall include, at a minimum, the following:

- 1.) A report of the total number of dual-status reserve technicians in the services
- 2.) A report of the current healthcare benefits provided to dual-status military reserve technicians
- 3.) A preliminary assessment of the viability of providing full TriCare and military healthcare benefits to dual-status technicians
- 4.) An analysis of the cost of providing these benefits to dual-status reserve technicians
- 5.) What, if any, legislative changes would be required to facilitate expanding full TriCare and military healthcare benefits to dual-status technicians

6.) Any barriers to expanding full TriCare and military healthcare benefits to dual-status reserve technicians the Secretary of Defense deems relevant

**Amendment to H.R. 7900
National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023**

Offered by: Ms. Slotkin

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Briefing on SkillBridge Program

The Committee recognizes the Department of Defense SkillBridge program as an opportunity for departing service members to gain valuable civilian work experience in industry during their last 180 days of service. Service members can also provide valuable skills to industry by drawing on their service experience. Through the SkillBridge program, industry partners can leverage and attract a highly trained and motivated workforce. The Committee notes that this program could benefit domestic industries that are critical to the national defense of the United States but that are facing worker and skill gaps.

The Committee therefore encourages the Office of the Undersecretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness to make broad use of the SkillBridge program by engaging with new industry partners, in particular corporations in the semiconductor and microelectronic industries.

The Committee also directs the Undersecretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by February 1, 2023 on the status of the SkillBridge program. The briefing should include an overview of the military services' use of the program; the number of participating service members and the industry fields in which they are placed; the success rate of departing service members in securing full time employment in industry after participation in the program; and the proportion of SkillBridge program participants working in high-tech industries.

Amendment to H.R. 7900

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023

Offered by: Mr. Austin Scott of Georgia

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Travel Voucher Reform

The committee notes the challenges often experienced by members of the Joint Forces when filing for reimbursement for travel, to include, but not limited to, temporary duty, travel for military education, deployments and mobilizations, travel to training requirements, and permanent change of station travel. The committee is aware that in many instances, the amount of time it takes for a member's voucher to pay out is so long members risk going into delinquency on their issued Government Travel credit card. This causes undue stress on service members and can potentially negatively impact their personal credit history. Furthermore, the committee believes it is imperative all possible avenues are taken to ensure our men and women in uniform, to include active-duty, reserve, and guard, receive reimbursement for military related travel expenses in an expeditious manner. There is no reason those who defend freedom should struggle with being reimbursed for travel conducted in the service of our country. Given the significant challenges often experienced by military members in receiving travel reimbursement and the significant quality of life improvement that would be provided to our service members if this process were expedited and made more efficient, the committee encourages the Department of Defense to explore innovative ways to remove red tape and streamline the process through which military members are reimbursed for duty related travel. Accordingly, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by July 1, 2023, on the current status of the military travel voucher program and what feasible steps are possible to streamline this process and ease the undue burden placed on servicemembers to receive travel reimbursement. The briefing shall include, at a minimum:

- 1.) A report of the average time required from submission to payment for travel vouchers (to include vouchers filed in the reserve and guard components)
- 2.) A step-by-step description of the current travel voucher procedure and how travel vouchers are processed at all levels (to include vouchers filed in DTS and eFinance)
- 3.) A report of how many vouchers are currently filed but not paid out across the Department of Defense

- 4.) A preliminary assessment of the resources needed to streamline the travel voucher process and more quickly reimburse service members
- 5.) An alternative plan on how to file and process travel vouchers that would allow for more rapid processing and payment to service members
- 6.) What, if any, legislative changes would be required to facilitate more rapid processing and payment of travel vouchers to service members
- 7.) Any barriers to implementing more rapid travel voucher processing and payment

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Offered by: Mr. Austin Scott of Georgia

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Global Health Security

The Committee commends the Department of Defense (DoD) for its continued efforts to support force health protection and readiness through active research, development, and acquisition activities both domestically and internationally. The Committee is aware of existing efforts within DoD to prevent, detect, and treat known infectious diseases and biological threats impacting deployed forces around the globe and encourages DoD to continue investments in these areas. Therefore, the Committee directs the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs in coordination with the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nuclear, Chemical, and Biological Defense Programs to provide a briefing no later than September 30, 2023, to the congressional defense committees on DoD's activities to support global health security. At a minimum, the briefing will include the following:

- 1.) A review of existing research, development, and procurement investments supporting global health security across DoD
- 2.) Identification of current and planned collaborations with other Federal entities supportive of global health security
- 3.) Identification of and recommendations for addressing research, development, and procurement capability gaps across DoD related to global health security
- 4.) An assessment of the feasibility of establishing a consortium in collaboration with academic, industry, and international partners focused on Joint Force global health security needs

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. AUSTIN SCOTT OF GEORGIA

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

1 **SEC. 7___ . ESTABLISHMENT OF PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM**
2 **BETWEEN UNITED STATES AND UKRAINE**
3 **FOR MILITARY TRAUMA CARE AND RE-**
4 **SEARCH.**

5 Not later than February 24, 2023, the Secretary of
6 Defense shall seek to enter into a partnership with the
7 appropriate counterpart from the Government of Ukraine
8 for the establishment of a joint program on military trauma
9 care and research. Such program shall consist of the
10 following:

11 (1) The sharing of relevant lessons learned
12 from the Russo-Ukraine War.

13 (2) The conduct of relevant joint conferences
14 and exchanges with military medical professionals
15 from Ukraine and the United States.

16 (3) Collaboration with the armed forces of
17 Ukraine on matters relating to health policy, health
18 administration, and medical supplies and equipment,
19 including through knowledge exchanges.

1 (4) The conduct of joint research and develop-
2 ment on the health effects of new and emerging
3 weapons.

4 (5) The entrance into agreements with military
5 medical schools of Ukraine for reciprocal education
6 programs under which students at the Uniformed
7 Services University of the Health Sciences receive
8 specialized military medical instruction at the such
9 military medical schools of Ukraine and military
10 medical personnel of Ukraine receive specialized
11 military medical instruction at the Uniformed Serv-
12 ices University of the Health Sciences, pursuant to
13 section 2114(f) of title 10, United States Code.

14 (6) The provision of support to Ukraine for the
15 purpose of facilitating the establishment in Ukraine
16 of a program substantially similar to the Wounded
17 Warrior Program in the United States.

18 (7) The provision of training to the armed
19 forces of Ukraine in the following areas:

20 (A) Health matters relating to chemical,
21 biological, radiological, nuclear and explosive
22 weapons.

