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Fleet Reserve Association

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FRA Is Your Voice on Capitol Hill

Elected officials recognize the Fleet Reserve Association (FRA) as the authoritative voice of current and former sea services personnel.

You Are a Beneficiary of FRA's Legislative Advocacy

The FRA continues to lead impactful changes in health care, compensation, and benefits for all current and former sea services personnel.

Key FRA-led initiatives include:

- **Predatory Lending Protections:** Safeguarding service members from exploitative financial practices.
- **Targeted Pay Increases for Career Enlisted Personnel:** Ensuring equitable compensation for dedicated service members.
- **Creation of the Military Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP):** Providing financial security for families of service members.
- **Establishment of CHAMPUS (now TRICARE Standard):** Enabling active-duty personnel to choose their physicians, a significant improvement driven by FRA advocacy.
- **Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act:** Securing VA benefits for Navy veterans exposed to Agent Orange during the Vietnam War, ensuring access to critical health care and disability compensation.

Retirees benefit from TRICARE for Life, and Reservists access TRICARE Reserve Select, thanks to FRA's efforts. The FRA also fights for robust funding for VA health care and successfully prevented annual enrollment fees for Priority Groups 7 and 8 veterans.

Recent advocacy includes:

- **Enhanced Concurrent Receipt Protections:** Expanding eligibility for veterans to receive both military retirement pay and VA disability compensation without offset.
- **Improved GI Bill Benefits:** Advocating for expanded education benefits, including transferability to dependents and extended usage periods.
- **Support for Mental Health Resources:** Pushing for increased access to mental health services for active duty, reservists, and veterans through VA and TRICARE programs.

Legislative Action Center

Visit FRA's Legislative Action Center at www.fra.org/actioncenter to directly communicate your concerns to elected officials.

The platform offers:

- Pre-written letters to oppose harmful legislation or support beneficial policies.
- Updates on legislative changes and the impact of your advocacy.
- Tools to amplify your voice alongside FRA's efforts.





For Military Leadership

Military leaders understand FRA speaks to improve benefits for active duty and reserve personnel.

FRA has an open and constructive dialog with senior enlisted leaders, Department of Defense personnel and key contacts throughout the sea services. Information is shared through weekly e-mail updates, online discussion boards, monthly teleconferences and articles in our publications. When you join FRA, your voice is heard by all who should be listening.

Publications

FRA's publications will keep you informed of the Association's key legislative developments that affect you and your family, as well as valuable contributions Shipmates are making in their communities.

All FRA members receive a copy of our bi-monthly magazine, and FRA communicates legislative developments through a weekly e-newsletter and topic-specific e-mail updates. To subscribe, visit www.fra.org.

In the Community

FRA members support each other and improve the communities in which they live.

FRA Scholarship

FRA members, their spouses, children and grandchildren are eligible to apply for more than \$90,000 in post-secondary and graduate scholarships annually.

Essay Contest

FRA holds an annual national essay contest for students in grades 7 to 12 to promote patriotism and awareness of civic issues.

FRA annually presents more than \$14,000 annually to contest winners, including a \$1,500 award to the Grand National Prize winner.

Disaster Relief

FRA members support fellow shipmates who suffer loss, damage or hardships in their time of need. FRA members and friends can donate via our website (www.fra.org — click on "Support FRA") as well as through direct contributions to FRA National Headquarter. All money goes directly to Shipmates and their families. No administrative fee is taken.



Why Should I Join?



The FRA is the leading advocate on Capitol Hill for active duty, reserve, retired personnel, and veterans of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard. By joining FRA, you strengthen an association dedicated to preserving and enhancing pay, benefits, and quality-of-life programs.

Benefits of Membership:

- **Certified VA Veteran Service Officers:** Assistance with claims and protection of entitlement programs through collaboration with the Department of Defense, Department of Veterans Affairs, and other agencies.
- **Powerful Collective Voice:** FRA is the largest association representing sea services personnel, and your membership amplifies its influence.
- **Affordable Membership:** affiliate with a Branch or join as a Member-at-Large. Half your dues support either the branch or the national advocacy agenda.

Invest in your future and strengthen FRA's advocacy by joining today. Together, we are stronger!

Remember, there's great strength in numbers. FRA is the largest association representing sea personnel, and we'll be even stronger with your support!

Join now to let your voice be heard.

Call **800-FRA-1924** or join online at **www.fra.org**.

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