



Defense Department Suspends National Guard Bonus Clawbacks

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The article, "Defense Department Suspends National Guard Bonus Clawbacks," featured in *SHRM*, discussed how at the urging of Congress members, Secretary of Defense Ash Carter has suspended efforts to recoup bonuses the Department of Defense (DoD) had maintained were overpayments to veterans of the National Guard.

These re-enlistment bonuses were given to induce the service members to re-enlist," noted Jim McDonald. "In the private sector, a contract would have been executed, and it would be extremely difficult for an employer to get the money back. Where public funds are concerned, the government may have more leeway to recover the money but from a public relations standpoint, it looks terrible."

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