

Amendment to Division A of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2026

Offered by Mr. Castro of Texas

At the end of division A, insert the following

Sec. __ PROHIBITION ON USE OF FORCE IN OR AGAINST MEXICO.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection (b), no funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act or any other Act may be obligated or expended during the period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act and ending on December 31, 2026, for any use of military force in or against Mexico unless Congress has—

(1) declared war on Mexico; or

(2) enacted specific statutory authorization for such use of military force after the date of the enactment of this Act that meets the requirements of the War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1541 et. seq.).

(b) EXCEPTION.—The prohibition under subsection (a) shall not apply to a use of military force that is consistent with section 2(c) of the War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1541(c)).