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FY24 Further Consolidated Appropriations - Defense

(H.R. 2882)



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Bill Status

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Executive Summary

This guide provides a short summary of fiscal year 2024 Defense Appropriations portion of H.R. 2882. To obtain a complete understanding of any particular provision, users are encouraged to review the actual legislative language. Bill text and report language can be found on the LL website: <https://www.nationalguard.mil/leadership/joint-staff/personal-staff/legislative-liaison/>.

Status:

On March 22nd, 2024, the House chamber passed H.R. 2882, the “Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024” by a vote of 286-134. On March 23rd, the Senate passed H.R. 2882 by a vote of 74-24. The President signed H.R. 2882 into law on March 23rd, 2024. The measure provides \$824.3 billion, an increase of \$26.8 billion above fiscal year 2023.

Highlights:

- Funds a 5.2% military pay raise
- Funds an end strength of 325,000 for the ARNG and 105,000 for the ANG
- Appropriates \$310M for the ARNG and \$300M for the ANG in NAREA
- Adds \$840M for 8 additional C-130J aircraft for the ANG
- Adds \$140M for ARNG HMMWV modernization
- Adds \$203.5M for National Guard Counter-Drug Program
- Adds \$24M for National Guard Counter-Drug Schools
- Adds \$84.9M for National Guard Youth Challenge
- Adds \$60M for UH-60M Blackhawk aircraft for the ARNG
- Adds \$53M for Starbase
- Adds \$22M for SPP

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- ARNG Personnel increases:
 - \$9.1M for SPP
 - \$8.5M for Wildfire Training
 - \$8.5M for Exercise Northern Strike
 - \$3.5M for Irregular Warfare Training Exercises
 - \$3M for Advanced Trauma and Public Health Direct Training Services
 - \$1M for Army Mountain Warfare School Operations
 - \$1M for NG Mission Assurance Program

- ARNG O&M increases:
 - \$15.8M for ARNG MQ-1C ARNG Aviation Training Sites
 - \$13M for Exercise Northern Strike
 - \$8M for Mental Health Providers
 - \$7M for SPP
 - \$5M for Star Behavioral Health Program
 - \$3.5M for Irregular Warfare Training Exercises
 - \$2.6M for Aqueous Film Forming Foam Replacement Related Activities
 - \$2.1M for PFAS Cleanup and Restoration
 - \$1.9M for Advanced Trauma and Public Health Direct Training Services
 - \$1.5M for Wildfire Training
 - \$1M for NG Mission Assurance Program
 - \$0.8M for Enhanced NG Emergency Satellite Communications Capability
 - \$0.75M for International Advanced Trauma & Public Health Direct Training Services

- ANG Personnel increases:
 - \$6M for Wildfire Training
 - \$2.8M for Advanced Trauma and Public Health Direct Training Services
 - \$2.8M for SPP
 - \$2M for Exercise Northern Strike

- ANG O&M increases:
 - \$96.5M for Facility Enhancements for Future Pilot Training Sites
 - \$91M for Additional Facility Enhancements for Future Foreign Military Pilot Training Sites
 - \$8M for ANG JTAC Contractor Support
 - \$5M for Mental Health Providers
 - \$5M for Resilience Training
 - \$3.3M for SPP
 - \$2M for Advanced Trauma and Public Health Direct Training Services
 - \$2M for Training and Equipment for KC-135 Classic Associations
 - \$2M for KC-135 Depot Purchase Equipment Maintenance
 - \$1.5M for Wildfire Training
 - \$0.9M for Repair Hangar Fire Systems

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National Guard Accounts Overview

(All Dollars in Thousands)

Army National Guard	FY24 President's Budget Request	FY24 HAC-D Mark	Delta from Request	FY24 SAC-D Mark	Delta from Request	FY24 Conference	Delta from Request
ARNG Personnel	\$9,783,569	\$9,766,369	-\$17,200	\$9,783,569	\$3,098	\$9,791,213	\$7,644
ARNG O&M	\$8,683,104	\$8,612,404	-\$70,700	\$8,706,797	\$23,693	\$8,611,897	-\$71,207
NGREA	--	\$312,000	\$312,000	\$278,135	\$278,135	\$310,000	\$310,000

