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Mr. Reed, from the committee of conference,  
submitted the following

CONFERENCE REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 2670]

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2670), to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2024 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes, having met, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective Houses as follows:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment, insert the following:

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “National Defense Au-  
3 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024”.

4 **SEC. 2. ORGANIZATION OF ACT INTO DIVISIONS; TABLE OF**  
5 **CONTENTS.**

6 (a) DIVISIONS.—This Act is organized into seven di-  
7 visions as follows:

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1 **SEC. 3. CONGRESSIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEES.**

2 In this Act, the term “congressional defense commit-  
3 tees” has the meaning given that term in section  
4 101(a)(16) of title 10, United States Code.

5 **SEC. 4. BUDGETARY EFFECTS OF THIS ACT.**

6 The budgetary effects of this Act, for the purposes  
7 of complying with the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of  
8 2010, shall be determined by reference to the latest state-  
9 ment titled “Budgetary Effects of PAYGO Legislation”  
10 for this Act, jointly submitted for printing in the Congres-  
11 sional Record by the Chairmen of the House and Senate  
12 Budget Committees, provided that such statement has  
13 been submitted prior to the vote on passage in the House  
14 acting first on the conference report or amendment be-  
15 tween the Houses.

16 **DIVISION A—DEPARTMENT OF**  
17 **DEFENSE AUTHORIZATIONS**  
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- Sec. 139. Prohibition on availability of funds for retirement of KC-135 aircraft.
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- Sec. 142. Prohibition on certain reductions to inventory of E-3 airborne warning and control system aircraft.
- Sec. 143. Prohibition on availability of funds for termination of production lines for the HH-60W aircraft.
- Sec. 144. Limitation on retirement of F-16C/D aircraft.
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- Sec. 146. Limitation on actions relating to remote vision systems of KC-46A aircraft.
- Sec. 147. Limitation on retirement of T-1A training aircraft.
- Sec. 148. Plan for long-term Air Force fighter force structure.

## Subtitle E—Defense-wide, Joint, and Multiservice Matters



1 of the Trackless Moving Target–Infantry variant,  
2 which shall include—

3 (A) obtaining end-user feedback regarding  
4 such variant; and

5 (B) comparing the performance of such  
6 variant against the applicable program require-  
7 ments set forth in the report of Secretary of the  
8 Army titled “Autonomous Robotic Targets for  
9 Small Arms Range Training”, as submitted to  
10 Congress in March 2023;

11 (2) obtains direct soldier feedback on the cur-  
12 rent Trackless Moving Target program;

13 (3) certifies to the congressional defense com-  
14 mittees that the acquisition strategy of the Army for  
15 the Trackless Moving Target–Infantry variant meets  
16 the program requirements set forth in the report re-  
17 ferred to in paragraph (1)(B); and

18 (4) submits to the congressional defense com-  
19 mittees the report required under subsection (b).

20 (b) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 30 days  
21 after the date of the completion of the assessment and  
22 soldier feedback required under paragraphs (1) and (2)  
23 of subsection (a), the Secretary of the Army shall submit  
24 to the congressional defense committees a report that in-  
25 cludes—

1           (1) detailed results of the assessment conducted  
2           under subsection (a)(1), including a comparison of  
3           the Trackless Moving Target–Infantry variant under  
4           development by the Army to other operationally de-  
5           ployed, commercially available targets in use by  
6           other Armed Forces;

7           (2) a summary of the soldier feedback obtained  
8           under subsection (a)(2); and

9           (3) a certification that the development of the  
10          Trackless Moving Target–Infantry variant is in com-  
11          pliance with the requirements of section 4061 of title  
12          10, United States Code.

13 **SEC. 112. STRATEGY FOR ARMY TACTICAL WHEELED VEHI-**  
14 **CLE PROGRAM.**

15          (a) **STRATEGY REQUIRED.**—In the budget justifica-  
16          tion materials submitted in support of the budget of the  
17          Department of Defense (as submitted with the budget of  
18          the President under section 1105(a) of title 31, United  
19          States Code) for each of fiscal years 2025, 2030, and  
20          2035, the Secretary of the Army shall include a report  
21          on the strategy of the Army for tactical wheeled vehicles.

22          (b) **REQUIREMENTS FOR STRATEGY.**—Each strategy  
23          required by subsection (a) shall—

1           (1) align with the applicable national defense  
2 strategy under section 113(g) of title 10, United  
3 States Code, and applicable policies;

4           (2) be designed so that the force of tactical  
5 wheeled vehicles provided under the strategy sup-  
6 ports the national security strategy of the United  
7 States as set forth in the most recent national secu-  
8 rity strategy report of the President under section  
9 108 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C.  
10 3043); and

11           (3) define capabilities and capacity require-  
12 ments across the entire fleet of tactical wheeled vehi-  
13 cles, including—

14                   (A) light, medium, and heavy tactical  
15 wheeled vehicles; and

16                   (B) associated trailer and support equip-  
17 ment.

18       (c) STRATEGY ELEMENTS.—Each strategy required  
19 by subsection (a) shall include the following:

20           (1) A detailed program for the construction of  
21 light, medium, and heavy tactical wheeled vehicles  
22 for the Army over the period of five fiscal years fol-  
23 lowing the date of the strategy.

24           (2) A description of the necessary force struc-  
25 ture and capabilities of tactical wheeled vehicles to

1 meet the requirements of the national security strat-  
2 egy described in subsection (b)(2).

3 (3) The estimated levels of annual funding, by  
4 vehicle class, in both graphical and tabular form,  
5 necessary to carry out the program described in  
6 paragraph (1), together with a discussion of the pro-  
7 curement strategies on which such estimated levels  
8 of annual funding are based.

9 (4) The estimated total cost of construction for  
10 each vehicle class used to determine the estimated  
11 levels of annual funding described in paragraph (3).

12 (d) CONSIDERATIONS.—In developing each strategy  
13 required by subsection (a), the Secretary of the Army shall  
14 consider the following objectives and factors:

15 (1) Objectives relating to protection, fleet oper-  
16 ations, mission command, mobility, and the indus-  
17 trial base.

18 (2) Technological advances that are expected to  
19 increase efficiency of and reduce demand for tactical  
20 wheeled vehicles.

21 (3) Technological advances that allow for the  
22 operation of tactical wheeled vehicles in a variety of  
23 climate and geographic conditions.



1 (b) ELEMENTS.—The review required by subsection  
2 (a) shall include the following:

3 (1) A business case analysis of the cost and  
4 operational benefit of recompeting the task orders  
5 described in subsection (a).

6 (2) Input from stakeholders, including the  
7 Commanding General of Army Sustainment Com-  
8 mand, the commanders of the geographic combatant  
9 commands, and the commanders of the Army Serv-  
10 ice Component Commands, on the desirability and  
11 operational effects of the proposed recompetite de-  
12 scribed in subsection (a).

13 (3) Detailed cost estimates and timelines, in-  
14 cluding projected transition costs and timelines for  
15 the task orders described in subsection (a).

16 (4) An assessment of the potential effects of the  
17 recompetite described in subsection (a) on—

18 (A) the quality and timing of the work per-  
19 formed under the task orders described in such  
20 subsection; and

21 (B) the ability of the Army to transition to  
22 the LOGCAP VI contract, including any effects  
23 on the quality and timing of such transition.

24 (5) An analysis of recompeting the task orders  
25 described in subsection (a) compared to transitioning

1 directly to the LOGCAP VI contract instead of re-  
2 competing such task orders.

3 (6) An overview of potential innovations and ef-  
4 ficiencies derived from a competition for the  
5 LOGCAP VI contract.

6 (7) An explanation of the benefit of recom-  
7 peting the task orders described in subsection (a)  
8 compared to conducting an open competition for the  
9 LOGCAP VI contract instead of recompeting such  
10 task orders.

11 (8) A breakdown of any additional authorities  
12 needed to move directly to the LOGCAP VI contract  
13 instead of recompeting the task orders described in  
14 subsection (a).

15 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the date  
16 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army  
17 shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the  
18 Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the  
19 results of the review conducted under subsection (a), in-  
20 cluding the results of the review with respect to each ele-  
21 ment specified in subsection (b).

22 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

23 (1) The term “LOGCAP V contract” means the  
24 contract for the logistics augmentation program of  
25 the Army that is due to expire in 2028.

1           (2) The term “LOGCAP VI contract” means a  
2           successor contract for the logistics augmentation  
3           program of the Army that is expected to be entered  
4           into following the expiration of the LOGCAP V con-  
5           tract.

## 6           **Subtitle C—Navy Programs**

### 7   **SEC. 121. MODIFICATION OF REQUIREMENTS FOR MIN-** 8           **IMUM NUMBER OF CARRIER AIR WINGS OF** 9           **THE NAVY.**

10          (a) MODIFICATION OF REQUIREMENTS.—

11           (1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (e) of section  
12           8062 of title 10, United States Code, is amended to  
13           read as follows—

14           “(e) The Secretary of the Navy shall ensure that—

15            “(1) the Navy maintains a minimum of 9 car-  
16            rier air wings; and

17            “(2) for each such carrier air wing, the Navy  
18            maintains a dedicated and fully staffed head-  
19            quarters.”.

20           (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made  
21           by paragraph (1) shall take effect one year after the  
22           date on which the Secretary of the Navy submits to  
23           Congress the report required under subsection  
24           (b)(3). The Secretary of the Navy shall notify the  
25           Law Revision Counsel of the House of Representa-

1 tives of the submission of the report so that the Law  
2 Revision Counsel may execute the amendment made  
3 by paragraph (1) in accordance with the preceding  
4 sentence.

5 (b) ANALYSIS AND REPORT.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Navy  
7 shall conduct an analysis of potential approaches to  
8 the manning, operation, and deployment of a 10th  
9 aircraft carrier and associated carrier air wing to de-  
10 termine how the Navy can mobilize such a carrier  
11 and air wing if required by operational needs.

12 (2) ELEMENTS.—The analysis under paragraph  
13 (1) shall address the following:

14 (A) The timeline associated with removing  
15 an aircraft carrier from each the following  
16 maintenance availability types:

17 (i) Complex Overhaul.

18 (ii) Selected Restricted Availability.

19 (iii) Docking Selected Restricted  
20 Availability.

21 (iv) Planned Incremental Availability.

22 (v) Docking Planned Incremental  
23 Availability.

1 (B) The potential for establishing a reserve  
2 component air wing capable of mobilization as  
3 a 10th carrier air wing.

4 (C) The timeline for activation of such a  
5 reserve component carrier air wing.

6 (D) The costs associated with establishing  
7 and maintaining a 10th active carrier air wing  
8 versus establishing and maintaining a reserve  
9 component air wing as described in subpara-  
10 graph (B).

11 (E) The potential for deployment of a 10th  
12 aircraft carrier without a fully manned carrier  
13 air wing in the event the Navy only operates  
14 and crews 9 carrier air wings at the time de-  
15 ployment of a 10th aircraft carrier is required.

16 (F) The potential for additional forward  
17 deployed squadrons that could support an air-  
18 craft carrier during theater operations that may  
19 not have a fully embarked air wing at the time  
20 of embarkation.

21 (3) REPORT.—Following completion of the  
22 analysis required under paragraph (1), Secretary of  
23 the Navy shall submit to the congressional defense  
24 committees a report on the results of the analysis.

1 **SEC. 122. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY**  
2 **OF FUNDS FOR NAVY PORT WATERBORNE SE-**  
3 **CURITY BARRIERS.**

4 Section 130(a) of the John S. McCain National De-  
5 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law  
6 115–232; 132 Stat. 1665), as most recently amended by  
7 section 123(a) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense  
8 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–  
9 263; 136 Stat. 2443), is further amended by striking  
10 “through 2023” and inserting “through 2024”.

11 **SEC. 123. MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY FOR VIR-**  
12 **GINIA CLASS SUBMARINE PROGRAM.**

13 (a) **AUTHORITY FOR MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT.**—  
14 Subject to section 3501 of title 10, United States Code,  
15 the Secretary of the Navy may enter into one or more  
16 multiyear contracts for the procurement of not more than  
17 13 Virginia class submarines.

18 (b) **AUTHORITY FOR ADVANCE PROCUREMENT.**—The  
19 Secretary of the Navy may enter into one or more con-  
20 tracts, beginning in fiscal year 2024, for advance procure-  
21 ment associated with the Virginia class submarines for  
22 which authorization to enter into a multiyear procurement  
23 contract is provided under subsection (a) and for equip-  
24 ment or subsystems associated with the Virginia class sub-  
25 marine program, including procurement of—

26 (1) long lead time material; or

1           (2) material or equipment in economic order  
2 quantities when cost savings are achievable.

3           (c) **CONDITION FOR OUT-YEAR CONTRACT PAY-**  
4 **MENTS.**—A contract entered into under subsection (a)  
5 shall provide that any obligation of the United States to  
6 make a payment under the contract for a fiscal year after  
7 fiscal year 2025 is subject to the availability of appropria-  
8 tions or funds for that purpose for such later fiscal year.

9           (d) **LIMITATION ON TERMINATION LIABILITY.**—A  
10 contract for the construction of Virginia class submarines  
11 entered into under subsection (a) shall include a clause  
12 that limits the liability of the United States to the con-  
13 tractor for any termination of the contract. The maximum  
14 liability of the United States under the clause shall be the  
15 amount appropriated for the submarines covered by the  
16 contract regardless of the amount obligated under the con-  
17 tract.

18           (e) **VIRGINIA CLASS SUBMARINE DEFINED.**—The  
19 term “Virginia class submarine” means a block VI config-  
20 ured Virginia class submarine.

21 **SEC. 124. PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY FOR AUXILIARY PER-**  
22 **SONNEL LIGHTER PROGRAM.**

23           (a) **CONTRACT AUTHORITY.**—Beginning in fiscal  
24 year 2024, the Secretary of the Navy may enter into one  
25 or more contracts for the procurement of up to six Auxil-

1 iary Personnel Lighter class vessels and associated mate-  
2 rial.

3 (b) LIABILITY.—Any contract entered into under  
4 subsection (a) shall provide that—

5 (1) any obligation of the United States to make  
6 a payment under the contract is subject to the avail-  
7 ability of appropriations for that purpose; and

8 (2) the total liability of the Federal Government  
9 for termination of the contract shall be limited to  
10 the total amount of funding obligated to the contract  
11 at the time of termination.

12 **SEC. 125. LIMITATION ON REDUCTIONS TO V-22 AIRCRAFT**  
13 **NACELLE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.**

14 (a) LIMITATION.—Except as provided in subsection  
15 (b), the Secretary of Defense shall upgrade not fewer than  
16 24 V-22 aircraft under the V-22 nacelle improvement  
17 program in accordance with the plan for such program  
18 set forth in the budget of the President for fiscal year  
19 2024 (as submitted to Congress under section 1105(a) of  
20 title 31, United States Code).

21 (b) EXCEPTION.—The Secretary of Defense may re-  
22 duce the number of aircraft upgraded under subsection  
23 (a) below 24 if the Secretary certifies to the congressional  
24 defense committees that such reduction is in the interests  
25 of national security.

1 **SEC. 126. LIMITATION ON CONSIDERATION OF GOVERN-**  
2 **MENT-OPERATED DRY DOCKS IN CERTAIN**  
3 **CONTRACT SOLICITATIONS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to a solicitation of  
5 the Secretary of the Navy for the award of a contract for  
6 private sector non-nuclear surface ship maintenance in  
7 San Diego, California, the Secretary shall ensure, in ac-  
8 cordance with section 2466 of title 10, United States  
9 Code, that Government-operated dry docks are only in-  
10 cluded in such solicitation if there is insufficient capacity  
11 at privately-operated dry docks for performance of such  
12 contract.

13 (b) APPLICABILITY AND TERMINATION.—The prohi-  
14 bition under subsection (a) shall apply with respect to so-  
15 licitations for contracts issued after the date of the enact-  
16 ment of this Act and shall terminate on the date that is  
17 five years after such date of enactment.

18 **SEC. 127. ANNUAL REPORTS ON USE OF GOVERNMENT**  
19 **DOCKS FOR SHIP REPAIR AND MAINTEN-**  
20 **NANCE.**

21 Not later than June 30, 2024, and on an annual  
22 basis thereafter through 2028, the Secretary of the Navy  
23 shall submit to the congressional defense committees a re-  
24 port that—

25 (1) identifies each instance in the year pre-  
26 ceding the date of the report in which the Navy used

1 a Government dock for a ship repair and mainte-  
2 nance availability when sufficient capacity was avail-  
3 able in private docks during the period in which  
4 such repairs and maintenance were expected to be  
5 performed; and

6 (2) for each such instance, provides an expla-  
7 nation of the reasons the Navy used a Government  
8 dock rather than a private dock.

## 9 **Subtitle D—Air Force Programs**

### 10 **SEC. 131. LIMITATION ON RETIREMENT OF F-15 AIRCRAFT** 11 **AND MODIFICATION OF RELATED REPORT-** 12 **ING REQUIREMENT.**

13 (a) LIMITATION.—Section 9062 of title 10, United  
14 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
15 lowing new subsection:

16 “(1)(1) During the period beginning on the date of  
17 the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act  
18 for Fiscal Year 2024 and ending on September 30, 2029,  
19 the Secretary of the Air Force may not—

20 “(A) retire more than 68 F-15E aircraft;

21 “(B) reduce funding for unit personnel or  
22 weapon system sustainment activities for re-  
23 tained F-15E aircraft in a manner that pre-  
24 sumes future congressional authority to divest  
25 such aircraft; or

1           “(C) keep an F–15E aircraft (other than  
2           an aircraft identified for retirement under sub-  
3           paragraph (A)) in a status considered excess to  
4           the requirements of the possessing command  
5           and awaiting disposition instructions (commonly  
6           referred to as ‘XJ’ status).

7           “(2) The prohibition under paragraph (1) shall not  
8           apply to individual F–15E aircraft that the Secretary of  
9           the Air Force determines, on a case-by-case basis, to be  
10          no longer mission capable and uneconomical to repair be-  
11          cause of aircraft accidents, mishaps, or excessive material  
12          degradation and non-airworthiness status of certain air-  
13          craft.”.

14          (b) MODIFICATION TO REPORT REQUIRED BEFORE  
15          DIVESTMENT.—Section 150 of the James M. Inhofe Na-  
16          tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023  
17          (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2456) is amended—

18                 (1) in subsection (b)(1)—

19                         (A) in subparagraph (C)(ii), by striking  
20                         “and” at the end;

21                         (B) in subparagraph (D), by striking the  
22                         period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

23                         (C) by adding at the end the following new  
24                         subparagraph:

1                   “(E) for each F-15E aircraft that the Sec-  
2                   retary plans to divest, a description of—

3                   “(i) each upgrade and modification  
4                   made to such aircraft, including—

5                   “(I) the date of the upgrade or  
6                   modification; and

7                   “(II) the cost of such upgrade or  
8                   modification in current year dollars;  
9                   and

10                  “(ii) the estimated remaining service-  
11                  life (expressed as equivalent flight hours  
12                  and years) of—

13                  “(I) the aircraft; and

14                  “(II) the onboard systems of the  
15                  aircraft.”;

16                  (2) by redesignating subsection (c) as sub-  
17                  section (d); and

18                  (3) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-  
19                  lowing new subsection (c):

20                  “(c) ANNUAL UPDATES.—Not later than October 1,  
21                  2024, and not later than October 1 of each year thereafter  
22                  through 2029, the Secretary of the Air Force shall—

23                  “(1) update the report required under sub-  
24                  section (b); and

1           “(2) submit the updated report to the congres-  
2           sional defense committees.”.

3           (c) **CLARIFICATION OF RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN**  
4 **LIMITATIONS.**—The authority of the Secretary of the Air  
5 Force to retire F–15E aircraft to the extent allowed under  
6 subsection (l)(1)(A) of section 9062 of title 10, United  
7 States Code (as added by subsection (a) of this section)  
8 shall not apply until the Secretary complies with the re-  
9 quirements of section 150 of the James M. Inhofe Na-  
10 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023  
11 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2456) (as amended by  
12 subsection (b) of this section).

13 **SEC. 132. LIMITATIONS AND MINIMUM INVENTORY RE-**  
14 **QUIREMENT RELATING TO RQ–4 AIRCRAFT.**

15           Section 9062 of title 10, United States Code, as  
16 amended by section 131, is further amended by adding  
17 at the end the following new subsection:

18           “(m)(1) During the period beginning on the date of  
19 the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act  
20 for Fiscal Year 2024 and ending on September 30, 2028,  
21 the Secretary of the Air Force may not—

22           “(A) retire an RQ–4 aircraft;

23           “(B) reduce funding for unit personnel or  
24           weapon system sustainment activities for RQ–4 air-

1 aircraft in a manner that presumes future congress-  
2 sional authority to divest such aircraft;

3 “(C) keep an RQ–4 aircraft in a status consid-  
4 ered excess to the requirements of the possessing  
5 command and awaiting disposition instructions  
6 (commonly referred to as ‘XJ’ status); or

7 “(D) decrease the total aircraft inventory of  
8 RQ–4 aircraft below 10 aircraft.

9 “(2) The prohibition under paragraph (1) shall not  
10 apply to individual RQ–4 aircraft that the Secretary of  
11 the Air Force determines, on a case-by-case basis, to be  
12 no longer mission capable and uneconomical to repair be-  
13 cause of aircraft accidents, mishaps, or excessive material  
14 degradation and non-airworthiness status of certain air-  
15 craft.”.

16 **SEC. 133. TEMPORARY EXCEPTION TO MINIMUM INVEN-**  
17 **TORY REQUIREMENT FOR FIGHTER AIR-**  
18 **CRAFT OF THE AIR FORCE.**

19 (a) TEMPORARY AUTHORITY.—Notwithstanding sec-  
20 tion 9062(i)(1) of title 10, United States Code, during the  
21 covered period, the Secretary of the Air Force may de-  
22 crease the total quantity of fighter aircraft in the primary  
23 mission aircraft inventory of the Air Force to not fewer  
24 than 1,112 aircraft.

1 (b) TERMINATION.—Following expiration of the cov-  
2 ered period, the minimum primary mission aircraft inven-  
3 tory requirements specified in section 9062(i)(1) of title  
4 10, United States Code, shall apply as if this section had  
5 not been enacted.

6 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

7 (1) The term “covered period” means the pe-  
8 riod beginning on the date of the enactment of this  
9 Act and ending on October 1, 2024.

10 (2) The terms “fighter aircraft” and “primary  
11 mission aircraft inventory” have the meanings given  
12 those terms in section 9062(i)(2) of title 10, United  
13 States Code.

14 **SEC. 134. MODIFICATION OF MINIMUM INVENTORY RE-**  
15 **QUIREMENTS FOR C-130 AIRCRAFT.**

16 (a) MINIMUM INVENTORY REQUIREMENT.—Section  
17 146(a)(3)(B) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense  
18 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–  
19 263; 136 Stat. 2455) is amended by striking “2023” and  
20 inserting “2024”.

21 (b) PROHIBITION ON REDUCTION OF C-130 AIR-  
22 CRAFT ASSIGNED TO NATIONAL GUARD.—Section  
23 146(b)(1) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Au-  
24 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–

1 263; 136 Stat. 2455) is amended by striking “fiscal year  
2 2023” and inserting “fiscal years 2023 and 2024”.

3 **SEC. 135. MODIFICATION OF ANNUAL REPORTS ON T-7A AD-  
4 VANCED PILOT TRAINING SYSTEM.**

5 Section 156 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense  
6 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-  
7 263; 136 Stat. 2460) is amended—

8 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “through  
9 2028” and inserting “through 2033”; and

10 (2) in subsection (b)—

11 (A) by redesignating paragraph (9) as  
12 paragraph (11); and

13 (B) by inserting after paragraph (8) the  
14 following new paragraphs:

15 “(9) A schedule risk assessment, conducted by  
16 the Secretary of the Air Force at the 80 percent  
17 confidence level, that includes risks associated with  
18 the overlap of the development, testing, and produc-  
19 tion phases of the program and risks related to con-  
20 tractor management.

21 “(10) A plan for determining the conditions  
22 under which the Secretary of the Air Force may ac-  
23 cept production work on the T-7A Advanced Pilot  
24 Training System that was completed by the con-  
25 tractor for the program in anticipation of the Air

1 Force ordering additional systems, but which was  
2 not subject to typical production oversight because  
3 there was no contract for the procurement of such  
4 additional systems in effect when such work was  
5 performed.”.

6 **SEC. 136. MODIFICATION TO PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN RE-**  
7 **DUCTIONS TO B-1 BOMBER AIRCRAFT**  
8 **SQUADRONS.**

9 Section 133 of the National Defense Authorization  
10 Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat.  
11 1574) is amended—

12 (1) by amending subsection (b) to read as fol-  
13 lows:

14 “(b) EXCEPTIONS.—The prohibition under sub-  
15 section (a) shall not apply—

16 “(1) to a bomb wing for which the Secretary of  
17 the Air Force has commenced the process of replac-  
18 ing B–1 bomber aircraft with B–21 bomber aircraft;  
19 or

20 “(2) so as to prohibit the retirement of the indi-  
21 vidual B–1 aircraft designated 85–0089, which has  
22 been determined by Secretary of the Air Force to be  
23 no longer mission capable and uneconomical to re-  
24 pair due to damage sustained on April 20, 2022.”;  
25 and

1           (2) in subsection (c)(1), by striking “and end-  
2           ing on September 30, 2023” and inserting “and  
3           ending on September 30, 2026”.

4 **SEC. 137. MODIFICATION OF MINIMUM INVENTORY RE-**  
5 **QUIREMENTS FOR A-10 AIRCRAFT.**

6           (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 134(d) of the National  
7 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public  
8 Law 114–328; 130 Stat. 2038), as amended by section  
9 141(b)(1) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Au-  
10 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–  
11 263; 136 Stat. 2452), is amended by striking “153 A-  
12 10 aircraft” and inserting “135 A–10 aircraft”.

13           (b) POTENTIAL TRANSFER OF CERTAIN AIR-  
14 CRAFT.—In the case of any A–10 aircraft that is retired,  
15 prepared to retire, or placed in storage using funds au-  
16 thorized to be appropriated by this Act or by the National  
17 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public  
18 Law 117–263), the Secretary of Defense shall ensure that  
19 such aircraft is evaluated for potential transfer to the mili-  
20 tary forces of a nation that is an ally or partner of the  
21 United States.

22           (c) REPEAL.—Section 142 of the National Defense  
23 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law 114–  
24 92; 129 Stat. 755) is amended—

25           (1) by striking subsection (b);

1           (2) by redesignating subsections (c) through (e)  
2           as subsections (b) through (d), respectively; and  
3           (3) in subsection (c), as so redesignated, by  
4           striking “subsection (c)” and inserting “subsection  
5           (b)”.

6   **SEC. 138. PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY FOR OVER-THE-HORI-**  
7                           **ZON RADAR SYSTEMS.**

8           (a) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after the  
9           date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the  
10          Air Force shall seek to enter into one or more contracts  
11          for the procurement of up to six over-the-horizon radar  
12          systems that meet the requirements of the United States  
13          Northern Command with respect to the detection of in-  
14          creasingly complex threats.

15          (b) USE OF COMPETITIVE PROCEDURES AND SOLE-  
16          SOURCE CONTRACTS.—

17                 (1) INITIAL CONTRACTS.—With respect to the  
18                 award of a contract for the procurement of the first  
19                 two over-the-horizon radar systems under subsection  
20                 (a)—

21                         (A) the Secretary of the Air Force may use  
22                         procedures other than competitive procedures  
23                         (in accordance with section 3204 of title 10,  
24                         United States Code) if the Secretary determines

1 it is not feasible to use competitive procedures;  
2 and

3 (B) if the Secretary makes a determination  
4 to award a sole source contract for such pro-  
5 curement in order to meet the requirements es-  
6 tablished by the Commander of the United  
7 States Northern Command, not later than 14  
8 days after making such determination, the Sec-  
9 retary shall submit to the congressional defense  
10 committees a notification of such determination,  
11 including the rationale for such determination.

12 (2) SUBSEQUENT CONTRACTS.—The Secretary  
13 of the Air Force shall use competitive procedures for  
14 the award of a contract for the procurement of the  
15 third and any subsequent over-the-horizon radar sys-  
16 tems under subsection (a).

17 (3) COMPETITIVE PROCEDURES DEFINED.—In  
18 this section, the term “competitive procedures” has  
19 the meaning given that term in section 3012 of title  
20 10, United States Code.

21 **SEC. 139. PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**  
22 **RETIREMENT OF KC-135 AIRCRAFT.**

23 (a) PROHIBITION.—Except as provided in subsection  
24 (b), none of the funds authorized to be appropriated by  
25 this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024

1 for the Air Force may be obligated or expended to retire,  
2 or prepare to retire, a KC-135 aircraft.

3 (b) EXCEPTION.—The prohibition under subsection  
4 (a) shall not apply to individual KC-135 aircraft that the  
5 Secretary of the Air Force determines, on a case-by-case  
6 basis, to be no longer mission capable and uneconomical  
7 to repair because of aircraft accidents, mishaps, or exces-  
8 sive material degradation and non-airworthiness status of  
9 certain aircraft.

10 **SEC. 140. PROHIBITION ON REDUCTION OF KC-135 AIR-**  
11 **CRAFT IN PMAI OF THE RESERVE COMPO-**  
12 **NENTS.**

13 (a) PROHIBITION.—None of the funds authorized to  
14 be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available  
15 for fiscal year 2024 for the Air Force may be obligated  
16 or expended to reduce the number of KC-135 aircraft des-  
17 igned as primary mission aircraft inventory within the  
18 reserve components of the Air Force.

19 (b) PRIMARY MISSION AIRCRAFT INVENTORY DE-  
20 FINED.—In this section, the term “primary mission air-  
21 craft inventory” has the meaning given that term in sec-  
22 tion 9062(i)(2)(B) of title 10, United States Code.

1 **SEC. 141. LIMITATION ON ISSUANCE OF ACQUISITION**  
2 **STRATEGY FOR THE KC-135 RECAPITALIZA-**  
3 **TION PROGRAM.**

4 The Secretary of the Air Force may not issue an ac-  
5 quisition strategy for the KC-135 recapitalization pro-  
6 gram until the date on which the Secretary submits to  
7 the congressional defense committees the following docu-  
8 mentation:

9 (1) An updated tanker roadmap timeline to in-  
10 clude procurement of the Next Generation Air Re-  
11 fueling System.

12 (2) The business case analysis of the Air Force  
13 for the KC-135 recapitalization program.

14 (3) Validated requirements from the Joint Staff  
15 for the contract competition under the KC-135 re-  
16 capitalization program.

17 **SEC. 142. PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN REDUCTIONS TO IN-**  
18 **VENTORY OF E-3 AIRBORNE WARNING AND**  
19 **CONTROL SYSTEM AIRCRAFT.**

20 (a) PROHIBITION.—Except as provided in subsections  
21 (b) and (c), none of the funds authorized to be appro-  
22 priated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal  
23 year 2024 for the Air Force may be obligated or expended  
24 to retire, prepare to retire, or place in storage or in backup  
25 aircraft inventory any E-3 aircraft if such actions would

1 reduce the total aircraft inventory of such aircraft below  
2 16.

3 (b) EXCEPTION FOR PLAN.—If the Secretary of the  
4 Air Force submits to the congressional defense committees  
5 a plan for maintaining readiness and ensuring there is no  
6 lapse in mission capabilities, the prohibition under sub-  
7 section (a) shall not apply to actions taken to reduce the  
8 total aircraft inventory of E–3 aircraft to below 16, begin-  
9 ning 30 days after the date on which the plan is so sub-  
10 mitted.

11 (c) EXCEPTION FOR E–7 PROCUREMENT.—If the  
12 Secretary of the Air Force procures enough E–7  
13 Wedgetail aircraft to accomplish the required mission  
14 load, the prohibition under subsection (a) shall not apply  
15 to actions taken to reduce the total aircraft inventory of  
16 E–3 aircraft to below 16 after the date on which such E–  
17 7 Wedgetail aircraft are delivered.

18 **SEC. 143. PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**  
19 **TERMINATION OF PRODUCTION LINES FOR**  
20 **THE HH–60W AIRCRAFT.**

21 None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by  
22 this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024  
23 for the Air Force may be obligated or expended to termi-  
24 nate the operations of, or to prepare to terminate the oper-

1 ations of, a production line for HH-60W Combat Rescue  
2 Helicopters.

3 **SEC. 144. LIMITATION ON RETIREMENT OF F-16C/D AIR-**  
4 **CRAFT.**

5 (a) LIMITATION.—Beginning on the date of the en-  
6 actment of this Act and except as provided in subsection  
7 (b), the Secretary of the Air Force may not retire, prepare  
8 to retire, or place in storage or on backup aircraft inven-  
9 tory status any F-16C/D aircraft until a period of 180  
10 days has elapsed following the date on which the Secretary  
11 submits the report required under section 148.

12 (b) EXCEPTION.—The limitation under subsection  
13 (a) shall not apply to individual F-16C/D aircraft that  
14 the Secretary of the Air Force determines, on a case-by-  
15 case basis, to be no longer mission capable and uneco-  
16 nomical to repair because of aircraft accidents, mishaps,  
17 or excessive material degradation and non-airworthiness  
18 status of certain aircraft.

19 (c) INFORMATION TO CONGRESS.—For each F-16C/  
20 D aircraft that the Secretary of the Air Force proposes  
21 to retire in a fiscal year, the Secretary shall include, in  
22 the materials submitted by the Secretary in support of the  
23 budget of the President for that fiscal year (as submitted  
24 to Congress under section 1105(a) of title 31, United  
25 States Code), a description of—

1 (1) each upgrade and modification made to  
2 such aircraft, including—

3 (A) the date of the upgrade or modifica-  
4 tion; and

5 (B) the cost of such upgrade or modifica-  
6 tion in current year dollars; and

7 (2) the estimated remaining service-life (ex-  
8 pressed as equivalent flight hours and years) of—

9 (A) the aircraft; and

10 (B) the onboard systems of the aircraft.

11 **SEC. 145. LIMITATION ON PROCUREMENT OF KC-46A AIR-**  
12 **CRAFT.**

13 (a) LIMITATION.—The Secretary of the Air Force  
14 may not procure more than six KC-46A aircraft under  
15 the final lot of the covered contract unless—

16 (1)(A) the Secretary submits to the congress-  
17 sional defense committees written notice of the in-  
18 tent of the Secretary to procure more than six KC-  
19 46A aircraft under the final lot of the covered con-  
20 tract; and

21 (B) a period of 180 days has elapsed following  
22 the date on which such notice was submitted; or

23 (2) the Secretary submits to the congressional  
24 defense committees written certification by the As-



1           (2) such solution resolves all issues identified in  
2           the category 1 deficiency reports for such systems,  
3           except for issues relating to the panoramic system.

4           (b) **ACTIONS DESCRIBED.**—The actions described in  
5           this subsection are the following:

6           (1) Approving the incorporation of version 2.0  
7           of the KC-46A remote vision system into production  
8           aircraft (other than an aircraft specifically used to  
9           test and validate that version of the system).

10          (2) Retrofitting aircraft with version 2.0 of the  
11          KC-46A remote vision system (other than an air-  
12          craft specifically used to test and validate that  
13          version of the system).

14       **SEC. 147. LIMITATION ON RETIREMENT OF T-1A TRAINING**  
15                               **AIRCRAFT.**

16          The Secretary of the Air Force may not retire, pre-  
17          pare to retire, or place in storage or on backup aircraft  
18          inventory status any T-1A training aircraft until the date  
19          on which the Secretary submits to the congressional de-  
20          fense committees—

21               (1) a certification indicating that the Secretary  
22               has completed the full, fleet-wide implementation of  
23               the Undergraduate Pilot Training curriculum (for-  
24               merly known as the “Undergraduate Pilot Training  
25               2.5” curriculum); and

1 (2) a written assessment of—

2 (A) the effect of the implementation of the  
3 Undergraduate Pilot Training curriculum on  
4 the availability and training completion rates of  
5 undergraduate pilot trainees; and

6 (B) how the retirement of T-1A training  
7 aircraft may affect programs and initiatives of  
8 the Air Force to accelerate the rate at which pi-  
9 lots complete training.

10 **SEC. 148. PLAN FOR LONG-TERM AIR FORCE FIGHTER**  
11 **FORCE STRUCTURE.**

12 (a) **PLAN REQUIRED.**—The Secretary of the Air  
13 Force, in consultation with the Director of the Air Na-  
14 tional Guard and the Commander of the Air Force Re-  
15 serve, shall develop a long-term tactical fighter force struc-  
16 ture, recapitalization, training, and sustainment plan for  
17 the active and reserve components of the Air Force.

18 (b) **ELEMENTS.**—The plan under subsection (a) shall  
19 address each of the following:

20 (1) The appropriate mix of tactical fighter air-  
21 craft force structure, with accompanying operational  
22 risk analyses, required for the Secretary of the Air  
23 Force to meet expected steady-state, global force  
24 management allocation plans and geographical com-  
25 batant commander contingency operational plans

1       tasked to the Air Force using active and reserve  
2       component units.

3           (2) The procurement, divestment, unit activa-  
4       tion, deactivation, or re-missioning plans or actions  
5       the Secretary plans to implement, fiscal year-by-fis-  
6       cal year, unit-by-unit, for the next 12 years for each  
7       active and reserve component tactical fighter aircraft  
8       unit existing as of the date of the enactment of this  
9       Act, including the rationale and justification for any  
10      such plans or actions.

11          (3) The actions the Secretary will take to en-  
12      sure that required operational readiness rates are  
13      maintained during any planned recapitalization,  
14      modernization, or change of mission affecting tac-  
15      tical fighter aircraft units.

16          (4) Any plans of the Secretary to augment or  
17      supplant existing piloted tactical fighter aircraft ca-  
18      pability or capacity with Collaborative Combat Air-  
19      craft Increment 1 or Increment 2 capability or ca-  
20      pacity.

21          (5) Any plans of the Secretary to augment or  
22      supplant existing piloted tactical fighter aircraft  
23      training events via acquisition and fielding of com-  
24      mon, joint, all-domain, high-fidelity synthetic simula-  
25      tion environments.

1 (c) REPORT.—Not later than April 1, 2024, the Sec-  
2 retary of the Air Force shall submit to the congressional  
3 defense committees a report that includes the plan devel-  
4 oped under subsection (a).

5 (d) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required under  
6 subsection (c) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but  
7 may contain a classified annex.

8 **Subtitle E—Defense-wide, Joint,**  
9 **and Multiservice Matters**

10 **SEC. 151. ANNUAL REPORT ON FORCE STRUCTURE**  
11 **CHANGES EXHIBIT FOR THE DEFENSE BUDG-**  
12 **ET.**

13 Chapter 9 of title 10, United States Code, is amended  
14 by inserting after section 233 the following new section:

15 **“§ 233a. Annual report on force structure changes ex-**  
16 **hibit for the defense budget**

17 “(a) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than 10 days after  
18 the date on which the budget of the President for a fiscal  
19 year is submitted to Congress pursuant to section 1105  
20 of title 31, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the  
21 congressional defense committees a report on any major  
22 weapon systems proposed to be divested, re-prioritized, or  
23 retired in such budget.

24 “(b) CONTENTS.—Each report under subsection (a)  
25 shall include the following:

1           “(1) Identification of each major weapon sys-  
2           tem the Secretary of Defense proposes to divest, re-  
3           prioritize, or retire in the period of five fiscal years  
4           following the date of the report.

5           “(2) Budget line-item details related to each  
6           major weapon system identified under paragraph  
7           (1).

8           “(3) For each proposed divestment, re-  
9           prioritization, or retirement, an explanation of—

10                   “(A) the timeline for the divestment, re-  
11                   prioritization, or retirement, including any fac-  
12                   tors that may affect such timelines positively or  
13                   negatively;

14                   “(B) any cost savings associated with the  
15                   divestment, re-prioritization, or retirement;

16                   “(C) the rationale for the divestment, re-  
17                   prioritization, or retirement, including a quali-  
18                   tative description of the risk associated with the  
19                   divestment, re-prioritization, or retirement  
20                   based on the most recent National Defense  
21                   Strategy (as of the date of the report);

22                   “(D) any critical dependencies with other  
23                   program efforts that might affect the timeline  
24                   for such divestment, reprioritization, or retire-  
25                   ment;

1           “(E) the expected disposition of the weap-  
2           on system after divestment, re-prioritization or  
3           retirement; and

4           “(F) identification of the system or sys-  
5           tems that are expected to satisfy the military  
6           requirements that were fulfilled by the weapon  
7           system once the divestment, re-prioritization, or  
8           retirement of that weapon system is completed.

9           “(c) RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER REPORTS.—The Sec-  
10          retary of Defense shall ensure that the report required  
11          under subsection (a) is deconflicted with the report re-  
12          quired under section 222e of this title.

13          “(d) MAJOR WEAPON SYSTEM DEFINED.—In this  
14          section, the term ‘major weapon system’ has the meaning  
15          given that term in section 3455(f) of this title.”.

16          **SEC. 152. MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY FOR DO-**  
17                                   **MESTICALLY PROCESSED CRITICAL MIN-**  
18                                   **ERALS.**

19          (a) AUTHORITY FOR MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT.—  
20          Subject to section 3501 of title 10, United States Code,  
21          and from amounts made available by discretionary appro-  
22          priations Acts from the National Defense Stockpile Trans-  
23          action Fund (as established under section 9(a) of the Stra-  
24          tegic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C.  
25          98h(a))) after the date of the enactment of this Act, the

1 Secretary of Defense may enter into one or more multiyear  
2 contracts for the procurement of critical minerals that are  
3 processed in the United States by domestic sources.

4 (b) APPLICATION OF STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MA-  
5 TERIALS STOCK PILING ACT.—A multiyear contract en-  
6 tered into under this section shall be deemed to be an ac-  
7 quisition under the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock  
8 Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98 et seq.).

9 (c) AUTHORITY FOR ADVANCE PROCUREMENT.—The  
10 Secretary of Defense may enter into one or more con-  
11 tracts, beginning in fiscal year 2024, for advance procure-  
12 ment associated with the domestically processed critical  
13 minerals for which authorization to enter into a multiyear  
14 procurement contract is provided under subsection (a).

15 (d) CONDITION FOR OUT-YEAR CONTRACT PAY-  
16 MENTS.—A contract entered into under subsection (a)  
17 shall provide that any obligation of the United States to  
18 make a payment under the contract for a fiscal year after  
19 fiscal year 2024 is subject to the availability of appropria-  
20 tions or funds for that purpose for such later fiscal year.

21 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

22 (1) The term “critical mineral” means a min-  
23 eral determined to be a strategic and critical mate-  
24 rial under section 3(a) of the Strategic and Critical  
25 Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98b(a)).

1           (2) The term “processed” means the processing  
2           or recycling of a critical mineral or magnet, includ-  
3           ing the separation, reduction, metallization, alloying,  
4           milling, pressing, strip casting, and sintering of a  
5           critical mineral.

6           (3) The term “domestic source” has the mean-  
7           ing given that term in section 702 of the Defense  
8           Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4552).

9   **SEC. 153. PROHIBITION ON SOLICITATION OF PROPRI-**  
10                           **ETARY ARMOR FOR CERTAIN TACTICAL VEHI-**  
11                           **CLES.**

12           (a) PROHIBITION.—The Secretary of Defense may  
13           not include in a solicitation for a tactical tracked vehicle  
14           or tactical wheeled vehicle a requirement that such vehicle  
15           use proprietary armor.

16           (b) APPLICABILITY.—Subsection (a) shall not apply  
17           to a contract for the procurement of a tactical tracked ve-  
18           hicle or tactical wheeled vehicle entered into before the  
19           date of the enactment of this Act.

20   **SEC. 154. PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**  
21                           **PROCUREMENT OF CERTAIN BATTERIES.**

22           (a) LIMITATION.—Beginning on October 1, 2027,  
23           none of the funds authorized to be appropriated or other-  
24           wise made available for the Department of Defense may

1 be obligated or expended to procure a battery produced  
2 by an entity specified in subsection (b).

3 (b) ENTITIES SPECIFIED.—The entities specified in  
4 this subsection are the following:

5 (1) Contemporary Amperex Technology Com-  
6 pany, Limited (also known as “CATL”).

7 (2) BYD Company, Limited.

8 (3) Envision Energy, Limited.

9 (4) EVE Energy Company, Limited.

10 (5) Gotion High tech Company, Limited.

11 (6) Hithium Energy Storage Technology com-  
12 pany, Limited.

13 (7) Any successor to an entity specified in para-  
14 graphs (1) through (6).

15 (c) TREATMENT OF PRODUCTION.—For purposes of  
16 this section, a battery shall be treated as produced by an  
17 entity specified in subsection (b) if that entity—

18 (1) assembles or manufactures the final prod-  
19 uct; or

20 (2) creates or otherwise provides a majority of  
21 the components used in the battery.

22 (d) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may waive  
23 the limitation under subsection (a).

1 **TITLE II—RESEARCH, DEVELOP-**  
2 **MENT, TEST, AND EVALUA-**  
3 **TION**

Subtitle A—Authorization of Appropriations

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Sec. 232. Pilot program to facilitate access to advanced technology developed by small businesses for ground vehicle systems of the Army.

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- Sec. 241. Joint Energetics Transition Office.
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- Sec. 251. Congressional notification of changes to Department of Defense policy on autonomy in weapon systems.
- Sec. 252. Audit to identify diversion of Department of Defense funding to China’s research labs.
- Sec. 253. Annual review of status of implementation plan for digital engineering career tracks.

1           **Subtitle A—Authorization of**  
2                                   **Appropriations**

3   **SEC. 201. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

4           Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for  
5 fiscal year 2024 for the use of the Department of Defense  
6 for research, development, test, and evaluation, as speci-  
7 fied in the funding table in section 4201.

8   **Subtitle    B—Program    Require-**  
9                   **ments, Restrictions, and Limita-**  
10                  **tions**

11   **SEC. 211. ANNUAL REPORT ON UNFUNDED PRIORITIES OF**  
12                                   **THE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR**  
13                                   **RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING.**

14           Chapter 9 of title 10, United States Code, is amended  
15 by inserting after section 222d the following new section:

1 **“§ 222e. Unfunded priorities of the Under Secretary**  
2 **of Defense for Research and Engineering:**  
3 **annual report**

4 “(a) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than 10 days after  
5 the date on which the budget of the President for a fiscal  
6 year is submitted to Congress pursuant to section 1105  
7 of title 31, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the  
8 congressional defense committees a report on the un-  
9 funded priorities of the Department of Defense related to  
10 activities for which the Under Secretary of Defense for  
11 Research and Engineering has authority.

12 “(b) ELEMENTS.—

13 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in sub-  
14 section (c), each report submitted under subsection  
15 (a) shall specify, for each unfunded priority covered  
16 by such report, the following:

17 “(A) A summary description of such pri-  
18 ority, including the objectives to be achieved if  
19 such priority is funded (whether in whole or in  
20 part).

21 “(B) The additional amount of funds rec-  
22 ommended in connection with the objectives  
23 under subparagraph (A).

24 “(C) Account information with respect to  
25 such priority, including the following (as appli-  
26 cable):

1 “(i) Line Item Number (LIN) for ap-  
2 plicable procurement accounts.

3 “(ii) Program Element (PE) number  
4 for applicable research, development, test,  
5 and evaluation accounts.

6 “(2) PRIORITIZATION OF PRIORITIES.—The re-  
7 port under subsection (a) shall present the unfunded  
8 priorities covered by such report in order of urgency  
9 of priority.

10 “(c) EXCLUSION OF PRIORITIES COVERED IN OTHER  
11 REPORTS.—The report submitted under subsection (a)  
12 shall not include unfunded priorities or requirements cov-  
13 ered in reports submitted under—

14 “(1) section 222a or 222b of this title; or

15 “(2) section 2806 of the National Defense Au-  
16 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law  
17 115–91; 10 U.S.C. 222a note).

18 “(d) FORM OF REPORT.—Each report submitted  
19 under subsection (a) shall be submitted in classified form,  
20 but may include an unclassified summary as the Secretary  
21 considers appropriate.

22 “(e) UNFUNDED PRIORITY DEFINED.—In this sec-  
23 tion, the term ‘unfunded priority’, in the case of a fiscal  
24 year, means a program, activity, or mission requirement,  
25 that—

1           “(1) is not funded in the budget of the Presi-  
2           dent for the fiscal year as submitted to Congress  
3           pursuant to section 1105 of title 31; and

4           “(2) would have been recommended for funding  
5           through that budget if—

6                   “(A) additional resources had been avail-  
7                   able for the budget to fund the program, activ-  
8                   ity, or mission requirement; or

9                   “(B) the program, activity, or mission re-  
10                  quirement has emerged since the budget was  
11                  formulated.”.

12 **SEC. 212. DELEGATION OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR CERTAIN**  
13 **RESEARCH PROGRAMS.**

14           Section 980(b) of title 10, United States Code, is  
15 amended—

16           (1) by inserting “(1)” before “The Secretary”;  
17           and

18           (2) by adding at the end the following new  
19           paragraph:

20           “(2) The Secretary may delegate the authority pro-  
21           vided by paragraph (1) to the Under Secretary of Defense  
22           for Research and Engineering.”.

1 **SEC. 213. MODIFICATION TO PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT**  
2 **AUTHORITY TO ATTRACT EXPERTS IN**  
3 **SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING.**

4 Section 4092(b) of title 10, United States Code, is  
5 amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking “, of which  
7 not more than 5 such positions may be positions of  
8 administration or management of the Agency”; and

9 (2) by amending paragraph (4) to read as fol-  
10 lows:

11 “(4) during any fiscal year—

12 “(A) pay up to 15 individuals newly ap-  
13 pointed pursuant to paragraph (1)(B) the trav-  
14 el, transportation, and relocation expenses and  
15 services described under sections 5724, 5724a,  
16 and 5724c of title 5; and

17 “(B) pay up to 15 individuals previously  
18 appointed pursuant to such paragraph, upon  
19 separation, the travel, transportation, and relo-  
20 cation expenses and services described under  
21 such sections (as applicable).”.

22 **SEC. 214. CLARIFYING ROLE OF PARTNERSHIP INTER-**  
23 **MEDIARIES TO PROMOTE DEFENSE RE-**  
24 **SEARCH AND EDUCATION.**

25 Section 4124(f)(2) of title 10, United States Code,  
26 is amended—

1 (1) by striking “that assists” and inserting the  
2 following: “that—

3 “(A) assists”;

4 (2) in subparagraph (A), as designated by para-  
5 graph (1), by striking the period at the end and in-  
6 serting a semicolon; and

7 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
8 paragraphs:

9 “(B) facilitates technology transfer from indus-  
10 try or academic institutions to a Center; or

11 “(C) assists and facilitates workforce develop-  
12 ment in critical technology areas for technology  
13 transition activities to fulfill unmet needs of a Cen-  
14 ter.”.

15 **SEC. 215. NAVAL AIR WARFARE RAPID CAPABILITIES OF-**  
16 **FICE.**

17 Chapter 803 of title 10, United States Code, is  
18 amended by adding at the end the following new section:

19 **“§ 8029. Naval Air Warfare Rapid Capabilities Office**

20 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established within  
21 the Department of the Navy an office to be known as the  
22 Naval Air Warfare Rapid Capabilities Office (in this sec-  
23 tion referred to as the ‘Office’).

1           “(b) HEAD OF OFFICE.—The head of the Office shall  
2 be the designee of the Commander of the Naval Air Sys-  
3 tems Command.

4           “(c) MISSION.—The mission of the Office shall be—  
5           “(1) to fulfill naval and joint military oper-  
6 ational requirements by supporting the identification  
7 and rapid development of—

8                   “(A) new naval aviation weapons and air-  
9 borne electronic warfare capabilities;

10                   “(B) innovative applications for existing  
11 naval aviation weapons and airborne electronic  
12 warfare capabilities; and

13                   “(C) other innovative solutions to enhance  
14 the effectiveness of naval aviation weapons and  
15 airborne electronic warfare capabilities; and

16           “(2) to contribute to the rapid experimentation,  
17 development, testing, and fielding of unclassified and  
18 classified naval aviation weapons and airborne elec-  
19 tronic warfare capabilities.

20           “(d) ACQUISITION AUTHORITIES.—

21           “(1) IN GENERAL.—To procure goods or serv-  
22 ices for the Office, the senior contracting official (as  
23 defined in section 1737 of this title) and any mem-  
24 bers of the acquisition workforce for the Department  
25 of the Navy may use—

1           “(A) any applicable pathway of the adapt-  
2           ive acquisition framework (as described in De-  
3           partment of Defense Instruction 5000.02, ‘Op-  
4           eration of the Adaptive Acquisition Frame-  
5           work’); and

6           “(B) any other alternative acquisition  
7           pathway that allows for accelerated or flexible  
8           methods of contracting.

9           “(2) INAPPLICABILITY OF JCIDS.—The Joint  
10          Capabilities Integration and Development System  
11          process shall not apply to procurements described in  
12          paragraph (1).

13          “(e) REQUIRED PROGRAM ELEMENTS.—The Sec-  
14          retary of the Navy shall ensure, within budget program  
15          elements for naval air warfare programs, that—

16                 “(1) there are separate, dedicated program ele-  
17                 ments for naval air warfare rapid capabilities; and

18                 “(2) the Office executes the responsibilities of  
19                 the Office using such program elements.

20          “(f) EXECUTIVE OVERSIGHT BOARD.—

21                 “(1) IN GENERAL.—There is an executive over-  
22                 sight board for the Office which shall consist of the  
23                 officials specified in paragraph (2). The executive  
24                 oversight board shall provide prioritization, over-  
25                 sight, and approval of projects of the Office.

1           “(2) OFFICIALS SPECIFIED.—The officials spec-  
2           ified in this paragraph are the following:

3                   “(A) The Vice Chief of Naval Operations.

4                   “(B) The Assistant Commandant of the  
5           Marine Corps.

6                   “(C) The Assistant Secretary of the Navy  
7           for Research, Development and Acquisition.

8                   “(D) The Commander of the Naval Air  
9           Systems Command.

10          “(g) ANNUAL REPORTS AND BRIEFINGS.—

11               “(1) REPORT.—On an annual basis, the head of  
12           the Office shall submit to the executive oversight  
13           board described in subsection (f) a report on the ac-  
14           tivities of the Office.

15               “(2) BRIEFING.—On an annual basis following  
16           the submittal of the report under paragraph (1), the  
17           Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Devel-  
18           opment and Acquisition shall provide to the Commit-  
19           tees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House  
20           of Representatives a briefing on the activities of the  
21           Office.

22               “(3) ELEMENTS.—Each report under para-  
23           graph (1) and briefing under paragraph (2) shall in-  
24           clude, with respect to the year preceding the date of

1 the report or briefing (as applicable), a description  
2 of—

3 “(A) funding allocations for the projects of  
4 the Office;

5 “(B) capability gaps addressed by the Of-  
6 fice;

7 “(C) the progress of the Office in experi-  
8 menting, developing, testing, and fielding capa-  
9 bilities described in subsection (c); and

10 “(D) any barriers to the ability of the Of-  
11 fice to carry out its mission, including any legis-  
12 lative or regulatory barriers.”.

13 **SEC. 216. MODIFICATION OF SUPPORT FOR RESEARCH AND**  
14 **DEVELOPMENT OF BIOINDUSTRIAL MANU-**  
15 **FACTURING PROCESSES.**

16 Section 215(c)(1) of the James M. Inhofe National  
17 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public  
18 Law 117–263; 10 U.S.C. 4841 note) is amended by insert-  
19 ing “pharmaceutical biologics and associated precursor  
20 materials,” after “commodity chemicals,”.

21 **SEC. 217. MODIFICATION TO ADMINISTRATION OF THE AD-**  
22 **VANCED SENSORS APPLICATION PROGRAM.**

23 Section 218 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense  
24 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–  
25 263; 136 Stat. 2476) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (a)—

2 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “The  
3 Commander of Naval Air Systems Command  
4 and the Director of Air Warfare shall jointly  
5 serve as the resource sponsors” and inserting  
6 “The Under Secretary of Defense for Intel-  
7 ligence and Security, acting through the Direc-  
8 tor of the Concepts, Development, and Manage-  
9 ment Office of the Air Force, shall serve as the  
10 resource sponsor”; and

11 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “The re-  
12 source sponsors of the Program shall be respon-  
13 sible” and inserting “The resource sponsor of  
14 the Program, in consultation with the Com-  
15 mander of Naval Air Systems Command, shall  
16 be responsible”;

17 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “Only the Sec-  
18 retary of the Navy, the Under Secretary of the  
19 Navy, and the Commander of Naval Air Systems  
20 Command may” and inserting “Only the Under Sec-  
21 retary of Defense for Intelligence and Security and  
22 the Director of the Concepts, Development, and  
23 Management Office of the Air Force, in consultation  
24 with the Commander of Naval Air Systems Com-  
25 mand, may”; and

1           (3) in subsection (d)(3), by striking “exercised  
2           by the Commander of Naval Air Systems Command,  
3           the Secretary of the Navy, or the Under Secretary  
4           of the Navy” and inserting “exercised by the Under  
5           Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security,  
6           the Director of the Concepts, Development, and  
7           Management Office of the Air Force, or the Com-  
8           mander of Naval Air Systems Command”.

9   **SEC. 218. MATTERS PERTAINING TO HYPERSONIC CAPA-**  
10                           **BILITIES AND TESTING STRATEGIES.**

11           (a) BIENNIAL UPDATES TO HYPERSONICS TESTING  
12   STRATEGY.—Section 237(c) of the National Defense Au-  
13   thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–  
14   263; 136 Stat. 2492) is amended by adding at the end  
15   the following new paragraph:

16                   “(4) BIENNIAL UPDATES.—

17                           “(A) IN GENERAL.—Not less frequently  
18                   than once every two years after the submittal of  
19                   the initial strategy under paragraph (1), the  
20                   Secretary of Defense shall—

21                                   “(i) revise and update the strategy;

22                                   and

23                                   “(ii) submit the revised and updated  
24                   strategy to the appropriate congressional  
25                   committees.

1           “(B) SUNSET.—The requirement to pre-  
2           pare and submit updates under this paragraph  
3           shall terminate on December 31, 2030.”.

4           (b) LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS PEND-  
5           ING SUBMITTAL OF STRATEGY.—Of the funds authorized  
6           to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available  
7           for fiscal year 2024, and available for the Office of the  
8           Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering  
9           for the travel of persons, not more than 90 percent may  
10          be obligated or expended until the date on which the Sec-  
11          retary of Defense submits to the congressional defense  
12          committees the strategy required under section 237(c)(1)  
13          of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
14          2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2492).

15          (c) EVALUATION OF POTENTIAL HYPERSONIC TEST  
16          RANGES.—

17                 (1) STUDY.—The Secretary of Defense shall  
18                 conduct a study to evaluate not fewer than two pos-  
19                 sible locations in the United States, selected in con-  
20                 sultation with the Under Secretary of Defense for  
21                 Research and Engineering, that have potential to be  
22                 used as additional corridors for long-distance  
23                 hypersonic system testing.

24                 (2) ACTIVITIES UNDER NATIONAL ENVIRON-  
25                 MENTAL POLICY ACT.—Following the completion of

1 the study under paragraph (1), the Secretary of De-  
2 fense shall initiate any activities required under the  
3 National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42  
4 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) in connection with the conduct  
5 of long-distance hypersonic system testing at the lo-  
6 cations evaluated under the study.

7 (3) REPORT.—Not later than December 31,  
8 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the  
9 congressional defense committees, the Committee on  
10 Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate, and  
11 the Committee on Natural Resources of the House  
12 of Representatives a report on the results of the  
13 study conducted under paragraph (1).

14 (d) ANNUAL REPORT ON FUNDING AND INVEST-  
15 MENTS IN HYPERSONIC CAPABILITIES.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 1,  
17 2024, and not later than March 1 of each year  
18 thereafter through 2030, the Secretary of Defense  
19 shall submit to the congressional defense committees  
20 a report on the funding and investments of the De-  
21 partment of Defense relating to hypersonic capabili-  
22 ties, including any funding or investments with re-  
23 spect to the procurement, research, development,  
24 test, and evaluation, and operation and maintenance  
25 of offensive and defensive hypersonic weapons.

1           (2) ELEMENTS.—Each report under paragraph  
2       (1) shall—

3           (A) include cost data on the hypersonic ca-  
4           pabilities of the Department of Defense, includ-  
5           ing vehicles, developmental and operational test-  
6           ing, hypersonic sensors, command and control  
7           architectures, infrastructure, testing infrastruc-  
8           ture, software, workforce, training, ranges, inte-  
9           gration costs, and such other items as the Sec-  
10          retary of Defense considers appropriate;

11          (B) to the extent applicable, for each item  
12          included in the report, identify whether such  
13          item relates to an offensive or defensive  
14          hypersonic capability;

15          (C) with respect to any research and devel-  
16          opment activities covered by the report, iden-  
17          tify—

18               (i) the program element for the activ-  
19               ity;

20               (ii) the name of the entity that is car-  
21               rying out the activity; and

22               (iii) the purpose of the activity; and

23          (D) to the extent applicable, with respect  
24          to any developmental ground and flight testing

1 and operational test and evaluation activities  
2 covered by the report, identify—

3 (i) the program element for the activ-  
4 ity;

5 (ii) the name of the entity that is car-  
6 rying out the activity; and

7 (iii) the purpose of the activity.

8 (3) FORM.—Each report submitted under para-  
9 graph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form,  
10 but may include a classified annex.

11 **SEC. 219. IMPROVEMENTS TO DEFENSE QUANTUM INFOR-**  
12 **MATION SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY RE-**  
13 **SEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.**

14 Section 234 of the John S. McCain National Defense  
15 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–  
16 232; 10 U.S.C. 4001 note) is amended—

17 (1) by redesignating subsection (f) as sub-  
18 section (h); and

19 (2) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-  
20 lowing new subsections:

21 “(f) FELLOWSHIPS.—

22 “(1) PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.—In carrying out  
23 the program under subsection (a) and subject to the  
24 availability of appropriations to carry out this sub-  
25 section, the Secretary may carry out a program of

1 fellowships in quantum information science and  
2 technology research and development for individuals  
3 who have a graduate or postgraduate degree.

4 “(2) EQUAL ACCESS.—In carrying out the pro-  
5 gram under paragraph (1), the Secretary may estab-  
6 lish procedures to ensure that minority, geographi-  
7 cally diverse, and economically disadvantaged stu-  
8 dents have equal access to fellowship opportunities  
9 under such program.

10 “(g) MULTIDISCIPLINARY PARTNERSHIPS WITH  
11 UNIVERSITIES.—In carrying out the program under sub-  
12 section (a), the Secretary of Defense may develop partner-  
13 ships with universities to enable students to engage in  
14 multidisciplinary courses of study.”.

15 **SEC. 220. APPLICATION OF PUBLIC-PRIVATE TALENT EX-**  
16 **CHANGE PROGRAMS IN THE DEPARTMENT**  
17 **OF DEFENSE TO QUANTUM INFORMATION**  
18 **SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—Using the authority provided  
20 under section 1599g of title 10, United States Code, the  
21 Secretary of Defense shall seek to establish public-private  
22 talent exchange programs with private-sector entities  
23 working on quantum information sciences and technology  
24 research applications.

1 (b) MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS.—Each  
2 public-private talent exchange program established under  
3 subsection (a) may include not more than 10 program par-  
4 ticipants.

5 (c) PROGRAM PARTICIPANT DEFINED.—For pur-  
6 poses of subsection (b), the term “program participant”  
7 includes—

8 (1) an employee of the Department of Defense  
9 who is assigned to a private-sector organization pur-  
10 suant to subsection (a); and

11 (2) an employee of a private-sector organization  
12 who is assigned to a Department of Defense organi-  
13 zation pursuant to such subsection.

14 **SEC. 221. SUPPORT FOR PROTECTION OF SENSITIVE RE-**  
15 **SEARCH PERFORMED ON BEHALF OF THE**  
16 **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

17 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, acting  
18 through the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and  
19 Engineering, may enter into contracts or other agreements  
20 with one or more eligible entities to assist institutions of  
21 higher education in protecting sensitive research per-  
22 formed on behalf of the Department of Defense.

23 (b) ACTIVITIES.—An eligible entity that enters into  
24 a contract or other agreement with the Secretary of De-  
25 fense under subsection (a) shall carry out activities to as-

1 sist institutions of higher education in protecting sensitive  
2 research performed on behalf of the Department of De-  
3 fense. Such activities may include—

4 (1) conducting effective due diligence in vetting  
5 visiting scholars;

6 (2) assisting institutions in meeting applicable  
7 research security requirements, including through  
8 the use of common procedures and practices and  
9 shared infrastructure, as appropriate;

10 (3) providing training to employees and offices  
11 of the institution that have responsibilities relating  
12 to research security; and

13 (4) providing advice and assistance to institu-  
14 tions in establishing and maintaining research secu-  
15 rity programs.

16 (c) CONSIDERATIONS.—In selecting an entity to re-  
17 ceive a contract or other agreement under subsection (a),  
18 the Secretary of Defense shall consider the following:

19 (1) Geographic diversity and the extent to  
20 which the entity is able to maximize coverage of dif-  
21 ferent regions of the United States.

22 (2) Any ratings of the entity made by the De-  
23 fense Counterintelligence and Security Agency as  
24 part of the Agency's annual security vulnerability as-  
25 sessment ratings.

1           (3) Whether and to what extent the entity uses  
2           best practices for research security as outlined by  
3           the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

4           (4) The entity's demonstrated excellence in se-  
5           curity programs, including receipt of awards for ex-  
6           cellence in counterintelligence and outstanding  
7           achievement in industrial security.

8           (d) PERFORMANCE METRICS.—The Secretary of De-  
9           fense shall establish metrics to measure the performance  
10          of each entity with which the Secretary enters into a con-  
11          tract or other agreement under subsection (a).

12          (e) NOTIFICATION AND REPORT.—For any year in  
13          which the Secretary of Defense exercises the authority  
14          provided under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit  
15          to the congressional defense committees a report that—

16                (1) identifies each eligible entity with which the  
17                Secretary entered into a contract or other agreement  
18                under such subsection; and

19                (2) evaluates the performance of the entity.

20          (f) ELIGIBLE ENTITY DEFINED.—In this section, the  
21          term “eligible entity” means—

22                (1) an entity the Secretary of Defense deter-  
23                mines to be eligible to participate in the activities  
24                authorized under this section; or

1           (2) a consortium composed of two or more such  
2           entities.

3 **SEC. 222. SUPPORT TO THE DEFENCE INNOVATION ACCEL-**  
4 **ERATOR FOR THE NORTH ATLANTIC.**

5           (a) **AUTHORITY.**—Subject to the availability of ap-  
6 propriations, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the  
7 Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineer-  
8 ing, is authorized to make available not more than  
9 \$15,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2024 through 2029  
10 to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization for the joint  
11 fund established for the Defence Innovation Accelerator  
12 for the North Atlantic (DIANA) initiative (referred to in  
13 this section as the “Initiative”) to sustain the participa-  
14 tion of the United States in such initiative.

15           (b) **NOTIFICATION.**—

16           (1) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 15 days after  
17 each instance in which the Secretary of Defense pro-  
18 vides funds to the Initiative pursuant to subsection  
19 (a), the Secretary, acting through the Under Sec-  
20 retary of Defense for Research and Engineering,  
21 shall submit to the appropriate congressional com-  
22 mittees written notice that such funds were pro-  
23 vided.

24           (2) **CONTENTS.**—Each notification submitted  
25 under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

1 (A) The total amount of funding provided  
2 under subsection (a) together with a detailed  
3 breakdown showing the specific amounts and  
4 purposes for which such funds are intended to  
5 be used, if any.

6 (B) The time period for which such funds  
7 are provided.

8 (c) STRATEGY.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than July 1, 2024,  
10 the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Under  
11 Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering,  
12 shall submit to the appropriate congressional com-  
13 mittees a strategy for participation by the United  
14 States in the Initiative.

15 (2) CONTENTS.—The strategy under paragraph  
16 (1) shall include the following:

17 (A) A description of how the Initiative fits  
18 into the science, technology, and innovation ac-  
19 tivities of the North Atlantic Treaty Organiza-  
20 tion and how the Initiative is synchronized with  
21 and expected to interact with other science,  
22 technology, and innovation activities of the De-  
23 partment of Defense.

24 (B) The anticipated funding profile for the  
25 Initiative across the period covered by the most

1 recent future-years defense program submitted  
2 to Congress under section 221 of title 10,  
3 United States Code (as of the date of the strat-  
4 egy).

5 (C) Identification of key technology focus  
6 areas to be addressed each year under the Ini-  
7 tiative across such period.

8 (D) A description of any anticipated areas  
9 of expansion in the Initiative, including any an-  
10 ticipated expansion of the Initiative to or within  
11 key nodes or locations that have strategic value  
12 for national security and where there is also a  
13 significant presence of technology-oriented  
14 startup businesses.

15 (E) A description of how the Initiative is  
16 expected to contribute to fostering the spread of  
17 innovation throughout the United States.

18 (d) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than September 1,  
19 2024, and not later than February 1 of each year there-  
20 after through 2030, the Secretary of Defense shall submit  
21 to the congressional defense committees an annual report  
22 on—

23 (1) the activities of the Initiative that were sup-  
24 ported by the Department of Defense under sub-

1 section (a) in the year preceding the date of the re-  
2 port; and

3 (2) any key milestones or other objectives that  
4 were achieved under the initiative in such year.

5 (e) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-  
6 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-  
7 sional committees” means—

8 (1) the congressional defense committees;

9 (2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the  
10 House of Representatives; and

11 (3) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the  
12 Senate.

13 **SEC. 223. CONSORTIUM ON USE OF ADDITIVE MANUFAC-**  
14 **TURING FOR DEFENSE CAPABILITY DEVEL-**  
15 **OPMENT.**

16 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days after  
17 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
18 Defense, in coordination with the Secretaries of the mili-  
19 tary departments, shall establish a consortium to facilitate  
20 the use of additive manufacturing for the development of  
21 capabilities for the Department of Defense. The consor-  
22 tium shall be known as the “Consortium on Additive Man-  
23 ufacturing for Defense Capability Development” (referred  
24 to in this section as the “Consortium”).

1 (b) COMPOSITION.—The Consortium shall be com-  
2 posed of qualified organizations, selected by the Secretary  
3 of Defense, that have functions and expertise relevant to  
4 additive manufacturing. At a minimum, the Consortium  
5 shall include the following:

6 (1) Representation from one or more science  
7 and technology reinvention laboratories (as des-  
8 ignated under section 4121 of title 10, United States  
9 Code) from each of the military departments, which  
10 may include—

11 (A) from the Department of the Army—

12 (i) the Combat Capabilities Develop-  
13 ment Command, Army Research Labora-  
14 tory;

15 (ii) the Combat Capabilities Develop-  
16 ment Command, Aviation and Missile Cen-  
17 ter;

18 (iii) the Combat Capabilities Develop-  
19 ment Command, Armaments Center;

20 (iv) the Combat Capabilities Develop-  
21 ment Command, Ground Vehicle Systems  
22 Center;

23 (v) the Combat Capabilities Develop-  
24 ment Command, Soldier Center;

1 (vi) the Combat Capabilities Develop-  
2 ment Command, Chemical Biological Cen-  
3 ter;

4 (vii) the Combat Capabilities Develop-  
5 ment Command, Command, Control, Com-  
6 munications, Computers, Cyber, Intel-  
7 ligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance  
8 Center; and

9 (viii) the Space and Missile Defense  
10 Command, Technical Center;

11 (ix) the Engineer Research and Develop-  
12 ment Center;

13 (x) the Medical Research and Develop-  
14 ment Command; and

15 (xi) the Army Research Institute for  
16 the Behavioral and Social Sciences;

17 (B) from the Department of the Navy—

18 (i) the Naval Research Laboratory;

19 (ii) the Office of Naval Research;

20 (iii) the Naval Air Systems Command  
21 Warfare Centers;

22 (iv) the Naval Sea Systems Command  
23 Warfare Centers;

1 (v) the Naval Facilities Engineering  
2 Command, Engineering and Expeditionary  
3 Warfare Center;

4 (vi) the Naval Medical Research Cen-  
5 ter; and

6 (vii) the Naval Information Warfare  
7 Centers, Atlantic and Pacific; and

8 (C) from the Department of the Air  
9 Force—

10 (i) the Air Force Research Labora-  
11 tory; and

12 (ii) the Joint Warfighting Analysis  
13 Center.

14 (2) Representation from one or more mainte-  
15 nance, logistics, or sustainment organizations from  
16 each of the military departments.

17 (3) One or more organizations from private sec-  
18 tor industry.

19 (4) One or more institutions of higher edu-  
20 cation or other research institutions.

21 (c) ACTIVITIES.—The Consortium shall—

22 (1) facilitate the use of additive manufac-  
23 turing—

1 (A) to significantly reduce logistic foot-  
2 prints, material costs, and delivery lead-times;  
3 and

4 (B) to extended logistical supply chain de-  
5 pendencies that often challenge weapon system  
6 readiness for forward deployed warfighters;

7 (2) develop standards and a certification proc-  
8 ess for the use of additive manufacturing in safety-  
9 critical applications, including additive material and  
10 part certification requirements for additive manufac-  
11 tured items intended for use in military vehicles;

12 (3) evaluate, adapt, or apply the standards de-  
13 veloped in the commercial sector, or new process ap-  
14 proaches for additive manufacturing that may be of  
15 use to the Department of Defense;

16 (4) as directed by an organization of the De-  
17 partment of Defense included in the Consortium,  
18 conduct reverse engineering (including testing and  
19 certification) for critical parts which may have lim-  
20 ited sources of supply;

21 (5) use data standards, common repositories,  
22 and information security to track, store, and secure  
23 technical data relating to additive manufacturing  
24 and ensure the interoperability of such data; and

1           (6) conduct comparative cost analyses for new  
2           and emerging additive manufacturing approaches,  
3           including assessments of life-cycle costs for tooling,  
4           training, and intellectual property needed to sustain  
5           such approaches.

6 **SEC. 224. NEXT GENERATION AIR DOMINANCE FAMILY OF**  
7                   **SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AC-**  
8                   **COUNTABILITY MATRICES.**

9           (a) SUBMITTAL OF MATRICES.—Concurrent with the  
10          submission of the budget of the President to Congress  
11          pursuant to section 1105(a) of title 31, United States  
12          Code, for fiscal year 2025—

13               (1) the Secretary of the Air Force shall submit  
14               to the congressional defense committees and the  
15               Comptroller General of the United States the mat-  
16               rices described in subsection (b) relating to the Next  
17               Generation Air Dominance piloted fighter aircraft  
18               and the autonomous, uncrewed Collaborative Com-  
19               bat Aircraft programs of the Air Force; and

20               (2) the Secretary of the Navy shall submit to  
21               the congressional defense committees and the Comp-  
22               troller General of the United States the matrices de-  
23               scribed in subsection (b) relating to the Next Gen-  
24               eration Air Dominance piloted fighter aircraft and  
25               the autonomous, uncrewed Collaborative Combat

1 Aircraft programs of the Navy and the Marine  
2 Corps.

3 (b) MATRICES DESCRIBED.—The matrices described  
4 in this subsection are the following:

5 (1) ENGINEERING MANUFACTURING AND DE-  
6 VELOPMENT GOALS.—A matrix that identifies, in six  
7 month increments, key milestones, development and  
8 testing events, and specific performance goals for  
9 the engineering manufacturing and development  
10 phase (referred to in this section as the “EMD  
11 phase”) of the programs described in subsection (a),  
12 and which shall be subdivided, at a minimum, ac-  
13 cording to the following:

14 (A) Technology readiness levels of major  
15 components and subsystems and key dem-  
16 onstration and testing events.

17 (B) Design maturity.

18 (C) Software maturity.

19 (D) Subsystem and system-level integra-  
20 tion maturity.

21 (E) Manufacturing readiness levels for  
22 critical manufacturing operations and key dem-  
23 onstration and testing events.

24 (F) Manufacturing operations.

1 (G) System verification, validation, and  
2 key flight test events.

3 (H) Reliability.

4 (I) Availability for flight operations.

5 (J) Maintainability.

6 (2) COST.—A matrix expressing, in six month  
7 increments, the total cost for the Secretary's service  
8 cost position for the EMD phase and low initial rate  
9 of production lots of the programs described in sub-  
10 section (a) and a matrix expressing the total cost for  
11 the prime contractor's estimate for such EMD phase  
12 and production lots, both of which shall be phased  
13 over the entire EMD period and subdivided accord-  
14 ing to the costs of the following:

15 (A) Air vehicle.

16 (B) Propulsion.

17 (C) Mission systems.

18 (D) Vehicle subsystems.

19 (E) Air vehicle software.

20 (F) Systems engineering.

21 (G) Program management.

22 (H) System test and evaluation.

23 (I) Support and training systems.

24 (J) Contract fee.

25 (K) Engineering changes.

1 (L) Direct mission support, including Con-  
2 gressional General Reductions.

3 (M) Government testing.

4 (N) Ancillary aircraft equipment.

5 (O) Initial spares.

6 (P) Contractor support.

7 (Q) Modifications.

8 (c) SEMIANNUAL UPDATE OF MATRICES.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Each Secretary concerned  
10 shall submit to the congressional defense committees  
11 and the Comptroller General of the United States  
12 updates to the matrices described in subsection (b)  
13 as follows:

14 (A) The first update shall be submitted not  
15 later than 180 days after the date on which the  
16 Secretaries concerned submit the initial mat-  
17 rices as required by subsection (a).

18 (B) Following the first update under para-  
19 graph (1), additional updates shall be sub-  
20 mitted—

21 (i) concurrent with the submission of  
22 the budget of the President to Congress  
23 pursuant to section 1105(a) of title 31,  
24 United States Code, for each fiscal year;  
25 and

1 (ii) not later than 180 days after each  
2 such submittal.

3 (2) ELEMENTS.—Each update submitted under  
4 paragraph (1) shall detail progress made toward the  
5 goals identified in the matrix described in subsection  
6 (b)(1) and provide updated cost estimates as de-  
7 scribed in subsection (b)(2).

8 (3) TREATMENT OF INITIAL MATRICES AS  
9 BASELINE.—The initial matrices submitted pursuant  
10 to subsection (a) shall be treated as the baseline for  
11 the full EMD phase and low-rate initial production  
12 of the programs described in subsection (a) for pur-  
13 poses of the updates submitted pursuant to para-  
14 graph (1) of this subsection.

15 (d) ASSESSMENT BY COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF  
16 THE UNITED STATES.—Not later than the date that is  
17 60 days after the date on which the Comptroller General  
18 of the United States receives an update to a matrix under  
19 subsection (c)(1), the Comptroller General shall review the  
20 sufficiency of such matrix and submit to the congressional  
21 defense committees an assessment of such matrix, includ-  
22 ing by identifying cost, schedule, or performance trends.

23 (e) KEY PERFORMANCE PARAMETER REQUIRE-  
24 MENTS.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Each Secretary concerned  
2 shall develop key performance parameters (referred  
3 to in this section as “cost KPPs”) for the threshold  
4 and objective costs of the programs described in sub-  
5 section (a) under the jurisdiction of such Secretary  
6 and shall include those values as program perform-  
7 ance requirements in any capability development  
8 document or system requirements document for the  
9 program involved. Each cost KPP shall include, for  
10 each cost category specified in paragraph (2)—

11           (A) a threshold value indicating the high-  
12 est acceptable cost for that category, as deter-  
13 mined by the Secretary concerned; and

14           (B) an objective value indicating the lowest  
15 cost expected to be achieved for that category,  
16 as determined by the Secretary concerned.

17           (2) COST CATEGORIES SPECIFIED.—The cost  
18 categories specified in this paragraph are the fol-  
19 lowing:

20           (A) Unit recurring flyaway cost.

21           (B) Average procurement unit cost.

22           (C) Gross/weapon system unit cost.

23           (D) Aircraft cost-per-tail-per-year.

24           (E) Aircraft cost-per-flight-hour.

1 (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the term “Sec-  
2 retary concerned” means—

3 (1) the Secretary of the Navy, with respect to  
4 aircraft programs of the Navy and the Marine  
5 Corps; and

6 (2) the Secretary of the Air Force, with respect  
7 to aircraft programs of the Air Force.

8 **SEC. 225. CONTINUOUS CAPABILITY DEVELOPMENT AND**  
9 **DELIVERY PROGRAM FOR F-35 AIRCRAFT.**

10 (a) DESIGNATION OF MAJOR SUBPROGRAM.—In ac-  
11 cordance with section 4203 of title 10, United States  
12 Code, the Secretary of Defense shall designate all Block  
13 4 and Technical Refresh-3 elements of the F-35 aircraft  
14 acquisition program, collectively, as a single major subpro-  
15 gram of the F-35 aircraft acquisition program.

16 (b) PROCUREMENT OF F-35 DEVELOPMENTAL  
17 TESTING AIRCRAFT.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—From the aircraft described  
19 in paragraph (2), the Program Executive Officer for  
20 the F-35 aircraft program shall designate two F-  
21 35A aircraft, two F-35B aircraft, and two F-35C  
22 aircraft to be manufactured and delivered, by not  
23 later than the end of 2030, in a necessary configura-  
24 tion that would adequately support future F-35 de-  
25 velopmental testing activities.

1           (2) AIRCRAFT DESCRIBED.—The aircraft de-  
2       scribed in this paragraph are F–35 aircraft to be  
3       procured—

4           (A) as part of the Lot 19 production lot or  
5       a subsequent production lot for F–35 aircraft;  
6       and

7           (B) using funds made available for fiscal  
8       year 2024 or a subsequent fiscal year for the  
9       procurement of F–35 aircraft.

10 **SEC. 226. F-35 PROPULSION AND THERMAL MANAGEMENT**  
11 **MODERNIZATION PROGRAM.**

12       (a) ESTABLISHMENT AND VALIDATION OF REQUIRE-  
13       MENTS.—The Secretary of the Air Force (with respect to  
14       F–35A aircraft of the Air Force) and the Secretary of the  
15       Navy (with respect to F–35B and F–35C aircraft of the  
16       Navy and the Marine Corps) shall each—

17           (1) establish requirements for the propulsion,  
18       power and cooling, thermal management, and elec-  
19       trical power systems of the F–35 aircraft system  
20       that adequately support the planned service-life and  
21       all planned mission systems hardware and software  
22       capability upgrades for such aircraft system;

23           (2) validate the requirements; and

1           (3) promptly provide the validated requirements  
2           to the Program Executive Officer for the F-35 air-  
3           craft acquisition program.

4           (b) COST-BENEFIT AND TECHNICAL RISK ANAL-  
5           YSIS.—

6           (1) IN GENERAL.—Based on the requirements  
7           established and validated under subsection (a), the  
8           Program Executive Officer for the F-35 aircraft ac-  
9           quisition program shall conduct a complete and com-  
10          prehensive cost-benefit and technical risk analysis  
11          that evaluates and determines the upgrades and  
12          modernization required of the F-35 aircraft system  
13          to support all of the requirements established under  
14          such subsection.

15          (2) ELEMENTS.—The cost-benefit and technical  
16          risk analysis conducted under paragraph (1) shall  
17          assess, at a minimum, the cost, risk, modernization,  
18          integration activities, and acquisition strategy re-  
19          quired for the upgrade and modernization options  
20          available for the following major subsystems of F-  
21          35 aircraft:

22                 (A) The aircraft propulsion system and  
23                 gearbox.

24                 (B) The power and thermal management  
25                 system.

1 (C) The fuel thermal management system.

2 (D) The electrical power system.

3 (E) The engine ice protection system.

4 (F) Mission systems hardware, avionics,  
5 sensors, and weapons.

6 (G) Any additional systems of the F-35  
7 aircraft system the Program Executive Officer  
8 determines to be relevant to support the  
9 planned service-life requirements for each vari-  
10 ant of such aircraft.

11 (3) LIMITATION ON COMMENCEMENT.—The  
12 Program Executive Officer may not commence the  
13 analysis required under paragraph (1) until the re-  
14 quirements established under subsection (a) have  
15 been provided to the Officer.

16 (4) INDEPENDENT COST ESTIMATE.—In addi-  
17 tion to developing the cost-benefit analysis under  
18 paragraph (1), the Program Executive Officer shall  
19 also obtain an independent cost estimate from an or-  
20 ganization within the Department of Defense that is  
21 not directly associated with the Office of the Pro-  
22 gram Executive Officer, the Department of the Air  
23 Force, or the Department of the Navy.

24 (5) REPORT.—Following the completion of the  
25 analysis under paragraph (1) and the independent

1 cost estimate under paragraph (4), but not later  
2 than July 1, 2024, the Program Executive Officer  
3 shall submit to the congressional defense commit-  
4 tees—

5 (A) a report on the results of the analysis  
6 under paragraph (1); and

7 (B) a copy of the cost estimate obtained  
8 under paragraph (4).

9 (c) DESIGNATION OF MAJOR SUBPROGRAM.—In ac-  
10 cordance with section 4203 of title 10, United States  
11 Code, the Secretary of Defense shall designate all activi-  
12 ties relating to the modernization, upgrade, and integra-  
13 tion of the major subsystems included in the analysis  
14 under subsection (b)(1), collectively, as a single major sub-  
15 program of the F–35 aircraft acquisition program.

16 **SEC. 227. ESTABLISHMENT OR EXPANSION OF UNIVERSITY**  
17 **AFFILIATED RESEARCH CENTERS FOR CRIT-**  
18 **ICAL MATERIALS.**

19 (a) FEASIBILITY AND ADVISABILITY ASSESSMENT.—  
20 The Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Under  
21 Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering,  
22 shall—

23 (1) assess the feasibility and advisability of es-  
24 tablishing a new University Affiliated Research Cen-  
25 ter (in this section referred to as a “UARC”) or ex-

1       panding an existing UARC at a specified covered  
2       educational institution; and

3               (2) submit a recommendation regarding the fea-  
4       sibility and advisability of such establishment or ex-  
5       pansion to the congressional defense committees.

6       (b) DETERMINATION.—Not later than 15 days after  
7       submitting the assessment required under subsection (a)  
8       the Secretary of Defense shall determine whether it is fea-  
9       sible and advisable to establish or expand a UARC and—

10              (1) for a positive determination, submit to the  
11       congressional defense committees a plan described in  
12       subsection (c); and

13              (2) for a negative determination, submit to the  
14       congressional defense committees a justification for  
15       such determination that includes the data and anal-  
16       ysis to support such determination.

17       (c) PLAN.—If the Secretary of Defense determines  
18       that establishing or expanding a UARC is feasible and ad-  
19       visable under subsection (b), the Secretary shall submit  
20       to the congressional defense committees a plan for such  
21       establishment or expansion, including an assessment of  
22       the institutional capacity of the covered educational insti-  
23       tution at which such UARC is to be established or ex-  
24       panded.

1 (d) ELEMENTS.—The plan described in subsection  
2 (c) shall include the following:

3 (1) An assessment of the engineering, applied  
4 research, commercialization, or workforce develop-  
5 ment capabilities relating to critical materials for na-  
6 tional security purposes of the United States of the  
7 covered educational institution at which the UARC  
8 will be established or expanded, including an assess-  
9 ment of the personnel and physical research infra-  
10 structure of such institution.

11 (2) An assessment of the ability of such institu-  
12 tion—

13 (A) to participate in engineering, applied  
14 research, commercialization, and workforce de-  
15 velopment activities relating to critical materials  
16 for national security purposes of the United  
17 States;

18 (B) to effectively compete for engineering,  
19 applied research, commercialization, and work-  
20 force development contracts and grants relating  
21 to critical materials for national security pur-  
22 poses of the United States; and

23 (C) to support the mission of the Under  
24 Secretary.

1           (3) An assessment of the activities and invest-  
2           ments necessary—

3                   (A) to augment facilities or educational  
4                   programming at such institution—

5                           (i) to support the mission of the  
6                           Under Secretary;

7                           (ii) to access, secure, and conduct re-  
8                           search relating to sensitive or classified in-  
9                           formation; and

10                           (iii) to respond quickly to emerging  
11                           engineering, applied research, commer-  
12                           cialization, and workforce development  
13                           needs relating to critical materials;

14                   (B) to increase the participation of such  
15                   institutions in engineering, applied research,  
16                   commercialization, and workforce development  
17                   activities; and

18                   (C) to increase the ability of such institu-  
19                   tions to effectively compete for engineering, ap-  
20                   plied research, commercialization, and work-  
21                   force development contracts and grants.

22           (4) Recommendations identifying actions that  
23           may be taken by the Secretary, the Under Secretary,  
24           Congress, such institutions, and other organizations  
25           to increase the participation of such institutions in

1 engineering, applied research, commercialization,  
2 and workforce development activities, contracts, and  
3 grants relating to critical materials.

4 (5) Any specific goals, incentives, and metrics  
5 developed by the Secretary to increase and measure  
6 the capacity of such institutions to address the engi-  
7 neering, applied research, commercialization, and  
8 workforce development needs of the Department of  
9 Defense relating to critical materials.

10 (e) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than one year  
11 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
12 shall—

13 (1) submit to the congressional defense commit-  
14 tees a report that includes the plan developed under  
15 this subsection; and

16 (2) make the plan available on a publicly acces-  
17 sible website of the Department of Defense.

18 (f) SUPPORT TO COVERED EDUCATIONAL INSTITU-  
19 TIONS.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Under Secretary of De-  
21 fense for Research and Engineering may establish a  
22 program to award contracts, grants, or other agree-  
23 ments on a competitive basis to a covered edu-  
24 cational institution, and to perform other appro-

1        appropriate activities, for the purposes described in para-  
2        graph (2).

3            (2) PURPOSES.—The purposes described in this  
4        paragraph are the following:

5            (A) Developing the capability, including  
6        workforce and research infrastructure capabili-  
7        ties, for covered educational institutions to  
8        more effectively compete for Federal engineer-  
9        ing, applied research, commercialization, and  
10       workforce development funding opportunities.

11           (B) Improving the capability of covered  
12       educational institutions to—

13                (i) recruit and retain research faculty;

14                (ii) participate in appropriate per-  
15                sonnel exchange programs; and

16                (iii) participate in appropriate edu-  
17                cational and career development activities.

18            (C) Any other purposes the Under Sec-  
19        retary determines appropriate for enhancing the  
20        engineering, applied research, commercializa-  
21        tion, and development capabilities of covered  
22        educational institutions.

23        (g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

24            (1) COVERED EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION.—

25        The term “covered educational institution” means—

1 (A) a mining, metallurgical, geological, or  
2 mineral engineering program—

3 (i) accredited by a non-governmental  
4 organization that accredits post-secondary  
5 education programs in applied and natural  
6 science, engineering technology, and com-  
7 puting; and

8 (ii) located at an institution of higher  
9 education; or

10 (B) any other post-secondary educational  
11 institution with a geology or engineering pro-  
12 gram or department that has experience in min-  
13 ing research or work with the mining industry.

14 (2) CRITICAL MATERIALS.—The term “critical  
15 materials” means materials designated as strategic  
16 and critical under section 3(a) of the Strategic and  
17 Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C.  
18 98b(a)).

19 (3) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—For  
20 purposes of paragraph (1), the term “institution of  
21 higher education” has the meaning given in section  
22 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20  
23 U.S.C. 1001).

1 **SEC. 228. POLICIES FOR MANAGEMENT AND CERTIFI-**  
2 **CATION OF LINK 16 MILITARY TACTICAL**  
3 **DATA LINK NETWORK.**

4 (a) **POLICIES REQUIRED.**—The Secretary of Defense  
5 shall develop and implement policies to adapt Link 16 sys-  
6 tem management and certification to align with agile de-  
7 velopment practices.

8 (b) **ELEMENTS.**—The policies required by subsection  
9 (a) shall include the following:

10 (1) A standardized process through a Chair-  
11 man, Joint Chiefs of Staff Manual, to allow Link 16  
12 frequency use within approved special use airspaces  
13 for the purpose of testing radio systems and associ-  
14 ated software that have not completed electro-  
15 magnetic compatibility features certification. Such  
16 process—

17 (A) shall, at a minimum, ensure routine  
18 and continued approval for test operations of  
19 developmental systems in the Nevada Test and  
20 Training Range, Restricted Area 2508, Warn-  
21 ing Area 151/470, Warning Area 386, and the  
22 Joint Pacific Alaska Range Complex; and

23 (B) may incorporate standardized mitiga-  
24 tions that enable routine approval including ef-  
25 fective radiated power settings and coordination  
26 for rapid test termination.

1           (2) Processes to streamline approval or denial  
2 of temporary frequency assignment for Link 16 op-  
3 erations to not more than 15 days for test, training,  
4 and large-scale exercises. In developing such proc-  
5 esses, the Secretary of Defense—

6           (A) shall ensure that the processes cover  
7 operations in excess of uncoordinated oper-  
8 ations time slot duty factor limits, inclusion of  
9 foreign participants, and participation of non-  
10 stage 4 approved terminals or platforms; and

11           (B) consider delegating sole authority for  
12 temporary frequency assignment to the Depart-  
13 ment of Defense and the automation of deci-  
14 sion-making processes relating to such assign-  
15 ments.

16           (3) Delegation of authority to the system man-  
17 ager for Link 16 to determine when new software  
18 within Department of Defense Link 16 terminals af-  
19 fects electromagnetic compatibility features and re-  
20 quires recertification.

21           (4) The self-certification by the Department of  
22 Defense of the compliance of the Department's ra-  
23 dios with electromagnetic compatibility features.

24           (5) Processes to internally manage Link 16 un-  
25 coordinated operations that enable approval for test,

1 training, and exercises that does not exceed 15 days  
2 for systems holding an active radio frequency au-  
3 thorization or temporary frequency assignment.

4 (c) INFORMATION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than  
5 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
6 Secretary of Defense shall provide to the congressional de-  
7 fense committees—

8 (1) a briefing on the policies developed under  
9 subsection (a), along with a timeline for implementa-  
10 tion of such policies; and

11 (2) a list of such additional resources or au-  
12 thorities as the Secretary determines may be re-  
13 quired to implement such policies.

14 (d) TESTING REQUIRED.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—In conjunction with the de-  
16 velopment of the policies required under subsection  
17 (a), the Secretary of Defense shall conduct, sponsor,  
18 or review testing and analysis that determines if any  
19 effects on air traffic systems are possible due to  
20 Link 16 terminals which have not completed electro-  
21 magnetic compatibility features certification and  
22 quantifies any such effects. Such testing shall evalu-  
23 ate Link 16 transmission within plus or minus 7  
24 megahertz of the 1030 and 1090 megahertz fre-  
25 quency bands to determine if effects on air traffic

1 systems are possible, under what conditions such ef-  
2 fects could occur, and the impact of such effects.

3 (2) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after  
4 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
5 of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense  
6 committees a report on the results of the testing  
7 conducted under paragraph (1), with an emphasis  
8 on procedures that the Secretary intends to imple-  
9 ment to negate harmful effects on air traffic from  
10 the use of Link 16 terminals or platforms that have  
11 not completed electromagnetic compatibility features  
12 certification, within special use airspace.

13 **SEC. 229. RAPID RESPONSE TO EMERGENT TECHNOLOGY**  
14 **ADVANCEMENTS OR THREATS.**

15 (a) AUTHORITIES.—Upon approval by the Secretary  
16 of Defense of a determination described in subsection (b),  
17 the Secretary of a military department may use the rapid  
18 acquisition and funding authorities established pursuant  
19 to section 3601 of title 10, United States Code, to initiate  
20 urgent or emerging operational development activities for  
21 a period of up to one year, in order to—

22 (1) leverage an emergent technological advance-  
23 ment of value to the national defense to address a  
24 military service-specific need; or

1           (2) provide a rapid response to an emerging  
2           threat identified by a military service.

3           (b) DETERMINATION.—A determination described in  
4 this subsection is a determination by the Secretary of a  
5 military department submitted in writing to the Secretary  
6 of Defense that provides the following:

7           (1) Identification of a compelling urgent or  
8           emergency national security need to immediately ini-  
9           tiate development activity in anticipation of a pro-  
10          gramming or budgeting action, in order to leverage  
11          an emergent technological advancement or provide a  
12          rapid response to an emerging threat.

13          (2) Justification for why the effort cannot be  
14          delayed until the next submission of the budget of  
15          the President (under section 1105(a) of title 31,  
16          United States Code) without harming the national  
17          defense.

18          (3) Funding is identified for the effort in the  
19          current fiscal year to initiate the activity.

20          (4) An appropriate acquisition pathway and  
21          programmed funding for transition to continued de-  
22          velopment, integration, or sustainment is identified  
23          to on-ramp this activity within two years.

24          (c) ADDITIONAL PROCEDURES.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
2 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
3 retary of Defense shall amend the procedures for the  
4 rapid acquisition and deployment of capabilities  
5 needed in response to urgent operational needs pre-  
6 scribed pursuant to such section 3601 to carry out  
7 this section. Such updated procedures shall be pro-  
8 vided to the congressional defense committees con-  
9 currently with the promulgation to the rest of the  
10 Department of Defense.

11           (2) REQUIREMENTS TO BE INCLUDED.—The  
12 procedures amended under paragraph (1) shall in-  
13 clude the following requirements:

14           (A) FUNDING.—(i) Subject to clause (ii),  
15 in any fiscal year in which a determination de-  
16 scribed in subsection (b) is made, the Secretary  
17 of the military department making the deter-  
18 mination may initiate the activities authorized  
19 under subsection (a) using any funds available  
20 to the Secretary for such fiscal year for—

21                   (I) procurement; or

22                   (II) research, development, test, and  
23 evaluation.

24           (ii) The total cost of all developmental ac-  
25 tivities within the Department of Defense, fund-

1 ed under this section, may not exceed  
2 \$100,000,000 for any fiscal year.

3 (B) WAIVER AUTHORITY.—(i) Subject to  
4 clause (ii), the Secretary of the military depart-  
5 ment making a determination under subsection  
6 (b) may issue a waiver under subsection (d) of  
7 such section 3601.

8 (ii) Chapter 221 of title 10, United States  
9 Code, may not be waived pursuant to clause (i).

10 (C) TRANSITION.—(i) Any acquisition ini-  
11 tiated under subsection (a) shall transition to  
12 an appropriate acquisition pathway for transi-  
13 tion and integration of the development activity,  
14 or be transitioned to a newly established pro-  
15 gram element or procurement line for comple-  
16 tion of such activity.

17 (ii)(I) Transition shall be completed within  
18 one year of initiation, but may be extended one  
19 time only at the discretion of the Secretary of  
20 the military department for one additional year.

21 (II) In the event an extension determina-  
22 tion is made under subclause (I), the affected  
23 Secretary of the military department shall sub-  
24 mit to the congressional defense committees,  
25 not later than 30 days before the extension

1 takes effect, written notification of the exten-  
2 sion with a justification for the extension.

3 (3) SUBMITTAL TO CONGRESS.—Concurrent  
4 with promulgation to the Department of the amend-  
5 ments to the procedures under paragraph (1), the  
6 Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense  
7 committees the procedures updated by such amend-  
8 ments.

9 (d) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—Within 15  
10 days after the Secretary of Defense approves a determina-  
11 tion described in subsection (b), the Secretary of the mili-  
12 tary department making the determination shall provide  
13 written notification of such determination to the congres-  
14 sional defense committees following the procedures for no-  
15 tification in subsections (c)(4)(D) and (c)(4)(F) of such  
16 section 3601. A notice under this subsection shall be suffi-  
17 cient to fulfill any requirement to provide notification to  
18 Congress for a new start program.

19 **SEC. 230. PILOT PROGRAM TO COMMERCIALIZE PROTO-**  
20 **TYPES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR**  
21 **FORCE.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the  
23 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the  
24 Air Force, acting through the Assistant Secretary of the  
25 Air Force for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, shall

1 carry out a pilot program under which the Secretary iden-  
2 tifies prototypes under development by the Department of  
3 the Air Force that have the potential to be developed into  
4 commercial products and provides support to qualified en-  
5 tities to carry out projects to commercialize such proto-  
6 types.

7 (b) FORM OF SUPPORT.—The support provided to a  
8 qualified entity under subsection (a) may include the  
9 award of—

10 (1) a grant;

11 (2) a contract or other agreement; or

12 (3) such other form of support as the Secretary  
13 of the Air Force determines appropriate.

14 (c) AMOUNT.—The total value of support awarded to  
15 a qualified entity under this section may not exceed  
16 \$10,000,000.

17 (d) FUNDING.—The Secretary of the Air Force shall  
18 carry out the pilot program under this section using funds  
19 designated as budget activity 6 (RDT&E management  
20 support) or budget activity 4 (Advanced Component De-  
21 velopment and Prototypes) as those budget activity classi-  
22 fications are set forth in volume 2B, chapter 5 of the De-  
23 partment of Defense Financial Management Regulation  
24 (DOD 7000.14-R).

25 (e) APPLICATION.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—A qualified entity that seeks  
2           an award of support under this section shall submit  
3           an application to the Secretary of the Air Force at  
4           such time, in such manner, and containing such in-  
5           formation as the Secretary may require.

6           (2) CONTENTS.—As part of the application re-  
7           quired under paragraph (1), a qualified entity  
8           shall—

9                   (A) outline measures the entity will imple-  
10                  ment to give the Department of Defense pur-  
11                  chasing priority when supply chain issues are a  
12                  factor;

13                  (B) certify that the entity will, with respect  
14                  to the export of any such product, comply  
15                  with—

16                          (i) International Traffic in Arms Reg-  
17                          ulations under subchapter M of chapter I  
18                          of title 22, Code of Federal Regulations (or  
19                          any successor regulations); and

20                          (ii) any other applicable export re-  
21                          strictions; and

22                  (C) acknowledge that the entity may seek  
23                  advice and assistance from the Department of  
24                  the Air Force and the Department of State in  
25                  the event that the export restrictions applicable

1 to a commercial product developed with support  
2 under this section—

3 (i) are more restrictive than the ex-  
4 port restrictions applicable to the compo-  
5 nent technologies that comprise the prod-  
6 uct; and

7 (ii) are expected to unnecessarily im-  
8 pede the ability to make the product com-  
9 mercially available outside the United  
10 States.

11 (f) BRIEFING.—Not later than December 31, 2024,  
12 the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition,  
13 Technology, and Logistics shall provide to the congres-  
14 sional defense committees a briefing on the implementa-  
15 tion of the pilot program under this section and any re-  
16 lated policy issues.

17 (g) NOTICE TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 30 days  
18 after each instance in which the Assistant Secretary of the  
19 Air Force for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics  
20 awards support to a qualified entity under this section,  
21 the Assistant Secretary shall submit to the congressional  
22 defense committees notice of such award.

23 (h) TERMINATION.—The pilot program under this  
24 section shall terminate on the date that is five years after  
25 the date of the enactment of this Act.

1 (i) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

2 (1) The term “commercialize”, when used with  
3 respect to a prototype, means to transition a proto-  
4 type into a commercial product.

5 (2) The term “commercial product” has the  
6 meaning given that term in section 103 of title 41,  
7 United States Code.

8 (3) The term “qualified entity” means an indi-  
9 vidual or entity the Secretary of the Air Force deter-  
10 mines to be qualified to participate in the pilot pro-  
11 gram under this section.

12 **SEC. 231. PILOT PROGRAM ON NEAR-TERM QUANTUM COM-**  
13 **PUTING APPLICATIONS.**

14 (a) PILOT PROGRAM.—The Secretary of Defense may  
15 carry out a pilot program under which the Secretary, in  
16 partnership with the entities specified in subsection (b),  
17 establishes and operates a program that enables organiza-  
18 tions of the Department of Defense, including the Armed  
19 Forces, to test and evaluate how quantum and quantum-  
20 hybrid applications may be used—

21 (1) to solve technical problems and research  
22 challenges identified under section 234(e) of the  
23 John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act  
24 for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 10  
25 U.S.C. 4001 note) and such other near-term tech-

1 nical problems and challenges facing the Department  
2 and the Armed Forces as the Secretary may identify;  
3 and

4 (2) to provide capabilities needed by the Department  
5 and the Armed Forces in the near-term.

6 (b) ENTITIES SPECIFIED.—The Secretary of Defense  
7 shall seek to carry out the pilot program under subsection

8 (a) in partnership with—

9 (1) a federally funded research and development  
10 center, university affiliated research center, center of  
11 excellence, or similar entity; and

12 (2) one or more private-sector entities with expertise  
13 in quantum computing and quantum information science.  
14

15 (c) ACTIVITIES.—Under the pilot program, the Secretary  
16 of Defense, in partnership with the entities specified  
17 in subsection (b), may—

18 (1) convene a group of experts and organizations  
19 to identify and articulate challenges faced by the Department  
20 of Defense, including the Armed Forces, that have the potential  
21 to be addressed by quantum and quantum-hybrid applications;  
22

23 (2) develop and mature demonstrations, proofs  
24 of concept, pilot programs, and other measures to

1 address the challenges identified under paragraph  
2 (1) using quantum and quantum-hybrid applications;

3 (3) develop pathways through which successful  
4 demonstrations, proofs of concept, pilot programs,  
5 and other measures developed and matured under  
6 paragraph (2) may be transitioned to more advanced  
7 stages of research and development or into oper-  
8 ational use within the Department;

9 (4) ensure that any quantum-based or quan-  
10 tum-hybrid application-based solutions identified  
11 under the program are capable of development and  
12 deployment within the period covered by the most  
13 recent future-years defense program submitted to  
14 Congress under section 221 of title 10, United  
15 States Code (as of the time of the pilot program);

16 (4) assess the utility of commercial quantum  
17 and quantum-hybrid applications for meeting the  
18 near-term needs of warfighters; and

19 (5) seek to build and strengthen relationships  
20 between the Department of Defense, academic insti-  
21 tutions, small businesses, and nontraditional defense  
22 contractors (as defined in section 3014 of title 10,  
23 United States Code) in the technology industry that  
24 may have unused or underused solutions to specific

1 operational challenges of the Department relating to  
2 quantum and quantum-hybrid applications.

3 (d) BRIEFING AND REPORTS.—

4 (1) INTERIM BRIEFING.—Not later than 30  
5 days before commencing the pilot program under  
6 subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall pro-  
7 vide to the Committees on Armed Services of the  
8 Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing  
9 that—

10 (A) identifies the entities the Secretary in-  
11 tends to partner with for the purposes of car-  
12 rying out the pilot program, including—

13 (i) any entities specified in subsection

14 (b);

15 (ii) any of the Armed Forces; and

16 (iii) any other departments and agen-  
17 cies of the Federal Government with pre-  
18 existing quantum technology research ef-  
19 forts; and

20 (B) describes the plan of the Secretary for  
21 developing and operating the program.

22 (2) ANNUAL REPORT.—By December 1 of each  
23 year in which the pilot program under subsection (a)  
24 is carried out, the Secretary of Defense shall submit  
25 to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate

1 and the House of Representatives a report that in-  
2 cludes—

3 (A) a description of the problem sets and  
4 capabilities that were evaluated by organiza-  
5 tions of the Department of Defense under the  
6 program;

7 (B) an explanation of whether and to what  
8 extent the program resulted in the identification  
9 of potential solutions based on quantum and  
10 quantum-hybrid applications;

11 (C) any potential barriers to the use of  
12 quantum and quantum-hybrid applications to  
13 solve near-term problems for the Department of  
14 Defense, including the Armed Forces; and

15 (D) recommendations regarding how the  
16 Department of Defense can better leverage and  
17 deploy quantum and quantum-hybrid applica-  
18 tions to address near-term military applications  
19 and operational needs.

20 (e) TERMINATION.—The authority to carry out the  
21 pilot program under subsection (a) shall terminate on Sep-  
22 tember 30, 2026.

23 (f) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “quantum  
24 and quantum-hybrid applications” means algorithms and

1 applications which use quantum mechanics through quan-  
2 tum processing units, including—

3 (1) quantum-classical hybrid applications which  
4 are applications that use both quantum computing  
5 and classical computing hardware systems;

6 (2) annealing and gate systems; and

7 (3) all qubit modalities (including super-  
8 conducting, trapped-ion, neutral atom, and  
9 photonics).

10 **SEC. 232. PILOT PROGRAM TO FACILITATE ACCESS TO AD-**  
11 **VANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPED BY**  
12 **SMALL BUSINESSES FOR GROUND VEHICLE**  
13 **SYSTEMS OF THE ARMY.**

14 (a) PROGRAM REQUIRED.—Beginning not later than  
15 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
16 Secretary of the Army shall carry out a pilot program  
17 under which the Secretary seeks to facilitate a contract  
18 between the Ground Vehicle Systems Center of the Army  
19 and a non-profit research institute for the purposes of im-  
20 proving the ability of the Center to access advanced tech-  
21 nology developed by a small business concern (as defined  
22 under section 3 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.  
23 632)). Any such contract shall be a commercial solutions  
24 opening contract entered into pursuant to section 3458  
25 of title 10, United States Code.

1 (b) TERMINATION.—The authority to carry out the  
2 pilot program under this section shall terminate five years  
3 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

4 **SEC. 233. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS PEND-**  
5 **ING DOCUMENTATION ON FUTURE ATTACK**  
6 **RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT PROGRAM.**

7 Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this  
8 Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024, and  
9 available for the Office of the Secretary of the Army for  
10 the travel of persons, not more than 70 percent may be  
11 obligated or expended until the date on which the Sec-  
12 retary submits to the congressional defense committees  
13 the analysis of alternatives document for the Future At-  
14 tack Reconnaissance Aircraft program.

15 **Subtitle C—Energetics and Other**  
16 **Munitions Matters**

17 **SEC. 241. JOINT ENERGETICS TRANSITION OFFICE.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 4 of title 10, United  
19 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
20 lowing new section:

21 **“§ 148. Joint Energetics Transition Office**

22 **“(a) IN GENERAL.—**The Secretary of Defense shall  
23 establish a Joint Energetics Transition Office (in this sec-  
24 tion referred to as the ‘Office’) within the Department of  
25 Defense. The Office shall carry out the activities described

1 in subsection (c) and shall have such other responsibilities  
2 relating to energetic materials as the Secretary shall speci-  
3 fy.

4 “(b) LEADERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION.—

5 “(1) The Under Secretary of Defense for Ac-  
6 quisition and Sustainment shall designate an indi-  
7 vidual to serve as the head of the Office. The Under  
8 Secretary shall select such individual from among of-  
9 ficials of the Department of Defense serving in orga-  
10 nizations under the jurisdiction of the Under Sec-  
11 retary at the time of such designation. The head of  
12 the Office shall—

13 “(A) report directly to the Under Secretary  
14 of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment;  
15 and

16 “(B) coordinate, as appropriate, with the  
17 Under Secretary of Defense for Research and  
18 Engineering.

19 “(2) The Under Secretary of Defense for Re-  
20 search and Engineering shall designate an individual  
21 to serve as the deputy head of the Office. The Under  
22 Secretary shall select such individual from among of-  
23 ficials of the Department of Defense serving in orga-  
24 nizations under the jurisdiction of the Under Sec-  
25 retary at the time of such designation. The deputy

1 head of the Office shall report directly to the head  
2 of the Office and to the Under Secretary of Defense  
3 for Research and Engineering.

4 “(3) The head of the Office and deputy head of  
5 the Office shall be responsible for the overall man-  
6 agement and operation of the Office. The Under  
7 Secretaries shall ensure that the head and deputy  
8 head of the Office are not assigned outside duties  
9 that would diminish their ability to effectively man-  
10 age and operate the Office.

11 “(c) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Office shall do the fol-  
12 lowing:

13 “(1) Develop and periodically update an ener-  
14 getic materials strategic plan and investment strat-  
15 egy to guide investments in both new and legacy en-  
16 ergetic materials and technologies across the entire  
17 supply chain for the total life cycle of energetic ma-  
18 terials, including raw materials, ingredients, propel-  
19 lants, pyrotechnics, and explosives for munitions,  
20 weapons, and propulsion systems. Such strategy and  
21 plan shall provide for—

22 “(A) developing or supporting the develop-  
23 ment of strategic plans for energetic materials  
24 and technologies, including associated perform-  
25 ance metrics for the Office, over the periods

1 covered by the future-years defense program re-  
2 quired under section 221 of this title and the  
3 program objective memorandum process;

4 “(B) initiating special studies or anal-  
5 yses—

6 “(i) to determine targets that would  
7 be optimally addressed or defeated by  
8 weapons that incorporate novel energetic  
9 materials; and

10 “(ii) to inform the program objective  
11 memorandum process; and

12 “(C) identifying any shortfalls in the sup-  
13 ply chain for energetic materials and developing  
14 plans to alleviate any shortfalls through the ex-  
15 pansion of the energetic materials industrial  
16 base to include critical contractors, subcontrac-  
17 tors, and suppliers.

18 “(2) Coordinate and ensure consistency and  
19 congruity among research, development, test, and  
20 evaluation efforts in energetic materials across the  
21 Department of Defense—

22 “(A) to identify promising new energetic  
23 materials and technologies;

24 “(B) to mature, integrate, prototype, test,  
25 and demonstrate novel energetic materials and

1 technologies, including new materials and man-  
2 ufacturing technologies;

3 “(C) to expedite testing, evaluation, and  
4 acquisition of energetic materials and tech-  
5 nologies to meet the emergent needs of the De-  
6 partment, including the rapid integration of  
7 promising new materials and other promising  
8 energetic compounds into weapons platforms;

9 “(D) to identify or establish prototyping  
10 demonstration venues to integrate advanced  
11 technologies that speed the maturation and de-  
12 ployment of energetic materials; and

13 “(E) to support collaboration among in-  
14 dustry, academia, and elements of the Depart-  
15 ment of Defense to transition energetic mate-  
16 rials and technologies from the research and de-  
17 velopment phase to production and operational  
18 use within the Department.

19 “(3) Oversee a process to expedite—

20 “(A) the validation, verification, and ac-  
21 creditation of modeling and simulation of ener-  
22 getic materials for the development of require-  
23 ments; and

24 “(B) the qualification process for energetic  
25 materials, from discovery through transition to

1 production and integration into weapon sys-  
2 tems.

3 “(4) Recommend changes to laws, regulations,  
4 and policies that present barriers or extend timelines  
5 for the expedited process described in paragraph (3).

6 “(5) Coordinate with other organizations in-  
7 volved in energetic materials activities within the  
8 Department of Defense, including the Armed  
9 Forces, and across other departments and agencies  
10 of the Federal Government.

11 “(6) Pursuant to the authority provided under  
12 section 191 of this title, establish and manage a De-  
13 partment of Defense Field Activity dedicated to sys-  
14 tems engineering associated with energetic materials.  
15 Such Field Activity shall be funded under budget ac-  
16 tivity 3 (advanced technology development) or budg-  
17 et activity 4 (advanced component development and  
18 prototypes) (as such budget activity classifications  
19 are set forth in volume 2B, chapter 5 of the Depart-  
20 ment of Defense Financial Management Regulation  
21 (DOD 7000.14-R)) to reduce technical risk, inte-  
22 grate research, development, test, and evaluation,  
23 and perform system demonstration programs of the  
24 Department of Defense on novel energetic materials  
25 for use in weapon systems.

1           “(7) Carry out such other responsibilities relat-  
2           ing to energetic materials as the Secretary shall  
3           specify.

4           “(d) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary  
5           of Defense shall ensure that the Office is budgeted for and  
6           funded in a manner sufficient to ensure the Office has  
7           the staff and other resources necessary to effectively carry  
8           out the responsibilities specified in subsection (c).

9           “(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the term ‘ener-  
10          getic materials’ means critical chemicals and formulations  
11          that—

12           “(1) release large amounts of stored chemical  
13          energy; and

14           “(2) are capable of being used as explosives,  
15          propellants, pyrotechnics, and reactive materials  
16          that—

17           “(A) create lethal effects in warheads in  
18          kinetic weapons components and systems; or

19           “(B) increase propellant performance in a  
20          weapon propulsion system as related to lethal  
21          effects, range, or speed.”.

22          (b) STATUS REPORTS.—The Secretary of Defense  
23          shall submit to the congressional defense committees—

24           (1) not later than 60 days after the date of the  
25          enactment of this Act, a report on the status of the

1 establishment of Joint Energetics Transition Office  
2 under section 148 of title 10, United States Code,  
3 as added by subsection (a);

4 (2) not later than one year after such date of  
5 enactment, a report on the measures taken to pro-  
6 vide the Joint Energetics Transition Office with the  
7 staff and resources necessary for the Office to carry  
8 out the responsibilities specified in subsection (c) of  
9 such section 148; and

10 (3) not later than two years after such date of  
11 enactment, a report that includes the energetic ma-  
12 terials strategic plan and investment strategy re-  
13 quired under subsection (c)(1) of such section 148.

14 (c) ANNUAL REPORTS.—Not later than March 1,  
15 2024, and not later than March 1 of each year thereafter  
16 through 2029, the head of the Joint Energetics Transition  
17 Office shall submit to the congressional defense commit-  
18 tees a report that includes, with respect to the year cov-  
19 ered by the report, the following information:

20 (1) A description of activities carried out in ac-  
21 cordance with the energetic materials strategic plan  
22 and investment strategy developed under section  
23 148(c)(1) of title 10, United States Code, as added  
24 by subsection (a) of this section, including—

1 (A) a description of any updates to the  
2 performance metrics developed for purposes of  
3 such plan and strategy; and

4 (B) an assessment of the performance of  
5 the Office against those metrics.

6 (2) An overview of the research, development,  
7 test, and evaluation efforts initiated or completed by  
8 the Office.

9 (3) An overview of the efforts of the Office to  
10 expedite qualification processes for energetic mate-  
11 rials.

12 (4) An overview of efforts of the Office to co-  
13 ordinate with other organizations involved in ener-  
14 getic materials activities across the Department of  
15 Defense and other departments and agencies of the  
16 Federal Government.

17 **SEC. 242. CONSIDERATION OF LETHALITY IN THE ANALYSIS**  
18 **OF ALTERNATIVES FOR MUNITIONS.**

19 (a) ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVES REVIEW.—The Sec-  
20 retary of Defense shall ensure that lethality is considered  
21 in any analysis of alternatives conducted prior to issuing  
22 a capability development document for purposes of pro-  
23 curing any new munition or modifying an existing muni-  
24 tion.

1 (b) CONSIDERATION OF ENERGETIC MATERIALS.—  
2 In assessing the lethality of a munition for purposes of  
3 the analysis of alternatives described under subsection (a),  
4 the Secretary of Defense shall include the margin of effec-  
5 tiveness, increased system capacities, and cost implications  
6 afforded by the potential use of novel or alternative ener-  
7 getic materials in the munition to achieve increased explo-  
8 sive effects.

9 (c) ENERGETIC MATERIALS DEFINED.—In this sec-  
10 tion, the term “energetic materials” means critical chemi-  
11 cals that—

12 (1) release large amounts of energy in a short  
13 amount of time; and

14 (2) are capable of being used in explosives that  
15 create lethal effects in warheads.

16 **SEC. 243. PILOT PROGRAM ON INCORPORATION OF THE**  
17 **CL20 COMPOUND IN CERTAIN WEAPON SYS-**  
18 **TEMS.**

19 (a) PILOT PROGRAM REQUIRED.—The Secretary of  
20 Defense shall carry out a pilot program under which the  
21 Secretary incorporates the CL20 compound as the ener-  
22 getic material for the main fill in the warheads or propel-  
23 lants of three weapon systems under development by the  
24 Department of Defense for the purpose of determining

1 cost, schedule, and lethality performance parameters for  
2 such systems.

3 (b) SELECTION OF WEAPON SYSTEMS.—Each of the  
4 three weapon systems selected under subsection (a) shall  
5 be a weapon system that does not, as of the date of the  
6 enactment of this Act, already incorporate the CL20 com-  
7 pound as the energetic material for the main fill in the  
8 warhead or propellant of the system.

9 (c) TIMELINE FOR INTEGRATION.—The Secretary of  
10 Defense shall ensure that the CL20 energetic compound  
11 is integrated into each weapon system selected under sub-  
12 section (a) by not later than three years after the date  
13 of the enactment of this Act.

14 (d) BRIEFING.—Not later than one year after the  
15 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
16 shall provide to the congressional defense committees a  
17 briefing on progress of the Secretary in carrying out the  
18 pilot program under this section, including—

19 (1) identification of the weapon systems se-  
20 lected by the Secretary under subsection (a);

21 (2) with respect to each such weapon system,  
22 identification of—

23 (A) a timeline for incorporating the CL20  
24 energetic compound into such weapon system;

1 (B) the organization within the Depart-  
2 ment of Defense responsible for carrying out  
3 activities under the pilot program for such  
4 weapon system; and

5 (C) any locations at which testing associ-  
6 ated with such weapon system under the pro-  
7 gram is expected to be carried out; and

8 (3) the baseline cost, schedule, and lethality ob-  
9 jectives that will be used to evaluate the perform-  
10 ance of weapon systems under the program.

11 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the term “ener-  
12 getic material” means critical chemicals and formulations  
13 that—

14 (1) release large amounts of stored chemical en-  
15 ergy; and

16 (2) are capable of being used as explosives, pro-  
17 pellants, pyrotechnics, and reactive materials that—

18 (A) create lethal effects in warheads in ki-  
19 netic weapons components and systems; or

20 (B) increase propellant performance in a  
21 weapon propulsion system as related to lethal  
22 effects, range, or speed.

1 **SEC. 244. LIMITATION ON SOURCING CHEMICAL MATE-**  
2 **RIALS FOR MUNITIONS FROM CERTAIN**  
3 **COUNTRIES.**

4 (a) **LIMITATION.**—The Secretary of Defense may not  
5 procure a chemical material for munitions specified in sub-  
6 section (b) from any country specified in subsection (c).

7 (b) **CHEMICAL MATERIALS SPECIFIED.**—The chem-  
8 ical materials for munitions specified in this subsection are  
9 the chemicals listed under the heading “Task 1: Domestic  
10 Production of Critical Chemicals” in section 3.0E of the  
11 document of the Department of Defense titled “Statement  
12 of Objectives (SOO) for Critical Chemicals Production”  
13 (FOA: FA8650-19-S-5010, Appendix VI, Call: 012) and  
14 dated December 5, 2022.

15 (c) **COUNTRIES SPECIFIED.**—The countries specified  
16 in this subsection are the following:

17 (1) The People’s Republic of China.

18 (2) The Russian Federation.

19 (3) The Islamic Republic of Iran.

20 (4) The Democratic People’s Republic of North  
21 Korea.

22 (d) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The requirements of this  
23 section shall take effect on a date determined by the Sec-  
24 retary of Defense that is not later than September 30,  
25 2028.

1 **SEC. 245. DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE MUNITION SURGE**  
2 **CAPACITY CRITICAL RESERVE.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Under Secretary of Defense  
4 for Acquisition and Sustainment, in coordination with the  
5 service acquisition executive of each military department,  
6 may establish a reserve of long-lead items and components  
7 to accelerate the delivery of munitions described in section  
8 222c(e) of title 10, United States Code.

9 (b) QUANTITY.—The quantity of long-lead items and  
10 components reserved pursuant to subsection (a) should be  
11 in amounts commensurate to fulfill the requirements iden-  
12 tified as Out-Year Unconstrained Total Munitions Re-  
13 quirement and Out-Year inventory numbers under section  
14 222c(a) of title 10, United States Code.

15 (c) AUTHORITY FOR ADVANCE PROCUREMENT.—The  
16 Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and  
17 Sustainment may enter into one or more contracts, begin-  
18 ning in fiscal year 2024, for the advance procurement of  
19 long-lead items and components, or economic order quan-  
20 tities of such items and components when cost savings are  
21 achievable, associated with munitions identified in sub-  
22 section (a). Advance procurement authority may include  
23 the cost of shipping, storage, tracking, maintenance, and  
24 obsolescence management of long-lead items and compo-  
25 nents while held in the reserve described in subsection (a).

1 (d) LIMITATIONS.—No long-lead item or component  
2 may be procured under this section if the anticipated life  
3 cycle of such item or component requires disposal due to  
4 lack of military utility less than 8 years after such item  
5 or component is procured.

6 (e) REPORT.—Not later than February 1, 2025, and  
7 annually thereafter until February 1, 2030, the Under  
8 Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment  
9 shall submit to the congressional defense committees a re-  
10 port that describes the use of the authority under this sec-  
11 tion, including—

12 (1) the type, number, and value of long-lead  
13 items and components procured under each contrac-  
14 tual action; and

15 (2) information about the location of storage of  
16 such items and components.

17 (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

18 (1) The term “long-lead item or component”  
19 means a material, component, or subsystem of a mu-  
20 nition that must be procured well in advance of the  
21 need for such munition.

22 (2) The terms “service acquisition executive”  
23 and “military department” have the meanings given,  
24 respectively, in section 101 of title 10, United States  
25 Code.

1           **Subtitle D—Plans, Reports, and**  
2                           **Other Matters**

3   **SEC. 251. CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES TO**  
4                           **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE POLICY ON AU-**  
5                           **TONOMY IN WEAPON SYSTEMS.**

6           Not later than 30 days after making a modification  
7 to Department of Defense Directive 3000.09 (relating to  
8 autonomy in weapon systems) the Secretary of Defense  
9 shall provide to the congressional defense committees a  
10 briefing that includes—

- 11                   (1) a description of the modification; and  
12                   (2) an explanation of the reasons for the modi-  
13           fication.

14   **SEC. 252. AUDIT TO IDENTIFY DIVERSION OF DEPARTMENT**  
15                           **OF DEFENSE FUNDING TO CHINA'S RE-**  
16                           **SEARCH LABS.**

17           (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the  
18 date of the enactment of this Act, the Inspector General  
19 of the Department of Defense shall conduct a study, and  
20 submit a report to the congressional defense committees,  
21 regarding the amount of Federal funds awarded by the  
22 Department of Defense (whether directly or indirectly)  
23 through grants, contracts, subgrants, subcontracts, or any  
24 other type of agreement or collaboration, during the 10-

1 year period immediately preceding such date of enactment,  
2 that—

3 (1) was provided, whether purposely or inad-  
4 vertently, to—

5 (A) the People’s Republic of China;

6 (B) the Communist Party of China;

7 (C) the Wuhan Institute of Virology or any  
8 other organization administered by the Chinese  
9 Academy of Sciences;

10 (D) EcoHealth Alliance Inc. for work per-  
11 formed in China on research supported by the  
12 Government of China, including any subsidi-  
13 aries and related organizations that are directly  
14 controlled by EcoHealth Alliance, Inc.;

15 (E) the Academy of Military Medical  
16 Sciences or any of its research institutes, in-  
17 cluding the Beijing Institute of Microbiology  
18 and Epidemiology; or

19 (F) any other lab, agency, organization, in-  
20 dividual, or instrumentality that is owned, con-  
21 trolled (directly or indirectly), or overseen (offi-  
22 cially or unofficially) by any of the entities list-  
23 ed in subparagraphs (A) through (E); or

24 (2) was used to fund research or experiments  
25 that could have reasonably resulted in the enhance-

1       ment of any coronavirus, influenza, Nipah, Ebola, or  
2       other pathogen of pandemic potential or chimeric  
3       versions of such a virus or pathogen in the People's  
4       Republic of China or any other foreign country.

5       (b) IDENTIFICATION OF COUNTRIES AND PATHO-  
6       GENS.—The report required under subsection (a) shall  
7       specify—

8               (1) the countries in which the research or ex-  
9       periments described in subsection (a)(2) was con-  
10      ducted; and

11              (2) the pathogens involved in such research or  
12      experiments.

13      **SEC. 253. ANNUAL REVIEW OF STATUS OF IMPLEMENTA-**  
14                              **TION PLAN FOR DIGITAL ENGINEERING CA-**  
15                              **REER TRACKS.**

16      Not less frequently than once each year until Decem-  
17      ber 31, 2029, the Secretary of Defense shall—

18              (1) conduct an internal review of the status of  
19      the implementation of the plan submitted to Con-  
20      gress pursuant to section 230(b) of the National De-  
21      fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Pub-  
22      lic Law 116–92; 10 U.S.C. 501 note prec.), which  
23      shall include consideration of how the rapid rate of  
24      technological change in data science and machine

1 learning may affect the implementation of the plan;  
2 and

3 (2) submit to the congressional defense commit-  
4 tees a report that includes—

5 (A) a summary of the status of the imple-  
6 mentation of the plan described in paragraph  
7 (1);

8 (B) the findings of the Secretary with re-  
9 spect to the most recent review conducted under  
10 such paragraph; and

11 (C) the plan of the Secretary for address-  
12 ing the digital engineering personnel needs of  
13 the Department of Defense in the years fol-  
14 lowing the date of the report.

## 15 **TITLE III—OPERATION AND** 16 **MAINTENANCE**

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- Sec. 350. Strategy and assessment on use of automation and artificial intelligence for shipyard optimization.
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1           **Subtitle A—Authorization of**  
2                           **Appropriations**

3   **SEC. 301. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

4           Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for  
5 fiscal year 2024 for the use of the Armed Forces and other  
6 activities and agencies of the Department of Defense for  
7 expenses, not otherwise provided for, for operation and  
8 maintenance, as specified in the funding table in section  
9 4301.

10           **Subtitle B—Energy and**  
11                           **Environment**

12   **SEC. 311. IMPROVEMENT AND CODIFICATION OF SENTINEL**  
13                           **LANDSCAPES PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM AU-**  
14                           **THORITY.**

15           (a) CODIFICATION OF EXISTING STATUTE.—Section  
16 317 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal

1 Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91; 10 U.S.C. 2684a note)

2 is—

3 (1) transferred to chapter 159 of title 10,

4 United States Code;

5 (2) inserted after section 2692 of such chapter;

6 and

7 (3) redesignated as section 2693.

8 (b) IMPROVEMENTS TO SENTINEL LANDSCAPES

9 PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM.—Section 2693 of title 10,

10 United States Code, as so transferred and redesignated,

11 is further amended—

12 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “and the Sec-

13 retary of the Interior” and inserting “, the Secretary

14 of the Interior, and the heads of other Federal de-

15 partments and agencies that elect to become full

16 partners in the program”;

17 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “and the Sec-

18 retary of the Interior, may, as the Secretaries” and

19 inserting “the Secretary of the Interior, and the

20 heads of other Federal departments and agencies

21 that elect to become full partners in the Sentinel

22 Landscapes Partnership may, as such Secretaries

23 and other heads”;

24 (3) by amending subsection (c) to read as fol-

25 lows:

1       “(c) COORDINATION OF ACTIVITIES.—In carrying  
2 out this section, the Secretaries and the other heads of  
3 Federal departments and agencies may coordinate actions  
4 between their departments and agencies and with other  
5 Federal, State, interstate, and local agencies, Indian  
6 Tribes, and private entities to more efficiently work to-  
7 gether for the mutual benefit of conservation, resilience,  
8 working lands, and national defense, and to encourage  
9 owners and managers of land to engage in voluntary land  
10 management, resilience, and conservation activities that  
11 contribute to the sustainment of military installations,  
12 State-owned National Guard installations, and associated  
13 airspace.”;

14           (4) in subsection (d)—

15           (A) by striking the first sentence and in-  
16           serting “In carrying out this section, the Secre-  
17           taries and the other heads of Federal depart-  
18           ments and agencies may give to any eligible  
19           owner or manager of land within a designated  
20           sentinel landscape priority consideration for  
21           participation in any easement, grant, or assist-  
22           ance program administered by that Secretary or  
23           head.”; and

1 (B) in the second sentence, by striking “el-  
2 ible landowner or agricultural producer” and  
3 inserting “eligible owner or manager of land”;  
4 (5) by redesignating subsection (f) as sub-  
5 section (g);

6 (6) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-  
7 lowing new subsection (f):

8 “(f) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
9 tion may be construed to require an owner or manager  
10 of land, including a private landowner or agricultural pro-  
11 ducer, to participate in any land management, resilience,  
12 or conservation activity under this section.”; and

13 (7) in subsection (g), as redesignated by para-  
14 graph (5)—

15 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “section  
16 670(1) of title 16, United States Code” and in-  
17 serting “section 100(1) of the Sikes Act (16  
18 U.S.C. 670(1))”;

19 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “section  
20 670(3) of title 16, United States Code” and in-  
21 serting “section 100(3) of the Sikes Act (16  
22 U.S.C. 670(3))”; and

23 (C) in paragraph (3), by amending sub-  
24 paragraph (B) to read as follows:

1           “(B) the publicly and privately owned  
2           lands that serve to protect and support the  
3           rural economy, the natural environment, out-  
4           door recreation, and the national defense mis-  
5           sions of a military installation or State-owned  
6           National Guard installation.”.

7           (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Title 10, United  
8 States Code, is further amended—

9           (1) in section 2684a(g)(2)(E), by striking “Sen-  
10          tinel Landscapes Partnership established under sec-  
11          tion 317 of the National Defense Authorization Act  
12          for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91; 10  
13          U.S.C. 2684a note)” and inserting “Sentinel Land-  
14          scapes Partnership under section 2693 of this title”;  
15          and

16          (2) in section 2694(e), by striking “meaning  
17          given that term in section 317(f) of the National De-  
18          fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Pub-  
19          lic Law 115–91; 10 U.S.C. 2684a note)” and insert-  
20          ing “meaning given that term in section 2693(g) of  
21          this title”.

1 **SEC. 312. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY FOR ENVIRON-**  
2 **MENTAL RESTORATION PROJECTS AT NA-**  
3 **TIONAL GUARD FACILITIES.**

4 (a) CLARIFICATION OF DEFINITION OF NATIONAL  
5 GUARD FACILITIES.—Section 2700(4) of title 10, United  
6 States Code, is amended—

7 (1) by striking “State-owned”;

8 (2) by striking “owned and operated by a State  
9 when such land is”; and

10 (3) by striking “even though such land is not  
11 under the jurisdiction of the Department of De-  
12 fense.” and inserting “without regard to—”

13 “(A) the owner or operator of the facility;

14 or

15 “(B) whether the facility is under the ju-  
16 risdiction of the Department of Defense or a  
17 military department.”.

18 (b) INCLUSION UNDER DEFENSE ENVIRONMENTAL  
19 RESTORATION PROGRAM.—Section 2701(a)(1) of such  
20 title is amended by striking “State-owned”.

21 (c) RESPONSE ACTIONS AT NATIONAL GUARD FA-  
22 CILITIES.—Section 2701(c)(1)(D) of such title is amended  
23 by striking “State-owned”.

24 (d) SERVICES OF OTHER ENTITIES.—Section  
25 2701(d)(1) of such title is amended, in the second sen-

1 tence, by inserting “or at a National Guard facility” be-  
2 fore the period at the end.

3 (e) ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION ACCOUNTS.—  
4 Section 2703(g)(1) of such title is amended by inserting  
5 “, a National Guard facility,” after “Department of De-  
6 fense”.

7 (f) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

8 (1) REPEAL.—Section 2707 of such title is  
9 amended by striking subsection (e).

10 (2) REFERENCE UPDATE.—Section 345(f)(1) of  
11 the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
12 Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C. 2715  
13 note) is amended by striking “facility where military  
14 activities are conducted by the National Guard of a  
15 State pursuant to section 2707(e) of title 10, United  
16 States Code” and inserting “National Guard facility,  
17 as such term is defined in section 2700 of title 10,  
18 United States Code”.

19 **SEC. 313. MODIFICATION TO TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AU-**  
20 **THORITY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORA-**  
21 **TION ACTIVITIES.**

22 Section 2705(e) of title 10, United States Code, is  
23 amended—

24 (1) in paragraph (1)—

1 (A) by striking “upon the request of the  
2 technical review committee or restoration advi-  
3 sory board for an installation” and inserting  
4 “upon the request of the technical review com-  
5 mittee for an installation, restoration advisory  
6 board for an installation, community concerned  
7 with respect to an installation, or individual  
8 member of such community”; and

9 (B) by striking “to obtain” and all that  
10 follows through “interpreting” and inserting  
11 “to obtain from covered sources technical as-  
12 sistance for the committee, advisory board,  
13 community, or individual (as the case may be)  
14 to interpret”;

15 (2) in paragraph (2)—

16 (A) by striking “technical review com-  
17 mittee or restoration advisory board” and in-  
18 sserting “technical review committee, restoration  
19 advisory board, community, or individual”; and

20 (B) by striking “only if” and all that fol-  
21 lows through the closing period and inserting  
22 “only if the technical assistance—”

23 “(A) is likely to contribute to the effi-  
24 ciency, effectiveness, or timeliness of environ-

1           mental restoration activities at the installation;  
2           or

3                   “(B) is a service described in paragraph  
4           (3).”; and

5           (3) by adding at the end the following new  
6    paragraphs:

7           “(3) A service described in this paragraph is a service  
8    to improve public participation in, or assist in the naviga-  
9    tion of, environmental restoration activities at an installa-  
10   tion by the community concerned or an individual member  
11   of such community, including with respect to the fol-  
12   lowing:

13                   “(A) The interpretation of site-related docu-  
14    ments, including documents concerning the nature of  
15    a release or threatened release at the installation,  
16    monitoring, testing plans, and reports associated  
17    with site assessment and characterization at the in-  
18    stallation.

19                   “(B) The interpretation of health-related infor-  
20    mation.

21                   “(C) The interpretation of documents, plans,  
22    proposed actions, and final decisions relating to—

23                           “(i) an interim remedial action;

24                           “(ii) a remedial investigation or feasibility  
25    study;

1 “(iii) a record of decision;

2 “(iv) a remedial design;

3 “(v) the selection and construction of re-  
4 medial action;

5 “(vi) operation and maintenance;

6 “(vii) a five-year review at the installation;

7 or

8 “(viii) a removal action at the installation.

9 “(D) Assistance with the preparation of public  
10 comments.

11 “(E) The development of outreach materials to  
12 improve public participation.

13 “(F) The provision of advice and guidance re-  
14 garding additional technical assistance for which the  
15 community or individual, as the case may be, may  
16 be eligible.

17 “(4) In this subsection, the term ‘covered source’  
18 means a private sector source, a Federal department or  
19 agency other than the Department of Defense (pursuant  
20 to a Federal interagency agreement), or a nonprofit entity  
21 (pursuant to a cooperative agreement entered into with  
22 such entity).”.

1 **SEC. 314. COORDINATION ON AGREEMENTS TO LIMIT EN-**  
2 **CROACHMENTS AND OTHER CONSTRAINTS**  
3 **ON MILITARY TRAINING, TESTING, AND OP-**  
4 **ERATIONS.**

5 Section 2684a of title 10, United States Code, is  
6 amended—

7 (1) by redesignating subsections (e) through (j)  
8 as subsections (d) through (k), respectively;

9 (2) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-  
10 lowing new subsection:

11 “(c) **AUTHORITY TO COORDINATE.**—(1) In entering  
12 into an agreement under subsection (a) or undertaking a  
13 project under such agreement, the Secretary of Defense  
14 or the Secretary of a military department, as the case may  
15 be, may coordinate with any other covered official with  
16 an interest in the activities proposed to be undertaken  
17 under such agreement.

18 “(2) In this subsection, the term ‘covered official’  
19 means a Secretary concerned, the Director of the Army  
20 National Guard, or the Director of the Air National  
21 Guard.”; and

22 (3) in subsection (h)(2)(D), as redesignated by  
23 paragraph (1), by striking “subsection (d)” and in-  
24 serting “subsection (e)”.

1 **SEC. 315. REQUIREMENT FOR APPROVAL BY UNDER SEC-**  
2 **RETARY OF DEFENSE FOR ACQUISITION AND**  
3 **SUSTAINMENT OF WAIVER FOR SYSTEMS NOT**  
4 **MEETING FUEL EFFICIENCY KEY PERFORM-**  
5 **ANCE PARAMETER.**

6 Section 332(b) of the Duncan Hunter National De-  
7 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law  
8 110–417; 10 U.S.C. 2911 note) is amended—

9 (1) by striking “The Secretary of Defense” and  
10 inserting the following: “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Sec-  
11 retary of Defense”; and

12 (2) by adding at the end the following new  
13 paragraph:

14 “(2) WAIVER OF FUEL EFFICIENCY KEY PER-  
15 FORMANCE PARAMETER.—

16 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The fuel efficiency key  
17 performance parameter implemented pursuant  
18 to paragraph (1) may be waived with respect to  
19 a system only if—

20 “(i) such waiver is approved by the  
21 Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition  
22 and Sustainment; and

23 “(ii) the system is a fuel consuming  
24 system that the Under Secretary of De-  
25 fense for Acquisition and Sustainment de-  
26 termines requires, or is likely to require,

1                   sustainment on at least an occasional  
2                   basis.

3                   “(B) NONDELEGATION.—The authority to  
4                   approve a waiver under subparagraph (A) may  
5                   not be delegated.”.

6   **SEC. 316. MODIFICATION TO PROTOTYPE AND DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS FOR ENERGY RESILIENCE AT CERTAIN MILITARY INSTALLATIONS.**

7                   (a) MODIFICATION TO COVERED TECHNOLOGIES FOR  
8                   PROTOTYPE AND DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS.—Section  
9                   322(c)(6) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Au-  
10                  thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–  
11                  263; 136 Stat. 2511; 10 U.S.C. 2911 note) is amended  
12                  by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:  
13                  “(C) Hydrogen creation, storage, and  
14                  power generation technologies using natural gas  
15                  or renewable electricity.”.

16                  “(C) Hydrogen creation, storage, and  
17                  power generation technologies using natural gas  
18                  or renewable electricity.”.

19                  (b) APPLICABILITY.—The amendments made by sub-  
20                  section (a) shall apply with respect to covered prototype  
21                  and demonstration projects (as defined in section 322(k)  
22                  of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization  
23                  Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat.  
24                  2511; 10 U.S.C. 2911 note)) commencing on or after the  
                  date of the enactment of this Act.

1 **SEC. 317. AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER CERTAIN FUNDS AS**  
2 **PAYMENT RELATING TO NAVAL AIR STATION,**  
3 **MOFFETT FIELD, CALIFORNIA.**

4 (a) AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER FUNDS.—

5 (1) TRANSFER AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of  
6 the Navy shall, in accordance with section 2703(f) of  
7 title 10, United States Code—

8 (A) transfer \$218,125 to the Hazardous  
9 Substance Superfund established under sub-  
10 chapter A of chapter 98 of the Internal Rev-  
11 enue Code of 1986, without regard to section  
12 2215 of such title; and

13 (B) transfer \$218,125 to the State of Cali-  
14 fornia for deposit into the California State  
15 Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Ac-  
16 count.

17 (2) SOURCE OF FUNDS.—Any transfer under  
18 this subsection shall be made using funds authorized  
19 to be appropriated by this Act for fiscal year 2024  
20 for the Department of Defense Base Closure Ac-  
21 count established by section 2906(a) of the Defense  
22 Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990 (10  
23 U.S.C. 2687 note).

24 (b) PURPOSE OF TRANSFER.—A transfer under sub-  
25 section (a) shall be for the purpose of satisfying a stipu-  
26 lated penalty assessed by the Environmental Protection

1 Agency on May 4, 2018, regarding former Naval Air Sta-  
2 tion, Moffett Field, California, under the Federal Facility  
3 Agreement for Naval Air Station, Moffett Field, which  
4 was entered into by the Navy, the State of California, and  
5 the Environmental Protection Agency in 1990 pursuant  
6 to section 120 of the Comprehensive Environmental Re-  
7 sponse, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42  
8 U.S.C. 9620), and which provided for equal sharing of any  
9 such stipulated penalty between the appropriate Federal  
10 and State funds.

11 (c) EFFECT OF TRANSFERS.—If the Secretary of the  
12 Navy transfers under subsection (a)(1) the amounts re-  
13 quired under such subsection, such transferred amounts  
14 shall be deemed to satisfy in full the stipulated penalty  
15 referred to in subsection (b) for purposes of the agreement  
16 referred to in such subsection, pursuant to the resolution  
17 of stipulated penalties agreed to with respect to such pen-  
18 alties by the Navy, the State of California, and the Envi-  
19 ronmental Protection Agency on October 1, 2018.

20 **SEC. 318. PROHIBITION ON REQUIRED DISCLOSURE BY DE-**  
21 **PARTMENT OF DEFENSE CONTRACTORS OF**  
22 **INFORMATION RELATING TO GREENHOUSE**  
23 **GAS EMISSIONS.**

24 (a) PROHIBITION ON DISCLOSURE REQUIRE-  
25 MENTS.—

1           (1) NONTRADITIONAL DEFENSE CONTRAC-  
2           TORS.—The Secretary of Defense may not require  
3           that any nontraditional defense contractor, as a con-  
4           dition of being awarded a contract with the Sec-  
5           retary, disclose a greenhouse gas inventory or any  
6           other report on greenhouse gas emissions, unless the  
7           Secretary determines that requiring such disclosure  
8           is necessary to verify a voluntary disclosure of such  
9           inventory or other report by the nontraditional de-  
10          fense contractor.

11          (2) OTHER THAN NONTRADITIONAL DEFENSE  
12          CONTRACTORS.—During the one-year period begin-  
13          ning on the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
14          Secretary of Defense may not require that any indi-  
15          vidual or entity other than a nontraditional defense  
16          contractor, as a condition of being awarded a con-  
17          tract with the Secretary, disclose a greenhouse gas  
18          inventory or any other report on greenhouse gas  
19          emissions, unless the Secretary determines that re-  
20          quiring such disclosure is necessary to verify a vol-  
21          untary disclosure of such inventory or other report  
22          by the individual or entity.

23          (b) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may issue  
24          a waiver on a contract-by-contract basis provided that the  
25          information provided is directly related to the performance

1 of the contract. In issuing such a waiver, the Secretary  
2 of Defense shall ensure that any information that is re-  
3 quired is clearly identifiable.

4 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

5 (1) The term “greenhouse gas” means—

6 (A) carbon dioxide;

7 (B) methane;

8 (C) nitrous oxide;

9 (D) nitrogen trifluoride;

10 (E) hydrofluorocarbons;

11 (F) perfluorocarbons; or

12 (G) sulfur hexafluoride.

13 (2) The term “greenhouse gas inventory”  
14 means, with respect to a person, a quantified list of  
15 the annual greenhouse gas emissions of the person.

16 (3) The term “nontraditional defense con-  
17 tractor” has the meaning given the term in section  
18 3014 of title 10, United States Code.

19 **SEC. 319. REQUIRED INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN PRIOR TO**  
20 **DEPLOYMENT OF CERTAIN NON-TACTICAL**  
21 **VEHICLES AT MILITARY INSTALLATIONS.**

22 (a) REQUIREMENT.—No Secretary concerned may  
23 deploy covered non-tactical vehicles to a military installa-  
24 tion until, for each such prospective deployment—

25 (1) the Secretary concerned—

1 (A) ensures there is completed an infra-  
2 structure plan for that military installation re-  
3 lating to the prospective deployment; and

4 (B) determines such plan is sufficient to  
5 ensure the satisfaction of the conditions de-  
6 scribed in subsection (b); and

7 (2) in the case of the first prospective deploy-  
8 ment to that military installation, a period of 180  
9 days has elapsed since such determination; or

10 (3) in the case of any subsequent prospective  
11 deployment to that military installation, a period of  
12 60 days has elapsed since such determination.

13 (b) CONDITIONS DESCRIBED.—The conditions de-  
14 scribed in this subsection are, with respect to a prospective  
15 deployment of covered non-tactical vehicles to a military  
16 installation, the following:

17 (1) Military logistics and operational require-  
18 ments of that military installation would not be sub-  
19 stantially affected as a result of a lack of infrastruc-  
20 ture to support the kind and quantity of such vehi-  
21 cles proposed to be deployed.

22 (2) Adequate support facilities for the kind and  
23 quantity of such vehicles proposed to be deployed  
24 exist at that military installation.

25 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1           (1) The term “covered non-tactical vehicle”  
2           means a non-tactical vehicle that is an electric vehi-  
3           cle, hydrogen-powered vehicle, or advanced biofuel-  
4           powered vehicle, as such terms are defined in section  
5           328 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Au-  
6           thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law  
7           117–263; 136 Stat. 2519).

8           (2) The term “Secretary concerned” has the  
9           meaning given that term in section 101 of title 10,  
10          United States Code.

11 **SEC. 320. PROHIBITION AND REPORT REQUIREMENT RE-**  
12 **LATING TO CERTAIN ENERGY PROGRAMS OF**  
13 **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

14          (a) PROHIBITION.—None of the funds authorized to  
15          be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available  
16          for the Department of Defense for any operational energy  
17          program may be provided to any entity owned by, or with  
18          known financial or leadership ties to, the Russian Federa-  
19          tion or the Chinese Communist Party.

20          (b) REPORT REQUIREMENT.—As part of the report  
21          submitted under section 2925(a) of title 10, United States  
22          Code, for fiscal year 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall  
23          submit to the congressional defense committees a report  
24          on operational energy programs that includes—

1 (1) a list of each operational energy program;  
2 and

3 (2) to the extent such information may be de-  
4 termined, a description of—

5 (A) how each such program improves mili-  
6 tary readiness or capabilities;

7 (B) how each such program shall be sus-  
8 tained (including in a contested environment);  
9 and

10 (C) the estimated life-cycle costs of each  
11 such program, including the estimated cost  
12 avoidance over such life cycle.

13 (c) OPERATIONAL ENERGY PROGRAM DEFINED.—In  
14 this section, the term “operational energy program”  
15 means any program carried out under an operational en-  
16 ergy initiative of the Department of Defense specified in  
17 section 2925(b)(3) of title 10, United States Code.

18 **SEC. 321. REPORT ON SCHEDULE AND COST ESTIMATES**  
19 **FOR COMPLETION OF TESTING AND REMEDI-**  
20 **ATION OF CONTAMINATED SITES; PUBLICA-**  
21 **TION OF CLEANUP INFORMATION.**

22 (a) REPORT REQUIRED.—

23 (1) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the  
24 date of the enactment of this Act, and once every  
25 two years thereafter until December 31, 2029, the

1 Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees  
2 on Armed Services of the House of Representatives  
3 and the Senate a report that includes—

4 (A) a proposed schedule for the completion  
5 of testing and remediation activities (including  
6 with respect to the remediation of  
7 perfluoroalkyl substances and polyfluoroalkyl  
8 substances) at military installations, National  
9 Guard facilities, and sites formerly used by the  
10 Department of Defense in the United States  
11 with respect to which the Secretary obligated  
12 funds for environmental restoration activities in  
13 fiscal year 2022;

14 (B) for each site specified in subparagraph  
15 (A) for which an element of the Department of  
16 Defense has completed a remedial investigation  
17 but for which testing and remediation activities  
18 have not been completed, a detailed cost esti-  
19 mate—

20 (i) for any such activities to be carried  
21 out at such site during the following year;  
22 and

23 (ii) for the completion of such activi-  
24 ties at such site;

1 (C) if either cost estimate specified in sub-  
2 paragraph (B) is unavailable with respect to a  
3 given site specified in subparagraph (A), a de-  
4 tailed description of known and unknown fac-  
5 tors, including site characteristics and the na-  
6 ture of contamination, that may affect the cost  
7 to complete testing and remediation activities at  
8 such site based on historical costs of remedi-  
9 ation for—

10 (i) sites remediated under the Defense  
11 Environmental Restoration Program under  
12 section 2701 of title 10, United States  
13 Code;

14 (ii) other federally-funded sites; or

15 (iii) privately-funded sites; and

16 (D) for each site specified in subparagraph  
17 (A) for which the Secretary has completed the  
18 preliminary assessment or site inspection phase  
19 and that has been designated as requiring a re-  
20 medial investigation or study on the feasibility  
21 of remediating the site, the timeline for the  
22 completion of such investigation or study.

23 (2) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

1 (A) The term “military installation” has  
2 the meaning given such term in section 2801(c)  
3 of title 10, United States Code.

4 (B) The term “National Guard facility”  
5 has the meaning given that term in section  
6 2700 of title 10, United States Code.

7 (b) PUBLICATION OF INFORMATION.—Beginning not  
8 later than one year after the date of the enactment of this  
9 Act, the Secretary of Defense shall publish on the publicly  
10 available website established under section 331(b) of the  
11 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020  
12 (Public Law 116–92; 10 U.S.C. 2701 note) timely and  
13 regularly updated information on the status of cleanup at  
14 sites for which the Secretary has obligated funds for envi-  
15 ronmental restoration activities.

16 **Subtitle C—Treatment of**  
17 **Perfluoroalkyl Substances and**  
18 **Polyfluoroalkyl Substances**

19 **SEC. 331. MODIFICATION OF TIMING OF REPORT ON AC-**  
20 **TIVITIES OF PFAS TASK FORCE.**

21 Section 2714(f) of title 10, United States Code, is  
22 amended by striking “and quarterly thereafter,” and in-  
23 serting “and annually thereafter through 2029,”.

1 **SEC. 332. BUDGET JUSTIFICATION DOCUMENT FOR FUND-**  
2 **ING RELATING TO PERFLUOROALKYL SUB-**  
3 **STANCES AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUB-**  
4 **STANCES.**

5 Chapter 160 of title 10, United States Code, is  
6 amended by adding at the end the following new section:

7 **“§ 2716. Budget justification document for funding re-**  
8 **lating to perfluoroalkyl substances and**  
9 **polyfluoroalkyl substances**

10 “The Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress,  
11 concurrent with the submission to Congress of the budget  
12 of the President for each fiscal year pursuant to section  
13 1105(a) of title 31, a separate budget justification docu-  
14 ment that consolidates all information pertaining to activi-  
15 ties of the Department of Defense relating to  
16 perfluoroalkyl substances or polyfluoroalkyl substances,  
17 including funding for and descriptions of—

18 “(1) research and development efforts;

19 “(2) testing;

20 “(3) remediation;

21 “(4) contaminant disposal; and

22 “(5) community outreach.”

1 **SEC. 333. INCREASE OF TRANSFER AUTHORITY FOR FUND-**  
2 **ING OF STUDY AND ASSESSMENT ON HEALTH**  
3 **IMPLICATIONS OF PERFLUOROALKYL SUB-**  
4 **STANCES AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUB-**  
5 **STANCES CONTAMINATION IN DRINKING**  
6 **WATER BY AGENCY FOR TOXIC SUBSTANCES**  
7 **AND DISEASE REGISTRY.**

8 Section 316(a)(2)(B) of the National Defense Au-  
9 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115-  
10 91; 131 Stat. 1350) is amended by adding at the end the  
11 following new clause:

12 “(iv) Without regard to section 2215 of  
13 title 10, United States Code, the Secretary of  
14 Defense may transfer not more than  
15 \$5,000,000 during fiscal year 2024 to the Sec-  
16 retary of Health and Human Services to pay  
17 for the study and assessment required by this  
18 section.”.

19 **SEC. 334. PRIZES FOR DEVELOPMENT OF TECHNOLOGY**  
20 **FOR THERMAL DESTRUCTION OF**  
21 **PERFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES OR**  
22 **POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES.**

23 (a) PRIZES.—Section 330 of the National Defense  
24 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-  
25 283; 10 U.S.C. 2661 note prec.), as amended by section  
26 343 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authoriza-

1 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136  
2 Stat. 2530), is further amended—

3 (1) in subsection (a), by adding at the end the  
4 following new paragraph:

5 “(3) Technology for the thermal destruction of  
6 perfluoroalkyl substances or polyfluoroalkyl sub-  
7 stances.”; and

8 (2) in subsection (g), by striking “October 1,  
9 2024” and inserting “December 31, 2026”.

10 (b) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—There is  
11 authorized to be appropriated to the Department of De-  
12 fense for fiscal year 2024 \$1,000,000 to carry out this  
13 section.

14 **SEC. 335. TREATMENT OF CERTAIN MATERIALS CONTAMI-**  
15 **NATED WITH PERFLUOROALKYL SUB-**  
16 **STANCES OR POLYFLUOROALKYL SUB-**  
17 **STANCES.**

18 Section 343 of the National Defense Authorization  
19 Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat.  
20 1643; 10 U.S.C. 2701 note) is amended—

21 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “Beginning  
22 not later” and inserting “Except as provided in sub-  
23 section (c), beginning not later”;

24 (2) by redesignating subsections (c) through (e)  
25 as subsections (d) through (f), respectively;

1           (3) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-  
2           lowing new subsection:

3           “(c) TREATMENT OF CERTAIN MATERIALS.—Not-  
4           withstanding subsection (a), until the date on which the  
5           Secretary adopts the final rule pursuant to subsection (b),  
6           the Secretary may treat covered materials, including soils  
7           that have been contaminated with PFAS, through the use  
8           of any remediation or disposal technology that is approved  
9           by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection  
10          Agency.”; and

11          (4) in subsection (e), as redesignated by para-  
12          graph (2), by striking “subsection (c)” and inserting  
13          “subsection (d)”.

14   **SEC. 336. GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE RE-**  
15                   **PORTS ON TESTING AND REMEDIATION OF**  
16                   **PERFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES AND**  
17                   **POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES.**

18          Not later than one year after the date of the enact-  
19          ment of this Act, and not later than five years thereafter,  
20          the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit  
21          to the congressional defense committees a report assessing  
22          the state of ongoing testing and remediation by the De-  
23          partment of Defense of current or former military installa-  
24          tions contaminated with perfluoroalkyl substances or  
25          polyfluoroalkyl substances, including—

1 (1) an assessment of the thoroughness, pace,  
2 and cost-effectiveness of efforts of the Department  
3 to conduct testing and remediation relating to such  
4 substances;

5 (2) recommendations to improve such efforts;  
6 and

7 (3) such other matters as the Comptroller Gen-  
8 eral determines appropriate.

9 **Subtitle D—Logistics and**  
10 **Sustainment**

11 **SEC. 341. MODIFICATION OF RULE OF CONSTRUCTION RE-**  
12 **GARDING PROVISION OF SUPPORT AND**  
13 **SERVICES TO NON-DEPARTMENT OF DE-**  
14 **FENSE ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES.**

15 Section 2012(i) of title 10, United States Code, is  
16 amended—

17 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as  
18 subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively;

19 (2) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A),  
20 as redesignated by paragraph (1), by striking  
21 “Nothing in this section” and inserting “(1) Noth-  
22 ing in this section”;

23 (3) in subparagraph (A), as so redesignated, by  
24 inserting “, except as provided in paragraph (2),”  
25 before “for response”; and

1 (4) by adding at the end the following new  
2 paragraph:

3 “(2) Funds available to the Secretary of a military  
4 department for operation and maintenance for the Innova-  
5 tive Readiness Training program (as established pursuant  
6 to this section) may be expended under this section, upon  
7 approval by the Secretary concerned, to assist in demoli-  
8 tion, clearing of roads, infrastructure improvements, and  
9 military construction to restore an area after a natural  
10 disaster.”.

11 **SEC. 342. REPEAL OF COMPTROLLER GENERAL REVIEW RE-**  
12 **QUIREMENT RELATING TO CORE LOGISTICS**  
13 **CAPABILITIES.**

14 Section 2464 of title 10, United States Code, is  
15 amended by striking subsection (e).

16 **SEC. 343. MODIFICATIONS TO CONTESTED LOGISTICS**  
17 **WORKING GROUP OF DEPARTMENT OF DE-**  
18 **FENSE.**

19 Section 2926(d) of title 10, United States Code, is  
20 amended as follows:

21 (1) **EXPANSION OF WORKING GROUP.**—

22 (A) **EXPANSION.**—In paragraph (3)—

23 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
24 graph (A), by striking “appointed”; and

1 (ii) by adding at the end the following  
2 new subparagraphs:

3 “(D) A senior official of the Defense Logistics  
4 Agency, who shall be appointed by the Director of  
5 the Defense Logistics Agency to represent the De-  
6 fense Logistics Agency.

7 “(E) An official of the Office of the Under Sec-  
8 retary of Defense for Research and Engineering,  
9 who shall be nominated by the Secretary of Defense  
10 and confirmed by the Senate to represent such Of-  
11 fice.

12 “(F) The Assistant Secretary of Defense for  
13 Acquisition, who shall represent the Office of the  
14 Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition.

15 “(G) The Assistant Secretary of Defense for  
16 Sustainment, who shall represent the Office of the  
17 Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment.”.

18 (B) TIMING.—Not later than 60 days after  
19 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
20 retary of Defense shall appoint the additional  
21 members of the working group required under  
22 subparagraphs (D) through (G) of paragraph  
23 (3) of such section, as added by subparagraph  
24 (A).

1           (2) RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEMBERS.—In para-  
2           graph (4), by inserting “, or developing capabilities  
3           for such purposes,” after “coordinated initiatives”.

4           (3) MEETINGS; REPORTS.—By adding at the  
5           end the following new paragraphs:

6           “(6) The working group under paragraph (1) shall  
7           meet not less frequently than quarterly.

8           “(7)(A) Not later than February 1 of each year, the  
9           working group under paragraph (1) shall submit to the  
10          congressional defense committees a report that contains  
11          a description of the following:

12                  “(i) The topics addressed in the meetings of the  
13                  working group during the preceding year.

14                  “(ii) The priorities of the working group for the  
15                  following year (including with respect to any short-  
16                  falls in personnel, equipment, infrastructure, energy  
17                  and storage, or capabilities) in support of the oper-  
18                  ational plans of the Department of Defense.

19                  “(iii) Any steps taken by the working group, as  
20                  of the date of the submission, to address any identi-  
21                  fied shortfalls in budget or capabilities.

22           “(B) Each report under subparagraph (A) shall be  
23           submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classi-  
24           fied annex.”.

1 **SEC. 344. MATTERS RELATING TO BRIEFINGS ON SHIPYARD**  
2 **INFRASTRUCTURE OPTIMIZATION PROGRAM**  
3 **OF THE NAVY.**

4 (a) MODIFICATION TO BRIEFING REQUIREMENT.—  
5 Section 355(b)(2) of the National Defense Authorization  
6 Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C.  
7 8013 note) is amended by adding at the end the following  
8 new subparagraph:

9 “(D) A risk analysis of how the schedule  
10 for such project affects the availability schedule  
11 for submarines and aircraft carriers, including  
12 the following:

13 “(i) A timeline for the completion of  
14 such project, including construction dates  
15 and dates of planned maintenance at each  
16 shipyard under such project.

17 “(ii) Contingency maintenance plans  
18 if such project is delayed, including any  
19 backup location for maintenance availabil-  
20 ities determined by the Chief Naval Officer  
21 and any resulting alteration in plans or  
22 schedules for maintenance.

23 “(iii) The effect on public shipyards  
24 should a delay to such project result in the  
25 implementation of a contingency plan pur-  
26 suant to clause (ii), including the effect on

1 the workforce and workload capacity at the  
2 public shipyard with respect to which such  
3 project is conducted.

4 “(iv) A cost-benefit analysis of the po-  
5 tential for private shipyards to assist with  
6 such workload should such project be de-  
7 layed, including an identification of any  
8 gaps in the capability of private shipyards  
9 to conduct the maintenance described in  
10 clause (ii).

11 “(v) An assessment of whether great-  
12 er flexibilities in authorities are necessary  
13 to better support fleet maintenance needs  
14 and the Shipyard Infrastructure Optimiza-  
15 tion Program.”.

