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Dear Member of Congress:

The National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) is a National Trade Association and the leading voice of the \$202 billion electrical contracting industry that brings power, light, and communication technology to buildings and communities across the U.S. NECA collectively represents over 4,000 electrical contractor members served by 118 local Chapters across the country.

As you consider legislation H.R. 2670, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024, the National Electrical Contractors Association submits the following vote recommendations:

1. **Yes:** Rules #387 (Gallagher): Tasks DoD to assess vulnerabilities in its supply chain, identify and recommend changes to acquisition laws, regulations, and policies, and prioritize recommendations to achieve critical mineral supply chain independence.
2. **Yes:** Rules #523 (Sherrill): Instructs the Department of Defense to conduct outreach to community colleges to support their entrance into the Skillbridge Program as Skillbridge program providers. The amendment also instructs the DoD to conduct outreach and provide technical assistance to community colleges to support the creation of Centers for Military and Veterans Education, which will provide dedicated resources to transitioning service-members and veterans to connect them with job training and in-demand careers.
3. **Yes:** Rules #524 (Reschenthaler): Expresses a sense of Congress that DOD should continue to support projects that onshore domestic extraction, processing, and manufacturing capabilities of the domestic supply chain of rare earth permanent magnets essential to defense and national security applications.
4. **Yes:** Rules #573 (Gottheimer): Increases the DoD SkillBridge Program by \$5 million, funds will be specifically used for employers to train service members transitioning to civilian life for supply chain and transportation related employment.
5. **No:** Rules #661 (Norman): Requires the cost of any project funded with financial support from the Department of Defense to disclose the cost to taxpayers.
6. **Yes:** Rules #664 (Moynihan): Requires a study to determine if utility poles on Guam are sufficient for DOD readiness in the case of future natural disasters, and if it is feasible to move these poles to underground transmission. As well as to determine the same for water and wastewater infrastructure.

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7. **Yes:** Rules #760 (Donalds): Directs several government entities, including the Army Corps of Engineers and the National Guard, to develop a national strategy to deploy nuclear micro-reactors to respond to the impacts of a natural disaster.
8. **Yes:** Rules #957 (Neguse): Requires the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness to conduct a study and report on military grace period reforms, focusing on the impact and stigma of unit tasking during the Transition Assistance Program on service members' ability to transition to civilian life.
9. **Yes:** Rules #1187 (Donalds): Adds Sense of Congress that Congress understands the benefits that advanced nuclear reactors can provide to domestic and international military operations, while reducing fuel-related logistical challenges.
10. **Yes:** Rules #1279 (Menendez): Directs the Secretary of Defense to study ways to improve how the DOD informs departing service-members of career training opportunities in the cybersecurity field.
11. **Yes:** Rules #1374 (Bacon): Directs the Secretary of Defense to require consideration of affiliate past performance for small business contract consideration

NECA supports H.R. 2670, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (NDAA). NECA contractors nationwide employ thousands of workers and the passage of NDAA is imperative to the economic stability of our national defense and NECA contractors economic security. We ask all members of congress to support its final passage.

If you or anyone on your staff has any questions please reach out to Jared Karbowsky, Director of Government Affairs, at jared.karbowsky@necanet.org or Julia Convertini, Director of Government Affairs, at julia.convertini@necanet.org.

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