



Amendments to the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Rep. Thornberry, R-TX) Part II

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The committee report can be found [here](#), and the text of the legislation can be found [here](#). The Congressional Budget Office's estimate for H.R. 1735 can be found [here](#).

AMENDMENTS MADE IN ORDER:

(269) [Stivers \(R-OH\)](#): Would authorize the Secretary of Defense and the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to participate in a Civilian Aviation Asset Military Partnership Pilot Program and to jointly award competitive to improve airport infrastructure or to improve an eligible tower facility at that airport. The grant may not exceed \$2.5 million.

(51) [Rohrabacher \(R-CA\)](#): Would express a sense of Congress that [Dr. Shakil Afridi](#) is an international hero and that the Government of Pakistan should release him immediately from prison. Dr. Afridi, a Pakistani physician, assisted U.S. forces in finally locating Osama bin Laden, but is currently imprisoned by the Government of Pakistan for his part in the Bin Laden raid.

(344) [Thornberry \(R-TX\)](#): Would require the Secretary of Defense to submit reprogramming requests to be able to use funds from the Syria Train and Equip Fund to execute the Syria Train and Equip program. Requires the secretary to submit a comprehensive strategy for Syria and Iraq (and an update with the reprogramming requests) and requires the secretary to submit a certification on support provided to the trained Syria opposition. The certification would include information on a required number and type of United States Armed Forces that have been established to meet the objectives of the strategy, including (1) support and enablers deployed to meet the objectives of the strategy; and (2) required amount of U.S. support, to the Syrian opposition to ensure that opposition is able to defend themselves from attacks by ISIL and Government of Syria forces.

(141) [Engel \(D-NY\)](#): Would require a report to assess the effectiveness and operational requirements of establishing a no-fly zone in Syria. According to the findings of the amendment, Syrian President Bashar al-Assad and supporting militias, including Hezbollah, continue to carry out sectarian mass atrocities, which have included mass targeted killings. Approximately 220,000 people have been killed, including thousands of children; many more have been seriously wounded, while civilian casualties continue to mount, causing a mass exodus of Syrian refugees to flee to Jordan, Turkey, and Lebanon.

(295) [Lamborn \(R-CO\)](#): Would add additional language to the sense on Congress on Iran, regarding the sale of advanced weaponry to Iran, particularly advanced S-300 air defenses. This amendment would state that sale of S-300 would pose a high risk of destabilizing the region and would stipulate that no terrorism-related sanctions should be lifted or loosened as a part of any nuclear agreement. Further, additional sanctions should be considered against Iran due its state sponsorship of terrorism, development and proliferation of ballistic missile technology, continued biological and chemical weapons programs, and egregious violation of the human rights of the Iranian people.

(312) [Lamborn \(R-CO\)](#): Would limit funds for the implementation of the New START Treaty until the president certifies that the Russian Federation is no longer illegally occupying Ukrainian territory, is respecting Ukraine's sovereignty, and is no longer taking actions that are inconsistent with the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces ([INF](#)) Treaty. A Dear Colleague from the amendment's sponsor can be found [here](#).

(106) [Turner \(R-OH\)](#): Would prohibit funding to be used for any bilateral military-to-military contact or cooperation between the United States and the Russian Federation until the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State, certifies certain conditions. These conditions include (1) ensuring that the Russian Federation is no longer illegally occupying Ukrainian territory; (2), no longer taking actions that are inconsistent with the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces (INF) Treaty; and (3) and has not sold or otherwise transferred the [Club-K](#) land attack cruise missile system to any foreign country or foreign person during FY 2015.

(224) [Connolly \(D-VA\)](#): Would prohibit any funds for the Department of Defense in FY 2016 from being obligated to implement any action or policy that recognizes the de jure or de facto sovereignty of the Russian Federation over Crimea, its airspace, or its territorial waters or to provide assistance for the government of a country that has taken affirmative steps to be supportive of the Russian Federation's illegal occupation of Crimea. The amendment would also provide a national interest waiver for the prohibition on assistance to central governments supportive of the illegal annexation of Crimea.