23 (B) Preventive medicine and infectious dis-
24 ease.

25 (C) Post traumatic stress disorder.

1 (D) Suicide prevention.

2 (8) The maintenance of a list of medical sup-
3 plies and equipment needed.

4 (9) Such other elements as the Secretary of De-
5 fense may determine appropriate.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. BERGMAN OF MICHIGAN

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5 ____ . REVIEW OF MARKETING AND RECRUITING OF**
2 **THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than September 30,
4 2023, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the
5 Comptroller General of the United States and experts de-
6 termined by the Secretary, shall evaluate the marketing
7 and recruiting efforts of the Department of Defense to de-
8 termine how to use social media and other technology plat-
9 forms to convey to young people the opportunities and
10 benefits of service in the covered Armed Forces.

11 (b) COVERED ARMED FORCE DEFINED.—In this sec-
12 tion, the term “covered Armed Force” means the fol-
13 lowing:

- 14 (1) The Army.
- 15 (2) The Navy.
- 16 (3) The Marine Corps.
- 17 (4) The Air Force.
- 18 (5) The Space Force.



Amendment to H.R. 7900
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Offered by: Mr. Bergman of Michigan

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Recruitment and Retention Incentives within Cyber Career Fields

The committee recognizes that the military services face strong competition from the private sector in attracting and retaining individuals with critical skills, particularly within the cyber domain. The private sector has an advantage of offering superior pay, a more casual work environment, and better opportunities than the military services, to name a few. To mitigate the monetary advantage, the military services have offered incentive bonuses to retain cyber talent, however, it is unclear whether monetary bonuses have been effective and if other incentive options may be more appealing to the workforce.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of the Defense, in coordination with each of the military services' Active and Reserve Components, to submit a report to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than December 31, 2022, on the use of recruitment and retention bonuses paid, and other incentives provided, to individuals in cyber career tracks in order to formulate a better appraisal of the incentive structures necessary for the military to remain competitive in attracting such individuals and ensure that service branches are fully utilizing the incentives at their disposal. The report should focus on bonuses within the last ten years and should incorporate Active Duty, Reserve, and National Guard in its assessment.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. BERGMAN OF MICHIGAN

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5 ____ . NOTICE TO CONGRESS BEFORE CERTAIN AC-**
2 **TIONS REGARDING UNITS OF CERTAIN RE-**
3 **SERVE COMPONENTS.**

4 (a) NOTICE REQUIRED; ELEMENTS.—The Secretary
5 of a military department may not take any covered action
6 regarding a covered unit until the day that is 60 days after
7 the Secretary of a military department submits to Con-
8 gress notice of such covered action. Such notice shall in-
9 clude the following elements

10 (1) An analysis of how the covered action would
11 improve readiness.

12 (2) A description of how the covered action
13 would align with the National Defense Strategy and
14 the supporting strategies of each military depart-
15 ments.

16 (3) A description of any proposed organiza-
17 tional change associated with the covered action and
18 how the covered action will affect the relationship of

1 administrative, operational, or tactical control re-
2 sponsibilities of the covered unit.

3 (4) The projected cost and any projected long-
4 term cost savings of the covered action.

5 (5) A detailed description of any requirements
6 for new infrastructure or relocation of equipment
7 and assets necessary for the covered action.

8 (6) An analysis whether the covered action
9 would facilitate—

10 (A) total force integration; and

11 (B) general officer progression.

12 (7) A description of how the covered activity
13 will affect the ability of the covered unit to accom-
14 plish its current mission.

15 (b) APPLICABILITY.—This section shall apply to any
16 step to perform covered action regarding a covered unit
17 on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

18 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

19 (1) The term “covered action” means any of
20 the following:

21 (A) To deactivate.

22 (B) To reassign.

23 (C) To move the home station.

24 (D) To reassign any responsibility.

25 (E) To integrate, in the case of—

1 (i) a covered unit and a unit of the
2 regular component of a covered Armed
3 Force; or

4 (ii) more than one covered unit.

5 (2) The term “covered Armed Force” means
6 the following:

7 (A) The Army.

8 (B) The Navy.

9 (C) The Marine Corps.

10 (D) The Air Force.

11 (E) The Space Force.

12 (3) The term “covered unit” means a unit of a
13 reserve component of a covered Armed Force.



Amendment to H.R. 7900 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023

Offered by: Mrs. Houlahan

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Novel Antibiotics Engineered to be Effective Against Drug Resistant Bacteria

The committee recognizes the threat posed by antimicrobial resistance and the need to acquire more effective antibiotics available for combat care and bioterrorism response. Moreover, the committee is alarmed by the Future of Defense Task Force findings that 80 percent of ingredients used to manufacture medicines and 97 percent of ingredients used to manufacture antibiotics are sourced from suppliers within China. The committee is concerned that insecure supply chains are capable of crippling or halting access to critical, novel antibiotics which are specifically engineered to be effective against drug resistant bacteria. The committee also recognizes the need for the Department of Defense to access antibiotics with demonstrated efficacy against multi-drug resistant bio-pathogens to enhance preparedness and support readiness, and to ensure that servicemembers have access to the best antibiotic treatments

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than June 1, 2023, that includes the following:

- (1) an assessment of the Department's ability to prioritize procurement of novel antibiotics that have a demonstrated efficacy against multi-drug resistant bio-pathogens and are consistent with the FDA Drug and Biologics Essential Medicines, Medical Countermeasures and Critical Inputs List;
- (2) the feasibility of prioritizing the procurement of novel antibiotics produced with domestically sourced ingredients and that are commercially available within the United States;
- (3) the feasibility of procuring and maintaining novel antibiotics to be held within the National Defense Stockpile;
- (4) any statutory authority required for the Department to prioritize procurement of novel antibiotics produced from domestically sourced ingredients or to maintain a supply of such antibiotics;

- (5) any other recommendations or data surrounding the procurement of novel antibiotics as determined by the Secretary.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MS. SLOTKIN OF MICHIGAN

At the appropriate place in title II, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 2 ____ . PILOT PROGRAM ON RESEARCH AND DEVELOP-**
2 **MENT OF PLANT-BASED PROTEIN FOR THE**
3 **NAVY.**

4 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than March 1,
5 2023, the Secretary of the Navy shall establish and carry
6 out a pilot program to offer plant-based protein options
7 at forward operating bases for consumption by members
8 of the Navy.

