

TITLE IV—MILITARY PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATIONS

SUBTITLE A—ACTIVE FORCES

End strength for active forces (sec. 401)

The Senate bill contained a provision (sec. 401) that would authorize active-duty end strengths for fiscal year 2017 as follows: Army 460,000; Navy 322,900; Marine Corps 182,000; Air Force 317,000.

The House amendment contained a provision (sec. 401) that would authorize active-duty end strengths for fiscal year 2017 as follows: Army 480,000; Navy 324,615; Marine Corps 185,000; Air Force 321,000.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would authorize active-duty end strengths for fiscal year 2017 as follows: Army 476,000; Navy 323,900; Marine Corps 185,000; Air Force 321,000.

The committee recommends a provision that would authorize active-duty end strengths for fiscal year 2017, as shown below:

| Service | FY 2016 Authorized | Request | Recommendation | FY 2017 Request | FY 2016 Authorized |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Army | 475,000 | 460,000 | 476,000 | +16,000 | +1,000 |
| Navy | 329,200 | 322,900 | 323,900 | +1,000 | -5,300 |
| Marine Corps | 184,000 | 182,000 | 185,000 | +3,000 | +1,000 |
| Air Force | 320,715 | 317,000 | 321,000 | +4,000 | +285 |
| DOD Total | 1,308,915 | 1,281,900 | 1,305,900 | +24,000 | -3,015 |

Revisions in permanent active duty end strength minimum levels (sec. 402)

The House amendment contained a provision (sec. 402) that would establish new minimum active-duty end strengths for the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force as of September 30, 2017.

The Senate bill contained no similar provision.
The Senate recedes.

SUBTITLE B—RESERVE FORCES

End strengths for Selected Reserve (sec. 411)

The Senate bill contained a provision (sec. 411) that would authorize the following end strengths for Selected Reserve personnel of the Armed Forces as of September 30, 2017: the Army National Guard, 335,000; the Army Reserve, 195,000; the Navy Reserve, 58,000; the Marine Corps Reserve, 38,500; the Air National Guard of the United States, 105,700; the Air Force Reserve, 69,000; and the Coast Guard Reserve, 7,000.

The House amendment contained a provision (sec. 411) that would authorize the following end strengths for Selected Reserve personnel of the Armed Forces as of September 30, 2017: the Army National Guard, 350,000; the Army Reserve, 205,000; the Navy Reserve, 58,000; the Marine Corps Reserve, 38,500; the Air National Guard of the United States, 105,700; the Air Force Reserve, 69,000; and the Coast Guard Reserve, 7,000.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would authorize the following end strengths for Selected Reserve personnel of the Armed Forces as of September 30, 2017: the Army National Guard, 343,000; the Army Reserve, 199,000; the Navy Reserve, 58,000; the Marine Corps Reserve, 38,500; the Air National Guard of the United States, 105,700; the Air Force Reserve, 69,000; and the Coast Guard Reserve, 7,000.

The committee recommends a provision that would authorize Selected Reserve end strengths for fiscal year 2017, as shown below:

| Service | FY 2016 Authorized | FY 2017 | | Change from | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | | Request | Recommendation | FY 2017 Request | FY 2016 Authorized |
| Army National Guard | 342,000 | 335,000 | 343,000 | +8,000 | +1,000 |
| Army Reserve | 198,000 | 195,000 | 199,000 | +4,000 | +1,000 |
| Navy Reserve | 57,400 | 58,000 | 58,000 | 0 | +600 |
| Marine Corps Reserve | 38,900 | 38,500 | 38,500 | 0 | -400 |
| Air National Guard | 105,500 | 105,700 | 105,700 | 0 | +200 |
| Air Force Reserve | 69,200 | 69,000 | 69,000 | 0 | -200 |
| DOD Total | 811,000 | 801,200 | 813,200 | +12,000 | +2,200 |
| Coast Guard Reserve | 7,000 | 7,000 | 7,000 | 0 | 0 |

End strengths for Reserves on active duty in support of the reserves (sec. 412)

The Senate bill contained a provision (sec. 412) that would authorize the following end strengths for Reserves on Active Duty in support of the reserve components as of September 30, 2017: the Army National Guard of the United States, 30,155; the Army Reserve, 16,261; The Navy Reserve, 9,955; the Marine Corps Reserve, 2,261; the Air National Guard of the United States, 14,764; and the Air Force Reserve, 2,955.

