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House	Senate	ROA Recommendations
No similar provision	Sec. 132. Limitation on retirement of AF fighter aircraft: Secretary may not retire aircraft before 30 days after Sec. report and certification to Congress that operation risk will not increase, retirement of air craft will not reduce numbers below 1950 for fighter air craft and 1116 for primary aircraft.	No position, unable to verify impact to RC.
Sec. 132. Backup Inventory Status of A-10 Aircraft. This Sec. would require that the Secretary of the AF not move more than 18 A-10 aircraft in the Active Component to backup flying status pursuant to an authorization made by the Secretary of Defense under Sec. 133(b)(2)(A) of the Carl Levin and Howard P. “Buck” McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (PL 113-291). This Sec. would also make a conforming amendment to Sec. 133(b)(2)(A) by striking “36” and inserting “18”.	No similar provision	Support House
Sec. 133. Prohibition on Availability of Funds for Retirement of A-10 Aircraft. This Sec. would prohibit funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2016 for the Department of the AF to be obligated or expended to retire, prepare to retire, or place in storage any A-10 aircraft, before December 31, 2016, except as provided by Sec. 132; would require the Department of the AF to maintain a minimum of 171 A-10 aircraft designated as primary mission aircraft inventory; and would prohibit the Secretary of the AF from making any significant reductions to manning levels with respect to any A-10 aircraft	Sec. 135. Prohibition on retirement of A-10 aircraft. The committee recommends a provision that would prohibit the use of any funds during fiscal year 2016 to retire, prepare to retire, or place in storage any A-10 aircraft. The provision would also require the Secretary of the AF to maintain a minimum of 171 A-10 aircraft in primary mission aircraft inventory (combat-coded) status. The committee directs the Secretary of the AF to commission an independent entity outside the Department of Defense to conduct an assessment of the required capabilities and mission platform to replace the A-10 aircraft. The committee	N/A

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<p>squadrons or divisions before December 31, 2016. This Sec. would also require the Secretary of the AF to commission an appropriate entity outside the Department of Defense to conduct an assessment by September 30, 2016, of the required capabilities or mission platform to replace the A-10 aircraft and submit a report on that assessment to the congressional defense committees.</p>	<p>expects the AF to execute the fiscal year program in accordance with the spirit of this provision</p>	
<p>Sec. 134. Prohibition on Retirement of EC-130H Aircraft. This Sec. would prohibit funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2016 for the Department of the AF to be obligated or expended to retire, prepare to retire, or place in storage or on back up flying status any EC-130H aircraft. It would require the Secretary of the AF to commission an assessment of the required capabilities or mission platform to replace the EC-130H aircraft, and to submit a report on that assessment to the congressional defense committees not later than September 30, 2016. Additionally, this Sec. would prohibit the Secretary of the AF from retiring, preparing to retire, placing in storage or placing on back up flying status any EC-130H aircraft until 60 days after the Secretary submits the report on an assessment of the required capabilities or mission platform to replace the EC-130H aircraft.</p>	<p>Sec 136. Limitation on transfer of C-130 aircraft. The committee recommends a provision that would place a limitation on all of the funds authorized or appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2016 for the AF that may be obligated or expended to transfer from one facility of the Department of Defense to another any C-130H aircraft, initiate any C-130 manpower authorization adjustments, retire or prepare to retire any C-130H aircraft, or close any C-130H unit until 90 days after the date on which the Secretary of the AF, in consultation with the Secretary of the Army, and after certification by the commanders of the XVIII Airborne Corps, 82nd Airborne Division, and United States Army Special Operations Command, certifies to the committees on Armed Services of the Senate and of the House of Representatives that: (1) the United States AF will maintain dedicated C-130 wings to support the daily training and contingency requirements of the XVIII Airborne Corps, 82nd Airborne Division, and United States Army Special Operations Command at manning</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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	levels required to support and operate the number of aircraft that existed as part of the regular and reserve AF operations in support of such units as of September 30, 2014; and (2) failure to maintain such AF operations will not adversely impact the daily training requirement of those airborne and special operations units.	
Sec. 135. Limitation on Availability of Funds for Divestment or Transfer of KC-10 Aircraft. This Sec. would prohibit funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2016 for the Department of the AF to be obligated or expended to divest or transfer, or prepare to divest or transfer, any KC-10 aircraft.	No similar provision	Support House with funds
Sec. 411. End strengths for Selected Reserve. Selected Reserve personnel of the reserve5 components as of September 30, 2016, as follows: Army National Guard, 342,000. Army Reserve, 198,000. Navy Reserve, 57,400. Marine Corps Reserve, 38,900. Air National Guard 105,500. AF Reserve, 69,200. Coast Guard Reserve, 7,000.	Sec. 411. End strengths for Selected Reserve. Army National Guard, 342,000. Army Reserve, 198,000. Navy Reserve, 57,400. Marine Corps Reserve, 38,900. Air National Guard, 105,500. AF Reserve, 69,200. Coast Guard Reserve, 7,000.	N/A
Sec. 412. End Strengths for Reserves on active duty in support of the Reserves. Army National Guard, 30,770. Army Reserve, 16,261. Navy Reserve, 9,934. Marine Corps Reserve, 2,260. Air National Guard, 14,748.	Sec. 412 End Strengths for Reserves on active duty in support of the Reserves. Army National Guard, 30,770. Army Reserve, 16,261. Navy Reserve, 9,934. Marine Corps Reserve, 2,260. Air National, 14,748.	N/A

