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To establish an Interagency Council on Service to promote and strengthen opportunities for military service, national service, and public service for all people of the United States, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 22, 2023

Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. YOUNG) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

MAY 9, 2024

Reported by Mr. PETERS, with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

A BILL

To establish an Interagency Council on Service to promote and strengthen opportunities for military service, national service, and public service for all people of the United States, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Unity through Service
3 Act of 2023”.

4 **SEC. 2. INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON SERVICE.**

5 (a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—

6 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—There is established an
7 Interagency Council on Service (in this section re-
8 ferred to as the “Council”).

9 (2) **FUNCTIONS.**—The Council shall—

10 (A) advise the President with respect to
11 promoting, strengthening, and expanding oppor-
12 tunities for military service, national service,
13 and public service for all people of the United
14 States; and

15 (B) review, assess, and coordinate holistic
16 recruitment strategies and initiatives of the ex-
17 ecutive branch to foster an increased sense of
18 service and civic responsibility among all people
19 of the United States and to explore ways of en-
20 hancing connectivity of interested applicants to
21 national service programs and opportunities.

22 (b) **COMPOSITION.**—

23 (1) **MEMBERSHIP.**—The Council shall be com-
24 posed of members who are representatives of—

25 (A) the Secretary of State;

26 (B) the Secretary of Defense;

- 1 (~~C~~) the Attorney General;
- 2 (~~D~~) the Secretary of the Interior;
- 3 (~~E~~) the Secretary of Commerce;
- 4 (~~F~~) the Secretary of Labor;
- 5 (~~G~~) the Secretary of Health and Human
- 6 Services;
- 7 (~~H~~) the Secretary of Education;
- 8 (~~I~~) the Secretary of Veterans Affairs;
- 9 (~~J~~) the Secretary of Homeland Security;
- 10 (~~K~~) the Director of the Office of Manage-
- 11 ment and Budget;
- 12 (~~L~~) the Director of National Intelligence;
- 13 (~~M~~) the Director of the Office of Personnel
- 14 Management;
- 15 (~~N~~) the Director of the Peace Corps;
- 16 (~~O~~) the Director of Selective Service Sys-
- 17 tem;
- 18 (~~P~~) the Chief Executive Officer of the Cor-
- 19 poration for National and Community Service;
- 20 and
- 21 (~~Q~~) such other officers as the President
- 22 may designate.
- 23 (2) CHAIR.—From the members of the Council
- 24 under paragraph (1) who have been nominated by
- 25 the President for the position of the member de-

1 scribed in such paragraph, and appointed to such
2 position with the advice and consent of the Senate,
3 the President shall annually designate a Chair of the
4 Council.

5 (3) MEETINGS.—The Council shall meet on a
6 quarterly basis or more frequently as the Chair of
7 the Council may direct.

8 (c) RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COUNCIL.—The
9 Council shall—

10 (1) assist and advise the President in the estab-
11 lishment of strategies, goals, objectives, and prior-
12 ities to promote service and civic responsibility
13 among all people of the United States;

14 (2) develop and recommend to the President
15 common recruitment strategies and outreach oppor-
16 tunities for increasing the participation, and propen-
17 sity of people of the United States to participate, in
18 military service, national service, and public service
19 in order to address national security and domestic
20 investment;

21 (3) serve as a forum for Federal officials re-
22 sponsible for military service, national service, and
23 public service programs to, as feasible and prac-
24 ticable—

1 (A) coordinate and share best practices for
2 service recruitment; and

3 (B) develop common interagency, cross-
4 service initiatives and pilots for service recruit-
5 ment;

6 (4) lead a strategic, interagency coordinated ef-
7 fort on behalf of the Federal Government to develop
8 joint awareness and recruitment, retention, and mar-
9 keting initiatives involving military service, national
10 service, and public service, including the sharing of
11 marketing and recruiting research between and
12 among Council members;

13 (5) consider approaches for assessing impacts
14 of service on the needs of the United States and in-
15 dividuals participating in and benefitting from such
16 service;

