

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. \_\_\_\_\_ (NATIONAL DEFENSE  
AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022)  
OFFERED BY MR. GOHMERT OF TEXAS**

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 5 \_\_\_\_ . MILITARY JUSTICE CAREER TRACK FOR JUDGE**  
2 **ADVOCATES.**

3 (a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—Each Secretary of a military  
4 department shall establish a military justice career track  
5 for judge advocates under the jurisdiction of the Sec-  
6 retary.

7 (b) **REQUIREMENTS.**—In establishing a military jus-  
8 tice career track under subsection (a) the Secretary con-  
9 cerned shall—

10 (1) ensure that the career track leads to judge  
11 advocates with military justice expertise in the grade  
12 of colonel, or in the grade of captain in the case of  
13 judge advocates of the Navy, to prosecute and de-  
14 fend complex cases in military courts-martial;

15 (2) include the use of skill identifiers to identify  
16 judge advocates for participation in the career track  
17 from among judge advocates having appropriate skill  
18 and experience in military justice matters;

1           (3) issue guidance for promotion boards consid-  
2           ering the selection for promotion of officers partici-  
3           pating in the career track in order to ensure that  
4           judge advocates who are participating in the career  
5           track have the same opportunity for promotion as all  
6           other judge advocate officers being considered for  
7           promotion by such boards

8           (c) SECRETARY CONCERNED DEFINED.—In this sec-  
9           tion, the term “Secretary concerned” has the meaning  
10          given that term in section 101(a)(9) of title 10, United  
11          States Code.

