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### HR 718

National Guard Empowerment Act of 2007

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel. (Feb 26, 2007)

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# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 26, 2007

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

# Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 430	Identical bill	Apr 24, 2007: Committee on the Judiciary. Hearings held.

National Guard Empowerment Act of 2007 - Expands the: (1) authority of the Chief of the National Guard Bureau (Bureau) to include membership on the Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS) (and raises the grade of the Chief from lieutenant general to general); and (2) functions of the Bureau to include facilitating and coordinating, with other federal agencies and the states, the use of Guard personnel and resources for, and in, contingency operations, military operations other than war, natural disasters, and support of civil authorities.

Directs the Chief to: (1) identify gaps between federal and state capabilities to prepare for and respond to emergencies; and (2) make recommendations to the Secretary of Defense on Guard programs and activities to address such gaps.

Requires annual Department of Defense (DOD) budget justification documents to include separate amounts for Guard training and equipment for military assistance to civil authorities and other domestic operations.

Expresses the sense of Congress calling for consideration of eligible reserve officers for promotion to the grades of lieutenant general or vice admiral on the active duty list.

Treats service as a Bureau adjutant general as joint duty experience.

Requires the position of Deputy Commander of the U.S. Northern Command to be filled by a qualified Guard officer eligible for promotion to the grade of lieutenant general.

Requires an annual plan for the use of the Armed Forces and National Guard for responding to disasters and acts of terrorism.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Feb 26, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- Jan 30, 2007: Introduced in House
- Jan 30, 2007: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E214-215)
- Jan 30, 2007: Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services.