		En Bloc Amendments to H.R. 2500			
	Subcommittee on Military Personnel En Bloc # 3				
Log #	Sponsor	Description			
109	Brown	Requires the Department of Defense to determine if any forms contain racially insensitive terms and provide a plan for modernization.			
119	Brown	Requires DOD to provide a brief on contraband cell phone use in military prisons			
203	Mitchell	Adds the number of servicemembers eligible for and participating in transition assistance counseling programs to the criteria that DOD is already required to report to Congress.			
211	Langevin	Requires an FFRDC study on barriers to military entry for English learners (Els), including challenges with the ASVAB, the effects of such barriers on EL military enlistment rates, and opportunities for DOD to address such challenges.			
212	Langevin	This amendment would change the DOD STARBASE program from a STEM program (science, technology, engineering, and math) to a STEAM program (science, technology, engineering, art, design, and math) to encourage creativity and innovation.			
221	Kelly	Directs the DOD to conduct analysis of the difference between default 3% and 5% TSP contributions in the blended retirement system and report the finding to the committee.			
238	Stefanik	In the portion of the report to accompany H.R. 2500 titled "Spouse Employment Programs," strike the following text: "unemployment" and insert the following new text "unemployment and underemployment."			
251	Byrne	SECDEF submits a report on expanding TRICARE's special drug network.			
263	Bacon	Requires DoD to brief the congressional defense committees on its implementation plan to reduce the negative effects of obesity-related illness on servicemembers and dependents.			
298	Trahan	Creates a Defense Advisory Committee on the Prevention of Sexual Assault in the Armed Forces, established and maintained by SECDEF. Allows enlisted military members to participate in the Funded Legal Education Program (FLEP).			
303	Moulton	Requires every service member returning from a combat deployment to participate in a mandatory person to person mental health assessment within two weeks of returning home, and requires those service members to participate in annual mental health assessments post-deployment.			
316	Houlahan	Directs SECDEF to submit a report on the feasibility of the creation of a grant or loan program to defray the initial cost of meeting state licensure requirements for child care facilities.			

Amendment to H.R. 2500 Offered by Mr. Brown of Maryland

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

1 SEC. 9____. MODERNIZATION OF CERTAIN FORMS AND SUR 2 VEYS.

3 (a) STUDY.—The Secretary of Defense shall conduct 4 a study to identify each form and survey of the Depart-5 ment of Defense, in use on the date of the enactment of 6 this Act, that contains a term or classification that the 7 Secretary determines may be considered racially or eth-8 nically insensitive.

(b) Reports.—

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- 10 (1) INTERIM REPORTS.—On the date that is 90 11 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and 12 on the date that is 180 days after such date of en-13 actment, the Secretary shall submit to the Commit-14 tees on Armed Services of the House of Representa-15 tives and the Senate a report on the status of the 16 study conducted under subsection (a).
- 17 (2) FINAL REPORT.—Not later than one year
 18 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec19 retary shall submit to the Committees on Armed

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1	Services of the House of Representatives and the
2	Senate a report on the results of the study con-
3	ducted under subsection (a) that includes—
4	(A) a list of each form and survey identi-
5	fied under such study; and
6	(B) a plan for modernizing the terms and
7	classifications contained in such forms and sur-
8	veys, including legislative recommendations.
9	(c) MODERNIZATION REQUIRED.—Not later than 18
10	months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
11	Secretary shall carry out the plan included in the report
12	submitted under subsection (b).