9 (b) LOCATIONS.—Not later than March 1, 2023, the
10 Secretary shall identify not fewer than two naval facilities
11 to participate in the pilot program and shall prioritize fa-
12 cilities (such as Joint Region Marianas, Guam, Navy Sup-
13 port Facility, Diego Garcia, and U.S. Fleet Activities
14 Sasebo, Japan) where livestock-based protein options may
15 be costly to obtain or store.

16 (c) AUTHORITIES.—In establishing and carrying out
17 the pilot program under subsection (a), the Secretary of
18 the Navy may use the following authorities:

1 (1) The authority to carry out research and de-
2 velopment projects under section 4001 of title 10,
3 United States Code.

4 (2) The authority to enter into transactions
5 other than contracts and grants under section 4021
6 of such title.

7 (3) The authority to enter into cooperative re-
8 search and development agreements under section
9 4026 of such title.

10 (d) **RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.**—Nothing in this Act
11 shall be construed to prevent offering livestock-based pro-
12 tein options alongside plant-based protein options at naval
13 facilities identified under subsection (b).

14 (e) **TERMINATION.**—The requirement to carry out the
15 pilot program established under this section shall termi-
16 nate three years after the date on which the Secretary es-
17 tablishes the pilot program required under this section.

18 (f) **REPORT.**—Not later than one year after the ter-
19 mination of the pilot program, the Secretary shall submit
20 to the appropriate congressional committees a report on
21 the pilot program that includes the following:

22 (1) The consumption rate of plant-based pro-
23 tein options by members of the Navy under the pilot
24 program.

1 (2) Effective criteria to increase plant-based
2 protein options at naval facilities not identified
3 under subsection (b).

4 (3) An analysis of the costs of obtaining and
5 storing plant-based protein options compared to the
6 costs of obtaining and storing livestock-based protein
7 options at selected naval facilities.

8 (g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

9 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
10 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
11 mittees” means—

12 (A) the Committee on Armed Services of
13 the House of Representatives; and

14 (B) the Committee on Armed Forces of the
15 Senate.

16 (2) PLANT-BASED PROTEIN OPTIONS.—The
17 term “plant-based protein options” means edible
18 vegan or vegetarian meat alternative products made
19 using plant and other non-livestock-based proteins.



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Offered by: Ms. Luria

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Assignments to Ships Undergoing Refueling and Complex Overhaul

The committee is alarmed by the seven deaths by suicide, and additional attempts, of sailors assigned to the USS GEORGE WASHINGTON, a carrier undergoing nuclear refueling and complex overhaul (RCOH). The deaths have brought attention to longstanding problems in the way that the Navy allocates manning to ships undergoing RCOH and supports their crews. The committee notes that, by the time that the GEORGE WASHINGTON finishes its RCOH availability, many first-term enlisted personnel will have spent the majority or entirety of their first enlistment on a ship in maintenance, with no opportunity to learn and perform their ratings, of which they will be expected to have considerable expertise in a subsequent sea-duty assignment. The committee is concerned that this assignment practice is overly burdensome on individual sailors, who must labor under the challenging conditions of a shipyard for as long as 5 years, and fails to serve the development of individual sailors and the readiness needs of the Navy by advancing personnel who are unprepared for subsequent assignments. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of the Navy to submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives by February 1, 2023, addressing alternative approaches to manning ships undergoing RCOH, including:

(1) the number of first-term enlisted sailors who were assigned to the USS GEORGE WASHINGTON for more than 2 years of its most recent RCOH availability,

(2) the number of first-term enlisted sailors who were assigned to the USS GEORGE WASHINGTON for 4 or more years of its most recent RCOH availability,

(3) for first-term enlisted sailors who were assigned to the USS GEORGE WASHINGTON during its most recent RCOH availability and did not have the opportunity to practice their rating, the Navy's plans for assigning and utilizing these sailors if they re-enlist,

(4) a description of actions that the Navy has taken or plans to take to limit the duration of assignments of first-term enlisted sailors to ships undergoing RCOH and to provide first-term enlisted sailors assigned to ships undergoing RCOH with opportunities, such as through temporary duty assignments, to learn and practice their rating,

(5) a feasibility analysis of an alternative policy to limit assignments of first-term enlisted sailors to ships undergoing RCOH to no more than 2 years by splitting the term between two or more ships or by implementing a series of temporary duty assignments, or by other means,

(6) a discussion of any barriers to implementing an alternative policy that would limit the time of first-term enlisted sailors aboard ships undergoing RCOH, including statutory restrictions, budgetary resources, undermanning, end strength, training systems, and any other relevant barriers, and

(7) a projected timeline and estimated costs and benefits of implementing an alternative policy that would limit the time of first-term enlisted sailors aboard ships undergoing RCOH.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY Ms. Luria of Virginia

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5___ . NOTIFICATIONS ON MANNING OF AFLOAT**
2 **NAVAL FORCES.**

3 Section 597(d)(3) of the National Defense Authoriza-
4 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 10
5 U.S.C. 8013 note) is amended by inserting “or a commis-
6 sioned ship undergoing nuclear refueling or defueling and
7 any concurrent complex overhaul” after “Register”.



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Offered by: Ms. Speier

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Comptroller General Review of Part-time Employment of Military Spouses

The committee continues to be concerned about the impact of private-sector practices that disadvantage part-time employees, including military spouses. About 40% of employed military spouses work part-time, in part due to frequent relocations pursuant to permanent-change-of-station orders, inability to access child care, lack of available full-time employment opportunities near many installations, and other challenges unique to military life.

Therefore, the committee directs the Comptroller General of the United States to assess what is known about the specific impacts of certain part-time employment practices on military personnel (for example, military household financial stability, health and well-being of military families, retention of service members, and recruitment of service members). These part-time employment practices could include:

- (1) underemployment, or the inability of part-time workers who would like to increase working hours to access more hours,
- (2) access to pension and retirement benefits based on work tenure requirements,
- (3) restrictions on paid and unpaid sick days and family and medical leave,
- (4) unpredictable and variable shift and work hour scheduling,
- (5) differential treatment compared to full-time employees with regard to wages, ability to accrue benefits, and eligibility for promotions, and
- (6) any other matters the Comptroller General deems necessary.

The study should also examine whether relevant demographic data are available on the composition of the military spouse part-time workforce, recognizing that this subset of the part-time workforce has distinct features and is not necessarily representative of the part-time workforce overall.

