

**AMENDMENT TO
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OFFERED BY MR. TURNER OF OHIO**

At the end of subtitle D of title V, add the following
new section:

1 **SEC. 5___. TRAINING FOR COMMANDERS IN THE ARMED**
2 **FORCES ON THEIR ROLE IN ALL STAGES OF**
3 **MILITARY JUSTICE IN CONNECTION WITH**
4 **SEXUAL ASSAULT.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The training provided com-
6 manders in the Armed Forces shall include comprehensive
7 training on the role of commanders in all stages of mili-
8 tary justice in connection with sexual assaults by members
9 of the Armed Forces against other members of the Armed
10 Forces.

11 (b) ELEMENTS TO BE COVERED.—The training pro-
12 vided pursuant to subsection (a) shall include training on
13 the following:

14 (1) The role of commanders in each stage of
15 the military justice process in connection with sexual
16 assault committed by a member of the Armed
17 Forces against another member, including investiga-
18 tion and prosecution.

1 (2) The role of commanders in assuring that
2 victims in sexual assault described in paragraph (1)
3 are informed of, and have the opportunity to obtain,
4 assistance available for victims of sexual assault by
5 law.

6 (3) The role of commanders in assuring that
7 victims in sexual assault described in paragraph (1)
8 are afforded the due process rights and protections
9 available to victims by law.

10 (4) The role of commanders in preventing retal-
11 iation against victims, their family members, wit-
12 nesses, first responders, and bystanders for their
13 complaints, statements, testimony, and status in
14 connection with sexual assault described in para-
15 graph (1), including the role of commanders in en-
16 suring that subordinates in the command are aware
17 of their responsibilities in preventing such retalia-
18 tion.

19 (5) The role of commanders in establishing and
20 maintaining a healthy command climate in connec-
21 tion with reporting on sexual assault described in
22 paragraph (1) and in the response of the com-
23 mander, subordinates in the command, and other
24 personnel in the command to such sexual assault,

1 such reporting, and the military justice process in
2 connection with such sexual assault.

3 (6) Any other matters on the role of com-
4 manders in connection with sexual assault described
5 in paragraph (1) that the Secretary of Defense con-
6 sidered appropriate for purposes of this section.

7 (c) INCORPORATION OF BEST PRACTICES.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—The training provided pur-
9 suant to subsection (a) shall incorporate best prac-
10 tices on all matters covered by the training.

11 (2) IDENTIFICATION OF BEST PRACTICES.—The
12 Secretaries of the military departments shall, acting
13 through the training and doctrine commands of the
14 Armed Forces, undertake from time to time surveys
15 and other reviews of the matters covered by the
16 training provided pursuant to subsection (a) in order
17 to identify and incorporate into such training the
18 most current practicable best practices on such mat-
19 ters.

20 (d) UNIFORMITY.—The Secretary of Defense shall
21 ensure that the training provided pursuant to subsection
22 (a) is, to the extent practicable, uniform across the Armed
23 Forces.

