



Amendments (Part 1) to H.R. 6157: Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2019 (Rep. Granger, R-TX)

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FLOOR SCHEDULE:

H.R. 6157 is expected to be considered beginning on June 26, 2018, under a [structured rule](#).

The rule provides for one hour of general debate equally divided.

The rule makes in order 24 amendments. More amendments are expected to be addressed by a future rule.

The rule waives all points of order against the bill and the amendments that have been made in order.

The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, for failure to comply with clause 2 rule XXI, prohibiting authorizing language in an appropriations measure, except for language beginning on [page 86, line 1 through page 86, line 7](#) deeming intelligence activities for which funds are appropriated to be authorized by Congress for purposes of section 504 of the National Security Act of 1947. This provision would be exposed to a point of order at the request of the Chairman of the relevant authorizing committee under the [Armed Forces Protocol](#).

The rule waives all points of order against the amendments made in order by the rule.

The rule provides both the Chair and Ranking Member of the Committee on Appropriations the ability to each offer up to 10 pro forma amendments (to “strike the last word”).

The rule provides that no further consideration of the bill shall be in order except pursuant to a subsequent order of the House.

The RSC Legislative Bulletin for the Rules Committee Print for H.R. 6157 can be found [here](#).

Additional Amendments made in order under a future rule will be summarized in future Legislative Bulletins.

Amendments Made in Order Under the Rule:

1. [Jackson Lee \(D-TX\) \(#41\)](#): This amendment is intended to express Congressional intent that \$2 million of funding appropriated for Navy Personnel should be used “to provide the Secretary of Defense the flexibility needed for technical assistance for U.S. military women to military women in

other countries combating violence targeting women and children as a weapon of war, terrorism, human trafficking, narcotics trafficking.”

2. **[Lowenthal \(D-CA\) \(#13\)](#)**: This amendment would increase the Defense-Wide Operations and Maintenance account by \$5 million, with the intent that such funding be used to increase funding for the STARBASE fifth grade youth STEM education program by that amount, and would reduce the Army’s Operations and Maintenance account by \$5.6 million.

Some conservatives may believe that youth education programs would be more appropriately funded in a non-defense appropriations measure. Conservatives may be further concerned that cuts to Army Operations and Maintenance could hurt readiness for soldiers in harms’ way.

3. **[Gallagher \(R-WI\) \(#52\)](#)**: This amendment is intended to express Congressional intent that \$48 million of funding appropriated for the Defense-wide Operation and Maintenance account should be used “to support the Maritime Security Initiative to address IndoPACOM budget priorities for building partner capacity to contribute to maritime security and domain awareness.”
4. **[Napolitano \(D-CA\) \(#1\)](#)**: This amendment is intended to express Congressional intent that \$6 million of funding appropriated for the Defense-wide Operation and Maintenance account should be used for the National Guard Youth ChalleNGe Program.

Some conservatives may believe that programs, such as the National Guard Youth ChalleNGe Program, youth education programs would be more appropriately funded in a non-defense appropriations measure and that funding in the DOD Appropriations bill should be used to provide for the readiness of soldiers in harms’ way.

5. **[McGovern \(D-MA\) \(#20\)](#)**: This amendment is intended to express Congressional intent that \$250,000 of funding appropriated for the Defense-wide Operation and Maintenance account should be used for “administrative expenses for purposes of creating a military service medal to honor retired and former members of the Armed Forces who are [radiation-exposed veterans](#).”
6. **[Allen \(R-GA\) \(#113\)](#)**: This amendment is intended to express Congressional intent that \$10 million of funding appropriated for the Defense-wide Operation and Maintenance account should be used for “the Defense POW/Missing Persons Office to assist in identifying unclaimed remains missing since the Korean conflict.”
7. **[McSally \(R-AZ\) \(#5\)](#)**: This amendment would increase the Air Force’s Aircraft Procurement account by \$65 million, with the intent that such funding be used to increase funding for A-10 wing replacement, and reduce the Defense-wide Operations and Maintenance account by \$65 million.
8. **[Soto \(D-FL\) \(#99\)](#)**: This amendment would increase funding for the Army’s Research, Development, Test and Evaluation account by \$5 million, with the intent that such funding be used for the Quantum Information Sciences program, and decrease the Defense-wide Operations and Maintenance account by \$5 million.
9. **[Langevin \(D-RI\) \(#59\)](#)**: This amendment would:
 - a. increase funding by \$10 million for the Army’s Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation account with that intent that such funding be used for Weapons and Munitions Technology;
 - b. increase funding by \$30 for the Navy’s Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation account with that intent that such funding be used for Innovative Naval Prototypes (\$10 million) and Innovative Naval Prototypes Advanced Technology Development (\$20 million) to be used for accelerated development and prototyping for the electromagnetic railgun; and

- c. decrease funding by \$33 million for the Defense-wide Operations and Maintenance account, and decrease funding by \$7 million for the Defense-wide Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation account.

10. [Lipinski \(D-IL\) \(#18\)](#): This amendment would increase by \$30 million the Defense-wide Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation account, with the intent that it be used for “MD5, the National Security Technology Accelerator, to support national security innovation and entrepreneurial education programs at universities,” and reduce funding for the Defense-wide Operations and Maintenance account by the same amount.

Some conservatives may believe such programs would be more appropriately funded in a non-defense appropriations measure and that funding in the DOD Appropriations bill should be used to provide for the readiness of soldiers in harms’ way.