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AF Reserve, 3,032.	AF Reserve, 3,032.	
Sec. 413 End Strengths for military technicians (dual status). Army National Guard, 26,099. Army Reserve, 7,395. Air National Guard, 22,104. AF Reserve, 9,814.	Sec. 413 End Strengths for military technicians (dual status). Army National Guard, 26,099. Army Reserve, 7,395. Air National Guard, 22,104. AF Reserve, 9,814.	N/A
Sec. 414. Fiscal year 2016 limitation on number of non-dual status technicians. Army National Guard, 1,600. Air National Guard, 350. Army Reserve, 595. AF Reserve, 90.	Sec. 414. Fiscal year 2016 limitation on number of non-dual status technicians. Army National Guard, 1,600. Air National Guard, 350. Army Reserve, 595. AF Reserve, 90.	N/A
Sec. 415. Maximum number of reserve personnel authorized to be on active duty for operational support. Army National Guard, 17,000. Army Reserve, 13,000. Navy Reserve, 6,200. Marine Corps Reserve, 3,000. Air National Guard, 16,000. AF Reserve, 14,000.	Sec. 415. Maximum number of reserve personnel authorized to be on active duty for operational support. Army National Guard, 17,000. Army Reserve, 13,000. Navy Reserve, 6,200. Marine Corps Reserve, 3,000. Air National Guard, 16,000. AF Reserve, 14,000.	N/A
No similar provision	Sec 511. Authority to designate certain Reserve officers as not to be considered for selection for promotion. The committee recommends a provision that would modify Sec. 14301 of title 10, USC, to authorize the secretaries of the military departments to defer promotion consideration for reserve component officers in a non-participatory (membership points only) status. Currently, Sec. 14301 of title 10, USC, requires servicemembers identified on the Reserve Active Status List to be considered for	Support Senate

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	<p>promotion to the next higher grade. This includes certain categories of reservists on the Reserve Active Status List who, by Department of Defense guidance, are in the Individual Ready Reserve and the Standby Reserve and who remain eligible for promotion consideration, but are not actively participating in Reserve duty because they are in a status in which they are receiving membership only points for Reserve credit. Under current law, some individuals assigned to the Individual Ready Reserve may be discharged from the reserve component upon their second deferral for promotion because they are considered to have twice failed for promotion. This provision would provide the reserve component flexibility to remove individuals from promotion consideration during a period when they are least competitive for promotion, and would allow the services to retain servicemembers with significant military training as well as civilian technical and professional skills that could contribute to their desirability for selection to be promoted should the individual elect to return to military service.</p>	
<p>Sec. 512. Ready Reserve Continuous Screening Regarding Key Positions Disqualifying Federal Officials from Continued Service in the Ready Reserve. This Sec. would amend Sec. 10149 of title 10, USC, to include members who occupy key Federal positions to the individuals who must be screened for continued service in the Ready Reserve.</p>	<p>Sec. 512. Clarification of purpose of reserve component special selection boards as limited to correction of error at a mandatory promotion board. The committee recommends a provision that would modify Sec. 14502(b) of title 10, USC, to conform the authority for convening special selection boards for Reserve officers with the authority for Active-Duty officers in cases in which an officer is considered</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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	by a mandatory promotion board, but is not selected due to a material error of fact, material administrative error, or the board did not have before it material information for its consideration.	
No similar provisions	Sec. 513. Reconciliation of contradictory provisions relating to citizenship qualifications for enlistment in the reserve components of the Armed Forces The committee recommends a provision that would amend Sec. 12102(b) of title 10, USC, to align the citizenship or residency requirements for enlistment in the reserve components of the Armed Forces with the citizenship requirements for the active components.	Support Senate
Sec. 513. Exemption of Military Technicians (Dual Status) from Civilian Employee Furloughs. This Sec. would amend Sec. 10216(b)(3) of title 10, USC, and exempt military technicians (dual-status) from civilian employee furloughs.	No similar provision	Support House
Sec. 514. Annual Report on Personnel, Training, and Equipment Requirements for the Non-Federalized National Guard to Support Civilian Authorities in the Prevention and Response to Non-Catastrophic Domestic Disasters. This Sec. would amend Sec. 10504 of title 10, USC, to require the Chief of the National Guard Bureau to submit to the congressional defense committees and a list of other officials by January 31 of each calendar year from 2016 through 2022, an annual report on the personnel, training, and equipment requirements for the non-Federalized National	No similar provision	Support House

