

Senate Joint Memorial 11

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SUMMARY

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Urges Congress to pass legislation requiring that for every 100 personnel added to active duty component of Armed Forces of the United States, 33 shall be added to National Guard.

JOINT MEMORIAL

To the President of the United States and the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled:

We, your memorialists, the Seventy-fourth Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon, in legislative session assembled, respectfully represent as follows:

Whereas the Armed Forces of the United States have been engaged in major combat operations for over five years without a significant increase in active duty personnel; and

Whereas the Armed Forces of the United States are now dependent upon a ready, capable and trained National Guard more than at any other time in this country's history; and

Whereas the United States Department of Defense in recent years has attempted to reduce the size of the National Guard to support simultaneous increases in the number of active duty personnel in the Armed Forces of the United States; and

Whereas the Armed Forces of the United States are currently executing an active duty force structure increase to meet the continuing needs of combat operations in Afghanistan and Iraq; and

Whereas reductions in the size of the National Guard are a hardship on every state in this country; and

Whereas Oregon and every other state in this country are dependent upon a ready, capable and trained National Guard for responses to terrorism, disasters and emergencies; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

That we, the members of the Seventy-fourth Legislative Assembly, respectfully urge the Congress of the United States to pass legislation requiring that for every 100 personnel added to the active duty component of the Armed Forces of the United States, 33 personnel shall be added to the National Guard; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this memorial shall be sent to the President of the United States, to the Senate Majority Leader, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and to each member of the Oregon Congressional Delegation.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.