

118TH CONGRESS
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To promote military service through enhanced recruiting efforts, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. ROMNEY (for himself, Mr. KING, and Mr. COTTON) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

A BILL

To promote military service through enhanced recruiting efforts, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Military Service Pro-
5 motion Act of 2023”.

6 **SEC. 2. INCREASED ACCESS TO POTENTIAL RECRUITS AT**
7 **SECONDARY SCHOOLS.**

8 Section 503(c) of title 10, United States Code, is
9 amended—

10 (1) in paragraph (1)(A)—

1 (A) in clause (i), by striking “; and” and
2 inserting a semicolon;

3 (B) by redesignating clause (ii) as clause
4 (iii);

5 (C) by inserting after clause (i) the fol-
6 lowing new clause:

7 “(ii) shall provide to military recruiters access
8 to career fairs or similar events upon a request made
9 by military recruiters for military recruiting pur-
10 poses; and”; and

11 (D) in clause (iii), as redesignated by sub-
12 paragraph (B), by inserting “, not later than
13 60 days after receiving such request,” after
14 “provide”;

15 (2) by redesignating paragraph (6) as para-
16 graph (7); and

17 (3) by inserting after paragraph (5) the fol-
18 lowing new paragraph:

19 “(6) The Secretary of Defense shall submit an annual
20 report to Congress not later than February 1 each cal-
21 endar year, detailing each notification of denial of recruit-
22 ing access issued under paragraph (3).”.

1 **SEC. 3. INCREASED ACCESS TO POTENTIAL RECRUITS AT**
2 **INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.**

3 Section 983(b) of title 10, United States Code, is
4 amended—

5 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “; or” and in-
6 serting a semicolon;

7 (2) in paragraph (2)—

8 (A) by striking “to the following informa-
9 tion pertaining” and inserting “, with respect”;

10 (B) by striking “institution):” and insert-
11 ing “institution)—”

12 (C) in subparagraph (A)—

13 (i) by striking “Names” and inserting
14 “names”; and

15 (ii) by striking “telephone listings.”
16 and inserting “telephone listings, which in-
17 formation shall be made available not later
18 than the 60th day following the date of a
19 request; and”; and

20 (D) in subparagraph (B)—

21 (i) by striking “Date” and inserting
22 “date”; and

23 (ii) by striking the period at the end
24 and inserting “; or”; and

25 (3) by adding at the end the following new
26 paragraph:

1 “(3) access by military recruiters for purposes
2 of military recruiting to lists of students (who are 17
3 years of age or older) not returning to the institu-
4 tion after having been enrolled during the previous
5 semester, together with student recruiting informa-
6 tion and the reason why the student did not return,
7 if collected by the institution.”.

8 **SEC. 4. STUDY ON EXPANSION OF THE FUTURE SOLDIER**
9 **PREPARATORY COURSE PILOT PROGRAM.**

10 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 45 days after the
11 date of enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary of De-
12 fense for Personnel and Readiness shall submit to the con-
13 gressional defense committees a report on the Army’s Fu-
14 ture Soldier Preparatory Course pilot program.

15 (b) **ELEMENTS.**—The report required under sub-
16 section (a) shall include the following elements:

17 (1) An assessment of the performance of the
18 program in preparing interested individuals to meet
19 the Army’s physical fitness and academic accession
20 standards.

21 (2) An assessment of whether the program
22 should be expanded to include additional locations.

23 (3) An assessment of whether the Navy, the
24 Marine Corps, the Air Force, or the Space Force
25 should create similar programs to engage and pre-

1 pare interested individuals to meet the relevant serv-
2 ice's physical fitness and academic accession stand-
3 ards.

4 (c) CONGRESSIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEES DE-
5 FINED.—In this section, the term “congressional defense
6 committees” has the meaning given the term in section
7 101(a)(16) of title 10, United States Code.