

Proposed Amendment to the Department of War Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2027

At the appropriate place in title II (relating to operation and maintenance), insert the following:

SEC. __. ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR MARINE CORPS MARKSMANSHIP TRAINING SUSTAINMENT.

(a) **Appropriation.**—In addition to amounts otherwise appropriated or made available by this Act, there is appropriated \$75,000,000 for Operation and Maintenance, Marine Corps, to remain available until expended.

(b) **Purpose.**—The funds appropriated under subsection (a) shall be used solely for increasing rifle range time and marksmanship sustainment training to achieve a minimum of 3,120 rounds per Marine annually (preferably through weekly sessions of 60 rounds, but allowing monthly, quarterly, or other flexible scheduling as unit needs dictate), and related operational support (such as range maintenance, logistics, training personnel, and rifle sustainment including barrel replacements), for all Marines, with priority on non-infantry and support military occupational specialties (e.g., Communications, Logistics, Administration), to ensure compliance with an updated Combat Marksmanship Program (Marine Corps Order 3574.2M) and enhance combat readiness.

(c) **Policy Directive.**—The Commandant of the Marine Corps shall update Marine Corps Order 3574.2M within 90 days of the enactment of this Act to mandate a minimum of 3,120 rounds of rifle marksmanship training annually for every Marine, regardless of military occupational specialty, as a floor for sustainment beyond initial qualification.

(d) **Reporting Requirement.**—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Commandant of the Marine Corps shall submit a report to the congressional defense committees detailing the allocation, expenditure, and impact of these funds on marksmanship training frequency, readiness outcomes, and rifle sustainment costs (including barrel replacements), including compliance with the 3,120-round minimum across all roles.

At the appropriate place in title III (relating to procurement), insert the following:

SEC. __. ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR SMALL-ARMS AMMUNITION PROCUREMENT.

(a) **Appropriation.**—In addition to amounts otherwise appropriated or made available by this Act, there is appropriated \$160,000,000 for Procurement of Ammunition, Navy and Marine Corps, to remain available until expended.

(b) **Purpose.**—The funds appropriated under subsection (a) shall be used solely for the procurement of 5.56mm ammunition to support increased marksmanship training at a rate sufficient to achieve a minimum of 3,120 rounds per Marine annually (preferably weekly, but allowing monthly, quarterly, or other flexible scheduling as unit needs dictate) for all Marines, with priority on approximately 118,000 in non-infantry and support military occupational

specialties, ensuring sufficient ammunition to maintain combat readiness without duplicating allocations for combat-oriented fields.

(c) **Clarification.**—The funds appropriated under this section are separate from and in addition to the funds provided under the section titled "ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR MARINE CORPS MARKSMANSHIP TRAINING SUSTAINMENT" and address the distinct need for ammunition procurement to support the training activities funded therein.

(d) **Reporting Requirement.**—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Commandant of the Marine Corps shall submit a report to the congressional defense committees detailing the allocation, expenditure, and impact of these funds on ammunition availability and marksmanship training frequency, including progress toward the 3,120-round minimum.