17 (6) consult, as the Council considers advisable,
18 with representatives of non-Federal entities, includ-
19 ing State, local, and Tribal governments, State and
20 local educational agencies, State Service Commis-
21 sions, institutions of higher education, nonprofit or-
22 ganizations, philanthropic organizations, and the pri-
23 vate sector, in order to promote and develop initia-
24 tives to foster and reward military service, national
25 service, and public service;

1 (7) not later than 2 years after the date of en-
2 actment of this Act, and quadrennially thereafter,
3 prepare and submit to the President and Congress
4 a Service Strategy, which shall set forth—

5 (A) a review of programs and initiatives of
6 the Federal Government relating to the man-
7 date of the Council;

8 (B) a review of Federal Government online
9 content relating to the mandate of the Council,
10 including user experience with such content;

11 (C) current and foreseeable trends for
12 service to address the needs of the United
13 States;

14 (D) recommended service recruitment
15 strategies and branding opportunities to ad-
16 dress outreach and communication deficiencies
17 identified by the Council; and

18 (E) to the extent practical, a joint service
19 messaging strategy for military service, national
20 service, and public service;

21 (8) identify any notable initiatives by State,
22 local, and Tribal governments and by public and
23 nongovernmental entities to increase awareness of
24 and participation in national service programs; and

1 (9) perform such other functions as the Presi-
2 dent may direct.

3 **SEC. 3. JOINT MARKET RESEARCH TO ADVANCE MILITARY**
4 **AND NATIONAL SERVICE.**

5 (a) PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of De-
6 fense, the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for
7 National and Community Service, and the Director of the
8 Peace Corps may carry out a joint market research, mar-
9 ket studies, recruiting, and advertising program to com-
10 plement the existing programs of the military depart-
11 ments, the national service programs administered by the
12 Corporation, and the Peace Corps.

13 (b) INFORMATION SHARING PERMITTED.—Section
14 503 of title 10, United States Code, shall not be construed
15 to prohibit sharing of information among, or joint mar-
16 keting efforts of, the Department of Defense, the Corpora-
17 tion for National and Community Service, and the Peace
18 Corps to carry out this section.

19 **SEC. 4. TRANSITION OPPORTUNITIES FOR MILITARY**
20 **SERVICEMEMBERS AND NATIONAL SERVICE**
21 **PARTICIPANTS.**

22 (a) EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE.—Section 1143(c)(1)
23 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting
24 “the Corporation for National and Community Service,”
25 after “State employment agencies,”.

1 (b) EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE, JOB TRAINING AS-
2 SISTANCE, AND OTHER TRANSITIONAL SERVICES: DE-
3 PARTMENT OF LABOR.—Section 1144 of title 10, United
4 States Code, is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the
6 following:

7 “(11) Provide information on public service op-
8 portunities, training on public service job recruiting,
9 and the advantages of careers with the Federal Gov-
10 ernment.”; and

11 (2) in subsection (f)(1)(D)—

12 (A) by redesignating clause (v) as clause
13 (vi); and

14 (B) by inserting after clause (iv) the fol-
15 lowing new clause:

16 “(v) National and community service,
17 taught in conjunction with the Chief Executive
18 Officer of the Corporation for National and
19 Community Service.”.

20 (c) AUTHORITIES AND DUTIES OF THE CHIEF EXEC-
21 UTIVE OFFICER.—Section 193A(b) of the National and
22 Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12651d(b))
23 is amended—

24 (1) in paragraph (24), by striking “and” at the
25 end;

1 (2) in paragraph (25), by striking the period at
2 the end and inserting “; and”; and

3 (3) by adding at the end the following new
4 paragraph:

5 “(26) ensure that individuals completing a par-
6 tial or full term of service in a program under sub-
7 title C or E or part A of title I of the Domestic Vol-
8 unteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.)
9 receive information about military and public service
10 opportunities for which they may qualify or in which
11 they may be interested.”.

12 **SEC. 5. JOINT REPORT TO CONGRESS ON INITIATIVES TO**
13 **INTEGRATE MILITARY AND NATIONAL SERV-**
14 **ICE.**

15 (a) **REPORTING REQUIREMENT.**—Not later than 4
16 years after the date of enactment of this Act and quadren-
17 nially thereafter, the Chair of the Interagency Council on
18 Service, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, the
19 Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for National
20 and Community Service, and the Director of the Peace
21 Corps, shall submit to Congress a joint report on cross-
22 service marketing, research, and promotion, including rec-
23 ommendations for increasing joint advertising and recruit-
24 ment initiatives for the Armed Forces, programs adminis-

1 tered by the Corporation for National and Community
2 Service, and the Peace Corps.