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Offered by: Mr. Brown of Maryland

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

Cell Phone Use in Corrections Facilities

The committee is aware of the potential use of contraband cellular phones and devices in corrections facilities, including in military corrections institutions. The committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services no later than January 1, 2020 on the use of contraband cellular devices in military prisons, an evaluation of the use of managed access technology to detect and prevent such use, and the military facilities which would benefit from the deployment of such technology.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2500 OFFERED BY MR. MITCHELL OF MICHIGAN

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

1 SEC. 5____. MODIFICATION OF ELEMENTS OF REPORTS ON 2 THE IMPROVED TRANSITION ASSISTANCE 3 PROGRAM.

4 Section 552(b)(4) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public 5 6 Law 115-232) is amended—

7 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) through 8 (D) as subparagraphs (B) through (E), respectively; 9 (2) by inserting before subparagraph (B), as re-10 designated by paragraph (1), the following new sub-11 paragraph (A):

"(A) The total number of members eligible 12 to attend Transition Assistance Program coun-13 14 seling."; and

15 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-16 paragraphs:

17 "(F) The number of members who partici-18 pated in programs under section 1143(e) of 19 title 10, United States Code (commonly re-

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ferred to as 'Job Training, Employment Skills, Apprenticeships and Internships (JTEST-AI)' or 'Skill Bridge'). "(G) Such other information as is required

to provide Congress with a comprehensive description of the participation of the members in the Transition Assistance Program and programs described in subparagraph (F).".

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AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2500

OFFERED BY MR. LANGEVIN OF RHODE ISLAND

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

1 SEC. 5____. INDEPENDENT STUDY ON BARRIERS TO ENTRY 2 INTO THE ARMED FORCES FOR ENGLISH 3 LEARNERS.

4 (a) INDEPENDENT STUDY.—Not later than 30 days
5 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
6 of Defense shall seek to seek to enter into a contract with
7 a federally funded research and development center under
8 which the center will conduct a study on barriers to entry
9 into the Armed Forces for English learners.

10 (b) ELEMENTS.—The study under subsection (a) 11 shall—

12 (1) identify barriers to entry into the Armed
13 Forces for English learners, including—

14 (A) challenges with military recruiters and15 language proficiency;

16 (B) challenges with the assessment of po17 tential recruits, including the construction and
18 delivery of and testing time constraints related

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1	to the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Bat-
2	tery;
3	(C) challenges with dissemination of re-
4	cruiting information; and
5	(D) any other challenges that may be iden-
6	tified by the federally funded research and de-
7	velopment center in the course of the study;
8	(2) the effect of such barriers on—
9	(A) the number of interactions recruiters
10	have with English learners;
11	(B) the enlistment rate among populations
12	of English learners; and
13	(C) any other effects that may be identi-
14	fied by the federally funded research and devel-
15	opment center in the course of the study;
16	(3) an analysis of existing efforts and programs
17	to remove barriers to entry into the Armed Forces
18	for English learners, including an analysis of the
19	scalability and sustainability of such efforts and pro-
20	grams; and
21	(4) additional opportunities to address such
22	barriers, including alternative assessments and
23	Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery prepa-
24	ration programs for English learners.

(c) SUBMITTAL TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.—
 Not later than 270 days after the date of the enactment
 of this Act, the federally funded research and development
 that conducts the study under subsection (a) shall submit
 to the Secretary of Defense a report on the results of the
 study.

7 (d) SUBMITTAL TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 30 8 days after the date on which the Secretary of Defense re-9 ceives the report under subsection (c), the Secretary shall 10 submit to the congressional defense committees an 11 unaltered copy of the report and any comments of the Sec-12 retary with respect to the report.

(e) ENGLISH LEARNER DEFINED.—In this section,
the term "English learner" has the meaning given that
term in section 8101 of the Elementary and Secondary
Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801).

