

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The agreement does not include this provision.

We understand that alternate funding has been used to modernize the U.S. Postal Service's mail delivery system to improve the delivery of absentee ballots to military personnel serving outside the United States.

TITLE IV—MILITARY PERSONNEL
AUTHORIZATIONS

SUBTITLE A—ACTIVE FORCES

End strengths for active forces (sec. 401)

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 401) that would authorize the following end

strengths for active duty personnel of the armed forces as of September 30, 2014: Army, 520,000; Navy, 323,600; Marine Corps, 190,200; and Air Force, 327,600.

The Senate committee-reported bill contained an identical provision (sec. 401).

The agreement includes this provision.

End strength levels for the active forces for fiscal year 2014 are set forth in the following table:

SUBTITLE C—AUTHORIZATION OF
APPROPRIATIONS

Military personnel (sec. 421)

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 421) that would authorize appropriations for military personnel at the levels identified in section 4401 of division D of this Act.

The Senate committee-reported bill contained an identical provision (sec. 421).

The agreement includes this provision.