



Coalition sends letter to Chairmen and Ranking Members

Save Our Benefit

We strongly urge the Senate and House conferees to roll back provisions in the Senate version of the FY16 National Defense Authorization Act, which dismantles long-standing legal protections for this benefit and require the Department of Defense to develop a plan to privatize commissaries and test the plan for two years in at least five of the largest U.S. commissary markets. Despite passage of an amendment by Senators Jim Inhofe, Barbara Mikulski and 25 other Senators that offers a sensible, pragmatic and thoughtful approach to examining private operation of military commissaries, the Senate bill retained the provision mandating privatization. We find this very troubling that this measure somehow still found its way in to the Senate bill.

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Six Weeks To Shutdown?

Military Officers Association of America

With no federal budget in place, and tough rhetoric from the White House, Congress could be facing another shutdown this fall. The administration is threatening to veto any legislation that exceeds federal budget caps. On Capitol Hill, lawmakers are at odds over the appropriate levels of domestic and defense spending. When Congress returns from the August recess on Sep. 8, lawmakers will have only 10 legislative working days to avoid a shutdown. What options do lawmakers have?

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NAUS and TAPS award scholarships to fallen service members' families

National Association for Uniformed Services

As millions of American families are preparing to head back to school, the National Association for Uniformed Services (NAUS) and the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS) – both of which are Coalition valued associate members – have joined forces to award scholarships to family members of our Nation's fallen service members. The partnership was formed when both organizations realized that there were unmet financial aid needs for surviving family members.

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