The committee further directs the Comptroller General to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by July 31, 2023, on preliminary findings and present final results in a format and timeframe agreed to at the briefing.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MS. CHENEY OF WYOMING

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . AUTHORIZATION FOR POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF**
2 **MEDAL OF HONOR TO MASTER SERGEANT**
3 **RODERICK W. EDMONDS FOR ACTS OF VALOR**
4 **DURING WORLD WAR II.**

5 (a) **WAIVER OF TIME LIMITATIONS.**—Notwith-
6 standing the time limitations specified in section 7274 of
7 title 10, United States Code, or any other time limitation
8 with respect to the awarding of certain medals to persons
9 who served in the Armed Forces, the President may award
10 the Medal of Honor posthumously under section 7271 of
11 such title to Master Sergeant Roderick W. Edmonds for
12 the acts of valor described in subsection (c).

13 (b) **ACTS OF VALOR DESCRIBED.**—The acts of valor
14 referred to in subsection (b) are the actions of Master Ser-
15 geant Roderick W. Edmonds on January 27, 1945, as a
16 prisoner of war and member of the Army serving in Ger-
17 many in support of the Battle of the Bulge, for which he
18 has never been recognized by the United States Army.



**Amendment to H.R. 7900
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Offered by: Mr. Austin Scott of Georgia

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Gaps in Writings on National Guard History

The committee acknowledges that the history of the National Guard is rich and complex, and that many areas remain to be explored by historians. The committee encourages and supports collaboration between historians and the History Office of the National Guard Bureau to help preserve its unique history. Therefore, the committee directs the Chief of the National Guard Bureau to provide a report to the House Armed Services Committee by March 1, 2023, that lists any identified gaps in the existing cannon of National Guard history to better enable historians' efforts to more holistically document the past.

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Offered by: Mrs. Houlahan

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Diversity of Professional Military Education Faculty and Leadership

The committee appreciates the Department of Defense's efforts to reform Professional Military Education (PME) to meet the needs and challenges highlighted within the National Defense Strategy. Members of the Armed Forces must be challenged by diversity of thought, experience, and academic rigor within the PME environment. However, the committee is concerned that lack of diversity amongst PME faculty and leadership may limit students' exposure to diverse perspectives concerning the challenges and environment in which we expect members of our Armed Forces to operate.

Therefore, the committee directs the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel & Readiness to submit a report and provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by July 1, 2023, on the demographics and expertise of PME faculty and leadership. The briefing and report shall include relevant data, statistics, and information regarding PME faculty and leadership, with respect to each senior and intermediate-level service and joint school. The report shall include the following:

- (1) number and percentage of PME faculty and leadership by demographic data to include gender, race, and ethnicity;
- (2) number and percentage of PME faculty and leadership who are veterans;
- (3) number and percentage of PME faculty and leadership who are members of the Armed Forces, disaggregated by active and reserve components;
- (4) number and percentage of PME faculty and leadership, who are civilians with no previous military service;
- (5) number and percentage of PME faculty and leadership who hold advanced degrees, disaggregated by degree level and field of study;
- (6) an identification of potential or existing barriers that may prevent those with diverse backgrounds from serving as PME faculty or leadership;
- (7) recommendations to eliminate any barriers to diversification of PME faculty and leadership;
- (8) any other information or recommendations the Secretary deems relevant.

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Offered by: Ms. Houlahan

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Study on the Connection Between Active-Duty Military Service and Family Building Challenges

The committee is concerned that due to the nature of military service, members of the Armed Forces and their families may encounter unique challenges to family building. The Blue Star Families Military Family Lifestyle Survey (MFLS), released in March 2022, which included family-building questions, showed that of active-duty family respondents, two-thirds (64%) report challenges with family building and 42% reported that the military created challenges in having children (including a disproportionate 57% of active-duty female service members reporting that family building challenges were due to military service). As the first comprehensive survey of family building challenges for active-duty families, we believe this data demands further investigation to understand how military service impacts the ability of members of the Armed Forces to meet their family building goals.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the House Committee on Armed Services, not later than December 1, 2023, on the connection between Active-Duty Military Service and family building challenges.

The report shall include:

- 1) the prevalence of infertility among Active-Duty Service Members and their spouses disaggregated by age-group;
- 2) the number and percentages of Active-Duty Service members and their spouses with diagnosed infertility who have access to fertility treatment services at Military Treatment Facilities;
- 3) the number and percentages of Active-Duty Service members and their spouses with diagnosed infertility who do not have access to fertility treatment services at Military Treatment Facilities;
- 4) an assessment on whether the standard definition of infertility, as defined by the Centers for Disease Control, in anyway limits members of the Armed Forces from receiving timely infertility diagnosis;

- 5) an assessment of the availability of faith based and spiritual support in meeting family building challenges;
- 6) an assessment of the connection between family building challenges and retention;
- 7) recommendations to address family building challenges experienced by members of the Armed Services;
- 8) any other data or information the Secretary deems relevant.

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Offered by: Mr. Austin Scott of Georgia

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Feasibility of College Degrees Conferred by the Defense Information School

The committee notes the Defense Information School (DINFOS) provides an adaptable curriculum, instructional methods, and technology training to equip servicemembers and Department of Defense civilians to compete and win in an increasingly complex information environment. Accordingly, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by March 1, 2023, on the feasibility of the Defense Information School conferring associates, bachelors, and masters degrees in communication studies, as appropriate, to graduates of the Defense Information School's Public Affairs and Communication Strategic Qualification Course. The briefing shall include, at a minimum:

- 1.) An assessment of the resources and curriculum changes required to gain the accreditation needed for the Defense Information School to confer higher education degrees
- 2.) An assessment of the process and curriculum changes required for the Defense Information School to confer an associates of communication studies degree to military members or Department of Defense civilians who entered into the Public Affairs and Communication Strategic Qualification Course without a bachelors degree
- 3.) An assessment of the process and curriculum changes required for the Defense Information School to confer a bachelors of communication studies degree to military members or Department of Defense civilians who entered into the Public Affairs and Communication Strategic Qualification Course already holding an associates degree
- 4.) An assessment of the process and curriculum changes required for the Defense Information School to confer a masters of communication studies degree to military members or Department of Defense civilians who entered into the Public Affairs and Communication Strategic Qualification Course already holding a bachelors degree
- 5.) What, if any, legislative changes would be required to facilitate the ability of the Defense Information School to confer higher education degrees to graduates of the Public Affairs and Communication Strategic Qualification Course

- 6.) Any barriers implementing a program for the Defense Information School to confer higher education degrees the Secretary of Defense deems relevant

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. TURNER OF OHIO

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

1 **SEC. 10 ____ . COMMON ACCESS CARDS FOR DEPARTMENT OF**
2 **DEFENSE FACILITIES FOR CERTAIN CON-**
3 **GRESSIONAL STAFF.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall
5 develop processes and procedures under which the Sec-
6 retary shall issue common access cards to staff of the con-
7 gressional defense committees who need such access to fa-
8 cilitate the performance of required congressional over-
9 sight activities. Such common access cards shall provide
10 such staff with access to all Department of Defense instal-
11 lations and facilities.