3 (b) CONTENTS OF REPORT.—Each report under sub-
4 section (a) shall include the following:

5 (1) The number of Peace Corps volunteers and
6 participants in national service programs adminis-
7 tered by the Corporation for National and Commu-
8 nity Service, who previously served as a member of
9 the Armed Forces.

10 (2) The number of members of the Armed
11 Forces who previously served in the Peace Corps or
12 in a program administered by the Corporation for
13 National and Community Service.

14 (3) An assessment of existing (as of the date of
15 the report submission) joint recruitment and adver-
16 tising initiatives undertaken by the Department of
17 Defense, the Peace Corps, or the Corporation for
18 National and Community Service.

19 (4) An assessment of the feasibility and cost of
20 expanding such existing initiatives.

21 (5) An assessment of ways to improve the abil-
22 ity of the reporting agencies to recruit individuals
23 from the other reporting agencies.

24 (c) CONSULTATION.—The Chair of the Interagency
25 Council on Service, the Secretary of Defense, the Chief

1 Executive Officer of the Corporation for National and
2 Community Service, and the Director of the Peace Corps
3 shall undertake studies of recruiting efforts that are nec-
4 essary to carry out the provisions of this section. Such
5 studies may be conducted using any funds appropriated
6 to those entities under Federal law other than this Act.

7 **SEC. 6. DEFINITIONS.**

8 In this Act:

9 (1) **INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON SERVICE.**—The
10 term “Interagency Council on Service” means the
11 Interagency Council on Service established under
12 section 2.

13 (2) **MILITARY DEPARTMENT.**—The term “mili-
14 tary department” means each of the military depart-
15 ments listed in section 102 of title 5, United States
16 Code.

17 (3) **MILITARY SERVICE.**—The term “military
18 service” means active service (as defined in sub-
19 section (d)(3) of section 101 of title 10, United
20 States Code) or active status (as defined in sub-
21 section (d)(4) of such section) in one of the Armed
22 Forces (as defined in subsection (a)(4) of such sec-
23 tion).

1 (4) NATIONAL SERVICE.—The term “national
2 service” means participation, other than military
3 service or public service, in a program that—

4 (A) is designed to enhance the common
5 good and meet the needs of communities, the
6 States, or the United States;

7 (B) is funded or facilitated by—

8 (i) an institution of higher education
9 as defined in section 101 of the Higher
10 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001);

11 or

12 (ii) the Federal Government or a
13 State, Tribal, or local government; and

14 (C) is a program authorized in—

15 (i) the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C.
16 2501 et seq.);

17 (ii) section 171 of the Workforce In-
18 novation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C.
19 3226) relating to the YouthBuild Program;

20 (iii) the Domestic Volunteer Service
21 Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4950 et seq.); or

22 (iv) the National and Community
23 Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12501 et
24 seq.).

1 (5) **PUBLIC SERVICE.**—The term “public serv-
 2 ice” means civilian employment in the Federal Gov-
 3 ernment or a State, Tribal, or local government.

4 (6) **SERVICE.**—The term “service” means a
 5 personal commitment of time, energy, and talent to
 6 a mission that contributes to the public good by pro-
 7 tecting the Nation and the citizens of the United
 8 States, strengthening communities, States, or the
 9 United States, or promoting the general social wel-
 10 fare.

11 (7) **STATE SERVICE COMMISSION.**—The term
 12 “State Service Commission” means a State Commis-
 13 sion on National and Community Service maintained
 14 by a State pursuant to section 178 of the National
 15 and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.
 16 12638).