16 (b) BRIEFING ON IMPLEMENTATION STATUS.—Not  
17 later than October 1, 2024, the Secretary of the Navy  
18 shall provide to the congressional defense committees a  
19 briefing on the status of the implementation of the Ship-  
20 yard Infrastructure Optimization Program of the Depart-  
21 ment of the Navy. Such briefing shall include, with respect  
22 to each covered project, the information specified in each  
23 of subparagraphs (A) through (D) of section 355(b)(2) of  
24 the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
25 2022, as amended by subsection (a).

1 **SEC. 345. FOREIGN MILITARY SALES EXCLUSION IN CAL-**  
2 **CULATION FOR CERTAIN WORKLOAD CARRY-**  
3 **OVER OF DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY.**

4 Section 377 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense  
5 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–  
6 263; 136 Stat. 2542; 10 U.S.C. 2476 note) is amended  
7 by striking “that applies” and all that follows through the  
8 closing period and inserting “that—”

9 “(1) applies a material end of period exclusion;  
10 and

11 “(2) excludes from the calculated carryover  
12 amount the proceeds of any foreign military sale.”.

13 **SEC. 346. PILOT PROGRAM ON OPTIMIZATION OF AERIAL**  
14 **REFUELING AND FUEL MANAGEMENT IN**  
15 **CONTESTED LOGISTICS ENVIRONMENTS**  
16 **THROUGH USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTEL-**  
17 **LIGENCE.**

18 (a) DESIGN OF PILOT PROGRAM.—

19 (1) DESIGN.—Not later than 90 days after the  
20 date of the enactment of this Act, the Chief Digital  
21 and Artificial Intelligence Officer of the Department  
22 of Defense, in collaboration with the Under Sec-  
23 retary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment  
24 and the Chief of Staff of the Air Force, shall design  
25 a pilot program to optimize the logistics of aerial re-  
26 fueling and fuel management in the context of con-

1 tested logistics environments through the use of ad-  
2 vanced digital technologies and artificial intelligence  
3 (in this section referred to as the “pilot program”).

4 (2) COORDINATION AND CONSULTATION.—In  
5 designing the pilot program, the Chief Digital and  
6 Artificial Intelligence Officer shall—

7 (A) coordinate with the Commander of the  
8 United States Transportation Command and  
9 the Commander of the United States Indo-Pa-  
10 cific Command regarding the activities to be  
11 carried out under the pilot program, to ensure  
12 the pilot program will align with existing oper-  
13 ational requirements; and

14 (B) seek to consult with relevant experts in  
15 the fields of artificial intelligence, logistics,  
16 aviation, and fuel management.

17 (b) OBJECTIVES.—The objectives of the pilot pro-  
18 gram shall include the following:

19 (1) Assessing the feasibility and effectiveness of  
20 artificial intelligence-driven approaches in enhancing  
21 aerial refueling operations and fuel management  
22 processes compared to existing mission planning  
23 processes executed by members of the Air Force  
24 with relevant training.

1           (2) Identifying opportunities to reduce fuel con-  
2           sumption, decrease operational costs, and minimize  
3           the environmental impact of fuel management while  
4           maintaining military readiness.

5           (3) Evaluating the interoperability and compat-  
6           ibility of artificial intelligence-enabled systems with  
7           the existing logistics infrastructure of the Depart-  
8           ment of Defense.

9           (4) Enhancing situational awareness and deci-  
10          sion-making capabilities through real-time data anal-  
11          ysis and predictive modeling.

12          (5) Addressing potential challenges and risks  
13          associated with the integration of artificial intel-  
14          ligence and other advanced digital technologies, in-  
15          cluding challenges and risks involving cybersecurity  
16          concerns.

17          (c) COMMENCEMENT.—Not later than one year after  
18          the date of the enactment of this Act, the Chief Digital  
19          and Artificial Intelligence Officer, in collaboration with the  
20          Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and  
21          Sustainment and the Chief of Staff of the Air Force, shall  
22          commence the pilot program.

23          (d) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date  
24          of the enactment of this Act, the Chief Digital and Artifi-  
25          cial Intelligence Officer shall submit to the Committees on

1 Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the  
2 Senate a report on—

3 (1) the design of the pilot program under sub-  
4 section (a);

5 (2) the status of any efforts underway to com-  
6 mence the pilot program under subsection (c); and

7 (3) any planned future activities to be carried  
8 out under the pilot program to test expected out-  
9 comes regarding improved efficiencies or other bene-  
10 fits that may be derived from artificial intelligence-  
11 driven approaches to aerial refueling operations and  
12 fuel management.

13 (e) **TERMINATION.**—The authority to conduct the  
14 pilot program under this section shall terminate on Janu-  
15 ary 1, 2027.

16 **SEC. 347. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS TO EX-**  
17 **PAND LEASED FACILITIES FOR JOINT MILI-**  
18 **TARY INFORMATION SUPPORT OPERATIONS**  
19 **WEB OPERATIONS CENTER.**

20 None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by  
21 this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024  
22 for Operation and Maintenance, Defense-wide, may be ob-  
23 ligated or expended to expand leased facilities for the  
24 Joint Military Information Support Operations Web Oper-  
25 ations Center until the Secretary of Defense submits to

1 the congressional defense committees a validated man-  
2 power study for such center that includes the following:

3 (1) Validated estimates of the number of per-  
4 sonnel from the United States Special Operations  
5 Command and the other combatant commands that  
6 will be housed in leased facilities of such center.

7 (2) An explanation of how such estimates are  
8 aligned with and support the priorities established  
9 by the national defense strategy under 113(g) of  
10 title 10, United States Code.

11 **SEC. 348. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS PEND-**  
12 **ING SUBMISSION OF CERTAIN 30-YEAR SHIP-**  
13 **BUILDING PLAN BY THE SECRETARY OF THE**  
14 **NAVY.**

15 (a) **PLAN REQUIRED.**—The Secretary of the Navy  
16 shall include with the defense budget materials for fiscal  
17 year 2025 (as submitted to Congress in support of the  
18 budget of the President under section 1105(a) of title 31,  
19 United States Code) a 30-year shipbuilding plan that  
20 meets the statutory requirement to maintain 31 amphib-  
21 ious warships as found in section 8062(b) of title 10,  
22 United States Code.

23 (b) **LIMITATION.**—If the Secretary of the Navy does  
24 not submit to the congressional defense committees a 30-  
25 year shipbuilding plan as described in subsection (a), not

1 more than 50 percent of the funds authorized to be appro-  
2 priated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal  
3 year 2024 for Administration and Servicewide Activities,  
4 Operation and Maintenance, Navy, may be obligated or  
5 expended until the date on which the Secretary of the  
6 Navy submits to the congressional defense committees a  
7 30-year shipbuilding plan as described in such subsection.

8 (c) AMPHIBIOUS WARSHIP DEFINED.—In this sec-  
9 tion, the term “amphibious warship” means a ship that  
10 is classified as an amphibious assault ship (general pur-  
11 pose) (LHA), an amphibious assault ship (multi-purpose)  
12 (LHD), an amphibious transport dock (LPD), or a dock  
13 landing ship (LSD) that is included in the Battle Force  
14 Inventory in accordance with instruction 5030.8D of the  
15 Secretary of the Navy, or a successor instruction.

16 **SEC. 349. PLAN REGARDING CONDITION AND MAINTENANCE OF PREPOSITIONED STOCKPILES OF**  
17 **THE ARMY.**

18 (a) PLAN REQUIRED.—Not later than 90 days after  
19 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
20 the Army shall develop a plan to improve the required in-  
21 spection procedures for the prepositioned stockpiles of the  
22 Army, for the purpose of identifying deficiencies and con-  
23 ducting maintenance repairs at levels necessary to ensure  
24 such prepositioned stockpiles are mission-capable.  
25

1           (b) IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than 30 days after  
2 the date on which the Secretary completes the develop-  
3 ment of the plan under subsection (a), and not less fre-  
4 quently than twice each year thereafter for the three-year  
5 period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act,  
6 the Secretary shall inspect the prepositioned stockpiles of  
7 the Army in accordance with the procedures under such  
8 plan.

9           (c) BRIEFINGS.—

10           (1) BRIEFING ON PLAN.—Not later than 120  
11 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
12 Secretary of the Army shall provide to the congress-  
13 sional defense committees a briefing on the plan de-  
14 veloped under subsection (a).

15           (2) BRIEFINGS ON STATUS OF PREPOSITIONED  
16 STOCKPILES.—Not later than 180 days after the  
17 date of the enactment of this Act, and every 180  
18 days thereafter for the three-year period beginning  
19 on the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
20 retary of the Army shall provide to the congressional  
21 defense committees a briefing on the status and con-  
22 dition of the prepositioned stockpiles of the Army.

1 **SEC. 350. STRATEGY AND ASSESSMENT ON USE OF AUTO-**  
2 **MATION AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOR**  
3 **SHIPYARD OPTIMIZATION.**

4 (a) STRATEGY.—The Secretary of the Navy, in co-  
5 ordination with the Shipyard Infrastructure Optimization  
6 Program of the Department of the Navy, shall develop and  
7 implement a strategy to leverage commercial best practices  
8 used in shipyards to improve the efficiency of operations  
9 and to demonstrate a digital platform that uses artificial  
10 intelligence to analyze data on the maintenance and condi-  
11 tion of shipboard assets of the Navy at shipyards, for the  
12 purpose of improving the readiness of the Armed Forces,  
13 predicting and diagnosing issues prior to the occurrence  
14 of such issues, and lowering maintenance costs.

15 (b) ASSESSMENT.—The Secretary of the Navy shall  
16 conduct an assessment of the costs of maintenance delays  
17 on shipboard assets of the Navy and the potential cost  
18 savings of adopting artificial intelligence predictive main-  
19 tenance technologies to assist in the determination of the  
20 condition of in-service equipment and estimate when main-  
21 tenance should be performed prior to failure or end of life  
22 of such equipment. Such assessment shall include—

23 (1) an analysis of maintenance delays and costs  
24 due to unplanned and unpredicted maintenance  
25 issues;

1           (2) an evaluation of opportunities to dem-  
2           onstrate commercial best practices at shipyards, in-  
3           cluding the demonstration of artificial intelligence  
4           technologies to ensure timely predictions for individ-  
5           uals responsible for maintenance and planning at  
6           shipyards by connecting datasets, executing models,  
7           and providing outputs in near real-time;

8           (3) an identification of shipyard assets of the  
9           Navy with sufficient data available to enable near-  
10          term demonstrations of artificial intelligence pre-  
11          dictive maintenance technologies, and an estimate of  
12          resources needed within the Navy to accelerate such  
13          demonstrations with respect to such assets; and

14          (4) an identification of any policy or technical  
15          challenges to implementing artificial intelligence or  
16          machine learning for purposes of carrying out the  
17          Shipyard Infrastructure Optimization Program of  
18          the Department of the Navy.

19          (c) BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days after the  
20          date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the  
21          Navy shall provide to the congressional defense commit-  
22          tees a briefing on—

23                 (1) the strategy under subsection (a);

24                 (2) the results of the assessment under sub-  
25          section (b); and

1           (3) a plan to execute any measures pursuant to  
2           such assessment.

3 **SEC. 351. ASSESSMENT AND STRATEGY RELATING TO**  
4           **HARDENING OF CERTAIN MILITARY INSTAL-**  
5           **LATIONS AGAINST ATTACK BY IRAN AND IRA-**  
6           **NIAN-ASSOCIATED GROUPS.**

7           (a) **ASSESSMENT AND STRATEGY.**—The Secretary of  
8 Defense, in coordination with the Commander of the  
9 United States Central Command, shall—

10           (1) conduct an assessment of the air and mis-  
11 sile defense capabilities at covered military installa-  
12 tions with respect to defense against potential at-  
13 tacks from Iran, the Islamic Revolutionary Guard  
14 Corps, and any associated groups; and

15           (2) taking into account the results of such as-  
16 sessment, develop a strategy to expedite the hard-  
17 ening of covered military installations and the up-  
18 grade of air and missile defense capabilities at such  
19 installations to improve defense against such poten-  
20 tial attacks.

21           (b) **REPORTS.**—

22           (1) **INITIAL REPORT.**—Not later than 180 days  
23 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
24 retary shall submit to the congressional defense com-  
25 mittees a report containing the results of the assess-



1 (b) ELEMENTS.—Each briefing under subsection (a)  
2 shall include, with respect to each amphibious warship  
3 within such fleet, the following information:

4 (1) The average quarterly operational avail-  
5 ability of the amphibious warship.

6 (2) The number of days the amphibious war-  
7 ship was underway during the period covered by the  
8 briefing as follows:

9 (A) Training for the purpose of supporting  
10 the requirements set forth in the training and  
11 readiness manual of the Marine Corps, includ-  
12 ing unit level well-deck training, flight-deck op-  
13 erations training, and Amphibious Ready Group  
14 and Marine Expeditionary Unit integrated  
15 training.

16 (B) Deployed, which shall not include  
17 scheduled or unscheduled in-port maintenance.

18 (3) A baseline and current estimate of the com-  
19 pletion date for in-work and scheduled and unsched-  
20 uled maintenance for the amphibious warship.

21 (4) An update on any delays in the completion  
22 of scheduled or unscheduled maintenance, and on  
23 any casualty reports, of the amphibious warship af-  
24 fecting the following:

1 (A) Scheduled unit level well-deck or flight-  
2 deck operations training of the Marine Corps.

3 (B) Requirements set forth in the training  
4 and readiness manual of the Marine Corps, in-  
5 cluding with respect to mobility, communica-  
6 tions, amphibious well-deck operations, aviation  
7 operations, and warfare training.

8 (C) The composition and deployment dates  
9 of Amphibious Ready Groups and Marine Expe-  
10 ditionary Units that are deployed or scheduled  
11 to be deployed.

12 (5) A plan to schedule maintenance and repair  
13 for the amphibious warship in a manner that pro-  
14 vides for the continuous operation of a total of three  
15 Amphibious Ready Groups and Marine Expedi-  
16 tionary Units as soon as practicable.

17 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

18 (1) The term “amphibious warship” means a  
19 ship that is classified as an amphibious assault ship  
20 (general purpose), an amphibious assault ship  
21 (multi-purpose), an amphibious transport dock, or a  
22 dock landing ship and is included within the battle  
23 force inventory of the Department of the Navy in ac-  
24 cordance with the instruction from the Secretary of  
25 the Navy published on June 28, 2022, titled “Gen-

1       eral Guidance for the Classification of Naval Vessels  
2       and Battle Force Ship Counting Procedures”  
3       (SECNAVINST 5030.8), or any successor instruc-  
4       tion.

5               (2) The terms “Amphibious Ready Group” and  
6       “Marine Expeditionary Unit” mean a group or unit,  
7       as the case may be, that consists of a minimum of  
8       three amphibious warships, comprised of at least—

9               (A) one amphibious assault ship (general  
10              purpose) or amphibious assault ship (multi-pur-  
11              pose); and

12              (B) one amphibious transport dock.

## 13                               **Subtitle E—Other Matters**

### 14       **SEC. 361. REVIEW OF NOTICE OF PRESUMED RISK ISSUED** 15                               **BY MILITARY AVIATION AND INSTALLATION** 16                               **ASSURANCE CLEARINGHOUSE.**

17       Section 183a(e)(3) of title 10, United States Code,  
18       is amended by inserting “The Clearinghouse shall ensure  
19       that a governor has at least 30 days after the date on  
20       which the governor receives the notice of presumed risk  
21       to provide any such comments and shall provide detailed  
22       information and other information necessary to ensure  
23       that the governor can fully understand the nature of the  
24       presumed risk.” after the first sentence.

1 **SEC. 362. MODIFICATIONS TO MILITARY AVIATION AND IN-**  
2 **STALLATION ASSURANCE CLEARINGHOUSE**  
3 **FOR REVIEW OF MISSION OBSTRUCTIONS.**

4 (a) PROJECTS PROPOSED WITHIN TWO NAUTICAL  
5 MILES OF ANY ACTIVE INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC  
6 MISSILE LAUNCH FACILITY OR CONTROL CENTER.—Sec-  
7 tion 183a of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

8 (1) in subsection (d)(2)—

9 (A) in subparagraph (B), by inserting “or  
10 any active intercontinental ballistic missile  
11 launch facility or control center” after “military  
12 training routes”; and

13 (B) in subparagraph (E), by striking “or a  
14 Deputy Under Secretary of Defense” and in-  
15 serting “a Deputy Under Secretary of Defense,  
16 or, in the case of a geographic area of concern  
17 related to an active intercontinental ballistic  
18 missile launch facility or control center, the As-  
19 sistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Instal-  
20 lations, and Environment”; and

21 (2) in subsection (e)(1)—

22 (A) in the first sentence—

23 (i) by striking “The Secretary” and  
24 inserting “(A) The Secretary”; and

25 (ii) by inserting “or antenna structure  
26 project” after “energy project”;

1 (B) in the second sentence, by striking  
2 “The Secretary of Defense’s finding of unac-  
3 ceptable risk to national security” and inserting  
4 the following new subparagraph:

5 “(C) Any finding of unacceptable risk to national se-  
6 curity by the Secretary of Defense under this paragraph”;  
7 and

8 (C) by inserting after subparagraph (A),  
9 as designated by subparagraph (A)(i) of this  
10 paragraph, the following new subparagraph:

11 “(B)(i) In the case of any energy project or antenna  
12 structure project with proposed structures more than 200  
13 feet above ground level located within two nautical miles  
14 of the geographic center of an active intercontinental bal-  
15 listic missile launch facility or control center, the Sec-  
16 retary of Defense shall issue a finding of unacceptable risk  
17 to national security for such project if the mitigation ac-  
18 tions identified pursuant to this section do not include re-  
19 moval of all such proposed structures from such project  
20 after receiving notice of presumed risk from the Clearing-  
21 house under subsection (c)(2).

22 “(ii) Clause (i) does not apply to structures approved  
23 before the date of the enactment of the National Defense  
24 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 or to structures

1 that are re-powered with updated technology in the same  
2 location as previously approved structures.”.

3 (b) INCLUSION OF ANTENNA STRUCTURE  
4 PROJECTS.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Such section is further  
6 amended—

7 (A) by inserting “or antenna structure  
8 projects” after “energy projects” each place it  
9 appears; and

10 (B) by inserting “or antenna structure  
11 project” after “energy project” each place it ap-  
12 pears (except for subsections (e)(1) and (h)(2)).

13 (2) ANTENNA STRUCTURE PROJECT AND  
14 INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE LAUNCH  
15 FACILITY OR CONTROL CENTER DEFINED.—Section  
16 183a(h) of such title is amended—

17 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (2)  
18 through (9) as paragraphs (4) through (11), re-  
19 spectively; and

20 (B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the  
21 following new paragraphs:

22 “(2) The term ‘antenna structure project’—

23 “(A) means a project to construct a struc-  
24 ture located within two nautical miles of the ge-

1 ographic center of any intercontinental ballistic  
2 missile launch facility or control center that—

3 “(i) is constructed or used to transmit  
4 radio energy or that is constructed or used  
5 for the primary purpose of supporting an-  
6 tennas to transmit or receive radio energy  
7 (or both), and any antennas and other ap-  
8 purtenances mounted on the structure,  
9 from the time construction of the sup-  
10 porting structure begins until such time as  
11 the supporting structure is dismantled; and

12 “(ii) for which notification is required  
13 to be made to the Federal Aviation Admin-  
14 istration pursuant to processes already es-  
15 tablished under this title; and

16 “(B) does not include—

17 “(i) any structure constructed before  
18 the date of the enactment of the National  
19 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
20 2024, including any such structure which  
21 is upgraded, repaired, or otherwise modi-  
22 fied after such date of enactment as long  
23 as such upgrade, repair, or modification  
24 has not increased the height of such struc-  
25 ture; or

1                   “(ii) any project in support of or re-  
2                   quired by an intercontinental ballistic mis-  
3                   sile launch facility or control center, or any  
4                   other such project that has been approved  
5                   by the Secretary of Defense or the Sec-  
6                   retary of Defense’s designee for use on the  
7                   same military installation at which such fa-  
8                   cility or control center is located.

9                   “(3) The term ‘intercontinental ballistic missile  
10                  launch facility or control center’ means such facili-  
11                  ties or control centers located at the Francis E.  
12                  Warren Air Force Base; the Malmstrom Air Force  
13                  Base, and the Minot Air Force Base, and their re-  
14                  spective missile fields.”.

15 **SEC. 363. MODIFICATION TO JOINT SAFETY COUNCIL.**

16                  Title 10, United States Code, is amended—

17                   (1) by redesignating the second section 184 (re-  
18                  lating to the Joint Safety Council) as section 185;

19                   (2) in section 185(d), as so redesignated—

20                           (A) by redesignating paragraphs (7)  
21                           through (9) as paragraphs (8) through (10), re-  
22                           spectively;

23                           (B) by inserting after paragraph (6) the  
24                           following new paragraph (7):

1           “(7) Ensuring each military department has in  
2           place, for the safety management system and pro-  
3           gram described in paragraphs (5) and (6), respec-  
4           tively, of that military department—

5                   “(A) a resolution plan that identifies spe-  
6                   cific corrective and preventative actions to ad-  
7                   dress the causes of mishaps; and

8                   “(B) an implementation plan for such sys-  
9                   tem and program.”;

10                   (C) in paragraph (8), as redesignated by  
11                   subparagraph (A), by striking “the safety man-  
12                   agement systems described in paragraphs (9)  
13                   and (10)” and inserting “the safety manage-  
14                   ment system and program described in para-  
15                   graphs (5) and (6), respectively”; and

16                   (D) by adding at the end the following new  
17                   paragraphs:

18                   “(11) Not later than one year after the initial  
19                   identification of corrective and preventative actions  
20                   by a military department pursuant to a resolution  
21                   plan under paragraph (7)(A), and periodically there-  
22                   after, reviewing and validating each such identified  
23                   corrective and preventative action to ensure the ac-  
24                   tion is effective.

1           “(12) Ensuring any related change in methods,  
2           tactics, or procedures necessary for the conduct of  
3           such identified corrective and preventative actions  
4           have been implemented.”.

5 **SEC. 364. DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR**  
6                           **COORDINATION OF RENEGOTIATION OF CER-**  
7                           **TAIN LAND LEASES OWNED BY DEPARTMENT**  
8                           **OF DEFENSE IN HAWAII.**

9           (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the  
10          date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
11          shall designate an official to be responsible for, in coordi-  
12          nation with appropriate officials from the military depart-  
13          ments (as such term is defined in section 101(a) of title  
14          10, United States Code) and the United States Indo-Pa-  
15          cific Command—

16                 (1) coordinating Department of Defense-wide  
17                 efforts relating to the renegotiation of land leases  
18                 owned by the Department of Defense in the State of  
19                 Hawaii expiring between 2029 and 2031;

20                 (2) representing the Department of Defense  
21                 during any such renegotiation; and

22                 (3) ensuring clear and consistent communica-  
23                 tion to such State, State and local elected officials,  
24                 and the public regarding the needs and priorities of

1 the Department of Defense with respect to joint  
2 land use in such State.

3 (b) SELECTION.—In making the designation under  
4 subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense may appoint an  
5 individual with a significant background and expertise  
6 in—

7 (1) relevant legal and technical aspects of land  
8 lease issues; and

9 (2) working with State and local elected offi-  
10 cials and the public in such State.

11 (c) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 30 days after the  
12 date on which the Secretary of Defense makes the des-  
13 ignation under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit  
14 to the congressional defense committees and the Governor  
15 of Hawaii a notification that includes the name and con-  
16 tact information of the individual so designated.

17 **SEC. 365. CONTINUED DESIGNATION OF SECRETARY OF**  
18 **THE NAVY AS EXECUTIVE AGENT FOR NAVAL**  
19 **SMALL CRAFT INSTRUCTION AND TECHNICAL**  
20 **TRAINING SCHOOL.**

21 The Secretary of the Navy shall continue, through  
22 fiscal year 2024—

23 (1) to perform the responsibilities of the De-  
24 partment of Defense executive agent for the Naval  
25 Small Craft Instruction and Technical Training

1 School pursuant to section 352(b) of title 10, United  
2 States Code; and

3 (2) in coordination with the Commander of the  
4 United States Special Operations Command, to pro-  
5 vide such support, including resourcing and man-  
6 power, as may be necessary for the continued oper-  
7 ation of such school.

8 **SEC. 366. ESTABLISHMENT OF CAISSON PLATOON AND SUP-**  
9 **PORT FOR MILITARY AND STATE FUNERAL**  
10 **SERVICES AT ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEME-**  
11 **TERY.**

12 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the  
13 Department of the Army an equine unit, to be known as  
14 the “Caisson Platoon”, assigned to the 3rd Infantry Regi-  
15 ment of the Army. The duties of such unit shall include  
16 the provision of support for military and State funerals.

17 (b) PROHIBITIONS ON ELIMINATION.—The Secretary  
18 of the Army may not eliminate the Caisson Platoon of the  
19 3rd Infantry Regiment of the Army established under sub-  
20 section (a).

21 (c) BRIEFINGS.—

22 (1) PROVISION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than  
23 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
24 and not less frequently than every 180 days there-  
25 after until March 31, 2027, the Secretary of the

1 Army shall provide to the congressional defense com-  
2 mittees a briefing on the health, welfare, and  
3 sustainment of military working equids.

4 (2) ELEMENTS.—Each briefing under para-  
5 graph (1) shall include the following:

6 (A) An assessment of the ability of the  
7 Caisson Platoon of the 3rd Infantry Regiment  
8 of the Army to support military funeral oper-  
9 ations within Arlington National Cemetery, in-  
10 cluding milestones associated with achieving full  
11 operational capability for such Caisson Platoon.

12 (B) An update on the plan of the task  
13 force known as the “Task Force-Military Work-  
14 ing Equids” established by the Office of the  
15 Surgeon General, as directed by the Director of  
16 the Army Staff, in May 2022 (or any successor  
17 task force), to promote, support, and sustain  
18 animal health and welfare.

19 (C) An update on the plan of such task  
20 force to ensure the Caisson Platoon of the 3rd  
21 Infantry Regiment of the Army has the ability  
22 to continuously support military and State fu-  
23 neral operations within Arlington National  
24 Cemetery.

1 **SEC. 367. RECOVERY OF RARE EARTH ELEMENTS AND**  
2 **OTHER STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MATE-**  
3 **RIALS THROUGH END-OF-LIFE EQUIPMENT**  
4 **RECYCLING.**

5 The Secretary of Defense shall issue policies and es-  
6 tablish procedures to—

7 (1) identify end-of-life equipment of the Depart-  
8 ment of Defense that contains rare earth elements  
9 and other materials determined pursuant to section  
10 3(a) of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock  
11 Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98b(a)) to be strategic and  
12 critical materials; and

13 (2) recover such materials from such equipment  
14 for the purposes of reuse by the Department of De-  
15 fense.

16 **TITLE IV—MILITARY**  
17 **PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATIONS**

Subtitle A—Active Forces

Sec. 401. End strengths for active forces.

Sec. 402. End strength level matters.

Subtitle B—Reserve Forces

Sec. 411. End strengths for Selected Reserve.

Sec. 412. End strengths for Reserves on active duty in support of the Reserves.

Sec. 413. End strengths for military technicians (dual status).

Sec. 414. Maximum number of reserve personnel authorized to be on active  
duty for operational support.

Subtitle C—Authorization of Appropriations

Sec. 421. Military personnel.

1                   **Subtitle A—Active Forces**

2   **SEC. 401. END STRENGTHS FOR ACTIVE FORCES.**

3           The Armed Forces are authorized strengths for active  
4 duty personnel as of September 30, 2024, as follows:

5                   (1) The Army, 445,000.

6                   (2) The Navy, 337,800.

7                   (3) The Marine Corps, 172,300.

8                   (4) The Air Force, 320,000.

9                   (5) The Space Force, 9,400.

10 **SEC. 402. END STRENGTH LEVEL MATTERS.**

11           Section 115 of title 10, United States Code, is  
12 amended—

13                   (1) in subsection (f)(2), by striking “not more  
14 than 2 percent” and inserting “not more than 3 per-  
15 cent”; and

16                   (2) in subsection (g)(1), by striking subpara-  
17 graphs (A) and (B) and inserting the following new  
18 subparagraphs:

19                   “(A) vary the end strength pursuant to sub-  
20 section (a)(1)(A) for a fiscal year for the armed  
21 force or forces under the jurisdiction of that Sec-  
22 retary by a number not equal to more than 2 per-  
23 cent of such authorized end strength;

24                   “(B) vary the end strength pursuant to sub-  
25 section (a)(1)(B) for a fiscal year for the armed

1 force or forces under the jurisdiction of that Sec-  
2 retary by a number not equal to more than 2 per-  
3 cent of such authorized end strength; and

4 “(C) vary the end strength pursuant to sub-  
5 section (a)(2) for a fiscal year for the Selected Re-  
6 serve of the reserve component of the armed force  
7 or forces under the jurisdiction of that Secretary by  
8 a number equal to not more than 2 percent of such  
9 authorized end strength.”.

## 10 **Subtitle B—Reserve Forces**

### 11 **SEC. 411. END STRENGTHS FOR SELECTED RESERVE.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Armed Forces are authorized  
13 strengths for Selected Reserve personnel of the reserve  
14 components as of September 30, 2024, as follows:

15 (1) The Army National Guard of the United  
16 States, 325,000.

17 (2) The Army Reserve, 174,800.

18 (3) The Navy Reserve, 57,200.

19 (4) The Marine Corps Reserve, 32,000.

20 (5) The Air National Guard of the United  
21 States, 105,000.

22 (6) The Air Force Reserve, 69,600.

23 (7) The Coast Guard Reserve, 7,000.

24 (b) END STRENGTH REDUCTIONS.—The end  
25 strengths prescribed by subsection (a) for the Selected Re-

1 serve of any reserve component shall be proportionately  
2 reduced by—

3 (1) the total authorized strength of units orga-  
4 nized to serve as units of the Selected Reserve of  
5 such component which are on active duty (other  
6 than for training) at the end of the fiscal year; and

7 (2) the total number of individual members not  
8 in units organized to serve as units of the Selected  
9 Reserve of such component who are on active duty  
10 (other than for training or for unsatisfactory partici-  
11 pation in training) without their consent at the end  
12 of the fiscal year.

13 (c) **END STRENGTH INCREASES.**—Whenever units or  
14 individual members of the Selected Reserve for any reserve  
15 component are released from active duty during any fiscal  
16 year, the end strength prescribed for such fiscal year for  
17 the Selected Reserve of such reserve component shall be  
18 increased proportionately by the total authorized strengths  
19 of such units and by the total number of such individual  
20 members.

21 **SEC. 412. END STRENGTHS FOR RESERVES ON ACTIVE**  
22 **DUTY IN SUPPORT OF THE RESERVES.**

23 Within the end strengths prescribed in section  
24 411(a), the reserve components of the Armed Forces are  
25 authorized, as of September 30, 2024, the following num-

1 ber of Reserves to be serving on full-time active duty or  
2 full-time duty, in the case of members of the National  
3 Guard, for the purpose of organizing, administering, re-  
4 cruiting, instructing, or training the reserve components:

5 (1) The Army National Guard of the United  
6 States, 30,845.

7 (2) The Army Reserve, 16,511.

8 (3) The Navy Reserve, 10,327.

9 (4) The Marine Corps Reserve, 2,355.

10 (5) The Air National Guard of the United  
11 States, 25,333.

12 (6) The Air Force Reserve, 6,003.

13 **SEC. 413. END STRENGTHS FOR MILITARY TECHNICIANS**  
14 **(DUAL STATUS).**

15 The minimum number of military technicians (dual  
16 status) as of the last day of fiscal year 2024 for the re-  
17 serve components of the Army and the Air Force (notwith-  
18 standing section 129 of title 10, United States Code) shall  
19 be the following:

20 (1) For the Army National Guard of the United  
21 States, 22,294.

22 (2) For the Army Reserve, 7,990.

23 (3) For the Air National Guard of the United  
24 States, 10,994.

25 (4) For the Air Force Reserve, 6,882.

1 **SEC. 414. MAXIMUM NUMBER OF RESERVE PERSONNEL AU-**  
2 **THORIZED TO BE ON ACTIVE DUTY FOR**  
3 **OPERATIONAL SUPPORT.**

4 During fiscal year 2024, the maximum number of  
5 members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces  
6 who may be serving at any time on full-time operational  
7 support duty under section 115(b) of title 10, United  
8 States Code, is the following:

9 (1) The Army National Guard of the United  
10 States, 17,000.

11 (2) The Army Reserve, 13,000.

12 (3) The Navy Reserve, 6,200.

13 (4) The Marine Corps Reserve, 3,000.

14 (5) The Air National Guard of the United  
15 States, 16,000.

16 (6) The Air Force Reserve, 14,000.

17 **Subtitle C—Authorization of**  
18 **Appropriations**

19 **SEC. 421. MILITARY PERSONNEL.**

20 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds  
21 are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year  
22 2024 for the use of the Armed Forces and other activities  
23 and agencies of the Department of Defense for expenses,  
24 not otherwise provided for, for military personnel, as spec-  
25 ified in the funding table in section 4401.

1 (b) CONSTRUCTION OF AUTHORIZATION.—The au-  
2 thorization of appropriations in subsection (a) supersedes  
3 any other authorization of appropriations (definite or in-  
4 definite) for such purpose for fiscal year 2024.

5 **TITLE V—MILITARY PERSONNEL**  
6 **POLICY**

Subtitle A—Officer Policy

- Sec. 501. Authorized strength: general and flag officers on active duty.  
Sec. 502. Extension of active duty term for Attending Physician at United States Capitol.  
Sec. 503. Updating authority to authorize promotion transfers between components of the same Armed Force or a different Armed Force.  
Sec. 504. Flexibility in determining terms of appointment for certain senior officer positions.  
Sec. 505. Realignment of Navy spot-promotion quotas.  
Sec. 506. Authority to increase the number of medical and dental officers recommended for promotion to certain grades.  
Sec. 507. Prohibition on appointment or nomination of certain officers who are subject to special selection review boards.  
Sec. 508. Effect of failure of selection for promotion.  
Sec. 509. Improvements relating to service obligation for Marine Corps cyberspace operations officers.  
Sec. 509A. Time in grade requirements.  
Sec. 509B. Establishment of Legislative Liaison of the Space Force.  
Sec. 509C. Extension of authority to vary number of Space Force officers considered for promotion to major general.  
Sec. 509D. Briefing on number of general officers of the Space Force on active duty.

Subtitle B—Reserve Component Management

- Sec. 511. Removal of active duty prohibition for members of the Air Force Reserve Policy Committee.  
Sec. 512. Grade of Vice Chief of the National Guard Bureau.  
Sec. 513. Mobilization of Selected Reserve for preplanned missions in support of the combatant commands.  
Sec. 514. Alternative promotion authority for reserve officers in designated competitive categories.  
Sec. 515. Authorization for FireGuard Program.  
Sec. 516. Designation of at least one general officer of the Marine Corps Reserve as a joint qualified officer.

Subtitle C—General Service Authorities and Prohibitions

- Sec. 521. Permanent authority to order retired members to active duty in high-demand, low-density appointments.

- Sec. 522. Prohibition on policy of the Department of Defense regarding identification of gender or personal pronouns in official correspondence.
- Sec. 523. Prohibition on former members of the Armed Forces accepting post-service employment with certain foreign governments.
- Sec. 524. Verification of the financial independence of financial services counselors in the Department of Defense.
- Sec. 525. Modification of requirements for approval of foreign employment by retired and reserve members of uniformed services.
- Sec. 526. Consideration of reinstatement of a member of the Armed Forces involuntarily separated on the basis of refusal to receive a vaccination against COVID-19.
- Sec. 527. Reviews of characterization of administrative discharges of certain members on the basis of failure to receive COVID-19 vaccine.
- Sec. 528. Certain members discharged or dismissed on the sole basis of failure to obey a lawful order to receive a vaccine for COVID-19: communication strategy regarding reinstatement process.
- Sec. 529. Continuing military service for certain members eligible for chapter 61 retirement.
- Sec. 529A. Threat-based security services and equipment for certain former or retired Department of Defense personnel.
- Sec. 529B. Limitation on establishment of new diversity, equity, and inclusion positions; hiring freeze.
- Sec. 529C. Requirement to base military accessions and promotions on merit and performance.

#### Subtitle D—Military Justice and Other Legal Matters

- Sec. 531. Technical and conforming amendments to the Uniform Code of Military Justice.
- Sec. 532. Establishment of staggered terms for members of the Military Justice Review Panel.
- Sec. 533. Supreme Court review of certain actions of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces.
- Sec. 534. Additional requirements for initiative to enhance the capability of military criminal investigative organizations to prevent and combat child sexual exploitation.
- Sec. 535. Limitation on availability of funds for relocation of Army CID special agent training course.
- Sec. 536. Study on requirement for unanimous votes for findings in general and special courts-martial and related milestones for implementation.
- Sec. 537. Study on removal of Sexual Assault Victim Advocates from the chain of command of victims.

#### Subtitle E—Accession Standards and Recruitment

- Sec. 541. Increased access to potential recruits at secondary schools.
- Sec. 542. Modification of limitation on enlistment and induction of persons whose score on the Armed Forces Qualification Test is below a prescribed level.
- Sec. 543. Increased access to potential recruits at institutions of higher education.
- Sec. 544. Increase in accession bonus for nurse officer candidates.
- Sec. 545. Improvements to medical standards for accession to certain Armed Forces.

- Sec. 546. Future servicemember preparatory course.
- Sec. 547. Pilot program on cardiac screenings for military accessions.
- Sec. 548. Community college Enlisted Training Corps demonstration program.
- Sec. 549. Annual briefings on military recruitment practices in public secondary schools and community colleges.

#### Subtitle F—Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps

- Sec. 551. Expansion of Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps.
- Sec. 552. Requirement for memoranda of understanding addressing certain matters pertaining to units of the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps.
- Sec. 553. Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps administrator and instructor compensation.
- Sec. 554. Prohibition of establishment or maintenance of a unit of the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps at an educational institution owned, operated, or controlled by the Chinese Communist Party.
- Sec. 555. Enforcement of program requirements for the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps.
- Sec. 556. Annual report on allegations of sexual misconduct in Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps programs.

#### Subtitle G—Member Education

- Sec. 561. Service Academies: numbers of nominations by Members of Congress and appointments by the Secretaries of the military departments.
- Sec. 562. Increase in the number of nominees from Guam to the Service Academies.
- Sec. 563. Consideration of standardized test scores in military service academy application process.
- Sec. 564. Service Academy professional sports pathway report and legislative proposal required.
- Sec. 565. Briefing on inclusion of advanced research programs at certain institutions of professional military education.

#### Subtitle H—Member Training and Transition

- Sec. 571. Amendments to pathways for counseling in the Transition Assistance Program.
- Sec. 572. Skillbridge: staffing; budgeting; outreach; report.
- Sec. 573. Extension of Troops-to-Teachers program to the Job Corps.
- Sec. 574. Troops-to-Teachers Program: expansion; extension.
- Sec. 575. Language training centers for members of the Armed Forces and civilian employees of the Department of Defense.
- Sec. 576. Prohibition on use of Federal funds to endorse critical race theory.
- Sec. 577. Increased fitness standards for Army close combat force military occupational specialties.
- Sec. 578. Publication of training materials of the Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute.
- Sec. 579. Prohibition on Federal funds for the Department of Defense Countering Extremism Work Group.

#### Subtitle I—Family Programs, Child Care, and Dependent Education

- Sec. 581. Non-medical counseling services for military families.

- Sec. 582. Increase in the target funding level for military child care.
- Sec. 583. Modifications to assistance to local educational agencies that benefit dependents of members of the Armed Forces with enrollment changes due to base closures, force structure changes, or force relocations.
- Sec. 584. Certain assistance to local educational agencies that benefit dependents of military and civilian personnel.
- Sec. 585. Outreach campaign relating to waiting lists for military child development centers; annual briefing.
- Sec. 586. Briefings on pilot program on hiring of special needs inclusion coordinators for Department of Defense child development centers.
- Sec. 587. Briefings on implementation of universal pre-kindergarten programs in schools operated by the Department of Defense Education Activity.
- Sec. 588. Report on mental health and wellness support for students enrolled in schools operated by the Department of Defense Education Activity.
- Sec. 589. Rights of parents of children attending schools operated by the Department of Defense Education Activity.

Subtitle J—Decorations and Awards and Other Personnel Matters, Reports, and Briefings

- Sec. 591. Armed Forces workplace surveys.
- Sec. 592. Due date for report on efforts to prevent and respond to deaths by suicide in the Navy.
- Sec. 593. Extension of deadline for review of World War I valor medals.
- Sec. 594. Digital ambassador program of the Navy: cessation; report; restart.

1                   **Subtitle A—Officer Policy**

2   **SEC. 501. AUTHORIZED STRENGTH: GENERAL AND FLAG**  
3                   **OFFICERS ON ACTIVE DUTY.**

4           (a) REPEAL OF OBSOLETE AUTHORITY; REDESIGNA-  
5 TION.—Chapter 32 of title 10, United States Code, is  
6 amended—

7                   (1) by repealing section 526;

8                   (2) by redesignating section 526a as section  
9           526;

10                   (3) in the table of sections for such chapter, by  
11           striking the item relating to section 526a; and

1           (4) in the section heading for section 526, as  
2           redesignated by paragraph (2), by striking “**after**  
3           **December 31, 2022**”.

4           (b) INCREASED AUTHORIZED STRENGTH.—Section  
5           526 of title 10, United States Code, as redesignated and  
6           amended by subsection (a), is further amended—

7           (1) in subsection (a)—

8                   (A) by striking “after December 31,  
9                   2022,”;

10                   (B) in paragraph (1), by striking “218”  
11                   and inserting “219”;

12                   (C) in paragraph (2), by striking “149”  
13                   and inserting “150”;

14                   (D) in paragraph (3), by striking “170”  
15                   and inserting “171”; and

16                   (E) in paragraph (4), by striking “62” and  
17                   inserting “64”; and

18           (2) by redesignating the second subsection des-  
19           ignated as subsection (i) as subsection (j).

20           (c) REPEAL OF EXCLUSION OF OFFICERS SERVING  
21           AS LEAD SPECIAL TRIAL COUNSEL FROM LIMITATIONS  
22           ON AUTHORIZED STRENGTHS.—Section 506 of the James  
23           M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
24           Year 2023 is hereby repealed.

1 **SEC. 502. EXTENSION OF ACTIVE DUTY TERM FOR ATTEND-**  
2 **ING PHYSICIAN AT UNITED STATES CAPITOL.**

3 The present incumbent Attending Physician at the  
4 United States Capitol shall be continued on active duty  
5 until six years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

6 **SEC. 503. UPDATING AUTHORITY TO AUTHORIZE PRO-**  
7 **MOTION TRANSFERS BETWEEN COMPONENTS**  
8 **OF THE SAME ARMED FORCE OR A DIF-**  
9 **FERENT ARMED FORCE.**

10 (a) WARRANT OFFICERS TRANSFERRED BETWEEN  
11 COMPONENTS WITHIN THE SAME OR A DIFFERENT  
12 ARMED FORCE.—Section 578 of title 10, United States  
13 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new  
14 subsection:

15 “(g) Notwithstanding subsection (d), and subject to  
16 regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense, in the  
17 case of a warrant officer who is selected for promotion  
18 by a selection board convened under this chapter, and  
19 prior to the placement of the warrant officer’s name on  
20 the applicable promotion list is approved for transfer to  
21 a new component within the same or a different armed  
22 force, the Secretary concerned may place the warrant offi-  
23 cer’s name on a corresponding promotion list of the new  
24 component without regard to the warrant officer’s com-  
25 petitive category. A warrant officer’s promotion under this

1 subsection shall be made pursuant to section 12242 of this  
2 title.”.

3 (b) OFFICERS TRANSFERRED TO RESERVE ACTIVE-  
4 STATUS LIST.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 624 of such title is  
6 amended by adding at the end the following new  
7 subsections:

8 “(e) Notwithstanding subsection (a)(2), in the case  
9 of an officer who is selected for promotion by a selection  
10 board convened under this chapter, and prior to the place-  
11 ment of the officer’s name on the applicable promotion  
12 list is approved for transfer to the reserve active-status  
13 list of the same or a different armed force, the Secretary  
14 concerned may place the officer’s name on a corresponding  
15 promotion list on the reserve active-status list without re-  
16 gard to the officer’s competitive category. An officer’s pro-  
17 motion under this subsection shall be made pursuant to  
18 section 14308 of this title.

19 “(f) Notwithstanding subsection (a)(3), in the case  
20 of an officer who is placed on an all-fully-qualified-officers  
21 list, and is subsequently approved for transfer to the re-  
22 serve active-status list, the Secretary concerned may place  
23 the officer’s name on an appropriate all-fully-qualified-of-  
24 ficers list on the reserve active-status list. An officer’s pro-

1 motion under this subsection shall be made pursuant to  
2 section 14308 of this title.”.

3 (2) DATE OF RANK.—Section 14308(c) of such  
4 title is amended—

5 (A) by redesignating paragraph (3) as  
6 paragraph (4); and

7 (B) by inserting after paragraph (2) the  
8 following new paragraph:

9 “(3) The Secretary concerned may adjust the date  
10 of rank of an officer whose name is placed on a reserve  
11 active-status promotion list pursuant to subsection (e) or  
12 (f) of section 624 of this title.”.

13 **SEC. 504. FLEXIBILITY IN DETERMINING TERMS OF AP-**  
14 **POINTMENT FOR CERTAIN SENIOR OFFICER**  
15 **POSITIONS.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 35 of title 10, United  
17 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 601 the  
18 following new section:

19 **“§ 602. Flexibility in determining terms of appoint-**  
20 **ment for certain senior officer positions**

21 “The Secretary of Defense may extend or reduce the  
22 duration of an appointment made under section 152, 154,  
23 7033, 8033, 8043, 9033, or 9082 of this title by up to  
24 six months if the Secretary determines that such an exten-  
25 sion or reduction is necessary either in the interests of

1 national defense, or to ensure an appropriate staggering  
2 of terms of senior military leadership.”.

3 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
4 at the beginning of chapter 35 of title 10, United States  
5 Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to  
6 section 601 the following new item:

“602. Flexibility in determining terms of appointment for certain senior officer  
positions.”.

7 **SEC. 505. REALIGNMENT OF NAVY SPOT-PROMOTION**  
8 **QUOTAS.**

9 Section 605(g)(4)(B) of title 10, United States Code,  
10 is amended by striking “325” and inserting “425”.

11 **SEC. 506. AUTHORITY TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF MED-**  
12 **ICAL AND DENTAL OFFICERS RECOMMENDED**  
13 **FOR PROMOTION TO CERTAIN GRADES.**

14 Section 616(d) of title 10, United States Code, is  
15 amended by inserting “, except, the Secretary concerned  
16 may authorize a greater number of officers so rec-  
17 ommended that is less than 100 percent of the number  
18 of officers so included, for medical and dental officers rec-  
19 ommended for promotion to major or lieutenant com-  
20 mander, if the Secretary concerned determines that such  
21 greater number is necessary to maintain or improve med-  
22 ical readiness” before the period at the end.

1 **SEC. 507. PROHIBITION ON APPOINTMENT OR NOMINATION**  
2 **OF CERTAIN OFFICERS WHO ARE SUBJECT**  
3 **TO SPECIAL SELECTION REVIEW BOARDS.**

4 (a) OFFICERS ON ACTIVE-DUTY LIST.—

5 Section 628a(a)(2)(B) of title 10, United States  
6 Code, is amended to read as follows:

7 “(B) shall not be forwarded for appointment or  
8 nomination to the Secretary of Defense, the Presi-  
9 dent, or the Senate, as applicable.”.

10 (b) OFFICERS ON RESERVE ACTIVE-STATUS LIST.—

11 Section 14502a(a)(2)(B) of title 10, United  
12 States Code, is amended to read as follows:

13 “(B) shall not be forwarded for appointment or  
14 nomination to the Secretary of Defense, the Presi-  
15 dent, or the Senate, as applicable.”.

16 **SEC. 508. EFFECT OF FAILURE OF SELECTION FOR PRO-**  
17 **MOTION.**

18 (a) EFFECT OF FAILURE OF SELECTION FOR PRO-  
19 MOTION: CAPTAINS AND MAJORS OF THE ARMY, AIR  
20 FORCE, MARINE CORPS, AND SPACE FORCE AND LIEU-  
21 TENANTS AND LIEUTENANT COMMANDERS OF THE  
22 NAVY.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 632 of title 10,  
24 United States Code, is amended—

1 (A) in the section heading, by striking  
2 **“and Marine Corps”** and inserting **“Ma-**  
3 **rine Corps, and Space Force”**;

4 (B) in subsection (a)(1), by striking  
5 “President approves the report of the board  
6 which considered him for the second time” and  
7 inserting “Secretary concerned releases the pro-  
8 motion results of the board which considered  
9 the officer for the second time to the public”.

10 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-  
11 tions at the beginning of chapter 36 of title 10,  
12 United States Code, is amended by striking the item  
13 relating to section 632 and inserting the following  
14 new item:

“632. Effect of failure of selection for promotion: captains and majors of the  
Army, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force and lieuten-  
ants and lieutenant commanders of the Navy.”.

15 (b) RETIREMENT OF REGULAR OFFICERS OF THE  
16 NAVY FOR LENGTH OF SERVICE OR FAILURE OF SELEC-  
17 TION FOR PROMOTION.—Section 8372(a)(2)(A) of title  
18 10, United States Code, is amended by striking “President  
19 approves the report of the board which considered him for  
20 the second time” and inserting “Secretary concerned re-  
21 leases the promotion results of the board which considered  
22 the officer for the second time to the public”.

1 **SEC. 509. IMPROVEMENTS RELATING TO SERVICE OBLIGA-**  
2 **TION FOR MARINE CORPS CYBERSPACE OP-**  
3 **ERATIONS OFFICERS.**

4 (a) **REQUIRED SERVICE.**—Section 651(c) of title 10,  
5 United States Code, is amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (1), by inserting “or in the  
7 case of an unrestricted officer designated within a  
8 cyberspace occupational specialty” before the period  
9 at the end; and

10 (2) in paragraph (2)—

11 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “;  
12 or” and inserting a semicolon;

13 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking the  
14 period and inserting “; or”; and

15 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
16 subparagraph:

17 “(C) in the case of an unrestricted officer des-  
18 igned within a cyberspace occupational specialty,  
19 the period of obligated service specified in the enlist-  
20 ment agreement of such officer.”.

21 (b) **MINIMUM SERVICE REQUIREMENT FOR CERTAIN**  
22 **CYBERSPACE OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALTIES.**—Chapter 37  
23 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting  
24 after section 653 the following new section:

1 **“§ 654. Minimum service requirement for certain**  
2 **cyberspace occupational specialties**

3 “(a) CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS OFFICER.—The min-  
4 imum service obligation for any member who successfully  
5 completes training in the armed forces in direct accession  
6 to the cyberspace operations officer occupational specialty  
7 of the Marine Corps shall be eight years.

8 “(b) SERVICE OBLIGATION DEFINED.—In this sec-  
9 tion, the term ‘service obligation’ means the period of ac-  
10 tive duty or, in the case of a member of a reserve compo-  
11 nent who completed cyberspace operations training in an  
12 active duty for training status as a member of a reserve  
13 component, the period of service in an active status in the  
14 Selected Reserve, required to be served after completion  
15 of cyberspace operations training.”.

16 **SEC. 509A. TIME IN GRADE REQUIREMENTS.**

17 Section 1305 of title 10, United States Code, is  
18 amended—

19 (1) in subsection (a)(3), by inserting “or a Ma-  
20 rine Corps Marine Gunner warrant officer in such  
21 grade,” after “chief warrant officer, W-5,”;

22 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “when he”  
23 and inserting “when the warrant officer”; and

24 (3) in subsection (c)—

25 (A) by striking “as he” and inserting “as  
26 the Secretary concerned”; and

1 (B) by striking “after he” and inserting  
2 “after the warrant officer”.

3 **SEC. 509B. ESTABLISHMENT OF LEGISLATIVE LIAISON OF**  
4 **THE SPACE FORCE.**

5 Chapter 903 of title 10, United States Code, is  
6 amended by inserting, after section 9023, the following  
7 new section:—

8 **“§ 9023a. Legislative Liaison of the Space Force**

9 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is a Legislative Liai-  
10 son of the Space Force.

11 “(b) FUNCTIONS.—The Legislative Liaison shall per-  
12 form legislative affairs functions under the direction of the  
13 Chief of Space Operations.”.

14 **SEC. 509C. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO VARY NUMBER**  
15 **OF SPACE FORCE OFFICERS CONSIDERED**  
16 **FOR PROMOTION TO MAJOR GENERAL.**

17 Subsection (b) of section 503 of the National Defense  
18 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–  
19 81; 135 Stat. 1680) is amended by striking “shall termi-  
20 nate on December 31, 2022” and inserting “shall termi-  
21 nate on December 31, 2024”.

22 **SEC. 509D. BRIEFING ON NUMBER OF GENERAL OFFICERS**  
23 **OF THE SPACE FORCE ON ACTIVE DUTY.**

24 Not later than March 1, 2024, the Secretary of De-  
25 fense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services

1 of the Senate and House of Representatives a briefing re-  
2 garding the number of general officers of the Space Force  
3 on active duty. Such briefing shall include the following  
4 elements:

5 (1) The evaluation of the Secretary whether the  
6 current number of such general officers is sufficient  
7 to meet the requirements of—

8 (A) the Space Force;

9 (B) joint duty assignments under chapter  
10 38 of title 10, United States Code; and

11 (C) the combatant commands.

12 (2) Any proposal of the Secretary to increase  
13 the maximum number (under section 526a of such  
14 title) of such general officers in order to meet such  
15 requirements in the future.

16 (3) A justification for any such proposal.

17 **Subtitle B—Reserve Component**  
18 **Management**

19 **SEC. 511. REMOVAL OF ACTIVE DUTY PROHIBITION FOR**  
20 **MEMBERS OF THE AIR FORCE RESERVE POL-**  
21 **ICY COMMITTEE.**

22 Section 10305 of title 10, United States Code, is  
23 amended—

24 (1) in subsection (b), by striking “not on active  
25 duty” both places it appears; and

1 (2) in subsection (c)—

2 (A) by inserting “of the reserve compo-  
3 nents” after “among the members”; and

4 (B) by striking “not on active duty”.

5 **SEC. 512. GRADE OF VICE CHIEF OF THE NATIONAL GUARD**  
6 **BUREAU.**

7 Section 10505 of title 10, United States Code, is  
8 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-  
9 section:

10 “(c) GRADE.—(1) The Vice Chief of the National  
11 Guard Bureau shall be appointed to serve in the grade  
12 of general.

13 “(2) The Secretary of Defense shall designate, pursu-  
14 ant to subsection (b) of section 526 of this title, the posi-  
15 tion of Vice Chief of the National Guard Bureau as one  
16 of the general officer and flag officer positions to be ex-  
17 cluded from the limitations in subsection (a) of such sec-  
18 tion.”.

19 **SEC. 513. MOBILIZATION OF SELECTED RESERVE FOR**  
20 **PREPLANNED MISSIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE**  
21 **COMBATANT COMMANDS.**

22 Section 12304b(b)(1) of title 10, United States Code,  
23 is amended—

24 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) and  
25 (B) as clauses (i) and (ii), respectively;

1           (2) by striking “Units” and inserting “(A) Ex-  
2           cept as provided under subparagraph (B), units”;  
3           and

4           (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
5           paragraph:

6           “(B) In the event the President’s budget is de-  
7           livered later than April 1st in the year prior to the  
8           year of the mobilization of one or more units under  
9           this section, the Secretary concerned may submit to  
10          Congress the information required under subpara-  
11          graph (A) in a separate notice.”.

12 **SEC. 514. ALTERNATIVE PROMOTION AUTHORITY FOR RE-**  
13 **SERVE OFFICERS IN DESIGNATED COMPETI-**  
14 **TIVE CATEGORIES.**

15          (a) IN GENERAL.—Part III of subtitle E of title 10,  
16 United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the  
17 following new chapter:

18 **“CHAPTER 1413—ALTERNATIVE PRO-**  
19 **MOTION AUTHORITY FOR OFFICERS**  
20 **IN DESIGNATED COMPETITIVE CAT-**  
21 **EGORIES**

“Sec.

“15101. Officers in designated competitive categories.

“15102. Selection for promotion.

“15103. Eligibility for consideration for promotion.

“15104. Opportunities for consideration for promotion.

“15105. Promotions.

“15106. Failure of selection for promotion.

“15107. Retirement: retirement for years of service; selective early retirement.

“15108. Continuation on the Reserve Active-Status List.

“15109. Other administrative authorities.

“15110. Regulations.

1 **“§ 15101. Officers in designated competitive cat-**  
2 **egories**

3 “(a) AUTHORITY TO DESIGNATE COMPETITIVE CAT-  
4 EGORIES OF OFFICERS.—Each Secretary of a military de-  
5 partment may designate one or more competitive cat-  
6 egories for promotion of officers under section 14005 of  
7 this title that are under the jurisdiction of such Secretary  
8 as a competitive category of officers whose promotion, re-  
9 tirement, and continuation on the reserve active-status list  
10 shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter.

11 “(b) LIMITATION ON EXERCISE OF AUTHORITY.—  
12 The Secretary of a military department may not designate  
13 a competitive category of officers for purposes of this  
14 chapter until 60 days after the date on which the Sec-  
15 retary submits to the Committees on Armed Services of  
16 the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on  
17 the designation of the competitive category. The report on  
18 the designation of a competitive category shall set forth  
19 the following:

20 “(1) A detailed description of officer require-  
21 ments for officers within the competitive category.

22 “(2) An explanation of the number of opportu-  
23 nities for consideration for promotion to each par-

1            ticular grade, and an estimate of promotion timing,  
2            within the competitive category.

3            “(3) An estimate of the size of the promotion  
4            zone for each grade within the competitive category.

5            “(4) A description of any other matters the  
6            Secretary considered in determining to designate the  
7            competitive category for purposes of this chapter.

8    **“§ 15102. Selection for promotion**

9            “(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in this sec-  
10          tion, the selection for promotion of officers in any competi-  
11          tive category of officers designated for purposes of this  
12          chapter shall be governed by the provisions under chapter  
13          1403 of this title.

14          “(b) NO RECOMMENDATION FOR PROMOTION OF OF-  
15          FICERS BELOW PROMOTION ZONE.—Section 14301(d) of  
16          this title shall not apply to the selection for promotion of  
17          officers described in subsection (a).

18          “(c) RECOMMENDATION FOR OFFICERS TO BE EX-  
19          CLUDED FROM FUTURE CONSIDERATION FOR PRO-  
20          MOTION.—In making recommendations pursuant to chap-  
21          ter 1403 of this title for purposes of the administration  
22          of this chapter, a selection board convened under section  
23          14101(a) of this title may recommend that an officer con-  
24          sidered by the board be excluded from future consideration  
25          for promotion under this chapter.

1 **“§ 15103. Eligibility for consideration for promotion**

2 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided by this sec-  
3 tion, eligibility for promotion of officers in any competitive  
4 category of officers designated for purposes of this chapter  
5 shall be governed by the provisions of sections 14301,  
6 14303, and 14304 of this title.

7 “(b) INAPPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN TIME-IN-GRADE  
8 REQUIREMENTS.—Sections 14303 and 14304 of this title  
9 shall not apply to the promotion of officers described in  
10 subsection (a).

11 “(c) INAPPLICABILITY TO OFFICERS ABOVE AND  
12 BELOW PROMOTION ZONE.—The following provisions of  
13 this title shall not apply to the promotion of officers de-  
14 scribed in subsection (a):

15 “(1) The reference in section 14301(b) to an  
16 officer above the promotion zone.

17 “(2) Section 14301(d).

18 “(d) INELIGIBILITY OF CERTAIN OFFICERS.—The  
19 following officers are not eligible for promotion under this  
20 chapter:

21 “(1) An officer described in section 14301(c) of  
22 this title.

23 “(2) An officer not included within the pro-  
24 motion zone.

25 “(3) An officer who has failed of promotion to  
26 a higher grade the maximum number of times speci-

1       fied for opportunities for promotion for such grade  
2       within the competitive category concerned pursuant  
3       to section 15104 of this title.

4               “(4) An officer recommended by a selection  
5       board to be removed from consideration for pro-  
6       motion in accordance with section 15102(e) of this  
7       title.

8       **“§ 15104. Opportunities for consideration for pro-**  
9               **motion**

10       “(a) SPECIFICATION OF NUMBER OF OPPORTUNI-  
11       TIES FOR CONSIDERATION FOR PROMOTION.—In desig-  
12       nating a competitive category of officers pursuant to sec-  
13       tion 15101 of this title, the Secretary of a military depart-  
14       ment shall specify the number of opportunities for consid-  
15       eration for promotion to be afforded officers of the armed  
16       force concerned within the category for promotion to each  
17       grade above the grade of first lieutenant or lieutenant  
18       (junior grade), as applicable.

19       “(b) LIMITED AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY OF MILI-  
20       TARY DEPARTMENT TO MODIFY NUMBER OF OPPORTUNI-  
21       TIES.—The Secretary of a military department may mod-  
22       ify the number of opportunities for consideration for pro-  
23       motion to be afforded officers of an armed force within  
24       a competitive category for promotion to a particular grade,  
25       as previously specified by the Secretary pursuant sub-

1 section (a) of this subsection, not more frequently than  
2 once every five years.

3 “(c) DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY OF  
4 DEFENSE TO MODIFY NUMBER OF OPPORTUNITIES.—  
5 The Secretary of Defense may modify the number of op-  
6 portunities for consideration for promotion to be afforded  
7 officers of an armed force within a competitive category  
8 for promotion to a particular grade, as previously specified  
9 or modified pursuant to any provision of this section, at  
10 the discretion of the Secretary.

11 “(d) LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF OPPORTUNITIES  
12 SPECIFIED.—The number of opportunities for consider-  
13 ation for promotion to be afforded officers of an armed  
14 force within a competitive category for promotion to a par-  
15 ticular grade, as specified or modified pursuant to any  
16 provision of this section, may not exceed five opportuni-  
17 ties.

18 “(e) EFFECT OF CERTAIN REDUCTION IN NUMBER  
19 OF OPPORTUNITIES SPECIFIED.—If, by reason of a reduc-  
20 tion in the number of opportunities for consideration for  
21 promotion under this section, an officer would no longer  
22 have one or more opportunities for consideration for pro-  
23 motion that were available to the officer before the reduc-  
24 tion, the officer shall be afforded one additional oppor-  
25 tunity for consideration for promotion after the reduction.

1 **“§ 15105. Promotions**

2 “Sections 14307 through 14317 of this title shall  
3 apply in promotions of officers in competitive categories  
4 of officers designated for purposes of this chapter.

5 **“§ 15106. Failure of selection for promotion**

6 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in this sec-  
7 tion, sections 14501 through 14513 of this title shall apply  
8 to promotions of officers in competitive categories of offi-  
9 cers designated for purposes of this chapter.

10 “(b) INAPPLICABILITY OF FAILURE OF SELECTION  
11 FOR PROMOTION TO OFFICERS ABOVE PROMOTION  
12 ZONE.—The reference in section 14501 of this title to an  
13 officer above the promotion zone shall not apply in the  
14 promotion of officers described in subsection (a).

15 “(c) SPECIAL SELECTION BOARD MATTERS.—The  
16 reference in section 14502(a)(1) of this title to a person  
17 above the promotion zone shall not apply in the promotion  
18 of officers described in subsection (a).

19 “(d) EFFECT OF FAILURE OF SELECTION.—In the  
20 administration of this chapter pursuant to subsection  
21 (a)—

22 “(1) an officer described in subsection (a) shall  
23 not be deemed to have failed twice of selection for  
24 promotion for purposes of section 14502(b) of this  
25 title until the officer has failed selection of pro-  
26 motion to the next higher grade the maximum num-

1       ber of times specified for opportunities for pro-  
2       motion to such grade within the competitive category  
3       concerned pursuant to section 15104 of this title;  
4       and

5           “(2) any reference in sections 14504 through  
6       14506 of this title to an officer who has failed of se-  
7       lection for promotion to the next higher grade for  
8       the second time shall be deemed to refer instead to  
9       an officer described in subsection (a) who has failed  
10      of selection for promotion to the next higher grade  
11      for the maximum number of times specified for op-  
12      portunities for promotion to such grade within the  
13      competitive category concerned pursuant to such  
14      section 15104.

15   **“§ 15107. Retirement: retirement for years of service;**  
16           **selective early retirement**

17      “(a) RETIREMENT FOR YEARS OF SERVICE.—Sec-  
18      tions 14507 through 14515 of this title shall apply to the  
19      retirement of officers in competitive categories of officers  
20      designated for purposes of this chapter.

21      “(b) SELECTIVE EARLY RETIREMENT.—Section  
22      14101(b) of this title shall apply to the retirement of offi-  
23      cers described in subsection (a).

1 **“§ 15108. Continuation on the Reserve Active-Status**

2 **List**

3 “Sections 14701 through 14703 of this title shall  
4 apply in continuation or retention on a reserve active-sta-  
5 tus list of officers designated for purposes of this chapter.

6 **“§ 15109. Other administrative authorities**

7 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The following provisions of this  
8 title shall apply to officers in competitive categories of offi-  
9 cers designated for purposes of this chapter:

10 “(1) Section 14518, relating to continuation of  
11 officers to complete disciplinary action.

12 “(2) Section 14519, relating to deferment of re-  
13 tirement or separation for medical reasons.

14 “(3) Section 14704, relating to the selective  
15 early removal from the reserve active-status list.

16 “(4) Section 14705, relating to the selective  
17 early retirement of reserve general and flag officers  
18 of the Navy and Marine Corps.

19 **“§ 15110. Regulations**

20 “The Secretary of Defense shall prescribe regulations  
21 regarding the administration of this chapter. The elements  
22 of such regulations shall include mechanisms to clarify the  
23 manner in which provisions of other chapters of this part  
24 of the title shall be used in the administration of this chap-  
25 ter in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.”.

1 (b) TABLE OF CHAPTERS AMENDMENT.—The table  
2 of chapters at the beginning of part III of subtitle E of  
3 title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the  
4 end the following new item:

“1413. Alternative promotion authority for officers in designated com-  
petitive categories ..... 15101”.

5 **SEC. 515. AUTHORIZATION FOR FIREGUARD PROGRAM.**

6 (a) AUTHORITY.—Chapter 5 of title 32, United  
7 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
8 lowing new section:

9 **“§ 510. Authorization for FireGuard Program**

10 “The Secretary of Defense may use members of the  
11 National Guard to carry out a program to aggregate, ana-  
12 lyze, and assess multi-source remote sensing information  
13 for interagency partnerships in the detection and moni-  
14 toring of wildfires, and to support any emergency response  
15 to such wildfires. Such a program shall be known as the  
16 ‘FireGuard Program’.”.

17 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
18 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding  
19 at the end the following new item:

“510. Authorization for FireGuard Program.”.

20 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The National De-  
21 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law  
22 117–81) is amended by striking section 515.

1 **SEC. 516. DESIGNATION OF AT LEAST ONE GENERAL OFFI-**  
2 **CER OF THE MARINE CORPS RESERVE AS A**  
3 **JOINT QUALIFIED OFFICER.**

4 The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that at least  
5 one general officer of the Marine Corps Reserve is des-  
6 ignated as a joint qualified officer.

7 **Subtitle C—General Service**  
8 **Authorities and Prohibitions**

9 **SEC. 521. PERMANENT AUTHORITY TO ORDER RETIRED**  
10 **MEMBERS TO ACTIVE DUTY IN HIGH-DE-**  
11 **MAND, LOW-DENSITY APPOINTMENTS.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 688a of title 10, United  
13 States Code, is amended—

14 (1) in the section heading, by striking “**Re-**  
15 **tired members: temporary authority**” and  
16 inserting “**Authority**”;

17 (2) by striking subsection (f);

18 (3) by redesignating subsections (g) and (h) as  
19 subsections (f) and (g), respectively; and

20 (4) in subsection (f), as redesignated by para-  
21 graph (3), by striking “limitations in subsections (c)  
22 and (f)” and inserting “limitation in subsection (e)”.

23 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
24 at the beginning of chapter 39 of title 10, United States  
25 Code, is amended by striking the item relating to section  
26 688a and inserting the following new item:

“688a. Authority to order to active duty in high-demand, low-density assignments.”.

1 **SEC. 522. PROHIBITION ON POLICY OF THE DEPARTMENT**  
2 **OF DEFENSE REGARDING IDENTIFICATION**  
3 **OF GENDER OR PERSONAL PRONOUNS IN OF-**  
4 **FICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.**

5 Chapter 49 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-  
6 ed by inserting after section 985 the following new section  
7 986:

8 **“§ 986. Policy regarding identification of gender or**  
9 **personal pronouns in official correspond-**  
10 **ence**

11 “The Secretary of Defense may not require or pro-  
12 hibit a member of the armed forces or a civilian employee  
13 of the Department of Defense to identify the gender or  
14 personal pronouns of such member or employee in any of-  
15 ficial correspondence of the Department.”.

16 **SEC. 523. PROHIBITION ON FORMER MEMBERS OF THE**  
17 **ARMED FORCES ACCEPTING POST-SERVICE**  
18 **EMPLOYMENT WITH CERTAIN FOREIGN GOV-**  
19 **ERNMENTS.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 49 of title 10, United  
21 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
22 lowing new section:

1 **“§ 989. Prohibition on former members of the armed**  
2 **forces accepting post-service employment**  
3 **with certain foreign governments**

4 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided by subsection  
5 (b), a covered individual may not occupy a covered post-  
6 service position.

7 “(b) TEMPORARY WAIVER.—

8 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense  
9 shall establish a process under which a covered indi-  
10 vidual may be granted a temporary waiver of the  
11 prohibition under subsection (a) if—

12 “(A) the individual, or a Federal agency on  
13 behalf of, and with the consent of, the indi-  
14 vidual, submits to the Secretary a written appli-  
15 cation for a waiver in such form and manner as  
16 the Secretary determines appropriate; and

17 “(B) the Secretary determines that the  
18 waiver is necessary to advance the national se-  
19 curity interests of the United States.

20 “(2) PERIOD OF WAIVER.—A waiver issued  
21 under paragraph (1) shall apply for a period not ex-  
22 ceeding 5 years. The Secretary may renew such a  
23 waiver.

24 “(3) REVOCATION.—The Secretary may revoke  
25 a waiver issued under paragraph (1) to a covered in-  
26 dividual with respect to a covered-post service posi-

1           tion if the Secretary determines that the employ-  
2           ment of the individual in the covered-post service po-  
3           sition poses a threat to national security.

4           “(4) NOTIFICATION.—

5                   “(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30  
6           days after the date on which the Secretary  
7           issues a waiver under paragraph (1) or revokes  
8           a waiver under paragraph (3), the Secretary  
9           shall submit to the Committees on Armed Serv-  
10          ices of the Senate and the House of Represent-  
11          atives written notification of the waiver or rev-  
12          ocation, as the case may be.

13                   “(B) ELEMENTS.—A notification required  
14          by subparagraph (A) shall include the following:

15                           “(i) With respect to a waiver issued to  
16          a covered individual—

17                                   “(I) the details of the applica-  
18          tion, including the position held by the  
19          individual in the armed forces;

20                                   “(II) the nature of the post-serv-  
21          ice position of the individual;

22                                   “(III) a description of the na-  
23          tional security interests that will be  
24          advanced by reason of issuing such a  
25          waiver; and

1                   “(IV) the specific reasons why  
2                   the Secretary determines that issuing  
3                   the waiver will advance such interests.

4                   “(ii) With respect to a revocation of a  
5                   waiver issued to a covered individual—

6                   “(I) the details of the waiver, in-  
7                   cluding any renewals of the waiver,  
8                   and the dates of such waiver and re-  
9                   newals; and

10                   “(II) the specific reasons why the  
11                   Secretary determined that the revoca-  
12                   tion is warranted.

13                   “(c) CERTIFICATION OF PROHIBITION.—In imple-  
14                   menting the prohibition under subsection (a), the Sec-  
15                   retary shall establish a process under which each member  
16                   of the armed forces is, before the member retires or is  
17                   otherwise separated from the armed forces—

18                   “(1) informed in writing of the prohibition, and  
19                   the penalties for violations of the prohibition; and

20                   “(2) required to certify that the member under-  
21                   stands the prohibition and those penalties.

22                   “(d) PENALTIES.—In the case of a covered individual  
23                   who knowingly and willfully fails to comply with the prohi-  
24                   bition under subsection (a), the Secretary may, as applica-  
25                   ble—

1           “(1) withhold any pay, allowances, or benefits  
2 that would otherwise be provided to the individual by  
3 the Department of Defense; and

4           “(2) revoke any security clearance of the indi-  
5 vidual.

6           “(e) ANNUAL REPORTS.—

7           “(1) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than March  
8 31, 2024, and annually thereafter, the Secretary  
9 shall submit to the congressional defense committees  
10 a report on covered post-service employment occur-  
11 ring during the year covered by the report.

12           “(2) ELEMENTS.—Each report required by  
13 paragraph (1) shall include the following:

14           “(A) The number of former covered indi-  
15 viduals who occupy a covered post-service posi-  
16 tion, broken down by—

17                   “(i) the name of the employer;

18                   “(ii) the foreign government, includ-  
19 ing by the specific foreign individual, agen-  
20 cy, or entity, for whom the covered post-  
21 service employment is being performed;  
22 and

23                   “(iii) the nature of the services pro-  
24 vided as part of the covered post-service  
25 employment.

1           “(B) An assessment by the Secretary of  
2           whether—

3                   “(i) the Department of Defense main-  
4                   tains adequate systems and processes for  
5                   ensuring that former members of the  
6                   armed forces are submitting required re-  
7                   ports relating to their employment by for-  
8                   eign governments;

9                   “(ii) all covered individuals who oc-  
10                  cupy a covered post-service position are in  
11                  compliance with this section;

12                  “(iii) the services provided by the cov-  
13                  ered individuals who occupy a covered  
14                  post-service position pose a current or fu-  
15                  ture threat to the national security of the  
16                  United States; and

17                  “(iv) there is any credible information  
18                  or reporting that any covered individual  
19                  who occupies a covered post-service posi-  
20                  tion has engaged in activities that violate  
21                  Federal law.

22                  “(3) FORM OF REPORT.—Each report required  
23                  by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified  
24                  form, but may include a classified annex.

1       “(f) NOTIFICATIONS OF DETERMINATIONS OF CER-  
2 TAIN THREATS.—

3           “(1) REQUIREMENT.—In addition to the annual  
4 reports under subsection (d), if the Secretary deter-  
5 mines that the services provided by a covered indi-  
6 vidual who occupies a covered post-service position  
7 pose a threat described in clause (iii) of paragraph  
8 (2)(B) of that subsection, or include activities de-  
9 scribed in clause (iv) of such paragraph, the Sec-  
10 retary shall notify the congressional defense commit-  
11 tees of that determination by not later than 30 days  
12 after making the determination.

13           “(2) ELEMENTS.—A notification required by  
14 paragraph (1) shall include the following:

15           “(A) The name of the covered individual.

16           “(B) The name of the employer.

17           “(C) The foreign government, including  
18 the specific foreign individual, agency, or entity,  
19 for whom the covered post-service employment  
20 is being performed.

21           “(D) As applicable, a description of the  
22 risk to national security and the activities that  
23 may violate Federal law.

24           “(g) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
25 tion may be construed to indemnify or shield covered indi-

1 individuals from prosecution under any relevant provision of  
2 title 18.

3 “(h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 “(1) COVERED INDIVIDUAL.—The term ‘cov-  
5 ered individual’ means an individual who has retired  
6 or otherwise separated from an active or reserve  
7 component of the Armed Forces.

8 “(2) COVERED POST-SERVICE EMPLOYMENT.—  
9 The term ‘covered post-service employment’ means  
10 direct or indirect employment by, representation of,  
11 or any provision of advice or services relating to na-  
12 tional security, intelligence, the military, or internal  
13 security to—

14 “(A) the government of—

15 “(i) a country of concern (as defined  
16 in section 1(m) of the State Department  
17 Basic Authorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C.  
18 2651a(m))); or

19 “(ii) a country the Secretary of De-  
20 fense determines acts as a proxy or pass-  
21 through for services for a country of con-  
22 cern; or

23 “(B) any company, entity, or other person  
24 the activities of which are directly or indirectly  
25 supervised, directed, controlled, financed, or



1 (A) in clause (i), by striking “and” at the  
2 end;

3 (B) in clause (ii)—

4 (i) by striking “may” and inserting  
5 “shall”;

6 (ii) by striking “installation by any  
7 means elected by the Secretary from  
8 among the following:” and inserting “in-  
9 stallation—”;

10 (iii) in subclause (I)—

11 (I) by striking “Through” and  
12 inserting “through”; and

13 (II) by striking “Defense.” and  
14 inserting “Defense;”;

15 (iv) in subclause (II)—

16 (I) by striking “By contract” and  
17 inserting “by contract”; and

18 (II) by striking “Internet.” and  
19 inserting “Internet; or”; and

20 (v) in subclause (III)—

21 (I) by striking “Through” and  
22 inserting “through”; and

23 (II) by striking “counseling.” and  
24 inserting “counseling; and”; and

1 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
2 clause:

3 “(iii) may not provide financial services through  
4 any individual unless such individual agrees to sub-  
5 mit financial disclosures annually to the Secretary.”;

6 (2) in subsection (b)(2)(B), by striking “instal-  
7 lation by any of the means set forth in subparagraph  
8 (A)(ii), as elected by the Secretary concerned.” and  
9 inserting “installation in accordance with the re-  
10 quirements established under subparagraph (A)(ii)  
11 and (iii).”; and

12 (3) in subsection (b)(4)—

13 (A) by inserting “(A)” before “The Sec-  
14 retary”; and

15 (B) by inserting at the end the following  
16 new subparagraphs:

17 “(B) In carrying out the requirements of subpara-  
18 graph (A), the Secretary concerned shall establish a re-  
19 quirement that each financial services counselor under  
20 paragraph (2)(A)(i), and any other individual providing  
21 counseling on financial services under paragraph (2), sub-  
22 mit financial disclosures annually to the Secretary.

23 “(C) The Secretary concerned shall review all finan-  
24 cial disclosures submitted pursuant to subparagraph (B)  
25 to ensure the counselor, or the individual providing coun-

1 seling, is free from conflict as required under this para-  
2 graph.

3 “(D) If the Secretary concerned determines that a  
4 financial services counselor under paragraph (2)(A)(i), or  
5 any other individual providing counseling on financial  
6 services under paragraph (2), is not free from conflict as  
7 required under this paragraph, the Secretary shall ensure  
8 that the counselor, or the individual providing counseling,  
9 does not provide such services until such time as the Sec-  
10 retary determines that such conflict is resolved.”.

11 (b) BRIEFING ON FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE.—Not  
12 later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of  
13 this Act, each Secretary concerned shall submit to Con-  
14 gress a briefing on the implementation of the amendments  
15 made by this section.

16 (c) SECRETARY CONCERNED DEFINED.—In this sec-  
17 tion, the term “Secretary concerned” has the meaning  
18 given to such term in section 101 of title 10, United States  
19 Code.

20 **SEC. 525. MODIFICATION OF REQUIREMENTS FOR AP-**  
21 **PROVAL OF FOREIGN EMPLOYMENT BY RE-**  
22 **TIRED AND RESERVE MEMBERS OF UNI-**  
23 **FORMED SERVICES.**

24 Section 908 of title 37, United States Code, is  
25 amended—

1 (1) in subsection (b)—

2 (A) by striking “A person” and inserting  
3 “(1) A person”;

4 (B) by inserting “after determining that  
5 such approval is not contrary to the national in-  
6 terests of the United States” after “approve the  
7 employment”; and

8 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
9 paragraph:

10 “(2) The Secretary of a military department may del-  
11 egate the determination of the Secretary required by para-  
12 graph (1) only to an official of the military department  
13 at or above the level of an Assistant Secretary or, in the  
14 event of a vacancy in the position of such an official, a  
15 civilian official performing the duties of that position.”;  
16 and

17 (2) in subsection (d)—

18 (A) in paragraph (2)—

19 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
20 graph (A), by striking “an officer” and in-  
21 serting “a person”; and

22 (ii) by striking subparagraphs (B) and  
23 (C) and inserting the following new sub-  
24 paragraphs:

1           “(B) A description of the duties, if any, the  
2           person is to perform and the compensation the per-  
3           son is to receive for such duties, as reflected in the  
4           person’s application for approval of the employment  
5           or compensation or payment or award.

6           “(C) The position the person held or holds in  
7           the armed forces, including the rank of the person  
8           and the armed force in which the person served.

9           “(D) Any other information the Secretaries of  
10          the military departments consider relevant, except  
11          that such information may not include the person’s  
12          date of birth, Social Security number, home address,  
13          phone number, or any other personal identifier other  
14          than the name and rank of the person and the  
15          armed force in which the person served.”; and

16                 (B) by adding at the end the following new  
17          paragraph:

18          “(3) Not later than 60 days after the date on which  
19          a report required by paragraph (1) is submitted, the Sec-  
20          retaries of the military departments shall make the report,  
21          and all contents of the report, available on a publicly ac-  
22          cessible internet website.”.

1 **SEC. 526. CONSIDERATION OF REINSTATEMENT OF A MEM-**  
2 **BER OF THE ARMED FORCES INVOLUN-**  
3 **TARILY SEPARATED ON THE BASIS OF RE-**  
4 **FUSAL TO RECEIVE A VACCINATION AGAINST**  
5 **COVID-19.**

6 (a) REINSTATEMENT.—

7 (1) REQUEST; CONSIDERATION.—At the request  
8 of a covered individual during the two years fol-  
9 lowing the date of the involuntary separation of the  
10 covered individual, the Secretary concerned shall  
11 consider reinstating such covered individual—

12 (A) as a member of the Armed Force con-  
13 cerned; and

14 (B) in the grade held by such covered indi-  
15 vidual immediately before the involuntary sepa-  
16 ration of the covered individual.

17 (2) TREATMENT OF PERIOD BETWEEN SEPARA-  
18 TION AND REINSTATEMENT.—The Secretary con-  
19 cerned shall treat the period of time between the in-  
20 voluntary separation of a covered individual and the  
21 reinstatement of such covered individual under para-  
22 graph (1) as a period of inactivation from active  
23 service under the following provisions of section 710  
24 of title 10, United States Code:

25 (A) Subsection (b).

1 (B) Subparagraphs (B) through (D) of  
2 paragraph (2) of subsection (f).

3 (C) Paragraph (4) of subsection (f).

4 (D) Subsection (g).

5 (b) COVERED INDIVIDUAL DEFINED.—In this sec-  
6 tion, the term “covered individual” means an individual—

7 (1) involuntarily separated from an Armed  
8 Force solely on the basis of the refusal of such indi-  
9 vidual to receive a vaccination against COVID-19;  
10 and

11 (2) who, during the period beginning on August  
12 24, 2021, and ending on February 24, 2023, sub-  
13 mitted a request for a religious, administrative, or  
14 medical exemption from a requirement to receive a  
15 vaccination against COVID-19.

16 **SEC. 527. REVIEWS OF CHARACTERIZATION OF ADMINIS-**  
17 **TRATIVE DISCHARGES OF CERTAIN MEM-**  
18 **BERS ON THE BASIS OF FAILURE TO RECEIVE**  
19 **COVID-19 VACCINE.**

20 (a) MANDATORY REVIEW.—A board established  
21 under section 1553 of title 10, United States Code, shall  
22 grant a request pursuant to such section to review the  
23 characterization of a discharge or dismissal of a former  
24 member of a covered Armed Force if such discharge or  
25 dismissal was solely based on the failure of such former

1 member to obey a lawful order to receive a vaccine for  
2 COVID-19.

3 (b) COVERED ARMED FORCE DEFINED.—In this sec-  
4 tion, the term “covered Armed Force” means the Army,  
5 Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard, or Space  
6 Force.

7 **SEC. 528. CERTAIN MEMBERS DISCHARGED OR DISMISSED**  
8 **ON THE SOLE BASIS OF FAILURE TO OBEY A**  
9 **LAWFUL ORDER TO RECEIVE A VACCINE FOR**  
10 **COVID-19: COMMUNICATION STRATEGY RE-**  
11 **GARDING REINSTATEMENT PROCESS.**

12 (a) COMMUNICATION STRATEGY REQUIRED.—Not  
13 later than six months after the date of the enactment of  
14 this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with  
15 the Secretaries of the military departments or, with re-  
16 spect the Coast Guard, the Secretary of the department  
17 in which the Secretary is operating when the Coast Guard  
18 is not operating as a service in the Navy, shall commu-  
19 nicate, to a covered individual, the current, established,  
20 process by which a covered individual may be reinstated  
21 in the covered Armed Force concerned.

22 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

23 (1) The term “covered individual” means an in-  
24 dividual discharged or dismissed from a covered

1 Armed Force on the sole basis of failure to obey a  
2 lawful order to receive a vaccine for COVID-19.

3 (2) The term “covered Armed Force” means  
4 the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast  
5 Guard, or Space Force.

6 **SEC. 529. CONTINUING MILITARY SERVICE FOR CERTAIN**  
7 **MEMBERS ELIGIBLE FOR CHAPTER 61 RE-**  
8 **TIREMENT.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the  
10 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
11 shall prescribe regulations that authorize the Secretary of  
12 the military department concerned to authorize a covered  
13 member to continue to serve in the Armed Forces—

14 (1) in the current military occupational spe-  
15 cialty of such covered member, for which the covered  
16 member may not be deployable; or

17 (2) in a military occupational specialty for  
18 which the covered member is deployable.

19 (b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—A covered member  
20 who completes 20 years of service computed under section  
21 1208 of title 10, United States Code shall not be denied  
22 any benefit—

23 (1) for which the covered member is eligible  
24 under laws administered by the Secretary of Defense  
25 or the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; and

1           (2) solely on the basis that the covered member  
2           elected to continue to serve in the Armed Forces in-  
3           stead of taking retirement under chapter 61 of title  
4           10, United States Code.

5           (c) COVERED MEMBER DEFINED.—In this section,  
6           the term “covered member” means a member of the Army,  
7           Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Space Force—

8           (1) whom the Secretary of the military depart-  
9           ment concerned determines possesses skill or experi-  
10          ence vital to the Armed Force concerned;

11          (2) who incurs a disability—

12           (A) while eligible for special pay under sec-  
13           tion 310 of title 37, United States Code; and

14           (B) that renders the member eligible for  
15           retirement under chapter 61 of title 10, United  
16           States Code; and

17          (3) who seeks to continue to serve in the Armed  
18          Forces instead of taking such retirement.

19 **SEC. 529A. THREAT-BASED SECURITY SERVICES AND**  
20 **EQUIPMENT FOR CERTAIN FORMER OR RE-**  
21 **TIRED DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PER-**  
22 **SONNEL.**

23          (a) REMOVAL OF TIME LIMITATIONS.—Subsection  
24          (b) of section 714 of title 10, United States Code, is  
25          amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking “imminent  
2 and credible threat” and inserting “serious and  
3 credible threat”;

4 (2) in paragraph (2)(B), by striking “for a pe-  
5 riod of up to two years beginning on the date on  
6 which the official separates from the Department”;

7 (3) by amending paragraph (5) to read as fol-  
8 lows:

9 “(5) DURATION OF PROTECTION.—The Sec-  
10 retary of Defense shall require periodic reviews, not  
11 less than once every six months, of the duration of  
12 protection provided to individuals under this sub-  
13 section.”; and

14 (4) in paragraph (6)(A), by striking “and of  
15 each determination under paragraph (5)(B) to ex-  
16 tend such protection and security”.

17 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF REIMBURSEMENT OR ACQUI-  
18 SITION OF SECURITY SERVICES.—Such section 714, as  
19 amended by subsection (a), is further amended by adding  
20 at the end the following:

21 “(e) REIMBURSEMENT.—The Secretary of Defense  
22 may reimburse a former or retired official who faces seri-  
23 ous and credible threats arising from duties performed  
24 while employed by the Department for security services  
25 and equipment procured at the personal expense of the

1 official, not to exceed an aggregate of \$15,000,000 in any  
2 fiscal year for all former and retired officials authorized  
3 by the Secretary of Defense for such reimbursement.”.

4 **SEC. 529B. LIMITATION ON ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW DI-**  
5 **VERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION POSI-**  
6 **TIONS; HIRING FREEZE.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—During the period described in  
8 subsection (b), the Secretary of Defense may not—

9 (1) establish any new positions within the De-  
10 partment of Defense with responsibility for matters  
11 relating to diversity, equity, and inclusion; or

12 (2) fill any vacancies in positions in the Depart-  
13 ment with responsibility for such matters.

14 (b) PERIOD DESCRIBED.—The period described in  
15 this subsection is the period—

16 (1) beginning on the date of the enactment of  
17 this Act; and

18 (2) ending on the date on which the Comp-  
19 troller General of the United States submits to Con-  
20 gress the review of the Department of Defense diver-  
21 sity, equity, and inclusion workforce required by the  
22 report of the Committee on Armed Services of the  
23 Senate accompanying the National Defense Author-  
24 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2024.

1 **SEC. 529C. REQUIREMENT TO BASE MILITARY ACCESSIONS**  
2 **AND PROMOTIONS ON MERIT AND PERFORM-**  
3 **ANCE.**

4 (a) MERIT REQUIREMENT.—A military accession or  
5 a promotion in the Department of Defense shall be based  
6 on individual merit and demonstrated performance.

7 (b) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Defense shall  
8 prescribe regulations to carry out this section not later  
9 than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

10 **Subtitle D—Military Justice and**  
11 **Other Legal Matters**

12 **SEC. 531. TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO**  
13 **THE UNIFORM CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE.**

14 (a) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT RELATING TO GUILTY  
15 PLEAS FOR MURDER.—Section 918 of title 10, United  
16 States Code (article 118 of the Uniform Code of Military  
17 Justice), is amended—

18 (1) by striking “he” each place it appears and  
19 inserting “such person”; and

20 (2) in the matter following paragraph (4), by  
21 striking the period and inserting “, unless such per-  
22 son is otherwise sentenced in accordance with a plea  
23 agreement entered into between the parties under  
24 section 853a of this title (article 53a).”.

1 (b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE  
2 MILITARY JUSTICE REFORMS IN THE NATIONAL DE-  
3 FENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022.—

4 (1) ARTICLE 16.—Subsection (c)(2)(A) of sec-  
5 tion 816 of title 10, United States Code (article 16  
6 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice), is amend-  
7 ed by striking “by the convening authority”.

8 (2) ARTICLE 25.—Section 825 of title 10,  
9 United States Code (article 25 of the Uniform Code  
10 of Military Justice), is amended—

11 (A) in subsection (d)—

12 (i) in paragraph (1), by striking  
13 “may, after the findings are announced  
14 and before any matter is presented in the  
15 sentencing phase, request, orally on the  
16 record or in writing, sentencing by mem-  
17 bers” and inserting “shall be sentenced by  
18 the military judge”; and

19 (ii) by amending paragraph (2) to  
20 read as follows:

21 “(2) In a capital case, if the accused is convicted of  
22 an offense for which the court-martial may sentence the  
23 accused to death, the accused shall be sentenced in accord-  
24 ance with section 853(c) of this title (article 53(c)).”;

25 (B) in subsection (e)—

1 (i) in paragraph (1), by striking  
2 “him” and inserting “the member being  
3 tried”; and

4 (ii) in paragraph (2)—

5 (I) in the first sentence, by strik-  
6 ing “his opinion” and inserting “the  
7 opinion of the convening authority”;  
8 and

9 (II) in the second sentence, by  
10 striking “he” and inserting “the mem-  
11 ber”; and

12 (C) in subsection (f), in the second sen-  
13 tence—

14 (i) by striking “his authority” and in-  
15 serting “the authority of the convening au-  
16 thority”; and

17 (ii) by striking “his staff judge advo-  
18 cate or legal officer” and inserting “the  
19 staff judge advocate or legal officer of the  
20 convening authority”.

21 (c) AUTHORITY OF SPECIAL TRIAL COUNSEL WITH  
22 RESPECT TO CERTAIN OFFENSES OCCURRING BEFORE  
23 EFFECTIVE DATE OF MILITARY JUSTICE REFORMS EN-  
24 ACTED IN THE NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT  
25 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022.—

1           (1) AUTHORITY.—Section 824a of title 10,  
2           United States Code (article 24a of the Uniform  
3           Code of Military Justice), as added by section 531  
4           of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
5           Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 1692), is  
6           amended by adding at the end the following new  
7           subsection:

8           “(d) SPECIAL TRIAL COUNSEL AUTHORITY OVER  
9           CERTAIN OTHER OFFENSES.—

10           “(1) OFFENSES OCCURRING BEFORE EFFEC-  
11           TIVE DATE.—A special trial counsel may, at the sole  
12           and exclusive discretion of the special trial counsel,  
13           exercise authority over the following offenses:

14           “(A) An offense under section 917a (arti-  
15           cle 117a), 918 (article 118), section 919 (article  
16           119), section 920 (article 120), section 920b  
17           (article 120b), section 920c (article 120c), sec-  
18           tion 928b (article 128b), or the standalone of-  
19           fense of child pornography punishable under  
20           section 934 (article 134) of this title that oc-  
21           curred on or before December 27, 2023.

22           “(B) An offense under section 925 (article  
23           125), section 930 (article 130), or section 932  
24           (article 132) of this title that occurred on or

1 after January 1, 2019, and before December  
2 28, 2023.

3 “(C) An offense under section 920a (arti-  
4 cle 120a) of this title, an offense under section  
5 925 (article 125) of this title alleging an act of  
6 nonconsensual sodomy, or the standalone of-  
7 fense of kidnapping punishable under section  
8 934 (article 134) of this title that occurred be-  
9 fore January 1, 2019.

10 “(D) A conspiracy to commit an offense  
11 specified in subparagraph (A), (B), or (C) as  
12 punishable under section 881 of this title (arti-  
13 cle 81).

14 “(E) A solicitation to commit an offense  
15 specified in subparagraph (A), (B), or (C) as  
16 punishable under section 882 of this title (arti-  
17 cle 82).

18 “(F) An attempt to commit an offense  
19 specified in subparagraph (A), (B), (C), (D), or  
20 (E) as punishable under section 880 of this title  
21 (article 80).

22 “(2) EFFECT OF EXERCISE OF AUTHORITY.—

23 “(A) TREATMENT AS COVERED OF-  
24 FENSE.—If a special trial counsel exercises au-  
25 thority over an offense pursuant to paragraph

1 (1), the offense over which the special trial  
2 counsel exercises authority shall be considered a  
3 covered offense for purposes of this chapter.

4 “(B) KNOWN OR RELATED OFFENSES.—If  
5 a special trial counsel exercises authority over  
6 an offense pursuant to paragraph (1), the spe-  
7 cial trial counsel may exercise the authority of  
8 the special trial counsel under subparagraph  
9 (B) of subsection (c)(2) with respect to other  
10 offenses described in that subparagraph without  
11 regard to the date on which the other offenses  
12 occur.”.

13 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT TO EFFECTIVE  
14 DATE.—Section 539C(a) of the National Defense  
15 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law  
16 117–81; 10 U.S.C. 801 note) is amended by striking  
17 “and shall” and inserting “and, except as provided  
18 in section 824a(d) of title 10, United States Code  
19 (article 24a(d) of the Uniform Code of Military Jus-  
20 tice), shall”.

21 (d) CLARIFICATION OF APPLICABILITY OF DOMESTIC  
22 VIOLENCE AND STALKING TO DATING PARTNERS.—

23 (1) ARTICLE 128B; DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.—Sec-  
24 tion 928b of title 10, United States Code (article

1 128b of the Uniform Code of Military Justice), is  
2 amended—

3 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
4 by striking “Any person” and inserting “(a) IN  
5 GENERAL.—Any person”;

6 (B) in subsection (a), as designated by  
7 paragraph (1) of this section, by inserting “a  
8 dating partner,” after “an intimate partner,”  
9 each place it appears; and

10 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
11 subsection:

12 “(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms ‘dat-  
13 ing partner’, ‘immediate family’, and ‘intimate partner’  
14 have the meanings given such terms in section 930 of this  
15 title (article 130).”.

16 (2) ARTICLE 130; STALKING.—Section 930 of  
17 such title (article 130 of the Uniform Code of Mili-  
18 tary Justice) is amended—

19 (A) in subsection (a), by striking “or to his  
20 or her intimate partner” each place it appears  
21 and inserting “to his or her intimate partner,  
22 or to his or her dating partner”; and

23 (B) in subsection (b)—

1 (i) by redesignating paragraphs (3)  
2 through (5) as paragraphs (4) through (6),  
3 respectively; and

4 (ii) by inserting after paragraph (2)  
5 the following new paragraph:

6 “(3) The term ‘dating partner’, in the case of  
7 a specific person, means a person who is or has been  
8 in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate na-  
9 ture with such specific person based on a consider-  
10 ation of—

11 “(A) the length of the relationship;

12 “(B) the type of relationship;

13 “(C) the frequency of interaction between  
14 the persons involved in the relationship; and

15 “(D) the extent of physical intimacy or  
16 sexual contact between the persons involved in  
17 the relationship.”.

18 (e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
19 subsection (b) and subsection (c)(1) shall take effect im-  
20 mediately after the coming into effect of the amendments  
21 made by part 1 of subtitle D of title V of the National  
22 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public  
23 Law 117–81) as provided in section 539C of that Act (10  
24 U.S.C. 801 note).

1 **SEC. 532. ESTABLISHMENT OF STAGGERED TERMS FOR**  
2 **MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY JUSTICE RE-**  
3 **VIEW PANEL.**

4 (a) APPOINTMENT TO STAGGERED TERMS.—Sub-  
5 section (b) of section 946 of title 10, United States Code  
6 (article 146 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice), is  
7 amended by adding at the end the following new para-  
8 graph:

9 “(4) ESTABLISHMENT OF STAGGERED  
10 TERMS.—Notwithstanding subsection (e), members  
11 of the Panel appointed to serve on the Panel to fill  
12 vacancies that exist due to terms of appointment ex-  
13 piring during the period beginning on August 1,  
14 2030, and ending on November 30, 2030, shall be  
15 appointed to terms as follows:

16 “(A) Three members designated by the  
17 Secretary of Defense shall serve a term of two  
18 years.

19 “(B) Three members designated by the  
20 Secretary of Defense shall serve a term of four  
21 years.

22 “(C) Three members designated by the  
23 Secretary of Defense shall serve a term of six  
24 years.

1           “(D) Four members designated by the Sec-  
2           retary of Defense shall serve a term of eight  
3           years.”.

4           (b) TERM; VACANCIES.—Subsection (e) of such sec-  
5           tion is amended to read as follows:

6           “(e) TERM; VACANCIES.—

7           “(1) TERM.—Subject to subsection (b)(4) and  
8           paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, each  
9           member shall be appointed for a term of eight years,  
10          and no member may serve more than one term.

11          “(2) VACANCY.—Any vacancy in the Panel shall  
12          be filled in the same manner as the original appoint-  
13          ment. A member appointed to fill a vacancy in the  
14          Panel that occurs before the expiration of the term  
15          of appointment of the predecessor of such member  
16          shall be appointed for the remainder of the term of  
17          such predecessor.

18          “(3) AVAILABILITY OF REAPPOINTMENT FOR  
19          CERTAIN MEMBERS.—Notwithstanding paragraph  
20          (1), a member of the Panel may be appointed to a  
21          single additional term if—

22                 “(A) the appointment of the member is to  
23                 fill a vacancy described in subsection (b)(4); or

24                 “(B) the member was initially appointed—

1 “(i) to a term of four years or less in  
2 accordance with subsection (b)(4); or

3 “(ii) to fill a vacancy that occurs be-  
4 fore the expiration of the term of the pred-  
5 ecessor of such member and for which the  
6 remainder of the term of such predecessor  
7 is four years or less.”.

8 **SEC. 533. SUPREME COURT REVIEW OF CERTAIN ACTIONS**  
9 **OF THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS**  
10 **FOR THE ARMED FORCES.**

11 (a) CERTIORARI TO THE UNITED STATES COURT OF  
12 APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1259 of title 28,  
14 United States Code, is amended—

15 (A) in paragraph (3), by inserting “or re-  
16 fused to grant” after “granted”; and

17 (B) in paragraph (4), by inserting “or re-  
18 fused to grant” after “granted”.

19 (2) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMEND-  
20 MENTS.—

21 (A) TITLE 10.—Section 867a(a) of title 10,  
22 United States Code (article 67a of the Uniform  
23 Code of Military Justice), is amended by strik-  
24 ing “The Supreme Court may not review by a  
25 writ of certiorari under this section any action

1 of the United States Court of Appeals for the  
2 Armed Forces in refusing to grant a petition  
3 for review.”.

4 (B) TIME FOR APPLICATION FOR WRIT OF  
5 CERTIORARI.—Subsection (g) of section 2101 of  
6 title 28, United States Code, is amended to  
7 read as follows:

8 “(g) The time for application for a writ of certiorari  
9 to review a decision of the United States Court of Appeals  
10 for the Armed Forces, or the decision of a Court of Crimi-  
11 nal Appeals that the United States Court of Appeals for  
12 the Armed Forces refuses to grant a petition to review,  
13 shall be as prescribed by rules of the Supreme Court.”.

14 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE AND APPLICABILITY.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—The amendments made by  
16 subsection (a) shall take effect on the date that is  
17 one year after the date of the enactment of this Act  
18 and shall apply with respect to any action of the  
19 United States Court of Appeals for the Armed  
20 Forces in granting or refusing to grant a petition for  
21 review submitted to such Court for the first time on  
22 or after such effective date.

23 (2) INAPPLICABILITY TO PENDING DECI-  
24 SIONS.—With respect to a petition submitted to the  
25 United States Court of Appeals for the Armed

1 Forces before the effective date specified in para-  
2 graph (1) and on which the Court has not taken ac-  
3 tion as of such date, the provisions of the United  
4 States Code amended by subsection (a) shall apply  
5 as if such amendments had not been enacted. Any  
6 action of the United States Court of Appeals for the  
7 Armed Forces in granting or refusing to grant such  
8 a petition is final and conclusive.

9 (3) FINALITY OF DECISIONS BEFORE EFFEC-  
10 TIVE DATE.—Any action of the United States Court  
11 of Appeals for the Armed Forces in granting or re-  
12 fusing to grant a petition for review before the effec-  
13 tive date specified in paragraph (1) is final and con-  
14 clusive.

15 (4) RULES REQUIRED.—The Supreme Court  
16 shall prescribe rules to carry out section 2101(g) of  
17 title 28, United States Code, as amended by sub-  
18 section (a)(2)(B) of this section, by not later than  
19 the effective date specified in paragraph (1).

1 **SEC. 534. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR INITIATIVE TO**  
2 **ENHANCE THE CAPABILITY OF MILITARY**  
3 **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE ORGANIZATIONS**  
4 **TO PREVENT AND COMBAT CHILD SEXUAL**  
5 **EXPLOITATION.**

6 Section 550D of the National Defense Authorization  
7 Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 10 U.S.C.  
8 1561 note prec.) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
9 lowing new subsection:

10 “(c) **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.**—As part of the  
11 initiative under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense  
12 shall carry out the following activities:

13 “(1) **ANNUAL REPORT.**—Not later than 90 days  
14 after the date of the enactment of the National De-  
15 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024, an on  
16 an annual basis thereafter through 2029, the Sec-  
17 retary shall submit to the Committees on Armed  
18 Services of the Senate and the House of Representa-  
19 tives a report on the progress of the initiative, which  
20 shall include a description of specific actions that  
21 have been taken, or that are planned to be taken, to  
22 detect, combat, and stop the use of the Department  
23 of Defense information technology network to fur-  
24 ther online child sexual exploitation.

25 “(2) **PARTNERSHIPS.**—The Secretary shall seek  
26 to enter into partnerships and execute collaborative

1 agreements with functional experts, including highly  
2 qualified national child protection organizations or  
3 law enforcement training centers with demonstrated  
4 expertise in the delivery of law enforcement training,  
5 to identify, investigate, and prosecute individuals en-  
6 gaged in online child sexual exploitation.

7 “(3) MANDATORY TRAINING.—The Secretary  
8 shall establish mandatory training for criminal inves-  
9 tigative organizations of the Department of Defense  
10 and other appropriate personnel at military installa-  
11 tions to ensure that the capability and capacity to  
12 investigate child sexual exploitation is continuously  
13 maintained regardless of staff turnover and reloca-  
14 tions.”.

15 **SEC. 535. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR RE-**  
16 **LOCATION OF ARMY CID SPECIAL AGENT**  
17 **TRAINING COURSE.**

18 (a) LIMITATION.—None of the funds authorized to  
19 be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available  
20 for fiscal year 2024 for the Army may be obligated or ex-  
21 pended to relocate an Army CID special agent training  
22 course until—

23 (1) the Secretary of the Army submits to the  
24 Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and  
25 the House of Representatives a report on any plans

1 of the Secretary to relocate an Army CID special  
2 agent training course, including an explanation of  
3 the business case for any transfer of training per-  
4 sonnel proposed as part of such plan; and

5 (2) the Secretary provides to the Committees on  
6 Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Rep-  
7 resentatives a briefing on the contents of the report  
8 specified in paragraph (1).

9 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) The term “relocate”, when used with re-  
11 spect to an Army CID special agent training course,  
12 means the transfer of such course to a location dif-  
13 ferent than the location used for such course as of  
14 the date of the enactment of this Act.

15 (2) The term “Army CID special agent training  
16 course” means a training course provided to mem-  
17 bers of the Army to prepare such members for serv-  
18 ice as special agents in the Army Criminal Investiga-  
19 tion Division.

20 **SEC. 536. STUDY ON REQUIREMENT FOR UNANIMOUS**  
21 **VOTES FOR FINDINGS IN GENERAL AND SPE-**  
22 **CIAL COURTS-MARTIAL AND RELATED MILE-**  
23 **STONES FOR IMPLEMENTATION.**

24 (a) STUDY REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense  
25 shall conduct a study to determine the feasibility and ad-

1 visability of requiring unanimous votes for findings of  
2 guilty, not guilty, or not guilty only by reason of lack of  
3 mental responsibility in general and special courts-martial  
4 conducted under chapter 47 of title 10, United States  
5 Code (the Uniform Code of Military Justice).

6 (b) USE OF MILITARY JUSTICE EXPERTS.—The Sec-  
7 retary of Defense shall convene a group of members of  
8 the Armed Forces and civilian employees of the Depart-  
9 ment of Defense with significant expertise in military jus-  
10 tice matters to carry out the study required under sub-  
11 section (a).

12 (c) INFORMATION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than  
13 one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
14 Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on  
15 Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Represent-  
16 atives the following:

17 (1) REPORT.—A report containing the results  
18 of the study required under subsection (a).

19 (2) DRAFT LEGISLATIVE TEXT.—Without re-  
20 gard to the contents of the report under paragraph  
21 (1), draft legislative text that would revise chapter  
22 47 of title 10, United States Code (the Uniform  
23 Code of Military Justice) to—

24 (A) require a unanimous vote of all mem-  
25 bers present in a general or special court-mar-

1            tial for a finding of guilty, not guilty, or not  
2            guilty only by reason of lack of mental responsi-  
3            bility for a specification; and

4            (B) provide that an accused may be tried  
5            a second time for the same offense if a general  
6            or special court-martial requiring such a unani-  
7            mous vote does not result in a finding of guilty,  
8            not guilty, or not guilty only by reason of lack  
9            of mental responsibility for such offense.

10          (3) MILESTONES FOR IMPLEMENTATION.—A  
11          description of any milestones or other requirements  
12          that would need to be met for the legislative text  
13          provided under paragraph (2) to be enacted by not  
14          later than December 31, 2027.

15 **SEC. 537. STUDY ON REMOVAL OF SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIM**  
16 **ADVOCATES FROM THE CHAIN OF COMMAND**  
17 **OF VICTIMS.**

18          (a) STUDY.—The Secretary of Defense shall conduct  
19 a study to determine—

20            (1) the feasibility and advisability of requiring  
21            that any Sexual Assault Victim Advocate assigned to  
22            a victim under section 1565b of title 10, United  
23            States Code, be from outside the chain of command  
24            of the victim; and

1           (2) the potential effects of such a requirement  
2           on the ability of the Armed Forces to implement sex-  
3           ual assault prevention and response programs.

4           (b) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date  
5           of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
6           shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the  
7           Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the  
8           results of the study conducted under subsection (a).

9           **Subtitle E—Accession Standards**  
10           **and Recruitment**

11           **SEC. 541. INCREASED ACCESS TO POTENTIAL RECRUITS AT**  
12           **SECONDARY SCHOOLS.**

13           Section 503(c) of title 10, United States Code, is  
14           amended—

15           (1) in paragraph (1)—

16           (A) in subparagraph (A)—

17           (i) in clause (i), by striking “; and”  
18           and inserting a semicolon;

19           (ii) by redesignating clause (ii) as  
20           clause (iii);

21           (iii) by inserting after clause (i) the  
22           following new clause:

23           “(ii) shall provide to military recruiters access  
24           to career fairs or similar events upon a request made

1 by military recruiters for military recruiting pur-  
2 poses; and”;

3 (iv) in clause (iii), as redesignated by  
4 subparagraph (B), by inserting “, not later  
5 than 60 days after receiving such request,”  
6 after “provide”; and

7 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “sub-  
8 paragraph (A)(ii)” and inserting “subparagraph  
9 (A)(iii)”;

10 (2) by redesignating paragraph (6) as para-  
11 graph (7); and

12 (3) by inserting after paragraph (5) the fol-  
13 lowing new paragraph:

14 “(6) The Secretary of Defense shall submit an annual  
15 report to Congress not later than February 1 each cal-  
16 endar year, detailing each notification of denial of recruit-  
17 ing access issued under paragraph (3).”.

18 **SEC. 542. MODIFICATION OF LIMITATION ON ENLISTMENT**  
19 **AND INDUCTION OF PERSONS WHOSE SCORE**  
20 **ON THE ARMED FORCES QUALIFICATION**  
21 **TEST IS BELOW A PRESCRIBED LEVEL.**

22 Section 520(a) of title 10, United States Code, is  
23 amended—

24 (1) by striking “The number of persons” and  
25 inserting “(1) The number of persons”;

1           (2) by striking “may not exceed 20 percent”  
2           and inserting “may not exceed 4 percent”; and

3           (3) by adding at the end the following new  
4           paragraph:

5           “(2) Upon the request of the Secretary concerned,  
6           the Secretary of Defense may authorize an armed force  
7           to increase the limitation specified in paragraph (1) to not  
8           exceed 20 percent of the total number of persons originally  
9           enlisted or inducted to serve on active duty (other than  
10          active duty for training) in such armed forces during such  
11          fiscal year. The Secretary of Defense shall notify the Com-  
12          mittees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House  
13          of Representatives not later than 30 days after using such  
14          authority.”.

15   **SEC. 543. INCREASED ACCESS TO POTENTIAL RECRUITS AT**  
16                                   **INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.**

17          Section 983(b) of title 10, United States Code, is  
18          amended—

19                 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “; or” and in-  
20                 serting a semicolon;

21                 (2) in paragraph (2)—

22                         (A) by striking “to the following informa-  
23                         tion pertaining” and inserting “, with respect”;

24                         (B) by striking “institution):” and insert-  
25                         ing “institution)—”;

1 (C) in subparagraph (A)—

2 (i) by striking “Names” and inserting  
3 “names”; and

4 (ii) by striking “telephone listings.”  
5 and inserting “telephone listings, which in-  
6 formation shall be made available not later  
7 than the 60th day following the date of a  
8 request; and”; and

9 (D) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
10 “Date” and inserting “date”.

11 **SEC. 544. INCREASE IN ACCESSION BONUS FOR NURSE OF-**  
12 **FICER CANDIDATES.**

13 Section 2130a(a) of title 10, United States Code, is  
14 amended—

15 (1) by striking “\$20,000” and inserting  
16 “\$40,000”; and

17 (2) by striking “\$10,000” and inserting  
18 “\$20,000”.

19 **SEC. 545. IMPROVEMENTS TO MEDICAL STANDARDS FOR**  
20 **ACCESSION TO CERTAIN ARMED FORCES.**

21 (a) IMPROVEMENTS.—Not later than one year after  
22 the date of the enactment of this Act, and once four years  
23 thereafter, the Secretary of Defense shall—

24 (1) conduct an assessment of the prescribed  
25 medical standards and medical screening processes

1 required for the appointment of an individual as an  
2 officer, or enlistment of an individual as a member,  
3 in each covered Armed Force;

4 (2) taking into account the findings of such as-  
5 sessment—

6 (A) update such standards and processes,  
7 as may be necessary; and

8 (B) take such steps as may be necessary to  
9 improve the waiver process for individuals who  
10 do not meet such prescribed medical standards;  
11 and

12 (3) submit to the Committees on Armed Serv-  
13 ices of the House of Representatives and the Senate  
14 a report containing, with respect to the most re-  
15 cently conducted assessment under paragraph (1)—

16 (A) the findings of that assessment and a  
17 description of the actions carried out pursuant  
18 to paragraph (2); and

19 (B) recommendations by the Secretary for  
20 any legislative action the Secretary determines  
21 necessary to further improve such standards  
22 and processes.

23 (b) COVERED ARMED FORCE DEFINED.—In this sec-  
24 tion, the term “covered Armed Force” means the Army,  
25 Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Space Force.

1 **SEC. 546. FUTURE SERVICEMEMBER PREPARATORY**  
2 **COURSE.**

3 (a) **REQUIREMENT.**—If the number of nonprior serv-  
4 ice enlisted personnel covered under section 520 of title  
5 10, United States Code, exceeds 10 percent of the total  
6 number of persons originally enlisted in an Armed Force  
7 during a fiscal year, the Secretary concerned shall estab-  
8 lish a future servicemember preparatory course within the  
9 Armed Force concerned.

10 (b) **PURPOSE.**—The course established under sub-  
11 section (a) shall be designed to improve the physical and  
12 aptitude qualifications of military recruits.

13 (c) **CRITERIA.**—Each course established under this  
14 section shall comply with the following requirements:

15 (1) **ENROLLMENT.**—All nonprior service en-  
16 listed persons whose score on the Armed Forces  
17 Qualification Test is below the thirty-first percentile  
18 must be enrolled in the course prior to attending ini-  
19 tial basic training.

20 (2) **GRADUATION REQUIREMENT.**—Prior to at-  
21 tending initial basic training, all enlisted persons at-  
22 tending the course established under this section  
23 must achieve a score on the Armed Forces Qualifica-  
24 tion Test that is at least 10 points higher than the  
25 individual's most recent score taken prior to the in-  
26 dividual's date of enlistment.

1           (3) EFFECT OF COURSE FAILURE.—Any en-  
2 listed person who fails to achieve course graduation  
3 requirements within 180 days of enlistment shall be  
4 separated under regulations prescribed by the Sec-  
5 retary concerned.

6           (d) REPORT.—If a preparatory course under this sec-  
7 tion is established by the Secretary concerned, the Sec-  
8 retary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services  
9 of the Senate and House of Representatives a report on  
10 the structure and results of the course for the preceding  
11 fiscal year by December 1st of the subsequent fiscal year.  
12 The report shall include the following elements:

13           (1) The number of individuals who attended the  
14 preparatory course.

15           (2) The number of individuals who graduated  
16 the preparatory course.

17           (3) The average improvement in the Armed  
18 Forces Qualification Test score for individuals who  
19 graduated from the preparatory course.

20           (4) Any other matter the Secretary determines  
21 relevant.

22           (e) SUNSET.—The requirements of this section shall  
23 expire on September 30th, 2028.

1 **SEC. 547. PILOT PROGRAM ON CARDIAC SCREENINGS FOR**  
2 **MILITARY ACCESSIONS.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than September 30,  
4 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall carry out a pilot pro-  
5 gram to provide an electrocardiogram to individuals who  
6 undergo military accession screenings. Each such electro-  
7 cardiogram shall be provided—

8 (1) on a mandatory basis;

9 (2) at no cost to the recipient; and

10 (3) in a facility of the Department of Defense  
11 or by a member or employee of the military health  
12 system.

13 (b) PURPOSES.—In carrying out the pilot program,  
14 the Secretary shall—

15 (1) determine the costs (including protocols and  
16 personnel and equipment for each location where the  
17 Secretary carries out the pilot program) and benefits  
18 to the Department of providing an electrocardiogram  
19 to every individual who undergoes a military acces-  
20 sion screening;

21 (2) develop and implement appropriate proc-  
22 esses to assess the long-term impacts of electro-  
23 cardiogram results on military service; and

24 (3) consult with experts in cardiology to develop  
25 appropriate clinical practice guidelines for cardiac  
26 screenings, diagnosis, and treatment.

1 (c) BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days after the  
2 date on which the pilot program terminates, the Secretary  
3 shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the  
4 Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on the  
5 pilot program. Such briefing shall include the following:

6 (1) The results of all electrocardiograms pro-  
7 vided to individuals under the pilot program—

8 (A) disaggregated by Armed Force, race,  
9 and gender; and

10 (B) without any personally identifiable in-  
11 formation.

12 (2) The rate of significant cardiac issues de-  
13 tected pursuant to electrocardiograms provided  
14 under the pilot program, disaggregated by Armed  
15 Force, race, and gender.

16 (3) The number of individuals, if any, who were  
17 disqualified from accession based solely on the result  
18 of an electrocardiogram provided under the pilot  
19 program.

20 (4) The cost of carrying out the pilot program.

21 (d) TERMINATION.—The pilot program shall termi-  
22 nate after three years after its implementation.

23 **SEC. 548. COMMUNITY COLLEGE ENLISTED TRAINING**  
24 **CORPS DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM.**

25 (a) DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than August 1,  
2           2025, the Secretary concerned shall establish within  
3           each military department an Enlisted Training  
4           Corps demonstration program for the purpose of in-  
5           troducing students to the military, and preparing se-  
6           lected students for enlisted service in the Army,  
7           Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Space Force.

8           (2) LOCATION.—Demonstration programs es-  
9           tablished under this section shall be located at a  
10          community or junior college. No program may be es-  
11          tablished at a military college or military junior col-  
12          lege as defined for purposes of section 2107a of title  
13          10, United States Code.

14          (b) ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP.—To be eligible  
15          for membership in a program under this section, a person  
16          must be a student at an institution where a unit of the  
17          Enlisted Training Corps is located.

18          (c) INSTRUCTORS.—The Secretary concerned may as-  
19          sign as an instructor for a unit established under this sec-  
20          tion an individual eligible to serve as an instructor under  
21          section 2111 or section 2031 of title 10, United States  
22          Code. Instructors who are not currently members on active  
23          duty shall be paid in a manner consistent with section  
24          2031 of title 10, United States Code.

1 (d) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.—The Secretary of the  
2 military department concerned may provide financial as-  
3 sistance to persons enrolled in a unit of the Enlisted  
4 Training Corps in exchange for an agreement in writing  
5 that the person enlist in the active component of the mili-  
6 tary department concerned upon graduation or  
7 disenrollment from the community college. Financial as-  
8 sistance provided under this subsection may include tui-  
9 tion, living expenses, stipend, or other payment.

10 (e) CURRICULUM.—The Secretary concerned shall  
11 ensure that any programs created under this section in-  
12 clude as part of the curriculum the following:

13 (1) An introduction to the benefits of military  
14 service.

15 (2) Military history.

16 (3) Military customs and courtesies.

17 (4) Physical fitness requirements.

18 (5) Instruction on ethical behavior and decision  
19 making.

20 (f) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—Not later than one  
21 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annu-  
22 ally thereafter until the date specified by subsection (g),  
23 the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees  
24 on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Rep-

1 representatives a report on the status of the demonstration  
2 program required by this section.

3 (g) SUNSET.—The requirements of this provision  
4 shall sunset on September 30, 2030.

5 **SEC. 549. ANNUAL BRIEFINGS ON MILITARY RECRUITMENT**  
6 **PRACTICES IN PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS**  
7 **AND COMMUNITY COLLEGES.**

8 (a) BRIEFINGS REQUIRED.—Not later than Decem-  
9 ber 31, 2024, and on an annual basis thereafter through  
10 December 31, 2028, the Secretary of Defense shall provide  
11 to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and  
12 the House of Representatives a briefing on military re-  
13 cruitment practices carried out in public secondary schools  
14 and community colleges during the calendar year pre-  
15 ceding the date of the briefing.

16 (b) ELEMENTS.—Each briefing under subsection (a)  
17 shall include, with respect to the year covered by the brief-  
18 ing, the following:

19 (1) Identification of the public secondary  
20 schools and community colleges visited by military  
21 recruiters.

22 (2) Identification of the number of recruits ob-  
23 tained from such schools and colleges.

1           (3) A demographic analysis of such recruits, in-  
2           cluding analysis of the race, ethnicity, and gender of  
3           such recruits.

4           (c) DISAGGREGATION.—The information required  
5           under each of a paragraphs (1) through (3) of subsection  
6           (b) shall be set forth separately—

7           (1) by ZIP code, in the case of information con-  
8           cerning community colleges; and

9           (2) by local educational agency, in the case in-  
10          formation concerning public secondary schools.

11          (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms “local  
12          educational agency” and “secondary school” have the  
13          meanings given those terms in section 8101 of the Ele-  
14          mentary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.  
15          7801).

## 16                   **Subtitle F—Junior Reserve** 17                   **Officers’ Training Corps**

### 18          **SEC. 551. EXPANSION OF JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICERS’** 19                   **TRAINING CORPS.**

20          Section 2031 of title 10, United States Code, is  
21          amended—

22           (1) in subsection (a)(1)—

23                   (A) by striking “The President shall pro-  
24                   mulgate” and inserting “The Secretary of De-  
25                   fense shall promulgate”; and

1 (B) by striking “maintained, and shall pro-  
2 vide” and all that follows through the period at  
3 the end and inserting “maintained.”; and

4 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
5 section:

6 “(i)(1) The Secretary of Defense shall establish and  
7 support not fewer than 3,400, and not more than 4,000,  
8 units of the Junior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps.

9 “(2) The requirement under paragraph (1) shall not  
10 apply—

11 “(A) if the Secretary fails to receive an ade-  
12 quate number of requests for Junior Reserve Offi-  
13 cer’s Training Corps units by public and private sec-  
14 ondary educational institutions; and

15 “(B) during a time of national emergency when  
16 the Secretaries of the military departments deter-  
17 mine that funding must be allocated elsewhere.”.

18 **SEC. 552. REQUIREMENT FOR MEMORANDA OF UNDER-**  
19 **STANDING ADDRESSING CERTAIN MATTERS**  
20 **PERTAINING TO UNITS OF THE JUNIOR RE-**  
21 **SERVE OFFICERS’ TRAINING CORPS.**

22 Section 2031(b) of title 10, United States Code, is  
23 amended—

24 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) through  
25 (5) as subparagraphs (A) through (E);

1 (2) by inserting “(1)” after “(b)”;

2 (3) in subparagraph (A), as redesignated by  
3 paragraph (1)—

4 (A) by striking “(A)” and inserting “(i)”;

5 and

6 (B) by striking “(B)” and inserting “(ii)”;

7 (4) in subparagraph (E), as so redesignated, by  
8 striking “as may be established by the Secretary of  
9 the military department concerned” and inserting  
10 “as the Secretary of the military department con-  
11 cerned prescribes in the memorandum of under-  
12 standing required under paragraph (2).”; and

13 (5) by adding at the end the following new  
14 paragraph:

15 “(2) The Secretary of Defense shall prescribe in  
16 regulations a memorandum of understanding to be  
17 signed by the Secretary of the military department  
18 concerned and each institution operating a unit  
19 under this section. The memorandum shall be stand-  
20 ardized to the extent practicable and include the fol-  
21 lowing elements:

22 “(A) A requirement that an institution no-  
23 tify the Secretary of the military department  
24 concerned of allegations of misconduct (includ-  
25 ing sexual misconduct and harassment) against

1 an instructor who is receiving retired or other  
2 pay, not later than 48 hours after such institu-  
3 tion learns of such allegations.

4 “(B) A process by which the Secretary of  
5 the military department concerned certifies an  
6 instructor, including the conduct of appropriate  
7 background checks by such Secretary and the  
8 institution concerned.

9 “(C) A process by which the Secretary of  
10 the military department concerned shall conduct  
11 oversight of instructors certified by such Sec-  
12 retary, including a requirement that such cer-  
13 tification shall expire after not more than five  
14 years.

15 “(D) Processes by which such institution’s  
16 program will be inspected by the military de-  
17 partment concerned prior to establishment of a  
18 new unit, or not less often than once every four  
19 years in the case of units existing as of January  
20 1, 2024, staggered as the Secretary determines  
21 appropriate.

22 “(E) A requirement that each institution  
23 certifies it—

24 “(i) has created a process for students  
25 to report violations of their rights under

1 title IX of the Education Amendments of  
2 1972 (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.), as applica-  
3 ble, and title VI of the Civil Rights Act of  
4 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), including  
5 the rights of students to not be subject to  
6 discrimination or subject to retaliation for  
7 reporting a violation of those laws, if such  
8 laws apply to the public or private institu-  
9 tion;

10 “(ii) has implemented policies ensur-  
11 ing students and instructors are notified of  
12 those rights, as well as the process for re-  
13 porting violations of those rights, including  
14 information on available mandatory report-  
15 ers, if such laws apply to the institution;

16 “(iii) has implemented annual training  
17 to inform students of methods to prevent,  
18 respond to, and report sexual assault and  
19 harassment;

20 “(iv) agrees to report all allegations of  
21 violations described in this subparagraph  
22 to the military department concerned and,  
23 if subject to the jurisdiction of the Depart-  
24 ment of Education, the Office of Civil

1 Rights of the Department of Education not  
2 less often than annually;

3 “(v) has developed processes to ensure  
4 that each student enrolled in a unit under  
5 this section has done so voluntarily; and

6 “(vi) agrees to provide the data nec-  
7 essary to compile the report required under  
8 subsection (i).”.

9 **SEC. 553. JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICERS’ TRAINING CORPS**  
10 **ADMINISTRATOR AND INSTRUCTOR COM-**  
11 **PENSATION.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2031 of title 10, United  
13 States Code, as amended by sections 551 and 552, is fur-  
14 ther amended—

15 (1) by amending subsection (d) to read as fol-  
16 lows:

17 “(d)(1) Instead of, or in addition to, detailing officers  
18 and noncommissioned officers on active duty under sub-  
19 section (c)(1), the Secretary of the military department  
20 concerned may authorize qualified institutions to employ,  
21 as administrators and instructors in the program—

22 “(A) retired officers and noncommissioned offi-  
23 cers whose qualifications are approved by the Sec-  
24 retary and the institution concerned and who re-  
25 quest such employment;

1           “(B) officers and noncommissioned officers who  
2           are separated with an honorable discharge within the  
3           past 5 years with at least 8 years of service and are  
4           approved by the Secretary and the institution con-  
5           cerned and who request such employment; or

6           “(C) officers and noncommissioned officers who  
7           are active participating members of the selected re-  
8           serve at the time of application, for purposes of sec-  
9           tion 101(d) of this title, and have not yet reached  
10          retirement eligibility and are approved by the Sec-  
11          retary and the institution concerned and who re-  
12          quest such employment.

13          “(2) Employment under this subsection shall be sub-  
14          ject to the following conditions:

15                 “(A) The Secretary concerned shall pay to the  
16                 institution an amount equal to one-half of the De-  
17                 partment’s prescribed JROTC Standardized Instruc-  
18                 tor Pay Scale amount paid to the member by the in-  
19                 stitution for any period.

20                 “(B) The Secretary concerned may pay to the  
21                 institution more than one-half of the amount paid to  
22                 the member by the institution if (as determined by  
23                 the Secretary)—

24                         “(i) the institution is in an educationally  
25                         and economically deprived area; and

1                   “(ii) the Secretary determines that such  
2                   action is in the national interest.

3                   “(C) Payments by the Secretary concerned  
4                   under this subsection shall be made from funds ap-  
5                   propriated for that purpose.

6                   “(D) The Secretary concerned may require suc-  
7                   cessful applicants to transfer to the Individual  
8                   Ready Reserve.”;

9                   (2) by striking subsections (e) and (f); and

10                  (3) by redesignating subsections (g) and (h) as  
11                  subsections (e) and (f), respectively.

12                  (b) TREATMENT OF CURRENT ADMINISTRATORS AND  
13 INSTRUCTORS.—An administrator or instructor employed  
14 under section 2031 of title 10, United States Code, on  
15 the date of enactment of this section shall not be subject  
16 to a reduction in total compensation as a result of such  
17 enactment.

1 **SEC. 554. PROHIBITION OF ESTABLISHMENT OR MAINTEN-**  
2 **NANCE OF A UNIT OF THE JUNIOR RESERVE**  
3 **OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS AT AN EDU-**  
4 **CATIONAL INSTITUTION OWNED, OPERATED,**  
5 **OR CONTROLLED BY THE CHINESE COM-**  
6 **MUNIST PARTY.**

7 Section 2031 of title 10, United States Code, as  
8 amended by sections 551, 552, and 553, is further amend-  
9 ed by adding at the end the following new subsection:

10 “(g) No unit may be established or maintained at an  
11 educational institution that is owned, operated, or con-  
12 trolled by a person that—

13 “(1) is the People’s Republic of China;

14 “(2) is a member of the Chinese Communist  
15 Party;

16 “(3) is a member of the People’s Liberation  
17 Army;

18 “(4) is identified by the Secretary of Defense  
19 under section 1260H(a) of the William M. (Mac)  
20 Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for  
21 Fiscal Year 2021 (10 U.S.C. 113 note) as a Chinese  
22 military company;

23 “(5) is included in the Non-SDN Chinese Mili-  
24 tary-Industrial Complex Companies List published  
25 by the Department of the Treasury; or

1           “(6) is owned by or controlled by or is an agen-  
2           cy or instrumentality of any person described in  
3           paragraphs (1) through (5).”.

4 **SEC. 555. ENFORCEMENT OF PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**  
5                           **FOR THE JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICERS’ TRAIN-**  
6                           **ING CORPS.**

7           (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2031 of title 10, United  
8 States Code, as amended by sections 551 through 554,  
9 is further amended by adding at the end the following new  
10 subsection:

11           “(h)(1) The Secretary of Defense may suspend or  
12 place on probation a unit of the Junior Reserve Officers’  
13 Training Corps that fails to comply with the provisions  
14 of the memorandum of understanding required pursuant  
15 to subsection (b) or any other requirement of this section.

16           “(2) A unit may be placed on probation under para-  
17 graph (1) for a period of up to three years.

18           “(3) A unit may be suspended under paragraph (1)  
19 if, after the three-year probationary period, such unit re-  
20 mains out of compliance with the requirements of this sec-  
21 tion and the Secretary of the military department con-  
22 cerned determines that such suspension is necessary to  
23 mitigate program deficiencies or to protect the safety of  
24 program participants.”.

1 (b) ANNUAL REPORTS.—Not later than one year  
2 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually  
3 thereafter for four years, the Secretary of Defense shall  
4 submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Sen-  
5 ate and the House of Representatives a report including  
6 information on—

7 (1) any units of the Junior Reserve Officers'  
8 Training Corps suspended or placed on probation  
9 pursuant to section 2031(i) of title 10, United  
10 States Code (as added by subsection (a)), in the  
11 year covered by the report; and

12 (2) with respect any unit that is reinstated  
13 after previously being suspended or placed on proba-  
14 tion pursuant to such section, justification for the  
15 reinstatement of such unit.

16 **SEC. 556. ANNUAL REPORT ON ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL**  
17 **MISCONDUCT IN JUNIOR RESERVE OFFI-**  
18 **CERS' TRAINING CORPS PROGRAMS.**

19 Section 2031 of title 10, United States Code, as  
20 amended by sections 551 through 555, is further amend-  
21 ed, by adding at the end the following new subsection:

22 “(i)(1) Not later than March 31, 2024, and annually  
23 thereafter through March 31, 2029, the Secretary of De-  
24 fense shall submit to Committees on Armed Services of  
25 the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on

1 allegations of sexual misconduct, sexual harassment, and  
2 sex discrimination in Junior Reserve Officers' Training  
3 Corps programs during the preceding year.

4 “(2) Each report required under paragraph (1) shall  
5 set forth the following:

6 “(A) The number of reported allegations of vio-  
7 lations under title IX of the Education Amendments  
8 of 1972 (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.) in school-affiliated  
9 Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps programs,  
10 including—

11 “(i) the number of such reported allega-  
12 tions that were investigated;

13 “(ii) the outcome of those investigations;  
14 and

15 “(iii) the number of such reported allega-  
16 tions by State, the District of Columbia, or  
17 overseas location where these reports occurred.

18 “(B) The number of reports that the Depart-  
19 ment of Defense or armed forces have received dur-  
20 ing the reporting period involving allegations of acts  
21 of violence, including sexual abuse or harassment, by  
22 instructors against students in Junior Reserve Offi-  
23 cers' Training Corps programs, including—

24 “(i) the offense involved;

25 “(ii) the armed force involved;

1           “(iii) the number of instructors and num-  
2           ber of allegations each instructor received;

3           “(iv) the number of reports of sexual mis-  
4           conduct and harassment that have been inves-  
5           tigated;

6           “(v) the number of reports or investiga-  
7           tions that have led to the removal of an instruc-  
8           tor from a Junior Reserve Officers’ Training  
9           Corps program; and

10          “(vi) the number of such reported allega-  
11          tions by State, the District of Columbia, or  
12          overseas location where these reports occurred.

13          “(C) Any steps the Department of Defense has  
14          taken to mitigate sexual misconduct and harassment  
15          in Junior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps programs  
16          during the preceding year.

17          “(3) Each report required under paragraph (1) shall  
18          be submitted in unclassified form and may not be des-  
19          ignated as controlled unclassified information.

20          “(4) The Secretary shall annually report to the Com-  
21          mittees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House  
22          of Representatives regarding compliance with this sub-  
23          section by the Junior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps  
24          programs, including an up-to-date report on the Sec-  
25          retary’s monitoring of such compliance.”.

1       **Subtitle G—Member Education**

2       **SEC. 561. SERVICE ACADEMIES: NUMBERS OF NOMINA-**  
3                   **TIONS BY MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND AP-**  
4                   **POINTMENTS BY THE SECRETARIES OF THE**  
5                   **MILITARY DEPARTMENTS.**

6       (a) UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY.—Section  
7 7442 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

8           (1) in subsection (a), in the matter following  
9       paragraph (10), by striking “10 persons” and in-  
10       serting “15 persons”; and

11          (2) in subsection (b)(5), by striking “150” and  
12       inserting “200”.

13       (b) UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY.—Section  
14 8454 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

15           (1) in subsection (a), in the matter following  
16       paragraph (10), by striking “10 persons” and in-  
17       serting “15 persons”; and

18          (2) in subsection (b)(5), by striking “150” and  
19       inserting “200”.

20       (c) UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY.—Section  
21 9442 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

22           (1) in subsection (a), in the matter following  
23       paragraph (10), by striking “10 persons” and in-  
24       serting “15 persons”; and

1           (2) in subsection (b)(5), by striking “150” and  
2           inserting “200”.

3           (d) **APPLICABILITY.**—The amendments made by this  
4           section shall apply to nominations of candidates and ap-  
5           pointments to the Service Academies (as such term is de-  
6           fined in section 347 of title 10, United States Code) for  
7           classes entering such Service Academies beginning with  
8           the 2025-2026 academic year.

9           **SEC. 562. INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF NOMINEES FROM**  
10           **GUAM TO THE SERVICE ACADEMIES.**

11           (a) **UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY.**—Section  
12           7442 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by sec-  
13           tion 561, is further amended, in subsection (a)(8), by  
14           striking “Four” and inserting “Five”.

15           (b) **UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY.**—Section  
16           8454 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by sec-  
17           tion 561, is further amended, in subsection (a)(8), by  
18           striking “Four” and inserting “Five”.

19           (c) **UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY.**—Section  
20           9442 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by sec-  
21           tion 561, is further amended, in subsection (a)(8), by  
22           striking “Four” and inserting “Five”.

1 **SEC. 563. CONSIDERATION OF STANDARDIZED TEST**  
2 **SCORES IN MILITARY SERVICE ACADEMY AP-**  
3 **PLICATION PROCESS.**

4 The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that the  
5 United States Military Academy, the United States Naval  
6 Academy, and the United States Air Force Academy re-  
7 quire the submission and consideration of standardized  
8 test scores as part of the application process.

9 **SEC. 564. SERVICE ACADEMY PROFESSIONAL SPORTS**  
10 **PATHWAY REPORT AND LEGISLATIVE PRO-**  
11 **POSAL REQUIRED.**

12 (a) **LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL.**—Not later than March  
13 1, 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the  
14 Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the  
15 House of Representatives a report including the following  
16 elements:

17 (1) A legislative proposal that would—

18 (A) update and clarify the legislative  
19 framework related to the ability of Service  
20 Academy graduates to pursue employment as a  
21 professional athlete prior to serving at least 5  
22 years on active duty; and

23 (B) retain the existing requirement that all  
24 Service Academy graduates must serve for 2  
25 years on active duty before affiliating with the

1 reserves to pursue employment as a professional  
2 athlete.

3 (2) A description of amendments to current law  
4 that would be necessary to implement the legislative  
5 proposal described under paragraph (1).

6 (b) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than March 1,  
7 2024, and annually thereafter, the Secretary of Defense  
8 shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the  
9 Senate and the House of Representatives a report that  
10 includes the following information:

11 (1) The name, covered Armed Force, and sport  
12 of each Service Academy graduate released or de-  
13 ferred from active service in order to participate in  
14 professional sports.

15 (2) A description of the sports career progress  
16 of each participant, such as drafted, signed, re-  
17 leased, or returned to service in a covered Armed  
18 Force.

19 (3) A summary by participant of marketing  
20 strategy and recruiting related activities conducted.

21 (4) A description by participant of the assess-  
22 ments conducted by the military services to deter-  
23 mine the recruiting value associated with approved  
24 releases from active duty.

1           (5) The current status of each participant, in-  
2           cluding, as appropriate, affiliated franchise.

3           (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4           (1) The term “covered Armed Force” means  
5           the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Space  
6           Force.

7           (2) The term “Service Academy” has the mean-  
8           ing given such term in section 347 of title 10,  
9           United States Code.

10 **SEC. 565. BRIEFING ON INCLUSION OF ADVANCED RE-**  
11 **SEARCH PROGRAMS AT CERTAIN INSTITU-**  
12 **TIONS OF PROFESSIONAL MILITARY EDU-**  
13 **CATION.**

14           Not later than April 1, 2024, the President of the  
15 National Defense University, the Commandant of the  
16 United States Army Command and General Staff College,  
17 the Commandant of the Army War College, the President  
18 of the Naval War College, and the Commander of the Air  
19 University shall each provide to the Committees on Armed  
20 Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives  
21 a briefing on—

22           (1) the current requirements and outcomes for  
23 wargaming and force structure recommendations re-  
24 sulting from activities conducted under existing ad-  
25 vanced research programs; and



1 “(B) The Secretary of a military department shall  
2 carry out one or more programs under this subsection.”;

3 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (3) and (4) as  
4 paragraphs (5) and (6), respectively; and

5 (3) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-  
6 lowing new paragraphs:

7 “(3) To carry out this subsection, the Secretary con-  
8 cerned shall—

9 “(A) assign not fewer than two full-time equiva-  
10 lent positions; and

11 “(B) develop for each fiscal year a funding plan  
12 that includes funding lines across the future-years  
13 defense program under section 221 of this title.

14 “(4) For any program under this subsection, the Sec-  
15 retary concerned shall, on an annual basis—

16 “(A) circulate, to members serving on active  
17 duty under the jurisdiction of such Secretary con-  
18 cerned, information about the program (including  
19 eligibility requirements and the application process);  
20 and

21 “(B) conduct outreach to inform potential em-  
22 ployers about Skillbridge, participating members,  
23 and how the program operates, and to increase the  
24 number of, and types of, employers that hire pro-  
25 gram participants.”.

1 (b) GAO REPORT.—Not later than July 1, 2024, the  
2 Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to  
3 the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and  
4 House of Representatives a report regarding Skillbridge.  
5 Such report shall include the following:

6 (1) The extent to which members of the Armed  
7 Forces have participated in the Skillbridge program,  
8 including the characteristics of such personnel and  
9 completed internships.

10 (2) The process by which the Secretary of De-  
11 fense determines that a member of the Armed  
12 Forces is eligible to participate in Skillbridge.

13 (3) The extent to which the process described  
14 in paragraph (2) and guidance prescribed by the  
15 Secretary regarding Skillbridge incorporate relevant  
16 Federal ethics rules regarding internships.

17 (4) The number of members, disaggregated by  
18 rank, who participated in Skillbridge in each of fis-  
19 cal years 2019 through 2023.

20 (5) The number of members described in para-  
21 graph (4) who received full-time offers of employ-  
22 ment from the participating employer upon comple-  
23 tion of an internship under Skillbridge.

24 (6) Any other information the Comptroller Gen-  
25 eral determines appropriate.

1 **SEC. 573. EXTENSION OF TROOPS-TO-TEACHERS PROGRAM**  
2 **TO THE JOB CORPS.**

3 Section 1154 of title 10, United States Code, is  
4 amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a)—

6 (A) in paragraph (2)—

7 (i) in subparagraph (A)(ii), by strik-  
8 ing “; or” and inserting a semicolon;

9 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
10 the period at the end and inserting “; or”;  
11 and

12 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
13 lowing new subparagraph:

14 “(C) a Job Corps center as defined in sec-  
15 tion 147 of the Workforce Innovation and Op-  
16 portunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3197).”; and

17 (B) in paragraph (3)—

18 (i) in subparagraph (B), by striking “;  
19 or” and inserting a semicolon;

20 (ii) in subparagraph (C), by striking  
21 the period at the end and inserting “; or”;  
22 and

23 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
24 lowing new subparagraph:

1           “(D) a Job Corps center as defined in sec-  
2           tion 147 of the Workforce Innovation and Op-  
3           portunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3197).”;

4           (2) in subsection (d)(4)(A)(ii), by inserting “or  
5           Job Corps centers” after “secondary schools”; and

6           (3) in subsection (e)(2)(E), by inserting “or  
7           Job Corps center” after “secondary school”.

8   **SEC. 574. TROOPS-TO-TEACHERS PROGRAM: EXPANSION;**  
9           **EXTENSION.**

10          Section 1154 of title 10, United States Code, as  
11          amended by section 573, is further amended—

12           (1) in subsection (b)(2)—

13                   (A) in subparagraph (A)(ii), by striking “;  
14                   and” and inserting a semicolon;

15                   (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking the  
16                   period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

17                   (C) by adding at the end the following new  
18                   subparagraph:

19                           “(C) as administrators and instructors of  
20                           the Junior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps  
21                           under section 2031(d) of this title.”; and

22           (2) in subsection (k), by striking “2025” and  
23           inserting “2027”.

1 **SEC. 575. LANGUAGE TRAINING CENTERS FOR MEMBERS**  
2 **OF THE ARMED FORCES AND CIVILIAN EM-**  
3 **PLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

4 Section 529 of the National Defense Authorization  
5 Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111–84; 10 U.S.C.  
6 2001 note prec.) is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “may carry  
8 out a program” and inserting “shall carry out a pro-  
9 gram”;

10 (2) by redesignating subsection (e) as sub-  
11 section (f);

12 (3) by inserting after subsection (d) the fol-  
13 lowing new subsection:

14 “(e) CONTRACT AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of De-  
15 fense may enter into one or more contracts, cooperative  
16 agreements, or grants with private national organizations  
17 having an expertise in foreign languages, area studies, and  
18 other international fields, for the awarding of grants to  
19 accredited universities, senior military colleges, or other  
20 similar institutions of higher education to establish and  
21 maintain language training centers authorized by sub-  
22 section (a).”; and

23 (4) in subsection (f), as redesignated by para-  
24 graph (2)—

25 (A) by striking “one year after the date of  
26 the establishment of the program authorized by

1 subsection (a)” and inserting “180 days after  
2 the date of the enactment of the National De-  
3 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024”;

4 (B) by striking “report on the program”  
5 and inserting “report on the Language Train-  
6 ing Center program”;

7 (C) by redesignating paragraph (4) as  
8 paragraph (5);

9 (D) by inserting after paragraph (3) the  
10 following new paragraph:

11 “(4) An assessment of the resources required to  
12 carry out the Language Training Center program by  
13 year through fiscal year 2027.”; and

14 (E) in paragraph (5), as redesignated by  
15 subparagraph (C), by striking “A recommenda-  
16 tion whether the program should be continued  
17 and, if so, recommendations as to any modifica-  
18 tions of the program” and inserting “Rec-  
19 ommendations as to any modifications to the  
20 Language Training Center program”.

21 **SEC. 576. PROHIBITION ON USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS TO EN-**  
22 **DORSE CRITICAL RACE THEORY.**

23 (a) PROHIBITION.—No funds authorized to be appro-  
24 priated by this Act may be used to endorse critical race  
25 theory—



1 all soldiers of the following military occupational special-  
2 ties or areas of concentration:

3 (1) 11A.

4 (2) 11B.

5 (3) 11C.

6 (4) 11Z.

7 (5) 12A.

8 (6) 12B.

9 (7) 13A.

10 (8) 13F.

11 (9) 18A.

12 (10) 18B.

13 (11) 18C.

14 (12) 18D.

15 (13) 18E.

16 (14) 18F.

17 (15) 18Z.

18 (16) 19A.

19 (17) 19C.

20 (18) 19D.

21 (19) 19K.

22 (20) 19Z.

23 (b) BRIEFING.—Not later than 365 days after the  
24 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the  
25 Army provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed

1 Services of the Senate and House of Representatives de-  
2 scribing the methodology used to establish standards  
3 under subsection (a).

4 **SEC. 578. PUBLICATION OF TRAINING MATERIALS OF THE**  
5 **DEFENSE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY MANAGE-**  
6 **MENT INSTITUTE.**

7 Not later than September 30, 2024, the Secretary of  
8 Defense shall publish all materials created by the Defense  
9 Equal Opportunity Management Institute for the purpose  
10 of training members of the Armed Forces on the website  
11 of such Institute.

12 **SEC. 579. PROHIBITION ON FEDERAL FUNDS FOR THE DE-**  
13 **PARTMENT OF DEFENSE COUNTERING EX-**  
14 **TREMISM WORK GROUP.**

15 No funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act  
16 may be used to fund the Department of Defense Coun-  
17 tering Extremism Working Group established by the Sec-  
18 retary of Defense memorandum on April 9, 2021.

19 **Subtitle I—Family Programs, Child**  
20 **Care, and Dependent Education**

21 **SEC. 581. NON-MEDICAL COUNSELING SERVICES FOR MILI-**  
22 **TARY FAMILIES.**

23 Section 1781 of title 10, United States Code, is  
24 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-  
25 section:

1       “(d) NON-MEDICAL COUNSELING SERVICES.—(1) In  
2 carrying out its duties under subsection (b), the Office  
3 may coordinate programs and activities to provide non-  
4 medical counseling services to military families through  
5 the Department of Defense Military and Family Life  
6 Counseling Program.

7       “(2) A mental health care professional described in  
8 paragraph (3) may provide non-medical counseling serv-  
9 ices at any location in a State, the District of Columbia,  
10 or a territory or possession of the United States, without  
11 regard to where the professional or recipient of such serv-  
12 ices is located or delivery of such services is provided (in-  
13 cluding face-to-face and telehealth), if the provision of  
14 such services is within the scope of the authorized Federal  
15 duties of the professional.

16       “(3) A non-medical mental health professional de-  
17 scribed in this subsection is a person who is—

18               “(A) a currently licensed mental health care  
19 provider who holds a license that is—

20                       “(i) issued by a State, the District of Co-  
21 lumbia, or a territory or possession of the  
22 United States; and

23                       “(ii) recognized by the Secretary of De-  
24 fense as an appropriate license for the provision  
25 of non-medical counseling services;



1 **SEC. 583. MODIFICATIONS TO ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL EDU-**  
2 **CATIONAL AGENCIES THAT BENEFIT DE-**  
3 **PENDENTS OF MEMBERS OF THE ARMED**  
4 **FORCES WITH ENROLLMENT CHANGES DUE**  
5 **TO BASE CLOSURES, FORCE STRUCTURE**  
6 **CHANGES, OR FORCE RELOCATIONS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 575 of the James M.  
8 Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
9 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 20 U.S.C. 7703d) is amend-  
10 ed—

11 (1) in subsection (a)—

12 (A) by striking “year, the local educational  
13 agency” and all that follows through “(as deter-  
14 mined” and inserting “year, the local edu-  
15 cational agency had (as determined”;

16 (B) by striking paragraph (2);

17 (C) by redesignating subparagraphs (A)  
18 and (B) as paragraphs (1) and (2), respectively,  
19 and by moving such paragraphs, as so redesign-  
20 ated, two ems to the left; and

21 (D) in paragraph (2), as redesignated by  
22 subparagraph (C), by striking “; or” and insert-  
23 ing a period;

24 (2) by striking subsection (h); and

25 (3) by redesignating subsections (i) and (j) as  
26 subsections (h) and (i), respectively.

1 (b) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than March 1,  
2 2024, the Director of the Department of Defense Edu-  
3 cation Activity shall provide to the Committees on Armed  
4 Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives  
5 a briefing on—

6 (1) any additional authorities that would be  
7 helpful to the Activity in its efforts to better support  
8 local educational agencies; and

9 (2) the amounts and types of any financial as-  
10 sistance provided to local educational agencies under  
11 section 575 of the James M. Inhofe National De-  
12 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Pub-  
13 lic Law 117–263; 20 U.S.C. 7703d) as of the date  
14 of the briefing.

15 **SEC. 584. CERTAIN ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL EDUCATIONAL**  
16 **AGENCIES THAT BENEFIT DEPENDENTS OF**  
17 **MILITARY AND CIVILIAN PERSONNEL.**

18 (a) CONTINUATION OF AUTHORITY TO ASSIST LOCAL  
19 EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES THAT BENEFIT DEPENDENTS  
20 OF MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AND DEPARTMENT  
21 OF DEFENSE CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES.—

22 (1) ASSISTANCE TO SCHOOLS WITH SIGNIFI-  
23 CANT NUMBERS OF MILITARY DEPENDENT STU-  
24 DENTS.—Of the amount authorized to be appro-  
25 priated for fiscal year 2024 by section 301 and

1 available for operation and maintenance for Defense-  
2 wide activities as specified in the funding table in  
3 section 4301, \$50,000,000 shall be available only for  
4 the purpose of providing assistance to local edu-  
5 cational agencies under subsection (a) of section 572  
6 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
7 Year 2006 (Public Law 109–163; 20 U.S.C. 7703b).

8 (2) LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY DEFINED.—  
9 In this subsection, the term “local educational agen-  
10 cy” has the meaning given that term in section  
11 7013(9) of the Elementary and Secondary Edu-  
12 cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7713(9)).

13 (b) IMPACT AID FOR CHILDREN WITH SEVERE DIS-  
14 ABILITIES.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—Of the amount authorized to  
16 be appropriated for fiscal year 2024 pursuant to sec-  
17 tion 301 and available for operation and mainte-  
18 nance for Defense-wide activities as specified in the  
19 funding table in section 4301, \$10,000,000 shall be  
20 available for payments under section 363 of the  
21 Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization  
22 Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (as enacted into law by  
23 Public Law 106–398; 114 Stat. 1654A–77; 20  
24 U.S.C. 7703a).

1           (2) **ADDITIONAL AMOUNT.**—Of the amount au-  
2           thorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2024 pur-  
3           suant to section 301 and available for operation and  
4           maintenance for Defense-wide activities as specified  
5           in the funding table in section 4301, \$10,000,000  
6           shall be available for use by the Secretary of Defense  
7           to make payments to local educational agencies de-  
8           termined by the Secretary to have higher concentra-  
9           tions of military children with severe disabilities.

10           (3) **BRIEFING.**—Not later than March 31,  
11           2024, the Secretary shall provide to the Committees  
12           on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of  
13           Representatives a briefing on the Secretary’s evalua-  
14           tion of each local educational agency with higher  
15           concentrations of military children with severe dis-  
16           abilities and the subsequent determination of the  
17           Secretary with respect to the amounts of impact aid  
18           each such agency shall receive.

19 **SEC. 585. OUTREACH CAMPAIGN RELATING TO WAITING**  
20                           **LISTS FOR MILITARY CHILD DEVELOPMENT**  
21                           **CENTERS; ANNUAL BRIEFING.**

22           (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of Defense, in co-  
23           ordination with the Secretaries of the military depart-  
24           ments, shall develop a campaign to conduct outreach, not  
25           less than once every six months, to inform individuals eli-

1 gible for child care services under chapter 88 of title 10,  
2 United States Code, including child care employees—

3 (1) how to—

4 (A) join a waiting list for child care serv-  
5 ices at a military child development center; and

6 (B) check the position of such an indi-  
7 vidual on such waiting list; and

8 (2) of—

9 (A) what factors affect positions on such  
10 waiting list;

11 (B) the process to prioritize such individ-  
12 uals to receive child care services at a military  
13 child development center;

14 (C) the fee schedule for child care services  
15 at a military child development center; and

16 (D) options for child care services available  
17 to such individuals other than military child de-  
18 velopment centers, including pilot programs at  
19 the duty station of such member, if applicable.

20 (b) ANNUAL BRIEFING.—Not later than 90 days  
21 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and on an  
22 annual basis thereafter for five years, the Secretary of De-  
23 fense, in coordination with the Secretaries of the military  
24 departments, shall submit to the Committees on Armed

1 Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate  
2 a briefing that includes, for each military department—

3 (1) a list of the five military installations with  
4 the longest waiting lists for child care services at  
5 military child development centers; and

6 (2) the number of classrooms for child care  
7 services, disaggregated by military installation,  
8 closed during the period covered by the briefing due  
9 to—

10 (A) insufficient staffing; or

11 (B) issues relating to maintenance.

12 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms “child  
13 care employee” and “military child development center”  
14 have the meanings given such terms in section 1800 of  
15 title 10, United States Code.

16 **SEC. 586. BRIEFINGS ON PILOT PROGRAM ON HIRING OF**  
17 **SPECIAL NEEDS INCLUSION COORDINATORS**  
18 **FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CHILD DE-**  
19 **VELOPMENT CENTERS.**

20 Section 576(d) of the James M. Inhofe National De-  
21 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law  
22 117–263; 10 U.S.C. 1792 note) is amended—

23 (1) by redesignating paragraph (2) as para-  
24 graph (3); and

1 (2) by inserting, after paragraph (1) the fol-  
2 lowing new paragraph (2):

3 “(2) BRIEFINGS ON IMPLEMENTATION.—Begin-  
4 ning on January 31, 2024, until the termination of  
5 the pilot program, the Secretary of Defense shall  
6 provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the  
7 Senate and the House of Representatives a biannual  
8 briefing on the implementation of the pilot program.  
9 Each such briefing shall include the following:

10 “(A) The process for selecting child devel-  
11 opment centers under subsection (b).

12 “(B) How a special needs inclusion coordi-  
13 nator hired under the pilot program coordinates  
14 with the head of the child development center  
15 concerned and the commander of the military  
16 installation concerned.

17 “(C) How many special needs inclusion co-  
18 ordinators have been hired under the pilot pro-  
19 gram.”.

20 **SEC. 587. BRIEFINGS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF UNIVERSAL**  
21 **PRE-KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS IN SCHOOLS**  
22 **OPERATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF DE-**  
23 **FENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY.**

24 (a) QUARTERLY BRIEFINGS REQUIRED.—Not later  
25 than January 30, 2024, and on a quarterly basis there-

1 after until December 31, 2027, the Secretary of Defense  
2 shall submit to the committees on Armed Services of the  
3 Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on the  
4 progress of the Secretary in implementing universal pre-  
5 kindergarten programs in schools operated by the Depart-  
6 ment of Defense Education Activity.

7 (b) CONTENTS OF INITIAL BRIEFING.—The initial  
8 briefing under subsection (a) shall include—

9 (1) identification of all locations under the ju-  
10 risdiction of the Department of Defense at which  
11 universal pre-kindergarten programs and child devel-  
12 opment centers are co-located; and

13 (2) an estimate of the number of children ex-  
14 pected to transfer from child development centers to  
15 pre-kindergarten programs as a result of such pro-  
16 grams being offered.

17 (c) CONTENTS OF SUBSEQUENT BRIEFINGS.—Fol-  
18 lowing the initial briefing under subsection (a), each sub-  
19 sequent briefing shall include—

20 (1) the total anticipated costs of funding uni-  
21 versal pre-kindergarten programs in schools operated  
22 by the Department of Defense Education Activity;

23 (2) the estimated differential between the cost  
24 of caring for a child in a child development center

1 versus the cost of a child's participation in a pre-  
2 kindergarten program;

3 (3) the estimated differential between the costs  
4 of employing caregivers in child development centers  
5 versus the costs of employing teachers in pre-kinder-  
6 garten programs;

7 (4) the child-to-caregiver ratio requirements for  
8 child development centers versus the child-to-teacher  
9 ratio requirements for pre-kindergarten programs;

10 (5) a needs assessment of facilities for universal  
11 pre-kindergarten programs based on anticipated ca-  
12 pacity;

13 (6) an assessment of the availability of teachers  
14 for pre-kindergarten programs; and

15 (7) an indication of whether, and to what ex-  
16 tent, members of the Armed Forces have expressed  
17 a preference for enrolling their children in pre-kin-  
18 dergarten programs rather than continuing care for  
19 such children in child development centers.

20 **SEC. 588. REPORT ON MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS**  
21 **SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED IN**  
22 **SCHOOLS OPERATED BY THE DEPARTMENT**  
23 **OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY.**

24 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than December 1, 2024,  
25 the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees

1 on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Rep-  
2 resentatives a report on programs and policies to support  
3 mental health and wellness among students in schools op-  
4 erated by the Department of Defense Education Activity  
5 (referred to in this section as “DODEA Schools”).

6 (b) ELEMENTS.—The report required under sub-  
7 section (a) shall include the following:

8 (1) A description of the mental health and  
9 wellness resources available to students enrolled in  
10 DODEA schools.

11 (2) An overview of policies and procedures in  
12 place in DODEA schools to ensure that students are  
13 regularly screened for mental health and wellness.

14 (3) An overview of policies and procedures in  
15 place in DODEA schools for administrators and  
16 teachers to communicate and coordinate with par-  
17 ents and guardians of students in such schools in  
18 cases in which students have a demonstrated need  
19 for mental health and wellness support.

20 (4) Any recommendations for new policies, pro-  
21 grams, or resources to improve mental health and  
22 wellness support for students enrolled in DODEA  
23 schools.

24 (5) An assessment of the feasibility and advis-  
25 ability of conducting a pilot program to detail li-

1 censed medical health care providers under the con-  
2 trol of the Defense Health Agency to DODEA  
3 schools in order to improve mental health and  
4 wellness care for students enrolled in such schools.

5 (6) Any other matters the Secretary of Defense  
6 determines to be relevant and appropriate for inclu-  
7 sion in the report.

8 (c) MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS CONSIDER-  
9 ATIONS.—In considering student mental health and  
10 wellness for purposes of this section, the Secretary of De-  
11 fense shall, at a minimum, take into account the following  
12 conditions:

13 (1) Depression.

14 (2) Suicidal ideation.

15 (3) Anxiety.

16 (4) Attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder  
17 (ADHD).

18 (5) Eating disorders.

19 (6) Substance abuse.

20 (7) Dual diagnosis conditions.

1 **SEC. 589. RIGHTS OF PARENTS OF CHILDREN ATTENDING**  
2 **SCHOOLS OPERATED BY THE DEPARTMENT**  
3 **OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY.**

4 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Chapter 108 of title 10,  
5 United States Code, is amended by inserting after section  
6 2164 the following new section:

7 **“§ 2164a. Rights of parents of children attending**  
8 **schools operated by the Department of**  
9 **Defense Education Activity**

10 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The parent of a child who at-  
11 tends a school operated by the Department of Defense  
12 Education Activity has the following rights:

13 “(1) The right to review the curriculum of the  
14 school.

15 “(2) The right to be informed if the school or  
16 the Department of Defense Education Activity alters  
17 the school’s academic standards or learning bench-  
18 marks.

19 “(3) The right to meet with each teacher of  
20 their child not less than twice during each school  
21 year.

22 “(4) The right to review all instructional mate-  
23 rials used by their students.

24 “(5) The right to inspect a list of the books and  
25 other reading materials contained in the library of  
26 the school.

1           “(6) The right to address the school advisory  
2 committee or the school board.

3           “(7) The right to data about the school’s dis-  
4 cipline policy and any disciplinary action that results  
5 in a suspension or expulsion from the school, unless  
6 such disclosure is prohibited by law.

7           “(8) The right to information about any plans  
8 to eliminate gifted and talented programs or acceler-  
9 ated coursework at the school.

10          “(b) DISCLOSURES AND NOTIFICATIONS.—Con-  
11 sistent with the parental rights specified in subsection (a)  
12 and except as provided by subsection (c), a school operated  
13 by the Department of Defense Education Activity shall—

14           “(1) post on a publicly accessible website of the  
15 school—

16           “(A) the curriculum for each course and  
17 grade level;

18           “(B) the academic standards or other  
19 learning benchmarks used by the school; and

20           “(C) notice of any proposed revisions to  
21 such standards or benchmarks and a copy of  
22 any such revisions;

23           “(2) provide the parent of a child attending the  
24 school with—

1           “(A) the opportunity to meet in person  
2           with each teacher of their child not less fre-  
3           quently than twice during each school year at a  
4           time mutually agreed upon by both parties; and

5           “(B) notice of such opportunity at the be-  
6           ginning of each school year;

7           “(3) provide parents access to the online school  
8           library catalog;

9           “(4) notify parents in a timely manner of any  
10          plans to eliminate gifted and talented programs or  
11          accelerated coursework at the school;

12          “(5) except as provided by paragraph (6) or  
13          subsection (c), notify parents of any medical exami-  
14          nations or screenings the school may administer to  
15          their child and receive written consent from parents  
16          for any such examination or screening prior to con-  
17          ducting the examination or screening;

18          “(6) in the event of an emergency that requires  
19          a medical examination or screening without time for  
20          parental notification, promptly notify parents of  
21          such examination or screening and provide an expla-  
22          nation of the emergency that prevented notification  
23          prior to such examination or screening; and

24          “(7) notify parents of any medical information  
25          that will be collected on their child, receive written

1 parental consent prior to collecting such information,  
2 and provide parents an opportunity to inspect such  
3 information at the parent’s request.