Air National Guard	FY24 President's Budget Request	FY24 HAC-D Mark	Delta from Request	FY24 SAC-D Mark	Delta from Request	FY24 Conference	Delta from Request
ANG Personnel	\$5,292,425	\$5,234,625	-\$57,800	\$5,264,865	-\$27,560	\$5,272,165	-\$20,260
ANG O&M	\$7,253,694	\$7,250,745	-\$2,949	\$7,268,605	\$14,911	\$7,335,405	\$81,711
NGREA	--	\$305,000	\$305,000	\$255,128	\$255,128	\$300,00	\$300,000

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Army National Guard

Army National Guard Personnel

(All Dollars in Thousands)

ARNG Personnel Appropriation	FY24 President's Budget Request	FY24 HAC-D Mark	Delta from Request	FY24 SAC-D Mark	Delta from Request	FY24 Conference
PAY GROUP A TRAINING (15 DAYS & DRILLS 24/48)	\$2,720,787	\$2,720,787	--	\$2,720,787	--	\$2,720,787
PAY GROUP F TRAINING (RECRUITS)	\$600,118	\$600,118	--	\$600,118	--	\$600,118
PAY GROUP P TRAINING (PIPELINE RECRUITS)	\$60,361	\$60,361	--	\$60,361	--	\$60,361
SCHOOL TRAINING	\$591,765	\$591,765	--	\$592,765 ⁵	\$1,000	\$592,765 ¹²
SPECIAL TRAINING	\$819,779	\$837,379 ¹⁻²	\$17,600	\$843,223 ⁶⁻¹¹	\$23,444	\$852,423 ¹³⁻¹⁷
ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORT	\$4,941,628	\$4,941,628	--	\$4,941,628	--	\$4,941,628
THRIFT SAVINGS PLAN MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS	\$38,840	\$38,840	--	\$38,840	--	\$38,840
EDUCATION BENEFITS	\$10,291	\$10,291	--	\$10,291	--	\$10,291
TOTAL, BUDGET ACTIVITY 1 (BAC-01)	\$9,783,569	\$9,801,169	\$17,600	\$9,808,013	\$24,444	\$9,817,213
UNDISTRIBUTED ADJUSTMENT	--	-\$34,800 ³⁻⁴	-\$34,800	-\$21,346	-\$21,346	-\$26,000 ^{18,19}
TOTAL, TITLE I, ARNG PERSONNEL	\$9,783,569	\$9,766,369	-\$17,200	\$9,786,667	\$3,098	\$9,791,213
HEALTH CARE CONTRIBUTION (RC)	\$971,647	\$971,647	--	\$972,000	--	\$972,000
TOTAL, NATIONAL GUARD PERSONNEL, ARMY	\$10,755,216	\$10,738,016	-\$17,200	10,758,667	\$3,098	10,763,213

1. Special Training; Program increase – State Partnership Program \$9,100
2. Special Training; Program increase – Northern Strike \$8,500
3. Undistributed Adjustment; Historical unobligated balances -\$27,000
4. Undistributed Adjustment; Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion -\$7,800
5. School Training; Program increase: Army Mountain Warfare School operations \$1,000
6. Special Training; Program increase: Wildfire training \$8,500
7. Special Training; Program increase: Advanced trauma and public health direct training services \$3,044
8. Special Training; Program increase: Irregular warfare training exercises \$3,500
9. Special Training; Undistributed adjustment: Revised budget estimate -\$30,846
10. Special Training; Program increase: Exercise Northern Strike \$8,500
11. Special Training; Program increase: National Guard Mission Assurance Program \$1,000
12. School Training; Program increase: Army Mountain Warfare School operations \$1,000
13. Special Training; Program increase – State Partnership Program \$9,100
14. Special Training; Program increase – Northern Strike \$8,500
15. Special Training; Program increase: Wildfire training \$8,500
16. Special Training; Program increase: Advanced trauma and public health direct training services \$3,044
17. Special Training; Program increase: Irregular warfare training exercises \$3,500
18. Undistributed Adjustment; Historical unobligated balances -\$27,000
19. Undistributed Adjustment; Program increase – National Guard Mission Assurance Program \$1,000

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Army National Guard Operations & Maintenance

