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To safeguard military and civilian personnel on military bases by repealing bans on military personnel carrying firearms, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PERRY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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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 Base Self-
5 Defense Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REPEAL OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS DISARMING**
2 **FIREARMS-TRAINED MILITARY PERSONNEL**
3 **AND PROHIBITION ON REIMPOSING BANS ON**
4 **MILITARY PERSONNEL CARRYING FIREARMS.**

5 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6 (1) The term “firearms” means only handguns.

7 (2) The term “military personnel” means all
8 members of the Armed Forces who are trained by
9 the Armed Forces in the use of firearms.

10 (b) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-
11 ings:

12 (1) In both the Fort Hood and Navy Yard
13 shootings, military personnel unable to carry fire-
14 arms by the military gun bans were unable to stop
15 the shooters.

16 (2) Military personnel are trained in firearms
17 use and are prepared to protect and defend the
18 United States at all times.

19 (3) Military personnel are entrusted with fire-
20 arms and other weapons in the defense of the
21 United States.

22 (4) Gun free zones attract mass-murderers. The
23 Aurora, Colorado, shooter selected the single theater
24 in the area that banned concealed-carry.

25 (5) Following the Fort Hood terrorist attack,
26 the world—including the Navy Yard shooter—

1 learned that post-gun-ban military bases are inad-
2 equately defended targets. Such shootings may hap-
3 pen again as long as military personnel are dis-
4 armed.

5 (c) REPEAL OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS DISARMING
6 FIREARMS-TRAINED MILITARY PERSONNEL.—

7 (1) REPEAL.—Effective on the date of the en-
8 actment of this Act—

9 (A) Army Regulation 190–14, issued on
10 March 12, 1993, is repealed; and

11 (B) Department of Defense Directive
12 Number 5210.56, issued on November 1, 2001,
13 as modified on January 24, 2002, and by any
14 subsequent modification, is repealed.

15 (2) EFFECT OF OTHER FIREARM BANS.—Effec-
16 tive on the date of the enactment of this Act, any
17 provision in any other law, rule, regulation, or Exec-
18 utive order that prohibits military personnel trained
19 in firearms from carrying officially issued or person-
20 ally owned firearms on military bases shall have no
21 force or effect with regard to such military per-
22 sonnel, and such military personnel shall not be pro-
23 hibited from carrying officially issued or personally
24 owned firearms on military bases. This paragraph
25 includes the relevant provisions in section 1585 of

1 title 10, United States Code (relating to carrying of
2 firearms), section 922 of title 18, United States
3 Code (relating to unlawful acts), and part 108.11 of
4 title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (relating to
5 carriage of weapons).

6 (d) PROHIBITION ON MILITARY PERSONNEL GUN
7 BANS.—

8 (1) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.—The Sec-
9 retary of Defense and the Secretaries of the military
10 departments shall not reinstate the firearm bans re-
11 ferred to in subsection (c) or enact similar restric-
12 tions prohibiting or restricting military personnel
13 from carrying firearms.

14 (2) PRESIDENT.—The President shall not take
15 any executive action or promulgate any rule or issue
16 any Executive order or regulation to prohibit mili-
17 tary personnel from carrying firearms.

18 (e) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of
19 Defense shall submit to Congress, not later than 90 days
20 after the date of the enactment of this Act, a report de-
21 scribing the actions taken to ensure compliance with this
22 section.

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