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Guard to support civilian authorities in the prevention and response to non-catastrophic domestic disasters.		
No similar provision	<p>Sec. 514. Authority for certain AF reserve component personnel to provide training and instruction regarding pilot instructor training. The committee recommends a provision that would authorize the Secretary of the AF to utilize, during FY 2016, up to 50 Active, Guard, and Reserve (AGR) members and dual status military technicians to provide training and instruction to active duty and foreign military personnel in excess of what is currently authorized by the AGR and military technician statutes. The provision would also require the Secretary, by no later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, to provide the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives a report setting forth a plan to eliminate pilot instructor shortages within the AF using authorities available to the Secretary under current law.</p>	Support Senate
<p>Sec. 516. Electronic tracking of operational active-duty service performed by members of the Ready Reserve of the Armed Forces. The Sec. of Def. shall establish an electronic tracking system that can be used by the Ready Reserve to track operational active duty performance</p>	No similar provision	Support House implementation of MCRMC recommendation #4.
<p>Sec. 521. Administration of Reserve Duty. This Sec. would amend chapter 1209 of title 10, USC, by consolidating the number of Reserve Component status category authorities under</p>	No similar provision	Support House implementation of MCRMC recommendation #4. This change would drastically simplify the duty status orders. This change

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<p>which Reserve Component members may be called to duty from 30 to 6 and would direct the Secretaries concerned to develop policies and procedures to carry out these changes.</p>		<p>should drive the services to include the personnel accounting to policies and procedures instead of the using orders and the finance system, which is what, was done in the past and how we got to 30 something duty statuses.</p>
	<p>Sec 521. Duty required for eligibility for pre-separation counseling for members being discharged or released from active duty The committee recommends a provision that would amend Sec. 1142 of title 10, USC, to require the Secretary concerned to provide pre-separation counseling to all Active-Duty servicemembers and all reserve component servicemembers called or ordered to Active Duty or full-time operational support after completion of their first 180 continuous days of service whose discharge or release from Active Duty is anticipated as of a specific date.</p>	<p>Support Senate. The proposed change to exclude Guard and Reserve members from pre-separation counseling when on full-time training duty, annual training duty, and attending service school, has merit on the face of it, but ROA believes servicemembers should have the option to attend pre-separation counseling, if they so need. It is hard to anticipate everyone's unique needs and a blanket exclusion from receiving the counseling may mean servicemembers do not receive needed information.</p>
<p>Sec. 522. Reserve Duty Authorities. This Sec. would amend chapter 1209 of title 10, USC, to authorize the President and the Secretary of Defense to call a member of the Reserve Component, under their jurisdiction, to Active or Inactive duty and provide authorities on activation timeline limitations and compensation requirements.</p>	<p>No similar provision</p>	<p>Support House implementation of MCRMC recommendation #4.</p>
<p>Sec. 523. Purpose of Reserve Duty. This Sec. would amend chapter 1209 of title 10,</p>	<p>No similar provision</p>	<p>Support House implementation of MCRMC recommendation #4.</p>