17 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

18 *This Act may be cited as the “Unity through Service*
 19 *Act of 2023”.*

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2 *moting, strengthening, and expanding opportu-*
3 *nities for military service, national service, and*
4 *public service for all people of the United States;*
5 *and*

6 (B) *review, assess, and coordinate holistic*
7 *recruitment strategies and initiatives of the exec-*
8 *utive branch to foster an increased sense of serv-*
9 *ice and civic responsibility among all people of*
10 *the United States and to explore ways of enhanc-*
11 *ing connectivity of interested applicants to na-*
12 *tional service programs and opportunities.*

13 (b) *COMPOSITION.—*

14 (1) *MEMBERSHIP.—The Council shall be com-*
15 *posed of members who are representatives of—*

16 (A) *the Secretary of State;*

17 (B) *the Secretary of Defense;*

18 (C) *the Attorney General;*

19 (D) *the Secretary of the Interior;*

20 (E) *the Secretary of Commerce;*

21 (F) *the Secretary of Labor;*

22 (G) *the Secretary of Health and Human*
23 *Services;*

24 (H) *the Secretary of Education;*

25 (I) *the Secretary of Veterans Affairs;*

1 (J) the Secretary of Homeland Security;

2 (K) the Director of the Office of Manage-
3 ment and Budget;

4 (L) the Director of National Intelligence;

5 (M) the Director of the Office of Personnel
6 Management;

7 (N) the Director of the Peace Corps;

8 (O) the Director of Selective Service System;

9 (P) the Chief Executive Officer of the Cor-
10 poration for National and Community Service;

11 and

12 (Q) such other officers as the President may
13 designate.

14 (2) CHAIR.—The President shall annually des-
15 ignate to serve as the Chair of the Council a member
16 of the Council under paragraph (1), the appointment
17 of whom as an officer or employee of the Federal Gov-
18 ernment was made by the President by and with the
19 advice and consent of the Senate.

20 (3) MEETINGS.—The Council shall meet on a
21 quarterly basis or more frequently as the Chair of the
22 Council may direct.

23 (c) RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COUNCIL.—The Coun-
24 cil shall—

1 (1) *assist and advise the President in the estab-*
2 *lishment of strategies, goals, objectives, and priorities*
3 *to promote service and civic responsibility among all*
4 *people of the United States;*

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6 *mon recruitment strategies and outreach opportuni-*
7 *ties for increasing the participation, and propensity*
8 *of people of the United States to participate, in mili-*
9 *tary service, national service, and public service in*
10 *order to address national security and domestic in-*
11 *vestment;*

12 (3) *serve as a forum for Federal officials respon-*
13 *sible for military service, national service, and public*
14 *service programs to, as feasible and practicable—*

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16 *service recruitment; and*

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18 *ice initiatives and pilots for service recruitment;*

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20 *fort on behalf of the Federal Government to develop*
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23 *service, and public service;*

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25 *service on the needs of the United States and individ-*

1 *uals participating in and benefitting from such serv-*
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3 *(6) consult, as the Council considers advisable,*
4 *with representatives of non-Federal entities, including*
5 *State, local, and Tribal governments, State and local*
6 *educational agencies, State Service Commissions, in-*
7 *stitutions of higher education, nonprofit organiza-*
8 *tions, faith-based organizations, philanthropic organi-*
9 *zations, and the private sector, in order to promote*
10 *and develop initiatives to foster and reward military*
11 *service, national service, and public service;*

12 *(7) not later than 2 years after the date of enact-*
13 *ment of this Act, and quadrennially thereafter, pre-*
14 *pare and submit to the President and Congress a*
15 *Service Strategy, which shall set forth—*

16 *(A) a review of programs and initiatives of*
17 *the Federal Government relating to the mandate*
18 *of the Council;*

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20 *content relating to the mandate of the Council,*
21 *including user experience with such content;*

22 *(C) current and foreseeable trends for serv-*
23 *ice to address the needs of the United States;*

24 *(D) recommended service recruitment strate-*
25 *gies and branding opportunities to address out-*

1 *reach and communication deficiencies identified*
2 *by the Council; and*

3 *(E) to the extent practical, a joint service*
4 *messaging strategy for military service, national*
5 *service, and public service;*

6 *(8) identify any notable initiatives by State,*
7 *local, and Tribal governments and by public and*
8 *nongovernmental entities to increase awareness of and*
9 *participation in national service programs; and*