12 (b) IMPLEMENTATION.—The Secretary shall imple-
13 ment the processes and procedures developed under sub-
14 section (a) by not later than 180 days after the date of
15 the enactment of this Act.

16 (c) INTERIM BRIEFING.—Not later than 90 days
17 after the date of the enactment of the Act, the Secretary
18 of Defense shall provide to the congressional defense com-
19 mittees an interim briefing on the status of the processes

2

1 and procedures required to be developed under subsection

2 (a).



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Offered by: Mr. Moore

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Parent Stress Index Analysis

The committee is encouraged by Department of Defense continued efforts to maintain specialized services for service men and women with family members with autism and emphasizes the impact on retention of providing effectual, affordable, and accessible resources to families under the Autism Care Demonstration. However, the committee maintains concerns that well-intended attempts to provide specialized treatment through the Autism Care Demonstration program put an undue burden on parents and are unnecessarily invasive. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Defense Health Agency to submit a report to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than March 1, 2023 on the utility, value, functionality and effectiveness of the Autism Care Demonstration, Applied Behavior Analysis, Parenting Stress Index.

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Offered by: MR. BROWN OF MARYLAND

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Next Generation Freeze-Dried Blood Product Development

Hemorrhage is the leading cause of mortality from potentially survivable injuries on the battlefield. Numerous civilian and military studies show survival can be increased by providing platelets and plasma at the point of injury. At the current rate, lifesaving blood products, or their derivatives, under development will not be available to the warfighter for several years. Accelerating development of next generation blood products and blood derived products in clinical trials and continuing to develop new products that can be incorporated in a combat medics field pack is critical to meeting national preparedness goals. These products are vitally needed to support casualties in theater until they can be evacuated. The committee understands the significant importance of providing blood products to all levels of care including combat medics for treatment at the point of injury. The reliance on the walking blood bank program, which began during the Spanish Civil War (1936-39), as the only available alternative to American warfighters when NATO partners routinely deploy frozen or lyophilized blood products is unacceptable. In response, the committee has encouraged Department of Defense, over the past several years, to fund the advanced development of freeze-dried blood products. The Department indicated in previous reports that the research and development efforts would result in a Food and Drug Administration approved product by the end of 2020. The committee remains concerned that, to date, no product has been fully approved and made available for use.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense, to provide a briefing no later than April 1, 2023, to the House Armed Services Committee, on efforts to advance next generation blood products with greater capabilities than those currently available. The briefing shall include the status of the development and testing of freeze-dried blood products, specifically an assessment of the current regulatory and development status of lead next generation blood products that are key components of the Department's effort to increase survivability in theater, especially in prolonged field care environments;

- 1) An assessment of the current regulatory and development status of lead next generation blood products that are key components of the Department's effort to increase survivability in theater, especially in prolonged field care environments;
- 2) An assessment of appropriated funding approved and committed to advance freeze-dried blood products or blood derived products to FDA approval, and how programs (including Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs) are prioritizing projects, as well as recommendations on improvement to oversight of prioritization of projects;

- 3) Detailed assessment on funding invested to date per project, progress of the research, and description of how the project will improve hemorrhage control in theater, including applicability in prolonged field care settings, peer and near-peer conflicts and austere environments;
- 4) Funding level necessary to rapidly advance viable candidates that would significantly impact the availability of next generation blood products to the warfighter;
- 5) Department strategy to rapidly advance freeze-dried blood products or blood product derivatives currently in clinical trials, with a clear and defined timeline to FDA approval for the appropriate indications and deployment to the military branches.

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Offered by: Mr. Carl

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

**DOD Report on Cardiac and Kidney Issues in Service Members Prior to
and Following the COVID Vaccine Requirement**

The committee understands that kidney and cardiac care in the Military Health System is a vital component to service-member readiness. The Committee also notes that service members have been required to receive COVID-19 vaccinations as a force health protection requirement. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a report to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives not later than March 1, 2023, on the prevalence and incidence of kidney and cardiac issues in servicemembers in 2019 compared to the prevalence and incidence of kidney and cardiac incidences in servicemembers in 2021 and 2022.

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Offered by: Ms. Garcia

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Study on the Classification and Growth of United States Space Force Careers

The committee notes the importance of fully understanding the potential growth of the United States Space Force and how it relates to civilian commercial space entities. Therefore, the committee directs the Chief of Space Operations to provide a report to the House Committee on Armed Services by March 1, 2023, analyzing what space-related career positions should be military or civilian based on their operational requirements. Additionally, the report should illustrate what efforts the Space Force is making to increase recruitment, the expected growth of Space Force personnel, and the best location options for Space Force base expansion.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. BACON OF NEBRASKA

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

1 **SEC. 5 ____ . PLAN TO ENSURE REASONABLE ACCESS TO THE**
2 **JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING**
3 **CORPS.**

4 (a) **PLAN REQUIRED.**—The Secretary of Defense, in
5 consultation with the Secretaries of the military depart-
6 ments, shall develop a plan to increase the total number
7 of units of the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps
8 to ensure that there is reasonable access to such units in
9 each geographic region of the United States by not later
10 than September 30, 2031.

11 (b) **ELEMENTS.**—The plan required under subsection
12 (a) shall include the following:

13 (1) A proposal to increase the total number of
14 units of the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps
15 to ensure reasonable access for students throughout
16 the United States.

17 (2) The estimated cost of implementing the pro-
18 posed increase in the number of such units.

1 (3) A prioritized list of the States and regions
2 in which the Secretary proposes adding additional
3 units.

4 (4) Actions the Secretary expects to carry out
5 to ensure adequate representation and fair access to
6 such units for students in all regions of the United
7 States, including rural and remote areas and in
8 underrepresented States.

9 (5) To the extent appropriate, modifications to
10 the requirements for such units, including the re-
11 quirements applicable to instructors, to accommo-
12 date units in rural areas and small schools.