(343) [Rogers, Mike \(R-AL\)](#): Would express a sense of Congress that (1) the alliance between the United States and the Republic of Korea has served as an anchor for stability, security, and prosperity on the Korean Peninsula, in the Asia-Pacific region, and around the world; (2) that the United States and the Republic of Korea continue to strengthen and adapt the comprehensive strategic alliance of bilateral, regional, and global scope to serve as a linchpin of peace and stability in the Asia-Pacific region; (3) and on other opportunities to enhance the United States Alliance with the Republic of Korea.

(116) [Ros-Lehtinen \(R-FL\)](#): Would authorize the Secretary of Defense to deploy assets, personnel and resources to U.S. Southern Command (SOUTHCOM), in coordination with the Joint Interagency Task Force South, to combat transnational criminal organization, drug trafficking, bulk shipments of narcotics or currency, narco-terrorism, human trafficking and the Iranian, Russian, and Chinese presence in SOUTHCOM's Area of Responsibility in the Western Hemisphere.

(246) [Blumenauer \(D-OR\)](#): Would repeal the National Sea-Based Deterrence Fund by shifting funding for the *Ohio* replacement submarine program to the Navy shipbuilding accounts (Advanced Component Development and Prototypes, Advanced Nuclear Power Systems (Line 045), and Navy, Advanced Component Development and Prototypes, *Ohio* Replacement (Line 050)). The National Sea-Based Deterrence Fund of \$1.39 billion was established to prevent the program from crowding out all other Navy shipbuilding resources. The Navy's 14 current *Ohio*-class ballistic submarines are slated to be taken out of service in the 2020s. According to the [Congressional Research Service](#):

“[The] *Ohio* replacement program, if funded through the Navy's shipbuilding account, could make it considerably more difficult for the Navy to procure other kinds of ships in desired

numbers, unless the shipbuilding account were increased to accommodate the additional funding needs of the *Ohio* replacement program.”

(271) [Mulvaney \(R-SC\)](#): Would instruct the Comptroller General of the United States to submit to Congress a report on how funds authorized to be appropriated for overseas contingency operations were ultimately used.

(308) [Walker \(R-NC\)](#): Would provide that defense contractor information concerning breaches can be shared with DOD and disseminated for additional purposes including for national security, for cyber situational awareness, for law enforcement, and for defense.

(210) [Lummis \(R-WY\)](#): Would prohibit funds from being expended to reduce, or prepare to reduce the responsiveness or alert level of U.S. intercontinental ballistic missiles. Would express a sense of Congress that any action to reduce the responsiveness and alert levels of United States intercontinental ballistic missiles would be contrary to longstanding United States policy, and deeply harmful to national security and strategic stability in a crisis.

(283) [Davis, Susan \(D-CA\)](#): Would provide an exception to the regulations governing minor military construction in the case of military childcare facilities. Would sunset the authorization to commence an unspecified minor military construction three years following enactment on September 30, 2018.

(345) [Hardy \(R-NV\)](#): Would ensure that an expansion or establishment of a national monument on land located beneath or associated with a Military Operations Area (MOA) would not be construed to prohibit or constrain any activities on or above the land conducted by the Department of Defense or other federal agencies for national security purposes, including training and readiness activities.

(119) [Lucas \(R-OK\)](#): Would reverse and prohibit the further listing of the [Lesser Prairie Chicken](#) as a threatened or endangered species until 2021, unless the Secretary of the Interior publishes a determination, based on the totality of the scientific evidence, that conservation under the Range-Wide Plan and the agreements, programs, and efforts have not achieved the conservation goals established by the [Range-Wide Plan](#). Would de-list the [American Burying Beetle](#) as a threatened or endangered species under the Endangered Species Act. A Dear Colleague in support of the amendment from Rep. Mullin (R-OK) can be found [here](#).

(337) [Zinke \(R-MT\)](#): Would rename the Captain William Wylie Galt Great Falls Armed Forces Readiness Center in Great Falls, Montana, the “[Captain John E. Moran and Captain William Wylie Galt](#) Armed Forces Reserve Center”.

