

**En Bloc Amendments to H.R. 2500****Subcommittee on Military Personnel  
En Bloc # 1**

<b>Log #</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>060</b>	Davis	Report on Army Active Component Support of the Reserve Component.
<b>092</b>	Torres Small	Would direct the SECDEF to provide a report on providing maternity leave to the National Guard and reserve components.
<b>101</b>	Brown	This amendment provides a casualty assistance officer to the family of ROTC cadets who have taken the oath but have not yet reported to their first duty station, in the event of their death.
<b>011</b>	Turner	Directs the DAC-IPAD to submit a report on the feasibility of appointing a guardian ad litem to represent minor victims of alleged sex-related offenses in the military courts-martial process
<b>033</b>	Speier	Creates public database with service general and flag officers, including biographical information.
<b>014</b>	Turner	Requires that a special victims counsel be made available to victims not later than 48 hours after a request for such.
<b>017</b>	Turner	Increases the number of digital forensic examiners in military criminal investigation organizations.
<b>042</b>	Speier	Establishes a panel tasked with reviewing the ability of BCMRs and DRBs to promptly process cases, follow Congressional intent on liberal consideration, and other issues. The panel would have 4 years to review areas of concern, propose related reforms, and oversee their implementation.
<b>103</b>	Brown	Directs the SECDEF to include questions about supremacist activity, extremist activity, and racism in command climate surveys, the workplace and equal opportunity survey, and the workplace and gender relations survey.
<b>161</b>	Cook	Limits funds from being used to consolidate the Defense Media Activity until a period of 180 days from enactment of this Act.
<b>168</b>	DesJarlais	Require the department to submit report to Congress reviewing its policy permitting military personnel to use education benefits for nontraditional cyber-related education programs.
<b>169</b>	DesJarlais	Requires the Chief of the National Guard Bureau, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense, to provide a report on the National Guard's role in space activities and intentions for the Guard in future space planning.

## Amendment to H.R. 2500 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020

### Offered by Mrs. Davis of California

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2500, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

#### Report on Army Active Component Support of the Reserve Component

The Committee notes that efforts to achieve Army active and reserve component integration have made significant progress. However, both Congressionally mandated and Department of Defense-led efforts to provide active component support for Army reserve components have failed. Uniformed full-time personnel assigned to Army reserve component units should bring relevant, operational experience from the active component and return to the active force with a greater understanding of the reserve component. The current Army Active Guard and Reserve (AGR) program does not integrate components at the unit level and does not capitalize on the potential benefits of personnel exchange. Therefore, the Committee directs the Secretary of the Army to report to the House Armed Services Committee no later than January 1, 2020 on the current force structure of AGR personnel, the impact of increased active component support to the reserve component, ways to incentivize active service in the reserve components, and any recommended changes to the Active Guard and Reserve (AGR) program.

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**Offered by: Ms. Torres Small of New Mexico**

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2500, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

**Maternity Leave Parity for National Guard and Reserve Components**

The committee notes that the Department of Defense established policies for maternity leave in 2016, authorizing 12 weeks fully paid maternity leave after normal pregnancy and childbirth. The committee further notes that such paid leave is not given to female services members in inactive duty status within the National Guard and reserve components, and that these service members are still required to attend unit training assemblies to receive military service pay and retirement points. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a report to the House Committee on Armed Services by May 1, 2020, on the barriers, benefits, and feasibility of providing compensation and credit for retired pay to members of the National Guard and reserve components in inactive duty status.

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2500**  
**OFFERED BY MR. BROWN OF MARYLAND**

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

1 **SEC. 6 \_\_\_\_ . CASUALTY ASSISTANCE FOR SURVIVORS OF DE-**  
2 **CEASED ROTC GRADUATES.**

3 Section 633 of the National Defense Authorization  
4 Act for Fiscal Year 2014 (10 U.S.C. 1475 note) is amend-  
5 ed by adding at the end the following new subsection:

6 “(c) ROTC GRADUATES.—

7 “(1) TREATED AS MEMBERS.—For purposes of  
8 this section, a graduate of a reserve officers’ train-  
9 ing corps who dies before receiving a first duty as-  
10 signment shall be treated as a member of the Armed  
11 Forces who dies while on active duty.

12 “(2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This subsection ap-  
13 plies to deaths on or after the date of the enactment  
14 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
15 Year 2020.”.