4 “(c) EXCEPTIONS.—(1) Paragraph (5) of subsection  
5 (a) and paragraph (3) of subsection (b) shall not be effec-  
6 tive until the day that is two years after the date of the  
7 enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for  
8 Fiscal Year 2024.

9 “(2) A requirement set forth in subsection (b) shall  
10 not apply in a case in which the requirement would violate  
11 any applicable provision of a Federal or State statute or  
12 regulation.

13 “(d) SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND  
14 BOARDS.—Not less frequently than four times per year,  
15 a school advisory committee or school board for a school  
16 operated by the Department of Defense Education Activ-  
17 ity shall provide parents of children attending the school  
18 with the opportunity to address the advisory committee  
19 or school board on any matters relating to the school or  
20 the educational services provided to their children.

21 “(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

22 “(1) The term ‘medical examination or screen-  
23 ing’—

24 “(A) means a physical examination pro-  
25 vided by a health care provider; and

1           “(B) does not include an evaluation by, or  
2           an encounter with, non-clinical school staff.

3           “(2) The term ‘school’ means—

4           “(A) a Department of Defense domestic  
5           dependent elementary or secondary school, as  
6           described in section 2164 of this title; or

7           “(B) any elementary or secondary school  
8           or program for dependents operated by the De-  
9           partment of Defense Education Activity.”.

10          (b) REPORT.—Not later than 30 days after the date  
11          of the enactment of this Act and consistent with section  
12          2164a of title 10, United States Code, as added by sub-  
13          section (a), the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the  
14          Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the  
15          House of Representatives a report on the parental rights  
16          specified in such section. The report shall include, with  
17          respect to the schools operated by the Department of De-  
18          fense Education Activity, an explanation of—

19                (1) how and where a parent may access infor-  
20                mation about their rights;

21                (2) the accessibility of that information;

22                (3) how such schools inform parents of their  
23                rights and the means to access such rights; and

24                (4) the uniformity of parental rights across  
25                such schools.

1 **Subtitle J—Decorations and**  
2 **Awards and Other Personnel**  
3 **Matters, Reports, and Briefings**

4 **SEC. 591. ARMED FORCES WORKPLACE SURVEYS.**

5 Subsection (c) of section 481 of title 10, United  
6 States Code, is amended—

7 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (3), (4), and  
8 (5) as paragraphs (4), (5), and (6), respectively; and

9 (2) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-  
10 lowing new paragraph:

11 “(3) Indicators of the assault (including un-  
12 wanted sexual contact) that give reason to believe  
13 that the victim was targeted, or discriminated  
14 against, or both, for a status in a group.”.

15 **SEC. 592. DUE DATE FOR REPORT ON EFFORTS TO PRE-**  
16 **VENT AND RESPOND TO DEATHS BY SUICIDE**  
17 **IN THE NAVY.**

18 Section 599A(c) of the James M. Inhofe National De-  
19 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law  
20 117–263) is amended by striking “180 days after the date  
21 of the enactment of this Act” and inserting “September  
22 30, 2024”.

1 **SEC. 593. EXTENSION OF DEADLINE FOR REVIEW OF**  
2 **WORLD WAR I VALOR MEDALS.**

3 Section 584(f) of the National Defense Authorization  
4 Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 10 U.S.C.  
5 7271 note) is amended by striking “six years after the  
6 date of the enactment of this Act” and inserting “Decem-  
7 ber 31, 2028”.

8 **SEC. 594. DIGITAL AMBASSADOR PROGRAM OF THE NAVY:**  
9 **CESSATION; REPORT; RESTART.**

10 (a) CESSATION.—The Secretary of the Navy shall  
11 cease all activities of the digital ambassador program of  
12 the Office of Information of the Department of the Navy.  
13 The Secretary shall notify each individual designated as  
14 a digital ambassador of such cessation and that the indi-  
15 vidual is not authorized to act as a digital ambassador  
16 of the Navy.

17 (b) RESTART.—The Secretary may not restart such  
18 program until 60 days after the date on which the Sec-  
19 retary submits to the Committees on Armed Services of  
20 the Senate and House of Representatives a report con-  
21 taining the following:

- 22 (1) All policies and documents of the program.  
23 (2) The number of digital ambassadors des-  
24 igned.  
25 (3) The process and criteria for such designa-  
26 tion.

1 (4) The duties of a digital ambassador.

2 (5) The online platforms (including social  
3 media) on which an individual is authorized under  
4 such program to perform duties of a digital ambas-  
5 sador.

6 (6) The determination of the Secretary that  
7 such program complies with applicable laws, regula-  
8 tions, and guidance.

9 **TITLE VI—COMPENSATION AND**  
10 **OTHER PERSONNEL BENEFITS**

Subtitle A—Basic Pay, Retired Pay, and Leave

- Sec. 601. Parental leave parity for members of certain reserve components of the Armed Forces.
- Sec. 602. Pay of members of reserve components for inactive-duty training to obtain or maintain an aeronautical rating or designation.
- Sec. 603. Expansion of authority to pay a member of the Armed Forces who is absent without leave or over leave for such absence.

Subtitle B—Bonus and Incentive Pays

- Sec. 611. Expansion of continuation pay eligibility.
- Sec. 612. Modification of special and incentive pay authorities for members of reserve components.
- Sec. 613. One-year extension of certain expiring bonus and special pay authorities.
- Sec. 614. Authorization of monthly bonus pay for a junior member of the uniformed services during calendar year 2024.
- Sec. 615. Determination of cold weather location for purposes of special duty pay.
- Sec. 616. Feasibility study regarding assignment incentive pay for members of the Air Force assigned to remotely piloted aircraft.

Subtitle C—Allowances

- Sec. 621. Modification of calculation of gross household income for basic needs allowance to address areas of demonstrated need.
- Sec. 622. Improved calculation of basic allowance for housing for junior enlisted members.
- Sec. 623. Basic allowance for housing for members assigned to vessels undergoing maintenance.
- Sec. 624. Dual basic allowance for housing for training.
- Sec. 625. Cost-of-living allowance in the continental United States: high cost areas.

- Sec. 626. Family separation allowance: increase; review.
- Sec. 627. OCONUS cost-of-living allowance: adjustments.
- Sec. 628. Extension of one-time uniform allowance for officers who transfer to the Space Force.

Subtitle D—Family and Survivor Benefits

- Sec. 631. Modifications to transitional compensation for dependents of members separated for dependent abuse.
- Sec. 632. Lodging expenses for dependents of members separated for dependent abuse.
- Sec. 633. Access to commissary and exchange privileges for remarried surviving spouses.
- Sec. 634. Assistance for military spouses to obtain certifications as doula and International Board Certified Lactation Consultants.
- Sec. 635. Expansion of qualifying events for which a member of the uniformed services may be reimbursed for spousal relicensing or business costs due to the member's relocation.

1 **Subtitle A—Basic Pay, Retired Pay,**  
2 **and Leave**

3 **SEC. 601. PARENTAL LEAVE PARITY FOR MEMBERS OF CER-**  
4 **TAIN RESERVE COMPONENTS OF THE ARMED**  
5 **FORCES.**

6 (a) PARENTAL LEAVE.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 40 of title 10,  
8 United States Code, is amended by inserting after  
9 section 710 the following new section:

10 **“§ 711. Parental leave for members of certain reserve**  
11 **components of the armed forces**

12 “(a)(1) Under regulations prescribed by the Sec-  
13 retary of Defense, a member of a reserve component of  
14 the armed forces described in subsection (b) is allowed pa-  
15 rental leave for a duration of up to 12 inactive-duty train-  
16 ing periods, under section 206 of title 37, during the one-  
17 year period beginning after the following events:

1           “(A) the birth or adoption of a child of the  
2           member and to care for such child; or

3           “(B) the placement of a minor child with the  
4           member for adoption or long-term foster care.

5           “(2)(A) The Secretary concerned, under uniform reg-  
6           ulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of Defense, may  
7           authorize leave described under subparagraph (A) to be  
8           taken after the one-year period described in subparagraph  
9           (A) in the case of a member described in subsection (b)  
10          who, except for this subparagraph, would lose unused pa-  
11          rental leave at the end of the one-year period described  
12          in subparagraph (A) as a result of—

13           “(i) operational requirements;

14           “(ii) professional military education obligations;

15          or

16           “(iii) other circumstances that the Secretary de-  
17          termines reasonable and appropriate.

18          “(B) The regulations prescribed under clause (i) shall  
19          require that any leave authorized to be taken after the  
20          one-year period described in subparagraph (A) shall be  
21          taken within a reasonable period of time, as determined  
22          by the Secretary of Defense, after cessation of the cir-  
23          cumstances warranting the extended deadline.;

1       “(b) A member described in this subsection is a mem-  
2 ber of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Space  
3 Force who is a member of—

4               “(1) the selected reserve who is entitled to com-  
5 pensation under section 206 of title 37; or

6               “(2) the individual ready reserve who is entitled  
7 to compensation under section 206 of title 37 when  
8 attending or participating in a sufficient number of  
9 periods of inactive-duty training during a year to  
10 count the year as a qualifying year of creditable  
11 service toward eligibility for retired pay.”.

12               (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-  
13 tions at the beginning of chapter 40 of such title is  
14 amended by inserting after the item relating to sec-  
15 tion 710 the following new item:

“711. Parental leave for members of the reserve component of the armed  
forces.”.

16               (b) COMPENSATION.—Section 206(a) of title 37,  
17 United States Code, is amended by amending paragraph  
18 (4) to read as follows:

19               “(4) for a regular period of instruction, period  
20 of appropriate duty, or such other equivalent train-  
21 ing that a member would be required to perform but  
22 does not perform because such member was author-  
23 ized to take parental leave pursuant to section 711  
24 of title 10.”.

1           (c) CONTRIBUTION OF LEAVE TOWARD ENTITLE-  
2 MENT TO RETIRED PAY.—Section 12732(a)(2)(G) of title  
3 10, United States Code, is amended by striking “12 per  
4 period” and all that follows through the end of the sen-  
5 tence and inserting the following: “1 per inactive-duty  
6 training period, under section 206 of title 37, during  
7 which the member is on parental leave under section 711  
8 of this title.”.

9           (d) CREDIT FOR RETIRED PAY PURPOSES.—Section  
10 602(b) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National De-  
11 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law  
12 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 12732 note) is amended—

13           (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “maternity  
14 leave” and all that follows through “birth of a child”  
15 and inserting “parental leave described in section  
16 12732(a)(2)(G) of title 10, United States Code,  
17 taken by a member of the reserve components of the  
18 Armed Forces”;

19           (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “maternity  
20 leave” and all that follows through “childbirth  
21 event” and inserting “parental leave taken by the  
22 member”; and

23           (3) in paragraph (3), by striking “maternity  
24 leave” each place it appears and inserting “parental  
25 leave”.

1 (e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section and the amend-  
2 ments made by this section shall take effect on October  
3 1, 2024, and apply with respect to periods of parental  
4 leave that commence on or after such date.

5 **SEC. 602. PAY OF MEMBERS OF RESERVE COMPONENTS**  
6 **FOR INACTIVE-DUTY TRAINING TO OBTAIN**  
7 **OR MAINTAIN AN AERONAUTICAL RATING OR**  
8 **DESIGNATION.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 3 of title 37, United  
10 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 206 the  
11 following new section:

12 **“§ 206a. Pay of members of reserve components for**  
13 **inactive-duty training to obtain or main-**  
14 **tain an aeronautical rating or designa-**  
15 **tion**

16 “Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary con-  
17 cerned, a member of the National Guard or a member of  
18 a reserve component of a uniformed service who is receiv-  
19 ing aviation incentive pay under section 334(a) of this title  
20 and is entitled to compensation under section 206 of this  
21 title is entitled to such compensation for a number of peri-  
22 ods of inactive-duty training each month sufficient for the  
23 member to obtain or maintain an aeronautical rating or  
24 designation.”.

1 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
2 at the beginning of chapter 3 of such title is amended by  
3 inserting after the item relating to section 206 the fol-  
4 lowing new item:

“206a. Pay of members of reserve components for inactive-duty training to obtain or maintain an aeronautical rating or designation.”.

5 **SEC. 603. EXPANSION OF AUTHORITY TO PAY A MEMBER OF**  
6 **THE ARMED FORCES WHO IS ABSENT WITH-**  
7 **OUT LEAVE OR OVER LEAVE FOR SUCH AB-**  
8 **SENCE.**

9 Section 503(a) of title 37, United States Code, is  
10 amended—

11 (1) by striking “A member” and inserting “(1)  
12 Subject to paragraph (2), a member”; and

13 (2) by adding at the end the following new  
14 paragraph (2):

15 “(2)(A) In the case of a member of the Army, Navy,  
16 Air Force, Marine Corps, Space Force, or Coast Guard  
17 when it is operating as service in the Department of the  
18 Navy, the Secretary of Defense may determine to pay the  
19 pay and allowances described in paragraph (1).

20 “(B) The Secretary may not delegate the authority  
21 to make a determination under subparagraph (A).

22 “(C) Not later than 30 days after determining to pay  
23 any pay or allowance under subparagraph (A), the Sec-  
24 retary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services

1 of the Senate and House of Representatives a report re-  
2 garding such determination.”.

3 **Subtitle B—Bonus and Incentive**  
4 **Pays**

5 **SEC. 611. EXPANSION OF CONTINUATION PAY ELIGIBILITY.**

6 (a) CONTINUATION PAY: FULL TSP MEMBERS WITH  
7 8 TO 12 YEARS OF SERVICE.—Section 356 of title 37,  
8 United States Code, is amended—

9 (1) in the section heading, by striking “8” and  
10 inserting “7”; and

11 (2) in subsections (a)(1) and (d), by striking  
12 “8” and inserting “7”.

13 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
14 at the beginning of chapter 5 of such title is amended by  
15 striking the item relating to section 356 and inserting the  
16 following new item:

“356. Continuation pay: full TSP members with 7 to 12 years of service.”.

17 **SEC. 612. MODIFICATION OF SPECIAL AND INCENTIVE PAY**

18 **AUTHORITIES FOR MEMBERS OF RESERVE**  
19 **COMPONENTS.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 357 of title 37, United  
21 States Code, is amended—

22 (1) by striking “incentive pay” and inserting  
23 “special or incentive pay”;

24 (2) by striking the period at the end and insert-  
25 ing “if the Secretary concerned is paying the mem-

1       ber of the reserve component the special or incentive  
2       pay for the purpose of—”; and

3               (3) by adding at the end the following:

4               “(1) maintaining a skill certification or pro-  
5       ficiency identical to a skill certification or proficiency  
6       required of the member in the regular component; or

7               “(2) compensating the member of the reserve  
8       component for exposure to hazards or risks identical  
9       to hazards or risks to which the member in the reg-  
10      ular component was exposed.”.

11      (b) CONFORMING AND CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.—

12              (1) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The section  
13      heading for section 357 of title 37, United States  
14      Code, is amended by striking “**Incentive**” and in-  
15      serting “**Special and incentive**”.

16              (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-  
17      tions for chapter 5 of such title is amended by strik-  
18      ing the item relating to section 357 and inserting  
19      the following new item:

      “357. Special and incentive pay authorities for members of the reserve compo-  
          nents of the armed forces.”.

20      (c) MODIFICATION OF IMPLEMENTATION DETER-  
21      MINATION.—Section 602(d) of the National Defense Au-  
22      thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–  
23      81; 37 U.S.C. 357 note) is amended—

1 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as  
2 subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively, and by  
3 moving such subparagraphs, as so redesignated, two  
4 ems to the right;

5 (2) by striking “The Secretary may” and in-  
6 serting the following:

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall”;

8 (3) in subparagraph (A), as redesignated by  
9 paragraph (1), by striking “subsection (b)” and in-  
10 serting “subsection (c)”; and

11 (4) by adding at the end the following new  
12 paragraph:

13 “(2) EVALUATION OF TYPES OF SPECIAL AND  
14 INCENTIVE PAY.—In making the determination and  
15 certification described in paragraph (1)(B), the Sec-  
16 retary shall evaluate each type or category of special  
17 and incentive pay separately and may make the de-  
18 termination and certification based on the effect on  
19 an Armed Force concerned of a particular type or  
20 category of special or incentive pay.”.

21 **SEC. 613. ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF CERTAIN EXPIRING**  
22 **BONUS AND SPECIAL PAY AUTHORITIES.**

23 (a) **AUTHORITIES RELATING TO RESERVE**  
24 **FORCES.**—Section 910(g) of title 37, United States Code,  
25 relating to income replacement payments for reserve com-

1 ponent members experiencing extended and frequent mo-  
2 bilization for active duty service, is amended by striking  
3 “December 31, 2023” and inserting “December 31,  
4 2024”.

5 (b) TITLE 10 AUTHORITIES RELATING TO HEALTH  
6 CARE PROFESSIONALS.—The following sections of title  
7 10, United States Code, are amended by striking “Decem-  
8 ber 31, 2023” and inserting “December 31, 2024”:

9 (1) Section 2130a(a)(1), relating to nurse offi-  
10 cer candidate accession program.

11 (2) Section 16302(d), relating to repayment of  
12 education loans for certain health professionals who  
13 serve in the Selected Reserve.

14 (c) AUTHORITIES RELATING TO NUCLEAR OFFI-  
15 CERS.—Section 333(i) of title 37, United States Code, is  
16 amended by striking “December 31, 2023” and inserting  
17 “December 31, 2024”.

18 (d) AUTHORITIES RELATING TO TITLE 37 CONSOLI-  
19 DATED SPECIAL PAY, INCENTIVE PAY, AND BONUS AU-  
20 THORITIES.—The following sections of title 37, United  
21 States Code, are amended by striking “December 31,  
22 2023” and inserting “December 31, 2024”:

23 (1) Section 331(h), relating to general bonus  
24 authority for enlisted members.

1           (2) Section 332(g), relating to general bonus  
2 authority for officers.

3           (3) Section 334(i), relating to special aviation  
4 incentive pay and bonus authorities for officers.

5           (4) Section 335(k), relating to special bonus  
6 and incentive pay authorities for officers in health  
7 professions.

8           (5) Section 336(g), relating to contracting  
9 bonus for cadets and midshipmen enrolled in the  
10 Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps.

11          (6) Section 351(h), relating to hazardous duty  
12 pay.

13          (7) Section 352(g), relating to assignment pay  
14 or special duty pay.

15          (8) Section 353(i), relating to skill incentive  
16 pay or proficiency bonus.

17          (9) Section 355(h), relating to retention incen-  
18 tives for members qualified in critical military skills  
19 or assigned to high priority units.

20          (e) AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE TEMPORARY INCREASE  
21 IN RATES OF BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR HOUSING.—Section  
22 403(b) of title 37, United States Code, is amended—

23           (1) in paragraph (7)(E), relating to an area  
24 covered by a major disaster declaration or con-  
25 taining an installation experiencing an influx of mili-

1 tary personnel, by striking “December 31, 2023”  
2 and inserting “December 31, 2024”; and

3 (2) by striking subparagraph (C) of paragraph  
4 (8), relating to an area where actual housing costs  
5 differ from current rates by more than 20 percent,  
6 and inserting the following:

7 “(C) This paragraph shall cease to be effective on De-  
8 cember 31, 2024.”.

9 **SEC. 614. AUTHORIZATION OF MONTHLY BONUS PAY FOR A**  
10 **JUNIOR MEMBER OF THE UNIFORMED SERV-**  
11 **ICES DURING CALENDAR YEAR 2024.**

12 (a) AUTHORIZATION.—Beginning on January 1,  
13 2024, if the Secretary concerned determines that pre-  
14 vailing economic conditions may adversely affect an eligi-  
15 ble member, the Secretary concerned may pay a monthly  
16 bonus to each eligible member.

17 (b) AMOUNT OF PAY.—Each bonus payment under  
18 this section shall be in an amount equal to a percentage,  
19 determined by the Secretary concerned, of the rate—

20 (1) in effect on December 31, 2023; and

21 (2) of, for an eligible member—

22 (A) pay under section 204 of title 37,  
23 United States Code; or

24 (B) compensation under section 206 of  
25 title 37, United States Code.

1 (c) RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PAY AND ALLOW-  
2 ANCES.—Bonus pay paid to an eligible member under this  
3 section is in addition to any other pay and allowances to  
4 which the eligible member is entitled.

5 (d) TERMINATION.—No bonus may be paid under  
6 this section after December 31, 2024.

7 (e) ELIGIBLE MEMBER DEFINED.—In this section,  
8 the term “eligible member” means a member of the uni-  
9 formed services who—

10 (1) is entitled to pay or compensation described  
11 in subsection (b)(2); and

12 (2) is in a grade below E-6.

13 **SEC. 615. DETERMINATION OF COLD WEATHER LOCATION**  
14 **FOR PURPOSES OF SPECIAL DUTY PAY.**

15 For purposes of special duty pay under section 352  
16 of title 37, United States Code, the Secretary concerned  
17 shall determine that a duty station is a cold weather loca-  
18 tion if, at such duty station, the temperature is expected  
19 to drop below -20 °F according to the 2012 Plant Hardi-  
20 ness Zone Map published by the Agricultural Research  
21 Service of the Department of Agriculture.

1 **SEC. 616. FEASIBILITY STUDY REGARDING ASSIGNMENT IN-**  
2 **CENTIVE PAY FOR MEMBERS OF THE AIR**  
3 **FORCE ASSIGNED TO REMOTELY PILOTED**  
4 **AIRCRAFT.**

5 Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment  
6 of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force shall submit  
7 to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and  
8 House of Representatives a report on the feasibility and  
9 advisability of paying assignment incentive pay under sec-  
10 tion 307a of title 37, United States Code, to members of  
11 the Air Force assigned to remotely piloted aircraft, includ-  
12 ing at Creech Air Force Base. The study shall include—

13 (1) an assessment of the financial stress experi-  
14 enced by such members, especially junior members  
15 with families, associated with—

16 (A) the daily commute to and from the  
17 duty station;

18 (B) the unique demands of the mission to  
19 remotely pilot aircraft; and

20 (C) limited access to essential services, in-  
21 cluding child care, housing, and readily acces-  
22 sible health care; and

23 (2) the overall cost to the United States, and fi-  
24 nancial relief provided by, such assignment incentive  
25 pay authorized by the Secretary of the Air Force in  
26 2008 for such members.

1                   **Subtitle C—Allowances**

2   **SEC. 621. MODIFICATION OF CALCULATION OF GROSS**  
3                   **HOUSEHOLD INCOME FOR BASIC NEEDS AL-**  
4                   **LOWANCE TO ADDRESS AREAS OF DEM-**  
5                   **ONSTRATED NEED.**

6           (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 402b(k)(1)(B) of title 37,  
7 United States Code, is amended by inserting “or that oth-  
8 erwise has a demonstrated need” after “high cost of liv-  
9 ing”.

10          (b) IMPLEMENTATION GUIDANCE.—The Secretary of  
11 Defense shall revise the guidance issued with respect to  
12 implementation of the basic needs allowance under section  
13 402b of title 37, United States Code, to reflect the amend-  
14 ment made by subsection (a).

15   **SEC. 622. IMPROVED CALCULATION OF BASIC ALLOWANCE**  
16                   **FOR HOUSING FOR JUNIOR ENLISTED MEM-**  
17                   **BERS.**

18          Section 403 of title 37, United States Code, is  
19 amended, in subsection (b)(5), by striking “and shall be  
20 based” and all that follows and inserting a period.

21   **SEC. 623. BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR HOUSING FOR MEMBERS**  
22                   **ASSIGNED TO VESSELS UNDERGOING MAIN-**  
23                   **TENANCE.**

24          Section 403(f)(2) of title 37, United States Code, is  
25 amended—

1 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “subpara-  
2 graphs (B) and (C)” and inserting “subparagraphs  
3 (B), (C), and (D)”; and

4 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
5 paragraph:

6 “(D)(i) Under regulations prescribed by the Sec-  
7 retary concerned, the Secretary may authorize the pay-  
8 ment of a basic allowance for housing to a member of a  
9 uniformed service without dependents who is serving in  
10 a pay grade below E-6 and has orders to a naval vessel  
11 during a shipyard availability or maintenance period.

12 “(ii) In prescribing regulations under clause (i), the  
13 Secretary concerned shall consider the availability of quar-  
14 ters for members serving in pay grades below E-6 before  
15 authorizing the payment of a basic allowance for housing  
16 for such members.”.

17 **SEC. 624. DUAL BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR HOUSING FOR**  
18 **TRAINING.**

19 Section 403 of title 37, United States Code, as  
20 amended by sections 622 and 623, is further amended,  
21 in subsection (g)(3), by striking “Paragraphs” and insert-  
22 ing “Except in the case of a member of a reserve compo-  
23 nent without dependents who is called or ordered to active  
24 duty to attend training for at least 140 days but fewer  
25 than 365 days, paragraphs”.



1 **SEC. 627. OCONUS COST-OF-LIVING ALLOWANCE: ADJUST-**  
2 **MENTS.**

3 Section 617 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense  
4 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–  
5 263) is amended by striking subsections (a), (b), and (c)  
6 and inserting the following:

7 “(a) REDUCTIONS.—The Secretary of Defense may  
8 reduce an OCONUS COLA in accordance with this sub-  
9 section.

10 “(1) FREQUENCY.—The Secretary may not an-  
11 nounce a reduction to an OCONUS COLA for a lo-  
12 cation outside the continental United States more  
13 than twice per calendar year.

14 “(2) MAXIMUM REDUCTION.—A reduction to an  
15 OCONUS COLA may not exceed the lesser of—

16 “(A) 10 OCONUS COLA index points; or

17 “(B) the number of OCONUS COLA  
18 index points by which the cost of living of the  
19 permanent duty station of the covered member  
20 exceeds the average cost of living index in the  
21 continental United States.

22 “(3) LIMITATIONS.—Paragraphs (1) and (2)  
23 shall not apply to a reduction on the basis of—

24 “(A) a change in the rate of exchange of  
25 foreign currencies; or

1                   “(B) a permanent change of station for a  
2 covered member.

3                   “(4) IMPLEMENTATION.—The Secretary may  
4 phase in a reduction under this subsection.

5                   “(b) INCREASES.—The Secretary may increase an  
6 OCONUS COLA at any time.

7                   “(c) REPORTING.—Not later than February 1 of each  
8 year, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on  
9 Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representa-  
10 tives a report regarding reductions and increases to  
11 OCONUS COLAs during the previous calendar year. Such  
12 report shall include the following elements:

13                   “(1) The areas outside the continental United  
14 States subject to such a reduction or increase.

15                   “(2) The previous and new amounts of an ad-  
16 justed OCONUS COLA for a member with three de-  
17 pendents, 10 years of service, and in grade—

18                   “(A) E-6; and

19                   “(B) O-4.

20                   “(3) The number of OCONUS COLA index  
21 points by which a new OCONUS COLA index dif-  
22 fers from such previous index.

23                   “(4) The number of members of the uniformed  
24 services affected by each such reduction or increase.

1           “(5) The assessment of the Secretary of the  
2           calculation of an OCONUS COLA. In making such  
3           assessment, the Secretary shall consider factors in-  
4           cluding—

5                   “(A) Costs of local transportation in the  
6                   area surrounding the duty station of a member.

7                   “(B) Costs of travel from such duty sta-  
8                   tion to the United States.

9                   “(C) Other costs the Secretary determines  
10                  appropriate.

11          “(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12                  “(1) The term ‘continental United States’ has  
13                  the meaning given such term in section 101 of title  
14                  37, United States Code.

15                  “(2) The term ‘covered member’ means a mem-  
16                  ber of the uniformed services—

17                          “(A) who is assigned to a permanent duty  
18                          station located outside the continental United  
19                          States; or

20                          “(B) whose dependents reside outside the  
21                          continental United States but not withing the  
22                          vicinity to permanent duty station of such mem-  
23                          ber.

24                  “(3) The term ‘OCONUS COLA’ means a cost-  
25                  of-living allowance paid to a member of the uni-

1 formed services on the basis that such member is a  
2 covered member.

3 “(4) The term ‘OCONUS COLA index’ means  
4 the index computed by the Secretary of the weighted  
5 average prices of goods and services (excluding hous-  
6 ing costs) in a location outside the continental  
7 United States, relative to the weighted average of  
8 prices of the same goods and services in the conti-  
9 nental United States.

10 “(5) The term ‘OCONUS COLA index point’  
11 means 1 percent of the OCONUS COLA index for  
12 the weighted average prices of goods and services  
13 (excluding housing costs) in a location in the conti-  
14 nental United States.”.

15 **SEC. 628. EXTENSION OF ONE-TIME UNIFORM ALLOWANCE**  
16 **FOR OFFICERS WHO TRANSFER TO THE**  
17 **SPACE FORCE.**

18 Section 606(d)(1) of the William M. (Mac) Thorn-  
19 berry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
20 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 37 U.S.C. 416 note) is  
21 amended by striking “September 30, 2023” and inserting  
22 “September 30, 2025”.

1     **Subtitle D—Family and Survivor**  
2                     **Benefits**

3     **SEC. 631. MODIFICATIONS TO TRANSITIONAL COMPENSA-**  
4                     **TION FOR DEPENDENTS OF MEMBERS SEPA-**  
5                     **RATED FOR DEPENDENT ABUSE.**

6             (a) COVERED PUNITIVE ACTIONS.—Subsection (b) of  
7 section 1059 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

8                     (1) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking “; or” and  
9 inserting a semicolon;

10                    (2) in paragraph (2), by striking the period at  
11 the end and inserting “; or”; and

12                    (3) by adding at the end the following new  
13 paragraph:

14                    “(3) who is—

15                             “(A) convicted of a dependent-abuse of-  
16 fense in a district court of the United States or  
17 a State court; and

18                             “(B) separated from active duty pursuant  
19 to a sentence of a court-martial, or administra-  
20 tively separated, voluntarily or involuntarily,  
21 from active duty, for an offense other than the  
22 dependent-abuse offense.”.

23             (b) COMMENCEMENT OF PAYMENT.—Subsection  
24 (e)(1) of such section is amended—

25                     (1) in subparagraph (A)—

1 (A) in the matter preceding clause (i), by  
2 inserting after “offense” the following: “or an  
3 offense described in subsection (b)(3)(B)”;

4 (B) in clause (ii), by striking “; and” and  
5 inserting a semicolon; and

6 (2) in subparagraph (B), by striking “(if the  
7 basis” and all that follows through “offense)”.

8 (c) DEFINITION OF DEPENDENT CHILD.—Sub-  
9 section (l) of such section is amended, in the matter pre-  
10 ceding paragraph (1)—

11 (1) by striking “resulting in the separation of  
12 the former member or” and inserting “referred to in  
13 subsection (b) or”; and

14 (2) by striking “resulting in the separation of  
15 the former member and” and inserting “and”.

16 (d) DELEGATION OF DETERMINATIONS RELATING  
17 TO EXCEPTIONAL ELIGIBILITY.—Subsection (m)(4) of  
18 such section is amended to read as follows:

19 “(4) The Secretary concerned may delegate the au-  
20 thority under paragraph (1) to authorize eligibility for  
21 benefits under this section for dependents and former de-  
22 pendants of a member or former member to the first gen-  
23 eral or flag officer (or civilian equivalent) in the chain of  
24 command of the member.”.

1 **SEC. 632. LODGING EXPENSES FOR DEPENDENTS OF MEM-**  
2 **BERS SEPARATED FOR DEPENDENT ABUSE.**

3 Section 1059 of title 10, United States Code, as  
4 amended by section 631, is further amended—

5 (1) in the heading, by adding “; **lodging ex-**  
6 **penses**” at the end;

7 (2) by redesignating subsections (k), (l), and  
8 (m) as subsections (m), (n), and (l), respectively;

9 (3) by striking “subsection (k)” each place it  
10 appears and inserting “subsection (m)”; and

11 (4) by inserting, after subsection (j), the fol-  
12 lowing new subsection (k):

13 “(k) **LODGING EXPENSES.**—A dependent or former  
14 dependent entitled to payment of monthly transitional  
15 compensation under this section shall, while receiving pay-  
16 ments in accordance with this section, be entitled to lodg-  
17 ing expenses for a period not longer than 30 days.”.

18 **SEC. 633. ACCESS TO COMMISSARY AND EXCHANGE PRIVI-**  
19 **LEGES FOR REMARRIED SURVIVING**  
20 **SPOUSES.**

21 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 1062 of title 10, United  
22 States Code, is amended—

23 (1) by striking “The Secretary of Defense” and  
24 inserting the following:

25 “(a) **CERTAIN UNREARRIED FORMER SPOUSES.**—  
26 The Secretary of Defense”;

1           (2) by striking “commissary and exchange  
2           privileges” and inserting “use commissary stores  
3           and MWR retail facilities”;

4           (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
5           section:

6           “(b) CERTAIN REMARRIED SURVIVING SPOUSES.—  
7           The Secretary of Defense shall prescribe such regulations  
8           as may be necessary to provide that a surviving spouse  
9           of a deceased member of the armed forces, regardless of  
10          the marital status of the surviving spouse, is entitled to  
11          use commissary stores and MWR retail facilities to the  
12          same extent and on the same basis as an unremarried sur-  
13          viving spouse of a member of the uniformed services.”;  
14          and

15          (4) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
16          section:

17          “(c) MWR RETAIL FACILITIES DEFINED.—In this  
18          section, the term ‘MWR retail facilities’ has the meaning  
19          given that term in section 1063 of this title.”.

20          (b) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Defense shall  
21          prescribe regulations under section 1062(b) of title 10,  
22          United States Code, as added by subsection (a)(3), not  
23          later than October 1, 2025.

1 (c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The heading of such  
2 section is amended by adding “**and surviving**  
3 **spouses**” at the end.

4 **SEC. 634. ASSISTANCE FOR MILITARY SPOUSES TO OBTAIN**  
5 **CERTIFICATIONS AS DOULAS AND INTER-**  
6 **NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFIED LACTATION**  
7 **CONSULTANTS.**

8 Section 1784a of title 10, United States Code, is  
9 amended—

10 (1) by redesignating subsections (d) and (e) as  
11 subsections (e) and (f), respectively; and

12 (2) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-  
13 lowing new subsection (d):

14 “(d) DOULA AND IBCLC CERTIFICATIONS.—In car-  
15 rying out the programs authorized by subsection (a), the  
16 Secretary shall provide assistance to the spouse of a mem-  
17 ber of the armed forces described in subsection (b) with  
18 obtaining certification—

19 “(1) as a doula or International Board Certified  
20 Lactation Consultant; and

21 “(2) provided by an organization that receives  
22 reimbursement under the extramedical maternal  
23 health providers demonstration project required by  
24 section 746 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry

1 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
2 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 1073 note).”.

3 **SEC. 635. EXPANSION OF QUALIFYING EVENTS FOR WHICH**  
4 **A MEMBER OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES**  
5 **MAY BE REIMBURSED FOR SPOUSAL RELI-**  
6 **CENSING OR BUSINESS COSTS DUE TO THE**  
7 **MEMBER’S RELOCATION.**

8 Section 453(g) of title 37, United States Code, is  
9 amended—

10 (1) by striking the subsection heading and in-  
11 sserting “REIMBURSEMENT OF QUALIFYING SPOUSE  
12 RELICENSING COSTS AND BUSINESS COSTS”;

13 (2) in paragraph (1)—

14 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph  
15 (A), by striking “or qualified business costs”  
16 and inserting “and qualified business costs”;

17 (B) by amending subparagraph (A) to read  
18 as follows:

19 “(A) the member relocates to a new jurisdiction  
20 or geographic area as the result of—

21 “(i) an assignment to a duty station;

22 “(ii) a reassignment, either as a result of  
23 a permanent change of station or permanent  
24 change of assignment, between duty stations;

1           “(iii) a transfer from a regular component  
2 of a uniformed service into the Selected Reserve  
3 of the Ready Reserve of a uniformed service, if  
4 the member is authorized a final move from the  
5 last duty station to the new jurisdiction or geo-  
6 graphic area; or

7           “(iv) placement on the temporary disability  
8 retired list under chapter 61 of title 10; and”;  
9 and

10           (C) in subparagraph (B), by striking “re-  
11 assignment” and inserting “relocation”;

12           (3) in paragraph (2), by striking “reassign-  
13 ment” both places it appears and inserting “reloca-  
14 tion”;

15           (4) in paragraph (4)—

16           (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
17 “movement described in” and all that follows  
18 through the semicolon and inserting “the mem-  
19 ber’s relocation described in paragraph (1);”;  
20 and

21           (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “re-  
22 assignment” and inserting “relocation”; and

23           (5) in paragraph (5)—

24           (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
25 “movement described in” and all that follows

1 through the semicolon and inserting “the mem-  
2 ber’s relocation described in paragraph (1);”;  
3 and

4 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “re-  
5 assignment” and inserting “relocation”.

## 6 **TITLE VII—HEALTH CARE** 7 **PROVISIONS**

### Subtitle A—TRICARE and Other Health Care Benefits

- Sec. 701. Waiver of cost-sharing for three mental health outpatient visits for certain beneficiaries under the TRICARE program.
- Sec. 702. Extension of period of eligibility for health benefits under TRICARE Reserve Select for survivors of a member of the Selected Reserve.
- Sec. 703. Expansion of eligibility for hearing aids to include children of certain retired members of the uniformed services.
- Sec. 704. Authority to provide dental care for dependents located at certain remote or isolated locations.
- Sec. 705. Clarification of applicability of required mental health self-initiated referral process for members of the Selected Reserve.
- Sec. 706. Naloxone and fentanyl: regulations; briefing.
- Sec. 707. Authority to expand the TRICARE Competitive Plans Demonstration Project.

### Subtitle B—Health Care Administration

- Sec. 711. Modification of requirement to transfer research and development and public health functions to the Defense Health Agency.
- Sec. 712. Increase in stipend for participants in health professions scholarship and financial assistance programs.
- Sec. 713. Modification of administration of medical malpractice claims by members of the uniformed services.
- Sec. 714. Networks of the Defense Health Agency: delayed implementation; GAO study.
- Sec. 715. Real-time data sharing agreement regarding medical care provided to members of the Coast Guard.
- Sec. 716. Establishment of military pharmaceutical and medical device vulnerability working group.

### Subtitle C—Studies, Briefings, Reports, and Other Matters

- Sec. 721. Modification of partnership program for military trauma care and research.
- Sec. 722. Study on opioid alternatives.
- Sec. 723. Program of the Department of Defense to study treatment of certain conditions using certain psychedelic substances.
- Sec. 724. Annual report regarding overdoses by certain members of the Armed Forces.

Sec. 725. Study and report on health conditions of members of the Armed Forces on active duty developed after administration of COVID-19 vaccine.

Sec. 726. GAO study on health care available to certain individuals supporting the missions of United States Forces Japan and Joint Region Marianas.

1     **Subtitle A—TRICARE and Other**  
2                     **Health Care Benefits**

3     **SEC. 701. WAIVER OF COST-SHARING FOR THREE MENTAL**  
4                     **HEALTH OUTPATIENT VISITS FOR CERTAIN**  
5                     **BENEFICIARIES UNDER THE TRICARE PRO-**  
6                     **GRAM.**

7             (a) TRICARE SELECT.—Section 1075(c) of title 10,  
8 United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the  
9 following new paragraph:

10                 “(4)(A) Consistent with other provisions of this  
11 chapter and subject to requirements to be prescribed  
12 by the Secretary, the Secretary may waive cost-shar-  
13 ing requirements for the first three outpatient men-  
14 tal health visits each year of any of the following  
15 beneficiaries:

16                     “(i) Beneficiaries in the active-duty family  
17 member category.

18                     “(ii) Beneficiaries covered by section  
19 1110b of this title.

20                     “(B) This paragraph shall terminate on the  
21 date that is five years after the date of the enact-

1       ment of the National Defense Authorization Act for  
2       Fiscal Year 2024.”.

3       (b) TRICARE PRIME.—Section 1075a(a) of such  
4 title is amended by adding at the end the following new  
5 paragraph:

6           “(4)(A) Consistent with other provisions of this  
7 chapter and subject to requirements to be prescribed  
8 by the Secretary, the Secretary may waive cost-shar-  
9 ing requirements for the first three outpatient men-  
10 tal health visits each year of a beneficiary in the ac-  
11 tive-duty family member category (as described in  
12 section 1075(b)(1)(A) of this title).

13           “(B) This paragraph shall terminate on the  
14 date that is five years after the date of the enact-  
15 ment of the National Defense Authorization Act for  
16 Fiscal Year 2024.”.

17 **SEC. 702. EXTENSION OF PERIOD OF ELIGIBILITY FOR**  
18           **HEALTH BENEFITS UNDER TRICARE RE-**  
19           **SERVE SELECT FOR SURVIVORS OF A MEM-**  
20           **BER OF THE SELECTED RESERVE.**

21       (a) IN GENERAL.— Section 1076d(c) of title 10,  
22 United States Code, is amended by striking “six months”  
23 and inserting “three years”.

24       (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
25 subsection (a) shall take effect on October 1, 2025.

1 **SEC. 703. EXPANSION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR HEARING AIDS**  
2 **TO INCLUDE CHILDREN OF CERTAIN RE-**  
3 **TIRED MEMBERS OF THE UNIFORMED SERV-**  
4 **ICES.**

5 Paragraph (16) of section 1077(a) of title 10, United  
6 States Code, is amended to read as follows:

7 “(16) Except as provided by subsection (g), a  
8 hearing aid, but only if the dependent has a pro-  
9 found hearing loss, as determined under standards  
10 prescribed in regulations by the Secretary of Defense  
11 in consultation with the administering Secretaries,  
12 and only for the following dependents:

13 “(A) A dependent of a member of the uni-  
14 formed services on active duty.

15 “(B) A dependent under subparagraph (D)  
16 or (I) of section 1072(2) of this title of a  
17 former member of the uniformed services who—

18 “(i) is entitled to retired or retainer  
19 pay, or equivalent pay; and

20 “(ii) is enrolled in family coverage  
21 under TRICARE Prime.”.

22 **SEC. 704. AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE DENTAL CARE FOR DE-**  
23 **PENDENTS LOCATED AT CERTAIN REMOTE**  
24 **OR ISOLATED LOCATIONS.**

25 Section 1077(c) of title 10, United States Code, is  
26 amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “paragraph  
2 (2)” and inserting “paragraphs (2) and (3)”; and

3 (2) by adding at the end the following new  
4 paragraph:

5 “(3)(A) Dependents who reside within a specified ge-  
6 ographic area and are covered by a dental plan established  
7 under section 1076a may receive dental care in a dental  
8 treatment facility of the uniformed services on a space  
9 available basis if the Secretary of Defense determines  
10 that—

11 “(i) civilian dental care within the specified geo-  
12 graphic area is inadequate or is not sufficiently  
13 available; and

14 “(ii) adequate resources exist to provide space  
15 available dental care to the dependents at the facil-  
16 ity.

17 “(B) Care under subparagraph (A) shall be provided  
18 on a reimbursable basis.”.

19 **SEC. 705. CLARIFICATION OF APPLICABILITY OF REQUIRED**  
20 **MENTAL HEALTH SELF-INITIATED REFERRAL**  
21 **PROCESS FOR MEMBERS OF THE SELECTED**  
22 **RESERVE.**

23 Section 1090b(e) of title 10, United States Code, is  
24 amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (1), in the matter preceding  
2 subparagraph (A), by inserting “described in para-  
3 graph (3)” after “member of the armed forces”; and

4 (2) by adding at the end the following new  
5 paragraph:

6 “(3) A member of the armed forces described in  
7 this paragraph is—

8 “(A) a member on active duty for a period  
9 of longer than 30 days; or

10 “(B) a member of the Selected Reserve in  
11 a duty status.”.

12 **SEC. 706. NALOXONE AND FENTANYL: REGULATIONS;**  
13 **BRIEFING.**

14 (a) REGULATIONS.—Not later than January 1, 2025,  
15 the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secre-  
16 taries of the military departments shall prescribe regula-  
17 tions regarding naloxone and fentanyl on military installa-  
18 tions. Such regulations shall—

19 (1) ensure that naloxone is available for mem-  
20 bers of the Armed Forces—

21 (A) on all military installations; and

22 (B) in each operational environment; and

23 (2) establish a standardized tracking system—

24 (A) for naloxone distributed under para-  
25 graph (1); and

1 (B) of the illegal use of fentanyl and other  
2 controlled substances in the military depart-  
3 ments.

4 (b) BRIEFING.—Not later than June 1, 2025, the  
5 Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on  
6 Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representa-  
7 tives a briefing regarding naloxone and fentanyl. Such  
8 briefing shall include the following elements:

9 (1) Progress in the implementation of regula-  
10 tions prescribed under subsection (a).

11 (2) The prevalence and incidence of the illegal  
12 use of fentanyl and other controlled substances in  
13 the military departments during the five years pre-  
14 ceding the briefing.

15 (3) Processes of the military departments to  
16 mitigate substance abuse, particularly with regards  
17 to fentanyl.

18 (c) NALOXONE DEFINED.—In this section, the term  
19 “naloxone” means naloxone and any other medication  
20 used to reverse opioid overdose.

21 **SEC. 707. AUTHORITY TO EXPAND THE TRICARE COMPETI-**  
22 **TIVE PLANS DEMONSTRATION PROJECT.**

23 (a) AUTHORITY.—To the extent practicable, the Sec-  
24 retary of Defense shall seek to expand the TRICARE  
25 Competitive Plans Demonstration Project to not fewer

1 than five locations not later than one year after the date  
2 of the enactment of this Act.

3 (b) TRICARE COMPETITIVE PLANS DEMONSTRA-  
4 TION PROJECT DEFINED.—In this section, the term  
5 “TRICARE Competitive Plans Demonstration Project”  
6 means the project designed to test the contract acquisition  
7 strategy of providing an opportunity for local, regional,  
8 and national health plans to participate in the competition  
9 for managed care support functions under the TRICARE  
10 program, in accordance with section 705(e)(3) of the Na-  
11 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017  
12 (Public Law 114–328; 10 U.S.C. 1073a note).

13 **Subtitle B—Health Care**  
14 **Administration**

15 **SEC. 711. MODIFICATION OF REQUIREMENT TO TRANSFER**  
16 **RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC**  
17 **HEALTH FUNCTIONS TO THE DEFENSE**  
18 **HEALTH AGENCY.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1073c of title 10, United  
20 States Code, is amended—

21 (1) in subsection (e), in the matter preceding  
22 paragraph (1), by striking “Not later than Sep-  
23 tember 30, 2022,” and inserting “Not later than  
24 September 30, 2024, and subject to subsection (f),”;

1           (2) by redesignating subsections (f) and (g) as  
2           subsections (g) and (h), respectively; and

3           (3) by inserting, after subsection (e), the fol-  
4           lowing new subsection (f):

5           “(f) EXCEPTION TO ESTABLISHMENT OF ADDI-  
6           TIONAL DHA ORGANIZATIONS.—At the discretion of the  
7           Secretary of Defense, a military department may retain  
8           a function that would otherwise be transferred to the De-  
9           fense Health Agency under subsection (e) if the Secretary  
10          of Defense determines the function—

11           “(1) addresses a need that is unique to the  
12          military department; and

13           “(2) is in direct support of operating forces and  
14          necessary to execute strategies relating to national  
15          security and defense.”.

16          (b) BRIEFING UPDATE.—Not later than September  
17          30, 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the  
18          Committees on Armed Services of the House of Represent-  
19          atives and the Senate an update to the briefing under sec-  
20          tion 720(b) of the James F. Inhofe National Defense Au-  
21          thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-  
22          263; 10 U.S.C. 1073c note), including—

23           (1) a description of each function that the Sec-  
24          retary has determined to retain in a military depart-  
25          ment pursuant to subsection (f) of section 1073c of

1 title 10, United States Code, as amended by sub-  
2 section (a); and

3 (2) the rationale for each such determination.

4 **SEC. 712. INCREASE IN STIPEND FOR PARTICIPANTS IN**  
5 **HEALTH PROFESSIONS SCHOLARSHIP AND**  
6 **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.**

7 Section 2121(d) of title 10, United States Code, is  
8 amended, in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by strik-  
9 ing “\$30,000” and inserting “\$50,000”.

10 **SEC. 713. MODIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICAL**  
11 **MALPRACTICE CLAIMS BY MEMBERS OF THE**  
12 **UNIFORMED SERVICES.**

13 Section 2733a of title 10, United States Code, is  
14 amended—

15 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “subsection  
16 (f)” and inserting “subsection (g)”;

17 (2) in subsection (b)(6), by striking “subsection  
18 (f)” and inserting “subsection (g)”;

19 (3) in subsection (d)(1), by striking “subsection  
20 (f)” and inserting “subsection (g)”;

21 (4) by redesignating subsections (f) through (i)  
22 as subsections (g) through (j), respectively; and

23 (5) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-  
24 lowing new subsection (f):



1           (2) ELEMENTS.—The study under paragraph  
2 (1) shall include the following elements:

3           (A) An assessment of the structure of such  
4 networks, including—

5                 (i) the analytical basis for the size and  
6 number of networks established;

7                 (ii) an analysis of personnel require-  
8 ments for the network model;

9                 (iii) a review of how input from inter-  
10 nal and external stakeholders was incor-  
11 porated; and

12                 (iv) the plans for achieving consolida-  
13 tion of business functions across military  
14 medical treatment facilities within the new  
15 networks;

16           (B) an assessment of how the Director of  
17 the Defense Health Agency considered lessons  
18 learned from previous market offices, including  
19 the allocation of personnel and budgetary re-  
20 source sharing; and

21           (C) a comparison of the new network  
22 model to previous organizational structures of  
23 the Defense Health Agency, including market  
24 structures and component models.

1           (3) BRIEFING; REPORT.—Not later than May 1,  
2           2024, the Comptroller General shall brief the Com-  
3           mittees on Armed Services of the Senate and the  
4           House of Representatives on the preliminary find-  
5           ings of the study, with a report to follow at such  
6           time and in such format as is mutually agreed upon  
7           by the committees and the Comptroller General.

8           (c) TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.—

9           (1) DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY REGIONS IN  
10          CONUS.—Subsection (c) of section 712 of the John  
11          S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for  
12          Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C.  
13          1073c note) is amended—

14                 (A) in paragraph (1), in the paragraph  
15                 heading, by striking “HEALTHAGENCY” and in-  
16                 serting “HEALTH AGENCY”; and

17                 (B) in paragraph (2)(A), by striking “mili-  
18                 tary”.

19          (2) DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY REGIONS  
20          OCONUS.—Subsection (d)(3) of such section is  
21          amended by striking “defense health regions” and  
22          inserting “Defense Health Agency regions”.

23          (3) PLANNING AND COORDINATION.—Sub-  
24          section (e)(1)(A) of such section is amended by

1 striking “defense health region” and inserting “De-  
2 fense Health Agency region”.

3 **SEC. 715. REAL-TIME DATA SHARING AGREEMENT REGARD-**  
4 **ING MEDICAL CARE PROVIDED TO MEMBERS**  
5 **OF THE COAST GUARD.**

6 Not later than one year after the date of the enact-  
7 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall consult  
8 and enter into an agreement with the Secretary of Home-  
9 land Security with respect to policies, mechanisms, and  
10 processes that the Secretaries concerned shall establish to  
11 allow ongoing use by the Coast Guard for access to data,  
12 records, and information regarding access by members of  
13 the Coast Guard and beneficiaries of such members to  
14 military medical facilities or care provided through the  
15 TRICARE program that will enhance the ability to mon-  
16 itor, assess, and optimize healthcare services.

17 **SEC. 716. ESTABLISHMENT OF MILITARY PHARMA-**  
18 **CEUTICAL AND MEDICAL DEVICE VULNER-**  
19 **ABILITY WORKING GROUP.**

20 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than one year after  
21 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
22 Defense, in coordination with the Chairman of the Joint  
23 Chiefs of Staff, the Under Secretary of Defense for Per-  
24 sonnel and Readiness, and the Under Secretary of Defense  
25 for Acquisition and Sustainment, shall establish a military

1 pharmaceutical and medical device vulnerability working  
2 group.

3 (b) MEMBERSHIP.—Each member of the working  
4 group shall be a member of the Armed Forces or a civilian  
5 employee of the Department of Defense.

6 (c) COCHAIRS.—The Secretary shall appoint a chair  
7 of the working group. The working group shall elect a co-  
8 chair from among its members.

9 (d) DUTIES.—The duties of the working group shall  
10 include the following:

11 (1) To provide a forum for members of the  
12 working group to discuss issues involving access,  
13 threats, and vulnerabilities to pharmaceuticals,  
14 therapeutics and medical devices in operational envi-  
15 ronments of the Department.

16 (2) To identify current vulnerabilities, including  
17 supply chain issues, active pharmaceutical ingredient  
18 supplies, device component issues and cyber and  
19 electronic threats that may disrupt operations of the  
20 Department.

21 (3) To identify locations where the Secretary  
22 can support manufacturing capabilities needed to  
23 improve the timely increase of domestic production.

1           (4) To review policies of the Department to  
2 identify pharmaceutical manufacturing and supply  
3 guidance related to—

4                   (A) diversification of the supply chain;

5                   (B) transparency from pharmaceutical sup-  
6 pliers and manufacturers;

7                   (C) prerequisites for a vendor to sell to the  
8 Department during a shortage;

9                   (D) timely communication regarding a po-  
10 tential shortage or other supply chain disrup-  
11 tion; and

12                   (E) the application of rules and processes  
13 of the Food and Drug Administration to the  
14 Department.

15           (5) To include any information in the joint  
16 medical estimate of the Department or a similar re-  
17 port that highlights information that would be clas-  
18 sified as sensitive or requiring a security classifica-  
19 tion above unclassified.

20           (6) To develop a plan for the allocation of  
21 scarce pharmaceutical resources within the Depart-  
22 ment during a supply chain disruption and potential  
23 conflicts with competitors highlighted in the national  
24 defense strategy.

1           (7) To develop a plan for stockpiling essential  
2           medications to ensure availability of a 180-day sup-  
3           ply during an armed conflict or other supply chain  
4           disruption.

5           (8) To develop a plan that mitigates  
6           vulnerabilities to active pharmaceutical ingredient  
7           supply chains and reduces dependence on active  
8           pharmaceutical ingredients from foreign sources.

9           (e) BRIEFINGS.—

10           (1) INITIAL BRIEFING.—Not later than 180  
11           days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
12           Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed  
13           Services of the Senate and House of Representatives  
14           an interim briefing on the organization, activities,  
15           plans, actions and milestones of the working group.

16           (2) ANNUAL BRIEFING.—Not later than Sep-  
17           tember 30 of each year, beginning in 2025 and end-  
18           ing in 2028, the Secretary shall submit to the Com-  
19           mittees on Armed Services of the Senate and House  
20           of Representatives a briefing describing the activi-  
21           ties, funding, plans, actions, and milestones of the  
22           working group, and other matters determined by the  
23           Secretary, during the preceding year.

24           (f) TERMINATION.—The working group shall termi-  
25           nate on September 30, 2028.

1           **Subtitle C—Studies, Briefings,**  
2           **Reports, and Other Matters**

3   **SEC. 721. MODIFICATION OF PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM FOR**  
4           **MILITARY TRAUMA CARE AND RESEARCH.**

5           Section 736 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense  
6   Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–  
7   263; 10 U.S.C. 1071 note) is amended—

8           (1) by redesignating paragraphs (7) through  
9           (9) as paragraphs (8) through (10), respectively;  
10          and

11          (2) by inserting after paragraph (6) the fol-  
12          lowing new paragraph (7):

13                 “(7) The provision of training and support to  
14          Ukraine for the treatment of individuals with ex-  
15          tremity trauma, amputations, post-traumatic stress  
16          disorder, traumatic brain injuries, and any other  
17          mental health conditions associated with post-trau-  
18          matic stress disorder or traumatic brain injuries, in-  
19          cluding—

20                         “(A) the exchange of subject matter exper-  
21                         tise;

22                         “(B) training and support relating to ad-  
23                         vanced clinical skills development; and

24                         “(C) training and support relating to clin-  
25                         ical case management support.”.

1 **SEC. 722. STUDY ON OPIOID ALTERNATIVES.**

2 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days after  
3 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
4 Defense shall carry out a study in military treatment fa-  
5 cilities on the efficacy of opioid alternatives for pain man-  
6 agement.

7 (b) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date  
8 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit  
9 to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and  
10 House of Representatives a report on the results of the  
11 study under this section. Such report shall include rec-  
12 ommendations of the Secretary regarding the use of opioid  
13 alternatives in military treatment facilities.

14 (c) OPIOID ALTERNATIVE DEFINED.—In this sec-  
15 tion, the term “opioid alternative” includes the following:

- 16 (1) Cryotherapy.  
17 (2) Hyperbaric oxygen therapy.  
18 (3) Sensory deprivation.

19 **SEC. 723. PROGRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO**  
20 **STUDY TREATMENT OF CERTAIN CONDI-**  
21 **TIONS USING CERTAIN PSYCHEDELIC SUB-**  
22 **STANCES.**

23 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days after  
24 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
25 shall establish a process to fund eligible entities to conduct  
26 research on the treatment of eligible members of the

1 Armed Forces with a covered condition using covered psy-  
2 chedelic substances. Not later than 180 days after the  
3 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall des-  
4 ignate a lead administrator to carry out the program  
5 under this section.

6 (b) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—The Secretary may enter  
7 into a partnership and award funding under this section  
8 to any of the following:

9 (1) A department or agency of the Federal Gov-  
10 ernment or a State government.

11 (2) An academic institution.

12 (c) PARTICIPATION IN CLINICAL TRIALS.—The Sec-  
13 retary may authorize any member of the Armed Forces  
14 serving on active duty who is diagnosed with a covered  
15 condition to participate in a clinical trial that is conducted  
16 using funding awarded under this section and is author-  
17 ized pursuant to section 505 of the Federal Food, Drug,  
18 and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355), without regard to—

19 (1) whether the clinical trial involves a sub-  
20 stance included in the schedule under section 202 of  
21 the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812); or

22 (2) section 912a of title 10, United States Code  
23 (article 112a of the Uniform Code of Military Jus-  
24 tice).

1 (d) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than one year  
2 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually  
3 thereafter for three years, the Secretary shall submit to  
4 the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Rep-  
5 resentatives and the Senate a report on funding awarded  
6 under this section, including the following:

7 (1) Identification of clinics designated to host  
8 activities under the program.

9 (2) A description of entities to whom the Sec-  
10 retary has awarded such funding.

11 (3) The number of members of the Armed  
12 Forces serving on active duty who participated in a  
13 clinical trial described in subsection (c), the covered  
14 conditions of such members treated, and whether  
15 such members returned to full duty.

16 (4) Information on the findings of such clinical  
17 trials.

18 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

19 (1) The term “covered condition” means any of  
20 the following:

21 (A) Post-traumatic stress.

22 (B) Traumatic brain injury.

23 (2) The term “covered psychedelic substances”  
24 means any of the following:

1 (A) 3,4-Methylenedioxy-methamphetamine  
2 (commonly known as “MDMA”).

3 (B) Psilocybin.

4 (C) Ibogaine.

5 (D) 5-Methoxy-N,N-dimethyltryptamine  
6 (commonly known as “5-MeO-DMT”).

7 (E) Qualified plant-based alternative thera-  
8 pies.

9 (3) The term “Secretary” means the Secretary  
10 of Defense.

11 (4) The term “State” has the meaning given  
12 such term in section 901 of title 32, United States  
13 Code.

14 **SEC. 724. ANNUAL REPORT REGARDING OVERDOSES BY**  
15 **CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

16 (a) REPORT REQUIRED.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year  
18 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and an-  
19 nually thereafter for four years, the Secretary of De-  
20 fense shall submit to the Committee on Armed Serv-  
21 ices of the Senate and House of Representatives a  
22 report on the number of annual overdoses among  
23 covered members.

24 (2) CONTENTS.—The report required by para-  
25 graph (1) shall include the following:

1 (A) The total number of covered members  
2 who suffered a fatal or nonfatal overdose during  
3 the previous calendar year, including—

4 (i) demographic information, including  
5 gender, race, age, military department,  
6 military rank, pay grade, and station;

7 (ii) the location of the fatal overdose,  
8 including whether the overdose was on a  
9 military base; and

10 (iii) a list of the substances involved  
11 in the fatal overdose.

12 (B) Of the covered members identified in  
13 subparagraph (A)—

14 (i) the number of covered members  
15 who received mental health or substance  
16 use disorder services prior to a fatal or  
17 nonfatal overdose, including a description  
18 of whether such services were received  
19 from a private sector provider;

20 (ii) the number of covered members  
21 with comorbid mental health diagnoses;

22 (iii) the number of covered members  
23 who had been prescribed opioids,  
24 benzodiazepines, or stimulants;

1 (iv) the number of covered members  
2 who had been categorized as high-risk and  
3 prescribed or provided naloxone prior to a  
4 fatal or nonfatal overdose;

5 (v) the number of covered members  
6 who had a positive drug test prior to the  
7 fatal overdose, including any substance  
8 identified in such test;

9 (vi) the number of covered members  
10 referred to, including by self-referral, or  
11 engaged in medical treatment, including  
12 medication treatment for opioid use dis-  
13 order;

14 (vii) with respect to each covered  
15 member identified in clause (vi), whether  
16 the covered member was referred after a  
17 positive drug test and the source of such  
18 referral; and

19 (viii) the number of fatal overdoses  
20 and intentional overdoses.

21 (C) An analysis of discernable patterns in  
22 fatal and nonfatal overdoses of covered mem-  
23 bers.

24 (D) A description of existing or anticipated  
25 response efforts to fatal and nonfatal overdoses

1 at military bases that have rates of fatal  
2 overdoses that exceed the average rate of fatal  
3 overdoses in the United States.

4 (E) An assessment of the availability of  
5 substance use disorder treatment for covered  
6 members.

7 (F) The number of medical facilities of, or  
8 affiliated with, the Department of Defense that  
9 have opioid treatment programs.

10 (G) A description of punitive measures  
11 taken by the Secretary of Defense in response  
12 to substance misuse, substance use disorder, or  
13 overdose by covered member.

14 (3) PRIVACY.—

15 (A) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this sub-  
16 section shall be construed to authorize the dis-  
17 closure by the Secretary of Defense of person-  
18 ally identifiable information of covered members  
19 or military family members, including  
20 anonymized personal information that could be  
21 used to identify covered members or military  
22 family members.

23 (B) APPLICATION OF HIPAA.—In carrying  
24 out this subsection, the Secretary of Defense  
25 shall take steps to protect the privacy of cov-

1           ered members and military family members  
2           pursuant to regulations prescribed under sec-  
3           tion 264(e) of the Health Insurance Portability  
4           and Accountability Act of 1996 (42 U.S.C.  
5           1320d–2 note; Public Law 104–191).

6           (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

7           (1) The term “covered member” means a mem-  
8           ber of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or  
9           Space Force.

10          (2) The term “military family member” means  
11          a family member of a covered member, including—

12               (A) the spouse, parent, dependent, or child  
13               of a covered member; or

14               (B) an individual who has legal responsi-  
15               bility for the child of a covered member.

16   **SEC. 725. STUDY AND REPORT ON HEALTH CONDITIONS OF**  
17                           **MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES ON AC-**  
18                           **TIVE DUTY DEVELOPED AFTER ADMINISTRA-**  
19                           **TION OF COVID–19 VACCINE.**

20          (a) STUDY.—The Secretary of Defense shall conduct  
21          a study to assess and evaluate any health conditions aris-  
22          ing in members of the Armed Forces on active duty one  
23          year after receiving the first dose of a COVID–19 vaccine.

24          (b) STUDY PARAMETERS.—In conducting the study  
25          under subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

1 (1) disaggregate data collected by—

2 (A) vaccine type and manufacturer;

3 (B) age group at the time such first dose  
4 was administered;

5 (C) any health condition developed after  
6 receiving such first dose, regardless of whether  
7 the condition is attributable to the receipt of  
8 such first dose; and

9 (D) an accounting of adverse events (in-  
10 cluding hyperimmune response), including fur-  
11 ther disaggregation by history of infection; and

12 (2) assess the prevalence of each such health  
13 condition by each age group specified in paragraph  
14 (1)(B) among the unvaccinated population for each  
15 of years 2017, 2018, and 2019.

16 (c) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date  
17 of the enactment of this Act and each year thereafter for  
18 the subsequent four years, the Secretary shall submit to  
19 the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Rep-  
20 resentatives and the Senate a report on the results of each  
21 study conducted under subsection (a).

22 (d) COVID-19 VACCINE DEFINED.—The term  
23 “COVID-19 vaccine” means a vaccine licensed under sec-  
24 tion 351 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 262)  
25 or authorized for emergency use under section 564 of the

1 Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C.  
2 360bbb-3) for immunization against the virus responsible  
3 for COVID-19.

4 **SEC. 726. GAO STUDY ON HEALTH CARE AVAILABLE TO**  
5 **CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS SUPPORTING THE**  
6 **MISSIONS OF UNITED STATES FORCES JAPAN**  
7 **AND JOINT REGION MARIANAS.**

8 (a) STUDY REQUIRED.—The Comptroller General of  
9 the United States shall conduct a study to determine  
10 whether health care services available to covered individ-  
11 uals are sufficient to support the missions and readiness  
12 of United States Forces Japan and Joint Region Mari-  
13 anas.

14 (b) ELEMENTS.—The study under this section shall  
15 include the following elements:

16 (1) The assessment of the Comptroller General  
17 of the effects of the changes to the administration  
18 and management of the military health system—

19 (A) under Defense Health Agency Region  
20 Indo-Pacific Administrative Instruction  
21 6025.02, signed on December 22, 2022; and

22 (B) on health care services available to  
23 covered individuals through the direct care com-  
24 ponent of the TRICARE program.

25 (2) An estimate of—

1 (A) the number of covered individuals who  
2 in fiscal years 2020 through 2023 received  
3 health care services through the military health  
4 system on a space-available basis; and

5 (B) the percentage of covered individuals  
6 described in subparagraph (A) who had health  
7 insurance not provided through the military  
8 health system.

9 (3) A summary of any health-related screenings  
10 administered by the Federal Government to a civil-  
11 ian employee before such civilian employee begins an  
12 assignment in the area of responsibility of the  
13 United States Indo-Pacific Command.

14 (4) The determination of the Comptroller Gen-  
15 eral whether the Secretary of Defense has conducted  
16 or participated in an assessment of health care serv-  
17 ices—

18 (A) provided to covered individuals through  
19 the military health system; or

20 (B) otherwise available to covered individ-  
21 uals.

22 (5) The evaluation of the Comptroller General  
23 of the most recent assessment described in para-  
24 graph (4).

1           (6) Other information the Comptroller General  
2 determines appropriate.

3           (c) BRIEFING; REPORT.—The Comptroller General  
4 shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the  
5 Senate and House of Representatives—

6           (1) an interim briefing on the study not later  
7 than 180 days after the date of the enactment of  
8 this Act; and

9           (2) a final report on the study in a format and  
10 on a date agreed to by the Comptroller General and  
11 such Committees during such briefing.

12          (d) COVERED INDIVIDUAL DEFINED.—In this sec-  
13 tion, the term “covered individual” means an individual  
14 who supports the mission of United States Forces Japan  
15 or Joint Region Marianas, who is—

16           (1) a United States citizen, national, or lawful  
17 permanent resident and—

18           (A) a civilian employee of the Federal Gov-  
19 ernment; or

20           (B) an employee of a contractor or subcon-  
21 tractor under an agreement between such con-  
22 tractor and the Secretary of Defense; or

23           (2) a dependent of—

24           (A) a member of the Armed Forces; or

- 1 (B) an individual described in paragraph  
2 (1).

3 **TITLE VIII—ACQUISITION POL-**  
4 **ICY, ACQUISITION MANAGE-**  
5 **MENT, AND RELATED MAT-**  
6 **TERS**

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- Sec. 851. Additional national security objectives for the national technology and industrial base.
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#### Subtitle G—Other Matters

- Sec. 871. Extension of mission management pilot program.
- Sec. 872. Extension of pilot program to incentivize contracting with employee-owned businesses.
- Sec. 873. Program and processes relating to foreign acquisition.
- Sec. 874. Pilot program to incentivize progress payments.
- Sec. 875. Study on reducing barriers to acquisition of commercial products and services.

1     **Subtitle A—Acquisition Policy and**  
2                     **Management**

3     **SEC. 801. COMMERCIAL NATURE DETERMINATION MEMO**  
4                     **AVAILABLE TO CONTRACTOR.**

5             Section 3456(b)(2) of title 10, United States Code,  
6 is amended—

7                     (1) by striking “for such determination” and  
8             inserting “why the product or service was deter-  
9             mined to be commercial or noncommercial”; and

10                    (2) by adding at the end the following: “Upon  
11             the request of the contractor or subcontractor offer-  
12             ing the product or service for which such determina-  
13             tion is summarized in such memorandum, the con-  
14             tracting officer shall provide to such contractor or  
15             subcontractor a copy of such memorandum.”.

16     **SEC. 802. MODIFICATION OF TRUTHFUL COST OR PRICING**  
17                     **DATA SUBMISSIONS AND REPORT.**

18             Section 3705(b)(2) of title 10, United States Code,  
19 is amended—

20                    (1) in subparagraph (B), by adding at the end  
21             the following new sentence: “The Under Secretary  
22             shall make appropriate portions of the report avail-  
23             able to the leadership of the offerors named in such  
24             report.”; and

1           (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
2           paragraph:

3           “(C) The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition  
4           and Sustainment shall develop a framework for revising  
5           what constitutes a denial of uncertified cost or pricing  
6           data, including—

7                   “(i) identifying situations under which such de-  
8                   nials occur to exclude situations outside the control  
9                   of the offeror or Federal Government;

10                   “(ii) identifying whether such denial is from the  
11                   prime contractor or subcontractor; and

12                   “(iii) developing an appropriate timeframe for  
13                   requiring submission of uncertified cost or pricing  
14                   data before a request for such data is considered a  
15                   denial, including a standardized determination of a  
16                   starting point and conclusion for such requests.”.

17   **SEC. 803. PROHIBITION ON THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN**  
18                   **DATA ON EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT**  
19                   **OF DEFENSE TO THIRD PARTIES.**

20           Chapter 363 of title 10, United States Code, is  
21           amended by adding at the end the following new section:

1 **“§ 4662. Prohibition on the transfer of certain data on**  
2 **employees of the Department of Defense**  
3 **to third parties**

4 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Each contract entered into by  
5 the Department of Defense on or after the date of the  
6 enactment of this section shall include a provision prohib-  
7 iting the contractor and each subcontractor under such  
8 contract from selling, licensing, or otherwise transferring  
9 covered individually identifiable Department employee  
10 data to any individual or entity other than the Federal  
11 Government, except to the extent required to perform such  
12 contract or a subcontract under such contract and that  
13 would be permissible pursuant to statute or guidance from  
14 the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

15 “(b) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may waive  
16 the requirements of subsection (a) with respect to a sale,  
17 licensing, or other transfer of covered individually identifi-  
18 able Department employee data if the Secretary deter-  
19 mines that such waiver is appropriate.

20 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

21 “(1) The term ‘covered individually identifiable  
22 Department employee data’ means individually iden-  
23 tifiable Department employee data obtained by—

24 “(A) a contractor pursuant to the perform-  
25 ance of a contract described in subsection (a)  
26 by such contractor; or

1           “(B) a subcontractor pursuant to the per-  
2           formance of a subcontract under such a con-  
3           tract by such subcontractor.

4           “(2) The term ‘individually identifiable Depart-  
5           ment employee data’ means information related to  
6           an employee of the Department of Defense, includ-  
7           ing a member of the Armed Forces, that—

8                   “(A) identifies such employee; or

9                   “(B) which may be used to infer, by either  
10           direct or indirect means, the identity of such an  
11           employee to whom the information applies.”.

12 **SEC. 804. PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH PERSONS**  
13                   **THAT HAVE FOSSIL FUEL OPERATIONS WITH**  
14                   **THE GOVERNMENT OF THE RUSSIAN FED-**  
15                   **ERATION OR THE RUSSIAN ENERGY SECTOR.**

16           (a) PROHIBITION.—

17                   (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided under  
18           subsections (b), (c), and (d), the Secretary of De-  
19           fense may not enter into a contract for the procure-  
20           ment of goods or services with any person that is or  
21           that has fossil fuel business operations with a person  
22           that is not less than 50 percent owned, individually  
23           or collectively, by—

24                   (A) an authority of the Government of the  
25           Russian Federation; or

1 (B) a fossil fuel company that operates in  
2 the Russian Federation, except if the fossil fuel  
3 company transports oil or gas—

4 (i) through the Russian Federation  
5 for sale outside of the Russian Federation;  
6 and

7 (ii) that was extracted from a country  
8 other than the Russian Federation with re-  
9 spect to the energy sector of which the  
10 President has not imposed sanctions as of  
11 the date on which the contract is awarded.

12 (2) OIL AND GAS ORIGIN.—For the purposes of  
13 applying the exception under paragraph (1)(B), oil  
14 and gas transported by a fossil fuel company shall  
15 be deemed to have been extracted from the location  
16 of extraction specified in the certificate of origin or  
17 other documentation confirming the origin of such  
18 oil or gas unless the person with respect to which  
19 such exception would apply knew or had reason to  
20 know that such location in such documentation was  
21 false or incorrect.

22 (b) EXCEPTIONS.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—The prohibition under sub-  
24 section (a) does not apply to a contract that the Sec-

1       retary of Defense and the Secretary of State jointly  
2       determine—

3               (A) is necessary—

4                       (i) for purposes of providing humani-  
5                       tarian assistance to the people of Russia;  
6                       or

7                       (ii) for purposes of providing disaster  
8                       relief and other urgent life-saving meas-  
9                       ures;

10               (B) is vital to the military readiness, bas-  
11               ing, or operations of the United States or the  
12               North Atlantic Treaty Organization;

13               (C) is vital to the national security inter-  
14               ests of the United States; or

15               (D) was a business operation with a fossil  
16               fuel company in a country other than the Rus-  
17               sian Federation that was entered into prior to  
18               the date of the enactment of this section.

19               (2) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—The Sec-  
20               retary of Defense shall notify the appropriate con-  
21               gressional committees of any contract entered into  
22               on the basis of an exception provided for under  
23               paragraph (1).

24               (3) OFFICE OF FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL LI-  
25               CENSES.—The prohibition in subsection (a) shall not

1 apply to a person that has a valid license to operate  
2 in Russia issued by the Office of Foreign Assets  
3 Control of the Department of the Treasury or is oth-  
4 erwise authorized to operate in Russia by the Fed-  
5 eral Government notwithstanding the imposition of  
6 sanctions.

7 (4) AMERICAN DIPLOMATIC MISSION IN RUS-  
8 SLIA.—The prohibition in subsection (a) shall not  
9 apply to contracts related to the operation and main-  
10 tenance of the United States Government’s consular  
11 offices and diplomatic posts in Russia.

12 (c) APPLICABILITY.—This section shall take effect on  
13 the date of the enactment of this Act and apply with re-  
14 spect to any contract entered into on or after such effec-  
15 tive date.

16 (d) SUNSET.—This section shall terminate on De-  
17 cember 31, 2029.

18 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

19 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
20 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-  
21 mittees” means—

22 (A) the Committee on Oversight and Ac-  
23 countability, the Committee on Armed Services,  
24 and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the  
25 House of Representatives; and

1 (B) the Committee on Homeland Security  
2 and Governmental Affairs, the Committee on  
3 Armed Services, and the Committee on Foreign  
4 Relations of the Senate.

5 (2) BUSINESS OPERATIONS.—

6 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “business op-  
7 erations” means engaging in commerce in any  
8 form, including acquiring, developing, maintain-  
9 ing, owning, selling, possessing, leasing, or op-  
10 erating equipment, facilities, personnel, prod-  
11 ucts, services, personal property, real property,  
12 or any other apparatus of business or com-  
13 merce.

14 (B) EXCEPTIONS.—The term “business  
15 operations” does not include—

16 (i) any shipment subject to price caps  
17 as specified in the “Statement of the G7  
18 and Australia on a Price Cap for Seaborne  
19 Russian-Origin Crude Oil”, issued on De-  
20 cember 2, 2022, between member countries  
21 of that coalition, or the price caps as speci-  
22 fied in the “Statement of the G7 and Aus-  
23 tralia on price caps for seaborne Russian-  
24 origin petroleum products Berlin, Brussels,  
25 Canberra, London, Ottawa, Paris, Rome,

1 Tokyo, Washington”, issued on February  
2 4, 2023, between such members, if such  
3 shipment complies with the applicable price  
4 caps;

5 (ii) actions taken for the benefit of  
6 the country of Ukraine, as determined by  
7 the Secretary of Defense; or

8 (iii) actions taken to support the sus-  
9 pension or termination of business oper-  
10 ations for commercial activities during the  
11 period beginning on the date of the enact-  
12 ment of this Act and ending on the date  
13 described in subsection (d), including—

14 (I) any action to secure or divest  
15 from facilities, property, or equip-  
16 ment;

17 (II) the provision of products or  
18 services provided to reduce or elimi-  
19 nate operations in territory inter-  
20 nationally recognized as the Russian  
21 Federation or to comply with sanc-  
22 tions relating to the Russian Federa-  
23 tion; and

24 (III) activities that are incident  
25 to liquidating, dissolving, or winding

1 down a subsidiary or legal entity in  
2 Russia.

3 (3) FOSSIL FUEL COMPANY.—The term “fossil  
4 fuel company” means a person that—

5 (A) carries out oil, gas, or coal exploration,  
6 development, or production activities;

7 (B) processes or refines oil, gas, or coal; or

8 (C) transports, or constructs facilities for  
9 the transportation of, Russian oil, gas, or coal.

10 (4) PERSON.—The term “person” means—

11 (A) a natural person, corporation, com-  
12 pany, business association, partnership, society,  
13 trust, or any other nongovernmental entity, or-  
14 ganization, or group;

15 (B) any governmental entity or instrumen-  
16 tality of a government, including a multilateral  
17 development institution (as defined in section  
18 1701(c)(3) of the International Financial Insti-  
19 tutions Act (22 U.S.C. 262r(c)(3))); and

20 (C) any successor, subunit, parent entity,  
21 or subsidiary of, or any entity under common  
22 ownership or control with, any entity described  
23 in subparagraph (A) or (B).

1 **SEC. 805. PROHIBITION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**  
2 **PROCUREMENT RELATED TO ENTITIES IDEN-**  
3 **TIFIED AS CHINESE MILITARY COMPANIES**  
4 **OPERATING IN THE UNITED STATES.**

5 (a) PROHIBITION ON USE OR PROCUREMENT.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided under  
7 subsection (d), the Secretary may not—

8 (A) enter into, renew, or extend a contract  
9 for the procurement of goods, services, or tech-  
10 nology with an entity described in paragraph  
11 (2); or

12 (B) enter into, renew, or extend a contract  
13 for the procurement of goods or services that  
14 include goods or services produced or developed  
15 by an entity described in paragraph (2).

16 (2) ENTITIES DESCRIBED.—An entity described  
17 in this paragraph is—

18 (A) an entity that is identified in the an-  
19 nual list published in the Federal Register by  
20 the Department of Defense of Chinese military  
21 companies operating in the United States pur-  
22 suant to section 1260H of the William M.  
23 (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authoriza-  
24 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (10 U.S.C. 113  
25 note); or

1 (B) any entity subject to the control of an  
2 entity described in subparagraph (A).

3 (3) LIMITATION ON APPLICABILITY.—

4 (A) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in paragraph  
5 (1) shall prohibit the Secretary from entering  
6 into, renewing, or extending a contract for the  
7 procurement of goods, services, or technology to  
8 provide a service that connects to the facilities  
9 of a third party, including backhaul, roaming,  
10 or interconnection arrangements.

11 (B) EXISTING CONTRACTS.—Nothing in  
12 this section shall permit the Secretary to apply  
13 the prohibitions in paragraph (1) to existing  
14 contracts for goods, services, or technology, in-  
15 cluding when such contracts are modified, ex-  
16 tended, or renewed, entered into prior to the  
17 relevant date described in subsection (b).

18 (C) COMPONENTS.—Paragraph (1) shall  
19 not apply with respect to components (as de-  
20 fined in section 105 of title 41, United States  
21 Code).

22 (4) RULEMAKING.—

23 (A) ENTITY PROHIBITION.—Not later than  
24 one year after the date of the enactment of this  
25 Act, the Secretary shall amend the Defense

1 Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement to  
2 implement the prohibitions in paragraph (1)(A)  
3 for the Department of Defense.

4 (B) GOODS AND SERVICES PROHIBITION.—  
5 Not later than 545 days after the date of the  
6 enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall  
7 amend the Defense Federal Acquisition Regula-  
8 tion Supplement to implement the prohibitions  
9 in paragraph (1)(B) for the Department of De-  
10 fense, including—

11 (i) best practices to avoid being sub-  
12 ject to the prohibitions described in para-  
13 graph (1)(B); and

14 (ii) technical support to assist affected  
15 businesses, institutions, and organizations  
16 as is reasonably necessary for those af-  
17 fected entities to comply with this section.

18 (b) EFFECTIVE DATES.—The prohibition under sub-  
19 section (a)(1)(A) shall take effect on June 30, 2026, and  
20 the prohibition under subsection (a)(1)(B) shall take ef-  
21 fect on June 30, 2027.

22 (c) WAIVER AUTHORITY.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may waive  
24 the requirements under subsection (a) with respect

1 to an entity that requests such a waiver if the entity  
2 seeking the waiver—

3 (A) provides to the Secretary a compelling  
4 justification for the additional time to imple-  
5 ment the requirements under such subsection,  
6 as determined by the Secretary of Defense; and

7 (B) provides to the Secretary a phase-out  
8 plan to eliminate goods, services, or technology  
9 produced or developed by an entity described in  
10 subsection (a)(2) from the systems of the enti-  
11 ty.

12 (2) DURATION.—A waiver granted under para-  
13 graph (1) may remain in effect until the date on  
14 which the Secretary determines that commercially  
15 viable providers exist outside of the People’s Repub-  
16 lic of China that can and are willing to provide the  
17 Department of Defense with quality goods and serv-  
18 ices in the quantity demanded.

19 (3) DELEGATION.—The Secretary may des-  
20 ignate the authority under this section only to—

21 (A) the service acquisition executive of the  
22 military department (as such terms are defined  
23 in section 101(a) of title 10, United States  
24 Code) concerned; or

1 (B) the official responsible for all acquisi-  
2 tion functions of such other element or organi-  
3 zation of the Department of Defense concerned.

4 (d) EXCEPTION.—The President shall not be re-  
5 quired to apply or maintain the prohibition under sub-  
6 section (a) for activities subject to the reporting require-  
7 ments under title V of the National Security Act of 1947  
8 (50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.), or to any authorized intelligence  
9 activities of the United States.

10 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

11 (1) CONTROL.—The term “control” has the  
12 meaning given that term in part 800.208 of title 31,  
13 Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regu-  
14 lations.

15 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
16 the Secretary of Defense.

17 **SEC. 806. PRINCIPAL TECHNOLOGY TRANSITION ADVISOR.**

18 (a) DESIGNATION.—Not later than one year after the  
19 date of the enactment of this Act, each service acquisition  
20 executive of a military department shall designate a Prin-  
21 cipal Technology Transition Advisor who shall advise each  
22 Secretary of a military department on the transition of  
23 technologies, including technologies from science and tech-  
24 nology programs of the Department, private commercial  
25 entities, research institutions, and universities, to fulfill

1 identified and potential warfighter requirements for the  
2 military department.

3 (b) ADVISOR STATUS.—The Principal Technology  
4 Transition Advisor of a military department designated  
5 under subsection (a) shall be a member of the Senior Ex-  
6 ecutive Service or a general officer and directly report to  
7 the service acquisition executive of such military depart-  
8 ment.

9 (c) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Principal Technology  
10 Transition Advisor of a military department designated  
11 under subsection (a) shall do the following:

12 (1) Identify technologies being researched, de-  
13 veloped, tested, or evaluated by science and tech-  
14 nology programs of the Department, including De-  
15 fense research facilities (as defined in section  
16 4125(b) of title 10, United States Code), that the  
17 military department may use to meet identified and  
18 potential warfighter requirements, including tech-  
19 nologies for which the Department owns and main-  
20 tains the intellectual property rights.

21 (2) Consult with Department of Defense inno-  
22 vation programs to identify technologies from private  
23 commercial entities, research institutions, univer-  
24 sities, and other entities that the military depart-

1       ment may use to meet identified and potential  
2       warfighter requirements.

3           (3) Make recommendations to the service acqui-  
4       sition executive of the military department regarding  
5       the acquisition of technologies identified under para-  
6       graphs (1) and (2) for acquisition decisions at the  
7       service acquisition executive level.

8           (4) Inform program managers (as defined in  
9       section 1737 of title 10, United States Code) and  
10      other relevant acquisition officials of the military de-  
11      partment of relevant technologies identified under  
12      paragraphs (1) and (2).

13          (5) Develop policies and processes for pro-  
14      moting to small business concerns (as defined under  
15      section 3 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.  
16      632)) and nontraditional defense contractors (as de-  
17      fined in section 3014 of title 10, United States  
18      Code) opportunities to license intellectual property  
19      developed by the Department, including opportuni-  
20      ties and methods for small business concerns and  
21      nontraditional defense contractors to engage with  
22      the Department regarding such licensing.

23          (6) Develop and maintain metrics tracking the  
24      outcomes of projects and other activities of the mili-  
25      tary department for which the military department

1 expended amounts designated as budget activity 3  
2 (Advanced Technology Development), budget activity  
3 4 (Advanced Component Development and Proto-  
4 types), and budget activity 5 (System Development  
5 and Demonstration), as those budget activity classi-  
6 fications are set forth in volume 2B, chapter 5 of  
7 the Department of Defense Financial Management  
8 Regulation (DOD 7000.14-R).

9 (d) CONGRESSIONAL REPORT.—Not later than one  
10 year after the designation of the Principal Technology  
11 Transition Advisor of a military department under sub-  
12 section (a), and annually thereafter, the Principal Tech-  
13 nology Transition Advisor of such military department  
14 shall submit to Congress a report on the following for the  
15 one-year period preceding the submission of the report:

16 (1) The activities of the Principal Technology  
17 Transition Advisor.

18 (2) The outcomes of projects and other activi-  
19 ties described in subsection (c)(6), including the  
20 metrics described in such subsection.

21 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

22 (1) the term “Department” means the Depart-  
23 ment of Defense;

24 (2) the term “Department of Defense innova-  
25 tion programs” means the Defense Innovation Unit

1 of the Department of Defense, AFWERX of the Air  
2 Force, and other programs sponsored by the Depart-  
3 ment of Defense, or any component thereof, with a  
4 focus on accelerating the adoption of emerging tech-  
5 nologies for mission-relevant applications or innova-  
6 tion; and

7 (3) the terms “military department” and “serv-  
8 ice acquisition executive” have the meanings given  
9 such terms in section 101(a) of title 10, United  
10 States Code.

11 **SEC. 807. SENIOR CONTRACTING OFFICIAL FOR STRATEGIC**  
12 **CAPABILITIES OFFICE.**

13 (a) SENIOR CONTRACTING OFFICIAL.—The staff of  
14 the Director of the Strategic Capabilities Office shall in-  
15 clude a senior contracting official (as defined in section  
16 1737 of title 10, United States Code) who shall have the  
17 authority to enter into and administer contracts, grants,  
18 cooperative agreements, and other transactions in execu-  
19 tion of the program activities of the Strategic Capabilities  
20 Office.

21 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE; IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—

22 (1) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The authorities de-  
23 scribed in subsection (a) shall take effect 30 days  
24 after the date on which the Secretary of Defense  
25 submits the plan described in paragraph (2).

1           (2) PLAN.—Not later than 90 days after the  
2           date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
3           shall submit to the congressional defense committees  
4           a plan for the implementation of the authorities de-  
5           scribed in subsection (a). The plan shall include the  
6           following:

7                   (A) A plan for oversight of the senior con-  
8                   tracting official described under subsection (a).

9                   (B) An assessment of the acquisition work-  
10                  force needs of the Strategic Capabilities Office  
11                  to support the authority provided under sub-  
12                  section (a).

13                  (C) Other matters as appropriate.

14 **SEC. 808. PILOT PROGRAM FOR THE USE OF INNOVATIVE**  
15 **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY STRATEGIES.**

16           (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Defense  
17           shall establish a pilot program for the use of innovative  
18           intellectual property strategies that meet the criteria de-  
19           scribed in subsection (b) to acquire the necessary technical  
20           data rights required for the operation, maintenance, and  
21           installation of, and training for, covered programs des-  
22           ignated under subsection (c).

23           (b) CRITERIA FOR STRATEGIES.—The innovative in-  
24           tellectual property strategies used in a pilot program es-  
25           tablished under this section may include the following:

1           (1) The use of an escrow account to verify and  
2 hold intellectual property data.

3           (2) The use of royalties or licenses.

4           (3) Other strategies, as determined by the Sec-  
5 retary.

6           (c) DESIGNATION OF COVERED PROGRAMS.—Not  
7 later than May 1, 2024, and with respect to the pilot pro-  
8 gram established under this section—

9           (1) the Secretary of each military department  
10 shall designate one covered program within the mili-  
11 tary department under the jurisdiction of such Sec-  
12 retary; and

13           (2) the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisi-  
14 tion and Sustainment shall designate one covered  
15 program within the Defense Agencies or Department  
16 of Defense Field Activities (as defined, respectively,  
17 in section 101 of title 10, United States Code).

18           (d) BRIEFING REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 180  
19 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under  
20 Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, in  
21 coordination with the Secretaries of the military depart-  
22 ments, shall provide a briefing to the Committees on  
23 Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Represent-  
24 atives with a detailed plan to implement the pilot program  
25 required under this section.

1 (e) ANNUAL REPORT.—Beginning on the date on  
2 which the first program is designated under subsection (c)  
3 and until the termination date in subsection (f), the Under  
4 Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, in  
5 coordination with the Secretaries of the military depart-  
6 ments, shall provide an annual report to the Committees  
7 on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Rep-  
8 resentatives on—

9 (1) the effectiveness of the pilot program in ac-  
10 quiring the necessary technical data rights necessary  
11 to support timely, cost-effective maintenance and  
12 sustainment of the acquisition programs designated  
13 under subsection (c); and

14 (2) any recommendations for the applicability  
15 of lessons learned from the pilot program.

16 (f) TERMINATION.—The authority to carry out the  
17 pilot program established under this section shall termi-  
18 nate on December 31, 2028.

19 (g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

20 (1) The term “covered program” means an ac-  
21 quisition program under which procurements are  
22 conducted using a pathway of the adaptive acquisi-  
23 tion framework (as described in Department of De-  
24 fense Instruction 5000.02, “Operation of the Adapt-  
25 ive Acquisition Framework”).

1           (2) The term “technical data rights” has the  
2           meaning given in section 3771 of title 10, United  
3           States Code.

4 **SEC. 809. PILOT PROGRAM FOR ANYTHING-AS-A-SERVICE.**

5           (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall es-  
6           tablish a pilot program to explore the use of consumption-  
7           based solutions to address any defense need, hereafter  
8           “anything-as-a-service”, that is feasible to provide users  
9           on-demand access, quickly add newly released capabilities,  
10          and bill based on actual usage at fixed price units.

11          (b) REQUIREMENTS.—A contract or other agreement  
12          for anything-as-a-service entered into under the pilot pro-  
13          gram shall require the outcomes of the capability to be  
14          measurable, including the cost and speed of delivery in  
15          comparison to using processes other than anything-as-a-  
16          service, at the regular intervals that are customary for the  
17          type of solution provided.

18          (c) NOTICE.—With respect to each opportunity to  
19          participate in the pilot program established under sub-  
20          section (a), the Secretary shall make publicly available a  
21          notice of such opportunity for not less than 60 days.

22          (d) TIMING.—The Secretary shall, to the extent prac-  
23          ticable, enter into a contract or other agreement under  
24          this section not later than 100 days after the date on  
25          which the Secretary, under subsection (c), makes publicly

1 available a notice to participate in the pilot program estab-  
2 lished under this section.

3 (e) EXEMPTIONS.—A contract or other agreement  
4 entered into under this section shall be exempt from the  
5 following:

6 (1) The requirements of section 3702 of title  
7 10, United States Code.

8 (2) With respect to a modification to add new  
9 features or capabilities in an amount less than or  
10 equal to 25 percent of the total value of such con-  
11 tract or other agreement, the requirements of full  
12 and open competition (as defined in section 2302 of  
13 title 10, United States Code).

14 (f) BRIEFING.—Not later than June 30, 2024, the  
15 Secretary of Defense shall provide a briefing to the con-  
16 gressional defense committees on the implementation of  
17 the pilot program.

18 (g) ANYTHING-AS-A-SERVICE DEFINED.—In this sec-  
19 tion, the term “anything-as-a-service” means a model  
20 under which a technology-supported capability is provided  
21 to the Department of Defense and may utilize any com-  
22 bination of software, hardware or equipment, data, and  
23 labor or services that provides a capability that is metered  
24 and billed based on actual usage at fixed price units.

1 **SEC. 810. UPDATED GUIDANCE ON PLANNING FOR**  
2 **EXPORTABILITY FEATURES FOR FUTURE**  
3 **PROGRAMS.**

4 (a) PROGRAM GUIDANCE ON PLANNING FOR  
5 EXPORTABILITY FEATURES.—Not later than one year  
6 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under  
7 Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment  
8 shall ensure that the program guidance for major defense  
9 acquisition programs (as defined in section 4201 of title  
10 10, United States Code) and for acquisition programs and  
11 projects that are carried out using the rapid fielding or  
12 rapid prototyping acquisition pathway under section 804  
13 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
14 2016 (Public Law 114–92; 10 U.S.C. 3201 note prec.)  
15 is revised to integrate planning for exportability features  
16 under section 4067 of title 10, United States Code, includ-  
17 ing—

18 (1) for major defense acquisition programs, an  
19 assessment of such programs to identify potential  
20 exportability needs; and

21 (2) for technologies under an acquisition pro-  
22 gram or project carried out using the rapid fielding  
23 or rapid prototyping acquisition pathway that are  
24 transitioned to a major capability acquisition pro-  
25 gram, an assessment of potential exportability needs

1 of such technologies not later than one year after  
2 the date of such transition.

3 (b) REVISION OF GUIDANCE FOR PROGRAM PROTEC-  
4 TION PLANS.—Not later than three years after the date  
5 of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary shall  
6 revise guidance for program protection plans to integrate  
7 a requirement to determine exportability for the programs  
8 covered by such plans.

9 **SEC. 811. MODERNIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**  
10 **REQUIREMENTS PROCESS.**

11 (a) MODERNIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
12 REQUIREMENTS PROCESS.—Not later than October 1,  
13 2025, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Vice  
14 Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, in coordination  
15 with the Secretaries of the military departments and the  
16 commanders of the combatant commands, and in consulta-  
17 tion with the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition  
18 and Sustainment, shall develop and implement a stream-  
19 lined requirements development process for the Depart-  
20 ment of Defense, to include revising the Joint Capabilities  
21 Integration and Development System, in order to improve  
22 alignment between modern warfare concepts, technologies,  
23 and system development and reduce the time to deliver  
24 needed capabilities to warfighters.

1 (b) REFORM ELEMENTS.—The process required by  
2 subsection (a) shall—

3 (1) streamline requirements documents, re-  
4 views, and approval processes, focusing on programs  
5 below the major defense acquisition program thresh-  
6 old described in section 4201 of title 10, United  
7 States Code;

8 (2) revise requirements management practices  
9 using a clean-sheet approach that avoids prescriptive  
10 language, is based on mission outcomes and assessed  
11 threats, enables a more iterative and collaborative  
12 approach with the Armed Forces, maximizes the use  
13 of commercial products or commercial services in ac-  
14 cordance with section 3453 of title 10, United States  
15 Code, and allows for a broader range of new or al-  
16 ternative technological opportunities to be incor-  
17 porated without the requirement being validated  
18 again;

19 (3) develop a capability needs and requirements  
20 framework and pathways that are aligned to the  
21 pathways of the adaptive acquisition framework (as  
22 described in Department of Defense Instruction  
23 5000.02, “Operation of the Adaptive Acquisition  
24 Framework”), and better aligned and integrated

1 with the science and technology development pro-  
2 cesses of the Department;

3 (4) provide continuity to the acquisition and re-  
4 search programs of the military departments by ena-  
5 bling the military departments to develop, with re-  
6 spect to collections of capabilities grouped by func-  
7 tion by the Department of Defense, sets of require-  
8 ments that are designed to remain applicable to pro-  
9 grams and systems relating to such capabilities over  
10 substantial periods of time;

11 (5) require the military departments to—

12 (A) articulate in a concise model and docu-  
13 ment with a set of mission impact measures the  
14 sets of requirements developed under paragraph  
15 (4); and

16 (B) seek to continuously improve the capa-  
17 bilities subject to such sets of requirements the  
18 acquisition of additional capabilities;

19 (6) establish a process to rapidly validate the  
20 ability of commercial products and services to meet  
21 capability needs or opportunities;

22 (7) retire and replace the Department of De-  
23 fense Architecture Framework with a new structure  
24 focused on enabling interoperability through applica-  
25 tion program interfaces, enterprise architectures and

1 platforms, and government and commercial stand-  
2 ards; and

3 (8) ensure that requirements processes for soft-  
4 ware, artificial intelligence, data, and related capa-  
5 bility areas enable a more rapid, dynamic, and  
6 iterative approach than the requirements processes  
7 for traditional hardware systems.

8 (c) ELEMENTS.—With respect to the implementation  
9 of the process required by subsection (a), the Vice Chair-  
10 man of the Joint Chiefs of Staff shall—

11 (1) collaborate with industry partners, contrac-  
12 tors of the Department and nontraditional defense  
13 contractors (as defined in section 3014 of title 10,  
14 United States Code), and Department of Defense  
15 science and technology reinvention laboratories (as  
16 designated under section 4121(b) of title 10, United  
17 States Code) regarding the development of the  
18 streamlined requirements development process under  
19 subsection (a) to ensure such process effectively uses  
20 the innovation ecosystem (as defined in section  
21 236(g) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense  
22 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (10 U.S.C.  
23 4001 note));

24 (2) develop a formal career path, training, and  
25 structure for requirements managers; and

1           (3) publish new policies, guidance, and tem-  
2           plates for the operational, requirements, and acquisi-  
3           tion workforces online in digital formats.

4           (d) INTERIM REPORT.—Not later than October 1,  
5 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the con-  
6 gressional defense committees a report on the development  
7 and implementation of the process required by subsection  
8 (a), including—

9           (1) a description of the efforts to develop and  
10          implement the streamlined requirements develop-  
11          ment process under subsection (a);

12          (2) the plans of the Department of Defense to  
13          implement, communicate, and continuously improve  
14          the requirements development process required by  
15          subsection (a); and

16          (3) any additional recommendations for legisla-  
17          tion that the Secretary determines appropriate.

18          (e) FINAL REPORT.—Not later than October 1, 2025,  
19 the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional  
20 defense committees a report describing activities carried  
21 out pursuant to this section.

1 **SEC. 812. PREVENTING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST FOR ENTI-**  
2 **TIES THAT PROVIDE CERTAIN CONSULTING**  
3 **SERVICES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DE-**  
4 **FENSE.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—

6 (1) CERTIFICATION.—Not later than 180 days  
7 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
8 retary of Defense shall amend the Department of  
9 Defense Supplement to the Federal Acquisition Reg-  
10 ulation to require any entity that provides consulting  
11 services and is assigned a North American Industry  
12 Classification System code beginning with 5416,  
13 after the effective date of such amendment and be-  
14 fore entering into a covered contract, to certify  
15 that—

16 (A) neither the entity nor any subsidiaries  
17 or affiliates of the entity (as that term is de-  
18 fined in section 2.101 of the Federal Acquisi-  
19 tion Regulation) hold a contract for consulting  
20 services with one or more covered foreign enti-  
21 ties; or

22 (B) the entity maintains a Conflict of In-  
23 terest Mitigation plan described under sub-  
24 section (b) that is auditable by a contract over-  
25 sight entity.

1           (2) PROHIBITION.—The Secretary of Defense  
2           may not enter into a covered contract with an entity  
3           described in paragraph (1) that is unable to make  
4           the certification required under such paragraph.

5           (b) CONFLICT OF INTEREST MITIGATION PLAN.—A  
6           Conflict of Interest Mitigation plan described under this  
7           subsection shall include—

8           (1) an identification, where such identification  
9           is not otherwise prohibited by law or regulation, of  
10          any covered contracts of an entity described in sub-  
11          section (a) with a covered foreign entity;

12          (2) a written analysis, including a course of ac-  
13          tion for avoiding, neutralizing, or mitigating the ac-  
14          tual or potential conflict of interest of such a cov-  
15          ered contract with the Department of Defense;

16          (3) a description of the procedures adopted by  
17          an entity to ensure that individuals who will be per-  
18          forming a covered contract will not, for the duration  
19          of such contract, also provide any consulting services  
20          to any covered foreign entity; and

21          (4) a description of the procedures by which an  
22          entity will submit to the contract oversight entities  
23          a notice of an unmitigated conflict of interest with  
24          respect to a covered contract within 15 days of de-  
25          termining that such a conflict has arisen.

1           (c) ALTERNATIVE IDENTIFICATION OF COVERED  
2 FOREIGN ENTITIES.—If an entity is unable to identify  
3 covered foreign entities under subsection (b)(1) due to  
4 confidentiality obligations, the entity shall identify any  
5 such covered foreign entity as an entity described in sub-  
6 paragraphs (A) through (F) of subsection (f)(4) in the  
7 Conflict of Interest Mitigation plan.

8           (d) NOTIFICATION.—Before determining to withhold  
9 an award of a covered contract based on a conflict of inter-  
10 est under this section that cannot be avoided or mitigated,  
11 the contracting officer for the contract shall notify the of-  
12 feror of the reasons for such withholding and allow the  
13 offeror a reasonable opportunity to respond. If the con-  
14 tracting officer for the contract finds that it is in the best  
15 interests of the United States to award the contract not-  
16 withstanding such a conflict of interest, a request for waiv-  
17 er shall be submitted in accordance with section 9.503 of  
18 title 48, Code of Federal Regulations. The waiver request  
19 and decision shall be included in the contract file.

20           (e) WAIVER.—

21           (1) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense  
22 may issue a waiver with respect to the requirements  
23 of this section for the award of a covered contract  
24 on a case-by-case basis as may be necessary in the  
25 interest of national security. The Secretary of De-

1 fense may not delegate the authority under this sub-  
2 section to an official who has not been Presidentially  
3 appointed and confirmed by the Senate.

4 (2) WAIVER NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 30  
5 days after issuing a waiver under this subsection,  
6 the Secretary of Defense shall provide a written no-  
7 tification to the Committee on Armed Services of the  
8 Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the  
9 House of Representatives regarding the use of such  
10 waiver authority. The notification shall include—

11 (A) the specific justification for providing  
12 the waiver;

13 (B) an identification of the covered foreign  
14 entity that is the subject of the waiver request;

15 (C) the number of bidders for the covered  
16 contract for which the waiver was granted;

17 (D) the number of bidders for the covered  
18 contract that did not request a waiver; and

19 (E) the total dollar value of the covered  
20 contract.

21 (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

22 (1) The term “consulting services” has the  
23 meaning given the term “advisory and assistance  
24 services” in section 2.101 of the Federal Acquisition

1 Regulation, except that the term does not include  
2 the provision of products or services related to—

3 (A) compliance with legal, audit, account-  
4 ing, tax, reporting, or other requirements of the  
5 laws and standards of countries; or

6 (B) participation in a judicial, legal, or eq-  
7 uitable dispute resolution proceeding.

8 (2) The term “contract oversight entity” means  
9 any of the following:

10 (A) The contracting officer.

11 (B) The contracting officer representative.

12 (C) The Defense Contract Management  
13 Agency.

14 (D) The Defense Contract Audit Agency.

15 (E) The Office of Inspector General of the  
16 Department of Defense or any subcomponent of  
17 such office.

18 (F) The Government Accountability Office.

19 (3) The term “covered contract” means a con-  
20 tract of the Department of Defense for consulting  
21 services.

22 (4) The term “covered foreign entity” means  
23 any of the following:

24 (A) The Government of the People’s Re-  
25 public of China, the Chinese Communist Party,

1 the People's Liberation Army, the Ministry of  
2 State Security, or other security service or in-  
3 telligence agency of the People's Republic of  
4 China.

5 (B) The Government of the Russian Fed-  
6 eration or any entity sanctioned by the Sec-  
7 retary of the Treasury under Executive Order  
8 13662 titled "Blocking Property of Additional  
9 Persons Contributing to the Situation in  
10 Ukraine" (79 Fed. Reg. 16169).

11 (C) The government of any country if the  
12 Secretary of State determines that such govern-  
13 ment has repeatedly provided support for acts  
14 of international terrorism pursuant to any of  
15 the following:

16 (i) Section 1754(c)(1)(A) of the Ex-  
17 port Control Reform Act of 2018 (50  
18 U.S.C. 4318(c)(1)(A)).

19 (ii) Section 620A of the Foreign As-  
20 sistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2371).

21 (iii) Section 40 of the Arms Export  
22 Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2780).

23 (iv) Any other provision of law.

1 (D) Any entity included on any of the fol-  
2 lowing lists maintained by the Department of  
3 Commerce:

4 (i) The Entity List set forth in Sup-  
5 plement No. 4 to part 744 of the Export  
6 Administration Regulations.

7 (ii) The Denied Persons List as de-  
8 scribed in section 764.3(a)(2) of the Ex-  
9 port Administration Regulations.

10 (iii) The Unverified List set forth in  
11 Supplement No. 6 to part 744 of the Ex-  
12 port Administration Regulations.

13 (iv) The Military End User List set  
14 forth in Supplement No. 7 to part 744 of  
15 the Export Administration Regulations.

16 (E) Any entity identified by the Secretary  
17 of Defense pursuant to section 1237(b) of the  
18 Strom Thurmond National Defense Authoriza-  
19 tion Act for Fiscal Year 1999 (Public Law  
20 105–261; 50 U.S.C. 1701 note).

21 (F) Any entity on the Non-SDN Chinese  
22 Military-Industrial Complex Companies List  
23 (NS–CMIC List) maintained by the Office of  
24 Foreign Assets Control of the Department of  
25 the Treasury under Executive Order 14032 (86

1 Fed. Reg. 30145; relating to addressing the  
2 threat from securities investments that finance  
3 certain companies of the People's Republic of  
4 China), or any successor order.

5 **SEC. 813. FOCUSED COMMERCIAL SOLUTIONS OPENINGS**  
6 **OPPORTUNITIES.**

7 (a) REQUIREMENT.—During each fiscal year begin-  
8 ning after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
9 retary of Defense, in coordination with the service acquisi-  
10 tion executives of each military department, shall exercise  
11 the authority under section 3458 of title 10, United States  
12 Code, not less than four times to acquire goods or services  
13 addressing the mission needs of a geographic combatant  
14 command.

15 (b) EXECUTION.—With respect to acquisition carried  
16 out under section 3458 of title 10, United States Code,  
17 pursuant to subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense  
18 shall—

19 (1) assign the responsibility for carrying out  
20 such acquisition to a program executive officer and  
21 a head of a science and technology reinvention lab-  
22 oratory from the same military department, who  
23 shall co-lead such acquisition; and

24 (2) ensure that the program executive officer  
25 and the head of a science and technology reinvention

1 laboratory assigned as co-leads under paragraph (1)  
2 have similar existing requirements and funding for  
3 transitioning technologies to acquisition programs  
4 within the area of focus for such acquisition.

5 (c) SUNSET.—Subsection (a) shall expire on Sep-  
6 tember 30, 2027.

7 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

8 (1) The terms “military department” and  
9 “services acquisition executive” have the meanings  
10 given such terms in section 101(a) of title 10,  
11 United States Code.

12 (2) The term “program executive officer” has  
13 the meaning given such term in section 1737(a) of  
14 title 10, United States Code.

15 (3) The term “science and technology reinven-  
16 tion laboratory” means a science and technology re-  
17 invention laboratory designated under section  
18 4121(b) of title 10, United States Code.

19 **Subtitle B—Amendments to Gen-  
20 eral Contracting Authorities,  
21 Procedures, and Limitations**

22 **SEC. 820. AMENDMENTS TO MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT  
23 AUTHORITY.**

24 Section 3501(a)(1) of title 10, United States Code,  
25 is amended—

1 (1) by striking “will result in significant sav-  
2 ings” and inserting the following: “will result in—

3 “(A) significant savings”; and

4 (2) by striking “annual contracts.” and insert-  
5 ing the following: “annual contracts; or

6 “(B) necessary defense industrial base sta-  
7 bility not otherwise achievable through annual  
8 contracts.”.

9 **SEC. 821. MODIFICATION OF APPROVAL AUTHORITY FOR**  
10 **CERTAIN FOLLOW-ON PRODUCTION CON-**  
11 **TRACTS OR TRANSACTIONS.**

12 Section 4022 of title 10, United States Code, is  
13 amended—

14 (1) in subsection (a)(2)(C)(i)(I), by inserting  
15 after “subsection (d)” the following: “were met for  
16 the prior transaction for the prototype project that  
17 provided for the award of the follow-on production  
18 contract or transaction, and the requirements of  
19 subsection (f)”;

20 (2) in subsection (d), by adding at the end the  
21 following new paragraph:

22 “(3) The requirements of this subsection do not  
23 apply to follow-on production contracts or trans-  
24 actions under subsection (f).”.

1 **SEC. 822. CLARIFICATION OF OTHER TRANSACTION AU-**  
2 **THORITY FOR INSTALLATION OR FACILITY**  
3 **PROTOTYPING.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4022(i) of title 10, United  
5 States Code, is amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (2)—

7 (A) in subparagraph (A), by inserting “ex-  
8 cept for projects carried out for the purpose of  
9 repairing a facility,” before “not more”; and

10 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
11 “\$200,000,000” and inserting “\$300,000,000”;

12 (2) by redesignating paragraph (3) as para-  
13 graph (4); and

14 (3) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-  
15 lowing new paragraph:

16 “(3) USE OF AMOUNTS.—The Secretary of De-  
17 fense or the Secretary of a military department may  
18 carry out prototype projects under the pilot program  
19 established under paragraph (1) using amounts  
20 available to the Secretary of Defense or the Sec-  
21 retary of a military department (as applicable) for  
22 military construction, operation and maintenance, or  
23 research, development, test, and evaluation, notwith-  
24 standing—

25 “(A) subchapters I and III of chapter 169  
26 of this title; and

1 “(B) chapters 221 and 223 of this title.”.

2 (b) APPLICABILITY.—The amendments made by this  
3 section shall apply with respect to transactions entered  
4 into on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

5 **SEC. 823. EXTENSION AND REVISIONS TO NEVER CON-**  
6 **TRACT WITH THE ENEMY.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 841 of the Carl Levin and  
8 Howard P. “Buck” McKeon National Defense Authoriza-  
9 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Public Law 113–291; 10  
10 U.S.C. 4871 note prec.) is amended—

11 (1) by striking the section heading and insert-  
12 ing “**THREAT MITIGATION IN COMMERCIAL**  
13 **SUPPORT TO OPERATIONS**”;

14 (2) in subsection (a)—

15 (A) by striking the subsection heading and  
16 inserting “PROGRAM ESTABLISHED”; and

17 (B) in matter preceding paragraph (1), by  
18 striking “and in consultation with the Secretary  
19 of State” and all that follows through the pe-  
20 riod at the end and inserting “and the Sec-  
21 retary of State, establish a program to enable  
22 commanders of combatant commands to iden-  
23 tify and manage risks resulting from covered  
24 persons and entities engaging in covered activi-  
25 ties. The Secretary of Defense shall issue guid-

1           ance establishing such program, including iden-  
2           tifying who shall be responsible for carrying out  
3           and overseeing the program, procedures for  
4           using information available from intelligence,  
5           security, and law enforcement sources to iden-  
6           tify such risks, and strategies for managing the  
7           risks posed by covered persons and entities en-  
8           gaging in covered activities.”;

9           (3) by amending subsection (b) to read as fol-  
10          lows:

11          “(b) AUTHORITY.—

12           “(1) IDENTIFICATION.—

13           “(A) IN GENERAL.—Under the program  
14           established under subsection (a), the com-  
15           mander of the combatant command concerned  
16           shall evaluate covered persons and entities with-  
17           in the area of responsibility of such command  
18           to identify such covered persons and entities  
19           that are engaging in covered activities.

20           “(B) NOTIFICATION.—Upon identification  
21           of a covered person or entity who is engaging  
22           in covered activities pursuant to an evaluation  
23           under subparagraph (A), the commander of the  
24           combatant command concerned, or the des-  
25           ignated deputies of such commander, shall sub-

1           mit to the Under Secretary of Defense for Ac-  
2           quisition and Sustainment, the Under Secretary  
3           of Defense for Intelligence and Security, and  
4           the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy a no-  
5           tice of such identification and the rationale for  
6           such identification.

7           “(2) COVERED PROCUREMENT ACTIONS.—The  
8           head of a contracting activity may take a covered  
9           procurement action with respect to a person or enti-  
10          ty identified as engaging in a covered activity under  
11          the program established under subsection (a) if such  
12          head receives a notification from the Under Sec-  
13          retary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment  
14          stating that, based on a risk assessment conducted  
15          by the commander of a combatant command who  
16          made such identification—

17                 “(A) such person or entity is a covered  
18                 person or entity;

19                 “(B) such person or entity is or was en-  
20                 gaging in one or more covered activities; and

21                 “(C) less intrusive measures are not rea-  
22                 sonably available to manage the risk posed by  
23                 such person or entity.”;

24           (4) by amending subsection (c) to read as fol-  
25          lows:

1           “(c) NOTIFICATION TO COVERED PERSON OR ENTI-  
2 TY.—

3           “(1) ADVANCE NOTICE.—The head of a con-  
4 tracting activity, or other appropriate official, shall  
5 notify covered persons and entities of the following:

6           “(A) The program established under sub-  
7 section (a).

8           “(B) The authorities provided by sub-  
9 section (b).

10           “(C) The responsibilities of covered per-  
11 sons or entities to exercise due diligence to miti-  
12 gate their engagement in covered activities.

13           “(2) NOTICE OF COVERED PROCUREMENT AC-  
14 TIONS.—

15           “(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30  
16 days prior to taking a covered procurement ac-  
17 tion, the head of a contracting activity shall no-  
18 tify the covered person or entity of the covered  
19 procurement action. The covered person or enti-  
20 ty shall be permitted the opportunity to chal-  
21 lenge the covered procurement action by re-  
22 questing an administrative review of the action  
23 under the procedures of the Department of De-  
24 fense not later than 30 days after receipt of no-  
25 tice of the action.

1           “(B) LIMITATION ON DISCLOSURE OF IN-  
2           FORMATION.—The rationale of the commander  
3           of a combatant command that identified the  
4           covered person or entity receiving a notice  
5           under subparagraph (A) as a covered person or  
6           entity engaging in a covered activity under sub-  
7           section (b)(1) shall not be disclosed to such cov-  
8           ered person or entity, or their representatives,  
9           to the extent that such disclosure would com-  
10          promise national security or pose an unaccept-  
11          able threat to personnel of the United States or  
12          its partners or allies.

13           “(C) PROTECTION OF CLASSIFIED INFOR-  
14          MATION.—Classified information relied upon to  
15          take a covered procurement action may not be  
16          disclosed to a covered person or entity, or to  
17          their representatives, unless a protective order  
18          issued by a court of competent jurisdiction es-  
19          tablished under article I or article III of the  
20          Constitution of the United States specifically  
21          addresses the conditions under which such clas-  
22          sified information may be disclosed.”;

23           (5) by amending subsection (d) to read as fol-  
24          lows:

1           “(d) COVERED PROCUREMENT ACTION REPORT-  
2 ING.—Not later than 15 days after the head of a con-  
3 tracting activity takes a covered procurement action, such  
4 head of a contracting activity shall report such covered  
5 procurement action to the Under Secretary of Defense for  
6 Acquisition and Sustainment and include such covered  
7 procurement action in the Federal Awardee Performance  
8 and Integrity Information System or other formal systems  
9 of record and, in the case that such cover procurement  
10 action is for the exclusion a person or commercial entity  
11 from an award, the System for Award Management.”;

12           (6) by amending subsection (e) to read as fol-  
13 lows:

14           “(e) ANNUAL REVIEW.—The Secretary of Defense,  
15 in coordination with the Director of National Intelligence  
16 and the Secretary of State, shall, on an annual basis, re-  
17 view the lists of persons and entities previously subject to  
18 a covered procurement action under subsection (b)(2) to  
19 determine whether or not such persons and entities con-  
20 tinue to warrant use of the covered procurement action.”;

21           (7) by amending subsection (f) to read as fol-  
22 lows:

23           “(f) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense, in conjunc-  
24 tion with the Secretary of State, may grant a waiver for

1 actions taken under subsection (b) if it is in the best inter-  
2 est of national security.”;

3 (8) by amending subsection (g) to read as fol-  
4 lows:

5 “(g) DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY.—The authority  
6 provided by subsection (b) to make a determination to use  
7 a covered procurement action, in whole or in part, may  
8 not be delegated below the level of head of contracting ac-  
9 tivity, or equivalent official, for purposes of grants or co-  
10 operative agreements.”;

11 (9) by amending subsection (h) to read as fol-  
12 lows:

13 “(h) UPDATING REGULATIONS.—The Federal Acqui-  
14 sition Regulation and the Defense Federal Acquisition  
15 Regulation Supplement shall be revised to implement the  
16 provisions of this subtitle.”;

17 (10) in subsection (i)—

18 (A) in paragraph (1)—

19 (i) by striking “Director of the Office  
20 of Management and Budget” and inserting  
21 “Secretary of Defense”;

22 (ii) by striking “appropriate commit-  
23 tees of Congress” and inserting “congres-  
24 sional defense committees (as defined in

1 section 101(a) of title 10, United States  
2 Code)”;

3 (iii) in subparagraph (A)—

4 (I) by striking “an executive  
5 agency exercised the authority to ter-  
6minate, void, or restrict a contract,  
7 grant, and cooperative agreement pur-  
8suant to subsection (c), based on a  
9 notification under subsection (b)” and  
10 inserting “a head of contracting activ-  
11ity took a covered procurement ac-  
12tion”;

13 (II) in clause (i), by striking “ex-  
14ecutive agency” and inserting “head  
15of contracting activity”;

16 (III) in clause (ii), by striking  
17 “the action taken” and inserting  
18 “taking the covered procurement ac-  
19tion”;

20 (IV) in clause (iii), by striking  
21 “voided or terminated” and inserting  
22 “subject to the covered procurement  
23 action”; and

24 (V) in clause (iv)—

1 (aa) by striking “of the ex-  
2 ecutive agency in force” and in-  
3 sserting “the Department of De-  
4 fense has”; and

5 (bb) by striking “at the time  
6 the contract, grant, or coopera-  
7 tive agreement was terminated or  
8 voided” and inserting “at the  
9 time of taking the covered pro-  
10 curement action”; and

11 (iv) in subparagraph (B)—

12 (I) by striking “an executive  
13 agency did not exercise the authority  
14 to terminate, void, or restrict a con-  
15 tract, grant, and cooperative agree-  
16 ment pursuant to subsection (c),  
17 based on a notification” and inserting  
18 “a head of contracting activity did not  
19 take a covered procurement action fol-  
20 lowing an identification from a com-  
21 batant commander”;

22 (II) in clause (i), by striking “ex-  
23 ecutive agency” and inserting “head  
24 of contracting activity”; and

1 (III) in clause (ii), by inserting  
2 “covered procurement” before “ac-  
3 tion”; and

4 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “Direc-  
5 tor” and inserting “Secretary of Defense”;

6 (11) by striking subsections (j) and (m) and re-  
7 designating subsections (k), (l), and (n) as sub-  
8 sections (j), (k), and (l), respectively;

9 (12) in subsection (k), as redesignated by para-  
10 graph (11), by striking “Except as provided in sub-  
11 section (m), the” and inserting “The”; and

12 (13) in subsection (l), as so redesignated, by  
13 striking “December 31, 2025” and inserting “De-  
14 cember 31, 2033”.

15 (b) ACCESS TO RECORDS.—Section 842 of the Carl  
16 Levin and Howard P. “Buck” McKeon National Defense  
17 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 is amended by  
18 striking subsections (a) through (c) and inserting the fol-  
19 lowing:

20 “(a) ADDITIONAL ACCESS TO RECORDS.—The Sec-  
21 retary of Defense may examine any records of persons or  
22 entities that have existing contracts with, or are active re-  
23 cipients of a grant or cooperative agreement from, the De-  
24 partment of Defense, including any subcontractors or sub-

1 grantees, to the extent necessary to support the program  
2 established under section 841 of this Act.

3 “(b) LIMITATION.—The examination authorized  
4 under subsection (a) may only take place after a written  
5 determination is made by the contracting officer, based  
6 on a finding from the combatant commander, stating that  
7 this examination will support the program established  
8 under such section 841 and that less intrusive measures  
9 are not reasonably available to manage the risk.”.

10 (c) DEFINITIONS.—Section 843 of the Carl Levin  
11 and Howard P. “Buck” McKeon National Defense Au-  
12 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 is amended—

13 (1) by striking paragraphs (1), (2), (3), (7),  
14 and (9) and redesignating paragraphs (5), (6), and  
15 (8) as paragraphs (2), (3), and (7);

16 (2) before paragraph (2), as so redesignated, by  
17 inserting the following new paragraph:

18 “(1) COVERED ACTIVITIES.—The term ‘covered  
19 activities’ means activities where a covered person or  
20 entity is—

21 “(A) engaging in acts of violence against  
22 personnel of the United States or its partners  
23 and allies;

1           “(B) providing financing, logistics, train-  
2           ing, or intelligence to a person described in sub-  
3           paragraph (A);

4           “(C) engaging in foreign intelligence activi-  
5           ties against the United States or its partners  
6           and allies;

7           “(D) engaging in transnational organized  
8           crime or criminal activities; or

9           “(E) engaging in other activities that  
10          present a direct or indirect risk to United  
11          States or partner and allied missions and  
12          forces.”;

13          (3) in paragraph (2), as so redesignated, by  
14          striking “with an estimated value in excess of  
15          \$50,000 that is performed outside the United  
16          States, including its possessions and territories, in  
17          support” and all that follows through the period at  
18          the end and inserting “that is performed outside the  
19          United States, including its possessions and terri-  
20          tories.”;

21          (4) by amending paragraph (3), as so redesign-  
22          ated, to read as follows:

23          “(3) COVERED PERSON OR ENTITY.—The term  
24          ‘covered person or entity’ means any person, cor-  
25          poration, company, limited liability company, limited

1 partnership, business trust, business association, or  
2 other similar entity outside of the United States or  
3 any foreign reporting company in accordance with  
4 section 5336(a)(11)(A)(ii) of title 31, United States  
5 Code, that is responding to a covered solicitation or  
6 performing work on a covered contract, grant, or co-  
7 operative agreement.”; and

8 (5) by inserting after paragraph (4) the fol-  
9 lowing new paragraphs:

10 “(5) COVERED PROCUREMENT ACTION.—The  
11 term ‘covered procurement action’ means an action  
12 taken by a head of contracting activity to—

13 “(A) exclude a person or commercial entity  
14 from an award with or without an existing con-  
15 tract, grant, or cooperative agreement;

16 “(B) terminate a contract, grant, or coop-  
17 erative agreement for default; or

18 “(C) void, in whole or in part, a contract,  
19 grant, or cooperative agreement.

20 “(6) COVERED SOLICITATION.—The term ‘cov-  
21 ered solicitation’ means any solicitation by the De-  
22 partment of Defense for work for which the place of  
23 performance is outside of the United States.”.

24 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
25 this section shall take effect 180 days after the date of

1 the enactment of this Act, and shall apply to covered so-  
2 licitations issued and covered contracts, grants, or cooper-  
3 ative agreements (as that term is defined in section 843  
4 of the Carl Levin and Howard P. “Buck” McKeon Na-  
5 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015,  
6 as amended by subsection (c)), awarded on or after such  
7 date, and to task and delivery orders that have been issued  
8 on or after such date pursuant to covered contracts,  
9 grants, or cooperative agreements that are awarded be-  
10 fore, on, or after such date.

11 **SEC. 824. MODIFICATION AND EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY**  
12 **AUTHORITY TO MODIFY CERTAIN CON-**  
13 **TRACTS AND OPTIONS BASED ON THE IM-**  
14 **PACTS OF INFLATION.**

15 The first section of Public Law 85–804 (50 U.S.C.  
16 1431) is amended—

17 (1) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the  
18 following new sentence: “If any such amounts are so  
19 specifically provided, the Secretary may use them for  
20 such purposes.”; and

21 (2) in subsection (e), by striking “December 31,  
22 2023” and inserting “December 31, 2024”.

1 **SEC. 825. COUNTERING ADVERSARY LOGISTICS INFORMA-**  
2 **TION TECHNOLOGIES.**

3 (a) COUNTERING THE SPREAD OF COVERED LOGIS-  
4 TICS PLATFORMS.—

5 (1) CONTRACTING PROHIBITION.—

6 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of De-  
7 fense may not enter into a contract with an en-  
8 tity that provides data to covered logistics plat-  
9 forms.

10 (B) APPLICABILITY.—This paragraph shall  
11 apply with respect to any contract entered into  
12 on or after the date that is 180 days after the  
13 date of the enactment of this subsection.

14 (2) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may  
15 waive the provisions of this subsection for a specific  
16 contract if the Secretary—

17 (A) makes a determination that such waiv-  
18 er is vital to the national security of the United  
19 States; and

20 (B) submits to Congress a report justifying  
21 the use of such waiver and the importance of  
22 such waiver to the national security of the  
23 United States.

24 (3) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the  
25 date of the enactment of this subsection, and annu-  
26 ally for three subsequent years, the Secretary of De-

1 fense shall submit to Congress a report on the im-  
2 plementation of this subsection.

3 (b) POLICY WITH RESPECT TO PORTS ACCEPTING  
4 FEDERAL GRANT MONEY.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 503 of title 46,  
6 United States Code, is amended by adding at the  
7 end the following:

8 **“§ 50309. Securing logistics information data of the**  
9 **United States**

10 “(a) IN GENERAL.—

11 “(1) PROHIBITION.—A covered entity shall not  
12 use a covered logistics platform.

13 “(2) ELIGIBILITY.—A covered entity that is  
14 found to use a covered logistics platform shall not be  
15 eligible to receive any Federal grant funding as long  
16 as the covered entity uses a covered logistics plat-  
17 form.

18 “(b) GUIDANCE.—The Secretary of Transportation  
19 shall—

20 “(1) notify covered entities of the prohibition in  
21 subsection (a) as soon as practicable, including no-  
22 tice of funding opportunities for grant programs;  
23 and

24 “(2) publish on a website of the Department of  
25 Transportation, and update regularly, a list of cov-

1           ered logistics platforms subject to the prohibition in  
2           subsection (a).

3           “(c) CONSULTATION.—In carrying out this section,  
4 the Secretary shall consult with—

5                   “(1) the Secretary of Defense;

6                   “(2) the Secretary of the Department in which  
7 the Coast Guard is operating;

8                   “(3) the Secretary of State; and

9                   “(4) the Secretary of Commerce.

10          “(d) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Transportation, in  
11 consultation with the Secretary of Defense, may waive the  
12 provisions of this section for a specific contract if the Sec-  
13 retary of Transportation—

14                   “(1) makes a determination that such waiver is  
15 vital to the national security of the United States;  
16 and

17                   “(2) submits to Congress a report justifying the  
18 use of such waiver and the importance of such waiv-  
19 er to the national security of the United States.

20          “(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

21                   “(1) COVERED LOGISTICS PLATFORM.—The  
22 term ‘covered logistics platform’ means a data ex-  
23 change platform that utilizes or provides, in part or  
24 whole—

1           “(A) the national transportation logistics  
2 public information platform (commonly referred  
3 to as ‘LOGINK’) provided by the People’s Re-  
4 public of China, or departments, ministries,  
5 centers, agencies, or instrumentalities of the  
6 Government of the People’s Republic of China;

7           “(B) any national transportation logistics  
8 information platform provided by or sponsored  
9 by the People’s Republic of China, or a con-  
10 trolled commercial entity; or

11           “(C) a similar system provided by Chinese  
12 state-affiliated entities.

13           “(2) COVERED ENTITY.—The term ‘covered en-  
14 tity’ means—

15           “(A) a port authority that receives funding  
16 after the date of the enactment of this section  
17 under—

18           “(i) the port infrastructure develop-  
19 ment program under section 54301;

20           “(ii) the maritime transportation sys-  
21 tem emergency relief program under sec-  
22 tion 50308; or

23           “(iii) any Federal grant funding pro-  
24 gram;

1           “(B) any marine terminal operator located  
2           on property owned by a port authority as de-  
3           scribed in subparagraph (A) or at a seaport de-  
4           scribed in subparagraph (D);

5           “(C) any agency or instrumentality of the  
6           United States Government or that of a State;  
7           or

8           “(D) a commercial strategic seaport within  
9           the National Port Readiness Network.”.

10           (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for  
11           chapter 503 of title 46, United States Code, is  
12           amended by adding at the end the following new  
13           item:

“50309. Securing logistics information data of the United States.”.

14           (3) APPLICABILITY.—Section 50309 of title 46,  
15           United States Code, as added by paragraph (1),  
16           shall apply with respect to any contract entered into  
17           on or after the date that is 180 days after the date  
18           of the enactment of this subsection.

19           (4) REPORTING.—Not later than one year after  
20           the date of the enactment of this subsection, and an-  
21           nually for three subsequent years, the Secretary of  
22           Transportation shall submit to Congress a report on  
23           the implementation of section 50309 of title 46,  
24           United States Code, as added by paragraph (1).

25           (c) NEGOTIATIONS WITH ALLIES AND PARTNERS.—

1           (1) NEGOTIATIONS REQUIRED.—The Secretary  
2 of State shall seek to enter into negotiations with  
3 United States ally and partner countries, including  
4 those described in paragraph (3), if the President  
5 determines that ports or other entities operating  
6 within the jurisdiction of such ally or partner coun-  
7 tries are using or are considering using a covered lo-  
8 gistics platform.

9           (2) ELEMENTS.—As part of the negotiations  
10 described in paragraph (1), the President shall—

11           (A) urge governments of such ally and  
12 partner countries to require entities within the  
13 jurisdiction of such governments to terminate  
14 the use of a covered logistics platform;

15           (B) describe the threats posed by a covered  
16 logistics platform to United States military and  
17 strategic interests and the implications such  
18 threats may have for the presence of members  
19 of the Armed Forces of the United States in  
20 such countries;

21           (C) urge governments to use their voice,  
22 influence, and vote to align with the United  
23 States and to counter attempts by foreign ad-  
24 versaries at international standards-setting bod-

1           ies to adopt standards that incorporate a cov-  
2           ered logistics platform; and

3           (D) attempt to establish, through multilat-  
4           eral entities, bilateral or multilateral negotia-  
5           tions, military cooperation, and other relevant  
6           engagements or agreements, a prohibition on  
7           the use of a covered logistics platform.

8           (3) ALLIES AND PARTNERS DESCRIBED.—The  
9           countries and entities with which the President shall  
10          conduct negotiations described in this subsection  
11          shall include—

12           (A) all countries party to a collective de-  
13           fense treaty or other collective defense arrange-  
14           ment with the United States;

15           (B) India; and

16           (C) Taiwan.

17          (4) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the  
18          date of the enactment of this subsection, the Sec-  
19          retary of State shall submit a report to the appro-  
20          priate congressional committees describing—

21           (A) the efforts made by the United States  
22           Government as of the date of the submission of  
23           the report in the negotiations described in this  
24           subsection; and

1 (B) the actions taken by the governments  
2 of ally and partner countries pursuant to the  
3 negotiation priorities described in this sub-  
4 section.

5 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
7 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-  
8 mittees” means—

9 (A) the Committees on Armed Services,  
10 Foreign Affairs, and Transportation and Infra-  
11 structure of the House of Representatives; and

12 (B) the Committees on Armed Services,  
13 Foreign Relations, and Commerce, Science, and  
14 Transportation of the Senate.

15 (2) COVERED LOGISTICS PLATFORM.—The term  
16 “covered logistics platform” has the meaning given  
17 in section 50309 of title 46, United States Code, as  
18 added by this section.

19 (3) FOREIGN ADVERSARY.—The term “foreign  
20 adversary” means—

21 (A) the People’s Republic of China, includ-  
22 ing the Hong Kong and Macau Special Admin-  
23 istrative Regions;

24 (B) the Republic of Cuba;

25 (C) the Islamic Republic of Iran;

1 (D) the Democratic People's Republic of  
2 Korea;

3 (E) the Russian Federation; and

4 (F) the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela  
5 under the regime of Nicolás Maduro Moros.

6 **SEC. 826. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACTS AND OPTIONS TO**  
7 **PROVIDE ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENTS.**

8 (a) **AUTHORITY.**—Amounts authorized to be appro-  
9 priated by this Act for the Department of Defense may  
10 be used to modify the terms and conditions of a contract  
11 or option to provide an economic price adjustment con-  
12 sistent with sections 16.203–1 and 16.203–2 of the Fed-  
13 eral Acquisition Regulation during the relevant period of  
14 performance for that contract or option and as specified  
15 in section 16.203–3 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation,  
16 to the extent and in such amounts as specifically provided  
17 in advance in appropriations Acts for the purposes of this  
18 section.

19 (b) **GUIDANCE.**—Not later than 30 days after the  
20 date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary  
21 of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall issue  
22 guidance implementing the authority under this section.

1 **SEC. 827. MODIFICATIONS TO EARNED VALUE MANAGE-**  
2 **MENT SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the  
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Department of De-  
5 fense Supplement to the Federal Acquisition Regulation  
6 shall be revised to—

7 (1) exempt all software contracts and sub-  
8 contracts of the Department of Defense from earned  
9 value management system requirements;

10 (2) impose earned value management system  
11 requirements for cost contracts or incentive con-  
12 tracts with a value greater than or equal to  
13 \$20,000,000 and less than \$50,000,000; and

14 (3) require a defense contractor to use an  
15 earned value management system for contracts  
16 awarded with a value greater than or equal to  
17 \$50,000,000 and less than \$100,000,000.

18 (b) IMPLEMENTATION.—If the Department of De-  
19 fense Supplement to the Federal Acquisition Regulation  
20 is not revised as described in subsection (a) before the  
21 deadline specified in such subsection, the Under Secretary  
22 of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall provide  
23 to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and  
24 the House of Representatives a briefing on the timeline  
25 for such revisions.

1           **Subtitle C—Domestic Sourcing**  
2                           **Requirements**

3   **SEC. 831. EMERGENCY ACQUISITION AUTHORITY FOR PUR-**  
4                           **POSES OF REPLENISHING UNITED STATES**  
5                           **STOCKPILES.**

6           Section 3601(a)(1) of title 10, United States Code,  
7 is amended—

8                   (1) in subparagraph (A)(iv), by striking “or” at  
9           the end;

10                   (2) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period  
11           at the end and inserting “; or”; and

12                   (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
13           paragraph:

14                           “(C) with respect to an armed attack by a  
15           country of concern (as defined in section 1(m)  
16           of the State Department Basic Authorities Act  
17           of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2651a(m)), to which the  
18           United States is not a party, for purposes of—

19                                   “(i) replenishing United States stock-  
20           piles of defense articles when such stock-  
21           piles are diminished as a result of the  
22           United States providing defense articles in  
23           response to such armed attack by a coun-  
24           try of concern against—

1 “(I) a United States ally (as that  
2 term is defined in section 201(d) of  
3 the Act of December 2, 1942, titled  
4 ‘To provide benefits for the injury,  
5 disability, death, or enemy detention  
6 of employees of contractors with the  
7 United States, and for other purposes’  
8 (56 Stat. 1028, chapter 668; 42  
9 U.S.C. 1711(d)); or

10 “(II) a United States partner; or  
11 “(ii) contracting for the movement or  
12 delivery of defense articles transferred to  
13 such ally or partner through the Presi-  
14 dent’s drawdown authorities under sections  
15 506(a)(1) and 614 of the Foreign Assist-  
16 ance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2318(a)(1)  
17 and 2364) in connection with such re-  
18 sponse.”.

19 **SEC. 832. REQUIREMENT FOR FULL DOMESTIC PRODUC-**  
20 **TION OF FLAGS OF THE UNITED STATES AC-**  
21 **QUIRED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4862 of title 10, United  
23 States Code, is amended—

24 (1) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the  
25 following new paragraph:

1 “(5) A flag of the United States.”; and

2 (2) in subsection (h)—

3 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “Sub-  
4 section (a)” and inserting “Except with respect  
5 to purchases of flags of the United States, sub-  
6 section (a)”;

7 (B) by redesignating paragraph (2) as  
8 paragraph (3); and

9 (C) by inserting after paragraph (1) the  
10 following new paragraph:

11 “(2)(A)(i) Except as provided by subparagraph  
12 (B), subsection (a) does not apply to purchases of  
13 flags of the United States for amounts not greater  
14 than \$10,000.

15 “(ii) A proposed procurement in an  
16 amount greater than \$10,000 may not be di-  
17 vided into several purchases or contracts for  
18 lesser amounts in order to qualify for the excep-  
19 tion under clause (i).

20 “(B) The Secretary of Defense may waive sub-  
21 section (a) with respect to a purchase of flags of the  
22 United States in an amount greater than \$10,000 if  
23 the Secretary of Defense determines such waiver ap-  
24 propriate.



1           “(C) in another country covered under  
2           subparagraph (1)(B).”;

3           (2) by redesignating subsections (l) and (m) as  
4           subsections (m) and (n), respectively; and

5           (3) by inserting after subsection (k) the fol-  
6           lowing new subsection:

7           “(1) PROVENANCE OF AEROSPACE-GRADE METALS.—

8           (1) The Secretary of Defense shall require that, for any  
9           system or component for which the provenance of mate-  
10          rials must be tracked to comply with safety regulations  
11          concerning flight, the supplier of such system or compo-  
12          nent shall inform the government if any of the materials  
13          were known to be manufactured or processed in—

14                 “(A) China;

15                 “(B) Iran;

16                 “(C) North Korea; or

17                 “(D) Russia.

18           “(2) Not later than March 31 of each year, the Sec-  
19          retary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense  
20          committees a report indicating how much specialty metal  
21          has been acquired and placed into systems of the Depart-  
22          ment of Defense from the countries described in para-  
23          graph (1).”.

1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsection (a) shall take ef-  
2 fect on the date that is 24 months after the date of the  
3 enactment of this Act.

4 **SEC. 834. ACQUISITION OF SENSITIVE MATERIAL PROHIBI-**  
5 **TION EXCEPTION AMENDMENT.**

6 Section 4872(c) of title 10, United States Code, is  
7 amended—

8 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by  
9 striking “Subsection (a)” and inserting “Subsection  
10 (a)(1)”; and

11 (2) in paragraph (1)—

12 (A) by striking “Defense determines that  
13 covered materials” and inserting the following:  
14 “Defense—

15 “(A) identifies a specific end item for  
16 which a specific covered material”;

17 (B) by striking the period at the end and  
18 inserting “; and” ; and

19 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
20 subparagraph:

21 “(B) waives subsection (a)(1) for such spe-  
22 cific end item and such specific covered mate-  
23 rial for a period not exceeding 36 months.”.

1 **SEC. 835. ENHANCED DOMESTIC CONTENT REQUIREMENT**  
2 **FOR MAJOR DEFENSE ACQUISITION PRO-**  
3 **GRAMS.**

4 (a) ASSESSMENT REQUIRED.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year  
6 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
7 retary of Defense shall submit to the congressional  
8 defense committees a report assessing the domestic  
9 source content of procurements carried out in con-  
10 nection with a major defense acquisition program.

11 (2) INFORMATION REPOSITORY.—The Secretary  
12 of Defense shall establish an information repository  
13 for the collection and analysis of information related  
14 to domestic source content for products the Sec-  
15 retary deems critical, where such information can be  
16 used for continuous data analysis and program man-  
17 agement activities.

18 (b) ENHANCED DOMESTIC CONTENT REQUIRE-  
19 MENT.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
21 graph (2), for purposes of chapter 83 of title 41,  
22 United States Code, manufactured articles, mate-  
23 rials, or supplies procured in connection with a  
24 major defense acquisition program are manufactured  
25 substantially all from articles, materials, or supplies  
26 mined, produced, or manufactured in the United

1 States if the cost of such component articles, mate-  
2 rials, or supplies—

3 (A) supplied not later than the date of the  
4 enactment of this Act, exceeds 60 percent of  
5 cost of the manufactured articles, materials, or  
6 supplies procured;

7 (B) supplied during the period beginning  
8 January 1, 2024, and ending December 31,  
9 2028, exceeds 65 percent of the cost of the  
10 manufactured articles, materials, or supplies;  
11 and

12 (C) supplied on or after January 1, 2029,  
13 exceeds 75 percent of the cost of the manufac-  
14 tured articles, materials, or supplies.

15 (2) EXCLUSION FOR CERTAIN MANUFACTURED  
16 ARTICLES.—Paragraph (1) shall not apply to manu-  
17 factured articles that consist wholly or predomi-  
18 nantly of iron, steel, or a combination of iron and  
19 steel.

20 (3) RULEMAKING TO CREATE A FALLBACK  
21 THRESHOLD.—

22 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180  
23 days after the date of the enactment of this  
24 Act, the Secretary of Defense shall issue rules  
25 to determine the treatment of the lowest price

1           offered for a foreign end product for which 55  
2           percent or more of the component articles, ma-  
3           terials, or supplies of such foreign end product  
4           are manufactured substantially all from articles,  
5           materials, or supplies mined, produced, or man-  
6           ufactured in the United States if—

7                   (i) the application of paragraph (1)  
8                   results in an unreasonable cost; or

9                   (ii) no offers are submitted to supply  
10                  manufactured articles, materials, or sup-  
11                  plies manufactured substantially all from  
12                  articles, materials, or supplies mined, pro-  
13                  duced, or manufactured in the United  
14                  States.

15                  (B) **TERMINATION.**—Rules issued under  
16                  this paragraph shall cease to have force or ef-  
17                  fect on January 1, 2031.

18                  (4) **APPLICABILITY.**—The requirements of this  
19                  subsection—

20                         (A) shall apply to contracts entered into on  
21                         or after the date of the enactment of this Act;

22                         (B) shall not apply to articles manufac-  
23                         tured in countries that have executed a recip-  
24                         rocal defense procurement memorandum of un-  
25                         derstanding with the United States entered into

1           pursuant to section 4851 of title 10, United  
2           States Code; and

3           (C) shall not apply to a country that is a  
4           member of the national technology and indus-  
5           trial base (as defined by section 4801 of title  
6           10, United States Code).

7           (c) MAJOR DEFENSE ACQUISITION PROGRAM DE-  
8           FINED.—The term “major defense acquisition program”  
9           has the meaning given in section 4201 of title 10, United  
10          States Code.

11          **Subtitle D—Provisions Relating to**  
12          **Programs for Accelerating Ac-**  
13          **quisition**

14          **SEC. 841. PILOT PROGRAM TO ACCELERATE CONTRACTING**  
15          **AND PRICING PROCESSES.**

16          Section 890 of the John S. McCain National Defense  
17          Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–  
18          232) is amended—

19                 (1) by redesignating subsections (b) and (c) as  
20                 subsections (c) and (d), respectively;

21                 (2) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-  
22                 lowing new subsection:

23                 “(b) IMPLEMENTATION GUIDANCE.—The Secretary,  
24                 acting through the Under Secretary of Defense for Acqui-  
25                 sition and Sustainment, shall ensure that each senior con-

1 tracting official (as defined in section 1737 of title 10,  
2 United States Code) for a contract described in subsection  
3 (a) has the discretion to implement the pilot program  
4 under this section efficiently and effectively by ensuring  
5 the following:

6           “(1) That the pilot program does not include  
7           any preferences for contract type or specific contract  
8           requirements.

9           “(2) That each Secretary of a military depart-  
10          ment has minimal reporting requirements to the  
11          Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and  
12          Sustainment with respect to the pilot program.”;  
13          and

14          (3) in subsection (d), as so redesignated, by  
15          striking “January 2, 2024” and inserting “January  
16          2, 2028”.

17 **SEC. 842. DEMONSTRATION AND PROTOTYPING PROGRAM**  
18                           **TO ADVANCE INTERNATIONAL PRODUCT SUP-**  
19                           **PORT CAPABILITIES IN A CONTESTED LOGIS-**  
20                           **TICS ENVIRONMENT.**

21          (a) **CONTESTED LOGISTICS DEMONSTRATION AND**  
22 **PROTOTYPING PROGRAM REQUIRED.**—The Secretary of  
23 Defense shall establish a contested logistics demonstration  
24 and prototyping program to identify, develop, dem-  
25 onstrate, and field capabilities for product support in

1 order to reduce or mitigate the risks associated with oper-  
2 ations in a contested logistics environment.

3 (b) ELEMENTS.—In carrying out the Program, the  
4 Secretary shall do the following:

5 (1) Identify ways to capitalize on the inherent  
6 interoperability, commonality, and interchangeability  
7 of platforms and information systems operated by  
8 the United States and one or more covered nations,  
9 including to enable effective maintenance and repair  
10 activities in a contested logistics environment.

11 (2) Determine, develop, or establish best prac-  
12 tices to reduce time needed to return repaired equip-  
13 ment to service, including the use of—

14 (A) commercial best practices for rapid  
15 supply support; and

16 (B) common or shared parts pools.

17 (3) Explore opportunities to expand the ability  
18 to preposition or store materials needed to enable  
19 rapid surge capability or to support operations in a  
20 contested logistics environment.

21 (4) Identify, develop, demonstrate, and field ef-  
22 fective and efficient means of conducting repairs of  
23 equipment away from permanent repair facilities.

24 (5) Explore flexible approaches to contracting  
25 and use of partnership agreements to enable use or

1 development of the capabilities of covered product  
2 support providers to effectively, efficiently, and time-  
3 ly satisfy the product support requirements of a  
4 combat commander and any applicable covered na-  
5 tion in a contested logistics environment.

6 (6) Identify the resources, including any addi-  
7 tional authorizations, required by the Secretary of  
8 Defense to reduce or mitigate the risks associated  
9 with operations in a contested logistics environment.

10 (7) Identify and document impediments to the  
11 performance of product support by covered product  
12 support providers in a contested logistics environ-  
13 ment, including impediments created by statute, reg-  
14 ulation, policy, agency guidance, or limitations on  
15 expenditure, transfer, or receipt of funds for product  
16 support in contested logistics environments.

17 (8) Identify and document any statutory or reg-  
18 ulatory waivers or exemptions that may be applica-  
19 ble or necessary to enable the United States and  
20 covered nations to jointly carry out product support  
21 activities in contested logistics environments located  
22 outside of the United States, including, for each  
23 such waiver and exemption—

24 (A) the person responsible for requesting  
25 such waiver or exemption;

1 (B) the criteria for approval of such waiver  
2 or exemption; and

3 (C) the person responsible for approving  
4 such waiver or exemption.

5 (c) ADVANCE PLANNING AND PREPARATION.—The  
6 Secretary may establish a product support arrangement,  
7 including an agreement for repositioning or storage of  
8 materials, with a covered product support provider to en-  
9 able a rapid response in a contingency operation (as de-  
10 fined in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code)  
11 to the product support requirements of such contingency  
12 operation.

13 (d) AUTHORITIES.—In carrying out the Program, the  
14 Secretary may, in accordance with section 3 of the Arms  
15 Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2753), use the authorities  
16 under sections 2342, 2474, 3601, 4021, and 4022 of title  
17 10, United States Code.

18 (e) REPORT.—Not later than 24 months after the  
19 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall sub-  
20 mit to Congress a report summarizing Program activities,  
21 including—

22 (1) any recommendations to reduce impedi-  
23 ments to meeting the requirements of a combatant  
24 command or covered nation for product support in  
25 a contested logistics environment;

1           (2) a summary of impediments identified under  
2           subsection (b)(7) and specific recommendations for  
3           necessary changes to statutory, regulatory, policy,  
4           agency guidance, or current limitations on expendi-  
5           ture, transfer, or receipt of funds to carry out the  
6           product support activities under this pilot indefi-  
7           nitely;

8           (3) a summary of waivers or exemptions identi-  
9           fied under subsection (b)(8), along with any rec-  
10          ommendations for changes to the processes for ob-  
11          taining such waivers or exemptions; and

12          (4) recommendations for improving the Pro-  
13          gram, including whether to extend or make the Pro-  
14          gram permanent.

15          (f) DEVELOPMENT AND PROMULGATION OF DEPART-  
16          MENT OF DEFENSE GUIDANCE.—Not later than 180 days  
17          after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
18          shall issue guidance implementing the Program.

19          (g) SUNSET.—The authority under this section shall  
20          terminate on the date that is three years after the date  
21          of the enactment of this Act.

22          (h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

23                  (1) CONTESTED LOGISTICS ENVIRONMENT.—  
24          The term “contested logistics environment” has the

1 meaning given such term in section 2926 of title 10,  
2 United States Code.

3 (2) COVERED NATIONS.—The term “covered  
4 nation” means—

5 (A) Australia;

6 (B) Canada;

7 (C) New Zealand;

8 (D) the United Kingdom of Great Britain  
9 and Northern Ireland; or

10 (E) other nations as designated as a cov-  
11 ered nation for the purposes of this Program by  
12 the Secretary.

13 (3) COVERED PRODUCT SUPPORT PROVIDER.—  
14 The term “covered product support provider”  
15 means—

16 (A) a product support provider that in-  
17 cludes an entity within the government of a cov-  
18 ered nation;

19 (B) a private sector product support pro-  
20 vider; or

21 (C) a product support integrator domiciled  
22 in the United States or a covered nation.

23 (4) PRODUCT SUPPORT; PRODUCT SUPPORT IN-  
24 TEGRATOR; PRODUCT SUPPORT PROVIDER.—The  
25 terms “product support”, “product support inte-

1 grator”, and “product support provider” have the  
2 meanings given, respectively, in section 4324 of title  
3 10, United States Code.

4 (5) PRODUCT SUPPORT ARRANGEMENT.—

5 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “product  
6 support arrangement” means a contract, task  
7 order, or any other type of agreement or ar-  
8 rangement, between the United States and a  
9 covered product support provider, for the per-  
10 formance of the functions described in subpara-  
11 graph (B) with respect to—

12 (i) a platform or information system  
13 operated by the United States and the cov-  
14 ered nation of such covered product sup-  
15 port provider; or

16 (ii) a subsystem or components of  
17 such a platform or information system.

18 (B) FUNCTIONS DESCRIBED.—The func-  
19 tions described in this subparagraph, with re-  
20 spect to a platform, information system, sub-  
21 system, or component described in subpara-  
22 graph (A), are the following:

23 (i) Performance-based logistics.

24 (ii) Sustainment support.

25 (iii) Contractor logistics support.

1 (iv) Life-cycle product support.

2 (v) Weapon system product support.

3 (6) PROGRAM.—The term “Program” means  
4 the demonstration and prototyping program estab-  
5 lished under subsection (a).

6 (7) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
7 the Secretary of Defense.

8 **SEC. 843. SPECIAL AUTHORITY FOR RAPID CONTRACTING**  
9 **FOR COMMANDERS OF COMBATANT COM-**  
10 **MANDS.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—The commander of a combatant  
12 command, upon providing a written determination to a  
13 senior contracting official (as defined in section 1737 of  
14 title 10, United States Code), may request use of the spe-  
15 cial authorities described in subsection (b)—

16 (1) in support of a contingency operation (as  
17 defined in section 101(a) of title 10, United States  
18 Code);

19 (2) to facilitate the defense against or recovery  
20 from a cyber attack, nuclear attack, biological at-  
21 tack, chemical attack, or radiological attack against  
22 the United States;

23 (3) in support of a humanitarian or peace-  
24 keeping operation (as the term is defined in section  
25 3015(2) of title 10, United States Code); and

1           (4) for purposes of protecting the national secu-  
2           rity interests of the United States during directed  
3           operations that are below the threshold of traditional  
4           armed conflict.

5           (b) SPECIAL AUTHORITIES DESCRIBED.—The special  
6           authorities for contracting that may be used by the senior  
7           contracting official to rapidly respond to time-sensitive or  
8           unplanned emergency situations are as follows:

9           (1) Procedures applicable to purchases below  
10          micro-purchase threshold (described in section 1902  
11          of title 41, United States Code), with respect to a  
12          single contracting action taken under subsection (a)  
13          for a contract to be awarded and performed, or pur-  
14          chase to be made—

15                 (A) in the United States, with a value less  
16                 than \$15,000; or

17                 (B) outside the United States, with a value  
18                 less than \$25,000.

19          (2) Simplified acquisition procedures (described  
20          in section 1901 of title 41, United States Code),  
21          with respect to a single contracting action taken  
22          under subsection (a) for a contract to be awarded  
23          and performed, or purchase to be made—

24                 (A) in the United States, with a value less  
25                 than \$750,000; or

1 (B) outside the United States, with a value  
2 less than \$1,500,000.

3 (3) For simplified procedures for purchases  
4 under section 3205 of title 10, United States Code,  
5 subsection (a)(2) of such section shall be applied by  
6 substituting “\$10,000,000” for “\$5,000,000”.

7 (4) The property or service being procured may  
8 be treated as a commercial product or a commercial  
9 service for the purpose of carrying out the procure-  
10 ment.

11 (c) DETERMINATION.—A written determination re-  
12 quired under subsection (a)—

13 (1) may include more than one requested ac-  
14 tion;

15 (2) may be directed to more than one senior  
16 contracting official; and

17 (3) shall include—

18 (A) the rationale for the request in accord-  
19 ance with paragraphs (1) through (4) of such  
20 subsection;

21 (B) a description of any special authority  
22 requested; and

23 (C) an attestation that funds are available  
24 for such special authority.

1 (d) SUNSET.—The authority under subsection (a)  
2 shall terminate on September 30, 2028.

3 (e) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than January 15,  
4 2025, and annually thereafter for four years, the Chair-  
5 man of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, in coordination with the  
6 Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and  
7 Sustainment, shall submit to the congressional defense  
8 committees a report on the use of the authority under this  
9 section for the fiscal year preceding the date of submission  
10 of the report. The report shall include a summary of each  
11 instance of the authority being used, including—

12 (1) an identification of each commander sub-  
13 mitting a request under subsection (a);

14 (2) an identification of each senior contracting  
15 official responding to such request; and

16 (3) the specific special authority requested, in-  
17 cluding an identification of the contractor that per-  
18 formed the contract and the value of the contract.

## 19 **Subtitle E—Industrial Base Matters**

### 20 **SEC. 851. ADDITIONAL NATIONAL SECURITY OBJECTIVES**

#### 21 **FOR THE NATIONAL TECHNOLOGY AND IN-** 22 **DUSTRIAL BASE.**

23 Section 4811(a)(9) of title 10, United States Code,  
24 is amended—

1 (1) by inserting “services, supplies, and” before  
2 “materials”; and

3 (2) by inserting before the period at the end the  
4 following: “, including by reducing reliance on poten-  
5 tial adversaries for such services, supplies, and ma-  
6 terials to the maximum extent practicable”.

7 **SEC. 852. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE MENTOR-PROTEGE**  
8 **PROGRAM.**

9 Section 4902(e) of title 10, United States Code, is  
10 amended—

11 (1) in paragraph (1), by redesignating subpara-  
12 graphs (A) through (D) as clauses (i) through (iv),  
13 respectively;

14 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as  
15 subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively;

16 (3) by striking “Before providing assistance”  
17 and inserting “(1) Before providing assistance”; and

18 (4) by adding at the end the following new  
19 paragraph:

20 “(2) An agreement under this subsection may be a  
21 contract, cooperative agreement, or a partnership inter-  
22 mediary agreement.”.

1 **SEC. 853. MODIFICATIONS TO THE PROCUREMENT TECH-**  
2 **NICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.**

3 (a) DEFINITIONS.—Section 4951 of title 10, United  
4 States Code, is amended—

5 (1) in paragraph (1)(C), by striking “private,  
6 nonprofit organization” and inserting “nonprofit or-  
7 ganization”; and

8 (2) by adding at the end the following new  
9 paragraph:

10 “(5) The term ‘business entity’ means a cor-  
11 poration, association, partnership, limited liability  
12 company, limited liability partnership, consortia,  
13 not-for-profit, or other legal entity.”.

14 (b) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—Section 4954 of  
15 title 10, United States Code, is amended—

16 (1) in subsection (b)—

17 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and  
18 (2) as subparagraphs (A) and (B);

19 (B) by inserting “(1)” before “Under”;  
20 and

21 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
22 paragraph:

23 “(2) The Secretary shall have the ability to waive or  
24 modify the percentages specified in paragraph (1), on a  
25 case-by-case basis, if the Secretary determines that it  
26 would be in the best interest of the program.”;

1           (2) by striking subsection (c) and redesignating  
2           subsections (d), (e), and (f) as subsections (c), (d),  
3           and (e); and

4           (3) by inserting after subsection (e), as redesignated by paragraph (2), the following new subsection:  
5             
6           

7           “(f) WAIVER OF GOVERNMENT COST SHARE RESTRICTION.—If the Secretary of Defense determines it to  
8           be in the best interests of the Federal Government, the  
9           Secretary may waive the restrictions on the percentage of  
10          Secretary may waive the restrictions on the percentage of  
11          eligible costs covered by the program under section (b).  
12          The Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense  
13          committees a written justification for such determination.”  
14          

15          (c) AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE CERTAIN TYPES OF  
16          TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—Section 4958(c) of title 10,  
17          United States Code, is amended—

18                 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “; and” and  
19                 inserting a semicolon;

20                 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking the period at  
21                 the end and inserting a semicolon; and

22                 (3) by adding at the end the following new  
23                 paragraphs:

24                         “(3) under clause 252.204–7012 of the Defense  
25                         Acquisition Regulation Supplement, or any successor

1 regulation, and on compliance with those require-  
2 ments (and any successor requirements); and

3 “(4) under section 847 of the National Defense  
4 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law  
5 116–92; 133 Stat. 1505), and on compliance with  
6 those requirements (and any such successor require-  
7 ments).”.

8 **SEC. 854. MODIFICATION OF EFFECTIVE DATE FOR EXPAN-**  
9 **SION ON THE PROHIBITION ON ACQUIRING**  
10 **CERTAIN METAL PRODUCTS.**

11 Section 844(b) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry  
12 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021  
13 (Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat. 3766) is amended by  
14 striking “5 years” and inserting “6 years”.

15 **SEC. 855. EXTENSION OF PILOT PROGRAM FOR DISTRIBU-**  
16 **TION SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR WEAPONS**  
17 **SYSTEMS CONTRACTORS.**

18 Section 883 of the National Defense Authorization  
19 Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328; 10 U.S.C.  
20 4292 note prec.) is amended—

21 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “seven-year  
22 pilot program” and inserting “eight-year pilot pro-  
23 gram”; and

24 (2) in subsection (g), by striking “seven years”  
25 and inserting “eight years”.

1 **SEC. 856. PILOT PROGRAM TO ANALYZE AND MONITOR**  
2 **CERTAIN SUPPLY CHAINS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the  
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary  
5 of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall establish  
6 and carry out a pilot program to analyze, map, and mon-  
7 itor supply chains for up to five covered weapons plat-  
8 forms, under which the Under Secretary shall—

9 (1) identify impediments to production and op-  
10 portunities to expand the production of components  
11 of such a covered weapons platform;

12 (2) identify potential risks to and vulnerabilities  
13 of suppliers for such covered weapons platforms and  
14 ways to mitigate such risks; and

15 (3) identify critical suppliers for such covered  
16 weapons platforms.

17 (b) USE OF TOOLS.—The Under Secretary may use  
18 a combination of commercial tools and tools available to  
19 the Department of Defense to carry out the program es-  
20 tablished under this section, including artificial intel-  
21 ligence and machine learning tools to improve data anal-  
22 ysis capabilities for such supply chains.

23 (c) ANNUAL REPORTS.—Not later than one year  
24 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually  
25 thereafter until the date specified in subsection (d), the

1 Under Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense  
2 committees a report containing—

3 (1) a list of the vulnerabilities of the supply  
4 chains for each covered weapons platform selected  
5 under subsection (a), categorized by severity of  
6 threat or risk to deployment of such a platform;

7 (2) for each vulnerability, a description of such  
8 vulnerability, whether such vulnerability has been re-  
9 solved, and, if resolved, the time from identification  
10 to resolution; and

11 (3) an assessment of any efficiencies achieved  
12 by addressing impediments to the supply chain.

13 (d) **TERMINATION.**—The authority to carry out the  
14 pilot program under this section shall terminate on Janu-  
15 ary 1, 2028.

16 (e) **COVERED WEAPONS PLATFORM DEFINED.**—In  
17 this section, the term “covered weapons platform” means  
18 any weapons platform identified in the reports submitted  
19 under section 1251(d)(1) of the William M. (Mac) Thorn-  
20 berry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
21 2021 (10 U.S.C. 113 note).

22 **SEC. 857. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NOTIFICATION OF**  
23 **CERTAIN TRANSACTIONS.**

24 The parties to a proposed merger or acquisition that  
25 will require a review by the Department of Defense who

1 are required to file the notification and provide supple-  
2 mentary information to the Department of Justice or the  
3 Federal Trade Commission under section 7A of the Clay-  
4 ton Act (15 U.S.C. 18a) shall concurrently provide such  
5 information to the Department of Defense during the  
6 waiting period under section 7A of the Clayton Act (15  
7 U.S.C. 18a).

## 8 **Subtitle F—Small Business Matters**

### 9 **SEC. 860. AMENDMENTS TO DEFENSE RESEARCH AND DE-** 10 **VELOPMENT RAPID INNOVATION PROGRAM.**

11 Section 4061 of title 10, United States Code, is  
12 amended—

13 (1) in subsection (a)—

14 (A) in paragraph (1)—

15 (i) by inserting “to enable and assist  
16 small businesses” after “merit-based pro-  
17 gram”;

18 (ii) by striking “fielding of tech-  
19 nologies” and inserting “commercialization  
20 of various technologies, including critical  
21 technologies”; and

22 (iii) by inserting “capabilities devel-  
23 oped through competitively awarded proto-  
24 type agreements” after “defense labora-  
25 tories,”; and

1 (B) in paragraph (2), by inserting “sup-  
2 port the integration of such products,” after  
3 “evaluation outcomes,”;

4 (2) in subsection (b)—

5 (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “pri-  
6 marily major defense acquisition programs, but  
7 also other” after “candidate proposals in sup-  
8 port of”; and

9 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “by each  
10 military department” and inserting “by each  
11 Office of Small Business Programs of each mili-  
12 tary department”; and

13 (3) in subsection (d)(2), by striking  
14 “\$3,000,000” and inserting “\$6,000,000”.

