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H. R. 3227

To protect the Second Amendment rights of members of the Armed Forces and civilian employees of the Department of Defense trained in the use of firearms to carry officially-issued or personally-owned firearms on military installations in the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 27, 2015

Mr. RUSSELL 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 “Protecting America’s
5 Warriors Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. RIGHT OF MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AND**
 2 **CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT**
 3 **OF DEFENSE TRAINED IN THE USE OF FIRE-**
 4 **ARMS TO CARRY FIREARMS ON MILITARY IN-**
 5 **STALLATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES.**

6 (a) ELIMINATION OF MILITARY INSTALLATION PER-
 7 SONNEL FIREARM BANS.—Effective on the date of the en-
 8 actment of this Act, any provision in any law, rule, regula-
 9 tion, or Executive order that prohibits trained military
 10 personnel or trained civilian personnel from carrying offi-
 11 cially-issued or personally-owned firearms on a military in-
 12 stallation in the United States shall have no force or effect
 13 with regard to such military personnel. The laws covered
 14 by this subsection include section 1585 of title 10, United
 15 States Code (relating to carrying of firearms), section 922
 16 of title 18, United States Code (relating to unlawful acts),
 17 and part 108.11 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations
 18 (relating to carrying of weapons).

19 (b) PROHIBITION ON REIMPOSITION OF PERSONNEL
 20 FIREARM BANS.—

21 (1) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.—The Sec-
 22 retary of Defense and the Secretaries of the military
 23 departments shall not reinstate the firearm bans re-
 24 ferred to in subsection (a) or enact similar restric-
 25 tions prohibiting or restricting trained military per-
 26 sonnel or trained civilian personnel from carrying of-

1 ficially-issued or personally-owned firearms on a
2 military installation in the United States.

3 (2) PRESIDENT.—The President shall not take
4 any executive action or promulgate any rule or issue
5 any Executive order or regulation to prohibit or re-
6 strict trained military personnel or trained civilian
7 personnel from carrying officially-issued or person-
8 ally-owned firearms on a military installation in the
9 United States.

10 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

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

12 (2) The term “military installation” means
13 military bases, forts, recruiter stations, Navy ports,
14 Coast Guard stations, armories and other reserve
15 component facilities, military depots, camps, and
16 missile sites.

17 (3) The term “trained civilian personnel”
18 means civilian employees of the Department of De-
19 fense who are trained in the use and handling of
20 firearms in their day-to-day activities.

21 (4) The term “trained military personnel”
22 means members of the Armed Forces who are
23 trained in the use and handling of firearms in their
24 day-to-day activities.

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