13 (6) A plan to increase school and community
14 awareness of Junior Reserve Officers' Training
15 Corps programs in underrepresented areas.

16 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date
17 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
18 shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the
19 Senate and the House of Representatives a report that
20 includes the plan developed under subsection (a).

21 (d) REASONABLE ACCESS DEFINED.—In this section,
22 the term “reasonable access”, when used with respect to
23 units of the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps,
24 means a level of access determined by the Secretary of
25 Defense be reasonable taking into account the demand for

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- 1 student participation, the availability of instructors, and
- 2 the physical distance between units.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5 ____ . VERIFICATION OF REPORTING OF ELIGIBLE**
2 **FEDERALLY CONNECTED CHILDREN FOR**
3 **PURPOSES OF FEDERAL IMPACT AID PRO-**
4 **GRAMS.**

5 (a) CERTIFICATION.—On an annual basis, each com-
6 mander of a military installation under the jurisdiction of
7 the Secretary of a military department shall submit to
8 such Secretary a written certification verifying whether
9 the commander has confirmed the information contained
10 in all impact aid source check forms received from local
11 educational agencies as of the date of such certification.

12 (b) REPORT.—Not later June 30 of each year, each
13 Secretary of a military department shall submit to the
14 congressional defense committees a report, based on the
15 information received under subsection (a), that identi-
16 fies—

17 (1) each military installation under the jurisdic-
18 tion of such Secretary that has confirmed the infor-
19 mation contained in all impact aid source check

1 forms received from local educational agencies as of
2 the date of the report; and

3 (2) each military installation that has not con-
4 firmed the information contained in such forms as of
5 such date.



Amendment to H.R. 7900
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Offered by: Mr. Gallagher of Wisconsin

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

DRL RC Duty Status Reform

The Committee understands the consolidation of over 30 Reserve Component duty statuses into at least four distinct categories should align pay and benefits to each category of work, providing parity and access across the joint force. Moreover, these actions are congruent with the Commission on the National Guard and Reserve commission of 2008 recommendations. However, the legislative proposal that would accompany Reserve Component Duty Status reform seems stalled as it works its way through the Office of Management and Budget and the Department of Defense. Therefore, the Committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a report to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives, not later than December 1, 2022, on the status of the Reserve Component Duty Status Reform legislative proposal that would correlate pay and benefits with duty performed, while eliminating existing pay and benefits inequities between the Active Component and Reserve Component, to include any needed statutory changes in United States Code.

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Offered by: Mr. Gallagher of Wisconsin

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Morale, Welfare and Recreation Program Usage

The Committee understands that Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) programs are vital to mission accomplishment and form an integral part of the non-pay compensation system. MWR programs foster physical and mental well-being and aid in readiness, recruitment, and retention of personnel. They enhance the physical, cultural, and social needs of Service members and their families by providing installation and community support systems for a mobile military population. The Military Services resource their MWR programs from either Annual Planning Figure (APF) or nonappropriated funds (NAF), or a combination of both. There are three categories of MWR programs: (1) Category A (mission-sustaining); (2) Category B (community support); and (3) Category C (revenue-generating). However, it remains unclear on why some Services are not meeting funding thresholds and the plan for modernization of overall MWR programs. Therefore, the Committee directs the Secretary of Defense in coordination with the Secretaries of the Military Departments to provide a report to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives, not later than April 1, 2023, on the plan to modernize the MWR program, provide usage data by category and beneficiary group to include retirees, family members and others and the funding rationale on why some Services are not hitting required funding thresholds.

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Offered by: Mr. Gallagher of Wisconsin

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

DoD Nutrition

The Committee understands the Department of Defense is making progress with the development of nutrition policy and governance. Moreover, the Committee notes the DoD Nutrition Committee has established the Food and Nutrition Subcommittee and Dietary Supplements and Other Self-Care Products Subcommittee that provide policy recommendations on their respective areas of expertise. Additionally, work has been completed on mapping the stakeholders within the DoD Food and Nutrition Landscape. Therefore, the Committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committee on Armed Services of House of Representatives, not later than January 31, 2023, on the establishment of the Defense Feeding and Nutrition Board (DFNB) to include the following:

- 1) The composition, governance structure and timeline for implementation of the DFNB;
- 2) DoD's process and methodology for revising the service Buyers' Guides;
- 3) Additional nutrition policies and procedures that require updating;
- 4) Any additional actions DoD needs to take to meet omega-3 fatty acid and other nutritional requirements to ensure nutritional readiness of Service members.

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Offered by: Mr. Gallagher of Wisconsin

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

DoD Basic Allowance for Subsistence and Food Management

The Committee understands that since 2017, the Department of Defense (DOD) has been working to develop a new process for making food ingredient decisions, based on its menu standards for providing nutritious food to servicemembers. The Committee notes progress in some areas like healthier menu options and food ingredients. However, the Committee remains concerned the pace of change is going too slowly and that there are differences in the calculation of food costs across the Services which may impact the Basic Allowance for Subsistence. Additionally, the Committee notes the importance of implementing the recommendation in GAO Report 22-103949, *Food Program: DOD Should Formalize Its Process for Revising Food Ingredients and Better Track Dining Facility Use and Cost*. Therefore, the Committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives, not later than January 31, 2023, on the efforts to implement the recommendations in GAO Report 22-103949.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. GALLAGHER OF WISCONSIN

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5** ____ . **PROHIBITION ON USE OF PHOTOGRAPHS BY**
2 **CERTAIN MILITARY PROMOTION BOARDS.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of Defense shall
4 ensure that no military promotion record of a covered
5 Armed Force includes any official or unofficial photo-
6 graphs.

7 (b) **COVERED ARMED FORCE DEFINED.**—In this sec-
8 tion, the term “covered Armed Force” means the fol-
9 lowing:

- 10 (1) The Army.
- 11 (2) The Navy.
- 12 (3) The Marine Corps.
- 13 (4) The Air Force.
- 14 (5) The Space Force.



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Offered by: Mr. Gallagher of Wisconsin

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Item of Special Interest:

Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Prevention

With over 400,000 Traumatic Brain Injuries (TBI) documented within the armed services since 2000, The committee commends the Department for its ongoing efforts to combat TBI's and its current efforts to speed capabilities to the soldier that can prevent TBI's from occurring.

