

# Chapter 751 Legislative Update

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## From the Legislative Trustee

November underscored the strength of AFSA's advocacy network across all levels of the Association. As national discussions continue around pay, benefits, healthcare, and readiness, AFSA Headquarters remains engaged with Congress, DoD, and VA to represent the interests of enlisted Airmen, retirees, veterans, and their families.

## Chapter Highlights

Chapter 751 maintained communication with state leaders to track the impact of the continuing federal funding lapse on under-21 lodging, retention, and family stability. Conversations emphasized the importance of consistent housing access and protections for junior enlisted members.

The Chapter has submitted a proposal to the Division 1 Executive Council to reintroduce the *Restore Veterans' Compensation Act*. The act would end the offset that reduces military retired pay by the amount of VA disability compensation, restoring concurrent receipt, ensuring that veterans receive both their full retirement and disability benefits as intended.

## Local / State Legislative Updates

Montgomery and Greene County Veterans Service Commissions continued expanding veteran benefits navigation, claims assistance, and family support services throughout November. These improvements help active-duty Airmen preparing for separation, military families seeking assistance, and veterans across the Wright-Patterson community access transportation support, emergency services, and VA claims guidance.

→ [Montgomery County Veterans Service Commission](#)

Ohio colleges and universities — including Wright State University and institutions participating in the Ohio Veterans Education Council — continued strengthening

military-friendly programs throughout November. Enhancements include improved credit-transfer evaluations, expanded GI Bill advising, and broader resource-center support for active-duty Airmen, military spouses, and veterans pursuing higher education.

→[Ohio Department of Higher Education – Military & Veterans Initiatives](#)

## **Federal Legislative Updates**

The 43-day federal shutdown ended on 12 November, restoring government operations and stabilizing pay, PCS processing, and drill schedules. Agencies began working through backlogs created during the lapse.

→[Reuters – Shutdown Ends](#)

Congress continued prioritizing barracks and housing improvements as reports of unsafe and deteriorating living conditions for junior enlisted gained national attention. FY26 NDAA discussions focused on accelerating renovation timelines, increasing oversight, and addressing issues like mold, infrastructure decay, and safety concerns to ensure safe, habitable living spaces for Airmen.

→[Military Times – Housing & Barracks Conditions](#)

## **Around the Association**

AFSA HQ published the updated Legislative Platform, outlining the Association's top priorities for the next fiscal year. Members are encouraged to review and familiarize themselves with these priorities to support grassroots advocacy.

→[AFSA HQ - Legislative Platform](#)

AFSA continued a coordinated nationwide push encouraging chapters and members to participate in major Action Center campaigns, including those addressing concurrent receipt, VA modernization, and military pay protection. Chapters across multiple divisions highlighted these campaigns during meetings, newsletters, and social media updates.

## **HQ AFSA Legislative Focus**

In November, AFSA's Legislative Team emphasized improving family readiness and survivor support, focusing on sustained mental health care access, protecting Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC), ensuring PCS predictability following the shutdown, and advancing quality-of-life improvements for military families.

## **Policy Tracker – Key Legislation on the Hill**

- **Pay Our Military** - Provides a full-year of appropriations now to protect uninterrupted military pay and benefits. [Campaign Link](#)
- **Major Richard Star Act** – Provides concurrent receipt for combat-injured retirees. [Campaign Link](#)
- **Retired Pay Restoration Act** – Extends full concurrent receipt eligibility to retirees with service-connected disabilities. [Campaign Link](#)
- **CHIP IN for Veterans Act** – Expands public-private partnerships for modern VA healthcare facilities. [Campaign Link](#)

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## **Summary**

November highlighted the essential role of grassroots advocacy across the AFSA network. As Congress continues navigating funding challenges, housing reforms, and quality-of-life initiatives, AFSA Headquarters remains focused on protecting and strengthening the benefits earned by enlisted Airmen, veterans, and their families. Chapter 751 continued to elevate local concerns, deepen community partnerships, and promote national advocacy tools to ensure every member's voice contributes to meaningful legislative action. Together, we remain committed to advancing AFSA's mission and championing the needs of the Total Force.

Respectfully,

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