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H. R. 171

To redesignate the Department of the Navy as the Department of the Navy
and Marine Corps.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. JONES introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee
on Armed Services

A BILL

To redesignate the Department of the Navy as the
Department of the Navy and Marine Corps.

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. REDESIGNATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE**
4 **NAVY AS THE DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**
5 **AND MARINE CORPS.**

6 (a) REDESIGNATION OF MILITARY DEPARTMENT.—
7 The military department designated as the Department of
8 the Navy is redesignated as the Department of the Navy
9 and Marine Corps.

1 (b) REDESIGNATION OF SECRETARY AND OTHER
2 STATUTORY OFFICES.—

3 (1) SECRETARY.—The position of the Secretary
4 of the Navy is redesignated as the Secretary of the
5 Navy and Marine Corps.

6 (2) OTHER STATUTORY OFFICES.—The posi-
7 tions of the Under Secretary of the Navy, the four
8 Assistant Secretaries of the Navy, and the General
9 Counsel of the Department of the Navy are redesign-
10 nated as the Under Secretary of the Navy and Ma-
11 rine Corps, the Assistant Secretaries of the Navy
12 and Marine Corps, and the General Counsel of the
13 Department of the Navy and Marine Corps, respec-
14 tively.

15 **SEC. 2. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 10, UNITED**
16 **STATES CODE.**

17 (a) DEFINITION OF “MILITARY DEPARTMENT”.—
18 Paragraph (8) of section 101(a) of title 10, United States
19 Code, is amended to read as follows:

20 “(8) The term ‘military department’ means the
21 Department of the Army, the Department of the
22 Navy and Marine Corps, and the Department of the
23 Air Force.”.

24 (b) ORGANIZATION OF DEPARTMENT.—The text of
25 section 5011 of such title is amended to read as follows:

1 “The Department of the Navy and Marine Corps is sepa-
2 rately organized under the Secretary of the Navy and Ma-
3 rine Corps.”.

4 (c) POSITION OF SECRETARY.—Section 5013(a)(1) of
5 such title is amended by striking “There is a Secretary
6 of the Navy” and inserting “There is a Secretary of the
7 Navy and Marine Corps”.

8 (d) CHAPTER HEADINGS.—

9 (1) The heading of chapter 503 of such title is
10 amended to read as follows:

11 **“CHAPTER 503—DEPARTMENT OF THE**
12 **NAVY AND MARINE CORPS”.**

13 (2) The heading of chapter 507 of such title is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 **“CHAPTER 507—COMPOSITION OF THE DE-**
16 **PARTMENT OF THE NAVY AND MARINE**
17 **CORPS”.**

18 (e) OTHER AMENDMENTS.—

19 (1) Title 10, United States Code, is amended by
20 striking “Department of the Navy” and “Secretary
21 of the Navy” each place they appear other than as
22 specified in subsections (a), (b), (c), and (d) (includ-
23 ing in section headings, subsection captions, tables
24 of chapters, and tables of sections) and inserting
25 “Department of the Navy and Marine Corps” and

1 “Secretary of the Navy and Marine Corps”, respec-
2 tively, in each case with the matter inserted to be in
3 the same typeface and typestyle as the matter strick-
4 en.

5 (2)(A) Sections 5013(f), 5014(b)(2), 5016(a),
6 5017(2), 5032(a), and 5042(a) of such title are
7 amended by striking “Assistant Secretaries of the
8 Navy” and inserting “Assistant Secretaries of the
9 Navy and Marine Corps”.

10 (B) The heading of section 5016 of such title,
11 and the item relating to such section in the table of
12 sections at the beginning of chapter 503 of such
13 title, are each amended by inserting “and Marine
14 Corps” after “of the Navy”, with the matter in-
15 serted in each case to be in the same typeface and
16 typestyle as the matter amended.

17 **SEC. 3. OTHER PROVISIONS OF LAW AND OTHER REF-**
18 **ERENCES.**

19 (a) TITLE 37, UNITED STATES CODE.—Title 37,
20 United States Code, is amended by striking “Department
21 of the Navy” and “Secretary of the Navy” each place they
22 appear and inserting “Department of the Navy and Ma-
23 rine Corps” and “Secretary of the Navy and Marine
24 Corps”, respectively.

1 (b) OTHER REFERENCES.—Any reference in any law
2 other than in title 10 or title 37, United States Code, or
3 in any regulation, document, record, or other paper of the
4 United States, to the Department of the Navy shall be
5 considered to be a reference to the Department of the
6 Navy and Marine Corps. Any such reference to an office
7 specified in section 2(b) shall be considered to be a ref-
8 erence to that officer as redesignated by that section.

9 **SEC. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

10 This Act and the amendments made by this Act shall
11 take effect on the first day of the first month beginning
12 more than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this
13 Act.

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