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**Offered by: Michael R. Turner (OH-10)**

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2500, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

**Appointment of Guardian ad Litem for Minor Victims**

The committee is concerned for the welfare of minor, military dependents who are victims of an alleged sex-related offense. The committee acknowledges the Department of Defense's continued efforts to implement services in support of service members who are victims of sexual assault and further, to expand some of these services to dependents who are victims. However, the committee remains concerned that there is not an adequate mechanism within the military court-martial process to represent the best interests of minor victims following an alleged sex-related offense.

Therefore, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Defense Advisory Committee on Investigation, Prosecution, and Defense of Sexual Assault in the Armed Forces shall submit to the Committees on the Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report that evaluates the need for, and the feasibility of, establishing a process under which a guardian ad litem may be appointed to represent the interests of a victim of an alleged sex-related offense (as that term is defined in section 1044e(g) of title 10, United States Code) who has not attained the age of 18 years.

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2500**  
**OFFERED BY MS. SPEIER OF CALIFORNIA**

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

1 **SEC. 5 \_\_\_\_ . AVAILABILITY ON THE INTERNET OF CERTAIN**  
2 **INFORMATION ABOUT OFFICERS SERVING IN**  
3 **GENERAL OR FLAG OFFICER GRADES.**

4 (a) **AVAILABILITY REQUIRED.—**

5 (1) **IN GENERAL.—**The Secretary of each mili-  
6 tary department shall make available on an Internet  
7 website of such department available to the public  
8 information specified in paragraph (2) on each offi-  
9 cer in a general or flag officer grade under the juris-  
10 diction of such Secretary, including any such officer  
11 on the reserve active-status list.

12 (2) **INFORMATION.—**The information on an of-  
13 ficer specified by this paragraph to be made avail-  
14 able pursuant to paragraph (1) is the information as  
15 follows:

16 (A) The officer's name.

17 (B) The officer's current grade, duty posi-  
18 tion, command or organization, and location of  
19 assignment.

1 (C) A summary list of the officer's past  
2 duty assignments while serving in a general or  
3 flag officer grade.

4 (b) ADDITIONAL PUBLIC NOTICE ON CERTAIN OFFI-  
5 CERS.—Whenever an officer in a grade of O-7 or above  
6 is assigned to a new billet or reassigned from a current  
7 billet, the Secretary of the military department having ju-  
8 risdiction of such officer shall make available on an Inter-  
9 net website of such department available to the public a  
10 notice of such assignment or reassignment.

11 (c) LIMITATION ON WITHHOLDING OF CERTAIN IN-  
12 FORMATION OR NOTICE.—

13 (1) LIMITATION.—The Secretary of a military  
14 department may not withhold the information or no-  
15 tice specified in subsections (a) and (b) from public  
16 availability pursuant to subsection (a), unless and  
17 until the Secretary notifies the Committees on  
18 Armed Services of the Senate and House of Rep-  
19 resentatives in writing of the information or notice  
20 that will be so withheld, together with justification  
21 for withholding the information or notice from public  
22 availability.

23 (2) LIMITED DURATION OF WITHHOLDING.—  
24 The Secretary concerned may withhold from the  
25 public under paragraph (1) information or notice on

1 an officer only on the basis of individual risk or na-  
2 tional security, and may continue to withhold such  
3 information or notice only for so long as the basis  
4 for withholding remains in force.





**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2500**  
**OFFERED BY MR. TURNER OF OHIO**

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

1 **SEC. 5 \_\_\_\_ . AVAILABILITY OF SPECIAL VICTIMS' COUNSEL**  
2 **AND SPECIAL VICTIM PROSECUTORS AT MILI-**  
3 **TARY INSTALLATIONS.**

4 (a) **DEADLINE FOR AVAILABILITY.—**

5 (1) **IN GENERAL.—**If an individual specified in  
6 paragraph (2) is not available at a military installa-  
7 tion for access by a member of the Armed Forces  
8 who requests access to such an individual, such an  
9 individual shall be made available at such installa-  
10 tion for access by such member by not later than 48  
11 hours after such request.

12 (2) **INDIVIDUALS.—**The individuals specified in  
13 this paragraph are the following:

14 (A) Special Victims' Counsel (SVC).

15 (B) Special Victim Prosecutor (SVP).