The House amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 412).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

End strength levels for the reserves on active duty in support of the reserves for fiscal year 2017 are set forth in the following table:

| Service | FY 2016 Authorized | FY 2017 | | Change from | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|---------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | | Request | Recommendation | FY 2017 Request | FY 2016 Authorized |
| Army National Guard | 30,770 | 30,155 | 30,155 | 0 | -615 |
| Army Reserve | 16,261 | 16,261 | 16,261 | 0 | 0 |
| Navy Reserve | 9,934 | 9,955 | 9,955 | 0 | +21 |
| Marine Corps Reserve | 2,260 | 2,261 | 2,261 | 0 | +1 |
| Air National Guard | 14,748 | 14,764 | 14,764 | 0 | +16 |
| Air Force Reserve | 3,032 | 2,955 | 2,955 | 0 | -77 |
| DOD Total | 77,005 | 76,351 | 76,351 | 0 | -654 |

End strengths for military technicians (dual status) (sec. 413)

The House amendment contained a provision (sec. 413) that would authorize the following end strengths for military technicians (dual status) as of September 30, 2017: the Army National Guard of the United States, 25,507; the Army Reserve, 7,570; the Air National Guard of the United States, 22,103; and the Air Force Reserve, 10,061.

The Senate bill contained a similar provision (sec. 413) that would authorize variance from the end strengths described above in accordance with the variance authorities found in subsections (f)(1) and (g)(1)(B) of section 115 of title 10, United States Code.

The House recesses.

End strength levels for military technicians (dual status) for fiscal year 2017 are set forth in the following table:

| Service | FY 2016 Authorized | FY 2017 | | Change from | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | | Request | Recommendation | FY 2017 Request | FY 2016 Authorized |
| Army National Guard | 26,099 | 25,507 | 25,507 | 0 | -592 |
| Army Reserve | 7,395 | 7,570 | 7,570 | 0 | +175 |
| Air National Guard | 22,104 | 22,103 | 22,103 | 0 | -1 |
| Air Force Reserve | 9,814 | 10,061 | 10,061 | 0 | +247 |
| DOD Total | 65,412 | 65,241 | 65,241 | 0 | -171 |

Fiscal year 2017 limitation on number of non-dual status technicians (sec. 414)

The Senate bill contained a provision (sec. 414) that would authorize the following personnel limits for the reserve components of the Army and Air Force for non-dual status technicians as of September 30, 2017: the Army National Guard of the United States, 1,600; the Air National Guard of the United States, 350; the Army Reserve, 595; and the Air Force Reserve, 90.

The House amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 414).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

End strength levels for the non-dual status technicians for fiscal year 2017 are set forth in the following table:

| | FY 2017 | Change from |
|--|---------|-------------|
|--|---------|-------------|

| Service | FY 2016 Authorized | Request | Recommendation | FY 2017 Request | FY 2016 Authorized |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Army National Guard..... | 1,600 | 1,600 | 1,600 | 0 | 0 |
| Air National Guard..... | 350 | 350 | 350 | 0 | 0 |
| Army Reserve | 595 | 420 | 420 | 0 | -175 |
| Air Force Reserve | 90 | 90 | 90 | 0 | 0 |
| DOD Total | 2,635 | 2,460 | 2,460 | 0 | -175 |

Maximum number of reserve personnel authorized to be on active duty for operational support (sec. 415)

The Senate bill contained a provision (sec. 415) that would authorize the maximum number of reserve component personnel who may be on Active Duty or full-time National Guard duty under section 115(b) of title 10, United States Code, during fiscal year 2017 to provide operational support.

The House amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 415).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

End strength levels for reserve personnel authorized to be on Active Duty for operational support for fiscal year 2017 are set forth in the following table:

| Service | FY 2016 Authorized | FY 2017 | | Change from | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|---------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | | Request | Recommendation | FY 2017 Request | FY 2016 Authorized |
| Army National Guard | 17,000 | 17,000 | 17,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Army Reserve | 13,000 | 13,000 | 13,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Navy Reserve | 6,200 | 6,200 | 6,200 | 0 | 0 |
| Marine Corps Reserve | 3,000 | 3,000 | 3,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Air National Guard | 16,000 | 16,000 | 16,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Air Force Reserve | 14,000 | 14,000 | 14,000 | 0 | 0 |
| DOD Total | 69,200 | 69,200 | 69,200 | 0 | 0 |

Technical corrections to annual authorization for personnel strengths (sec. 416)

The Senate bill contained a provision (sec. 416) that would make a technical correction to section 115 of title 10, United States Code.

The House amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 521)

The conference agreement includes this provision.

SUBTITLE C—AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

Military personnel (sec. 421)

The Senate bill contained a provision (sec. 421) that would authorize appropriations for military personnel at the levels identified in the funding table in section 4401 of this Act.

The House amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 421).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED

Sense of Congress on full-time support for the Army National Guard

The House amendment contained a provision (sec. 416) that would express a sense of Congress that an adequately supported, full-time support force consisting of active and reserve personnel and military technicians for the Army National Guard is essential to maintaining the readiness of the Army National Guard.

The Senate bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.