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<p>USC, to authorize the mobilization and limitations to mobilization as well as the call-up to Active Duty or Inactive duty of the Ready Reserve, Selected Reserve and certain members of the Individual Ready Reserve and would describe the purpose and limitations of such duty. This Sec. would also authorize the Secretary of Defense to organize and administer the Reserve Components and would describe the authorities and limitations of such authorizations.</p>		
<p>Sec. 524. Training and Other Duty Performed by Members of the National Guard. This Sec. would authorize the required training, field exercises and other duty performed by members of the National Guard and would additionally authorize the purpose, restrictions, and limitations of a call to order of the National Guard.</p>	<p>No similar provision</p>	<p>Support House implementation of MCRMC recommendation #4.</p>
<p>Sec. 525. Conforming and Clerical Amendments./ This Sec. would authorize clerical and conforming amendments to the appropriate titles of the USC related to amendments made by this subtitle.</p>	<p>No similar provision</p>	<p>Support House implementation of MCRMC recommendation #4.</p>
<p>Sec. 526. Effective Date and Implementation. This Sec. would establish the implementation date of the amendments made by this subtitle as October 1, 2017, and would require the Secretaries concerned to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives by March 1, 2016, a report containing a plan, including a draft of legislation that may be necessary, to</p>	<p>No similar provision</p>	<p>Support House implementation of MCRMC recommendation #4.</p>

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implement the amendments made by this subtitle.		
No similar provision	<p>Sec 531. Limitation on tuition assistance for off-duty training or education.</p> <p>The committee recommends a provision that would direct the Secretary concerned to determine that off-duty training or education through the tuition assistance program is likely to contribute to the professional development of a servicemember. The committee notes that this provision was recommended in the final report of the Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission. The committee strongly recommends good stewardship of the tuition assistance program.</p>	Support Senate implementation of MCRMC recommendation #11 but caution that language should be added that it includes courses leading to a degree that will contribute to professional development. For example, a personnel specialist may not need statistics classes except when they are a degree requirement for business, management, etc.
No similar provision	<p>Sec. 532. Termination of program of educational assistance for reserve component members supporting contingency operations and other operations. The committee recommends a provision that would sunset the program of educational assistance for reserve component members supporting contingency operations and other operations in 4 years after the date of enactment of this Act. The committee agrees with the finding of the Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission that this program is duplicative with the Post-9/11 GI Bill, which provides a more robust benefit for service members.</p>	Support Senate implementation of MCRMC recommendation #11, in part, but do not agree that their period to use education benefit should end sooner than the current programs.
No similar provision	<p>Sec. 534. Sense of Congress on transferability of unused education benefits to family members. The committee recommends a</p>	Support Senate implementation of MCRMC recommendation #11, but believes whatever changes are

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	provision that would express a sense of Congress that each Secretary concerned should exercise the authority to be more selective in permitting the transferability of unused education benefits to family members in a manner that encourages the retention of individuals in the Armed Forces.	implemented should grandfather currently eligible servicemembers.
No similar provision	Sec. 535. No entitlement to unemployment insurance while receiving Post-9/11 Education Assistance. The committee recommends a provision that would clarify that individuals receiving Post-9/11 Education Assistance may not also receive unemployment insurance while receiving the post-9/11 education benefit.	Support House implementation of MCRMC recommendation #11.
Sec. 562. Availability of Additional Training Opportunities under Transition Assistance Program. This Sec. would require the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Homeland Security to permit a member of the Armed Forces eligible for the Transition Assistance Program to receive additional training in preparation for higher education or training, career or technical training, or entrepreneurship.	No Similar provisions	Support House
Sec. 565. Recognition of Additional Involuntary Mobilization Duty Authorities Exempt from Five-Year Limit on Reemployment Rights of Persons who Serve in the Uniformed Services. This Sec. would exempt two additional involuntary mobilization duty authorities from the 5-year limit on reemployment rights under the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA): (1) orders of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and AF Reserve to active duty to provide assistance in	No similar provision	Support House provision that will add two exemptions in USERRA to reflect legislation passed in 2011 that created new involuntary call-up authorities.

