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Relating To – Businesses to be Enabled to Direct Pay for Tricare Reserve Select

Background – Under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), businesses are required to provide affordable health care to Americans. If a business does not provide care, they risk to incur monetary penalties. During a testimony before the House Veterans Affairs Committee, EANGUS offered up an entirely new idea that the subcommittee found to be intriguing. Executive Director Al Garver suggested that small business owners be somehow enabled to directly pay for the Tricare Reserve Select policy premiums of an employee who is a Guardsman or Reservist. By paying the single rate of \$51.62 or the family rate of \$195.81 per month, a small business owner could save from \$3,000 to \$10,000 or more per year, per individual. This number would be an immediate and significant incentive to hire Guardsmen and Reservists. Best of all, Guard members are already entitled to purchase these policies, so no new program needs to be developed.

Proposed Recommendation – To urge the Congress of the United States to enact legislation enabling businesses to direct pay the Tricare Reserve Select premium for Reserve Component (RC) members.

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