HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 9

By COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS, ETHICS AND RULES

March 13

- On page 1 of the printed joint memorial, line 11, delete "3,000" and insert "3,100" and delete "soldiers" and insert "service members".
- 3 In line 13, delete "22,000" and insert "52,000".
- In line 17, delete "\$357 billion" and insert "\$500 billion".
- In line 19, after "States" delete the rest of the line and line 20 and insert: "; and
- "Whereas under our republican form of government, Oregon shares responsibility for \$12 billion in joint programs with the federal government at a time when the administration is cutting the federal commitment to education, transportation, human services, veterans' programs and aid to the most vulnerable citizens in this country; and".
- In line 21, delete "the military occupation of Iraq has" and insert "military activities in Iraq
- 12 In line 22, delete "Oregon".
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have".

- "Whereas the Oregon National Guard has deployed more than 5,300 service members, with more than 900 citizen soldiers seeking mental health care in local communities during a time of shrinking federal services; and
- "Whereas the Oregon National Guard's equipment readiness has dropped below 40 percent, with a shortage of more than 300 trucks critically required to respond to state disasters involving life and limb; and".
- 20 After line 24, insert:
 - "Whereas the additional brigades proposed for deployment to Iraq will be short of personal equipment, enhanced armor protection kits for vehicles and equipment critical to force protection of service members; and".
- On page 2, line 3, delete "press reports indicate" and insert "congressional testimony indicates".
- In line 4, delete "Joint Chiefs of Staff have" and insert "commanding general in Iraq has".
- In line 5, delete "both" and after "authority" delete the rest of the line.
- In line 6, delete "dition of limiting expansions" and insert "to limit expansion" and delete "forcing redeployments" and insert "force redeployment".
- In line 15, delete "not to approve" and insert "to oppose".
- In line 16, delete "but instead" and insert "and".
- 32 In line 17, delete "prohibits" and insert "limits".
- In line 24, after "Iraq," insert "to expand advisory assistance to the elected government of Iraq and commence direct regional diplomacy as the congressionally approved Iraq Study Group recom-
- 35 mends," and delete "elected".

In line 26, delete "August 1, 2007" and insert "the first quarter of fiscal year 2008".

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