Over the past several years, the committee has expressed particular interest in non-helmet TBI preventative devices that are FDA-cleared, commercially available, and currently in use across the country. As such, Congress has provided policy and support to help facilitate the Army's consideration of such non-helmet TBI preventative devices. The committee understands that the U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command (USAMRDC) is currently in the process of evaluating these devices for operationally unique environments, particularly related to their ability to reduce blast-induced TBI. The committee also understands there are efforts within Program Executive Office – Soldier to begin evaluating these devices in upcoming non-operational training environments. The committee strongly supports this approach given the device's FDA clearance for blunt force trauma of the type sustained by soldiers, and the immediate potential reduction of TBI incidents that occur during training. Therefore the Committee directs the Secretary of the Army to provide a briefing to the Committee on Armed Service of the House of Representatives no later 1 February, 2023, on the status of current evaluations of non-helmet TBI preventative devices.

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Offered by: Mr. Wittman

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Merchant Marine Academy infrastructure modernization plan

The committee notes the importance of the work completed by the United States Merchant Marine Academy to educate the next generation of seagoing officers and maritime leaders, including over 80 percent of all United States Navy Strategic Sealift Officers that can be rapidly deployed to transport and sustain United States forces worldwide. The committee remains concerned that more should be done to address the findings of the National Academy of Public Administration report, directed by section 3513 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116-92). This report delivered an organizational assessment of the Merchant Marine Academy. The National Academy of Public Administration found that the Merchant Marine Academy requires substantial investment in facilities, infrastructure, and information technology, among other organizational reforms. The NAPA report also found that the Merchant Marine Academy does not have a facilities and infrastructure program in place to oversee the necessary reinvestment, and improvements are required to stabilize basic operations at the Merchant Marine Academy to support the delivery of capital improvements and maintenance projects in a timely and cost-effective manner.

The committee is aware of the importance of recruiting and maintaining a strong strategic sealift officer corps to ensure that surge sealift capacity is available to the United States military, should the need arise.

Therefore, the committee directs the Administrator of the Maritime Administration to deliver a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by March 1, 2023, on the Merchant Marine Academy's plans to organize future investments with a multi-year plan to improve the infrastructure, facilities, and information technology of the Merchant Marine Academy. This briefing must include a discussion of how oversight will be provided from the implementation of the investment program.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. GALLAGHER OF WISCONSIN

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5 ____ . SURVEY OF CHAPLAINS.**

2 (a) DEVELOPMENT.—The Secretary of Defense shall
3 seek to enter into an agreement with a nonprofit entity
4 or a federally funded research and development center to
5 develop an anonymous survey of chaplains of the covered
6 Armed Forces. The survey shall include questions regard-
7 ing the following:

8 (1) Chaplain job satisfaction.

9 (2) The tools available for chaplains to minister
10 to members of the covered Armed Forces.

11 (3) Resources available to support religious pro-
12 grams.

13 (4) Inclusion of chaplains in resiliency and
14 wellness programs.

15 (5) The role of chaplains in embedded units,
16 headquarters activities, and military treatment facili-
17 ties.

18 (6) Recruitment and retention of chaplains.

1 (7) Any challenges in the ability of chaplains to
2 offer ministry services.

3 (b) ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary shall admin-
4 ister the survey not later than 180 days after development.

5 (c) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date
6 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
7 shall submit a report to the Committees on Armed Serv-
8 ices of the Senate and House of Representatives on the
9 findings from the survey.

10 (d) COVERED ARMED FORCE DEFINED.—The term
11 “covered Armed Force” means the following:

- 12 (1) The Army.
- 13 (2) The Navy.
- 14 (3) The Marine Corps.
- 15 (4) The Air Force.
- 16 (5) The Space Force.



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Offered by: Ms. Speier

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Promotion and Retention of Uniformed Psychologists and Social Workers

The committee is concerned that uniformed behavioral health therapists, including clinical psychologists and licensed clinical social workers, may be disadvantaged for promotion due to their required focus on delivering clinical services to patients, which in turn may hinder retention and exacerbate the problem of unfilled behavioral health billets. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the surgeons general of the military departments, to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by February 1, 2023, including, for each military department:

(1) the promotion rates for clinical psychologists from O-2 to O-3, O-3 to O-4, O-4 to O-5, and O-5 to O-6 for the three previous calendar years,

(2) the promotion rates for social workers from O-2 to O-3, O-3 to O-4, O-4 to O-5, and O-5 to O-6 for the three previous calendar years,

(3) the promotion rates for medical doctors from O-2 to O-3, O-3 to O-4, O-4 to O-5, and O-5 to O-6 for the three previous calendar years,

(4) a description of the process to select psychologists and social workers for promotion, including the standards for promotion and a description of the population against which psychologists and social workers compete for promotions,

(5) a description of the barriers faced by uniformed psychologists and social workers in being selected for promotion compared to other health care specialties,

(6) a description of any efforts under way or under consideration to improve the promotion rates for uniformed psychologists and social workers,

(7) a description of any efforts under way or under consideration to increase retention of uniformed psychologists and social workers, and

(8) an analysis of the feasibility of establishing a separate or modified promotion process for uniformed psychologists and social workers that would increase promotion rates for psychologists whose careers have focused on delivering clinical behavioral health services to members of the Armed Forces.

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Offered by: Mr. Jackson of Texas

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Improving Employment Opportunities for Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training Program Families and Spouses

The committee understands the importance of ensuring that the Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training Program (ENJJPT) continues to produce elite combat pilots for the NATO alliance. The committee notes that for 40 years, the United States has hosted the Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training Program in Wichita Falls, Texas, training and preparing future pilots.

The committee is aware that spouses of service members from partner nations participating in the Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training Program face unique challenges when seeking employment, frequently causing difficulty for partner nations to appoint their Senior National Representative to serve in the ENJJPT. The committee is concerned about the negative impact this could have on the future of the Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training Program. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to deliver a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by April 1, 2023, on potential solutions to improving employment opportunities for spouses and family members of service members of foreign nations serving in the ENJJPT.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MS. SPEIER OF CALIFORNIA

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

1 **SEC. 10 ____ . DEADLINE FOR 75 PERCENT MANNING FILL**
2 **FOR SHIPS UNDERGOING NUCLEAR REFUEL-**
3 **ING OR DEFUELING.**

4 By not later than December 31, 2023, the Secretary
5 of the Navy shall ensure that the manning fill for each
6 ship undergoing nuclear refueling or defueling, and any
7 concurrent complex overhaul, is not less than—

8 (1) 75 percent overall; and
9 (2) 75 percent for enlisted grades E-6 and
10 above.