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AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2500

OFFERED BY MR. LANGEVIN OF RHODE ISLAND

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

1 SEC. 5 . EXPANSION OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE 2 STARBASE PROGRAM.

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2193b of title 10, United States Code, is amended— 4

5 in the section heading, by (1)striking "science, mathematics, and technology" 6 7 and inserting "science, technology, engineering, art and design, and mathematics"; 8

9 (2) in subsection (a), by striking "science, 10 technology" mathematics. and and inserting 11 "science, technology, engineering, art and design, 12 and mathematics"; and

13 (3) in subsection (b), by striking "mathematics, 14 science, and technology" and inserting "science, 15 technology, engineering, art and design, and mathe-16 matics";

17 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections 18 at the beginning of chapter 111 of title 10, United States

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1 Code, is amended by striking the item relating to section

2 2193b and inserting the following new item:

"2193b. Improvement of education in technical fields: program for support of elementary and secondary education in science, technology, engineering, art and design, and mathematics.".



Amendment to H.R. 2500

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020

Offered by: Mr. Kelly of Mississippi

The committee is concerned that the Department of Defense's default contribution rate of 3% to the Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) will have long term negative impacts on service members'—specifically junior enlisted service members''—financial readiness and wellbeing. Civilian studies show that the average default automatic enrollment for civilian employer matching has increased in recent years to 4.6%, and that a contribution of at least 4% is required to achieve the same undiscounted lifetime income under the BRS as under the current system.

The committee directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives not later than March 1, 2020, on the potential effects of automatically enrolling new service members into the Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) at the maximum government matching rate of 5% of the service member's base pay compared to the existing automatic enrollment of 3% of the servicemember's base pay. The elements of the report shall include:

- (1) The analysis and rationale for the current 3% default enrollment contribution.
- (2) A comparison of the estimated undiscounted lifetime income of an enlisted service member under the Blended Retirement System with a 3% matching contribution, a 5% matching contribution and the legacy retirement system. The comparison shall include analysis of different amounts of time in service as well as differentials between the active and reserve component.
- (3) A comparison of the estimated undiscounted lifetime income of an officer under the Blended Retirement System with a 3% matching contribution, a 5% matching contribution and the legacy retirement system. The comparison shall include analysis of different amounts of time in service as well as differentials between the active and reserve component.
- (4) Analysis on enrollees who changed their contribution allocation from the default percentage and their rationale to do so.
- (5) The average TSP contribution percentage among servicemembers who elect to change from their default contribution once enrolled in the blended retirement system.
- (6) What programs or initiatives have been shown to be effective in increasing the percentage of servicemembers opting for the full 5% contribution?
- (7) Recommendations to enhance the future earnings and retirement savings of servicemembers.

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

Offered by:

Ms. Stefanik of New York

In the portion of the report to accompany H.R. 2500 titled **"Spouse Employment Programs,"** strike the following text: **"unemployment"** and insert the following new text **"unemployment and underemployment."**

To read:

Spouse Employment Programs

The committee is aware of the extensive network of resources that the Department of Defense has established to assist spouses of members of the Armed Forces in seeking employment. The committee understands the need to provide both online and in-person career counseling and employment information to ensure the unique needs of military spouses are met. However, the committee remains concerned that some of the resources available may not adequately target the professions most sought-after by spouses. Therefore, the committee directs the Comptroller General of the United States to provide a briefing to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives not later than April 1, 2020, with a report to follow at a later date, containing the following components:

(1) an analysis of whether military spouses with certain professional certifications or licenses have higher rates of unemployment and underemployment than other military

spouses;

(2) an analysis of whether military spouses with certain professional certifications or licenses have higher rates of unemployment and underemployment when compared to

their civilian counterparts;

(3) an analysis of whether military spouses married to service members of certain ranks have higher rates of unemployment and underemployment than other military spouses;

(4) an analysis of whether the Department of Defense has a system of measurement for evaluating the effectiveness of States' laws in easing licensing burdens on military spouses and whether occupational licensing requirements are considered when evaluating service member assignment decisions; and

(5) marketing efforts by the Department of Defense to ensure military spouses are aware of the available resources.

