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The Honorable Jeff Flake  
Judiciary Committee  
United States Senate  
413 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Flake:

On behalf of the Arizona Prosecuting Attorneys' Advisory Council (APAAC), this letter is sent in support of the **Veterans Court Improvement Act of 2017**.

The APAAC Council is composed of twenty-three members, including the Arizona attorney general, the fifteen elected county attorneys, five municipal prosecutors, a representative of the supreme court, and the dean of one of the state's law schools. In addition to training and advocacy, APAAC provides a variety of services for the more than 800 prosecutors across the state of Arizona who serve as "Ministers of Justice."

APAAC applauds your efforts on behalf of veterans in Arizona and other states. This important legislation will assist veterans in navigating the criminal justice system and accessing critical benefits that are due them. APAAC proudly endorses this important legislation.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Ortiz  
Executive Director

*"Empowering Arizona's prosecutors to administer justice and contribute to public safety through training and advocacy."*