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Offered by: Ms. Strickland

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

A Report on Caregivers in Military Families

The Committee recognizes that military service creates distinct challenges for servicemembers and their families for those required to balance service obligations for family members unable to care for themselves due to age, disability, or chronic medical conditions and that caregiving duties may negatively impact force readiness and the quality of military life. Therefore, the Committee directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the House Committee on Armed Services and House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure not later than February 1, 2023, on the prevalence of caregivers in military families and an assessment of the need for establishing a grant program to support organizations that assist caregivers in military families. The report will include the following elements:

- 1) the relative prevalence of caregivers in military families, including the prevalence of military dependents providing caregiving tasks, even if the person does not explicitly identify as a caregiver, with respect to military service branch, geographic region, rurality, age, gender, rank, race, and ethnicity;
- 2) an evaluation of the usage rates, eligibility criteria, barriers to access, and effectiveness of respite care currently available to caregivers in military families including the availability of care at installations and around installations eligible for accompanied tours;
- 3) quantify the impact of unpaid caregiving activities on military family finances, mental health, military family resilience, military retention, and military readiness;
- 4) an evaluation of the effectiveness of existing caregiver programs and policies in identifying those performing caregiving tasks, screening of caregivers for perceived burden, and alleviating impacts on military family finances, mental health, military family resilience, military retention, and military readiness;
- 5) provide recommendations to improve existing programs at and around military installations in order to identify caregivers and alleviate the impacts of military family finances, mental health, military family resilience, military retention, and military readiness;

- 6) assess whether the current definitional requirements for eligibility for existing caregiver programs is adequate in providing support to all caregivers in military families;
- 7) Examine the need to establish a grant program for organizations that assist caregivers in military families

Caregiver is defined as an adult family member or other military dependent who has a significant relationship with, and who provides a broad range of assistance to, an individual who is unable to care for themselves due to age, disability, or chronic medical conditions.

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Offered by: Mr. Larsen

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Report on negative impacts of delayed reimbursements for government travel

The Travel and Transportation Reform Act of 1998 requires members of the department of defense use the government travel card for all authorized expenses relating to official government travel, to include permanent change of station expenses. Military services may further restrict and define this policy. The committee is concerned delays in reimbursement for mandatory travel expenses have negative impacts on service members credit ratings.

The committee directs the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Defense Finance and Accounting Services, to submit a report to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than May 1, 2023, on the processing time for reimbursement of travel pay vouchers. The services shall include the number of members who have been negatively impacted by delayed reimbursement of government travel payments to include impact on credit reporting due to mandatory use of the government travel card.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MR. BROWN OF MARYLAND

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . BACKDATING OF EFFECTIVE DATE OF RANK FOR**
2 **RESERVE OFFICERS IN THE NATIONAL**
3 **GUARD DUE TO UNDUE DELAYS IN FEDERAL**
4 **RECOGNITION.**

5 Paragraph (2) of section 14308(f) of title 10, United
6 States Code, is amended to read as follows:

7 “(2) If there is a delay in extending Federal recogni-
8 tion in the next higher grade in the Army National Guard
9 or the Air National Guard to a reserve commissioned offi-
10 cer of the Army or the Air Force that exceeds 100 days
11 from the date the National Guard Bureau deems such offi-
12 cer’s application for Federal recognition to be completely
13 submitted by the State and ready for review at the Na-
14 tional Guard Bureau, and the delay was not attributable
15 to the action or inaction of such officer—

16 “(A) in the event of State promotion with an
17 effective date before January 1, 2024, the effective
18 date of the promotion concerned under paragraph
19 (1) may be adjusted to a date determined by the

1 Secretary concerned, but not earlier than the effective date of the State promotion; and

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3 “(B) in the event of State promotion with an effective date on or after January 1, 2024, the effective date of the promotion concerned under paragraph (1) shall be adjusted by the Secretary concerned to the later of—

8 “(i) the date the National Guard Bureau deems such officer’s application for Federal recognition to be completely submitted by the State and ready for review at the National Guard Bureau; and

13 “(ii) the date on which the officer occupies a billet in the next higher grade.”.



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Offered by: Mr. Wilson of South Carolina

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Mobile Applications for Mental Health Patients

The committee notes that warfighters have a 150% higher risk of suicide than the general population, up to 25% prevalence of depression, and up to 20% higher incidence of anxiety disorders. The committee recognizes the challenges of identifying these servicemembers and the need for them to be placed in a correct treatment pathway and be monitored for signs of deterioration during or after treatment. The committee also recognizes the shortage of mental health care specialists in rural areas, where as many as 65% of nonmetropolitan counties do not have psychiatrists, and over 60% of rural Americans live in designated mental health provider shortage areas, and the challenges associated with providing acute behavioral health intervention to servicemembers who reside in rural areas.

The committee notes that mobile application technologies are commercially available that can run on a cellphone or other device such as a computer or tablet to facilitate mental healthcare remotely to service members who reside more than one hour from the nearest behavioral health facility. These new technologies can assist the service member to journal their feelings while analyzing their voice for severity of depression and anxiety. The committee recognizes that this new technology can identify, triage, and monitor for depression and anxiety severity and simultaneously facilitate micro-interventions for those patients with mild and moderate levels of severity. This allows the scarce resource of providers to prioritize the most severe patients appropriately while the less severe patients can be assisted using digital technology powered by evidence-based techniques requiring fewer touchpoints by the providers.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Director of the Defense Health Agency, to submit a report to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than February 1, 2023, on the feasibility of incorporating this technology into existing mental health care services as well as utilizing mobile applications for providing behavioral and mental health services to servicemembers living over 60 minutes from the nearest mental health provider.

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Offered by: Ms. Stefanik

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 7900, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Use of Government-Funded Combat Medications

The committee notes that the Department of Defense has invested significant funding over the past two decades on medications specifically developed for battlefield application. Some of these medications have now received approval from the Food and Drug Administration for use by the U.S. military and are ready for inclusion in Sets, Kits, and Outfits (SKOs) for deployment. Such medications could also be used by allied and partner militaries, including for pain relief and evacuation of casualties from the battlefield.

The committee is concerned that the Department continues to use legacy medications, including some off-label commercial medications, rather than the new medications developed at government expense for battlefield applications. Therefore, the committee directs the Chairman of Joint Chiefs of Staff to brief the House Committee on Armed Services not later than February 1, 2023, on a timeline and the processes being used to integrate government-developed medications into SKOs and aid packages for use in the operational environment.