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

Offered by: Mr. Byrne

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

TRICARE Specialty Drug Network Accessibility

The Committee is concerned that the Pharmacy Benefits Manager (PBM) acting on behalf of TRICARE under the Office of Defense Health Affairs is restricting access for additional accredited pharmacies to the TRICARE specialty drug network without consideration or evaluation. The Committee is concerned that these actions by the PBM limits the maximum pricing competition possible, as well as reduces the widest degree of beneficiary access to drug therapies within TRICARE's specialty drug network.

The Committee directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the defense authorization committees by February 1, 2020 that:

- evaluates TRICARE's pharmacy benefits management responsibilities and requirements,
- outlines the clear process for consideration, evaluation, and admission of additional and new accredited pharmacies to the TRICARE specialty drug network; and
- provides a cost analysis for adding new entrants into the specialty drug network.

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Offered by Mr. Bacon of Nebraska

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

Implementation Plan to Address the Impacts of Obesity on the Defense Enterprise

The committee remains concerned that persistent high rates of excessive weight and body fat pose long-term risks for national security to the extent they prevent the Department of Defense from its mission to recruit, retain and sustain an effective joint force. The committee recognizes the efforts of the Department of Defense in acknowledging these mission readiness challenges and observes the findings of numerous studies on excessive weight and body fat in the military population. The committee notes that the Department of the Defense is the largest public healthcare provider in the United States and is aware of estimates that the Department spends more than \$1 billion annually in treating obesity-related illnesses for servicemembers and dependents. The committee also observes that despite multiple studies acknowledging the costs and systemic readiness challenges of obesity-induced illnesses in the military community, actions taken to date have been fragmented, uncoordinated, and generally ineffective in reversing the detrimental impacts this condition has on readiness and rising health care costs. The committee believes the Department must urgently address the challenges that obesity poses to mission readiness and the military healthcare system's capacity to provide care to service members, dependents and retirees.

The committee therefore directs that the Undersecretary for Personnel and Readiness provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees by January 15, 2020 on the Department's implementation plan to address weight and obesity impacts on military servicemembers and dependents in the active and reserve component. This plan will include a

1) a description of the Department's goals, and how it will measure progress toward these goals;

2) how it will incorporate cross-functional strategies to align efforts across the services, commands, agencies, and the broader defense health enterprise;

3) how it will expand access to healthy food and fitness facilities in military communities;

4) how it will implement nutritional standards for food offered in military dining facilities, defense resale entities, and contract vendors; and

5) how it will use existing acquisition authorities to catalyze innovative partnerships to rapidly prototype scalable technology-enabled solutions that improve health and wellness for servicemembers and dependents across their daily lives.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2500

OFFERED BY MRS. TRAHAN OF MASSACHUSETTS

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

1	SEC. 5 DEFENSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE PRE-
2	VENTION OF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT.
3	(a) Establishment Required.—
4	(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense
5	shall establish and maintain within the Department
6	of Defense an advisory committee to be known as
7	the "Defense Advisory Committee for the Prevention
8	of Sexual Misconduct" (in this section referred to as
9	the "Advisory Committee").
0	(2) DEADLINE FOR ESTABLISHMENT.—The
1	Secretary shall establish the Advisory Committee not
12	later than 180 days after the date of the enactment
13	of this Act.
14	(b) Membership.—
15	(1) IN GENERAL.—The Advisory Committee
16	shall consist of not more than 20 members, ap-
17	pointed by the Secretary from among individuals
18	who have an expertise appropriate for the work of

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1	the Advisory Committee, including at least one indi-
2	vidual with each expertise as follows:
3	(A) Expertise in the prevention of sexual
4	assault and behaviors on the sexual assault con-
5	tinuum of harm.
6	(B) Expertise in the prevention of suicide.
7	(C) Expertise in trauma and trauma symp-
8	toms.
9	(D) Expertise in the change of culture of
10	large organizations.
11	(E) Expertise in implementation science.
12	(2) BACKGROUND OF INDIVIDUALS.—Individ-
13	uals appointed to the Advisory Committee may in-
14	clude individuals with expertise in sexual assault
15	prevention efforts of institutions of higher education,
16	public health officials, and such other individuals as
17	the Secretary considers appropriate.
18	(3) PROHIBITION ON MEMBERSHIP OF MEM-
19	BERS OF ARMED FORCES ON ACTIVE DUTY.—A
20	member of the Armed Forces serving on active duty
21	may not serve as a member of the Advisory Com-
22	mittee.
23	(c) DUTIES.—
24	(1) IN GENERAL.—The Advisory Committee
25	shall advise the Secretary on the following:

