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New York City In response to the House of Representatives passing the defense bill (National Defense Authorization Act for the 2020 Fiscal Year, or NDAA), Human Rights First's Sharon Kelly McBride issued the following statement:

With its defense bill, the House of Representatives today made a major statement that our national security is best served by upholding and advancing human rights. From ensuring accountability for Saudi Arabia's human rights violations to promoting transparency and oversight in use of force operations to limiting the role of the military in immigration enforcement, the House version of the defense bill advances critical human rights priorities at a time when American leadership on human rights is sorely needed.

The House version of the defense bill would:

Human Rights First supports these important human rights provisions, and in many cases developed policy recommendations that are reflected in them. The House and Senate will now proceed to conference negotiations to produce a final defense bill. Human Rights First will fight to ensure that these critical human rights priorities are reflected in that final bill.

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