ARNG O&M Appropriation	FY24 President's Budget Request	FY24 HAC-D Mark	Delta from Request	FY24 SAC-D Mark	Delta from Request	FY24 Conference
MANEUVER UNITS	\$925,071	\$938,071 ¹	\$13,000	\$936,571 ⁹	\$11,500	\$938,071 ²⁹
MODULAR SUPPORT BRIGADES	\$201,781	\$201,781	--	\$196,781 ¹⁰	-\$5,000	\$196,781 ³⁰
ECHELONS ABOVE BRIGADE	\$840,373	\$833,373 ²	-\$7,000	\$790,373 ¹¹	-\$50,000	\$790,373 ³¹
THEATER LEVEL ASSETS	\$107,392	\$105,392 ³	-\$2,000	\$102,392 ¹²	-\$5,000	\$102,392 ³²
LAND FORCES OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$62,908	\$62,908	--	\$62,908	--	\$266,203 ³³
AVIATION ASSETS	\$1,113,908	\$1,102,908 ⁴	-\$11,000	\$1,101,908 ¹³	-\$12,000	\$1,101,908 ³⁴
FORCE READINESS OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$832,946	\$827,946 ⁵	-\$5,000	\$820,605 ¹⁴⁻¹⁸	-\$12,341	\$820,605 ³⁵⁻³⁹
LAND FORCES SYSTEMS READINESS	\$50,696	\$50,696	--	\$51,496 ¹⁹	\$800	\$51,496 ⁴⁰
LAND FORCES DEPOT MAINTENANCE	\$231,784	\$231,784	--	\$231,784	--	\$231,784
BASE OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$1,249,066	\$1,244,066 ⁶	-\$5,000	\$1,253,800 ^{20,21}	\$4,734	\$1,249,800 ⁴¹⁻⁴³
FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION, & MODERNIZATION	\$1,081,561	\$1,081,561	--	\$1,176,561 ^{22,23}	\$95,000	\$1,097,361 ⁴⁴
MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONAL HQ	\$1,468,857	\$1,458,857 ⁷	-\$10,000	\$1,481,857 ^{24,25}	\$13,000	\$1,278,562 ⁴⁵⁻⁴⁷
CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES – CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS	\$9,566	\$9,566	--	\$9,566	--	\$9,566
CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES – CYBERSECURITY	\$15,710	\$15,710	--	\$16,710 ²⁶	\$1,000	\$16,710 ⁴⁸
SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION	\$7,251	\$7,251	--	\$7,251	--	\$7,251
ADMINISTRATION	\$66,025	\$73,025 ⁸	\$7,000	\$68,025 ^{27,28}	\$2,000	\$69,025 ^{49,50}
SERVICEWIDE COMMUNICATIONS	\$113,366	\$113,366	--	\$113,366	--	\$113,366
MANPOWER MANAGEMENT	\$8,663	\$8,663	--	\$8,663	--	\$8,663
OTHER PERSONNEL SUPPORT	\$292,426	\$292,426	--	\$292,426	--	\$292,426
REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT	\$3,754	\$3,754	--	\$3,754	--	\$3,754
HISTORICAL UNOBLIGATION	--	-\$43,000	-\$43,000	--	--	-\$26,500
PROGRAM DECREASE – CIVILIAN WORKFORCE	--	-\$8,000	-\$8,000	--	--	-\$8,000
P.L. 115-68 IMPLEMENTATION	--	\$300	\$300	--	--	\$300
PROJECTED UNDEREXECUTION	--	--	--	-\$20,000	-\$20,000	--
TOTAL, ARNG O&M	\$8,683,104	\$8,612,404	-\$70,700	\$8,706,797	\$23,693	\$8,611,897

1. Maneuver Units; Program increase: Northern Strike \$13,000
2. Echelons Above Brigade; Unjustified growth: -\$7,000
3. Theater Level Assets; Unjustified growth: -\$2,000
4. Aviation Assets; Unjustified growth: -\$11,000
5. Force Readiness Operations Support; Unjustified growth: -\$5,000
6. Base Operations; Unjustified growth: -\$5,000
7. Management and Operational Headquarters; Unjustified transfer: -\$10,000

