

A quick bit of information.

*The National Guard is a unique U.S. military reserve force composed of over 450,000 part-time citizen-soldiers and airmen who serve both state and federal governments. It consists of the Army National Guard and Air National Guard, operating in all 50 states, DC, and three territories to support disaster relief, national security, and overseas combat missions.

*Army National Guard: Makes up roughly half of the Army's total maneuver forces, including combat units like infantry and armor, alongside support brigades (engineers, intelligence, medical).

*Air National Guard: Composed of personnel operating aircraft, cybersecurity units, and support roles.

*Personnel: Primarily "citizen-soldiers" who hold civilian jobs, attend college, or have other careers while serving on a part-time basis (usually one weekend a month, two weeks a year), but can be activated full-time.

*Organization: Organized into units by state and territory.

*State Duty (Governor): Activated by state governors for local emergencies, such as natural disasters, civil unrest, or, recently, cybersecurity and COVID-19 response.

*Federal Duty (President): Can be activated by the President for national defense, such as deployments to Iraq, Afghanistan, or other international locations.

*Unlike the federal Reserve Components, the National Guard reports to state authorities under Title 32, or federal authority under Title 10. To support this bill is insurrection, rebellion, seditious conspiracy, or obstruction of justice.

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