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1	(A) The prevention of sexual assault (in-
2	cluding rape, forcible sodomy, other sexual as-
3	sault, and other sexual misconduct (including
4	behaviors on the sexual assault continuum of
5	harm)) involving members of the Armed Forces.
6	(B) The policies, programs, and practices
7	of each military department, each Armed Force,
8	and each military service academy for the pre-
9	vention of sexual assault as described in sub-
10	paragraph (A).
11	(2) BASIS FOR PROVISION OF ADVICE.—For
12	purposes of providing advice to the Secretary pursu-
13	ant to this subsection, the Advisory Committee shall
14	review, on an ongoing basis, the following:
15	(A) Closed cases involving allegations of
16	sexual assault described in paragraph (1) .
17	(B) Efforts of institutions of higher edu-
18	cation to prevent sexual assault among stu-
19	dents.
20	(C) Any other information or matters that
21	the Advisory Committee or the Secretary con-
22	siders appropriate.
23	(3) COORDINATION OF EFFORTS.—In addition
24	to the reviews required by paragraph (2), for pur-
25	poses of providing advice to the Secretary the Advi-

sory Committee shall also consult and coordinate
 with the Defense Advisory Committee on Investiga tion, Prosecution, and Defense of Sexual Assault in
 the Armed Forces (DAC-IPAD) on matters of joint
 interest to the two Advisory Committees.

6 (d) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than March 30 7 each year, the Advisory Committee shall submit to the 8 Secretary and the Committees on Armed Services of the 9 Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the 10 activities of the Advisory Committee pursuant to this sec-11 tion during the preceding year.

(e) SEXUAL ASSAULT CONTINUUM OF HARM.—In
this section, the term "sexual assault continuum of harm"
includes—

(1) inappropriate actions (such as sexist jokes),
sexual harassment, gender discrimination, hazing,
cyber bullying, or other behavior that contributes to
a culture that is tolerant of, or increases risk for,
sexual assault; and

20 (2) maltreatment or ostracism of a victim for a
21 report of sexual misconduct.

22 (f) TERMINATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the Advisory Committee shall terminate
on the date that is five years after the date of the

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establishment of the Advisory Committee pursuant to subsection (a).

3 (2) CONTINUATION.—The Secretary of Defense may continue the Advisory Committee after the ter-4 5 mination date applicable under paragraph (1) if the 6 Secretary determines that continuation of the Advi-7 sory Committee after that date is advisable and ap-8 propriate. If the Secretary determines to continue 9 the Advisory Committee after that date, the Sec-10 retary shall notify the Committees on the Armed 11 Services of the Senate and House of Representa-12 tives.

13 SEC. 6. NOTICE TO VICTIMS OF ALLEGED SEXUAL ASSAULT
14 OF PENDENCY OF FURTHER ADMINISTRA15 TIVE ACTION FOLLOWING A DETERMINATION
16 NOT TO REFER TO TRIAL BY COURT-MAR17 TIAL.

18 Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense, upon a determination not to refer a case of alleged 19 20sexual assault for trial by court-martial under chapter 47 of title 10, United States Code (the Uniform Code of Mili-21 22 tary Justice), the commander making such determination shall periodically notify the victim of the status of a final 23 determination on further action on such case, whether 24 25 non-judicial punishment under section 815 of such title

(article 15 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice), other 1 administrative action, or no further action. Such notifica-2 tions shall continue not less frequently than monthly until 3 such final determination. 4

5 SEC. 7. AUTHORITY FOR DETAIL OF CERTAIN ENLISTED 6 MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AS STU-7 DENTS AT LAW SCHOOLS.