15 **SEC. 861. ANNUAL REPORTS REGARDING THE SBIR PRO-**  
16 **GRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

17 Section 279(a) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry  
18 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021  
19 (Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat. 3507) is amended by  
20 striking “each fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023” and  
21 replacing with “each fiscal year through fiscal year 2028”.

22 **SEC. 862. PAYMENT OF SUBCONTRACTORS.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 8(d)(13) of the Small  
24 Business Act (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(13)) is amended—

1 (1) in subparagraph (B)(i), by striking “90  
2 days” and inserting “30 days”;

3 (2) in subparagraph (C)—

4 (A) by striking “contract shall” and insert-  
5 ing “contract—

6 “(i) shall”;

7 (B) in clause (i), as so designated, by  
8 striking the period at the end and inserting “;  
9 and”; and

10 (C) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(ii) may enter or modify past per-  
12 formance information of the prime con-  
13 tractor in connection with the unjustified  
14 failure to make a full or timely payment to  
15 a subcontractor subject to this paragraph  
16 before or after close-out of the covered con-  
17 tract.”;

18 (3) in subparagraph (D), by striking “subpara-  
19 graph (E)” and inserting “subparagraph (F)”;

20 (4) by redesignating subparagraph (E) as sub-  
21 paragraph (F); and

22 (5) by inserting after subparagraph (D) the fol-  
23 lowing:

24 “(E) COOPERATION.—

1           “(i) IN GENERAL.—Once a con-  
2           tracting officer determines, with respect to  
3           the past performance of a prime con-  
4           tractor, that there was an unjustified fail-  
5           ure by the prime contractor on a covered  
6           contract to make a full or timely payment  
7           to a subcontractor covered by subpara-  
8           graph (B) or (C), the prime contractor is  
9           required to cooperate with the contracting  
10          officer, who shall consult with the Director  
11          of Small Business Programs or the Direc-  
12          tor of Small and Disadvantaged Business  
13          Utilization acting pursuant to section  
14          15(k)(6) and other representatives of the  
15          Government, regarding correcting and  
16          mitigating the unjustified failure to make a  
17          full or timely payment to a subcontractor.

18          “(ii) DURATION.—The duty of co-  
19          operation under this subparagraph for a  
20          prime contractor described in clause (i)  
21          continues until the subcontractor is made  
22          whole or the determination of the con-  
23          tracting officer determination is no longer  
24          effective, and regardless of performance or  
25          close-out status of the covered contract.”.

1 (b) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 180 days after  
2 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator  
3 shall submit to the Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council  
4 proposed revisions to regulations that the Administrator  
5 determines necessary to carry out the amendments made  
6 by this section.

7 **SEC. 863. INCREASE IN GOVERNMENTWIDE GOAL FOR PAR-**  
8 **TICIPATION IN FEDERAL CONTRACTS BY**  
9 **SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS OWNED AND**  
10 **CONTROLLED BY SERVICE-DISABLED VET-**  
11 **ERANS.**

12 Section 15(g)(1)(A)(ii) of the Small Business Act (15  
13 U.S.C. 644(g)(1)(A)(ii)) is amended by striking “3 per-  
14 cent” and inserting “5 percent”.

15 **SEC. 864. ELIMINATING SELF-CERTIFICATION FOR SERV-**  
16 **ICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSI-**  
17 **NESSES.**

18 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

19 (1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term “Adminis-  
20 trator” means the Administrator of the Small Busi-  
21 ness Administration.

22 (2) SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN; SMALL BUSI-  
23 NESS CONCERNS OWNED AND CONTROLLED BY  
24 SERVICE-DISABLED VETERANS.—The terms “small  
25 business concern” and “small business concerns

1 owned and controlled by service-disabled veterans”  
2 have the meanings given those terms in section 3 of  
3 the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632).

4 (b) ELIMINATING SELF-CERTIFICATION IN PRIME  
5 CONTRACTING AND SUBCONTRACTING FOR SDVOSBs.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Each prime contract award  
7 and subcontract award that is counted for the pur-  
8 pose of meeting the goals for participation by small  
9 business concerns owned and controlled by service-  
10 disabled veterans in procurement contracts for Fed-  
11 eral agencies, as established in section 15(g)(2) of  
12 the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 644(g)(2)), shall  
13 be entered into with small business concerns cer-  
14 tified by the Administrator as small business con-  
15 cerns owned and controlled by service-disabled vet-  
16 erans under section 36 of such Act (15 U.S.C.  
17 657f).

18 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Paragraph (1) shall  
19 take effect on October 1 of the fiscal year beginning  
20 after the Administrator promulgates the regulations  
21 required under subsection (d).

22 (c) PHASED APPROACH TO ELIMINATING SELF-CER-  
23 TIFICATION FOR SDVOSBs.—Notwithstanding any other  
24 provision of law, any small business concern that self-cer-

1 tified as a small business concern owned and controlled  
2 by service-disabled veterans may—

3 (1) if the small business concern files a certifi-  
4 cation application with the Administrator before the  
5 end of the 1-year period beginning on the date of the  
6 enactment of this Act, maintain such self-certifi-  
7 cation until the Administrator makes a determina-  
8 tion with respect to such certification; and

9 (2) if the small business concern does not file  
10 a certification application before the end of the 1-  
11 year period beginning on the date of enactment of  
12 this Act, lose, at the end of such 1-year period, any  
13 self-certification of the small business concern as a  
14 small business concern owned and controlled by serv-  
15 ice-disabled veterans.

16 (d) RULEMAKING.—Not later than 180 days after the  
17 date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator shall  
18 promulgate regulations to carry out this section.

19 **SEC. 865. CONSIDERATION OF THE PAST PERFORMANCE OF**  
20 **AFFILIATE COMPANIES OF SMALL BUSINESS**  
21 **CONCERNS.**

22 Not later than July 1, 2024, the Secretary of Defense  
23 shall amend section 215.305 of the Defense Federal Ac-  
24 quisition Supplement (or any successor regulation) to re-  
25 quire that when small business concerns bid on Depart-

1 ment of Defense contracts, the past performance evalua-  
2 tion and source selection processes shall consider, if rel-  
3 evant, the past performance information of affiliate com-  
4 panies of the small business concerns.

## 5 **Subtitle G—Other Matters**

### 6 **SEC. 871. EXTENSION OF MISSION MANAGEMENT PILOT** 7 **PROGRAM.**

8 Section 871 of the National Defense Authorization  
9 Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C.  
10 191 note) is amended—

11 (1) in subsection (b)—

12 (A) in paragraph (1)—

13 (i) by striking “IN GENERAL.—Ex-  
14 cept” and inserting the following: “IN  
15 GENERAL.—

16 “(A) SELECTION.—Except”; and

17 (ii) by adding at the end the following  
18 new subparagraph:

19 “(B) DELEGATION OF OVERSIGHT AND  
20 MANAGEMENT.—The Deputy Secretary of De-  
21 fense may delegate to one or more mission  
22 managers the responsibility to oversee the se-  
23 lected missions and provide mission manage-  
24 ment.”; and

1 (B) by adding at the end the following new  
2 paragraph:

3 “(4) IDENTIFICATION OF FUNDING.—For each  
4 mission selected under paragraph (1), the Deputy  
5 Secretary of Defense shall identify funding sources  
6 in detail in defense budget materials submitted to  
7 Congress pursuant to section 1105 of title 31,  
8 United States Code, for the first year for which the  
9 selected mission is intended to be carried out. Such  
10 materials shall also include a description of each  
11 such selected mission and the proposed solution to  
12 achieve the goals of such mission.”;

13 (2) in subsection (c)(2)—

14 (A) in subparagraph (E), by striking “;  
15 and” and inserting a semicolon;

16 (B) by redesignating subparagraph (F) as  
17 subparagraph (G); and

18 (C) by inserting after subparagraph (E)  
19 the following new subparagraph:

20 “(F) assist the Deputy Secretary of De-  
21 fense in the identification of funding that could  
22 contribute to the mission through existing au-  
23 thorized methods to realign, reprogram, or  
24 transfer funds; and”;

1           (3) in subsection (f)(1)(A), by striking “every  
2           six months thereafter until the date that is five  
3           years after the date of the enactment of this Act”  
4           and inserting “annually thereafter until September  
5           30, 2028”; and

6           (4) in subsection (h), by striking “terminate on  
7           the date that is five years after the date of the en-  
8           actment of this Act” and inserting “terminate on  
9           September 30, 2028”.

10 **SEC. 872. EXTENSION OF PILOT PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE**  
11 **CONTRACTING WITH EMPLOYEE-OWNED**  
12 **BUSINESSES.**

13           Section 874 of the National Defense Authorization  
14 Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (10 U.S.C. 3204 note) is amend-  
15 ed—

16           (1) in subsection (b)—

17                   (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “and  
18                   prescribe regulations” after “establish a pilot  
19                   program”;

20                   (B) in paragraph (2)—

21                           (i) by inserting “or for” after “serv-  
22                           ices procured by”; and

23                           (ii) by inserting “or for” after “may  
24                           be procured by”; and

1 (C) in paragraph (3), by striking “A quali-  
2 fied” and inserting “Each contract held by a  
3 qualified”;

4 (2) in subsection (c)(2), by striking “expended  
5 on subcontracts, subject to such necessary and rea-  
6 sonable waivers” and inserting the following: “ex-  
7 pended on subcontracts, except—

8 “(A) to the extent subcontracted amounts  
9 exceeding 50 percent are subcontracted to other  
10 qualified businesses wholly-owned through an  
11 Employee Stock Ownership Plan;

12 “(B) in the case of contracts for products,  
13 to the extent subcontracted amounts exceeding  
14 50 percent are for materials not available from  
15 another qualified business wholly-owned  
16 through an Employee Stock Ownership Plan; or

17 “(C) pursuant to such necessary and rea-  
18 sonable waivers”; and

19 (3) in subsection (e), by striking “five years  
20 after” and inserting “eight years after”.

21 **SEC. 873. PROGRAM AND PROCESSES RELATING TO FOR-**  
22 **EIGN ACQUISITION.**

23 (a) PILOT PROGRAM FOR COMBATANT COMMAND  
24 USE OF DEFENSE ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOP-  
25 MENT ACCOUNT.—Each commander of a geographic com-

1 batant command may use amounts from the Defense Ac-  
2 quisition Workforce Development Account established  
3 under section 1705 of title 10, United States Code, to hire  
4 not more than two members of the acquisition workforce  
5 (as defined in section 101 of such title) or contracting offi-  
6 cers to advise the combatant command on the processes  
7 for foreign military sales authorized under chapter 2 of  
8 the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2761 et seq.)  
9 and the Department of Defense security cooperation proc-  
10 esses under chapter 16 of title 10, United States Code,  
11 for the purpose of facilitating the effective implementation  
12 of such processes.

13 (b) INDUSTRY DAY.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 1,  
15 2024, and not less frequently than annually there-  
16 after, the Secretary of Defense shall conduct an  
17 event to be known as the “industry day”—

18 (A) to raise awareness and understanding  
19 among officials of foreign governments, covered  
20 embassy personnel, and representatives of the  
21 defense industrial base with respect to the role  
22 of the Department of Defense in implementing  
23 the foreign military sales process and the De-  
24 partment of Defense security cooperation proc-  
25 ess; and

- 1 (B) to raise awareness—
- 2 (i) within the private sector of the
- 3 United States with respect to—
- 4 (I) foreign demand for United
- 5 States weapon systems; and
- 6 (II) potential foreign industry
- 7 partnering opportunities; and
- 8 (ii) among officials of foreign govern-
- 9 ments and covered embassy personnel with
- 10 respect to potential United States materiel
- 11 solutions for capability needs.

12 (2) FORMAT.—In conducting each industry day

13 under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense, to

14 the extent practicable, shall seek to maximize par-

15 ticipation by representatives of the defense industrial

16 base and government officials while minimizing cost,

17 by—

18 (A) ensuring that information provided at

19 the industry day is unclassified;

20 (B) making the industry day publicly ac-

21 cessible through teleconference or other virtual

22 means; and

23 (C) posting any supporting materials on a

24 publicly accessible internet website.

1           (3) COVERED EMBASSY PERSONNEL.—In this  
2           subsection, the term “covered embassy personnel”  
3           means personnel at United States diplomatic and  
4           consular posts and personnel of foreign missions lo-  
5           cated in the United States.

6           (c) SENIOR-LEVEL INDUSTRY ADVISORY GROUP.—  
7           Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment  
8           of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with  
9           representatives of the defense industrial base, shall estab-  
10          lish or designate senior-level individuals working in the de-  
11          fense industrial base to serve on an advisory group for  
12          the purpose of focusing on the role of the Department of  
13          Defense in the foreign military sales process and the De-  
14          partment of Defense security cooperation process. Such  
15          advisory group shall terminate on the date specified in  
16          subsection (f).

17          (d) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE POINTS OF CONTACT  
18          FOR FOREIGN MILITARY SALES.—

19                 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after  
20                 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under  
21                 Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and  
22                 Sustainment and the Secretary of each military de-  
23                 partment shall each designate an individual to serve  
24                 as a single point of contact—

1 (A) to coordinate information and outreach  
2 on Department of Defense implementation of  
3 the foreign military sales process; and

4 (B) to respond to inquiries from represent-  
5 atives of the defense industrial base and part-  
6 ner countries.

7 (2) POINTS OF CONTACT.—The Under Sec-  
8 retary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment  
9 and the Secretary of each military department shall  
10 each ensure that the contact information for each in-  
11 dividual designated under paragraph (1) is pub-  
12 licized at each industry day conducted under sub-  
13 section (b) and disseminated among the members of  
14 the advisory group established under subsection (c).

15 (3) TERMINATION.—The responsibilities of each  
16 individual designated under paragraph (1) shall ter-  
17minate on the date specified in subsection (f).

18 (e) REGIONAL THEATER NEEDS FOR  
19 EXPORTABILITY.—Not later than July 1, 2024, and annu-  
20 ally thereafter until the date specified in (f), the Under  
21 Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, in  
22 consultation with the commander of each geographic com-  
23 batant command, the Director of Strategy, Plans, and  
24 Policy on the Joint Staff, each Secretary of a military de-  
25 partment, and the Secretary of State, shall provide to the

1 Secretary of Defense a list of systems relating to research  
2 and development, procurement, or sustainment that would  
3 benefit from investment for exportability features in sup-  
4 port of the security cooperation objectives of the regional  
5 theaters.

6 (f) TERMINATION.—The requirements of and the au-  
7 thority under this section shall cease to have effect on De-  
8 cember 31, 2028.

9 **SEC. 874. PILOT PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE PROGRESS**  
10 **PAYMENTS.**

11 (a) PILOT PROGRAM.—The Under Secretary of De-  
12 fense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall establish and  
13 implement a pilot program to incentivize contractor per-  
14 formance by paying covered contractors a progress pay-  
15 ment rate that is up to 10 percent higher than the cus-  
16 tomary progress payment rate on a contract-by-contract  
17 basis.

18 (b) INCENTIVE CRITERIA.—The Under Secretary  
19 shall develop and establish clear and measurable criteria  
20 for the payment to contractors of higher progress pay-  
21 ments as described in subsection (a), including criteria for  
22 qualifying for such payments and the amount of such pay-  
23 ments.

24 (c) APPLICABILITY.—The Under Secretary shall  
25 apply the criteria established under subsection (b) and any

1 associated incentive on a contract-by-contract basis when  
2 determining whether to pay a contractor a higher progress  
3 payment under the pilot program established under sub-  
4 section (a) and the amount of such payment.

5 (d) PARTICIPATION VOLUNTARY.—Participation in  
6 the pilot program established under subsection (a) shall  
7 be on a voluntary basis.

8 (e) NOTICE AND COMMENT.—The Under Secretary  
9 shall issue the regulations implementing the pilot program  
10 established under subsection (a) and establishing the cri-  
11 teria required by subsection (b) after notice and an oppor-  
12 tunity for public comment of not more than 30 days.

13 (f) REPORT.—Not later than September 30, 2024,  
14 and annually thereafter, the Under Secretary for Acquisi-  
15 tion and Sustainment shall submit to the Committees on  
16 Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representa-  
17 tives a report on the implementation and activities of the  
18 pilot program established under subsection (a), including  
19 a comprehensive list of contractors that received increased  
20 progress payments under the pilot program and the con-  
21 tracts with respect to which such increased progress pay-  
22 ments were made.

23 (g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

24 (1) COVERED CONTRACTOR.—The term “cov-  
25 ered contractor” means a contractor of the Depart-

1       ment of Defense that is eligible for progress pay-  
2       ments under section 3804 of title 10, United States  
3       Code.

4           (2) CUSTOMARY PROGRESS PAYMENT RATE.—  
5       The term “customary progress payment rate” refers  
6       to the rate of progress payments provided for under  
7       section 3804 of title 10, United States Code, and  
8       payable in accordance with the applicable provisions  
9       of the Federal Acquisition Regulation and the De-  
10      fense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement.

11          (3) UNDER SECRETARY.—The term “Under  
12      Secretary” means the Under Secretary for Acquisi-  
13      tion and Sustainment.

14      (h) SUNSET.—

15          (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided by para-  
16      graph (2), the authority to carry out the pilot pro-  
17      gram established under subsection (a) shall termi-  
18      nate on January 1, 2029.

19          (2) EXISTING CONTRACTS.—Notwithstanding  
20      paragraph (1), a contractor that the Under Sec-  
21      retary determines under the pilot program estab-  
22      lished under subsection (a) shall be paid a higher  
23      progress payment under such pilot program with re-  
24      spect to a contract in effect as of the date described

1 in paragraph (1) shall receive such higher progress  
2 payments until the earlier of—

3 (A) the termination or expiration of the  
4 contract; or

5 (B) the date on which the contractor be-  
6 comes ineligible for progress payments or high-  
7 er progress payments under such pilot program.

8 **SEC. 875. STUDY ON REDUCING BARRIERS TO ACQUISITION**  
9 **OF COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND SERVICES.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, acting  
11 through the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition  
12 and Sustainment, shall conduct a study on the feasibility  
13 and advisability of—

14 (1) establishing a default determination that  
15 products and services acquired by the Department of  
16 Defense are commercial and do not require commer-  
17 cial determination as provided under section 3456 of  
18 title 10, United States Code;

19 (2) establishing a requirement for a product or  
20 service to be determined not to be a commercial  
21 product or service prior to the use of procedures  
22 other than procedures under part 12 of the Federal  
23 Acquisition Regulation; and

24 (3) mandating the use of commercial proce-  
25 dures under part 12 of the Federal Acquisition Reg-

1           ulation unless a justification for a determination  
2           that a product or service is not a commercial prod-  
3           uct or service is determined.

4           (b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
5 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
6 shall submit to the congressional defense committees a re-  
7 port on the findings of the study conducted under sub-  
8 section (a). The report shall include specific findings with  
9 relevant data and proposed recommendations, including  
10 any necessary and desirable modifications to applicable  
11 statute for any changes the Department seeks to make  
12 regarding paragraphs (1) through (3) of subsection (a).

13 **TITLE IX—DEPARTMENT OF DE-**  
14 **FENSE ORGANIZATION AND**  
15 **MANAGEMENT**

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1     **Subtitle A—Office of the Secretary**  
2     **of Defense and Related Matters**

3     **SEC. 901. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO CARRY OUT**  
4                     **ELIMINATION OF POSITION OF CHIEF MAN-**  
5                     **AGEMENT OFFICER.**

6             (a) REMOVAL OF REFERENCES TO CHIEF MANAGE-  
7     MENT OFFICER IN PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATING TO  
8     PRECEDENCE.—Chapter 4 of title 10, United States Code,  
9     is amended—

10             (1) in section 133a(c)—

11                     (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “, the  
12     Deputy Secretary of Defense, and the Chief  
13     Management Officer of the Department of De-  
14     fense” and inserting “and the Deputy Secretary  
15     of Defense”; and

16                     (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “the  
17     Chief Management Officer,”;

18             (2) in section 133b(c)—

1 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “the  
2 Chief Management Officer of the Department  
3 of Defense,”; and

4 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “the  
5 Chief Management Officer,”;

6 (3) in section 137a(d), by striking “the Chief  
7 Management Officer of the Department of De-  
8 fense,”; and

9 (4) in section 138(d), by striking “the Chief  
10 Management Officer of the Department of De-  
11 fense,”.

12 (b) ASSIGNMENT OF PERIODIC REVIEW OF DEFENSE  
13 AGENCIES AND DOD FIELD ACTIVITIES TO SECRETARY  
14 OF DEFENSE.—Section 192(c) of such title is amended—

15 (1) in paragraph (1)—

16 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “the  
17 Chief Management Officer of the Department  
18 of Defense” and inserting “the Secretary of De-  
19 fense”; and

20 (B) in subparagraphs (B) and (C), by  
21 striking “the Chief Management Officer” and  
22 inserting “the Secretary”; and

23 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “the Chief  
24 Management Officer” each place it appears and in-  
25 serting “the Secretary”.

1 (c) ASSIGNMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINAN-  
2 CIAL IMPROVEMENT AND AUDIT REMEDIATION TO  
3 UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (COMPTROLLER).—

4 Section 240b of such title is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a)(1), by striking “The Chief  
6 Management Officer of the Department of Defense  
7 shall, in consultation with the Under Secretary of  
8 Defense (Comptroller),” and inserting “The Under  
9 Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) shall, in con-  
10 sultation with the Performance Improvement Officer  
11 of the Department of Defense,”; and

12 (2) in subsection (b)(1)(C)(ii), by striking “the  
13 Chief Management Officer” and inserting “the Per-  
14 formance Improvement Officer”.

15 (d) REMOVAL OF CHIEF MANAGEMENT OFFICER AS  
16 RECIPIENT OF REPORTS OF AUDITS BY EXTERNAL AUDI-  
17 TORS.—Section 240d(d)(1)(A) of such title is amended by  
18 striking “and the Chief Management Officer of the De-  
19 partment of Defense”.

20 (e) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO PROVISIONS OF  
21 LAW RELATED TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT EX-  
22 EMPTIONS.—Such title is further amended—

23 (1) in section 130e—

24 (A) by striking subsection (d);

1 (B) by redesignating subsections (e) and  
2 (f) as subsections (d) and (e), respectively; and

3 (C) in subsection (d), as so redesignated—

4 (i) by striking “, or the Secretary’s  
5 designee,”; and

6 (ii) by striking “, through the Office  
7 of the Director of Administration and  
8 Management”;

9 (2) in section 2254a—

10 (A) by striking subsection (c);

11 (B) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-  
12 section (c); and

13 (C) in subsection (c), as so redesignated—

14 (i) by striking “, or the Secretary’s  
15 designee,”; and

16 (ii) by striking “, through the Office  
17 of the Director of Administration and  
18 Management”.

19 (f) ASSIGNMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANNUAL  
20 REVIEW OF AGENCY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PORT-  
21 FOLIO TO THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER.—Section  
22 11319(d)(4) of title 40, United States Code, is amended,  
23 in the second sentence, by striking “the Chief Manage-  
24 ment Officer of the Department of Defense (or any suc-  
25 cessor to such Officer), in consultation with the Chief In-

1 formation Officer, the Under Secretary of Defense for Ac-  
2 quisition and Sustainment, and” and inserting “the Chief  
3 Information Officer of the Department of Defense, in con-  
4 sultation with the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisi-  
5 tion and Sustainment and”.

6 (g) REMOVAL OF CHIEF MANAGEMENT OFFICER AS  
7 REQUIRED COORDINATOR ON DEFENSE RESALE MAT-  
8 TERS.—Section 631(a) of the National Defense Authoriza-  
9 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 10  
10 U.S.C. 2481 note) is amended by striking “, in coordina-  
11 tion with the Chief Management Officer of the Depart-  
12 ment of Defense,”.

13 **SEC. 902. MODIFICATION OF RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIREC-**  
14 **TOR OF COST ASSESSMENT AND PROGRAM**  
15 **EVALUATION.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 139a of title 10, United  
17 States Code, is amended—

18 (1) in subsection (d)—

19 (A) in paragraph (5)—

20 (i) by striking “, ensuring” and in-  
21 serting “and ensuring”; and

22 (ii) by striking “, and assessing” and  
23 all that follows through “economy”; and

24 (B) in paragraph (8), by inserting after  
25 “defense resources” the following: “, including

1 the standardization of analytical methodologies  
2 and the establishment and maintenance of a  
3 centralized knowledge repository of physical at-  
4 tributes or other data for modeling and simula-  
5 tion purposes”; and

6 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
7 sections:

8 “(e) PROGRAM EVALUATION COMPETITIVE ANALYSIS  
9 CELL.—

10 “(1) Not later than June 1, 2024, the Sec-  
11 retary of Defense shall establish a team, to be  
12 known as the ‘Program Evaluation Competitive  
13 Analysis Cell’ (referred to in this subsection as the  
14 ‘Cell’), to critically assess the analytical methodolo-  
15 gies, assumptions, and data used in key strategic  
16 and operational analyses conducted by the Director  
17 of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation.

18 “(2) The Secretary of Defense shall—

19 “(A) designate an individual to serve as  
20 the head of the Cell; and

21 “(B) ensure that the Cell has a sufficient  
22 number of personnel to carry out the duties de-  
23 scribed in this subsection.

24 “(3) The Cell shall be independent of the Direc-  
25 tor of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation.

1 The head of the Cell shall report directly to the Sec-  
2 retary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of De-  
3 fense.

4 “(4)(A) Not less frequently than once every two  
5 years, the Cell shall conduct an alternative oper-  
6 ational or strategic analysis of an analytical question  
7 identified by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of  
8 Staff under subparagraph (B). In conducting such  
9 alternative analysis, the Cell shall use assumptions  
10 different from the assumptions used by the Director  
11 of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation for the  
12 original analysis of such question.

13 “(B) For purposes of each alternative analysis  
14 required under subparagraph (A), at an appropriate  
15 time before the commencement of such analysis—

16 “(i) the Director of the Joint Staff shall  
17 submit to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of  
18 Staff a list of not fewer than three operational  
19 or strategic questions previously studied by the  
20 Director of Cost Assessment and Program  
21 Evaluation that could potentially serve as the  
22 basis of for such alternative analysis; and

23 “(ii) from such list, the Chairman shall se-  
24 lect one question to serve as the basis for such  
25 analysis.

1           “(f) INCLUSION OF RISK ESTIMATES IN CERTAIN  
2 SUBMISSIONS.—In any case in which the Director of Cost  
3 Assessment and Program Evaluation submits to the Sec-  
4 retary of Defense an analytical product that recommends  
5 not meeting or changing a requirement established by the  
6 Joint Requirements Oversight Council, the Director shall  
7 include with such submission—

8           “(1) a risk assessment that assesses any risks  
9 of the recommended course of action with respect to  
10 the execution of operational plans and the long-term  
11 ability of the armed forces to meet the needs of com-  
12 batant commanders (as determined by the Secretary  
13 of Defense); and

14           “(2) a risk estimate from the military service in  
15 question that assesses the risks described in para-  
16 graph (1).

17           “(g) ANNUAL REPORTS.—

18           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than February 1,  
19 2024, and annually thereafter, the Director of Cost  
20 Assessment and Program Evaluation shall submit to  
21 the congressional defense committees a report on  
22 any strategic and operational analyses conducted  
23 under paragraphs (2), (3), (6), (7), or (8) of sub-  
24 section (d). Each report shall include—

1           “(A) a review of strategic portfolio reviews  
2 completed in the fiscal year preceding submis-  
3 sion of the report and a description of such re-  
4 views planned for the fiscal year that begins  
5 after submission of the report;

6           “(B) a review of analyses of alternatives  
7 completed in the fiscal year preceding submis-  
8 sion of the report and a description of such  
9 analyses planned for the fiscal year that begins  
10 after submission of the report; and

11           “(C) a review of defense program projec-  
12 tions completed in the fiscal year preceding sub-  
13 mission of the report and a description of such  
14 projections planned for the fiscal year that be-  
15 gins after submission of the report.

16           “(2) FORM.—Each report required by para-  
17 graph (1) shall be submitted in classified form, but  
18 shall include an unclassified summary.

19           “(3) BRIEFINGS.—Not later than 15 days after  
20 the submission of each report required by paragraph  
21 (1), the Director of Cost Assessment and Program  
22 Evaluation shall provide to the congressional defense  
23 committees a briefing on the contents of the report.

24           “(h) QUARTERLY BRIEFINGS.—Beginning not later  
25 than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this sub-

1 section, and on a quarterly basis thereafter, the Director  
2 of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation shall provide  
3 to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the  
4 activities carried out by Director during the preceding  
5 quarter an any ongoing activities of the Director as of the  
6 date of briefing.”.

7 (b) PILOT PROGRAM ON ALTERNATIVE ANALYSIS.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than May 1, 2024,  
9 the Director of Cost Assessment and Program Eval-  
10 uation shall establish a pilot program on alternative  
11 analysis (referred to in this subsection as the “pilot  
12 program”).

13 (2) STRUCTURE.—Under the pilot program, the  
14 Director shall establish three analytical groups fo-  
15 cused on programmatic analysis in the following:

16 (A) Year 1 of the future-years defense pro-  
17 gram under section 221 of title 10, United  
18 States Code, beginning with fiscal year 2025.

19 (B) Years 2 through 5 of the future-years  
20 defense program.

21 (C) Years outside the future-years defense  
22 program.

23 (3) REQUIREMENTS.—The Director shall en-  
24 sure that at least one strategic portfolio review or an

1 equivalent analytical effort is conducted each year  
2 under the pilot program.

3 (4) TERMINATION.—The pilot program shall  
4 terminate on September 30, 2028.

5 (c) ESTABLISHMENT OF ANALYSIS WORKING  
6 GROUP.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than May 1, 2024,  
8 the Secretary of Defense shall establish within the  
9 Department of Defense a working group to be  
10 known as the “Analysis Working Group”.

11 (2) PERSONNEL.—The Secretary of Defense  
12 shall ensure that the Analysis Working Group pos-  
13 sesses sufficient full-time equivalent support per-  
14 sonnel to carry out the duties of the Group, includ-  
15 ing expansive coordination activities across the De-  
16 partment of Defense.

17 (3) MEMBERSHIP.—

18 (A) REGULAR MEMBERS.—The Analysis  
19 Working Group shall be composed of at least  
20 one representative from each of the following  
21 components of the Department of Defense:

22 (i) The Office of the Director of Cost  
23 Assessment and Program Evaluation.

24 (ii) The Directorate for Joint Force  
25 Development (J7) of the Joint Staff.

1 (iii) The Directorate for Force Struc-  
2 ture, Resources, and Assessment (J8) of  
3 the Joint Staff.

4 (iv) The Office of the Secretary of De-  
5 fense for Policy.

6 (v) The Chief Digital and Artificial  
7 Intelligence Office.

8 (B) OBSERVERS.—At least one representa-  
9 tive from each of the following commands shall  
10 serve as observers of the Analysis Working  
11 Group:

12 (i) The United States Indo-Pacific  
13 Command.

14 (ii) The United States European  
15 Command.

16 (iii) The United States Central Com-  
17 mand.

18 (4) DUTIES.—The Analysis Working Group  
19 shall—

20 (A) establish clear priorities and standards  
21 to focus analysts on decision support;

22 (B) improve transparency of methodolo-  
23 gies, tools, and tradecraft across the analytic  
24 community, including testing and validation for

1 new or emerging methodologies, tools, and  
2 tradecraft;

3 (C) improve quality of and expand access  
4 to data, including evaluation of new data sets,  
5 or application of existing data sets in new or  
6 novel ways;

7 (D) evolve the methodologies, tools, and  
8 tradecraft methods and tools used in strategic  
9 analysis;

10 (E) resolve classified access and infrastruc-  
11 ture challenges;

12 (F) foster a workforce and organizations  
13 that are innovative, creative, and provide high-  
14 quality strategic decision support; and

15 (G) carry out such other activities as the  
16 Secretary of Defense determines appropriate.

17 (d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in sub-  
18 section (b) or (c) shall be construed to interfere with the  
19 authority of the Chiefs of Staff of the Armed Forces to  
20 establish military requirements, performance require-  
21 ments, and joint performance requirements, or the author-  
22 ity of the Joint Requirements Oversight Council to vali-  
23 date such requirements under section 181 of title 10,  
24 United States Code.

1 **SEC. 903. ESTABLISHMENT OF OFFICE OF STRATEGIC CAP-**  
2 **ITAL.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF OFFICE.—Chapter 4 of title  
4 10, United States Code, as amended by section 241, is  
5 further amended by adding at the end the following new  
6 section:

7 **“§ 149. Office of Strategic Capital**

8 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is in the Office of the  
9 Secretary of Defense an office to be known as the Office  
10 of Strategic Capital (in this section referred to as the ‘Of-  
11 fice’).

12 “(b) DIRECTOR.—The Office shall be headed by a Di-  
13 rector (in this section referred to as the ‘Director’), who  
14 shall be appointed by the Secretary from among employees  
15 in Senior Executive Service positions (as defined in section  
16 3132 of title 5), or from outside the civil service who have  
17 successfully held equivalent positions.

18 “(c) DUTIES.—The Office shall—

19 “(1) develop, integrate, and implement capital  
20 investment strategies proven in the commercial sec-  
21 tor to shape and scale investment in critical tech-  
22 nologies and assets;

23 “(2) identify and prioritize promising critical  
24 technologies and assets that require capital assist-  
25 ance and have the potential to benefit the Depart-  
26 ment of Defense; and

1           “(3) make eligible investments in such tech-  
2           nologies and assets, such as supply chain tech-  
3           nologies not always supported through direct invest-  
4           ment.

5           “(d) NON-FEDERAL FUNDING REQUIREMENTS FOR  
6           CERTAIN INVESTMENTS.—In the case of an eligible invest-  
7           ment made through a direct loan, not less than 80 percent  
8           of the total capital provided for the specific technology to  
9           be funded by the investment shall be derived from non-  
10          Federal sources as of the time of the investment.

11          “(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12                  “(1) The term ‘capital assistance’ means a loan,  
13                  loan guarantee, or technical assistance.

14                  “(2) The term ‘covered technology category’  
15                  means the following:

16                          “(A) Advanced bulk materials.

17                          “(B) Advanced manufacturing.

18                          “(C) Autonomous mobile robots.

19                          “(D) Battery storage.

20                          “(E) Biochemicals.

21                          “(F) Bioenergetics.

22                          “(G) Biomass.

23                          “(H) Cybersecurity.

24                          “(I) Data fabric.

25                          “(J) Decision science.

- 1 “(K) Edge computing.
- 2 “(L) External communication.
- 3 “(M) Hydrogen generation and storage.
- 4 “(N) Mesh networks.
- 5 “(O) Microelectronics assembly, testing, or
- 6 packaging.
- 7 “(P) Microelectronics design and develop-
- 8 ment.
- 9 “(Q) Microelectronics fabrication.
- 10 “(R) Microelectronics manufacturing
- 11 equipment.
- 12 “(S) Microelectronics materials.
- 13 “(T) Nanomaterials and metamaterials.
- 14 “(U) Open RAN.
- 15 “(V) Optical communications.
- 16 “(W) Sensor hardware.
- 17 “(X) Solar.
- 18 “(Y) Space launch.
- 19 “(Z) Spacecraft.
- 20 “(AA) Space-enabled services and equip-
- 21 ment.
- 22 “(BB) Synthetic biology.
- 23 “(CC) Quantum computing.
- 24 “(DD) Quantum security.
- 25 “(EE) Quantum sensing.

- 1           “(3) The term ‘eligible entity’ means—
- 2                   “(A) an individual;
- 3                   “(B) a corporation;
- 4                   “(C) a partnership, which may include a
- 5           public-private partnership, limited partnership,
- 6           or general partnership;
- 7                   “(D) a joint venture;
- 8                   “(E) a trust;
- 9                   “(F) a State, including a political subdivi-
- 10          sion or any other instrumentality of a State;
- 11                  “(G) a Tribal government or consortium of
- 12          Tribal governments;
- 13                  “(H) any other governmental entity or
- 14          public agency in the United States, including a
- 15          special purpose district or public authority, in-
- 16          cluding a port authority;
- 17                  “(I) a multi-State or multi-jurisdictional
- 18          group of public entities; or
- 19                  “(J) a strategic alliance among two or
- 20          more entities described in subparagraphs (A)
- 21          through (I).
- 22           “(4) The term ‘eligible investment’ means an
- 23          investment, in the form of capital assistance pro-
- 24          vided to an eligible entity, for a technology that—

1           “(A) is in a covered technology category;

2           and

3           “(B) is not a technology that solely has de-  
4           fense applications.”.

5           (b) PILOT PROGRAM ON CAPITAL ASSISTANCE TO  
6 SUPPORT DEFENSE INVESTMENT IN THE INDUSTRIAL  
7 BASE.—

8           (1) CAPITAL ASSISTANCE.—To the extent and  
9           in such amounts as specifically provided in advance  
10          in appropriations Acts for the purposes detailed in  
11          this subsection, the Secretary of Defense, acting  
12          through the Director of the Office of Strategic Cap-  
13          ital (referred to in this section as the “Director”),  
14          may carry out a pilot program under this subsection  
15          to provide capital assistance to eligible entities for  
16          eligible investments to develop technologies that sup-  
17          port the duties and elements of the Office and meet  
18          the needs of the Department of Defense.

19          (2) ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION PROCESS.—

20                 (A) IN GENERAL.—An eligible entity seek-  
21                 ing capital assistance for an eligible investment  
22                 under this subsection shall submit to the Direc-  
23                 tor an application at such time, in such man-  
24                 ner, and containing such information as the Di-  
25                 rector may require.

1 (B) SELECTION OF INVESTMENTS.—The  
2 Director shall establish criteria for selecting  
3 among eligible investments for which applica-  
4 tions are submitted under subparagraph (A).  
5 The criteria shall include—

6 (i) the extent to which an investment  
7 supports the national security or economic  
8 interests of the United States;

9 (ii) the likelihood that capital assist-  
10 ance provided for an investment would en-  
11 able the investment to proceed sooner than  
12 the investment would otherwise be able to  
13 proceed; and

14 (iii) the creditworthiness of an invest-  
15 ment.

16 (3) CAPITAL ASSISTANCE.—

17 (A) LOANS AND LOAN GUARANTEES.—

18 (i) IN GENERAL.—To the extent and  
19 in such amounts as specifically provided in  
20 advance in appropriations Acts for the pur-  
21 poses detailed in this subsection, the Direc-  
22 tor may provide loans or loan guarantees  
23 to finance or refinance the costs of an eli-  
24 gible investment selected pursuant to para-  
25 graph (2)(B).

- 1 (ii) ADMINISTRATION OF LOANS.—  
2 (I) INTEREST RATE.—  
3 (aa) IN GENERAL.—Except  
4 as provided under item (bb), the  
5 interest rate on a loan provided  
6 under clause (i) shall be not less  
7 than the yield on marketable  
8 United States Treasury securities  
9 of a similar maturity to the ma-  
10 turity of the loan on the date of  
11 execution of the loan agreement.  
12 (bb) EXCEPTION.—The Di-  
13 rector may waive the requirement  
14 under item (aa) with respect to  
15 an investment if the investment  
16 is determined by the Secretary of  
17 Defense to be vital to the na-  
18 tional security of the United  
19 States.  
20 (cc) CRITERIA.—The Direc-  
21 tor shall establish separate and  
22 distinct criteria for interest rates  
23 for loan guarantees with private  
24 sector lending institutions.

1 (II) FINAL MATURITY DATE.—

2 The final maturity date of a loan pro-  
3 vided under clause (i) shall be not  
4 later than 50 years after the date on  
5 which the loan was provided.

6 (III) PREPAYMENT.—A loan pro-  
7 vided under clause (i) may be paid  
8 earlier than is provided for under the  
9 loan agreement without a penalty.

10 (IV) NONSUBORDINATION.—

11 (aa) IN GENERAL.—A loan  
12 provided under clause (i) shall  
13 not be subordinated to the claims  
14 of any holder of investment obli-  
15 gations in the event of bank-  
16 ruptcy, insolvency, or liquidation  
17 of the obligor.

18 (bb) EXCEPTION.—The Di-  
19 rector may waive the requirement  
20 under item (aa) with respect to  
21 the investment in order to miti-  
22 gate risks to loan repayment.

23 (V) SALE OF LOANS.—The Di-  
24 rector may sell to another entity or  
25 reoffer into the capital markets a loan

1 provided under clause (i) if the Direc-  
2 tor determines that the sale or re-  
3 offering can be made on favorable  
4 terms.

5 (VI) LOAN GUARANTEES.—Any  
6 loan guarantee provided under clause  
7 (i) shall specify the percentage of the  
8 principal amount guaranteed. If the  
9 Secretary determines that the holder  
10 of a loan guaranteed by the Depart-  
11 ment of Defense defaults on the loan,  
12 the Director shall pay the holder as  
13 specified in the loan guarantee agree-  
14 ment.

15 (VII) INVESTMENT-GRADE RAT-  
16 ING.—The Director shall establish a  
17 credit rating system to ensure a rea-  
18 sonable reassurance of repayment.  
19 The system may include use of exist-  
20 ing credit rating agencies where ap-  
21 propriate.

22 (VIII) TERMS AND CONDI-  
23 TIONS.—Loans and loan guarantees  
24 provided under clause (i) shall be sub-  
25 ject to such other terms and condi-

1                   tions and contain such other cov-  
2                   enants, representations, warranties,  
3                   and requirements (including require-  
4                   ments for audits) as the Secretary de-  
5                   termines appropriate.

6                   (IX) APPLICABILITY OF FED-  
7                   ERAL CREDIT REFORM ACT OF 1990.—  
8                   Loans and loan guarantees provided  
9                   under clause (i) shall be subject to the  
10                  requirements of the Federal Credit  
11                  Reform Act of 1990 (2 U.S.C. 661 et  
12                  seq.).

13                 (B) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—Subject to  
14                 appropriations Acts, the Director may provide  
15                 technical assistance with respect to developing  
16                 and financing investments to eligible entities  
17                 seeking capital assistance for eligible invest-  
18                 ments and eligible entities receiving capital as-  
19                 sistance under this subsection.

20                 (C) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—

21                   (i) AMOUNT OF CAPITAL ASSIST-  
22                   ANCE.—To the extent and in such amounts  
23                   as specifically provided in advance in ap-  
24                   propriations Acts for the purposes detailed  
25                   in this subsection, the Director shall pro-

1           vide to an eligible investment selected pur-  
2           suant to paragraph (2)(B) the amount of  
3           capital assistance necessary to carry out  
4           the investment.

5                   (ii) USE OF UNITED STATES DOL-  
6           LARS.—All financial transactions con-  
7           ducted under this section shall be con-  
8           ducted in United States dollars.

9                   (4) NON-FEDERAL FUNDING REQUIREMENTS.—  
10          The requirements of section 149(d) of title 10,  
11          United States Code (as added by subsection (a))  
12          shall apply to eligible investments under this sub-  
13          section.

14                   (5) ESTABLISHMENT OF ACCOUNTS.—

15                           (A) CREDIT PROGRAM ACCOUNT.—

16                                   (i) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is estab-  
17                                   lished in the Treasury of the United States  
18                                   a Department of Defense Credit Program  
19                                   Account to make and guarantee loans  
20                                   under this subsection in accordance with  
21                                   section 502 of the Federal Credit Reform  
22                                   Act of 1990 (2 U.S.C. 661a).

23                                   (ii) FUNDING.—The Credit Program  
24                                   Account shall consist of amounts appro-

1            pried pursuant to the authorization of  
2            appropriations.

3            (B) USE OF FUNDS.—To the extent and in  
4            such amounts as specifically provided in ad-  
5            vance in appropriations Acts for the purposes  
6            detailed in this subsection, the Director is au-  
7            thorized to pay, from amounts in the Depart-  
8            ment of Defense Credit Program Account—

9                    (i) the cost, as defined in section 502  
10                   of the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990  
11                   (2 U.S.C. 661a), of loans and loan guaran-  
12                   tees and other capital assistance;

13                   (ii) administrative expenses associated  
14                   with activities under this section;

15                   (iii) project-specific transaction costs;  
16                   and

17                   (iv) the cost of providing support au-  
18                   thorized by this subsection.

19            (6) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Defense  
20            may prescribe such regulations as the Secretary de-  
21            termines to be appropriate to carry out this sub-  
22            section.

23            (7) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than the first  
24            Monday in February of a fiscal year, the Secretary  
25            of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense

1 committees an annual report describing activities  
2 carried out pursuant to this subsection in the pre-  
3 ceding fiscal year and the goals of the Department  
4 of Defense in accordance with this subsection for the  
5 next fiscal year.

6 (8) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—The Sec-  
7 retary of Defense shall notify the congressional de-  
8 fense committees not later than 30 days after a use  
9 of loans, loan guarantees, or technical assistance  
10 under this subsection.

11 (9) SUNSET.—The authorities provided under  
12 this subsection shall expire on October 1, 2028.

13 (10) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

14 (A) The term “capital assistance” means  
15 loans, loan guarantees, or technical assistance  
16 provided under paragraph (3).

17 (B) The terms “eligible entity” and “eligi-  
18 ble investment” have the meanings given those  
19 terms in section 149(e) of title 10, United  
20 States Code (as added by subsection (a)).

21 (C) The term “obligor” means a party that  
22 is primarily liable for payment of the principal  
23 of or interest on a loan.

1 **SEC. 904. ESTABLISHMENT AND ASSIGNMENT OF ROLES**  
2 **AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR COMBINED**  
3 **JOINT ALL-DOMAIN COMMAND AND CONTROL**  
4 **IN SUPPORT OF INTEGRATED JOINT**  
5 **WARFIGHTING.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall es-  
7 tablish, and assign to appropriate components of the Of-  
8 fice of the Secretary, roles and responsibilities relating  
9 to—

10 (1) the development of combined joint all-do-  
11 main command and control (commonly known as  
12 “CJADC2”) capabilities in support of integrated  
13 joint warfighting; and

14 (2) the delivery of such capabilities to the com-  
15 batant commands.

16 (b) ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—The roles and  
17 responsibilities established and assigned under subsection  
18 (a) shall include, at a minimum, the following:

19 (1) Identifying new technology and operational  
20 concepts for experimentation and prototyping for de-  
21 livery to the Joint Force to address key operational  
22 challenges.

23 (2) Providing technical support for the Joint  
24 Force in exploring and analyzing new combined joint  
25 all-domain command and control capabilities and

1 operational concepts, including through advanced  
2 modeling and simulation.

3 (3) Executing experimentation associated with  
4 such capabilities through the Rapid Defense Experi-  
5 mentation Reserve or another mechanism.

6 (4) Enabling the acquisition of cross-domain,  
7 joint, and cross-system mission capabilities, includ-  
8 ing resourcing of modifications necessary for inte-  
9 gration and interoperability among mission compo-  
10 nents.

11 (5) Ensuring the effectiveness of cross-domain,  
12 joint, and cross-system mission capabilities through  
13 analysis and testing.

14 (6) Creating and operating a complete capa-  
15 bility for software development that allows for  
16 iterative, secure, and continuous deployment of de-  
17 velopmental, prototype, and operational tools and ca-  
18 pabilities from multiple vendors to test networks and  
19 operational networks for combatant commanders  
20 to—

21 (A) gain operational awareness, make deci-  
22 sions, and take actions;

23 (B) integrate relevant data sources to sup-  
24 port target selection, target prioritization, and  
25 weapon-target pairing; and

1 (C) assign targets through networks, tools,  
2 and systems of the Armed Forces and combat  
3 support agencies.

4 (c) INITIAL PRIORITIZATION.—In establishing an ini-  
5 tial set of roles and responsibilities under subsection (a),  
6 the Secretary of Defense shall prioritize the development  
7 and delivery of capabilities that meet the requirements of  
8 the United States Indo-Pacific Command.

9 (d) BRIEFINGS REQUIRED.—Not later than 90 days  
10 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and not less  
11 frequently than once every 180 days thereafter through  
12 December 31, 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall provide  
13 to the congressional defense committees a briefing on—

14 (1) any activities carried out in accordance with  
15 the roles and responsibilities under subsection (a);  
16 and

17 (2) any plans associated with such roles and re-  
18 sponsibilities.

19 **SEC. 905. PRINCIPAL DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARIES TO**  
20 **SUPPORT ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DE-**  
21 **FENSE FOR SPECIAL OPERATIONS AND LOW**  
22 **INTENSITY CONFLICT.**

23 The Secretary of Defense may appoint two Principal  
24 Deputy Assistant Secretaries to report to the Assistant

1 Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Low In-  
2 tensity Conflict—

3 (1) one of whom may be assigned to support  
4 the Assistant Secretary in the discharge of respon-  
5 sibilities specified in clause (i) of section  
6 138(b)(2)(A) of title 10, United States Code; and

7 (2) one of whom may be assigned to support  
8 the Assistant Secretary in the discharge of respon-  
9 sibilities specified in clause (ii) of that section.

10 **Subtitle B—Other Department of**  
11 **Defense Organization and Man-**  
12 **agement Matters**

13 **SEC. 911. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS UNDER GENERAL**  
14 **POLICY FOR TOTAL FORCE MANAGEMENT.**

15 Section 129a(c)(2) of title 10, United States Code,  
16 is amended by adding at the end the following: “The Sec-  
17 retary of Defense shall ensure that the requirements de-  
18 termination, planning, programming, and budgeting con-  
19 ducted under this paragraph considers all components of  
20 the total force (including active and reserve military, the  
21 civilian workforce, and contract support) in a holistic man-  
22 ner—

23 “(A) to avoid duplication of efforts and  
24 waste of resources attributable to a component

1 working outside the scope of its responsibilities;  
2 and

3 “(B) to ensure that risk, cost, and mission  
4 validation and prioritization considerations are  
5 consistent with the national defense strategy.”.

6 **SEC. 912. ADDITION OF COLLEGE OF INTERNATIONAL SE-**  
7 **CURITY AFFAIRS TO NATIONAL DEFENSE**  
8 **UNIVERSITY.**

9 Section 2165(b) of title 10, United States Code, is  
10 amended—

11 (1) by redesignating paragraph (6) as para-  
12 graph (7); and

13 (2) by inserting after paragraph (5) the fol-  
14 lowing new paragraph (6):

15 “(6) The College of International Security Af-  
16 fairs.”.

17 **SEC. 913. CODIFICATION OF THE DEFENSE INNOVATION**  
18 **UNIT.**

19 (a) CODIFICATION OF DEFENSE INNOVATION  
20 UNIT.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter III of chapter  
22 303 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by  
23 adding at the end the following new section:

1 **“§ 4127. Defense innovation unit**

2 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the  
3 Department of Defense a Defense Innovation Unit (re-  
4 ferred to in this section as the ‘Unit’).

5 “(b) DIRECTOR AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR.—There is  
6 a Director of the Unit who shall be appointed by the Sec-  
7 retary of Defense from among persons with substantial ex-  
8 perience in innovation and commercial technology, as de-  
9 termined by the Secretary.

10 “(c) AUTHORITY OF DIRECTOR.—The Director is the  
11 head of the Unit. The Director—

12 “(1) shall serve as a principal staff assistant to  
13 the Secretary of Defense on matters within the re-  
14 sponsibility of the Unit;

15 “(2) shall report directly to the Secretary with-  
16 out intervening authority; and

17 “(3) may communicate views on matters within  
18 the responsibility of the Unit directly to the Sec-  
19 retary without obtaining the approval or concurrence  
20 of any other official within the Department of De-  
21 fense.

22 “(d) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Unit shall have the  
23 following responsibilities:

24 “(1) Seek out, identify, and support develop-  
25 ment of and experimentation with commercial tech-

1 nologies that have the potential to be implemented  
2 within the Department of Defense.

3 “(2) Accelerate the adoption or integration of  
4 commercial technologies within the Department of  
5 Defense to transform military capacity and capabili-  
6 ties.

7 “(3) Serve as the principal liaison between the  
8 Department of Defense and individuals and entities  
9 in the national security innovation base, including  
10 entrepreneurs, startups, commercial technology com-  
11 panies, and venture capital sources.

12 “(4) Carry out programs, projects, and other  
13 activities to strengthen the national security innova-  
14 tion base.

15 “(5) Coordinate and harmonize the activities of  
16 other organizations and elements of the Department  
17 of Defense on matters relating to commercial tech-  
18 nologies, dual use technologies, and the innovation of  
19 such technologies.

20 “(6) Coordinate and advise efforts among ele-  
21 ments of the Department of Defense on matters re-  
22 lating to the development, procurement, and fielding  
23 of nontraditional capabilities.

24 “(7) Coordinate with the Joint Staff and the  
25 commanders of the combatant commands to identify

1 operational challenges that have the potential to be  
2 addressed through the use of nontraditional capabili-  
3 ties, including dual-use technologies, that are being  
4 developed and financed in the commercial sector.

5 “(8) Using funds made available to the Unit—

6 “(A) select projects to be carried out by  
7 one or more of the service-level innovation orga-  
8 nizations;

9 “(B) allocate funds to service-level innova-  
10 tion organizations to carry out such projects;  
11 and

12 “(C) monitor the execution of such  
13 projects by the service-level innovation organiza-  
14 tions.

15 “(9) Serve as the principal liaison between the  
16 Department of Defense, nontraditional defense con-  
17 tractors, investors in nontraditional defense compa-  
18 nies, and departments and agencies of the Federal  
19 Government pursuing nontraditional capabilities simi-  
20 lar to those pursued by the Department.

21 “(10) Lead engagement with industry, aca-  
22 demia, and other nongovernment entities to de-  
23 velop—

24 “(A) domestic capacity with respect to in-  
25 novative, commercial, and dual-use technologies

1 and the use of nontraditional defense contrac-  
2 tors; and

3 “(B) the capacity of international allies  
4 and partners of the United States with respect  
5 to such technologies and the use of such con-  
6 tractors.

7 “(11) Carry out such other activities as the  
8 Secretary of Defense determines appropriate.

9 “(e) SUPPORT FOR MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PARTNER-  
10 SHIPS.—

11 “(1) The Director shall identify and support  
12 multi-stakeholder research and innovation partner-  
13 ships that—

14 “(A) have the potential to generate tech-  
15 nologies, processes, products, or other solutions  
16 that address national defense or security needs;  
17 and

18 “(B) have as an objective the technology  
19 transfer or commercialization of the work prod-  
20 uct generated by the partnership, which may in-  
21 clude work product that incorporates Govern-  
22 ment-developed intellectual property licensed to  
23 the partnership in accordance with paragraph  
24 (3).

1           “(2) Support provided by the Director to a  
2 multi-stakeholder research and innovation partner-  
3 ship under this subsection may include—

4           “(A) providing funding or other resources  
5 to the partnership;

6           “(B) participating in the partnership;

7           “(C) providing technical and technological  
8 advice and guidance to the partnership;

9           “(D) suggesting and introducing other par-  
10 ticipants for inclusion in the partnership;

11           “(E) providing the partnership with insight  
12 into desired solutions for defense and security  
13 needs; and

14           “(F) such other forms of support as the  
15 Director determines appropriate.

16           “(3) To the extent the Director determines ap-  
17 propriate, the Director shall seek to actively inform  
18 potential participants in multi-stakeholder research  
19 and innovation partnerships of the availability of  
20 Government-developed intellectual property that may  
21 be licensed to the partnership.

22           “(4) On an annual basis, the Director shall  
23 submit to the Secretary of Defense and the congress-  
24 sional defense committees a report on the activities,  
25 advances, outcomes, and work product of the multi-

1 stakeholder research and innovation partnerships  
2 supported under this subsection.

3 “(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 “(1) The term ‘multi-stakeholder research and  
5 innovation partnership’ means a partnership com-  
6 posed of any combination of two or more of the fol-  
7 lowing:

8 “(A) Universities, colleges, or other institu-  
9 tions of higher education with research and in-  
10 novation capability.

11 “(B) Non-profit organizations that provide  
12 policy, research, outreach, operations, organiza-  
13 tional, management, testing, evaluation, tech-  
14 nology transfer, legal, financial, or advocacy ex-  
15 pertise.

16 “(C) For-profit commercial enterprises  
17 that may be publicly or privately owned, early  
18 stage or mature, and incorporated or operating  
19 by another ownership structure.

20 “(D) Departments or agencies of the Fed-  
21 eral Government with expertise, operations, or  
22 resources related to the objectives of the multi-  
23 stakeholder research and innovation partner-  
24 ship.

1           “(2) The term ‘nontraditional capability’ means  
2 a solution to an operational challenge that can sig-  
3 nificantly leverage commercial innovation or external  
4 capital with minimal dependencies on fielded sys-  
5 tems.

6           “(3) The term ‘nontraditional defense con-  
7 tractor’ has the meaning given that term in section  
8 3014 of this title.”.

9           (2) MODIFICATION OF OTHER TRANSACTION  
10 AUTHORITY.—Section 4021 of title 10, United  
11 States Code, is amended—

12           (A) in subsection (b), by inserting “, the  
13 Defense Innovation Unit,” after “Defense Ad-  
14 vanced Research Projects Agency”; and

15           (B) in subsection (f), by striking “and the  
16 Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency”  
17 and inserting “, the Defense Innovation Unit,  
18 and the Defense Advanced Research Projects  
19 Agency”.

20           (3) MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY  
21 OUT CERTAIN PROTOTYPE PROJECTS.—Section 4022  
22 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

23           (A) in subsection (a)—

24           (i) in paragraph (1), by inserting “the  
25 Director of the Defense Innovation Unit,”

1 after “Defense Advanced Research  
2 Projects Agency,”;

3 (ii) in paragraph (2)(A), by inserting  
4 “, the Defense Innovation Unit,” after  
5 “Defense Advanced Research Projects  
6 Agency”; and

7 (iii) in paragraph (3), by inserting “,  
8 Defense Innovation Unit,” after “Defense  
9 Advanced Research Projects Agency”; and  
10 (B) in subsection (e)(1)—

11 (i) by redesignating subparagraphs  
12 (C) through (E) as subparagraphs (D)  
13 through (F), respectively; and

14 (ii) by inserting after subparagraph  
15 (B) the following new subparagraph:

16 “(C) the Director of the Defense Innova-  
17 tion Unit;”.

18 (4) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 1766  
19 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

20 (A) in subsection (b), by striking “as de-  
21 termined by the Under Secretary of Defense for  
22 Research and Engineering” and inserting “as  
23 determined by the Secretary of Defense”; and

24 (B) in subsection (c)(3), by striking “as di-  
25 rected by the Under Secretary of Defense for

1           Research and Engineering” and inserting “as  
2           directed by the Secretary of Defense”.

3           (b) EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION.—

4           (1) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made  
5           by subsection (a) shall take effect 180 days after the  
6           date of the enactment of this Act.

7           (2) IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than the ef-  
8           fective date specified in paragraph (1), the Secretary  
9           of Defense shall issue or modify any rules, regula-  
10          tions, policies, or other guidance necessary to imple-  
11          ment the amendments made by subsection (a).

12          (c) MANPOWER SUFFICIENCY EVALUATION.—

13          (1) EVALUATION.—The Secretary of Defense  
14          shall evaluate the staffing levels of the Defense In-  
15          novation Unit as of the date of the enactment of this  
16          Act to determine if the Unit is sufficiently staffed to  
17          achieve the responsibilities of the Unit under section  
18          4127 of title 10, United States Code, as added by  
19          subsection (a) of this section.

20          (2) REPORT.—Not later than the effective date  
21          specified in subsection (b)(1), the Secretary of De-  
22          fense shall submit to the Committees on Armed  
23          Services of the Senate and the House of Representa-  
24          tives a report on the results of the evaluation under  
25          paragraph (1). The report shall include a plan—

1 (A) to address any staffing shortfalls iden-  
2 tified as a part of the assessment; and

3 (B) for funding any activities necessary to  
4 address such shortfalls.

5 **SEC. 914. REPEAL OF AUTHORITY TO APPOINT A NAVAL RE-**  
6 **SEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

7 Section 8024 of title 10, United States Code, is re-  
8 pealed.

9 **SEC. 915. ELIGIBILITY OF MEMBERS OF SPACE FORCE FOR**  
10 **INSTRUCTION AT THE NAVAL POST-**  
11 **GRADUATE SCHOOL.**

12 Section 8545 of title 10, United States Code, is  
13 amended—

14 (1) in subsection (a)(1), by striking “and Coast  
15 Guard” and inserting “Space Force, and Coast  
16 Guard”; and

17 (2) in subsection (c), by striking “and Coast  
18 Guard” and inserting “Space Force, and Coast  
19 Guard”.

20 **SEC. 916. MEMBERSHIP OF THE AIR FORCE RESERVE**  
21 **FORCES POLICY COMMITTEE.**

22 Section 10305(b) of title 10, United States Code, is  
23 amended—

1           (1) by striking “consists of” and inserting  
2           “shall have voting members, who shall be” before  
3           “officers”;

4           (2) by redesignating paragraphs (1) through  
5           (3) as subparagraphs (A) through (C), respectively;

6           (3) by inserting “(1)” before “The committee”;  
7           and

8           (4) by adding at the end the following new  
9           paragraph:

10          “(2)(A) The committee shall have four nonvoting  
11 members, who shall be the Chief Master Sergeants of the  
12 Air Force, the Air Force Reserve, the Air National Guard,  
13 and the Space Force.

14          “(B) A nonvoting member who cannot attend a meet-  
15 ing of the committee may designate a member in the grade  
16 of E–8 or E–9 to attend in their stead.”.

17 **SEC. 917. MODIFICATION OF CROSS-FUNCTIONAL TEAM TO**  
18 **ADDRESS EMERGING THREAT RELATING TO**  
19 **ANOMALOUS HEALTH INCIDENTS.**

20          Section 910 of the National Defense Authorization  
21 Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C.  
22 111 note) is amended—

23           (1) in subsection (a), by inserting “, including  
24 capabilities that plausibly could result in such inci-  
25 dents,” after “(as defined by the Secretary)”;

1           (2) in subsection (b), by striking paragraphs  
2           (1) through (3) and inserting the following new  
3           paragraphs:

4           “(1) to investigate and carry out such other ac-  
5           tivities as may be necessary—

6           “(A) to identify anomalous health inci-  
7           dents;

8           “(B) to determine the causes and sources  
9           of such incidents, including identification of any  
10           individuals, entities, capabilities, or phenomena  
11           to which such incidents may plausibly be attrib-  
12           uted; and

13           “(C) to understand how such incidents  
14           may be mitigated and treated;

15           “(2) to address the challenges posed by anoma-  
16           lous health incidents, including by coordinating re-  
17           search into—

18           “(A) non-kinetic capabilities that plausibly  
19           might result in such incidents, such as anti-per-  
20           sonnel capabilities and directed energy capabili-  
21           ties;

22           “(B) the detection and mitigation of such  
23           capabilities; and

24           “(C) the development of countermeasures  
25           for such capabilities;

1           “(3) to integrate and deconflict the efforts of  
2           the Department of Defense regarding anomalous  
3           health incidents with the efforts of other depart-  
4           ments or agencies of the Federal Government re-  
5           garding such incidents; and

6           “(4) to undertake any other efforts regarding  
7           non-kinetic threats to personnel and anomalous  
8           health incidents that the Secretary considers appro-  
9           priate.”;

10           (3) in subsection (d), by striking “in consulta-  
11           tion with the Director of National Intelligence and”;  
12           and

13           (4) in subsection (e)(2)—

14           (A) by striking “March 1, 2026” and in-  
15           serting “March 1, 2028”; and

16           (B) by striking “with respect to the efforts  
17           of the Department regarding anomalous health  
18           incidents” and inserting “on any activities car-  
19           ried out to fulfill the duties specified in sub-  
20           section (b) since the date of the preceding brief-  
21           ing under this section”.

22 **SEC. 918. TECHNOLOGY RELEASE AND FOREIGN DISCLO-**  
23 **SURE REFORM INITIATIVE.**

24           (a) INITIATIVE REQUIRED.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense  
2           shall carry out an initiative to reform and improve  
3           the policies, processes, and procedures applicable to  
4           technology release and foreign disclosure decisions  
5           by the Department of Defense.

6           (2) OBJECTIVES.—The objectives of such initia-  
7           tive shall be—

8                   (A) to develop recommendations for the  
9                   continuous improvement of such policies, proc-  
10                  esses, and procedures within the Department  
11                  and across other departments and agencies of  
12                  the Federal Government involved in technology  
13                  release and foreign disclosure decisions;

14                  (B) to increase efficiency and reduce  
15                  timelines for the processing of such decisions;

16                  (C) to standardize, to the extent prac-  
17                  ticable, processes and information sharing sys-  
18                  tems applicable to such decisions; and

19                  (D) to provide for the continuous exchange  
20                  of timely and relevant information among—

21                          (i) the principal organizations involved  
22                          in technology release and foreign disclosure  
23                          decisions;

24                          (ii) the broader acquisition and pro-  
25                          gram executive officer communities; and

1 (iii) interagency partners of the De-  
2 partment.

3 (3) METHOD OF IMPLEMENTATION.—For pur-  
4 poses of the initiative required under paragraph (1),  
5 the Secretary of Defense may—

6 (A) establish a new initiative;

7 (B) modify an existing initiative of the De-  
8 partment of Defense; or

9 (C) carry out the initiative through a com-  
10 bination of the approaches described in sub-  
11 paragraphs (A) and (B).

12 (b) METRICS.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—In conjunction with the ini-  
14 tiative required under subsection (a), the Under Sec-  
15 retary of Defense for Policy shall develop metrics for  
16 the management of the technology release and for-  
17 eign disclosure process to provide objective and sub-  
18 jective measures of performance and improve senior  
19 leader decision-making in the Department of De-  
20 fense.

21 (2) ELEMENTS.—The metrics developed under  
22 paragraph (1) shall include—

23 (A) methods for tracking individual tech-  
24 nology release and foreign disclosure decisions

1 made by the Defense Technology Security Ad-  
2 ministration;

3 (B) objectives and deadlines related to the  
4 completion of such decisions; and

5 (C) a method of prioritizing among tech-  
6 nology release and foreign disclosure requests  
7 that takes into account—

8 (i) the importance of the request to  
9 the national security of the United States;  
10 and

11 (ii) the risks associated with the re-  
12 lease or disclosure.

13 (3) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than June  
14 1, 2024, the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy  
15 shall provide to the congressional defense commit-  
16 tees a briefing on the metrics developed under para-  
17 graph (1).

18 (c) DESIGNATION OF POINTS OF CONTACT.—Not  
19 later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this  
20 Act—

21 (1) the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy  
22 shall establish or designate—

23 (A) one position within the Office of the  
24 Under Secretary to lead the development and  
25 oversee the implementation of technology re-

1 lease and foreign disclosure policies for the De-  
2 partment of Defense; and

3 (B) one position within the Office to co-  
4 ordinate information and outreach to relevant  
5 stakeholders on relevant Department of Defense  
6 technology release and foreign disclosure poli-  
7 cies and to respond to inquiries from represent-  
8 atives of the commercial defense industry and  
9 partner countries; and

10 (2) each Secretary of a military department  
11 shall establish or designate—

12 (A) one position within the department  
13 under the jurisdiction of such Secretary to lead  
14 the development and oversee the implementa-  
15 tion of technology release and foreign disclosure  
16 policies for that department; and

17 (B) one position within such department to  
18 coordinate information and outreach to relevant  
19 stakeholders on relevant Department of Defense  
20 technology release and foreign disclosure poli-  
21 cies and to respond to inquiries from represent-  
22 atives of the commercial defense industry and  
23 partner countries.

24 (d) REPORT REQUIRED.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than December 31,  
2           2024, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the  
3           congressional defense committees a report that in-  
4           cludes the following:

5                   (A) An assessment of the staffing levels of  
6                   the organizations specified in paragraph (2).

7                   (B) An assessment of the feasibility and  
8                   advisability of consolidating the functions and  
9                   organizations of the Department of Defense in-  
10                  volved in technology release and foreign disclo-  
11                  sure decisions, including the organizations spec-  
12                  ified in paragraph (2).

13                  (C) A review of any statutes and regula-  
14                  tions applicable to technology release and for-  
15                  eign disclosure, together with recommendations  
16                  for any changes to such statutes and regula-  
17                  tions.

18                  (D) A survey and description of the data  
19                  and methodology used to assess operational  
20                  risk, technology risk, and the effects of tech-  
21                  nology release and foreign disclosure decisions  
22                  on the defense industrial base.

23                  (E) An assessment of the benefits of devel-  
24                  oping and implementing anticipatory policies for  
25                  technology release and foreign disclosure that

1 include standardized capability thresholds for  
2 countries and geopolitical regions, especially for  
3 emerging capabilities for partners and allies of  
4 the United States.

5 (F) An assessment of the extent to which  
6 the lessons learned from technology release and  
7 foreign disclosure decisions made in support of  
8 the Ukraine conflict have been applied to broad-  
9 er processes.

10 (2) ORGANIZATIONS SPECIFIED.—The organiza-  
11 tions specified in this paragraph are—

12 (A) the Defense Technology Security Ad-  
13 ministration;

14 (B) the Low Observable/Counter Low Ob-  
15 servable Tri-Service Committee;

16 (C) the Executive Agent for Anti-Tamper;

17 (D) the Communications Security Review  
18 and Advisory Board; and

19 (E) the organizations responsible for tech-  
20 nology release and foreign disclosure in each of  
21 the military departments.

1 **SEC. 919. SOFTWARE-BASED CAPABILITY TO FACILITATE**  
2 **SCHEDULING BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT**  
3 **OF DEFENSE AND CONGRESS.**

4 Not later than September 30, 2024, the Secretary of  
5 Defense shall seek to develop and implement a software-  
6 based capability to facilitate the mutual scheduling of en-  
7 gagements between the Department of Defense and the  
8 congressional defense committees. Such capability shall—

9 (1) enable the automated transmission of sched-  
10 uling data to and from the congressional defense  
11 committees; and

12 (2) be compatible and interoperable with the in-  
13 formation technology systems of such committees.

14 **SEC. 920. METRICS TO OPERATIONALIZE AUDIT READI-**  
15 **NESS.**

16 (a) METRICS REQUIRED.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in  
18 coordination with the Secretaries of the military de-  
19 partments, shall develop a set of metrics that reflect  
20 the Secretary's audit remediation goals and metrics  
21 to measure progress made by the military depart-  
22 ments with respect to such goals.

23 (2) FFRDC SUPPORT.—The Secretary of De-  
24 fense may enter into a contract or other agreement  
25 with a federally funded research and development  
26 center or university-affiliated research center to sup-

1 port the development of the metrics required under  
2 paragraph (1).

3 (3) DEADLINE.—The Secretary of Defense shall  
4 develop and implement an initial set of metrics  
5 under paragraph (1) by not later than April 30,  
6 2025.

7 (b) LEADER PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENTS.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in  
9 coordination with the Secretaries of the military de-  
10 partments and the Under Secretary of Defense for  
11 Personnel and Readiness, shall evaluate means by  
12 which the metrics developed under subsection (a)  
13 can be used in the performance evaluation of general  
14 officers, flag officers, and employees of the military  
15 departments who are members of the Senior Execu-  
16 tive Service.

17 (2) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than Sep-  
18 tember 30, 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall pro-  
19 vide to the Committees on Armed Services of the  
20 Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing  
21 on the evaluation conducted under paragraph (1).

22 The briefing shall include the following:

23 (A) Identification of the general officer,  
24 flag officer, and Senior Executive Service posi-  
25 tions in the military departments for which it

1 would be appropriate to use the metrics devel-  
2 oped under subsection (a) in support of the per-  
3 formance evaluation process.

4 (B) Evaluations of available measures to  
5 reward or recognize superior or above-average  
6 performance with respect to such metrics.

7 (C) Assessment of the potential value, and  
8 challenges, to integrating such measures into  
9 the annual performance evaluations for posi-  
10 tions identified under subparagraph (A).

11 (D) Any other issues the Secretary con-  
12 siders appropriate.

13 **SEC. 921. NEXT GENERATION BUSINESS HEALTH METRICS.**

14 (a) **METRICS REQUIRED.**—The Secretary of Defense,  
15 in coordination with the Secretaries of the military depart-  
16 ments, shall develop an updated set of business health  
17 metrics to inform decision-making by senior leaders of the  
18 Department of Defense.

19 (b) **ELEMENTS.**—In developing the metrics required  
20 by subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall—

21 (1) using the latest literature on performance  
22 measurement, determine what additional new  
23 metrics should be implemented, or current metrics  
24 should be adapted, to reduce output-based measures  
25 and emphasize objective, measurable indicators

1 aligned to enduring strategic goals of the Depart-  
2 ment of Defense;

3 (2) assess the current business processes of the  
4 Department and provide recommendations to align  
5 the metrics with available data sources to determine  
6 what gaps might exist in such processes;

7 (3) ensure that data can be collected automati-  
8 cally and, on a long-term basis, in a manner that  
9 provides for longitudinal analysis;

10 (4) link the metrics with the Strategic Manage-  
11 ment Plan and other performance documents guid-  
12 ing the Department;

13 (5) identify any shortfalls in resources, data,  
14 training, policy, or law that could be an impediment  
15 to implementing the metrics;

16 (6) revise leading and lagging indicators associ-  
17 ated with each such metric to provide a benchmark  
18 against which to assess progress;

19 (7) improve visualization of and comprehension  
20 for the use of the metrics in data-driven decision-  
21 making, including adoption of new policies and  
22 training as needed;

23 (8) incorporate the ability to aggregate and  
24 disaggregate data to provide the ability to focus on  
25 functional, component-level metrics; and

1           (9) increase standardization of the use and col-  
2           lection of business health metrics across the Depart-  
3           ment.

4           (c) **ADDITIONAL SUPPORT.**—The Secretary of De-  
5           fense may enter into a contract or other agreement with  
6           a federally funded research and development center or uni-  
7           versity-affiliated research center to support the develop-  
8           ment of the metrics required under subsection (a).

9           **SEC. 922. INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT OF DEFENSE BUSI-**  
10           **NESS ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE.**

11          (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of Defense shall  
12          seek to enter into a contract or other agreement with a  
13          federally funded research and development center or a uni-  
14          versity affiliated research center to conduct an inde-  
15          pendent assessment of the defense business enterprise ar-  
16          chitecture developed under section 2222(e) of title 10,  
17          United States Code.

18          (b) **ELEMENTS.**—The assessment required by sub-  
19          section (a) shall include the following elements:

20               (1) An assessment of the effectiveness of the  
21               defense business enterprise architecture as of the  
22               date of the enactment of this Act in providing an  
23               adequate and useful framework for planning, man-  
24               aging, and integrating the business systems of the  
25               Department of Defense.

1           (2) A comparison of the defense business enter-  
2           prise architecture with similar models in use by  
3           other government agencies in the United States, for-  
4           eign governments, and major commercial entities, in-  
5           cluding an assessment of any lessons from such  
6           models that might be applied to the defense business  
7           enterprise architecture.

8           (3) An assessment of the adequacy of the de-  
9           fense business enterprise architecture in informing  
10          business process reengineering and being sufficiently  
11          responsive to changes in business processes over  
12          time.

13          (4) An identification of any shortfalls or imple-  
14          mentation challenges in the utility of the defense  
15          business enterprise architecture.

16          (5) Recommendations for replacement of the  
17          existing defense business enterprise architecture or  
18          for modifications to the existing architecture to  
19          make that architecture and the process for updating  
20          that architecture more effective and responsive to  
21          the business process needs of the Department.

22          (c) INTERIM BRIEFING.—Not later than April 1,  
23          2024, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the Com-  
24          mittees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House

1 of Representatives a briefing on the status of the assess-  
2 ment required by subsection (a).

3 (d) FINAL REPORT.—Not later than January 30,  
4 2025, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Com-  
5 mittees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House  
6 of Representatives a report on the results of the assess-  
7 ment required by subsection (a).

8 **SEC. 923. FUTURE FORCE DESIGN OF THE DEPARTMENT OF**  
9 **THE AIR FORCE.**

10 (a) FORCE DESIGN REQUIRED.—Not later than Au-  
11 gust 31, 2024, the Secretary of the Air Force shall develop  
12 a force design for the Air Force and Space Force projected  
13 through 2050.

14 (b) ELEMENTS.—The force design under subsection  
15 (a) shall address—

16 (1) the concepts, capabilities, and structural  
17 elements (including size and form) of the Air Force  
18 and Space Force that are necessary to ensure those  
19 forces effectively execute their core functions  
20 through 2050 in support of the National Defense  
21 Strategy and the National Military Strategy;

22 (2) force structure, including the development  
23 of capabilities (including platforms and systems) at  
24 the correct level of capacity to address the challenges

1 outlined by the National Defense Strategy and the  
2 National Military Strategy;

3 (3) force composition, including recruitment  
4 and development of human capital, effective distribu-  
5 tion of forces in the total force, and policies to in-  
6 crease career flexibility across the various compo-  
7 nents of the force;

8 (4) organizational design, including develop-  
9 ment of potential models to increase agility and  
10 operational effectiveness across the Air Force and  
11 Space Force; and

12 (5) such other matters as the Secretary of the  
13 Air Force determines to be relevant.

14 (c) INFORMATION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 60  
15 days after completion of the force design required under  
16 subsection (a), the Secretary of the Air Force shall—

17 (1) submit a summary of the force design to  
18 the congressional defense committees; and

19 (2) provide to the congressional defense com-  
20 mittees a briefing on the force design.

21 **SEC. 924. FEASIBILITY STUDY ON THE CONSOLIDATION OR**  
22 **TRANSFER OF SPACE FUNCTIONS OF THE NA-**  
23 **TIONAL GUARD TO THE SPACE FORCE.**

24 (a) STUDY REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense  
25 shall conduct a study to assess the feasibility and advis-

1 ability of transferring all covered space functions of the  
2 National Guard to the Space Force.

3 (b) ELEMENTS.—The study under subsection (a)  
4 shall include the following:

5 (1) An analysis and recommendations address-  
6 ing, at a minimum, each of the following courses of  
7 action with respect to the covered space functions of  
8 the National Guard:

9 (A) Maintaining the current model under  
10 which the Air National Guard has units and  
11 personnel performing such functions.

12 (B) Transferring such functions, including  
13 units and personnel, to the Space Force.

14 (C) The establishment of a new National  
15 Guard component of the Space Force to per-  
16 form such functions.

17 (2) A cost-benefit analysis for each course of  
18 action addressed under paragraph (1).

19 (3) An assessment any risks or benefits to the  
20 mission or readiness of the Space Force, including  
21 the ability of the Space Force to meet applicable ob-  
22 jectives of the National Defense Strategy, that may  
23 be presented by transferring or consolidating units  
24 of the Air National Guard as described in paragraph  
25 (1).

1           (c) INTERIM BRIEFING.—Not later than February 1,  
2 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the Com-  
3 mittees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of  
4 Representatives an interim briefing on the preliminary re-  
5 sults of the study conducted under subsection (a).

6           (d) FINAL REPORT.—

7           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 1,  
8 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the  
9 Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and  
10 House of Representatives a report on the final re-  
11 sults of the study conducted under subsection (a),  
12 including the results of the study with respect to  
13 each element specified in subsection (b).

14           (2) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required  
15 under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassi-  
16 fied form, but may include a classified annex.

17           (e) COVERED SPACE FUNCTIONS OF THE NATIONAL  
18 GUARD DEFINED.—In this section, the term “covered  
19 space functions of the National Guard” means all units,  
20 personnel billets, equipment, and resources of the Air Na-  
21 tional Guard associated with the performance a space re-  
22 lated function that is (as determined by the Secretary of  
23 the Air Force, in consultation with the Chief of Space Op-  
24 erations)—

- 1           (1) a core space-related function of the Space  
2           Force; or
- 3           (2) otherwise integral to the mission of the  
4           Space Force.

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## 1        **Subtitle A—Financial Matters**

### 2        **SEC. 1001. GENERAL TRANSFER AUTHORITY.**

#### 3            (a) **AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER AUTHORIZATIONS.—**

- 4            (1) **AUTHORITY.**—Upon determination by the
- 5            Secretary of Defense that such action is necessary in
- 6            the national interest, the Secretary may transfer
- 7            amounts of authorizations made available to the De-

1       partment of Defense in this division for fiscal year  
2       2024 between any such authorizations for that fiscal  
3       year (or any subdivisions thereof). Amounts of au-  
4       thorizations so transferred shall be merged with and  
5       be available for the same purposes as the authoriza-  
6       tion to which transferred.

7           (2) LIMITATION.—Except as provided in para-  
8       graph (3), the total amount of authorizations that  
9       the Secretary may transfer under the authority of  
10      this section may not exceed \$6,000,000,000.

11          (3) EXCEPTION FOR TRANSFERS BETWEEN  
12      MILITARY PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATIONS.—A trans-  
13      fer of funds between military personnel authoriza-  
14      tions under title IV shall not be counted toward the  
15      dollar limitation in paragraph (2).

16      (b) LIMITATIONS.—The authority provided by sub-  
17      section (a) to transfer authorizations—

18          (1) may only be used to provide authority for  
19      items that have a higher priority than the items  
20      from which authority is transferred; and

21          (2) may not be used to provide authority for an  
22      item that has been denied authorization by Con-  
23      gress.

24      (c) EFFECT ON AUTHORIZATION AMOUNTS.—A  
25      transfer made from one account to another under the au-

1 thority of this section shall be deemed to increase the  
2 amount authorized for the account to which the amount  
3 is transferred by an amount equal to the amount trans-  
4 ferred.

5 (d) NOTICE TO CONGRESS.—The Secretary shall  
6 promptly notify Congress of each transfer made under  
7 subsection (a).

8 **SEC. 1002. ANNUAL REPORT ON BUDGET PRIORITIZATION**  
9 **BY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE AND MILITARY**  
10 **DEPARTMENTS.**

11 Chapter 9 of title 10, United States Code, is amended  
12 by inserting after section 222d the following new section:

13 **“§ 222e. Programs, projects, and activities that were**  
14 **internally changed in the submission of**  
15 **the President’s budget: annual report**

16 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, acting  
17 through the Secretaries of the military departments and  
18 the officers of Department of Defense agencies and offices  
19 not under the control of a Secretary of a military depart-  
20 ment, shall submit to the congressional defense commit-  
21 tees each year, not later than 30 days after the submission  
22 of the budget of the President for the fiscal year beginning  
23 in such year under section 1105(a) of title 31, a report  
24 that includes organized tabulations of programs, projects,  
25 and activities in research, development, test, and evalua-

1 tion, procurement, and military construction the total  
2 obligational authority for which was changed in the cur-  
3 rent budget year proposal compared to the prior-year pro-  
4 jection for the current year.

5 “(b) ELEMENTS.—The tabulations required under  
6 subsection (a) shall include, for each program, project, or  
7 activity that was internally changed, the following ele-  
8 ments:

9 “(1) Whether the program, project, or activity  
10 was added, eliminated, or reduced and in which fis-  
11 cal year.

12 “(2) The appropriations sub-account.

13 “(3) The appropriate program element, line  
14 item number, or sub-activity group.

15 “(4) The program, project, or activity name.

16 “(5) The prior year enacted appropriation.

17 “(6) The prior year projected current year  
18 budget.

19 “(7) The current year budget request.

20 “(8) If applicable, the amount reduced or saved  
21 by the current year elimination or reduction over the  
22 future years defense plan.

23 “(9) A characterization of the change as a fact-  
24 of-life change, a prioritization change, a pro-

1           grammatic change, or a change due to congressional  
2           action.

3           “(c) FORM.—The report required under subsection  
4 (a) shall be submitted in machine readable, electronic  
5 form.”.

6 **SEC. 1003. ADDITIONAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS RE-**  
7 **LATED TO UNFUNDED PRIORITIES OF ARMED**  
8 **FORCES AND COMBATANT COMMANDS.**

9           Section 222a(c)(1) of title 10, United States Code,  
10 is amended by adding at the end the following new sub-  
11 paragraphs:

12                   “(E) The requirement to be addressed by  
13                   the unfunded priority.

14                   “(F) The reason why funding for the pri-  
15                   ority was not included in the budget of the  
16                   President.

17                   “(G) A description of any funding provided  
18                   for the requirement for the current and pre-  
19                   ceding fiscal year.

20                   “(H) An assessment of the effect that pro-  
21                   viding funding for the priority would have on  
22                   the future-years defense plan.”.

1 **SEC. 1004. AUDIT REQUIREMENT FOR DEPARTMENT OF DE-**  
2 **FENSE COMPONENTS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—During fiscal year 2024, and dur-  
4 ing each of the nine fiscal years thereafter, each compo-  
5 nent of the Department of Defense shall be subject to an  
6 independent audit. Any such component that fails to be  
7 subject to such an audit during any fiscal year shall have  
8 1.5 percent of unobligated amounts available for the com-  
9 ponent be cancelled and returned to the general fund of  
10 the Treasury for deficit reduction, except as provided in  
11 subsection (b).

12 (b) EXCEPTIONS.—The following accounts are ex-  
13 cluded from any reductions:

14 (1) Military personnel, reserve personnel, and  
15 National Guard personnel accounts of the Depart-  
16 ment of Defense.

17 (2) The Defense Health Program account of  
18 the Department of Defense.

19 **SEC. 1005. REQUIREMENT FOR UNQUALIFIED OPINION ON**  
20 **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FINANCIAL**  
21 **STATEMENTS.**

22 The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that the De-  
23 partment of Defense has received an unqualified opinion  
24 on the financial statements of the Department by not later  
25 than December 31, 2028.

## 1 **Subtitle B—Counterdrug Activities**

### 2 **SEC. 1010. ENHANCED SUPPORT FOR COUNTERDRUG AC-** 3 **TIVITIES AND ACTIVITIES TO COUNTER** 4 **TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME.**

5 Section 284(b)(9) of title 10, United States Code, is  
6 amended by striking “linguist and intelligence analysis”  
7 and inserting “linguist, intelligence analysis, and plan-  
8 ning”.

### 9 **SEC. 1011. MODIFICATION OF SUPPORT FOR** 10 **COUNTERDRUG ACTIVITIES AND ACTIVITIES** 11 **TO COUNTER TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED** 12 **CRIME: INCREASE IN CAP FOR SMALL SCALE** 13 **CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.**

14 Section 284(i)(3) of title 10, United States Code, is  
15 amended by striking “\$750,000” and inserting  
16 “\$1,000,000”.

### 17 **SEC. 1012. DRUG INTERDICTION AND COUNTER-DRUG AC-** 18 **TIVITIES.**

19 Section 112(a)(3) of title 32, United States Code, is  
20 amended by striking “\$5,000” and inserting “\$15,000”.

### 21 **SEC. 1013. DISRUPTION OF FENTANYL TRAFFICKING.**

22 (a) DEVELOPMENT OF STRATEGY TO COUNTER  
23 FENTANYL TRAFFICKING.—

24 (1) STRATEGY.—Not later than 120 days after  
25 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of

1 Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State  
2 and the Attorney General and in coordination with  
3 appropriate Federal, State, Tribal, and local law en-  
4 forcement agencies, shall develop and submit to the  
5 appropriate congressional committees a strategy to  
6 address threats to the national security of the  
7 United States caused or exacerbated by fentanyl  
8 trafficking.

9 (2) CONTENTS.—The strategy required by  
10 paragraph (1) shall outline how the Secretary of De-  
11 fense will—

12 (A) leverage existing authorities regarding  
13 counterdrug and counter-transnational orga-  
14 nized crime activities with a counter-fentanyl  
15 nexus to detect and monitor activities related to  
16 fentanyl trafficking;

17 (B) leverage existing authorities, as appro-  
18 priate, to support operations to counter  
19 fentanyl trafficking carried out by Federal,  
20 State, Tribal, and local law enforcement agen-  
21 cies, or foreign security forces;

22 (C) coordinate efforts of the Department  
23 of Defense for the detection and monitoring of  
24 aerial, maritime, and surface traffic suspected  
25 of carrying fentanyl bound for the United

1 States, including efforts to unify the use of  
2 technology, surveillance, and related resources  
3 across air and maritime domains to counter  
4 fentanyl trafficking, including with respect to  
5 data collection, data processing, and integrating  
6 sensors across such domains, consistent with  
7 paragraphs (6) and (10) of section 284(b) of  
8 title 10, United States Code, and section 124 of  
9 title 10, United States Code;

10 (D) provide Department of Defense-spe-  
11 cific capabilities to support activities by the  
12 United States Government and foreign security  
13 forces to detect and monitor the trafficking of  
14 fentanyl and precursor chemicals used in  
15 fentanyl production, consistent with relevant ex-  
16 isting law;

17 (E) leverage existing counterdrug and  
18 counter-transnational organized crime programs  
19 of the Department to counter fentanyl traf-  
20 ficking;

21 (F) assess existing training programs of  
22 the Department and assess whether opportuni-  
23 ties exist for the provision of training for Fed-  
24 eral, State, Tribal, and local law enforcement  
25 agencies to counter fentanyl trafficking, con-

1           sistent with section 284(b)(5) of title 10,  
2           United States Code;

3           (G) engage with foreign security forces to  
4           ensure the counterdrug and counter-  
5           transnational organized crime programs of the  
6           Department—

7                   (i) support efforts to counter fentanyl  
8                   trafficking; and

9                   (ii) build capacity to interdict fentanyl  
10                  in foreign countries, including programs to  
11                  train security forces in partner countries to  
12                  counter fentanyl trafficking, including  
13                  countering illicit flows of fentanyl precur-  
14                  sors, consistent with sections 284(e) and  
15                  333 of title 10, United States Code;

16           (H) increase domain awareness to detect  
17           and monitor fentanyl trafficking through the  
18           North American Defense Ministerial and the bi-  
19           lateral defense working groups and bilateral  
20           military cooperation roundtables with Canada  
21           and Mexico;

22           (I) evaluate existing policies, procedures,  
23           processes, resources, and existing joint inter-  
24           agency task forces focused on supporting the  
25           countering of fentanyl trafficking by Federal,

1 State, Tribal, and local law enforcement agen-  
2 cies, consistent with existing counterdrug and  
3 counter-transnational organized crime authori-  
4 ties;

5 (J) describe any previous actions taken by  
6 the Department of Defense in cyberspace to  
7 counter illegal activities by transnational crimi-  
8 nal organizations that traffic fentanyl; and

9 (K) assess the resources that the Secretary  
10 can deploy to counter transnational criminal or-  
11 ganizations' cyber activities.

12 (3) FORM.—The strategy required by para-  
13 graph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form,  
14 but may include a classified annex.

15 (4) BRIEFING.—Not later than 60 days after  
16 the submission of the strategy required by para-  
17 graph (1), the Secretary shall provide to the appro-  
18 priate congressional committees a briefing on the  
19 strategy and plans for its implementation.

20 (b) COOPERATION WITH MEXICO.—The Secretary of  
21 Defense shall seek to enhance cooperation with defense of-  
22 ficials of the Government of Mexico to target, disrupt, and  
23 degrade transnational criminal organizations within Mex-  
24 ico that traffic fentanyl.

1 (c) DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL  
2 COMMITTEES.—In this section, the term “appropriate  
3 congressional committees” means—

4 (1) the Committee on Armed Services of the  
5 Senate;

6 (2) the Committee on Armed Services of the  
7 House of Representatives;

8 (3) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the  
9 House of Representatives;

10 (4) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the  
11 Senate;

12 (5) the Committee on the Judiciary of the Sen-  
13 ate; and

14 (6) the Committee on the Judiciary of the  
15 House of Representatives.

16 **Subtitle C—Naval Vessels and**  
17 **Shipyards**

18 **SEC. 1015. MODIFICATIONS TO ANNUAL NAVAL VESSEL**  
19 **CONSTRUCTION PLAN.**

20 Section 231 of title 10, United States Code, is  
21 amended—

22 (1) in subsection (a)—

23 (A) in paragraph (2), by inserting before  
24 the period at the end the following: “, together  
25 with the views of the Chief of Naval Operations

1 and Commandant of the Marine Corps on the  
2 budget”; and

3 (B) by adding at the end the following new  
4 paragraph:

5 “(3) The unaltered assessment of the Chief of  
6 Naval Operations and the Commandant of the Ma-  
7 rine Corps of the plan required under paragraph  
8 (1).”; and

9 (2) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the  
10 following new paragraphs:

11 “(3) In developing annual naval vessel construction  
12 plans for purposes of subsection (a)(1), the Secretary of  
13 the Navy shall take into consideration the most recent bi-  
14 ennial report on shipbuilder training and the defense in-  
15 dustrial base required by section 8693 of this title.”.

16 **SEC. 1016. CRITICAL COMPONENTS OF NATIONAL SEA-**  
17 **BASED DETERRENCE VESSELS.**

18 Section 2218a(k)(3) of title 10, United States Code,  
19 is amended by adding at the end the following new sub-  
20 paragraphs:

21 “(P) Major bulkheads and tanks.

22 “(Q) All major pumps and motors.

23 “(R) Large vertical array.

24 “(S) Atmosphere control equipment.

25 “(T) Diesel systems and components.

1 “(U) Hydraulic valves and components.

2 “(V) Bearings.

3 “(W) Major air and blow valves and com-  
4 ponents.

5 “(X) Decks and superstructure.

6 “(Y) Castings, forgings, and tank struc-  
7 ture.

8 “(Z) Hatches and hull penetrators.”.

9 **SEC. 1017. GRANTS FOR IMPROVEMENT OF NAVY SHIP RE-**  
10 **PAIR OR ALTERATIONS CAPABILITY.**

11 Chapter 131 of title 10, United States Code, is  
12 amended by inserting after section 2218a the following  
13 new section:

14 **“§ 2219. Grants for improvement of Navy ship repair**  
15 **or alterations capability**

16 “(a) ASSISTANCE AUTHORIZED.—(1) Subject to the  
17 availability of appropriations, the Secretary of the Navy  
18 may make grants to an eligible entity for the purpose of  
19 carrying out—

20 “(A) a capital improvement project; or

21 “(B) a maritime training program designed to  
22 foster technical skills and operational productivity.

23 “(2) The amount of a grant under this section may  
24 not exceed 75 percent of the total cost of the project or  
25 program funded by the grant.

1           “(3) A grant provided under this section may not be  
2 used to construct buildings or other physical facilities, ex-  
3 cept for piers, dry docks, and structures in support of  
4 piers and dry docks, or to acquire land.

5           “(4) The Secretary may not award a grant to an eli-  
6 gible entity under this section unless the Secretary deter-  
7 mines that—

8                   “(A) the entity has access to sufficient non-  
9 Federal funding to meet the requirement under  
10 paragraph (2);

11                   “(B) the entity has authority to carry out the  
12 proposed project; and

13                   “(C) the project or program would improve—

14                           “(i) efficiency, competitive operations, ca-  
15 pability, or quality of United States Navy ship  
16 repair or alterations; or

17                           “(ii) employee, or potential employee, skills  
18 and enhanced productivity related to United  
19 States Navy ship repair or alterations.

20           “(b) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible for a grant under  
21 this section, an entity shall—

22                   “(1) be a shipyard or other entity that provides  
23 ship repair or alteration for non-nuclear ships;

24                   “(2) submit an application, at such time, in  
25 such form, and containing such information and as-

1       surances as the Secretary may require, including a  
2       comprehensive description of—

3               “(A) the need for the project or program  
4               proposed to be funded under the grant;

5               “(B) the methodology to be used to imple-  
6               ment the project or program; and

7               “(C) any existing programs or arrange-  
8               ments that could be used to supplement or le-  
9               verage a grant provided under this section; and

10              “(3) enter into an agreement with the Secretary  
11              under which the entity agrees—

12                      “(A) to complete the project or program  
13                      funded by the grant within a certain timeframe  
14                      and without unreasonable delay and the Sec-  
15                      retary determines such project or program is  
16                      likely to be completed within the timeframe pro-  
17                      vided in such agreement;

18                      “(B) to return to the Secretary any  
19                      amount of the grant that is—

20                              “(i) not used by the grant recipient  
21                              for the purpose for which the grant was  
22                              awarded; or

23                              “(ii) not obligated or expended within  
24                              the timeframe provided in the agreement;

1           “(C) to maintain such records as the Sec-  
2           retary may require and make such records  
3           available for review and audit by the Secretary;  
4           and

5           “(D) not to purchase any product or mate-  
6           rial for the project or program using grant  
7           funds, including any commercially available off-  
8           the-shelf item, unless such product or material  
9           is—

10                   “(i) an unmanufactured article, mate-  
11                   rial, or supply that has been mined or pro-  
12                   duced in the United States; or

13                   “(ii) a manufactured article, material,  
14                   or supply that has been manufactured in  
15                   the United States substantially all from ar-  
16                   ticles, materials, or supplies mined, pro-  
17                   duced, or manufactured in the United  
18                   States.

19           “(c) GUIDELINES.—The Secretary shall issue guide-  
20           lines to establish appropriate accounting, reporting, and  
21           review procedures to ensure that—

22                   “(1) amounts awarded as grants under this sec-  
23                   tion are used for the purposes for which such  
24                   amounts were made available; and

1           “(2) an entity that receives a grant under this  
2 section complies with the terms of the agreement  
3 such entity enters into with the Secretary pursuant  
4 to subsection (b)(3).

5           “(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6           “(1) The term ‘commercially available off-the-  
7 shelf item’—

8           “(A) means any item of supply (including  
9 construction material) that is—

10           “(i) a commercial item, as defined by  
11 section 2.101 of title 48, Code of Federal  
12 Regulations (as in effect on the date of the  
13 enactment of the National Defense Author-  
14 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2024); and

15           “(ii) sold in substantial quantities in  
16 the commercial marketplace; and

17           “(B) does not include bulk cargo, as de-  
18 fined in section 40102(4) of title 46, such as  
19 agricultural products and petroleum products.

20           “(2) The term ‘product or material’, with re-  
21 spect to a project or program—

22           “(A) means an article, material, or supply  
23 brought to the site where the project or pro-  
24 gram is being carried out for incorporation into  
25 the project or program; and

1           “(B) includes an item brought to the site  
2           preassembled from articles, materials, or sup-  
3           plies.

4           “(3) The term ‘United States’ includes the Dis-  
5           trict of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto  
6           Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, Amer-  
7           ican Samoa, and the Virgin Islands.”.

8   **SEC. 1018. REPEAL OF OBSOLETE PROVISION OF LAW RE-**  
9                           **GARDING VESSEL NOMENCLATURE.**

10          Section 8662 of title 10, United States Code, is  
11          amended—

12                 (1) by striking subsection (b); and

13                 (2) by redesignating subsection (c) as sub-  
14          section (b).

15   **SEC. 1019. RESPONSIBILITY OF COMMANDANT OF THE MA-**  
16                           **RINE CORPS WITH RESPECT TO NAVAL BAT-**  
17                           **TLE FORCE SHIP ASSESSMENT AND REQUIRE-**  
18                           **MENT REPORTING.**

19          Section 8695(e) of title 10, United States Code, is  
20          amended—

21                 (1) in the subsection heading, by striking “AM-  
22          PHIBIOUS WARFARE SHIPS” and inserting “RE-  
23          SPONSIBILITIES OF COMMANDANT OF MARINE  
24          CORPS”; and

1           (2) by inserting before the period at the end the  
2 following: “and for naval vessels with the primary  
3 mission of transporting Marines”.

4 **SEC. 1020. POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES ON SHIP-**  
5 **BUILDING DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE.**

6           Section 1025(a) of the National Defense Authoriza-  
7 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91; 10  
8 U.S.C. 7291 note) is amended—

9           (1) by striking “United States” and all that fol-  
10 lows and inserting “United States—”; and

11           (2) by adding at the end the following new  
12 paragraphs:

13           “(1) to have available, as soon as practicable,  
14 not fewer than 355 battle force ships, comprised of  
15 the optimal mix of platforms, with funding subject  
16 to the availability of appropriations or other funds;  
17 and

18           “(2) that the United States shipbuilding de-  
19 fense industrial base is fundamental to achieving the  
20 shipbuilding requirements of the Navy and con-  
21 stitutes a unique national security imperative that  
22 requires sustainment and support by the Navy and  
23 Congress.”.

1 **SEC. 1021. PROHIBITION ON RETIREMENT OF CERTAIN**  
2 **NAVAL VESSELS.**

3 None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by  
4 this Act for fiscal year 2024 may be obligated or expended  
5 to retire, prepare to retire, or place in storage any of the  
6 following naval vessels:

7 (1) USS Germantown (LSD 42).

8 (2) USS Gunston Hall (LSD 44).

9 (3) USS Tortuga (LSD 46).

10 (4) USS Shiloh (CG 67).

11 **SEC. 1022. AUTHORITY TO USE INCREMENTAL FUNDING TO**  
12 **ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE ADVANCE**  
13 **PROCUREMENT AND CONSTRUCTION OF A**  
14 **SAN ANTONIO-CLASS AMPHIBIOUS SHIP.**

15 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Amounts authorized to be appro-  
16 priated by this Act or otherwise made available for the  
17 Navy for Shipbuilding and Conversion for any of fiscal  
18 years 2023 through 2025 may be used by the Secretary  
19 of the Navy to enter into an incrementally funded contract  
20 for the advance procurement and construction of a San  
21 Antonio-class amphibious ship.

22 (b) **AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.**—A contract entered  
23 into under subsection (a) shall provide that any obligation  
24 of the United States to make a payment under the con-  
25 tract is subject to the availability of appropriations for  
26 that purpose, and that total liability to the Government

1 for the termination of the contract shall be limited to the  
2 total amount of funding obligated at time of termination.

3 **SEC. 1023. AUTHORITY TO USE INCREMENTAL FUNDING TO**  
4 **ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE ADVANCE**  
5 **PROCUREMENT AND CONSTRUCTION OF A**  
6 **SUBMARINE TENDER.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Amounts authorized to be appro-  
8 priated by this Act or otherwise made available for the  
9 Navy for Shipbuilding and Conversion for fiscal year 2024  
10 may be used by the Secretary of the Navy to enter into  
11 an incrementally funded contract for the advance procure-  
12 ment and construction of a submarine tender.

13 (b) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—A contract entered  
14 into under subsection (a) shall provide that any obligation  
15 of the United States to make a payment under the con-  
16 tract is subject to the availability of appropriations for  
17 that purpose, and that total liability to the Government  
18 for the termination of the contract shall be limited to the  
19 total amount of funding obligated at time of termination.

20 **SEC. 1024. BIENNIAL BRIEFINGS ON SUBMARINE READI-**  
21 **NESS.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the  
23 date of the enactment of this Act, and once every 180 days  
24 thereafter until September 30, 2026, the Secretary of the

1 Navy shall provide to the congressional defense commit-  
2 tees a briefing on submarine maintenance and readiness.

3 (b) ELEMENTS.—Each briefing required under sub-  
4 section (a) shall include the following:

5 (1) An overview of submarine maintenance ac-  
6 tivities, including—

7 (A) the original estimated schedule for  
8 completion of attack, ballistic, and guided mis-  
9 sile submarine depot-level maintenance activi-  
10 ties;

11 (B) any adjustments made to such sched-  
12 ule;

13 (C) in the case of any such adjustment—

14 (i) the reason why the adjustment was  
15 necessary; and

16 (ii) an identification of the new time-  
17 frame for completion and any additional  
18 costs, broken out by shipyard or private  
19 entity (by site), by name, and by type of  
20 submarine;

21 (iii) a discussion of the reasons for  
22 the scheduling delays (manpower, parts, or  
23 other), including projections with respect  
24 to the availability of parts;

1 (iv) a discussion of how the cannibal-  
2 ization of submarines for parts affects the  
3 overall maintenance capacity and sched-  
4 uling, as well as a discussion on how mov-  
5 ing money from program to program dur-  
6 ing the year of execution affects the sched-  
7 uling of maintenance; and

8 (v) a discussion of the efforts the  
9 Navy has taken to address the ongoing  
10 delays.

11 (2) A discussion of ongoing Shipyard Infra-  
12 structure Optimization Program efforts and how  
13 such efforts affect depot-level maintenance activities  
14 for attack, ballistic, and guided missile submarines.

15 (3) A discussion of how the Department of the  
16 Navy is applying lessons learned from other Navy  
17 programs to the submarine maintenance enterprise.

18 (4) Recommendations for legislative changes re-  
19 quired with respect to policies or resources to ensure  
20 efficient and effective maintenance and operational  
21 readiness for the submarine enterprise.

1           **Subtitle D—Counterterrorism**

2   **SEC. 1031. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS**  
3                   **FOR TRANSFER OR RELEASE OF INDIVID-**  
4                   **UALS DETAINED AT UNITED STATES NAVAL**  
5                   **STATION, GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA, TO THE**  
6                   **UNITED STATES.**

7           Section 1033 of the John S. McCain National De-  
8   fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law  
9   115–232; 132 Stat. 1953), as most recently amended by  
10   section 1031 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense  
11   Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–  
12   263), is further amended by striking “December 31,  
13   2023” and inserting “December 31, 2024”.

14   **SEC. 1032. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS**  
15                   **TO CONSTRUCT OR MODIFY FACILITIES IN**  
16                   **THE UNITED STATES TO HOUSE DETAINEES**  
17                   **TRANSFERRED FROM UNITED STATES NAVAL**  
18                   **STATION, GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA.**

19           Section 1034(a) of the John S. McCain National De-  
20   fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law  
21   115–232; 132 Stat. 1954), as most recently amended by  
22   section 1032 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense  
23   Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–  
24   263), is further amended by striking “December 31,  
25   2023” and inserting “December 31, 2024”.

1 **SEC. 1033. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS**  
2 **FOR TRANSFER OR RELEASE OF INDIVID-**  
3 **UALS DETAINED AT UNITED STATES NAVAL**  
4 **STATION, GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA, TO CER-**  
5 **TAIN COUNTRIES.**

6 Section 1035 of the John S. McCain National De-  
7 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law  
8 115–232; 132 Stat. 1954), as most recently amended by  
9 section 1033 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense  
10 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–  
11 263), is further amended by striking “December 31,  
12 2023” and inserting “December 31, 2024”.

13 **SEC. 1034. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS**  
14 **TO CLOSE OR RELINQUISH CONTROL OF**  
15 **UNITED STATES NAVAL STATION, GUANTA-**  
16 **NAMO BAY, CUBA.**

17 Section 1036 of the National Defense Authorization  
18 Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91; 131 Stat.  
19 1551), as most recently amended by section 1034 of the  
20 James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for  
21 Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263), is further  
22 amended by striking “2023” and inserting “2024”.

1                   **Subtitle E—Miscellaneous**  
2                   **Authorities and Limitations**

3   **SEC. 1041. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF CERTAIN**  
4                   **FUNDS UNTIL SUBMISSION OF CHAIRMAN'S**  
5                   **RISK ASSESSMENT; BRIEFING REQUIREMENT.**

6           (a) OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT  
7 CHIEFS OF STAFF.—Of the amounts authorized to be ap-  
8 propriated by this Act for fiscal year 2024 for operation  
9 and maintenance, Defense-wide, and available for the Of-  
10 fice of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff for travel  
11 expenses, not more than 80 percent may be obligated or  
12 expended until the date that is 15 days after the date on  
13 which the Secretary of Defense submits to the Committees  
14 on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Represent-  
15 atives the risk assessment mandated by paragraph (2) of  
16 subsection (b) of section 153 of title 10, United States  
17 Code, and required to be submitted pursuant to paragraph  
18 (3) of such subsection by not later than February 15,  
19 2024.

20           (b) OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.—Of  
21 the amounts authorized to be appropriated by this Act for  
22 fiscal year 2024 for operation and maintenance, Defense-  
23 wide, and available for the Office of the Secretary of De-  
24 fense for travel expenses, not more than 80 percent may  
25 be obligated or expended until the date that is 15 days

1 after the date on which the Secretary submits to the Com-  
2 mittees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House  
3 of Representatives the risk mitigation plan required to be  
4 submitted as part of the assessment referred to in sub-  
5 section (a), if applicable.

6 (c) BRIEFING REQUIREMENT.—Section 153 of title  
7 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end  
8 the following new subsection:

9 “(d) BRIEFING REQUIREMENT.—(1) Not later than  
10 15 days after the submission of the risk assessment re-  
11 quired under subsection (b)(2) or March 1 of each even-  
12 numbered year, whichever is earlier, the Chairman shall  
13 provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Sen-  
14 ate and the House of Representatives a briefing on the  
15 activities of the Chairman under this section.

16 “(2) The briefing required under paragraph (1) shall  
17 include—

18 “(A) a detailed review of the risk assessment  
19 required under paragraph (2) of subsection (b), in-  
20 cluding how such risk assessment addresses the ele-  
21 ments required in subparagraph (B) of such para-  
22 graph;

23 “(B) an analysis of how the risk assessment in-  
24 forms and supports other Joint Staff assessments,  
25 including joint capability development assessments,

1 joint force development assessments, comprehensive  
2 joint readiness assessments, and global military inte-  
3 gration assessments; and

4 “(C) if the risk assessment is not delivered at  
5 or before the time of the briefing, a timeline for  
6 when the risk assessment will be submitted to the  
7 Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and  
8 the House of Representatives.”.

9 **SEC. 1042. ASSISTANCE IN SUPPORT OF DEPARTMENT OF**  
10 **DEFENSE ACCOUNTING FOR MISSING UNITED**  
11 **STATES GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL.**

12 (a) MODIFICATION OF ASSISTANCE.—Section 408 of  
13 title 10, United States Code, is amended—

14 (1) in the section heading, by striking “**Equip-**  
15 **ment and training of foreign personnel to**  
16 **assist in**” and inserting “**Assistance in sup-**  
17 **port of**”;

18 (2) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the  
19 following new paragraph:

20 “(5) Funds.”;

21 (3) in subsection (d)—

22 (A) in the subsection heading, by striking  
23 “LIMITATION” and inserting “LIMITATIONS”;

24 (B) by striking “The” and inserting “(1)  
25 Except as provided in paragraph (2), the”;

1 (C) by striking “\$1,000,000” and inserting  
2 “\$5,000,000”; and

3 (D) by adding at the end the following new  
4 paragraphs:

5 “(2) The Secretary may waive the limitation under  
6 paragraph (1) if the Secretary submits to the congres-  
7 sional defense committees notice of the waiver together  
8 with the reasons why the waiver is necessary.

9 “(3) No assistance may be provided under this sec-  
10 tion to a foreign nation the government of which the Sec-  
11 retary of State determines has repeatedly provided sup-  
12 port for international terrorism pursuant to—

13 “(A) section 1754(c)(1)(A) of the Export Con-  
14 trol Reform Act of 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4813(c)(1)(A));

15 “(B) section 620A of the Foreign Assistance  
16 Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2371); or

17 “(C) section 40 of the Arms Export Control Act  
18 (22 U.S.C. 2780).”;

19 (4) by striking subsection (f); and

20 (5) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
21 section (f):

22 “(f) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than December 31  
23 of each year, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the  
24 congressional defense committees a report on the assist-

1 ance provided under this section during the preceding fis-  
2 cal year.”.

3 (b) BRIEFING.—Not later than July 1, 2024, the Sec-  
4 retary of Defense shall provide to the Committees on  
5 Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representa-  
6 tives a briefing on the provision of funds under section  
7 408 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by sub-  
8 section (a), and the anticipated demand for such funds.

9 **SEC. 1043. IMPLEMENTATION OF ARRANGEMENTS TO**  
10 **BUILD TRANSPARENCY, CONFIDENCE, AND**  
11 **SECURITY.**

12 Section 2241 of title 10, United States Code, is  
13 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-  
14 section:

15 “(d) IMPLEMENTATION OF VIENNA DOCUMENT  
16 2011.—Amounts appropriated for operation and mainte-  
17 nance may be used by the Secretary of Defense for travel,  
18 transportation, and subsistence expenses for meetings and  
19 demonstrations hosted by the Department of Defense for  
20 the implementation of the Vienna Document 2011 on Con-  
21 fidence and Security-Building Measures.”.

22 **SEC. 1044. MODIFICATION TO DEFINITIONS OF CONFUCIUS**  
23 **INSTITUTE.**

24 (a) LIMITATION ON PROVISION OF FUNDS TO INSTI-  
25 TUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—Paragraph (1) of sec-

1 tion 1062(d) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry Na-  
2 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021  
3 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 2241) is amended to  
4 read as follows:

5 “(1) CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE.—The term ‘Con-  
6 fucius Institute’ means—

7 “(A) any program that receives funding or  
8 support from—

9 “(i) the Chinese International Edu-  
10 cation Foundation; or

11 “(ii) the Center for Language Ex-  
12 change Cooperation of the Ministry of  
13 Education of the People’s Republic of  
14 China; or

15 “(B) any cultural institute funded by the  
16 Government of the People’s Republic of  
17 China.”.

18 (b) PROHIBITION OF FUNDS FOR CHINESE LAN-  
19 GUAGE INSTRUCTION.—Paragraph (2) of section 1091(d)  
20 of the of the John S. McCain National Defense Authoriza-  
21 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 132  
22 Stat. 1998) is amended to read as follows:

23 “(2) CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE.—The term ‘Con-  
24 fucius Institute’ means—

1           “(A) any program that receives funding or  
2 support from—

3                   “(i) the Chinese International Edu-  
4 cation Foundation; or

5                   “(ii) the Center for Language Ex-  
6 change Cooperation of the Ministry of  
7 Education of the People’s Republic of  
8 China; or

9           “(B) any cultural institute funded by the  
10 Government of the People’s Republic of  
11 China.”.

12 **SEC. 1045. TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY TO ISSUE WAIVER**  
13 **OF LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS TO INSTI-**  
14 **TUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION HOSTING**  
15 **CONFUCIUS INSTITUTES.**

16       Section 1062(b) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry  
17 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021  
18 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 2241 note) is amended  
19 by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

20           “(3) **TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.**—The au-  
21 thority to issue a waiver under paragraph (1) shall  
22 terminate on October 1, 2026, and any waiver  
23 issued under such paragraph shall not apply on or  
24 after such date.”.

1 **SEC. 1046. VETTING PROCEDURES AND MONITORING RE-**  
2 **QUIREMENTS FOR ALLIES AND PARTNERS**  
3 **PARTICIPATING IN EDUCATION OR TRAINING**  
4 **ACTIVITIES IN THE UNITED STATES.**

5 (a) WAIVER BY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.—Sub-  
6 section (a) of section 1090 of the William M. (Mac)  
7 Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
8 Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 113 note) is  
9 amended by adding at the end the following new para-  
10 graph:

11 “(5) WAIVER.—

12 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of De-  
13 fense, with the concurrence of the Secretary of  
14 State, and without delegation, may waive the  
15 requirement to vet covered individuals under  
16 this section—

17 “(i) on a person-by-person basis, if  
18 the Secretary of Defense determines that  
19 the waiver is in the national security inter-  
20 ests of the United States; or

21 “(ii) on a country-by-country basis,  
22 with respect to foreign nationals or other  
23 appropriate persons who hold a security  
24 clearance issued by that country, if the  
25 Secretary of Defense determines that the  
26 vetting procedures of the country are func-

1 tionally equivalent to the vetting proce-  
2 dures of the United States for United  
3 States military personnel.

4 “(B) FUNCTIONAL EQUIVALENCE.—

5 “(i) DEFINITION.—The Secretary of  
6 Defense, acting through the Under Sec-  
7 retary of Defense for Intelligence and Se-  
8 curity and in consultation, as appropriate,  
9 with the Secretary of State, shall establish  
10 and submit to the congressional defense  
11 committees a definition of functional  
12 equivalence for purposes of making a de-  
13 termination under subparagraph (A)(ii).  
14 The Secretary of Defense shall notify the  
15 congressional defense committees of any  
16 subsequent modification the Secretary  
17 makes to the definition.

18 “(ii) ASSESSMENT.—The Secretary of  
19 Defense shall conduct an assessment of the  
20 vetting procedures of a country prior to  
21 making a determination of functional  
22 equivalence under subparagraph (A)(ii).  
23 Such assessment shall take into consider-  
24 ation any information about such proce-

1                   dures provided to the Secretary of Defense  
2                   by the Secretary of State.

3                   “(C) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—The  
4                   Secretary of Defense shall submit a written no-  
5                   tification to the congressional defense commit-  
6                   tees not later than 48 hours after exercising the  
7                   waiver authority under subparagraph (A), in-  
8                   cluding a justification for the waiver and an as-  
9                   sessment of the vetting procedures of a country,  
10                  if appropriate.”.

11                  (b) TYPE OF ACCESS COVERED.—Subsections (a)  
12                  through (c) of such section 1090 are further amended by  
13                  striking “physical access” each place it appears and in-  
14                  serting “unescorted physical access”.

15                  (c) DEFINITIONS.—

16                   (1) COVERED INDIVIDUAL.—Subsection (e)(2)  
17                   of such section is amended to read as follows:

18                   “(2) The term ‘covered individual’—

19                   “(A) except as provided in subparagraph  
20                   (B), means a foreign national or other appro-  
21                   priate person who is—

22                   “(i) seeking unescorted physical ac-  
23                   cess to a Department of Defense installa-  
24                   tion or facility within the United States;  
25                   and

1 “(ii)(I) selected, nominated, or accept-  
2 ed for training or education for a period of  
3 more than 14 days occurring on a Depart-  
4 ment of Defense installation or facility  
5 within the United States; or

6 “(II) an immediate family member ac-  
7 companying a foreign national or other ap-  
8 propriate person who has been so selected,  
9 nominated, or accepted for such training  
10 or education; and

11 “(B) does not include a foreign national or  
12 other appropriate person of Australia, Canada,  
13 New Zealand, or the United Kingdom who  
14 holds a security clearance issued by the country  
15 of the foreign national and has provided the  
16 Department of Defense a certification of such  
17 clearance.”.

18 (2) IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER.—Subsection  
19 (e)(4) of such section is amended—

20 (A) by striking “means the parent” and in-  
21 serting the following: “means a person who—

22 “(A) is the parent”;

23 (B) in subparagraph (A), as designated by  
24 subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, by striking  
25 the period and inserting “; and”; and

1 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
2 subparagraph:

3 “(B) has attained the age of 16 years old  
4 at the time that unescorted physical access is to  
5 begin.”.

6 (3) FOREIGN NATIONAL; OTHER APPROPRIATE  
7 PERSON.—Section 1090(e) of such Act is amended  
8 by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

9 “(5) The term ‘foreign national’ means a per-  
10 son who is not a citizen or national of the United  
11 States or an alien lawfully admitted for permanent  
12 residence in the United States under the Immigra-  
13 tion and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101 et seq.).

14 “(6) The term ‘other appropriate person’ means  
15 a person who is a citizen of both the United States  
16 and another country or who is an alien lawfully ad-  
17 mitted for permanent residence in the United States,  
18 if such person intends to attend training or edu-  
19 cation on behalf of a foreign country.”.

20 (d) CLARIFYING AMENDMENT.—Such section is fur-  
21 ther amended by striking “Secretary” each place it ap-  
22 pears and inserting “Secretary of Defense” in the fol-  
23 lowing provisions:

24 (1) Paragraphs (2), (3), and (4) of subsection  
25 (a).

1           (2) Paragraph (1) of subsection (b) in the mat-  
2           ter preceding subparagraph (A).

3 **SEC. 1047. AUTHORITY TO INCLUDE FUNDING REQUESTS**  
4                   **FOR THE CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DE-**  
5                   **FENSE PROGRAM IN BUDGET ACCOUNTS OF**  
6                   **MILITARY DEPARTMENTS.**

7           Section 1701(d)(2) of the National Defense Author-  
8           ization Act for Fiscal Year 1994 (Public Law 103–160;  
9           50 U.S.C. 1522(d)(2)) is amended by striking “may not  
10          be included in the budget accounts” and inserting “may  
11          be included in the budget accounts”.

12 **SEC. 1048. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS UNTIL**  
13                   **DELIVERY OF REPORT ON NEXT GENERA-**  
14                   **TION TACTICAL COMMUNICATIONS.**

15          (a) **REPORT REQUIRED.**—Not later than 180 days  
16          after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Com-  
17          mander of the United States Special Operations Command  
18          and the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Oper-  
19          ations and Low Intensity Conflict shall jointly submit to  
20          the congressional defense committees a report on special  
21          operations forces tactical communications requirements  
22          and plans for addressing such requirements.

23          (b) **ELEMENTS.**—The report required under sub-  
24          section (a) shall include each of the following:

1           (1) A description of special operations forces  
2 tactical communications requirements.

3           (2) An explanation of how funding provided in  
4 prior fiscal years, and the proposed funding for fis-  
5 cal year 2024, has enhanced, and will continue to  
6 enhance, the fielding of tactical communications ca-  
7 pabilities to special operations forces components.

8           (3) A description of deficiencies identified with  
9 the AN/PRC-163 radio and a plan for addressing  
10 such deficiencies.

11          (4) An update on the status of fielding of two-  
12 channel manpack and two-channel handheld radios  
13 to special operations forces, including an explanation  
14 for any special operations forces components or  
15 units that have requested, but not yet received, such  
16 radios.

17          (5) An articulation of lessons learned from the  
18 prior testing and fielding of tactical communications  
19 capabilities to meet unique mission requirements of  
20 special operations forces components.

21          (6) An explanation of the approach of the  
22 United States Special Operations Command to en-  
23 suring that communications capabilities under the  
24 tactical communications program meet security and  
25 resiliency requirements mandated by section 168 of

1 the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
2 Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92).

3 (7) Any other matter the Commander of United  
4 States Special Operations Command and the Assist-  
5 ant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and  
6 Low Intensity Conflict determine relevant.

7 (c) LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS.—Of the funds  
8 authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise  
9 made available for fiscal year 2024 for the United States  
10 Special Operations Command for procurement of next  
11 generation tactical communications, not more than 90 per-  
12 cent may be obligated or expended until the Commander  
13 of United States Special Operations Command and the  
14 Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and  
15 Low Intensity Conflict submit to the congressional defense  
16 committees the report required under subsection (a).

17 **SEC. 1049. ESTABLISHMENT OF PROCEDURE OF THE DE-**  
18 **PARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO DETERMINE**  
19 **CERTAIN COMPLAINTS OR REQUESTS RE-**  
20 **GARDING PUBLIC DISPLAYS OR PUBLIC EX-**  
21 **PRESSIONS OF RELIGION ON PROPERTY OF**  
22 **THE DEPARTMENT.**

23 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days after  
24 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
25 Defense shall prescribe regulations that establish the pro-

1 cedure for the timely determination of a covered complaint  
2 or request regarding a public display or public expression  
3 of religion on property of the Department of Defense.

4 Such regulations shall ensure that—

5 (1) the officer or official of the Department who  
6 receives such complaint or request forwards the cov-  
7 ered complaint or request—

8 (A) to the individual authorized to make a  
9 determination under subsection (b); and

10 (B) not later than 10 days after such re-  
11 ceipt; and

12 (2) such individual—

13 (A) makes such determination not later  
14 than 30 days after such individual receives such  
15 forwarded covered complaint or request; and

16 (B) timely notifies the individual or entity  
17 who made such covered complaint or request,  
18 and the officer or official of the Department  
19 who received such covered complaint or request,  
20 of such determination.

21 (b) DETERMINATIONS.—A determination under regu-  
22 lations prescribed under subsection (a) shall be made—

23 (1) by—

24 (A) the Secretary of the military depart-  
25 ment concerned; or

1 (B) the head of the Defense Agency or De-  
2 partment of Defense Field Activity concerned;  
3 and

4 (2) after consultation with—

5 (A)(i) in the case of a determination made  
6 by the Secretary of the military department  
7 concerned, the Chief of Chaplains of the mili-  
8 tary department concerned; or

9 (ii) in the case of a determination made by  
10 the head of the Defense Agency or Department  
11 of Defense Field Activity concerned, the Armed  
12 Forces Chaplains Board; and

13 (B)(i) a civilian attorney under the juris-  
14 diction the Secretary of the military department  
15 concerned or the head of the Defense Agency or  
16 Department of Defense Field Activity con-  
17 cerned; or

18 (ii) an officer of the Judge Advocate Gen-  
19 eral's Corps.

20 (c) COVERED COMPLAINT OR REQUEST DEFINED.—

21 In this section, the term “covered complaint or request”  
22 means a complaint or request—

23 (1) regarding a public display or public expres-  
24 sion of religion on property of the Department of  
25 Defense; and

1           (2) made by an individual or entity other  
2 than—

3           (A) a member of the Armed Forces;

4           (B) a civilian employee of the Department  
5 of Defense; or

6           (C) a contractor of the Department of De-  
7 fense.

8 **SEC. 1050. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**  
9 **DESTRUCTION OF LANDMINES.**

10       (a) **LIMITATION.**—Except as provided in subsection  
11 (b), of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act  
12 or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024 for the  
13 Department of Defense for the destruction of anti-per-  
14 sonnel landmine munitions, not more than 30 percent may  
15 be obligated or expended before the date on which the Sec-  
16 retary of Defense submits the report required by sub-  
17 section (c).

18       (b) **EXCEPTION FOR SAFETY.**—Notwithstanding sub-  
19 section (a), the Secretary may obligate or expend funds  
20 referred to in such subsection in excess of the limitation  
21 under such subsection as necessary for the destruction of  
22 any anti-personnel landmine munition that the Secretary  
23 determines is unsafe or could pose a safety risk to the  
24 United States Armed Forces if not demilitarized or de-  
25 stroyed.

1 (c) REPORT REQUIRED.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year  
3 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
4 retary of Defense shall submit to the congressional  
5 defense committees a report that includes each of  
6 the following:

7 (A) A description of the policy of the De-  
8 partment of Defense regarding the use of anti-  
9 personnel landmines, including any available  
10 methods for commanders to seek waivers to use  
11 such munitions.

12 (B) Projections covering the period of 10  
13 years following the date of the report of—

14 (i) the inventory levels for all anti-per-  
15 sonnel landmine munitions, taking into ac-  
16 count future production of anti-personnel  
17 landmine munitions, any plans for demili-  
18 tarization of such munitions, the age of the  
19 munitions, storage and safety consider-  
20 ations, and any other factors that are ex-  
21 pected to affect the size of the inventory;

22 (ii) the cost to achieve the inventory  
23 levels projected in clause (i), including the  
24 cost for potential demilitarization or dis-  
25 posal of such munitions; and

1 (iii) the cost to develop and produce  
2 new anti-personnel landmine munitions if  
3 the Secretary determines such munitions  
4 are necessary to meet the demands of  
5 operational plans.

6 (C) An assessment by the Chairman of the  
7 Joint Chiefs of Staff of the adequacy of the in-  
8 ventory levels projected under subparagraph  
9 (B)(i) to meet operational requirements.

10 (D) Any other matters that the Secretary  
11 determines appropriate for inclusion in the re-  
12 port.

13 (2) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required by  
14 paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified  
15 form, but may include a classified annex.

16 (d) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
18 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
19 retary of Defense shall provide to the congressional  
20 defense committees a briefing on the status, as of  
21 the date of the briefing, of research and development  
22 into operational alternatives to anti-personnel land-  
23 mine munitions.

24 (2) FORM OF BRIEFING.—The briefing required  
25 by paragraph (1) may contain classified information.

1 (e) ANTI-PERSONNEL LANDMINE MUNITIONS DE-  
2 FINED.—In this section, the term “anti-personnel land-  
3 mine munitions” includes anti-personnel landmines and  
4 submunitions, as defined by the Convention on the Prohi-  
5 bition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer  
6 of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction, con-  
7 cluded at Oslo September 18, 1997, as determined by the  
8 Secretary.

9 **SEC. 1051. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**  
10 **TRAVEL EXPENSES OF OFFICE OF THE SEC-**  
11 **RETARY OF DEFENSE UNTIL SUBMISSION OF**  
12 **CERTAIN PLANS.**

13 Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this  
14 Act for fiscal year 2024 for operation and maintenance,  
15 Defense-wide, and available for the Office of the Secretary  
16 of Defense for travel expenses, not more than 80 percent  
17 may be obligated or expended until the Secretary of De-  
18 fense submits—

19 (1) the implementation plan required by section  
20 1087(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act  
21 for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136  
22 Stat. 2802; 10 U.S.C. 161 note) relating to the re-  
23 quirement of such section to establish a joint force  
24 headquarters in the area of operations of United

1 States Indo-Pacific Command to serve as an oper-  
2 ational command; and

3 (2) the plan required by section 1332(g) of the  
4 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
5 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 2008) relating  
6 to strategic competition in the areas of responsibility  
7 of United States Southern Command and United  
8 States Africa Command.

9 **SEC. 1052. PROHIBITION ON DISPLAY OF UNAPPROVED**  
10 **FLAGS.**

11 (a) PROHIBITION.—No flag other than an approved  
12 flag shall be displayed in any work place, common access  
13 area, or public area of the Department of Defense.

14 (b) EXCLUSIONS.—The prohibition under subsection  
15 (a) shall not apply to—

16 (1) the public display or depiction of a flag  
17 other than an approved flag in a museum exhibit,  
18 State-issued license plate, grave site, memorial  
19 marker, monument, educational display, historical  
20 display, or work of art, if the nature of the display  
21 or depiction cannot reasonably be viewed as endorse-  
22 ment of the flag by the Department of Defense; or

23 (2) a building or area that primarily serves as  
24 a place of residence, including a barracks, dormitory,

1 bachelor quarters, government-operated housing, or  
2 public-private venture housing area.

3 (c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
4 tion shall be construed to affect the authority of a military  
5 commander to enforce good order and discipline on a mili-  
6 tary installation.

7 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

8 (1) The term “approved flag” means any of the  
9 following:

10 (A) The American flag.

11 (B) The flag of a State or of the District  
12 of Columbia.

13 (C) A military service flag.

14 (D) A flag or general officer flag.

15 (E) A Presidentially-appointed, Senate-  
16 confirmed civilian flag.

17 (F) A Senior Executive Service or military  
18 department-specific flag.

19 (G) The National League of Families  
20 POW/MIA flag.

21 (H) The flag of another country that is an  
22 ally or partner of the United States or for offi-  
23 cial protocol purposes.

24 (I) The flag of an organization of which  
25 the United States is a member.

1 (J) A ceremonial, command, unit, or  
2 branch flag or guidon.

3 (K) The flag of an athletic team, club,  
4 cadet-led organization, academic department,  
5 unit subdivision, or other entity approved to op-  
6 erate at a Service Academy (as such term is de-  
7 fined in section 347 of title 10, United States  
8 Code) or in conjunction with a Reserve Officer  
9 Training Corps activity.

10 (L) A flag or banner displayed by a retail  
11 tenant or non-government entity operating in a  
12 building owned or controlled by the Department  
13 of Defense, for the purposes of advertising busi-  
14 ness products and services, if authorized by  
15 contract.

16 (M) A religious flag or banner, including a  
17 holiday flag, if otherwise authorized.

18 (N) A flag approved at the discretion of  
19 the military chain of command or senior civilian  
20 leadership, as appropriate.

21 (2) The term “work place, common access area,  
22 or public area of the Department of Defense” in-  
23 cludes the following:

24 (A) An office building, facility, naval ves-  
25 sel, aircraft, governmental vehicle, hangar, ga-

1           rage, ready room, storage room, tool and equip-  
2           ment room, or workshop.

3           (B) A sensitive compartmented informa-  
4           tion facility of other secure facility.

5           (C) A schoolhouse or training facility.

6           (D) The area in plain view of such a build-  
7           ing that is not residential in nature, including  
8           the areas outside of buildings of the Depart-  
9           ment of Defense.

10 **SEC. 1053. COLLABORATION WITH PARTNER COUNTRIES TO**  
11 **DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN MILITARY-WIDE**  
12 **TRANSFORMATIONAL STRATEGIES FOR**  
13 **OPERATIONAL ENERGY.**

14           Section 2926(e)(2)(E) of title 10, United States  
15 Code, is amended—

16           (1) by striking “An assessment” and inserting  
17           “A biennial assessment”;

18           (2) by striking the period at the end and insert-  
19           ing “, which shall include—”; and

20           (3) by adding at the end the following new  
21           clauses:

22           “(i) an identification of efforts by the  
23           United States and allied and partner countries  
24           to mitigate mutual contested logistics challenges

1 and to develop complementary energy security  
2 and energy reliance measures;

3 “(ii) an analysis of investments made by  
4 allied and partner countries in any technology,  
5 including electric, hydrogen, nuclear, biofuels,  
6 and any other sustainable fuel technology or re-  
7 newable energy technology, that may reduce de-  
8 mand for operational energy in the near-term  
9 or long-term;

10 “(iii) an identification of any limitations or  
11 barriers to closing or mitigating gaps in oper-  
12 ational energy investment with allied and part-  
13 ner countries, including any additional authori-  
14 ties or appropriations that may be required;  
15 and

16 “(iv) an analysis of the feasibility and ad-  
17 visability of establishing a partnership program  
18 using existing authorities to collaborate with  
19 the national security forces of allied and part-  
20 ner countries for the purpose of developing and  
21 maintaining transformational strategies for  
22 operational energy with the objectives of en-  
23 hancing the readiness of such countries and em-  
24 ploying diverse energy sources that reduce de-  
25 mand and logistical vulnerabilities.”.

1 **SEC. 1054. STUDENT LOAN DEFERMENT FOR DISLOCATED**  
2 **MILITARY SPOUSES.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 455(f) of the Higher Edu-  
4 cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087e(f)) is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (4) and (5) as  
6 paragraphs (5) and (6), respectively; and

7 (2) by inserting after paragraph (3) the fol-  
8 lowing:

9 “(4) DEFERMENT FOR DISLOCATED MILITARY  
10 SPOUSES.—

11 “(A) DURATION AND EFFECT ON PRIN-  
12 CIPAL AND INTEREST.—A borrower of a loan  
13 made under this part who meets the require-  
14 ments of subparagraph (B) shall be eligible for  
15 a deferment for an aggregate period of 180  
16 days, during which periodic installments of  
17 principal need not be paid, and interest—

18 “(i) shall not accrue, in the case of  
19 a—

20 “(I) Federal Direct Stafford  
21 Loan; or

22 “(II) a Federal Direct Consolida-  
23 tion Loan that consolidated only Fed-  
24 eral Direct Stafford Loans, or a com-  
25 bination of such loans and Federal  
26 Stafford Loans for which the student

1 borrower received an interest subsidy  
2 under section 428; or

3 “(ii) shall accrue and be capitalized or  
4 paid by the borrower, in the case of a Fed-  
5 eral Direct PLUS Loan, a Federal Direct  
6 Unsubsidized Stafford Loan, or a Federal  
7 Direct Consolidation Loan not described in  
8 clause (i)(II).

9 “(B) ELIGIBILITY.—A borrower of a loan  
10 made under this part shall be eligible for a  
11 deferment under subparagraph (A) if the bor-  
12 rower—

13 “(i) is the spouse of a member of the  
14 Armed Forces serving on active duty; and

15 “(ii) has experienced a loss of employ-  
16 ment as a result of relocation to accommo-  
17 date a permanent change in duty station of  
18 such member.

19 “(C) DOCUMENTATION AND APPROVAL.—

20 “(i) IN GENERAL.—A borrower may  
21 establish eligibility for a deferment under  
22 subparagraph (A) by providing to the Sec-  
23 retary—

24 “(I) the documentation described  
25 in clause (ii); or

1           “(II) such other documentation  
2           as the Secretary determines appro-  
3           priate.

4           “(ii) DOCUMENTATION.—The docu-  
5           mentation described in this clause is—

6           “(I) evidence that the borrower is  
7           the spouse of a member of the Armed  
8           Forces serving on active duty;

9           “(II) evidence that a military  
10          permanent change of station order  
11          was issued to such member; and

12          “(III)(aa) evidence that the bor-  
13          rower is eligible for unemployment  
14          benefits due to a loss of employment  
15          resulting from relocation to accommo-  
16          date such permanent change in duty  
17          station; or

18          “(bb) a written certification, or  
19          an equivalent as approved by the Sec-  
20          retary, that the borrower is registered  
21          with a public or private employment  
22          agency due to a loss of employment  
23          resulting from relocation to accommo-  
24          date such permanent change in duty  
25          station.”.

1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
2 subsection (a) shall take effect 90 days after the date of  
3 the enactment of this Act.

## 4 **Subtitle F—Studies and Reports**

### 5 **SEC. 1061. MODIFICATIONS OF REPORTING REQUIRE-** 6 **MENTS.**

7 (a) CONSOLIDATED BUDGET QUARTERLY REPORT  
8 ON USE OF FUNDS.—Section 381(b) of title 10, United  
9 States Code, is amended—

10 (1) in the subsection heading, by striking  
11 “QUARTERLY REPORT” and inserting “SEMIANNUAL  
12 REPORT”;

13 (2) by striking “Not later than 60 days after  
14 the end of each calendar quarter, the” and inserting  
15 “The”;

16 (3) by striking “Defense during such calendar  
17 quarter” and inserting “Defense—”; and

18 (4) by adding at the end the following new  
19 paragraphs:

20 “(1) by not later than August 31 of each year,  
21 for the first six-month period of that year; and

22 “(2) by not later than February 28 of each  
23 year, for the second six-month period of the pre-  
24 ceding year.”.

1 (b) NATIONAL SECURITY STRATEGY FOR THE NA-  
2 TIONAL TECHNOLOGY AND INDUSTRIAL BASE.—Section  
3 4811(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by  
4 striking “The Secretary shall submit such strategy to Con-  
5 gress not later than 180 days after the date of submission  
6 of the national security strategy report required under sec-  
7 tion 108 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C.  
8 3043).” and inserting “The Secretary shall submit such  
9 strategy to Congress as an integrated part of the report  
10 submitted under section 4814 of this title.”.

11 (c) NATIONAL TECHNOLOGY AND INDUSTRIAL BASE  
12 REPORT AND QUARTERLY BRIEFING.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 4814 of title 10,  
14 United States Code, is amended—

15 (A) by amending the section heading to  
16 read as follows:

17 “§ 4814. **National technology and industrial base: bi-**  
18 **ennial report”;**

19 (B) by striking “(a) ANNUAL REPORT.—”;

20 (C) by striking “March 1 of each year”  
21 and inserting “March 1 of each odd-numbered  
22 year”; and

23 (D) by striking subsection (b).

24 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-  
25 tions at the beginning of chapter 382 of such title

1 is amended by striking the item relating to section  
2 4814 and inserting the following:

“4814. National technology and industrial base: biennial report.”.

3 (3) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section  
4 858(b)(2) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense  
5 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law  
6 117–263) is amended—

7 (A) by striking subparagraph (A); and  
8 (B) by redesignating subparagraphs (B)  
9 through (H) as subparagraphs (A) through (G),  
10 respectively.

11 (d) ANNUAL MILITARY CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS  
12 REPORT.—Section 1644 of the National Defense Author-  
13 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (10 U.S.C. 394 note;  
14 Public Law 116–92) is amended—

15 (1) in subsection (a) in the matter preceding  
16 paragraph (1) in the first sentence—

17 (A) by inserting “effects” after “all named  
18 military cyberspace”; and

19 (B) by striking “, operations, cyber effects  
20 enabling operations, and cyber operations con-  
21 ducted as defensive operations” and inserting  
22 “conducted for either offensive or defensive pur-  
23 poses”; and

1           (2) in subsection (c), by inserting “or cyber ef-  
2           fects operations for which Congress has otherwise  
3           been provided notice” before the period.

4           (e) EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY  
5 TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO THE VETTED SYRIAN OPPO-  
6 SITION.—Section 1231(d) of the John S. McCain National  
7 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public  
8 Law 115–232) is amended—

9           (1) in the subsection heading, by striking  
10          “QUARTERLY” and inserting “SEMIANNUAL”; and

11          (2) in paragraph (1)—

12                (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph  
13                (A), by striking “quarterly” and inserting  
14                “semiannual”; and

15                (B) in subparagraph (A), by striking “90-  
16                day” and inserting “180-day”.

17          (f) THEFT, LOSS, OR RELEASE OF BIOLOGICAL SE-  
18 LECT AGENTS OR TOXINS INVOLVING DEPARTMENT OF  
19 DEFENSE.—Section 1067(a) of the National Defense Au-  
20 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–  
21 328; 50 U.S.C. 1528(a)) is amended to read as follows:

22          “(a) NOTIFICATION.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2),  
23 not later than 45 days after a covered report of any theft,  
24 loss, or release of a biological select agent or toxin involv-  
25 ing the Department of Defense is filed with the Centers

1 for Disease Control and Prevention or the Animal and  
2 Plant Health Inspection Service, the Secretary of Defense,  
3 acting through the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nu-  
4 clear, Chemical, and Biological Defense Programs, shall  
5 provide to the congressional defense committees notice of  
6 such theft, loss, or release.

7 “(2) The Secretary shall provide to the congressional  
8 defense committees notice of a release under paragraph  
9 (1) only if the Secretary, acting through the Assistant Sec-  
10 retary, determines that the release is outside the barriers  
11 of secondary containment into the ambient air or environ-  
12 ment or is causing occupational exposure that presents a  
13 threat to public safety.

14 “(3) In this subsection, the term ‘covered report’  
15 means a report filed under any of the following (or any  
16 successor regulations):

17 “(A) Section 331.19 of title 7, Code of Federal  
18 Regulations.

19 “(B) Section 121.19 of title 9, Code of Federal  
20 Regulations.

21 “(C) Section 73.19 of title 42, Code of Federal  
22 Regulations.”.

23 (g) AUDIT OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FINAN-  
24 CIAL STATEMENTS.—Section 240a of title 10, United  
25 States Code, is amended—

1           (1) by striking “(A) ANNUAL AUDIT RE-  
2           QUIRED.—”; and

3           (2) by striking subsection (b).

4           (h) FINANCIAL IMPROVEMENT AND AUDIT REMEDI-  
5           ATION PLAN.—Section 240b(b) of title 10, United States  
6           Code, is amended—

7           (1) in paragraph (1)—

8                 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
9                 “June 30, 2019, and annually thereafter” and  
10                inserting “July 31 each year”;

11               (B) in subparagraph (B)—

12                   (i) by striking clauses (vii) through  
13                   (x); and

14                   (ii) by redesignating clauses (xi), (xii),  
15                   and (xiii) as clauses (vii), (viii), and (ix),  
16                   respectively; and

17                 (C) by striking subparagraph (C); and

18           (2) in paragraph (2)—

19                 (A) in subparagraph (A)—

20                   (i) by striking “June 30” and insert-  
21                   ing “July 31”; and

22                   (ii) by striking the second sentence;

23                 and

24                 (B) in subparagraph (B)—

1 (i) by striking “June 30” and insert-  
2 ing “July 31”; and

3 (ii) by striking the second sentence.

4 (i) ANNUAL REPORTS ON FUNDING.—Section  
5 1009(c) of the National Defense Authorization Act for  
6 Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 10 U.S.C. 240b  
7 note) is amended by striking “five days” and inserting “10  
8 days”.

9 **SEC. 1062. EXTENSION OF REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT A RE-**  
10 **PORT ON DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SUP-**  
11 **PORT FOR DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SE-**  
12 **CURITY AT THE INTERNATIONAL BORDERS**  
13 **OF THE UNITED STATES.**

14 Section 1014(d)(3) of the National Defense Author-  
15 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328;  
16 10 U.S.C. 271 note) is amended by striking “December  
17 31, 2024” and inserting “December 31, 2025”.

18 **SEC. 1063. BRIEFING ON DEFENSE POW/MIA ACCOUNTING**  
19 **AGENCY CAPABILITIES REQUIRED TO EX-**  
20 **PAND ACCOUNTING FOR PERSONS MISSING**  
21 **FROM DESIGNATED PAST CONFLICTS.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 1, 2024,  
23 and annually thereafter for each of the next five years,  
24 the Director of the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency  
25 shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the

1 Senate and House of Representatives a briefing on the ca-  
2 pabilities required to expand accounting for persons miss-  
3 ing from designated past conflicts.

4 (b) **AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS.**—  
5 The Director of the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agen-  
6 cy may enter into agreements with universities or research  
7 organizations under which such universities or research  
8 organizations agree to provide additional capabilities for  
9 specialized missions or research requirements relating to  
10 expanding accounting for persons missing from designated  
11 past conflicts.

12 **SEC. 1064. AIR FORCE PLAN FOR MAINTAINING PRO-**  
13 **FICIENT AIRCREWS IN CERTAIN MISSION**  
14 **AREAS.**

15 (a) **PLAN REQUIRED.**— The Secretary of the Air  
16 Force shall develop a plan, and the associated actions and  
17 milestones for implementing the plan, to designate, equip,  
18 and train the number of combat air forces aviation units  
19 (in this section referred to as “CAF units”), equipped with  
20 fixed-wing or rotorcraft assets, that are required in order  
21 to maintain proficient aircrew skills in accordance with the  
22 Core Mission Essential Task List and Designed Oper-  
23 ational Capability Statement of each such unit in the fol-  
24 lowing mission areas:

25 (1) Close air support.

1 (2) Forward air controller–airborne.

2 (3) Combat search and rescue.

3 (4) Airborne battle management.

4 (b) REPORT.—The Secretary of the Air Force shall  
5 submit to the congressional defense committees a report  
6 on the plan required under subsection (a). Such report  
7 shall include the following information:

8 (1) The number of CAF units required to meet  
9 steady-state, contingency, and wartime mission re-  
10 quirements for each mission area referred to in sub-  
11 section (a).

12 (2) The number of proficient aircrews each unit  
13 must maintain in order to be qualified and current  
14 in each such mission area.

15 (3) The number of CAF units and aircrew per-  
16 sonnel that, as of the date of the enactment of this  
17 Act, are trained and equipped to meet steady-state,  
18 contingency, and wartime mission requirements for  
19 each such mission area.

20 (4) The location of any CAF unit and associ-  
21 ated aircraft that have been designated to be pro-  
22 ficient in such mission areas.

23 (5) The minimum quantity of initial training  
24 and continuation training sorties and events aircrews  
25 will be required to achieve monthly and yearly to be

1 qualified as proficient, current, and experienced in  
2 such mission areas.

3 (6) Any other information, data, or analyses the  
4 Secretary determines relevant.

5 (c) LIMITATION.—The Secretary of the Air Force  
6 may not reduce the total inventory of the Air Force of  
7 A-10 aircraft below 218 until the date that is 180 days  
8 after the date on which the Secretary submits the report  
9 required under subsection (b).

10 (d) DEFINITION OF PROFICIENT.—In this section,  
11 the term “proficient”, with respect to an aircrew, means  
12 that such aircrew—

13 (1) has thorough knowledge but occasionally  
14 may make an error of omission or commission;

15 (2) is able to operate in a complex, fluid envi-  
16 ronment and is able to handle most contingencies  
17 and unusual circumstances; and

18 (3) is prepared for mission tasking on the first  
19 sortie in a theater of operations.

20 **SEC. 1065. INDEPENDENT STUDY ON NAVAL MINE WAR-**  
21 **FARE.**

22 (a) STUDY REQUIRED.—Not later than 60 days after  
23 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
24 the Navy shall seek to enter into an agreement with a fed-  
25 erally funded research and development center to conduct

1 an independent study of the mine warfare capabilities of  
2 the Navy.

3 (b) ELEMENTS.—The study under subsection (a)  
4 shall include an assessment and comprehensive review  
5 of—

6 (1) the offensive and defensive mine warfare ca-  
7 pabilities of the Navy; and

8 (2) the offensive mine inventories of Navy as of  
9 the date of study.

10 (c) RESULTS.—Following the completion of the study  
11 under subsection (a), the federally funded research and  
12 development center that conducts the study shall submit  
13 to the Secretary of Defense a report on the results of the  
14 study. The report shall include—

15 (1) a summary of the research and other activi-  
16 ties carried out as part of the study; and

17 (2) considerations and recommendations to im-  
18 prove the mine warfare capabilities of the Navy, in-  
19 cluding recommendations for any legislation that  
20 may be needed for such purpose.

21 (d) SUBMITTAL TO CONGRESS.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than December 31,  
23 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the  
24 Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and  
25 the House of Representatives—

1 (A) an unaltered copy of the results of the  
2 study, as submitted to the Secretary under sub-  
3 section (c); and

4 (B) the written responses of the Secretary  
5 and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff  
6 to such results.

7 (2) FORM.—The submission under paragraph  
8 (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may  
9 include a classified annex.

10 **SEC. 1066. ANNUAL REPORT AND BRIEFING ON IMPLEMEN-**  
11 **TATION OF FORCE DESIGN 2030.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than February 15,  
13 2024, and annually thereafter through February 15,  
14 2030, the Commandant of the Marine Corps shall submit  
15 to the congressional defense committees a report detailing  
16 the programmatic choices made to implement Force De-  
17 sign 2030, including both new developmental and fielded  
18 capabilities, as well as capabilities and capacity divested  
19 to accelerate the implementation of Force Design 2030.

20 (b) BRIEFING REQUIREMENT.—Not later than  
21 March 15, 2024, and annually thereafter through March  
22 15, 2030, the Commandant of the Marine Corps shall pro-  
23 vide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on  
24 the elements described in subsection (c).

1 (c) ELEMENTS.—Each report required under sub-  
2 section (a) and briefing required under subsection (b) shall  
3 include the following elements:

4 (1) An assessment of changes in the national  
5 defense strategy, Defense Planning Guidance, Joint  
6 Warfighting Concept (and associated concept re-  
7 quired capabilities), and other planning processes  
8 that informed Force Design 2030.

9 (2) An inventory and assessment of the exer-  
10 cises and experimentation related to the Force De-  
11 sign, starting in fiscal year 2020, including an iden-  
12 tification of the capabilities that were involved and  
13 the extent to which such exercises and experimen-  
14 tation validated or militated against proposed capa-  
15 bility investments.

16 (3) An inventory of divestments of capability or  
17 capacity, whether force structure or equipment,  
18 starting in fiscal year 2020, including—

19 (A) a timeline of the progress of each di-  
20 vestment;

21 (B) the type of force structure or equip-  
22 ment divested or reduced;

23 (C) the percentage of force structure or  
24 equipment divested or reduced, including any

1 equipment entered into inventory management  
2 or another form of storage;

3 (D) the rationale and context behind such  
4 divestment;

5 (E) an identification of whether such di-  
6 vestment affects the ability of the Marine Corps  
7 to meet the requirements of the Global Force  
8 Management process and operational plans, in-  
9 cluding an explanation of how the Marine Corps  
10 plans to mitigate the loss of such capability or  
11 capacity if the divestment affects the ability of  
12 the Marine Corps to meet the requirements of  
13 the Global Force Management process and  
14 operational plans, including through new invest-  
15 ments, additional joint planning and training,  
16 or other methods; and

17 (F) an assessment of the actual and pro-  
18 jected recruitment and retention percentages  
19 for the Marine Corps, starting in fiscal year  
20 2020.

21 (4) An inventory of extant or planned invest-  
22 ments as a part of Force Design 2030,  
23 disaggregated by integrated air and missile defense,  
24 littoral mobility and maneuver, sea denial, and re-

1       connaissance and counter-reconnaissance forces, in-  
2       cluding—

3               (A) capability name;

4               (B) capability purpose and context;

5               (C) capability being replaced (or not appli-  
6       cable);

7               (D) date of initial operational capability;

8               (E) date of full operational capability;

9               (F) deliveries of units by year; and

10              (G) approved acquisition objective or simi-  
11       lar inventory objective.

12              (5) A description of the amphibious warfare  
13       ship and maritime mobility requirements the Marine  
14       Corps submitted to the Department of the Navy in  
15       support of the Marine Corps organization and con-  
16       cepts under Force Design 2030 and its statutory re-  
17       quirements, including—

18                      (A) an explicit statement of the planning  
19                      assumptions about readiness of amphibious  
20                      warfare ships and maritime mobility platforms  
21                      that were used in developing the requirements;  
22                      and

23                      (B) an assessment of whether the 30-year  
24                      shipbuilding plan of the Navy and the budget

1           for the fiscal year covered by the briefing meet  
2           the amphibious ship requirements of the Navy.

3           (6) An assessment of how the capability invest-  
4           ments described in paragraph (4) contribute to joint  
5           force efficacy in new ways, including through sup-  
6           port of other Armed Forces.

7           (7) An assessment of the ability of the Marine  
8           Corps to generate required force elements for the  
9           Immediate Ready Force and the Contingency Ready  
10          Force over the two fiscal years preceding the fiscal  
11          year during which the report and briefing are pro-  
12          vided and the expected ability to generate forces for  
13          the subsequent two fiscal years.

14          (8) An assessment of Marine Corps force struc-  
15          ture and the readiness of Marine Expeditionary  
16          Units compared to availability of amphibious ships  
17          comprising an Amphibious Ready Group over the  
18          two fiscal years preceding the fiscal year during  
19          which the report and briefing are provided and the  
20          expected availability for the subsequent two fiscal  
21          years.

22          (9) An assessment by the Marine Corps of the  
23          compliance of the Marine Corps with the statutory  
24          organization prescribed in section 8063 of title 10,  
25          United States Code, that “[t]he Marine Corps, with-

1 in the Department of the Navy, shall be so orga-  
2 nized as to include not less than three combat divi-  
3 sions and three air wings, and such other land com-  
4 bat, aviation, and other services as may be organic  
5 therein”.

6 (10) An assessment by the Marine Corps of the  
7 compliance of the Marine Corps with the statutory  
8 functions prescribed in section 8063 of title 10,  
9 United States Code, that “[t]he Marine Corps shall  
10 be organized, trained, and equipped to provide fleet  
11 marine forces of combined arms, together with sup-  
12 porting air components, for service with the fleet in  
13 the seizure or defense of advanced naval bases and  
14 for the conduct of such land operations as may be  
15 essential to the prosecution of a naval campaign”.

16 (d) EFFECT ON OTHER REQUIREMENTS.—Effective  
17 on the date of the submission of the first report required  
18 under subsection (a), the requirement to provide a briefing  
19 pursuant to section 1023 of the Joint Explanatory State-  
20 ment accompanying the James M. Inhofe National De-  
21 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law  
22 117–263) shall cease to have force or effect.

1 **SEC. 1067. STUDY AND REPORT ON POTENTIAL INCLUSION**  
2 **OF BLACK BOX DATA RECORDERS IN TAC-**  
3 **TICAL VEHICLES.**

4 (a) STUDY.—The Comptroller General of the United  
5 States shall carry out a study to determine the extent to  
6 which the Department of Defense has evaluated feasibility  
7 and advisability of equipping all tactical vehicles of the  
8 Armed Forces with black box data recorders.

9 (b) REPORT.—The Comptroller General shall—

10 (1) not later than 180 days after the date of  
11 the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General  
12 shall provide to the congressional defense commit-  
13 tees a briefing on the preliminary findings of the  
14 study conducted under subsection (a); and

15 (2) submit to the congressional defense commit-  
16 tees a final report on such study.

17 **SEC. 1068. PLAN ON COUNTERING HUMAN TRAFFICKING.**

18 (a) PLAN.—Not later than 120 days after the date  
19 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
20 shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees  
21 a plan for coordinating with defense partners in North  
22 America and South America and supporting interagency  
23 departments and agencies, as appropriate, in countering  
24 human trafficking operations, including human trafficking  
25 by transnational criminal organizations.

1 (b) ELEMENTS OF PLAN.—The plan under sub-  
2 section (a) shall include—

3 (1) a description of the threat to United States  
4 security from human trafficking operations;

5 (2) a description of the authorities of the De-  
6 partment of Defense for the purposes specified in  
7 subsection (a);

8 (3) a description of any current or proposed  
9 Department of Defense programs or activities to co-  
10 ordinate with defense partners or provide support to  
11 interagency departments and agencies as described  
12 in subsection (a); and

13 (4) any recommendations of the Secretary of  
14 Defense for additional authorities for the purposes  
15 of countering human trafficking, including by  
16 transnational criminal organizations.

17 (c) BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days after the  
18 submission of the plan required under subsection (a), the  
19 Secretary of Defense shall brief the appropriate congres-  
20 sional committees regarding the authorities, programs,  
21 and activities of the Department of Defense to counter  
22 human trafficking operations.

23 (d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—  
24 In this section, the term “appropriate congressional com-  
25 mittees” means—

- 1 (1) the congressional defense committees;
- 2 (2) the Committee on Homeland Security and
- 3 Governmental Affairs and the Committee on Foreign
- 4 Relations of the Senate; and
- 5 (3) the Committee on Oversight and Adminis-
- 6 tration and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the
- 7 House of Representatives.

8 **SEC. 1069. UPDATE TO STRATEGIC PLAN ON DEPARTMENT**  
9 **OF DEFENSE COMBATING TRAFFICKING IN**  
10 **PERSONS PROGRAM.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall  
12 update the strategic plan for the combating trafficking in  
13 persons program of the Department of Defense.

14 (b) ELEMENTS OF PLAN.—The updated strategic  
15 plan required under subsection (a) shall include each of  
16 the following:

17 (1) An assessment of the efforts of the Depart-  
18 ment of Defense to combat trafficking in persons in  
19 areas with high populations of members of the  
20 United States Armed Forces, including in overseas  
21 locations.

22 (2) A review of the coordination of efforts of  
23 the Department to combat trafficking in persons  
24 across the military departments in areas where mul-  
25 tiple military departments operate bases.

1           (3) Recommendations for improved cooperation  
2           with local communities and relevant Federal, State,  
3           and local law enforcement agencies in addressing  
4           trafficking in persons.

5           (4) A review of new methods and concepts for  
6           combating trafficking in persons that the Depart-  
7           ment has implemented since the previous strategic  
8           plan.

9           (5) A description of plans of the Department to  
10          adapt innovative approaches, and integrate new  
11          technologies.

12          (6) An analysis of Department capabilities to  
13          combat child sexual abuse and exploitation in areas  
14          with high populations of members of the United  
15          States Armed Forces, including overseas locations.

16          (7) Recommendations for programs to educate  
17          members of the United States Armed Forces on how  
18          to identify and report instances of child sexual abuse  
19          and exploitation, both online and in-person, to the  
20          appropriate law enforcement agency.

21          (c) BRIEFING.—Not later than June 1, 2024, the  
22          Secretary of Defense shall provide to the appropriate con-  
23          gressional committees a briefing on the updated strategic  
24          plan required under subsection (a).

1 (d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—

2 In this section, the term “appropriate congressional com-  
3 mittees” means—

4 (1) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
5 Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Committee  
6 on Oversight and Accountability of the House of  
7 Representatives; and

8 (2) the Committee Armed Services, the Com-  
9 mittee on Foreign Relations, and the Committee on  
10 Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the  
11 Senate.

12 **SEC. 1070. REPORT ON USE OF TACTICAL FIGHTER AIR-**  
13 **CRAFT FOR DEPLOYMENTS AND HOMELAND**  
14 **DEFENSE MISSIONS.**

15 (a) STUDY REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense, in  
16 consultation with the Secretary of the Air Force and the  
17 Secretary of the Navy, shall conduct a study on the use  
18 of Department of Defense tactical fighter aircraft for de-  
19 ployments, including taskings supporting homeland de-  
20 fense missions.

21 (b) ELEMENTS.—In carrying out the study required  
22 under subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

23 (1) review both deployment and exercise re-  
24 quirements for tactical fighter aircraft levied by each  
25 geographic combatant command;

1           (2) assess the deployable forces currently avail-  
2           able to fulfill each of the requirements identified  
3           under paragraph (1), including whether such forces  
4           are adequate to meet the global requirements;

5           (3) review any relevant tactical fighter forces  
6           that are not considered deployable or available to  
7           meet the requirements of the combatant com-  
8           manders and consider whether the status of such  
9           forces can or should change;

10          (4) assess whether tactical fighter aircraft cov-  
11          erage of the United States during the deployment of  
12          tactical fighter aircraft to locations outside the  
13          United States has been adequately considered, in  
14          particular with respect to the areas in and around  
15          Alaska and Hawaii;

16          (5) assess the land-based tactical fighter air-  
17          craft units of the active and reserve components of  
18          the Air Force, Navy, and Marine Corps that could  
19          be considered for inclusion in homeland defense mis-  
20          sion requirements; and

21          (6) identify and evaluate deployment metrics,  
22          for each of the 15 fiscal years preceding the fiscal  
23          year during which the study is conducted, for the  
24          tactical fighter squadrons of the active and reserve

1 components of the Air Force, Navy, and Marine  
2 Corps, which shall include—

3 (A) all contingency taskings supported, ag-  
4 gregated by active and reserve component  
5 taskings supporting Operation Noble Eagle and  
6 President of the United States support missions  
7 and overseas contingency taskings;

8 (B) the average number of deployments  
9 per squadron, aggregated by active and reserve  
10 component squadrons;

11 (C) the average deployment duration (in  
12 days), aggregated by active and reserve compo-  
13 nents; and

14 (D) the percentage of days deployed, ag-  
15 gregated by active and reserve components.

16 (c) REPORT.—Not later than May 1, 2024, the Sec-  
17 retary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense  
18 committees a report that includes the results of a study  
19 required under subsection (a).

20 **SEC. 1071. REPORT ON EQUIPPING CERTAIN GROUND COM-**  
21 **BAT UNITS WITH SMALL UNMANNED AERIAL**  
22 **SYSTEMS.**

23 (a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than one year  
24 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
25 of Defense, in consultation with the Secretaries of the

1 military departments, shall submit to the congressional de-  
2 fense committees a report on equipping platoon-sized  
3 ground combat formations with group 1 or group 2 un-  
4 manned aerial systems.

5 (b) ELEMENTS.—The report submitted pursuant to  
6 subsection (a) shall address the following:

7 (1) The use of group 1 or group 2 unmanned  
8 aerial systems in the Ukraine conflict and best prac-  
9 tices learned.

10 (2) The potential use of group 1 or group 2 un-  
11 manned aerial systems to augment small unit tactics  
12 and lethality in the ground combat forces.

13 (3) Procurement challenges, legal restrictions,  
14 training shortfalls, operational limitations, or other  
15 impediments to fielding group 1 or group 2 un-  
16 manned aerial systems at the platoon level.

17 (4) A plan to equip platoon-sized ground com-  
18 bat formations in the close combat force with group  
19 1 or group 2 unmanned aerial systems at a basis of  
20 issue, as determined appropriate by the Secretary of  
21 the military department concerned, including a pro-  
22 posed timeline and fielding strategy.

23 (5) A plan to equip such other ground combat  
24 units with group 1 or group 2 unmanned aerial sys-

1       tems, as determined appropriate by the Secretary of  
2       the military department concerned.

3       **SEC. 1072. BIENNIAL BRIEFINGS ON HOMELAND DEFENSE**  
4                                   **PLANNING.**

5       (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the  
6       date of the enactment of this Act, and every 180 days  
7       thereafter through February 1, 2026, the Secretary of De-  
8       fense shall provide to the congressional defense commit-  
9       tees a briefing on efforts to bolster homeland defense.

10       (b) CONTENTS.—

11               (1) FIRST BRIEFING.—The first briefing re-  
12       quired by subsection (a) shall include each of the fol-  
13       lowing:

14                       (A) A detailed description of the homeland  
15       defense policy guidance.

16                       (B) The assumptions used in the drafting  
17       of such guidance.

18                       (C) If such guidance has not been com-  
19       pleted, an explanation of the reasons for the  
20       lack of completion and a timeline for comple-  
21       tion.

