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STATEMENT OF ADMINISTRATION POLICY

S. 1071 – National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026

(Rep. Rogers, R-AL)

The Trump Administration strongly supports passage of S. 1071, the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026. This NDAA will enable the Department of War (DoW) to carry out President Trump's Peace Through Strength agenda, protect the homeland, and strengthen the defense industrial base, while eliminating funding for wasteful and radical programs that undermine the warfighting ethos of our Nation's men and women in uniform.

Importantly, the NDAA codifies aspects of over a dozen executive orders and actions taken by President Trump, including those focused on warfighter lethality, advancing homeland missile defense by fully supporting the Golden Dome for America plan, restoring America's airspace sovereignty, and providing federal recognition to the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina. Additionally, the NDAA is aligned with the President's historic commitment to peace and ending "forever wars" by repealing the 1991 and 2002 Authorizations for Use of Military Force.

The FY 2026 NDAA refocuses the Department on lethality and restores the warrior ethos. The NDAA eliminates statutory provisions relating to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion offices, programs, training, activities, and authorities in the DoW. The NDAA also permanently prohibits men from playing on women's sports teams at all military academies and requires all military promotions, accessions, and command selections to be based on individual merit and demonstrated performance, rather than race, ethnicity, or sex.

Consistent with the President's National Security Strategy, this NDAA enables DoW to unleash funding to make capacity investments in the defense industrial base, including critical mineral mining and refining projects. Section 804 authorizes the Secretary of War to enter into multiyear procurement contracts for critical munitions, providing the certainty needed to expand industrial capacity and delivering cost savings for the taxpayer. Further, the defense procurement system will now emphasize speed of delivery, production capacity, and innovation, revolutionizing the culture of the Department's acquisition activities.

Over the next three years, the United States will host numerous major events that necessitate new authorities necessary to combat emerging security threats. This NDAA includes the critical SAFER SKIES Act, which provides authorities to defeat drones when they present a

threat to the public and contains language to expand counter-drone authorities. In addition, this NDAA provides key resources to ensure the continued security of the southern border.

The Administration also strongly supports the initiatives included in this NDAA to restore the warrior ethos to the Department of War and improve the quality of life for servicemembers and their families. Notably, the NDAA supports the Administration's 3.8 percent troop pay increase and improves access to childcare for servicemembers. Finally, this NDAA eliminates wasteful spending on woke climate change initiatives, inefficient defense programs, and useless consulting contracts.

If S. 1071 was presented to the President in its current form, he would sign it into law.

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