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8. Administration; Program increase: State Partnership Program \$7,000
9. Maneuver Units; Program increase: Exercise Northern Strike \$11,500
10. Modular Support Brigades; Unjustified growth: -\$5,000
11. Echelons Above Brigade; Unjustified growth: - \$50,000
12. Theater Level Assets; Unjustified growth: -\$5,000
13. Aviation Assets; Unjustified growth: -\$12,000
14. Force Readiness Operations Support; Unjustified growth: -\$20,000
15. Force Readiness Operations Support; Program increase: Irregular warfare training exercises \$3,500
16. Force Readiness Operations Support; Program increase: Advanced trauma and public health direct training services \$1,909
17. Force Readiness Operations Support; Program increase: International advanced trauma and public health direct training services \$750
18. Force Readiness Operations Support; Program increase: Wildfire training \$1,500
19. Land Forces Systems Readiness; Program increase: Enhanced NG emergency satellite communications capability \$800
20. Base Operations Support; Program increase: Aqueous film forming foam replacement related activities \$2,600
21. Base Operations Support; Program increase: PFAS cleanup and restoration \$2,134
22. Facilities Sustainment, Restoration & Modernization; Program increase \$60,000
23. Facilities Sustainment, Restoration & Modernization; ARNG MQ-1C AATS \$35,000
24. Management and Operational Headquarters; Program increase: Mental health providers \$8,000
25. Management and Operational Headquarters; Program increase: Star behavioral health program \$5,000
26. Cyberspace Activities-Cybersecurity; Program increase: NG Mission assurance Program \$1,000
27. Administration; Program decrease unaccounted for - \$4,000
28. Administration; Program increase: State Partnership Program \$6,000
29. Maneuver Units; Program increase: Northern Strike \$13,000
30. Modular Support Brigades; Unjustified growth: -\$5,000
31. Echelons Above Brigade; Unjustified growth: - \$50,000
32. Theater Level Assets; Unjustified growth: -\$5,000
33. Land Forces Operations Support: National Guard requested transfer from SAG 133 \$203,295
34. Aviation Assets; Unjustified growth: -\$12,000
35. Force Readiness Operations Support; Program increase: Irregular warfare training exercises \$3,500
36. Force Readiness Operations Support; Program increase: Advanced trauma and public health direct training services \$1,909
37. Force Readiness Operations Support; Program increase: International advanced trauma and public health direct training services \$750
38. Force Readiness Operations Support; Program increase: Wildfire training \$1,500
39. Force Readiness Operations Support; Unjustified growth: -\$20,000
40. Land Forces Systems Readiness; Program increase: Enhanced NG emergency satellite communications capability \$800
41. Base Operations Support; Program increase: Aqueous film forming foam replacement related activities \$2,600
42. Base Operations Support; Program increase: PFAS cleanup and restoration \$2,134
43. Base Operations Support; Unjustified growth: -\$4,000
44. Facilities Sustainment, Restoration & Modernization; Program increase: ARNG MQ-1C AATS \$15,800
45. Management and Operational Headquarters; Program increase: Mental health providers \$8,000
46. Management and Operational Headquarters; Program increase: Star behavioral health program \$5,000
47. Management and Operational Headquarters; National Guard requested transfer to SAG 115: -\$203,295
48. Cyberspace Activities-Cybersecurity; Program increase: NG Mission assurance Program \$1,000
49. Administration; Program increase: State Partnership Program \$7,000
50. Administration; Program decrease unaccounted for - \$4,000

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Air National Guard

Air National Guard Personnel

(All Dollars in Thousands)

ANG Personnel Appropriation	FY24 President's Budget Request	FY24 HAC-D Mark	Delta from Request	FY24 SAC-D Mark	Delta from Request	FY24 Conference
PAY GROUP A TRAINING (15 DAYS & DRILLS 24/48)	\$1,125,121	\$1,125,121	--	\$1,125,121	--	\$1,125,121
PAY GROUP F TRAINING (RECRUITS)	\$106,460	\$106,460	--	\$106,460	--	\$106,460
PAY GROUP P TRAINING (PIPELINE RECRUITS)	\$4,405	\$4,405	--	\$4,405	--	\$4,405
SCHOOL TRAINING	\$319,496	\$319,496	--	\$319,496	--	\$319,496
SPECIAL TRAINING	\$217,458	\$222,258 ¹⁻²	\$4,800	\$229,098 ⁶⁻¹⁰	\$11,640	\$231,098 ¹¹⁻¹⁴
ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORT	\$3,475,783	\$3,475,783	--	\$3,475,783	--	\$3,475,783
THRIFT SAVINGS PLAN MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS	\$27,540	\$27,540	--	\$27,540	--	\$27,540
EDUCATION BENEFITS	\$16,162	\$16,162	--	\$16,162	--	\$16,162
TOTAL, BUDGET ACTIVITY 1 (BAC-01)	\$5,292,425	\$5,297,225	\$4,800	\$5,304,065	\$11,640	\$5,306,065
UNDISTRIBUTED ADJUSTMENT	--	-\$62,600 ³⁻⁵	-\$62,600	-\$39,200	-\$39,200	-\$33,900 ¹⁵
Total, Title I National Guard Personnel, Air Force	\$5,292,425	\$5,234,625	-\$57,800	\$5,264,865	-\$27,560	\$5,272,165
HEALTH CARE CONTRIBUTION (RC)	\$371,866	\$371,866	--	\$372,000	--	\$372,000
Total, National Guard Personnel, Air Force	\$5,664,291	\$5,606,491	-\$57,800	\$5,636,865	-\$27,560	\$5,644,165

