



SENIOR ARMY RESERVE COMMANDERS ASSOCIATION
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**Supporting Emergent Army Reserve Manning Requirements
(Funding and Programs)**

WHEREAS, the ongoing manning requirements associated with the Army Reserve's ability to carry out its mission are subject to constant redefinition and reshaping to reflect the changing nature of the threat and forces needed to meet that threat and prevail; and

WHEREAS, the ability of the Army Reserve to perform its mission is to a large extent a function of the availability of incentives and programs to attract and retain the best quality soldiers in the specialties and numbers needed to meet mobilization and operational requirements; and

WHEREAS, these programs and incentives must also remain flexible and subject shifting market pressures if they are to remain effective;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senior Army Reserve Commanders Association urge the Department of Defense and the Congress to support Army Reserve recruiting and retention programs by increasing Selective Reserve enlistment and Military Occupation and Specialty conversion bonuses; providing incentives to support unit stabilization; separating off-peak and quick ship bonuses from the current cap; authorizing Reserve component expeditionary medical and dental care; consolidating affiliation and prior-service enlistment bonuses; expanding the TRICARE eligibility period (alert to post-mobilization) to three years; approving and authorizing Montgomery GI Bill increases, cumulative credit, and transferability to dependents; and expanding senior ROTC scholarships to include tuition & fees and room & board.

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