22       (2) ALL BRIEFINGS.—Each briefing required  
23       under subsection (a) shall include each of the fol-  
24       lowing:

1 (A) A summary of any update made to the  
2 homeland defense policy guidance.

3 (B) An update on threats to the United  
4 States emanating from the Government of the  
5 People's Republic of China, the Government of  
6 the Russian Federation, the Government of the  
7 Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the  
8 Government of Iran, and any other adversary  
9 country, as determined by the Secretary.

10 (C) A description of major actions taken  
11 by the Department during the preceding fiscal  
12 year to respond to and mitigate military threats  
13 to the United States.

14 (D) A description of the homeland defense  
15 policies of the Department in the event of a  
16 military conflict with the People's Republic of  
17 China, the Russian Federation, the Democratic  
18 People's Republic of Korea, the Islamic Repub-  
19 lic of Iran, or any other country as determined  
20 by the Secretary.

21 (E) Any other matter the Secretary con-  
22 siders relevant.

1 **SEC. 1073. REPORT ON EFFECTIVENESS OF CURRENT USE**  
2 **OF UNITED STATES NAVAL STATION, GUAN-**  
3 **TANAMO BAY, CUBA.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than April 30, 2024, the  
5 Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on  
6 Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representa-  
7 tives a report on the extent to which United States Naval  
8 Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, is being used effectively  
9 to defend the national security interests of the United  
10 States.

11 (b) ELEMENTS.—The report required by subsection  
12 (a) shall include each of the following:

13 (1) An analysis of the intelligence collection,  
14 cyber, and information operation activities in Cuba  
15 of the militaries of foreign governments, including  
16 the Russian Federation and the People’s Republic of  
17 China, and an assessment of the effects of such ac-  
18 tivities.

19 (2) An identification of the mitigation measures  
20 currently in place for addressing the activities re-  
21 ferred to in paragraph (1) and a discussion of any  
22 measures that would be appropriate for further miti-  
23 gation.

24 (3) Such other matters as the Secretary deter-  
25 mines appropriate.

1 (c) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required by sub-  
2 section (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but  
3 may include a classified annex.

4 **SEC. 1074. HOLISTIC TRAINING RANGE ASSESSMENT.**

5 (a) ASSESSMENT REQUIRED.—The Secretary of De-  
6 fense, after coordinating with the Secretaries of the mili-  
7 tary departments, shall carry out a comprehensive assess-  
8 ment of the capabilities, limitations, and anticipated fu-  
9 ture training constraints on the use of military lands, ma-  
10 rine areas, and airspace facilities that are available in the  
11 United States and overseas, for training of the covered  
12 Armed Forces.

13 (b) CONTENTS.—The assessment required by sub-  
14 section (a) shall include each of the following:

15 (1) An assessment of the range capability of  
16 each facility.

17 (2) An assessment of current and future train-  
18 ing requirements, including any opportunities for re-  
19 gional interconnectivity of existing sites to increase  
20 capability.

21 (3) An evaluation of the adequacy of current  
22 Department of Defense resources (including virtual  
23 and constructive training assets as well as military  
24 lands, marine areas, and airspace available in the

1 United States and overseas) to meet current and fu-  
2 ture training range requirements—

3 (A) identified under paragraph (2);

4 (B) relating to testing and training of fifth  
5 generation weapons systems; and

6 (C) relating to near-peer competition.

7 (4) An evaluation of threats posed by adver-  
8 sarial intelligence collection at each facility.

9 (5) An assessment of current capacity for test-  
10 ing and training of electromagnetic warfare oper-  
11 ations, including—

12 (A) electromagnetic spectrum operations;

13 (B) operations in the information environ-  
14 ment;

15 (C) Joint All Domain Command and Con-  
16 trol; and

17 (D) information warfare.

18 (6) An assessment of current capacity for train-  
19 ing and testing and future potential for Joint All  
20 Domain operations, including—

21 (A) an assessment of current shortfalls at  
22 domestic military installations; and

23 (B) an analysis of ranges capable of  
24 hosting large-scale, operationally relevant, live-  
25 fire campaign-level Joint All Domain operations

1 training exercises based on near-peer competi-  
2 tion.

3 (7) An assessment of the capacity of the cov-  
4 ered Armed Forces to routinely train, test, evaluate,  
5 and qualify theater-level operations in support of op-  
6 erations versus a pacing threat, as defined by the  
7 most recent national defense strategy submitted pur-  
8 suant to section 113(g) of title 10, United States  
9 Code, for the purpose of increasing the capacity and  
10 rate of force readiness with respect to deterrence  
11 and defense at theater-level distances. Such assess-  
12 ment shall include—

13 (A) an identification of areas in which  
14 multiple ranges can be used simultaneously to  
15 simulate Pacific Deterrence Initiative theater  
16 operation plans, including areas for over water  
17 and coastline training;

18 (B) an analysis of the combined capability  
19 of the total test or training areas to simulate  
20 various public, private, and academic initiatives  
21 in support of the Pacific Deterrence Initiative  
22 while advancing military readiness; and

23 (C) a review of any test or training areas  
24 that may enhance efforts of the Department to  
25 train at scale and range when persistently

1           networked into a live, virtual, and constructive  
2           Pacific environment.

3           (8) Proposals to enhance training range capa-  
4           bilities and mitigate any shortfalls or encroachment,  
5           including Department assets within the range foot-  
6           print, in current Department of Defense resources  
7           identified pursuant to the assessment required under  
8           this section, including timeline and budget estimates  
9           for implementing any proposed mitigations.

10          (9) Such other matters as the Secretary deter-  
11          mines appropriate.

12          (c) INITIAL REPORT.—At the same time as the sub-  
13          mission of the budget of the President to Congress pursu-  
14          ant to section 1105 of title 31, United States Code, for  
15          fiscal year 2026, the Secretary shall submit to the con-  
16          gressional defense committees an initial report on the as-  
17          sessment required by subsection (a).

18          (d) SUBSEQUENT ANNUAL REPORTS.—At the same  
19          time as the submission of the President submits to Con-  
20          gress pursuant to such section for each of fiscal years  
21          2027 through 2032, the Secretary shall submit to Con-  
22          gress a report describing the progress made in imple-  
23          menting the proposals referred to in subsection (b)(8) and  
24          any additional actions taken, or to be taken, to address

1 training constraints caused by limitations on the use of  
2 military lands, marine areas, and airspace.

3 (e) COVERED ARMED FORCE DEFINED.—In this sec-  
4 tion, the term “covered Armed Force” means the Army,  
5 Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force.

6 **SEC. 1075. SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCE STRUCTURE.**

7 (a) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the date  
8 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
9 shall submit to the congressional defense committees a re-  
10 port containing an assessment of the optimal force struc-  
11 ture for special operations forces. Such report shall in-  
12 clude—

13 (1) a description of the role of special oper-  
14 ations forces in implementing the most recent na-  
15 tional defense strategy under section 113(g) of title  
16 10, United States Code;

17 (2) a detailed accounting of the demand for  
18 special operations forces by the geographic combat-  
19 ant commands;

20 (3) an assessment of current and projected ca-  
21 pabilities and capacities of the general purpose  
22 forces of the United States Armed Forces, including  
23 forces that enable special operations, that could af-  
24 fect force structure capability and capacity require-  
25 ments of special operations forces;

1           (4) an assessment of the size, composition, and  
2           organizational structure of the special operations  
3           command headquarters of each of the Armed Forces  
4           and subordinate headquarters elements;

5           (5) an assessment of the adequacy of special  
6           operations force structure for meeting the goals of  
7           the National Military Strategy under section 153(b)  
8           of title 10, United States Code;

9           (6) a description of the role of special oper-  
10          ations forces in supporting the Joint Concept for  
11          Competing; and

12          (7) any other matters the Secretary of Defense  
13          determines relevant.

14          (b) NOTIFICATION REQUIRED.—Except as provided  
15          in subsection (d), not later than 15 days before making  
16          any reduction in the number of special operations forces  
17          by more than 1,000 personnel and prior to implementing  
18          or announcing such reduction, the Secretary of Defense  
19          shall submit to the congressional defense committees writ-  
20          ten notification of the decision to make such reduction.

21          (c) CONTENTS OF NOTIFICATION.—A notification re-  
22          quired under subsection (b) shall include—

23                (1) details of the planned changes to force  
24                structure and personnel requirements and a jus-  
25                tification for the planned changes, including—

1 (A) which units or occupational skills are  
2 planned to be reduced or reallocated; and

3 (B) to which units or capabilities the force  
4 structure is planned to be transferred or reallo-  
5 cated;

6 (2) an accounting of the personnel planned to  
7 be transferred under the force structure change, in-  
8 cluding which units such personnel are planned to be  
9 transferred to and from;

10 (3) an analysis of the expected implications of  
11 the planned change on the ability of the Department  
12 of Defense to carry out operational and campaign  
13 plans of combatant commanders, support the Joint  
14 Concept for Competing, and meet the goals of the  
15 most recent national defense strategy under section  
16 113(g) of title 10, United States Code; and

17 (4) any other matters the Secretary of Defense  
18 determines relevant.

19 (d) EXCEPTION.—The notification requirement under  
20 subsection (b) shall not apply with respect to a reduction  
21 in the number of special operations forces if the Secretary  
22 of Defense submits to the congressional defense commit-  
23 tees certification that such reduction needs to be imple-  
24 mented expeditiously for reasons of military urgency.

25 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1           (1) The term “special operations forces” means  
2           the forces described in section 167(j) of title 10,  
3           United States Code.

4           (2) The term “force structure”, when used with  
5           respect to an organization, means—

6                   (A) the mission of the organization;

7                   (B) the personnel required to operate the  
8                   organization; and

9                   (C) the equipment required to execute the  
10           mission of the organization.

11 **SEC. 1076. COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT OF MARINE**  
12 **CORPS FORCE DESIGN 2030.**

13           (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 90 days after the  
14 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
15 shall seek to enter into an agreement with a federally  
16 funded research and development center for the conduct  
17 of an independent review, assessment, and analysis of the  
18 modernization initiatives of the Marine Corps. The agree-  
19 ment shall provide that not later than one year after the  
20 date on which the Secretary and the center enter into the  
21 agreement, the center shall provide to the Secretary a re-  
22 port on the findings of the review, assessment, and anal-  
23 ysis. Upon receipt of the report, the Secretary shall trans-  
24 mit the report to the congressional defense committees.

1 (b) ELEMENTS.—The report required under sub-  
2 section (a) shall include the following elements:

3 (1) An assessment of changes in the National  
4 Defense Strategy, Defense Planning Guidance, the  
5 Joint Warfighting Concept, and other strategic doc-  
6 uments and concepts that informed Force Design  
7 modernization requirements.

8 (2) An assessment of how the Marine Corps,  
9 consistent with authorized end strength, can be  
10 structured, organized, trained, equipped, and pos-  
11 tured to meet the challenges of future competition,  
12 crisis, and conflict to include discussion of multiple  
13 structural options as relevant and the tradeoffs be-  
14 tween different options.

15 (3) An assessment of the ability of the defense  
16 innovation base and defense industrial base to de-  
17 velop and produce the technologies required to im-  
18 plement the Force Design modernization plan pub-  
19 lished by the Marine Corps on a timeline and at pro-  
20 duction rates sufficient to sustain military oper-  
21 ations.

22 (4) An assessment of forward infrastructure  
23 and the extent to which installations are  
24 operationalized to deter, compete, and prevail during

1 conflict in support of the Marine Corps moderniza-  
2 tion.

3 (5) An assessment of whether the Marine Corps  
4 is in compliance with the statutory organization and  
5 functions prescribed in section 8063 of title 10,  
6 United States Code.

7 (6) An assessment of the current retention and  
8 recruiting environment and the ability of the Marine  
9 Corps to sustain manpower requirements necessary  
10 for operational requirements levied by title 10,  
11 United States Code, in light of the published Force  
12 Design plan.

13 (7) The extent to which the modernization ini-  
14 tiatives within the Marine Corps are nested within  
15 applicable joint warfighting concepts.

16 (8) An assessment of whether the moderniza-  
17 tion of the Marine Corps is consistent with the strat-  
18 egy of integrated deterrence.

19 (9) An assessment of the ability of the Marine  
20 Corps to generate required force elements for the  
21 Immediate Ready Force and the Contingency Ready  
22 Force, based on current and planned end strength  
23 and structure.

24 (10) The extent to which the plan for modern-  
25 ized capabilities published by the Marine Corps can

1 be integrated across the Joint Force, including  
2 warfighting concepts at the combatant command  
3 level.

4 (11) The extent to which the modernization ef-  
5 forts of the Marine Corps currently meet the re-  
6 quirements of the current plans of the combatant  
7 commanders and global force management oper-  
8 ations, including a description of any mechanisms  
9 that exist to ensure geographic combatant require-  
10 ments inform Marine Corps modernization efforts.

11 (12) The extent to which modeling and simula-  
12 tion, experimentation, wargaming, and other analytic  
13 methods support the changes incorporated into the  
14 modernization initiatives of the Marine Corps, in-  
15 cluding the underlying assumptions and outcomes of  
16 such analyses.

17 (13) An inventory of extant or planned invest-  
18 ments as part of the modernization efforts of the  
19 Marine Corps, disaggregated by the following capa-  
20 bility areas and including actual or projected dates  
21 of Initial Operational Capability and Full Oper-  
22 ational Capability:

23 (A) Command and Control.

24 (B) Information.

25 (C) Intelligence.

1 (D) Fires.

2 (E) Movement and Maneuver.

3 (F) Protection.

4 (G) Sustainment.

5 (14) An inventory of divestments of capability  
6 or capacity, whether force structure or equipment,  
7 starting in fiscal year 2020, including—

8 (A) a timeline of the progress of each di-  
9 vestment;

10 (B) the type of force structure or equip-  
11 ment divested or reduced;

12 (C) the percentage of force structure of  
13 equipment divested or reduced, including any  
14 equipment entered into inventory management  
15 or other form of storage;

16 (D) the rationale and context behind such  
17 divestment; and

18 (E) an identification of whether such di-  
19 vestment affects the ability of the Marine Corps  
20 to meet the requirements of Global Force Man-  
21 agement process and the operational plans.

22 (15) An assessment of how observations regard-  
23 ing the invasion and defense of Ukraine affect the  
24 feasibility, advisability, and suitability of the mod-  
25 ernization plans published by the Marine Corps.

1 (c) CLASSIFICATION OF REPORT.—The report re-  
2 quired under subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassi-  
3 fied form, but may include a classified appendix to the  
4 extent required to ensure that the report is accurate and  
5 complete.

6 **SEC. 1077. ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATIONS RELAT-**  
7 **ING TO INFRASTRUCTURE, CAPACITY, RE-**  
8 **SOURCES, AND PERSONNEL ON GUAM.**

9 (a) ASSESSMENT.—The Secretary of Defense, in co-  
10 ordination with the Commander of United States Indo-  
11 Pacific Command, shall assess the infrastructure, capac-  
12 ity, resource, and personnel requirements for Guam dur-  
13 ing fiscal years 2024 through 2029 to meet United States  
14 strategic objectives.

15 (b) ELEMENTS.—The assessment under subsection  
16 (a) shall include the following elements:

17 (1) An appraisal of the potential role Guam  
18 could play as a key logistics and operational hub for  
19 the United States military in the Indo-Pacific re-  
20 gion.

21 (2) An assessment of whether current Depart-  
22 ment of Defense infrastructure, capacity, resources,  
23 and personnel in Guam are sufficient to meet the ex-  
24 pected demands during relevant operations and con-  
25 tingency scenarios.

1           (3) An assessment of the adequacy of civilian  
2 infrastructure in Guam for supporting the require-  
3 ments of United States Indo-Pacific Command, in-  
4 cluding—

5           (A) the resilience of such infrastructure in  
6 the event of a natural disaster; and

7           (B) the vulnerability of such infrastructure  
8 to cyber threats.

9           (4) A plan, including timelines and associated  
10 estimated costs, to improve Department of Defense  
11 infrastructure, capacity, resources, and personnel in  
12 Guam during fiscal years 2024 through 2029 to  
13 meet United States Indo-Pacific Command strategic  
14 objectives, including the need for Department of De-  
15 fense civilian recruiting and retention programs,  
16 such as cost-of-living adjustments, initiatives for  
17 dealing with any shortages of civilian employees, and  
18 programs to improve quality-of-life for personnel as-  
19 signed to Guam.

20           (5) An assessment of the implementation of  
21 Joint Task Force Micronesia.

22           (6) Any other matters determined relevant by  
23 the Secretary.

24           (c) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
25 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense

1 shall submit to the congressional defense committees a re-  
2 port including the results of the assessment required  
3 under subsection (a).

4 **SEC. 1078. FEASIBILITY STUDY ON CONVERSION OF JOINT**  
5 **TASK FORCE NORTH INTO JOINT INTER-**  
6 **AGENCY TASK FORCE NORTH.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the  
8 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of De-  
9 fense, in consultation with the head of any relevant Fed-  
10 eral department or agency and acting through the Under  
11 Secretary of Defense for Policy, shall submit to the con-  
12 gressional defense committees a feasibility study on con-  
13 verting the Joint Task Force North of the United States  
14 Northern Command into a joint interagency task force to  
15 be known as the “Joint Interagency Task Force North”.

16 (b) ELEMENTS.—The study under (a) shall include  
17 the following elements:

18 (1) A description of the mission of a Joint  
19 Interagency Task Force North.

20 (2) A detailed description of the resources of  
21 the Department of Defense, including personnel, fa-  
22 cilities, and operating costs, necessary to convert  
23 Joint Task Force North into a joint interagency  
24 task force.

25 (3) An identification of—

1 (A) each relevant department and agency  
2 of the United States Government the participa-  
3 tion in a Joint Interagency Task Force North  
4 of which is necessary in order to enable a Joint  
5 Interagency Task Force North to effectively  
6 carry out its mission; and

7 (B) the interagency arrangements nec-  
8 essary to ensure effective participation by each  
9 such department and agency.

10 (4) An identification of each international liai-  
11 son necessary for a Joint Interagency Task Force  
12 North to effectively carry out its mission.

13 (5) A description of the bilateral and multilat-  
14 eral agreements with foreign partners and regional  
15 and international organizations that would support  
16 the implementation of the mission of the Joint Inter-  
17 agency Task Force North.

18 (6) A description of the relationship between a  
19 Joint Interagency Task Force North and Joint  
20 Interagency Task Force South of the United States  
21 Southern Command.

22 (7) A description of the likely relationship be-  
23 tween a Joint Interagency Task Force North and  
24 the relevant security forces of the Government of  
25 Mexico and the Government of the Bahamas.

1           (8) A recommendation on whether a Joint  
2 Interagency Task Force North should be an endur-  
3 ing entity and a discussion of the circumstances  
4 under which the mission of a Joint Interagency Task  
5 Force North would transition to one or more entities  
6 within the United States Government other than the  
7 United States Northern Command.

8           (9) Any recommendations for additional legal  
9 authority needed for the Joint Interagency Task  
10 Force North to effectively carry out its mission.

11           (10) Any other matters the Secretary of De-  
12 fense considers relevant.

13           (c) FORM.—The study required by subsection (a)  
14 shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include  
15 a classified annex.

## 16           **Subtitle G—Other Matters**

### 17           **SEC. 1080. MODIFICATION OF DEFINITION OF DOMESTIC** 18                           **SOURCE FOR TITLE III OF THE DEFENSE** 19                           **PRODUCTION ACT OF 1950.**

20           (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 702(7) of the Defense  
21 Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4552(7)) is amend-  
22 ed—

23                   (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) and  
24                   (B) as clauses (i) and (ii), respectively, and by mov-

1       ing such clauses, as so redesignated, two ems to the  
2       right;

3           (2) by striking “The term” and inserting the  
4       following:

5           “(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in  
6       subparagraph (B), the term”;

7           (3) in clause (ii), as redesignated by paragraph  
8       (1), by striking “subparagraph (A)” and inserting  
9       “clause (i)”; and

10          (4) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
11       paragraph (B):

12           “(B) DOMESTIC SOURCE FOR TITLE III.—

13           “(i) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of  
14       title III, the term ‘domestic source’ means  
15       a business concern that—

16           “(I) performs substantially all of  
17       the research and development, engi-  
18       neering, manufacturing, and produc-  
19       tion activities required of such busi-  
20       ness concern under a contract with  
21       the United States relating to a critical  
22       component or a critical technology  
23       item in—

24           “(aa) the United States or  
25       Canada; or

1                   “(bb) subject to clause (ii),  
2                   Australia or the United King-  
3                   dom; and

4                   “(II) procures from business con-  
5                   cerns described in subclause (I) sub-  
6                   stantially all of any components or as-  
7                   semblies required under a contract  
8                   with the United States relating to a  
9                   critical component or critical tech-  
10                  nology item.

11                  “(ii) LIMITATIONS ON USE OF BUSI-  
12                  NESS CONCERNS IN AUSTRALIA AND  
13                  UNITED KINGDOM.—

14                  “(I) IN GENERAL.—A business  
15                  concern described in clause (i)(I)(bb)  
16                  may be treated as a domestic source  
17                  only for purposes of the exercise of  
18                  authorities under title III relating to  
19                  national defense matters that cannot  
20                  be fully addressed with business con-  
21                  cerns described in clause (i)(I)(aa).

22                  “(II) NATIONAL DEFENSE MAT-  
23                  TER DEFINED.—For purposes of sub-  
24                  clause (I), the term ‘national defense

1 matter' is a matter relating to the de-  
2 velopment or production of—

3 “(aa) a defense article, as  
4 defined in section 301 of title 10,  
5 United States Code; or

6 “(bb) materials critical to  
7 national security, as defined in  
8 section 10(f) of the Strategic and  
9 Critical Materials Stock Piling  
10 Act (50 U.S.C. 98h–1(f)).”.

11 (b) REPORTS ON EXERCISE OF TITLE III AUTHORI-  
12 TIES.—Title III of the Defense Production Act of 1950  
13 (50 U.S.C. 4531 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end  
14 the following new section:

15 **“SEC. 305. REPORTS ON EXERCISE OF AUTHORITIES.**

16 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The President, or the head of  
17 an agency to which the President has delegated authorities  
18 under this title, shall submit a report and provide a brief-  
19 ing to the appropriate congressional committees with re-  
20 spect to any action taken pursuant to such authorities—

21 “(1) except as provided by paragraph (2), not  
22 later than 30 days after taking the action; and

23 “(2) in the case of an action that involves a  
24 business concern in the United Kingdom or Aus-

1 tralia, not later than 30 days before taking the ac-  
2 tion.

3 “(b) ELEMENTS.—

4 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Each report and briefing  
5 required by subsection (a) with respect to an action  
6 described in that subsection shall include—

7 “(A) a justification of the necessity of the  
8 use of authorities under this title; and

9 “(B) a description of the financial terms of  
10 any related financial transaction.

11 “(2) ADDITIONAL ELEMENTS RELATING TO  
12 BUSINESS CONCERNS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM OR  
13 AUSTRALIA.—Each report and briefing required by  
14 subsection (a) with respect to an action described in  
15 paragraph (2) of that subsection shall include, in ad-  
16 dition to the elements under paragraph (1)—

17 “(A) a certification that business concerns  
18 in the United States or Canada were not avail-  
19 able with respect to the action; and

20 “(B) an analysis of why such business con-  
21 cerns were not available.

22 “(c) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES  
23 DEFINED.—In this section, the term ‘appropriate congres-  
24 sional committees’ means—

1           “(1) the Committee on Banking, Housing, and  
2           Urban Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on  
3           Financial Services of the House of Representatives;  
4           and

5           “(2) in the case of an action described in sub-  
6           section (a) involving materials critical to national se-  
7           curity (as defined in section 702(7)(B)(ii)(II)(bb)),  
8           the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of  
9           the Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources  
10          of the House of Representatives.”.

11 **SEC. 1081. INTEGRATED AND AUTHENTICATED ACCESS TO**  
12                           **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SYSTEMS FOR**  
13                           **CERTAIN CONGRESSIONAL STAFF FOR OVER-**  
14                           **SIGHT PURPOSES.**

15          Section 1046(a) of the James M. Inhofe National De-  
16          fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law  
17          117–263; 10 U.S.C. 111 note) is amended—

18           (1) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking “; and”  
19           and inserting a semicolon;

20           (2) in paragraph (2), by striking the period at  
21           the end and inserting “; and”; and

22           (3) by adding at the end the following new  
23           paragraph:

24           “(3) to the extent feasible, be integrated with  
25           software used by the Department of Defense Park-

1 ing Management Office to validate parking re-  
2 quests.”.

3 **SEC. 1082. MODIFICATION OF COMPENSATION FOR MEM-**  
4 **BERS OF THE AFGHANISTAN WAR COMMIS-**  
5 **SION.**

6 (a) COMPENSATION.—Section 1094(g)(1) of the Na-  
7 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022  
8 (Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 1942) is amended to read  
9 as follows:

10 “(1) COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS.—

11 “(A) NON-FEDERAL EMPLOYEES.—A  
12 member of the Commission who is not an offi-  
13 cer or employee of the Federal Government  
14 shall be compensated at a rate equal to the  
15 daily equivalent of the annual rate of basic pay  
16 prescribed for level IV of the Executive Sched-  
17 ule under section 5315 of title 5, United States  
18 Code, for each day (including travel time) dur-  
19 ing which the member is engaged in the per-  
20 formance of the duties of the Commission.

21 “(B) FEDERAL EMPLOYEES.—

22 “(i) IN GENERAL.—A member of the  
23 Commission who is an employee of the  
24 Federal Government may be compensated  
25 as provided for under subparagraph (a) for

1 periods of time during which the member  
2 is engaged in the performance of the duties  
3 of the Commission that fall outside of ordi-  
4 nary agency working hours, as determined  
5 by the employing agency of such member.

6 “(ii) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—  
7 Nothing in this paragraph shall be con-  
8 strued to authorize dual pay for work per-  
9 formed on behalf of the Commission and  
10 for a Federal agency during the same  
11 hours of the same day.”.

12 (b) TRAVEL SUPPORT.—Section 1050 of the James  
13 M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
14 Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2775) is  
15 amended—

16 (1) in the section heading, by striking “**DE-**  
17 **PARTMENT OF DEFENSE SUPPORT**” and insert-  
18 ing “**EXECUTIVE BRANCH SUPPORT**”;

19 (2) by redesignating subsection (b) as sub-  
20 section (c); and

21 (3) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-  
22 lowing new subsection:

23 “(b) PROVISION OF TRAVEL SUPPORT TO CERTAIN  
24 COMMISSIONS.—For the purpose of providing support to  
25 facilitate overseas travel requests from a legislative branch

1 commission, or any commission so designated for support  
2 under this subsection jointly by the Majority Leader of  
3 the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
4 the Minority Leader of the Senate, and the Minority Lead-  
5 er of the House of Representatives, the Secretary of De-  
6 fense and the Secretary of State shall consider such re-  
7 quests as equivalent to a request from Congress, and apply  
8 the same standards in determining the extent to which  
9 such support may be provided under law and regulation.  
10 Any support so provided shall be funded out of amounts  
11 appropriated for the operation of such commission.”.

12 **SEC. 1083. SENATE NATIONAL SECURITY WORKING GROUP.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 21 of Senate Resolution  
14 64 (113th Congress), agreed to March 5, 2013, is amend-  
15 ed by striking subsection (d).

16 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
17 subsection (a) shall take effect as though enacted on De-  
18 cember 31, 2022.

19 **SEC. 1084. TRIBAL LIAISONS AT MILITARY INSTALLATIONS.**

20 (a) TRIBAL LIAISONS AT MILITARY INSTALLA-  
21 TIONS.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that each  
22 military installation under the jurisdiction of a military  
23 department that has an Indian Tribe, Native Hawaiian  
24 organization, or Tribal interest in the area surrounding

1 the installation has a Tribal liaison located at the installa-  
2 tion.

3 (b) TRIBAL INTEREST.—For purposes of subsection  
4 (a), an area surrounding a military installation shall be  
5 considered to be an area in which there is a Tribal interest  
6 if an Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization is his-  
7 torically or culturally affiliated with the land or water  
8 managed or directly affected by the military installation.

9 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) The term “Indian Tribe” has the meaning  
11 given that term in section 4(e) of the Indian Self-  
12 Determination and Education Assistance Act (25  
13 U.S.C. 5304(e)).

14 (2) The term “Native Hawaiian organization”  
15 has the meaning given that term in section 6207 of  
16 the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of  
17 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7517).

18 **SEC. 1085. COMMERCIAL INTEGRATION CELL PLAN WITHIN**  
19 **CERTAIN COMBATANT COMMANDS.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the  
21 date of the enactment of this Act, the Commander of the  
22 United States Africa Command, the Commander of the  
23 United States European Command, the Commander of the  
24 United States Indo-Pacific Command, the Commander of  
25 the United States Northern Command, and the Com-

1 mander of the United States Southern Command shall  
2 each develop a plan that includes—

3 (1) the potential establishment of a commercial  
4 integration cell within the respective combatant com-  
5 mand of each commander for the purpose of closely  
6 integrating public and private entities with capabili-  
7 ties relevant to the area of operation of such com-  
8 batant command; and

9 (2) the potential establishment of a chief tech-  
10 nology officer position within the respective combat-  
11 ant command of each commander, the duties of  
12 which would include—

13 (A) overseeing such commercial integration  
14 cell; and

15 (B) reporting directly to the commander of  
16 the applicable combatant command on the ac-  
17 tivities of the relevant commercial integration  
18 cell.

19 (b) BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days after the  
20 date of the enactment of this Act, each commander of a  
21 combatant command referred to in subsection (a) shall  
22 provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Sen-  
23 ate and the House of Representatives a briefing on the  
24 feasibility, costs, and benefits of establishing a commercial  
25 integration cell.

1 **SEC. 1086. GUIDANCE FOR USE OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFT**  
2 **SYSTEMS BY NATIONAL GUARD.**

3 (a) **UPDATED GUIDANCE REQUIRED.**—Not later than  
4 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
5 Secretary of Defense shall issue updated guidance on the  
6 use of unmanned aircraft systems by the National Guard  
7 for covered activities.

8 (b) **BRIEFING.**—Not later than 60 days after the date  
9 on which the Secretary issues the updated guidance under  
10 subsection (a), the Secretary shall provide to the Commit-  
11 tees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Rep-  
12 resentatives. Such briefing shall include—

13 (1) an explanation of whether the updated guid-  
14 ance is more restrictive than guidance on the use of  
15 other types of aircraft for covered activities; and

16 (2) if the updated guidance is more restrictive,  
17 an explanation for the reasons why such guidance is  
18 more restrictive.

19 (c) **COVERED ACTIVITIES DEFINED.**—In this section,  
20 the term “covered activities” means any of the following:

21 (1) Emergency operations.

22 (2) Search and rescue operations.

23 (3) Defense support to civil authorities.

24 (4) Support provided under section 502(f) of  
25 title 32, United States Code.

1 **SEC. 1087. PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF AFGHANISTAN WAR**  
2 **RECORDS.**

3 The Secretary of Defense, in a manner consistent  
4 with the protection of intelligence sources and methods,  
5 shall expeditiously disclose to the public all relevant un-  
6 classified records of the Department of Defense relating  
7 to the war in Afghanistan.

8 **SEC. 1088. IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR JOINT CONCEPT**  
9 **FOR COMPETING.**

10 (a) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN REQUIRED.—Not later  
11 than March 1, 2024, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs  
12 of Staff shall submit to the congressional defense commit-  
13 tees an implementation plan for of the Joint Concept for  
14 Competing, released on February 10, 2023.

15 (b) ELEMENTS.—The implementation plan required  
16 by subsection (a) shall include—

17 (1) timelines for the development of integrated  
18 competitive strategies for engaging in strategic com-  
19 petition, as described in the Joint Concept for Com-  
20 peting, to address the challenges posed by specific  
21 competitors, including such strategies designed to—

22 (A) deter adversarial military action;

23 (B) counter the efforts of specific competi-  
24 tors, as necessary; and

1 (C) support the efforts of the United  
2 States interagency and foreign allies, partners,  
3 and multilateral organizations;

4 (2) an identification of any relevant updates to  
5 joint doctrine or professional military education;

6 (3) a description of the integration of the Joint  
7 Concept for Competing with other joint force devel-  
8 opment and design efforts;

9 (4) a description of concept-required capabilities  
10 that are necessary for joint force development and  
11 design in support of the Joint Concept for Com-  
12 peting, including the assignment of roles and respon-  
13 sibilities and the timelines for attaining such capa-  
14 bilities;

15 (5) a description of efforts to coordinate and  
16 synchronize Department of Defense activities with  
17 the activities of interagency and foreign partners for  
18 the purpose of integrated campaigning;

19 (6) an identification of any recommendations to  
20 better integrate the role of the Joint Force, as iden-  
21 tified by the Joint Concept for Competing, with na-  
22 tional security efforts of interagency and foreign  
23 partners;

1           (7) an identification of any changes to authori-  
2 ties or resources necessary to implement the Joint  
3 Concept for Competing; and

4           (8) a description of any other matters the  
5 Chairman determines appropriate.

6       (c) BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days after the de-  
7 livery of the implementation plan required under sub-  
8 section (a), and every 180 days thereafter through March  
9 1, 2026, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff shall  
10 provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing  
11 that includes an update on the status of the implementa-  
12 tion plan required under subsection (a).

13 **SEC. 1089. NOTIFICATION OF SAFETY AND SECURITY CON-**  
14 **CERNS AT CERTAIN DEPARTMENT OF DE-**  
15 **FENSE LABORATORIES.**

16       (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall  
17 notify the congressional defense committees within 7 days  
18 after ceasing operations at any Department of Defense  
19 laboratory or facility rated at biosafety level–3 or higher  
20 for safety or security reasons.

21       (b) CONTENT.—The notification required under sub-  
22 section (a) shall include—

23           (1) the reason why operations have ceased at  
24 the laboratory or facility;

1           (2) whether appropriate notification to other  
2 Federal agencies has occurred;

3           (3) a description of the actions taken to deter-  
4 mine the root cause of the cessation; and

5           (4) a description of the actions taken to restore  
6 operations at the laboratory or facility.

7 **SEC. 1090. CONDUCT OF WEATHER RECONNAISSANCE IN**  
8 **THE UNITED STATES.**

9 (a) CONDUCT OF RECONNAISSANCE.—

10           (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the availability of  
11 appropriations, the 53rd Weather Reconnaissance  
12 Squadron of the Air Force Reserve Command and  
13 the Administrator of the National Oceanic and At-  
14 mospheric Administration may use aircraft, per-  
15 sonnel, and equipment necessary to meet the mission  
16 requirements of—

17           (A) the National Hurricane Operations  
18 Plan; and

19           (B) the National Winter Seasons Oper-  
20 ation plan, as long as aircraft are able to fully  
21 meet needs for hurricane monitoring response.

22           (2) ACTIVITIES.—If the 53rd Weather Recon-  
23 naissance Squadron of the Air Force Reserve Com-  
24 mand exercises the authority under paragraph (1),  
25 such Squadron, in consultation with the Adminis-

1       trator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Ad-  
2       ministration and appropriate line offices of the Na-  
3       tional Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration,  
4       shall use such authority to—

5               (A) improve the accuracy and timeliness of  
6       observations of storms that result in large  
7       amounts of precipitation, such as tropical cy-  
8       clones and atmospheric rivers, to support the  
9       forecast and warning services of the National  
10      Weather Service of the United States;

11              (B) collect data in data-sparse regions  
12      where conventional observations are lacking;

13              (C) support water management decision-  
14      making and flood forecasting through the exe-  
15      cution of targeted in-situ measurements, air-  
16      borne dropsondes, buoys, autonomous platform  
17      observations, satellite observations, remote sens-  
18      ing observations, and other observation plat-  
19      forms as appropriate, including enhanced as-  
20      similation of the data from those observations  
21      over the eastern, central, and western north Pa-  
22      cific Ocean, the Gulf of Mexico, and the western  
23      Atlantic Ocean to improve forecasts of large  
24      storms for civil authorities and military decision  
25      makers;

1 (D) participate in the research and oper-  
2 ations partnership that guides flight planning  
3 and uses research methods to improve and ex-  
4 pand the capabilities and effectiveness of weath-  
5 er reconnaissance over time; and

6 (E) undertake such other additional activi-  
7 ties as the Administrator of the National Oce-  
8 anic and Atmospheric Administration, in col-  
9 laboration with the 53rd Weather Reconnois-  
10 sance Squadron, considers appropriate to fur-  
11 ther prediction of dangerous weather events.

12 (b) REPORTS.—

13 (1) AIR FORCE.—

14 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days  
15 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
16 Secretary of the Air Force, in consultation with  
17 the Administrator of the National Oceanic and  
18 Atmospheric Administration, shall perform a re-  
19 sources review of mission capabilities needed for  
20 observation to carry out the activities described  
21 in subsection (a)(2) and submit to the appro-  
22 priate committees of Congress a comprehensive  
23 report, for the period beginning on the date of  
24 the enactment of this Act and ending on De-  
25 cember 31, 2035, on—

1 (i) the resources necessary for the  
2 53rd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron of  
3 the Air Force Reserve Command to con-  
4 tinue to support—

5 (I) the National Hurricane Oper-  
6 ations Plan;

7 (II) the National Winter Season  
8 Operations Plan;

9 (III) emerging technologies that  
10 offer new, improved, or innovative  
11 ways to collect data for improved fore-  
12 casts of strength and landfall for hur-  
13 ricanes, atmospheric rivers, and win-  
14 ter storms; and

15 (IV) any other operational re-  
16 quirements relating to weather recon-  
17 naissance;

18 (ii) the resources expended by the Na-  
19 tional Oceanic and Atmospheric Adminis-  
20 tration to cover taskings that the 53rd  
21 Weather Reconnaissance Squadron of the  
22 Air Force Reserve Command is unable to  
23 accomplish; and

24 (iii) the resources expended by the  
25 53rd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron of

1 the Air Force Reserve Command to cover  
2 taskings that the National Oceanic and At-  
3 mospheric Administration is unable to ac-  
4 complish.

5 (B) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-  
6 GRESS.—In this paragraph, the term “appro-  
7 priate committees of Congress” means—

8 (i) the Committee on Armed Services  
9 of the Senate;

10 (ii) the Subcommittee on Defense of  
11 the Committee on Appropriations of the  
12 Senate;

13 (iii) the Committee on Commerce,  
14 Science, and Transportation of the Senate;

15 (iv) the Committee on Science, Space,  
16 and Technology of the House of Represent-  
17 atives;

18 (v) the Committee on Armed Services  
19 of the House of Representatives; and

20 (vi) the Subcommittee on Defense of  
21 the Committee on Appropriations of the  
22 House of Representatives.

23 (2) COMMERCE.—Not later than 90 days after  
24 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
25 of Commerce shall submit to the Committee on

1 Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Sen-  
2 ate and the Committee on Science, Space, and Tech-  
3 nology of the House of Representatives a com-  
4 prehensive report, for the period beginning on the  
5 date of the enactment of this Act and ending on De-  
6 cember 31, 2035, on—

7 (A) the resources necessary for the Na-  
8 tional Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration  
9 to continue to support—

10 (i) the National Hurricane Operations  
11 Plan;

12 (ii) the National Winter Season Oper-  
13 ations Plan;

14 (iii) emerging technologies that offer  
15 new, improved, and innovative ways to col-  
16 lect data for improved forecasts of strength  
17 and landfall for hurricanes, atmospheric  
18 rivers, and winter storms; and

19 (iv) any other operational require-  
20 ments relating to weather reconnaissance;

21 (B) how taskings that the 53rd Weather  
22 Reconnaissance Squadron of the Air Force Re-  
23 serve Command is unable to accomplish could  
24 affect the ability of the National Oceanic and

1 Atmospheric Administration to fulfill its mis-  
2 sion; and

3 (C) how taskings that the National Ocea-  
4 nic and Atmospheric Administration is unable  
5 to accomplish could affect the ability of the  
6 53rd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron of the  
7 Air Force Reserve Command to fulfill its mis-  
8 sion.

9 (c) TRANSFER OF FUNDS.—The Secretary of the Air  
10 Force may transfer funds to the National Oceanic and At-  
11 mospheric Administration for additional hurricane moni-  
12 toring and response activities that fulfill the mission of  
13 the Air Force, including transfers of funds for the com-  
14 pensation of personnel and for the provision of other such  
15 services, funds, facilities, and other support services as  
16 necessary.

17 **SEC. 1091. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING AUTHORITY**  
18 **OF SECRETARY OF DEFENSE WITH RESPECT**  
19 **TO IRREGULAR WARFARE.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—It is the sense of Congress that  
21 the Secretary of Defense has the authority to conduct ir-  
22 regular warfare operations, including clandestine irregular  
23 warfare operations, to defend the United States, allies of  
24 the United States, and interests of the United States,  
25 when such operations have been appropriately authorized.

1 (b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
2 tion shall be construed to constitute a specific statutory  
3 authorization for any of the following:

4 (1) The conduct of a covert action, as such  
5 term is defined in section 503(e) of the National Se-  
6 curity Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3093(e)).

7 (2) The introduction of United States Armed  
8 Forces, within the meaning of the War Powers Reso-  
9 lution (Public Law 93–148; 50 U.S.C. 1541 et seq.),  
10 into hostilities or into situations wherein hostilities  
11 are clearly indicated by the circumstances.

12 **SEC. 1092. RED HILL HEALTH IMPACTS.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—

14 (1) REVIEW.—The Secretary of Defense (re-  
15 ferred to in this section as the “Secretary”), in co-  
16 ordination with the Director of the Centers for Dis-  
17 ease Control and Prevention, the Secretary of Vet-  
18 erans Affairs, and such State and local authorities  
19 or other partners as the Secretary considers appro-  
20 priate, shall—

21 (A) review the Federal programs and serv-  
22 ices available to individuals exposed to petro-  
23 leum;

1 (B) review current research on petroleum  
2 exposure in order to identify additional research  
3 needs; and

4 (C) undertake any other review or activi-  
5 ties that the Secretary determines to be appro-  
6 priate.

7 (2) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the  
8 date of enactment of this Act, and annually there-  
9 after for six subsequent years, the Secretary shall  
10 submit to the appropriate congressional committees  
11 a report on the review and activities undertaken  
12 under paragraph (1) that includes—

13 (A) strategies for communicating and en-  
14 gaging with stakeholders on the Red Hill Inci-  
15 dent;

16 (B) the number of impacted and poten-  
17 tially impacted individuals;

18 (C) measures and frequency of follow-up to  
19 collect data and specimens related to exposure,  
20 health, and developmental milestones as appro-  
21 priate; and

22 (D) a summary of data and analyses on  
23 exposure, health, and developmental milestones  
24 for impacted individuals.

1           (3) CONSULTATION.—In carrying out para-  
2           graphs (1) and (2), the Secretary shall consult with  
3           non-Federal experts, including individuals with cer-  
4           tification in epidemiology, toxicology, mental health,  
5           pediatrics, and environmental health, and members  
6           of the impacted community.

7           (b) RED HILL EPIDEMIOLOGICAL HEALTH OUT-  
8           COMES STUDY.—

9           (1) CONTRACTS.—The Secretary may contract  
10          with independent research institutes or consultants,  
11          nonprofit or public entities, laboratories, or medical  
12          schools, as the Secretary considers appropriate, that  
13          are not part of the Federal Government to assist  
14          with the feasibility assessment required by para-  
15          graph (2).

16          (2) FEASIBILITY ASSESSMENT.—Not later than  
17          one year after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
18          the Secretary shall submit to the appropriate con-  
19          gressional committees the results of a feasibility as-  
20          sessment to determine the necessity of an epidemio-  
21          logical health outcomes study and to inform the de-  
22          sign of the potential epidemiological study or studies  
23          to assess health outcomes for impacted individuals,  
24          which may include—

1 (A) a strategy to recruit impacted individ-  
2 uals to participate in the study or studies, in-  
3 cluding incentives for participation;

4 (B) a description of protocols and meth-  
5 odologies to assess health outcomes from the  
6 Red Hill Incident, including data management  
7 protocols to secure the privacy and security of  
8 the personal information of impacted individ-  
9 uals;

10 (C) the periodicity for data collection that  
11 takes into account the differences between  
12 health care practices among impacted individ-  
13 uals who are—

14 (i) members of the Armed Forces on  
15 active duty or spouses or dependents of  
16 such members;

17 (ii) members of the Armed Forces  
18 separating from active duty or spouses or  
19 dependents of such members;

20 (iii) veterans and other individuals  
21 with access to health care from the De-  
22 partment of Veterans Affairs; and

23 (iv) individuals without access to  
24 health care from the Department of De-

1           fense or the Department of Veterans Af-  
2           fairs;

3           (D) a description of methodologies to ana-  
4           lyze data received from the study or studies to  
5           determine possible connections between expo-  
6           sure to water contaminated during the Red Hill  
7           Incident and adverse impacts to the health of  
8           impacted individuals;

9           (E) an identification of exposures resulting  
10          from the Red Hill Incident that may qualify in-  
11          dividuals to be eligible for participation in the  
12          study or studies as a result of those exposures;

13          (F) steps that will be taken to provide in-  
14          dividuals impacted by the Red Hill Incident  
15          with information on available resources and  
16          services; and

17          (G) a final determination on whether it is  
18          feasible to conduct an epidemiological health  
19          outcomes study.

20          (3) NOTIFICATIONS; BRIEFINGS.—If the Sec-  
21          retary determines, upon completion of the feasibility  
22          assessment under paragraph (2), that an epidemio-  
23          logical health outcomes study is feasible and nec-  
24          essary, not later than one year after the completion

1 of the feasibility assessment under paragraph (2),  
2 the Secretary shall—

3 (A) notify impacted individuals on the in-  
4 terim findings of the study or studies; and

5 (B) brief the appropriate congressional  
6 committees on the interim findings of the study  
7 or studies.

8 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

9 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
10 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-  
11 mittees” means—

12 (A) the Committee on Armed Services and  
13 the Subcommittee on Defense of the Committee  
14 on Appropriations of the Senate;

15 (B) the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs of  
16 the Senate;

17 (C) the Committee on Health, Education,  
18 Labor, and Pensions of the Senate;

19 (D) the Committee on Armed Services and  
20 the Subcommittee on Defense of the Committee  
21 on Appropriations of the House of Representa-  
22 tives;

23 (E) the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs of  
24 the House of Representatives; and

1 (F) the Committee on Energy and Com-  
2 merce of the House of Representatives.

3 (2) IMPACTED INDIVIDUAL.—The term “im-  
4 pacted individual” means an individual who, at the  
5 time of the Red Hill Incident, lived or worked in a  
6 building or residence served by the community water  
7 system at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Oahu,  
8 Hawaii.

9 (3) RED HILL INCIDENT.—The term “Red Hill  
10 Incident” means the release of fuel from the Red  
11 Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility, Oahu, Hawaii, into  
12 the sole-source basal aquifer located 100 feet below  
13 the facility, contaminating the community water sys-  
14 tem at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Novem-  
15 ber 20, 2021.

## 16 **TITLE XI—CIVILIAN PERSONNEL**

Sec. 1101. Diversity, equity, and inclusion personnel grade cap.

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- Sec. 1118. Report and sunset relating to inapplicability of certification of executive qualifications by qualification review boards of Office of Personnel Management.
- Sec. 1119. Expansion of noncompetitive appointment eligibility to spouses of Department of Defense civilians.
- Sec. 1120. Elimination of Government Accountability Office review requirement relating to Department of Defense personnel authorities.

1 **SEC. 1101. DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION PER-**  
2 **SONNEL GRADE CAP.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary concerned may not  
4 appoint to, or otherwise employ in, any position with pri-  
5 mary duties as described in subsection (b) a civilian em-  
6 ployee paid annual pay at a rate that exceeds the equiva-  
7 lent of the rate payable for GS–10, not adjusted for local-  
8 ity.

9 (b) COVERED DUTIES.—The duties referred to in  
10 subsection (a) are as follows:

11 (1) Developing, refining, and implementing di-  
12 versity, equity, and inclusion policy.

1           (2) Leading working groups and councils to de-  
2           veloping diversity, equity, and inclusion goals and  
3           objectives to measure performance and outcomes.

4           (3) Creating and implementing diversity, equity,  
5           and inclusion education, training courses, and work-  
6           shops for military and civilian personnel.

7           (c) **APPLICABILITY TO CURRENT EMPLOYEES.**—Any  
8           civilian employee appointed to a position with duties de-  
9           scribed in subsection (b) who is paid annual pay at a rate  
10          that exceeds the amount allowed under subsection (a) shall  
11          be reassigned to another position not later than 180 days  
12          after the date of the enactment of this Act.

13 **SEC. 1102. AUTHORIZATION TO PAY A LIVING QUARTERS**  
14                                   **ALLOWANCE FOR DEPARTMENT OF THE**  
15                                   **NAVY CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES ASSIGNED TO**  
16                                   **PERMANENT DUTY IN GUAM FOR PER-**  
17                                   **FORMING WORK, OR SUPPORTING WORK**  
18                                   **BEING PERFORMED, ABOARD OR DOCKSIDE,**  
19                                   **OF U.S. NAVAL VESSELS.**

20          (a) **ALLOWANCE.**—When Government owned or  
21          rented quarters are not otherwise provided without charge  
22          to a covered employee, the Secretary of the Navy may  
23          grant to a covered employee one or more of the following  
24          allowances:

1           (1) A living quarters allowance for rent, heat,  
2           light, fuel, gas, electricity, and water. The Secretary  
3           is authorized to pay such allowance by reimburse-  
4           ment or by advance payments.

5           (2) Under unusual circumstances, as deter-  
6           mined by the Secretary, payment or reimbursement  
7           for extraordinary, necessary, and reasonable ex-  
8           penses, not otherwise compensated for, incurred in  
9           initial repairs, alterations, and improvements to the  
10          privately leased residence in Guam of a covered em-  
11          ployee—

12                   (A) the expenses are administratively ap-  
13                   proved in advance; and

14                   (B) the duration and terms of the lease  
15                   justify payment of the expenses by the Govern-  
16                   ment.

17          (b) COVERED EMPLOYEE DEFINED.—In this section,  
18          the term “covered employee” means any civilian employee  
19          of the Department of the Navy who is assigned to perma-  
20          nent duty in Guam for performing work or supporting  
21          work being performed, aboard or dockside, of U.S. naval  
22          vessels.

1 **SEC. 1103. CONSOLIDATION OF DIRECT HIRE AUTHORITIES**  
2 **FOR CANDIDATES WITH SPECIFIED DEGREES**  
3 **AT SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY REINVEN-**  
4 **TION LABORATORIES.**

5 Section 4091 of title 10, United States Code, is  
6 amended—

7 (1) in subsection (a)(1), by striking “bachelor’s  
8 degree” and inserting “bachelor’s or advanced de-  
9 gree”;

10 (2) in subsection (c)—

11 (A) in the subsection heading, by striking  
12 “CALENDAR YEAR” and inserting “FISCAL  
13 YEAR”;

14 (B) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
15 by striking “calendar year” and inserting “fis-  
16 cal year”;

17 (C) in paragraph (1), by striking “6 per-  
18 cent” and inserting “11 percent”; and

19 (D) in paragraphs (1), (2), and (3), by  
20 striking “the fiscal year last ending before the  
21 start of such calendar year” and inserting “the  
22 preceding fiscal year”;

23 (3) by striking subsection (f); and

24 (4) by redesignating subsection (g) as sub-  
25 section (f).

1 **SEC. 1104. DIRECT HIRE AUTHORITY FOR CERTAIN PER-**  
2 **SONNEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

3 Section 9905(a) of title 5, United States Code, is  
4 amended—

5 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by  
6 inserting “, 3307,” after “3303”; and

7 (2) by adding at the end the following new  
8 paragraphs:

9 “(12) Any position in support of aircraft oper-  
10 ations for which the Secretary determines there is a  
11 critical hiring need or shortage of candidates.

12 “(13) Any position in support of the safety of  
13 the public, law enforcement, or first response for  
14 which the Secretary determines there is a critical  
15 hiring need or shortage of candidates.”.

16 **SEC. 1105. ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO WAIVE**  
17 **ANNUAL LIMITATION ON PREMIUM PAY AND**  
18 **AGGREGATE LIMITATION ON PAY FOR FED-**  
19 **ERAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES WORKING OVER-**  
20 **SEAS.**

21 Subsection (a) of section 1101 of the Duncan Hunter  
22 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009  
23 (Public Law 110–417; 122 Stat. 4615), as most recently  
24 amended by section 1102 of the James M. Inhofe National  
25 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public

1 Law 117–263), is further amended by striking “through  
2 2023” and inserting “through 2024”.

3 **SEC. 1106. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO GRANT COMPETITIVE STATUS TO EMPLOYEES OF INSPECTORS GENERAL FOR OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS.**

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7 Section 419(d)(5)(B) of title 5, United States Code,  
8 is amended by striking “2 years” and inserting “5 years”.

9 **SEC. 1107. EXTENSION OF DIRECT HIRE AUTHORITY FOR DOMESTIC INDUSTRIAL BASE FACILITIES AND MAJOR RANGE AND TEST FACILITIES BASE.**

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13 Section 1125(a) of the National Defense Authoriza-  
14 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (10 U.S.C. 1580 note prec.;  
15 Public Law 114–328) is amended by striking “through  
16 2025,” and inserting “through 2028,”.

17 **SEC. 1108. EXCLUSION OF NONAPPROPRIATED FUND EMPLOYEES FROM LIMITATIONS ON DUAL PAY.**

18  
19 Section 5531(2) of title 5, United States Code, is  
20 amended by striking “Government corporation and” and  
21 inserting “Government corporation, but excluding”.

1 **SEC. 1109. ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY AUTHOR-**  
2 **ITY TO GRANT ALLOWANCES, BENEFITS, AND**  
3 **GRATUITIES TO CIVILIAN PERSONNEL ON OF-**  
4 **FICIAL DUTY IN A COMBAT ZONE.**

5 Paragraph (2) of section 1603(a) of the Emergency  
6 Supplemental Appropriations Act for Defense, the Global  
7 War on Terror, and Hurricane Recovery, 2006 (Public  
8 Law 109–234; 120 Stat. 443), as added by section 1102  
9 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization  
10 Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 110–417; 122 Stat.  
11 4616) and as most recently amended by section 1103 of  
12 the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act  
13 for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263), is further  
14 amended by striking “2024” and inserting “2025”.

15 **SEC. 1110. MODIFICATION TO SHORE LEAVE ACCRUAL FOR**  
16 **CREWS OF VESSELS TO SUPPORT CREW RO-**  
17 **TATIONS AND IMPROVE RETENTION OF CI-**  
18 **VILIAN MARINERS.**

19 Section 6305 of title 5, United States Code, is  
20 amended by adding at the end the following:

21 “(d) With respect to an officer, crewmember, or other  
22 employee of the Department of Defense serving aboard an  
23 oceangoing vessel on an extended voyage, the first sen-  
24 tence in the matter preceding paragraph (1) of subsection  
25 (c) of this section shall be applied by substituting ‘7 cal-  
26 endar days’ for ‘30 calendar days.’”.

1 **SEC. 1111. ASSESSMENTS OF STAFFING IN OFFICE OF THE**  
2 **UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR PER-**  
3 **SONNEL AND READINESS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—

5 (1) DOD ASSESSMENT.—The Secretary of De-  
6 fense shall conduct an assessment of personnel re-  
7 quirements in the Office of the Under Secretary of  
8 Defense for Personnel and Readiness against exist-  
9 ing personnel of the Office. The assessment should  
10 include military, civilian, and contractor personnel.  
11 For purposes of carrying out such assessment, the  
12 head of the Office shall submit to the Secretary the  
13 alignment of total force manpower resources of the  
14 Office against core missions, tasks, and functions,  
15 including a mapping of missions to the originating  
16 statute or Department policy.

17 (2) OFFICE ASSESSMENT.—The head of the Of-  
18 fice shall conduct an assessment on the tasks, func-  
19 tions, and associated civilian personnel the Office be-  
20 lieves are necessary to perform the duties of the Of-  
21 fice.

22 (3) DOD ANALYSIS.—The Secretary shall de-  
23 termine whether there is any conflict between the as-  
24 sessment conducted under paragraph (1) and the as-  
25 sessment under paragraph (2), and what personnel

1 actions (if any) the Secretary will take to eliminate  
2 such conflict.

3 (b) INTERIM BRIEFING AND REPORT.—

4 (1) INTERIM BRIEFING.—Not later than April  
5 1, 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to  
6 the congressional defense committees an interim  
7 briefing on the assessments under subsection (a).

8 (2) FINAL REPORT.—Not later than one year  
9 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
10 retary shall submit to the congressional defense com-  
11 mittees a report on the assessments under sub-  
12 section (a). Such report shall include the following:

13 (A) An assessment of every military, civil-  
14 ian, and contractor personnel position and billet  
15 (funded and unfunded, filled and unfilled) in  
16 the Office against existing personnel require-  
17 ments.

18 (B) The methodology and process through  
19 which such assessment was performed.

20 (C) Relevant statistical analysis on per-  
21 sonnel position fill rates against validated re-  
22 quirements.

23 (D) Analysis of each position, grade, and  
24 rank, and whether the position description,

1 grade, and rank match the function and task  
2 requirements of the position.

3 (E) Plan to update rank, grades, and posi-  
4 tion descriptions to meet current and future re-  
5 quirements, tasks, and functions.

6 (F) Any legislative, policy or budgetary  
7 recommendations of the Secretary related to the  
8 subject matter of the report.

9 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

10 (1) the term “civil service” has the meaning  
11 given that term in section 2101 of title 5, United  
12 States Code; and

13 (2) the term “Office” means the Office of the  
14 Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Read-  
15 iness.

16 **SEC. 1112. MILITARY SPOUSE EMPLOYMENT ACT.**

17 (a) APPOINTMENT OF MILITARY SPOUSES.—Section  
18 3330d of title 5, United States Code, is amended—

19 (1) in subsection (a)—

20 (A) by redesignating paragraph (3) as  
21 paragraph (4);

22 (B) by inserting after paragraph (2) the  
23 following:

24 “(3) The term ‘remote work’ refers to a par-  
25 ticular type of telework under which an employee is

1 not expected to report to an officially established  
2 agency location on a regular and recurring basis.”;  
3 and

4 (C) by adding at the end the following:

5 “(5) The term ‘telework’ has the meaning given  
6 the term in section 6501.”;

7 (2) in subsection (b)—

8 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “or” at  
9 the end;

10 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking the pe-  
11 riod at the end and inserting “; or”; and

12 (C) by adding at the end the following:

13 “(3) a spouse of a member of the Armed Forces  
14 on active duty, or a spouse of a disabled or deceased  
15 member of the Armed Forces, to a position in which  
16 the spouse will engage in remote work.”; and

17 (3) in subsection (e)(1), by striking “subsection  
18 (a)(3)” and inserting “subsection (a)(4)”.

19 (b) GAO STUDY AND REPORT.—

20 (1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection—

21 (A) the terms “agency” means an agency  
22 described in paragraph (1) or (2) of section  
23 901(b) of title 31, United States Code;

24 (B) the term “employee” means an em-  
25 ployee of an agency;

1 (C) the term “remote work” means a par-  
2 ticular type of telework under which an em-  
3 ployee is not expected to report to an officially  
4 established agency location on a regular and re-  
5 curring basis; and

6 (D) the term “telework” means a work  
7 flexibility arrangement under which an em-  
8 ployee performs the duties and responsibilities  
9 of such employee’s position, and other author-  
10 ized activities, from an approved worksite other  
11 than the location from which the employee  
12 would otherwise work.

13 (2) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 18 months  
14 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Comp-  
15 troller General of the United States shall conduct a  
16 study and publish a report regarding the use of re-  
17 mote work by agencies, which shall include a discus-  
18 sion of what is known regarding—

19 (A) the number of employees who are en-  
20 gaging in remote work;

21 (B) the role of remote work in agency re-  
22 cruitment and retention efforts;

23 (C) the geographic location of employees  
24 who engage in remote work;

1 (D) the effect that remote work has had on  
2 how often employees are reporting to officially  
3 established agency locations to perform the du-  
4 ties and responsibilities of the positions of those  
5 employees and other authorized activities; and

6 (E) how the use of remote work has af-  
7 fected Federal office space utilization and  
8 spending.

9 **SEC. 1113. AMENDMENTS TO THE JOHN S. MCCAIN STRA-**  
10 **TEGIC DEFENSE FELLOWS PROGRAM.**

11 (a) **SELECTION OF PARTICIPANTS.**—Subsection  
12 (d)(2) of section 932 of the John S. McCain National De-  
13 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year (Public Law 115–  
14 232; 10 U.S.C. 1580 note prec.) is amended to read as  
15 follows:

16 “(2) **GEOGRAPHICAL REPRESENTATION.**—Out  
17 of the total number of individuals selected to partici-  
18 pate in the fellows program, which shall not exceed  
19 60 individuals in any year, no more than 20 percent  
20 may be from any of the following geographic regions:

21 “(A) The Northeast United States.

22 “(B) The Southeast United States.

23 “(C) The Midwest United States.

24 “(D) The Southwest United States.

25 “(E) The Western United States.

1                   “(F) Alaska, Hawaii, United States terri-  
2                   tories, and areas outside the United States.”.

3           (b) APPOINTMENT AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT.—

4 Such section is further amended—

5           (1) in subsection (d)(3)—

6                   (A) by striking “assigned” and inserting  
7                   “appointed”; and

8                   (B) by striking “assignment” and inserting  
9                   “appointment”; and

10           (2) by amending subsections (e) and (f) to read  
11 as follows:

12           “(e) APPOINTMENT.—

13                   “(1) IN GENERAL.—An individual who partici-  
14                   pates in the fellows program shall be appointed into  
15                   an excepted service position in the Department.

16                   “(2) POSITION REQUIREMENTS.—Each year,  
17                   the head of each Department of Defense Component  
18                   shall submit to the Secretary of Defense placement  
19                   opportunities for participants in the fellows pro-  
20                   gram. Such placement opportunities shall provide for  
21                   leadership development and potential commencement  
22                   of a career track toward a position of senior leader-  
23                   ship in the Department. The Secretary of Defense,  
24                   in coordination with the heads of Department of De-  
25                   fense Components, shall establish qualification re-

1 requirements for the appointment of participants  
2 under paragraph (1).

3 “(3) APPOINTMENT TO POSITIONS.—Each year,  
4 the Secretary of Defense shall appoint participants  
5 in the fellows program to positions in the Depart-  
6 ment of Defense Components. In making such ap-  
7 pointments, the Secretary shall seek to best match  
8 the qualifications and skills of the participants with  
9 the requirements for positions available for appoint-  
10 ment.

11 “(4) TERM.—The term of each appointment  
12 under the fellows program shall be one year with the  
13 option to extend the appointment up to one addi-  
14 tional year.

15 “(5) GRADE.—An individual appointed to a po-  
16 sition under the fellows program shall be appointed  
17 at a level between GS–10 and GS–12 of the General  
18 Schedule based on the directly-related qualifications,  
19 skills, and professional experience of the individual.

20 “(6) EDUCATION LOAN REPAYMENT.—To the  
21 extent that funds are provided in advance in appro-  
22 priations Acts, the Secretary of Defense may repay  
23 a loan of a participant in the fellows program if the  
24 loan is described by subparagraph (A), (B), or (C)  
25 of section 16301(a)(1) of title 10, United States

1 Code. Any repayment of a loan under this paragraph  
2 may require a minimum service agreement, as deter-  
3 mined by the Secretary.

4 “(7) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE COMPONENT  
5 DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term ‘Depart-  
6 ment of Defense Component’ means a Department  
7 of Defense Component, as set forth in section 111  
8 of title 10, United States Code.

9 “(f) CAREER DEVELOPMENT.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense  
11 shall ensure that participants in the fellows pro-  
12 gram—

13 “(A) receive career development opportuni-  
14 ties and support appropriate for the commence-  
15 ment of a career track within the Department  
16 leading toward a future position of senior lead-  
17 ership within the Department, including ongo-  
18 ing mentorship support through appropriate  
19 personnel from entities within the Department;  
20 and

21 “(B) are provided appropriate employment  
22 opportunities for competitive and excepted serv-  
23 ice positions in the Department upon successful  
24 completion of the fellows program.



1           (1) IN GENERAL.—A covered employee who has  
2           completed 12 months of service which qualifies as  
3           honorable active service in the Army, Navy, Air  
4           Force, Space Force, or Marine Corps of the United  
5           States shall be deemed to have met the service re-  
6           quirement in section 101(1)(A) of the Family and  
7           Medical Leave Act of 1993, notwithstanding the re-  
8           quirements of such section 101(1)(A).

9           (2) COVERED EMPLOYEE DEFINED.—In this  
10          subsection, the term “covered employee”—

11                 (A) includes—

12                         (i) any Federal employee eligible for  
13                         family and medical leave under the Family  
14                         and Medical Leave Act of 1993 based on  
15                         their status as such an employee;

16                         (ii) any Federal employee covered by  
17                         the Congressional Accountability Act of  
18                         1995 eligible for family and medical leave  
19                         by operation of section 202 of such Act;

20                         (iii) any Federal employee of the Ex-  
21                         ecutive Office of the President eligible for  
22                         family and medical leave by operation of  
23                         section 412 of title 3, United States Code;  
24                         and

1 (iv) any non-judicial employee of the  
2 District of Columbia courts and any em-  
3 ployee of the District of Columbia Public  
4 Defender Service; and

5 (B) does not include any member of the  
6 Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Serv-  
7 ice or the Commissioned Corps of the National  
8 Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration,

9 (c) DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.—Not  
10 later than 6 months after the date of enactment of this  
11 Act, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall modify the  
12 family and medical leave program provided by operation  
13 of section 7425(c) of title 38, United States Code, to con-  
14 form with the requirements of the amendment made by  
15 subsection (a) with respect to military service in section  
16 6381(1)(B)(ii) of title 5, United States Code, as added  
17 by such subsection.

18 **SEC. 1115. EXCEPTION TO LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF SEN-**  
19 **IOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE POSITIONS FOR**  
20 **THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

21 Section 1109(a) of the National Defense Authoriza-  
22 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328; 130  
23 Stat. 2449; 5 U.S.C. 3133 note) is amended by adding  
24 at the end the following new paragraph:

1           “(3) EXCEPTION.—The limitation under this  
2           subsection shall not apply to positions described in  
3           this subsection that are fully funded through  
4           amounts appropriated to an agency other than the  
5           Department of Defense.”.

6   **SEC. 1116. EXTENSION OF DIRECT HIRE AUTHORITY FOR**  
7                   **THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FOR POST-**  
8                   **SECONDARY STUDENTS AND RECENT GRAD-**  
9                   **UATES.**

10          Section 1106(d) of the National Defense Authoriza-  
11          tion Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (10 U.S.C. 1580 note prec.)  
12          is amended by striking “September 30, 2025” and insert-  
13          ing “September 30, 2030”.

14   **SEC. 1117. AUTHORITY TO EMPLOY CIVILIAN FACULTY**  
15                   **MEMBERS AT SPACE FORCE SCHOOLS.**

16          (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 9371 of title 10, United  
17          States Code, is amended—

18               (1) in the section heading, by inserting “**and**  
19               **Space Delta 13**” after “**Air University**”

20               (2) in subsection (a), by inserting “or of the  
21               Space Delta 13” after “Air University”; and

22               (3) in subsection (c)—

23                   (A) in paragraphs (1), by inserting “or of  
24                   the Space Delta 13” after “Air University”;  
25                   and

1 (B) in paragraph (2), by inserting “or of  
2 the Space Delta 13” after “Air University”.

3 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
4 at the beginning of chapter 947 of such title is amended  
5 by striking the item relating to section 9371 and inserting  
6 the following new item:

“9371. Air University and Space Delta 13: civilian faculty members.”.

7 **SEC. 1118. REPORT AND SUNSET RELATING TO INAPPLICA-**  
8 **BILITY OF CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE**  
9 **QUALIFICATIONS BY QUALIFICATION REVIEW**  
10 **BOARDS OF OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGE-**  
11 **MENT.**

12 Section 1109 of the John S. McCain National De-  
13 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (5 U.S.C.  
14 3393 note) is amended—

15 (1) in subsection (d)—

16 (A) in paragraph (1), in the matter pre-  
17 ceding subparagraph (A), by striking “para-  
18 graph (3)” and inserting “paragraph (4)”;

19 (B) in paragraph (2), in the matter pre-  
20 ceding subparagraph (A), by striking “para-  
21 graph (3)” and inserting “paragraph (4)”;

22 (C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as  
23 paragraph (4); and

24 (D) by inserting after paragraph (2) the  
25 following new paragraph (3):

1           “(3) ADDITIONAL REPORT.—Not later than De-  
2           cember 1, 2024, the Secretary shall submit to the  
3           committees of Congress specified in paragraph (4)  
4           and the Comptroller General of the United States a  
5           report on the use of the authority provided in this  
6           section. The report shall include the following:

7                   “(A) The number and type of appoint-  
8                   ments made under this section between August  
9                   13, 2018, and the date of the report.

10                   “(B) Data on and an assessment of wheth-  
11                   er appointments under the authority in this sec-  
12                   tion reduced the time to hire when compared  
13                   with the time to hire under the review system  
14                   of the Office of Personnel Management in use  
15                   as of the date of the report.

16                   “(C) An assessment of the utility of the  
17                   appointment authority and process under this  
18                   section.

19                   “(D) An assessment of whether the ap-  
20                   pointments made under this section resulted in  
21                   higher quality new executives for the Senior Ex-  
22                   ecutive Service of the Department when com-  
23                   pared with the executives produced in the De-  
24                   partment under the review system in use be-  
25                   tween August 13, 2013, and August 13, 2018.

1           “(E) Any recommendation for the improve-  
2           ment of the selection and qualification process  
3           for the Senior Executive Service of the Depart-  
4           ment that the Secretary considers necessary in  
5           order to attract and hire highly qualified can-  
6           didates for service in that Senior Executive  
7           Service.”; and

8           (2) in subsection (e), by striking “August 13,  
9           2023” and inserting “September 30, 2025”.

10 **SEC. 1119. EXPANSION OF NONCOMPETITIVE APPOINT-**  
11 **MENT ELIGIBILITY TO SPOUSES OF DEPART-**  
12 **MENT OF DEFENSE CIVILIANS.**

13           (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3330d of title 5, United  
14 States Code, is amended—

15           (1) in the section heading, by inserting “**and**  
16 **Department of Defense civilian**” after  
17 “**military**”;

18           (2) in subsection (a), by adding at the end the  
19 following:

20           “(4) The term ‘spouse of an employee of the  
21 Department of Defense’ means an individual who is  
22 married to an employee of the Department of De-  
23 fense who is transferred in the interest of the Gov-  
24 ernment from one official station within the Depart-  
25 ment to another within the Department (that is out-

1 side of normal commuting distance) for permanent  
2 duty.”; and

3 (3) in subsection (b)—

4 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “or” at  
5 the end;

6 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking the pe-  
7 riod at the end and inserting “; or”; and

8 (C) by adding at the end the following:

9 “(3) a spouse of an employee of the Depart-  
10 ment of Defense.”.

11 (b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—

12 The table of sections for subchapter I of chapter 33 of  
13 title 5, United States Code, is amended by striking the  
14 item relating to section 3330d and inserting the following:

“3330d. Appointment of military and Department of Defense civilian spouses.”.

15 (c) OPM LIMITATION AND REPORTS.—

16 (1) RELOCATING SPOUSES.—With respect to  
17 the noncompetitive appointment of a relocating  
18 spouse of an employee of the Department of Defense  
19 under paragraph (3) of section 3330d(b) of title 5,  
20 United States Code, as added by subsection (a), the  
21 Director of the Office of Personnel Management  
22 shall—

23 (A) monitor the number of those appoint-  
24 ments;

1 (B) require the head of each agency with  
2 the authority to make those appointments  
3 under that provision to submit to the Director  
4 an annual report on those appointments, includ-  
5 ing information on the number of individuals so  
6 appointed, the types of positions filled, and the  
7 effectiveness of the authority for those appoint-  
8 ments; and

9 (C) not later than 18 months after the  
10 date of enactment of this Act, submit, to the  
11 Committees on Armed Services and Homeland  
12 Security and Governmental Affairs of the Sen-  
13 ate and the Committees on Armed Services and  
14 Oversight and Accountability of the House of  
15 Representatives, a report on the use and effec-  
16 tiveness of the authority described in subpara-  
17 graph (B).

18 (2) NON-RELOCATING SPOUSES.—With respect  
19 to the noncompetitive appointment of a spouse of an  
20 employee of the Department of Defense other than  
21 a relocating spouse described in paragraph (1), the  
22 Director of the Office of Personnel Management—

23 (A) shall treat the spouse as a relocating  
24 spouse under paragraph (1); and

1 (B) may limit the number of those ap-  
2 pointments.

3 (d) SUNSET.—Effective on December 31, 2028—

4 (1) the authority provided by this section, and  
5 the amendments made by this section, shall expire;  
6 and

7 (2) the provisions of section 3330d of title 5,  
8 United States Code, amended or repealed by this  
9 section are restored or revived as if this section had  
10 not been enacted.

11 **SEC. 1120. ELIMINATION OF GOVERNMENT ACCOUNT-**  
12 **ABILITY OFFICE REVIEW REQUIREMENT RE-**  
13 **LATING TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PER-**  
14 **SONNEL AUTHORITIES.**

15 Section 9902(h) of title 5, United States Code, is  
16 amended—

17 (1) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking “and the  
18 Comptroller General,”;

19 (2) by striking paragraph (2); and

20 (3) by redesignating paragraph (3) as para-  
21 graph (2).

22 **TITLE XII—MATTERS RELATING**  
23 **TO FOREIGN NATIONS**

Subtitle A—Assistance and Training

Sec. 1201. Modification of support of special operations for irregular warfare.

Sec. 1202. Modification of combatant commander initiative fund.

- Sec. 1203. Increase in small-scale construction limit and modification of authority to build capacity.
- Sec. 1204. Modifications to security cooperation workforce development program and establishment of defense security cooperation university.
- Sec. 1205. Extension and modification of authority for reimbursement of certain coalition nations for support provided to United States military operations.
- Sec. 1206. Extension of cross-servicing agreements for loan of personnel protection and personnel survivability equipment in coalition operations.
- Sec. 1207. Modification of authority to provide support to certain governments for border security operations.
- Sec. 1208. Extension of legal institutional capacity building initiative for foreign defense institutions.
- Sec. 1209. Report on ex gratia payments.
- Sec. 1210. Authority to provide mission training through distributed simulation.
- Sec. 1211. Requirement for military exercises.

Subtitle B—Matters Relating to Other Authorities of the Department of  
Defense

- Sec. 1221. Modification of authority for expenditure of funds for clandestine activities that support operational preparation of the environment and non-conventional assisted recovery capabilities.
- Sec. 1222. Modification to the American, British, Canadian, and Australian armies' program.
- Sec. 1223. First modification of initiative to support protection of national security academic researchers from undue influence and other security threats.
- Sec. 1224. Second modification of initiative to support protection of national security academic researchers from undue influence and other security threats.
- Sec. 1225. Extension of authority for Department of Defense support for stabilization activities in national security interest of the United States.
- Sec. 1226. Modification of Defense Operational Resilience International Cooperation Pilot Program.
- Sec. 1227. Extension of prohibition on in-flight refueling to non-United States aircraft that engage in hostilities in the ongoing civil war in Yemen.
- Sec. 1228. Limitation on availability of funds for International Security Cooperation Program.
- Sec. 1229. Protection and legal preparedness for members of the Armed Forces abroad.
- Sec. 1230. Report on hostilities involving United States Armed Forces.
- Sec. 1231. Congressional notification regarding the Global Engagement Center.

Subtitle C—Matters Relating to Ukraine, Russia, and NATO

- Sec. 1241. Extension of Ukraine Security Assistance Initiative.
- Sec. 1242. Extension and modification of certain temporary authorizations related to munitions replacement.
- Sec. 1243. Report relating to allied and partner support to Ukraine.

- Sec. 1244. Extension of prohibition on availability of funds relating to sovereignty of the Russian Federation over internationally recognized territory of Ukraine.
- Sec. 1245. Study and report on lessons learned regarding information operations and deterrence.
- Sec. 1246. Prohibition on New START treaty information sharing.
- Sec. 1247. Black Sea security and development strategy.
- Sec. 1248. Revival of authority for participation of NATO naval personnel in submarine safety programs.
- Sec. 1249. Extension and modification of training for Eastern European national security forces in the course of multilateral exercises.
- Sec. 1250. U.S. basing, training, and exercises in North Atlantic Treaty Organization member countries.
- Sec. 1250A. Limitation on withdrawal from the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.
- Sec. 1250B. Oversight of programs and operations funded with amounts appropriated by the United States for Ukraine.

#### Subtitle D—Matters Relating to Israel

- Sec. 1251. Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training Program.
- Sec. 1252. Extension of United States-Israel anti-tunnel cooperation.
- Sec. 1253. Improvements relating to United States-Israel cooperation to counter unmanned aerial systems.
- Sec. 1254. Modification of authority for cooperation on directed energy capabilities.
- Sec. 1255. Ensuring peace through strength in Israel.
- Sec. 1256. Assistance to Israel for aerial refueling.
- Sec. 1257. Rules governing transfer of aerial refueling tankers to Israel.
- Sec. 1258. Report.

#### Subtitle E—Matters Relating to Syria, Iraq, Iran, and Afghanistan

- Sec. 1261. Middle East integrated maritime domain awareness and interdiction capability.
- Sec. 1262. Modification of establishment of coordinator for detained ISIS members and relevant populations in Syria.
- Sec. 1263. Extension and modification of authority to provide assistance to counter the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria.
- Sec. 1264. Extension and modification of authority to provide assistance to vetted Syrian groups and individuals.
- Sec. 1265. Extension of authority to support operations and activities of the Office of Security Cooperation in Iraq.
- Sec. 1266. Plan of action to equip and train Iraqi security forces and Kurdish Peshmerga forces.
- Sec. 1267. Prohibition on transfers to the Badr Organization.
- Sec. 1268. Extension and modification of annual report on military power of Iran.
- Sec. 1269. Modification and update to report on military capabilities of Iran and related activities.
- Sec. 1270. Prohibition on funds to Iran.
- Sec. 1271. Prohibition on transporting currency to the Taliban and the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan.
- Sec. 1272. Prohibition on funding for the Taliban.

1                   **Subtitle A—Assistance and**  
2                   **Training**

3   **SEC. 1201. MODIFICATION OF SUPPORT OF SPECIAL OPER-**  
4                   **ATIONS FOR IRREGULAR WARFARE.**

5           (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 3 of title 10, United  
6 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 127c  
7 the following:

8   **“§ 127d. Support of special operations for irregular**  
9                   **warfare**

10           “(a) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense may,  
11 with the concurrence of the relevant Chief of Mission, ex-  
12 pend up to \$20,000,000 during any fiscal year to provide  
13 support to foreign forces, irregular forces, groups, or indi-  
14 viduals engaged in supporting or facilitating ongoing and  
15 authorized irregular warfare operations by United States  
16 Special Operations Forces.

17           “(b) FUNDS.—Funds for support under this section  
18 in a fiscal year shall be derived from amounts authorized  
19 to be appropriated for that fiscal year for the Department  
20 of Defense for operation and maintenance.

21           “(c) PROCEDURES.—

22                   “(1) IN GENERAL.—The authority in this sec-  
23 tion shall be exercised in accordance with such pro-  
24 cedures as the Secretary shall establish for purposes  
25 of this section.

1           “(2) ELEMENTS.—The procedures required  
2           under paragraph (1) shall establish, at a minimum,  
3           the following:

4                   “(A) Policy guidance for the execution of,  
5                   and constraints within, activities under the au-  
6                   thority in this section.

7                   “(B) The processes through which activi-  
8                   ties under the authority in this section are to  
9                   be developed, validated, and coordinated, as ap-  
10                  propriate, with relevant entities of the United  
11                  States Government.

12                  “(C) The processes through which legal re-  
13                  views and determinations are made to comply  
14                  with the authority in this section and ensure  
15                  that the exercise of such authority is consistent  
16                  with the national security of the United States.

17                  “(D) The processes to ensure, to the ex-  
18                  tent practicable, that before a decision to pro-  
19                  vide support is made, the recipients of support  
20                  do not pose a counterintelligence or force pro-  
21                  tection threat and have not engaged in gross  
22                  violations of human rights.

23                  “(E) The processes by which the Depart-  
24                  ment shall keep the congressional defense com-  
25                  mittees fully and currently informed of—

1 “(i) the requirements for the use of  
2 the authority in this section; and

3 “(ii) activities conducted under such  
4 authority.

5 “(3) NOTICE TO CONGRESS ON PROCEDURES  
6 AND MATERIAL MODIFICATIONS.—The Secretary  
7 shall notify the congressional defense committees of  
8 the procedures established pursuant to this section  
9 before any exercise of the authority in this section,  
10 and shall notify such committee of any material  
11 modification of the procedures.

12 “(d) CONSTRUCTION OF AUTHORITY.—Nothing in  
13 this section shall be construed to constitute a specific stat-  
14 utory authorization for any of the following:

15 “(1) The conduct of a covert action, as such  
16 term is defined in section 503(e) of the National Se-  
17 curity Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3093(e)).

18 “(2) The introduction of United States Armed  
19 Forces (including as such term is defined in section  
20 8(c) of the War Powers Resolution ( 50 U.S.C.  
21 1547(e))) into hostilities or into situations wherein  
22 hostilities are clearly indicated by the circumstances.

23 “(3) The provision of support to regular forces,  
24 irregular forces, groups, or individuals for the con-  
25 duct of operations that United States Special Oper-

1        ations Forces are not otherwise legally authorized to  
2        conduct themselves.

3            “(4) The conduct or support of activities, di-  
4        rectly or indirectly, that are inconsistent with the  
5        laws of armed conflict.

6            “(e) LIMITATION ON DELEGATION.—The authority  
7        of the Secretary to make funds available under this section  
8        for support of a military operation may not be delegated.

9            “(f) PROGRAMMATIC AND POLICY OVERSIGHT.—The  
10       Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and  
11       Low-Intensity Conflict shall have primary programmatic  
12       and policy oversight within the Office of the Secretary of  
13       Defense of support to irregular warfare activities author-  
14       ized by this section.

15           “(g) NOTIFICATION.—

16            “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 15 days be-  
17        fore exercising the authority in this section to make  
18        funds available to initiate support of an ongoing and  
19        authorized operation or changing the scope or fund-  
20        ing level of any support under this section for such  
21        an operation by \$500,000 or an amount equal to 10  
22        percent of such funding level (whichever is less), the  
23        Secretary shall notify the congressional defense com-  
24        mittees of the use of such authority with respect to

1 such operation. Any such notification shall be in  
2 writing.

3 “(2) ELEMENTS.—A notification required by  
4 this subsection shall include the following:

5 “(A) The type of support to be provided to  
6 United States Special Operations Forces, and a  
7 description of the ongoing and authorized oper-  
8 ation to be supported.

9 “(B) A description of the foreign forces, ir-  
10 regular forces, groups, or individuals engaged in  
11 supporting or facilitating the ongoing and au-  
12 thorized operation that is to be the recipient of  
13 funds.

14 “(C) The type of support to be provided to  
15 the recipient of the funds, and a description of  
16 the end-use monitoring to be used in connection  
17 with the use of the funds.

18 “(D) The amount obligated under the au-  
19 thority to provide support.

20 “(E) The duration for which the support is  
21 expected to be provided, and an identification of  
22 the timeframe in which the provision of support  
23 will be reviewed by the commander of the appli-  
24 cable combatant command for a determination

1 with respect to the necessity of continuing such  
2 support.

3 “(F) The determination of the Secretary  
4 that the provision of support does not con-  
5 stitute any of the following:

6 “(i) An introduction of United States  
7 Armed Forces (including as such term is  
8 defined in section 8(e) of the War Powers  
9 Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1547(c))) into hos-  
10 tilities, or into situations where hostilities  
11 are clearly indicated by the circumstances,  
12 without specific statutory authorization  
13 within the meaning of section 5(b) of such  
14 Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1544(b)).

15 “(ii) A covert action, as such term is  
16 defined in section 503(e) of the National  
17 Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3093(e)).

18 “(iii) An authorization for the provi-  
19 sion of support to regular forces, irregular  
20 forces, groups, or individuals for the con-  
21 duct of operations that United States Spe-  
22 cial Operations Forces are not otherwise  
23 legally authorized to conduct themselves.

1                   “(iv) The conduct or support of activi-  
2                   ties, directly or indirectly, that are incon-  
3                   sistent with the laws of armed conflict.

4           “(h) NOTIFICATION OF SUSPENSION OR TERMI-  
5 NATION OF SUPPORT.—

6                   “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 48 hours  
7                   after suspending or terminating support to any for-  
8                   eign force, irregular force, group, or individual pro-  
9                   vided pursuant to the authority in this section, the  
10                  Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense  
11                  committees a written notice of such suspension or  
12                  termination.

13                  “(2) ELEMENTS.—The written notice required  
14                  by paragraph (1) shall include each of the following:

15                         “(A) A description of the reasons for the  
16                         suspension or termination of such support.

17                         “(B) A description of any effect on re-  
18                         gional, theater, or global campaign plan objec-  
19                         tives anticipated to result from such suspension  
20                         or termination.

21                         “(C) A plan for such suspension or termi-  
22                         nation, and, in the case of support that is  
23                         planned to be transitioned to any other pro-  
24                         gram of the Department of Defense or to a pro-  
25                         gram of any other Federal department or agen-

1 cy, a detailed description of the transition plan,  
2 including the resources, equipment, capabilities,  
3 and personnel associated with such plan.

4 “(i) BIENNIAL REPORTS.—

5 “(1) REPORT ON PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR.—

6 Not later than 120 days after the close of each fiscal  
7 year in which subsection (a) is in effect, the Sec-  
8 retary shall submit to the congressional defense com-  
9 mittees a report on the support provided under this  
10 section during the preceding fiscal year.

11 “(2) REPORT ON CURRENT CALENDAR YEAR.—

12 Not later than 180 days after the submittal of each  
13 report required by paragraph (1), the Secretary shall  
14 submit to the congressional defense committees a re-  
15 port on the support provided under this section dur-  
16 ing the first half of the fiscal year in which the re-  
17 port under this paragraph is submitted.

18 “(3) ELEMENTS.—Each report required by this  
19 subsection shall include the following:

20 “(A) A summary of the ongoing irregular  
21 warfare operations, and associated authorized  
22 campaign plans, being conducted by United  
23 States Special Operations Forces that were sup-  
24 ported or facilitated by foreign forces, irregular  
25 forces, groups, or individuals for which support

1 was provided under this section during the pe-  
2 riod covered by such report.

3 “(B) A description of the support or facili-  
4 tation provided by such foreign forces, irregular  
5 forces, groups, or individuals to United States  
6 Special Operations Forces during such period.

7 “(C) The type of recipients that were pro-  
8 vided support under this section during such  
9 period, identified by authorized category (for-  
10 eign forces, irregular forces, groups, or individ-  
11 uals).

12 “(D) A detailed description of the support  
13 provided to the recipients under this section  
14 during such period.

15 “(E) The total amount obligated for sup-  
16 port under this section during such period, in-  
17 cluding budget details.

18 “(F) The intended duration of support  
19 provided under this section during such period.

20 “(G) An assessment of value of the sup-  
21 port provided under this section during such pe-  
22 riod, including a summary of significant activi-  
23 ties undertaken by foreign forces, irregular  
24 forces, groups, or individuals to support irreg-

1           ular warfare operations by United States Spe-  
2           cial Operations Forces.

3           “(H) The total amount obligated for sup-  
4           port under this section in prior fiscal years.

5           “(j) QUARTERLY BRIEFINGS.—

6           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not less frequently than  
7           quarterly, the Secretary shall provide to the congres-  
8           sional defense committees a briefing on the use of  
9           the authority provided by this section, and other  
10          matters relating to irregular warfare, with the pri-  
11          mary purposes of—

12           “(A) keeping the congressional defense  
13           committees fully and currently informed of ir-  
14           regular warfare requirements and activities, in-  
15           cluding emerging combatant commands require-  
16           ments; and

17           “(B) consulting with the congressional de-  
18           fense committees regarding such matters.

19           “(2) ELEMENTS.—Each briefing required by  
20          paragraph (1) shall include the following:

21           “(A) An update on irregular warfare ac-  
22           tivities within each geographic combatant com-  
23           mand and a description of the manner in which  
24           such activities support the respective theater

1 campaign plan and the National Defense Strat-  
2 egy.

3 “(B) An overview of relevant authorities  
4 and legal issues, including limitations.

5 “(C) An overview of irregular warfare-re-  
6 lated interagency activities and initiatives.

7 “(D) A description of emerging combatant  
8 command requirements for the use of the au-  
9 thority provided by this section.

10 “(k) IRREGULAR WARFARE DEFINED.—Subject to  
11 subsection (d), in this section, the term ‘irregular warfare’  
12 means Department of Defense activities not involving  
13 armed conflict that support predetermined United States  
14 policy and military objectives conducted by, with, and  
15 through regular forces, irregular forces, groups, and indi-  
16 viduals.”.

17 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
18 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by inserting  
19 after the item relating to section 127c the following new  
20 item:

“127d. Support of special operations for irregular warfare.”.

21 (c) REPEAL.—Section 1202 of the National Defense  
22 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 is repealed.

1 **SEC. 1202. MODIFICATION OF COMBATANT COMMANDER**  
2 **INITIATIVE FUND.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 166a of title 10, United  
4 States Code, is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the  
6 following:

7 “(11) Incremental expenses (as such term is de-  
8 fined in section 301(5) of this title) related to secu-  
9 rity cooperation programs and activities of the De-  
10 partment of Defense (as such term is defined in sec-  
11 tion 301(7) of this title).”; and

12 (2) in subsection (c)—

13 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at  
14 the end;

15 (B) in paragraph (3), by striking the pe-  
16 riod at the end and inserting “; and”; and

17 (C) by adding at the end the following:

18 “(4) incremental expenses related to security  
19 cooperation programs and activities of the Depart-  
20 ment of Defense, as authorized by subsection  
21 (b)(11), for United States Africa Command and  
22 United States Southern Command.”.

23 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds  
24 are authorized to be appropriated to the Combatant Com-  
25 mander Initiative Fund for fiscal year 2024, as specified  
26 in section 4301 of this Act, to carry out the activities au-

1 thorized by paragraphs (7), (8), and (11) (as added by  
2 subsection (a)(1)) of section 166a(b) of title 10, United  
3 States Code, for United States Africa Command and  
4 United States Southern Command.

5 **SEC. 1203. INCREASE IN SMALL-SCALE CONSTRUCTION**  
6 **LIMIT AND MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO**  
7 **BUILD CAPACITY.**

8 (a) DEFINITION OF SMALL-SCALE CONSTRUCTION.—  
9 Section 301(8) of title 10, United States Code, is amended  
10 by striking “\$1,500,000” and inserting “\$2,000,000”.

11 (b) EQUIPMENT DISPOSITION.—Section 333 of title  
12 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end  
13 the following:

14 “(h) EQUIPMENT DISPOSITION; NOTICE AND  
15 WAIT.—

16 “(1) The Secretary of Defense may treat as  
17 stocks of the Department of Defense—

18 “(A) equipment procured to carry out a  
19 program pursuant to subsection (a) that has  
20 not yet been transferred to a foreign country  
21 and is no longer needed to support such pro-  
22 gram or any other program carried out pursu-  
23 ant to such subsection; and

24 “(B) equipment that has been transferred  
25 to a foreign country to carry out a program

1           pursuant to subsection (a) and is returned by  
2           the foreign country to the United States.

3           “(2) NOTICE AND WAIT.—Not later than 15  
4           days before initiating activities under a program  
5           under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall  
6           submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a  
7           written and electronic notice of the following:

8                   “(A) The foreign country, and specific  
9                   unit, whose capacity was intended to be built  
10                  under the program, and the amount, type, and  
11                  purpose of the equipment that was to be pro-  
12                  vided.

13                  “(B) An explanation why the equipment is  
14                  no longer needed to support such program or  
15                  another program carried out pursuant to such  
16                  subsection.”.

17           (c) INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS.—Such section is  
18           further amended by adding at the end the following:

19                   “(i) INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS.—

20                   “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense,  
21                   with the concurrence of the Secretary of State,  
22                   may—

23                   “(A) allow a foreign country to provide  
24                   sole-source direction for assistance in support of

1 a program carried out pursuant to subsection  
2 (a); and

3 “(B) enter into an agreement with a for-  
4 eign country to provide such sole-source direc-  
5 tion.

6 “(2) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 72 hours  
7 after the Secretary of Defense enters into an agree-  
8 ment under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall sub-  
9 mit to the congressional defense committees a writ-  
10 ten notification that includes the following:

11 “(A) A description of the parameters of  
12 the agreement, including types of support, ob-  
13 jectives, and duration of support and coopera-  
14 tion under the agreement.

15 “(B) A description and justification of any  
16 anticipated use of sole-source direction pursu-  
17 ant to such agreement.

18 “(C) An assessment of the extent to which  
19 the equipment to be provided under the agree-  
20 ment—

21 “(i) responds to the needs of the for-  
22 eign country; and

23 “(ii) can be sustained by the foreign  
24 country.

1           “(D) A determination as to whether the  
2           anticipated costs to be incurred under the  
3           agreement are fair and reasonable.

4           “(E) A certification that the agreement is  
5           in the national security interests of the United  
6           States.

7           “(F) Any other matter relating to the  
8           agreement, as determined by the Secretary of  
9           Defense.”.

10 **SEC. 1204. MODIFICATIONS TO SECURITY COOPERATION**  
11 **WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND**  
12 **ESTABLISHMENT OF DEFENSE SECURITY CO-**  
13 **OPERATION UNIVERSITY.**

14       (a) MODIFICATIONS TO PROGRAM.—Section 384 of  
15 title 10, United States Code, is amended—

16           (1) by amending subsection (c) to read as fol-  
17       lows:

18           “(c) ELEMENTS.—The Program shall consist of ele-  
19       ments relating to the development and management of the  
20       security cooperation workforce for the purposes specified  
21       in subsection (b), including the following elements on  
22       training, certification, assignment, career development,  
23       and tracking of personnel of the security cooperation  
24       workforce:

1           “(1) Establishment of a comprehensive system  
2           to track and account for all Department of Defense  
3           personnel in the security cooperation workforce,  
4           using systems of record in the military departments,  
5           the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the combat-  
6           ant commands, Defense Agencies, Department of  
7           Defense Field Activities, and the National Guard.

8           “(2) Establishment of a management informa-  
9           tion system, pursuant to regulations prescribed by  
10          the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Under  
11          Secretary of Defense for Policy and the Director of  
12          the Defense Security Cooperation Agency, to ensure  
13          that all organizations and elements of the Depart-  
14          ment provide standardized information and data to  
15          the Secretary on persons serving in security coopera-  
16          tion positions. Such management information system  
17          shall, at a minimum, provide for the collection and  
18          retention of information concerning the qualification,  
19          assignments, and tenure of persons in the security  
20          cooperation workforce.

21          “(3) Implementation and management of the  
22          security cooperation human capital initiative under  
23          subsection (e).

24          “(4) Establishment of a defense security co-  
25          operation service, pursuant to regulations prescribed

1 by the Secretary of Defense, acting through the  
2 Under Secretary of Defense for Policy and the Di-  
3 rector of the Defense Security Cooperation Agency,  
4 to ensure that security cooperation organizations of  
5 the United States located at overseas missions pos-  
6 sess the requisite personnel, and that such personnel  
7 possess the skills needed, to properly perform their  
8 missions, which shall include—

9 “(A) members of the armed forces and ci-  
10 vilians assigned to security cooperation organi-  
11 zations of United States missions overseas who  
12 are performing security cooperation functions,  
13 regardless of funding source; and

14 “(B) personnel of the Department of De-  
15 fense performing functions in furtherance of  
16 section 515 of the Foreign Assistance Act of  
17 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2321i).

18 “(5) Such other elements as the Secretary of  
19 Defense determines appropriate.”;

20 (2) by amending subsection (d) to read as fol-  
21 lows:

22 “(d) MANAGEMENT.—

23 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Program shall be man-  
24 aged by the Director of the Defense Security Co-  
25 operation Agency.

1 “(2) MANAGING ENTITY.—

2 “(A) DESIGNATION.—The Secretary of De-  
3 fense, acting through the Under Secretary of  
4 Defense for Policy and the Director of the De-  
5 fense Security Cooperation Agency, shall des-  
6 ignate the Defense Security Cooperation Uni-  
7 versity to serve as the lead entity for managing  
8 the implementation of the Program.

9 “(B) DUTIES.—The Defense Security Co-  
10 operation University shall carry out the man-  
11 agement and implementation of the Program,  
12 consistent with objectives formulated by the  
13 Secretary of Defense, which shall include the  
14 following:

15 “(i) Providing for comprehensive  
16 tracking of and accounting for all Depart-  
17 ment of Defense employees engaged in the  
18 security cooperation enterprise.

19 “(ii) Providing training requirements  
20 specified at the requisite proficiency levels  
21 for each position.

22 “(C) REPORTING.—The Secretary of De-  
23 fense shall ensure that, not less frequently than  
24 semi-annually, each military department, the  
25 Office of the Secretary of Defense, and each

1 combatant command, Defense Agency, Depart-  
2 ment of Defense Field Activity, and unit of the  
3 National Guard submits to the Defense Secu-  
4 rity Cooperation University a formal manpower  
5 document as determined by the Director of the  
6 Defense Security Cooperation Agency that—

7 “(i) lists each position in the security  
8 cooperation workforce of the organization  
9 concerned as determined by the Director of  
10 the Defense Security Cooperation Agency;  
11 and

12 “(ii) uniquely codes every position  
13 within component manpower systems for  
14 the security cooperation workforce for the  
15 management and career development of  
16 the security cooperation workforce, as de-  
17 termined by the Director of the Defense  
18 Security Cooperation Agency.

19 “(3) SECURITY COOPERATION WORKFORCE  
20 MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM.—The Sec-  
21 retary of Defense, acting through the Director of the  
22 Defense Security Cooperation Agency, shall pre-  
23 scribe regulations to ensure that each military de-  
24 partment, the Office of the Secretary of Defense,  
25 and each combatant command, Defense Agency, De-

1       partment of Defense Field Activity, and unit of the  
2       National Guard provides standardized information  
3       and data to the Secretary on persons serving in posi-  
4       tions within the security cooperation workforce.”;

5           (3) by amending subsection (e) to read as fol-  
6       lows:

7       “(e) SECURITY COOPERATION HUMAN CAPITAL INI-  
8       TIATIVE.—

9           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall imple-  
10       ment a security cooperation human capital initiative  
11       within the Defense Security Cooperation University  
12       to identify, account for, and manage the career pro-  
13       gression of personnel in the security cooperation  
14       workforce.

15           “(2) ELEMENTS.—The security cooperation  
16       human capital initiative shall do the following:

17           “(A) Provide direction to the Department  
18       of Defense on the establishment of professional  
19       career paths for the personnel of the security  
20       cooperation workforce, addressing training and  
21       education standards, promotion opportunities  
22       and requirements, retention policies, and scope  
23       of workforce demands.

24           “(B) Provide for a mechanism to identify  
25       and define training and certification require-

1           ments for security cooperation positions in the  
2           Department and a means to track workforce  
3           skills and certifications.

4           “(C) Provide for a mechanism to establish  
5           a program of professional certification in De-  
6           partment of Defense security cooperation for  
7           personnel of the security cooperation workforce  
8           in different career tracks and levels of com-  
9           petency based on requisite training and experi-  
10          ence.

11          “(D) Establish requirements for training  
12          and professional development associated with  
13          each level of certification provided for under  
14          subparagraph (C).

15          “(E) Provide for a mechanism for assign-  
16          ing appropriately certified personnel of the se-  
17          curity cooperation workforce to assignments as-  
18          sociated with key positions in connection with  
19          security cooperation programs and activities.

20          “(F) Identify the appropriate composition  
21          of career and temporary personnel necessary to  
22          constitute the security cooperation workforce.

23          “(G) Identify specific positions throughout  
24          the security cooperation workforce to be man-  
25          aged and assigned through the Program.

1           “(H) Identify career paths that provide a  
2 competency-based road map for security co-  
3 operation employees to aid in their career plan-  
4 ning and professional development.

5           “(I) Develop a competency-based approach  
6 to the security cooperation workforce that en-  
7 ables components of the Department of Defense  
8 to incorporate competencies in recruitment and  
9 retention tools such as job analysis, position de-  
10 scriptions, vacancy announcements, selection as-  
11 sessment questionnaires, and employee training  
12 and development plans.

13           “(J) Align with the Department of Defense  
14 and Defense Security Cooperation Agency stra-  
15 tegic planning, budget process, performance  
16 management goals, and metrics to ensure the  
17 appropriate workforce mix and skill sets to ac-  
18 complish the security cooperation mission.

19           “(K) Include assessment measures in-  
20 tended to assess progress in implementing the  
21 security cooperation workforce using results-ori-  
22 ented performance measures.”;

23           (4) in subsection (h)(6), by striking “guidance  
24 issued under subsection (e)” and inserting “security

1 cooperation human capital initiative under sub-  
2 section (e)”;

3 (5) by redesignating subsections (f) through (h)  
4 (as amended) as subsections (h) through (j), respec-  
5 tively;

6 (6) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-  
7 lowing new subsections:

8 “(f) FOREIGN MILITARY SALES CENTER OF EXCEL-  
9 LENCE.—

10 “(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of De-  
11 fense shall direct an educational institution of the  
12 Department of Defense with the requisite expertise  
13 in foreign military sales and in education, training,  
14 research, and analysis of the security cooperation  
15 workforce within the Department of Defense to serve  
16 as a Foreign Military Sales Center of Excellence to  
17 improve the training and education of personnel en-  
18 gaged in foreign military sales planning and execu-  
19 tion.

20 “(2) OBJECTIVES.—The objectives of the For-  
21 eign Military Sales Center of Excellence shall in-  
22 clude—

23 “(A) conducting research on and pro-  
24 moting best practices for ensuring that foreign  
25 military sales are timely and effective; and

1           “(B) enhancing existing curricula for the  
2           purpose of ensuring that the foreign military  
3           sales workforce is fully trained and prepared to  
4           execute the foreign military sales program.

5           “(g) DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION UNIVER-  
6           SITY.—

7           “(1) CHARTER.—The Secretary of Defense  
8           shall develop and promulgate a charter for the oper-  
9           ation of the Defense Security Cooperation Univer-  
10          sity.

11          “(2) MISSION.—The charter required by para-  
12          graph (1) shall set forth the mission, and associated  
13          structures and organizations, of the Defense Secu-  
14          rity Cooperation University, which shall include—

15               “(A) management and implementation of  
16               international military training and education se-  
17               curity cooperation programs and authorities ex-  
18               ecuted by the Department of Defense;

19               “(B) management and provision of institu-  
20               tional capacity-building services executed by the  
21               Department of Defense; and

22               “(C) advancement of the profession of se-  
23               curity cooperation through research, data collec-  
24               tion, analysis, publication, and learning.

1           “(3) COOPERATIVE RESEARCH AND DEVELOP-  
2           MENT ARRANGEMENTS.—

3           “(A) IN GENERAL.—In engaging in re-  
4           search and development projects pursuant to  
5           subsection (a) of section 4001 of this title by a  
6           contract, cooperative agreement, or grant pur-  
7           suant to subsection (b)(1) of such section, the  
8           Secretary of Defense may enter into such con-  
9           tract or cooperative agreement, or award such  
10          grant, through the Defense Security Coopera-  
11          tion University.

12          “(B) TREATMENT AS GOVERNMENT-OPER-  
13          ATED FEDERAL LABORATORY.—The Defense  
14          Security Cooperation University shall be consid-  
15          ered a Government-operated Federal laboratory  
16          for purposes of section 12 of the Stevenson-  
17          Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 (15  
18          U.S.C. 3710a).

19          “(4) ACCEPTANCE OF RESEARCH GRANTS.—

20          “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of De-  
21          fense, through the Under Secretary of Defense  
22          for Policy, may authorize the President of the  
23          Defense Security Cooperation University to ac-  
24          cept qualifying research grants. Any such grant  
25          may only be accepted if the work under the

1 grant is to be carried out by a professor or in-  
2 structor of the Defense Security Cooperation  
3 University for a scientific, literary, or edu-  
4 cational purpose.

5 “(B) QUALIFYING GRANTS.—A qualifying  
6 research grant under this paragraph is a grant  
7 that is awarded on a competitive basis by an  
8 entity described in subparagraph (C) for a re-  
9 search project with a scientific, literary, or edu-  
10 cational purpose.

11 “(C) ENTITIES FROM WHICH GRANTS MAY  
12 BE ACCEPTED.—A grant may be accepted  
13 under this paragraph only from a corporation,  
14 fund, foundation, educational institution, or  
15 similar entity that is organized and operated  
16 primarily for scientific, literary, or educational  
17 purposes.

18 “(D) ADMINISTRATION OF GRANT  
19 FUNDS.—The Director of the Defense Security  
20 Cooperation Agency shall establish an account  
21 for administering funds received as research  
22 grants under this section. The President of the  
23 Defense Security Cooperation University shall  
24 use the funds in the account in accordance with

1 applicable provisions of the regulations and the  
2 terms and condition of the grants received.

3 “(E) RELATED EXPENSES.—Subject to  
4 such limitations as may be provided in appro-  
5 priations Acts, appropriations available for the  
6 Defense Security Cooperation University may  
7 be used to pay expenses incurred by the De-  
8 fense Security Cooperation University in apply-  
9 ing for, and otherwise pursuing, the award of  
10 qualifying research grants.

11 “(F) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of  
12 Defense, through the Under Secretary of De-  
13 fense for Policy, shall prescribe regulations for  
14 the administration of this subsection.”; and

15 (7) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
16 sections:

17 “(k) REPORT ON SECURITY COOPERATION WORK-  
18 FORCE.—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years  
20 after the date of the enactment of this subsection,  
21 and not less frequently than once every 2 years  
22 thereafter, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to  
23 the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate  
24 and the House of Representatives a report on the

1 Department of Defense security cooperation work-  
2 force.

3 “(2) ELEMENTS.—Each report under para-  
4 graph (1) shall—

5 “(A) identify current and projected secu-  
6 rity cooperation workforce manpower require-  
7 ments, including expeditionary requirements  
8 within the context of total force planning, need-  
9 ed to meet the security cooperation mission;

10 “(B) identify critical skill gaps (such as re-  
11 cruitment in the existing or projected work-  
12 force) and development of strategies to manage  
13 the security cooperation workforce to address  
14 those gaps;

15 “(C) address development, validation, im-  
16 plementation, and assessment of security co-  
17 operation workforce and Department-wide com-  
18 petencies for security cooperation and associ-  
19 ated occupational series using the Department  
20 taxonomy;

21 “(D) produce a comparison between com-  
22 petency proficiency levels against target pro-  
23 ficiency levels at enterprise and individual levels  
24 to identify competency gaps and gap closure

1 strategies, for competencies needed at the time  
2 of the report and in the future;

3 “(E) identify any exceptions and waivers  
4 granted with respect to the application of quali-  
5 fication, assignment, and tenure policies, proce-  
6 dures, and practices to persons, billets or posi-  
7 tions;

8 “(F) indicate relative promotion rates for  
9 security cooperation workforce personnel;

10 “(G) identify the funds requested or allo-  
11 cated for the Department of Defense security  
12 cooperation workforce and address whether  
13 such funds are sufficient to—

14 “(i) address the critical skill gaps  
15 identified pursuant to subparagraph (B);  
16 and

17 “(ii) provide incentives to recruit and  
18 retain high-quality personnel in the secu-  
19 rity cooperation workforce; and

20 “(H) include any other matters the Sec-  
21 retary of Defense determines appropriate.

22 “(I) COMPTROLLER GENERAL EVALUATION.—

23 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of  
24 the United States shall conduct an independent eval-

1 uation of the actions taken by the Secretary of De-  
2 fense to carry out the requirements of this section.

3 “(2) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the  
4 date of the enactment of this subsection, the Comp-  
5 troller General shall submit to the Committees on  
6 Armed Services of the Senate and House of Rep-  
7 resentatives a report on the evaluation conducted  
8 under paragraph (1). Such report shall include—

9 “(A) an analysis of the effectiveness of the  
10 actions taken by the Secretary to carry out the  
11 requirements of this section; and

12 “(B) such legislative and administrative  
13 recommendations as the Comptroller General  
14 considers appropriate to meet the objectives of  
15 this section.”.

16 (b) MODIFICATION TO SUNSET.—Section 1250(b)(1)  
17 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
18 2017 (Public Law 114–328; 130 Stat. 2529) is amended  
19 by striking “2026” and inserting “2025”.

20 **SEC. 1205. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY**  
21 **FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF CERTAIN COALI-**  
22 **TION NATIONS FOR SUPPORT PROVIDED TO**  
23 **UNITED STATES MILITARY OPERATIONS.**

24 (a) EXTENSION.—Subsection (a) of section 1233 of  
25 the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year

1 2008 (Public Law 110–181; 122 Stat. 393) is amended  
2 by striking “beginning on October 1, 2022, and ending  
3 on December 31, 2023” and inserting “beginning on Octo-  
4 ber 1, 2023, and ending on December 31, 2024”.

5 (b) MODIFICATION TO LIMITATION.—Subsection  
6 (d)(1) of such section is amended—

7 (1) by striking “beginning on October 1, 2022,  
8 and ending on December 31, 2023” and inserting  
9 “beginning on October 1, 2023, and ending on De-  
10 cember 31, 2024”; and

11 (2) by striking “\$30,000,000” and inserting  
12 “\$15,000,000”.

13 **SEC. 1206. EXTENSION OF CROSS-SERVICING AGREEMENTS**  
14 **FOR LOAN OF PERSONNEL PROTECTION AND**  
15 **PERSONNEL SURVIVABILITY EQUIPMENT IN**  
16 **COALITION OPERATIONS.**

17 Section 1207(f) of the Carl Levin and Howard P.  
18 “Buck” McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for  
19 Fiscal Year 2015 (Public Law 113–291; 10 U.S.C. 2342  
20 note) is amended by striking “December 31, 2024” and  
21 inserting “December 31, 2029”.

1 **SEC. 1207. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE**  
2 **SUPPORT TO CERTAIN GOVERNMENTS FOR**  
3 **BORDER SECURITY OPERATIONS.**

4 Section 1226(a)(1) of the National Defense Author-  
5 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (22 U.S.C. 2151 note)  
6 is amended by adding at the end the following:

7 “(G) To the Government of Tajikistan for  
8 purposes of supporting and enhancing efforts of  
9 the armed forces of Tajikistan to increase secu-  
10 rity and sustain increased security along the  
11 border of Tajikistan and Afghanistan.

12 “(H) To the Government of Uzbekistan for  
13 purposes of supporting and enhancing efforts of  
14 the armed forces of Uzbekistan to increase se-  
15 curity and sustain increased security along the  
16 border of Uzbekistan and Afghanistan.

17 “(I) To the Government of Turkmenistan  
18 for purposes of supporting and enhancing ef-  
19 forts of the armed forces of Turkmenistan to  
20 increase security and sustain increased security  
21 along the border of Turkmenistan and Afghani-  
22 stan.”.

1 **SEC. 1208. EXTENSION OF LEGAL INSTITUTIONAL CAPAC-**  
2 **ITY BUILDING INITIATIVE FOR FOREIGN DE-**  
3 **FENSE INSTITUTIONS.**

4 Section 1210(e) of the National Defense Authoriza-  
5 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 133  
6 Stat. 1626) is amended by striking “December 31, 2024”  
7 and inserting “December 31, 2028”.

8 **SEC. 1209. REPORT ON EX GRATIA PAYMENTS.**

9 Section 1213(h) of the National Defense Authoriza-  
10 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (10 U.S.C. 2731 note) is  
11 amended—

12 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1)(A),  
13 by striking “in this subsection” and inserting “in  
14 this section”; and

15 (2) by amending paragraph (2) to read as fol-  
16 lows:

17 “(2) The status of all other pending or denied  
18 ex gratia payments or requests, including—

19 “(A) when any such request was made;

20 “(B) what steps the Department is taking  
21 to respond to the request;

22 “(C) whether the Department denied any  
23 requests for any such payment, along with the  
24 reason for such denial;

1                   “(D) whether any such payment was re-  
2                   fused, along with the reason for such refusal, if  
3                   known; or

4                   “(E) any other reason for which a payment  
5                   was not offered or made.”.

6 **SEC. 1210. AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE MISSION TRAINING**  
7 **THROUGH DISTRIBUTED SIMULATION.**

8           (a) **AUTHORITY FOR TRAINING AND DISTRIBUTED**  
9 **MISSION.**—To enhance the interoperability and integration  
10 between the United States Armed Forces and the military  
11 forces of friendly foreign countries, effective beginning on  
12 the date that is 30 days after the date on which the Sec-  
13 retary of Defense submits the report required by sub-  
14 section (d), the Secretary of Defense, with the concurrence  
15 of the Secretary of State, is authorized—

16                   (1) to provide to military personnel of a friendly  
17 foreign country persistent advanced networked train-  
18 ing and exercise activities (in this section referred to  
19 as “mission training through distributed simula-  
20 tion”); and

21                   (2) to provide information technology related to  
22 mission training through distributed simulation, in-  
23 cluding hardware and computer software developed  
24 for such activities.

1 (b) SCOPE OF MISSION TRAINING.—Mission training  
2 through distributed simulation provided under subsection  
3 (a) may include advanced distributed network training  
4 events and computer-assisted exercises.

5 (c) GUIDANCE ON USE OF AUTHORITY.—Not later  
6 than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
7 the Secretary of Defense shall develop and issue guidance  
8 on the procedures for the use of the authority provided  
9 in this section.

10 (d) REPORT.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense  
12 shall submit to the appropriate committees of Con-  
13 gress a report on the anticipated use of mission  
14 training through distributed simulation by military  
15 personnel of friendly foreign countries.

16 (2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by para-  
17 graph (1) shall include the following:

18 (A) A description of anticipated mission  
19 training through distributed simulation activi-  
20 ties between the United States Armed Forces  
21 and the military forces of friendly foreign coun-  
22 tries.

23 (B) A description of the current capabili-  
24 ties of the military forces of friendly foreign  
25 countries to support mission training through

1 distributed simulation activities with the United  
2 States Armed Forces.

3 (C) A description of the manner in which  
4 the Department intends to use mission training  
5 through distributed simulation activities to sup-  
6 port implementation of the National Defense  
7 Strategy, including in areas of responsibility of  
8 the United States European Command and the  
9 United States Indo-Pacific Command.

10 (D) Any recommendation of the Secretary  
11 of Defense for legislative proposals or policy  
12 guidance regarding the use of mission training  
13 through distributed simulation activities.

14 (3) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS  
15 DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “appro-  
16 priate committees of Congress” means—

17 (A) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
18 Committee on Appropriations, and the Com-  
19 mittee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

20 (B) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
21 Committee on Appropriations, and the Com-  
22 mittee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep-  
23 resentatives.

24 (e) SUNSET.—The authority provided in this section  
25 shall terminate on December 31, 2025.

1 **SEC. 1211. REQUIREMENT FOR MILITARY EXERCISES.**

2 (a) EXERCISES REQUIRED.—Beginning on January  
3 1 of the year which begins after the date of the enactment  
4 of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall require the  
5 United States Central Command or other relevant com-  
6 mands, units, or organizations of the United States Armed  
7 Forces, as the Secretary deems appropriate, to conduct  
8 military exercises that—

9 (1) occur not fewer than two times in a cal-  
10 endar year;

11 (2) shall include invitations for the armed  
12 forces of Israel, provided that the Government of  
13 Israel consents to the participation of its forces in  
14 such exercises;

15 (3) may include invitations for the armed forces  
16 of other allies and partners of the United States to  
17 take part in the exercises;

18 (4) seek to enhance the interoperability and ef-  
19 fectiveness of the United States Armed Forces, the  
20 armed forces of Israel, and the armed forces of other  
21 allies and partners of the United States in coalition  
22 operations; and

23 (5) shall include, at a minimum, the following  
24 activities—

25 (A) practicing or simulating large-scale  
26 and long-range strike missions;

1 (B) practicing the aerial refueling of com-  
2 bat aircraft of the armed forces of Israel by  
3 United States aerial refueling aircraft; and

4 (C) practicing the provision by the United  
5 States Armed Forces of other enabling capabili-  
6 ties to the armed forces of Israel, including—

7 (i) logistics support;

8 (ii) intelligence, surveillance, and re-  
9 connaissance; and

10 (iii) air defense.

11 (b) CERTIFICATION.—Not later than December 31 of  
12 the calendar year specified in subsection (a), the Secretary  
13 of Defense shall—

14 (1) submit to the congressional defense commit-  
15 tees a certification that the requirements of this sec-  
16 tion have been met by December 31 of such calendar  
17 year; or

18 (2) if the requirements of this section are not  
19 met by December 31 of such calendar year, provide,  
20 in writing, the reasons the requirements of this sec-  
21 tion were not met.

22 (c) SUNSET.—The requirements in subsection (a)  
23 shall terminate on December 31 of the calendar year speci-  
24 fied in subsection (a).

1 (d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES  
2 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate con-  
3 gressional committees” means—

4 (1) the Committee on Armed Services of the  
5 House of Representatives; and

6 (2) the Committee on Armed Services of the  
7 Senate.

8 **Subtitle B—Matters Relating to**  
9 **Other Authorities of the Depart-**  
10 **ment of Defense**

11 **SEC. 1221. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY FOR EXPENDI-**  
12 **TURE OF FUNDS FOR CLANDESTINE ACTIVI-**  
13 **TIES THAT SUPPORT OPERATIONAL PREPA-**  
14 **RATION OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND NON-**  
15 **CONVENTIONAL ASSISTED RECOVERY CAPA-**  
16 **BILITIES.**

17 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 127f of title 10, United  
18 States Code, is amended—

19 (1) in the section heading, by adding at the end  
20 the following: “**and non-conventional as-**  
21 **sisted recovery capabilities**”;

22 (2) in subsection (a)—

23 (A) by striking the first sentence and in-  
24 serting the following: “(1) Amounts appro-  
25 priated or otherwise made available for the De-

1           partment of Defense for operation and mainte-  
2           nance, Defense-wide, may be used for any pur-  
3           pose the Secretary of Defense determines to be  
4           proper—

5                   “(A) for operational preparation of the en-  
6           vironment for operations of a confidential na-  
7           ture; or

8                   “(B) to establish, develop, and maintain  
9           non-conventional assisted recovery capabilities  
10          to facilitate the recovery of United States mili-  
11          tary and civilian personnel, or other individuals,  
12          who become isolated or separated.”; and

13                   (B) by striking “Such a determination”  
14          and inserting the following:

15          “(2) Such a determination”;

16                   (3) by striking subsection (b) and inserting the  
17          following:

18          “(b) **AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES.**—Activities author-  
19          ized by subsection (a) may, in limited and special cir-  
20          cumstances as determined by the Secretary of Defense,  
21          include the provision of support to foreign forces, irregular  
22          forces, groups, or individuals to conduct operational prep-  
23          aration of the environment and to conduct or support op-  
24          erations to establish, develop, and maintain non-conven-  
25          tional assisted recovery capabilities to facilitate the recov-

1 ery of United States military and civilian personnel, or  
2 other individuals, who become isolated or separated. Such  
3 support may include limited amounts of equipment, sup-  
4 plies, training, transportation, or other logistical support  
5 or funding.”.

6 (4) by redesignating subsections (c), (d), (e),  
7 (f), and (g) as subsections (d), (e), (f), (g), and (h),  
8 respectively;

9 (5) by inserting after subsection (b), as amend-  
10 ed, the following:

11 “(c) PROCEDURES.—

12 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The authority in this sec-  
13 tion shall be exercised in accordance with such pro-  
14 cedures as the Secretary of Defense shall establish  
15 for purposes of this section.

16 “(2) ELEMENTS.—The procedures required  
17 under paragraph (1) shall establish, at a minimum,  
18 each of the following:

19 “(A) Policy, strategy, or other guidance for  
20 the execution of, and constraints within, activi-  
21 ties conducted under this section.

22 “(B) The processes through which activi-  
23 ties conducted under this section are to be de-  
24 veloped, validated, and coordinated, as appro-  
25 priate, with relevant Federal entities.

1           “(C) The processes through which legal re-  
2 views and determinations are made to comply  
3 with the authority in this section and ensure  
4 that the exercise of such authority is consistent  
5 with the national security interests of the  
6 United States.

7           “(D) The processes by which the Depart-  
8 ment of Defense shall keep the congressional  
9 defense committees fully and currently informed  
10 of—

11                   “(i) the requirements for the use of  
12 the authority in this section; and

13                   “(ii) activities conducted under such  
14 authority.

15           “(3) NOTICE TO CONGRESS.—The Secretary  
16 shall notify the congressional defense committees of  
17 any material change to the procedures established  
18 under paragraph (1).”;

19           (6) in subsection (d), as redesignated—

20                   (A) in the subsection heading, by striking  
21 “LIMITATION ON DELEGATION” and inserting  
22 “LIMITATIONS”; and

23                   (B) by striking “The Secretary of Defense  
24 may not delegate” and inserting the following:

25                   “The Secretary of Defense—

1 “(1) may expend up to \$40,000,000 in any fis-  
2 cal year for the purposes described in subsection (a);  
3 and

4 “(2) may not delegate”;

5 (7) in subsection (g), as redesignated—

6 (A) by redesignating paragraph (4) as  
7 paragraph (5); and

8 (B) by striking paragraphs (1), (2), and  
9 (3) and inserting the following:

10 “(1) a description of activities carried out for  
11 the purposes described in subsection (a);

12 “(2) the amount of such expenditures;

13 “(3) an identification of the type of recipients  
14 to receive support, including foreign forces, irregular  
15 forces, groups or individuals, as appropriate;

16 “(4) the total amount of funds obligated for  
17 such expenditures in prior fiscal years; and”;

18 (8) by adding at the end the following:

19 “(i) OVERSIGHT BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DE-  
20 FENSE FOR SPECIAL OPERATIONS AND LOW INTENSITY  
21 CONFLICT.—The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Spe-  
22 cial Operations and Low Intensity Conflict shall have pri-  
23 mary responsibility within the Office of the Secretary of  
24 Defense for oversight of policies and programs authorized  
25 by this section.

1           “(j) OPERATIONAL PREPARATION OF THE ENVIRON-  
2 MENT DEFINED.—In this section, the term ‘operational  
3 preparation of the environment’ means the conduct of ac-  
4 tivities in likely or potential operational areas to set condi-  
5 tions for mission execution.”.

6           (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
7 for chapter 3 of title 10, United States Code, is amended  
8 by striking the item relating to section 127f and inserting  
9 the following:

          “127f. Expenditure of funds for clandestine activities that support operational  
          preparation of the environment and non-conventional assisted  
          recovery capabilities.”.

10 **SEC. 1222. MODIFICATION TO THE AMERICAN, BRITISH, CA-**  
11 **NADIAN, AND AUSTRALIAN ARMIES’ PRO-**  
12 **GRAM.**

13           (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1274(a) of the National  
14 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013 (10  
15 U.S.C. 2350a(a) note) is amended by inserting “or the  
16 air force program known as the Five Eyes Air Force Inter-  
17 operability Council” after “the American, British, Cana-  
18 dian, and Australian Armies’ Program”.

19           (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The heading of section  
20 1274 of such Act (and the entry in the table of contents  
21 for such Act corresponding to such section 1274) is  
22 amended to read as follows: “Administration of the Amer-  
23 ican, British, Canadian, and Australian Armies’ Program  
24 and the Five Eyes Air Force Interoperability Council.”.

1 **SEC. 1223. FIRST MODIFICATION OF INITIATIVE TO SUP-**  
2 **PORT PROTECTION OF NATIONAL SECURITY**  
3 **ACADEMIC RESEARCHERS FROM UNDUE IN-**  
4 **FLUENCE AND OTHER SECURITY THREATS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1286(a) of the John S.  
6 McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
7 Year 2019 (10 U.S.C. 4001 note) is amended—

8 (1) in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at the  
9 end;

10 (2) by redesignating paragraph (3) as para-  
11 graph (4); and

12 (3) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-  
13 lowing:

14 “(3) to limit academic institutions identified on  
15 the list developed under subsection (e)(8)(A) from  
16 benefitting from funding provided by the Depart-  
17 ment of Defense to United States academic institu-  
18 tions; and”.

19 (b) OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL RE-  
20 PORT.—Not later than 18 months after the date of the  
21 enactment of this Act, the Office of the Inspector General  
22 of the Department of Defense shall submit to the congres-  
23 sional defense committees a report on—

24 (1) the implementation of the policies and pro-  
25 cedures developed under section 1286 of the John S.  
26 McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fis-

1 cal Year 2019 (10 U.S.C. 4001 note), as amended  
2 by this Act; and

3 (2) the implementation of the policies of the  
4 Department of Defense required under National Se-  
5 curity Presidential Memorandum-33 (NSPM-33).

6 **SEC. 1224. SECOND MODIFICATION OF INITIATIVE TO SUP-**  
7 **PORT PROTECTION OF NATIONAL SECURITY**  
8 **ACADEMIC RESEARCHERS FROM UNDUE IN-**  
9 **FLUENCE AND OTHER SECURITY THREATS.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1286 of the John S.  
11 McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
12 Year 2019 (10 U.S.C. 4001 note) is amended—

13 (1) in subsection (c)—

14 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (7)  
15 through (9) as paragraphs (8) through (10), re-  
16 spectively;

17 (B) by inserting after paragraph (6) the  
18 following new paragraph (7):

19 “(7) Policies to limit or prohibit funding pro-  
20 vided by the Department of Defense for institutions  
21 or individual researchers who knowingly contract or  
22 make other financial arrangements with entities  
23 identified in the list described in paragraph (9),  
24 which policies shall include—

1           “(A) use of such list as part of a risk as-  
2           sessment decision matrix during proposal eval-  
3           uations, including the development of a question  
4           for proposers or broad area announcements  
5           that require proposers to disclose any contrac-  
6           tual or financial connections with such entities;

7           “(B) a requirement that the Department  
8           shall notify a proposer of suspected noncompli-  
9           ance with a policy issued under this paragraph  
10          and provide not less than 30 days to take ac-  
11          tions to remedy such noncompliance;

12          “(C) the establishment of an appeals pro-  
13          cedure under which a proposer may appeal a  
14          negative decision on a proposal if the decision  
15          is based on a determination informed by such  
16          list;

17          “(D) a requirement that each awardee of  
18          funding provided by the Department shall dis-  
19          close to the Department any contract or finan-  
20          cial arrangement made with such an entity dur-  
21          ing the period of the award; and

22          “(E) a requirement that each awardee of  
23          funding provided by the Department shall pro-  
24          vide to the Department an annual certification

1 of compliance with policies promulgated pursu-  
2 ant to this paragraph;”); and

3 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
4 paragraph:

5 “(11) Development of measures of effectiveness  
6 and performance to assess and track progress of the  
7 Department of Defense across the initiative, which  
8 measures shall include—

9 “(A) the evaluation of currently available  
10 data to support the assessment of such meas-  
11 ures, including the identification of areas in  
12 which gaps exist that may require collection of  
13 completely new data, or modifications to exist-  
14 ing data sets;

15 “(B) current means and methods for the  
16 collection of data in an automated manner, in-  
17 cluding the identification of areas in which gaps  
18 exist that may require new means for data col-  
19 lection or visualization of such data; and

20 “(C) the development of an analysis and  
21 assessment methodology framework to make  
22 tradeoffs between the measures developed under  
23 this paragraph and other metrics related to as-  
24 sessing undue foreign influence on the Depart-  
25 ment of Defense research enterprise, such as

1 commercial due diligence, beneficial ownership,  
2 and foreign ownership, control, and influence.”;  
3 and

4 (2) in subsection (e)(2), by adding at the end  
5 the following new subparagraph:

6 “(G) A description of the status of the  
7 measures of effectiveness and performance de-  
8 scribed in subsection (e)(11) for the period cov-  
9 ered by such report, including an analytical as-  
10 sessment of the impact of such measures on the  
11 goals of the initiative.”.

12 (b) DEADLINE.—The Secretary of Defense shall de-  
13 velop the policies required by paragraph (7) of section  
14 1286(c) of the John S. McCain National Defense Author-  
15 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (10 U.S.C. 4001 note),  
16 as added by subsection (a)(1)(B), by not later than June  
17 1, 2024.

18 **SEC. 1225. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY FOR DEPARTMENT**  
19 **OF DEFENSE SUPPORT FOR STABILIZATION**  
20 **ACTIVITIES IN NATIONAL SECURITY INTER-**  
21 **EST OF THE UNITED STATES.**

22 Section 1210A(h) of the National Defense Authoriza-  
23 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 133  
24 Stat. 1626) is amended by striking “December 31, 2023”  
25 and inserting “December 31, 2025”.

1 **SEC. 1226. MODIFICATION OF DEFENSE OPERATIONAL RE-**  
2 **SILIENCE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION**  
3 **PILOT PROGRAM.**

4 Section 1212 of the James M. Inhofe National De-  
5 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law  
6 117–263; 136 Stat. 2834; 10 U.S.C. 311 note) is amend-  
7 ed—

8 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “military  
9 forces” and inserting “national security forces”;

10 (2) in subsection (c)—

11 (A) in paragraph (1)—

12 (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
13 “military-to-military relationships” and in-  
14 serting “relationships with the national se-  
15 curity forces of partner countries”; and

16 (ii) in subparagraph (C), by striking  
17 “military forces” and inserting “national  
18 security forces”; and

19 (B) by adding at the end the following new  
20 paragraph:

21 “(4) SUSTAINMENT AND NON-LETHAL ASSIST-  
22 ANCE.—A program under subsection (a) may include  
23 the provision of sustainment and non-lethal assist-  
24 ance, including training, defense services, and sup-  
25 plies (including consumables).”;

1           (3) in subsection (e)(3)(A), by striking “mili-  
2       tary force” and inserting “national security forces”;  
3       and

4           (4) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
5       section:

6       “(g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section the terms ‘de-  
7       fense services’, ‘national security forces’, and ‘training’  
8       have the meaning given those terms in section 301 of title  
9       10, United States Code.”.

10   **SEC. 1227. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON IN-FLIGHT RE-**  
11                   **FUELING TO NON-UNITED STATES AIRCRAFT**  
12                   **THAT ENGAGE IN HOSTILITIES IN THE ONGO-**  
13                   **ING CIVIL WAR IN YEMEN.**

14       Section 1273 of the National Defense Authorization  
15       Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 133 Stat.  
16       1699) is amended to read as follows:

17   **“SEC. 1273. PROHIBITION ON IN-FLIGHT REFUELING TO**  
18                   **NON-UNITED STATES AIRCRAFT THAT EN-**  
19                   **GAGE IN HOSTILITIES IN THE ONGOING CIVIL**  
20                   **WAR IN YEMEN.**

21           “For the one-year period beginning on the date  
22       of the enactment of the National Defense Authoriza-  
23       tion Act for Fiscal Year 2024, the Department of  
24       Defense may not provide in-flight refueling pursuant  
25       to section 2342 of title 10, United States Code, or

1 any other applicable statutory authority, to non-  
2 United States aircraft that engage in hostilities in  
3 the ongoing civil war in Yemen unless and until a  
4 declaration of war or a specific statutory authoriza-  
5 tion for such use of the United States Armed Forces  
6 has been enacted.”.

7 **SEC. 1228. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**  
8 **INTERNATIONAL SECURITY COOPERATION**  
9 **PROGRAM.**

10 Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this  
11 Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024 for  
12 operation and maintenance, Defense-wide, and available  
13 for the Defense Security Cooperation Agency for the  
14 International Security Cooperation Program, not more  
15 than 85 percent may be obligated or expended until the  
16 Secretary of Defense submits the security cooperation  
17 strategy for each covered combatant command required by  
18 section 1206 of the National Defense Authorization Act  
19 for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat.  
20 1960).

21 **SEC. 1229. PROTECTION AND LEGAL PREPAREDNESS FOR**  
22 **MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES ABROAD.**

23 (a) REVIEW AND BRIEFING REQUIRED.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than December 31,  
2           2024, the Secretary of State, in coordination with  
3           the Secretary of Defense, shall—

4                   (A) review the legal protections afforded by  
5                   bilateral agreements between the United States  
6                   and the countries listed in paragraph (2), and  
7                   how the rights and privileges afforded under  
8                   such agreements may differ from United States  
9                   law; and

10                   (B) brief the appropriate congressional  
11                   committees on the findings of the review.

12           (2) COUNTRIES LISTED.—The countries listed  
13           in this paragraph are the following:

14                   (A) Australia.

15                   (B) Bahrain.

16                   (C) Germany.

17                   (D) Italy.

18                   (E) Japan.

19                   (F) Kuwait.

20                   (G) Qatar.

21                   (H) South Korea.

22                   (I) Spain.

23                   (J) Turkey.

24                   (K) The United Kingdom.

1                   (L) Any other country the Secretary of De-  
2                   fense determines to be appropriate.

3                   (3) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The review  
4                   required by paragraph (1)(A) shall address whether  
5                   the legal protections afforded by bilateral agree-  
6                   ments between the United States and the countries  
7                   listed in paragraph (2) provide members of the  
8                   Armed Forces who are stationed in the country, and  
9                   the spouses and dependents of such members who  
10                  are covered by the agreements, with the right to  
11                  legal counsel, access to competent language trans-  
12                  lation services, a prompt and speedy trial, the right  
13                  to be confronted with witnesses against the member,  
14                  spouse, or dependent, and a compulsory process for  
15                  obtaining witnesses in favor of the member, spouse,  
16                  or dependent if the witness is located in the jurisdic-  
17                  tion of the country.

18                  (4) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
19                  TEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “ap-  
20                  propriate congressional committees” means—

21                         (A) the Committee on Armed Services and  
22                         the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House  
23                         of Representatives; and

1 (B) the Committee on Armed Services and  
2 the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Sen-  
3 ate.

4 (b) TRAINING REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense  
5 shall review and improve as necessary training and edu-  
6 cational materials for members of the Armed Forces who  
7 are stationed in a country reviewed pursuant to subsection  
8 (a)(1)(A), and the spouses and dependents of such mem-  
9 bers who are covered by the agreements, regarding rel-  
10 evant foreign laws, how such foreign laws may differ from  
11 the laws of the United States, and the rights of accused  
12 in common scenarios under such foreign laws.

13 (c) TRANSLATION STANDARDS AND READINESS.—  
14 The Secretary of Defense shall review foreign language  
15 standards for members of the Armed Forces and employ-  
16 ees of the Department of Defense who are responsible for  
17 providing foreign language translation services in situa-  
18 tions involving foreign law enforcement where such a  
19 member or employee may be being detained, to ensure  
20 such members and employees maintain an appropriate  
21 proficiency in the legal terminology and meaning of essen-  
22 tial terms in a relevant language.

1 **SEC. 1230. REPORT ON HOSTILITIES INVOLVING UNITED**  
2 **STATES ARMED FORCES.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 48 hours after any  
4 incident in which the United States Armed Forces are in-  
5 volved in an attack or hostilities, whether in an offensive  
6 or defensive capacity, the President shall transmit to the  
7 congressional defense committees, the Committee on For-  
8 eign Relations of the Senate, and the Committee on For-  
9 eign Affairs of the House of Representatives a report on  
10 the incident, unless the President—

11 (1) otherwise reports the incident within 48  
12 hours pursuant to section 4 of the War Powers Res-  
13 olution (50 U.S.C. 1543); or

14 (2) has determined prior to the incident, and so  
15 reported pursuant to section 1264 of the National  
16 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (50  
17 U.S.C. 1549), that the United States Armed Forces  
18 involved in the incident would be operating under  
19 specific statutory authorization within the meaning  
20 of section 5(b) of the War Powers Resolution (50  
21 U.S.C. 1544(b)).

22 (b) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—Each report re-  
23 quired by subsection (a) shall include—

24 (1) the authority or authorities under which the  
25 United States Armed Forces were operating when  
26 the incident occurred;

1           (2) the date, location, and duration of the inci-  
2           dent and the other parties involved;

3           (3) a description of the United States Armed  
4           Forces involved in the incident and the mission of  
5           such Armed Forces;

6           (4) the numbers of any combatant casualties  
7           and civilian casualties that occurred as a result of  
8           the incident; and

9           (5) any other information the President deter-  
10          mines appropriate.

11 **SEC. 1231. CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION REGARDING**  
12 **THE GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT CENTER.**

13          Not later than 30 days after making funds or per-  
14          sonnel available to the Global Engagement Center estab-  
15          lished pursuant to section 1287 of the National Defense  
16          Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (22 U.S.C. 2656  
17          note), the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the con-  
18          gressional defense committees a notification that in-  
19          cludes—

20                 (1) an accounting of such funds or personnel;  
21          and

22                 (2) an explanation of the reason for the avail-  
23          ability of such funds or personnel.

1           **Subtitle C—Matters Relating to**  
2           **Ukraine, Russia, and NATO**

3   **SEC. 1241. EXTENSION OF UKRAINE SECURITY ASSISTANCE**  
4           **INITIATIVE.**

5           Section 1250 of the National Defense Authorization  
6 Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law 114–92; 129 Stat.  
7 1068) is amended—

8           (1) in subsection (f)—

9                   (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
10           by striking “for overseas contingency oper-  
11           ations” ; and

12                   (B) by adding at the end the following:

13                   “(9) For fiscal year 2024, \$300,000,000.

14                   “(10) For fiscal year 2025, \$300,000,000.”;

15           and

16           (2) in subsection (h), by striking “December  
17           31, 2024” and inserting “December 31, 2026”.

18   **SEC. 1242. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF CERTAIN**  
19           **TEMPORARY AUTHORIZATIONS RELATED TO**  
20           **MUNITIONS REPLACEMENT.**

21           Section 1244 of the James M. Inhofe National De-  
22 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law  
23 117–263) is amended—

1           (1) in the section heading, by striking “and  
2     Other Matters” and inserting “, Taiwan, and  
3     Israel”;

4           (2) in subsection (a)—

5                 (A) in paragraph (1)—

6                     (i) in subparagraph (A), by inserting  
7                     “or replenish” after “to build”;

8                     (ii) in subparagraph (B)—

9                         (I) by striking “the Government  
10                         of Ukraine” and inserting “Ukraine,  
11                         Taiwan, or Israel”; and

12                         (II) by striking “; and” and in-  
13                         serting “; or”; and

14                         (iii) in subparagraph (C), by striking  
15                         “the Government of Ukraine” and insert-  
16                         ing “Ukraine, Taiwan, or Israel”;

17                     (B) in paragraph (2)(B)(i)(II), by striking  
18                     “comparable” and inserting “equivalent”;

19                     (C) in paragraph (5)—

20                         (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
21                         graph (A), by inserting “and associated  
22                         parts” after “large-caliber cannons”;

23                         (ii) by amending subparagraph (A) to  
24                         read as follows:

1           “(A) the replacement of defense articles  
2 from stocks of the Department of Defense pro-  
3 vided to—

4                   “(i) the Ukraine, Taiwan, or Israel; or

5                   “(ii) foreign countries that have pro-  
6 vided support to Ukraine, Taiwan, or  
7 Israel;”;

8                   (iii) by amending subparagraph (B) to  
9 read as follows:

10           “(B) the Department of Defense to provide  
11 materiel directly to Ukraine, Taiwan, or Israel;  
12 or”;

13                   (iv) by inserting after subparagraph  
14 (B), as so amended, the following new sub-  
15 paragraph:

16                   “(C) use by Ukraine, Taiwan, or Israel.”;

17                   (D) by amending paragraph (6) to read as  
18 follows:

19           “(6) TEMPORARY EXEMPTION FROM CERTIFIED  
20 COST AND PRICING DATA REQUIREMENTS.—

21                   “(A) IN GENERAL.—At the discretion of  
22 the Secretary of Defense, the requirements  
23 under section 3702 of title 10, United States  
24 Code, shall not apply to a covered agreement.

1           “(B) APPLICATION.—An exemption under  
2           subparagraph (A) shall also apply to sub-  
3           contracts under prime contracts that are ex-  
4           empt under this paragraph.

5           “(C) PRICE REASONABLENESS.—In award-  
6           ing or modifying a covered agreement pursuant  
7           to a waiver under subparagraph (A), the Sec-  
8           retary of Defense shall base price reasonable-  
9           ness determinations on actual cost and pricing  
10          data for purchases of the same or similar prod-  
11          ucts for the Department of Defense.”;

12          (E) in paragraph (7), by striking “Sep-  
13          tember 30, 2024” and inserting “September 30,  
14          2028”;

15          (F) by redesignating paragraph (7), as so  
16          amended, as paragraph (8); and

17          (G) by inserting after paragraph (6) the  
18          following new paragraph:

19          “(7) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 7 days  
20          after the exercise of authority under subsection (a)  
21          the Secretary of Defense shall notify the congress-  
22          sional defense committees of the specific authority  
23          exercised, the relevant contract, and the estimated  
24          reductions in schedule.”; and

25          (3) in subsection (c)(1)—

1 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph

2 (A)—

3 (i) by inserting “or fiscal year 2024”

4 after “fiscal year 2023”; and

5 (ii) by inserting “for systems, items,

6 services, and logistics support associated

7 with the systems identified in this para-

8 graph (1)” after “multiyear contracts”.

9 (B) in subparagraph (P), by striking “;  
10 and” and inserting a semicolon;

11 (C) in subparagraph (Q), by striking the  
12 period at the end and inserting a semicolon;

13 and

14 (D) by inserting at the end the following  
15 new subparagraphs:

16 “(R) 3,300 Tomahawk Cruise Missiles;

17 “(S) 1,100 Precision Strike Missiles  
18 (PrSM);

19 “(T) 550 Mark 48 Torpedoes;

20 “(U) 1,650 RIM-162 Evolved Sea Spar-  
21 row Missiles (ESSM);

22 “(V) 1,980 RIM-116 Rolling Airframe  
23 Missiles (RAM); and

24 “(W) 11,550 Small Diameter Bomb IIs  
25 (SDB-II).”.

1 **SEC. 1243. REPORT RELATING TO ALLIED AND PARTNER**  
2 **SUPPORT TO UKRAINE.**

3 (a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 90 days  
4 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and every 90  
5 days thereafter, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to  
6 the congressional defense committees a report on—

7 (1) all military contributions to Ukraine made  
8 by allied and partner countries in absolute and rel-  
9 ative terms, disaggregated by country, since January  
10 1, 2022; and

11 (2) any other matters that the Secretary deter-  
12 mines to be relevant.

13 (b) FORM.—The report required under subsection (a)  
14 shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include  
15 a classified annex.

16 (c) SUNSET.—The reporting requirement in sub-  
17 section (a) shall terminate on January 1, 2025.

18 **SEC. 1244. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY**  
19 **OF FUNDS RELATING TO SOVEREIGNTY OF**  
20 **THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION OVER INTER-**  
21 **NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED TERRITORY OF**  
22 **UKRAINE.**

23 Section 1245(a) of the James M. Inhofe National De-  
24 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law  
25 117–263) is amended by striking “None of the funds” and  
26 all that follows through “2023” and inserting “None of

1 the funds authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year  
2 2023 or 2024”.

3 **SEC. 1245. STUDY AND REPORT ON LESSONS LEARNED RE-**  
4 **GARDING INFORMATION OPERATIONS AND**  
5 **DETERRENCE.**

6 (a) STUDY.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense  
8 shall seek to enter into a contract or other agree-  
9 ment with an eligible entity to conduct an inde-  
10 pendent study on lessons learned from information  
11 operations conducted by the United States, Ukraine,  
12 the Russian Federation, and member countries of  
13 the North Atlantic Treaty Organization during the  
14 lead-up to the Russian Federation’s full-scale inva-  
15 sion of Ukraine in 2022 and throughout the conflict.

16 (2) ELEMENTS.—The study required by para-  
17 graph (1) shall include—

18 (A) an assessment of information oper-  
19 ations capabilities of the Russian Federation  
20 prior to, and since, the full-scale invasion of  
21 Ukraine;

22 (B) an assessment of notable successes or  
23 challenges with regard to the information oper-  
24 ations conducted by the United States, NATO

1 member countries, and Ukraine prior to, and  
2 since, the full-scale invasion of Ukraine; and

3 (C) recommendations for improvements to  
4 United States information operations to en-  
5 hance effectiveness, as well as recommendations  
6 on how information operations may be improved  
7 to support the maintenance of deterrence.

8 (b) REPORT.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year  
10 after the date of the enactment of this Act, Sec-  
11 retary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on  
12 Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Rep-  
13 resentatives a report on the results of the study re-  
14 quired by subsection (a) in its entirety, along with  
15 any such comments as the Secretary considers rel-  
16 evant.

17 (2) FORM.—The report required by paragraph  
18 (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may  
19 include a classified annex.

20 (c) ELIGIBLE ENTITY DEFINED.—In this section, the  
21 term “eligible entity” means—

22 (1) a federally funded research and development  
23 center; or

24 (2) an independent, nongovernmental institute  
25 described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Rev-

1           enue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under sec-  
2           tion 501(a) of such Code that has recognized creden-  
3           tials and expertise in national security and military  
4           affairs appropriate for the assessment.

5   **SEC. 1246. PROHIBITION ON NEW START TREATY INFORMA-**  
6                                   **TION SHARING.**

7           (a) PROHIBITION.—None of the funds authorized to  
8           be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available  
9           for fiscal year 2024 for the Department of Defense may  
10          be made available to provide the Russian Federation with  
11          notifications as required by the New START Treaty.

12          (b) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense, with the  
13          concurrence of the Secretary of State, may waive the pro-  
14          hibition in subsection (a) if the Secretary of Defense cer-  
15          tifies to the appropriate congressional committees in writ-  
16          ing that—

17                 (1) the Russian Federation is providing similar  
18                 information to the United States as required by the  
19                 New START Treaty; or

20                 (2) it is in the national security interest of the  
21                 United States to unilaterally provide such notifica-  
22                 tions to the Russian Federation

23          (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

24                 (1) the term “appropriate congressional com-  
25                 mittees” means—

1 (A) the Committee on Armed Services and  
2 the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House  
3 of Representatives; and

4 (B) the Committee on Armed Services and  
5 the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Sen-  
6 ate; and

7 (2) the term “New START Treaty” means the  
8 Treaty between the United States of America and  
9 the Russian Federation on Measures for the Further  
10 Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive  
11 Arms, signed at Prague April 8, 2010, and entered  
12 into force February 5, 2011.

13 **SEC. 1247. BLACK SEA SECURITY AND DEVELOPMENT**  
14 **STRATEGY.**

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—The President shall direct the Na-  
16 tional Security Council to develop an interagency strategy  
17 with regard to the Black Sea region and Black Sea  
18 states—

19 (1) to increase coordination with the North At-  
20 lantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and the Euro-  
21 pean Union;

22 (2) to deepen economic ties;

23 (3) to strengthen energy security;

24 (4) to support efforts to bolster their demo-  
25 cratic resilience; and

1           (5) to enhance security assistance with regional  
2 partners in accordance with the values and interests  
3 of the United States.

4           (b) PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES.—The strategy au-  
5 thorized under subsection (b) shall have the following  
6 goals and objectives:

7           (1) Ensuring the efficient and effective delivery  
8 of security assistance to regional partners in accord-  
9 ance with the values and interests of the United  
10 States, prioritizing assistance that will bolster de-  
11 fenses, increase regional cooperation on Black Sea  
12 security, and improve interoperability with NATO  
13 forces.

14           (2) Bolstering United States support for the re-  
15 gion’s energy security and integration with Europe  
16 and reducing the region’s dependence on Russia  
17 while supporting energy diversification.

18           (3) Working with partners and allies to miti-  
19 gate the impact of economic coercion by the Russian  
20 Federation and the People’s Republic of China on  
21 Black Sea states and identifying new opportunities  
22 for foreign direct investment from the United States  
23 and cooperating countries and the enhancement of  
24 United States business ties with regional partners in

1       accordance with the values and interests of the  
2       United States.

3           (4) Increasing high-level engagement between  
4       the United States and regional partners, including  
5       reinforcing economic growth, infrastructure develop-  
6       ment, and enhancing trade with a focus on improv-  
7       ing high-level economic cooperation.

8           (5) Increasing United States coordination with  
9       the European Union and NATO member states to  
10      maximize effectiveness and minimize duplication.

11      (c) ACTIVITIES.—

12           (1) SECURITY.—The strategy authorized under  
13      subsection (b) should include the following elements  
14      related to security:

15           (A) A plan to increase interagency coordi-  
16      nation on the Black Sea region.

17           (B) A plan to coordinate and synchronize  
18      security assistance with Black Sea states, fo-  
19      cused on Ukraine, Romania, Bulgaria, Moldova,  
20      and Georgia, with the aim of increasing re-  
21      gional cooperation on Black Sea security.

22           (C) A plan to enhance collaboration with  
23      Black Sea states to recognize and respond to  
24      Russian disinformation and propaganda in the  
25      Black Sea region.

1           (2) ECONOMIC PROSPERITY.—The strategy au-  
2           thorized under subsection (b) shall include the fol-  
3           lowing elements related to economic prosperity:

4                   (A) A strategy to foster dialogue between  
5                   experts from the United States and from the  
6                   Black Sea states on economic expansion, for-  
7                   eign direct investment, strengthening rule of  
8                   law initiatives, and mitigating economic coer-  
9                   cion by the Russian Federation and the Peo-  
10                  ple’s Republic of China.

11                   (B) A strategy for all the relevant Federal  
12                   departments and agencies that contribute to  
13                   United States economic statecraft to expand  
14                   their presence and identify new opportunities  
15                   for private investment with regional partners in  
16                   accordance with the values and interests of the  
17                   United States.

18                   (C) Assessments on energy security, focus-  
19                   ing on the immediate need to replace energy  
20                   supplies from the Russian Federation, and rec-  
21                   ognizing the long-term importance of broader  
22                   energy diversification.

23                   (D) Assessments of potential food security  
24                   solutions, including sustainable, long-term ar-  
25                   rangements.

1           (3) DEMOCRATIC RESILIENCE.—The strategy  
2           authorized under subsection (b) shall include the fol-  
3           lowing elements related to democratic resilience:

4                   (A) A plan to increase independent media  
5                   and United States-supported media initiatives  
6                   to combat foreign malign influence in the Black  
7                   Sea region.

8                   (B) A plan to increase mobilization of ini-  
9                   tiatives spearheaded by the Department of  
10                  State and the United States Agency for Inter-  
11                  national Development to counter Russian prop-  
12                  aganda and disinformation in the Black Sea re-  
13                  gion.

14          (d) IDENTIFICATION OF NECESSARY AUTHORITIES  
15          AND BUDGETARY RESOURCES.—The President shall iden-  
16          tify any necessary authorities or budgetary resources re-  
17          quired, by agency, to support the implementation of the  
18          strategy for fiscal years 2025 and 2026.

19          (e) SUBMISSION OF STRATEGY AND RESOURCE AS-  
20          SESSMENT.—The President shall submit to the appro-  
21          priate committees of Congress—

22                   (1) the strategy authorized by subsection (b)  
23                   not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-  
24                   ment of this Act; and

1           (2) the authority and resourcing assessment re-  
2           quired by subsection (d) not later than 360 days  
3           after such date of enactment.

4           (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

5           (1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-  
6           GRESS.—The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
7           gress” means—

8                   (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations,  
9                   the Committee on Armed Services, the Com-  
10                  mittee on Appropriations, the Select Committee  
11                  on Intelligence, and the Committee on Energy  
12                  and Natural Resources of the Senate; and

13                  (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the  
14                  Committee on Armed Services, the Committee  
15                  on Appropriations, the Permanent Select Com-  
16                  mittee on Intelligence, and the Committee on  
17                  Energy and Commerce of the House of Rep-  
18                  resentatives.

19           (2) BLACK SEA STATES.—The term “Black Sea  
20           states” means—

21                   (A) Bulgaria;

22                   (B) Georgia;

23                   (C) Moldova;

24                   (D) Romania;

25                   (E) Turkey; and

1 (F) Ukraine.

2 **SEC. 1248. REVIVAL OF AUTHORITY FOR PARTICIPATION**  
3 **OF NATO NAVAL PERSONNEL IN SUBMARINE**  
4 **SAFETY PROGRAMS.**

5 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Subsection (e) of section 8634 of  
6 title 10, United States Code, is repealed.

7 (b) **CONFORMING AMENDMENT.**—Subsection (a) of  
8 such section 8634 is amended by striking “the Secretary  
9 of the Navy may conduct a program” and inserting “the  
10 Secretary of the Navy may conduct a program beginning  
11 on or after the date of the enactment of the National De-  
12 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024”.

13 **SEC. 1249. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF TRAINING**  
14 **FOR EASTERN EUROPEAN NATIONAL SECU-**  
15 **RITY FORCES IN THE COURSE OF MULTILAT-**  
16 **ERAL EXERCISES.**

17 Section 1251 of the National Defense Authorization  
18 Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (10 U.S.C. 333 note) is amend-  
19 ed—

20 (1) in subsection (c)(1), by adding at the end  
21 the following new subparagraph:

22 “(C) The Republic of Kosovo.”; and

23 (2) in subsection (h)—

1 (A) in the first sentence, by striking “De-  
2 cember 31, 2024” and inserting “December 31,  
3 2026”; and

4 (B) in the second sentence, by striking  
5 “December 31, 2024.” and inserting “Decem-  
6 ber 31, 2026”.

7 **SEC. 1250. U.S. BASING, TRAINING, AND EXERCISES IN**  
8 **NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION**  
9 **MEMBER COUNTRIES.**

10 When considering decisions related to United States  
11 military basing, training, and exercises, the Secretary of  
12 Defense shall include among the factors whether a coun-  
13 try, if a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organiza-  
14 tion, has achieved defense spending of not less than 2 per-  
15 cent of its gross domestic product.

16 **SEC. 1250A. LIMITATION ON WITHDRAWAL FROM THE**  
17 **NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION.**

18 (a) **OPPOSITION OF CONGRESS TO SUSPENSION,**  
19 **TERMINATION, DENUNCIATION, OR WITHDRAWAL FROM**  
20 **NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY.**—The President shall not sus-  
21 pend, terminate, denounce, or withdraw the United States  
22 from the North Atlantic Treaty, done at Washington, DC,  
23 April 4, 1949, except by and with the advice and consent  
24 of the Senate, provided that two-thirds of the Senators  
25 present concur, or pursuant to an Act of Congress.

1 (b) LIMITATION ON THE USE OF FUNDS.—No funds  
2 authorized or appropriated by any Act may be used to sup-  
3 port, directly or indirectly, any decision on the part of any  
4 United States Government official to suspend, terminate,  
5 denounce, or withdraw the United States from the North  
6 Atlantic Treaty, done at Washington, DC, April 4, 1949,  
7 except by and with the advice and consent of the Senate,  
8 provided that two-thirds of the Senators present concur,  
9 or pursuant to an Act of Congress.

10 (c) NOTIFICATION OF TREATY ACTION.—

11 (1) CONSULTATION.—Prior to the notification  
12 described in paragraph (2), the President shall con-  
13 sult with the Committee on Foreign Relations of the  
14 Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the  
15 House of Representatives in relation to any initiative  
16 to suspend, terminate, denounce, or withdraw the  
17 United States from the North Atlantic Treaty.

18 (2) NOTIFICATION.—The President shall notify  
19 the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate  
20 and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House  
21 of Representatives in writing of any deliberation or  
22 decision to suspend, terminate, denounce, or with-  
23 draw the United States from the North Atlantic  
24 Treaty, as soon as possible but in no event later  
25 than 180 days prior to taking such action.

1 (d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
2 tion shall be construed to authorize, imply, or otherwise  
3 indicate that the President may suspend, terminate, de-  
4 nounce, or withdraw from any treaty to which the Senate  
5 has provided its advice and consent without the advice and  
6 consent of the Senate to such act or pursuant to an Act  
7 of Congress.

8 (e) SEVERABILITY.—If any provision of this section  
9 or the application of such provision is held by a Federal  
10 court to be unconstitutional, the remainder of this subtitle  
11 and the application of such provisions to any other person  
12 or circumstance shall not be affected thereby.

13 (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this subtitle, the terms “with-  
14 drawal”, “denunciation”, “suspension”, and “termi-  
15 nation” have the meaning given the terms in the Vienna  
16 Convention on the Law of Treaties, concluded at Vienna  
17 May 23, 1969.

18 **SEC. 1250B. OVERSIGHT OF PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS**  
19 **FUNDED WITH AMOUNTS APPROPRIATED BY**  
20 **THE UNITED STATES FOR UKRAINE.**

21 (a) SPECIAL INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR OPERATION  
22 ATLANTIC RESOLVE.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the requirements  
24 of this section, the President, acting through the  
25 Chair of the Council of the Inspectors General on

1 Integrity and Efficiency, shall maintain the position  
2 of the Lead Inspector General for Operation Atlantic  
3 Resolve in accordance with section 419 of title 5,  
4 United States Code.

5 (2) REDESIGNATION.—

6 (A) IN GENERAL.—The title of the position  
7 of the Lead Inspector General for Operation  
8 Atlantic Resolve is hereby redesignated as the  
9 “Special Inspector General for Operation Atlan-  
10 tic Resolve” (in this section referred to as the  
11 “Special Inspector General”).

12 (B) REFERENCES.—Any reference in law,  
13 regulation, document, paper, or other record of  
14 the United States to the Lead Inspector Gen-  
15 eral for Operation Atlantic Resolve shall be  
16 deemed to be a reference to the Special Inspec-  
17 tor General for Operation Atlantic Resolve.

18 (b) BRIEFINGS.—Upon request by the Chair or  
19 Ranking Member of an appropriate committee of Con-  
20 gress, not later than 30 days after receiving the request,  
21 the Special Inspector General shall to the extent prac-  
22 ticable provide a briefing to such committee on the activi-  
23 ties of the Special Inspector General with respect to pro-  
24 grams and operations funded with amounts appropriated  
25 by the United States for Ukraine.

1 (c) PUBLICATION OF ACCOUNTING OF UNITED  
2 STATES ASSISTANCE FOR UKRAINE.—Not later than 45  
3 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and every  
4 90 days thereafter, the President shall publish on a pub-  
5 licly available website of the United States Government  
6 a comprehensive accounting of unclassified amounts ap-  
7 propriated by the United States for Ukraine.

8 (d) QUARTERLY REPORTS.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 45 days after  
10 the end of each fiscal-year quarter, the Special In-  
11 spector General shall submit to the appropriate com-  
12 mittees of Congress a report summarizing, with re-  
13 spect to that quarter and, to the extent possible, the  
14 period beginning on the date on which such quarter  
15 ends and ending on the date on which the report is  
16 submitted, the activities of the Special Inspector  
17 General with respect to programs and operations  
18 funded with amounts appropriated by the United  
19 States for Ukraine for—

20 (A) security, economic, and humanitarian  
21 assistance to Ukraine and other countries af-  
22 fected by the war;

23 (B) United States European Command op-  
24 erations and related support for the United  
25 States military; and

1 (C) operations of other relevant United  
2 States Government agencies involved in the  
3 Ukraine response, as appropriate.

4 (2) ELEMENTS.—Each report required by para-  
5 graph (1) shall include, for the period covered by the  
6 report—

7 (A) a description of any waste, fraud, or  
8 abuse identified by the Inspectors General with  
9 respect to programs and operations funded with  
10 amounts appropriated by the United States for  
11 Ukraine;

12 (B) a description of the status and results  
13 of—

14 (i) investigations, inspections, and au-  
15 dits; and

16 (ii) referrals to the Department of  
17 Justice; and

18 (C) a description of the overall plans for  
19 review by the Inspectors General of such sup-  
20 port of Ukraine, including plans for investiga-  
21 tions, inspections, and audits.

22 (3) AVAILABILITY.—The Special Inspector Gen-  
23 eral shall publish on a publicly available website the  
24 unclassified form of each report required by para-  
25 graph (1).

1           (4) FORM.—Each report required by paragraph  
2           (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may  
3           include a classified annex if the Special Inspector  
4           General considers it necessary.

5           (e) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
6           tion may be construed to limit the Special Inspector Gen-  
7           eral from exercising all authorities and discharging all re-  
8           sponsibilities granted to the Lead Inspector General for  
9           Operation Atlantic Resolve in accordance with section 419  
10          of title 5, United States Code, in the exercise of oversight  
11          responsibilities for Operation Atlantic Resolve generally  
12          and under this section with respect to Ukraine.

13          (f) SUNSET.—The requirements and authorities of  
14          this section with respect to the Special Inspector General  
15          shall cease in accordance with the sunset provisions for  
16          the Lead Inspector General for Operation Atlantic Resolve  
17          pursuant to section 419(f) of title 5, United States Code.

18          (g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

19                (1) The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
20                gress” means—

21                        (A) the Committee on Appropriations, the  
22                        Committee on Armed Services, the Committee  
23                        on Foreign Relations, and the Committee on  
24                        Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs  
25                        of the Senate; and

1 (B) the Committee on Appropriations, the  
2 Committee on Armed Services, the Committee  
3 on Foreign Affairs, and the Committee on  
4 Oversight and Accountability of the House of  
5 Representatives.

6 (2) The term “Inspectors General” means the  
7 following:

8 (A) The Inspector General of the Depart-  
9 ment of Defense.

10 (B) The Inspector General of the Depart-  
11 ment of State.

12 (C) The Inspector General of the United  
13 States Agency for International Development.

14 (h) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
15 authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2024  
16 \$8,000,000 to carry out this section.

17 (i) EXPANSION AND EXTENSION OF DIRECT HIRE  
18 AUTHORITY FOR CERTAIN PERSONNEL OF THE DEPART-  
19 MENT OF DEFENSE.—

20 (1) EXPANSION.—Section 9905(a) of title 5,  
21 United States Code, as amended by section 1104, is  
22 further amended by adding at the end the following  
23 new paragraph:

24 “(14) Any position in support of Special Inspec-  
25 tor General for Operation Atlantic Resolve for which

1 the Secretary determines there is a critical hiring  
2 need and shortage of candidates.”.

3 (2) EXTENSION.—Section 9905(b)(1) of title 5,  
4 United States Code, is amended by striking “Sep-  
5 tember 30, 2025” and inserting “September 30,  
6 2030”.

## 7 **Subtitle D—Matters Relating to** 8 **Israel**

### 9 **SEC. 1251. EURO-NATO JOINT JET PILOT TRAINING PRO-** 10 **GRAM.**

11 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-  
12 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit  
13 to the congressional defense committees a report on the  
14 feasibility and advisability of including Israel in observer  
15 status in the Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training Pro-  
16 gram (ENJJPT).

