Friends,

Yesterday in Washington, the House voted to approve the FY 2022 National Defense Authorization Act, otherwise known as the NDAA. This legislation sets the nation’s annual defense posture and outlines our overall level of defense spending. It passed quite easily this time, with many Republican joining Democrats in voting to approve it.

But they shouldn’t have.

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This year’s NDAA had major problems in it that no conservative should support. Hidden away in the bill were Red Flag laws against our military members. Democrats essentially inserted their anti-gun agenda into our nation’s defense policy, seeking to deny Second Amendment rights to our troops.

**READ:** [Democrats want to deny 2A rights for our troops](#)

If that wasn’t bad enough, the NDAA also gives Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin unilateral power to label our troops as “extremists” and remove them from the military. How exactly is “extremism” defined? That’s unclear. It would be entirely up to him.

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Democrats are asking us to place our trust in “woke” military leadership who have already showed that they prioritize leftist politics, including mandating vaccines for all troops and inserting Critical Race Theory, over their duties. President Biden’s botched Afghanistan withdrawal reflects exactly that failure of leadership.

Now, Democrats want to handover more power to these same leaders.
Defense Secretary Austin would be able to define what qualifies as “extremism” in his book. Disagree with Critical Race Theory or share a Facebook post questioning why COVID therapies are blocked by the FDA? That might be enough to meet whatever standard he sets. It’s utterly shameful.

Our service members deserve better and should not be subjected to any of this. Under the Biden Administration, the military has been overtly politicized, and it’s wrong.

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Should the Biden Administration be allowed to label our troops as "extremists"?

Yes

No

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Your child’s school, your choice

This week, I introduced legislation to empower families to pick the best educational options for their children. Right now, many students across the country are forced to mask up or be subjected to divisive Critical Race Theory teachings. If that is the case for your kids, then alternative options should be available to them.

Federal education dollars should follow the students, not systems with a political agenda. Together, my Mask Off Act and No CRT Act would provide Opportunity Grants to families in order to expand school choice options. Simply put, if a school doesn’t have your child’s best interest at heart, then your family should be able to choose one that does.

READ: Time to expand school choice for students across America