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<p>response to a major disaster or emergency; and (2) orders of the Selected Reserve to active duty for preplanned missions in support of the combatant commands.</p>		
<p>Sec. 567. Direct Employment Pilot Program for Members of the National Guard and Reserve. This Sec. would authorize the Secretary of Defense to carry out a pilot program to provide job placement assistance and related employment services directly to members of the National Guard and Reserves.</p>	<p>No similar provisions</p>	
<p>Sec. 651. Improvement of Financial Literacy and Preparedness of Members of the Armed Forces. This Sec. would express the sense of the Congress regarding the need to improve financial literacy and preparedness of members of the Armed Forces. This Sec. would also amend Sec. 992 of title 10, USC, to require the Secretary of Defense and the military service chiefs to increase the frequency and strengthen the financial literacy and preparedness training of members of the Armed Forces. This Sec. would detail the specific periods during a service member’s career that this training shall be provided.</p>	<p>Sec. 581. Improvement of financial literacy and preparedness of members of the Armed Forces. The committee recommends a provision that would require servicemember financial literacy training upon arrival at the first duty station and upon arrival at each subsequent duty station for servicemembers below the pay grade of E–5 in the case of enlisted personnel and below the pay grade of O–4 in the case of officers. The provision would further require financial literacy training for each servicemember at various career and life milestones. The provision would also direct the Department of Defense to include a financial literacy and preparedness survey in the status of forces survey. This provision was recommended by the Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission.</p>	<p>Support House and Senate implementation of MCRMC recommendation #3 but believe spouses should also be able to attend.</p>
<p>No similar provision</p>	<p>Sec. 582. Financial literacy training with respect to certain financial services for members of the uniformed services. The committee recommends a provision that would direct the Secretary concerned to provide financial literacy</p>	<p>Support Senate implementation of MCRMC recommendation #3.</p>

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	training to members of the uniformed services under the jurisdiction of such Secretary commencing not later than 6 months after the date of the enactment of this Act. The provision is based on the final report of the MCRMC.	
No similar provision	Sec. 583. Sense of Congress on financial literacy and preparedness of members of the Armed Forces. The committee recommends a provision that would express the sense of the Congress that the Secretary of Defense should work with other departments, agencies, and nonprofit organizations to improve financial literacy and preparedness with support from the Joint Chiefs of Staff and service secretaries.	Support Senate implementation of MCRMC recommendation #3.
No similar provision	Sec. 592. Increase in number of days of Active Duty required to be performed by reserve component members for duty to be considered federal service for purposes of unemployment compensation for ex-servicemembers. The committee recommends a provision that would increase from 90 to 180 days the number of continuous days of Active Duty required to be performed by reserve component members for that duty to be considered satisfactory federal service for purposes of unemployment compensation for ex-servicemembers.	Support Senate
Sec. 592. Honoring Certain Members of the Reserve Components as Veterans. This Sec. would create a new Sec. 107A of title 38, USC, to recognize the service, in the Reserve Components, of certain service members by honoring them with status as veterans. This Sec. would honor as a veteran any person who is	No similar provision	Support House

