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'Congress should override veto,' American Legion says

(WASHINGTON—December 23, 2020) – The head of the nation's largest veterans' organization called for Congress to override the president's veto of the National Defense Authorization Act.

"The American Legion is disappointed that the president vetoed this important legislation, which would benefit our current servicemembers and veterans of previous generations," James W. "Bill" Oxford, national commander of The American Legion said. "The NDAA passed with overwhelming support because Democrats and Republicans agree that it is good for America. The virtues of the NDAA have not changed since the president's veto. We ask Congress to use the powers granted to it by the U.S. Constitution and override the president's veto. Our troops deserve a pay raise and our Vietnam veterans continue to suffer the ill-effects of Agent Orange. The NDAA addresses these issues and much more."

About The American Legion
The American Legion is dedicated to the motto of "Veterans Strengthening America." Chartered by Congress in 1919, The American Legion is committed to mentoring youth and sponsoring wholesome community programs, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting a strong national security and continued devotion to servicemembers and veterans. Nearly 2 million members in more than 12,000 posts across the nation and regions overseas serve their communities with a devotion to mutual helpfulness.

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