



## Reserve Training: An Alternative to the Active Army Education Program for National Guard Technicians: Nsiad-88-164 (Paperback)

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Bibliogov, United States, 2013. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 246 x 189 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*.Pursuant to a legislative requirement, GAO examined the Military Education Program (MEP) for Army National Guard technicians to determine: (1) whether the Reserve Component Noncommissioned Officer (NCO) Education Program provided a viable alternative to MEP; (2) how participation in MEP affected technicians readiness; and (3) how MEP affected technicians personally, including their leave and other benefits. GAO found that: (1) the Army is revising the NCO program to align it more closely with MEP; (2) MEP and the new Reserve Component Program were generally similar in content but sometimes varied in duration; (3) MEP costs were about three times the Reserve Component Program s costs; (4) participation in MEP did not measurably affect units readiness, but it sometimes disrupted their operations; and (5) although MEP training requirements did not impose financial hardship on technicians, it did create some inconveniences. GAO believes that the Reserve Component Program offers a viable alternative to MEP due to its lower costs and greater convenience.



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