1. Special Training; Program increase: State Partnership Program \$2,800
2. Special Training; Program increase: Northern Strike \$2,000
3. Undistributed Adjustment; historical unobligated balances: -\$26,000
4. Undistributed Adjustment; projected underexecution: -\$33,000
5. Undistributed Adjustment; Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: -\$3,600
6. Special Training; Program increase: Advanced trauma and public health direct training services \$2,840
7. Special Training; Program increase: State Partnership Program \$2,800
8. Special Training; Program increase: Wildfire training \$6,000
9. Special Training; Undistributed adjustment: Revised budget estimate -\$41,200
10. Special Training; Program increase: Exercise Northern Strike \$2,000
11. Special Training; Program increase: State Partnership Program \$2,800
12. Special Training; Program increase: Northern Strike \$2,000
13. Special Training; Program increase: Advanced trauma and public health direct training services \$2,840
14. Special Training; Program increase: Wildfire training \$6,000
15. Undistributed Adjustment; underexecution of strength: -\$33,900

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Air National Guard Operations & Maintenance

ANG O&M Appropriation	FY24 President's Budget Request	FY24 HAC-D Mark	Delta from Request	FY24 SAC-D Mark	Delta from Request	FY24 Conference
AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS	\$2,498,675	\$2,468,675 ¹	-\$30,000	\$2,478,675 ⁹	-\$20,000	\$2,475,675 ^{21,22}
MISSION SUPPORT OPERATIONS	\$656,714	\$667,265 ²⁻⁴	\$10,551	\$669,748 ¹⁰⁻¹⁴	\$13,034	\$681,548 ²³⁻²⁸
DEPOT MAINTENANCE	\$1,171,901	\$1,173,901 ⁵	\$2,000	\$1,149,901 ¹⁵	-\$22,000	\$1,153,901 ^{29,30}
FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION	\$370,188	\$466,688 ⁶	\$96,500	\$482,065 ¹⁶⁻¹⁸	\$111,877	\$558,565 ³¹⁻³³
CONTRACTOR LOGISTICS SUPPORT AND SYSTEM SUPPORT	\$1,280,003	\$1,262,003 ⁷	-\$18,000	\$1,260,003 ¹⁹	-\$20,000	\$1,261,003 ³⁴
BASE OPERATING SUPPORT	\$1,089,579	\$1,094,579 ⁸	\$5,000	\$1,071,579 ²⁰	-\$18,000	\$1,074,579 ³⁵
CYBERSPACE SUSTAINMENT	\$19,708	\$19,708	--	\$19,708	--	\$19,708
CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	\$49,476	\$49,476	--	\$49,476	--	\$49,476
ADMINISTRATION	\$68,417	\$68,417	--	\$68,417	--	\$68,417
RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING	\$49,033	\$49,033	--	\$49,033	--	\$49,033
HISTORICAL UNOBLIGATION	--	-\$43,000	-\$43,000	--	--	-\$26,500
PROGRAM DECREASE – CIVILIAN WORKFORCE	--	-\$26,000	-\$26,000	--	--	-\$30,000
PROJECTED UNDEREXECUTION	--	--	--	-\$30,000	-\$30,000	--
TOTAL, O&M, AIR NATIONAL GUARD	\$7,253,694	\$7,250,745	-\$2,949	\$7,268,605	\$14,911	\$7,335,405

1. Aircraft Operations; Unjustified growth: -\$30,000

2. Mission Support Operations; Program increase: State Partnership Program \$3,300

3. Mission Support Operations; Program increase: ANG JTAC contractor support \$8,000

4. Mission Support Operations; Unjustified request: -\$749

5. Depot Purchase Equipment Maintenance; Program increase: KC-135 \$2,000

6. Facilities Sustainment, Restoration & Modernization; Program increase: facility enhancements for future pilot training sites \$96,500

