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The Honorable Richard M. Burr
United States Senate
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Dear Senator Burr:

The Fleet Reserve Association (FRA) strongly supports the “Military Child Care Protection Act of 2016” (S. 2515) that would create a unified policy of requirements for military child care facilities to carry out criminal background checks on employees.

Currently, each service has its own policies, which do not always include the same crime registries and do not carry the same standards as some civilian child care centers. This bill will bar the Department of Defense (DoD) child care centers from hiring workers who have been convicted of murder; child abuse or neglect; crimes against children, such as child pornography; spousal abuse; rape or sexual assault; kidnapping, arson, physical assault or battery; and drug related offense committed during the preceding five years.

The Association appreciates your leadership on this issue and stands ready to provide assistance in advancing this legislation. The FRA point of contact is Stephen Tassin, Assistant Director of Legislative Programs, at the above numbers or (stephent@fra.org).

Sincerely,

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