16 (b) **REPORT ON CIVILIAN SUPPORT OF SVCS.—**Not  
17 later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of  
18 this Act, each Secretary of a military department shall  
19 submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Sen-

1 ate and the House of Representatives a report setting  
2 forth the assessment of such Secretary of the feasibility  
3 and advisability of establishing and maintaining at each  
4 installation under the jurisdiction of such Secretary with  
5 a Special Victims' Counsel one or more civilian positions  
6 for the purpose of—

7           (1) providing support to such Special Victims'  
8           Counsel; and

9           (2) ensuring continuity and the preservation of  
10           institutional knowledge in transitions between the  
11           service of individuals as Special Victims' Counsel at  
12           such installation.



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**OFFERED BY MR. TURNER OF OHIO**

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

1 **SEC. 5** \_\_\_\_. **INCREASE IN NUMBER OF DIGITAL FORENSIC**  
2 **EXAMINERS FOR THE MILITARY CRIMINAL**  
3 **INVESTIGATION ORGANIZATIONS.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Each Secretary of a military de-  
5 partment shall take appropriate actions to increase the  
6 number of digital forensic examiners in each military  
7 criminal investigation organization (MCIO) under the ju-  
8 risdiction of such Secretary by not fewer than 10 from  
9 the authorized number of such examiners for such organi-  
10 zation as of September 30, 2019.

11 (b) **MILITARY CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION ORGANIZA-**  
12 **TIONS.**—For purposes of this section, the military criminal  
13 investigation organizations are the following:

14 (1) The Army Criminal Investigation Com-  
15 mand.

16 (2) The Naval Criminal Investigative Service.

17 (3) The Air Force Office of Special Investiga-  
18 tions.

1           (4) The Marine Corps. Criminal Investigation  
2           Division.

3           (e) FUNDING.—Funds for additional digital forensic  
4 examiners as required by subsection (a) for fiscal year  
5 2020, including for compensation, initial training, and  
6 equipment, shall be derived from amounts authorized to  
7 be appropriated for that fiscal year for the Armed Force  
8 concerned for operation and maintenance.



**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2500**  
**OFFERED BY MS. SPEIER OF CALIFORNIA**

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

1 **SEC. 5** . **ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON RECORD AND SERV-**  
2 **ICE REVIEW BOARDS.**

3 (a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—Not later than 180 days after  
4 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
5 Defense shall establish a Department of Defense Advisory  
6 Committee to be known as the “Defense Advisory Com-  
7 mittee on Record and Upgrade Review Boards” (in this  
8 section referred to as the “Advisory Committee”).

9 (b) **MEMBERSHIP.**—

10 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Advisory Committee  
11 shall consist of not more than 15 members ap-  
12 pointed by the Secretary of Defense, eight of whom  
13 shall be civilian practitioners or representatives of  
14 organizations that have experience assisting mem-  
15 bers of the Armed Forces and veterans with cases  
16 before service review boards (as that term is defined  
17 in section 1555 of title 10, United States Code).

18 (2) **MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES ON AC-**  
19 **TIVE DUTY INELIGIBLE.**—A member of the Armed

1 Forces serving on active duty may not serve as a  
2 member of the Advisory Committee.

3 (c) PERSONNEL.—

4 (1) EXPERIENCE REQUIRED.—At least 35 per-  
5 cent of members of the staff of the Advisory Com-  
6 mittee shall have experience described in subsection  
7 (b)(1).

8 (2) DIRECTOR; ASSISTANT DIRECTOR.—The di-  
9 rector and assistant director of the Advisory Com-  
10 mittee may not both be members of the Armed  
11 Forces serving on active duty.

12 (3) STAFF.—Not more than 65 percent of the  
13 staff of the Advisory Committee may be comprised  
14 of members of the Armed Forces serving on active  
15 duty.

16 (d) DUTIES.—The Advisory Committee shall advise  
17 the Secretary of Defense on the best structure, practices,  
18 and procedures to ensure consistency of boards for the  
19 correction of military records and service review boards  
20 in carrying out their responsibilities under chapter 79 of  
21 title 10, United States Code, and in granting relief to  
22 claimants under that chapter.

