

118TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 678

To eliminate the position of the Chief Diversity Officer of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 31, 2023

Mr. ROY (for himself, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. ROSENDALE, Mr. OGLES, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, Mr. BRECHEEN, Mr. MILLS, Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina, and Mr. MCCLINTOCK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Restoring Military  
5 Focus Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. ELIMINATION OF THE CHIEF DIVERSITY OFFICER**

7 **OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

8 (a) REPEAL OF POSITION.—Section 147 of title 10,  
9 United States Code, is repealed.

1 (b) CONFORMING REPEAL.—Section 913 of the Wil-  
2 liam M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authoriza-  
3 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283) is  
4 repealed.

5 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON ESTABLISHMENT OF SIMILAR PO-**  
6 **SITIONS.**

7 No Federal funds may be obligated or expended to  
8 establish a position within the Department of Defense that  
9 is the same as or substantially similar to—

10 (1) the position of Chief Diversity Officer, as  
11 described in section 147 of title 10, United States  
12 Code, as such section was in effect before the date  
13 of the enactment of this Act; or

14 (2) the position of Senior Advisor for Diversity  
15 and Inclusion, as described in section 913(b) of the  
16 William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Au-  
17 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law  
18 116–283), as such section was in effect before the  
19 date of the enactment of this Act.

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