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<p>entitled under chapter 1223 of title 10, USC, to retired pay for nonregular service or who, but for age, would be entitled under such chapter to retired pay for nonregular service, but would not create an entitlement to any benefit by reason of this Sec.</p>		
<p>No similar provision</p>	<p>Sec. 604. Basic allowance for housing for married members of the uniformed services assigned for duty within normal commuting distance and for other members living together. The committee recommends a provision that would amend Sec. 403 of title 37, USC, to limit the basic allowance for housing (BAH) for dual military married couples who are assigned within normal commuting distance from each other to one allowance at the with dependent rate, for the member with the higher pay grade. The provision would also limit BAH for uniformed service members above E-3 residing with other uniformed service members to 75 percent of their otherwise prevailing rate, or the E-4 without dependents rate, whichever is greater. Affected members would see no reduction in their BAH as a result of this provision so long as they maintain uninterrupted eligibility to receive BAH within a particular housing area.</p>	<p>Support concept of the Senate but believe accountability of what members spend on housing and what they receive should apply to all military members.</p>
<p>Sec. 611. One-Year Extension of Certain Bonus and Special Pay Authorities for Reserve Forces. This Sec. would extend the authority, through December 31, 2016, for the Selected Reserve reenlistment bonus, the Selected Reserve affiliation or enlistment bonus, special pay for</p>	<p>Sec 611. One-year extension of certain bonus and special pay authorities for reserve forces. The committee recommends a provision that would extend for 1 year the authority to pay the Selected Reserve reenlistment bonus, the Selected Reserve affiliation or enlistment bonus,</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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<p>enlisted members assigned to certain high-priority units, the Ready Reserve enlistment bonus for persons without prior service, the Ready Reserve enlistment and reenlistment bonus for persons with prior service, the Selected Reserve enlistment and reenlistment bonus for persons with prior service, income replacement payments for Reserve Component members experiencing extended and frequent mobilization for Active Duty service, and the authority to reimburse travel expenses for inactive duty training outside of normal commuting distance.</p>	<p>special pay for enlisted members assigned to certain high-priority units, the Ready Reserve enlistment bonus for persons without prior service, the Ready Reserve enlistment and reenlistment bonus for persons with prior service, the Selected Reserve enlistment and reenlistment bonus for persons with prior service, travel expenses for certain inactive-duty training, and income replacement for reserve component members experiencing extended and frequent mobilization for Active-Duty service.</p>	
<p>Sec. 612. One-Year Extension of Certain Bonus and Special Pay Authorities for Health Care Professionals. This Sec. would extend for 1 year the authority for the nurse officer candidate accession program, repayment of educational loans for certain health professionals who serve in the Selected Reserve, the accession and retention bonuses for psychologists, the accession bonus for registered nurses, the incentive special pay for nurse anesthetists, the special pay for Selected Reserve health care professionals in critically short wartime specialties, the accession bonus for dental officers, the accession bonus for pharmacy officers, the accession bonus for medical officers in critically short wartime specialties, and the accession bonus for dental specialist officers in critically short wartime specialties, until December 31, 2016.</p>	<p>Sec 612. One-year extension of certain bonus and special pay authorities for health care professionals. The committee recommends a provision that would extend for 1 year the authority to pay the nurse officer candidate accession bonus, education loan repayment for certain health professionals who serve in the Selected Reserve, accession and retention bonuses for psychologists, the accession bonus for registered nurses, incentive special pay for nurse anesthetists, special pay for Selected Reserve health professionals in critically short wartime specialties the accession bonus for dental officers, the accession bonus for pharmacy officers, the accession bonus for medical officers in critically short wartime specialties, and the accession bonus for dental specialist officers in critically short wartime specialties.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Sec. 631. Full Participation for Members of the</p>	<p>Sec. 631. Thrift Savings Plan participation for</p>	<p>Support House implementation of</p>

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<p>Uniformed Services in Thrift Savings Plan. This Sec. would modernize the current military retirement system by blending the current defined benefit, cliff-vesting retirement plan with a defined contribution plan allowing service members to contribute to a portable Thrift Savings Plan account with a Government contribution matching program.</p>	<p>members of the uniformed services. The committee recommends a series of provisions that would implement recommendations of the Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission concerning reform and modernization of the military retirement benefit for new entrants into service. This provision would provide a government-matching Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) element for those who would enter uniformed service on or after January 1, 2018, or a member serving before that date who makes a voluntary election to opt-in to the new plan. The TSP element would provide a 1 percent automatic agency contribution to all uniformed service members who would reach 60 days of service and continue until they would reach their second year of service. Once a servicemember passes the 2 years of service point, that member's TSP account would vest and the Secretary concerned would begin matching TSP contributions up to 5 percent of that servicemember's base pay at 2 years and 1 day of service. Uniformed service members would be automatically enrolled at 3 percent matching contributions with the option to raise or lower their contribution level. TSP government-funded matching contributions would continue until a uniformed service member reaches 20 years of service. The committee notes that all uniformed service members who would enter and serve prior to the date of implementation of the modernized retirement system would be</p>	<p>MCRMC recommendation #1.</p>
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<p>Sec. 632. Modernized Retirement System for Members of the Uniformed Services. This Sec. would modernize the current uniformed services retirement system by blending the current defined benefit, cliff-vesting retirement plan with a defined contribution plan, lump sum career continuation pay, and retention bonuses paid at defined career milestones, while continuing a 20 year defined annuity.</p>	<p>grandfathered into the old retirement system.</p> <p>Sec 632. Modernized retirement system for members of the uniformed services. The committee recommends a provision that would establish a new military retirement defined benefit that, when combined with the government-matching Thrift Savings Plan, as described elsewhere in this Act, would comprise a new hybrid retirement system. This new system would apply to new entrants after January 1, 2018, and to those already serving members who choose to opt-into the new system. The new defined benefit would continue to apply only to those members who reach 20 years of service, with a multiplier rate of 2.0 times years of service rather than the current rate of 2.5 times years of service.</p>	<p>Support House implementation of MCRMC recommendation #1.</p>
<p>Sec. 633. Continuation pay for full TSP members with 12 years of service. Amendment of chapter 5 of Title 37 – Sec shall make continuation pay to each full TSP; who completes 12 years, signs on for an additional 4 years of obligated service; Amount of pay shall be monthly basic pay multiplied by 2.5 percent....in the case of a reserve component; the amount of monthly basic pay times .5% plus at the Sec discretion amount of monthly pay multiplied by no more than 6 months.</p>	<p>Sec. 634. Continuation pay after 12 years of service for members of the uniformed services participating in the modernized retirement systems. The committee recommends a provision that would direct the Secretary concerned to provide continuation pay to servicemembers, serving under the new military retirement system described above, who reach 12 years of service contingent upon such members agreeing to serve another 4 years of service. A member receiving continuation pay may elect to take the continuation pay in a lump sum or in installments of not more than four payments. A member who receives continuation pay and fails to complete the obligated service requirement shall be subject to repayment. The</p>	<p>This is not a conference item but ROA believes Congress should implement their view that the services should be able to provide continuation pay between 8-16 years of service which will better serve force management and high demand specialties that may need pay prior to or after the 12th year.</p>

