**A Bill to Require Military Training for Coming-of-Age Youth**

 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1:** The United States shall require all able-bodied young adults to complete a year of military training that includes self-defense, the use of weapons, gun safety, and the value of human life. They must also pass the Basic Training Physical Fitness test.

**Section 2:** Definitions:

1. Able-bodied: Physically healthy, fit, and strong. Exemptions determined by military medical test.
2. Young adult: Anyone ages 17-22.
3. Basic training physical fitness test: A test for boot camps that tests the camper's physical strength. For men ages 17 to 21, that means performing at least 35 push-ups and 47 sit-ups, as well as running two miles in no more than 16 minutes and 36 seconds. Women recruits ages 17 to 21 must be able to do 13 push-ups and 47 sit-ups and post a time of no more than 19 minutes and 42 seconds on the two-mile run.

**Section 3:** The Defense Department will provide funding and oversight. Participants will receive housing, clothing, food, and $5000 recompense.

**Section 4:** This bill will take effect January 1, 2027.

**Section 5:** All laws in conflict with this legislation shall be declared null and void.

***Introduced for Congressional Debate by Thomas Dodds of Panguitch High School***