7. Contractor Logistics Support and System Support; Unjustified growth: -\$18,000

8. Base Operations Support; Program Increase: resilience training \$5,000

9. Aircraft Operations; Unjustified growth: -\$20,000

10. Mission Support Operations; Program increase: Advanced trauma and public health direct training services \$2,034

11. Mission Support Operations; Program increase: Mental health providers \$5,000

12. Mission Support Operations; Program increase: State Partnership Program \$2,500

13. Mission Support Operations; Program increase: Training and equipment for KC-135 classic associations \$2,000

14. Mission Support Operations; Program increase: Wildfire training \$1,500

15. Depot Purchase Equipment Maintenance; Unjustified growth: -\$22,000

16. Facilities Sustainment, Restoration & Modernization; Program increase: \$20,000

17. Facilities Sustainment, Restoration & Modernization; Program increase: Additional facility enhancements for future foreign military pilot training sites \$90,977

18. Facilities Sustainment, Restoration & Modernization; Program increase: Repair hangar fire systems \$900

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19. Contractor Logistics Support and System Support; Unjustified growth: -\$20,000
20. Base Support; Unjustified growth: -\$18,000
21. Aircraft Operations: Program increase – Training and equipment for KC-135 classic associations \$2,000
22. Aircraft Operations; Unjustified growth: -\$25,000
23. Mission Support Operations; Program increase: State Partnership Program \$3,300
24. Mission Support Operations; Program increase: ANG JTAC contractor support \$8,000
25. Mission Support Operations; Program increase: Advanced trauma and public health direct training services \$2,034
26. Mission Support Operations; Program increase: Mental health providers \$5,000
27. Mission Support Operations; Program increase: Wildfire training \$1,500
28. Mission Support Operations; Program Increase: resilience training \$5,000
29. Depot Purchase Equipment Maintenance; Program increase – KC135 \$2,000
30. Depot Purchase Equipment Maintenance; Unjustified growth: -\$20,000
31. Facilities Sustainment, Restoration & Modernization; Program increase: facility enhancements for future pilot training sites \$96,500
32. Facilities Sustainment, Restoration & Modernization; Program increase: Additional facility enhancements for future foreign military pilot training sites \$90,977
33. Facilities Sustainment, Restoration & Modernization; Program increase: Repair hangar fire systems \$900
34. Contractor Logistics Support and System Support; Unjustified growth: -\$19,000
35. Base Support; Unjustified growth: -\$15,000

Items of Interest

Air National Guard Full-Time Manpower Initiatives

The Air National Guard (ANG) plans to implement force structure changes to full-time positions, beginning in fiscal year 2025, in an effort to standardize personnel levels among units performing similar missions. However, it is unclear how this proposal accounts for unique missions performed by individual Guard units in support of other military commands or whether the National Guard Bureau's (NGB) proposed plan does account for such missions, including certain search and rescue missions and tanker airlift planning and support. Therefore, the agreement directs the Secretary of Defense to provide to the congressional defense committees, not later than 60 days after enactment of this act, a report that includes the following elements: (1) a description of the coordination and consultation with any global combatant command or Air Force major command that has missions affected by the ANG's plan that took place prior to and subsequent to the ANG's notification of its force structure realignments, and (2) a description from each of the relevant combatant commands or Air Force major commands, including at a minimum U.S. Northern Command and Air Mobility Command, as to whether the implementation of this NGB proposal would have an adverse effect on the ability of ANG units to continue to conduct missions in support of other military commands, including those necessary to support homeland defense, the protection of life, and national security.

Operation And Maintenance Budget Execution Data

The Secretary of Defense and Service Secretaries are directed to provide the congressional defense committees with quarterly budget execution data. Such data should be provided not later than 45 days after the close of each quarter of the fiscal year and should be provided for each 0-I budget activity, activity group, and subactivity group for each of the active, defense-wide, reserve, and National Guard components. For each 0-I budget activity, activity group, and subactivity group, these reports should include the budget request and actual obligations amount, the distribution of unallocated congressional adjustments to the budget request, all adjustments made by the Department in establishing the Base for Reprogramming (DD Form 1414) report, all adjustments resulting from below threshold reprogrammings, and all adjustments resulting from prior approval reprogramming requests.