### 17 **SEC. 1252. EXTENSION OF UNITED STATES-ISRAEL ANTI-** 18 **TUNNEL COOPERATION.**

19 Section 1279(f) of the National Defense Authoriza-  
20 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law 114–92; 129  
21 Stat. 1079; 22 U.S.C. 8606 note) is amended by striking  
22 “December 31, 2024” and inserting “December 31,  
23 2026”.

1 **SEC. 1253. IMPROVEMENTS RELATING TO UNITED STATES-**  
2 **ISRAEL COOPERATION TO COUNTER UN-**  
3 **MANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS.**

4 Section 1278(b)(4) of the National Defense Author-  
5 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 133  
6 Stat. 1702; 22 U.S.C. 8606 note) is amended by striking  
7 “\$40,000,000” and inserting “\$55,000,000”.

8 **SEC. 1254. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY FOR COOPERA-**  
9 **TION ON DIRECTED ENERGY CAPABILITIES.**

10 Section 1280 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry  
11 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021  
12 (Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat. 3982; 22 U.S.C. 8606  
13 note) is amended—

14 (1) in subsection (d), in the first sentence—

15 (A) by inserting “acting through the  
16 Under Secretary of Defense for Research and  
17 Engineering,” after “the Secretary of De-  
18 fense,”; and

19 (B) by striking “may establish a program”  
20 and inserting “is authorized”; and

21 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
22 section:

23 “(e) NOTIFICATION.—

24 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days  
25 after the date of the enactment of this subsection,  
26 the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and

1       Engineering shall submit to the appropriate commit-  
2       tees of Congress an assessment detailing—

3               “(A) the most promising directed energy  
4               missile defense technologies available for co-de-  
5               velopment with the Government of Israel;

6               “(B) any risks relating to the implementa-  
7               tion of a directed energy missile defense tech-  
8               nology co-development program with the Gov-  
9               ernment of Israel;

10              “(C) an anticipated spending plan for fis-  
11              cal year 2024 funding authorized by the Na-  
12              tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
13              Year 2024 to carry out this section; and

14              “(D) initial projections for likely funding  
15              requirements to carry out a directed energy  
16              missile defense technology co-development pro-  
17              gram with the Government of Israel over the  
18              five fiscal years beginning after the date of the  
19              enactment this subsection, as applicable.

20              “(2) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS  
21              DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term ‘appropriate  
22              committees of Congress’ means—

23                      “(A) the Committee on Armed Services,  
24                      the Committee on Appropriations, and the

1 Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate;  
2 and

3 “(B) the Committee on Armed Services,  
4 the Committee on Appropriations, and the  
5 Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of  
6 Representatives.”.

7 **SEC. 1255. ENSURING PEACE THROUGH STRENGTH IN**  
8 **ISRAEL.**

9 (a) EXTENSION OF AUTHORITIES.—

10 (1) WAR RESERVES STOCKPILE AUTHORITY.—  
11 Section 12001(d) of the Department of Defense Ap-  
12 propriations Act, 2005 (Public Law 108–287; 118  
13 Stat. 1011) is amended by striking “September 30,  
14 2025” and inserting “January 1, 2027”.

15 (2) RULES GOVERNING THE TRANSFER OF PRE-  
16 CISION-GUIDED MUNITIONS TO ISRAEL ABOVE THE  
17 ANNUAL RESTRICTION.—Section 1275(e) of the Wil-  
18 liam M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Author-  
19 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–  
20 283; 134 Stat. 3980; 22 U.S.C. 2321h note) is  
21 amended by striking “on the date that is three years  
22 after the date of the enactment of this Act” and in-  
23 serting “on January 1, 2027”.

1 (b) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ASSESSMENT OF  
2 TYPE AND QUANTITY OF PRECISION-GUIDED MUNITIONS  
3 AND OTHER MUNITIONS FOR USE BY ISRAEL.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
5 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and an-  
6 nually thereafter through December 31, 2027, the  
7 Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Sec-  
8 retary of State, shall conduct an assessment with re-  
9 spect to the following:

10 (A) The current quantity and type of pre-  
11 cision-guided munitions in the stockpile pursu-  
12 ant to section 12001(d) of the Department of  
13 Defense Appropriations Act, 2005 (Public Law  
14 108–287; 118 Stat. 1011).

15 (B) The quantity and type of precision-  
16 guided munitions necessary for Israel to protect  
17 its homeland and counter Hezbollah, Hamas,  
18 Palestinian Islamic Jihad, or any other armed  
19 terror group or hostile forces in the region in  
20 the event of a sustained armed confrontation.

21 (C) The quantity and type of other muni-  
22 tions necessary for Israel to protect its home-  
23 land and counter Hezbollah, Hamas, Pales-  
24 tinian Islamic Jihad, or any other armed group

1 or hostile forces in the region in the event of a  
2 sustained armed confrontation.

3 (D) The quantity and type of munitions,  
4 including precision-guided munitions, necessary  
5 for Israel to protect its homeland and counter  
6 any combination of Hezbollah, Hamas, Pales-  
7 tinian Islamic Jihad, and any other armed ter-  
8 ror groups or hostile forces in the region in the  
9 event of a multi-front, sustained armed con-  
10 frontation.

11 (E) The resources the Government of  
12 Israel would need to dedicate to acquire the  
13 quantity and type of munitions, including preci-  
14 sion-guided munitions, described in subpara-  
15 graphs (B) through (D).

16 (F) Whether, as of the date on which the  
17 applicable assessment is completed, sufficient  
18 quantities and types of munitions, including  
19 precision-guided munitions, to conduct oper-  
20 ations described in subparagraphs (B) through  
21 (D) are present in—

22 (i) the inventory of the military forces  
23 of Israel;

24 (ii) the War Reserves Stock Allies-  
25 Israel;

1 (iii) any other United States stockpile  
2 or depot within the area of responsibility of  
3 United States Central Command, as the  
4 Secretary considers appropriate to disclose  
5 to the Government of Israel; or

6 (iv) the inventory of the United States  
7 Armed Forces, as the Secretary considers  
8 appropriate to disclose to the Government  
9 of Israel.

10 (G) The current inventory of such muni-  
11 tions, including precision-guided munitions, pos-  
12 sessed by the United States, and whether, as of  
13 the date on which the applicable assessment is  
14 completed, the United States is assessed to  
15 have sufficient munitions to meet the require-  
16 ments of current operation plans of the United  
17 States or global other munitions requirements.

18 (H) United States planning and steps  
19 being taken—

20 (i) to assist Israel to prepare for the  
21 contingencies, and to conduct the oper-  
22 ations, described in subparagraphs (B)  
23 through (D); and

24 (ii) to resupply Israel with the quan-  
25 tity and type of such munitions described

1 in such subparagraphs in the event of a  
2 sustained armed confrontation described in  
3 such subparagraphs.

4 (I) The quantity and pace at which the  
5 United States is capable of pre-positioning, in-  
6 creasing, stockpiling, or rapidly replenishing, or  
7 assisting in the rapid replenishment of, such  
8 munitions in preparation for, and in the event  
9 of, such a sustained armed confrontation.

10 (2) CONSULTATION.—In carrying out the as-  
11 sessment required by paragraph (1), the Secretary  
12 shall consult with the Israeli Ministry of Defense,  
13 provided that the Israeli Ministry of Defense agrees  
14 to be so consulted.

15 (c) REPORTS.—

16 (1) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ASSESSMENT.—  
17 Not later than 15 days after the date on which each  
18 Department of Defense assessment required by sub-  
19 section (b) is completed, the Secretary shall submit  
20 to the appropriate committees of Congress a report  
21 on such assessment.

22 (2) PRE-POSITIONING AND STOCKPILE IMPLE-  
23 MENTATION REPORT.—Not later than 180 days  
24 after the date on which the report required by para-  
25 graph (1) is submitted, and every 180 days there-

1 after through December 31, 2027, the Secretary  
2 shall submit to the appropriate committees of Con-  
3 gress a report that—

4 (A) details the actions being taken by the  
5 United States, if any, to pre-position, increase,  
6 stockpile, address shortfalls, and otherwise en-  
7 sure that the War Reserves Stock Allies-Israel  
8 has, and assist Israel in ensuring that Israel  
9 has, sufficient quantities and types of muni-  
10 tions, including precision-guided munitions, to  
11 conduct the operations described in subpara-  
12 graphs (B) through (D) of subsection (b)(1);  
13 and

14 (B) includes a description of procedures  
15 implemented by the United States, if any, for  
16 rapidly replenishing, or assisting in the rapid  
17 replenishment of, stockpiles of such munitions  
18 for use by Israel as may be necessary.

19 (3) FORM.—The report required by paragraph  
20 (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may  
21 contain a classified annex.

22 (4) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS  
23 DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “appro-  
24 priate committees of Congress” means—

1 (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations  
2 and the Committee on Armed Services of the  
3 Senate; and

4 (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and  
5 the Committee on Armed Services of the House  
6 of Representatives.

7 (d) CONSOLIDATION OF REPORTS.—

8 (1) Section 1273 of the John S. McCain Na-  
9 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
10 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 132 Stat. 2066) is  
11 amended by striking subsection (b).

12 (2) Section 1275 of the William M. (Mac)  
13 Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for  
14 Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat.  
15 3979; 22 U.S.C. 2321h note) is amended by striking  
16 subsection (d).

17 **SEC. 1256. ASSISTANCE TO ISRAEL FOR AERIAL REFUEL-**  
18 **ING.**

19 (a) TRAINING ISRAELI PILOTS TO OPERATE KC–46  
20 AIRCRAFT.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Air  
22 Force shall—

23 (A) make available sufficient resources and  
24 accommodations within the United States to

1 train members of the Israeli Air Force on the  
2 operation of KC-46 aircraft; and

3 (B) conduct training for members of the  
4 Israeli Air Force, including—

5 (i) training for pilots and crew on the  
6 operation of the KC-46 aircraft in accord-  
7 ance with standards considered sufficient  
8 to conduct coalition operations of the  
9 United States Air Force and the Israeli  
10 Air Force; and

11 (ii) training for ground personnel on  
12 the maintenance and sustainment require-  
13 ments of the KC-46 aircraft considered  
14 sufficient for such operations.

15 (2) UNITED STATES AIR FORCE MILITARY PER-  
16 SONNEL EXCHANGE PROGRAM.—The Secretary of  
17 Defense shall, with respect to members of the Israeli  
18 Air Force associated with the operation of KC-46  
19 aircraft—

20 (A) before the completion of the training  
21 required by paragraph (1)(B), authorize the  
22 participation of such members of the Israeli Air  
23 Force in the United States Air Force Military  
24 Personnel Exchange Program;

1 (B) make available billets in the United  
2 States Air Force Military Personnel Exchange  
3 Program necessary for such members of the  
4 Israeli Air Force to participate in such pro-  
5 gram; and

6 (C) to the extent practicable, ensure that  
7 such members of the Israeli Air Force are able  
8 to participate in the United States Air Force  
9 Military Personnel Exchange Program imme-  
10 diately after such members complete such train-  
11 ing.

12 (3) TERMINATION.—This subsection shall cease  
13 to have effect on the date that is ten years after the  
14 date of the enactment of this Act.

15 (b) BRIEFING.—Not later than 90 days after the date  
16 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
17 shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the  
18 Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing that  
19 includes the following:

20 (1) An assessment of—

21 (A) the current operational requirements  
22 of the Government of Israel for aerial refueling;  
23 and

24 (B) any gaps in current or near-term capa-  
25 bilities.

1           (2) The estimated date of delivery to Israel of  
2           KC-46 aircraft procured by the Government of  
3           Israel.

4           (3) A detailed description of—

5                   (A) any actions the United States Govern-  
6                   ment is taking to expedite the delivery to Israel  
7                   of KC-46 aircraft procured by the Government  
8                   of Israel, while minimizing adverse impacts to  
9                   United States defense readiness, including stra-  
10                  tegic forces readiness;

11                   (B) any additional actions the United  
12                   States Government could take to expedite such  
13                   delivery; and

14                   (C) additional authorities Congress could  
15                   provide to help expedite such delivery.

16           (4) A description of the availability of any  
17           United States aerial refueling tanker aircraft that is  
18           retired or is expected to be retired during the two-  
19           year period beginning on the date of the enactment  
20           of this Act that could be provided to Israel.

21           (c) COSTS AND BENEFITS OF FORWARD DEPLOY-  
22           MENT OF UNITED STATES KC-46 AIRCRAFT TO  
23           ISRAEL.—

24           (1) BRIEFING.—Not later than 90 days after  
25           the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary

1 of Defense shall provide to the Committees on  
2 Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Rep-  
3 resentatives a briefing that describes the costs and  
4 benefits of forward deploying KC-46 aircraft to  
5 Israel.

6 (2) PRESENCE.—The Secretary of Defense, in  
7 consultation with the Secretary of State, shall con-  
8 sult with the Government of Israel to determine the  
9 advisability and practicality of the Government of  
10 Israel hosting rotational deployments of United  
11 States KC-46 aircraft to Israel.

12 **SEC. 1257. RULES GOVERNING TRANSFER OF AERIAL RE-**  
13 **FUELING TANKERS TO ISRAEL.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 514(b)  
15 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C.  
16 2321h(b)), and subject to subsections (b) and (c) of this  
17 section, the President, acting through the Secretary of De-  
18 fense, may transfer to Israel one or more retired United  
19 States aerial refueling tankers, any United States aerial  
20 refueling tanker that the Secretary of Defense plans to  
21 retire during the two-year period beginning on the date  
22 of the enactment of this Act, or any other United States  
23 aerial refueling tanker the President considers appro-  
24 priate, consistent with—

1           (1) all other requirements set forth in the For-  
2           eign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2151 et  
3           seq.); and

4           (2) the requirements set forth in the Arms Ex-  
5           port Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.).

6           (b) CONDITIONS.—Except in the case of an emer-  
7           gency, as determined by the President, a transfer under  
8           subsection (a) may only occur if the transfer—

9           (1) does not affect the ability of the United  
10          States to maintain a sufficient aerial refueling ca-  
11          pacity to satisfy United States warfighting require-  
12          ments;

13          (2) does not harm the combat readiness of the  
14          United States;

15          (3) does not affect the ability of the United  
16          States to meet its commitments to allies with respect  
17          to the transfer of aerial refueling capacity; and

18          (4) is in the national security interest of the  
19          United States.

20          (c) CERTIFICATION.—

21          (1) IN GENERAL.—Except in the case of an  
22          emergency, as determined by the President, not later  
23          than 15 days before making a transfer under sub-  
24          section (a), the Secretary of Defense shall certify to  
25          the appropriate congressional committees that the

1 transfer meets the conditions specified in subsection  
2 (b).

3 (2) EMERGENCIES.—In the case of an emer-  
4 gency, as determined by the President, not later  
5 than five days after making a transfer under sub-  
6 section (a), the President shall—

7 (A) certify to the appropriate congressional  
8 committees that the transfer supports the na-  
9 tional security interests of the United States;  
10 and

11 (B) provide to the appropriate congres-  
12 sional committees an assessment of the impacts,  
13 risks, and mitigation measures with respect to  
14 the matters referred to in paragraphs (1)  
15 through (4) of subsection (b).

16 (d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES  
17 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate con-  
18 gressional committees” means—

19 (1) the Committee on Armed Services and the  
20 Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep-  
21 resentatives; and

22 (2) the Committee on Armed Services and the  
23 Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate.

24 **SEC. 1258. REPORT.**

25 (a) REPORT.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
2           after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
3           retary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report  
4           on whether any products sold at commissary or ex-  
5           change stores in fiscal years 2021 or 2022 were pro-  
6           duced by companies described in paragraph (2) that  
7           have participated in a boycott action against the  
8           State of Israel.

9           (2) COMPANIES DESCRIBED.—The companies  
10          described in this paragraph are companies that have  
11          entered into a contract with the Department of De-  
12          fense to sell products described in paragraph (1) the  
13          total value of which exceeds \$10,000,000.

14          (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—Congress is concerned  
15          about the antisemitic efforts of the Boycott, Divestment,  
16          and Sanctions (BDS) movement against the State of  
17          Israel, including its efforts to delegitimize, isolate, and ul-  
18          timately destroy the Jewish state.

19          (c) DEFINITION.—In subsection (a), the term “boy-  
20          cott action against the State of Israel” means engaging  
21          in a boycott action targeting the State of Israel, companies  
22          or individuals doing business in or with the State of Israel,  
23          or companies authorized by, licensed by, or organized  
24          under the laws of the State of Israel to do business.

1       **Subtitle E—Matters Relating to**  
2       **Syria, Iraq, Iran, and Afghanistan**

3       **SEC. 1261. MIDDLE EAST INTEGRATED MARITIME DOMAIN**  
4                   **AWARENESS AND INTERDICTION CAPA-**  
5                   **BILITY.**

6           (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, using  
7 existing authorities, shall seek to build upon the incorpora-  
8 tion of Israel into the area of responsibility of the United  
9 States Central Command to develop a Middle East inte-  
10 grated maritime domain awareness and interdiction capa-  
11 bility for the purpose of protecting the people, infrastruc-  
12 ture, and territory of such countries from—

13               (1) manned and unmanned naval systems, un-  
14 dersea warfare capabilities, and anti-ship missiles of  
15 Iran and groups affiliated with Iran; and

16               (2) violent extremist organizations, criminal  
17 networks, and piracy activities that threaten lawful  
18 commerce in the waterways within the area of re-  
19 sponsibility of the United States Naval Forces Cen-  
20 tral Command.

21           (b) STRATEGY.—

22               (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after  
23 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
24 of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of  
25 State, shall submit to the appropriate committees of

1 Congress a strategy for the cooperation described in  
2 subsection (a).

3 (2) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The strategy  
4 required by paragraph (1) shall include the fol-  
5 lowing:

6 (A) An assessment of the threats posed to  
7 ally or partner countries in the Middle East  
8 by—

9 (i) manned and unmanned naval sys-  
10 tems, undersea warfare capabilities, and  
11 anti-ship missiles of Iran and groups affili-  
12 ated with Iran; and

13 (ii) violent extremist organizations,  
14 criminal networks, and piracy activities  
15 that threaten lawful commerce in the wa-  
16 terways within the area of responsibility of  
17 the United States Naval Forces Central  
18 Command.

19 (B) A description of existing multilateral  
20 maritime partnerships currently led by the  
21 United States Naval Forces Central Command,  
22 including the Combined Maritime Forces (in-  
23 cluding its associated Task Forces 150, 151,  
24 152, and 153), the International Maritime Se-  
25 curity Construct, and the Navy's Task Force

1           59, and a discussion of the role of such partner-  
2           ships in building an integrated maritime secu-  
3           rity capability.

4           (C) A description of progress made in ad-  
5           vancing the integration of Israel into the exist-  
6           ing multilateral maritime partnerships de-  
7           scribed in subparagraph (B).

8           (D) A description of efforts among coun-  
9           tries in the Middle East to coordinate intel-  
10          ligence, reconnaissance, and surveillance capa-  
11          bilities and indicators and warnings with re-  
12          spect to the threats described in subparagraph  
13          (A), and a description of any impediment to op-  
14          timizing such efforts.

15          (E) A description of the current Depart-  
16          ment of Defense systems that, in coordination  
17          with ally and partner countries in the Middle  
18          East—

19                 (i) provide awareness of and defend  
20                 against such threats; and

21                 (ii) address current capability gaps.

22          (F) An explanation of the manner in which  
23          an integrated maritime domain awareness and  
24          interdiction architecture would improve collec-  
25          tive security in the Middle East.

1 (G) A description of existing and planned  
2 efforts to engage ally and partner countries in  
3 the Middle East in establishing such an archi-  
4 tecture.

5 (H) An identification of the elements of  
6 such an architecture that may be acquired and  
7 operated by ally and partner countries in the  
8 Middle East, and a list of such elements for  
9 each such ally and partner.

10 (I) An identification of the elements of  
11 such an architecture that may only be provided  
12 and operated by members of the United States  
13 Armed Forces.

14 (J) An identification of any challenge to  
15 optimizing such an architecture in the Middle  
16 East.

17 (K) An assessment of progress and key  
18 challenges in the implementation of the strategy  
19 required by paragraph (1) using the metrics  
20 identified in accordance with paragraph (3).

21 (L) Recommendations for improvements in  
22 the implementation of such strategy based on  
23 such metrics.

24 (M) An assessment of any capabilities or  
25 lessons from the Navy's Task Force 59 that

1           may be leveraged to support an integrated mar-  
2           itime domain awareness and interdiction capa-  
3           bility in the Middle East.

4           (N) A cost estimate of establishing an inte-  
5           grated maritime domain awareness and inter-  
6           diction capability, and an assessment of the re-  
7           sources that could be contributed by ally and  
8           partner countries of the United States to estab-  
9           lish and strengthen such capability.

10          (O) Any other matter the Secretary of De-  
11          fense considers relevant.

12          (3) METRICS.—The Secretary of Defense shall  
13          identify metrics to assess progress in the implemen-  
14          tation of the strategy required by paragraph (1).

15          (4) FORMAT.—The strategy required by para-  
16          graph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but  
17          may include a classified annex.

18          (c) PROTECTION OF SENSITIVE INFORMATION.—Any  
19          activity carried out under this section shall be conducted  
20          in a manner that appropriately protects sensitive informa-  
21          tion and the national security interests of the United  
22          States.

23          (d) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DE-  
24          FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate commit-  
25          tees of Congress” means—

1 (1) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
2 Committee on Appropriations, and the Committee on  
3 Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

4 (2) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
5 Committee on Appropriations, and the Committee on  
6 Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

7 **SEC. 1262. MODIFICATION OF ESTABLISHMENT OF COORDI-**  
8 **NATOR FOR DETAINED ISIS MEMBERS AND**  
9 **RELEVANT POPULATIONS IN SYRIA.**

10 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

11 (1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-  
12 GRESS.—The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
13 gress” means—

14 (A) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
15 Committee on Foreign Relations, the Com-  
16 mittee on the Judiciary, the Committee on  
17 Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, the Se-  
18 lect Committee on Intelligence, and the Com-  
19 mittee on Appropriations of the Senate; and

20 (B) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
21 Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee  
22 on the Judiciary, the Committee on Financial  
23 Services, the Permanent Select Committee on  
24 Intelligence, and the Committee on Appropria-  
25 tions of the House of Representatives.

1           (2) ISIS MEMBER.—The term “ISIS member”  
2 means a person who was part of, or substantially  
3 supported, the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria.

4           (3) SENIOR COORDINATOR.—The term “Senior  
5 Coordinator” means the coordinator for detained  
6 ISIS members and relevant displaced populations in  
7 Syria designated under subsection (a) of section  
8 1224 of the National Defense Authorization Act for  
9 Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 133 Stat.  
10 1642), as amended by subsection (d).

11          (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—

12           It is the sense of Congress that—

13           (A) ISIS detainees held by the Syrian  
14 Democratic Forces and ISIS-affiliated individ-  
15 uals located within displaced persons camps in  
16 Syria pose a significant and growing humani-  
17 tarian challenge and security threat to the re-  
18 gion;

19           (B) the vast majority of individuals held in  
20 displaced persons camps in Syria are women  
21 and children, approximately 50 percent of  
22 whom are under the age of 12 at the al-Hol  
23 camp, and they face significant threats of vio-  
24 lence and radicalization, as well as lacking ac-

1           cess to adequate sanitation and health care fa-  
2           cilities;

3           (C) there is an urgent need to seek a sus-  
4           tainable solution to such camps through repa-  
5           triation and reintegration of the inhabitants;

6           (D) the United States should work closely  
7           with international allies and partners to facili-  
8           tate the repatriation and reintegration efforts  
9           required to provide a long-term solution for  
10          such camps and prevent the resurgence of ISIS;  
11          and

12          (E) if left unaddressed, such camps will  
13          continue to be drivers of instability that jeop-  
14          ardize the long-term prospects for peace and  
15          stability in the region.

16          (c) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the  
17          United States that—

18               (1) ISIS-affiliated individuals located within  
19               displacement camps in Syria, and other inhabitants  
20               of displacement camps in Syria, be repatriated and,  
21               where appropriate, prosecuted, or where possible, re-  
22               integrated into their country of origin, consistent  
23               with all relevant domestic laws and applicable inter-  
24               national laws prohibiting refoulement; and

1           (2) the camps will be closed as soon as is prac-  
2           ticable.

3           (d) MODIFICATION OF ESTABLISHMENT OF COORDI-  
4           NATOR FOR DETAINED ISIS MEMBERS AND RELEVANT  
5           DISPLACED POPULATIONS IN SYRIA.—Section 1224 of the  
6           National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020  
7           (Public Law 116–92; 133 Stat. 1642) is amended—

8           (1) by striking subsection (a);

9           (2) by amending subsection (b) to read as fol-  
10          lows:

11          “(a) DESIGNATION.—

12           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The President, in consulta-  
13           tion with the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of  
14           State, the Director of National Intelligence, the Sec-  
15           retary of the Treasury, the Administrator of the  
16           United States Agency for International Develop-  
17           ment, and the Attorney General, shall designate an  
18           existing official to serve within the executive branch  
19           as senior-level coordinator to coordinate, in conjunc-  
20           tion with other relevant agencies, matters related to  
21           ISIS members who are in the custody of the Syrian  
22           Democratic Forces and other relevant displaced pop-  
23           ulations in Syria, including—

24           “(A) by engaging foreign partners to sup-  
25           port the repatriation and disposition of such in-

1           dividuals, including by encouraging foreign  
2           partners to repatriate, transfer, investigate, and  
3           prosecute such ISIS members, and share infor-  
4           mation;

5           “(B) coordination of all multilateral and  
6           international engagements led by the Depart-  
7           ment of State and other agencies that are re-  
8           lated to the current and future handling, deten-  
9           tion, and prosecution of such ISIS members;

10          “(C) the funding and coordination of the  
11          provision of technical and other assistance to  
12          foreign countries to aid in the successful inves-  
13          tigation and prosecution of such ISIS members,  
14          as appropriate, in accordance with relevant do-  
15          mestic laws, international humanitarian law,  
16          and other internationally recognized human  
17          rights and rule of law standards;

18          “(D) coordination of all multilateral and  
19          international engagements related to humani-  
20          tarian access and provision of basic services to,  
21          and freedom of movement and security and safe  
22          return of, displaced persons at camps or facili-  
23          ties in Syria that hold family members of such  
24          ISIS members;

1           “(E) coordination with relevant agencies  
2           on matters described in this section; and

3           “(F) any other matter the President con-  
4           siders relevant.

5           “(2) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—If, on the date  
6           of the enactment of the National Defense Authoriza-  
7           tion Act for Fiscal Year 2024, an individual has al-  
8           ready been designated, consistent with the require-  
9           ments and responsibilities described in paragraph  
10          (1), the requirements under that paragraph shall be  
11          considered to be satisfied with respect to such indi-  
12          vidual until the date on which such individual no  
13          longer serves as the Senior Coordinator.”;

14          (3) in subsection (c), by striking “subsection  
15          (b)” and inserting “subsection (a)”;

16          (4) in subsection (d), by striking “subsection  
17          (b)” and inserting “subsection (a)”;

18          (5) in subsection (e), by striking “January 31,  
19          2021” and inserting “January 31, 2025”;

20          (6) in subsection (f)—

21                  (A) by redesignating paragraph (2) as  
22                  paragraph (3);

23                  (B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the  
24                  following new paragraph (2):

1           “(2) SENIOR COORDINATOR.—The term ‘Senior  
2           Coordinator’ means the individual designated under  
3           subsection (a).”; and

4           (C) by adding at the end the following new  
5           paragraph:

6           “(4) RELEVANT AGENCIES.—The term ‘relevant  
7           agencies’ means—

8           “(A) the Department of State;

9           “(B) the Department of Defense;

10           “(C) the Department of the Treasury;

11           “(D) the Department of Justice;

12           “(E) the United States Agency for Inter-  
13           national Development;

14           “(F) the Office of the Director of National  
15           Intelligence; and

16           “(G) any other agency the President con-  
17           siders relevant.”; and

18           (7) by redesignating subsections (e) through (f)  
19           as subsections (b) through (e), respectively.

20           (e) STRATEGY ON ISIS-RELATED DETAINEE AND  
21           DISPLACEMENT CAMPS IN SYRIA.—

22           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
23           after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
24           retary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of  
25           Defense, the Director of National Intelligence, the

1 Secretary of the Treasury, the Administrator of the  
2 United States Agency for International Develop-  
3 ment, and the Attorney General, shall submit to the  
4 appropriate committees of Congress an interagency  
5 strategy with respect to ISIS-affiliated individuals  
6 and ISIS-related detainee and other displaced per-  
7 sons camps in Syria.

8 (2) ELEMENTS.—The strategy required by  
9 paragraph (1) shall include—

10 (A) methods to address—

11 (i) disengagement from and preven-  
12 tion of recruitment into violence, violent  
13 extremism, and other illicit activity in such  
14 camps;

15 (ii) efforts to encourage and facilitate  
16 repatriation and, as appropriate, investiga-  
17 tion and prosecution of foreign nationals  
18 from such camps, consistent with all rel-  
19 evant domestic and applicable international  
20 laws;

21 (iii) the return and reintegration of  
22 displaced Syrian and Iraqi women and  
23 children into their communities of origin;

24 (iv) international engagement to de-  
25 velop processes for repatriation and re-

1 integration of foreign nationals from such  
2 camps;

3 (v) contingency plans for the reloca-  
4 tion of detained and displaced persons who  
5 are not able to be repatriated from such  
6 camps;

7 (vi) efforts to improve the humani-  
8 tarian conditions in such camps, including  
9 through the delivery of medicine, psycho-  
10 social support, clothing, education, and im-  
11 proved housing; and

12 (vii) assessed humanitarian and secu-  
13 rity needs of all camps and detainment fa-  
14 cilities based on prioritization of such  
15 camps and facilities most at risk of hu-  
16 manitarian crises, external attacks, or in-  
17 ternal violence;

18 (B) an assessment of—

19 (i) rehabilitation centers in northeast  
20 Syria, including humanitarian conditions  
21 and processes for admittance and efforts to  
22 improve both humanitarian conditions and  
23 admittance processes for such centers and  
24 camps, as well as on the prevention of  
25 youth radicalization; and

1 (ii) processes for being sent to, and  
2 resources directed towards, rehabilitation  
3 centers and programs in countries that re-  
4 ceive returned ISIS affiliated individuals,  
5 with a focus on the prevention of  
6 radicalization of minor children;

7 (C) a plan to improve, in such camps—

8 (i) security conditions, including by  
9 training of personnel and through con-  
10 struction; and

11 (ii) humanitarian conditions;

12 (D) a framework for measuring progress of  
13 humanitarian, security, and repatriation efforts  
14 with the goal of closing such camps; and

15 (E) any other matter the Secretary of  
16 State considers appropriate.

17 (3) FORM.—The strategy required by para-  
18 graph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but  
19 may include a classified annex that is transmitted  
20 separately.

21 (f) ANNUAL INTERAGENCY REPORT.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
23 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and not  
24 less frequently than annually thereafter through  
25 January 31, 2025, the Senior Coordinator, in co-

1 ordination with the relevant agencies, shall submit to  
2 the appropriate committees of Congress a detailed  
3 report that includes the following:

4 (A) A detailed description of the facilities  
5 and camps where detained ISIS members, and  
6 families with perceived ISIS affiliation, are  
7 being held and housed, including—

8 (i) a description of the security and  
9 management of such facilities and camps;

10 (ii) an assessment of resources re-  
11 quired for the security of such facilities  
12 and camps;

13 (iii) an assessment of the adherence  
14 by the operators of such facilities and  
15 camps to international humanitarian law  
16 standards; and

17 (iv) an assessment of children held  
18 within such facilities and camps that may  
19 be used as part of smuggling operations to  
20 evade security at the facilities and camps.

21 (B) A description of all efforts undertaken  
22 by, and the resources needed for, the United  
23 States Government to address deficits in the  
24 humanitarian environment and security of such  
25 facilities and camps.

- 1 (C) A description of all multilateral and  
2 international engagements related to humani-  
3 tarian access and provision of basic services to,  
4 and freedom of movement and security and safe  
5 return of, displaced persons at camps or facili-  
6 ties in Iraq, Syria, and any other area affected  
7 by ISIS activity, including a description of—
- 8 (i) support for efforts by the Syrian  
9 Democratic Forces to facilitate the return  
10 and reintegration of displaced people from  
11 Iraq and Syria;
- 12 (ii) repatriation efforts with respect to  
13 displaced women and children and male  
14 children aging into adults while held in  
15 these facilities and camps;
- 16 (iii) any current or future potential  
17 threat to United States national security  
18 interests posed by detained ISIS members  
19 or displaced families, including an analysis  
20 of the al-Hol camp and annexes; and
- 21 (iv) United States Government plans  
22 and strategies to respond to any threat  
23 identified under clause (iii).

1 (D) The number of individuals repatriated  
2 from the custody of the Syrian Democratic  
3 Forces.

4 (E) An analysis of factors on the ground  
5 in Syria and Iraq that may result in the unin-  
6 tended release of detained or displaced ISIS  
7 members, and an assessment of any measures  
8 available to mitigate such releases.

9 (F) A detailed description of efforts to en-  
10 courage the final disposition and security of de-  
11 tained or displaced ISIS members with other  
12 countries and international organizations.

13 (G) A description of foreign repatriation  
14 and rehabilitation programs deemed successful  
15 systems to model, and an analysis of the long-  
16 term results of such programs.

17 (H) A description of the manner in which  
18 the United States Government communicates  
19 regarding repatriation and disposition efforts  
20 with the families of United States citizens be-  
21 lieved to have been victims of a criminal act by  
22 a detained or displaced ISIS member, in ac-  
23 cordance with section 503(c) of the Victims'  
24 Rights and Restitution Act of 1990 (34 U.S.C.

1           20141(c)) and section 3771 of title 18, United  
2           States Code.

3           (I) An analysis of all efforts between the  
4           United States and partner countries within the  
5           Global Coalition to Defeat ISIS or other coun-  
6           tries to share related information that may aid  
7           in resolving the final disposition of ISIS mem-  
8           bers, and any obstacles that may hinder such  
9           efforts.

10          (J) Any other matter the Coordinator con-  
11          siders appropriate.

12          (2) FORM.—The report required by paragraph  
13          (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may  
14          include a classified annex that is transmitted sepa-  
15          rately.

16          (g) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
17          tion, or an amendment made by this section, may be con-  
18          strued—

19                 (1) to limit the authority of any Federal agency  
20                 to independently carry out the authorized functions  
21                 of such agency; or

22                 (2) to impair or otherwise affect the activities  
23                 performed by that agency as granted by law.

1 **SEC. 1263. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY**  
2 **TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO COUNTER THE**  
3 **ISLAMIC STATE OF IRAQ AND SYRIA.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Subsection (a) of section 1236 of  
5 the Carl Levin and Howard P. “Buck” McKeon National  
6 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Public  
7 Law 113–291; 128 Stat. 3559) is amended, in the matter  
8 preceding paragraph (1)—

9 (1) by striking “\$4,000,000” and inserting  
10 “\$6,000,000”; and

11 (2) by striking “December 31, 2023” and in-  
12 serting “December 31, 2024”.

13 (b) **FUNDING.**—Subsection (g) of such section is  
14 amended by striking “Overseas Contingency Operations  
15 for fiscal year 2023, there are authorized to be appro-  
16 priated \$358,000,000” and inserting “fiscal year 2024,  
17 there is authorized to be appropriated \$241,950,000”.

18 (c) **LIMITATION ON COST OF CONSTRUCTION, RE-**  
19 **PAIR, AND RENOVATION PROJECTS.**—Subsection (o) of  
20 such section is amended—

21 (1) in paragraph (1)—

22 (A) by striking “(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The  
23 President” and inserting “(1) **AUTHORITY OF**  
24 **PRESIDENT.**—The President”; and

25 (B) by striking “paragraph (2)” and in-  
26 serting “paragraph (3)”;

1           (2) by redesignating paragraphs (2), (3), (4),  
2           and (5) as paragraphs (3), (4), (5), and (6), respec-  
3           tively;

4           (3) by inserting after paragraph (1) (as so  
5           amended) the following:

6           “(2) AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY OF DE-  
7           FENSE.—

8           “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of De-  
9           fense may further adjust the total cost of a  
10          project subsequent to a waiver by the President  
11          of the dollar amount limitation in subsection (a)  
12          if—

13                 “(i) such total cost does not exceed  
14                 the sum of—

15                         “(I) the cost estimate for the  
16                         project as required by paragraph  
17                         (4)(B)(i) that is included in the notifi-  
18                         cation submitted by the President  
19                         pursuant to such waiver; and

20                         “(II) the amount that is 50 per-  
21                         cent of such cost estimate; and

22                         “(ii) the Secretary submits to the ap-  
23                         propriate congressional committees a noti-  
24                         fication of the exercise of the adjustment.

1           “(B) SCOPE.—The Secretary may modify  
2           the scope of a project subsequent to a waiver by  
3           the President of the dollar amount limitation in  
4           subsection (a) if the Secretary submits to the  
5           appropriate congressional committees a notifica-  
6           tion of the exercise of the modification.”;

7           (4) in paragraph (4) (as so redesignated)—

8           (A) in subparagraph (A), by adding at the  
9           end the following: “A project with respect to  
10          which the exercise of a further adjustment to  
11          the total cost of the project under paragraph  
12          (2)(A) applies or with respect to which the exer-  
13          cise of a modification to the scope of the project  
14          under paragraph (2)(B) applies may only be  
15          carried out after the end of a 15-day period be-  
16          ginning on the date on which the appropriate  
17          congressional committees receive the notifica-  
18          tion required by paragraph (2)(A) or (2)(B), as  
19          the case may be.”; and

20          (B) in subparagraph (B), in the matter  
21          preceding clause (i), by inserting “, (2)(A), or  
22          (2)(B)” after “(1)(B)”;

23          (5) in paragraph (6) (as so redesignated)—

24          (A) by striking “waiver authority” and in-  
25          serting “waiver and other authorities”; and

1 (B) by striking “December 31, 2023” and  
2 inserting “December 31, 2024”.

3 **SEC. 1264. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY**  
4 **TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO VETTED SYRIAN**  
5 **GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS.**

6 (a) EXTENSION.—Subsection (a) of section 1209 of  
7 the Carl Levin and Howard P. “Buck” McKeon National  
8 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Public  
9 Law 113–291; 128 Stat. 3541) is amended, in the matter  
10 preceding paragraph (1), by striking “December 31,  
11 2023” and inserting “December 31, 2024”.

12 (b) LIMITATION ON COST OF CONSTRUCTION AND  
13 REPAIR PROJECTS.—Subsection (l) of such section is  
14 amended—

15 (1) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking  
16 “\$4,000,000” and inserting “\$6,000,000”; and

17 (2) in paragraph (3)—

18 (A) by striking “(A) IN GENERAL.—The  
19 President” and inserting “(A) AUTHORITY OF  
20 PRESIDENT.—The President”;

21 (B) by redesignating subparagraphs (B),  
22 (C), and (D) as subparagraphs (C), (D), and  
23 (E), respectively;

24 (C) by inserting after subparagraph (A)  
25 (as so amended) the following:

1           “(B) AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY OF DE-  
2 FENSE.—

3           “(i) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of  
4 Defense may further adjust the total cost  
5 of a project subsequent to a waiver by the  
6 President of the limitation under para-  
7 graph (1)(A) if—

8           “(I) such total cost does not ex-  
9 ceed the sum of—

10           “(aa) the cost estimate for  
11 the project as required by sub-  
12 paragraph (C)(ii)(I) that is in-  
13 cluded in the notification sub-  
14 mitted by the President pursuant  
15 to such waiver; and

16           “(bb) the amount that is 50  
17 percent of such cost estimate;  
18 and

19           “(II) the Secretary submits to  
20 the appropriate congressional commit-  
21 tees a notification of the exercise of  
22 the adjustment.

23           “(ii) SCOPE.—The Secretary may  
24 modify the scope of a project subsequent to  
25 a waiver by the President of the limitation

1 under paragraph (1)(A) if the Secretary  
2 submits to the appropriate congressional  
3 committees a notification of the exercise of  
4 the modification.”;

5 (D) in subparagraph (C) (as so redesign-  
6 nated)—

7 (i) in clause (i), by adding at the end  
8 the following: “A project with respect to  
9 which the exercise of a further adjustment  
10 to the total cost of the project under sub-  
11 subparagraph (B)(i) applies or with respect to  
12 which the exercise of a modification to the  
13 scope of the project under subparagraph  
14 (B)(ii) applies may only be carried out  
15 after the end of a 15-day period beginning  
16 on the date on which the appropriate con-  
17 gressional committees receive the notifica-  
18 tion required by subparagraph (B)(i) or  
19 (B)(ii), as the case may be.”; and

20 (ii) in clause (ii), in the matter pre-  
21 ceding subclause (I), by inserting “, (B)(i),  
22 or (B)(ii)” after “(A)(ii)”;

23 (E) in subparagraph (E) (as so redesign-  
24 nated)—

1 (i) by striking “waiver authority” and  
2 inserting “waiver and other authorities”;  
3 and

4 (ii) by striking “December 31, 2023”  
5 and inserting “December 31, 2024”.

6 **SEC. 1265. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO SUPPORT OPER-**  
7 **ATIONS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE OFFICE OF**  
8 **SECURITY COOPERATION IN IRAQ.**

9 (a) LIMITATION ON AMOUNT.—Subsection (c) of sec-  
10 tion 1215 of the National Defense Authorization Act for  
11 Fiscal Year 2012 (10 U.S.C. 113 note) is amended—

12 (1) by striking “fiscal year 2022” and inserting  
13 “fiscal year 2024”; and

14 (2) by striking “\$25,000,000” and inserting  
15 “\$18,000,000”.

16 (b) SOURCE OF FUNDS.—Subsection (d) of such sec-  
17 tion is amended by striking “fiscal year 2023” and insert-  
18 ing “fiscal year 2024”.

19 **SEC. 1266. PLAN OF ACTION TO EQUIP AND TRAIN IRAQI SE-**  
20 **CURITY FORCES AND KURDISH PESHMERGA**  
21 **FORCES.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than February 1, 2024,  
23 the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Sec-  
24 retary of State, shall develop a plan of action to equip  
25 and train Iraqi security forces and Kurdish Peshmerga

1 forces to defend against attack by missiles, rockets, and  
2 unmanned systems. The plan of action shall be based on  
3 and informed by the results of the report submitted by  
4 the Secretary of Defense pursuant to section 1237 of the  
5 James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for  
6 Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2839).

7 (b) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The plan required  
8 by subsection (a) shall include the following:

9 (1) The provision of available equipment to Iraq  
10 and the Iraqi Kurdistan Region to counter the air  
11 and missile threats addressed in the report, to in-  
12 clude air defense systems, to counter attack by mis-  
13 siles, rockets, and unmanned systems.

14 (2) The provision of appropriate training of  
15 Iraqi security forces and Kurdish Peshmerga forces  
16 to support fielding and operational employment of  
17 the available equipment described in paragraph (1).

18 (c) IMPLEMENTATION.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense  
20 shall begin implementation of the plan required by  
21 subsection (a) not later than 90 days after develop-  
22 ment of the plan required by subsection (a).

23 (2) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may  
24 delay implementation of the plan required by sub-

1 section (a) if such implementation would adversely  
2 impact United States stocks and readiness.

3 (3) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—If the  
4 Secretary of Defense exercises the waiver authority  
5 under paragraph (2), the Secretary shall—

6 (A) notify the congressional defense com-  
7 mittees of the exercise of such authority and  
8 the reason therefor not later than 10 days prior  
9 to the exercise of such authority; and

10 (B) notify the congressional defense com-  
11 mittees of the exercise of such authority every  
12 30 days thereafter until implementation of the  
13 plan required by subsection (a) begins.

14 (d) CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFING.—Not later than July  
15 1, 2024, the Secretary of Defense should provide to the  
16 congressional defense committees a briefing on progress  
17 of the air defense equipping and training effort against  
18 the air and missile threat to Iraq, including in the Iraqi  
19 Kurdistan Region.

20 **SEC. 1267. PROHIBITION ON TRANSFERS TO THE BADR OR-**  
21 **GANIZATION.**

22 None of the amounts authorized to be appropriated  
23 by this Act or otherwise made available to the Department  
24 of Defense may be made available, directly or indirectly,  
25 to the Badr Organization.

1 **SEC. 1268. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF ANNUAL RE-**  
2 **PORT ON MILITARY POWER OF IRAN.**

3 (a) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—Subsection (b) of  
4 section 1245 of the National Defense Authorization Act  
5 for Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111–84) is amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (2)(D), by inserting after  
7 “Iran’s conventional forces” the following: “and  
8 Iran’s unconventional or parallel military forces”;

9 (2) in paragraph (4)—

10 (A) in subparagraph (B), by striking “mis-  
11 sile launch sites” and inserting “missile launch  
12 and storage sites”;

13 (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking “;  
14 and” at the end;

15 (C) in subparagraph (D), by striking the  
16 period at the end and inserting a semicolon;  
17 and

18 (D) by adding at the end the following:

19 “(E) an assessment of Iran’s space launch  
20 vehicle program and the ability of Iran to use  
21 those technologies to develop and field an inter-  
22 continental ballistic missile;

23 “(F) a detailed analysis of the effectiveness  
24 of Iran’s drone forces; and

25 “(G) a description or estimation of the  
26 threat posed by Iran’s Islamic Revolutionary

1           Guard Corps to European citizens or to mem-  
2           ber countries of the European Union.”;

3           (3) in paragraph (7), by inserting “the People’s  
4           Republic of China,” before “Cuba”; and

5           (4) by adding at the end the following:

6           “(9) An assessment of the threat posed by Iran  
7           against United States and partner military bases, to  
8           include missile, unmanned aircraft systems, and loi-  
9           tering munition attacks.

10          “(10) An assessment of the sale, supply, or  
11          transfer of narcotics in the Middle East region by  
12          the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps and Iran  
13          backed groups.

14          “(11) An assessment of groups that are sup-  
15          ported by Iran and designated by the United States  
16          as foreign terrorist organizations and regional mili-  
17          tary groups, including Hezbollah, Hamas, the  
18          Houthis, and the Special Groups in Iraq, in par-  
19          ticular those forces as having been assessed as to be  
20          willing to carry out terrorist operations on behalf of  
21          Iran.

22          “(12) An assessment of how Iran would utilize  
23          additional resources to further activities described in  
24          paragraphs (1) through (9).”.

1 (b) DEFINITIONS.—Subsection (c)(1)(B) of such sec-  
2 tion is amended to read as follows:

3 “(B) includes all branches and sub-  
4 branches of Iran’s national army or Artesh,  
5 such as its ground forces, air force, navy, and  
6 air defense forces as well as most branches of  
7 its parallel military, and the Islamic Revolu-  
8 tionary Guard Corps excluding its Quds-  
9 Force.”.

10 **SEC. 1269. MODIFICATION AND UPDATE TO REPORT ON**  
11 **MILITARY CAPABILITIES OF IRAN AND RE-**  
12 **LATED ACTIVITIES.**

13 Section 1227 of the National Defense Authorization  
14 Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat.  
15 1972) is amended—

16 (1) in subsection (a)—

17 (A) in paragraph (1)(C), by inserting “bal-  
18 listic and cruise” after “instances of”; and

19 (B) in paragraph (2)—

20 (i) in subparagraph (F), by striking  
21 “The United Nations” and inserting “The  
22 effect of the United Nations”; and

23 (ii) by adding at the end the following  
24 new subparagraph:

1           “(H) Iranian involvement in regional nar-  
2           cotics trade, to include the following:

3                   “(i) Any element of the Government  
4                   of Iran, including the Islamic Revolu-  
5                   tionary Guard Corps (in this section re-  
6                   ferred to as the ‘IRGC’) and any Iran-  
7                   backed group operating in Iraq, Syria,  
8                   Lebanon, or Yemen, that supports the sale,  
9                   supply, or transfer of narcotics in the Mid-  
10                  dle East region.

11                   “(ii) The benefits accrued from the  
12                   sale, supply, and transfer of narcotics in  
13                   the region by any element of the Govern-  
14                   ment of Iran, including the IRGC and any  
15                   Iran-backed groups operating in Iraq,  
16                   Syria, Lebanon, or Yemen.

17                   “(iii) All foreign terrorist organiza-  
18                   tions to or for which the IRGC, or any per-  
19                   son owned or controlled by the IRGC, pro-  
20                   vides material support in the sale, supply,  
21                   transfer, or production of captagon or  
22                   other related narcotics or precursors in the  
23                   Middle East and North Africa.

24                   “(iv) Activities conducted by the  
25                   IRGC in Afghanistan related to the trade

1 of methamphetamine or opiates, including  
2 synthetic opiates.

3 “(v) All intercepted transfers involv-  
4 ing the United States Fifth Fleet of nar-  
5 cotics from Iran or involving Iranian na-  
6 tionals or persons acting, or purporting to  
7 act, for or on behalf of the Government of  
8 Iran, including the IRGC.

9 “(I) Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps-af-  
10 filiated operatives serving in diplomatic and  
11 consular posts, cultural centers, religious insti-  
12 tutions, and religious functions outside of Iran  
13 and actions taken by the Secretary of Defense,  
14 the Secretary of State, and the heads of the ele-  
15 ments of the intelligence community (as such  
16 term is defined in section 3 of the National Se-  
17 curity Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003), consistent  
18 with the necessary protections for sources and  
19 methods, to reduce the influence of such oper-  
20 ations.”;

21 (2) by redesignating subsection (c) and (d) as  
22 subsections (d) and (e), respectively;

23 (3) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-  
24 lowing new subsection:

1 “(c) UPDATED REPORT.—Not later than 180 days  
2 after the date of the enactment of the National Defense  
3 Authorization Act of 2024, the Director of National Intel-  
4 ligence shall submit to the appropriate congressional com-  
5 mittees an updated report that includes each of the mat-  
6 ters listed in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a) and  
7 covers developments during the period beginning in June  
8 2022 and ending on the day before the date on which the  
9 updated report is submitted.”; and

10 (4) in subsection (d), as so redesignated, by in-  
11 serting “, and the updated report required by sub-  
12 section (b),” after “report required by subsection  
13 (a)”.

14 **SEC. 1270. PROHIBITION ON FUNDS TO IRAN.**

15 None of the amounts authorized to be appropriated  
16 by this Act to the Department of Defense may be made  
17 available, directly or indirectly, to—

18 (1) the Government of Iran;

19 (2) any person owned or controlled by the Gov-  
20 ernment of Iran;

21 (3) any person identified on the list of specially  
22 designated nationals and blocked persons maintained  
23 by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the De-  
24 partment of the Treasury, the property and interests

1 in property of which are blocked pursuant to the  
2 International Emergency Economic Powers Act;

3 (4) any person owned or controlled by a person  
4 described in paragraph (3); or

5 (5) the Badr organization, Saraya Khorasani,  
6 or Kata'ib al-Imam Ali.

7 **SEC. 1271. PROHIBITION ON TRANSPORTING CURRENCY TO**  
8 **THE TALIBAN AND THE ISLAMIC EMIRATE OF**  
9 **AFGHANISTAN.**

10 None of the amounts authorized to be appropriated  
11 by this Act or otherwise made available to the Department  
12 of Defense may be made available for the operation of any  
13 aircraft of the Department of Defense to transport cur-  
14 rency or other items of value to the Taliban, the Islamic  
15 Emirate of Afghanistan, or any subsidiary, agent, or in-  
16 strumentality of either the Taliban or the Islamic Emirate  
17 of Afghanistan.

18 **SEC. 1272. PROHIBITION ON FUNDING FOR THE TALIBAN.**

19 (a) PROHIBITION ON FUNDING.—None of the funds  
20 authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise  
21 made available for the Department of Defense for fiscal  
22 year 2024 may be made available to provide any form of  
23 United States assistance to the Taliban or to any Taliban  
24 affiliate.

1 (b) NATIONAL SECURITY CERTIFICATION.—The Sec-  
2 retary of Defense may waive the prohibition under sub-  
3 section (a) on a case-by-case basis if the Secretary submits  
4 to the congressional defense committees an unclassified,  
5 written certification, which may include a classified annex,  
6 that such prohibition would be detrimental to national se-  
7 curity interests of the United States or threaten the health  
8 and safety of the Afghan people.

9 (c) AFFILIATE DEFINED.—In this section, the term  
10 “affiliate” means, with respect to the Taliban—

11 (1) a person that is closely associated with the  
12 Taliban; or

13 (2) a person that has a common purpose with  
14 the Taliban.

15 **TITLE XIII—OTHER MATTERS**  
16 **RELATING TO FOREIGN NA-**  
17 **TIONS**

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- Sec. 1351. Short title.
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- Sec. 1353. Acceptance of contributions in support of Australia, United Kingdom, and United States submarine security activities.
- Sec. 1354. Appropriate congressional committees and leadership defined.

1 **Subtitle A—Matters Relating to the**  
2 **Indo-Pacific Region**

3 **SEC. 1301. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON DEFENSE ALLIANCES**  
4 **AND PARTNERSHIPS IN THE INDO-PACIFIC**  
5 **REGION.**

6 It is the sense of Congress that the Secretary of De-  
7 fense should continue efforts that strengthen United  
8 States defense alliances and partnerships in the Indo-Pa-  
9 cific region so as to further the comparative advantage of  
10 the United States in strategic competition with the Peo-  
11 ple's Republic of China, including by—

12 (1) enhancing cooperation with Japan, con-  
13 sistent with the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and  
14 Security Between the United States of America and  
15 Japan, signed at Washington, January 19, 1960, in-  
16 cluding by developing advanced military capabilities,  
17 fostering interoperability across all domains, and im-  
18 proving sharing of information and intelligence;

19 (2) reinforcing the United States alliance with  
20 the Republic of Korea, including by maintaining the  
21 presence of approximately 28,500 members of the  
22 United States Armed Forces deployed to the country  
23 and affirming the United States commitment to ex-  
24 tended deterrence using the full range of United  
25 States defense capabilities, and with deeper coordi-

1 nation on nuclear deterrence as highlighted in the  
2 Washington Declaration adopted by President Biden  
3 and President Yoon Suk Yeol during President Yoon  
4 Suk Yeol's state visit on April 26, 2023, consistent  
5 with the Mutual Defense Treaty Between the United  
6 States and the Republic of Korea, signed at Wash-  
7 ington, October 1, 1953, in support of the shared  
8 objective of a peaceful and stable Korean Peninsula;

9 (3) fostering bilateral and multilateral coopera-  
10 tion with Australia, consistent with the Security  
11 Treaty Between Australia, New Zealand, and the  
12 United States of America, signed at San Francisco,  
13 September 1, 1951, and through the partnership  
14 among Australia, the United Kingdom, and the  
15 United States (commonly known as "AUKUS")—

16 (A) to advance shared security objectives;

17 (B) to accelerate the fielding of advanced  
18 military capabilities; and

19 (C) to build the capacity of emerging part-  
20 ners;

21 (4) advancing United States alliances with the  
22 Philippines and Thailand and United States partner-  
23 ships with other partners in the Association of  
24 Southeast Asian Nations to enhance maritime do-  
25 main awareness, promote sovereignty and territorial

1 integrity, leverage technology and promote innova-  
2 tion, and support an open, inclusive, and rules-based  
3 regional architecture;

4 (5) broadening United States engagement with  
5 India, including through the Quadrilateral Security  
6 Dialogue—

7 (A) to advance the shared objective of a  
8 free and open Indo-Pacific region through bilat-  
9 eral and multilateral engagements and partici-  
10 pation in military exercises, expanded defense  
11 trade, and collaboration on humanitarian aid  
12 and disaster response; and

13 (B) to enable greater cooperation on mari-  
14 time security;

15 (6) strengthening the United States partnership  
16 with Taiwan, consistent with the Three Commu-  
17 niques, the Taiwan Relations Act (Public Law 96-  
18 8; 22 U.S.C. 3301 et seq.), and the Six Assurances,  
19 with the goal of improving Taiwan's defensive capa-  
20 bilities and promoting peaceful cross-strait relations;

21 (7) reinforcing the status of the Republic of  
22 Singapore as a Major Security Cooperation Partner  
23 of the United States and continuing to strengthen  
24 defense and security cooperation between the mili-  
25 tary forces of the Republic of Singapore and the

1 Armed Forces of the United States, including  
2 through participation in combined exercises and  
3 training;

4 (8) engaging with the Federated States of Mi-  
5 cronisia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the  
6 Republic of Palau, and other Pacific Island countries  
7 with the goal of strengthening regional security and  
8 addressing issues of mutual concern, including pro-  
9 tecting fisheries from illegal, unreported, and un-  
10 regulated fishing; and

11 (9) collaborating with Canada, the United  
12 Kingdom, France, and other members of the Euro-  
13 pean Union and the North Atlantic Treaty Organi-  
14 zation to build connectivity and advance a shared vi-  
15 sion for the region that is principled, long-term, and  
16 anchored in democratic resilience.

17 **SEC. 1302. EXTENSION OF PACIFIC DETERRENCE INITIA-**  
18 **TIVE AND REPORT, BRIEFINGS, AND PLAN**  
19 **UNDER THE INITIATIVE.**

20 (a) **EXTENSION OF INITIATIVE.**—Subsection (c) of  
21 section 1251 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry Na-  
22 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (10  
23 U.S.C. 113 note) is amended—

24 (1) by striking “the National Defense Author-  
25 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2023” and inserting “the

1 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
2 2024”; and

3 (2) by striking “fiscal year 2023” and inserting  
4 “fiscal year 2024”.

5 (b) EXTENSION OF REPORT AND BRIEFINGS.—Sub-  
6 section (d) of such section is amended—

7 (1) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking “fiscal  
8 years 2024 and 2025” and inserting “fiscal years  
9 2025 and 2026”; and

10 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “fiscal years  
11 2023 and 2024” each place it appears and inserting  
12 “fiscal years 2025 and 2026”.

13 (c) EXTENSION OF PLAN.—Subsection (e) of such  
14 section is amended by striking “fiscal years 2023 and  
15 2024” and inserting “fiscal years 2025 and 2026”.

16 **SEC. 1303. MODIFICATION OF PILOT PROGRAM TO DE-**  
17 **VELOP YOUNG CIVILIAN DEFENSE LEADERS**  
18 **IN THE INDO-PACIFIC REGION.**

19 Section 1261 of the James M. Inhofe National De-  
20 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (10 U.S.C.  
21 311 note) is amended—

22 (1) in subsection (b)—

23 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
24 by striking “a national defense mission” and in-

1           serting “a defense-related national security mis-  
2           sion”; and

3           (B) by inserting “and other appropriate  
4           ministries with a defense-related national secu-  
5           rity mission” after “civilian leaders in foreign  
6           partner ministries of defense” each place it ap-  
7           pears; and

8           (2) in subsection (e), by striking “civilian de-  
9           fense leaders from foreign partner ministries of de-  
10          fense” and inserting “civilian leaders in foreign part-  
11          ner ministries of defense and other appropriate min-  
12          istries with a defense-related national security mis-  
13          sion”.

14 **SEC. 1304. INDO-PACIFIC CAMPAIGNING INITIATIVE.**

15          (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall es-  
16          tablish, and the Commander of the United States Indo-  
17          Pacific Command shall carry out, an Indo-Pacific Cam-  
18          paigning Initiative (in this section referred to as the “Ini-  
19          tiative”) for purposes of—

20               (1) strengthening United States alliances and  
21               partnerships with foreign military partners in the  
22               Indo-Pacific region;

23               (2) deterring military aggression by potential  
24               adversaries against the United States and allies and  
25               partners of the United States;

1           (3) dissuading strategic competitors from seek-  
2           ing to achieve their objectives through the conduct  
3           of military activities below the threshold of tradi-  
4           tional armed conflict;

5           (4) improving the understanding of the United  
6           States Armed Forces with respect to the operating  
7           environment in the Indo-Pacific region;

8           (5) shaping the perception of potential adver-  
9           saries with respect to United States military capa-  
10          bilities and the military capabilities of allies and  
11          partners of the United States in the Indo-Pacific re-  
12          gion; and

13          (6) improving the ability of the United States  
14          Armed Forces to coordinate and operate with for-  
15          eign military partners in the Indo-Pacific region.

16          (b) BRIEFING AND REPORT.—

17           (1) BRIEFING.—Not later than March 1, 2024,  
18           the Secretary shall provide the congressional defense  
19           committees with a briefing that describes ongoing  
20           and planned campaigning activities in the Indo-Pa-  
21           cific region for fiscal year 2024.

22           (2) REPORT.—Not later than December 1,  
23           2024, the Secretary shall submit to the congres-  
24           sional defense committees a report that—

1 (A) summarizes the campaigning activities  
2 conducted in the Indo-Pacific region during fis-  
3 cal year 2024; and

4 (B) includes—

5 (i) an assessment of the value each  
6 such activity contributes to meeting stra-  
7 tegic or operational objectives relative to  
8 the commitment of resources of such activ-  
9 ity;

10 (ii) lessons learned in carrying out  
11 such activities;

12 (iii) any identified resource or author-  
13 ity gap that has negatively impacted the  
14 implementation of the Initiative; and

15 (iv) proposed plans for additional  
16 campaigning activities in the Indo-Pacific  
17 region to fulfill the purposes described in  
18 subsection (a).

19 (c) CAMPAIGNING DEFINED.—In this section, the  
20 term “campaigning”—

21 (1) means the conduct and sequencing of logi-  
22 cally linked military activities to achieve strategy  
23 aligned objectives, including modifying the security  
24 environment over time to the benefit of the United  
25 States and the allies and partners of the United

1 States while limiting, frustrating, and disrupting  
2 competitor activities; and

3 (2) includes deliberately planned military activi-  
4 ties in the Indo-Pacific region involving bilateral and  
5 multilateral engagements with foreign partners,  
6 training, exercises, demonstrations, experiments, and  
7 other activities to achieve the objectives described in  
8 subsection (a).

9 **SEC. 1305. INDO-PACIFIC MARITIME DOMAIN AWARENESS**  
10 **INITIATIVE.**

11 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 90 days after  
12 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
13 Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, shall  
14 seek to establish an initiative with allies and partners of  
15 the United States, including Australia, Japan, and India,  
16 to be known as the “Indo-Pacific Maritime Domain  
17 Awareness Initiative” (in this section referred to as the  
18 “Initiative”), to bolster maritime domain awareness in the  
19 Indo-Pacific region.

20 (b) USE OF AUTHORITIES.—In carrying out the Ini-  
21 tiative, the Secretary of Defense may use the authorities  
22 provided in chapter 16 of title 10, United States Code,  
23 and other applicable statutory authorities available to the  
24 Secretary of Defense.

1 (c) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the Initiative are as  
2 follows:

3 (1) To enhance the ability of allies and partners  
4 of the United States in the Indo-Pacific region to  
5 monitor the maritime domain of such region.

6 (2) To utilize emerging technologies to support  
7 maritime domain awareness objectives.

8 (3) To provide a comprehensive understanding  
9 of the maritime domain in the Indo-Pacific region,  
10 including by facilitating information sharing among  
11 such allies and partners.

12 **SEC. 1306. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS PEND-**  
13 **ING FEASIBILITY STUDY REGARDING DELIV-**  
14 **ERY OF HARPOON MISSILES TO FOREIGN SE-**  
15 **CURITY PARTNERS.**

16 (a) LIMITATION.—Of the funds authorized to be ap-  
17 propriated by this Act for fiscal year 2024 and available  
18 for the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, De-  
19 velopment and Acquisition, not more than 85 percent may  
20 be obligated or expended until the date on which the As-  
21 sistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development  
22 and Acquisition submits to the congressional defense com-  
23 mittees the feasibility study required by subsection (b).

24 (b) FEASIBILITY STUDY REQUIRED.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
2 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
3 retary of Defense, acting through the Assistant Sec-  
4 retary of the Navy for Research, Development and  
5 Acquisition, shall conduct a study to analyze the fea-  
6 sibility and advisability of accelerating the provision  
7 of Harpoon missiles to foreign security partners  
8 under existing Foreign Military Sales cases, addi-  
9 tional appropriations, and pursuant to the authority  
10 provided under section 506 of the Foreign Assist-  
11 ance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2318) or section 333  
12 of title 10, United States Code.

13           (2) ELEMENTS.—The study required by para-  
14 graph (1) shall, at a minimum, include the following:

15           (A) A list of existing Foreign Military  
16 Sales cases for Harpoon missiles to foreign se-  
17 curity partners.

18           (B) The current timeline for the delivery of  
19 Harpoon missiles under each of the Foreign  
20 Military Sales cases identified under subpara-  
21 graph (A).

22           (C) A detailed analysis of contracting  
23 timelines for Harpoon missiles procured by for-  
24 eign security partners through the Foreign Mili-

1           tary Sales process and recommendations, if any,  
2           for accelerating such contracting timelines.

3           (D) An analysis of the feasibility and ad-  
4           visability of accelerating the provision of Har-  
5           poon missiles to foreign security partners under  
6           existing Foreign Military Sales cases, including  
7           through—

8                   (i) additional appropriations;

9                   (ii) the authority provided under sec-  
10                  tion 506 of the Foreign Assistance Act of  
11                  1961 (22 U.S.C. 2318);

12                  (iii) the authority provided in section  
13                  333 of title 10, United States Code;

14                  (iv) any other authorities available to  
15                  the Secretary of Defense under title 10 of  
16                  the United States Code.

17           (E) An analysis of the potential for the  
18           United States Government to facilitize addi-  
19           tional production capacity or purchase addi-  
20           tional Harpoon missiles for future provision  
21           under section 506 of the Foreign Assistance  
22           Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2318).

23           (c) CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFING.—

24                   (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
25           after the date of the enactment of this Act and every

1 180 days thereafter through December 31, 2027, the  
2 Secretary of Defense and Secretary of State shall  
3 jointly provide the congressional defense committees,  
4 the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of  
5 Representatives, and the Committee on Foreign Re-  
6 lations of the Senate a briefing on the current status  
7 of United States-provided security assistance to Tai-  
8 wan, including—

9 (A) a list of existing cases for defense arti-  
10 cles and services to be provided to Taiwan uti-  
11 lizing the authorities described in paragraph  
12 (2), including, with respect to a defense item or  
13 service planned or anticipated to be provided—

14 (i) a narrative description of the item  
15 or service;

16 (ii) the total value of the item or serv-  
17 ice;

18 (iii) the lead program office involved  
19 in the provision of the item or service; and

20 (iv) the vendor of the item or service;

21 (B) the estimated delivery schedule for  
22 each case identified under subparagraph (A);

23 (C) an identification of any case identified  
24 under subparagraph (A) that has been delayed

1 by more than 3 months from the original esti-  
2 mated delivery schedule;

3 (D) any actions the Department of State  
4 and the Department of Defense have identified  
5 to prevent delays or accelerate the delivery of  
6 any case identified under subparagraph (A);  
7 and

8 (E) any other matters determined to be  
9 relevant by the Secretary of State and the Sec-  
10 retary of Defense.

11 (2) AUTHORITIES DESCRIBED.—The authorities  
12 described in this paragraph are the following:

13 (A) The Foreign Military Financing, For-  
14 eign Military Sales, and Direct Commercial  
15 Sales programs of the Department of State.

16 (B) The Department of Defense security  
17 assistance authorized by chapter 16 of title 10,  
18 United States Code.

19 (C) The Department of State training and  
20 education programs authorized by chapter 5 of  
21 part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961  
22 (22 U.S.C. 2347 et seq.).

23 (D) Section 506 of the Foreign Assistance  
24 Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2318).

1 (E) The provision of excess defense articles  
2 pursuant to the requirements of the Arms Ex-  
3 port Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.).

4 (F) Any other authority available to the  
5 Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of State.

6 **SEC. 1307. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON TAIWAN DEFENSE RE-**  
7 **LATIONS.**

8 It is the sense of Congress that—

9 (1) the United States' one China policy, as  
10 guided by the Taiwan Relations Act (Public Law  
11 96–8; 22 U.S.C. et seq.), the Three Communiques  
12 between the United States and the People's Republic  
13 of China, and the Six Assurances provided by the  
14 United States to Taiwan in July 1982, is the foun-  
15 dation for United States-Taiwan relations;

16 (2) as set forth in the Taiwan Relations Act,  
17 the United States decision to establish diplomatic re-  
18 lations with the People's Republic of China rests  
19 upon the expectation that the future of Taiwan will  
20 be determined by peaceful means, and that any ef-  
21 fort to determine the future of Taiwan by other than  
22 peaceful means, including boycotts and embargoes,  
23 is of grave concern to the United States;

24 (3) the increasingly coercive and aggressive be-  
25 havior of the People's Republic of China toward Tai-

1 wan is contrary to the expectation of the peaceful  
2 resolution of the future of Taiwan;

3 (4) as set forth in the Taiwan Relations Act,  
4 the capacity to resist any resort to force or other  
5 forms of coercion that would jeopardize the security,  
6 or the social or economic system, of the people on  
7 Taiwan should be maintained;

8 (5) the United States should continue to sup-  
9 port the development of capable, ready, and modern  
10 defense forces necessary for Taiwan to maintain suf-  
11 ficient defensive capabilities, including by—

12 (A) supporting acquisition by Taiwan of  
13 defense articles and services through foreign  
14 military sales, direct commercial sales, and in-  
15 dustrial cooperation, with an emphasis on capa-  
16 bilities that support an asymmetric strategy;

17 (B) ensuring timely review of and response  
18 to requests of Taiwan for defense articles and  
19 services;

20 (C) conducting practical training and mili-  
21 tary exercises with Taiwan that enable Taiwan  
22 to maintain sufficient defensive capabilities, as  
23 described in the Taiwan Relations Act;

24 (D) exchanges between defense officials  
25 and officers of the United States and Taiwan at

1 the strategic, policy, and functional levels, con-  
2 sistent with the Taiwan Travel Act (Public Law  
3 115–135; 132 Stat. 341), especially for the pur-  
4 poses of—

5 (i) enhancing cooperation on defense  
6 planning;

7 (ii) improving the interoperability of  
8 the military forces of the United States  
9 and Taiwan; and

10 (iii) improving the reserve force of  
11 Taiwan;

12 (E) cooperating with Taiwan to improve its  
13 ability to employ military capabilities in asym-  
14 metric ways, as described in the Taiwan Rela-  
15 tions Act; and

16 (F) expanding cooperation in humanitarian  
17 assistance and disaster relief; and

18 (6) the United States should increase its sup-  
19 port to a free and open society in the face of aggres-  
20 sive efforts by the Government of the People’s Re-  
21 public of China to curtail or influence the free exer-  
22 cise of rights and democratic franchise.

1 **SEC. 1308. OVERSIGHT OF TAIWAN ENHANCED RESILIENCE**  
2 **ACT.**

3 (a) OVERSIGHT OF TAIWAN SECURITY PROGRAMS.—  
4 Section 5502 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense  
5 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–  
6 263; 136 Stat. 2395; 22 U.S.C. 3351) is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (e)(2)(A), by inserting “not  
8 later than 1 year after the date of enactment of the  
9 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
10 2024 and” before “not less than annually”; and

11 (2) in subsection (f)(2)—

12 (A) in subparagraph (L), by striking  
13 “and” at the end;

14 (B) in subparagraph (M), by striking the  
15 period at the end and inserting a semicolon;  
16 and

17 (C) by adding at the end the following:

18 “(N) a description of actions taken to es-  
19 tablish or expand a comprehensive training pro-  
20 gram with Taiwan pursuant to section 5504;

21 “(O) a description of actions taken to es-  
22 tablish a joint consultative mechanism with ap-  
23 propriate officials of Taiwan, and the multi-year  
24 plan to provide for the acquisition of appro-  
25 priate defensive capabilities by Taiwan, pursu-  
26 ant to section 5506 ; and

1           “(P) the list compiled pursuant to section  
2           5507(a), and a description of actions taken pur-  
3           suant to sections 5507(b) and 5507(c).”.

4           (b) OVERSIGHT OF REGIONAL CONTINGENCY STOCK-  
5 PILE FOR TAIWAN.—Section 5503 of the James M. Inhofe  
6 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023  
7 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2395) is amended by  
8 adding at the end the following:

9           “(e) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DE-  
10 FINED.—In subsection (d), the term “appropriate commit-  
11 tees of Congress” means—

12           “(1) the congressional defense committees; and

13           “(2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the  
14 House of Representatives and the Committee on  
15 Foreign Relations of the Senate.”.

16 **SEC. 1309. TRAINING, ADVISING, AND INSTITUTIONAL CA-**  
17 **PACITY-BUILDING PROGRAM FOR MILITARY**  
18 **FORCES OF TAIWAN.**

19           (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Consistent with the Taiwan  
20 Relations Act (22 U.S.C. 3301 et seq.) and pursuant to  
21 section 5504 of the Taiwan Enhanced Resilience Act (22  
22 U.S.C. 3353), the Secretary of Defense, in consultation  
23 with appropriate officials of Taiwan, shall establish a com-  
24 prehensive training, advising, and institutional capacity-  
25 building program for the military forces of Taiwan using

1 the authorities provided in chapter 16 of title 10, United  
2 States Code, and other applicable statutory authorities  
3 available to the Secretary of Defense.

4 (b) REPORTING.—Section 1248(a) of the National  
5 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public  
6 Law 117– 81; 135 Stat. 1988) is amended—

7 (1) by redesignating paragraph (15) as para-  
8 graph (16); and

9 (2) by inserting after paragraph (14) the fol-  
10 lowing new paragraph:

11 “(15) An update on efforts made to establish  
12 the program authorized by subsection (a) of section  
13 1309 of the National Defense Authorization Act for  
14 Fiscal Year 2024 and an identification of any au-  
15 thority or resource shortfall that inhibits such ef-  
16 forts.”.

17 **SEC. 1310. PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS TO SUPPORT**  
18 **ENTERTAINMENT PROJECTS WITH TIES TO**  
19 **THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE’S REPUB-**  
20 **LIC OF CHINA.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—None of the funds authorized to  
22 be appropriated by this Act for the Department of Defense  
23 may be used to knowingly provide active and direct sup-  
24 port to any film, television, or other entertainment project  
25 if the Secretary of Defense has demonstrable evidence that

1 the project has complied, or is likely to comply, with a  
2 demand from the Government of the People's Republic of  
3 China or the Chinese Communist Party, or an entity  
4 under the direction of the People's Republic of China or  
5 the Chinese Communist Party, to censor the content of  
6 the project in a material manner to advance the national  
7 interest of the People's Republic of China.

8 (b) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may waive  
9 the prohibition under subsection (a) if the Secretary sub-  
10 mits to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate  
11 and House of Representatives a written certification that  
12 such a waiver is in the national interest of the United  
13 States.

14 **SEC. 1311. DETERMINATION ON INVOLVEMENT OF THE**  
15 **PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA IN THE MEXI-**  
16 **CAN FENTANYL TRADE.**

17 (a) DETERMINATION.—Not later than one year after  
18 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
19 Defense, in consultation with the Director of National In-  
20 telligence, shall determine if information available to the  
21 Department of Defense indicates that the Government of  
22 the People's Republic of China assisted in or approved of  
23 the transportation of pill presses, fentanyl products, or  
24 fentanyl precursors to one or more Mexican drug cartels.

1 (b) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—If the determina-  
2 tion of the Secretary of Defense under subsection (a) is  
3 an affirmative determination, the Secretary shall submit  
4 the determination to the Committees on Armed Services  
5 of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

6 **SEC. 1312. ANALYSIS OF CERTAIN BIOTECHNOLOGY ENTI-**  
7 **TIES.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the  
9 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
10 shall conduct an analysis to determine if any biotechnology  
11 entity, or any subsidiary, parent, affiliate, or successor of  
12 such an entity, should be identified as a Chinese military  
13 company or a military-civil fusion contributor and included  
14 on the list maintained by the Department of Defense in  
15 accordance with section 1260H(b) of the National Defense  
16 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (10 U.S.C. 113  
17 note).

18 (b) BIOTECHNOLOGY ENTITY DEFINED.—In this  
19 section, the term “biotechnology entity” means an entity  
20 that makes or offers a technology, good, or service that  
21 applies to or is enabled by life sciences innovation or prod-  
22 uct development for biological materials, including disease  
23 detection, genetic analysis, and related services.

1 **SEC. 1313. STUDIES ON DEFENSE BUDGET TRANSPARENCY**  
2 **OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA AND**  
3 **THE UNITED STATES.**

4 (a) STUDIES REQUIRED.—

5 (1) STUDY OF PRC BUDGET.—Not later than  
6 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
7 the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the con-  
8 gressional defense committees a study on the defense  
9 budget of the People's Republic of China.

10 (2) COMPARATIVE STUDY ON BUDGETS.—Not  
11 later than 90 days after the date on which the study  
12 required by paragraph (1) is submitted, the Sec-  
13 retary of Defense shall submit to the congressional  
14 defense committees a comparative study on the de-  
15 fense budgets of the People's Republic of China and  
16 the United States.

17 (3) OBJECTIVE.—The objective of the studies  
18 required by paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be to pro-  
19 vide the people of the United States with an accu-  
20 rate comparison of the defense spending of the Peo-  
21 ple's Republic of China and the United States.

22 (b) ELEMENTS.—The studies required by subsection  
23 (a) shall include, at a minimum, the following:

24 (1) A determination of the amounts invested by  
25 the applicable subject country across functional cat-  
26 egories for spending, including—

1 (A) defense-related research and develop-  
2 ment;

3 (B) weapons procurement from domestic  
4 and foreign sources;

5 (C) operations and maintenance;

6 (D) pay and benefits;

7 (E) military construction;

8 (F) military pensions; and

9 (G) any other category the Secretary con-  
10 siders relevant.

11 (2) A consideration of the effects of purchasing  
12 power parity and market exchange rates, particu-  
13 larly on non-traded goods.

14 (3) An estimate of the magnitude of omitted  
15 spending from official defense budget information  
16 and, in the study required by subsection (a)(2), an  
17 accounting for such spending.

18 (c) **METHODOLOGY.**—The studies required by sub-  
19 section (a) shall each employ a robust methodology that—

20 (1) does not depend on the official budget pro-  
21 nouncements of the Government of the People’s Re-  
22 public of China or the Chinese Communist Party;

23 (2) takes into account the military-civil fusion  
24 present in the People’s Republic of China;

1           (3) employs the building-block method of anal-  
2           ysis or a similar method of analysis, as appropriate;  
3           and

4           (4) excludes spending related to veterans bene-  
5           fits, other than military pensions provided to vet-  
6           erans.

7           (d) CONSIDERATIONS.—The studies required by this  
8           section may take into consideration the following:

9           (1) The effects of state-owned enterprises on  
10          the defense expenditures of the People’s Republic of  
11          China.

12          (2) The role of differing acquisition policies and  
13          structures with respect to the defense expenditures  
14          of each subject country.

15          (3) Any other matter relevant to evaluating the  
16          resources dedicated to the defense spending or the  
17          various military-related outlays of the People’s Re-  
18          public of China.

19          (e) FORM.—The studies required by this section shall  
20          be submitted in unclassified form, without any designation  
21          relating to dissemination control, but may include classi-  
22          fied annexes.

1 **SEC. 1314. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER**  
2 **FUNDS FOR BIEN HOA DIOXIN CLEANUP.**

3 Section 1253(b) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry  
4 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021  
5 (Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat. 3955) is amended by  
6 striking “fiscal year 2023” and inserting “fiscal year  
7 2024”.

8 **SEC. 1315. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF PILOT PRO-**  
9 **GRAM TO IMPROVE CYBER COOPERATION**  
10 **WITH FOREIGN MILITARY PARTNERS IN**  
11 **SOUTHEAST ASIA.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 1256 of  
13 the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Au-  
14 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–  
15 283; 134 Stat. 3956; 10 U.S.C. 333 note) is amended—

16 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by  
17 striking “in Vietnam, Thailand, and Indonesia” and  
18 inserting “with covered foreign military partners”;

19 (2) in paragraph (1), by striking “Vietnam,  
20 Thailand, and Indonesia” and inserting “covered  
21 foreign military partners”; and

22 (3) in paragraph (2), by striking “Vietnam,  
23 Thailand, and Indonesia on” and inserting “covered  
24 foreign military partners on defensive”.

25 (b) ELEMENTS.—Subsection (b) of such section is  
26 amended—

1           (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “Vietnam,  
2           Thailand, and Indonesia” and inserting “covered  
3           foreign military partners”; and

4           (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “Vietnam,  
5           Thailand, and Indonesia” and inserting “covered  
6           foreign military partners”.

7           (c) REPORTS.—Subsection (e)(2)(B) of such section  
8           is amended by striking “Vietnam, Thailand, and Indo-  
9           nesia” and inserting “covered foreign military partners”.

10          (d) CERTIFICATION.—Subsection (d) of such section  
11          is amended—

12                 (1) by inserting “with any covered foreign mili-  
13                 tary partner” after “scheduled to commence”; and

14                 (2) by striking “Vietnam, Indonesia, or Thai-  
15                 land” and inserting “the covered foreign military  
16                 partner”.

17          (e) EXTENSION.—Subsection (e) of such section is  
18          amended by striking “December 31, 2024” and inserting  
19          “December 31, 2027”.

20          (f) DEFINITIONS.—Subsection (f) of such section is  
21          amended to read as follows:

22                 “(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

23                         “(1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-  
24                         GRESS.—The term ‘appropriate committees of Con-  
25                         gress’ means—

1           “(A) the Committee on Armed Services  
2           and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the  
3           Senate; and

4           “(B) the Committee on Armed Services  
5           and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the  
6           House of Representatives.

7           “(2) COVERED FOREIGN MILITARY PARTNER.—  
8           The term ‘covered foreign military partner’ means  
9           the following:

10           “(A) Vietnam.

11           “(B) Thailand.

12           “(C) Indonesia.

13           “(D) The Philippines.

14           “(E) Malaysia.”.

15           (g) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

16           (1) Section 1256 of the William M. (Mac)  
17           Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for  
18           Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat.  
19           3956; 10 U.S.C. 333 note) is amended, in the sec-  
20           tion heading, by striking “**VIETNAM, THAILAND,**  
21           **AND INDONESIA**” and inserting “**COVERED FOR-**  
22           **EIGN MILITARY PARTNERS IN SOUTHEAST**  
23           **ASIA**”.

24           (2) The table of contents for the William M.  
25           (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization

1 Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 134  
2 Stat. 3388) is amended by striking the item relating  
3 to section 1256 and inserting the following:

“Sec. 1256. Pilot program to improve cyber cooperation with covered foreign  
military partners in Southeast Asia.”.

4 (3) The table of contents for title XII of the  
5 William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Au-  
6 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law  
7 116–283; 134 Stat. 3905) is amended by striking  
8 the item relating to section 1256 and inserting the  
9 following:

“Sec. 1256. Pilot program to improve cyber cooperation with covered foreign  
military partners in Southeast Asia.”.

10 **SEC. 1316. ENHANCING MAJOR DEFENSE PARTNERSHIP**  
11 **WITH INDIA.**

12 The Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the  
13 Secretary of State and the head of any other relevant Fed-  
14 eral department or agency, shall seek to ensure that India  
15 is appropriately considered for cooperative defense activi-  
16 ties consistent with the status of India as a major defense  
17 partner of the United States, including with respect to the  
18 following lines of effort:

19 (1) Eligibility for funding to initiate or facili-  
20 tate cooperative research, development, testing, or  
21 evaluation projects with the Department of Defense,  
22 with priority given to projects in the areas of—

1 (A) intelligence, surveillance, and recon-  
2 naissance;

3 (B) undersea domain awareness;

4 (C) air combat and support;

5 (D) munitions; and

6 (E) mobility.

7 (2) Eligibility to enter into agreements with the  
8 Department of Defense for cooperative bilateral or  
9 multilateral provision of training to build capacity in  
10 the areas of—

11 (A) counterterrorism operations;

12 (B) counter-weapons of mass destruction  
13 operations;

14 (C) counter-illicit drug trafficking oper-  
15 ations;

16 (D) counter-transnational organized crime  
17 operations;

18 (E) maritime and border security oper-  
19 ations;

20 (F) military intelligence operations;

21 (G) air domain awareness operations; and

22 (H) cyberspace security and defensive  
23 cyberspace operations.

24 (3) Eligibility to enter into a memorandum of  
25 understanding or other formal agreement with the

1 Department of Defense for the purpose of con-  
2 ducting cooperative research and development  
3 projects on defense equipment and munitions.

4 (4) Eligibility for entities from India to bid on  
5 contracts for the maintenance, repair, or overhaul of  
6 Department of Defense equipment located outside  
7 the United States.

8 **SEC. 1317. REPORT ON ENHANCED SECURITY COOPERA-**  
9 **TION WITH JAPAN.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than June 1, 2024, the  
11 Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary  
12 of State, shall submit to the appropriate committees of  
13 Congress a report on enhancing United States security co-  
14 operation with Japan.

15 (b) ELEMENTS.—At a minimum, the report required  
16 by subsection (a) shall include the following:

17 (1) A description of the activities and invest-  
18 ments the Department of Defense will implement  
19 for—

20 (A) increased bilateral training, exercises,  
21 combined patrols, and other activities between  
22 the United States Armed Forces and the Self-  
23 Defense Forces of Japan;

1 (B) improving information-sharing mecha-  
2 nisms and processes, including the adoption of  
3 enhanced security protocols; and

4 (C) enhancing cooperation on advanced  
5 technology initiatives.

6 (2) An analysis of the feasibility and advis-  
7 ability of—

8 (A) modifying United States command  
9 structures in Japan—

10 (i) to coordinate United States mili-  
11 tary activities and operations;

12 (ii) to complement similar changes by  
13 the Self-Defense Forces of Japan; and

14 (iii) to facilitate integrated planning  
15 and implementation of combined activities;  
16 and

17 (B) additional modifications to the force  
18 posture of the United States Armed Forces in  
19 Japan.

20 (3) An identification of challenges to the imple-  
21 mentation of the activities and investments described  
22 in paragraph (1) and any recommended legislative  
23 changes, resourcing requirements, bilateral agree-  
24 ments, or other measures that would facilitate the  
25 implementation of such activities and investments.

1 (c) FORM.—The report required by subsection (a)  
2 shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include  
3 a classified annex.

4 (d) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DE-  
5 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate commit-  
6 tees of Congress” means—

7 (1) the Committee on Foreign Relations and  
8 the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate; and

9 (2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the  
10 Committee on Armed Services of the House of Rep-  
11 resentatives.

12 **SEC. 1318. REPORT AND NOTIFICATION RELATING TO**  
13 **TRANSFER OF OPERATIONAL CONTROL ON**  
14 **KOREAN PENINSULA.**

15 (a) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
16 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense,  
17 in coordination with the Secretary of State, shall submit  
18 to the appropriate committees of Congress a report that—

19 (1) describes the conditions under which the  
20 military forces of the Republic of Korea would be  
21 prepared to assume wartime operational control of  
22 the United States and Republic of Korea Combined  
23 Forces Command; and

24 (2) includes an assessment of the extent to  
25 which the military forces of the Republic of Korea

1 meet such conditions as of the date on which the re-  
2 port is submitted.

3 (b) NOTIFICATION.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 45 days be-  
5 fore the date on which wartime operational control  
6 of the United States and Republic of Korea Com-  
7 bined Forces Command is transferred to the Repub-  
8 lic of Korea, the Secretary of Defense, in coordina-  
9 tion with the Secretary of State, shall notify the ap-  
10 propriate committees of Congress of such transfer.

11 (2) ELEMENTS.—The notification required by  
12 paragraph (1) shall include the following:

13 (A) An assessment of the extent to which  
14 the military forces of the Republic of Korea—

15 (i) meet the conditions described in  
16 the report submitted under subsection (a),  
17 including with respect to the acquisition by  
18 the Republic of Korea of necessary military  
19 capabilities to counter the capabilities of  
20 the Democratic People's Republic of  
21 Korea; or

22 (ii) meet updated conditions for the  
23 assumption of the wartime operational con-  
24 trol described in subsection (a)(1), includ-  
25 ing an explanation of the changes to such

1 conditions relative to the conditions de-  
2 scribed in the report submitted under sub-  
3 section (a).

4 (B) A description of the command relation-  
5 ship among the United Nations Command, the  
6 United States and Republic of Korea Combined  
7 Forces Command, the United States Forces  
8 Korea, and the military forces of the Republic  
9 of Korea.

10 (C) An assessment of the extent to which  
11 such transfer impacts the security of the United  
12 States, the Republic of Korea, and other re-  
13 gional allies and partners.

14 (D) Any other matters determined relevant  
15 by the Secretary.

16 (c) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DE-  
17 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate commit-  
18 tees of Congress” means—

19 (1) the Committee on Armed Services and the  
20 Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

21 (2) the Committee on Armed Services and the  
22 Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep-  
23 resentatives.

1 **SEC. 1319. STUDY AND REPORT ON COMMAND STRUCTURE**  
2 **AND FORCE POSTURE OF UNITED STATES**  
3 **ARMED FORCES IN THE INDO-PACIFIC RE-**  
4 **GION.**

5 (a) STUDY.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense  
7 shall seek to enter into an agreement with a feder-  
8 ally funded research and development center to con-  
9 duct an independent study of the organizational  
10 structure and force posture of the United States  
11 Armed Forces in the area of responsibility of the  
12 United States Indo-Pacific Command.

13 (2) REPORT TO SECRETARY.—

14 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 360  
15 days after the date of the enactment of this  
16 Act, the federally funded research and develop-  
17 ment center selected to conduct the study re-  
18 quired by paragraph (1) shall submit to the  
19 Secretary a report on the findings of the study.

20 (B) ELEMENTS.—The report required by  
21 subparagraph (A) shall include the following:

22 (i) An assessment of—

23 (I) the organizational structure  
24 of the United States Armed Forces in  
25 the area of responsibility of the  
26 United States Indo-Pacific Command;

1 (II) the force posture, basing, ac-  
2 cess, and overflight agreements of the  
3 United States Armed Forces in such  
4 area of responsibility; and

5 (III) any operational or command  
6 and control challenges resulting from  
7 the geography, force posture of the  
8 United States Armed Forces, or orga-  
9 nizational structure of the United  
10 States Armed Forces in the area of  
11 responsibility of the United States  
12 Indo-Pacific Command.

13 (ii) Any recommendation for—

14 (I) adjustments to the force pos-  
15 ture of the United States Armed  
16 Forces in such area of responsibility,  
17 including an identification of changes  
18 to any basing, access, or overflight  
19 agreement that may be necessary in  
20 response to the changing security en-  
21 vironment in such area of responsi-  
22 bility;

23 (II) modifying the current orga-  
24 nizational structure of the United  
25 States Indo-Pacific Command, includ-

1 ing modifications affecting United  
2 States Forces in Japan and South  
3 Korea, in response to such changing  
4 security environment; or

5 (III) improving the ability to co-  
6 ordinate with allies and partners.

7 (b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than April 1,  
9 2025, the Secretary shall submit to the congres-  
10 sional defense committees an unaltered copy of the  
11 report submitted to the Secretary under subsection  
12 (a)(2), together with the views of the Secretary on  
13 the findings set forth in such report and any cor-  
14 responding recommendations.

15 (2) FORM.—The report required by paragraph  
16 (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may  
17 contain a classified annex.

18 (3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The Secretary  
19 shall make available to the public the unclassified  
20 form of the report required by paragraph (1).

21 **Subtitle B—Matters Relating to the**  
22 **AUKUS Partnership**

23 **SEC. 1321. DEFINITIONS.**

24 In this subtitle:

1           (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
2           TEES.—Except as otherwise provided, the term “ap-  
3           propriate congressional committees” means—

4                   (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations  
5                   and the Committee on Armed Services of the  
6                   Senate; and

7                   (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and  
8                   the Committee on Armed Services of the House  
9                   of Representatives.

10          (2) AUKUS PARTNERSHIP.—

11                   (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “AUKUS  
12                   partnership” means the enhanced trilateral se-  
13                   curity partnership between Australia, the  
14                   United Kingdom, and the United States an-  
15                   nounced in September 2021.

16                   (B) PILLARS.—The AUKUS partnership  
17                   includes the following two pillars:

18                           (i) Pillar One is focused on developing  
19                           a pathway for Australia to acquire conven-  
20                           tionally armed, nuclear-powered sub-  
21                           marines.

22                           (ii) Pillar Two is focused on enhance-  
23                           ing trilateral collaboration on advanced de-  
24                           fense capabilities, including hypersonic and  
25                           counter hypersonic capabilities, quantum

1 technologies, undersea technologies, and  
2 artificial intelligence.

3 (3) INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC IN ARMS REGULA-  
4 TIONS.—The term “International Traffic in Arms  
5 Regulations” means subchapter M of chapter I of  
6 title 22, Code of Federal Regulations (or successor  
7 regulations).

8 **PART 1—ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS**

9 **SEC. 1331. AUKUS PARTNERSHIP OVERSIGHT AND AC-**  
10 **COUNTABILITY FRAMEWORK.**

11 (a) SENIOR ADVISOR.—

12 (1) DESIGNATION.—

13 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State  
14 shall designate a senior advisor at the Depart-  
15 ment of State (in this section referred to as the  
16 “Senior Advisor”), who shall oversee and co-  
17 ordinate the implementation of the AUKUS  
18 partnership.

19 (B) QUALIFICATION.—The Senior Advisor  
20 may be an individual serving within the existing  
21 leadership of the Department of State but that  
22 individual may not hold any other position con-  
23 currently while serving as the Senior Advisor.

24 (C) REPORTING.—The Senior Advisor  
25 shall report directly to the Secretary of State.

1           (D) GUIDANCE.—The Secretary of State  
2 shall issue guidance to all bureaus of the De-  
3 partment of State specifying the Senior Advi-  
4 sor’s responsibility for coordinating the imple-  
5 mentation of all AUKUS partnership-related  
6 activities.

7           (2) DUTIES.—The duties of the Senior Advisor  
8 shall be to—

9           (A) coordinate efforts to implement the  
10 AUKUS partnership across relevant bureaus,  
11 directorates, and offices of the Department of  
12 State involved in matters such as arms exports,  
13 non-proliferation, deterrence, security assist-  
14 ance, and Indo-Pacific and United Kingdom re-  
15 lations;

16           (B) serve as the lead within the Depart-  
17 ment of State on matters relating to the  
18 AUKUS partnership in the interagency process;

19           (C) lead diplomatic efforts related to the  
20 AUKUS partnership with other governments to  
21 explain how the partnership will enhance secu-  
22 rity and stability in the Indo-Pacific region; and

23           (D) consult regularly with the appropriate  
24 congressional committees and keep such com-

1           mittees fully and currently informed on all as-  
2           pects of the AUKUS partnership, to include—

3                   (i) Australia’s acquisition of conven-  
4                   tionally armed, nuclear-powered sub-  
5                   marines;

6                   (ii) jointly developing advanced mili-  
7                   tary capabilities; and

8                   (iii) any new programs under the  
9                   AUKUS partnership.

10           (3) PERSONNEL TO SUPPORT THE SENIOR AD-  
11           VISOR.—The Secretary of State shall ensure that the  
12           Senior Advisor is adequately staffed with respect to  
13           the Senior Advisor’s duties described in paragraph  
14           (2) through details, or assignment of employees of  
15           the Department of State, with expertise consistent  
16           with such duties.

17           (b) TASK FORCE.—

18                   (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of State  
19                   shall establish a task force, to be known as the Task  
20                   Force on AUKUS (in this section referred to as the  
21                   “Task Force”), which—

22                           (A) shall meet regularly to coordinate in-  
23                           ternally on issues relating to the implementa-  
24                           tion of the AUKUS partnership; and

25                           (B) shall be led by the Senior Advisor.

1           (2) DUTIES.—The duties of the Task Force  
2           may include—

3                   (A) ensuring that responsible offices main-  
4                   tain a unified list of all defense-related trans-  
5                   actions that have taken place under the  
6                   AUKUS partnership;

7                   (B) ensuring the establishment of a frame-  
8                   work for gathering, maintaining, and exchang-  
9                   ing information relating to companies, individ-  
10                  uals, or entities that are compromising security  
11                  of military technology, defense articles, and de-  
12                  fense services exchanged under the AUKUS  
13                  partnership; and

14                  (C) establishing an AUKUS industry  
15                  forum for industry stakeholders, including non-  
16                  traditional defense contractors (as such term is  
17                  defined in section 3014 of title 10, United  
18                  States Code), that will be open for the partici-  
19                  pation of foreign industry involved in the  
20                  AUKUS partnership.

21           (3) PERSONNEL TO SUPPORT THE TASK  
22           FORCE.—The personnel assigned to support the Sen-  
23           ior Advisor under subsection (a)(3) shall also sup-  
24           port the Task Force. The Secretary of State may

1 not assign any additional personnel to support the  
2 Task Force.

3 (c) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 180 days after  
4 the date of the enactment of this Act, or not later than  
5 90 days after the date on which a senior advisor at the  
6 Department of State is designated as the Senior Advisor,  
7 whichever occurs earlier, the Secretary of State shall no-  
8 tify the appropriate congressional committees of the num-  
9 ber of personnel, relevant expertise of such personnel, and  
10 duties of such personnel directly supporting the work of  
11 the Senior Advisor and the offices supporting the Task  
12 Force.

13 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 120 days after the date  
14 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall  
15 submit to the appropriate congressional committees a re-  
16 port that includes the following:

17 (1) A detailed description of the planned work  
18 of the Senior Advisor and the Task Force on mat-  
19 ters related to the implementation of the AUKUS  
20 partnership.

21 (2) For the preceding two calendar years and  
22 the current calendar year—

23 (A) the average and median times for the  
24 United States Government to review applica-  
25 tions for licenses to export defense articles or

1 defense services to persons, corporations, and  
2 the governments (including agencies and sub-  
3 divisions of such governments, including official  
4 missions of such governments) of Australia or  
5 the United Kingdom;

6 (B) the average and median times for the  
7 United States Government to review applica-  
8 tions from Australia and the United Kingdom  
9 for foreign military sales beginning from the  
10 date Australia or the United Kingdom sub-  
11 mitted a letter of request that resulted in a let-  
12 ter of acceptance; and

13 (C) the number of applications from Aus-  
14 tralia and the United Kingdom for licenses to  
15 export defense articles and defense services that  
16 were denied or approved with provisos, listed by  
17 year.

18 (3) For each of the preceding two calendar  
19 years, the number of voluntary disclosures resulting  
20 in a violation of the International Traffic in Arms  
21 Regulations enumerated under section 40 of the  
22 Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2780) or in-  
23 volving proscribed countries listed in section 126.1  
24 of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations, by  
25 persons, corporations, and the governments (includ-

1       ing agencies and subdivisions of such governments,  
2       including official missions of such governments) of  
3       Australia or the United Kingdom, including informa-  
4       tion with respect to—

5               (A) any instance of unauthorized access to  
6       technical data or defense articles;

7               (B) inadequate physical or cyber security;

8               (C) retransfers or re-exports without au-  
9       thorization; and

10              (D) employees of foreign companies that  
11       are United States persons that provide defense  
12       services without authorization.

13       (e) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than one year after  
14       the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually there-  
15       after, the Senior Advisor shall submit to the appropriate  
16       congressional committees a report that includes—

17              (1) a detailed description of any issues that rep-  
18       resentatives of the United States, the United King-  
19       dom, or Australia have identified that threaten or  
20       conflict with the stated goals of the AUKUS part-  
21       nership and any efforts to resolve these issues;

22              (2) information on the National Disclosure Pol-  
23       icy Committee with respect to adoption of a classi-  
24       fication category relating to any anticipatory dislo-  
25       sure policy for Australia and the United Kingdom;

1           (3) a detailed description of Department of  
2 State investigations into violations under section 38  
3 of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2778)  
4 or related provisions that involve AUKUS partners  
5 or entities in the United States, the United King-  
6 dom, and Australia;

7           (4) details on whether regulatory changes to ex-  
8 emptions authorized under subsection (l) of section  
9 38 of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C.  
10 2778), as added by section 1343 of this Act, are  
11 likely or necessary within the next year; and

12           (5) an assessment of the change in the average  
13 and median Department of State licensing review  
14 times for the current reporting year based on the av-  
15 erage and median licensing review times from the  
16 prior calendar year, including review times across  
17 the interagency for export licenses issued to Aus-  
18 tralia or the United Kingdom.

19 (f) SUNSET.—

20           (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),  
21 the position of the Senior Advisor and the Task  
22 Force shall terminate on the date that is 7 years  
23 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

24           (2) RENEWAL.—The Secretary of State may  
25 renew the position of the Senior Advisor and the

1 Task Force for 1 additional period of 4 years begin-  
2 ning after the date on which the Secretary notifies  
3 the appropriate congressional committees of the re-  
4 newal.

5 (g) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES  
6 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate con-  
7 gressional committees” means—

8 (1) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and Com-  
9 mittee on Appropriations of the House of Represent-  
10 atives; and

11 (2) the Committee on Foreign Relations and  
12 Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.

13 **SEC. 1332. DESIGNATION OF SENIOR OFFICIAL FOR DE-**  
14 **PARTMENT OF DEFENSE ACTIVITIES RELAT-**  
15 **ING TO, AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR,**  
16 **THE AUKUS PARTNERSHIP.**

17 (a) DESIGNATION OF SENIOR OFFICIAL.—Not later  
18 than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
19 the Secretary of Defense shall designate a senior civilian  
20 official of the Department of Defense who shall be respon-  
21 sible for overseeing Department of Defense activities relat-  
22 ing to the AUKUS partnership.

23 (b) PLAN.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after  
25 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary

1 of Defense, in coordination with the Administrator  
2 for Nuclear Security and the Secretary of State,  
3 shall submit to the appropriate committees of Con-  
4 gress a report containing an implementation plan  
5 outlining Department of Defense efforts relating to  
6 the AUKUS partnership.

7 (2) ELEMENTS.—The plan required by para-  
8 graph (1) shall include the following:

9 (A) Timelines and major anticipated mile-  
10 stones for the implementation of the AUKUS  
11 partnership.

12 (B) An identification of dependencies of  
13 such milestones on defense requirements that  
14 are—

15 (i) unrelated to the AUKUS partner-  
16 ship; and

17 (ii) solely within the decisionmaking  
18 responsibility of Australia or the United  
19 Kingdom.

20 (C) A consideration of the implications of  
21 the plan on the industrial base with respect  
22 to—

23 (i) the expansion of existing United  
24 States submarine construction capacity to

1 fulfill United States, United Kingdom, and  
2 Australia requirements;

3 (ii) acceleration of the restoration of  
4 United States capabilities for producing  
5 highly enriched uranium to fuel submarine  
6 reactors;

7 (iii) stabilization of commodity mar-  
8 kets and expanding supplies of high-grade  
9 steel, construction materials, and other re-  
10 sources required for improving shipyard  
11 condition and expanding throughput capac-  
12 ity; and

13 (iv) coordination and synchronization  
14 of industrial sourcing opportunities among  
15 Australia, the United Kingdom, and the  
16 United States.

17 (D) A description of resourcing and per-  
18 sonnel requirements, including—

19 (i) a detailed assessment of the feasi-  
20 bility of hiring and retaining additional  
21 foreign disclosure officers to facilitate more  
22 rapid technology transfer to Australia and  
23 the United Kingdom; and

24 (ii) an assessment of any additional  
25 requirements for Department of Defense

1 personnel to support the transfer of de-  
2 fense articles to Australia and the United  
3 Kingdom.

4 (E) A plan for improving information shar-  
5 ing, including—

6 (i) recommendations for modifications  
7 to foreign disclosure policies and processes;

8 (ii) the promulgation of written infor-  
9 mation-sharing guidelines or policies to im-  
10 prove information sharing under the  
11 AUKUS partnership;

12 (iii) the establishment of an informa-  
13 tion handling caveat specific to the  
14 AUKUS partnership; and

15 (iv) the reduction in use of the Not  
16 Releasable to Foreign Nations (NOFORN)  
17 information handling caveat.

18 (F) Processes for the protection of pri-  
19 vately held intellectual property, including pat-  
20 ents.

21 (G) Recommended updates to other title  
22 10, United States Code, authorities or regu-  
23 latory, policy, or process frameworks.

24 (c) SEMIANNUAL UPDATES.—Not later than 60 days  
25 after the date on which the plan required by subsection

1 (b) is submitted, and semiannually thereafter not later  
2 than April 1 and October 1 each year through 2029, the  
3 senior civilian official designated under subsection (a)  
4 shall provide the congressional defense committees and the  
5 Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representa-  
6 tives and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Sen-  
7 ate with a briefing on the status of all Department activi-  
8 ties to implement the AUKUS partnership.

9 **SEC. 1333. REPORTING RELATED TO THE AUKUS PARTNER-**  
10 **SHIP.**

11 (a) REPORT ON INSTRUMENTS.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after  
13 the signature, conclusion, or other finalization of any  
14 non-binding instrument related to the AUKUS part-  
15 nership, the President shall submit to the appro-  
16 priate congressional committees the text of such in-  
17 strument.

18 (2) NON-DUPLICATION OF EFFORTS; RULE OF  
19 CONSTRUCTION.—To the extent the text of a non-  
20 binding instrument is submitted to the appropriate  
21 congressional committees pursuant to paragraph (1),  
22 such text does not need to be submitted to Congress  
23 pursuant to section 112b(a)(1)(A)(ii) of title 1,  
24 United States Code, as amended by section 5947 of  
25 the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authoriza-

1       tion Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263;  
2       136 Stat. 3476). Paragraph (1) shall not be con-  
3       strued to relieve the executive branch of any other  
4       requirement of section 112b of title 1, United States  
5       Code, as so amended, or any other provision of law.

6           (3) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

7           (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “text”, with  
8       respect to a non-binding instrument, includes—

9           (i) any annex, appendix, codicil, side  
10       agreement, side letter, or any document of  
11       similar purpose or function to the afore-  
12       mentioned, regardless of the title of the  
13       document, that is entered into contempora-  
14       neously and in conjunction with the non-  
15       binding instrument; and

16          (ii) any implementing agreement or  
17       arrangement, or any document of similar  
18       purpose or function to the aforementioned,  
19       regardless of the title of the document,  
20       that is entered into contemporaneously and  
21       in conjunction with the non-binding instru-  
22       ment.

23          (B) CONTEMPORANEOUSLY AND IN CON-  
24       JUNCTION WITH.—As used in subparagraph

1 (A), the term “contemporaneously and in con-  
2 junction with”—

3 (i) shall be construed liberally; and

4 (ii) may not be interpreted to require  
5 any action to have occurred simultaneously  
6 or on the same day.

7 (b) REPORT ON AUKUS PARTNERSHIP.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year  
9 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and bi-  
10 ennially thereafter, the Secretary of State, in coordi-  
11 nation with the Secretary of Defense and other ap-  
12 propriate heads of agencies, shall submit to the ap-  
13 propriate congressional committees a report on the  
14 AUKUS partnership.

15 (2) ELEMENTS.—Each report required under  
16 paragraph (1) shall include the following elements:

17 (A) STRATEGY.—

18 (i) An identification of the defensive  
19 military capability gaps and capacity short-  
20 falls that the AUKUS partnership seeks to  
21 offset.

22 (ii) An explanation of the total cost to  
23 the United States associated with Pillar  
24 One of the AUKUS partnership.

1 (iii) A detailed explanation of how en-  
2 hanced access to the industrial base of  
3 Australia is contributing to strengthening  
4 the United States strategic position in  
5 Asia.

6 (iv) A detailed explanation of the mili-  
7 tary and strategic benefit provided by the  
8 improved access provided by naval bases of  
9 Australia.

10 (v) A detailed assessment of how Aus-  
11 tralia's sovereign conventionally armed nu-  
12 clear attack submarines contribute to  
13 United States defense and deterrence ob-  
14 jectives in the Indo-Pacific region.

15 (B) IMPLEMENT THE AUKUS PARTNER-  
16 SHIP.—

17 (i) Progress made on achieving the  
18 Optimal Pathway established for Aus-  
19 tralia's development of conventionally  
20 armed, nuclear-powered submarines, in-  
21 cluding the following elements:

22 (I) A description of progress  
23 made by Australia, the United King-  
24 dom, and the United States to con-  
25 clude an Article 14 arrangement with

1 the International Atomic Energy  
2 Agency.

3 (II) A description of the status of  
4 efforts of Australia, the United King-  
5 dom, and the United States to build  
6 the supporting infrastructure to base  
7 conventionally armed, nuclear-powered  
8 attack submarines.

9 (III) Updates on the efforts by  
10 Australia, the United Kingdom, and  
11 the United States to train a workforce  
12 that can build, sustain, and operate  
13 conventionally armed, nuclear-powered  
14 attack submarines.

15 (IV) A description of progress in  
16 establishing submarine support facili-  
17 ties capable of hosting rotational  
18 forces in western Australia by 2027.

19 (V) A description of progress  
20 made in improving United States sub-  
21 marine production capabilities that  
22 will enable the United States to  
23 meet—

24 (aa) its objectives of pro-  
25 viding up to five Virginia Class

1 submarines to Australia by the  
2 early to mid-2030's; and

3 (bb) United States sub-  
4 marine production requirements.

5 (ii) Progress made on Pillar Two of  
6 the AUKUS partnership, including the fol-  
7 lowing elements:

8 (I) An assessment of the efforts  
9 of Australia, the United Kingdom,  
10 and the United States to enhance col-  
11 laboration across the following eight  
12 trilateral lines of effort:

13 (aa) Underseas capabilities.

14 (bb) Quantum technologies.

15 (cc) Artificial intelligence  
16 and autonomy.

17 (dd) Advanced cyber capa-  
18 bilities.

19 (ee) Hypersonic and  
20 counter-hypersonic capabilities.

21 (ff) Electronic warfare.

22 (gg) Innovation.

23 (hh) Information sharing.

24 (II) An assessment of any new  
25 lines of effort established.

1 **PART 2—STREAMLINING AND PROTECTING**  
2 **TRANSFERS OF UNITED STATES MILITARY**  
3 **TECHNOLOGY FROM COMPROMISE**

4 **SEC. 1341. PRIORITY FOR AUSTRALIA AND THE UNITED**  
5 **KINGDOM IN FOREIGN MILITARY SALES AND**  
6 **DIRECT COMMERCIAL SALES.**

7 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The President shall institute poli-  
8 cies and procedures for letters of request from Australia  
9 and the United Kingdom to transfer defense articles and  
10 services under section 21 of the Arms Export Control Act  
11 (22 U.S.C. 2761) related to AUKUS to receive expedited  
12 consideration and processing relative to all other letters  
13 of request other than from Taiwan and Ukraine.

14 (b) **TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER POLICY FOR AUS-**  
15 **TRALIA, CANADA, AND THE UNITED KINGDOM.**—

16 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of State, in  
17 consultation with the Secretary of Defense, shall cre-  
18 ate an anticipatory release policy for the transfer of  
19 technologies described in paragraph (2) to Australia,  
20 the United Kingdom, and Canada through Foreign  
21 Military Sales and Direct Commercial Sales that are  
22 not covered by an exemption under the International  
23 Traffic in Arms Regulations.

24 (2) **CAPABILITIES DESCRIBED.**—The capabili-  
25 ties described in this paragraph are—

1 (A) Pillar One-related technologies associ-  
2 ated with submarine and associated combat sys-  
3 tems; and

4 (B) Pillar Two-related technologies, includ-  
5 ing hypersonic missiles, cyber capabilities, arti-  
6 ficial intelligence, quantum technologies, under-  
7 sea capabilities, and other advanced tech-  
8 nologies.

9 (3) EXPEDITED DECISION-MAKING.—Review of  
10 a transfer under the policy established under para-  
11 graph (1) shall be subject to an expedited decision-  
12 making process.

13 (c) INTERAGENCY POLICY AND GUIDANCE.—The  
14 Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense shall  
15 jointly review and update interagency policies and imple-  
16 mentation guidance related to requests for Foreign Mili-  
17 tary Sales and Direct Commercial Sales, including by in-  
18 corporating the anticipatory release provisions of this sec-  
19 tion.

1 **SEC. 1342. IDENTIFICATION AND PRE-CLEARANCE OF PLAT-**  
2 **FORMS, TECHNOLOGIES, AND EQUIPMENT**  
3 **FOR SALE TO AUSTRALIA AND THE UNITED**  
4 **KINGDOM THROUGH FOREIGN MILITARY**  
5 **SALES AND DIRECT COMMERCIAL SALES.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the  
7 date of the enactment of this Act, and on a biennial basis  
8 thereafter for 8 years, the President shall submit to the  
9 Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate and the  
10 Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representa-  
11 tives a report that includes a list of advanced military plat-  
12 forms, technologies, and equipment that are pre-cleared  
13 and prioritized for sale and release to Australia, the  
14 United Kingdom and Canada through the Foreign Mili-  
15 tary Sales and Direct Commercial Sales programs without  
16 regard to whether a letter of request or license to purchase  
17 such platforms, technologies, or equipment has been re-  
18 ceived from any of such country.

19 (b) ADDITIONAL ITEMS.—Each list may include  
20 items that are not related to the AUKUS partnership but  
21 may not include items that are not covered by an exemp-  
22 tion under the International Traffic in Arms Regulations  
23 except unmanned aerial or hypersonic systems.

1 **SEC. 1343. EXPORT CONTROL EXEMPTIONS AND STAND-**  
2 **ARDS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 38 of the Arms Export  
4 Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2778) is amended by adding at  
5 the end the following:

6 “(1) AUKUS DEFENSE TRADE COOPERATION.—

7 “(1) DETERMINATION AND CERTIFICATION.—

8 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120  
9 days after the date of the enactment of this  
10 subsection, the President shall determine and  
11 certify in writing, and include a detailed jus-  
12 tification, to the Committee on Foreign Rela-  
13 tions of the Senate and the Committee on For-  
14 eign Affairs of the House of Representatives  
15 whether Australia or the United Kingdom  
16 has—

17 “(i) implemented a system of export  
18 controls comparable to those of the United  
19 States that satisfies the elements of sub-  
20 section (j)(2)(A)(i), (ii), (iii), and (iv) and  
21 subsection (j)(2)(B)(i), (ii) and (v) for  
22 United States-origin defense articles and  
23 defense services, and for controlling the  
24 provision of military training; and

1           “(ii) implemented a comparable ex-  
2           emption from its export controls for the  
3           United States.

4           “(B) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—

5           “(i) REQUIREMENTS MET.—If the  
6           President makes the determination that  
7           Australia or the United Kingdom meets  
8           the comparability standards of clauses (i)  
9           and (ii) of subparagraph (A), the justifica-  
10          tion required by such subparagraph shall  
11          include an assessment of how the country  
12          satisfied the specific elements described in  
13          such clauses.

14          “(ii) REQUIREMENTS NOT MET.—If  
15          the President makes a determination that  
16          Australia or the United Kingdom does not  
17          meet the comparability standards of  
18          clauses (i) and (ii) of subparagraph (A),  
19          the justification required by such subpara-  
20          graph shall include, as applicable—

21                  “(I) the specific elements of ei-  
22                  ther such clause (i) or (ii) that were  
23                  determined not to meet the com-  
24                  parability standards;

1                   “(II) the specific actions the  
2                   country needs to take in order to meet  
3                   the comparability standards; and

4                   “(III) the actions the United  
5                   States is taking, as appropriate, to fa-  
6                   cilitate that the country is granted an  
7                   exemption in a timely manner upon  
8                   meeting the comparability standards.

9                   “(C) FORM.—The determination and cer-  
10                  tification described in subparagraph (A) shall  
11                  be submitted in unclassified form, but may in-  
12                  clude a classified annex.

13                  “(2) EXEMPTION.—Upon submittal of a deter-  
14                  mination and certification to the Committee on For-  
15                  eign Relations of the Senate and the Committee on  
16                  Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives that  
17                  Australia or the United Kingdom has met the com-  
18                  parability standards of clauses (i) and (ii) of para-  
19                  graph (1)(A), and subject to the limitation in para-  
20                  graph (4), the President shall immediately exempt  
21                  from the licensing or other approval requirements of  
22                  this section exports and transfers (including reex-  
23                  ports, transfers, temporary imports, and brokering  
24                  activities) of defense articles and defense services be-  
25                  tween the United States and that country or among

1 the United States, the United Kingdom, and Aus-  
2 tralia.

3 “(3) REASSESSMENT.—

4 “(A) IN GENERAL.—If the President is un-  
5 able to make a determination that Australia or  
6 the United Kingdom has met the comparability  
7 standards of clauses (i) and (ii) of paragraph  
8 (1)(A) or suspends the exemption pursuant to  
9 paragraph (5), the President shall—

10 “(i) not less frequently than once  
11 every 120 days reassess whether the coun-  
12 try has met those requirements;

13 “(ii) report the results of such reas-  
14 sessment in writing, and include a detailed  
15 justification, to the Committee on Foreign  
16 Relations of the Senate and the Committee  
17 on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep-  
18 resentatives; and

19 “(iii) report on steps the country must  
20 take to establish the exemption.

21 “(B) POSITIVE REASSESSMENT.—Upon  
22 any reassessment under subparagraph (A) in  
23 which the President determines that Australia  
24 or the United Kingdom has met the com-  
25 parability standards of clauses (i) and (ii) of

1 paragraph (1)(A), the President shall imme-  
2 diately provide to that country an exemption  
3 described in paragraph (2).

4 “(C) NEGATIVE REASSESSMENT.—If the  
5 President finds in any reassessment under sub-  
6 paragraph (A) that Australia or the United  
7 Kingdom has not met the comparability stand-  
8 ards of clauses (i) and (ii) of paragraph (1)(A),  
9 the written reassessment shall include, as appli-  
10 cable—

11 “(i) the specific elements of either  
12 such clauses that were determined not to  
13 be comparable;

14 “(ii) the specific actions the country  
15 needs to take in order to meet the com-  
16 parability standards; and

17 “(iii) the actions the United States is  
18 taking, as appropriate, to facilitate that  
19 the country is granted an exemption in a  
20 timely manner upon meeting the com-  
21 parability standards.

22 “(D) FORM.—The reassessment described  
23 in subparagraph (A)(ii) shall be submitted in  
24 an unclassified form, but may include a classi-  
25 fied annex.

1           “(4) LIMITATION.—An exemption described in  
2 paragraph (2) shall not apply to any activity (includ-  
3 ing exports, transfers, reexports, retransfers, tem-  
4 porary imports, or brokering) of defense articles and  
5 defense services between or among the United  
6 States, the United Kingdom, and Australia that—

7           “(A) are excluded by those countries;

8           “(B) are referred to in subsection  
9 (j)(1)(C)(ii); or

10          “(C) involve individuals or entities that are  
11 not approved by—

12           “(i) the Secretary of State; and

13           “(ii) the Ministry of Defense, the Min-  
14 istry of Foreign Affairs, or other similar  
15 authority within those countries.

16          “(5) TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF EXEMP-  
17 TION.—

18          “(A) IN GENERAL.—The President may  
19 suspend an exemption described in paragraph  
20 (2) with respect to Australia or the United  
21 Kingdom if the President determines and cer-  
22 tifies in writing, and includes a detailed jus-  
23 tification, to the Committee on Foreign Rela-  
24 tions of the Senate and the Committee on For-

1           eign Affairs of the House of Representatives  
2           that—

3                   “(i) the country has ceased to imple-  
4                   ment a system of export controls com-  
5                   parable to those of the United States that  
6                   satisfies the elements of subsection  
7                   (j)(2)(A)(i), (ii), (iii), and (iv) and sub-  
8                   section (j)(2)(B)(i), (ii) and (v) for United  
9                   States-origin defense articles and defense  
10                  services, and for controlling the provision  
11                  of military training; and

12                   “(ii) due to a substantial change in  
13                   circumstance, the suspension is necessary  
14                   to protect the vital national security or for-  
15                   eign policy interests of the United States  
16                   in relation to the country concerned; or

17                   “(iii) the country concerned has  
18                   ceased to implement a comparable exemp-  
19                   tion from its export controls for the United  
20                   States.

21                   “(B) ADDITIONAL MATTER TO BE IN-  
22                   CLUDED.—The justification required to be in-  
23                   cluded in the determination and certification  
24                   described in subparagraph (A) shall also include  
25                   a description of the specific actions the United

1 States and the country are taking to address  
2 the reasons for the suspension.

3 “(C) FORM.—The determination and cer-  
4 tification described in subparagraph (A) shall  
5 be submitted in unclassified form, but may in-  
6 clude a classified annex.

7 “(D) REPORT.—If the President reissues  
8 an exemption described in paragraph (2) with  
9 respect to Australia or the United Kingdom  
10 that the President suspended pursuant to sub-  
11 subparagraph (A), the President shall submit to  
12 the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Sen-  
13 ate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of  
14 the House of Representatives a report stating  
15 the steps the country took that allowed the ex-  
16 emption to be so reinstated.

17 “(6) CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS NOT APPLICA-  
18 BLE.—

19 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Paragraphs (1), (2),  
20 and (3) of section 3(d) shall not apply to any  
21 export or transfer that is the subject of an ex-  
22 emption described in paragraph (2).

23 “(B) QUARTERLY REPORTS.—The Sec-  
24 retary of State shall—

1           “(i) require all exports and transfers  
2           that would be subject to the requirements  
3           of paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) of section  
4           3(d) but for the application of subpara-  
5           graph (A) to be reported to the Secretary;  
6           and

7           “(ii) submit such reports to the Com-  
8           mittee on Foreign Relations of the Senate  
9           and Committee on Foreign Affairs of the  
10          House of Representatives on a quarterly  
11          basis.

12          “(7) SUNSET.—

13               “(A) IN GENERAL.—Any exemption de-  
14               scribed in paragraph (2) shall terminate on the  
15               date that is 15 years after the date of the en-  
16               actment of this subsection.

17               “(B) RENEWAL.—The Secretary of State  
18               may renew such exemption for 5 years upon a  
19               certification to the Committee on Foreign Rela-  
20               tions of the Senate and the Committee on For-  
21               eign Affairs of the House of Representatives  
22               that such exemption is in the vital national in-  
23               terest of the United States with a detailed jus-  
24               tification for such certification.”.”.

25          (b) REPORTS.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year  
2 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and an-  
3 nually thereafter until no exemptions described in  
4 subsection (l)(2) of section 38 of the Arms Export  
5 Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2778), as added by sub-  
6 section (a) of this section, remain in effect, the Sec-  
7 retary of State shall submit to the Committee on  
8 Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committee  
9 on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives  
10 a report on the operation of exemptions described in  
11 such subsection (l)(2), including whether any  
12 changes to such exemptions are likely to be made in  
13 the coming year.

14           (2) INITIAL REPORT.—The first report sub-  
15 mitted under paragraph (1) shall also include an as-  
16 sessment of key recommendations the United States  
17 Government has provided to the Governments of  
18 Australia and the United Kingdom to revise laws,  
19 regulations, and policies of such countries that are  
20 required to implement the AUKUS partnership.

21           (3) REPORT ON EXPEDITED REVIEW OF EX-  
22 PORT LICENSES FOR EXPORTS OF ADVANCED TECH-  
23 NOLOGIES.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
24 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State,  
25 in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, shall

1 report on the practical application of a possible “fast  
2 track” decision-making process for applications,  
3 classified or unclassified, to export defense articles  
4 and defense services to Australia, the United King-  
5 dom, and Canada.

6 **SEC. 1344. EXPEDITED REVIEW OF EXPORT LICENSES FOR**  
7 **EXPORTS OF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES TO**  
8 **AUSTRALIA, THE UNITED KINGDOM, AND**  
9 **CANADA.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the  
11 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State,  
12 in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, shall ini-  
13 tiate a rulemaking to establish an expedited decision-mak-  
14 ing process, classified or unclassified, for applications to  
15 export to Australia, the United Kingdom, and Canada  
16 commercial, advanced-technology defense articles and de-  
17 fense services that are not covered by an exemption under  
18 the International Traffic in Arms Regulations.

19 (b) ELIGIBILITY.—To qualify for the expedited deci-  
20 sion-making process described in subsection (a), an appli-  
21 cation shall be for an export of defense articles or defense  
22 services that will take place wholly within or between the  
23 physical territory of Australia, Canada, or the United  
24 Kingdom and the United States and with governments or  
25 corporate entities from such countries.

1 (c) AVAILABILITY OF EXPEDITED PROCESS.—The  
2 expedited decision-making process described in subsection  
3 (a) shall be available for both classified and unclassified  
4 items, and the process must satisfy the following criteria  
5 to the extent practicable:

6 (1) Any licensing application to export defense  
7 articles and services that is related to a government  
8 to government agreement must be approved, re-  
9 turned, or denied within 30 days of submission.

10 (2) For all other licensing requests, any review  
11 shall be completed not later than 45 calendar days  
12 after the date of application.

13 **SEC. 1345. UNITED STATES MUNITIONS LIST.**

14 (a) EXEMPTION FOR THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE  
15 UNITED KINGDOM AND AUSTRALIA FROM CERTIFI-  
16 CATION AND CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION REQUIRE-  
17 MENTS APPLICABLE TO CERTAIN TRANSFERS.—Section  
18 38(f)(3) of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C.  
19 2778(f)(3)) is amended by inserting “, the United King-  
20 dom, or Australia” after “Canada”.

21 (b) UNITED STATES MUNITIONS LIST PERIODIC RE-  
22 VIEWS.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State, act-  
24 ing through authority delegated by the President to  
25 carry out periodic reviews of items on the United

1 States Munitions List under section 38(f) of the  
2 Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2778(f)) and  
3 in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, the  
4 Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of Commerce,  
5 and the Director of the Office of Management and  
6 Budget, shall carry out such reviews not less fre-  
7 quently than every 3 years.

8 (2) SCOPE.—The periodic reviews described in  
9 paragraph (1) shall focus on matters including—

10 (A) interagency resources to address cur-  
11 rent threats faced by the United States;

12 (B) the evolving technological and eco-  
13 nomic landscape;

14 (C) the widespread availability of certain  
15 technologies and items on the United States  
16 Munitions List; and

17 (D) risks of misuse of United States-origin  
18 defense articles.

19 (3) CONSULTATION.—The Department of State  
20 may consult with the Defense Trade Advisory Group  
21 (DTAG) and other interested parties in conducting  
22 the periodic review described in paragraph (1).

1           **PART 3—AUKUS SUBMARINE TRANSFER**

2                           **AUTHORIZATION ACT**

3   **SEC. 1351. SHORT TITLE.**

4           This part may be cited as the “AUKUS Submarine  
5   Transfer Authorization Act”.

6   **SEC. 1352. AUTHORIZATION OF SALES OF VIRGINIA CLASS**

7                           **SUBMARINES TO AUSTRALIA.**

8           (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Effective beginning on the date  
9   that is one year after the date of the enactment of this  
10   Act, the President is authorized to transfer up to two Vir-  
11   ginia Class submarines from the inventory of the Depart-  
12   ment of the Navy to the Government of Australia on a  
13   sale basis, and transfer not more than one additional Vir-  
14   ginia Class submarine to the Government of Australia on  
15   a sale basis pursuant to section 21 of the Arms Export  
16   Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2761) during the 20-year period  
17   beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act, to  
18   implement the trilateral security partnership between Aus-  
19   tralia, the United Kingdom, and the United States (in this  
20   section referred to as the “AUKUS partnership”).

21           (b) **PROVISIONS OF LAW SUPERSEDED.**—The trans-  
22   fer of a vessel authorized under subsection (a) shall not  
23   be subject to the requirements of—

24                   (1) section 36 of the Arms Export Control Act  
25                   (22 U.S.C. 2776); or

1           (2) section 8677 of title 10, United States  
2           Code.

3           (c) COSTS OF TRANSFERS.—Any expense incurred by  
4 the United States in connection with a transfer of a vessel  
5 authorized under subsection (a) shall be charged to the  
6 Government of Australia notwithstanding section 516(e)  
7 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C.  
8 2321j(e)).

9           (d) CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS.—  
10           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 270 days  
11 prior to the transfer of a vessel authorized under  
12 subsection (a), the President shall submit to the ap-  
13 propriate congressional committees and leadership a  
14 certification that—

15                   (A) the transfer of such vessels—

16                           (i) will not degrade the United States  
17 undersea capabilities;

18                           (ii) is consistent with United States  
19 foreign policy and national security inter-  
20 ests; and

21                           (iii) is in furtherance of the AUKUS  
22 partnership;

23                   (B) the United States is making sufficient  
24 submarine production and maintenance invest-  
25 ments to meet the combination of United States

1 military requirements and the requirements  
2 under subparagraph (A);

3 (C) the Government of Australia has pro-  
4 vided the appropriate funds and support for the  
5 additional capacity required to meet the re-  
6 quirements identified in this section; and

7 (D) the Government Australia has the ca-  
8 pability to host and fully operate the vessels au-  
9 thorized to be transferred.

10 (2) WAIVER OF CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS  
11 CERTIFICATION.—The requirement for the Chief of  
12 Naval Operations to make a certification under sec-  
13 tion 8678 of title 10, United States Code, shall not  
14 apply to the transfer of a vessel authorized under  
15 subsection (a).

16 (3) REQUIRED MUTUAL DEFENSE AGREE-  
17 MENT.—

18 (A) IN GENERAL.—The President may not  
19 provide for the transfer of a vessel authorized  
20 under subsection (a) unless the United States  
21 and Australia have entered into a mutual de-  
22 fense agreement that meets the requirements of  
23 subparagraph (B) and such agreement is in ef-  
24 fect.

1 (B) REQUIREMENTS.—A mutual defense  
2 agreement meets the requirements described in  
3 this subparagraph if the agreement—

4 (i) provides a clear legal framework  
5 for the sole purpose of Australia’s acquisi-  
6 tion of conventionally armed, nuclear-pow-  
7 ered submarines; and

8 (ii) meets the highest nonproliferation  
9 standards for the exchange of nuclear ma-  
10 terials, technology, equipment, and infor-  
11 mation between the United States and  
12 Australia.

13 (4) SUBSEQUENT SALES.—A transfer of vessel  
14 that is a Virginia class submarine on a sale basis  
15 other than a transfer described in subsection (a)  
16 may occur only if such transfer is explicitly author-  
17 ized pursuant to a law enacted after the date of the  
18 enactment of this Act.

19 (e) CREDITING OF RECEIPTS.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any provi-  
21 sion of law pertaining to the crediting of amounts  
22 received from a sale under the terms of section 21  
23 of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2761),  
24 any receipt of the United States as a result of a

1 transfer of a vessel authorized under subsection (a)  
2 shall—

3 (A) be credited, at the discretion of the  
4 President to—

5 (i) the appropriation, fund, or account  
6 used in incurring the original obligation;

7 (ii) an appropriate appropriation,  
8 fund, or account currently available for the  
9 purposes for which the expenditures for  
10 the original acquisition of submarines  
11 transferred under this section were made;

12 or

13 (iii) any other appropriation, fund, or  
14 account available for the improvement of  
15 the United States submarine industrial  
16 base; and

17 (B) remain available for obligation until  
18 expended for the same purpose as the appro-  
19 priation to which the receipt is credited.

20 (2) NOTIFICATIONS AND REPORT.—

21 (A) INITIAL NOTIFICATION.—Not later  
22 than 30 days before the date of the delivery of  
23 the first vessel authorized to be transferred  
24 under subsection (a), the President shall notify

1 the appropriate congressional committees and  
2 leadership of the following:

3 (i) The Government of Australia has  
4 achieved Submarine Rotational Forces-  
5 West full operational capability to support  
6 4 rotationally deployed Virginia class sub-  
7 marines and one Astute class submarine,  
8 including having demonstrated the domes-  
9 tic capacity to fully perform all the associ-  
10 ated activities necessary for the safe  
11 hosting and operation of nuclear-powered  
12 submarines.

13 (ii) The Government of Australia has  
14 achieved sovereign-ready initial operational  
15 capability to support a Royal Australian  
16 Navy Virginia class submarine, including  
17 having demonstrated the domestic capacity  
18 to fully perform all the associated—

19 (I) activities necessary for the  
20 safe hosting and operation of nuclear-  
21 powered submarines;

22 (II) crewing;

23 (III) operations;

1 (IV) regulatory and emergency  
2 procedures, including those specific to  
3 nuclear power plants; and

4 (V) detailed planning for endur-  
5 ing Virginia class submarine owner-  
6 ship, including each significant event  
7 leading up to and including nuclear  
8 defueling.

9 (B) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 30  
10 days after the date of a transfer of any vessel  
11 authorized under subsection (a), and upon any  
12 transfer or depositing of funds received pursu-  
13 ant to such a transfer, the President shall no-  
14 tify the appropriate congressional committees  
15 and leadership of—

16 (i) the amount of funds received pur-  
17 suant to the transfer; and

18 (ii) the specific account or fund into  
19 which the funds described in clause (i) are  
20 deposited.

21 (C) REPORT.—Not later than 30 days  
22 after the receipt of funds as described in sub-  
23 paragraph (B), the President shall submit to  
24 the appropriate congressional committees and

1 leadership a report on the matters described in  
2 clauses (i) and (ii) of subparagraph (A).

3 (f) APPLICABILITY OF EXISTING LAW TO TRANSFER  
4 OF SPECIAL NUCLEAR MATERIAL AND UTILIZATION FA-  
5 CILITIES FOR MILITARY APPLICATIONS.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—With respect to any special  
7 nuclear material for use in utilization facilities or  
8 any portion of a vessel transferred under the author-  
9 ity of subsection (a) constituting utilization facilities  
10 for military applications under section 91 of the  
11 Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2121), the  
12 transfer of such material or such facilities shall only  
13 occur in accordance with such section 91.

14 (2) USE OF FUNDS.—The President may use  
15 proceeds from a transfer described in subparagraph  
16 (1) for the acquisition of submarine naval nuclear  
17 propulsion plants and the nuclear fuel to replace the  
18 propulsion plants and fuel transferred to the Gov-  
19 ernment of Australia.

20 (g) REPAIR AND REFURBISHMENT OF AUKUS SUB-  
21 MARINES.—Section 8680 of title 10, United States Code,  
22 is amended—

23 (1) by redesignating subsection (c) as sub-  
24 section (d); and

1           (2) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-  
2           lowing new subsection:

3           “(c) REPAIR AND REFURBISHMENT OF CERTAIN  
4 SUBMARINES.—(1) Notwithstanding any other provision  
5 of this section, and subject to paragraph (2), the President  
6 shall determine the appropriate public or private shipyard  
7 in the United States, Australia, or the United Kingdom  
8 to perform any repair or refurbishment of a United States  
9 submarine involved in submarine security activities be-  
10 tween the United States, Australia, and the United King-  
11 dom.

12           “(2)(A) The President may determine under para-  
13 graph (1) that repair or refurbishment described in such  
14 paragraph may be performed in Australia or the United  
15 Kingdom only if—

16           “(i) such repair or refurbishment will facilitate  
17 the development of repair or refurbishment capabili-  
18 ties in the United Kingdom or Australia;

19           “(ii) such repair or refurbishment will be for a  
20 United States submarine that is operating forward  
21 outside of the United States; or

22           “(iii) the Secretary of Defense certifies to Con-  
23 gress that performing such repair or refurbishment  
24 at a shipyard in Australia or the United Kingdom

1 is required due to an exigent threat to the national  
2 security interests of the United States.

3 “(B) In making a determination under subparagraph  
4 (A), the President shall consider any effects of such deter-  
5 mination on the capacity and capability of shipyards in  
6 the United States.

7 “(C) Not later than 15 days after the date on which  
8 the Secretary of Defense makes a certification under sub-  
9 paragraph (A)(iii), the Secretary shall brief the congres-  
10 sional defense committees on—

11 “(i) the threat that requires the use of a ship-  
12 yard in Australia or the United Kingdom; and

13 “(ii) opportunities to mitigate the future poten-  
14 tial need to leverage foreign shipyards.

15 “(3) Repair or refurbishment described in paragraph  
16 (1) may be carried out by personnel and contractors of  
17 the United States, the United Kingdom, or Australia in  
18 accordance with the international arrangements governing  
19 the submarine security activities described in such para-  
20 graph.”.

21 (h) TRANSFER OR EXPORT OF DEFENSE SERV-  
22 ICES.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—The President may transfer  
24 or authorize the export of defense services (as such  
25 term is defined in section 47 of the Arms Export

1 Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2794)) to the Government of  
2 Australia and the Government of the United King-  
3 dom necessary or incidental to support the transfer  
4 and operation of vessels authorized under subsection  
5 (a).

6 (2) AUTHORITY TO EXPORT TO AUSTRALIAN  
7 AND UNITED KINGDOM PRIVATE AND PUBLIC-SEC-  
8 TOR PERSONNEL.—The transfer or export of defense  
9 services under this subsection may be directly ex-  
10 ported to private and public-sector personnel of Aus-  
11 tralia or to private and public-sector personnel of the  
12 United Kingdom to support the development of the  
13 Australian submarine industrial base necessary for  
14 submarine security activities between members of  
15 the AUKUS partnership, including in the case in  
16 which such private and public-sector personnel are  
17 not officers, employees, or agents of the Government  
18 of Australia or the Government of the United King-  
19 dom.

20 (3) APPLICATION OF REQUIREMENTS FOR RE-  
21 TRANSFER AND REEXPORT.—Any person who re-  
22 ceives any defense service transferred or exported  
23 under paragraph (1) may retransfer or reexport  
24 such service to other persons only in accordance with

1 the requirements of the Arms Export Control Act  
2 (22 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.).

3 (4) SECURITY CONTROLS.—

4 (A) IN GENERAL.—Any defense service  
5 transferred or exported under paragraph (1)  
6 shall be subject to appropriate security controls  
7 to ensure that any sensitive information con-  
8 veyed by such transfer or export is protected  
9 from disclosure to persons unauthorized by the  
10 United States to receive such information.

11 (B) CERTIFICATION.—Not later than 30  
12 days before the first transfer or export of a de-  
13 fense service under paragraph (1), and annually  
14 thereafter, the President shall certify to the  
15 Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate  
16 and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the  
17 House of Representatives that the controls de-  
18 scribed in subparagraph (A) will protect the in-  
19 formation described in such subparagraph for  
20 the defense services so transferred or exported.

21 (i) REPORT.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
23 after the date of the enactment of this Act and an-  
24 nually thereafter for 15 years, the President shall

1 submit to the appropriate congressional committees  
2 and leadership a report describing—

3 (A) the status of the transfer of vessels au-  
4 thorized under subsection (a);

5 (B) the implementation of submarine secu-  
6 rity cooperation under the AUKUS partnership  
7 and challenges towards its implementation;

8 (C) expansion of the public and private  
9 Virginia class submarine production and repair  
10 facilities, to include proposed work conducted in  
11 Australia and the United Kingdom to meet the  
12 additional work required by commitments under  
13 the AUKUS partnership;

14 (D) an annual procurement schedule for  
15 the total quantity of submarines the Depart-  
16 ment of Defense plans to procure over the 15  
17 years following the date of the enactment of  
18 this Act; and

19 (E) a list of transfers or exports of defense  
20 services authorized under subsection (h) and  
21 the private-sector personnel of Australia or the  
22 private-sector personnel of the United Kingdom  
23 to whom the defense services were exported.

24 (2) FORM.—The report required by this sub-  
25 section shall be submitted in classified form.

1 **SEC. 1353. ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRIBUTIONS IN SUPPORT**  
2 **OF AUSTRALIA, UNITED KINGDOM, AND**  
3 **UNITED STATES SUBMARINE SECURITY AC-**  
4 **TIVITIES.**

5 (a) **ACCEPTANCE AUTHORITY.**—The President may  
6 accept from the Government of Australia contributions of  
7 money made by the Government of Australia for use by  
8 the Department of Defense in support of non-nuclear re-  
9 lated aspects of submarine security activities between Aus-  
10 tralia, the United Kingdom, and the United States (in this  
11 section referred to as the ‘AUKUS partnership’).

12 (b) **ESTABLISHMENT OF SUBMARINE SECURITY AC-**  
13 **TIVITIES ACCOUNT.**—

14 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—There is established in the  
15 Treasury of the United States a special account to  
16 be known as the “Submarine Security Activities Ac-  
17 count”.

18 (2) **CREDIT TO ACCOUNT.**—Contributions of  
19 money accepted by the President under subsection  
20 (a) shall be credited to the Submarine Security Ac-  
21 tivities Account.

22 (3) **AVAILABILITY.**—Amounts credited to the  
23 Submarine Security Activities Account shall remain  
24 available until expended.

25 (c) **USE OF FUNDS.**—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraphs (2)  
2           and (3) of subsection (b), the President may use  
3           funds in the Submarine Security Activities Ac-  
4           count—

5                   (A) for any purpose authorized by law that  
6           the President determines would support the  
7           AUKUS submarine security activities;

8                   (B) to carry out a military construction  
9           project that is consistent with the purposes for  
10          which the contributions were made and is au-  
11          thorized by law;

12                   (C) to develop and increase the submarine  
13          industrial base workforce by investing in re-  
14          cruiting, training, and retaining key specialized  
15          labor at public and private shipyards; or

16                   (D) to upgrade facilities, equipment, and  
17          infrastructure needed to repair and maintain  
18          submarines at public and private shipyards.

19          (2) NO FURTHER SPECIFIC AUTHORIZATION IN  
20          LAW REQUIRED.—Funds in the Submarine Security  
21          Activities Account may be used as described in this  
22          subsection without further specific authorization in  
23          law.

24          (d) PLAN FOR USE OF FUNDS.—Not later than 30  
25          days prior to any use of any funds in the Submarine Secu-

1 rity Activities Account, the President shall submit to the  
2 appropriate congressional committees and leadership a  
3 plan detailing—

4 (1) the amount of funds in the Submarine Se-  
5 curity Activities Account; and

6 (2) how such funds will be used, including spe-  
7 cific amounts and purposes.

8 (e) TRANSFERS OF FUNDS.—

9 (1) TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.—

10 (A) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out sub-  
11 section (c), the President may transfer funds  
12 available in the Submarine Security Activities  
13 Account to appropriations available to the De-  
14 partment of Defense.

15 (B) AUTHORITY IN ADDITION TO OTHER  
16 TRANSFER AUTHORITY.—The authority pro-  
17 vided in this paragraph is in addition to any  
18 other transfer authority otherwise provided by  
19 law and is subject to the same terms and condi-  
20 tions as the authority provided in section 8005  
21 of the Department of Defense Appropriations  
22 Act, 2023 (Public Law 117-328), except for  
23 monetary limitations concerning the amount of  
24 authority available.

1 (C) AVAILABILITY.—Funds transferred  
2 under the authority provided in this paragraph  
3 shall be merged with and available for the same  
4 purposes, and for the same time period, as the  
5 appropriation to which transferred.

6 (D) LIMITATION ON CERTAIN TRANS-  
7 ACTIONS.—Contributions referred to in sub-  
8 section (a) may not be obligated for a trans-  
9 action authorized in subsection (c)(1)(B) until  
10 the President submits to the appropriate con-  
11 gressional committees and leadership notice of  
12 the transaction, including a detailed cost esti-  
13 mate, and a period of 21 days has elapsed after  
14 the date on which the notification is received by  
15 the appropriate congressional committees and  
16 leadership or, if earlier, a period of 14 days has  
17 elapsed after the date on which a copy of the  
18 notification is provided in an electronic medium.

19 (2) TO DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY.—In carrying  
20 out subsection (c), and in accordance with the Atom-  
21 ic Energy Act of 1954, (42 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.), the  
22 President may transfer funds available in the Sub-  
23 marine Security Activities Account to appropriations  
24 or funds of the Department of Energy available to

1 carry out activities related to AUKUS submarine se-  
2 curity activities.

3 (3) TRANSFERS BACK TO SUBMARINE SECURITY  
4 ACTIVITIES ACCOUNT.—Upon a determination by the  
5 President that all or part of the funds transferred  
6 from the Submarine Security Activities Account  
7 under this subsection are not necessary for the pur-  
8 poses for which such funds were transferred, all or  
9 such part of such funds shall be transferred back to  
10 the Submarine Security Activities Account.

11 (f) INVESTMENT OF MONEY.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—The President may invest  
13 money in the Submarine Security Activities Account  
14 in securities of the United States or in securities  
15 guaranteed as to principal and interest by the  
16 United States.

17 (2) INTEREST.—Any interest or other income  
18 that accrues from investment in securities referred  
19 to in paragraph (1) shall be deposited to the credit  
20 of the Submarine Security Activities Account.

21 (g) RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER LAWS.—The authority  
22 to accept or transfer funds under this section is in addition  
23 to any other statutory authority to accept or transfer  
24 funds.

25 (h) NOTIFICATION AND REPORT.—

1           (1) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 60 days  
2 prior to the transfer of any funds from the Sub-  
3 marine Security Activities Account, the President  
4 shall notify the appropriate congressional committees  
5 and leadership of—

6           (A) the intended use of such funds by ap-  
7 propriation, program, project, and activity, as  
8 defined in the Joint Explanatory Statement ac-  
9 companying the Department of Defense Appro-  
10 priations Act 2023 (Public Law 117-328); and

11           (B) the extent to which such funds com-  
12 plement, supplement, or supplant other on-  
13 going or planned efforts funded by an appro-  
14 priations Act with an identification of the asso-  
15 ciated funding and explanation of the combined  
16 efforts including the intended outcomes.

17           (2) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than Novem-  
18 ber 30 of each year until one year after the date on  
19 which all funds transferred under this section have  
20 been fully expended, the President shall submit to  
21 the appropriate congressional committees and lead-  
22 ership a report that includes a detailed accounting  
23 of—

24           (A) the amount of funds transferred under  
25 this subsection during the fiscal year preceding

1 the fiscal year in which the report is submitted;  
2 and

3 (B) the purposes for which such funds  
4 were used.

5 (i) REPORT.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after  
7 the date on which contributions of money accepted  
8 by the President under subsection (a) are credited to  
9 the Submarine Security Activities Account under  
10 subsection (b), the President shall submit to the ap-  
11 propriate congressional committees and leadership a  
12 report on—

13 (A) the amount of money so transferred;

14 (B) a description of the intended use of the  
15 funds; and

16 (C) any other matters related to the ad-  
17 ministration of the Submarine Security Activi-  
18 ties Account as determined necessary by the  
19 Secretary.

20 (2) FORM.—The report required by this sub-  
21 section shall be submitted in unclassified form but  
22 may include a classified annex.

1 **SEC. 1354. APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES**  
2 **AND LEADERSHIP DEFINED.**

3 In this subtitle, the term “appropriate congressional  
4 committees and leadership” means—

5 (1) the Speaker of the House of Representa-  
6 tives and the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the  
7 Committee on Armed Services, and the Committee  
8 on Appropriations of the House of Representatives;  
9 and

10 (2) the majority leader of the Senate and the  
11 Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee on  
12 Armed Services, and the Committee on Appropria-  
13 tions of the Senate.

14 **TITLE XIV—OTHER**  
15 **AUTHORIZATIONS**

Subtitle A—Military Programs

- Sec. 1401. Working capital funds.
- Sec. 1402. Chemical agents and munitions destruction, defense.
- Sec. 1403. Drug interdiction and counter-drug activities, defense-wide.
- Sec. 1404. Defense Inspector General.
- Sec. 1405. Defense Health Program.

Subtitle B—National Defense Stockpile

- Sec. 1411. Improvements to Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act.
- Sec. 1412. Authority to dispose of materials from the National Defense Stockpile.
- Sec. 1413. Beginning balances of the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund for audit purposes.
- Sec. 1414. Critical mineral independence.

Subtitle C—Other Matters

- Sec. 1421. Modification of leasing authority of Armed Forces Retirement Home.



1           (2) the destruction of chemical warfare materiel  
2           of the United States that is not covered by section  
3           1412 of such Act.

4 **SEC. 1403. DRUG INTERDICTION AND COUNTER-DRUG AC-**  
5 **TIVITIES, DEFENSE-WIDE.**

6           Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for  
7 the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2024 for ex-  
8 penses, not otherwise provided for, for Drug Interdiction  
9 and Counter-Drug Activities, Defense-wide, as specified in  
10 the funding table in section 4501.

11 **SEC. 1404. DEFENSE INSPECTOR GENERAL.**

12           Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for  
13 the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2024 for ex-  
14 penses, not otherwise provided for, for the Office of the  
15 Inspector General of the Department of Defense, as speci-  
16 fied in the funding table in section 4501.

17 **SEC. 1405. DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM.**

18           Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for  
19 fiscal year 2024 for the Defense Health Program for use  
20 of the Armed Forces and other activities and agencies of  
21 the Department of Defense for providing for the health  
22 of eligible beneficiaries, as specified in the funding table  
23 in section 4501.

1           **Subtitle B—National Defense**  
2                           **Stockpile**

3   **SEC. 1411. IMPROVEMENTS TO STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL**  
4                           **MATERIALS STOCK PILING ACT.**

5           (a) **PURPOSES.**—Section 2 of the Strategic and Crit-  
6 ical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98a) is amend-  
7 ed by adding at the end the following new subsection:

8           “(d) To the maximum extent practicable and to re-  
9 duce the reliance of the National Defense Stockpile pro-  
10 gram on appropriated funds, the National Defense Stock-  
11 pile Manager shall seek to achieve positive cash flows from  
12 the recovery of strategic and critical materials pursuant  
13 to section 6(a)(5).”.

14           (b) **STOCKPILE MANAGEMENT.**—Section 6 of such  
15 Act (50 U.S.C. 98e) is amended—

16                   (1) in subsection (a)(5), by striking “from ex-  
17 cess” and all that follows and inserting “from other  
18 Federal agencies, either directly as materials or em-  
19 bedded in excess-to-need, end-of-life items, or waste  
20 streams;”;

21                   (2) in subsection (e)(1), by striking “subsection  
22 (a)(5) or (a)(6)” and inserting “subsection (a)(6) or  
23 (a)(7)”;

24                   (3) in subsection (d)(2), by striking “subsection  
25 (a)(5)” and inserting “subsection (a)(6)”; and

1           (4) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
2           sections:

3           “(g)(1) The National Defense Stockpile Manager  
4 shall establish a pilot program to use, to the maximum  
5 extent practicable, commercial best practices in the acqui-  
6 sition and disposal of strategic and critical materials for  
7 the stockpile.

8           “(2)(A) The Stockpile Manager shall brief the con-  
9 gressional defense committees (as defined in section  
10 101(a) of title 10, United States Code)—

11           “(i) as soon as practicable after the establish-  
12 ment of the pilot program under paragraph (1); and

13           “(ii) annually thereafter until the termination  
14 of the pilot program under paragraph (3).

15           “(B) The briefing required by subparagraph (A)(i)  
16 shall address—

17           “(i) the commercial best practices selected for  
18 use under the pilot program;

19           “(ii) how the Stockpile Manager determined  
20 which commercial best practices to select; and

21           “(iii) the plan of the Stockpile Manager for  
22 using such practices.

23           “(C) Each briefing required by subparagraph (A)(ii)  
24 shall provide a summary of—

1           “(i) how the Stockpile Manager has used com-  
2           mercial best practices under the pilot program dur-  
3           ing the year preceding the briefing;

4           “(ii) how many times the Stockpile Manager  
5           has used such practices;

6           “(iii) the outcome of each use of such practices;  
7           and

8           “(iv) any savings achieved or lessons learned as  
9           a result of the use of such practices.

10          “(3) The pilot program established under paragraph  
11 (1) shall terminate effective on the date that is 5 years  
12 after the date of the enactment of the National Defense  
13 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024.

14          “(h) Except to the extent necessary for the national  
15 defense, the National Defense Stockpile Manager shall en-  
16 sure that each program for the recovery of strategic and  
17 critical materials implemented under subsection (a)(5) op-  
18 erates in a manner designed to achieve positive cash  
19 flow.”.

20          (c) STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MATERIALS BOARD OF  
21 DIRECTORS.—Section 10 of such Act (50 U.S.C. 98h–1)  
22 is amended—

23                 (1) in subsection (c)—

24                         (A) in paragraph (4), by striking “of the  
25                         National Defense Stockpile Manager” and in-

1           serting “of the management and operations of  
2           the National Defense Stockpile program”;

3           (B) by striking paragraph (5) and redesignating paragraphs (6) through (10) as paragraphs (5) through (9), respectively; and

6           (C) in paragraph (7), as so redesignated—

7           (i) by striking “required by section  
8           11(a)(2) of this Act, including a review of”  
9           and inserting “required by section 11(a) of  
10          this Act. The report required by section  
11          11(b)(2) shall include the views and recommendations of the Board on”; and

12          (ii) by striking “proposed actions to  
13          be taken under the Annual Materials and  
14          Operations Plan” and inserting “all acquisition of materials for and disposals of materials from the stockpile”; and

15          (2) by amending subsection (e) to read as follows:  
16          

17          “(e) APPLICATION OF PROVISIONS RELATING TO  
18          FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEES.—Section 1013(a) of  
19          title 5, United States Code, shall not apply to the Board.”.

20          (d) REPORTS.—Section 11 of such Act (50 U.S.C.  
21          98h-2) is amended—  
22

1           (1) in subsection (a), by striking “the fol-  
2           lowing:” and all that follows and inserting “an An-  
3           nual Materials and Operations Plan for the forth-  
4           coming year.”;

5           (2) in subsection (b)—

6           (A) in paragraph (1)—

7           (i) in the heading—

8           (I) by striking “REPORTS” and  
9           inserting “REPORT”; and

10          (II) by striking “MANAGE” and  
11          inserting “MANAGER”;

12          (ii) in the matter preceding subpara-  
13          graph (A)—

14          (I) by striking “90 days after the  
15          conclusion of the fourth quarter of  
16          each fiscal year” and inserting “Feb-  
17          ruary 15 of each fiscal year”; and

18          (II) by striking “a report” and  
19          inserting “an Annual Operations and  
20          Materials Plan”;

21          (iii) by amending subparagraph (E) to  
22          read as follows:

23          “(E) a statement and explanation of the fi-  
24          nancial status of the National Defense Stock-  
25          pile Transaction Fund and anticipated appro-

1           priations to be made to the Fund, and obliga-  
2           tions to be made from the fund, during the cur-  
3           rent fiscal year;” and

4                   (iv) by striking subparagraphs (G)  
5                   and (H) and inserting the following:

6                   “(G) an annual materials plan for the op-  
7                   eration of the stockpile during the next fiscal  
8                   year and the succeeding four fiscal years and  
9                   planned expenditures from the National De-  
10                  fense Stockpile Transaction Fund and antici-  
11                  pated receipts from disposal of stockpile mate-  
12                  rials, which shall include—

13                   “(i) details of all planned expenditures  
14                   from the National Defense Stockpile  
15                   Transaction Fund during such period and  
16                   of anticipated receipts from the proposed  
17                   disposals of stockpile materials during such  
18                   period;

19                   “(ii) details regarding materials devel-  
20                   opment and research projects to be con-  
21                   ducted during the fiscal years covered by  
22                   the report using moneys in the National  
23                   Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund pur-  
24                   suant to section 9(b)(2)(G); and

1           “(iii) with respect to each develop-  
2           ment and research project described in  
3           clause (ii), the report shall specify the  
4           amount planned to be expended from the  
5           National Defense Stockpile Transaction  
6           Fund, the material intended to be devel-  
7           oped, the potential military or defense in-  
8           dustrial applications for that material, and  
9           the development and research methodolo-  
10          gies to be used;

11          “(H) any proposed expenditure or disposal  
12          detailed in the annual materials plan for any  
13          such fiscal year, and any expenditure or dis-  
14          posal proposed in connection with any trans-  
15          action submitted for such fiscal year to the ap-  
16          propriate committees of Congress pursuant to  
17          section 5(a)(2) that is not obligated or executed  
18          in that fiscal year may not be obligated or exe-  
19          cuted until such proposed expenditure or dis-  
20          posal is resubmitted in a subsequent annual  
21          materials plan or is resubmitted to the appro-  
22          priate committees of Congress in accordance  
23          with section 5(a)(2), as appropriate; and

1           “(I) a summary of the implementation and  
2 findings of the pilot program established under  
3 section 6(g)(1), including—

4           “(i) the commercial best practices se-  
5 lected for use under the pilot program;

6           “(ii) how the National Defense Stock-  
7 pile Manager determined which commercial  
8 best practices to select;

9           “(iii) how the National Defense Stock-  
10 pile Manager has used commercial best  
11 practices under the pilot program during  
12 the year preceding the briefing;

13           “(iv) the outcome of each use of such  
14 practices; and

15           “(v) any savings achieved or lessons  
16 learned as a result of the use of such prac-  
17 tices.”; and

18           (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “para-  
19 graph (1)” and all that follows and inserting  
20 “paragraph (1) which shall include the activi-  
21 ties of the Board to carry out the duties listed  
22 in section 10(c) of this Act”.

23           (e) DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION OF RELI-  
24 ABLE SOURCES.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 15 of such Act (50  
2           U.S.C. 98h–6) is amended to read as follows:

3   **“SEC. 15. DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION OF RELI-**  
4                           **ABLE SOURCES.**

5           “(a) DUTIES.—Subject to subsection (d), the Na-  
6           tional Defense Stockpile Manager shall encourage the de-  
7           velopment and appropriate conservation of reliable sources  
8           of strategic and critical materials—

9                   “(1) by purchasing, or making a commitment to  
10           purchase, strategic and critical materials from reli-  
11           able sources when such materials are needed for the  
12           stockpile;

13                   “(2) by contracting with facilities located in and  
14           owned and controlled by reliable sources, or making  
15           a commitment to contract with such facilities, for  
16           the processing or refining of strategic and critical  
17           materials in the stockpile when processing or refin-  
18           ing is necessary to convert such materials into a  
19           form more suitable for storage or disposition or  
20           meeting stockpile requirements;

21                   “(3) by qualifying facilities located in and  
22           owned and controlled by reliable sources, or quali-  
23           fying strategic and critical materials produced by  
24           such facilities, to meet stockpile requirements;

1           “(4) by contracting with facilities located in and  
2 owned and controlled by reliable sources to recycle  
3 strategic and critical materials to meet stockpile re-  
4 quirements or increase the balance of the National  
5 Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund under section  
6 9; and

7           “(5) by entering into an agreement to co-fund  
8 a bankable feasibility study for a project for the de-  
9 velopment of strategic and critical materials located  
10 in and owned and controlled by a reliable source, if  
11 the agreement—

12           “(A) limits the liability of the stockpile to  
13 not more than the total funding provided by the  
14 Federal Government;

15           “(B) limits the funding contribution of the  
16 Federal Government to not more than 50 per-  
17 cent of the cost of the bankable feasibility  
18 study; and

19           “(C) does not obligate the Federal Govern-  
20 ment to purchase strategic and critical mate-  
21 rials from the reliable source.

22           “(b) ADDITIONAL AUTHORITIES.—

23           “(1) EXTENDED CONTRACTING AUTHORITY.—

1           “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term of a con-  
2           tract or commitment made under subsection (a)  
3           may not exceed ten years.

4           “(B) PREEXISTING CONTRACTS.—A con-  
5           tract entered into before the date of the enact-  
6           ment of the National Defense Authorization Act  
7           for Fiscal Year 2024 for a term of more than  
8           ten years may be extended, on or after such  
9           date of enactment, for a total of not more than  
10          an additional ten years pursuant to any option  
11          or options set forth in the contract.

12          “(2) MATTERS RELATING TO CO-FUNDING OF  
13          BANKABLE FEASIBILITY STUDIES.—To the extent  
14          authorized by Congress pursuant to the Defense  
15          Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4501 et seq.)  
16          and determined to be required by the President pur-  
17          suant to that Act, the National Defense Stockpile  
18          Manager may provide for loans or procure debt  
19          issued by other entities to carry out a project for the  
20          development of strategic and critical materials with  
21          respect to which a study was carried out under sub-  
22          section (a)(5).

23          “(c) PROPOSED TRANSACTIONS INCLUDED IN AN-  
24          NUAL MATERIALS PLAN.—Descriptions of proposed trans-  
25          actions under subsection (a) shall be included in the An-

1 nual Materials and Operations Plan. Changes to any such  
2 transaction, or the addition of a transaction not included  
3 in such plan, shall be made in accordance with section  
4 5(a)(2).

5 “(d) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—The authority of the  
6 National Defense Stockpile Manager to enter into obliga-  
7 tions under this section is effective for any fiscal year only  
8 to the extent that funds in the National Defense Stockpile  
9 Transaction Fund under section 9 are adequate to meet  
10 such obligations.

11 “(e) BANKABLE FEASIBILITY STUDY DEFINED.—In  
12 this section, the term ‘bankable feasibility study’ means  
13 a comprehensive technical and economic study—

14 “(1) of the selected option for a strategic and  
15 critical materials development project that includes  
16 appropriately detailed assessments of realistically as-  
17 sumed extraction, processing, metallurgical, eco-  
18 nomic, marketing, legal, environmental, social, and  
19 governmental considerations and any other relevant  
20 operational factors and detailed financial analysis,  
21 that are necessary to demonstrate at the time of re-  
22 porting that production is reasonably justified; and

23 “(2) that may reasonably serve as the basis for  
24 a final decision by a proponent of a project or finan-

1           cial institution to proceed with, or finance, the devel-  
2           opment of the project.”.

3           (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

4           (A) SIGNIFICANT STOCKPILE TRANSACTION  
5           CHANGE REPORT.—Section 5(a)(2) of such Act  
6           (50 U.S.C. 98d(a)(2)) is amended by striking  
7           “the Board” and inserting “the National De-  
8           fense Stockpile Manager”.

9           (B) MATERIALS RESEARCH AND DEVELOP-  
10          MENT.—Section 8(a) of such Act (50 U.S.C.  
11          98g(a)) is amended—

12           (i) in paragraph (1), by striking “or  
13           in its territories or possessions,” and in-  
14           serting “its territories or possessions, or in  
15           a reliable source”; and

16           (ii) in paragraph (2), by striking “in  
17           order to—” and all that follows and insert-  
18           ing the following: “in order to develop new  
19           sources of strategic and critical materials,  
20           develop substitutes, or conserve domestic  
21           sources and reliable sources of supply for  
22           such strategic and critical materials.”.

23          (C) DEFINITIONS.—Section 12 of such Act  
24          (50 U.S.C. 98h–3) is amended by striking para-

1 graph (3) and inserting the following new para-  
2 graph:

3 “(3) The term ‘reliable source’ mean a citizen  
4 or business entity organized under the laws of—

5 “(A) the United States or any territory or  
6 possession of the United States;

7 “(B) a country of the national technology  
8 and industrial base, as such term is defined in  
9 section 4801 of title 10, United States Code; or

10 “(C) a qualifying country, as defined in  
11 section 225.003 of the Defense Federal Acquisi-  
12 tion Regulation Supplement or any successor  
13 document.”.

14 **SEC. 1412. AUTHORITY TO DISPOSE OF MATERIALS FROM**  
15 **THE NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE.**

16 Pursuant to section 5(b) of the Strategic and Critical  
17 Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98d(b)), the Na-  
18 tional Defense Stockpile Manager may dispose of the fol-  
19 lowing materials contained in the National Defense Stock-  
20 pile in the following quantities:

21 (1) 8 short tons of beryllium.

22 (2) 154,043 short dry tons of metallurgical  
23 grade manganese ore.

