

## Rep. Stefanik's 'Military Residency Choice Act' passes the House

ABC News 10

A bill aimed at helping military families and spouses sponsored by Rep. Elise Stefanik is now headed to the U.S. Senate. Congresswoman Stefanik's "Military Residency Choice Act" passed the House on Monday with a bi-partisan vote. The bill would allow a military spouse to keep their residency in one state, even as a couple moves from base to base. [READ MORE](#)

## House lawmakers consider a six-month fix for the VA Choice program

Military Times

House leaders are eyeing a six-month funding patch to keep the Department of Veterans Affairs Choice program running while congressional leaders debate the future of the medical care program. The decision comes just a few days before the House is scheduled to leave town for an extended legislative recess in August, and less than a month before VA officials say the current Choice program funds will dry up. [READ MORE](#)

## U.S. doesn't have luxury of choosing challenges, Dunford tells Aspen crowd

U.S. Department of Defense

While Russia remains the greatest nation-state threat, the United States doesn't have the luxury of singling out one challenge, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff said at the Aspen Security Forum in Colorado. Marine Corps Gen. Dunford believes this is the most volatile time in world affairs since World War II, and Russian actions do not help. [READ MORE](#)

## US Army to deploy 2,100 soldiers to Iraq this fall

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The U.S. Army announced Thursday that 2,100 soldiers from the 10th Mountain Division will deploy to Iraq this fall. The soldiers from 3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, based in at Fort Polk in Louisiana will replace the 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, in a regular rotation of forces in support of Operation Inherent Resolve. [READ MORE](#)

## U.S. Coast Guard seeks 4,000 new recruits

The Marine Executive/U.S. Coast Guard News

"In order to recruit 4,000 enlisted personnel, the recruiting offices have to interview 40,000 applicants," said Chief Petty Officer Benjamin Harris, recruiter in charge, recruiting office Los Angeles. "Only 80 percent of those applicants processed by the recruiting offices will complete boot camp at Cape May." [READ MORE](#)

## USS Gerald R. Ford commissioned as Navy's newest carrier

U.S. Department of Defense

President Donald J. Trump and Defense Secretary Jim Mattis took part in commissioning the USS Gerald R. Ford, the Navy's newest nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, named in honor of the 38th president, in Norfolk, Virginia, today. Service members and their families, senior defense and military officials and other dignitaries, including Ford's daughter and the ship's sponsor, Susan Ford Bales, were aboard the warship for the ceremony. [READ MORE](#)