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MQ-1C Gray Eagle Training Site

The agreement includes additional funding for the Chief of the National Guard Bureau to support expedited efforts to plan and prepare for the establishment of an Army National Guard-operated MQ-1C training site at a new location that enables the maximum use of pre-existing infrastructure and UAS range capabilities in order to minimize cost, increase efficiency, and accelerate the start of training activities at the site.

Tactical Air Control Party Divestiture

Concerns remain about the Air Force's plan to reduce Tactical Air Control Party units in the Air National Guard. The agreement directs the Secretary of the Air Force to provide the House and Senate Defense Appropriations Subcommittees with the briefing related to this issue directed in the joint explanatory statement accompanying the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118-31). The briefing shall also include the proposed investments in next-generation capabilities for the Air National Guard referenced in the August 2023 report on this subject.

C-130J Recapitalization

The agreement includes an increase of \$840,000,000 for eight additional C-130J aircraft for the Air National Guard, to replace existing C-130H aircraft. There is concern that if air wings are directed to operate a mixed fleet of C-130Hs and C-130Js, that could increase local maintenance burdens and decrease the overall readiness of the force. Therefore, the Secretary of the Air Force is directed to, through the existing Strategic Basing Process, prioritize upgrading existing C-130H squadrons with C-130J aircraft at a one-to-one ratio.

Aircraft Training Simulators

Not later than 30 days after the submission of the Fiscal Year 2025 President's budget request, the Chief of Staff of the Air Force, in coordination with the Chief of the National Guard Bureau, shall provide documentation to the congressional defense committees, illustrating how they have programmed appropriately for the sufficient resourcing of aircraft training simulators, to include simulators for F-16s, for the Air National Guard in accordance with current Department of the Air Force policy regarding concurrent and proportional modernization to ensure total force readiness.

National Guard and Reserve Equipment

The agreement includes an appropriation of \$1,000,000,000 for the National Guard and Reserve Equipment Account. Of that amount, \$310,000,000 is for the Army National Guard; \$300,000,000 is for the Air National Guard; \$155,000,000 is for the Army Reserve; \$57,000,000 is for the Navy Reserve; \$23,000,000 is for the Marine Corps Reserve; and \$155,000,000 is for the Air Force Reserve to meet urgent equipment needs in the coming fiscal year. The agreement includes direction for the component commanders of the Army Reserve, Navy Reserve, Marine Forces Reserve, Air Force Reserve, Army National Guard, and Air National Guard to submit to the congressional defense committees a detailed assessment of their component's modernization priorities, not later than 30 days after the enactment of this Act.

NGREA High-Priority Items

The Secretary of Defense is directed to ensure that the National Guard and Reserve Equipment Account is executed by the Chiefs of the National Guard and reserve components with priority consideration given to the following items: acoustic hailing

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devices; aircraft survivability equipment and weapons training aids; aircraft wash systems; aviation fleet management dashboard software; crashworthy, ballistically tolerant auxiliary fuel systems for UH-60 helicopters; degraded visual environment systems; F-16 simulators; high mobility multi-purpose wheeled vehicle modernization; KC-135 aircraft emergency response refuel equipment kits; KC-135 aircrew ground cooling units; land surveying systems; laser chemical threat detection systems; lightweight, rapidly deployable, computer-based artillery call for fire training and simulation; litter stabilization systems; M91 7 A3 heavy dump trucks; modern acoustic and thermal aviation blankets; modular small arms ranges and small arms training simulators and tools; secure enterprise, emergency, and social communication; software defined radios; UH-72A/B mission equipment modernization; upgraded commercial-off-the-shelf ground mapping for C-130 aircraft; and vehicle-mounted, man-portable radiological nuclear detection systems.

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Legislative Provisions

Sec. 8047 prohibits funds made available in this Act from being used to reduce authorized positions for military technicians (dual status) of the Army National Guard, Air National Guard, Army Reserve, and Air Force Reserve unless such reductions are a direct result of a reduction in military force structure.

Sec. 8049 provides for reimbursement to the National Guard and Reserve when members of the National Guard and Reserve provide intelligence or counterintelligence support to the combatant commands, defense agencies, and joint intelligence activities.

Sec. 8055 provides conditions for the use of equipment of the National Guard Distance Learning Project on a space-available, reimbursable basis.

Sec. 8061 provides for the use of National Guard personnel to support ground-based elements of the National Ballistic Missile Defense System.

Sec. 8063 provides for a waiver by the Chief of the National Guard Bureau or his designee for all or part of consideration in cases of personal property leases of less than one year.