23 (e) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than one year after  
24 the date of the establishment of the Advisory Committee  
25 and annually thereafter for the three subsequent years,

1 the Advisory Committee shall submit to the Secretary of  
2 Defense and the congressional defense committees a re-  
3 port containing observations and recommendations re-  
4 garding issues of board operations and efficacy, includ-  
5 ing—

6 (1) granting relief at adequate rates;

7 (2) adhering to the intent of Congress, includ-  
8 ing regarding liberal consideration;

9 (3) standards for evidence, training experience  
10 and qualifications of board members;

11 (4) efficacy of efforts to ensure consistency  
12 across boards;

13 (5) case management and record keeping sys-  
14 tems, including electronic access to board prece-  
15 dents;

16 (6) case of personal appearances by claimants;

17 (7) expert review of medical and psychiatric  
18 cases; and

19 (8) related potential structural changes or alter-  
20 native board models.

21 (f) TERMINATION.—The Advisory Committee shall  
22 terminate on the date that is four years after the date  
23 of establishment under subsection (a).

24 (g) AUTHORITIES.—The Advisory Committee shall  
25 have all normal authorities granted to advisory commit-

1 tees, including the ability for staff to request documents  
2 from the Department of Defense, hold public hearings,  
3 and travel in furtherance of the board mandate. The board  
4 shall also be permitted, with assistance from personnel of  
5 the Department of Defense, to administer surveys and  
6 conduct field experiments to assess the viability of dif-  
7 ferent policy options considered in the course of the activi-  
8 ties of the Advisory Committee.





**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2500**  
**OFFERED BY MR. BROWN OF MARYLAND**

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

1 **SEC. 5\_\_ . QUESTIONS IN WORKPLACE SURVEYS REGARD-**  
2 **ING SUPREMACIST, EXTREMIST, AND RACIST**  
3 **ACTIVITY.**

4 The Secretary of Defense shall include, in the work-  
5 place and equal opportunity, command climate, and work-  
6 place and gender relations surveys administered by the Of-  
7 fice of People Analytics of the Department of Defense,  
8 questions regarding whether respondents have ever—

- 9 (1) experienced or witnessed in the workplace—  
10 (A) supremacist activity;  
11 (B) extremist activity; or  
12 (C) racism; and  
13 (2) reported activity described in paragraph (1).



**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2500**  
**OFFERED BY MR. COOK OF CALIFORNIA**

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

1 **SEC. 9\_\_ . LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**  
2 **CONSOLIDATION OF DEFENSE MEDIA ACTIV-**  
3 **ITY.**

4 None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by  
5 this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2020  
6 for the Department of Defense may be used to consolidate  
7 the Defense Media Activity until a period of 180 days has  
8 elapsed following the date of the enactment of this Act.



## **Amendment to H.R. 2500 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020**

**Offered by: Dr. DesJarlais of Tennessee**

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2500, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

### **Report Accessing the Advisability of Permitting Military Personnel to use Education Benefits for Nontraditional Cyber-Related Education Programs**

The committee understands that new and innovative educational opportunities exist for service members through non-traditional forms of schooling such as technology boot camps or massive online open courses (MOOC's). Such courses are particularly useful for service members in geographically remote areas who are hoping to continue their education. While the committee understands and appreciates the need for verification and certification of educational programs prior to approving government funds, such as tuition assistance, to pay for such programs, the committee believes that such standards should be mindful of the rapidly evolving nature of modern educational services.

Therefore, the Secretary of Defense shall provide a briefing to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives no later than February 1, 2020, outlining the Department of Defense's procedures for determining the educational institutions and resources eligible for tuition assistance. The report should include:

- 1) Standards the educational resource or institution must meet for military personnel to receive assistance from DoD.
- 2) A description of the steps taken to ensure a broad variety of STEM-focused programs are eligible for tuition assistance, including non-traditional cyber-related learning alternatives.
- 3) Steps that have been taken to account for the changes in modern learning platforms.
- 4) Recommendations for expanding the educational opportunities available to military personnel.

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**Offered by: Dr. DesJarlais of Tennessee**

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2500, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Report to the Defense Committees on the National Guards Role in Current and Future Space Strategy.

The committee recognizes that National Guardsmen and women across the country provide a unique skillset that accommodates the role of space in modern defense, and the needs of the overall force in the years ahead. While the National Guard has served and will continue to serve a role in space operations, the Department has yet to adequately define the role of the National Guard in future DoD space strategy. Therefore, the committee directs the Chief of the National Guard Bureau, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense to provide a detailed report to the Defense Congressional Committees on the Guard's role in space, and the departments intentions for the guard in future space planning.