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	<p>rate for active duty continuation pay would be 2.5 times a member's monthly basic pay with the Secretary concerned having discretionary authority to increase that amount to up to 13 times monthly basic pay for retention and force shaping purposes. The rate for members of the reserve components would be 0.5 times a reserve member's monthly basic pay with the Secretary concerned having discretionary authority to increase that amount to up to 6 months of monthly basic pay as needed for retention and force shaping purposes. The committee notes that the secretaries concerned would manage continuation pay through their special and incentive pay accounts and should take into consideration any other incentive pay a member may be receiving with any concurrent service obligations owed.</p>	
<p>No similar provision</p>	<p>Sec. 633. Lump sum payments of certain retired pay. The committee recommends a provision that would allow the voluntary election of lump sum payments of retired pay for those serving 20 or more years of service. Members who elect to take the lump sum may choose to take 100 percent or 50 percent of the discounted present value of their defined retirement benefit that would be due to them prior to becoming fully eligible for Social Security. The committee strongly urges the Secretaries concerned to coordinate with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on counseling, or otherwise informing, new retirees on the impact this election may have on their eligibility for</p>	<p>Support House implementation of MCRMC recommendation #1 in Sec. 632.</p>

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	certain benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.	
Sec. 634. Effective date and implementation. Amendments of the title shall take place on Oct. 1, 2017	No similar provision	Support House implementation of MCRMC recommendation #1.
No similar provision	Sec. 635. Authority for retirement flexibility for members of the uniformed services. The committee recommends a provision that would give the Secretary concerned the flexibility to modify the years of service required for non-disability retirement under the new military retirement system for particular occupational specialties or other groupings in order to facilitate force shaping or to correct manpower shortages within an occupational specialty. The Secretary concerned shall be required to provide notice to Congress 1 year in advance of making such a change.	Support Senate
Sec. 642. Prohibition on Replacement or Consolidation of Defense Commissary and Exchange Systems Pending Submission of Required Report on Defense Commissary System. This Sec. would prohibit the Secretary of Defense from taking any action to replace or consolidate the defense commissary and exchange systems before the submission of the report on the defense commissary system required by Sec. 634 of the Carl Levin and Howard P. “Buck” McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Public Law 113–291).	Sec 652. Plan on privatization of the Defense Commissary System. The committee recommends a provision that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report, not later than March 1, 2016, to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, setting forth a plan to privatize the Defense Commissary System, in whole or in part. The plan should ensure the provision of high quality grocery goods and products, savings discounts to patrons, and high levels of customer satisfaction. The Secretary should include with the plan any recommendations for legislative action required by the Department of Defense to implement the plan. The provision would also	Support House and Senate cautious implementation of MCRMC recommendation #9.