10 *(9) perform such other functions as the President*
11 *may direct.*

12 **SEC. 3. JOINT MARKET RESEARCH TO ADVANCE MILITARY**
13 **AND NATIONAL SERVICE.**

14 *(a) PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of De-*
15 *fense, the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for Na-*
16 *tional and Community Service, and the Director of the*
17 *Peace Corps may carry out a joint market research, market*
18 *studies, recruiting, and advertising program to complement*
19 *the existing programs of the military departments, the na-*
20 *tional service programs administered by the Corporation,*
21 *and the Peace Corps.*

22 *(b) INFORMATION SHARING PERMITTED.—Section 503*
23 *of title 10, United States Code, shall not be construed to*
24 *prohibit sharing of information among, or joint marketing*
25 *efforts of, the Department of Defense, the Corporation for*

1 *National and Community Service, and the Peace Corps to*
 2 *carry out this section.*

3 **SEC. 4. TRANSITION OPPORTUNITIES FOR MILITARY**
 4 **SERVICEMEMBERS AND NATIONAL SERVICE**
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6 (a) *EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE.*—Section 1143(c)(1) of
 7 title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting “the
 8 Corporation for National and Community Service,” after
 9 “State employment agencies,”.

10 (b) *EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE, JOB TRAINING ASSIST-*
 11 *ANCE, AND OTHER TRANSITIONAL SERVICES: DEPARTMENT*
 12 *OF LABOR.*—Section 1144 of title 10, United States Code,
 13 is amended—

14 (1) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the
 15 following:

16 “(11) Provide information on public service op-
 17 portunities, training on public service job recruiting,
 18 and the advantages of careers with the Federal Gov-
 19 ernment.”; and

20 (2) in subsection (f)(1)(D)—

21 (A) by redesignating clause (v) as clause
 22 (vi); and

23 (B) by inserting after clause (iv) the fol-
 24 lowing new clause:

1 “(v) *National and community service,*
2 *taught in conjunction with the Chief Executive*
3 *Officer of the Corporation for National and*
4 *Community Service.*”.

5 (c) *AUTHORITIES AND DUTIES OF THE CHIEF EXECU-*
6 *TIVE OFFICER.*—Section 193A(b) of the *National and Com-*
7 *munity Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12651d(b)) is*
8 *amended—*

9 (1) *in paragraph (24), by striking “and” at the*
10 *end;*

11 (2) *in paragraph (25), by striking the period at*
12 *the end and inserting “; and”; and*

13 (3) *by adding at the end the following new para-*
14 *graph:*

15 “(26) *ensure that individuals completing a par-*
16 *tial or full term of service in a program under sub-*
17 *title C or E or part A of title I of the Domestic Vol-*
18 *unteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.)*
19 *receive information about military and public service*
20 *opportunities for which they may qualify or in which*
21 *they may be interested.*”.

1 **SEC. 5. JOINT REPORT TO CONGRESS ON INITIATIVES TO**
2 **INTEGRATE MILITARY AND NATIONAL SERV-**
3 **ICE.**

4 (a) *REPORTING REQUIREMENT.*—Not later than 4
5 years after the date of enactment of this Act and quadren-
6 nially thereafter, the Chair of the Interagency Council on
7 Service, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, the
8 Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for National and
9 Community Service, and the Director of the Peace Corps,
10 shall submit a joint report on cross-service marketing, re-
11 search, and promotion, including recommendations for in-
12 creasing joint advertising and recruitment initiatives for
13 the Armed Forces, programs administered by the Corpora-
14 tion for National and Community Service, and the Peace
15 Corps, to the following congressional committees:

16 (1) *The Committee on Homeland Security and*
17 *Governmental Affairs of the Senate.*

18 (2) *The Committee on Homeland Security of the*
19 *House of Representatives.*

20 (3) *The Committee on Oversight and Account-*
21 *ability of the House of Representatives.*

22 (4) *The Committee on Armed Services of the*
23 *Senate.*

24 (5) *The Committee on Armed Services of the*
25 *House of Representatives.*

1 (6) *The Committee on Foreign Relations of the*
2 *Senate.*

3 (7) *The Committee on Foreign Affairs of the*
4 *House of Representatives.*

5 (8) *The Committee on Health, Education, Labor,*
6 *and Pensions of the Senate.*