11. [Larson, John \(D-CT\) \(#50\)](#): This amendment would increase by \$12.5 million the Defense-wide Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation account, with the intent that it be used for the “National Defense Education Programs (NDEP) account (PE 0601120D8Z) to be directed to the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation to remain available until expended,” and reduce funding for the Defense-wide Operations and Maintenance account by the same amount.

Some conservatives may believe that funding for scholarship programs, such as the [Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation](#), would more appropriately be appropriated in a non-defense appropriations measure. Further, conservatives may be concerned over the open-ended nature of the amendment in that it would allow for obligation of the funds “until expended” instead of for a finite period.

12. [Jackson Lee \(D-TX\) \(#49\)](#): This amendment would increase funding by \$5 million for the Defense Health Program, with the intent that it be for PTSD purposes, and reduce funding for the Defense-wide Operations and Maintenance account by the same amount.

13. [Duffy \(R-WI\) \(#6\)](#): This amendment would increase funding by \$10 million for the Defense Health Program account’s Congressionally Directed Medical Research Program (CDMRP) , with the intent that it be for the Ovarian Cancer Research Program, and reduce funding for the Defense-wide Operations and Maintenance account by the same amount.

Conservatives may be concerned that the Congressionally Directed Medical Research Program (CDMRP) is already funded at \$752 million, while the president’s budget request is zero. According to [CRS](#), “Members of Congress are frequently lobbied to support adding funding to the annual defense appropriation for medical research on a wide variety of diseases and topics.” While medical research is a laudable activity, some conservatives may be concerned that many of the programs funded within the CDMRP are not for military-specific conditions and are duplicative of the type of [research done](#) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH). According to [Taxpayers for Common Sense](#), “These programs are clearly earmarks and therefore take money away from other necessary Defense Department functions.”

14. [Soto \(D-FL\) \(#107\)](#): This amendment would increase funding by \$10 million for the Defense Health Program account’s Congressionally Directed Medical Research Program (CDMRP), with the intent that it be used for the for Gulf War illness research, and reduce funding for the Defense-wide Operations and Maintenance account by the same amount.

15. [Lamborn \(R-CO\) \(#27\)](#): This amendment is intended to express Congressional intent that \$99 million of funding appropriated for the Defense-wide Procurement account be used “to restore funding requested by Missile Defense Agency in the FY19 budget request in order to initiate multi-year procurement of the SM-3 IB interceptor.”
16. [Hastings, Alcee \(D-FL\) \(#19\)](#): This amendment would increase funding by \$5 million for the Defense Health Program account’s Congressionally Directed Medical Research Program (CDMRP), with the intent that it be used for the for the Breast Cancer Research Program, and reduce the Defense-wide Research, Development, Test and Evaluation account by the same amount.

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17. [McKinley \(R-WV\) \(#51\)](#): This amendment would increase funding by \$5 million for the Defense Health Program account’s Congressionally Directed Medical Research Program (CDMRP), with the intent that it be used for the for arthritis research, and reduce operation and maintenance funds for the Defense Health Program account by the same amount.

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18. [Speier \(D-CA\) \(#7\)](#): This amendment is intended to express Congressional intent that \$25 million of funding appropriated for the Defense Health Program account’s Congressionally Directed Medical Research Program (CDMRP) be used “to award grants to medical researchers and universities to support research into early detection of chronic traumatic encephalopathy (CTE).”

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19. [Huffman \(D-CA\) \(#91\)](#): The underlying bill contains a provision that would prohibit the use of funds to buy energy products for the new Rhine Ordnance Barracks Army Medical Center in Germany

unless domestically sourced (in the United States) fuels were, to the extent available, given preference, the source of furnished energy minimized use of fuels from the Russian Federation, and the design of such Medical Center will utilize a diversified energy supply from a mixed-fuel system as the source of furnished energy. Some conservatives may be concerned that this provision is intended to [prop up U.S. energy companies](#).

The amendment would strike the condition that Department of Defense acquire its energy supply from a mixed-fuel system and strike the condition that the Department of Defense give preference to domestically sourced fuels in powering the Rhine Ordnance Barracks Army Medical Center. The amendment would keep the provision in the underlying bill requiring the minimization of the use of fuels from Russia.

20. [Poe \(R-TX\) \(#8\)](#): This amendment would reduce by \$200 million funding for [Coalition Support Fund](#) reimbursements for Pakistan, and direct these funds to the bill's spending reduction account. Since FY 2002, the US has paid [over \\$14.5 billion](#) in such funds.
21. [Polis \(D-CO\) \(#37\)](#): The amendment would reduce spending by one percent with exceptions for Military Personnel, Defense Health Program, Overseas Contingency Operations, and DOD civilian salaries and expenses.
22. [Moore, Gwen \(D-WI\) \(#109\)](#): The amendment would bar the use of funds in contravention of [Executive Order 13175 \(65 Fed. Reg. 67249](#); relating to consultation and coordination with Indian Tribal governments) or [section 1501.2\(d\)\(2\) of title 40, Code of Federal Regulations](#) requiring agencies to consult with State and local agencies and Indian tribes when taking certain federal actions.
23. [Khanna \(D-CA\) \(#73\)](#): This amendment would reduce the total amount appropriated by the bill by \$5 billion with exceptions for Military Personnel, Defense Health Program, Overseas Contingency Operations, and DOD civilian salaries and expenses.
24. [Brown \(D-MD\) \(#65\)](#): This amendment would prohibit the use of funds to transfer the information technology contracting and acquisition services or the Senior Leader Communications functions of the Defense Information Systems Agency.

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