

*The National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) is an annual piece of legislation that provides funding and authorizations for the Department of Defense. It has determined our national security priorities and policies for fifty years.*

**Myths:**

[The FY12 NDAA allows American citizens to be indefinitely detained.](#)

[The NDAA's indefinite detention language was not necessary.](#)

[The FY13 \(next year's\) NDAA continues to allow the indefinite detention of American citizens.](#)

[The Smith-Amash Amendment to the FY13 NDAA would protect Americans from indefinite detention.](#)

**Additional Information Regarding the FY13 NDAA**