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 101 of title 10, United 9 States Code, is amended—

10 (1) by redesignating sections 2004a and 2004b 11 as sections 2004b and 2004c, respectively;

12 (2) by inserting after section 2004 the following 13 new section:

"§2004a. Detail as students at law schools: certain 14 15 enlisted members

16 "(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of each military department may, under regulations prescribed by the Sec-17 retary of Defense, detail enlisted members of the armed 18 19 forces as students at accredited law schools, located in the 20 United States, for a period of training leading to the de-21gree of bachelor of laws or juris doctor. No more than 22 twenty-five officers from each military department may 23 commence such training in any single fiscal year.

1	"(b) ELIGIBILITY FOR DETAIL.—To be eligible for
2	detail under subsection (a), a member must be a citizen
3	of the United States and must—
4	((1) as of the time training is to begin—
5	"(A) have served on active duty for a pe-
6	riod of not less than four years nor more than
7	eight years;
8	"(B) be in pay grade E–5 or E–6; and
9	"(C) meet all requirements for acceptance
10	of a commission as a commissioned officer in
11 -	the armed forces; and
12	((2) sign an agreement that, unless sooner sep-
13	arated, the member will—
14	"(A) complete the educational course of
15	legal training;
16	((B) upon completion of the educational
17	course of legal training—
18	"(i) accept a commission as a commis-
19	sioned officer in the armed forces; and
20	"(ii) accept transfer or detail as a
21	judge advocate or law specialist within the
22	department concerned; and
23	"(C) agree to serve on active duty fol-
24	lowing completion or other termination of the
25	educational course of legal training for a period

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of two years for each year or part thereof of
 such training.

3 "(c) SELECTION.—Members detailed for legal training under subsection (a) shall be selected on a competitive 4 basis by the Secretary of the military department con-5 cerned, under the regulations required by subsection (a). 6 "(d) Service and Service Obligations.—(1) Ex-7 cept as provided in paragraph (2), any service obligation 8 incurred by a member under an agreement entered into 9 under subsection (b) shall be in addition to any service 10 11 obligation incurred by the member under any other provision of law or agreement. 12

"(2)(A) A member who does not successfully complete a course of legal training to which detailed pursuant
to this section shall cease such detail and return to the
armed force concerned as an enlisted member.

17 "(B) Any time of a member described by subpara-18 graph (A) in a course of legal training described in that 19 subparagraph shall not count toward satisfaction of any 20 period of service required under the current contract or 21 agreement of the member for enlistment in the armed 22 forces.

23 "(e) LIMITATION ON NUMBER DETAILABLE.—The
24 aggregate number of enlisted members detailed under this
25 section and commissioned officers detailed under section

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2004 of this title in any fiscal year by a Secretary of a
 military department may not exceed 25.

3 "(f) OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS.—Sub-4 sections (d) and (f) of section 2004 of this title shall apply 5 to the detail of members under this section, except that 6 any reference in such section to an 'officer' shall be 7 deemed to be a reference to an 'enlisted member' for such 8 purposes.".

(b) Conforming Amendments.—

10(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 2004 of such title is11amended—

12 (A) in subsection (a), by striking the sec-13 ond sentence; and

(B) in subsection (f)—

15 (i) by inserting "(1)" after "(f)"; and
16 (ii) by adding at the end the following
17 new paragraph:

18 "(2) The aggregate number of commissioned officers
19 detailed under this section and enlisted members detailed
20 under section 2004a of this title in any fiscal year by a
21 Secretary of a military department may not exceed 25.".
22 (2) HEADING AMENDMENT.—The heading of
23 section 2004 of such title is amended to read as fol24 lows:

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1 "§ 2004. Detail as students at law schools: commis 2 sioned officers".