(212) [Sherman \(D-CA\)](#): Would add two certifications to section 3119 of the NDAA concerning the transfer of nuclear technology to foreign countries, regarding (1) the recipient country's compliance with its agreement for nuclear cooperation with the US; and (2) its efforts to prevent transfers of sensitive items to countries of proliferation concern. The Director of National Intelligence and the Chief of Naval Operations would be required to jointly submit to Congress an assessment of the risks of diversion, and the likely consequences of such diversion, of the technology and material.

(272) [Nadler \(D-NY\)](#): Would strike section 3121 of the NDAA. Section 3121 would limit the amount of funds that could be expended to carry out the nuclear weapons dismantlement and disposition activities of the administration. Section 3121 would prevent the administration from unilaterally dismantling U.S. nuclear warheads, while the Russian Federation continues to violate the majority of its treaty obligations relating to the dismantlement of their own stockpile

(232) Costello (R-PA): Would express a sense of Congress that (1) Army personnel face an increasingly complex and evolving threat environment that requires advanced and effective technology to protect our soldiers while allowing them to effectively carry out their mission; (2) that the heavy tactical vehicle protection kits program provides the Army with improved and necessary ballistic protection for the heavy tactical vehicle fleet; (3) that a secure heavy tactical vehicle fleet provides the Army with greater logistical tractability and offers soldiers the necessary flexibility to tailor armor levels based on threat levels and mission requirements; and (4) that as Congress provides for a modern and secure Army, it is necessary to provide the appropriate funding levels to meet its tactical wheeled vehicle protection kits acquisition objectives.

(64) Jackson Lee (D-TX): Would allow the Secretary of Defense to seek information from the directorates of the [Louis Stokes Alliances for Minority Participation program](#) (LSAMP) and [Historically Black Colleges and Universities Undergraduate Program](#) (HBCU-UP) of the National Science Foundation; the American Association for the Advancement of Science; the Emerging Researchers National Conference in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics; the [University of Florida Institute for African-American Mentoring in Computing Sciences](#) (iAAMCS); the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities; the National Indian Education Association; and such other institutions, organizations, or associations as the Secretary deems useful.

(275) Collins, Chris (R-NY): Would require the Secretary of the Army to submit to Congress a report that contains the findings of a market survey and flight assessment of commercial-off-the-shelf wide-area surveillance sensors suitable for insertion into Army tactical unmanned aerial systems.

(218) Hunter (R-CA): Would require a report on the baseline and alternatives to the Navy's [Tactical Air Combat Training System](#) (TCTS) Increment II. The Secretary of the Navy would not proceed with the approval or designation of a contract award for TCTS II until 15 days after the report is received.

(72) Palazzo (R-MS): Would mandate that the Secretary of Defense promote, monitor, and evaluate communication programs and exchange of research, development, and technological data. These programs and exchanges would occur among the defense research facilities, combatant commands, and other organizations that are involved in developing for the Department of Defense the technological requirements for new items for use by combat forces

(154) Aguilar (D-CA): Would require a report on the number of individuals from racial or ethnic minority groups, women, and disabled individuals who have participated in the DOD's National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship program under [section 2191 of title 10, United States Code](#), over a ten-year period, and barriers in recruiting these individuals for such programs.

(222) Clark, Katherine (D-MA): Would express the sense of Congress that the Department of Defense should explore using existing authorities for promoting science, technology, engineering, and mathematics programs to allow Federally Funded Research and Development Centers to help facilitate and shape a high-quality scientific and technical future workforce that can support Department of Defense needs.

(61) Veasey (D-TX): Would increase the authorization amount for digital upgrades, research and development for the V-22 Osprey by \$75.0 million. A matching offset would be taken from the aircraft procurement, Navy, for spares and repair parts, line 063 account.

(328) Peters, Scott (D-CA): Would require a report to Congress on the merger of the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Operational Energy Plans and the Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Installations and Environment.

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