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## **ALLARD ACADEMY DISCLOSURE AMENDMENT APPROVED BY DEFENSE COMMITTEE**

### **PROVISION REQUIRES ALL THREE ACADEMIES TO REPORT SEXUAL ASSAULTS AND RAPES**

WASHINGTON – U.S. Senator Wayne Allard (R-CO), a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, announced his amendment requiring all three military academies to report the number of sexual assaults and rapes that occur each year on their respective campuses has been approved.

The Allard amendment was included in the Defense Authorization bill which was approved by the Senate Armed Services Committee. The legislation authored by the Colorado lawmaker requires the Air Force Academy, the Naval Academy and the Military Academy to survey cadets about sexual assaults. The survey findings, along with a full disclosure of the number of sexual assaults reported to the specific Academy officials and how each case was managed must be reported to Congress annually.

Allard also announced the accountability directives that were removed from a previously approved Senate amendment that was included in the Emergency Wartime Supplemental Appropriations Act in April have been reinstated in the DOD Authorization bill. Allard worked closely with U.S. Senators Bill Nelson (D-FL) and John Warner (R-VA), Chairman of the Armed Services Committee, to have the language restored.

“I want to not only address the problems that have surfaced at the Air Force Academy, but also be proactive in ensuring that strong solutions are in place to prevent this from ever happening again at any of our Academies,” said Allard. “I was also pleased with the restoration of the accountability stipulation that was removed last month by a House - Senate conference committee, because without accountability for these infractions we cannot truly address the problem.”

“I am deeply committed to ensuring what has happened is not simply dealt with today, but that we maintain our commitment to ensuring the safety of cadets at all the service academies from this point forward,” concluded Allard.

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