24 (3) 5,000 kilograms of germanium.

25 (4) 91,413 pounds of pan-based carbon fibers.

1           (5) Not more than 1,000 short tons of mate-  
2           rials transferred from another department or agency  
3           of the United States to the National Defense Stock-  
4           pile under section 4(b) of such Act (50 U.S.C.  
5           98c(b)) that the National Defense Stockpile Man-  
6           ager determines is no longer required for the Stock-  
7           pile (in addition to any amount of such materials  
8           previously authorized for disposal).

9 **SEC. 1413. BEGINNING BALANCES OF THE NATIONAL DE-**  
10 **FENSE STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUND FOR**  
11 **AUDIT PURPOSES.**

12           For purposes of an audit conducted under chapter  
13 9A of title 10, United States Code, of the National De-  
14 fense Stockpile Transaction Fund established by section  
15 9 of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act  
16 (50 U.S.C. 98h)—

17           (1) the ending balance of \$313,633,491.15 re-  
18           ported in the Central Accounting Reporting System  
19           of the Department of the Treasury for September  
20           30, 2021, is the Fund Balance with Treasury ending  
21           balance on that date;

22           (2) the Total Actual Resources—Collected open-  
23           ing balance for October 1, 2021, for United States  
24           Standard General Ledger Account 420100 is

1       \$314,548,154.42, as recorded in official accounting  
2 records; and

3           (3) the Unapportioned–Unexpired Authority  
4 ending balance for September 30, 2021, for United  
5 States Standard General Ledger Account 445000 is  
6 \$216,976,300.69, as recorded in official accounting  
7 records.

8 **SEC. 1414. CRITICAL MINERAL INDEPENDENCE.**

9 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10           (1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-  
11 GRESS.—The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
12 gress” means—

13                   (A) the Committee on Armed Services of  
14 the Senate; and

15                   (B) the Committee on Armed Services of  
16 the House of Representatives.

17           (2) COVERED COUNTRY.—The term “covered  
18 country” means—

19                   (A) a covered nation (as defined in section  
20 4872(d) of title 10, United States Code); and

21                   (B) any other country determined by the  
22 Secretary of Defense to be a strategic compet-  
23 itor or adversary of the United States for pur-  
24 poses of this section.

1           (3) CRITICAL MINERAL.—The term “critical  
2 mineral” means a critical mineral (as defined in sec-  
3 tion 7002(a) of the Energy Act of 2020 (30 U.S.C.  
4 1606(a))) that the Secretary of Defense determines  
5 to be important to the national security of the  
6 United States for purposes of this section.

7           (4) SHORTFALL MATERIAL.—The term “short-  
8 fall material” means materials determined to be in  
9 shortfall in the most recent report on stockpile re-  
10 quirements submitted to Congress under subsection  
11 (a) of section 14 of the Strategic and Critical Mate-  
12 rials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98h–5) and in-  
13 cluded in the most recent briefing required by sub-  
14 section (f) of such section.

15           (b) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the  
16 United States—

17           (1) to expand secure sources of supply of crit-  
18 ical minerals, including rare earth elements, in the  
19 United States and in countries that are allies or  
20 partners of the United States to meet the needs of  
21 the United States defense sector so that the Depart-  
22 ment of Defense will achieve critical mineral supply  
23 chain independence from covered countries, includ-  
24 ing the People’s Republic of China, the Russian

1 Federation, the Islamic Republic of Iran, and the  
2 Democratic People's Republic of North Korea; and

3 (2) that the Department of Defense will pro-  
4 cure critical minerals and products made using sup-  
5 ply chains involving critical minerals that are not  
6 mined or processed in or by covered countries.

7 (c) STRATEGY TO ACHIEVE CRITICAL MINERAL SUP-  
8 PLY CHAIN INDEPENDENCE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF  
9 DEFENSE.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year  
11 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
12 Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and  
13 Sustainment shall submit to the appropriate commit-  
14 tees of Congress a strategy to develop supply chains  
15 for the Department of Defense that are not depend-  
16 ent on mining or processing of critical minerals in  
17 or by covered countries, in order to achieve critical  
18 mineral supply chain independence from covered  
19 countries for the Department by 2035.

20 (2) ELEMENTS.—The strategy required by  
21 paragraph (1) shall—

22 (A) identify and assess significant  
23 vulnerabilities in the supply chains of contrac-  
24 tors and subcontractors of the Department of

1 Defense involving critical minerals that are  
2 mined or processed in or by covered countries;

3 (B) identify and recommend changes to  
4 the acquisition laws, regulations, and policies of  
5 the Department of Defense to ensure contrac-  
6 tors and subcontractors of the Department use  
7 supply chains involving critical minerals that  
8 are not mined or processed in or by covered  
9 countries to the greatest extent practicable;

10 (C) evaluate the utility and desirability of  
11 leveraging the process for acquiring shortfall  
12 materials for the National Defense Stockpile  
13 under the Strategic and Critical Materials  
14 Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98 et seq.) to  
15 strengthen mining and processing capacity for  
16 critical minerals in the United States and in  
17 countries that are allies or partners of the  
18 United States;

19 (D) identify areas of potential engagement  
20 and partnership with the governments of coun-  
21 tries that are allies or partners of the United  
22 States to jointly reduce dependence on critical  
23 minerals mined or processed in or by covered  
24 countries;

1 (E) identify and recommend other policy  
2 changes that may be needed to achieve critical  
3 mineral supply chain independence from cov-  
4 ered countries for the Department;

5 (F) identify and recommend measures to  
6 streamline authorities and policies with respect  
7 to critical minerals and supply chains for crit-  
8 ical minerals; and

9 (G) prioritize the recommendations made  
10 in the strategy to achieve critical mineral supply  
11 chain independence from covered countries for  
12 the Department, taking into consideration eco-  
13 nomic costs and varying degrees of vulnerability  
14 posed to the national security of the United  
15 States by reliance on different types of critical  
16 minerals.

17 (3) FORM OF STRATEGY.—The strategy re-  
18 quired by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in classi-  
19 fied form but shall include an unclassified summary.

## 20 **Subtitle C—Other Matters**

### 21 **SEC. 1421. MODIFICATION OF LEASING AUTHORITY OF** 22 **ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME.**

23 (a) AGREEMENTS.—Before entering a lease under  
24 section 1511(i) of the Armed Forces Retirement Home  
25 Act of 1991 (24 U.S.C. 411(i)), the Chief Operating Offi-

1 cer of the Armed Forces Retirement Home may enter into  
2 an agreement with a potential lessee for such lease pro-  
3 viding for a period of exclusivity, access, study, or for simi-  
4 lar purposes. The agreement shall provide for the payment  
5 (in cash or in kind) by the potential lessee of consideration  
6 for the agreement unless the Chief Operating Officer de-  
7 termines that payment of consideration will not promote  
8 the purpose and financial stability of the Armed Forces  
9 Retirement Home or be in the public interest.

10 (b) APPROVAL AND NOTIFICATION.—A sublease pur-  
11 suant to section 1511(i) of the Armed Forces Retirement  
12 Home Act of 1991 (24 U.S.C. 411(i)) shall not be subject  
13 to the approval of the Secretary of Defense or any require-  
14 ment to notify or submit a report to Congress described  
15 in such section if the Chief Operating Officer of the Armed  
16 Forces Retirement Home determines that the terms of the  
17 sublease conform with the terms of such lease.

18 (c) ADMINISTRATION OF FUNDS.—

19 (1) AGREEMENT PROCEEDS.—The proceeds  
20 from an agreement entered into under subsection (a)  
21 shall be deposited in the Armed Forces Retirement  
22 Home Trust Fund.

23 (2) FUND USES.—The proceeds from the lease  
24 of property under section 1511(i) of the Armed  
25 Forces Retirement Home Act of 1991 (24 U.S.C.

1 411(i)) and the proceeds from agreements entered  
2 into under subsection (a) of this section that are de-  
3 posited in the Armed Forces Retirement Home  
4 Trust Fund shall remain available for obligation and  
5 expenditure to finance expenses of the Retirement  
6 Home related to the formation and administration of  
7 agreements and leases entered into under the provi-  
8 sions of this section or such section 1511(i).

9 (d) SUNSET.—This section shall terminate on Sep-  
10 tember 30, 2026.

11 **SEC. 1422. AUTHORITY FOR TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO JOINT**  
12 **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE-DEPARTMENT OF**  
13 **VETERANS AFFAIRS MEDICAL FACILITY DEM-**  
14 **ONSTRATION FUND FOR CAPTAIN JAMES A.**  
15 **LOVELL HEALTH CARE CENTER, ILLINOIS.**

16 (a) AUTHORITY FOR TRANSFER OF FUNDS.—Of the  
17 funds authorized to be appropriated for section 1405 and  
18 available for the Defense Health Program for operation  
19 and maintenance, \$172,000,000 may be transferred by the  
20 Secretary of Defense to the Joint Department of Defense—  
21 Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Dem-  
22 onstration Fund established by subsection (a)(1) of sec-  
23 tion 1704 of the National Defense Authorization Act for  
24 Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111–84; 123 Stat. 2571).  
25 For purposes of subsection (a)(2) of such section 1704,

1 any funds so transferred shall be treated as amounts au-  
2 thorized and appropriated specifically for the purpose of  
3 such a transfer.

4 (b) USE OF TRANSFERRED FUNDS.—For the pur-  
5 poses of subsection (b) of such section 1704, facility oper-  
6 ations for which funds transferred under subsection (a)  
7 may be used are operations of the Captain James A.  
8 Lovell Federal Health Care Center, consisting of the  
9 North Chicago Veterans Affairs Medical Center, the Navy  
10 Ambulatory Care Center, and supporting facilities des-  
11 igned as a combined Federal medical facility under an  
12 operational agreement covered by section 706 of the Dun-  
13 can Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
14 Year 2009 (Public Law 110–417; 122 Stat. 4500).

15 **SEC. 1423. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR**  
16 **ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME.**

17 There is hereby authorized to be appropriated for fis-  
18 cal year 2024 from the Armed Forces Retirement Home  
19 Trust Fund the sum of \$77,000,000 of which—

20 (1) \$68,060,000 is for operating expenses; and

21 (2) \$8,940,000 is for capital maintenance and  
22 construction.

23 **TITLE XV—CYBERSPACE-**  
24 **RELATED MATTERS**

Subtitle A—Cyber Operations

- Sec. 1501. Performance metrics for pilot program on sharing cyber capabilities and related information with foreign operational partners.
- Sec. 1502. Harmonization and clarification of Strategic Cybersecurity Program and related matters.
- Sec. 1503. Modification of authority to use operation and maintenance funds for cyber operations-peculiar capability development projects.
- Sec. 1504. Quarterly briefings on joint all domain command and control effort.
- Sec. 1505. Authority for countering illegal trafficking by Mexican transnational criminal organizations in cyberspace.
- Sec. 1506. Development of cyber support mechanisms for geographic combatant commands.
- Sec. 1507. Review and plan relating to cyber red teams of Department of Defense.

#### Subtitle B—Cybersecurity

- Sec. 1511. Responsibility for cybersecurity and critical infrastructure protection of defense industrial base.
- Sec. 1512. Cybersecurity enhancements for nuclear command, control, and communications network.
- Sec. 1513. Pilot program relating to semiconductor supply chain and Cybersecurity Collaboration Center.
- Sec. 1514. Transfer of data and technology developed under MOSAICS program.
- Sec. 1515. Modernization program for network boundary and cross-domain defense.
- Sec. 1516. Establishment of certain identity, credential, and access management activities as program of record.
- Sec. 1517. Pilot program on assuring critical infrastructure support for military contingencies.
- Sec. 1518. Military cybersecurity cooperation with Taiwan.
- Sec. 1519. Guidance regarding securing laboratories of the Armed Forces.

#### Subtitle C—Information Technology and Data Management

- Sec. 1521. Control and management of Department of Defense data; establishment of Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer Governing Council.
- Sec. 1522. Modification to Department of Defense enterprise-wide procurement of cyber data products and services.
- Sec. 1523. Management of data assets by Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer.
- Sec. 1524. Course of education and pilot program on authentication of digital content provenance for certain Department of Defense media content.
- Sec. 1525. Prize competitions for business systems modernization.
- Sec. 1526. Requirements for deployment of fifth generation information and communications capabilities to military installations and other Department facilities.
- Sec. 1527. Required policies to establish datalink strategy of Department of Defense.

#### Subtitle D—Personnel

- Sec. 1531. Office for academic engagement relating to cyber activities.

- Sec. 1532. Selected Reserve order to active duty to respond to a significant cyber incident.
- Sec. 1533. Post-graduate employment of Department of Defense Cyber Service Academy scholarship recipients in intelligence community.
- Sec. 1534. Minimum number of scholarships to be awarded annually through Department of Defense Cyber Service Academy.
- Sec. 1535. Pilot program and other measures to enhance readiness and effectiveness of Cyber Mission Force.
- Sec. 1536. Authority to conduct pilot program on Civilian Cybersecurity Reserve.
- Sec. 1537. Requirements for implementation of user activity monitoring for certain personnel.
- Sec. 1538. Study on occupational resiliency of Cyber Mission Force.

Subtitle E—Artificial Intelligence

- Sec. 1541. Modification to acquisition authority of senior official with principal responsibility for artificial intelligence and machine learning.
- Sec. 1542. Artificial intelligence bug bounty programs.
- Sec. 1543. Prize competition for technology that detects and watermarks use of generative artificial intelligence.
- Sec. 1544. Plans, strategies, and other matters relating to artificial intelligence.
- Sec. 1545. Study to analyze vulnerability for artificial intelligence-enabled military applications.

Subtitle F—Reports and Other Matters

- Sec. 1551. Limitation on availability of funds for travel for Office of Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness pending strategy relating to Defense Travel System.
- Sec. 1552. Management by Department of Defense of mobile applications.
- Sec. 1553. Report on Department of Defense Enterprise capabilities for cybersecurity.
- Sec. 1554. Report on technology modernization for Army Human Resources Command 2030 Transformation Plan.
- Sec. 1555. Certification requirement regarding contracting for military recruiting.

1           **Subtitle A—Cyber Operations**

2   **SEC. 1501. PERFORMANCE METRICS FOR PILOT PROGRAM**  
3                           **ON SHARING CYBER CAPABILITIES AND RE-**  
4                           **LATED INFORMATION WITH FOREIGN OPER-**  
5                           **ATIONAL PARTNERS.**

6           Chapter 19 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-  
7 ed—

1 (1) by redesignating the second section 398 (re-  
2 lating to pilot program for sharing cyber capabilities  
3 and related information with foreign operational  
4 partners) as section 398a; and

5 (2) in section 398a, as so redesignated—

6 (A) by redesignating subsections (f) and  
7 (g) as subsections (g) and (h), respectively; and

8 (B) by inserting after subsection (e) the  
9 following new subsection:

10 “(f) PERFORMANCE METRICS.—(1) The Secretary of  
11 Defense shall maintain performance metrics to track the  
12 results of sharing cyber capabilities and related informa-  
13 tion with foreign operational partners under a pilot pro-  
14 gram authorized by subsection (a).

15 “(2) The performance metrics under paragraph (1)  
16 shall include the following:

17 “(A) Whom the cyber capability was used  
18 against.

19 “(B) The effect of the cyber capability, includ-  
20 ing whether and how the transfer of the cyber capa-  
21 bility improved the operational cyber posture of the  
22 United States and achieved operational objectives of  
23 the United States, or had no effect.

24 “(C) Such other outcome-based or appropriate  
25 performance metrics as the Secretary considers ap-

1       appropriate for evaluating the effectiveness of a pilot  
2       program carried out under subsection (a).”.

3   **SEC. 1502. HARMONIZATION AND CLARIFICATION OF STRA-**  
4                   **TEGIC CYBERSECURITY PROGRAM AND RE-**  
5                   **LATED MATTERS.**

6       (a) HARMONIZATION AND CLARIFICATION.—

7           (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 19 of title 10,  
8       United States Code, is amended by inserting after  
9       section 391a the following new section:

10   **“§ 391b. Strategic cybersecurity program**

11       “(a) IN GENERAL.—(1) There is a program to be  
12       known as the ‘Strategic Cybersecurity Program’ (in this  
13       section referred to as the ‘Program’) to ensure the ability  
14       of the Department of Defense to conduct the most critical  
15       military missions of the Department.

16       “(2) The Secretary of Defense shall designate a prin-  
17       cipal staff assistant from within the Office of the Sec-  
18       retary of Defense whose office shall serve as the office of  
19       primary responsibility for the Program, and provide pol-  
20       icy, direction, and oversight regarding the execution of the  
21       responsibilities of the program manager selected pursuant  
22       to subsection (c)(1).

23       “(b) MEMBERSHIP.—In addition to the office of pri-  
24       mary responsibility for the Program under subsection  
25       (a)(2) and the program manager selected pursuant to sub-

1 section (c)(1), membership in the Program shall include  
2 the following:

3 “(1) The Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of  
4 Staff.

5 “(2) The Commanders of the United States  
6 Cyber Command, United States European Com-  
7 mand, United States Indo-Pacific Command, United  
8 States Northern Command, United States Strategic  
9 Command, United States Space Command, United  
10 States Transportation Command.

11 “(3) The Under Secretary of Defense for Ac-  
12 quisition and Sustainment.

13 “(4) The Under Secretary of Defense for Pol-  
14 icy.

15 “(5) The Chief Information Officer of the De-  
16 partment of Defense.

17 “(6) The Chief Digital and Artificial Intel-  
18 ligence Officer of the Department of Defense.

19 “(7) The chief information officers of the mili-  
20 tary departments.

21 “(8) The Principal Cyber Advisor of the De-  
22 partment of Defense.

23 “(9) The Principal Cyber Advisors of the mili-  
24 tary departments.

1           “(10) Each senior official identified pursuant to  
2           subsection (i) of section 1647 of the National De-  
3           fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Pub-  
4           lic Law 114–92; 129 Stat. 1118).

5           “(11) Such other officials as may be determined  
6           necessary by the Secretary of Defense.

7           “(c) PROGRAM OFFICE.—(1) There is in the Cyberse-  
8           curity Directorate of the National Security Agency a pro-  
9           gram office to support the Program by identifying threats  
10          to, vulnerabilities in, and remediations for, the missions  
11          and mission elements specified in subsection (d)(1). Such  
12          program office shall be headed by a program manager se-  
13          lected by the Director of the National Security Agency.

14          “(2) The Chief Information Officer of the Depart-  
15          ment of Defense, in exercising authority, direction, and  
16          control over the Cybersecurity Directorate of the National  
17          Security Agency, shall ensure that the program office  
18          under paragraph (1) is responsive to the requirements and  
19          direction of the program manager selected pursuant to  
20          such paragraph.

21          “(3) The Secretary may augment the personnel as-  
22          signed to the program office under paragraph (1) by as-  
23          signing personnel as appropriate from among members of  
24          any covered armed force (including the reserve compo-  
25          nents thereof), civilian employees of the Department of

1 Defense (including the Defense Intelligence Agency), and  
2 personnel of the research laboratories of the Department  
3 of Defense, who have particular expertise in the areas of  
4 responsibility referred to in subsection (d).

5 “(d) DESIGNATION OF MISSION ELEMENTS OF PRO-  
6 GRAM.—(1) The Under Secretary of Defense for Policy,  
7 the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and  
8 Sustainment, and the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs  
9 of Staff shall identify and designate for inclusion in the  
10 Program all of the systems, critical infrastructure, kill  
11 chains, and processes, including systems and components  
12 in development, that comprise the following military mis-  
13 sions of the Department of Defense:

14 “(A) Nuclear deterrence and strike.

15 “(B) Select long-range conventional strike mis-  
16 sions germane to the warfighting plans of the United  
17 States European Command and the United States  
18 Indo-Pacific Command.

19 “(C) Offensive cyber operations.

20 “(D) Homeland missile defense.

21 “(2) The Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff  
22 shall coordinate the identification and prioritization of the  
23 missions and mission components, and the development  
24 and approval of requirements relating to the cybersecurity  
25 of the missions and mission components, of the Program.

1       “(e) ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF HEAD OF  
2 OFFICE OF PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY.—In addition to  
3 providing policy, direction, and oversight as specified in  
4 subsection (a)(2), the head of the office of primary respon-  
5 sibility for the Program designated under such subsection  
6 shall be responsible—

7           “(1) for overseeing and providing direction on  
8 any covered statutory requirement that is ongoing,  
9 recurrent (including on an annual basis), or  
10 unfulfilled, including by—

11           “(A) reviewing any materials required to  
12 be submitted to Congress under the covered  
13 statutory requirement prior to such submission;  
14 and

15           “(B) ensuring such submissions occur by  
16 the applicable deadline under the covered statu-  
17 tory requirement: and

18           “(2) recording and monitoring the remediation  
19 of identified vulnerabilities in constituent systems,  
20 infrastructure, kill chains, and processes of the mis-  
21 sions specified in subsection (d)(1).

22       “(f) RESPONSIBILITIES OF PROGRAM MANAGER.—  
23 The program manager selected pursuant to subsection  
24 (c)(1) shall be responsible for the following:

1           “(1) Conducting end-to-end vulnerability assess-  
2           ments of the constituent systems, infrastructure, kill  
3           chains, and processes of the missions specified in  
4           subsection (d)(1).

5           “(2) Prioritizing and facilitating the remedi-  
6           ation of identified vulnerabilities in such constituent  
7           systems, infrastructure, kill chains, and processes.

8           “(3) Conducting, prior to the Milestone B ap-  
9           proval for any proposed such system or infrastruc-  
10          ture germane to the missions of the Program, appro-  
11          priate reviews of the acquisition and system engi-  
12          neering plans for that proposed system or infrastruc-  
13          ture, in accordance with the policy and guidance of  
14          the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and  
15          Sustainment regarding the components of such re-  
16          views and the range of systems and infrastructure to  
17          be reviewed.

18          “(4) Advising the Secretaries of the military de-  
19          partments, the commanders of the combatant com-  
20          mands, and the Joint Staff on the vulnerabilities  
21          and cyberattack vectors that pose substantial risk to  
22          the missions of the Program and their constituent  
23          systems, critical infrastructure, kill chains, or proc-  
24          esses.

1           “(5) Ensuring that the Program builds upon  
2           (including through the provision of oversight and di-  
3           rection by the head of the office of primary responsi-  
4           bility for the Program pursuant to subsection (e), as  
5           applicable), and does not duplicate, other efforts of  
6           the Department of Defense relating to cybersecurity,  
7           including the following:

8                   “(A) The evaluation of cyber vulnerabilities  
9                   of major weapon systems of the Department of  
10                  Defense required under section 1647 of the Na-  
11                  tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
12                  Year 2016 (Public Law 114–92; 129 Stat.  
13                  1118).

14                  “(B) The evaluation of cyber  
15                  vulnerabilities of critical infrastructure of the  
16                  Department of Defense required under section  
17                  1650 of the National Defense Authorization Act  
18                  for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328; 10  
19                  U.S.C. 2224 note).

20                  “(C) The activities of the cyber protection  
21                  teams of the Department of Defense.

22           “(g) RESPONSIBILITIES OF SECRETARY OF DE-  
23 FENSE.—The Secretary of Defense shall define and issue  
24 guidance on the roles and responsibilities for components

1 of the Department of Defense other than those specified  
2 in this section with respect to the Program, including—

3 “(1) the roles and responsibilities of the acqui-  
4 sition and sustainment organizations of the military  
5 departments in supporting and implementing reme-  
6 dial actions;

7 “(2) the alignment of Cyber Protection Teams  
8 with the prioritized missions of the Program;

9 “(3) the role of the Director of Operational  
10 Test and Evaluation in conducting periodic assess-  
11 ments, including through cyber red teams, of the cy-  
12 bersecurity of missions in the Program; and

13 “(4) the role of the Principal Cyber Adviser in  
14 coordinating and monitoring the execution of the  
15 Program.

16 “(h) ANNUAL REPORTING.—Not later than Decem-  
17 ber 31 of each year, the head of the office of primary re-  
18 sponsibility for the Program, in coordination with the ap-  
19 propriate members of the Program under subsection (b),  
20 shall submit to the congressional defense committees an  
21 annual report on the efforts carried out pursuant to this  
22 section or any covered provision of law, including with re-  
23 spect to such efforts concerning—

24 “(1) the evaluation of cyber vulnerabilities of  
25 each major weapon system of the Department of De-

1 fense and related mitigation activities under section  
2 1647 of the National Defense Authorization Act for  
3 Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law 114–92; 129 Stat.  
4 1118);

5 “(2) the evaluation of cyber vulnerabilities of  
6 the critical infrastructure of the Department of De-  
7 fense under section 1650 of the National Defense  
8 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law  
9 114–328; 10 U.S.C. 2224 note);

10 “(3) operational technology and the mapping of  
11 mission-relevant terrain in cyberspace under section  
12 1505 of the National Defense Authorization Act for  
13 Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C.  
14 394 note);

15 “(4) the assessments of the vulnerabilities to  
16 and mission risks presented by radio-frequency en-  
17 abled cyber attacks with respect to the operational  
18 technology embedded in weapons systems, aircraft,  
19 ships, ground vehicles, space systems, sensors, and  
20 datalink networks of the Department of Defense  
21 under section 1559 of the National Defense Author-  
22 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2023; and

23 “(5) the work of the Program in general, in-  
24 cluding information relating to staffing and accom-  
25 plishments.

1           “(i) ANNUAL BUDGET DISPLAY.—(1) On an annual  
2 basis for each fiscal year, concurrently with the submission  
3 of the budget of the President for that fiscal year under  
4 section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, the head  
5 of the office of primary responsibility for the Program,  
6 in coordination with the appropriate members of the Pro-  
7 gram under subsection (b), shall submit to the congress-  
8 sional defense committees a consolidated budget justifica-  
9 tion display that covers all programs and activities associ-  
10 ated with this section and any covered provision of law,  
11 including with respect to the matters listed in subsection  
12 (h).

13           “(2) Each display under paragraph (1) shall be sub-  
14 mitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified  
15 annex.

16           “(3) For the purpose of facilitating the annual budg-  
17 et display requirement under paragraph (1), the Chief In-  
18 formation Officer of the Department of Defense shall pro-  
19 vide to the head of the office of primary responsibility for  
20 the Program and the appropriate members of the Program  
21 under subsection (b) fiscal guidance on the programming  
22 of funds in support of the Program.

23           “(j) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1           “(1) The term ‘covered armed force’ means the  
2 Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Space  
3 Force.

4           “(2) The term ‘covered statutory requirement’  
5 means a requirement under any covered provision of  
6 law.

7           “(3) The term ‘covered provision of law’ means  
8 the following:

9                   “(A) Section 1647 of the National Defense  
10 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public  
11 Law 114–92; 129 Stat. 1118).

12                   “(B) Section 1650 of the National Defense  
13 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public  
14 Law 114–328; 10 U.S.C. 2224 note).

15                   “(C) Section 1505 of the National Defense  
16 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public  
17 Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C. 394 note).

18                   “(D) Section 1559 of the National Defense  
19 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023.”.

20           (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

21                   (A) REPEAL OF DUPLICATE BRIEFING RE-  
22 QUIREMENT.—Section 1647 of the National De-  
23 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016  
24 (Public Law 114–92; 129 Stat. 1118) is  
25 amended—

1 (i) by striking subsection (e); and  
2 (ii) by redesignating subsections (d)  
3 through (j) as subsections (e) through (i),  
4 respectively.

5 (B) REPEAL OF ADDITIONAL DUPLICATE  
6 BRIEFING REQUIREMENT.—Section 1650 of the  
7 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
8 Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328; 10 U.S.C.  
9 2224 note) is amended—

10 (i) by striking subsection (d); and  
11 (ii) by redesignating subsections (e)  
12 and (f) as subsections (d) and (e), respec-  
13 tively.

14 (C) REPEAL OF DUPLICATE PROVISION RE-  
15 LATING TO STRATEGIC CYBERSECURITY PRO-  
16 GRAM.—Section 1640 of the National Defense  
17 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public  
18 Law 115–9; 10 U.S.C. 2224 note) is repealed.

19 (D) REPEAL OF DUPLICATE BUDGET RE-  
20 QUIREMENT.—Section 1637 of the John S.  
21 McCain National Defense Authorization Act for  
22 Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 10  
23 U.S.C. 221 note) is repealed.

24 (E) REPEAL OF DUPLICATE REPORTING  
25 REQUIREMENT.—Section 1505 of the National

1 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022  
2 (Public Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C. 394 note) is  
3 amended—

4 (i) by striking subsection (h); and  
5 (ii) by redesignating subsections (i)  
6 and (j) as subsections (h) and (i), respec-  
7 tively.

8 (F) REPEAL OF ADDITIONAL DUPLICATE  
9 BRIEFING REQUIREMENT; REMOVAL OF REF-  
10 ERENCE TO REPEALED PROVISION.—Section  
11 1559 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense  
12 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 is  
13 amended—

14 (i) by striking “, section 1637 of the  
15 John S. McCain National Defense Author-  
16 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public  
17 Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C. 221 note),”; and  
18 (ii) by striking subsection (f).

19 (b) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days  
20 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the head of  
21 the office of primary responsibility for the Strategic Cy-  
22 bersecurity Program under section 391b of title 10,  
23 United States Code, as added by subsection (a), shall sub-  
24 mit to the congressional defense committees a report set-  
25 ting forth the plan of the head to harmonize and interlink

1 the annual reporting and annual budget display require-  
2 ments under subsections (h) and (i) of such section, re-  
3 spectively, to ensure unity and a lack of duplication in  
4 such efforts.

5 **SEC. 1503. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO USE OPER-**  
6 **ATION AND MAINTENANCE FUNDS FOR**  
7 **CYBER OPERATIONS-PECULIAR CAPABILITY**  
8 **DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.**

9 Section 1640 of the National Defense Authorization  
10 Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92) is amend-  
11 ed—

12 (1) in subsection (a)—

13 (A) by striking “ and each Secretary of the  
14 military departments concerned”;

15 (B) by striking “per use” and inserting  
16 “per project”; and

17 (C) by striking “through 2025” and insert-  
18 ing “through 2028”;

19 (2) by amending subsection (b) to read as fol-  
20 lows:

21 “(b) **LIMITATION.**—Each fiscal year, the Commander  
22 of the United States Cyber Command may obligate and  
23 expend under subsection (a) not more than  
24 \$16,000,000.”;

25 (3) in subsection (c)—

1 (A) by striking “\$500,000” and inserting  
2 “\$1,000,000”; and

3 (B) by striking “the Secretary of Defense,  
4 or his designee, and each Secretary of the mili-  
5 tary departments concerned, or their des-  
6 ignees,” and inserting “the Secretary of De-  
7 fense (or a designee)”; and

8 (4) in subsection (d), by striking “2025” and  
9 inserting “2028”.

10 **SEC. 1504. QUARTERLY BRIEFINGS ON JOINT ALL DOMAIN**  
11 **COMMAND AND CONTROL EFFORT.**

12 Section 1076 of the National Defense Authorization  
13 Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat.  
14 3866) is amended—

15 (1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-  
16 lows:

17 “(a) QUARTERLY BRIEFINGS.—

18 “(1) IN GENERAL.—During the period begin-  
19 ning on October 1, 2021, and ending on October 1,  
20 2028, the Deputy Secretary of Defense, the Vice  
21 Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Chief  
22 Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer of the De-  
23 partment of Defense, the Chief Information Officer  
24 of the Department of Defense, and a senior military  
25 service representative for each of the Armed Forces

1 shall provide to the congressional defense commit-  
2 tees quarterly briefings on the progress of the Joint  
3 All Domain Command and Control (in this section  
4 referred to as ‘JADC2’) effort of the Department of  
5 Defense.

6 “(2) ANNUAL PARTICIPATION BY CERTAIN COM-  
7 BATANT COMMANDS.—For each fiscal year during  
8 the period specified in paragraph (1), a senior rep-  
9 resentative from each of the United States Indo-Pa-  
10 cific Command, United States Central Command,  
11 and United States European Command shall partici-  
12 pate in the provision of the first quarterly briefing  
13 under such paragraph following the submission of  
14 the budget of the President to Congress under sec-  
15 tion 1105 of title 31, United States Code, for that  
16 fiscal year.”; and

17 (2) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the  
18 following new paragraphs:

19 “(7) A detailed programmatic table of the fund-  
20 ing for the JADC2 efforts of the Office of the Sec-  
21 retary of Defense and the military departments, as  
22 set forth in the budget of the President most re-  
23 cently submitted to Congress under section 1105 of  
24 title 31, United States Code. The information in  
25 such table shall be organized primarily by key pro-

1       grams, projects, and activities (such as data integra-  
2       tion layer, joint operating system, global experimen-  
3       tation, and mission command applications).

4               “(8) A detailed summary of the lessons learned  
5       from large-scale exercises and experiments relevant  
6       to the JADC2 effort conducted during the period  
7       covered by the briefing.”.

8   **SEC. 1505. AUTHORITY FOR COUNTERING ILLEGAL TRAF-**  
9                   **FICKING BY MEXICAN TRANSNATIONAL**  
10                   **CRIMINAL ORGANIZATIONS IN CYBERSPACE.**

11       (a) **AUTHORITY.**—In accordance with sections 124  
12       and 394 of title 10, United States Code, the Secretary  
13       of Defense, in support of and in coordination with the  
14       heads of other relevant Federal departments and agencies  
15       and in consultation with the Government of Mexico as ap-  
16       propriate, may conduct detection, monitoring, and other  
17       operations in cyberspace to counter Mexican transnational  
18       criminal organizations that are engaged in any of the fol-  
19       lowing activities that cross the southern border of the  
20       United States:

- 21               (1) Smuggling of illegal drugs, controlled sub-  
22       stances, or precursors thereof.
- 23               (2) Human trafficking.
- 24               (3) Weapons trafficking.
- 25               (4) Other illegal activities.

1 (b) CERTAIN ENTITIES.—The authority under para-  
2 graph (1) may be used to counter Mexican transnational  
3 criminal organizations, including entities cited in the most  
4 recent National Drug Threat Assessment published by the  
5 United States Drug Enforcement Administration, that are  
6 engaged in any of the activities described in such para-  
7 graph.

8 **SEC. 1506. DEVELOPMENT OF CYBER SUPPORT MECHA-**  
9 **NISMS FOR GEOGRAPHIC COMBATANT COM-**  
10 **MANDS.**

11 (a) DEVELOPMENT OF MECHANISMS REQUIRED.—  
12 Not later than 270 days after the date of the enactment  
13 of this Act, each commander of a geographic combatant  
14 command, in coordination with the Commander of the  
15 United States Cyber Command, shall develop a cyber sup-  
16 port mechanism to support the operations of that geo-  
17 graphic combatant command.

18 (b) ELEMENTS.—Each cyber support mechanism de-  
19 veloped with respect to a geographic combatant command  
20 under subsection (a) shall include the following:

21 (1) Processes to enhance the cyber capabilities  
22 of such combatant command.

23 (2) Plans to develop and maintain a sufficient  
24 cyber planning capacity in such combatant com-  
25 mand.

1 (3) Processes to integrate cyber capabilities into  
2 operational support for such combatant command.

3 (4) A prioritization of cyber risks and  
4 vulnerabilities within the geographic area of respon-  
5 sibility of such combatant command.

6 (5) Specific plans to assist in the defense of  
7 friendly foreign countries.

8 **SEC. 1507. REVIEW AND PLAN RELATING TO CYBER RED**  
9 **TEAMS OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

10 (a) REVIEW RELATING TO PRIOR JOINT ASSESS-  
11 MENT.—

12 (1) REVIEW REQUIRED.—Not later than 90  
13 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
14 officials described in subsection (c) shall review, and  
15 assess the status of the implementation of, the rec-  
16 ommendations set forth by the Secretary of Defense  
17 in response to the joint assessment requirement  
18 under section 1660 of the National Defense Author-  
19 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–  
20 92; 133 Stat. 1771).

21 (2) ELEMENTS.—The review under paragraph  
22 (1) shall include, with respect to the recommenda-  
23 tions specified in such paragraph—

24 (A) the timelines associated with each such  
25 recommendation, regardless of whether the rec-

1           ommendation is fully implemented or yet to be  
2           fully implemented; and

3           (B) a description of any impediments to  
4           the implementation of such recommendations  
5           encountered.

6           (b) PLAN REQUIRED.—

7           (1) PLAN.—Not later than 180 days after the  
8           date of the enactment of this Act, the officials de-  
9           scribed in subsection (c) shall submit to the congres-  
10          sional defense committees a plan, developed taking  
11          into account the findings of the review under sub-  
12          section (a), to ensure cyber red teams of the Depart-  
13          ment of Defense achieve sufficient capacity and ca-  
14          pability to provide services and meet current and  
15          projected future demands on a Defense-wide basis.

16          Such plan shall include—

17                (A) a description of the funding necessary  
18                for such cyber red teams to achieve such capac-  
19                ity and capability;

20                (B) a description of any other resources,  
21                personnel, infrastructure, or authorities for ac-  
22                cess to information necessary for such cyber red  
23                teams to achieve such capacity and capability  
24                (including with respect to the emulation of  
25                threats from foreign countries with advanced

1 cyber capabilities, automation, artificial intel-  
2 ligence or machine learning, and data collection  
3 and correlation); and

4 (C) updated joint service standards and  
5 metrics to ensure the training, staffing, and  
6 equipping of such cyber red teams at levels nec-  
7 essary to achieve such capacity and capability.

8 (2) IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than one  
9 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the  
10 Secretary of Defense shall prescribe such regulations  
11 and issue such guidance as the Secretary determines  
12 necessary to implement the plan developed under  
13 subsection (a).

14 (c) OFFICIALS DESCRIBED.—The officials described  
15 in this subsection are the Principal Cyber Advisor to the  
16 Secretary of Defense, the Chief Information Officer of the  
17 Department of Defense, the Director of Operational Test  
18 and Evaluation, and the Commander of the United States  
19 Cyber Command.

20 (d) ANNUAL REPORTS.—Not later than January 31,  
21 2025, and not less frequently than annually thereafter  
22 until January 31, 2031, the Director of Operational Test  
23 and Evaluation shall include in each annual report re-  
24 quired under section 139(h) of title 10, United States

1 Code, an update on progress made with respect to the im-  
2 plementation of this section, including the following:

3 (1) The results of test and evaluation events,  
4 including any resource or capability shortfalls lim-  
5 iting the capacity or capability of cyber red teams of  
6 the Department of Defense to meet operational re-  
7 quirements.

8 (2) The extent to which operations of such  
9 cyber red teams have expanded across the competi-  
10 tion continuum, including during cooperation and  
11 competition phases, to match adversary positioning  
12 and cyber activities.

13 (3) A summary of identified categories of com-  
14 mon gaps and shortfalls across cyber red teams of  
15 the military departments and Defense Agencies (as  
16 such terms are defined in section 101 of title 10,  
17 United States Code).

18 (4) Any identified lessons learned that would  
19 affect training or operational employment decisions  
20 relating to the cyber red teams of the Department  
21 of Defense.

1                   **Subtitle B—Cybersecurity**

2   **SEC. 1511. RESPONSIBILITY FOR CYBERSECURITY AND**  
3                   **CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION**  
4                   **OF DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE.**

5           Section 1724 of the National Defense Authorization  
6 Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (116–283; 10 U.S.C. 2224 note)  
7 is amended—

8                   (1) in subsection (b), by striking “The Sec-  
9           retary of Defense shall designate the Principal Cyber  
10          Advisor of the Department of Defense” and insert-  
11          ing “Not later than 30 days after the date of the en-  
12          actment of the National Defense Authorization Act  
13          for Fiscal Year 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall  
14          designate a principal staff assistant from within the  
15          Office of the Secretary of Defense who shall serve”;

16                   (2) in subsection (c)—

17                           (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
18                   by striking “the Principal Cyber Advisor of the  
19                   Department of Defense” and inserting “the  
20                   principal staff assistant designated under sub-  
21                   section (b)”;

22                           (B) in paragraph (1), by striking “Sector  
23                   Specific Agency” and inserting “Sector Risk  
24                   Management Agency”;

1           (3) in subsection (d), by striking “Principal  
2       Cyber Advisor of the Department of Defense” and  
3       inserting “principal staff assistant designated under  
4       subsection (b)”;

5           (4) in subsection (e)—

6           (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
7       by striking “this Act” and inserting “the Na-  
8       tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
9       Year 2024”;

10          (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “Sector  
11       Specific Agency functions under Presidential  
12       Policy Directive-21 from non-cybersecurity Sec-  
13       tor Specific Agency functions” and inserting  
14       “functions of a Sector Risk Management Agen-  
15       cy pursuant to section 9002 of the National De-  
16       fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (6  
17       U.S.C. 652a) from non-cybersecurity functions  
18       of a Sector Risk Management Agency”;

19          (C) by striking paragraph (3).

20 **SEC. 1512. CYBERSECURITY ENHANCEMENTS FOR NU-**  
21 **CLEAR COMMAND, CONTROL, AND COMMU-**  
22 **NICATIONS NETWORK.**

23       (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF CROSS-FUNCTIONAL  
24 TEAM.—

1           (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days  
2           after the date of the enactment of this Act, and con-  
3           sistent with section 911(c) of the National Defense  
4           Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law  
5           114–328; 10 U.S.C. 111 note), the Secretary of De-  
6           fense shall establish a cross-functional team to de-  
7           velop and direct the implementation of a threat-driv-  
8           en cyber defense construct for the systems and net-  
9           works that support the nuclear command, control,  
10          and communications (commonly referred to as  
11          “NC3”) mission (in this section referred to as the  
12          “cross-functional team”).

13           (2) COMPOSITION OF CROSS-FUNCTIONAL  
14          TEAM.—

15           (A) IN GENERAL.—The cross functional  
16          team shall be composed of senior officers se-  
17          lected from among each of the military depart-  
18          ments, the Defense Information Systems Agen-  
19          cy, the National Security Agency, the United  
20          States Cyber Command, the United States  
21          Strategic Command, and any other organization  
22          or element of the Department of Defense deter-  
23          mined appropriate by the Secretary.

24           (B) LEADERSHIP.—The Secretary shall  
25          designate a senior officer from those selected

1 under subparagraph (A) to serve as the leader  
2 of the cross-functional team.

3 (C) STAFF.—The Secretary shall ensure  
4 the heads of the organizations and elements  
5 specified in subparagraph (A) detail staff to  
6 support the cross-functional team in carrying  
7 out the duties under paragraph (3).

8 (3) DUTIES.—The duties of the cross-functional  
9 team shall be to enhance the cyber defense of the  
10 systems and networks that support the nuclear com-  
11 mand, control, and communications mission.

12 (b) REQUIRED CONSTRUCT, PLAN OF ACTION, AND  
13 MILESTONES.—Not later than one year after the date of  
14 the enactment of this Act, the leader of the cross-func-  
15 tional team designated pursuant to subsection (a)(2)(B)  
16 shall develop a threat-driven cyber defense construct, and  
17 associated plans and milestones, to enhance the security  
18 of the systems and networks that support the nuclear com-  
19 mand, control, and communications mission. Such con-  
20 struct shall be based on—

21 (1) the application of the principles of the ap-  
22 proach to cybersecurity commonly referred to as  
23 “zero trust architecture”;

24 (2) an analysis of appropriately comprehensive  
25 endpoint and network telemetry data; and

1           (3) control capabilities enabling rapid investiga-  
2           tion and remediation of indicators of compromise  
3           and threats to mission execution.

4           (c) ANNUAL BRIEFINGS.—During the 60-day period  
5           beginning on the date that is 30 days before the date on  
6           which the President submits to Congress the budget of  
7           the President pursuant to section 1105(a) of title 31,  
8           United States Code, for each of fiscal years 2025 through  
9           2028, the Secretary shall provide to the appropriate con-  
10          gressional committees a briefing on the implementation of  
11          this section.

12          (d) TERMINATION.—

13           (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
14           graph (2), the cross-functional team under this sec-  
15           tion shall terminate on October 31, 2028.

16           (2) EXTENSION AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of  
17           Defense may extend the date of termination under  
18           paragraph (1) as the Secretary determines appro-  
19           priate.

20          (e) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-  
21          FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-  
22          sional committees” means—

23           (1) the congressional defense committees; and

24           (2) the Permanent Select Committee on Intel-  
25          ligence of the House of Representatives.

1 **SEC. 1513. PILOT PROGRAM RELATING TO SEMICON-**  
2 **DUCTOR SUPPLY CHAIN AND CYBERSECU-**  
3 **RITY COLLABORATION CENTER.**

4 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 90 days after  
5 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
6 Defense, in coordination with the Director of the National  
7 Security Agency, shall commence the conduct of a pilot  
8 program under which the Cybersecurity Collaboration  
9 Center of the National Security Agency may collaborate  
10 with, including by entering into contracts or other agree-  
11 ments with, eligible persons under subsection (c), for the  
12 purpose of assessing the feasibility and advisability of im-  
13 proving the cybersecurity of the semiconductor supply  
14 chain (in this section referred to as the “pilot program”).

15 (b) PROGRAM OBJECTIVES.—Under the pilot pro-  
16 gram, the Secretary of Defense shall seek to improve the  
17 cybersecurity of the supply chain for the design, manufac-  
18 turing, assembly, packaging, and testing of semiconduc-  
19 tors, including through the following:

20 (1) Improving the cybersecurity of processes for  
21 such design, manufacturing, assembly, packaging,  
22 and testing.

23 (2) Protecting against cyber-driven intellectual  
24 property theft with respect to such design, manufac-  
25 turing, assembly, packaging, and testing.

1           (3) Reducing the risk of disruptions caused by  
2           cyberattacks to the supply chain for such design,  
3           manufacturing, assembly, packaging, and testing.

4           (c) ELIGIBILITY.—A person is eligible to participate  
5           in the pilot program if such person—

6           (1) directly supports the design, manufacturing,  
7           assembly, packaging, or testing of semiconductors  
8           within the United States; and

9           (2) provides semiconductor components for the  
10          Department of Defense, any national security sys-  
11          tem (as such term is defined in section 3552(b) of  
12          title 44, United States Code), or the defense indus-  
13          trial base.

14          (d) BRIEFINGS.—

15           (1) INITIAL BRIEFING.—

16           (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year  
17           after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
18           Secretary of Defense shall provide to the appro-  
19           priate congressional committees an initial brief-  
20           ing on the pilot program.

21           (B) ELEMENTS.—The briefing under sub-  
22           paragraph (A) shall include the following:

23           (i) A description of the status of the  
24           implementation of the pilot program.

1 (ii) An identification of key priorities  
2 for the pilot program.

3 (iii) An identification of any chal-  
4 lenges to implementing the pilot program  
5 or impediments to participation in the pilot  
6 program by eligible persons under sub-  
7 section (c).

8 (2) ANNUAL BRIEFINGS.—

9 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year  
10 after the date of the initial briefing under para-  
11 graph (1), and annually thereafter until the  
12 date of termination under subsection (f), the  
13 Secretary of Defense shall provide to the appro-  
14 priate congressional committees a briefing on  
15 the progress of the pilot program.

16 (B) ELEMENTS.—Each briefing under sub-  
17 paragraph (A) shall include the following:

18 (i) Recommendations for addressing  
19 relevant policy, budgetary, security, and  
20 legislative gaps to increase the effective-  
21 ness of the pilot program, including, with  
22 respect to the first briefing under such  
23 subparagraph, an assessment of the re-  
24 sources necessary for successful implemen-  
25 tation of the pilot program.

1 (ii) Recommendations for increasing  
2 participation in the pilot program by eligi-  
3 ble persons under subsection (c).

4 (iii) A description of any challenges  
5 encountered in carrying out the pilot pro-  
6 gram, including any concerns expressed by  
7 manufacturers of semiconductors or sup-  
8 pliers of semiconductor components.

9 (iv) The findings of the Secretary, in  
10 consultation with the Director of the Na-  
11 tional Security Agency, with respect to the  
12 feasibility and advisability of extending or  
13 expanding the pilot program.

14 (v) Such other matters as the Sec-  
15 retary considers appropriate.

16 (e) TERMINATION.—The pilot program shall termi-  
17 nate on the date that is four years after the date of the  
18 enactment of this Act.

19 (f) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-  
20 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-  
21 sional committees” means—

22 (1) the Committee on Armed Services and the  
23 Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the  
24 House of Representatives; and

1           (2) the Committee on Armed Services and the  
2           Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate.

3 **SEC. 1514. TRANSFER OF DATA AND TECHNOLOGY DEVEL-**  
4 **OPED UNDER MOSAICS PROGRAM.**

5           (a) TRANSFERS AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of De-  
6 fense may transfer to eligible private sector entities data  
7 and technology developed under the MOSAICS program  
8 to enhance cyber threat detection and protection of critical  
9 industrial control system assets used for electricity dis-  
10 tribution.

11          (b) AGREEMENTS.—In carrying out subsection (a),  
12 the Secretary of Defense may—

13           (1) enter into cooperative research and develop-  
14 ment agreements under section 4026 of title 10,  
15 United States Code; and

16           (2) use such other mechanisms for the transfer  
17 of technology and data as are authorized by law.

18          (c) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 15 days after any  
19 date on which the Secretary determines to transfer data  
20 or technology to an eligible private sector entity under sub-  
21 section (a), the Secretary shall submit to the congressional  
22 defense committees a written notification of such deter-  
23 mination. Such notification shall include the following:

24           (1) An identification of the data or technology  
25 to be transferred.

1           (2) An identification of the eligible private sec-  
2           tor entity, including an identification of the specific  
3           individual employed by or otherwise associated with  
4           such entity responsible for the security and integrity  
5           of the data or technology to be received.

6           (3) A detailed description of any special secu-  
7           rity handling instructions required pursuant to an  
8           agreement entered into between the Secretary and  
9           the eligible private sector entity for such transfer.

10          (4) Timelines associated with such transfer.

11          (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12           (1) The term “eligible private sector entity”  
13           means a private sector entity that—

14                (A) has functions relevant to the civil elec-  
15                tricity sector; and

16                (B) is determined by the Secretary of De-  
17                fense to be eligible to receive data and tech-  
18                nology transferred under subsection (a).

19           (2) The term “MOSAICS program” means the  
20           program of the Department of Defense known as the  
21           “More Situational Awareness for Industrial Control  
22           Systems Joint Capabilities Technology Demonstra-  
23           tion program”, or successor program.

1 **SEC. 1515. MODERNIZATION PROGRAM FOR NETWORK**  
2 **BOUNDARY AND CROSS-DOMAIN DEFENSE.**

3 (a) MODERNIZATION PROGRAM REQUIRED.—The  
4 Secretary of Defense shall carry out a modernization pro-  
5 gram for network boundary and cross-domain defense  
6 against cyber attacks. In carrying out such modernization  
7 program, the Secretary shall expand upon the fiscal year  
8 2023 pilot program on modernized network boundary de-  
9 fense capabilities and the initial deployment of such capa-  
10 bilities to the primary Internet access points of the De-  
11 partment of Defense managed by the Director of the De-  
12 fense Information Systems Agency.

13 (b) PROGRAM PHASES.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense  
15 shall implement the modernization program under  
16 subsection (a) in phases, with the objective of com-  
17 pleting such program by October 1, 2028.

18 (2) OBJECTIVES.—The phases required by  
19 paragraph (1) shall include the following objectives:

20 (A) By September 30, 2026, completion  
21 of—

22 (i) the pilot program specified in sub-  
23 section (a) and the deployment of modern-  
24 ized network boundary defense capabilities  
25 to the Internet access points managed by

1 the Director of the Defense Information  
2 Systems Agency; and

3 (ii) the extension of modernized net-  
4 work boundary defense capabilities to all  
5 additional Internet access points of the in-  
6 formation network of the Department of  
7 Defense.

8 (B) By September 30, 2027, the conduct  
9 of a survey, completion of a pilot program, and  
10 deployment of modernized network boundary  
11 defense capabilities to the access points and  
12 cross-domain capabilities of the Secret Internet  
13 Protocol Router Network.

14 (C) By September 30, 2028, the conduct  
15 of a survey, completion of a pilot program, and  
16 deployment of modernized network boundary  
17 defense capabilities to any remaining classified  
18 network or enclave of the information network  
19 of the Department.

20 (c) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—Not later than 90  
21 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
22 retary shall submit to the congressional defense commit-  
23 tees a plan for the implementation of the modernization  
24 program under subsection (a). Such plan shall include—

1 (1) a summary of findings from the pilot pro-  
2 gram specified in subsection (a); and

3 (2) an identification of the resources necessary  
4 for such implementation, including for implementing  
5 the phase of the modernization program specified in  
6 subsection (b)(2)(C).

7 **SEC. 1516. ESTABLISHMENT OF CERTAIN IDENTITY, CRE-**  
8 **DENTIAL, AND ACCESS MANAGEMENT ACTIVI-**  
9 **TIES AS PROGRAM OF RECORD.**

10 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM OF RECORD.—

11 (1) PROGRAM OF RECORD.—Except as provided  
12 in subsection (b), not later than 120 days after the  
13 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
14 Defense shall establish a program of record, gov-  
15 erned by standard Department of Defense require-  
16 ments and practices, and transition all covered ac-  
17 tivities to such program of record.

18 (2) OBJECTIVES.—The program of record  
19 under subsection (a) shall include, at a minimum,  
20 covered activities undertaken to achieve the following  
21 objectives:

22 (A) Correcting weaknesses in authentica-  
23 tion and credentialing security, including with  
24 respect to the program of the Department of  
25 Defense known as the “Public Key Infrastruc-

1           ture” program (or any successor program),  
2           identified by the Director of Operational Test  
3           and Evaluation in a report submitted to Con-  
4           gress in April, 2023, titled “FY14–21 Observa-  
5           tions of the Compromise of Cyber Credentials”.

6                   (B) Implementing improved authentication  
7           technologies, such as biometric and behavioral  
8           authentication techniques and other non-pass-  
9           word-based solutions.

10           (3) BRIEFING.—Not later than 150 days after  
11           the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
12           of Defense shall provide to the congressional defense  
13           committees a briefing on the covered activities to be  
14           included under the program of record under sub-  
15           section (a).

16           (b) WAIVER AUTHORITY.—

17                   (1) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense  
18           may waive the requirement under subsection (a) if  
19           the Secretary of Defense determines that the objec-  
20           tives listed in paragraph (2) of such subsection  
21           would be better achieved, and the level of rigor of  
22           the operational testing and oversight requirements  
23           applicable to such objectives would be improved,  
24           through a management approach other than the es-

1       tabishment of a program of record and transition of  
2       covered activities to such program of record.

3           (2) JUSTIFICATION.—Not later than 14 days  
4       after issuing a waiver under paragraph (1), the Sec-  
5       retary of Defense shall submit to the congressional  
6       defense committees a detailed justification for the  
7       waiver, including—

8           (A) an explanation of why the establish-  
9       ment of a program of record is not the pre-  
10      ferred approach to achieve the objectives listed  
11      in subsection (a)(2);

12          (B) details relating to the management ap-  
13      proach proposed to be implemented in lieu of  
14      the establishment of a program of record;

15          (C) an implementation plan for such pro-  
16      posed alternative approach; and

17          (D) such other information as the Sec-  
18      retary of Defense determines appropriate.

19      (c) DESIGNATION OF DATA ATTRIBUTES.—Not later  
20      than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
21      the Chief Information Officer of the Department of De-  
22      fense, in coordination with the Secretaries of the military  
23      departments, shall complete the designation of Tier 1 level  
24      data attributes to be used as a baseline set of standardized

1 attributes for identity, credential, and access management,  
2 Defense-wide.

3 (d) BRIEFING.—Upon completing the requirement  
4 under subsection (c), the Chief Information Officer of the  
5 Department of Defense and the Secretaries of the military  
6 departments shall provide to the Committees on Armed  
7 Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate  
8 a briefing on the activities carried out under this section.

9 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) The term “covered activity” means any ac-  
11 tivity of the Office of the Secretary of Defense or a  
12 Defense Agency relating to the identity, credential,  
13 and access management initiative of the Department  
14 of Defense.

15 (2) The term “Defense Agency” has the mean-  
16 ing given that term in section 101 of title 10, United  
17 States Code.

18 **SEC. 1517. PILOT PROGRAM ON ASSURING CRITICAL INFRA-**  
19 **STRUCTURE SUPPORT FOR MILITARY CON-**  
20 **TINGENCIES.**

21 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF PILOT PROGRAM.—Not  
22 later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this  
23 Act, the Secretary of Defense shall establish a pilot pro-  
24 gram to be known as the “Assuring Critical Infrastructure  
25 Support for Military Contingencies Pilot Program”.

1 (b) SELECTION OF INSTALLATIONS.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after  
3 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
4 of Defense, acting through the Assistant Secretary  
5 of Defense for Homeland Defense and Hemispheric  
6 Affairs, shall select not fewer than four geographi-  
7 cally diverse military installations at which to carry  
8 out the pilot program under subsection (a).

9 (2) PRIORITIZATION.—

10 (A) IN GENERAL.—In selecting military in-  
11 stallations under paragraph (1), the Secretary  
12 of Defense shall give priority to any military in-  
13 stallation that the Secretary determines is a key  
14 component of not fewer than two contingency  
15 plans or operational plans, with further priority  
16 given to such plans in the area of responsibility  
17 of the United States Indo-Pacific Command or  
18 the United States European Command.

19 (B) SELECTION BETWEEN EQUAL PRIOR-  
20 ITIES.—If two or more military installations  
21 qualify for equal priority under subparagraph  
22 (A), the Secretary of Defense shall give further  
23 priority for selection under such paragraph to  
24 any such military installation that the Secretary  
25 of Defense determines is—

1 (i) connected to national-level infra-  
2 structure;

3 (ii) located near a commercial port; or

4 (iii) located near a national financial  
5 hub.

6 (c) ACTIVITIES.—In carrying out the pilot program  
7 under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense, acting  
8 through the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland  
9 Defense and Hemispheric Affairs, shall—

10 (1) without duplicating or disrupting existing  
11 cyber exercise activities under the National Cyber  
12 Exercise Program under section 2220B of the  
13 Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 665h),  
14 conduct cyber resiliency and reconstitution stress  
15 test scenarios through tabletop exercises and, if pos-  
16 sible, live exercises—

17 (A) to assess how to prioritize restoration  
18 of power, water, and telecommunications for a  
19 military installation in the event of a significant  
20 cyberattack on regional critical infrastructure  
21 that has similar impacts on State and local in-  
22 frastructure; and

23 (B) to determine the recovery process  
24 needed to ensure the military installation has  
25 the capability to function and support an over-

1           seas contingency operation or a homeland de-  
2           fense mission, as appropriate;

3           (2) map dependencies on power, water, and  
4           telecommunications at the military installation and  
5           the connections to distribution and generation out-  
6           side the military installation;

7           (3) recommend priorities for the order of recov-  
8           ery for the military installation in the event of a sig-  
9           nificant cyberattack, considering both the require-  
10          ments needed for operations of the military installa-  
11          tion and the potential participation of personnel at  
12          the military installation in an overseas contingency  
13          operation or a homeland defense mission; and

14          (4) develop a lessons-learned database from the  
15          exercises conducted under paragraph (1) across all  
16          military installations participating in the pilot pro-  
17          gram, to be shared with the Committees on Armed  
18          Services of the House of Representatives and the  
19          Senate.

20          (d) COORDINATION WITH RELATED PROGRAMS.—  
21          The Secretary of Defense, acting through the Assistant  
22          Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense and Hemi-  
23          spheric Affairs, shall ensure that activities under sub-  
24          section (c) are coordinated with—

1           (1) private entities that operate power, water,  
2           and telecommunications for a military installation  
3           participating in the pilot program under subsection  
4           (a);

5           (2) relevant military and civilian personnel; and

6           (3) any other entity that the Assistant Sec-  
7           retary of Defense for Homeland Defense and Hemi-  
8           spheric Affairs determines is relevant to the execu-  
9           tion of activities under subsection (c).

10          (e) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date  
11          of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
12          shall submit to the Assistant to the President for Home-  
13          land Security, the National Cyber Director, the head of  
14          any other relevant Sector Risk Management Agency, the  
15          Committees on Armed Services of the House of Represent-  
16          atives and the Senate, and, if the Secretary of Defense  
17          determines it appropriate, relevant private sector owners  
18          and operators of critical infrastructure a report on the ac-  
19          tivities carried out under pilot program under subsection  
20          (a), including a description of any operational challenges  
21          identified.

22          (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

23               (1) The term “critical infrastructure” has the  
24               meaning given that term in the Critical Infrastruc-  
25               tures Protection Act of 2001 (42 U.S.C. 5195c).



1           (2) counter malicious cyber activity that has  
2           compromised such military networks, infrastructure,  
3           and systems;

4           (3) leverage United States commercial and mili-  
5           tary cybersecurity technology and services to harden  
6           and defend such military networks, infrastructure,  
7           and systems; and

8           (4) conduct combined cybersecurity training ac-  
9           tivities and exercises.

10       (c) BRIEFINGS.—

11           (1) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 180 days  
12           after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
13           retary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary  
14           of State, shall provide to the appropriate congres-  
15           sional committees a briefing on the implementation  
16           of this section.

17           (2) CONTENTS.—The briefing under paragraph  
18           (1) shall include the following:

19                   (A) A description of the feasibility and ad-  
20                   visability of cooperating with the Ministry of  
21                   Defense of Taiwan on the defensive military cy-  
22                   bersecurity activities identified pursuant to sub-  
23                   section (b).

1 (B) An identification of any challenges and  
2 resources that would be needed to addressed to  
3 conduct such cooperative activities.

4 (C) An overview of efforts undertaken pur-  
5 suant to this section.

6 (D) Any other matters the Secretary deter-  
7 mines relevant.

8 (d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES  
9 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate con-  
10 gressional committees” means—

11 (1) the Committee on Armed Services and the  
12 Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep-  
13 resentatives; and

14 (2) the Committee on Armed Services and the  
15 Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate.

16 **SEC. 1519. GUIDANCE REGARDING SECURING LABORA-**  
17 **TORIES OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

18 (a) GUIDANCE.—Not later than 180 days after the  
19 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of De-  
20 fense, in coordination with the Chief Information Officer  
21 of the Department of Defense, the Chief Digital and Arti-  
22 ficial Intelligence Officer of the Department, the Under  
23 Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, and  
24 the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Secu-  
25 rity, shall issue Department-wide guidance regarding

1 methods and processes to secure laboratories of the Armed  
2 Forces from—

- 3 (1) unauthorized access and intrusion;
- 4 (2) damage to, and destruction, manipulation,  
5 or theft of, physical and digital laboratory assets;
- 6 (3) accidental or intentional release or dislo-  
7 sure of sensitive information; and
- 8 (4) cyber sabotage.

9 (b) METHODS AND PROCESSES.—At a minimum, the  
10 guidance under subsection (a) shall include, with respect  
11 to laboratories of the Armed Forces, methods and proc-  
12 esses to—

- 13 (1) secure laboratory operations through zero  
14 trust principles;
- 15 (2) control the access of devices to laboratory  
16 information networks;
- 17 (3) secure inventory management processes of  
18 such laboratories;
- 19 (4) control or limit access to such laboratories  
20 to authorized individuals;
- 21 (5) maintain the security and integrity of data  
22 libraries, repositories, and other digital assets of  
23 such laboratories;

1           (6) report and remediate cyber incidents or  
2 other unauthorized intrusions affecting such labora-  
3 tories;

4           (7) train and educate personnel of the Depart-  
5 ment on laboratory security;

6           (8) develop an operations security plan to se-  
7 cure laboratory operations that may be used by ap-  
8 plicable units of the Armed Forces to implement  
9 countermeasures appropriate with respect to the  
10 mission, assessed risk, and resources available to the  
11 unit (including guidelines for implementation of rou-  
12 tine procedures and measures to be employed during  
13 daily operations or activities of the unit); and

14          (9) develop and train applicable units of the  
15 Armed Forces on individualized secure laboratory  
16 critical information and indicator lists to aid in pro-  
17 tecting critical information regarding any activity,  
18 intention, capability, or limitation of the Department  
19 over which an adversary seeks to gain a military, po-  
20 litical, diplomatic, economic, or technological advan-  
21 tage.

1                   **Subtitle C—Information**  
2           **Technology and Data Management**

3   **SEC. 1521. CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF DEPARTMENT**  
4                   **OF DEFENSE DATA; ESTABLISHMENT OF**  
5                   **CHIEF DIGITAL AND ARTIFICIAL INTEL-**  
6                   **LIGENCE OFFICER GOVERNING COUNCIL.**

7           (a) CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF DEPARTMENT  
8 OF DEFENSE DATA.—The Chief Digital and Artificial In-  
9 telligence Officer of the Department of Defense may ac-  
10 cess and control, on behalf of the Secretary of Defense,  
11 any data collected, acquired, accessed, or used by a compo-  
12 nent (as such term is defined in section 1513 of the James  
13 M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
14 Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 10 U.S.C. 4001 note)),  
15 consistent with such section.

16           (b) CHIEF DIGITAL AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE  
17 OFFICER GOVERNING COUNCIL.—Section 238(d)(3) of  
18 the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act  
19 for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C.  
20 note prec. 4061) is amended to read as follows:

21                   “(3) CHIEF DIGITAL AND ARTIFICIAL INTEL-  
22                   LIGENCE OFFICER GOVERNING COUNCIL.—

23                           “(A) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary  
24                           shall establish a council to provide policy over-  
25                           sight to ensure the responsible, coordinated,

1 and ethical employment of data and artificial  
2 intelligence capabilities across Department of  
3 Defense missions and operations. Such council  
4 shall be known as the ‘Chief Digital and Artifi-  
5 cial Intelligence Officer Governing Council’ (in  
6 this paragraph referred to as the ‘Council’).

7 “(B) MEMBERSHIP.—The Council shall be  
8 composed of the following:

9 “(i) Joint Staff J–6.

10 “(ii) The Under Secretary of Defense  
11 for Acquisition and Sustainment.

12 “(iii) The Under Secretary of Defense  
13 for Research and Evaluation.

14 “(iv) The Under Secretary of Defense  
15 for Intelligence and Security.

16 “(v) The Under Secretary of Defense  
17 for Policy.

18 “(vi) The Director of Cost Analysis  
19 and Program Evaluation.

20 “(vii) The Chief Information Officer  
21 of the Department.

22 “(viii) The Director of Administration  
23 and Management.

24 “(ix) The service acquisition execu-  
25 tives of each of the military departments.

1           “(C) HEAD OF COUNCIL.—The Council  
2 shall be headed by the Chief Digital and Artifi-  
3 cial Intelligence Officer of the Department.

4           “(D) MEETINGS.—The Council shall meet  
5 not less frequently than twice each fiscal year.

6           “(E) DUTIES OF COUNCIL.—The duties of  
7 the Council are as follows:

8           “(i) To streamline the organizational  
9 structure of the Department as such struc-  
10 ture relates to the development, implemen-  
11 tation, and oversight of artificial intel-  
12 ligence.

13           “(ii) To improve coordination on arti-  
14 ficial intelligence governance with the de-  
15 fense industry sector.

16           “(iii) To issue and oversee guidance  
17 on ethical requirements and protections for  
18 the use of artificial intelligence supported  
19 by Department funding and the reduction  
20 or mitigation of instances of unintended  
21 bias in artificial intelligence algorithms.

22           “(iv) To identify, monitor, and peri-  
23 odically update appropriate recommenda-  
24 tions for the operational use of artificial  
25 intelligence.

1           “(v) To review, to the extent the head  
2 of the Council considers necessary, artifi-  
3 cial intelligence program funding, to en-  
4 sure that any investment by the Depart-  
5 ment in an artificial intelligence tool, sys-  
6 tem, or algorithm adheres to each applica-  
7 ble policy of the Department relating to ar-  
8 tificial intelligence.

9           “(vi) To provide periodic status up-  
10 dates on the efforts of the Department to  
11 develop and implement artificial intel-  
12 ligence into existing Department programs  
13 and processes.

14           “(vii) To issue guidance on access and  
15 distribution restrictions relating to data,  
16 models, tool sets, or testing or validation  
17 infrastructure.

18           “(viii) To implement and oversee an  
19 educational program on data and artificial  
20 intelligence, for the purpose of familiar-  
21 izing personnel Department-wide on the  
22 applications of artificial intelligence within  
23 the respective operations of such personnel.

1                   “(ix) To implement and oversee a  
2                   scorecard to assess data decrees of the De-  
3                   partment.

4                   “(x) Such other duties as the Council  
5                   determines appropriate.

6                   “(F) PERIODIC REPORTS.—Not later than  
7                   180 days after the date of the enactment of the  
8                   National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
9                   Year 2024, and not less frequently than once  
10                  every 18 months thereafter, the Council shall  
11                  submit to the Secretary and the congressional  
12                  defense committees a report on the activities of  
13                  the Council during the period covered by the re-  
14                  port.”.

15 **SEC. 1522. MODIFICATION TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**  
16                   **ENTERPRISE-WIDE PROCUREMENT OF CYBER**  
17                   **DATA PRODUCTS AND SERVICES.**

18                  Section 1521(a) of the National Defense Authoriza-  
19                  tion Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10  
20                  U.S.C. 2224 note) is amended—

21                   (1) by redesignating paragraph (6) as para-  
22                   graph (7);

23                   (2) in paragraph (7), as so redesignated, by  
24                   striking “(1) through (5)” and inserting “(1)  
25                   through (6)”;

1           (3) by inserting after paragraph (5) the fol-  
2           lowing new paragraph:

3           “(6) Evaluating emerging cyber technologies,  
4           such as artificial intelligence-enabled security tools,  
5           for efficacy and applicability to the requirements of  
6           the Department of Defense.”.

7   **SEC. 1523. MANAGEMENT OF DATA ASSETS BY CHIEF DIG-**  
8                           **ITAL AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE OFFI-**  
9                           **CER.**

10          (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, subject  
11          to existing authorities and limitations and acting through  
12          the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer of the  
13          Department of Defense, shall provide the digital infra-  
14          structure and procurement vehicles necessary to manage  
15          data assets and data analytics capabilities at scale to en-  
16          able an understanding of foreign key terrain and relational  
17          frameworks in cyberspace to support the planning of cyber  
18          operations, the generation of indications and warnings re-  
19          garding military operations and capabilities, and the cali-  
20          bration of actions and reactions in strategic competition.

21          (b) RESPONSIBILITIES OF CHIEF DIGITAL AND ARTI-  
22          FICIAL INTELLIGENCE OFFICER.—The Chief Digital and  
23          Artificial Intelligence Officer shall—

24                  (1) develop a baseline of data assets exclusive  
25                  to foreign key terrain and relational frameworks in

1 cyberspace maintained by the intelligence agencies of  
2 the Department of Defense, the military depart-  
3 ments, the combatant commands, and any other  
4 components of the Department of Defense;

5 (2) develop and oversee the implementation of  
6 plans to enhance such data assets that the Chief  
7 Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer determines  
8 are essential to support the purposes set forth in  
9 subsection (a); and

10 (3) ensure that such activities and plans are  
11 undertaken in cooperation and in coordination with  
12 the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Pri-  
13 vacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency, to ensure  
14 that any data collection, procurement, acquisition,  
15 use, or retention measure conducted pursuant to this  
16 section is in compliance with applicable laws and  
17 regulations, including standards pertaining to data  
18 related to United States persons or any persons in  
19 the United States.

20 (c) OTHER MATTERS.—The Chief Digital and Artifi-  
21 cial Intelligence Officer shall—

22 (1) designate or establish one or more Depart-  
23 ment of Defense executive agents for enhancing data  
24 assets and the acquisition of data analytic tools for  
25 users;

1           (2) ensure that data assets referred to in sub-  
2           section (b) that are in the possession of a component  
3           of the Department of Defense are accessible for the  
4           purposes described in subsection (a); and

5           (3) ensure that advanced analytics, including  
6           artificial intelligence technology, are developed and  
7           applied to the analysis of the data assets referred to  
8           in subsection (b) in support of the purposes de-  
9           scribed in subsection (a).

10          (d) SEMIANNUAL BRIEFINGS.—Not later than 120  
11         days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and not  
12         less frequently than semiannually thereafter, the Chief  
13         Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer shall provide to  
14         the appropriate congressional committees a briefing on the  
15         implementation of this section.

16          (e) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
17         tion shall be construed to authorize the Department of De-  
18         fense to collect, procure, or otherwise acquire data, includ-  
19         ing commercially available data, in any manner that is not  
20         authorized by law, or to make use of data assets in any  
21         manner, or for any purpose, that is not otherwise author-  
22         ized by law.

23          (f) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-  
24         FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-  
25         sional committees” means—

- 1 (1) the congressional defense committees;
- 2 (2) the Permanent Select Committee on Intel-
- 3 ligence of the House of Representatives; and
- 4 (3) the Select Committee on Intelligence of the
- 5 Senate.

6 **SEC. 1524. COURSE OF EDUCATION AND PILOT PROGRAM**  
7 **ON AUTHENTICATION OF DIGITAL CONTENT**  
8 **PROVENANCE FOR CERTAIN DEPARTMENT**  
9 **OF DEFENSE MEDIA CONTENT.**

10 (a) COURSE OF EDUCATION.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year  
12 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
13 retary of Defense, acting through the Director of the  
14 Defense Media Activity, shall establish a course of  
15 education at the Defense Information School, the  
16 purpose of which shall be to provide instruction on  
17 the practical concepts and skills needed by public af-  
18 fairs, audiovisual, visual information, and records  
19 management specialists to understand the following:

20 (A) Digital content provenance for applica-  
21 ble Department media content.

22 (B) The challenges posed to missions and  
23 operations of the Department by a digital con-  
24 tent forgery.

1 (C) How industry open technical standards  
2 may be used to authenticate the digital content  
3 provenance of applicable Department media  
4 content.

5 (2) MATTERS.—The course of education under  
6 paragraph (1) shall cover the following matters:

7 (A) The challenges to missions and oper-  
8 ations of the Department posed by a digital  
9 content forgery.

10 (B) The development of industry open  
11 technical standards for authenticating the dig-  
12 ital content provenance of applicable Depart-  
13 ment media content.

14 (C) Hands-on training on techniques to  
15 record secure and authenticated digital content  
16 to document and communicate relevant themes  
17 and messages of the Department.

18 (D) Training on—

19 (i) the use of industry open technical  
20 standards for authenticating digital con-  
21 tent provenance in the completion of post-  
22 production tasks; and

23 (ii) the transmission of applicable De-  
24 partment media content in both oper-  
25 ational and nonoperational environments.

1 (E) Such other matters as the Director of  
2 the Defense Media Activity considers appro-  
3 priate.

4 (3) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the  
5 date of the establishment of the course of education  
6 under paragraph (1), the Director of the Defense  
7 Media Activity shall submit to the Committees on  
8 Armed Services of the House of Representatives and  
9 the Senate a report on the following:

10 (A) The status of the development of a  
11 curriculum for such course of education.

12 (B) The implementation plan of the Direc-  
13 tor for such course of education, including the  
14 following:

15 (i) The expertise and qualifications of  
16 the personnel of the Department respon-  
17 sible for teaching such course of education.

18 (ii) The list of sources consulted or  
19 otherwise used to develop the curriculum  
20 for such course of education.

21 (iii) A description of the industry open  
22 technical standards referred to in para-  
23 graph (1)(C).

24 (iv) The status of the implementation  
25 of such course of education.

1           (C) The resources available to the Director  
2           to carry out this subsection and whether the  
3           Director requires any additional resources to  
4           carry out this subsection.

5           (b) PILOT PROGRAM ON IMPLEMENTING DIGITAL  
6           CONTENT PROVENANCE STANDARDS.—

7           (1) PILOT PROGRAM.—Not later than one year  
8           after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Di-  
9           rector of the Defense Media Activity shall carry out  
10          a pilot program to assess the feasibility and advis-  
11          ability of implementing industry open technical  
12          standards for digital content provenance for official  
13          photographs and videos of the Department of De-  
14          fense publicly released by the Defense Visual Infor-  
15          mation Distribution Service, or any successor oper-  
16          ation, and other distribution platforms, systems, and  
17          services used by the Department of Defense (in this  
18          subsection referred to as the “pilot program”).

19          (2) ELEMENTS.—In carrying out the pilot pro-  
20          gram, the Director of the Defense Media Activity  
21          shall—

22                 (A) establish a process for using industry  
23                 open technical standards to verify the digital  
24                 content provenance of applicable Department  
25                 media content;

1           (B) apply technology solutions that com-  
2 port with industry open technical standard for  
3 digital content provenance to photographs and  
4 videos of the Department publicly released as  
5 described in paragraph (1) after the date of the  
6 enactment of this Act;

7           (C) assess the feasibility and advisability of  
8 applying an industry open technical standard  
9 for digital content provenance to historical vis-  
10 ual information records of the Department  
11 stored at the Defense Visual Information  
12 Records Center; and

13           (D) develop and apply measure of effec-  
14 tiveness for the implementation of the pilot pro-  
15 gram.

16           (3) CONSULTATION.—In carrying out the pilot  
17 program, the Director of the Defense Media Activity  
18 may consult with federally funded research and de-  
19 velopment centers, entities within private industry,  
20 institutions of higher education, and such other enti-  
21 ties as the Director considers appropriate.

22           (4) TERMINATION.—The pilot program shall  
23 terminate on January 1, 2027.

24           (5) REPORT.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January  
2 1, 2026, the Director of the Defense Media Ac-  
3 tivity shall submit to the Committees on Armed  
4 Services of the House of Representatives and  
5 the Senate a report on the pilot program.

6 (B) ELEMENTS.—The report under sub-  
7 paragraph (A) shall include the following:

8 (i) The findings of the Director with  
9 respect to the pilot program.

10 (ii) The name of each entity the Di-  
11 rector consulted with pursuant to para-  
12 graph (3) in carrying out the pilot pro-  
13 gram.

14 (iii) An assessment by the Director of  
15 the effectiveness of the pilot program.

16 (iv) A recommendation by the Direc-  
17 tor as to whether the pilot program should  
18 be made permanent.

19 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

20 (1) The term “applicable Department media  
21 content” means any media holding generated,  
22 stored, or controlled by the Defense Media Activity.

23 (2) The term “digital content forgery” means  
24 the use of emerging technologies, including artificial  
25 intelligence and machine learning techniques, to fab-

1       ricate or manipulate audio, visual, or text content  
2       with the intent to mislead.

3           (3) The term “digital content provenance”  
4       means the verifiable chronology of the origin and  
5       history of an image, video, audio recording, elec-  
6       tronic document, or other form of digital content.

7       **SEC. 1525. PRIZE COMPETITIONS FOR BUSINESS SYSTEMS**  
8                           **MODERNIZATION.**

9           (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 270 days after  
10      the date of the enactment of this Act, under the authority  
11      of section 4025 of title 10, United States Code, the Sec-  
12      retary of Defense shall establish one or more prize com-  
13      petitions to support the business systems modernization  
14      goals of the Department of Defense.

15          (b) SCOPE.—

16           (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense  
17      shall structure any prize competition established  
18      under subsection (a) to complement, and to the ex-  
19      tent practicable, accelerate the delivery or expand  
20      the functionality of business systems capabilities  
21      sought by the Secretaries of the military depart-  
22      ments that are in operation, in development, or be-  
23      long to any broad class of systems covered by the  
24      defense business enterprise architecture specified in  
25      section 2222(e) of title 10, United States Code.

1           (2) AREAS FOR CONSIDERATION.—In carrying  
2 out subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense and the  
3 Secretaries of the military departments shall con-  
4 sider the following:

5           (A) Integration of artificial intelligence or  
6 machine learning capabilities.

7           (B) Data analytics, business intelligence,  
8 or related visualization capabilities.

9           (C) Automated updating of business archi-  
10 tectures, business systems integration, or docu-  
11 mentation relating to existing systems or manu-  
12 als.

13           (D) Improvements to interfaces or proc-  
14 esses for interacting with other non-Department  
15 of Defense business systems.

16           (E) Updates or replacements for legacy de-  
17 fense business systems to improve operational  
18 effectiveness and efficiency, such as the system  
19 of the Defense Logistics Agency known as the  
20 “Mechanization of Contract Administration  
21 Services” system, or any successor system.

22           (F) Contract writing systems, or expanded  
23 capabilities relating to such systems, that may  
24 be integrated into existing systems of the De-  
25 partment of Defense.

1           (G) Pay and personnel systems, or ex-  
2           panded capabilities relating to such systems,  
3           that may be integrated into existing systems of  
4           the Department of Defense.

5           (H) Other finance and accounting systems,  
6           or expanded capabilities relating to such sys-  
7           tems, that may be integrated into existing sys-  
8           tems of the Department of Defense.

9           (I) Systems supporting the defense indus-  
10          trial base and related supply chain visibility,  
11          analytics, and management.

12         (c) FRAMEWORK.—Not later than 180 days after the  
13         date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
14         shall provide to the congressional defense committees a  
15         briefing on the framework to be used in carrying out the  
16         prize competition under subsection (a).

17         (d) ANNUAL BRIEFINGS.—Not later than October 1  
18         of each year until the date of termination under subsection  
19         (e), the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the congres-  
20         sional defense committees a briefing on the results of the  
21         prize competition under subsection (a).

22         (e) TERMINATION.—The authority to carry out the  
23         prize competition under subsection (a) shall terminate on  
24         September 30, 2028.

1 **SEC. 1526. REQUIREMENTS FOR DEPLOYMENT OF FIFTH**  
2 **GENERATION INFORMATION AND COMMU-**  
3 **NICATIONS CAPABILITIES TO MILITARY IN-**  
4 **STALLATIONS AND OTHER DEPARTMENT FA-**  
5 **CILITIES.**

6 (a) REQUIREMENTS.—

7 (1) STRATEGY FOR PRIVATE WIRELESS NET-  
8 WORKS.—Not later than 120 days after the date of  
9 the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
10 shall develop and implement a strategy for deploying  
11 to military installations and other facilities of the  
12 Department of Defense private wireless networks  
13 that are—

14 (A) based on fifth generation information  
15 and communications capabilities and Open  
16 Radio Access Network architecture; and

17 (B) tailored to the mission, security, and  
18 performance requirements of the respective  
19 military installation or other facility.

20 (2) PROCESS FOR PUBLIC WIRELESS NETWORK  
21 SERVICE PROVIDERS.—

22 (A) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary  
23 shall establish a Department-wide process  
24 under which a public wireless network service  
25 provider of fifth generation information and  
26 communications capabilities may gain access to

1 a military installation or other facility of the  
2 Department to provide commercial subscriber  
3 services to military and civilian personnel of the  
4 Department (including contractor personnel) lo-  
5 cated at, and organizational elements of the De-  
6 partment maintained at, such installation or fa-  
7 cility.

8 (B) DESIGN REQUIREMENTS.—In estab-  
9 lishing the process under subparagraph (A), the  
10 Secretary shall ensure relevant system architec-  
11 tures and supporting infrastructure are de-  
12 signed to support modular upgrades to future  
13 generation technologies.

14 (3) DETERMINATION RELATING TO CONTRACT  
15 AUTHORITY.—The Secretary shall determine, on a  
16 contract-by-contract basis or as a determination with  
17 uniform applicability to contracts across military in-  
18 stallations and other facilities of the Department,  
19 whether to enter into a contract for—

20 (A) neutral hosting, under which infra-  
21 structure and services would be provided to  
22 companies deploying private wireless networks  
23 and public wireless network services to such in-  
24 stallation or other facility through multi-oper-  
25 ator core network architectures; or

1 (B) separate private wireless network and  
2 public wireless network infrastructure at such  
3 installation or other facility (which shall include  
4 a determination by the Secretary on how to es-  
5 tablish roaming agreements and policies be-  
6 tween such networks).

7 (4) BRIEFING.—Not later than 150 days after  
8 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
9 shall provide to the congressional defense commit-  
10 tees a briefing on the strategy developed under para-  
11 graph (1) and any other activity carried out pursu-  
12 ant to this subsection.

13 (b) INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ACTIVITIES.—  
14 The Secretary, using existing authorities available to the  
15 Secretary, may engage in cooperation activities with for-  
16 eign allies and partners of the United States to—

17 (1) improve the implementation of the strategy  
18 under subsection (a)(1); and

19 (2) inform the deployment of private wireless  
20 networks to military installations and other facilities  
21 of the Department pursuant to such strategy.

22 (c) OPEN RADIO ACCESS NETWORK ARCHITECTURE  
23 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “Open Radio Access  
24 Network architecture” means a network architecture that

1 is modular, uses open interfaces, and virtualizes  
2 functionality on commodity hardware through software.

3 **SEC. 1527. REQUIRED POLICIES TO ESTABLISH DATALINK**  
4 **STRATEGY OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

5 (a) POLICIES REQUIRED.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense  
7 shall develop and implement policies to establish a  
8 unified datalink strategy of the Department of De-  
9 fense (in this section referred to as the “strategy”).

10 (2) ELEMENTS.—The policies under paragraph  
11 (1) shall provide for, at a minimum, the following:

12 (A) The designation of an organization to  
13 serve as the lead coordinator of datalink activi-  
14 ties throughout the Department of Defense.

15 (B) The prioritization and coordination  
16 across the military departments with respect to  
17 the strategy within the requirements generation  
18 process of the Department.

19 (C) The use throughout the Department of  
20 a common standardized datalink network or  
21 transport protocol that ensures interoperability  
22 between independently developed datalinks, re-  
23 gardless of physical medium used, and ensures  
24 mesh routing. In developing such policy, the

1 Secretary of Defense shall consider the use of  
2 a subset of Internet Protocol.

3 (D) A programmatic decoupling of the  
4 physical method used to transmit data, the net-  
5 work or transport protocols used in the trans-  
6 mission and reception of data, and the applica-  
7 tions used to process and use data.

8 (E) Coordination of the strategy with re-  
9 spect to weapon systems executing the same  
10 mission types across the military departments,  
11 including through the use of a common set of  
12 datalink waveforms. In developing such policy,  
13 the Secretary shall evaluate the use of redun-  
14 dant datalinks for line-of-sight and beyond-line-  
15 of-sight information exchange for each weapon  
16 systems platform.

17 (F) Coordination between the Department  
18 and the intelligence community (as such term is  
19 defined in section 3 of the National Security  
20 Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003)) to leverage any  
21 efficiencies and overlap with existing datalink  
22 waveforms of the intelligence community.

23 (G) Methods to support the rapid integra-  
24 tion of common datalinks across the military  
25 departments.

1 (H) Support for modularity of specific  
2 datalink waveforms to enable rapid integration  
3 of future datalinks, including the use of soft-  
4 ware defined radios compliant with modular  
5 open system architecture and sensor open sys-  
6 tem architecture.

7 (b) INFORMATION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than  
8 June 1, 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall—

9 (1) provide to the appropriate congressional  
10 committees a briefing on the proposed policies under  
11 subsection (a)(1), including timelines for the imple-  
12 mentation of such policies; and

13 (2) submit to the appropriate congressional  
14 committees—

15 (A) an estimated timeline for the imple-  
16 mentations of datalinks;

17 (B) a list of any additional resources and  
18 authorities necessary to implement the strategy;  
19 and

20 (C) a determination of whether a common  
21 set of datalinks can and should be implemented  
22 across all major weapon systems (as such term  
23 is defined in section 3455 of title 10, United  
24 States Code) of the Department of Defense.

1 (c) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-  
2 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-  
3 sional committees” means the congressional defense com-  
4 mittees and the congressional intelligence committees, as  
5 such term is defined in section 3 of the National Security  
6 Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003).

## 7 **Subtitle D—Personnel**

### 8 **SEC. 1531. OFFICE FOR ACADEMIC ENGAGEMENT RELAT-** 9 **ING TO CYBER ACTIVITIES.**

10 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Chapter 111 of title 10,  
11 United States Code, is amended by inserting after section  
12 2192b the following new section:

#### 13 **“§ 2192c. Office for academic engagement relating to** 14 **cyber activities**

15 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Defense,  
16 acting through the Chief Information Officer of the De-  
17 partment of Defense, shall establish an office to establish,  
18 maintain, and oversee the activities of the Department of  
19 Defense that pertain to the relationship between the De-  
20 partment and academia, including with entities involved  
21 in primary, secondary, or postsecondary education, with  
22 respect to cyber-related matters (in this section referred  
23 to as the ‘Office’).

24 “(b) DIRECTOR.—The Office shall have a Director  
25 who shall report directly to the Chief Information Officer

1 of the Department of Defense. An individual serving as  
2 Director, while so serving, shall be a member of the Senior  
3 Executive Service.

4 “(c) RESPONSIBILITIES.—(1) The Office shall be re-  
5 sponsible for the following:

6 “(A) Serving as the consolidated focal point for  
7 engagements carried out between the Department of  
8 Defense and academia with respect to cyber-related  
9 matters.

10 “(B) Coordinating covered academic engage-  
11 ment programs for the Department of Defense.

12 “(C) Conducting ongoing analysis, as deter-  
13 mined necessary by the Director, of the performance  
14 of cyber-related educational scholarships, camps,  
15 support efforts, and volunteer partnerships of the  
16 Department of Defense.

17 “(D) Identifying actions the Secretary of De-  
18 fense may take to improve the cyber skills of per-  
19 sonnel within the Department of Defense through  
20 participation by such personnel in covered academic  
21 engagement programs, for the purposes of assisting  
22 the Secretary in cyber-related matters and meeting  
23 the long-term national defense needs of the United  
24 States for personnel proficient in such skills.

1           “(E) Managing funds and resources for the Na-  
2           tional Centers for Academic Excellence in Cyberse-  
3           curity program, the Department of Defense Cyber  
4           Scholarship Program, the National Defense Univer-  
5           sity College of Information and Cyberspace, the Uni-  
6           versity Consortium for Cybersecurity, the senior  
7           military colleges, and other educational partnerships  
8           between academic institutions and active components  
9           of the Armed Forces.

10           “(F) Establishing requirements, policies, and  
11           procedures to collect data on, and to monitor and  
12           evaluate, the performance of covered academic en-  
13           gagement programs with respect to the involvement  
14           in such programs by the Department of Defense.

15           “(G) Monitoring and evaluating through appli-  
16           cable performance measurements (including those  
17           established pursuant to subparagraph (F)) the per-  
18           formance of covered academic engagement programs  
19           with respect to the involvement in such programs by  
20           the Department of Defense, and advising the Sec-  
21           retary of Defense on whether to continue, modify, or  
22           terminate such involvement.

23           “(H) Conducting budgetary oversight and su-  
24           pervision, taking into consideration the findings of

1 performance evaluations under subparagraph (G),  
2 with respect to—

3 “(i) the involvement in covered academic  
4 engagement programs by the Department of  
5 Defense; and

6 “(ii) other matters relating to the respon-  
7 sibilities under this subsection.

8 “(2) The Office shall be the office of primary respon-  
9 sibility for carrying out the following:

10 “(A) Section 2200c of title 10, United States  
11 Code.

12 “(B) Section 1640 of the John S. McCain Na-  
13 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
14 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C. 2200 note).

15 “(C) Section 1649 of the National Defense Au-  
16 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law  
17 116–92; 133 Stat. 1758).

18 “(D) The duties of the Secretary of Defense  
19 under section 1659 of the National Defense Author-  
20 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–  
21 92; 10 U.S.C. 391 note).

22 “(E) The duties of the Chief Information Offi-  
23 cer of the Department of Defense under section  
24 1726 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National

1 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021  
2 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 1599f note).

3 “(F) Section 1532 of the National Defense Au-  
4 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law  
5 117–81; 10 U.S.C. 2191 note prec.).

6 “(G) Section 1535 of the National Defense Au-  
7 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law  
8 117–263; 10 U.S.C. 2200 note).

9 “(H) Such other provisions of law as the Sec-  
10 retary of Defense may determine relevant.

11 “(d) **AUTHORITY RELATING TO COMPLIANCE.**—The  
12 Secretary of Defense shall take such steps as may be nec-  
13 essary to ensure that the Director of the Office has suffi-  
14 cient authority to compel and enforce compliance with any  
15 decisions or directives issued pursuant to the responsibil-  
16 ities under subsection (c).

17 “(e) **ADDITIONAL AUTHORITIES.**—In carrying out  
18 this section, the Director of the Office may, under any  
19 provision of this chapter or any other provision of this title  
20 providing for the support of educational programs in  
21 cyber-related matters (and unless otherwise specified in  
22 such provision)—

23 “(1) enter into contracts and cooperative agree-  
24 ments, including for the purpose of supporting aca-

1       demic and hands-on programs for individuals  
2       transitioning into the cyber field of the Department;

3               “(2) make grants of financial assistance, includ-  
4       ing to civilian and military students;

5               “(3) provide cash awards and other items;

6               “(4) accept voluntary services; and

7               “(5) support national competition judging,  
8       other educational event activities, and associated  
9       award ceremonies in connection with covered aca-  
10      demic engagement programs.

11      “(f) RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER ENTITIES.—The  
12      Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering  
13      and the Secretaries concerned shall coordinate and col-  
14      laborate with the Director of the Office on covered aca-  
15      demic engagement programs sponsored by the Under Sec-  
16      retary as Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathe-  
17      matics (STEM) programs and activities.

18      “(g) COVERED ACADEMIC ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM  
19      DEFINED.—In this section, the term ‘covered academic  
20      engagement program’ means any of the following:

21               “(1) A primary, secondary, or post-secondary  
22      educational program with a cyber focus.

23               “(2) A program of the Department of Defense  
24      for the recruitment or retention of cyberspace civil-  
25      ian and military personnel (including scholarship

1 programs) other than a Reserve Officers' Training  
2 Corps program.

3 “(3) An academic partnership focused on estab-  
4 lishing cyber talent among the personnel referred to  
5 in paragraph (2).”.

6 (b) DEADLINE FOR ESTABLISHMENT.—The Sec-  
7 retary of Defense shall establish the office under section  
8 2192c of title 10, United States Code, as added by sub-  
9 section (a), by not later than 270 days after the date of  
10 the enactment of this Act.

11 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

12 (1) PROGRAM TO ESTABLISH CYBER INSTI-  
13 TUTES AT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING.—  
14 Section 1640 of the John S. McCain National De-  
15 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub-  
16 lic Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C. 2200 note) is amended  
17 by inserting at the end the following new subsection:

18 “(h) DISCHARGE THROUGH DIRECTOR.—In carrying  
19 out this section, the Secretary of Defense shall act through  
20 the Director of the office established under section 2192c  
21 of title 10, United States Code.”.

22 (2) REPORT ON CYBERSECURITY TRAINING  
23 PROGRAMS.—Section 1649 of the National Defense  
24 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law  
25 116–92; 133 Stat. 1758) is amended by inserting “,

1 acting through the Director of the office established  
2 under section 2192c of title 10, United States  
3 Code,” after “Secretary of Defense”.

4 (3) CONSORTIA OF UNIVERSITIES TO ADVISE  
5 SECRETARY OF DEFENSE ON CYBERSECURITY MAT-  
6 TERS.—Section 1659 of the National Defense Au-  
7 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law  
8 116–92; 10 U.S.C. 391 note) is amended by adding  
9 at the following new subsection:

10 “(g) DISCHARGE THROUGH DIRECTOR.—In carrying  
11 out this section, the Secretary of Defense shall act through  
12 the Director of the office established under section 2192c  
13 of title 10, United States Code.”.

14 (4) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CYBER WORK-  
15 FORCE EFFORTS.—Section 1726 of the William M.  
16 (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization  
17 Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10  
18 U.S.C. 1599f note) is amended by adding at the end  
19 the following new subsection:

20 “(b) DISCHARGE THROUGH DIRECTOR.—In carrying  
21 out this section, the Chief Information Officer of the De-  
22 partment of Defense shall act through the Director of the  
23 office established under section 2192c of title 10, United  
24 States Code.”.

1           (5) STUDY ON ESTABLISHMENT OF DES-  
2           IGNATED CENTRAL PROGRAM OFFICE.—Section  
3           1532 of the National Defense Authorization Act for  
4           Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C.  
5           2191 note prec.) is amended—

6                   (A) by redesignating subsection (e) as sub-  
7                   section (f); and

8                   (B) by inserting after subsection (d) the  
9                   following new subsection:

10           “(e) DISCHARGE THROUGH DIRECTOR.—In carrying  
11           out this section, the Secretary of Defense shall act through  
12           the Director of the office established under section 2192c  
13           of title 10, United States Code.”.

14           (6) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CYBER AND  
15           DIGITAL SERVICE ACADEMY.—Section 1535 of the  
16           National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
17           2023 (Public Law 117–263; 10 U.S.C. 2200 note)  
18           is amended by adding at the end the following new  
19           subsection:

20           “(p) DISCHARGE THROUGH DIRECTOR.—In carrying  
21           out this section, the Secretary of Defense shall act through  
22           the Director of the office established under section 2192c  
23           of title 10, United States Code.”.

1 **SEC. 1532. SELECTED RESERVE ORDER TO ACTIVE DUTY TO**  
2 **RESPOND TO A SIGNIFICANT CYBER INCI-**  
3 **DENT.**

4 Section 12304 of title 10, United States Code, is  
5 amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “for any  
7 named operational mission”;

8 (2) by redesignating subsections (e) through (j)  
9 as subsections (d) through (k), respectively;

10 (3) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-  
11 lowing new subsection:

12 “(c) **AUTHORITY RELATING TO SIGNIFICANT CYBER**  
13 **INCIDENTS.**—When the Secretary of Defense or the Sec-  
14 retary of the department in which the Coast Guard is op-  
15 erating determines that it is necessary to augment the ac-  
16 tive armed forces for the response of the Department of  
17 Defense or other department under which the Coast  
18 Guard is operating, respectively, to a covered incident,  
19 such Secretary may, without the consent of the member  
20 affected, order any unit, and any member not assigned  
21 to a unit organized to serve as a unit of the Selected Re-  
22 serve (as defined in section 10143(a) of this title), under  
23 the respective jurisdiction of such Secretary, to active duty  
24 for not more than 365 consecutive days.”;

1           (4) in paragraph (1) of subsection (d), as redesi-  
2           gnated by paragraph (2), by inserting “or sub-  
3           section (c)” after “subsection (b)”;

4           (5) in subsection (g), as redesignated by para-  
5           graph (2), by inserting “or subsection (c)” after  
6           “subsection (a)”;

7           (6) by amending subsection (h), as redesignated  
8           by paragraph (2), to read as follows:

9           “(h) TERMINATION OF DUTY.—(1) Whenever any  
10          unit of the Selected Reserve or any member of the Selected  
11          Reserve not assigned to a unit organized to serve as a  
12          unit, or any member of the Individual Ready Reserve, is  
13          ordered to active duty under authority of subsection (a),  
14          the service of all units or members so ordered to active  
15          duty may be terminated by—

16                 “(A) order of the President; or

17                 “(B) law.

18          “(2) Whenever any unit of the Selected Reserve or  
19          any member of the Selected Reserve not assigned to a unit  
20          organized to serve as a unit is ordered to active duty under  
21          authority of subsection (c), the service of all units or mem-  
22          bers so ordered to active duty may be terminated by—

23                 “(A) order of the Secretary of Defense or, with  
24                 respect to the Coast Guard, the Secretary of the De-  
25                 partment in which the Coast Guard is operating; or

1 “(B) law.”; and

2 (7) in subsection (k), as redesignated by para-  
3 graph (2)—

4 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and  
5 (2) as paragraphs (2) and (3), respectively; and

6 (B) by inserting after the matter preceding  
7 paragraph (2), as so redesignated, the following  
8 new paragraph:

9 “(1) The term ‘covered incident’ means—

10 “(A) a cyber incident involving a Depart-  
11 ment of Defense information system, or a  
12 breach of a Department of Defense system that  
13 involves personally identifiable information, that  
14 the Secretary of Defense determines is likely to  
15 result in demonstrable harm to the national se-  
16 curity interests, foreign relations, or the econ-  
17 omy of the United States, or to the public con-  
18 fidence, civil liberties, or public health and safe-  
19 ty of the people of the United States;

20 “(B) a cyber incident involving a Depart-  
21 ment of Homeland Security information system,  
22 or a breach of a Department of Homeland Se-  
23 curity system that involves personally identifi-  
24 able information, that the Secretary of Home-  
25 land Security determines is likely to result in

1 demonstrable harm to the national security in-  
2 terests, foreign relations, or the economy of the  
3 United States or to the public confidence, civil  
4 liberties, or public health and safety of the peo-  
5 ple of the United States;

6 “(C) a cyber incident, or collection of re-  
7 lated cyber incidents, that the President deter-  
8 mines is likely to result in demonstrable harm  
9 to the national security interests, foreign rela-  
10 tions, or economy of the United States or to the  
11 public confidence, civil liberties, or public health  
12 and safety of the people of the United States;  
13 or

14 “(D) a significant incident declared pursu-  
15 ant to section 2233 of the Homeland Security  
16 Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 677b).”.

17 **SEC. 1533. POST-GRADUATE EMPLOYMENT OF DEPART-**  
18 **MENT OF DEFENSE CYBER SERVICE ACAD-**  
19 **EMY SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS IN INTEL-**  
20 **LIGENCE COMMUNITY.**

21 Section 1535 of the James M. Inhofe National De-  
22 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law  
23 117–263; 10 U.S.C. 2200 note) is amended—

24 (1) in the section heading, by striking “**DE-**  
25 **PARTMENT OF DEFENSE CYBER AND DIGITAL**

1       **SERVICE ACADEMY**” and inserting “**DEPART-**  
2       **MENT OF DEFENSE CYBER SERVICE ACAD-**  
3       **EMY**”;

4           (2) in subsection (a)—

5               (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “, the  
6               heads of the elements of the intelligence com-  
7               munity,” after “the Secretary of Homeland Se-  
8               curity”; and

9               (B) in paragraph (3), by striking “Depart-  
10              ment of Defense Cyber and Digital Service  
11              Academy” and inserting “Department of De-  
12              fense Cyber Service Academy”;

13           (3) in subsection (d)—

14               (A) by inserting “or an element of the in-  
15               telligence community” after “missions of the  
16               Department”; and

17               (B) by striking “Secretary” each place it  
18               appears and inserting “head concerned”;

19           (4) in subsection (e)—

20               (A) by striking “Secretary” each place it  
21               appears and inserting “head concerned”; and

22               (B) by inserting “, or within an element of  
23               the intelligence community, as the case may be”  
24               after “United States Code”;

1 (5) in subsections (h), (j), and (k), by striking  
2 “Secretary” each place it appears and inserting  
3 “head concerned”; and

4 (6) by adding at the end of the following new  
5 subsections:

6 “(p) INTERAGENCY CONSIDERATIONS.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), a  
8 scholarship recipient may satisfy their post-award  
9 employment obligation under this section by working  
10 for an element of the intelligence community that is  
11 not part of the Department of Defense only if—

12 “(A) the Secretary of Defense has entered  
13 into an agreement with the head of that ele-  
14 ment authorizing the placement of scholarship  
15 recipients under the Program in positions with-  
16 in that element;

17 “(B) under such agreement, the head of  
18 that element has agreed to reimburse the De-  
19 partment of Defense for the scholarship pro-  
20 gram costs associated with any scholarship re-  
21 cipient so placed; and

22 “(C) the scholarship recipient has satisfied  
23 appropriate hiring criteria and security clear-  
24 ance requirements applicable to that element.

1           “(2) LIMITATION ON PERCENTAGE PER GRAD-  
2           UATING CLASS.—Not more than 10 percent of each  
3           graduating class of scholarship recipients under the  
4           Program may be placed in positions not within the  
5           Department of Defense unless the Secretary of De-  
6           fense submits to the congressional defense commit-  
7           tees a certification that the Department of Defense  
8           is unable to facilitate placements in positions within  
9           the Department of Defense for such excess percent-  
10          age.

11          “(q) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12           “(1) The term ‘head concerned’ means—

13                   “(A) The Secretary of Defense, with re-  
14                   spect to matters concerning the Department of  
15                   Defense; or

16                   “(B) the head of an element of the intel-  
17                   ligence community, with respect to matters con-  
18                   cerning that element.

19           “(2) The term ‘intelligence community’ has the  
20           meaning given such term in section 3 of the Na-  
21           tional Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003).”.

1 **SEC. 1534. MINIMUM NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS TO BE**  
2 **AWARDED ANNUALLY THROUGH DEPART-**  
3 **MENT OF DEFENSE CYBER SERVICE ACAD-**  
4 **EMY.**

5 Section 1535(c) of the James M. Inhofe National De-  
6 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law  
7 117–263; 10 U.S.C. 2200 note) is amended by adding at  
8 the end the following new paragraph:

9 “(5) MINIMUM NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIP  
10 AWARDS.—

11 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of De-  
12 fense shall award not fewer than 1,000 scholar-  
13 ships under the Program in fiscal year 2026  
14 and in each fiscal year thereafter.

15 “(B) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense  
16 may award fewer than the number of scholar-  
17 ships required under subparagraph (A) in a fis-  
18 cal year if the Secretary determines and notifies  
19 the congressional defense committees that fewer  
20 scholarships are necessary to address workforce  
21 needs.”.

22 **SEC. 1535. PILOT PROGRAM AND OTHER MEASURES TO EN-**  
23 **HANCE READINESS AND EFFECTIVENESS OF**  
24 **CYBER MISSION FORCE.**

25 (a) PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS AND TRAINING FOR  
26 CRITICAL WORK ROLES.—Not later than 270 days after

1 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
2 Defense shall—

3 (1) direct and oversee the implementation of  
4 guidance, to be issued by each Secretary of a mili-  
5 tary department, that correlates critical work roles  
6 to military occupational specialties and periods of  
7 obligated service with respect to that military de-  
8 partment;

9 (2) require that, prior to the attachment or as-  
10 signment of a member of the Armed Forces to a  
11 unit of the United States Cyber Command, the Sec-  
12 retary concerned ensure such member is fully  
13 trained and in compliance with the required stand-  
14 ards for the work role to be assumed by the member  
15 within such unit, including with respect to critical  
16 work roles within the Cyber Mission Force;

17 (3) ensure that the period of obligated service  
18 for members of the Armed Forces is—

19 (A) uniform across the military depart-  
20 ments with respect to positions of the Cyber  
21 Mission Force involving critical work roles;

22 (B) commensurate with the financial and  
23 time investments made by Secretary concerned  
24 for the purpose of furnishing training pursuant  
25 to paragraph (2); and

1 (C) sufficient to meet the readiness re-  
2 quirements established by the Commander of  
3 the United States Cyber Command;

4 (4) facilitate consecutive assignments of mem-  
5 bers of the Armed Forces to the same unit of the  
6 United States Cyber Command without inhibiting  
7 the advancement or promotion potential of any such  
8 member;

9 (5) provide to the Secretaries of the military de-  
10 partments direction for the integration of critical  
11 work roles into the personnel system of record of the  
12 respective military department, to provide for track-  
13 ing cyber personnel data by work role; and

14 (6) establish within at least one military depart-  
15 ment the curriculum and capacity necessary to train  
16 sufficient numbers of members of the Armed Forces  
17 from across the military departments in the per-  
18 formance of critical work roles within the Cyber Mis-  
19 sion Force to achieve the readiness requirements es-  
20 tablished by the Commander of United States Cyber  
21 Command.

22 (b) PILOT PROGRAM ON CONTRACTING FOR SERV-  
23 ICES RELEVANT TO CRITICAL WORK ROLES.—

24 (1) PILOT PROGRAM.—Not later than 180 days  
25 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the

1 Commander of the United States Cyber Command  
2 shall carry out a pilot program under which the  
3 Commander shall seek to enter into one or more  
4 contracts under which skilled contractor personnel  
5 provide services relevant to critical work roles within  
6 the Cyber Mission Force, for the purpose of enhanc-  
7 ing the readiness and effectiveness of the Cyber Mis-  
8 sion Force.

9 (2) DURATION.—The Commander shall carry  
10 out the pilot program under paragraph (1) during  
11 the three-year period beginning on the date of the  
12 commencement of the pilot program and following  
13 such period, may—

14 (A) continue carrying out such pilot pro-  
15 gram for such duration as the Commander con-  
16 siders appropriate;

17 (B) transition such pilot program to a per-  
18 manent program; or

19 (C) terminate such pilot program.

20 (c) PLAN ON HIRING, TRAINING, AND RETAINING CI-  
21 VILIANS TO SERVE IN CRITICAL WORK ROLES.—Not later  
22 than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
23 the Commander of the United States Cyber Command  
24 shall—

1 (1) develop a plan to hire, train, and retain ci-  
2 vilians to serve in critical work roles and other work  
3 roles within the Cyber Mission Force, for the pur-  
4 pose of enhancing the readiness and effectiveness of  
5 the Cyber Mission Force; and

6 (2) provide to the congressional defense com-  
7 mittees a briefing on such plan.

8 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

9 (1) The term “critical work role” means a work  
10 role designated as critical by the Commander of the  
11 United States Cyber Command for purposes of this  
12 section.

13 (2) The term “Secretary concerned” has the  
14 meaning given that term in section 101 of title 10,  
15 United States Code.

16 **SEC. 1536. AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT PILOT PROGRAM ON**  
17 **CIVILIAN CYBERSECURITY RESERVE.**

18 (a) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of the Army may  
19 conduct a pilot program to establish a Civilian Cybersecu-  
20 rity Reserve to provide to the United States Cyber Com-  
21 mand manpower to effectively—

22 (1) preempt, defeat, deter, or respond to mali-  
23 cious cyber activity;

24 (2) conduct cyberspace operations;

1           (3) secure information and systems of the De-  
2           partment of Defense against malicious cyber activ-  
3           ity; and

4           (4) assist in solving cyber workforce-related  
5           challenges.

6           (b) CONDITIONS PRIOR TO CONDUCT OF PILOT PRO-  
7           GRAM.—

8           (1) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—The Secretary of  
9           the Army may not take any action to commence a  
10          pilot program pursuant to the authority under sub-  
11          section (a) until the Secretary—

12                   (A) submits to the congressional defense  
13                   committees an implementation plan for the pilot  
14                   program; and

15                   (B) provides to the congressional defense  
16                   committees a briefing on such implementation  
17                   plan.

18          (2) PROGRAM GUIDANCE.—If the Secretary of  
19          the Army intends to conduct a pilot program pursu-  
20          ant to the authority under subsection (a), prior to  
21          commencing such pilot program, the Secretary, in  
22          consultation with the Director of the Office of Per-  
23          sonnel Management and the Director of the Office  
24          of Government Ethics, shall issue guidance for the

1 establishment and implementation of the pilot pro-  
2 gram.

3 (c) CONDITIONS ON CONDUCT OF PILOT PRO-  
4 GRAM.—Any pilot program conducted by the Secretary of  
5 the Army pursuant to the authority under subsection (a)  
6 shall be subject to the following:

7 (1) HIRING AUTHORITY; STATUS IN RE-  
8 SERVE.—

9 (A) HIRING AUTHORITY.—In conducting  
10 the pilot program, the Secretary of the Army  
11 may use any authority otherwise available to  
12 the Secretary for the recruitment, employment,  
13 and retention of civilian personnel within the  
14 Department, including the authority under sec-  
15 tion 1599f of title 10, United States Code.

16 (B) STATUS IN RESERVE.—During the pe-  
17 riod beginning on the date on which an indi-  
18 vidual is recruited to serve in the Civilian Cy-  
19 bersecurity Reserve and ending on the date on  
20 which the individual is appointed to the Civilian  
21 Cybersecurity Reserve, and during any period  
22 elapsing between any such appointments, the  
23 individual may not be considered a Federal em-  
24 ployee.

1           (2) ELIGIBILITY; APPLICATION AND SELEC-  
2           TION.—

3           (A) CRITERIA REQUIRED.—The Secretary  
4           of the Army shall establish criteria for—

5                   (i) individuals to be eligible to serve in  
6                   the Civilian Cybersecurity Reserve; and

7                   (ii) the application and selection proc-  
8                   esses for service in the Civilian Cybersecu-  
9                   rity Reserve.

10          (B) REQUIREMENTS FOR INDIVIDUALS.—  
11          The criteria under subparagraph (A) shall in-  
12          clude, with respect to an individual—

13                   (i) if the individual has previously  
14                   served as a member of the Civilian Cyber-  
15                   security Reserve, that the previous ap-  
16                   pointment ended not fewer than 60 days  
17                   before the individual may be appointed for  
18                   a subsequent temporary position in the Ci-  
19                   vilian Cybersecurity Reserve; and

20                   (ii) cybersecurity expertise.

21          (C) PRESCREENING.—The Secretary of the  
22          Army shall—

23                   (i) prior to the appointment of an in-  
24                   dividual to the Civilian Cybersecurity Re-  
25                   serve, conduct a prescreening of the indi-

1           vidual for any topic or product that would  
2           create a conflict of interest; and

3                   (ii) require each individual so ap-  
4           pointed to notify the Secretary if a poten-  
5           tial conflict of interest arises during such  
6           appointment.

7           (D) AGREEMENT REQUIRED.—The Sec-  
8           retary of the Army may only appoint an indi-  
9           vidual to the Civilian Cybersecurity Reserve if  
10          the individual enters into an agreement with the  
11          Secretary to serve in the Civilian Cybersecurity  
12          Reserve. Such agreement shall set forth the  
13          rights and obligations of the individual and the  
14          Army.

15          (E) EXCEPTION FOR CONTINUING MILI-  
16          TARY SERVICE COMMITMENTS.—A member of  
17          the Selected Reserve under section 10143 of  
18          title 10, United States Code, may not serve as  
19          a member of the Civilian Cybersecurity Reserve.

20          (F) PROHIBITION.—No individual who is  
21          an officer or employee of the United States  
22          Government, including any member of the uni-  
23          formed services, may be recruited or appointed  
24          to serve in the Civilian Cybersecurity Reserve.

25          (3) SECURITY CLEARANCES.—

1           (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the  
2           Army shall ensure that each member of the Ci-  
3           vilian Cybersecurity Reserve is subject to appro-  
4           priate personnel vetting and adjudication com-  
5           mensurate with the duties of the position, in-  
6           cluding, with respect to positions for which a  
7           security clearance is necessary, a favorable de-  
8           termination of eligibility for access to classified  
9           information, consistent with applicable provi-  
10          sions of law and policy.

11          (B) COST OF SPONSORING CLEARANCES.—  
12          If a member of the Civilian Cybersecurity Re-  
13          serve requires a security clearance in order to  
14          carry out the duties of the member, the Army  
15          shall be responsible for the cost of sponsoring  
16          the security clearance of the member.

17          (4) BRIEFINGS.—Not later than one year after  
18          the date on which the guidance under subsection  
19          (b)(2) is issued with respect to the pilot program,  
20          and annually thereafter until the date on which the  
21          pilot program terminates pursuant to paragraph (7),  
22          the Secretary of the Army shall provide to the con-  
23          gressional defense committees a briefing on activities  
24          carried out under the pilot program, including—

1 (A) participation in the Civilian Cybersecu-  
2 rity Reserve, including the number of members  
3 of the Civilian Cybersecurity Reserve, the diver-  
4 sity of such members, and any barriers to re-  
5 cruitment or retention of such members;

6 (B) an evaluation of the ethical require-  
7 ments of the pilot program;

8 (C) whether the Civilian Cybersecurity Re-  
9 serve has been effective in providing additional  
10 capacity to the Army; and

11 (D) an evaluation of the eligibility require-  
12 ments for the pilot program.

13 (5) FINAL REPORT AND BRIEFING RE-  
14 QUIRED.—Not earlier than 180 days and not later  
15 than 90 days prior to the date on which the pilot  
16 program terminates pursuant to paragraph (7), the  
17 Secretary of the Army shall submit to the congres-  
18 sional defense committees a report, and provide to  
19 the congressional defense committees a briefing, on  
20 recommendations relating to the pilot program, in-  
21 cluding recommendations for—

22 (A) whether the pilot program should be  
23 modified, extended in duration, or established  
24 as a permanent program, and if so, an appro-  
25 priate scope for the program;

1 (B) how to attract prospective members of  
2 the Civilian Cybersecurity Reserve, ensure a di-  
3 versity of such members, and address any bar-  
4 riers to recruitment or retention of such mem-  
5 bers;

6 (C) the ethical requirements of the pilot  
7 program and the effectiveness of mitigation ef-  
8 forts to address any conflict of interest con-  
9 cerns; and

10 (D) an evaluation of the eligibility require-  
11 ments for the pilot program.

12 (6) EVALUATION REQUIRED.—Not later than  
13 three years after the date on which the pilot pro-  
14 gram commences, the Comptroller General of the  
15 United States shall—

16 (A) conduct a study evaluating the pilot  
17 program; and

18 (B) submit to the congressional defense  
19 committees—

20 (i) a report on the results of the  
21 study; and

22 (ii) a recommendation with respect to  
23 whether the pilot program should be modi-  
24 fied.

1           (7) SUNSET.—The authority to conduct the  
2 pilot program shall terminate on the date that is  
3 four years after the date on which the pilot program  
4 commences.

5 **SEC. 1537. REQUIREMENTS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF**  
6 **USER ACTIVITY MONITORING FOR CERTAIN**  
7 **PERSONNEL.**

8           (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall re-  
9 quire each head of a component of the Department of De-  
10 fense to fully implement each directive, policy, and pro-  
11 gram requirement for user activity monitoring and least  
12 privilege access controls with respect to the personnel of  
13 that component, including Federal employees and contrac-  
14 tors, granted access to classified information and classified  
15 networks, including the following directives (and any suc-  
16 cessor directives):

17           (1) The Committee on National Security Sys-  
18 tems Directive 504, issued on February 4, 2014, re-  
19 lating to the protection of national security systems  
20 from insider threats (including any annex to such di-  
21 rective).

22           (2) Department of Defense Directive 5205.16,  
23 issued on September 30, 2014, relating to the in-  
24 sider threat program of the Department of Defense.

1 (b) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of  
2 Defense shall require each head of a component of the De-  
3 partment of Defense to implement, with respect to sys-  
4 tems, devices, and personnel of the component, automated  
5 controls to detect and prohibit privileged user accounts  
6 from performing general user activities not requiring privi-  
7 leged access.

8 (c) PERIODIC TESTING.—The Secretary shall require  
9 that, not less frequently than once every two years, each  
10 head of a component of the Department of Defense—

11 (1) conducts insider threat testing using threat-  
12 realistic tactics, techniques, and procedures; and

13 (2) submits to the Under Secretary of Defense  
14 for Intelligence and Security, the Chief Information  
15 Officer of the Department of Defense, and the Di-  
16 rector of Operational Test and Evaluation of the De-  
17 partment of Defense a report on the findings of the  
18 head with respect to the testing conducted pursuant  
19 to paragraph (1).

20 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
21 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
22 shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees  
23 a report on the implementation of this section.

1 (e) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-  
2 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-  
3 sional committees” means—

4 (1) the Committee on Armed Services and the  
5 Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the  
6 House of Representatives; and

7 (2) the Committee on Armed Services and the  
8 Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate.

9 **SEC. 1538. STUDY ON OCCUPATIONAL RESILIENCY OF**  
10 **CYBER MISSION FORCE.**

11 (a) STUDY.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
12 of the enactment of this Act, the Principal Cyber Advisor  
13 of the Department of Defense and the Under Secretary  
14 of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, in coordination  
15 with the principal cyber advisors of the military depart-  
16 ments and the Commander of the United States Cyber  
17 Command, shall conduct a study on the personnel and re-  
18 sources required to enhance and support the occupational  
19 resiliency of the Cyber Mission Force.

20 (b) ELEMENTS.—The study under subsection (a)  
21 shall include the following:

22 (1) An inventory of the resources and programs  
23 available to personnel assigned to the Cyber Mission  
24 Force, disaggregated by Armed Force and location.

1           (2) An assessment of the risk to the occupa-  
2           tional resiliency of such personnel relative to the re-  
3           spective operational work role within the Cyber Mis-  
4           sion Force (as defined by the Commander of the  
5           United States Cyber Command) and the number of  
6           such personnel available to perform operations in  
7           each such category of operational work role.

8           (3) An evaluation of the extent to which per-  
9           sonnel assigned to the Cyber Mission Force have  
10          been made aware of the resources and programs re-  
11          ferred to in paragraph (1), and of measures required  
12          to improve such awareness.

13          (4) A determination by the Commander of the  
14          United States Cyber Command regarding the ade-  
15          quacy and accessibility of such resources and pro-  
16          grams for personnel assigned to the Cyber Mission  
17          Force.

18          (5) Such other matters as may be determined  
19          necessary by the Principal Cyber Advisor of the De-  
20          partment of Defense and the Under Secretary of De-  
21          fense for Personnel and Readiness.

22          (c) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—Upon completing  
23          the study under subsection (a), the Principal Cyber Advi-  
24          sor of the Department of Defense and the Under Sec-  
25          retary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness shall sub-

1 mit to the congressional defense committees a report con-  
2 taining the results of such study.

3 (d) OCCUPATIONAL RESILIENCY DEFINED.—In this  
4 section, the term “occupational resiliency” means, with re-  
5 spect to personnel assigned to the Cyber Mission Force,  
6 the ability of such personnel to mitigate the unique psy-  
7 chological factors that contribute to the degradation of  
8 mental health and job performance under such assign-  
9 ment.

## 10 **Subtitle E—Artificial Intelligence**

### 11 **SEC. 1541. MODIFICATION TO ACQUISITION AUTHORITY OF** 12 **SENIOR OFFICIAL WITH PRINCIPAL RESPON-** 13 **SIBILITY FOR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE** 14 **AND MACHINE LEARNING.**

15 Section 808 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry Na-  
16 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021  
17 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 4001 note) is amend-  
18 ed—

19 (1) in subsection (c)(1), by striking “The Sec-  
20 retary of Defense shall provide the Office with at  
21 least 10 full-time employees” and inserting “The  
22 Secretary of Defense shall ensure that, at any given  
23 time for the duration of the period specified in sub-  
24 section (d), the Office has at least 10 full-time em-  
25 ployees provided by the Secretary”;

1           (2) in subsection (d), by striking “in each of  
2           fiscal years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025” and  
3           inserting “in each of fiscal years 2024 through  
4           2029”;

5           (3) by amending subsection (e)(1) to read as  
6           follows:

7           “(1) IN GENERAL.—

8                   “(A) PLAN REQUIRED.—Not later than 30  
9                   days after the date of the enactment of the Na-  
10                   tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
11                   Year 2024, the Secretary of Defense, acting  
12                   through the Under Secretary of Defense for Ac-  
13                   quisition and Sustainment, shall submit to the  
14                   congressional defense committees a plan for the  
15                   delegation and exercise of the acquisition au-  
16                   thority described in subsection (a).

17                   “(B) DEMONSTRATION REQUIRED.—Not  
18                   later than 90 days after the date of the enact-  
19                   ment of the National Defense Authorization Act  
20                   for Fiscal Year 2024, the Secretary of Defense,  
21                   acting through the Chief Digital and Artificial  
22                   Intelligence Officer of the Department of De-  
23                   fense, shall provide a demonstration of oper-  
24                   ational capability delivered under such author-  
25                   ity. In addition to the matters specified in para-

1 graph (4), such demonstration shall include a  
2 description of—

3 “(i) how the Chief Digital and Artifi-  
4 cial Intelligence Officer may use the acqui-  
5 sition authorities available to the Chief  
6 Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer to  
7 further the data and artificial intelligence  
8 objectives of the Department of Defense,  
9 including an inventory of requirements and  
10 funding associated with the exercise of  
11 such acquisition authorities;

12 “(ii) how the Chief Digital and Artifi-  
13 cial Intelligence Officer may use the acqui-  
14 sition authorities of other Federal entities  
15 to further such objectives, including an in-  
16 ventory of requirements and funding asso-  
17 ciated with the exercise of such acquisition  
18 authorities; and

19 “(iii) the challenges and benefits of  
20 using the acquisition authorities described  
21 in clauses (i) and (ii), respectively, to fur-  
22 ther such objectives.”; and

23 (4) in subsection (f), by striking “October 1,  
24 2025” and inserting “October 1, 2029”.

1 **SEC. 1542. ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE BUG BOUNTY PRO-**  
2 **GRAMS.**

3 (a) PROGRAM FOR FOUNDATIONAL ARTIFICIAL IN-  
4 TELLIGENCE PRODUCTS BEING INTEGRATED WITHIN  
5 DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.—

6 (1) DEVELOPMENT REQUIRED.—Not later than  
7 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act  
8 and subject to the availability of appropriations, the  
9 Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer of  
10 the Department of Defense shall develop a bug  
11 bounty program for foundational artificial intel-  
12 ligence models being integrated into the missions  
13 and operations of the Department of Defense.

14 (2) COLLABORATION.—In developing the pro-  
15 gram under paragraph (1), the Chief Digital and  
16 Artificial Intelligence Officer may collaborate with  
17 the heads of other Federal departments and agencies  
18 with expertise in cybersecurity and artificial intel-  
19 ligence.

20 (3) IMPLEMENTATION AUTHORIZED.—The  
21 Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer may  
22 carry out the program developed under subsection  
23 (a).

24 (4) CONTRACTS.—The Secretary of Defense  
25 shall ensure, as may be appropriate, that whenever  
26 the Secretary enters into any contract, such contract

1 allows for participation in the bug bounty program  
2 developed under paragraph (1).

3 (5) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this  
4 subsection shall be construed to require—

5 (A) the use of any foundational artificial  
6 intelligence model; or

7 (B) the implementation of the program de-  
8 veloped under paragraph (1) for the purpose of  
9 the integration of a foundational artificial intel-  
10 ligence model into the missions or operations of  
11 the Department of Defense.

12 (b) BRIEFING.—Not later than one year after the  
13 date of the enactment of this Act, the Chief Digital and  
14 Artificial Intelligence Officer shall provide to the congres-  
15 sional defense committees a briefing on—

16 (1) the development and implementation of bug  
17 bounty programs the Chief Digital and Artificial In-  
18 telligence Officer considers relevant to the matters  
19 covered by this section; and

20 (2) long-term plans of the Chief Digital and Ar-  
21 tificial Intelligence Officer with respect to such bug  
22 bounty programs.

23 (c) FOUNDATIONAL ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE  
24 MODEL DEFINED.—In this section, the term  
25 “foundational artificial intelligence model” means an

1 adaptive generative model that is trained on a broad set  
2 of unlabeled data sets that may be used for different tasks  
3 with minimal fine-tuning.

4 **SEC. 1543. PRIZE COMPETITION FOR TECHNOLOGY THAT**  
5 **DETECTS AND WATERMARKS USE OF GEN-**  
6 **ERATIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.**

7 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 270 days after  
8 the date of the enactment of this Act, under the authority  
9 of section 4025 of title 10, United States Code, the Sec-  
10 retary of Defense shall establish a prize competition de-  
11 signed to evaluate technology (including applications,  
12 tools, and models) for generative artificial intelligence de-  
13 tection and generative artificial intelligence watermarking,  
14 for the purposes of—

15 (1) facilitating the research, development, test-  
16 ing, evaluation, and competition of such technologies  
17 to support the Secretaries of the military depart-  
18 ments and the commanders of combatant commands  
19 in warfighting requirements; and

20 (2) transitioning such technologies, including  
21 technologies developed pursuant to pilot programs,  
22 prototype projects, or other research and develop-  
23 ment programs, from the prototyping phase to pro-  
24 duction.

1 (b) PARTICIPATION.—The participants in the prize  
2 competition under subsection (a) may include federally  
3 funded research and development centers, entities within  
4 the private sector, entities within the defense industrial  
5 base, institutions of higher education, Federal depart-  
6 ments and agencies, and such other categories of partici-  
7 pants as the Secretary of Defense considers appropriate.

8 (c) DESIGNATION.—The prize competition under sub-  
9 section (a) shall be known as the “Generative AI Detection  
10 and Watermark Competition”.

11 (d) ADMINISTRATION.—The Under Secretary of De-  
12 fense for Research and Engineering shall administer the  
13 prize competition under subsection (a).

14 (e) FRAMEWORK.—Not later than 120 days after the  
15 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
16 shall provide to the congressional defense committees a  
17 briefing on the framework to be used in carrying out the  
18 prize competition under subsection (a).

19 (f) ANNUAL BRIEFINGS.—Not later than October 1  
20 of each year until the date of termination under subsection  
21 (g), the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the congres-  
22 sional defense committees a briefing on the results of the  
23 prize competition under subsection (a).

1 (g) TERMINATION.—The authority to carry out the  
2 prize competition under subsection (a) shall terminate on  
3 December 31, 2025.

4 (h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

5 (1) The term “generative artificial intelligence  
6 detection” means, with respect to digital content, the  
7 positive identification of the use of generative artifi-  
8 cial intelligence in the generation of such content.

9 (2) The term “generative artificial intelligence  
10 watermarking” means, with respect to digital con-  
11 tent, embedding within such content data conveying  
12 attribution of the generation of such content to gen-  
13 erative artificial intelligence.

14 **SEC. 1544. PLANS, STRATEGIES, AND OTHER MATTERS RE-**  
15 **LATING TO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in con-  
17 sultation with the Deputy Secretary of Defense, shall—

18 (1) establish and document procedures, includ-  
19 ing timelines, for the periodic review of the 2018  
20 Department of Defense Artificial Intelligence Strat-  
21 egy, or any successor strategy, and associated an-  
22 nexes of the military departments to assess the im-  
23 plementation of such strategy and whether any revi-  
24 sion is necessary;

1           (2) issue Department of Defense-wide guidance  
2 that defines outcomes of near-term and long-term  
3 strategies and plans relating to—

4           (A) the adoption of artificial intelligence;

5           (B) the adoption and enforcement of poli-  
6 cies on the ethical use of artificial intelligence  
7 systems; and

8           (C) the identification and mitigation of  
9 bias in artificial intelligence algorithms;

10          (3) issue Department-wide guidance regarding  
11 methods to monitor accountability for artificial intel-  
12 ligence-related activity, including artificial intel-  
13 ligence performance indicators and metrics;

14          (4) develop a strategic plan for the develop-  
15 ment, use, and cybersecurity of generative artificial  
16 intelligence, including a policy governing the use of,  
17 and the defense against adversarial use of, genera-  
18 tive artificial intelligence;

19          (5) assess technical workforce needs across the  
20 future years defense plan to support the continued  
21 development of artificial intelligence capabilities, in-  
22 cluding recruitment and retention policies and pro-  
23 grams;

24          (6) assess the availability and adequacy of the  
25 basic artificial intelligence training and education

1       curricula, including efforts developed or authorized  
2       pursuant to section 256 of the National Defense Au-  
3       thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (133 Stat.  
4       1290; Public Law 116–92), available to the broader  
5       civilian workforce of the Department and military  
6       personnel to promote artificial intelligence literacy to  
7       the nontechnical workforce and senior leadership  
8       with responsibilities adjacent to artificial intelligence  
9       technical development;

10           (7) develop and issue a timeline and guidance  
11       for the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Offi-  
12       cer of the Department and the Secretaries of the  
13       military departments to establish a common lexicon  
14       for artificial intelligence-related activities;

15           (8) develop and implement a plan to protect  
16       and secure the integrity, availability, and privacy of  
17       artificial intelligence systems and models, including  
18       large language models, data libraries, data reposi-  
19       tories, and algorithms, in training, development, and  
20       production environments;

21           (9) ensure the fulfilment of the statutory re-  
22       quirement to establish data repositories under sec-  
23       tion 232 of the National Defense Authorization Act  
24       for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10  
25       U.S.C. 4001 note), as amended by section 212 of

1 the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
2 Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2466);  
3 (10) develop and implement a plan—  
4 (A) to identify commercially available and  
5 relevant large language models; and  
6 (B) to make such models available, as ap-  
7 propriate, on classified networks;  
8 (11) develop a plan to defend the personnel, or-  
9 ganizations, and systems of the Department against  
10 adversarial artificial intelligence, including an identi-  
11 fication of organizations within the Department ca-  
12 pable of providing to cyber red teams of the Depart-  
13 ment capabilities for operational and developmental  
14 needs;  
15 (12) develop and implement a policy for use by  
16 contracting officials to protect the intellectual prop-  
17 erty of commercial entities that provide artificial in-  
18 telligence algorithms to a data repository specified in  
19 paragraph (9), including a policy for how to address  
20 data rights in situations in which governmental and  
21 commercial intellectual property may be mixed when  
22 such artificial intelligence algorithms are deployed in  
23 an operational environment;  
24 (13) issue guidance and directives governing  
25 how the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Offi-

1 cer of the Department shall exercise authority to ac-  
2 cess, control, and maintain, on behalf of the Sec-  
3 retary, data collected, acquired, accessed, or used by  
4 components of the Department consistent with sec-  
5 tion 1513 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense  
6 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law  
7 117–263; 10 U.S.C. 4001 note); and

8 (14) clarify guidance on the instances for, and  
9 the role of human intervention and oversight in, the  
10 exercise of artificial intelligence algorithms for use in  
11 the generation of offensive or lethal courses of action  
12 for tactical operations.

13 (b) ETHICAL AND RESPONSIBLE ARTIFICIAL INTEL-  
14 LIGENCE.—

15 (1) PROCESS.—The Secretary of Defense, act-  
16 ing through the Chief Digital and Artificial Intel-  
17 ligence Officer, shall develop and implement a proc-  
18 ess—

19 (A) to assess whether a given artificial in-  
20 telligence technology used by the Department of  
21 Defense is in compliance with a test, evaluation,  
22 verification, and validation framework that—

23 (i) operationalizes responsible artifi-  
24 cial intelligence principles; and

1 (ii) is validated and selected by the  
2 Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Of-  
3 ficer for purposes of this subsection;

4 (B) to report and remediate any artificial  
5 intelligence technology that is determined not to  
6 be in compliance with the framework selected  
7 pursuant to subparagraph (A); and

8 (C) in a case in which efforts to remediate  
9 such technology have been unsuccessful, to dis-  
10 continue the use of the technology until effec-  
11 tive remediation is achievable.

12 (2) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—In devel-  
13 oping and implementing the process under para-  
14 graph (1), the Secretary of Defense shall—

15 (A) develop clear criteria against which the  
16 compliance of an artificial intelligence tech-  
17 nology with the framework selected pursuant to  
18 subparagraph (A) of such paragraph may be as-  
19 sessed under such subparagraph, taking into  
20 consideration—

21 (i) similar criteria previously devel-  
22 oped by the Secretary; and

23 (ii) the identification of potential  
24 vulnerabilities in systems and infrastruc-  
25 ture of the Armed Forces that could be ex-

1           exploited by adversarial artificial intelligence  
2           applications used by the People’s Republic  
3           of China, the Russian Federation, or other  
4           foreign adversaries;

5           (B) take steps to integrate such process  
6           across the elements of the Department of De-  
7           fense, including the combatant commands; and

8           (C) provide information on such process to  
9           members of the Armed Forces and civilian per-  
10          sonnel of the Department that are—

11                 (i) responsible for developing and de-  
12                 veloping artificial intelligence technologies;

13                 (ii) end users of such technologies, in-  
14                 cluding members of the Army, Navy, Air  
15                 Force, Marine Corps, or Space Force who  
16                 use such technologies in military oper-  
17                 ations; or

18                 (iii) otherwise determined relevant by  
19                 the Secretary.

20          (c) DEADLINE; BRIEFING.—

21                 (1) DEADLINE.—The Secretary shall complete  
22                 the requirements under this section by not later  
23                 than 120 days after the date of enactment of this  
24                 Act.

1           (2) BRIEFING.—Not later than 150 days after  
2           the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
3           shall provide to the congressional defense commit-  
4           tees a briefing on the implementation of this section.

5 **SEC. 1545. STUDY TO ANALYZE VULNERABILITY FOR ARTI-**  
6                           **FICIAL INTELLIGENCE-ENABLED MILITARY**  
7                           **APPLICATIONS.**

8           (a) STUDY.—Not later than one year after the date  
9           of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
10          shall complete a study to assess the functionality of artifi-  
11          cial intelligence-enabled military applications, research  
12          and development needs related to such applications, and  
13          vulnerabilities to the privacy, security, and accuracy of  
14          such applications.

15          (b) ELEMENTS.—The study under subsection (a)  
16          shall include the following:

17               (1) An assessment of research and development  
18               efforts, including transition pathways, needed to ad-  
19               vance explainable and interpretable artificial intel-  
20               ligence-enabled military applications, including the  
21               capability to assess the architectures, data models,  
22               and algorithms underlying such applications.

23               (2) An assessment of any potential risks to the  
24               privacy, security, or accuracy of the architectures,  
25               data models, or algorithms underlying artificial intel-

1 intelligence-enabled military applications, including the  
2 following:

3 (A) Individual foundational artificial intel-  
4 ligence models, including the adequacy of exist-  
5 ing testing, training, and auditing for such  
6 models to ensure such models may be properly  
7 assessed over time.

8 (B) The interactions of multiple artificial  
9 intelligence-enabled military applications and  
10 how such interactions may affect the ability to  
11 detect and assess new, complex, and emergent  
12 behavior among individual agents, as well as the  
13 collective effect of such interactions on risks to  
14 the privacy, security, and accuracy of such ap-  
15 plications over time.

16 (C) The effect of increased agency in arti-  
17 ficial intelligence-enabled military applications  
18 and how such increased agency may affect the  
19 ability to detect and assess new, complex, and  
20 emergent behavior, as well risks to the privacy,  
21 security, and accuracy of such applications over  
22 time.

23 (3) An assessment of the survivability and  
24 traceability of decision support systems that are in-

1       tegrated with artificial intelligence-enabled military  
2       applications and used in a contested environment.

3           (4) An identification of existing artificial intel-  
4       ligence metrics, developmental, testing and audit ca-  
5       pabilities, personnel, and infrastructure of the De-  
6       partment of Defense, including test and evaluation  
7       facilities of the Department, needed to enable ongo-  
8       ing assessment under paragraphs (1) through (3).

9           (5) An identification of any research gaps nec-  
10      essary to be filled to sufficiently carry out the as-  
11      sessments and identifications required under para-  
12      graphs (1) through (3) that are not currently, or not  
13      sufficiently, funded within the Department of De-  
14      fense.

15      (c) INTERIM BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days  
16      after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Chief Dig-  
17      ital and Artificial Intelligence Officer shall provide to the  
18      congressional defense committees a briefing on the interim  
19      findings of the study under subsection (a).

20      (d) FINAL REPORT.—

21           (1) SUBMISSION.—Not later than one year after  
22      the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
23      of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense  
24      committees a final report on the findings with re-

1 spect to the study conducted pursuant to subsection  
2 (a).

3 (2) FORM.—The final report under paragraph  
4 (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may  
5 include a classified annex.

6 (e) FOUNDATIONAL ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE  
7 MODEL DEFINED.—In this section, the term  
8 “foundational artificial intelligence model” means an  
9 adaptive generative model that is trained on a broad set  
10 of unlabeled data sets that may be used for different tasks  
11 with minimal fine-tuning.

## 12 **Subtitle F—Reports and Other** 13 **Matters**

### 14 **SEC. 1551. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR** 15 **TRAVEL FOR OFFICE OF UNDER SECRETARY** 16 **OF DEFENSE FOR PERSONNEL AND READI-** 17 **NESS PENDING STRATEGY RELATING TO DE-** 18 **FENSE TRAVEL SYSTEM.**

19 (a) STRATEGY.—The Under Secretary of Defense for  
20 Personnel and Readiness shall develop a strategy to mod-  
21 ernize or replace the end-to-end travel management sys-  
22 tem of the Department of Defense known as the “Defense  
23 Travel System” (in this section, referred to as the “De-  
24 fense Travel System”).

1 (b) ELEMENTS.—The strategy under subsection (a)  
2 shall include the following:

3 (1) A business case analysis that evaluates op-  
4 tions for modernizing or replacing the Defense Trav-  
5 el System, including—

6 (A) an assessment of the upgradability of  
7 the code base for the Defense Travel System  
8 before such code base reaches a point of  
9 unsustainability;

10 (B) an assessment of commercially avail-  
11 able tools that may be used to upgrade the ca-  
12 pabilities of the Defense Travel System;

13 (C) an identification of system depend-  
14 encies of the Defense Travel System, with a  
15 particular focus on any such dependencies with  
16 respect to connections with financial manage-  
17 ment systems;

18 (D) an identification of system weaknesses  
19 of the Defense Travel System affecting audit  
20 readiness;

21 (E) projections of usage rates of the De-  
22 fense Travel System necessary to maintain  
23 workload and reimbursement rate viability; and

24 (F) estimated costs for any activity associ-  
25 ated with the strategy.



1 The DoD’s Use of Mobile Applications” (Report No.  
2 DODIG–2023–041).

3 (2) DEADLINE.—The Secretary shall implement  
4 each of the recommendations specified in subsection  
5 (a) by not later than one year after the date of the  
6 enactment of this Act unless the Secretary submits  
7 to the congressional defense committees a written  
8 notification of any specific recommendation that the  
9 Secretary declines to implement or plans to imple-  
10 ment after the date that is one year after the date  
11 of the enactment of this Act.

12 (b) BRIEFING ON REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO COV-  
13 ERED APPLICATIONS.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days  
15 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
16 retary shall provide to the congressional defense  
17 committees a briefing on actions taken by the Sec-  
18 retary to enforce compliance with existing policy of  
19 the Department of Defense that prohibits—

20 (A) the installation and use of covered ap-  
21 plications on Federal Government devices; and

22 (B) the use of covered applications on the  
23 Department of Defense Information Network  
24 on personal devices.

1           (2) COVERED APPLICATIONS DEFINED.—In this  
2 subsection, the term “covered applications” means  
3 the social networking service TikTok, or any suc-  
4 cessor application or service developed or provided  
5 by ByteDance Limited or an entity owned by  
6 ByteDance Limited.

7 **SEC. 1553. REPORT ON DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ENTER-**  
8 **PRISE CAPABILITIES FOR CYBERSECURITY.**

9 (a) REPORT.—

10           (1) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after  
11 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Chief In-  
12 formation Officer of the Department of Defense  
13 shall submit to the congressional defense committees  
14 a report on any actions or determinations by the De-  
15 partment pertaining to the requirements under sec-  
16 tion 1511 of the National Defense Authorization Act  
17 for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat.  
18 2037) taken or made for the purpose of using cyber-  
19 security capabilities to protect assets and networks  
20 across the Department.

21           (2) ELEMENTS.—The report under paragraph  
22 (1) shall include the following:

23           (A) A description of the risks and benefits  
24 associated with the actions and determinations  
25 specified in paragraph (1).

1 (B) A description of future plans of the  
2 Department for the acquisition of integrated  
3 and interoperable cybersecurity tools and appli-  
4 cations through a competitive process that  
5 would allow multiple vendors to compete sepa-  
6 rately and as teams.

7 (C) The results of the analysis conducted  
8 by the Director of Cost Assessment and Pro-  
9 gram Evaluation of the Department of the costs  
10 and effectiveness of the cybersecurity capabili-  
11 ties described in paragraph (1).

12 (D) The results of any analyses conducted  
13 by the Director of Operational Test and Eval-  
14 uation, or the head of any other element of the  
15 Department, to test the effectiveness of the cy-  
16 bersecurity capabilities described in paragraph  
17 (1) compared to other commercially available  
18 products and vendors.

19 (b) BRIEFING.—Not later than 60 days after the date  
20 of the enactment of this Act, the Chief Information Officer  
21 of the Department shall provide to the congressional de-  
22 fense committees a briefing on the plans of the Depart-  
23 ment to ensure competition and interoperability in the se-  
24 curity and identity and access management product mar-  
25 ket segments.

1 **SEC. 1554. REPORT ON TECHNOLOGY MODERNIZATION FOR**  
2 **ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND 2030**  
3 **TRANSFORMATION PLAN.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the  
5 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the  
6 Army shall submit to the congressional defense commit-  
7 tees a report on the plan of the Army known as the  
8 “Human Resources Command 2030 Transformation  
9 Plan” that includes—

10 (1) an estimated timeline for the completion of  
11 the implementation milestones set forth in such  
12 plan; and

13 (2) an identification of future resource needs  
14 relating to the modernization of legacy information  
15 technology systems.

16 (b) LEGACY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM  
17 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “legacy information  
18 technology system” has the meaning given such term in  
19 section 1076 of the National Defense Authorization Act  
20 for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91; 40 U.S.C.  
21 11301 note).

22 **SEC. 1555. CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT REGARDING**  
23 **CONTRACTING FOR MILITARY RECRUITING.**

24 (a) CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—Prior to the  
25 Secretary of Defense entering into any contract or other  
26 agreement (or extending, renewing, or otherwise modifying

1 an existing contract or other agreement) with an entity  
2 for the purpose of that entity placing military recruitment  
3 advertisements on behalf of the Department of Defense,  
4 the Secretary shall require, as a condition of such contract  
5 or agreement, that the entity certify to the Secretary that  
6 the entity does not place advertisements in news sources  
7 based on personal or institutional political preferences or  
8 biases, or determinations of misinformation.

9 (b) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in  
11 coordination with the Secretaries of the military de-  
12 partments, shall submit a notification to the con-  
13 gressional defense committees and congressional  
14 leadership each time the Department of Defense en-  
15 ters into a contract related to the placement of re-  
16 cruitment advertising with an entity specified in  
17 paragraph (2) and if such entities are used how they  
18 are used.

19 (2) ENTITIES SPECIFIED.—The entities speci-  
20 fied in this paragraph are—

21 (A) NewsGuard Technologies Inc.;

22 (B) the Global Disinformation Index, in-  
23 corporated in the United Kingdom as  
24 “Disinformation Index LTD”; and

25 (C) any similar entity.

1 (c) SUNSET.—The requirement under this section  
2 shall terminate on the date that is one year after the date  
3 of the enactment of this Act.

4 **TITLE XVI—SPACE ACTIVITIES,**  
5 **STRATEGIC PROGRAMS, AND**  
6 **INTELLIGENCE MATTERS**

Subtitle A—Space Activities

- Sec. 1601. Delegation of certain authority of explosive safety board.
- Sec. 1602. Classification review of space major defense acquisition programs.
- Sec. 1603. Enhanced authority to increase space launch capacity through space launch support services.
- Sec. 1604. Principal Military Deputy for Space Acquisition and Integration.
- Sec. 1605. Modification to updates of space policy review.
- Sec. 1606. Authorization for establishment of the National Space Intelligence Center as a field operating agency.
- Sec. 1607. Initial operational capability for Advanced Tracking and Launch Analysis System and requirements for system-level review.
- Sec. 1608. Use of middle tier acquisition program for proliferated warfighter space architecture of the Space Development Agency.
- Sec. 1609. Process and plan for Space Force space situational awareness.
- Sec. 1610. Plan to improve threat-sharing arrangements with commercial space operators.
- Sec. 1611. Plan for an integrated and resilient satellite communications architecture for the Space Force.

Subtitle B—Defense Intelligence and Intelligence-Related Activities

- Sec. 1621. Military intelligence collection and analysis partnerships.

Subtitle C—Nuclear Forces

- Sec. 1631. Establishment of major force program for nuclear command, control, and communications programs.
- Sec. 1632. Technical amendment to additional report matters on strategic delivery systems.
- Sec. 1633. Amendment to annual report on the plan for the nuclear weapons stockpile, nuclear weapons complex, nuclear weapons delivery systems, and nuclear weapons command and control systems.
- Sec. 1634. Matters relating to the acquisition and deployment of the Sentinel intercontinental ballistic missile weapon system.
- Sec. 1635. Tasking and oversight authority with respect to intercontinental ballistic missile site activation task force for Sentinel Program.
- Sec. 1636. Study of weapons programs that allow Armed Forces to address hard and deeply buried targets.
- Sec. 1637. Repeal of requirement for review of nuclear deterrence postures.
- Sec. 1638. Retention of capability to redeploy multiple independently targetable reentry vehicles.

- Sec. 1639. Authorization to establish technology transition program for strategic nuclear deterrence.
- Sec. 1640. Matters relating to the nuclear-armed, sea-launched cruise missile.
- Sec. 1641. Requirements relating to operational silos for the Sentinel intercontinental ballistic missile.
- Sec. 1642. Long-term sustainment of Sentinel ICBM guidance system.
- Sec. 1643. Integrated master schedule for the Sentinel missile program of the Air Force.
- Sec. 1644. Operational timeline for Strategic Automated Command and Control System.
- Sec. 1645. Pilot program on development of reentry vehicles and related systems.
- Sec. 1646. Prohibition on reduction of the intercontinental ballistic missiles of the United States.
- Sec. 1647. Limitation on availability of funds pending compliance with information requests from the Government Accountability Office.
- Sec. 1648. Congressional notification of decision to delay strategic delivery system test event.
- Sec. 1649. Congressional notification of nuclear cooperation between Russia and China.
- Sec. 1650. Plan for decreasing the time to upload additional warheads to the intercontinental ballistic missile fleet.

#### Subtitle D—Missile Defense Programs

- Sec. 1661. Deputy Director of Office of Missile Defense Agency.
- Sec. 1662. Modification of program accountability matrices requirements for next generation interceptors for missile defense.
- Sec. 1663. National missile defense policy.
- Sec. 1664. Modification of requirement for Comptroller General to review and assess missile defense acquisition programs.
- Sec. 1665. Iron Dome short-range rocket defense system and Israeli cooperative missile defense program co-development and co-production.
- Sec. 1666. Programs to achieve initial and full operational capabilities for the Glide Phase Interceptor program.
- Sec. 1667. Rescission of memorandum on missile defense governance.
- Sec. 1668. Limitation on availability of funds for Office of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation until submission of report on missile defense roles and responsibilities.
- Sec. 1669. Strategy for integrated air and missile defense of Hawaii and the Indo-Pacific region.
- Sec. 1670. Report on potential enhancements to integrated air and missile defense capabilities in Europe.
- Sec. 1671. Independent analysis of space-based missile defense capability.

#### Subtitle E—Other Matters

- Sec. 1681. Extension of authorization for protection of certain facilities and assets from unmanned aircraft.
- Sec. 1682. Electromagnetic warfare.
- Sec. 1683. Cooperative threat reduction funds.
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- Sec. 1685. Positioning, navigation, and timing.
- Sec. 1686. Actions to address serious deficiencies in electronic protection of systems that operate in the radio frequency spectrum.

Sec. 1687. Limitation on use of funds for certain unreported programs.

Sec. 1688. Indo-Pacific missile strategy.

Sec. 1689. Study on the future of the Integrated Tactical Warning Attack Assessment System.

Sec. 1690. Research and analysis on multipolar deterrence and escalation dynamics.

## 1           **Subtitle A—Space Activities**

### 2   **SEC. 1601. DELEGATION OF CERTAIN AUTHORITY OF EX-** 3           **PLOSIVE SAFETY BOARD.**

4           (a) DELEGATION OF RESPONSIBILITIES.—Section  
5 172 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

6                 (1) in subsection (c), by striking “The chair”  
7                 and inserting “Except as provided in subsection (h),  
8                 the chair”; and

9                 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
10                 section:

11                 “(h) EXPLOSIVES USED BY SPACE LAUNCH VEHI-  
12                 CLES.—(1) The Secretary of Defense shall delegate to the  
13                 Secretary of the Air Force, who may further delegate to  
14                 the Commanders of the Space Launch Deltas, the respon-  
15                 sibilities under subsection (c) with respect to explosives  
16                 used by space launch vehicles.

17                 “(2) In this subsection, the term ‘launch vehicle’ has  
18                 the meaning given such term in section 50902(11) of title  
19                 51.”.

20           (b) IMPROVED PROCESS FOR YIELD DETERMINA-  
21           TION.—Not later than one year after the date of the enact-  
22           ment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary

1 of Transportation, and the Administrator of the National  
2 Aeronautics and Space Administration shall jointly estab-  
3 lish a process through which scientifically-valid yield deter-  
4 minations can be assessed for space launch vehicles while  
5 in flight.

6 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the com-  
7 pletion of the LOX-Methane Assessment working group  
8 process, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Trans-  
9 portation, and the Administrator of the National Aero-  
10 nautics and Space Administration shall submit to the ap-  
11 propriate congressional committees a report that includes  
12 a description of the effects of the LOX-Methane Assess-  
13 ment on existing and future maximum credible event anal-  
14 yses and any resulting effects on commercial space launch,  
15 civil space activities, and national security.

16 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

17 (1) The term “appropriate congressional com-  
18 mittees” means the following:

19 (A) The congressional defense committees.

20 (B) The Committee on Commerce, Science,  
21 and Transportation of the Senate.

22 (C) The Committee on Science, Space, and  
23 Technology of the House of Representatives.

24 (D) The Committee on Transportation and  
25 Infrastructure of the House of Representatives.

1           (2) The term “LOX-Methane Assessment work-  
2           ing group” means the ongoing interagency working  
3           group studying the explosive characteristics of liquid  
4           oxygen and methane and comprised of representa-  
5           tives from the Department of Defense, the Depart-  
6           ment of Transportation, and the National Aero-  
7           nautics and Space Administration.

8           (3) The term “launch vehicle” has the meaning  
9           given such term in section 50902(11) of title 51,  
10          United States Code.

11 **SEC. 1602. CLASSIFICATION REVIEW OF SPACE MAJOR DE-**  
12 **FENSE ACQUISITION PROGRAMS.**

13          Chapter 135 of title 10, United States Code, is  
14          amended by inserting after section 2275a the following  
15          new section:

16 **“§ 2275b. Requirements for appropriate classification**  
17 **guidance.**

18          “(a) IN GENERAL.—Before a space major defense ac-  
19          quisition program achieves Milestone B approval, or equiv-  
20          alent, the milestone decision authority shall determine  
21          whether the classification guidance for the program re-  
22          mains appropriate and—

23                 “(1) if such guidance is determined to be ap-  
24                 propriate, submit to the congressional defense com-  
25                 mittees a certification of such determination; or

1           “(2) if such guidance is determined to be inap-  
2           propriate, initiate an update to such guidance.

3           “(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4           “(1) The term ‘Milestone B approval’ has the  
5           meaning given such term in section 4172(e)(7) of  
6           this title.

7           “(2) The term ‘major defense acquisition pro-  
8           gram’ has the meaning given such term in section  
9           4201 of this title.

10           “(3) The term ‘space major defense acquisition  
11           program’ means a major defense acquisition pro-  
12           gram for the acquisition of a satellite, ground sys-  
13           tem, or command and control system.”.

14   **SEC. 1603. ENHANCED AUTHORITY TO INCREASE SPACE**  
15                   **LAUNCH CAPACITY THROUGH SPACE**  
16                   **LAUNCH SUPPORT SERVICES.**

17           Chapter 135 of title 10, United States Code, is  
18           amended by inserting after section 2276 the following new  
19           section:

20   **“§ 2276a. Special authority for provision of space**  
21                   **launch support services to increase space**  
22                   **launch capacity**

23           “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of a military de-  
24           partment may support Federal and commercial space  
25           launch capacity on any domestic real property under the

1 control of the Secretary through the provision of space  
2 launch support services.

3 “(b) PROVISION OF LAUNCH EQUIPMENT AND SERV-  
4 ICES TO COMMERCIAL ENTITIES.—

5 “(1) CONTRACT OR OTHER TRANSACTION AU-  
6 THORITY.—The Secretary of a military department  
7 may enter into a contract or other transaction with  
8 one or more commercial entities that intend to con-  
9 duct space launch activities on a military installation  
10 under the jurisdiction of the Secretary. Under such  
11 a contract or agreement, the Secretary may agree to  
12 provide to the commercial entity supplies, services,  
13 equipment, and construction needed for commercial  
14 space launch.

15 “(2) COSTS.—

16 “(A) DIRECT COSTS.—If the Secretary of  
17 a military department enters into a contract or  
18 other transaction with a commercial entity  
19 under paragraph (1), such contract or trans-  
20 action shall include a provision that requires  
21 the commercial entity to reimburse the Depart-  
22 ment of Defense for all direct costs to the  
23 United States that are associated with any  
24 good, service, or equipment provided to the

1 commercial entity under the contract or other  
2 transaction.

3 “(B) INDIRECT COSTS.—If the Secretary  
4 of a military department enters into a contract  
5 or other transaction with a commercial entity  
6 under paragraph (1), such contract or trans-  
7 action may include a provision that requires the  
8 commercial entity to reimburse the Department  
9 of Defense for such indirect costs as the Sec-  
10 retary considers to be appropriate. In such a  
11 case, such contract or other transaction may  
12 provide for the reimbursement of such indirect  
13 costs through the establishment of a rate, fixed  
14 price, or similar mechanism the Secretary con-  
15 cerned determines is reasonable.

16 “(3) RETENTION OF FUNDS COLLECTED FROM  
17 COMMERCIAL USERS.—Any amount collected from a  
18 commercial entity as a reimbursement under para-  
19 graph (2) shall be credited to the appropriations ac-  
20 count from which the cost for which such reimburse-  
21 ment is provided was derived.

22 “(4) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of each of  
23 the military departments shall prescribe regulations  
24 to carry out this subsection.

25 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1           “(1) SPACE LAUNCH.—The term ‘space launch’  
2 includes all activities, supplies, equipment, facilities,  
3 or services supporting launch preparation, launch,  
4 reentry, recovery, and other launch-related activities  
5 for both the payload and the space transportation  
6 vehicle.

7           “(2) COMMERCIAL ENTITY.—The term ‘com-  
8 mercial entity’ or ‘commercial’ means a non-Federal  
9 entity organized under the laws of the United States  
10 or of any jurisdiction within the United States.

11          “(d) TRANSITION LIMITATIONS AND REPORTING RE-  
12 QUIREMENTS.—For each of fiscal years 2024, 2025, and  
13 2026, the Secretary of a military department shall—

14           “(1) with respect to any contract or other  
15 transaction authority entered into pursuant to sub-  
16 section (b), limit the amount of the indirect costs  
17 that are reimbursable under paragraph (2)(B) of  
18 such subsection to not more than 30 percent, not to  
19 exceed \$5,000,000 annually (based on fiscal year  
20 2024 constant dollars), of the total amount of the  
21 direct costs reimbursable under paragraph (2)(A) of  
22 such subsection; and

23           “(2) not later than 90 days after the last day  
24 of each such fiscal year, provide for each of the con-

1 gressional defense committees a briefing that in-  
2 cludes—

3 “(A) an identification of the total amounts  
4 of direct and indirect costs reimbursed to each  
5 spaceport for the fiscal year covered by the re-  
6 port;

7 “(B) a description of the support provided  
8 by reimbursed indirect costs for the fiscal year  
9 covered by the report; and

10 “(C) an identification of the rate, fixed  
11 price, or similar mechanism, if any, used to cal-  
12 culate the amount of the indirect costs that are  
13 reimbursable for the fiscal year following the  
14 fiscal year covered by the report.”.

15 **SEC. 1604. PRINCIPAL MILITARY DEPUTY FOR SPACE AC-**  
16 **QUISITION AND INTEGRATION.**

17 Section 9016(b)(6) of title 10, United States Code,  
18 is amended by adding at the end the following new sub-  
19 paragraph:

20 “(C) The Assistant Secretary of the Air Force  
21 for Space Acquisition and Integration shall have a  
22 Principal Military Deputy for Space Acquisition and  
23 Integration, who shall be an officer of the Space  
24 Force on active duty. The Principal Military Deputy  
25 for Space Acquisition and Integration shall be ap-

1 pointed from among officers who have significant ex-  
2 perience in the areas of acquisition and program  
3 management. The position of Principal Military  
4 Deputy for Space Acquisition and Integration shall  
5 be designated as a critical acquisition position under  
6 section 1731 of this title. In the event of a vacancy  
7 in the position of Assistant Secretary of the Air  
8 Force for Space Acquisition and Integration, the  
9 Principal Military Deputy for Space Acquisition and  
10 Integration may serve as Acting Assistant Secretary  
11 for Space Acquisition and Integration for a period of  
12 not more than one year.”.

13 **SEC. 1605. MODIFICATION TO UPDATES OF SPACE POLICY**  
14 **REVIEW.**

15 Paragraph (2) of section 1611(c) of the National De-  
16 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law  
17 117–81; 135 Stat. 2082) is amended to read as follows:

18 “(2) UPDATES.—The Secretary shall provide  
19 for updates to the assessments, analyses, and eval-  
20 uations carried out pursuant to such review. The  
21 Secretary shall submit to the appropriate congres-  
22 sional committees a report on any such updates con-  
23 currently with the National Defense Strategy re-  
24 quired to be submitted to Congress under section  
25 113(g) of title 10, United States Code.”.

1 **SEC. 1606. AUTHORIZATION FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF THE**  
2 **NATIONAL SPACE INTELLIGENCE CENTER AS**  
3 **A FIELD OPERATING AGENCY.**

4 (a) **AUTHORIZATION.**—The Secretary of the Air  
5 Force may establish the National Space Intelligence Cen-  
6 ter as a field operating agency of the Space Force to ana-  
7 lyze and produce scientific and technical intelligence on  
8 space-based and counterspace threats from foreign adver-  
9 saries.

10 (b) **COLOCATION.**—If the Secretary of the Air Force  
11 decides to establish the National Space Intelligence Center  
12 as a field operating agency, the Secretary shall consider  
13 the operational and geographical benefits provided by co-  
14 locating with the National Air and Space Intelligence Cen-  
15 ter.

16 **SEC. 1607. INITIAL OPERATIONAL CAPABILITY FOR AD-**  
17 **VANCED TRACKING AND LAUNCH ANALYSIS**  
18 **SYSTEM AND REQUIREMENTS FOR SYSTEM-**  
19 **LEVEL REVIEW.**

20 (a) **ADVANCED TRACKING AND LAUNCH ANALYSIS**  
21 **SYSTEM.**—

22 (1) **DATE FOR INITIAL OPERATIONAL CAPA-**  
23 **BILITY.**—Not later than 90 days after the date of  
24 the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air  
25 Force shall—

1 (A) designate a date on which the Ad-  
2 vanced Tracking and Launch Analysis System  
3 (commonly referred to as “ATLAS”) is ex-  
4 pected to achieve initial operational capability;  
5 and

6 (B) notify the congressional defense com-  
7 mittees of such date.

8 (2) EFFECT OF FAILURE TO TIMELY DE-  
9 LIVER.—If the initial operational capability for the  
10 Advanced Tracking and Launch Analysis System is  
11 not achieved by the date designated under para-  
12 graph (1)(A), the Secretary shall—

13 (A) terminate the Advanced Tracking and  
14 Launch Analysis System program;

15 (B) designate an alternative program op-  
16 tion that provides a comparable capability to  
17 the capability intended to be provided by the  
18 Advanced Tracking and Launch Analysis Sys-  
19 tem; and

20 (C) not later than 30 days after such date,  
21 notify the congressional defense committees  
22 with respect to—

23 (i) such termination;

24 (ii) the designated alternative pro-  
25 gram option;

1 (iii) the justification for selecting such  
2 option; and

3 (iv) the estimated time and total costs  
4 to completion of such option.

5 (b) SYSTEM-LEVEL REVIEW.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Air  
7 Force shall seek to enter into a contract with a fed-  
8 erally funded research and development center under  
9 which the center shall, not less frequently than every  
10 2 years during the period from 2024 through 2032,  
11 conduct a review of the space command and control  
12 software acquisition program to assess the ability of  
13 such program to build a software framework that in-  
14 tegrates multiple aspects of space operations to en-  
15 able the warfighter to command and control space  
16 assets in a time of conflict.