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	<p>require the Comptroller General of the United States to provide a report that assesses the plan of the Department to privatize the Defense Commissary System to the committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives within 120 days following submission of the report by the Secretary of Defense. Following submission of the Comptroller General's assessment of the Department's commissary privatization plan, the Department would be required to carry out a 2-year pilot program at no fewer than five commissaries in the largest markets of the commissary system to assess the feasibility and advisability of the plan. The Secretary of Defense may include, as part of the pilot program, an online component to permit eligible beneficiaries, in catchment areas of the commissaries selected for the pilot, to order and purchase grocery goods and products through the Internet and to receive those items through home delivery. Within 180 days after completion of the pilot program, the Secretary of Defense would submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives that provides an assessment of the commissary privatization plan.</p>	
No similar provision	<p>Sec. 703. Expansion of continued health benefits coverage to include discharged and released members of the Selected Reserve. The committee recommends a provision that would amend Sec. 1078a of title 10, USC, to authorize a member of the Selected Reserve,</p>	Support Senate

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	who is discharged or released under other than adverse conditions from service in the Selected Reserve, to be eligible to enroll, for a period of 18 months, in the Department of Defense program of continued health benefits coverage.	
Sec. 711. Unified Medical Command This Sec. would require the Secretary of Defense to establish a unified medical command to provide medical services to the Armed Forces and other health care beneficiaries of the Department of Defense as defined in chapter 55 of title 10, USC. This Sec. would also require the Secretary to (1) develop a comprehensive plan to establish a unified medical command; (2) notify the congressional defense committees of the time line to establish the unified medical command by not later than the date that is 30 days before establishing such command; and (3) submit a report to the congressional defense committees within 180 days after providing such notification on the establishment of the unified medical command.	No similar provision	Support House implementation of MCRMC recommendation #5.
No similar provision.	Sec. 1046. Management of military technicians. The committee recommends a provision that would convert not less than 20 percent of the general administration, clerical, and office service occupation positions identified in the report of the Secretary of Defense under Sec. 519 of the Ike Skelton National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011 (Public Law 112–81; 125 Stat. 1397) from military technician (dual status) positions to positions filled by individuals who are employed under	Support House

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	<p>Sec. 3103 of title 5, USC, by no later than January 1, 2017. The committee also recommends the phased-in termination of military technicians (non-dual status) to begin on January 1, 2017. The committee directs the Secretary of Defense to submit by February 1, 2016, to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, and to the Comptroller General of the United States, a report setting forth the Department of Defense's plan for converting military technician (dual status) positions to positions filled by individuals who are employed under Sec. 3103 of title 5, USC, to include: (1) An analysis of placing such individuals under the control and authority of the State Adjutants General; (2) an analysis of the employment rights that will now be granted to such individuals; (3) an analysis of any statutory change the Secretary believes is necessary to execute this provision; and (4) such other mechanisms for implementation that the Secretary shall recommend, as appropriate.</p>	
<p>Sec. 1054. Space Available Travel for Environmental Morale Leave by Certain Spouses and Children of Deployed Members of the Armed Forces. This Sec. would require the Secretary of Defense to amend the Air Transportation Eligibility Regulation, DOD 4515.13-R (1994) (as modified by the December 6, 2007, memorandum of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Logistics and Materiel Readiness) to authorize space-available travel for environmental morale leave by</p>	<p>No similar provision</p>	<p>Support House implementation of MCRMC recommendation #14.</p>

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<p>unaccompanied spouses and dependent children of service members deployed for at least 30 consecutive days under priority category IV. This Sec. also requires the Secretary to update any other instructions, directives, or internal policies necessary to facilitate this expansion. The committee notes that the MCRMC, in its final report, found that the average service member deploys 2.6 times during their time of Active Duty service, with many military occupational specialties deploying even more frequently. The Commission also noted that an analysis conducted in 2012 showed that, of the 678,382 Active Duty personnel deployed from 2001 to 2006 as part of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom, a significant portion were deployed for fewer than 120 days. The committee recognizes that the current policy governing the use of space-available travel under Sec. 2641b of title 10, USC, allowing unaccompanied space-available travel for environmental morale leave for military dependents of service members deployed for 120 days or more, leaves a significant portion of recently deployed service member dependents ineligible for this important privilege. The committee concurs with the Commission's recommendation that the Department of Defense expand space available travel to a larger population of dependents by shortening the deployment length needed to qualify for unaccompanied travel on environmental morale leave under priority category IV to 30 days.</p>		
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<p>Sec. 1069. Expedited meetings of the National Commission on the Future of the Army. Amendment of NDAA 2015 “sec. 10 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act shall not apply to a meeting of the Commission unless the meeting is attended by five or more members of the Commission.</p>	<p>No similar provision</p>	<p>Support House</p>
<p>Sec. 1105. Preference eligibility for members of reserve component of the armed force appointed to competitive service. Clarification of appeal rights. Amendment to Title 5 by adding in a subparagraph.</p>	<p>No similar provision</p>	<p>Support House</p>