

DEFEND THE GUARD UPHOLD THE CONSTITUTION

ENDLESS WARS, NO ACCOUNTABILITY

For over two decades, the U.S. government has sent National Guard troops overseas to fight in wars Congress never officially declared. These deployments violate the Constitution and force citizen-soldiers into conflicts that do not directly defend our nation. Governors have lost control over their own state's military forces, and countless families have suffered due to unnecessary deployments.

- ✓ *Over 45% of U.S. combat troops in Iraq & Afghanistan were National Guard soldiers.*
- ✓ *The Constitution requires Congress to declare war – but they haven't done so since WWII.*
- ✓ *State Guards are meant to protect their states, not be pawns in Washington's foreign policy.*

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THE **LIBERTARIAN** SOLUTION

The Libertarian Party is leading the fight to restore constitutional war powers and protect National Guard troops from unlawful overseas deployment. The Defend the Guard Act prevents state National Guard units from being deployed to combat zones unless Congress formally declares war as required by the Constitution.

- ✓ **Protect our troops
from unconstitutional wars**
- ✓ **Strengthen states' rights
over their own Guard units**
- ✓ **End Washington's abuse
of National Guard forces**

Legislation is gaining momentum! Over 20 states have introduced Defend the Guard bills – **but we need your help to push them across the finish line.**



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