MILITARY OPPOSES DRAFT EVADER PLAN

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— The armed forces have strongly opposed a Justice Department proposal to save draft evaders from jail by allowing them to join the services, Administration sources said today.

In the past years draft evaders caught by the Federal Bureau of Investigation have been given two choices by law—accept the draft or face prosecution. About half took the draft.

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The draft law expired June 30, and now the only alternative to prosecution is for men to volunteer. But the armed forces decide whom they accept, and all three have said they do not want draft dodgers, about one-third of whom remain in Canada or Sweden.

Military officers say many of these men only become troublemakers once they enter the service.

The Justice Department, however, continues to propose that the youths be allowed to wipe their slates clean by joining the military.

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