

Coalition urges all Senators to support Inhofe-Mikulski privatization amendment

The Coalition to Save Our Military Shopping Benefits

Forty-one organizations, representing tens of millions of Veterans and military personnel and their families, support the Inhofe-Mikulski amendment to delay any commissary privatization until the requested reports are received and analyzed. The amendment would allow time to review reports assessing privatization that were requested in the last year's NDAA and have yet to be received by Congress. **READ MORE** ([link to updated white paper](#))

Coalition urges Save Our Benefit members to write their Senators

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Privatizing your commissary is once again being considered by Congress. Prices will increase. Stores may close. Thousands of military families may lose employment. And it puts the benefit at great risk. Please take 60 seconds and let your Senators know how important the commissary benefit is to you and your family, and ask for their support of the Inhofe-Mikulski amendment. **READ MORE** ([link to alert](#))

NAUS calls on Senators to support commissaries and avert privatization

National Association for Uniformed Services

A provision in the Senate version of the fiscal year 2017 annual defense policy bill (S. 2943) would take a step to privatize commissaries. NAUS asks your support for a bipartisan amendment to avert the privatization program. The bipartisan Inhofe and Mikulski amendment simply strikes the language in the FY17 NDAA that directs the privatization pilot program. This gives Congress a chance to get the final report and review before making a decision on how to proceed. **READ MORE**

MOAA alerts members to support key Defense Bill amendments

Military Officers Association of America

The full Senate will consider the FY2017 Defense Authorization Bill in the coming week. Your quick action is needed to bolster support for several key amendments affecting disabled retirees, commissaries and the military pay raise. Urge your Senator to do the right thing by our military community and vote FOR these three important amendments. **READ MORE**

AFSA issues action alert to support key Defense Bill amendments

Air Force Sergeants Association

Please support Sen. Reid's amendment to ease compensation inequities for disabled military retirees; Sen. Inhofe's and Sen. Mikulski's amendment to prohibit privatization of military commissaries; and Sen. Rubio's amendment to provide service members the same pay raise as the average American's. Please do the right thing by our military community and vote FOR these three important amendments. **READ MORE**

'Nicked and dimed': The military pay crunch is on a course to get considerably worse

The Military Times

The military pay raise is shrinking. The military housing stipend is shrinking. The military commissary benefit is under fire. And now Congress may start charging active-duty families for medical care. If lawmakers follow through with the least generous pay-and-benefits proposals under consideration as part of the federal government's 2017 budget process, next year could be one of the toughest in recent memory for military families' finances. Advocates worry it won't hit troops' wallets alone, but their morale too. **READ MORE**

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