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Washington DC - Congressman Duncan Hunter (R-CA), who was recently named to the House Armed Services and Education and Labor Committees, received Subcommittee assignments today for both panels.

Hunter has been named to the House Armed Services Committee's Air and Land Forces Subcommittee, and the Subcommittee on Seapower and Expeditionary Forces. Hunter will also serve on the Education and Labor Committee's Subcommittee on Early Childhood Education and the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions (HELP).

"It is a privilege to join the House Armed Services and Education and Labor Committees," said Congressman Hunter. "Each House Committee has a unique and equally important responsibility. The House Education and Labor Committee is at the center of strengthening our workforce and preparing our children for the future, while the House Armed Services Committee sets our national security policy and represents the interests of our fighting men and women. Both Committees will be at the forefront of the national debate over the coming years, and I welcome the opportunity to be directly involved in their respective efforts.

"At a time when America's military men and women are fighting terrorism on the battlefields of Iraq and Afghanistan, I intend to use my experiences and insight as a combat Marine to ensure their interests are always put first and they continue receiving the best resources available. I look forward to serving on both the Air and Land Forces, and Seapower and Expeditionary Forces Subcommittees as we work to ensure our military remains the most advanced fighting force in the world.

"We also face tremendous challenges with America's education system and workforce, and the House Education and Labor Committee will play a critical role in promoting a sensible vision for education reform and economic growth. As this debate moves forward, I will faithfully fight for San Diego's families and support policies that reflect the needs and interests of our community."