

117TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 943

To prohibit the use of Federal funds to close or realign the Marine Corps  
Recruit Depot located at Parris Island, South Carolina.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 24, 2021

Mr. GRAHAM (for himself and Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina) introduced the  
following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on  
Armed Services

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## A BILL

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the Marine Corps Recruit Depot located at Parris Island,  
South Carolina.

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Parris Island Protec-  
5 tion Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

8 (1) The Marine Corps Recruit Depot located at  
9 Parris Island, South Carolina (in this section re-

1       ferred to as “Parris Island”), has served the United  
2       States as a home to the Marine Corps since 1891.

3               (2) Parris Island was the first facility to inte-  
4       grate women in boot camp training for the Marine  
5       Corps in the United States.

6               (3) Female recruits have trained at Parris Is-  
7       land since 1949.

8               (4) The first integrated company of male and  
9       female recruits graduated from Parris Island in  
10       2019.

11              (5) Parris Island has cultivated a legacy of ex-  
12       cellence and faithful service to the United States.

13              (6) Parris Island is and shall remain the phys-  
14       ical home of the U.S. Marine Corps Eastern Re-  
15       cruiting Region.

16 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITION OF CLOSING OR REALIGNMENT OF**  
17                               **MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT LOCATED**  
18                               **AT PARRIS ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA.**

19       No Federal funds may be used to close or realign Ma-  
20       rine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, South Carolina,  
21       or to conduct any planning or other activity related to  
22       such closure or realignment.

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