7 (9) *The Committee on Education and the Work-*
8 *force of the House of Representatives.*

9 (b) *CONTENTS OF REPORT.—Each report under sub-*
10 *section (a) shall include the following:*

11 (1) *The number of Peace Corps volunteers and*
12 *participants in national service programs adminis-*
13 *tered by the Corporation for National and Commu-*
14 *nity Service, who previously served as a member of*
15 *the Armed Forces.*

16 (2) *The number of members of the Armed Forces*
17 *who previously served in the Peace Corps or in a pro-*
18 *gram administered by the Corporation for National*
19 *and Community Service.*

20 (3) *An assessment of existing (as of the date of*
21 *the report submission) joint recruitment and adver-*
22 *tising initiatives undertaken by the Department of*
23 *Defense, the Peace Corps, or the Corporation for Na-*
24 *tional and Community Service.*

1 (A) the effectiveness of past advertising
2 campaigns for military service, national service,
3 and public service; and

4 (B) the role of vaccine requirements on the
5 retention and recruitment of individuals for
6 military service, national service, and public
7 service; and

8 (2) not later than 270 days after the date of en-
9 actment of this Act, submit a report on the findings
10 of and lessons learned from the study under para-
11 graph (1) to—

12 (A) the Committee on Homeland Security
13 and Governmental Affairs of the Senate; and

14 (B) the Committee on Homeland Security of
15 the House of Representatives.

16 **SEC. 7. DEFINITIONS.**

17 *In this Act:*

18 (1) **INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON SERVICE.**—The
19 term “Interagency Council on Service” means the
20 Interagency Council on Service established by section
21 2(a).

22 (2) **MILITARY DEPARTMENT.**—The term “mili-
23 tary department” means each of the military depart-
24 ments listed in section 102 of title 5, United States
25 Code.

1 (3) *MILITARY SERVICE*.—The term “military
2 service” means active service (as defined in subsection
3 (d)(3) of section 101 of title 10, United States Code)
4 or active status (as defined in subsection (d)(4) of
5 such section) in one of the Armed Forces (as defined
6 in subsection (a)(4) of such section).

7 (4) *NATIONAL SERVICE*.—The term “national
8 service” means participation, other than military
9 service or public service, in a program that—

10 (A) is designed to enhance the common good
11 and meet the needs of communities, the States, or
12 the United States;

13 (B) is funded or facilitated by—

14 (i) an institution of higher education
15 as defined in section 101 of the Higher
16 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001); or

17 (ii) the Federal Government or a State,
18 Tribal, or local government; and

19 (C) is a program authorized in—

20 (i) the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C.
21 2501 et seq.);

22 (ii) section 171 of the Workforce Inno-
23 vation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C.
24 3226) relating to the YouthBuild Program;

1 (iii) *the Domestic Volunteer Service*
2 *Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4950 et seq.); or*

3 (iv) *the National and Community*
4 *Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12501 et*
5 *seq.).*

6 (5) *PUBLIC SERVICE.—The term “public service”*
7 *means civilian employment in the Federal Govern-*
8 *ment or a State, Tribal, or local government.*

9 (6) *SERVICE.—The term “service” means a per-*
10 *sonal commitment of time, energy, and talent to a*
11 *mission that contributes to the public good by pro-*
12 *tecting the Nation and the citizens of the United*
13 *States, strengthening communities, States, or the*
14 *United States, or promoting the general social wel-*
15 *fare.*

16 (7) *STATE SERVICE COMMISSION.—The term*
17 *“State Service Commission” means a State Commis-*
18 *sion on National and Community Service maintained*
19 *by a State pursuant to section 178 of the National*
20 *and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.*
21 *12638).*

22 **SEC. 8. NO ADDITIONAL FUNDS.**

23 *No additional funds are authorized to be appropriated*
24 *for the purpose of carrying out this Act.*

1 **SEC. 9. GAO REPORT.**

2 *Not later than 30 months after the date of enactment*
3 *of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States*
4 *shall report to Congress on the effectiveness of this Act and*
5 *the amendments made by this Act.*

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