3 (c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
4 at the beginning of chapter 101 of such title is amended
5 by striking the item relating to section 2004 and inserting

6 the following new items:

"2004. Detail as students at law schools: commissioned officers.
"2004a. Detail as students at law schools: certain enlisted members.
"2004b. Detail of commissioned officers as students at medical schools.
"2004c.Detail of commissioned officers as students at schools of psychology.".

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AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2500 OFFERED BY MR. MOULTON OF MASSACHUSETTS

Add at the end of subtitle A of title VII the following new section:

 1 SEC. 7____. MODIFICATIONS TO POST-DEPLOYMENT MEN

 2
 TAL HEALTH ASSESSMENTS FOR MEMBERS

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 PORT OF A CONTINGENCY OPERATION.

5 (a) REQUIRED ASSESSMENTS.—Section 1074m(a)(1)
6 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking
7 subparagraphs (C) and (D) and inserting the following
8 new subparagraphs:

9 "(C) Subject to paragraph (3) and sub-10 section (d), once during the period beginning on 11 the date of redeployment from the contingency 12 operation and ending 14 days after such rede-13 ployment date.

14 "(D) Subject to subsection (d), not less
15 than once annually—

16 "(i) beginning 14 days after the date
17 of redeployment from the contingency op18 eration; or

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"(ii) if the assessment required by subparagraph (C) is performed during the period specified in paragraph (3), beginning 180 days after the date of redeployment from the contingency operation.".

6 (b) EXCEPTIONS.—Section 1074m(a) of such title, as amended by subsection (a), is further amended by striking 7 8 paragraph (2) and inserting the following new paragraphs: ((2) A mental health assessment is not required for 9 10 a member of the armed forces under subparagraphs (C) and (D) of paragraph (1) (including an assessment per-11 12 formed pursuant to paragraph (3)) if the Secretary deter-13 mines that providing such assessment to the member during the time periods under such subparagraphs would re-14 15 move the member from forward deployment or put mem-16 bers or operational objectives at risk.

"(3) A mental health assessment required under subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1) may be provided during
the period beginning 90 days after the date of redeployment from the contingency operation and ending 180 days
after such redeployment date if the Secretary determines
that—

23 "(A) an insufficient number of personnel are
24 available to perform the assessment during the time
25 period under such subparagraph; or

"(B) an administrative processing issue exists
 upon the return of the member to the home unit or
 duty station that would prevent the effective per formance of the assessment during such time pe riod.".

6 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
7 this section shall apply with respect to a date of redeploy8 ment that is on or after January 1, 2020.

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Offered by: Ms. Houlahan of Pennsylvania

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

Report on Feasibility of Loan or Grant Program to Offset the Cost of Child Care Center Accreditation in Areas with Long Waitlists to Access On-Base Child Development Centers

The committee notes that there is a shortage of available and affordable child care on military installations and that many military families utilize private child care options due to this shortage. Further, the committee notes that in order to use the child care stipend made available to servicemembers whose children have been on a wait list for on-base child care for an extended period of time, the private child care center must be accredited. Data suggests that approximately half of the United States has too few licensed child care options. The committee directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives not later than June 1, 2020 regarding the feasibility of the creation of a grant or loan program to defray the initial cost of meeting state licensure requirements for child care facilities in areas where there is a shortage of licensed child care options for military families. The report shall include:

- 1. An assessment of areas with the longest waitlists for on-base Child Development Centers;
- 2. An assessment of the availability of licensed, off-base child care facilities in those areas;
- 3. The feasibility of creating a grant or loan program to defray up to half the cost of meeting state licensure requirements;
- 4. Recommendations for legislative or administrative action as the Secretary considers appropriate in light of the report, including recommendations for a pilot grant or loan program.