17 (2) ELEMENTS.—Each review under paragraph  
18 (1) shall—

19 (A) evaluate whether and to what extent  
20 the software framework described in such para-  
21 graph integrates—

22 (i) sensor data applicable to the com-  
23 mand and control of space assets;

1 (ii) information contained in the Uni-  
2 fied Data Library relating to the number  
3 and location of space objects; and

4 (iii) the ability to control space assets  
5 based on such data and information; and

6 (B) address such other matters as the Sec-  
7 retary of the Air Force considers necessary.

8 (3) BRIEFING.—Not later than 30 days after  
9 the conclusion of each review under paragraph (1),  
10 the Secretary of the Air Force shall provide to the  
11 congressional defense committees a briefing on the  
12 findings of the review, including—

13 (A) an assessment of any deficiency identi-  
14 fied in the review; and

15 (B) a plan to address such deficiency in a  
16 timely manner.

17 **SEC. 1608. USE OF MIDDLE TIER ACQUISITION PROGRAM**  
18 **FOR PROLIFERATED WARFIGHTER SPACE AR-**  
19 **CHITECTURE OF THE SPACE DEVELOPMENT**  
20 **AGENCY.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Space Devel-  
22 opment Agency shall use a middle tier acquisition program  
23 for the rapid fielding of satellites and associated systems  
24 for each of the following tranches of the of the proliferated  
25 warfighter space architecture of the Agency:

1 (1) Tranch 1.

2 (2) Tranch 2.

3 (3) Tranch 3.

4 (b) RAPID PROTOTYPING AND FIELDING.—Any  
5 tranche of satellites or associated systems developed and  
6 fielded under subsection (a) shall have a level of maturity  
7 that allows such satellites or systems to be rapidly  
8 prototyped within an acquisition program or rapidly field-  
9 ed within five years of the development of an approved  
10 requirement for such satellites or systems.

11 (c) DESIGNATION AS MAJOR CAPABILITY ACQUI-  
12 TION.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Under Secretary of De-  
14 fense for Acquisition and Sustainment may des-  
15 ignate a tranche described in subsection (a) as a  
16 major capability acquisition program consistent with  
17 Department of Defense Instruction 5000.85, titled  
18 “Major Capability Acquisition” and issued on Au-  
19 gust 6, 2020 (or a successor instruction).

20 (2) NOTICE TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 90  
21 days before the date on which a designation under  
22 paragraph (1) is made, the Under Secretary of De-  
23 fense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall notify  
24 the congressional defense committees of the intent of  
25 the Under Secretary to make such designation and

1 include with such notice a justification for such des-  
2 igation.

3 (d) SPACE ACQUISITION COUNCIL REVIEW AND  
4 WAIVER.—

5 (1) REVIEW.—In accordance with section 9021  
6 of title 10, United States Code, the Space Acquisi-  
7 tion Council shall review each tranche described sub-  
8 section (a) to ensure integration across the national  
9 security space enterprise.

10 (2) WAIVER.—The Space Acquisition Council  
11 may waive the requirements of subsection (a) with  
12 respect to a tranche or portion of a tranche described  
13 in such subsection if the Council—

14 (A) on the basis of the review conducted  
15 under paragraph (1), determines that the use of  
16 a middle tier acquisition program is not war-  
17 ranted for such tranche or portion thereof; and

18 (B) not later than 14 days after making  
19 such determination, submits to the congres-  
20 sional defense committees notice of the intent of  
21 the Council to issue such a waiver.

22 (e) MIDDLE TIER ACQUISITION PROGRAM DE-  
23 FINED.—In this section, the term “middle tier acquisition  
24 program” means an acquisition program or project that  
25 is carried out using the rapid fielding or rapid prototyping

1 acquisition pathway under section 804 of the National De-  
2 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law  
3 114–92; 10 U.S.C. 3201 note prec.) in a manner con-  
4 sistent with Department of Defense Instruction 5000.80,  
5 titled “Operation of the Middle Tier of Acquisition  
6 (MTA)” and issued on December 30, 2019 (or a successor  
7 instruction).

8 **SEC. 1609. PROCESS AND PLAN FOR SPACE FORCE SPACE**  
9 **SITUATIONAL AWARENESS.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Assistant Secretary of the  
11 Air Force for Space Acquisition and Integration, in con-  
12 sultation with Chief of Space Operations, shall—

13 (1) establish a process to regularly identify and  
14 evaluate commercial space situational awareness ca-  
15 pabilities, including the extent to which commercial  
16 space situational awareness data could meet needs of  
17 the Space Force with respect to maintaining situa-  
18 tional awareness in space; and

19 (2) develop and implement a plan to integrate  
20 the unified data library into the operational systems  
21 of the Space Force, including operational systems  
22 for space situational awareness and space command  
23 and control missions.

24 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
25 of the enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary of

1 the Air Force for Space Acquisition and Integration shall  
2 submit to the congressional defense committees a report  
3 that includes a description of the process and plan devel-  
4 oped under subsection (a).

5 **SEC. 1610. PLAN TO IMPROVE THREAT-SHARING ARRANGE-**  
6 **MENTS WITH COMMERCIAL SPACE OPERA-**  
7 **TORS.**

8 (a) **PLAN FOR THREAT SHARING WITH COMMERCIAL**  
9 **SPACE OPERATORS.**—The Assistant Secretary of the Air  
10 Force for Space Acquisition and Integration, in consulta-  
11 tion with the Commander of the United States Space  
12 Command, shall develop and implement a plan to expand  
13 threat-sharing arrangements with commercial space oper-  
14 ators that are under contract with the Department of De-  
15 fense as of the date of the enactment of this Act.

16 (b) **REPORT.**—Not later than 180 days after the date  
17 of the enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary of  
18 the Air Force for Space Acquisition and Integration, in  
19 coordination with the Commander of the United States  
20 Space Command, shall submit to the congressional defense  
21 committees a report on the plan required under subsection  
22 (a).

1 **SEC. 1611. PLAN FOR AN INTEGRATED AND RESILIENT SAT-**  
2 **ELLITE COMMUNICATIONS ARCHITECTURE**  
3 **FOR THE SPACE FORCE.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Air Force,  
5 in coordination with the Assistant Secretary of the Air  
6 Force for Space Acquisition and Integration and the Chief  
7 of Space Operations, shall—

8 (1) as part of the force design process for the  
9 Space Force, consider options for the integration of  
10 resilient military tactical satellite communications  
11 capabilities;

12 (2) develop a plan for the integration of such  
13 capabilities into the Space Force, as required under  
14 subsection (b); and

15 (3) ensure that a geostationary small satellite  
16 communications constellation is evaluated for inclu-  
17 sion as a component of the space data transport  
18 force design of the Space Force through, at a min-  
19 imum, the end of fiscal year 2027.

20 (b) PLAN FOR INTEGRATION.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Air  
22 Force, in coordination with the Assistant Secretary  
23 of the Air Force for Space Acquisition and Integra-  
24 tion and the Chief of Space Operations, shall develop  
25 a plan for an integrated and resilient satellite com-  
26 munications architecture for the Space Force.

1           (2) ELEMENTS.—The plan under paragraph (1)  
2 shall include, at a minimum, options for—

3           (A) leveraging commercially available geo-  
4 stationary small satellite communications tech-  
5 nology developed and produced in the United  
6 States;

7           (B) ensuring sufficient funding for such an  
8 integration;

9           (C) including the unique requirements for  
10 small satellite communications constellations  
11 throughout the acquisition and deployment pe-  
12 riod, including support for global X-band cov-  
13 erage and support for secure communications  
14 waveforms using on-board digital processing;  
15 and

16           (D) potential integration of such geo-  
17 stationary small satellite communications capa-  
18 bility into the enterprise satellite communica-  
19 tions management and control (commonly  
20 known as “ESC–MC”) implementation plan of  
21 the Department of Defense.

22           (3) BRIEFING.—Not later than the date speci-  
23 fied in paragraph (4), than the Secretary of the Air  
24 Force shall provide to the congressional defense

1 committees a briefing on the plan developed under  
2 paragraph (1).

3 (4) DATE SPECIFIED.—The date specified in  
4 this subsection is the earlier of—

5 (A) July 1, 2024; or

6 (B) the date on which the Secretary of the  
7 Air Force completes the space data transport  
8 force design for the Space Force.

9 **Subtitle B—Defense Intelligence**  
10 **and Intelligence-Related Activities**

11 **SEC. 1621. MILITARY INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION AND**  
12 **ANALYSIS PARTNERSHIPS.**

13 (a) USE OF FUNDS OTHER THAN APPROPRIATED  
14 FUNDS.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),  
16 the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, in  
17 coordination with the Director of National Intel-  
18 ligence, may accept and expend funds from one or  
19 more foreign partners for the foreign partner (or  
20 partners, as the case may be) to share with the De-  
21 fense Intelligence Agency the expenses of joint and  
22 combined military intelligence collection and analysis  
23 activities.

24 (2) LIMITATIONS.—

1 (A) PREVIOUSLY DENIED FUNDS.—Funds  
2 accepted under this section may not be ex-  
3 pended, in whole or in part, by or for the ben-  
4 efit of the Defense Intelligence Agency for any  
5 purpose for which Congress has previously de-  
6 nied funds.

7 (B) JOINT BENEFIT.—The authority under  
8 paragraph (1) may not be used to acquire items  
9 or services for the sole benefit of the United  
10 States.

11 (b) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than March 1,  
12 2025, and annually thereafter for four years, the Director  
13 of the Defense Intelligence Agency shall submit to the ap-  
14 propriate congressional committees a report on any funds  
15 accepted or expended under this section during the pre-  
16 ceding calendar year, including an identification of the for-  
17 eign partner or partners involved and a description of the  
18 purpose of such funds.

19 (c) TERMINATION.—The authority to accept and ex-  
20 pend funds from a foreign partner pursuant to this section  
21 shall terminate on December 31, 2028.

22 (d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES  
23 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate con-  
24 gressional committees” means—

1 (1) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
2 Committee on Appropriations, and the Select Com-  
3 mittee on Intelligence of the Senate; and

4 (2) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
5 Committee on Appropriations, and the Permanent  
6 Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of  
7 Representatives.

## 8 **Subtitle C—Nuclear Forces**

### 9 **SEC. 1631. ESTABLISHMENT OF MAJOR FORCE PROGRAM** 10 **FOR NUCLEAR COMMAND, CONTROL, AND** 11 **COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAMS.**

12 Chapter 9 of title 10, United States Code, is amended  
13 by adding at the end the following new section:

#### 14 **“§ 239e. Nuclear command, control, and communica-** 15 **tions: major force program and budget** 16 **assessment**

17 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF MAJOR FORCE PRO-  
18 GRAM.—The Secretary of Defense shall establish a unified  
19 major force program for nuclear command, control, and  
20 communications programs pursuant to section 222(b) of  
21 this title to prioritize such programs in accordance with  
22 the requirements of the Department of Defense and na-  
23 tional security.

24 “(b) BUDGET ASSESSMENT.—(1) The Secretary shall  
25 include with the defense budget materials for each of fiscal

1 years 2025 through 2030 a report on the budget for nu-  
2 clear command, control, and communications programs of  
3 the Department of Defense.

4 “(2) Each report on the budget for nuclear command,  
5 control, and communications programs of the Department  
6 under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

7 “(A) An overview of the budget, including—

8 “(i) a comparison between that budget, the  
9 previous budget, the most recent and prior fu-  
10 ture-years defense program submitted to Con-  
11 gress under section 221 of this title (such com-  
12 parison shall exclude the responsibility for re-  
13 search and development of the continuing im-  
14 provement of such nuclear command, control,  
15 and communications program), and the  
16 amounts appropriated for such nuclear com-  
17 mand, control, and communications programs  
18 during the previous fiscal year; and

19 “(ii) the specific identification, as a budg-  
20 etary line item, for the funding under such pro-  
21 grams.

22 “(B) An assessment of the budget, including  
23 significant changes, priorities, challenges, and risks.

24 “(C) Any additional matters the Secretary de-  
25 termines appropriate.

1 “(3) Each report under paragraph (1) shall be sub-  
2 mitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified  
3 annex.

4 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

5 “(1) The term ‘budget’, with respect to a fiscal  
6 year, means the budget for that fiscal year that is  
7 submitted to Congress by the President under sec-  
8 tion 1105(a) of title 31.

9 “(2) The term ‘defense budget materials’, with  
10 respect to a fiscal year, means the materials sub-  
11 mitted to Congress by the Secretary of Defense in  
12 support of the budget for that fiscal year.

13 “(3) The term ‘nuclear command, control, and  
14 communications programs’ means programs through  
15 which presidential authority and operational com-  
16 mand and control of nuclear weapons is conducted,  
17 including programs that facilitate senior-level deci-  
18 sions on nuclear weapons employment.”.

19 **SEC. 1632. TECHNICAL AMENDMENT TO ADDITIONAL RE-**  
20 **PORT MATTERS ON STRATEGIC DELIVERY**  
21 **SYSTEMS.**

22 Section 495(b) of title 10, United States Code, is  
23 amended in the matter preceding paragraph (1)—

24 (1) by striking “before fiscal year 2020” and  
25 inserting “prior to the expiration of the Treaty be-

1       tween the United States of America and the Russian  
2       Federation on Measures for the Further Reduction  
3       and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms, signed  
4       on April 8, 2010, and entered into force on Feb-  
5       ruary 5, 2011 (commonly referred to as the ‘New  
6       START Treaty’),”;

7               (2) by striking “1043 of the National Defense  
8       Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012” and insert-  
9       ing “492(a) of this title”.

10 **SEC. 1633. AMENDMENT TO ANNUAL REPORT ON THE PLAN**  
11                   **FOR THE NUCLEAR WEAPONS STOCKPILE,**  
12                   **NUCLEAR WEAPONS COMPLEX, NUCLEAR**  
13                   **WEAPONS DELIVERY SYSTEMS, AND NU-**  
14                   **CLEAR WEAPONS COMMAND AND CONTROL**  
15                   **SYSTEMS.**

16       Section 492a of title 10, United States Code, is  
17       amended by adding at the end the following new sub-  
18       section:

19       “(d) INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT BY UNITED  
20       STATES STRATEGIC COMMAND.—

21               “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 150 days  
22       after the submission to Congress of the budget of  
23       the President under section 1105(a) of title 31, for  
24       each fiscal year the Commander of United States  
25       Strategic Command shall complete an independent

1 assessment of any operational effects of the suffi-  
2 ciency of the execution, as of the date of the assess-  
3 ment, of the acquisition, construction, and recapital-  
4 ization programs of the Department of Defense and  
5 the National Nuclear Security Administration to  
6 modernize the nuclear forces of the United States  
7 and meet current and future deterrence require-  
8 ments.

9 “(2) CONTENTS.—Each assessment required  
10 under paragraph (1) shall include an evaluation of  
11 the ongoing execution of modernization programs as-  
12 sociated with—

13 “(A) the nuclear weapons design, produc-  
14 tion, and sustainment infrastructure;

15 “(B) the nuclear weapons stockpile;

16 “(C) the delivery systems for nuclear weap-  
17 ons; and

18 “(D) the nuclear command, control, and  
19 communications system.

20 “(3) ROUTING AND SUBMISSION.—

21 “(A) SUBMISSION TO NUCLEAR WEAPONS  
22 COUNCIL.—Not later than 15 days after com-  
23 pletion of an assessment required by paragraph  
24 (1), the Commander of United States Strategic  
25 Command shall—

1                   “(i) submit the assessment to the  
2                   Chairman of the Nuclear Weapons Council;  
3                   and

4                   “(ii) notify the congressional defense  
5                   committees that the assessment has been  
6                   submitted to the Chairman of the Nuclear  
7                   Weapons Council.

8                   “(B) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—Not  
9                   later than 15 days after the Chairman of the  
10                  Nuclear Weapons Council receives an assess-  
11                  ment required by paragraph (1), the Chairman  
12                  shall transmit the assessment, without change,  
13                  to the congressional defense committees.”.

14 **SEC. 1634. MATTERS RELATING TO THE ACQUISITION AND**  
15                                   **DEPLOYMENT OF THE SENTINEL INTER-**  
16                                   **CONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE WEAPON**  
17                                   **SYSTEM.**

18                  (a) MODIFICATIONS TO THE INTERCONTINENTAL  
19                  BALLISTIC MISSILE SITE ACTIVATION TASK FORCE.—  
20                  Section 1638 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense  
21                  Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–  
22                  263) is amended—

23                                 (1) in subsection (b)(1), by inserting “, who  
24                                 shall report directly to the Commander of Air Force

1 Global Strike Command” after “Modernization”;  
2 and

3 (2) by striking subsection (d)(1) and inserting  
4 the following:

5 “(1) WEAPON SYSTEM.—For purposes of no-  
6 menclature and acquisition life cycle activities rang-  
7 ing from development through sustainment and de-  
8 militarization, each wing level configuration of the  
9 LGM-35A Sentinel intercontinental ballistic missile  
10 shall be a weapon system.”.

11 (b) ASSESSMENT FOR NEEDED OR MODIFIED ACQUI-  
12 SITION AUTHORITIES.—

13 (1) ASSESSMENT REQUIRED.—The Secretary of  
14 the Air Force shall conduct an assessment of the  
15 Sentinel weapon system program to determine if any  
16 existing, modified, or new acquisition authorities  
17 could be used in future years to—

18 (A) ensure the program meets current  
19 timelines; or

20 (B) ensure the defense industrial base can  
21 adequately plan for and deliver components,  
22 subsystems, and systems in accordance with the  
23 integrated master schedule.

24 (2) MULTI-YEAR PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY.—

25 In conducting the assessment required under para-

1 graph (1), the Secretary shall evaluate the potential  
2 need for multi-year procurement authority.

3 (3) REPORT.—Not later than 120 days after  
4 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
5 of the Air Force shall submit to the congressional  
6 defense committees a report on the findings of the  
7 assessment required under paragraph (1). The re-  
8 port shall include—

9 (A) an identification of all authorities cov-  
10 ered by the assessment;

11 (B) a determination of the effect of each  
12 such authority on the successful delivery of  
13 initial- and full-operational capability to the  
14 Sentinel weapon system program; and

15 (C) in the case of any new authority, an  
16 identification of the year during which the au-  
17 thority should be granted.

18 **SEC. 1635. TASKING AND OVERSIGHT AUTHORITY WITH RE-**  
19 **SPECT TO INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC**  
20 **MISSILE SITE ACTIVATION TASK FORCE FOR**  
21 **SENTINEL PROGRAM.**

22 Section 1638 of the James M. Inhofe National De-  
23 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law  
24 117–263; 136 Stat. 2941), as amended by section 1634,  
25 is further amended by—

1 (1) redesignating subsection (e) as subsection  
2 (f); and

3 (2) inserting after subsection (d), the following  
4 new subsection (e):

5 “(e) DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of  
6 Defense shall—

7 “(1) not later than 120 days after the date of  
8 the enactment of the National Defense Authoriza-  
9 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2024, delegate to the Com-  
10 mander of the Air Force Global Strike Command  
11 such tasking and oversight authorities as the Sec-  
12 retary considers necessary with respect to other com-  
13 ponents of the Department of Defense participating  
14 in the Task Force; and

15 “(2) not later than 30 days after the date of  
16 such delegation of authority, notify the congressional  
17 defense committees of the delegation.”.

18 **SEC. 1636. STUDY OF WEAPONS PROGRAMS THAT ALLOW**  
19 **ARMED FORCES TO ADDRESS HARD AND**  
20 **DEEPLY BURIED TARGETS.**

21 Section 1674 of the National Defense Authorization  
22 Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263) is amend-  
23 ed—

24 (1) in subsection (e), by inserting “or fiscal  
25 year 2024” after “2023”; and

1 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
2 section:

3 “(g) AUTHORIZATION.—For fiscal year 2024, the  
4 Secretary of Energy may carry out activities related to  
5 the development and modification of a nuclear weapon to  
6 provide near-term capabilities that address portions of the  
7 strategy required by subsection (b)(3) using amounts au-  
8 thorized and appropriated for the sustainment of the B83-  
9 1 nuclear gravity bomb.”.

10 **SEC. 1637. REPEAL OF REQUIREMENT FOR REVIEW OF NU-**  
11 **CLEAR DETERRENCE POSTURES.**

12 Section 1753 of the National Defense Authorization  
13 Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 133 Stat.  
14 1852) is repealed.

15 **SEC. 1638. RETENTION OF CAPABILITY TO REDEPLOY MUL-**  
16 **TIPLE INDEPENDENTLY TARGETABLE RE-**  
17 **ENTRY VEHICLES.**

18 Section 1057 of the National Defense Authorization  
19 Act for Fiscal Year 2014 (Public Law 113–66; 10 U.S.C.  
20 495 note) is amended by inserting “and Sentinel” after  
21 “Minuteman III” both places it appears.

1 **SEC. 1639. AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH TECHNOLOGY**  
2 **TRANSITION PROGRAM FOR STRATEGIC NU-**  
3 **CLEAR DETERRENCE.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Commander of Air Force  
5 Global Strike Command may, through the use of a part-  
6 nership intermediary, establish a program—

7 (1) to carry out technology transition, digital  
8 engineering projects, and other innovation activities  
9 supporting the Air Force nuclear enterprise; and

10 (2) to identify capabilities for the Air Force nu-  
11 clear enterprise that have the potential to generate  
12 life-cycle cost savings and provide data-driven ap-  
13 proaches to resource allocation.

14 (b) TERMINATION.—The program established under  
15 subsection (a) shall terminate on September 30, 2029.

16 (c) PARTNERSHIP INTERMEDIARY DEFINED.—In  
17 this section, term “partnership intermediary” has the  
18 meaning given that term in section 23(c) of the Stevenson-  
19 Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 (15 U.S.C.  
20 3715(c)).

21 **SEC. 1640. MATTERS RELATING TO THE NUCLEAR-ARMED,**  
22 **SEA-LAUNCHED CRUISE MISSILE.**

23 (a) PROGRAM TREATMENT.—Not later than 90 days  
24 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
25 of Defense, acting through the Under Secretary of De-  
26 fense for Acquisition and Sustainment, shall—

1 (1) establish a program for the development of  
2 a nuclear-armed, sea-launched cruise missile capa-  
3 bility;

4 (2) designate such program as a major defense  
5 acquisition program (as defined in section 4201 of  
6 title 10, United States Code) for which the milestone  
7 decision authority (as defined in section 4251 of  
8 such title) is the Under Secretary of Defense for Ac-  
9 quisition and Sustainment;

10 (3) initiate a nuclear weapon project for the  
11 W80–4 ALT warhead, at phase 6.2 of the phase 6.X  
12 process (relating to feasibility study and down se-  
13 lect), to adapt such warhead for use with the capa-  
14 bility described in paragraph (1);

15 (4) submit to the National Nuclear Security  
16 Administration a formal request, through the Nu-  
17 clear Weapons Council, requesting that the Adminis-  
18 tration participate in and support the W80–4 ALT  
19 warhead project described in paragraph (3); and

20 (5) designate the Department of the Navy as  
21 the military department to lead the W80–4 ALT nu-  
22 clear weapon project for the Department of Defense.

23 (b) INITIAL OPERATIONAL CAPABILITY.—The Sec-  
24 retary of Defense and the Administrator for Nuclear Secu-  
25 rity shall take such actions as are necessary to ensure the

1 program and project described subsection (a) achieve ini-  
2 tial operational capability, as defined jointly by the Sec-  
3 retary of the Navy and the Commander of the United  
4 States Strategic Command, by not later than September  
5 30, 2034.

6 (c) LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY TO APPROVE PRO-  
7 Duction.—The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisi-  
8 tion and Sustainment may not approve a Full Rate Pro-  
9 duction Decision or authorize Full Scale Production (as  
10 those terms are defined in the memorandum of the Nu-  
11 clear Weapons Council titled “Procedural Guidelines for  
12 the Phase 6.X Process” and dated April 19, 2000) for  
13 the W80–4 ALT project until authorized by Congress.

14 (d) BRIEFING.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January 15,  
16 2024, and not later than each March 1 and Sep-  
17 tember 1 thereafter, the Under Secretary of Defense  
18 for Acquisition and Sustainment, the Secretary of  
19 the Navy, the Administrator for Nuclear Security,  
20 and the Commander of the United States Strategic  
21 Command shall jointly provide to the congressional  
22 defense committees a briefing on the progress of the  
23 program and project described in subsection (a).

24 (2) CONTENTS.—Each briefing required under  
25 paragraph (1) shall include—

1 (A) a description of significant achieve-  
2 ments of the program and project completed  
3 during the period specified in paragraph (3)  
4 and any planned objectives that were not  
5 achieved during such period;

6 (B) for the 180-day period following the  
7 briefing—

8 (i) planned objectives for the program  
9 and project; and

10 (ii) anticipated spending plans for the  
11 program and project;

12 (C) a description of any notable technical  
13 hurdles that could impede timely completion of  
14 the program and project; and

15 (D) any other information the Under Sec-  
16 retary of Defense for Acquisition and  
17 Sustainment considers appropriate.

18 (3) PERIOD SPECIFIED.—The period specified  
19 in this paragraph is—

20 (A) in the case of the first briefing re-  
21 quired by paragraph (1), the 180-day period  
22 preceding the briefing; and

23 (B) in the case of any subsequent such  
24 briefing, the period since the previous such  
25 briefing.

1           (4) TERMINATION.—The requirement to pro-  
2           vide briefings under paragraph (1) shall terminate  
3           on the date that the program and project described  
4           subsection (a) achieve initial operational capability,  
5           as defined jointly by the Secretary of the Navy and  
6           the Commander of the United States Strategic Com-  
7           mand.

8           (e) ASSESSMENT AND REPORT.—

9           (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Navy  
10          shall complete an assessment, in response to the  
11          courses of action developed by the Joint Staff in re-  
12          sponse to the report of the Secretary of Defense  
13          under subsection 1642(a) of the James M. Inhofe  
14          National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
15          2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2945), of the  
16          actions required to effectively deploy a nuclear sea-  
17          launched cruise missile from a Virginia class sub-  
18          marine and such other platforms as the Secretary  
19          determines appropriate.

20          (2) ELEMENTS.—The assessment under para-  
21          graph (1) shall address the following:

22                 (A) Any hardware, software, manning, or  
23                 certification modifications to platforms that are  
24                 required to accommodate the nuclear sea-  
25                 launched cruise missile on such platforms.

1 (B) Any required modifications to port fa-  
2 cilities that would host platforms carrying the  
3 nuclear sea-launched cruise missile, including  
4 any modifications relating to physical security  
5 and monitoring.

6 (C) Effects on manning associated with  
7 the handling, storage, and operations of nuclear  
8 sea-launched cruise missiles at affected facilities  
9 of the Navy.

10 (D) Funding and schedule estimates to  
11 complete any actions identified under subpara-  
12 graphs (A) through (C).

13 (3) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 180  
14 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
15 Secretary of the Navy shall submit to the congres-  
16 sional defense committees a report on the results of  
17 the assessment conducted under paragraph (1), in-  
18 cluding the results of the assessment with respect to  
19 each element specified in paragraph (2).

20 (f) LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS PEND-  
21 ING SUBMITTAL OF REPORT.—Of the funds authorized to  
22 be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available  
23 for fiscal year 2024 for the Department of the Navy, and  
24 available for the Office of the Secretary of the Navy for  
25 the travel of persons, not more than 90 percent may be

1 obligated or expended until the date on which the final  
2 report required under section 1642(b)(2) of the James M.  
3 Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
4 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2945) has been  
5 submitted to the congressional defense committees.

6 (g) PHASE 6.X PROCESS DEFINED.—In this section,  
7 the term “phase 6.X process” means the phase 6.X proc-  
8 ess for major stockpile sustainment activities set forth in  
9 the memorandum of the Nuclear Weapons Council titled  
10 “Procedural Guidelines for the Phase 6.X Process” and  
11 dated April 19, 2000.

12 **SEC. 1641. REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO OPERATIONAL**  
13 **SILOS FOR THE SENTINEL INTERCONTI-**  
14 **NENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE.**

15 The Secretary of the Air Force shall refurbish and  
16 make operable not fewer than 150 silos for the LGM–35A  
17 Sentinel intercontinental ballistic missile at each of the fol-  
18 lowing locations:

19 (1) Francis E. Warren Air Force Base, Lar-  
20 amie County, Wyoming.

21 (2) Malmstrom Air Force Base, Cascade Coun-  
22 ty, Montana.

23 (3) Minot Air Force Base, Ward County, North  
24 Dakota.

1 **SEC. 1642. LONG-TERM SUSTAINMENT OF SENTINEL ICBM**  
2 **GUIDANCE SYSTEM.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Prior to issuing a Milestone C de-  
4 cision for the program to develop the LGM–35A Sentinel  
5 intercontinental ballistic missile system (referred to in this  
6 section as the “Sentinel”), the Under Secretary of Defense  
7 for Acquisition and Sustainment shall certify to the con-  
8 gressional defense committees that there is a long-term  
9 capability in place to maintain and modernize the guid-  
10 ance system of the Sentinel over the full life cycle of the  
11 Sentinel.

12 (b) CERTIFICATION ELEMENTS.—The certification  
13 described in subsection (a) shall include a list of capabili-  
14 ties to maintain and advance—

- 15 (1) accelerometers;
- 16 (2) gyroscopes;
- 17 (3) guidance computers;
- 18 (4) specialized mechanical and retaining assem-  
19 blies;
- 20 (5) test equipment; and
- 21 (6) such other components to ensure the guid-  
22 ance system will be maintained and modernized over  
23 the life of the Sentinel.

1 **SEC. 1643. INTEGRATED MASTER SCHEDULE FOR THE SEN-**  
2 **TINEL MISSILE PROGRAM OF THE AIR**  
3 **FORCE.**

4 (a) DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED.—Not later than 30  
5 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under  
6 Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment,  
7 acting through the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force  
8 for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, shall submit  
9 to the congressional defense committees an approved inte-  
10 grated master schedule for the Sentinel missile program  
11 of the Air Force.

12 (b) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—The Under Sec-  
13 retary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall  
14 ensure that the integrated master schedule submitted  
15 under subsection (a)—

16 (1) is consistent with the scheduling best prac-  
17 tices set forth in the publication of the Government  
18 Accountability Office titled “Schedule Assessment  
19 Guide: Best Practices for Project Schedules” (GAO–  
20 16–89G), dated December 2015 (or any successor to  
21 such guide);

22 (2) addresses the full scope of work required  
23 under the sentinel missile program; and

24 (3) fully integrates contractor and government  
25 activities.

1           (c) MONTHLY BRIEFINGS.—Not later than 180 days  
2 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and on a  
3 monthly basis thereafter until January 1, 2029, the Sec-  
4 retary of the Air Force shall provide to the congressional  
5 defense committees a briefing on the progress of the Sen-  
6 tinel missile program, which shall include an update on  
7 the progress of all subsystems and elements associated  
8 with achieving full operational capability of the weapons  
9 system.

10          (d) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 30 days after the  
11 Secretary of the Air Force becomes aware of an event that  
12 is expected to delay, by more than one fiscal quarter, the  
13 date on which Sentinel missile achieves initial operational  
14 capability (as set forth in the integrated master schedule  
15 submitted under subsection (a)), the Secretary shall—

16               (1) submit notice of such delay to the congress-  
17 sional defense committees; and

18               (2) include with such notice—

19                       (A) an explanation of the factors causing  
20 such delay; and

21                       (B) a plan to prevent or minimize the du-  
22 ration of such delay.

1 **SEC. 1644. OPERATIONAL TIMELINE FOR STRATEGIC AUTO-**  
2 **MATED COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Air Force  
4 shall develop a replacement of the Strategic Automated  
5 Command and Control System (SACCS) by not later than  
6 the date on which the LGM–35A Sentinel intercontinental  
7 ballistic missile program reaches initial operational capa-  
8 bility.

9 (b) REPLACEMENT CAPABILITIES.—The replacement  
10 required by subsection (a) shall—

11 (1) replace the SACCS base processors;

12 (2) replace the SACCS processors at launch  
13 control centers;

14 (3) provide internet protocol connectivity for  
15 wing-wide command centers of the LGM–35A Sen-  
16 tinel intercontinental ballistic missile program; and

17 (4) include such other capabilities necessary to  
18 address the evolving requirements of the LGM–35A  
19 Sentinel intercontinental ballistic missile program as  
20 the Secretary considers appropriate.

21 **SEC. 1645. PILOT PROGRAM ON DEVELOPMENT OF RE-**  
22 **ENTRY VEHICLES AND RELATED SYSTEMS.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Air Force  
24 may carry out a pilot program, to be known as the “Re-  
25 entry Vehicle Flight Test Bed Program”, to assess the

1 feasibility of providing regular flight test opportunities  
2 that support the development of reentry vehicles to—

3 (1) facilitate technology upgrades tested in a re-  
4 alistic flight environment;

5 (2) provide an enduring, high-cadence test bed  
6 to mature technologies for planned reentry vehicles;  
7 and

8 (3) transition technologies developed under  
9 other programs and projects relating to long-range  
10 ballistic or hypersonic strike missiles from the re-  
11 search and development or prototyping phases into  
12 operational use.

13 (b) GRANTS, CONTRACTS, AND OTHER AGREE-  
14 MENTS.—

15 (1) AUTHORITY.—In carrying out a pilot pro-  
16 gram under this section, the Secretary may, subject  
17 to paragraph (2), award grants and enter into con-  
18 tracts or other agreements with appropriate entities  
19 for the conduct of relevant flight tests of reentry ve-  
20 hicles and systems.

21 (2) GRANT AND CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS.—

22 (A) MERIT-BASED GRANTS.—Any grant  
23 under paragraph (1) shall be awarded through  
24 merit-based selection procedures.

1 (B) COMPETITIVE CONTRACT PROCE-  
2 DURES.—Any contract or other agreement  
3 under paragraph (1) shall be awarded using  
4 competitive procedures (as defined in section  
5 3012 of title 10, United States Code).

6 (3) USE OF FUNDS.—An entity that receives a  
7 grant, or enters into a contract or other agreement,  
8 as part of a pilot program carried out under this  
9 section shall use the grant, or any amount received  
10 under the contract or other agreement, to carry out  
11 one or more of the following activities:

12 (A) Conducting flight tests to develop or  
13 validate—

- 14 (i) aeroshell design;  
15 (ii) thermal protective systems;  
16 (iii) guidance and control systems;  
17 (iv) sensors;  
18 (v) communications;  
19 (vi) environmental sensors; or  
20 (vii) other relevant technologies.

21 (B) Expanding flight test opportunities  
22 through low-cost, high-cadence platforms.

23 (c) COORDINATION.—If the Secretary of the Air  
24 Force carries out a pilot program under this section, the  
25 Secretary shall ensure that the activities under the pilot

1 program are carried out in coordination with the Secretary  
2 of Defense and the Secretary of the Navy.

3 (d) **TERMINATION.**—The authority to carry out a  
4 pilot program under this section shall terminate on De-  
5 cember 31, 2029.

6 **SEC. 1646. PROHIBITION ON REDUCTION OF THE INTER-**  
7 **CONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILES OF THE**  
8 **UNITED STATES.**

9 (a) **PROHIBITION.**—Except as provided in subsection  
10 (b), none of the funds authorized to be appropriated by  
11 this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024  
12 for the Department of Defense may be obligated or ex-  
13 pended for the following, and the Department may not  
14 otherwise take any action to do the following:

15 (1) Reduce, or prepare to reduce, the respon-  
16 siveness or alert level of the intercontinental ballistic  
17 missiles of the United States.

18 (2) Reduce, or prepare to reduce, the quantity  
19 of deployed intercontinental ballistic missiles of the  
20 United States to a number less than 400.

21 (b) **EXCEPTION.**—The prohibition in subsection (a)  
22 shall not apply to any of the following activities:

23 (1) The maintenance or sustainment of inter-  
24 continental ballistic missiles.

1           (2) Ensuring the safety, security, or reliability  
2 of intercontinental ballistic missiles.

3           (3) Facilitating the transition from the Minute-  
4 man III intercontinental ballistic missile to the Sen-  
5 tinel intercontinental ballistic missile (previously re-  
6 ferred to as the “ground-based strategic deterrent  
7 weapon”).

8 **SEC. 1647. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS PEND-**  
9 **ING COMPLIANCE WITH INFORMATION RE-**  
10 **QUESTS FROM THE GOVERNMENT ACCOUNT-**  
11 **ABILITY OFFICE.**

12       Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this  
13 Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024 for  
14 Operation and Maintenance, Defense-wide, and available  
15 for the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Pol-  
16 icy, not more than 35 percent may be obligated or ex-  
17 pended until the date on which the Comptroller General  
18 of the United States notifies the congressional defense  
19 committees that the Secretary of Defense has fully com-  
20 plied with information requests from the Government Ac-  
21 countability Office made in connection with the conduct  
22 of the study required by section 1652 of the National De-  
23 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law  
24 117–81; 135 Stat. 2100).

1 **SEC. 1648. CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION OF DECISION**  
2 **TO DELAY STRATEGIC DELIVERY SYSTEM**  
3 **TEST EVENT.**

4 (a) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than five days after  
5 the Secretary of Defense makes a decision to delay a  
6 scheduled test event for a strategic delivery system, the  
7 Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense com-  
8 mittees written notice of such decision.

9 (b) REPORT.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
11 graph (3), not later than 60 days after the submis-  
12 sion of a notification required under subsection (a)  
13 with respect to a decision to delay a scheduled test  
14 event, the Secretary shall submit to the congres-  
15 sional defense committees a report on the decision.

16 (2) ELEMENTS REQUIRED.—A report submitted  
17 under paragraph (1) shall include each of the fol-  
18 lowing with respect to the scheduled test event cov-  
19 ered by the report:

20 (A) A description of the objectives of the  
21 test.

22 (B) An explanation for the decision to can-  
23 cel the test.

24 (C) An estimate of expenditures related to  
25 the cancelled test.

1 (D) An assessment of the effect of the test  
2 cancellation on—

3 (i) confidence in the reliability of the  
4 strategic nuclear weapons delivery system  
5 involved; and

6 (ii) any research, development, test,  
7 and evaluation activities related to the test.

8 (E) A plan to reschedule the test event.

9 (3) EXCEPTION.—A report shall not be re-  
10 quired under paragraph (1) in the case of a decision  
11 to delay a scheduled test event due to any of the fol-  
12 lowing circumstances:

13 (A) Unfavorable weather conditions.

14 (B) Safety concerns.

15 (C) Technical issues related to the delivery  
16 system or test facility.

17 (D) Operational or security concerns at the  
18 test facility or on the test range.

19 **SEC. 1649. CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION OF NUCLEAR**  
20 **COOPERATION BETWEEN RUSSIA AND CHINA.**

21 If the Commander of the United States Strategic  
22 Command determines, after consultation with the Director  
23 of the Defense Intelligence Agency, that militarily signifi-  
24 cant cooperation between the Russian Federation and the  
25 People's Republic of China related to nuclear or strategic

1 capabilities is likely to occur or has likely occurred, the  
2 Commander shall submit to the congressional defense  
3 committees a notification of such determination that in-  
4 cludes—

5 (1) a description of the military significant co-  
6 operation; and

7 (2) an assessment of the implication of such co-  
8 operation for the United States with respect to nu-  
9 clear deterrence, extended deterrence, assurance,  
10 and defense.

11 **SEC. 1650. PLAN FOR DECREASING THE TIME TO UPLOAD**  
12 **ADDITIONAL WARHEADS TO THE INTER-**  
13 **CONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE FLEET.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Air Force,  
15 in coordination with the Commander of the United States  
16 Strategic Command and the Assistant Secretary of De-  
17 fense for Space Policy, shall develop a plan to decrease  
18 the amount of time required to upload additional warheads  
19 to the intercontinental ballistic missile force in the event  
20 Presidential direction is given to exercise such a plan.

21 (b) ELEMENTS.—The plan required by subsection (a)  
22 shall include the following:

23 (1) An assessment of the storage capacity of  
24 weapons storage areas and any weapons generation

1 facilities at covered bases, including the capacity of  
2 each covered base to store additional warheads.

3 (2) An assessment of the current nuclear war-  
4 head transportation capacity and workforce of the  
5 National Nuclear Security Administration and asso-  
6 ciated timelines for transporting additional nuclear  
7 warheads to covered bases.

8 (3) An evaluation of the capacity and limita-  
9 tions of the maintenance squadrons and security  
10 forces at covered bases and the associated timelines  
11 for adding warheads to the intercontinental ballistic  
12 missile force.

13 (4) An identification of actions that would ad-  
14 dress any identified limitations to upload additional  
15 warheads.

16 (5) An evaluation of courses of actions to  
17 upload additional warheads to a portion of the inter-  
18 continental ballistic missile force.

19 (6) An assessment of the feasibility and advis-  
20 ability of initiating immediate deployment of W78  
21 warheads to a single wing of the intercontinental  
22 ballistic missile force as a hedge against delay of the  
23 LGM-35A Sentinel intercontinental ballistic missile.

1           (7) Any policy considerations that would need  
2           to be addressed, including any guidance and direc-  
3           tion that would required, to execute the plan.

4           (8) An identification of all funding required to  
5           carry out actions identified in paragraphs (4) and  
6           (5).

7           (c) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 90  
8           days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
9           retary of the Air Force and the Commander of the United  
10          States Strategic Command shall submit to the congres-  
11          sional defense committees the plan required by subsection  
12          (a).

13          (d) FORM.—The plan required by subsection (a) shall  
14          be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a clas-  
15          sified annex.

16          (e) BRIEFING.—Not later than 30 days after the sub-  
17          mission of the plan required by subsection (a), the Sec-  
18          retary of the Air Force, the Commander of the United  
19          States Strategic Command, and the Assistant Secretary  
20          of Defense for Space Policy shall provide for the congres-  
21          sional defense committees a briefing on the actions being  
22          pursued to implement the plan.

23          (f) COVERED BASE DEFINED.—The term “covered  
24          base” means the following:

1 (1) Francis E. Warren Air Force Base, Lar-  
2 amie County, Wyoming.

3 (2) Malmstrom Air Force Base, Cascade Coun-  
4 ty, Montana.

5 (3) Minot Air Force Base, Ward County, North  
6 Dakota.

7 **Subtitle D—Missile Defense**  
8 **Programs**

9 **SEC. 1661. DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF OFFICE OF MISSILE DE-**  
10 **FENSE AGENCY.**

11 Section 205 of title 10, United States Code, is  
12 amended—

13 (1) in subsection (a), by inserting “a general or  
14 flag officer” after “shall be”; and

15 (2) by redesignating subsection (b) as sub-  
16 section (c); and

17 (3) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-  
18 lowing new subsection:

19 “(b) DEPUTY DIRECTOR.—(1) There is a Deputy Di-  
20 rector of the Missile Defense Agency, who shall be ap-  
21 pointed by the Secretary of Defense from among the gen-  
22 eral officers on active duty in the Army, Air Force, Marine  
23 Corps, or Space Force, or from among the flag officers  
24 on active duty in the Navy. In selecting an individual to  
25 serve as the Deputy Director, the Secretary of Defense

1 shall select an individual who serves in a different armed  
2 force than the armed force in which the Director serves.

3 “(2) The Deputy Director shall be appointed for a  
4 term of not fewer than two, and not more than four years.

5 “(3) The Deputy Director shall be under the author-  
6 ity, direction, and control of the Director of the Missile  
7 Defense Agency.

8 “(4) The Deputy Director shall—

9 “(A) carry out such responsibilities as may be  
10 assigned by the Director; and

11 “(B) serve as acting director during periods of  
12 absence by the Director, or at such times as the of-  
13 fice of the Director is vacant.”.

14 **SEC. 1662. MODIFICATION OF PROGRAM ACCOUNTABILITY**  
15 **MATRICES REQUIREMENTS FOR NEXT GEN-**  
16 **ERATION INTERCEPTORS FOR MISSILE DE-**  
17 **FENSE.**

18 Section 1668(f) of the National Defense Authoriza-  
19 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 135  
20 Stat. 2107) is amended—

21 (1) by inserting “and the product development  
22 phase” after “technology development phase” each  
23 place it appears; and

1           (2) in paragraph (7), by striking “enter the  
2           product development phase” and inserting “enter  
3           the production phase”.

4 **SEC. 1663. NATIONAL MISSILE DEFENSE POLICY.**

5           Subsection (a) of section 1681 of the National De-  
6           fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law  
7           114–328; 10 U.S.C. 4205 note) is amended to read as  
8           follows:

9           “(a) **POLICY.**—It is the policy of the United States—  
10           “(1) to research, develop, test, procure, deploy,  
11           and sustain, with funding subject to the annual au-  
12           thorization of appropriations for National Missile  
13           Defense, systems that provide effective, layered mis-  
14           sile defense capabilities to defeat increasingly com-  
15           plex missile threats in all phases of flight; and  
16           “(2) to rely on nuclear deterrence to address  
17           more sophisticated and larger quantity near-peer  
18           intercontinental missile threats to the homeland of  
19           the United States.”.

20 **SEC. 1664. MODIFICATION OF REQUIREMENT FOR COMP-**  
21 **TROLLER GENERAL TO REVIEW AND ASSESS**  
22 **MISSILE DEFENSE ACQUISITION PROGRAMS.**

23           Section 232(a) of the National Defense Authorization  
24           Act for Fiscal Year 2012 (Public Law 112–81; 125 Stat.  
25           1339) is amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “through  
2 2025” and inserting “through 2030”;

3 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “through  
4 2026” and inserting “through 2031”; and

5 (3) in paragraph (3)—

6 (A) in the paragraph heading, by striking  
7 “EMERGING” and inserting “OTHER DEPART-  
8 MENT OF DEFENSE MISSILE DEFENSE ACQUI-  
9 SITION EFFORTS AND RELATED”;

10 (B) by striking “emerging issues and” and  
11 inserting “emerging issues, any Department of  
12 Defense missile defense acquisition efforts, and  
13 any other related issue and”; and

14 (C) by inserting “on a mutually agreed  
15 upon date” before the period at the end.

16 **SEC. 1665. IRON DOME SHORT-RANGE ROCKET DEFENSE**  
17 **SYSTEM AND ISRAELI COOPERATIVE MISSILE**  
18 **DEFENSE PROGRAM CO-DEVELOPMENT AND**  
19 **CO-PRODUCTION.**

20 (a) IRON DOME SHORT-RANGE ROCKET DEFENSE  
21 SYSTEM.—

22 (1) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Of the funds  
23 authorized to be appropriated by this Act for fiscal  
24 year 2024 for procurement, Defense-wide, and avail-  
25 able for the Missile Defense Agency, not more than

1       \$80,000,000 may be provided to the Government of  
2       Israel to procure components for the Iron Dome  
3       short-range rocket defense system through co-pro-  
4       duction of such components in the United States by  
5       industry of the United States.

6               (2) CONDITIONS.—

7               (A) AGREEMENT.—Funds described in  
8       paragraph (1) for the Iron Dome short-range  
9       rocket defense program shall be available sub-  
10      ject to the terms and conditions in the Agree-  
11      ment Between the Department of Defense of  
12      the United States of America and the Ministry  
13      of Defense of the State of Israel Concerning  
14      Iron Dome Defense System Procurement,  
15      signed on March 5, 2014, as amended to in-  
16      clude co-production for Tamir interceptors.

17              (B) CERTIFICATION.—Not later than 30  
18      days prior to the initial obligation of funds de-  
19      scribed in paragraph (1), the Under Secretary  
20      of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment  
21      shall submit to the appropriate congressional  
22      committees—

23                      (i) a certification that the amended bi-  
24                      lateral international agreement specified in

1 subparagraph (A) is being implemented as  
2 provided in such agreement;

3 (ii) an assessment detailing any risks  
4 relating to the implementation of such  
5 agreement; and

6 (iii) for system improvements result-  
7 ing in modified Iron Dome components  
8 and Tamir interceptor sub-components, a  
9 certification that the Government of Israel  
10 has demonstrated successful completion of  
11 Production Readiness Reviews, including  
12 the validation of production lines, the  
13 verification of component conformance,  
14 and the verification of performance to  
15 specification as defined in the Iron Dome  
16 Defense System Procurement Agreement,  
17 as further amended.

18 (b) ISRAELI COOPERATIVE MISSILE DEFENSE PRO-  
19 GRAM, DAVID'S SLING WEAPON SYSTEM CO-PRODUC-  
20 TION.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (3), of  
22 the funds authorized to be appropriated for fiscal  
23 year 2024 for procurement, Defense-wide, and avail-  
24 able for the Missile Defense Agency, not more than  
25 \$40,000,000 may be provided to the Government of

1 Israel to procure the David's Sling Weapon System,  
2 including for co-production of parts and components  
3 in the United States by United States industry.

4 (2) AGREEMENT.—Provision of funds specified  
5 in paragraph (1) shall be subject to the terms and  
6 conditions in the bilateral co-production agreement,  
7 including—

8 (A) a one-for-one cash match is made by  
9 Israel or in another matching amount that oth-  
10 erwise meets best efforts (as mutually agreed to  
11 by the United States and Israel); and

12 (B) co-production of parts, components,  
13 and all-up rounds (if appropriate) in the United  
14 States by United States industry for the Da-  
15 vid's Sling Weapon System is not less than 50  
16 percent.

17 (3) CERTIFICATION AND ASSESSMENT.—The  
18 Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and  
19 Sustainment shall submit to the appropriate con-  
20 gressional committees—

21 (A) a certification that the Government of  
22 Israel has demonstrated the successful comple-  
23 tion of the knowledge points, technical mile-  
24 stones, and Production Readiness Reviews re-  
25 quired by the research, development, and tech-

1 nology agreement and the bilateral co-produc-  
2 tion agreement for the David's Sling Weapon  
3 System; and

4 (B) an assessment detailing any risks re-  
5 lating to the implementation of such agreement.

6 (c) ISRAELI COOPERATIVE MISSILE DEFENSE PRO-  
7 GRAM, ARROW 3 UPPER TIER INTERCEPTOR PROGRAM  
8 CO-PRODUCTION.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), of  
10 the funds authorized to be appropriated for fiscal  
11 year 2024 for procurement, Defense-wide, and avail-  
12 able for the Missile Defense Agency, not more than  
13 \$80,000,000 may be provided to the Government of  
14 Israel for the Arrow 3 Upper Tier Interceptor Pro-  
15 gram, including for co-production of parts and com-  
16 ponents in the United States by United States in-  
17 dustry.

18 (2) CERTIFICATION.—The Under Secretary of  
19 Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall sub-  
20 mit to the appropriate congressional committees a  
21 certification that—

22 (A) the Government of Israel has dem-  
23 onstrated the successful completion of the  
24 knowledge points, technical milestones, and  
25 Production Readiness Reviews required by the

1 research, development, and technology agree-  
2 ment for the Arrow 3 Upper Tier Interceptor  
3 Program;

4 (B) funds specified in paragraph (1) will  
5 be provided on the basis of a one-for-one cash  
6 match made by Israel or in another matching  
7 amount that otherwise meets best efforts (as  
8 mutually agreed to by the United States and  
9 Israel);

10 (C) the United States has entered into a  
11 bilateral international agreement with Israel  
12 that establishes, with respect to the use of such  
13 funds—

14 (i) in accordance with subparagraph  
15 (D), the terms of co-production of parts  
16 and components on the basis of the great-  
17 est practicable co-production of parts, com-  
18 ponents, and all-up rounds (if appropriate)  
19 by United States industry and minimizes  
20 nonrecurring engineering and facilitization  
21 expenses to the costs needed for co-produc-  
22 tion;

23 (ii) complete transparency on the re-  
24 quirement of Israel for the number of  
25 interceptors and batteries that will be pro-

1           cured, including with respect to the pro-  
2           curement plans, acquisition strategy, and  
3           funding profiles of Israel;

4           (iii) technical milestones for co-pro-  
5           duction of parts and components and pro-  
6           curement;

7           (iv) a joint affordability working  
8           group to consider cost reduction initiatives;  
9           and

10          (v) joint approval processes for third-  
11          party sales; and

12          (D) the level of co-production described in  
13          subparagraph (C)(i) for the Arrow 3 Upper  
14          Tier Interceptor Program is not less than 50  
15          percent.

16          (d) NUMBER.—In carrying out paragraph (2) of sub-  
17          section (b) and paragraph (2) of subsection (c), the Under  
18          Secretary may submit—

19               (1) one certification covering both the David’s  
20               Sling Weapon System and the Arrow 3 Upper Tier  
21               Interceptor Program; or

22               (2) separate certifications for each respective  
23               system.

24          (e) TIMING.—The Under Secretary shall submit to  
25          the congressional defense committees the certification and

1 assessment under subsection (b)(3) and the certification  
2 under subsection (c)(2) no later than 30 days before the  
3 funds specified in paragraph (1) of subsections (b) and  
4 (c) for the respective system covered by the certification  
5 are provided to the Government of Israel.

6 (f) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-  
7 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-  
8 sional committees” means the following:

9 (1) The congressional defense committees.

10 (2) The Committee on Foreign Relations of the  
11 Senate.

12 (3) The Committee on Foreign Affairs of the  
13 House of Representatives.

14 **SEC. 1666. PROGRAMS TO ACHIEVE INITIAL AND FULL**  
15 **OPERATIONAL CAPABILITIES FOR THE GLIDE**  
16 **PHASE INTERCEPTOR PROGRAM.**

17 (a) PROGRAM TO ACHIEVE INITIAL OPERATIONAL  
18 CAPABILITY.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense,  
20 acting through the Director of the Missile Defense  
21 Agency and in coordination with the officials speci-  
22 fied in subsection (d), shall carry out a program to  
23 achieve, by not later than December 31, 2029, an  
24 initial operational capability for the Glide Phase In-  
25 terceptor as described in paragraph (2).

1           (2) REQUIRED CAPABILITIES.—For purposes of  
2 paragraph (1), the Glide Phase Interceptor program  
3 shall be considered to have achieved initial oper-  
4 ational capability if—

5           (A) the Glide Phase Interceptor is capable  
6 of defeating, in the glide phase, any endo-at-  
7 mospheric hypersonic vehicles that are known to  
8 the Department of Defense and fielded as of  
9 the date of the enactment of this Act; and

10           (B) not fewer than 12 Glide Phase Inter-  
11 ceptor missiles have been fielded.

12           (b) PROGRAM TO ACHIEVE FULL OPERATIONAL CA-  
13 PABILITY.—

14           (1) PROGRAM REQUIRED.—The Secretary of  
15 Defense, acting through the Director of the Missile  
16 Defense Agency and in coordination with the offi-  
17 cials specified in subsection (d), shall carry out a  
18 program to achieve, by not later than December 31,  
19 2032, full operational capability for the Glide Phase  
20 Interceptor as described in paragraph (2).

21           (2) REQUIRED CAPABILITIES.—For purposes of  
22 paragraph (1), the Glide Phase Interceptor program  
23 shall be considered to have achieved full operational  
24 capability if—

1 (A) the Glide Phase Interceptor is capable  
2 of defeating, in the glide phase, any endo-at-  
3 mospheric hypersonic vehicles—

4 (i) that are known to the Department  
5 of Defense and fielded as of the date of the  
6 enactment of this Act; and

7 (ii) that the Department of Defense  
8 expects to be fielded before the end of  
9 2040;

10 (B) not fewer than 24 Glide Phase Inter-  
11 ceptor missiles have been fielded; and

12 (C) the Glide Phase Interceptor has the  
13 ability to be operated collaboratively with space-  
14 based or terrestrial sensors that the Depart-  
15 ment of Defense expects to be deployed before  
16 the end of 2032.

17 (c) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT AUTHORIZED.—The  
18 Director of the Missile Defense Agency is authorized to  
19 enter into a cooperative development agreement with one  
20 or more international partners of the United States for  
21 the development of the full operational capability described  
22 in subsection (b).

23 (d) OFFICIALS SPECIFIED.—The officials specified in  
24 this subsection are the following:

1 (1) The Under Secretary of Defense for Re-  
2 search and Engineering.

3 (2) The Secretary of the Navy.

4 (3) The Commander of the United States Indo-  
5 Pacific Command.

6 (4) The Commander of the United States Euro-  
7 pean Command.

8 **SEC. 1667. RESCISSION OF MEMORANDUM ON MISSILE DE-**  
9 **FENSE GOVERNANCE.**

10 Not later than May 31, 2024, the Secretary of De-  
11 fense shall—

12 (1) rescind Directive-type Memorandum 20-002  
13 relating to “Missile Defense System Policies and  
14 Governance”; and

15 (2) in accordance with section 205(b) of title  
16 10, United States Code, replace such memorandum  
17 with governance documents, policies, and procedures,  
18 that balance—

19 (A) providing the Missile Defense Agency  
20 with greater flexibility and agility, particularly  
21 with regards to milestone a (or equivalent) ac-  
22 quisition decisions to rapidly meet warfighter  
23 needs; and

1 (B) the need for continued oversight to en-  
2 sure integration into joint-force air and missile  
3 defense capabilities.

4 **SEC. 1668. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**  
5 **OFFICE OF COST ASSESSMENT AND PRO-**  
6 **GRAM EVALUATION UNTIL SUBMISSION OF**  
7 **REPORT ON MISSILE DEFENSE ROLES AND**  
8 **RESPONSIBILITIES.**

9 Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this  
10 Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024 for  
11 operation and maintenance, Defense-wide, for the Office  
12 of Cost Assessment and program evaluation, not more  
13 than 50 percent may be obligated or expended until the  
14 date on which the Secretary of Defense submits to the  
15 congressional defense committees the report required by  
16 section 1675(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act  
17 for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81).

18 **SEC. 1669. STRATEGY FOR INTEGRATED AIR AND MISSILE**  
19 **DEFENSE OF HAWAII AND THE INDO-PACIFIC**  
20 **REGION.**

21 (a) STRATEGY.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Commander of United  
23 States Indo-Pacific Command, in coordination with  
24 the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and  
25 Sustainment, the Under Secretary of Defense for

1 Policy, the Commander of United States Northern  
2 Command, the Director of the Missile Defense Agen-  
3 cy, and the Director of the Joint Integrated Air and  
4 Missile Defense Organization, shall develop a com-  
5 prehensive strategy for developing, acquiring, and  
6 operationally establishing an integrated air and mis-  
7 sile defense architecture for area of responsibility of  
8 the United States Indo-Pacific Command.

9 (2) STRATEGY COMPONENTS.—At a minimum,  
10 the strategy required by paragraph (1) shall address  
11 each of the following:

12 (A) The sensing, tracking, and intercepting  
13 capabilities required to address the full range of  
14 credible missile threats to—

15 (i) the Hawaiian Islands;

16 (ii) the island of Guam and other is-  
17 lands in the greater Marianas region, as  
18 determined necessary by the Commander  
19 of United States Indo-Pacific Command;

20 (iii) other territories of the United  
21 States located within the area of responsi-  
22 bility of the United States Indo-Pacific  
23 Command; and

24 (iv) United States Armed Forces de-  
25 ployed within the territories of other coun-

1           tries located within such area of responsi-  
2           bility.

3           (B) The appropriate balance of missile de-  
4           tection, tracking, defense, and defeat capabili-  
5           ties in such area of responsibility.

6           (C) A command and control network for  
7           integrating missile detection, tracking, defense,  
8           and defeat capabilities across such area of re-  
9           sponsibility.

10          (D) A time-phased scheduling construct for  
11          fielding the constituent systems that will com-  
12          prise the integrated air and missile defense ar-  
13          chitecture for such area of responsibility.

14          (b) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

15           (1) REPORT ON INITIAL FINDINGS.—Not later  
16           than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this  
17           Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the  
18           congressional defense committees a report on the  
19           findings of the analysis conducted by Cost Assess-  
20           ment and Program Evaluation of the current inte-  
21           grated air and missile defense sensor architecture  
22           that informed the submission of the budget of the  
23           President (as submitted to Congress pursuant to  
24           section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code) for  
25           fiscal year 2024, and specific programs of record

1 that can support additional sensor coverage for the  
2 State of Hawaii. Such report shall include an identi-  
3 fication of—

4 (A) the investments that should be made  
5 to increase the detection of nonballistic threats  
6 and improve the discrimination of ballistic mis-  
7 sile threats, particularly with regards to Ha-  
8 waii; and

9 (B) investments that should be made to in-  
10 tegrate any sensors into the missile defense sys-  
11 tem to assist with protection of Hawaii.

12 (2) ANNUAL REPORT.—

13 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than April  
14 15, 2024, and annually thereafter, the Com-  
15 mander of United States Indo-Pacific Com-  
16 mand, in coordination with the Under Secretary  
17 of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment,  
18 the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, the  
19 Commander of United States Northern Com-  
20 mand, the Director of the Missile Defense  
21 Agency, and the Director of the Joint Inte-  
22 grated Air and Missile Defense Organization,  
23 shall submit to the congressional defense com-  
24 mittees an annual report on the status of the  
25 strategy required under subsection (a).

1 (B) REPORT CRITERIA.—At a minimum,  
2 each annual report under subparagraph (A)  
3 shall address—

4 (i) the activities conducted and  
5 progress made in developing and imple-  
6 menting the strategy over the calendar  
7 year preceding the calendar year during  
8 which the report is submitted;

9 (ii) the planned activities for devel-  
10 oping and implementing the strategy in the  
11 calendar year following the calendar year  
12 during which the report is submitted; and

13 (iii) a description of likely risks and  
14 impediments to the successful implementa-  
15 tion of the strategy.

16 (C) TERMINATION.—The requirement to  
17 submit a report under this paragraph shall ter-  
18minate on the earlier of the following dates:

19 (i) March 15, 2029.

20 (ii) The date on which a comprehen-  
21 sive integrated air and missile defense ar-  
22 chitecture for the area of responsibility of  
23 United States Indo-Pacific Command has  
24 achieved initial operational capability, as  
25 determined jointly by the Commander of

1 United States Indo-Pacific Command and  
2 the Director of the Missile Defense Agen-  
3 cy.

4 (3) LIMITATION.—Of the funds authorized to  
5 be appropriated by this Act for fiscal year 2024 for  
6 Operation and Maintenance, Defense-wide, and  
7 available for the Office of the Under Secretary of  
8 Defense for Policy, not more than 90 percent may  
9 be obligated or expended until the date on which  
10 both of the following reports are submitted to the  
11 congressional defense committees:

12 (A) The report on initial findings required  
13 by paragraph (1).

14 (B) The first annual report required by  
15 paragraph (2)(A).

16 **SEC. 1670. REPORT ON POTENTIAL ENHANCEMENTS TO IN-**  
17 **TEGRATED AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE CAPA-**  
18 **BILITIES IN EUROPE.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 240 days after the  
20 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of De-  
21 fense, in consultation with the officials specified in sub-  
22 section (c), shall submit to the congressional defense com-  
23 mittees a report on potential enhancements to U.S. and  
24 allied air and missile defense capabilities that could con-

1 tribute to the integrated air and missile defense capability  
2 of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

3 (b) ELEMENTS.—The report required by subsection  
4 (a) shall include—

5 (1) identification of potential enhancements to  
6 U.S. and allied air and missile defense capabilities  
7 as described in such subsection taking into account  
8 a 360-degree approach tailored to address threats to  
9 NATO member nations emanating from all strategic  
10 directions;

11 (2) a description of—

12 (A) the efforts of NATO to increase its in-  
13 tegrated air and missile defense capability, tak-  
14 ing into account, as applicable—

15 (i) NATO’s Deterrence and Defense  
16 of the Euro-Atlantic Area Family of Plans;

17 (ii) NATO’s Defense Planning Proc-  
18 ess; and

19 (iii) other activities of NATO relating  
20 to such capability; and

21 (B) any challenges to such efforts;

22 (3) an assessment of the operational, political,  
23 and technical feasibility and advisability of devel-  
24 oping, fielding, modifying, integrating, or otherwise  
25 employing current and future U.S. and allied air and

1 missile defense capabilities to further improve the  
2 ability of the integrated air and missile defense ca-  
3 pability of NATO to protect against any type of air  
4 or missile threat or attack (such as threats and at-  
5 tacks from cruise, ballistic, and hypersonic missiles),  
6 including—

7 (A) sensors to detect, track, discriminate,  
8 and support the engagement of multi-axial air  
9 and missile threats;

10 (B) defensive interceptor systems;

11 (C) passive defense options; and

12 (D) command and control elements;

13 (4) a funding profile, by year, detailing the  
14 complete costs to the United States associated with  
15 the options assessed under paragraph (3); and

16 (5) such other information as the Secretary of  
17 Defense considers appropriate.

18 (c) CONSULTATION.—In preparing the report re-  
19 quired by subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall  
20 seek advice and input from—

21 (1) the Secretary of State;

22 (2) Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff;

23 (3) the Commander of the United States Euro-  
24 pean Command; and

25 (4) the Director of the Missile Defense Agency.

1 (d) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required by sec-  
2 tion (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may  
3 include a classified annex.

4 (e) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “U.S. and  
5 allied air and missile defense capabilities” means air and  
6 missile defense capabilities of—

7 (1) the United States; and

8 (2) nations that are allies or partners of the  
9 United States.

10 **SEC. 1671. INDEPENDENT ANALYSIS OF SPACE-BASED MIS-**  
11 **SILE DEFENSE CAPABILITY.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the  
13 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of De-  
14 fense, acting through the Director of the Missile Defense  
15 Agency, shall seek to enter into an arrangement with an  
16 appropriate federally funded research and development  
17 center to update the study referred to in subsection (c).

18 (b) ELEMENTS.—The updated study under sub-  
19 section (a) shall include analysis of the following:

20 (1) The extent to which space-based capabilities  
21 would address current and evolving missile threats  
22 to the United States and deployed Armed Forces.

23 (2) The maturity levels of technologies nec-  
24 essary for an operational space-based missile defense  
25 capability.

1           (3) Potential options for developing, fielding,  
2           operating, and sustaining a space-based missile de-  
3           fense capability, including—

4                   (A) estimated costs; and

5                   (B) assessments of the effectiveness of dif-  
6           ferent architectures.

7           (4) The technical risks, knowledge gaps, or  
8           other challenges associated with the development  
9           and operation of space-based interceptor capabilities.

10          (5) The ability of the Department of Defense to  
11          protect and defend on-orbit space-based missile de-  
12          fense capabilities, including any recommendations  
13          for resiliency requirements that would be needed to  
14          ensure the effectiveness of such capabilities.

15          (c) STUDY SPECIFIED.—The study referred to in this  
16          subsection is the study conducted by the federally funded  
17          research and development center known as the “Institute  
18          for Defense Analysis” examining the feasibility and advis-  
19          ability of developing a space-based missile defense capa-  
20          bility.

21          (d) REPORT.—

22                  (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 270 days  
23          after entering into an arrangement under subsection  
24          (a), the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the

1 congressional defense committees a report that in-  
2 cludes—

3 (A) an unaltered copy of the updated study  
4 completed pursuant to the arrangement; and

5 (B) any views of the Secretary of Defense  
6 with respect to such updated study.

7 (2) FORM.—The report required under para-  
8 graph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form,  
9 but may include a classified annex.

## 10 **Subtitle E—Other Matters**

### 11 **SEC. 1681. EXTENSION OF AUTHORIZATION FOR PROTEC-** 12 **TION OF CERTAIN FACILITIES AND ASSETS** 13 **FROM UNMANNED AIRCRAFT.**

14 Section 130i(i) of title 10, United States Code, is  
15 amended by striking “2023” both places it appears and  
16 inserting “2026”.

### 17 **SEC. 1682. ELECTROMAGNETIC WARFARE.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part I of subtitle A of title 10,  
19 United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the  
20 following new chapter:

## 21 **“CHAPTER 25—ELECTROMAGNETIC** 22 **WARFARE**

“500. Electromagnetic Spectrum Operations Executive Committee.

“500a. Guidance on electromagnetic spectrum operations mission area and joint  
electromagnetic spectrum operations.

“500b. Annual report on electromagnetic spectrum operations strategy of the  
Department of Defense.

“500c. Annual assessment of budget with respect to electromagnetic spectrum  
operations capabilities.

“500d. Electromagnetic spectrum superiority implementation plan.

“500e. Electromagnetic Spectrum Enterprise Operational Lead for Joint Electromagnetic Spectrum Operations.

“500f. Evaluations of abilities of armed forces and combatant commands to perform electromagnetic spectrum operations missions.

1 **“§ 500. Electromagnetic Spectrum Operations Execu-**  
2 **tive Committee**

3 “(a) IN GENERAL.—There is within the Department  
4 of Defense an Electromagnetic Spectrum Operations Ex-  
5 ecutive Committee (in this section referred to as the ‘Exec-  
6 utive Committee’).

7 “(b) PURPOSES.—The Executive Committee shall—

8 “(1) serve as the principal forum within the De-  
9 partment of Defense to inform, coordinate, and  
10 evaluate matters relating to electromagnetic warfare;

11 “(2) provide senior oversight, coordination, and  
12 budget and capability harmonization with respect to  
13 such matters; and

14 “(3) act as an advisory body to the Secretary  
15 of Defense, the Deputy Secretary of Defense, and  
16 the Management Action Group of the Deputy Sec-  
17 retary with respect to such matters.

18 “(c) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Executive Committee  
19 shall—

20 “(1) advise key senior level decision-making  
21 bodies of the Department of Defense with respect to  
22 the development and implementation of acquisition  
23 investments relating to electromagnetic warfare and

1 electromagnetic spectrum operations of the Depart-  
2 ment, including relevant acquisition policies,  
3 projects, programs, modeling, and test and evalua-  
4 tion infrastructure;

5 “(2) provide a forum to enable synchronization  
6 and integration support with respect to the develop-  
7 ment and acquisition of electromagnetic warfare ca-  
8 pabilities by—

9 “(A) aligning the processes of the Depart-  
10 ment for requirements, research, development,  
11 acquisition, testing, and sustainment; and

12 “(B) carrying out other related duties; and

13 “(3) act as the senior level review forum for the  
14 portfolio of capability investments of the Depart-  
15 ment relating to electromagnetic warfare and elec-  
16 tromagnetic spectrum operations and other related  
17 matters.

18 “(d) COORDINATION WITH INTELLIGENCE COMMU-  
19 NITY.—The Executive Committee, acting through the  
20 Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security,  
21 shall coordinate with the intelligence community (as de-  
22 fined in section 3 of the National Security Act of 1947  
23 (50 U.S.C. 3003)) to generate requirements, facilitate col-  
24 laboration, establish interfaces, and align efforts of the  
25 Department of Defense with respect to capabilities and ac-

1 quision activities related to electromagnetic spectrum op-  
2 erations in areas of dependency or mutual interest.

3 “(e) MEETINGS.—(1) The Executive Committee shall  
4 hold meetings not less frequently than quarterly and as  
5 necessary to address particular issues.

6 “(2) The Executive Committee may hold meetings by  
7 video conference.

8 “(f) MEMBERSHIP.—The Executive Committee shall  
9 be composed of the following principal members:

10 “(1) The Under Secretary of Defense for Ac-  
11 quisition and Sustainment.

12 “(2) The Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of  
13 Staff.

14 “(3) The Under Secretary of Defense for Intel-  
15 ligence and Security.

16 “(4) The Under Secretary of Defense for Pol-  
17 icy.

18 “(5) The Commander of the United States  
19 Strategic Command.

20 “(6) The Chief Information Officer of the De-  
21 partment of Defense.

22 “(7) Such other Federal officers or employees  
23 as the Secretary of Defense considers appropriate,  
24 consistent with other authorities of the Department  
25 of Defense and publications of the Joint Staff, in-

1 including the Charter for the Electronic Warfare Ex-  
2 ecutive Committee, dated March 17, 2015.

3 “(g) CO-CHAIRS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—(1)  
4 The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and  
5 Sustainment and the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs  
6 of Staff, or their designees, shall serve as co-chairs of the  
7 Executive Committee.

8 “(2) The co-chairs of the Executive Committee  
9 shall—

10 “(A) preside at all Executive Committee meet-  
11 ings or have their designees preside at such meet-  
12 ings;

13 “(B) provide administrative control of the Exec-  
14 utive Committee;

15 “(C) jointly guide the activities and actions of  
16 the Executive Committee;

17 “(D) approve all agendas for and summaries of  
18 meetings of the Executive Committee;

19 “(E) charter tailored working groups to conduct  
20 mission area analysis, as required, under subsection  
21 (i); and

22 “(F) perform such other duties as may be nec-  
23 essary to ensure the good order and functioning of  
24 the Executive Committee.

1           “(h) ELECTROMAGNETIC SPECTRUM OPERATIONS  
2 CAPABILITY TEAM.—(1) There is within the Executive  
3 Committee an electromagnetic spectrum operations capa-  
4 bility team, which shall—

5                   “(A) serve as a flag officer level focus group  
6                   and executive secretariat subordinate to the Execu-  
7                   tive Committee; and

8                   “(B) in that capacity—

9                           “(i) provide initial senior level coordination  
10                           on key electromagnetic spectrum operations  
11                           issues;

12                           “(ii) prepare recommended courses of ac-  
13                           tion to present to the Executive Committee; and

14                           “(iii) perform other related duties.

15           “(2) The electromagnetic spectrum operations capa-  
16 bility team shall be co-chaired by one representative from  
17 the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisi-  
18 tion and Sustainment and one representative from the  
19 Force Structure, Resources, and Assessment Directorate  
20 of the Joint Staff (J-8).

21           “(3) The principal members of the Executive Com-  
22 mittee shall designate representatives from their respective  
23 staffs to the electromagnetic spectrum operations capa-  
24 bility team.

1           “(i) MISSION AREA WORKING GROUPS.—(1) The Ex-  
2     ecutive Committee shall establish mission area working  
3     groups on a temporary basis—

4           “(A) to address specific issues and mission  
5     areas relating to electromagnetic spectrum oper-  
6     ations;

7           “(B) to involve subject matter experts and com-  
8     ponents of the Department of Defense with expertise  
9     in electromagnetic spectrum operations; and

10          “(C) to perform other related duties.

11          “(2) The Executive Committee shall dissolve a mis-  
12     sion area working group established under paragraph (1)  
13     once the issue the working group was established to ad-  
14     dress is satisfactorily resolved.

15          “(j) ADMINISTRATION.—The Under Secretary of De-  
16     fense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall administra-  
17     tively support the Executive Committee, including by des-  
18     ignating not fewer than two officials of the Department  
19     of Defense to support the day-to-day operations of the Ex-  
20     ecutive Committee.

21          “(k) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than Feb-  
22     ruary 28, 2024, and annually thereafter through 2030, the  
23     Executive Committee shall submit to the congressional de-  
24     fense committees a summary of activities of the Executive  
25     Committee during the preceding fiscal year.

1 **“§ 501. Guidance on electromagnetic spectrum oper-**  
2 **ations mission area and joint electro-**  
3 **magnetic spectrum operations**

4 “The Secretary of Defense shall—

5 “(1) establish processes and procedures to de-  
6 velop, integrate, and enhance the electromagnetic  
7 spectrum operations mission area and the conduct of  
8 joint electromagnetic spectrum operations in all do-  
9 mains across the Department of Defense; and

10 “(2) ensure that such processes and procedures  
11 provide for integrated defense-wide strategy, plan-  
12 ning, and budgeting with respect to the conduct of  
13 such operations by the Department, including activi-  
14 ties conducted to counter and deter such operations  
15 by malign actors.

16 **“§ 502. Annual report on electromagnetic spectrum**  
17 **operations strategy of the Department of**  
18 **Defense**

19 “(a) IN GENERAL.—At the same time as the Presi-  
20 dent submits to Congress the budget of the President  
21 under section 1105(a) of title 31 for each of fiscal years  
22 2025 through 2029, the Secretary of Defense, in coordina-  
23 tion with the Chief Information Officer of the Department  
24 of Defense, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and  
25 the Secretary of each of the military departments, shall  
26 submit to the congressional defense committees an annual

1 report on the Electromagnetic Spectrum Superiority  
2 Strategy of the Department of Defense.

3 “(b) CONTENTS OF REPORT.—Each report required  
4 under subsection (a) shall include each of the following:

5 “(1) A description and overview of—

6 “(A) the electromagnetic spectrum strategy  
7 of the Department of Defense;

8 “(B) how such strategy supports the na-  
9 tional defense strategy under section 113(g) of  
10 this title; and

11 “(C) the organizational structure assigned  
12 to oversee the development of the Department’s  
13 electromagnetic spectrum strategy, require-  
14 ments, capabilities, programs, and projects.

15 “(2) A list of all the electromagnetic spectrum  
16 operations acquisition programs and research and  
17 development projects of the Department of Defense  
18 and a description of how each program or project  
19 supports the Department’s electromagnetic spectrum  
20 strategy.

21 “(3) For each unclassified program or project  
22 on the list required by paragraph (2)—

23 “(A) the senior acquisition executive and  
24 organization responsible for oversight of the  
25 program or project;

1           “(B) whether or not validated require-  
2           ments exist for the program or project and, if  
3           such requirements do exist, the date on which  
4           the requirements were validated and the organi-  
5           zational authority that validated such require-  
6           ments;

7           “(C) the total amount of funding appro-  
8           priated, obligated, and forecasted by fiscal year  
9           for the program or project, including the pro-  
10          gram element or procurement line number from  
11          which the program or project receives funding;

12          “(D) the development or procurement  
13          schedule for the program or project;

14          “(E) an assessment of the cost, schedule,  
15          and performance of the program or project as  
16          it relates to the program baseline for the pro-  
17          gram or project, as of the date of the submis-  
18          sion of the report, and the original program  
19          baseline for such program or project, if such  
20          baselines are not the same;

21          “(F) the technology readiness level of each  
22          critical technology that is part of the program  
23          or project;

1           “(G) whether or not the program or  
2           project is redundant or overlaps with the efforts  
3           of another military department; and

4           “(H) the capability gap that the program  
5           or project is being developed or procured to ful-  
6           fill.

7           “(4) A classified annex that contains the items  
8           described in subparagraphs (A) through (H) of  
9           paragraph (3) for each classified program or project  
10          on the list required by paragraph (2).

11   **“§ 503. Annual assessment of budget with respect to**  
12                   **electromagnetic spectrum operations ca-**  
13                   **pabilities**

14          “At the same time as the President submits to Con-  
15          gress the budget of the President under section 1105(a)  
16          of title 31 for each of fiscal years 2025 through 2029,  
17          the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional  
18          defense committees an assessment by the Electromagnetic  
19          Spectrum Operations Executive Committee as to whether  
20          sufficient funds are requested in such budget for antici-  
21          pated activities in such fiscal year for each of the fol-  
22          lowing:

23               “(1) The development of an electromagnetic  
24               battle management capability for joint electro-  
25               magnetic spectrum operations.



1       ing the element, including a description of any ob-  
2       stacles that may hinder further progress.

3           “(5) For any element that has been removed  
4       from the implementation plan, a description of the  
5       reason for the removal of the element and an assess-  
6       ment of the impact of not pursuing achievement of  
7       the element.

8           “(6) Such additional matters as the Chief In-  
9       formation Officer considers appropriate.

10       “(c) ELECTROMAGNETIC SUPERIORITY IMPLEMEN-  
11       TATION PLAN DEFINED.—In this section, the term ‘elec-  
12       tromagnetic superiority implementation plan’ means the  
13       Electromagnetic Superiority Implementation Plan signed  
14       by the Secretary of Defense on July 15, 2021, and any  
15       successor plan.

16       **“§ 505. Electromagnetic Spectrum Enterprise Oper-**  
17                           **ational Lead for Joint Electromagnetic**  
18                           **Spectrum Operations**

19       “(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the  
20       date of the enactment of the National Defense Authoriza-  
21       tion Act for Fiscal Year 2024, the Secretary of Defense  
22       shall establish an Electromagnetic Spectrum Enterprise  
23       Operational Lead for Joint Electromagnetic Spectrum Op-  
24       erations (in this section referred to as the ‘operational  
25       lead’) at the United States Strategic Command. The oper-

1 ational lead shall report to the Commander of the United  
2 States Strategic Command.

3 “(b) FUNCTION.—The operational lead shall be re-  
4 sponsible for synchronizing, assessing, and making rec-  
5 ommendations to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of  
6 Staff with respect to the readiness of the combatant com-  
7 mands to conduct joint electromagnetic spectrum oper-  
8 ations.

9 “(c) BRIEFINGS REQUIRED.—Concurrent with the  
10 submission of the budget of the President to Congress  
11 under section 1105(a) of title 31 for each of fiscal years  
12 2025 through 2029, the Chairman, acting through the  
13 operational lead, shall provide to the congressional defense  
14 committees a briefing on the following:

15 “(1) Progress made in achieving full oper-  
16 ational capability to conduct joint electromagnetic  
17 spectrum operations and any impediments to achiev-  
18 ing such capability.

19 “(2) The readiness of the combatant commands  
20 to conduct such operations.

21 “(3) Recommendations for overcoming any defi-  
22 ciencies in the readiness of the combatant commands  
23 to conduct such operations and any material gaps  
24 contributing to such deficiencies.

1           “(4) Such other matters as the Chairman con-  
2           siders important to ensuring that the combatant  
3           commands are capable of conducting such oper-  
4           ations.

5   **“§ 506. Evaluations of abilities of armed forces and**  
6           **combatant commands to perform electro-**  
7           **magnetic spectrum operations missions**

8           “(a) EVALUATIONS OF ARMED FORCES.—(1) Not  
9           later than October 1, 2024, and annually thereafter  
10          through 2029, the Chief of Staff of the Army, the Chief  
11          of Naval Operations, the Chief of Staff of the Air Force,  
12          the Commandant of the Marine Corps, and the Chief of  
13          Space Operations shall each carry out an evaluation of the  
14          ability of the armed force concerned to perform electro-  
15          magnetic spectrum operations missions required by each  
16          of the following:

17               “(A) The Electromagnetic Spectrum Superi-  
18               ority Strategy.

19               “(B) The Joint Staff-developed concept of oper-  
20               ations for electromagnetic spectrum operations.

21               “(C) The operations and contingency plans of  
22               the combatant commands.

23           “(2) Not later than December 31 of each year in  
24          which evaluations are required under paragraph (1), each  
25          official specified in that paragraph shall certify to the con-

1 gressional defense committees that the evaluation required  
2 to be carried out by that official has occurred.

3 “(3) Each evaluation under paragraph (1) shall in-  
4 clude an assessment of the following:

5 “(A) Current programs of record, including—

6 “(i) the ability of weapon systems to per-  
7 form missions in contested electromagnetic  
8 spectrum environments; and

9 “(ii) the ability of electromagnetic attack  
10 with capabilities to disrupt adversary oper-  
11 ations.

12 “(B) Future programs of record, including—

13 “(i) the need for distributed or network-  
14 centric electromagnetic warfare and signals in-  
15 telligence capabilities; and

16 “(ii) the need for automated and machine  
17 learning- or artificial intelligence-assisted elec-  
18 tromagnetic spectrum operations capabilities.

19 “(C) Order of battle.

20 “(D) Individual and unit training.

21 “(E) Tactics, techniques, and procedures, in-  
22 cluding—

23 “(i) maneuver, distribution of assets, and  
24 the use of decoys; and

1                   “(ii) integration of non-kinetic and kinetic  
2                   fires.

3                   “(F) Other matters relevant to evaluating the  
4                   ability of the armed force concerned to perform elec-  
5                   tromagnetic spectrum operations missions described  
6                   in paragraph (1).

7                   “(b) EVALUATIONS OF COMBATANT COMMANDS.—  
8 (1) Not later than October 1, 2024, and annually there-  
9 after through 2029, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of  
10 Staff, acting through the Electromagnetic Spectrum En-  
11 terprise Operational Lead for Joint Electromagnetic Spec-  
12 trum Operations established under section 500e (in this  
13 section referred to as the ‘operational lead’), shall carry  
14 out an evaluation of the plans and posture of the combat-  
15 ant commands to execute the electromagnetic spectrum  
16 operations envisioned in each of the following:

17                   “(A) The Electromagnetic Spectrum Superi-  
18                   ority Strategy.

19                   “(B) The Joint Staff-developed concept of oper-  
20                   ations for electromagnetic spectrum operations.

21                   “(2) Each evaluation under paragraph (1) shall in-  
22                   clude an assessment, as relevant, of the following:

23                   “(A) Operation and contingency plans.

1           “(B) The manning, organizational alignment,  
2           and capability of joint electromagnetic spectrum op-  
3           erations cells.

4           “(C) Mission rehearsal and exercises.

5           “(D) Force positioning, posture, and readiness.

6           “(3) Not later than December 31 of each year in  
7           which an evaluation is required under paragraph (A), the  
8           Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, acting through the  
9           operational lead, shall brief the congressional defense com-  
10          mittees on the results of the evaluation.”.

11          (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The tables of chapters  
12          at the beginning of subtitle A of title 10, United States  
13          Code, and at the beginning of part I of such subtitle, are  
14          each amended by inserting after the item relating to chap-  
15          ter 24 the following new item:

          “25. Electronic Warfare ..... 500”.

16          (c) CONFORMING REPEAL.—Section 1053 of the  
17          John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for  
18          Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C. 113  
19          note) is repealed.

20          **SEC. 1683. COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION FUNDS.**

21          (a) FUNDING ALLOCATION.—Of the \$350,999,000  
22          authorized to be appropriated to the Department of De-  
23          fense for fiscal year 2024 in section 301 and made avail-  
24          able by the funding table in division D for the Department  
25          of Defense Cooperative Threat Reduction Program estab-

1 lished under section 1321 of the Department of Defense  
2 Cooperative Threat Reduction Act (50 U.S.C. 3711), the  
3 following amounts may be obligated for the purposes spec-  
4 ified:

5 (1) For strategic offensive arms elimination,  
6 \$6,815,000.

7 (2) For chemical security and elimination,  
8 \$16,400,000.

9 (3) For global nuclear security, \$19,406,000.

10 (4) For biological threat reduction,  
11 \$228,030,000.

12 (5) For proliferation prevention, \$46,324,000.

13 (6) For activities designated as Other Assess-  
14 ments/Administration Costs, \$34,024,000.

15 (b) SPECIFICATION OF COOPERATIVE THREAT RE-  
16 Duction FUNDS.—Funds appropriated pursuant to the  
17 authorization of appropriations in section 301 and made  
18 available by the funding table in division D for the Depart-  
19 ment of Defense Cooperative Threat Reduction Program  
20 shall be available for obligation for fiscal years 2024,  
21 2025, and 2026.

1 **SEC. 1684. MATTERS RELATING TO SPACE-BASED GROUND**  
2 **AND AIRBORNE MOVING TARGET INDICATION**  
3 **SYSTEMS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Air Force  
5 shall be responsible for presenting space-based ground and  
6 airborne moving target indication systems to the combat-  
7 ant commands to accomplish missions assigned to such  
8 commands under the Unified Command Plan that—

9 (1) are primarily or fully funded by the Depart-  
10 ment of Defense; and

11 (2) provide near real-time, direct support to  
12 satisfy the operational requirements of such com-  
13 mands.

14 (b) MILESTONE DECISION AUTHORITY.—The Sec-  
15 retary of the Air Force, in consultation with the Director  
16 of National Intelligence, shall be milestone decision au-  
17 thority (as defined in section 4204 of title 10, United  
18 States Code) for Milestone A approval (as defined in sec-  
19 tion 4211 of such title) for space-related acquisition pro-  
20 grams for ground and airborne moving target indication  
21 systems described in subsection (a) that are primarily or  
22 fully funded within the military intelligence program.

23 (c) WORKING GROUP.—

24 (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 90 days  
25 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
26 retary of Defense shall establish a working group, to

1 be known as the “Moving Target Indication Working  
2 Group” (referred to in this section as the “working  
3 group”).

4 (2) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The working group  
5 shall be responsible for—

6 (A) addressing Department of Defense  
7 joint service requirements for moving target in-  
8 dication systems;

9 (B) monitoring the cost, schedule, and per-  
10 formance of all efforts to replace the tactical in-  
11 telligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance ca-  
12 pability that is provided, as of the date of en-  
13 actment of this Act, by the Joint Surveillance  
14 Target Attack Radar System; and

15 (C) developing the processes and proce-  
16 dures for tasking, collection, processing, exploi-  
17 tation, and dissemination of the data collected  
18 by moving target indication systems.

19 (3) MEMBERSHIP.—

20 (A) IN GENERAL.—The working group  
21 shall be composed of members selected by the  
22 Secretary of Defense as follows:

23 (i) One member of the Space Force  
24 and one member of the Joint Staff each of

1           whom shall serve as a co-chair of the work-  
2           ing group.

3                   (ii) One representative of each of the  
4           following:

5                           (I) The Army.

6                           (II) The Navy.

7                           (III) The Marine Corps.

8                           (IV) The Air Force.

9                   (B) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—Not  
10           later than 90 days after the date of the enact-  
11           ment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall  
12           submit to the congressional defense committees  
13           a list of the members selected to serve on the  
14           working group pursuant to subparagraph (A).

15           (4) BRIEFING REQUIREMENTS.—

16                   (A) INITIAL BRIEFING.—Not later than  
17           120 days after the date of the enactment of this  
18           Act, the co-chairs of the working group shall  
19           provide to the congressional defense committees  
20           a briefing on—

21                           (i) any capabilities development docu-  
22                           ments developed by the working group that  
23                           are either approved by, or in development  
24                           for, the Joint Requirements Oversight  
25                           Council; and

1 (ii) any progress of the working group  
2 towards developing processes and proce-  
3 dures for tasking, collection, processing,  
4 exploitation, and dissemination of data col-  
5 lected by future moving target indication  
6 systems.

7 (B) BIENNIAL BRIEFINGS.—Not less fre-  
8 quently than biennially following the initial  
9 briefing under subparagraph (A), the working  
10 group shall provide to the congressional defense  
11 committees a briefing on the status of any mov-  
12 ing target indication programs under develop-  
13 ment by the Department of Defense as of the  
14 date of the briefing.

15 (C) SUNSET.—The requirement to provide  
16 briefings under this paragraph shall terminate  
17 on the date that is five years after the date of  
18 the enactment of this Act.

19 **SEC. 1685. POSITIONING, NAVIGATION, AND TIMING.**

20 (a) QUARTERLY BRIEFINGS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF  
21 MILITARY-CODE COMPLIANT GPS RECEIVERS.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than February 1,  
23 2024, and quarterly thereafter until the date speci-  
24 fied in paragraph (2), the Co-Chairs of the Council  
25 on Oversight of the Department of Defense Posi-

1       tioning, Navigation, and Timing Enterprise, shall  
2       provide to the congressional defense committees a  
3       briefing on the status of the implementation of M-  
4       Code compliant GPS receivers through the Military  
5       GPS User Equipment program, including the status  
6       of increments 1 and 2 of such program and details  
7       regarding expected dates of M-Code compliance for  
8       all sea-, air, and land-based terminals across the  
9       platforms of each of the Armed Forces.

10           (2) TERMINATION DATE.—The date specified in  
11       this paragraph is the date on which the Secretary of  
12       Defense submits to the congressional defense com-  
13       mittees certification that the increments 1 and 2 of  
14       the Military GPS User Equipment program have  
15       reached full operational capacity.

16           (b) TREATMENT OF POSITIONING, NAVIGATION, AND  
17       TIMING RESILIENCY, MODIFICATIONS, AND IMPROVE-  
18       MENTS PROGRAM.—The Under Secretary of Defense for  
19       Acquisition and Sustainment shall treat the Positioning,  
20       Navigation, and Timing Resiliency, Modifications, and Im-  
21       provements program of the Air Force (Program Element  
22       0604201F) as an acquisition category 1D program, and  
23       the authority to manage such program may not be dele-  
24       gated.

1 **SEC. 1686. ACTIONS TO ADDRESS SERIOUS DEFICIENCIES**  
2 **IN ELECTRONIC PROTECTION OF SYSTEMS**  
3 **THAT OPERATE IN THE RADIO FREQUENCY**  
4 **SPECTRUM.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall—

6 (1) establish requirements for and assign suffi-  
7 cient priority to ensuring electronic protection of  
8 military sensor, navigation, and communications sys-  
9 tems and subsystems against jamming, spoofing,  
10 and unintended interference from military systems  
11 of the United States and foreign adversaries; and

12 (2) provide management oversight and super-  
13 vision of the military departments to ensure military  
14 systems that emit and receive radio frequencies are  
15 protected against threats and interference from  
16 United States and foreign adversary military sys-  
17 tems operating in the same or adjacent radio fre-  
18 quencies.

19 (b) SPECIFIC REQUIRED ACTIONS.—The Secretary of  
20 Defense shall require the military departments and com-  
21 bat support agencies to carry out the following activities:

22 (1) Not later than 270 days after the date of  
23 the enactment of this Act, develop and approve re-  
24 quirements, through the Joint Requirements Over-  
25 sight Council as appropriate, for every radar, signals  
26 intelligence, navigation, and communications system

1 and subsystem subject to the Global Force Manage-  
2 ment process to ensure such systems and subsystems  
3 are able to withstand threat-realistic levels of jam-  
4 ming, spoofing, and unintended interference, includ-  
5 ing self-generated interference.

6 (2) Not less frequently than once every 4 years,  
7 test each system and subsystem described in para-  
8 graph (1) at a test range that permits threat-real-  
9 istic electronic warfare attacks against the system or  
10 subsystem by a red team or simulated opposition  
11 force, with the first set of highest priority systems  
12 to be initially tested by not later than the end of fis-  
13 cal year 2025.

14 (3) With respect to each system and subsystem  
15 described in paragraph (1) that fails to meet elec-  
16 tronic protection requirements during testing con-  
17 ducted under paragraph (2)—

18 (A) not later than 3 years after the initial  
19 failed test, retrofit the system or subsystem  
20 with electronic protection measures that can  
21 withstand threat-realistic jamming, spoofing,  
22 and unintended interference; and

23 (B) not later than 4 years after the initial  
24 failed test, retest such systems and subsystems.

1           (4) Survey, identify, and test available tech-  
2           nology that can be practically and affordably retro-  
3           fitted on the systems and subsystems described in  
4           paragraph (1) and which provides robust protection  
5           against threat-realistic jamming, spoofing, and unin-  
6           tended interference.

7           (5) Design and build electronic protection into  
8           ongoing and future development programs to with-  
9           stand expected jamming and spoofing threats and  
10          unintended interference.

11          (c) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may estab-  
12          lish a process for issuing waivers, on a case-by-case basis,  
13          for the testing requirement under paragraph (2) of sub-  
14          section (b) and for the retrofit requirement under para-  
15          graph (3) of such subsection.

16          (d) ANNUAL REPORTS.—Concurrent with the sub-  
17          mission of the budget of the President to Congress pursu-  
18          ant to section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code,  
19          for each of fiscal years 2025 through 2030, the Director  
20          of Operational Test and Evaluation shall submit to the  
21          Electronic Warfare Executive Committee of the Depart-  
22          ment of Defense and the Committees on Armed Services  
23          of the Senate and the House of Representatives a com-  
24          prehensive annual report that—

1 (1) aggregates and summarizes information re-  
2 ceived from the military departments and combat  
3 support agencies for purposes of the preparation of  
4 the report; and

5 (2) includes a description of—

6 (A) the activities carried out to implement  
7 the requirements of this section;

8 (B) the systems and subsystems subject to  
9 testing in the previous year and the results of  
10 such tests, including a description of the re-  
11 quirements for electronic protection established  
12 for the tested systems and subsystems; and

13 (C) each waiver issued in the previous year  
14 with respect to such requirements, together  
15 with a detailed rationale for the waiver and a  
16 plan for addressing any issues that formed the  
17 basis of the waiver request.

18 **SEC. 1687. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR CERTAIN**  
19 **UNREPORTED PROGRAMS.**

20 (a) **LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.**—None  
21 of the funds authorized to be appropriated or otherwise  
22 made available by this Act may be obligated or expended  
23 in support of any activities involving unidentified anoma-  
24 lous phenomena protected under any form of special ac-  
25 cess or restricted access limitations unless the Secretary

1 of Defense has provided the details of the activity to the  
2 appropriate congressional committees and congressional  
3 leadership, including for any activities described in a re-  
4 port released by the All-Domain Anomaly Resolution Of-  
5 fice in fiscal year 2024.

6 (b) LIMITATION REGARDING INDEPENDENT RE-  
7 SEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.—Consistent with Depart-  
8 ment of Defense Instruction Number 3204.01 (dated Au-  
9 gust 20, 2014, incorporating change 2, dated July 9,  
10 2020; relating to Department policy for oversight of inde-  
11 pendent research and development), independent research  
12 and development funding relating to unidentified anoma-  
13 lous phenomena shall not be allowable as indirect expenses  
14 for purposes of contracts covered by such instruction, un-  
15 less such material and information is made available the  
16 appropriate congressional committees and congressional  
17 leadership.

18 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

19 (1) The term “appropriate congressional com-  
20 mittees” means—

21 (A) the congressional defense committees;

22 and

23 (B) the Permanent Select Committee on  
24 Intelligence of the House of Representatives

1 and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the  
2 Senate.

3 (2) The term “congressional leadership”  
4 means—

5 (A) the majority leader of the Senate;

6 (B) the minority leader of the Senate;

7 (C) the Speaker of the House of Rep-  
8 resentatives; and

9 (D) the minority leader of the House of  
10 Representatives.

11 (3) The term “unidentified anomalous phe-  
12 nomena” has the meaning given such term in section  
13 1683(n) of the National Defense Authorization Act  
14 for Fiscal Year 2022 (50 U.S.C. 3373(n)), as  
15 amended by section 6802(a) of the Intelligence Au-  
16 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law  
17 117–263).

18 **SEC. 1688. INDO-PACIFIC MISSILE STRATEGY.**

19 (a) STRATEGY.—Not later than 180 days after the  
20 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
21 shall submit to the congressional defense committees a  
22 strategy for ground-based theater-range conventional mis-  
23 siles in the Indo-Pacific region.

24 (b) ELEMENTS.—The strategy required by subsection

25 (a) shall include the following:

1           (1) An assessment of gaps in ground-based the-  
2           ater-range conventional missile capabilities in the  
3           area of responsibility of the United States Indo-Pa-  
4           cific Command.

5           (2) An identification of military requirements  
6           for ground-based theater-range conventional missile  
7           systems, including range, propulsion, payload,  
8           launch platform, weapon effects, and other oper-  
9           ationally relevant factors.

10          (3) An identification of prospective basing loca-  
11          tions for ground-based theater-range conventional  
12          missiles in the area of responsibility of the United  
13          States Indo-Pacific Command and an assessment of  
14          steps required to receive host-nation permission for  
15          forward-basing of such weapon systems.

16          (4) A description of operational concepts for  
17          employment of such ground-based theater-range con-  
18          ventional missiles, including integration with other  
19          capabilities in the Western Pacific region.

20          (5) An identification of prospective allies, part-  
21          ners, and institutional mechanisms for co-production  
22          of new ground-based theater-range conventional mis-  
23          siles.

24          (6) An assessment of the cost, schedule, and  
25          feasibility of ground-based theater-range conven-

1 tional missile programs, including any potential cost-  
2 sharing structures through existing institutional  
3 mechanisms.

4 (7) Any other matter the Secretary considers  
5 relevant.

6 (c) FORM.—The strategy required by subsection (a)  
7 may be submitted in classified form, but shall include an  
8 unclassified summary.

9 (d) GROUND-BASED THEATER-RANGE CONVEN-  
10 TIONAL MISSILE.—The term “ground-based theater-range  
11 conventional missile” means a short-range, medium-range,  
12 or intermediate-range conventional mobile ground-  
13 launched cruise or hypersonic missile system with a range  
14 between 500 and 5,500 kilometers.

15 **SEC. 1689. STUDY ON THE FUTURE OF THE INTEGRATED**  
16 **TACTICAL WARNING ATTACK ASSESSMENT**  
17 **SYSTEM.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs  
19 of Staff shall enter into an agreement with a federally  
20 funded research and development center under which the  
21 center shall—

22 (1) conduct a study on the future of the Inte-  
23 grated Tactical Warning Attack Assessment System;  
24 and

1           (2) submit to the Chairman a report on the  
2 findings of the center with respect to the study con-  
3 ducted under paragraph (1).

4           (b) ELEMENTS.—The study conducted pursuant to  
5 an agreement under subsection (a) shall cover the fol-  
6 lowing:

7           (1) Future air and missile threats to the United  
8 States.

9           (2) The integration of multi-domain sensor data  
10 and their ground systems with the existing architec-  
11 ture of the Integrated Tactical Warning Attack As-  
12 sessment System.

13           (3) The effect of the integration described in  
14 paragraph (2) on the data reliability standards of  
15 the Integrated Tactical Warning Attack Assessment  
16 System.

17           (4) Future data visualization, conferencing, and  
18 decisionmaking capabilities of such system.

19           (5) Such other matters as the Chairman con-  
20 siders relevant to the study.

21           (c) REPORT.—Not later than 270 days after the date  
22 of the enactment of this Act, the Chairman shall submit  
23 to the congressional defense committees—

24           (1) the report submitted to the Chairman under  
25 subsection (a)(2); and

1           (2) the assessment of the Chairman with re-  
2           spect to the findings in such report and the rec-  
3           ommendations of the Chairman with respect to mod-  
4           ernizing the Integrated Tactical Warning Attack As-  
5           sessment System.

6   **SEC. 1690. RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS ON MULTIPOLAR DE-**  
7                           **TERRENCE AND ESCALATION DYNAMICS.**

8           (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the  
9           date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
10          shall seek to enter into an agreement with a university  
11          affiliated research center with expertise in strategic deter-  
12          rence to conduct research and analysis on multipolar de-  
13          terrence and escalation dynamics.

14          (b) ELEMENTS.—The research and analysis con-  
15          ducted under subsection (a) shall include assessment of  
16          the following:

17                 (1) Implications for strategic deterrence and al-  
18                 lied assurance given the emergence of a second near-  
19                 peer nuclear power.

20                 (2) Potential alternative conventional, strategic,  
21                 and nuclear force structures to optimize deterrence  
22                 of two near-peer nuclear powers.

23                 (3) The contribution made by countervailing  
24                 nonstrategic capabilities to strategic deterrence.

1 (4) Escalation patterns arising from Russia's  
2 Strategic Operations to Destroy Critically Important  
3 Targets operational concept and response options for  
4 the United States.

5 (5) Multilateral efforts that could contribute to  
6 multipolar strategic deterrence and escalation dy-  
7 namics.

8 (6) Capabilities and operations sufficient to as-  
9 sure European and Pacific allies.

10 (c) REPORT REQUIRED.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 1,  
12 2025, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the  
13 congressional defense committees a report that in-  
14 cludes the results of the research and analysis con-  
15 ducted under subsection (a).

16 (2) FORM.—The report under paragraph (1)  
17 shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may in-  
18 clude a classified annex.

19 **TITLE XVII—SPACE FORCE**  
20 **PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT**

Sec. 1701. Short title.

Subtitle A—Space Force Military Personnel System Without Component

Sec. 1711. Establishment of military personnel management system for the  
Space Force.

Sec. 1712. Composition of the Space Force without component.

Sec. 1713. Definitions for single personnel management system for the Space  
Force.

Sec. 1714. Basic policies relating to service in the Space Force.

Sec. 1715. Status and participation.

Sec. 1716. Officers.

- Sec. 1717. Enlisted members.
- Sec. 1718. Retention and separation generally.
- Sec. 1719. Separation of officers for substandard performance of duty or for certain other reasons.
- Sec. 1719A. Retirement.

Subtitle B—Conforming Amendments Related to Space Force Military Personnel System

- Sec. 1721. Amendments to Department of the Air Force provisions of title 10, United States Code.
- Sec. 1722. Amendments to subtitle A of title 10, United States Code.
- Sec. 1723. Title 38, United States Code (Veterans' Benefits).

Subtitle C—Transition Provisions

- Sec. 1731. Transition period.
- Sec. 1732. Change of duty status of members of the Space Force.
- Sec. 1733. Transfer to the Space Force of members of the reserve components of the Air Force.
- Sec. 1734. Placement of officers on the Space Force officer list.
- Sec. 1735. Disestablishment of Regular Space Force.
- Sec. 1736. End strength flexibility.
- Sec. 1737. Promotion authority flexibility.

Subtitle D—Other Amendments Related to the Space Force

- Sec. 1741. Title 10, United States Code.
- Sec. 1742. Other provisions of law.

1 **SEC. 1701. SHORT TITLE.**

2       This title may be cited as the “Space Force Personnel  
3 Management Act”.

4 **Subtitle A—Space Force Military**  
5 **Personnel System Without Com-**  
6 **ponent**

7 **SEC. 1711. ESTABLISHMENT OF MILITARY PERSONNEL**  
8 **MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR THE SPACE**  
9 **FORCE.**

10       Title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding  
11 at the end the following new subtitle:

1     **“Subtitle F—Alternative Military**  
2                     **Personnel Systems**  
3                     **“PART I—SPACE FORCE**  
4                     **“CHAPTER 2001— SPACE FORCE**  
5                     **PERSONNEL SYSTEM**

“Sec.

“20001. Single military personnel management system.

“20002. Members: duty status.

“20003. Members: minimum service requirement as applied to Space Force.

6     **“§ 20001. Single military personnel management sys-**  
7                     **tem**

8             “Members of the Space Force shall be managed  
9 through a single military personnel management system,  
10 without component.”.

“Chap. ....  
“2001. Space Force Personnel System ..... 20001  
“2003. Status and Participation ..... 20101  
“2005. Officers ..... 20201  
“2007. Enlisted Members. .... 20301  
“2009. Retention and Separation Generally ..... 20401  
“2011. Separation of Officers for Substandard Performance of Duty  
                  or for Certain Other Reasons ..... 20501  
“2013. Retirement ..... 20601”.

11     **SEC. 1712. COMPOSITION OF THE SPACE FORCE WITHOUT**  
12                     **COMPONENT.**

13             (a) COMPOSITION OF THE SPACE FORCE.—Section  
14 9081(b) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

15                     (1) by striking paragraph (1);

16                     (2) by redesignating paragraphs (2) and (3) as  
17 paragraphs (1) and (2), respectively; and



1 under regulations prescribed by the Secretary, as  
2 being in a space force inactive status.

3 “(3) The term ‘space force retired status’  
4 means the status of a member of the Space Force  
5 who—

6 “(A) is receiving retired pay ; or

7 “(B) but for being under the eligibility age  
8 applicable under section 12731 of this title,  
9 would be eligible for retired pay under chapter  
10 1223 of this title.

11 “(4) The term ‘sustained duty’ means full-time  
12 duty by a member of the Space Force ordered to  
13 such duty by an authority designated by the Sec-  
14 retary of the Air Force—

15 “(A) in the case of an officer—

16 “(i) to fulfill the terms of an active-  
17 duty service commitment incurred by the  
18 officer under any provision of law; or

19 “(ii) with the consent of the officer;

20 and

21 “(B) in the case of an enlisted member,  
22 with the consent of the enlisted member as  
23 specified in the terms of the member’s enlist-  
24 ment or reenlistment agreement.”.

1 (b) AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING DUTY STATUS DEFINI-  
2 TIONS.—Subsection (d) of such section is amended—

3 (1) in paragraph (1), by inserting “, including  
4 sustained duty in the Space Force” after “United  
5 States”; and

6 (2) in paragraph (7), by inserting “, or a mem-  
7 ber of the Space Force,” after “Reserves” in sub-  
8 paragraphs (A) and (B).

9 **SEC. 1714. BASIC POLICIES RELATING TO SERVICE IN THE**  
10 **SPACE FORCE.**

11 Chapter 2001 of title 10, United States Code, as  
12 added by section 1711, is amended by adding at the end  
13 the following new sections:

14 **“§ 20002. Members: duty status**

15 “Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the  
16 Air Force, each member of the Space Force shall be placed  
17 in one of the following duty statuses:

18 “(1) Space Force active status.

19 “(2) Space Force inactive status.

20 “(3) Space Force retired status.

21 **“§ 20003. Members: minimum service requirement as**  
22 **applied to Space Force**

23 “(a) INAPPLICABILITY OF ACTIVE/RESERVE SERVICE  
24 DISTINCTION.—In applying section 651 of this title to a  
25 person who becomes a member of the Space Force, the

1 provisions of the second sentence of subsection (a) and of  
2 subsection (b) of that section (relating to service in a re-  
3 serve component) are inapplicable.

4 “(b) TREATMENT UPON TRANSFER OUT OF SPACE  
5 FORCE.—A member of the Space Force who transfers to  
6 one of the other armed forces before completing the service  
7 required by subsection (a) of section 651 of this title shall  
8 upon such transfer be subject to section 651 of this title  
9 in the same manner as if such member had initially en-  
10 tered the armed force to which the member transfers.”.

11 **SEC. 1715. STATUS AND PARTICIPATION.**

12 Subtitle F of title 10, United States Code, as added  
13 by section 1711, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
14 lowing new chapter:

15 **“CHAPTER 2003—STATUS AND**  
16 **PARTICIPATION**

“Sec.

“20101. Members in Space Force active status: amount of annual training or  
active duty service required.

“20102. Individual ready guardians: designation; mobilization category.

“20103. Members not on sustained duty: agreements concerning conditions of  
service.

“20104. Orders to active duty: with consent of member.

“20105. Sustained duty.

“20106. Orders to active duty: without consent of member.

“20107. Transfer to inactive status: initial service obligation not complete.

“20108. Members of Space Force: credit for service for purposes of laws pro-  
viding pay and benefits for members, dependents, and sur-  
vivors.

“20109. Policy for order to active duty based upon determination by Congress.

1 **“§ 20101. Members in Space Force active status:**  
2 **amount of annual training or active duty**  
3 **service required**

4 “Except as specifically provided in regulations pre-  
5 scribed by the Secretary of Defense, a member of the  
6 Space Force in a space force active status who is not serv-  
7 ing on sustained duty shall be required to—

8 “(1) participate in at least 48 scheduled drills  
9 or training periods during each year and serve on  
10 active duty for not less than 14 days (exclusive of  
11 travel time) during each year; or

12 “(2) serve on active duty for training for not  
13 more than 30 days during each year.

14 **“§ 20102. Individual ready guardians: designation;**  
15 **mobilization category**

16 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Under regulations prescribed by  
17 the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of the Air Force  
18 may designate a member of the Space Force in a space  
19 force active status as an Individual Ready Guardian.

20 “(b) MOBILIZATION CATEGORY.—

21 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Among members of the  
22 Space Force designated as Individual Ready Guard-  
23 ians, there is a category of members (referred to as  
24 a ‘mobilization category’) who, as designated by the  
25 Secretary of the Air Force, are subject to being or-

1       dered to active duty without their consent in accord-  
2       ance with section 20106(a) of this title.

3           “(2) LIMITATIONS ON PLACEMENT IN MOBILI-  
4       ZATION CATEGORY.—A member designated as an In-  
5       dividual Ready Guardian may not be placed in the  
6       mobilization category referred to in paragraph (1)  
7       unless—

8           “(A) the member volunteers to be placed in  
9       that mobilization category; and

10          “(B) the member is selected by the Sec-  
11       retary of the Air Force, based upon the needs  
12       of the Space Force and the grade and military  
13       skills of that member.

14          “(3) LIMITATION ON TIME IN MOBILIZATION  
15       CATEGORY.—A member of the Space Force in a  
16       space force active status may not remain designated  
17       an Individual Ready Guardian in such mobilization  
18       category after the end of the 24-month period begin-  
19       ning on the date of the separation of the member  
20       from active service.

21          “(4) DESIGNATION OF GRADES AND MILITARY  
22       SKILLS OR SPECIALTIES.—The Secretary of the Air  
23       Force shall designate the grades and military skills  
24       or specialties of members to be eligible for placement  
25       in such mobilization category.



1           “(1) what conditions of service may be specified  
2           in the agreement;

3           “(2) the obligations of the parties; and

4           “(3) the consequences of failure to comply with  
5           the terms of the agreement.

6           “(c) **AUTHORITY FOR RETENTION ON ACTIVE DUTY**  
7 **DURING WAR OR NATIONAL EMERGENCY.**—If the period  
8 of service on active duty of a member under an agreement  
9 under subsection (a) expires during a war or during a na-  
10 tional emergency declared by Congress or the President,  
11 the member concerned may be kept on active duty, without  
12 the consent of the member, as otherwise prescribed by law.

13 **“§ 20104. Orders to active duty: with consent of mem-**  
14 **ber**

15           “(a) **AUTHORITY.**—A member of the Space Force  
16 who is serving in a space force active status and is not  
17 on sustained duty, or who is serving in a space force inac-  
18 tive status, may, with the consent of the member, be or-  
19 dered to active duty, or retained on active duty, under the  
20 following sections of chapter 1209 of this title in the same  
21 manner as applies to a member of a reserve component  
22 ordered to active duty, or retained on active duty, under  
23 that section with the consent of the member:

1           “(1) Section 12301(d), relating to orders to ac-  
2           tive duty at any time with the consent of the mem-  
3           ber.

4           “(2) Section 12301(h), relating to orders to ac-  
5           tive duty in connection with medical or health care  
6           matters.

7           “(3) Section 12322, relating to active duty for  
8           health care.

9           “(4) Section 12323, relating to active duty  
10          pending line of duty determination required for re-  
11          sponse to sexual assault.

12          “(b) APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF LAW.—The fol-  
13          lowing sections of chapter 1209 of this title pertaining to  
14          a member of a reserve component ordered to active duty  
15          with the consent of the member apply to a member of the  
16          Space Force who is ordered to active duty under this sec-  
17          tion in the same manner as to such a reserve component  
18          member:

19               “(1) Section 12308, relating to retention after  
20               becoming qualified for retired pay.

21               “(2) Section 12309, relating to use of Reserve  
22               officers in expansion of armed forces.

23               “(3) Section 12313, relating to release of re-  
24               serve members from active duty.

25               “(4) Section 12314, relating to kinds of duty.

1           “(5) Section 12315, relating to duty with or  
2 without pay.

3           “(6) Section 12316, relating to payment of cer-  
4 tain Reserves while on duty.

5           “(7) Section 12318, relating to duties and  
6 funding of reserve members on active duty.

7           “(8) Section 12320, relating to grade in which  
8 ordered to active duty.

9           “(9) Section 12321, relating to a limitation on  
10 number of reserve members assigned to Reserve Of-  
11 ficer Training Corps units.

12 **“§ 20105. Sustained duty**

13           “(a) ENLISTED MEMBERS.—An authority designated  
14 by the Secretary of the Air Force may order an enlisted  
15 member of the Space Force in a space force active status  
16 to sustained duty, or retain an enlisted member on sus-  
17 tained duty, with the consent of that member, as specified  
18 in the terms of the member’s enlistment or reenlistment  
19 agreement.

20           “(b) OFFICERS.—

21           “(1) An authority designated by the Secretary  
22 of the Air Force may order a Space Force officer in  
23 a space force active status to sustained duty—

24           “(A) with the consent of the officer; or

1           “(B) to fulfill the terms of an active-duty  
2           service commitment incurred by the officer  
3           under any provision of law.

4           “(2) An officer ordered to sustained duty under  
5           paragraph (1) may not be released from sustained  
6           duty without the officer’s consent except as provided  
7           in chapter 2009 or 2011 of this title.

8   **“§ 20106. Orders to active duty: without consent of**  
9           **member**

10          “(a) MEMBERS IN A SPACE FORCE ACTIVE STA-  
11          TUS.—

12           “(1) A member of the Space Force in a space  
13           force active status who is not on sustained duty,  
14           may, without the consent of the member, be ordered  
15           to active duty or inactive duty in the same manner  
16           as a member of a reserve component ordered to ac-  
17           tive duty or inactive duty under the provisions of  
18           chapter 1209 of this title and any other provision of  
19           law authorizing the order to active duty of a member  
20           of a reserve component in an active status without  
21           the consent of the member.

22           “(2) The provisions of chapter 1209 of this  
23           title, or other applicable provisions of law, pertaining  
24           to a member of the Ready Reserve when ordered to  
25           active duty shall apply to a member of the Space

1 Force who is in a space force active status when or-  
2 dered to active duty under paragraph (1).

3 “(3) The provisions of section 12304 of this  
4 title pertaining to members in the Individual Ready  
5 Reserve mobilization category shall apply to a mem-  
6 ber of the Space Force who is designated an Indi-  
7 vidual Ready Guardian when ordered to active duty  
8 who meets the provisions of section 20102(b) of this  
9 title.

10 “(b) MEMBERS IN A SPACE FORCE INACTIVE STA-  
11 TUS.—

12 “(1) A member of the Space Force in a space  
13 force inactive status may be ordered to active duty  
14 under—

15 “(A) the provisions of chapter 1209 of this  
16 title;

17 “(B) any other provision of law author-  
18 izing the order to active duty of a member of  
19 a reserve component in an inactive status; and

20 “(C) the terms of any agreement entered  
21 into by the member under section 20103 of this  
22 title.

23 “(2) The provisions of chapter 1209 of this  
24 title, or other applicable provisions of law, pertaining  
25 to the Standby Reserve shall apply to a member of

1 the Space Force who is in a space force inactive  
2 service when ordered to active duty.

3 “(c) MEMBERS IN A SPACE FORCE RETIRED STA-  
4 TUS.—

5 “(1) Chapters 39 and 1209 of this title include  
6 provisions authorizing the order to active duty of a  
7 member of the Space Force in a space force retired  
8 status.

9 “(2) The provisions of sections 688, 688a, and  
10 12407 of this title pertaining to a retired member or  
11 a member of the Retired Reserve shall apply to a  
12 member of the Space Force in a space force retired  
13 status when ordered to active duty.

14 “(3) The provisions of section 689 of this title  
15 pertaining to a retired member ordered to active  
16 duty shall apply to a member of the Space Force in  
17 a space force retired status who is ordered to active  
18 duty.

19 “(d) OTHER APPLICABLE PROVISIONS.—The fol-  
20 lowing provisions of chapter 1209 of this title pertaining  
21 shall apply to a member of the Space Force ordered to  
22 active duty in the same manner as to a Reserve or member  
23 of the Retired Reserve ordered to active duty:

1           “(1) Section 12305, relating to the authority of  
2           the President to suspend certain laws relating to  
3           promotion, retirement, and separation.

4           “(2) Section 12308, relating to retention after  
5           becoming qualified for retired pay.

6           “(3) Section 12313, relating to release from ac-  
7           tive duty.

8           “(4) Section 12314, relating to kinds of duty.

9           “(5) Section 12315, relating to duty with or  
10          without pay.

11          “(6) Section 12316, relating to payment of cer-  
12          tain Reserves while on duty.

13          “(7) Section 12317, relating to theological stu-  
14          dents; limitations.

15          “(8) Section 12320, relating to grade in which  
16          ordered to active duty.

17       **“§ 20107. Transfer to inactive status: initial service**  
18                               **obligation not complete**

19          “(a) GENERAL RULE.—A member of the Space Force  
20          who has not completed the required minimum service obli-  
21          gation referred to in section 20003 of this title shall, if  
22          terminating space force active status, be transferred to a  
23          space force inactive status and, unless otherwise des-  
24          ignated an Individual Ready Guardian under section  
25          20102 of this title, shall remain subject to order to active

1 duty without the member's consent under section 20106  
2 of this title.

3 “(b) EXCEPTION.—Subsection (a) does not apply to  
4 a member who is separated from the Space Force by the  
5 Secretary of the Air Force under section 20503 of this  
6 title.

7 **“§ 20108. Members of Space Force: credit for service**  
8 **for purposes of laws providing pay and**  
9 **benefits for members, dependents, and**  
10 **survivors**

11 “For the purposes of laws providing pay and benefits  
12 for members of the armed forces and their dependents and  
13 beneficiaries:

14 “(1) Military training, duty, or other service  
15 performed by a member of the Space Force in a  
16 space force active status not on sustained duty shall  
17 be considered military training, duty, or other serv-  
18 ice, as the case may be, as a member of a reserve  
19 component.

20 “(2) Sustained duty performed by a member of  
21 the Space Force under section 20105 of this title  
22 shall be considered active duty as a member of a  
23 regular component.

24 “(3) Active duty performed by a member of the  
25 Space Force in a space force active status not on

1       sustained duty shall be considered active duty as a  
2       member of a reserve component.

3               “(4) Inactive-duty training performed by a  
4       member of the Space Force shall be considered inac-  
5       tive-duty training as a member of a reserve compo-  
6       nent.

7       **“§ 20109. Policy for order to active duty based upon**  
8               **determination by Congress**

9               “Whenever Congress determines that more units and  
10       organizations capable of conducting space operations are  
11       needed for the national security than are available among  
12       those units comprised of members of the Space Force serv-  
13       ing on active duty, members of the Space Force not serv-  
14       ing on active duty shall be ordered to active duty and re-  
15       tained as long as so needed.”.

16       **SEC. 1716. OFFICERS.**

17               (a) ORIGINAL APPOINTMENTS.—Subtitle F of title  
18       10, United States Code, as amended by section 1715, is  
19       further amended by adding at the end the following new  
20       chapter:

1                   **“CHAPTER 2005—OFFICERS**

2           **“SUBCHAPTER I—ORIGINAL APPOINTMENTS**

3   **“§ 20201. Original appointments: how made**

4           “(a) IN GENERAL.—The provisions of section 531 of  
5 this title shall apply to original appointments of commis-  
6 sioned officers in the Space Force.

7           “(b) GRADE UPON APPOINTMENT.—(1) The grade of  
8 a person receiving an appointment under this section who  
9 at the time of appointment is credited with service under  
10 section 20203 of this title shall be determined under regu-  
11 lations prescribed by the Secretary of the Defense based  
12 upon the amount of service credited.

13           “(2) The grade of a person receiving an appointment  
14 under this section who at the time of the appointment is  
15 a commissioned officer of a reserve component shall be  
16 determined under section 20203(e) of this title.

17   **“§ 20202. Original appointments: qualifications**

18           “(a) IN GENERAL.—An original appointment as a  
19 commissioned officer in the Space Force may be given only  
20 to a person who—

21                   “(1) is a citizen of the United States;

22                   “(2) is at least 18 years of age; and

23                   “(3) has such other physical, mental, moral,  
24 professional, and age qualifications as the Secretary  
25 of the Air Force may prescribe by regulation.

1       “(b) EXCEPTION.—A person who is otherwise quali-  
2 fied, but who has a physical condition that the Secretary  
3 of the Air Force determines will not interfere with the per-  
4 formance of the duties to which that person may be as-  
5 signed, may be appointed as an officer in the Space Force.

6       **“§ 20203. Original appointments: service credit**

7       “(a) IN GENERAL.—The provisions of section 533 of  
8 this title shall apply to the crediting of prior active com-  
9 missioned service for original appointments of commis-  
10 sioned officers.

11       “(b) CREDIT FOR PRIOR SERVICE.—(1) For the pur-  
12 pose of determining the grade and rank within grade of  
13 a person receiving an original appointment in a commis-  
14 sioned grade in the Space Force, such person shall be  
15 credited at the time of such appointment with any com-  
16 missioned service (other than service as a commissioned  
17 warrant officer) that the person performed before such ap-  
18 pointment—

19               “(A) as a Space Force officer on active duty or  
20       in a space force active status; or

21               “(B) as a regular officer, or as a reserve officer  
22       in an active status, in any uniformed service.

23       “(2) The regulations prescribed by the Secretary of  
24 Defense under section 533 of this title shall apply to the  
25 Space Force to authorize the Secretary of the Air Force

1 to limit the amount of prior active commissioned service  
2 with which a person receiving an original appointment  
3 may be credited under paragraph (1).

4       “(b) CREDIT FOR EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND EX-  
5 PERIENCE.—(1) Under regulations prescribed by the Sec-  
6 retary of the Air Force, the Secretary shall credit a person  
7 who is receiving an original appointment in a commis-  
8 sioned grade in the Space Force and who has advanced  
9 education, training, or special experience with constructive  
10 service for such education, training, or experience in a par-  
11 ticular officer career field as designated by the Secretary  
12 of the Air Force, if such education, training, or experience  
13 is directly related to the operational needs of the Space  
14 Force.

15       “(2)(A) The Secretary may credit a person with con-  
16 structive service under this subsection for each instance  
17 of relevant advanced education or training or special expe-  
18 rience regardless of whether two or more such instances  
19 are concurrent.

20       “(B) The Secretary may not credit more than 20 per-  
21 sons with an amount of constructive credit under this  
22 paragraph in any year.

23       “(3) The amount of constructive service credited an  
24 officer under this subsection may not exceed the amount

1 required in order for the officer to be eligible for an origi-  
2 nal appointment in the grade of colonel.

3 “(4) Constructive service credited an officer under  
4 this subsection is in addition to any service credited that  
5 officer under subsection (a) and shall be credited at the  
6 time of the original appointment of the officer.

7 “(5) Not later than December 1 of each year, the  
8 Secretary of the Air Force shall submit a report to the  
9 Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House  
10 of Representatives regarding the amount of constructive  
11 service credited under this subsection during the preceding  
12 calendar year.

13 “(c) AUTHORIZED USE OF CONSTRUCTIVE CRED-  
14 IT.—Constructive service credited an officer under sub-  
15 section (b) shall be used only for determining the offi-  
16 cer’s—

17 “(1) initial grade;

18 “(2) rank in grade; and

19 “(3) service in grade for promotion eligibility.

20 “(d) EXCLUSION FOR GRADUATES OF THE SERVICE  
21 ACADEMIES.—A graduate of a Service Academy (as such  
22 term is defined in section 347 of this title) is not entitled  
23 to service credit under this section for service performed,  
24 or education, training, or experience obtained, before grad-  
25 uation from such Service Academy.

1       “(e) RESERVE OFFICERS.—A reserve officer (other  
2 than a warrant officer) who receives an original appoint-  
3 ment as an officer in the Space Force shall—

4               “(1) in the case of an officer on the active-duty  
5 list of an armed force immediately before that ap-  
6 pointment, be appointed in the same grade and with  
7 the same date of rank as the grade and date of rank  
8 held by the officer on the active-duty list imme-  
9 diately before the appointment; and

10              “(2) in the case of an officer not on the active-  
11 duty list immediately before that appointment, be  
12 appointed in the same grade and with the same date  
13 of rank as the grade and date of rank which the offi-  
14 cer would have held had the officer been serving on  
15 the active-duty list on the date of the appointment.

16       “(f) CONTINUITY OF EXISTING DELEGATION OF  
17 PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENT FUNCTIONS.—Except as  
18 otherwise provided by the President by Executive order,  
19 the provisions of Executive Order 13384 (10 U.S.C. 531  
20 note) relating to the functions of the President under sec-  
21 tion 531(a) of this title shall apply in the same manner  
22 to functions of the President under section 20201 of this  
23 title.”.

24       (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATING TO  
25 ORIGINAL APPOINTMENTS.—

1           (1) DEFINITIONS.—Section 101 of title 10,  
2 United States Code, is amended in subsection  
3 (b)(10) by inserting before the period at the end the  
4 following: “and, with respect to the appointment of  
5 a member of the armed forces in the Space Force,  
6 refers to that member’s most recent appointment in  
7 the Space Force that is neither a promotion nor a  
8 demotion”.

9           (2) ORIGINAL APPOINTMENTS OF COMMISS-  
10 SIONED OFFICERS.—Section 531 of such title is  
11 amended by striking “Regular” before “Space  
12 Force” each place it appears.

13           (3) QUALIFICATIONS FOR ORIGINAL APPOINT-  
14 MENT AS A COMMISSIONED OFFICER.—Section  
15 532(a) of such title is amended by striking “Regular  
16 Marine Corps, or Regular Space Force” and insert-  
17 ing “or Regular Marine Corps”.

18           (4) SERVICE CREDIT UPON ORIGINAL APPOINT-  
19 MENT AS A COMMISSIONED OFFICER.—Section 533  
20 of such title is amended by striking “Regular” be-  
21 fore “Space Force” each place it appears.

22           (c) SELECTION BOARDS AND PROMOTIONS.—Chap-  
23 ter 205 of title 10, United States Code, as added by sub-  
24 section (a), is amended by adding at the end the following  
25 new subchapters:

1           “SUBCHAPTER II—SELECTION BOARDS

2   **“§ 20211. Convening of selection boards**

3           “(a) IN GENERAL.—Whenever the needs of the serv-  
4 ice require, the Secretary of the Air Force shall convene  
5 selection boards to recommend for promotion to the next  
6 higher permanent grade officers of the Space Force in  
7 each permanent grade from first lieutenant through brigadier  
8 general.

9           “(b) EXCEPTION FOR OFFICERS IN GRADE OF FIRST  
10 LIEUTENANT.—Subsection (a) does not require the convening  
11 of a selection board in the case of Space Force officers  
12 in the permanent grade of first lieutenant when the  
13 Secretary of the Air Force recommends for promotion to  
14 the grade of captain under section 20238(a)(4)(A) of this  
15 title all such officers whom the Secretary finds to be fully  
16 qualified for promotion.

17           “(c) SELECTION BOARDS FOR EARLY RETIREMENT  
18 OR DISCHARGE.—The Secretary of the Air Force may  
19 convene selection boards to recommend officers for early  
20 retirement under section 20404(a) of this title or for discharge  
21 under section 20404(b) of this title.

22           “(d) REGULATIONS.—The convening of selection  
23 boards under subsection (a) shall be under regulations  
24 prescribed by the Secretary of the Defense.

1 **“§ 20212. Composition of selection boards**

2 “(a) APPOINTMENT AND COMPOSITION OF  
3 BOARDS.—

4 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Members of a selection  
5 board shall be appointed by the Secretary of Air  
6 Force in accordance with this section. A selection  
7 board shall consist of five or more officers of the  
8 Space Force. Each member of a selection board  
9 must be serving in a grade higher than the grade of  
10 the officers under consideration by the board, except  
11 that no member of a board may be serving in a  
12 grade below major. The members of a selection  
13 board shall include at least one member serving on  
14 sustained duty and at least one member in a space  
15 force active status who is not serving on sustained  
16 duty. The ratio of the members of a selection board  
17 serving on sustained duty to members serving in a  
18 space force active status not on sustained duty shall,  
19 to the extent practicable, reflect the ratio of officers  
20 serving in each of those statuses who are being con-  
21 sidered for promotion by the board. The members of  
22 a selection board shall represent the diverse popu-  
23 lation of the Space Force to the extent practicable.

24 “(2) REPRESENTATION FROM COMPETITIVE  
25 CATEGORIES.—(A) Except as provided in subpara-  
26 graph (B), a selection board shall include at least

1 one officer from each competitive category of officers  
2 to be considered by the board.

3 “(B) A selection board need not include an offi-  
4 cer from a competitive category when there are no  
5 officers of that competitive category on the Space  
6 Force officer list in a grade higher than the grade  
7 of the officers to be considered by the board and eli-  
8 gible to serve on the board.

9 “(3) RETIRED OFFICERS.—If qualified officers  
10 on the Space Force officer list are not available in  
11 sufficient number to comprise a selection board, the  
12 Secretary of the Air Force shall complete the mem-  
13 bership of the board by appointing as members of  
14 the board—

15 “(A) Space Force officers who hold a  
16 grade higher than the grade of the officers  
17 under consideration by the board and who are  
18 retired officers; and

19 “(B) if sufficient Space Force officers are  
20 not available pursuant to subparagraph (A), Air  
21 Force officers who hold a grade higher than the  
22 grade of the officers under consideration by the  
23 board and who are retired officers, but only if  
24 the Air Force officer to be appointed to the  
25 board has served in the Space Force or in a

1 space-related career field of the Air Force for  
2 sufficient time such that the Secretary of the  
3 Air Force determines that the retired Air Force  
4 officer has adequate knowledge concerning the  
5 standards of performance and conduct required  
6 of an officer of the Space Force.

7 “(4) EXCLUSION OF RETIRED GENERAL OFFI-  
8 CERS ON ACTIVE DUTY TO SERVE ON A BOARD FROM  
9 NUMERIC GENERAL OFFICER ACTIVE-DUTY LIMITA-  
10 TIONS.—A retired general officer who is on active  
11 duty for the purpose of serving on a selection board  
12 shall not, while so serving, be counted against any  
13 limitation on the number of general and flag officers  
14 who may be on active duty.

15 “(b) LIMITATION ON MEMBERSHIP ON CONSECUTIVE  
16 BOARDS.—

17 “(1) GENERAL RULE.—Except as provided in  
18 paragraph (2), no officer may be a member of two  
19 successive selection boards convened under section  
20 20211 of this title for the consideration of officers  
21 of the same competitive category and grade.

22 “(2) EXCEPTION FOR GENERAL OFFICER  
23 BOARDS.—Paragraph (1) does not apply with re-  
24 spect to selection boards convened under section

1       20211 of this title for the consideration of officers  
2       in the grade of colonel or brigadier general.

3       “(c) JOINT QUALIFIED OFFICERS.—(1) Each selec-  
4       tion board convened under section 20211 of this title that  
5       will consider an officer described in paragraph (2) shall  
6       include at least one officer designated by the Chairman  
7       of the Joint Chiefs of Staff who is a joint qualified officer.

8       “(2) Paragraph (1) applies with respect to an officer  
9       who—

10           “(A) is serving on, or has served on, the Joint  
11       Staff; or

12           “(B) is a joint qualified officer.

13       “(3) The Secretary of Defense may waive the require-  
14       ment in paragraph (1) for any selection board of the Space  
15       Force.

16       **“§ 20213. Notice of convening of selection boards**

17       “(a) NOTICE TO ELIGIBLE OFFICERS.—At least 30  
18       days before a selection board is convened under section  
19       20211 of this title to recommend officers in a grade for  
20       promotion to the next higher grade, the Secretary of the  
21       Air Force shall—

22           “(1) notify in writing the officers eligible for  
23       consideration for promotion of the date on which the  
24       board is to convene and the name and date of rank

1 of the junior officer, and of the senior officer, in the  
2 promotion zone as of the date of the notification; or

3 “(2) issue a general written notice to the Space  
4 Force regarding the convening of the board which  
5 shall include the convening date of the board and  
6 the name and date of rank of the junior officer, and  
7 of the senior officer, in the promotion zone as of the  
8 date of the notification.

9 “(b) COMMUNICATION FROM OFFICERS.—An officer  
10 eligible for consideration by a selection board convened  
11 under section 20211 of this title (other than an officer  
12 who has been excluded under section 20231(d) of this title  
13 from consideration by the board) may send a written com-  
14 munication to the board, to arrive not later than 10 cal-  
15 endar days before the date on which the board convenes,  
16 calling attention to any matter concerning the officer that  
17 the officer considers important to the officer’s case. The  
18 selection board shall give consideration to any timely com-  
19 munication under this subsection.

20 “(c) NOTICE OF INTENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS TO  
21 SERVE ON OR OFF ACTIVE DUTY.—An officer on the  
22 Space Force officer list in the grade of colonel or brigadier  
23 general who receives a notice under subsection (a) shall  
24 inform the Secretary of the officer’s preference to serve

1 either on or off sustained duty if promoted to the grade  
2 of brigadier general or major general, respectively.

3 **“§ 20214. Information furnished to selection boards**

4 “The provisions of section 615 of this title shall apply  
5 to information furnished to selection boards.

6 **“§ 20215. Recommendations for promotion by selec-**  
7 **tion boards**

8 “(a) BOARD TO RECOMMEND OFFICERS BEST  
9 QUALIFIED FOR PROMOTION.—A selection board con-  
10 vened under section 20211 of this title shall recommend  
11 for promotion to the next higher grade those officers con-  
12 sidered by the board whom the board, giving due consider-  
13 ation to the needs of the Space Force for officers with  
14 particular skills (as noted in the guidelines or information  
15 furnished the board under section 615(b) of this title),  
16 considers best qualified for promotion within each com-  
17 petitive category considered by the board.

18 “(b) NUMBER TO BE RECOMMENDED.—The Sec-  
19 retary of the Air Force shall establish the number of offi-  
20 cers such a selection board may recommend for promotion  
21 from among officers being considered.

22 “(c) BOARD PROCEDURES FOR RECOMMENDATIONS;  
23 LIMITATIONS.—A selection board convened under section  
24 20211 of this title may not recommend an officer for pro-  
25 motion unless—

1           “(1) the officer receives the recommendation of  
2 a majority of the members of the board;

3           “(2) a majority of the members of the board  
4 finds that the officer is fully qualified for promotion;  
5 and

6           “(3) a majority of the members of the board,  
7 after consideration by all members of the board of  
8 any adverse information about the officer that is  
9 provided to the board under section 615 of this title,  
10 finds that the officer is among the officers best  
11 qualified for promotion to meet the needs of the  
12 Space Force consistent with the requirement of ex-  
13 emplary conduct set forth in section 9233 of this  
14 title.

15       “(d) LIMITATION ON PROMOTIONS UNDER OTHER  
16 AUTHORITY.—Except as otherwise provided by law, a  
17 Space Force officer may not be promoted to a higher  
18 grade under this chapter unless the officer is considered  
19 and recommended for promotion to that grade by a selec-  
20 tion board convened under this chapter or, in the case of  
21 an officer transferring into the Space Force from another  
22 armed force, chapter 36 or chapter 1403 of this title.

23       “(e) DISCLOSURE OF BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS.—  
24 The recommendations of a selection board may be dis-  
25 closed only in accordance with regulations prescribed by

1 the Secretary of Defense. Those recommendations may  
2 not be disclosed to a person not a member of the board  
3 (or a member of the administrative staff designated by  
4 the Secretary of the Air Force to assist the board) until  
5 the written report of the recommendations of the board,  
6 required by section 617 of this title, is signed by each  
7 member of the board.

8 “(f) PROHIBITION ON ATTEMPTING TO INFLUENCE  
9 MEMBERS OF A BOARD.—The Secretary of the Air Force,  
10 and an officer or other official exercising authority over  
11 any member of a selection board, may not—

12 “(1) censure, reprimand, or admonish the selec-  
13 tion board or any member of the board with respect  
14 to the recommendations of the board or the exercise  
15 of any lawful function within the authorized discre-  
16 tion of the board; or

17 “(2) attempt to coerce or, by any unauthorized  
18 means, influence any action of a selection board or  
19 any member of a selection board in the formulation  
20 of the board’s recommendations.

21 “(g) HIGHER PLACEMENT ON PROMOTION LIST OF  
22 OFFICER OF PARTICULAR MERIT.—(1) In selecting the  
23 officers to be recommended for promotion, a selection  
24 board shall, when authorized by the Secretary of the Air  
25 Force, recommend officers of particular merit, pursuant

1 to guidelines and procedures prescribed by the Secretary,  
2 from among those officers selected for promotion, to be  
3 placed higher on the promotion list established by the Sec-  
4 retary under section 624(a)(1) of this title.

5 “(2) An officer may be recommended to be placed  
6 higher on a promotion list under paragraph (1) only if  
7 the officer receives the recommendation of at least a ma-  
8 jority of the members of the board, unless the Secretary  
9 of the Air Force establishes an alternative requirement.  
10 Any such alternative requirement shall be furnished to the  
11 board as part of the guidelines furnished to the board  
12 under section 615 of this title.

13 “(3) For the officers recommended to be placed high-  
14 er on a promotion list under paragraph (1), the board  
15 shall recommend, pursuant to guidelines and procedures  
16 prescribed by the Secretary, the order in which those offi-  
17 cers should be placed on the list.

18 **“§ 20216. Reports of selection boards**

19 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Each selection board convened  
20 under section 20211 of this title shall submit to the Sec-  
21 retary of the Air Force a written report, signed by each  
22 member of the board, containing a list of the names of  
23 the officers it recommends for promotion and certifying—

1           “(1) that the board has carefully considered the  
2           record of each officer whose name was furnished to  
3           it under section 615 of this title; and

4           “(2) that, in the opinion of a majority of the  
5           members of the board, the officers recommended for  
6           promotion by the board are best qualified for pro-  
7           motion to meet the needs of the Space Force (as  
8           noted in the guidelines or information furnished the  
9           board under section 615(b) of this title) among  
10          those officers whose names were furnished to the se-  
11          lection board.

12          “(b) OFFICERS WHO SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO  
13          SHOW CAUSE FOR RETENTION.—A selection board con-  
14          vened under section 20211 of this title shall include in  
15          its report the name of any officer before it for consider-  
16          ation for promotion whose record, in the opinion of a ma-  
17          jority of the members of the board, indicates that the offi-  
18          cer should be required under section 20503 of this title  
19          to show cause for the officer’s retention in a space force  
20          active status.

21          “(c) OFFICERS RECOMMENDED TO BE PLACED  
22          HIGHER ON THE PROMOTION LIST.—A selection board  
23          convened under section 20211 of this title shall, when au-  
24          thorized under section 20214(g) of this title, include in  
25          its report the names of those officers recommended by the

1 board to be placed higher on the promotion list and the  
2 order in which the board recommends that those officers  
3 should be placed on the list.

4 “(d) RECOMMENDATION FOR OFFICERS TO BE EX-  
5 CLUDED FROM FUTURE CONSIDERATION FOR PRO-  
6 MOTION.—A selection board convened under section  
7 20211 of this title may include in its report a rec-  
8 ommendation that an officer considered by the board be  
9 excluded from future consideration for promotion under  
10 this chapter.

11 **“§ 20217. Action on reports of selection boards for**  
12 **promotion to brigadier general or major**  
13 **general**

14 “(a) IN GENERAL.—After reviewing a report received  
15 under section 20215 of this title recommending officers  
16 on the Space Force officer list for promotion to the grade  
17 of brigadier general or major general, but before submit-  
18 ting the report to the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary  
19 of the Air Force may, under regulations prescribed by the  
20 Secretary of the Air Force, adjust the placement of offi-  
21 cers as recommended in the report in order to ensure that  
22 sufficient number of officers on both sustained and non-  
23 sustained duty are promoted to meet the requirements of  
24 the Space Force to fill general officer vacancies.

1       “(b) REPORT.—Whenever the Secretary of the Air  
2 Force uses the authority under subsection (a), the Sec-  
3 retary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services  
4 of the Senate and House of Representatives a report in-  
5 forming the committees that the authority has been used  
6 and the reason for the use of the authority.

7               “SUBCHAPTER III—PROMOTIONS

8       “§ 20231. Eligibility for consideration for promotion:  
9               **general rules**

10       “(a) IN GENERAL.—

11               “(1) REQUIREMENT TO BE ON SPACE FORCE  
12 OFFICER LIST.—An officer is eligible under this  
13 chapter for consideration for promotion by a selec-  
14 tion board convened under section 14101(a) of this  
15 title only if the officer is on the Space Force officer  
16 list.

17               “(2) AUTHORITY TO PRECLUDE FROM CONSID-  
18 ERATION CERTAIN OFFICERS BASED ON TIME OF  
19 ENTRY ON OR DEPARTURE FROM SUSTAINED  
20 DUTY.—The Secretary of the Air Force—

21               “(A) may, by regulation, prescribe a period  
22 of time, not to exceed one year, from the time  
23 an officer on the Space Force officer list trans-  
24 fers on or off of sustained duty during which

1 the officer shall be ineligible for consideration  
2 for promotion; and

3 “(B) may, by regulation, provide for the  
4 exclusion from consideration for promotion by a  
5 selection board of an officer otherwise eligible to  
6 be considered by the board who has an estab-  
7 lished date for removal from the Space Force  
8 officer list that is not more than 90 days after  
9 the date on which the board is to be convened.

10 “(b) CERTAIN OFFICERS NOT TO BE CONSID-  
11 ERED.—A selection board convened under section 20211  
12 of this title may not consider for promotion to the next  
13 higher grade any of the following officers:

14 “(1) An officer whose name is on a promotion  
15 list for that grade as a result of recommendation for  
16 promotion to that grade by an earlier selection board  
17 convened under that section or section 20151 of this  
18 title, under section 14101 or 14502 of this title, or  
19 under chapter 36 of this title.

20 “(2) An officer who is recommended for pro-  
21 motion to that grade in the report of an earlier se-  
22 lection board convened under a provision referred to  
23 in paragraph (1), in the case of such a report that  
24 has not yet been approved by the President.

1           “(3) An officer who has been nominated by the  
2           President for promotion to that grade under any  
3           other provision of law, if that nomination is pending  
4           before the Senate.

5           “(4) An officer in the grade of first lieutenant  
6           who is on an approved all-fully-qualified-officers list  
7           under section 20238(a)(4) of this title.

8           “(5) An officer excluded under 20232 of this  
9           title.

10          “(6) An officer who has failed of promotion to  
11          a higher grade the maximum number of times speci-  
12          fied for opportunities for promotion for such grade  
13          within the competitive category concerned pursuant  
14          to section 20234 of this title.

15          “(c) CERTAIN COLONELS.—

16          “(1) AUTHORITY TO PRECLUDE FROM CONSID-  
17          ERATION.—The Secretary of Defense may authorize  
18          the Secretary of the Air Force to preclude from con-  
19          sideration by selection boards for promotion to the  
20          grade of brigadier general, officers in the grade of  
21          colonel who—

22                  “(A) have been considered and not selected  
23                  for promotion to the grade of brigadier general  
24                  or by at least two selection boards; and

1           “(B) are determined, in accordance with  
2 standards and procedures prescribed pursuant  
3 to paragraph (2), as not being exceptionally  
4 well qualified for promotion.

5           “(2) REGULATIONS.—If the Secretary of De-  
6 fense authorizes the Secretary of the Air Force to  
7 have the authority described in subparagraph (A),  
8 the Secretary shall prescribe by regulation the  
9 standards and procedures for the exercise of such  
10 authority. Those regulations shall apply uniformly  
11 among the military departments and shall include  
12 the following provisions:

13           “(A) A requirement that the Secretary of  
14 the Air Force may exercise such authority in  
15 the case of a particular selection board only if  
16 the Secretary of Defense approves the exercise  
17 of that authority for that board.

18           “(B) A requirement that an officer may be  
19 precluded from consideration by a selection  
20 board under this paragraph only upon the rec-  
21 ommendation of a preselection board of officers  
22 convened by the Secretary of the military de-  
23 partment concerned and composed of at least  
24 three officers all of whom are serving in a grade  
25 higher than the grade of such officer.

1           “(C) A requirement that such a  
2           preselection board may not recommend that an  
3           officer be precluded from such consideration  
4           unless the Secretary of the Air Force has given  
5           the officer advance written notice of the con-  
6           vening of such board and of the military  
7           records that will be considered by the board and  
8           has given the officer a reasonable period before  
9           the convening of the board in which to submit  
10          comments to the board.

11          “(D) A requirement that the Secretary of  
12          the Air Force shall provide general guidance to  
13          the board in accordance with standards and  
14          procedures prescribed by the Secretary of De-  
15          fense in those regulations.

16          “(E) A requirement that the preselection  
17          board may recommend that an officer be pre-  
18          cluded from consideration by a selection board  
19          only on the basis of the general guidance pro-  
20          vided by the Secretary Air Force, information  
21          in the officer’s official military personnel  
22          records that has been described in the notice  
23          provided the officer as required pursuant to  
24          subparagraph (C), and any communication to

1 the board received from that officer before the  
2 board convenes.

3 “(d) BRIGADIER GENERALS.—

4 “(1) OFFICERS NOT ON SPACE FORCE OFFICER  
5 LIST.—A brigadier general who is not eligible for  
6 consideration for promotion because the officer is  
7 not on the Space Force officer list (as required by  
8 paragraph (1) of subsection (a) for such eligibility)  
9 is nevertheless eligible for consideration for pro-  
10 motion to the grade of major general by a selection  
11 board convened under section 20211(a) of this title  
12 if—

13 “(A) as of the date of the convening of the  
14 promotion board, the officer has been in an in-  
15 active status for less than the minimum thresh-  
16 old established in paragraph (2) of subsection  
17 (a); and

18 “(B) immediately before the date of the of-  
19 ficer’s most recent transfer to an inactive sta-  
20 tus, the officer had continuously served on the  
21 Space Force officer list for at least one year.

22 “(2) OFFICERS NOT MEETING MINIMUM PAR-  
23 TICIPATION THRESHOLD.—A brigadier general who  
24 is on the Space Force officer list but who is not eli-  
25 gible for consideration for promotion because the of-

1 officer's service does not meet the minimum participa-  
2 tion threshold established under subsection (a)(2) is  
3 nevertheless eligible for consideration for promotion  
4 to the grade of major general by a promotion board  
5 convened under section 20211(a) of this title if—

6 “(A) the officer was transferred from an  
7 inactive status to the reserve active-status list  
8 during the one-year period preceding the date  
9 of the convening of the promotion board;

10 “(B) immediately before the date of the of-  
11 ficer's most recent transfer to an active status,  
12 the officer had been in an inactive status for  
13 less than one year; and

14 “(C) immediately before the date of the of-  
15 ficer's most recent transfer to an inactive sta-  
16 tus, the officer had continuously served for at  
17 least one year on the reserve active-status list  
18 or the active-duty list (or a combination of the  
19 reserve active-status list and the active-duty  
20 list).

21 “(e) OFFICERS ON EDUCATIONAL DELAY.—An offi-  
22 cer on the Space Force officer list is ineligible for consider-  
23 ation for promotion, but shall remain on the Space Force  
24 officer list, while the officer—



1           “(b) CRITERIA.—The Secretary may only approve a  
2 request under subsection (a) as follows:

3           “(1) COMPLETION OF CERTAIN ASSIGN-  
4 MENTS.—If—

5                   “(A) the basis for the request is to allow  
6 an officer to complete a broadening assignment,  
7 an advanced education assignment, another as-  
8 signment of significant value to the Depart-  
9 ment, or a career progression requirement de-  
10 layed by such an assignment;

11                   “(B) the Secretary determines the exclu-  
12 sion from consideration is in the best interest of  
13 the Space Force; and

14                   “(C) the officer has not previously failed of  
15 selection for promotion to the grade for which  
16 the officer requests the exclusion from consider-  
17 ation.

18           “(2) COMPLETION OF CERTAIN EDUCATION.—  
19 If—

20                   “(A) the basis for the request is to allow  
21 an officer to complete advanced education or  
22 professional military education;

23                   “(B) the Secretary determines that it is in  
24 the best interests of the Space Force for the of-

1           ficer to continue to serve in current position  
2           and grade; and

3           “(C) the officer has not previously opted  
4           out of a promotion board under this section.

5           “(3) SERVICE IN CRITICAL SKILL POSITION.—  
6           If—

7           “(A) the officer is serving in a critical skill  
8           position that cannot be filled by another Space  
9           Force officer serving in the same grade;

10           “(B) the Secretary determines that it is in  
11           the best interests of the Space Force for the of-  
12           ficer to continue to serve in their current posi-  
13           tion and grade; and

14           “(C) the officer has not previously opted  
15           out of a promotion board under this section.

16   **“§ 20233. Eligibility for consideration for promotion:**  
17           **designation as joint qualified officer re-**  
18           **quired before promotion to brigadier**  
19           **general; exceptions**

20           “(a) GENERAL RULE.—An officer on the Space  
21           Force officer list may not be appointed to the grade of  
22           brigadier general unless the officer has been designated  
23           as a joint qualified officer in accordance with section 661  
24           of this title.

1       “(b) EXCEPTIONS.—Subject to subsection (c), the  
2 Secretary of Defense may waive subsection (a) in the fol-  
3 lowing circumstances:

4           “(1) When necessary for the good of the serv-  
5 ice.

6           “(2) In the case of an officer whose proposed  
7 selection for promotion is based primarily upon sci-  
8 entific and technical qualifications for which joint re-  
9 quirements do not exist.

10          “(3) In the case of an officer selected by a pro-  
11 motion board for appointment to the grade of briga-  
12 dier general while serving in a joint duty assignment  
13 if—

14           “(A) the officer’s total consecutive service  
15 in joint duty assignments is not less than two  
16 years; and

17           “(B) the officer has successfully completed  
18 a program of education described in subsections  
19 (b) and (c) of section 2155 of this title.

20          “(4) In the case of an officer who—

21           “(A) is selected by a promotion board for  
22 appointment to the grade of brigadier general;

23           “(B) is not exempted under subsection (g);  
24 and

1           “(C) has successfully completed the edu-  
2           cation requirements prescribed in subparagraph  
3           (A) of section 661(c)(1) of this title but has not  
4           been afforded the opportunity to complete the  
5           experience requirements described in subpara-  
6           graph (B) of that section.

7           “(c) WAIVER TO BE INDIVIDUAL.—A waiver may be  
8           granted under subsection (b) only on a case-by-case basis  
9           in the case of an individual officer.

10          “(d) SPECIAL RULE FOR GOOD-OF-THE-SERVICE  
11          WAIVER.—In the case of a waiver under subsection (b)(1),  
12          the Secretary of Defense shall provide that the first duty  
13          assignment as a general officer of the officer for whom  
14          the waiver is granted shall be in a joint duty assignment.

15          “(e) LIMITATION ON DELEGATION OF WAIVER AU-  
16          THORITY.—The authority of the Secretary of Defense to  
17          grant a waiver under subsection (b)(4) may only be dele-  
18          gated as provided in section 619a(e) of this title.

19          “(f) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Defense shall  
20          prescribe regulations to carry out this section. The regula-  
21          tions shall specifically identify for purposes of subsection  
22          (b)(2) those categories of officers for which selection for  
23          promotion to brigadier general is based primarily upon sci-  
24          entific and technical qualifications for which joint require-  
25          ments do not exist.



1           “(c) AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY OF DEFENSE TO  
2 MODIFY NUMBER OF OPPORTUNITIES.—The Secretary of  
3 Defense may modify the number of opportunities for con-  
4 sideration for promotion to be afforded officers of the  
5 Space Force within a competitive category for promotion  
6 to a particular grade, as previously specified or modified  
7 pursuant to any provision of this section, at the discretion  
8 of the Secretary.

9           “(d) LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF OPPORTUNITIES  
10 SPECIFIED.—The number of opportunities for consider-  
11 ation for promotion to be afforded officers of the Space  
12 Force within a competitive category for promotion to a  
13 particular grade, as specified or modified pursuant to any  
14 provision of this section, may not exceed five opportuni-  
15 ties.

16           “(e) EFFECT OF CERTAIN REDUCTION IN NUMBER  
17 OF OPPORTUNITIES SPECIFIED.—If, by reason of a reduc-  
18 tion in the number of opportunities for consideration for  
19 promotion under this section, an officer would no longer  
20 have one or more opportunities for consideration for pro-  
21 motion that were available to the officer before the reduc-  
22 tion, the officer shall be afforded one additional oppor-  
23 tunity for consideration for promotion after the reduction.

1 **“§ 20235. Space Force officer list**

2 “(a) SINGLE LIST.—The Secretary of the Air Force  
3 shall maintain a single list of all Space Force officers serv-  
4 ing in a space force active status. The list shall be known  
5 as the ‘Space Force officer list’.

6 “(b) ORDER OF OFFICERS ON LIST.—Officers shall  
7 be carried on the Space Force officer list in the order of  
8 seniority of the grade in which they are serving. Officers  
9 serving in the same grade shall be carried in the order  
10 of their rank in that grade.

11 “(c) EFFECT OF SERVICE IN A TEMPORARY AP-  
12 POINTMENT.—An officer whose position on the Space  
13 Force officer list results from service under a temporary  
14 appointment or in a grade held by reason of assignment  
15 to a position has, when that appointment or assignment  
16 ends, the grade and position on the Space Force officer  
17 list that the officer would have held if the officer had not  
18 received that appointment or assignment.

19 **“§ 20236. Competitive categories**

20 “(a) REQUIREMENT TO ESTABLISH COMPETITIVE  
21 CATEGORIES FOR PROMOTION.—Under regulations pre-  
22 scribed by the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of the  
23 Air Force shall establish at least one competitive category  
24 for promotion for officers on the Space Force officer list.  
25 Each officer whose name appears on the Space Force offi-  
26 cer list shall be carried in a competitive category of offi-

1 cers. Officers in the same competitive category shall com-  
2 pete among themselves for promotion.

3 “(b) SINGLE COMPETITIVE CATEGORY FOR PRO-  
4 MOTION TO GENERAL OFFICER GRADES.—The Secretary  
5 of the Air Force shall establish a single competitive cat-  
6 egory for all officers on the Space Force officer list who  
7 will be considered by a selection board convened under sec-  
8 tion 20211 of this title for promotion to the grade of brig-  
9 adier general or major general.

10 **“§ 20237. Numbers to be recommended for promotion**

11 “(a) PROMOTION TO GRADES BELOW BRIGADIER  
12 GENERAL.—

13 “(1) DETERMINATION OF MAXIMUM NUMBER.—  
14 Before convening a selection board under section  
15 20211 of this title to consider officers for rec-  
16 ommendation for promotion to a grade below briga-  
17 dier general and in any competitive category, the  
18 Secretary of the Air Force shall determine the max-  
19 imum number of officers in that competitive cat-  
20 egory that the board may recommend for promotion.

21 “(2) DETERMINATIONS.—In order to make the  
22 determination under paragraph (1), the Secretary  
23 shall determine—

24 “(A) the number of positions needed to ac-  
25 complish mission objectives which require offi-

1           cers of that competitive category in the grade to  
2           which the board will recommend officers for  
3           promotion;

4           “(B) the estimated number of officers  
5           needed to fill vacancies in those positions dur-  
6           ing the period in which it is anticipated that of-  
7           ficers selected for promotion will be promoted;  
8           and

9           “(C) the number of officers in a space  
10          force active status authorized by the Secretary  
11          of the Air Force to serve both on sustained  
12          duty and not on sustained duty in the grade  
13          and competitive category under consideration.

14         “(b) PROMOTION TO BRIGADIER GENERAL AND  
15         MAJOR GENERAL.—

16                 “(1) DETERMINATION OF MAXIMUM NUM-  
17                 BERS.—Before convening a selection board under  
18                 section 20211 of this title to consider officers for  
19                 recommendation for promotion to the grade of briga-  
20                 dier general or major general, the Secretary of the  
21                 Air Force shall determine the maximum number of  
22                 officers serving in a space force active status on sus-  
23                 tained duty, and the maximum number of officers  
24                 serving in a space force active status not on sus-

1       tained duty, that the board may recommend for pro-  
2       motion.

3           “(2) DETERMINATIONS.—In order to make the  
4       determinations under paragraph (1), the Secretary  
5       shall determine—

6           “(A) the number of positions needed to ac-  
7       complish mission objectives which require offi-  
8       cers serving in a space force active status on  
9       sustained duty, and in a space force active sta-  
10      tus not on sustained duty, in the grade to which  
11      the board will recommend officers for pro-  
12      motion; and

13          “(B) the estimated number of officers on  
14      sustained duty and not on sustained duty need-  
15      ed to fill vacancies in those positions over the  
16      24-month period beginning on the date on  
17      which the selection board convenes.

18   **“§ 20238. Establishment of promotion zones**

19          “(a) IN GENERAL.—Before convening a selection  
20      board under section 20211 of this title to consider officers  
21      for promotion to any grade above first lieutenant or lieu-  
22      tenant (junior grade), the Secretary of the Air Force shall  
23      establish a promotion zone for officers serving in each  
24      grade and competitive category to be considered by the  
25      board.

1       “(b) DETERMINATION OF NUMBER.—The Secretary  
2 of the Air Force shall determine the number of officers  
3 in the promotion zone for officers serving in any grade  
4 and competitive category from among officers who are eli-  
5 gible for promotion in that grade and competitive cat-  
6 egory. Such determination shall be made on the basis of  
7 an estimate of—

8               “(1) the number of officers needed in that com-  
9 petitive category in the next higher grade in each of  
10 the next five years;

11               “(2) the number of officers to be serving in that  
12 competitive category in the next higher grade in  
13 each of the next five years;

14               “(3) in the case of a promotion zone for officers  
15 to be promoted to a grade to which section 523 of  
16 this title is applicable, the number of officers author-  
17 ized for such grade under such section to be on sus-  
18 tained duty on the last day of each of the next five  
19 fiscal years; and

20               “(4) the number of officers that should be  
21 placed in that promotion zone in each of the next  
22 five years to provide to officers in those years rel-  
23 atively similar opportunity for promotion.

24       **“§ 20239. Promotions: how made**

25       “(a) PROMOTION LISTS.—

1           “(1) PLACEMENT OF NAMES ON PROMOTION  
2 LIST.—When the report of a selection board con-  
3 vened under section 20211 of this title is approved  
4 by the President, the Secretary of the Air Force  
5 shall place the names of all officers approved for  
6 promotion within a competitive category on a single  
7 list for that competitive category, to be known as a  
8 promotion list, in the order of the seniority of such  
9 officers on the Space Force officer list or based on  
10 particular merit, as determined by the promotion  
11 board, or as modified by the Secretary of the Air  
12 Force under section 20217 of this title.

13           “(2) TIME OF ESTABLISHMENT OF PROMOTION  
14 LIST.—A promotion list is considered to be estab-  
15 lished under this section as of the date of the ap-  
16 proval of the report of the selection board under  
17 paragraph (1).

18           “(b) PROMOTIONS; HOW MADE; ORDER.—

19           “(1) APPOINTMENT AUTHORITY.—Officers on a  
20 promotion list shall be promoted by appointment in  
21 the manner specified in section 20201 of this title.

22           “(2) TIMING.—Officers on a promotion list for  
23 a competitive category shall be promoted to the next  
24 higher grade in accordance with regulations pre-  
25 scribed by the Secretary of the Air Force.

1           “(3) ORDER.—Except as provided in sub-  
2           sections (e) and (f), promotions shall be made in the  
3           order in which the names of officers appear on the  
4           promotion list and after officers previously selected  
5           for promotion in that competitive category have been  
6           promoted.

7           “(4) PROMOTIONS TO GRADE OF FIRST LIEU-  
8           TENANT.—Officers to be promoted to the grade of  
9           first lieutenant shall be promoted in accordance with  
10          regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Air  
11          Force.

12          “(c) PROMOTION OF FIRST LIEUTENANTS ON AN  
13          ALL-FULLY-QUALIFIED OFFICERS LIST.—(1) Except as  
14          provided in subsection (f), officers on the Space Force offi-  
15          cer list in the grade of first lieutenant who are on an ap-  
16          proved all-fully-qualified-officers list shall be promoted to  
17          the grade of captain in accordance with regulations pre-  
18          scribed by the Secretary of the Air Force.

19          “(2) An all-fully-qualified-officers list shall be consid-  
20          ered to be approved for purposes of subparagraph (A)  
21          when the list is approved by the President. When so ap-  
22          proved, such a list shall be treated in the same manner  
23          as a promotion list under this chapter.

24          “(3) The Secretary of the Air Force may make a rec-  
25          ommendation to the President for approval of an all-fully-

1 qualified-officers list only when the Secretary determines  
2 that all officers on the list are needed in the next higher  
3 grade to accomplish mission objectives.

4 “(4) For purposes of this paragraph, an all-fully-  
5 qualified-officers list is a list of all officers on the Space  
6 Force officer list in a grade who the Secretary of the Air  
7 Force determines—

8 “(A) are fully qualified for promotion to the  
9 next higher grade; and

10 “(B) would be eligible for consideration for pro-  
11 motion to the next higher grade by a selection board  
12 convened under section 20211 of this title upon the  
13 convening of such a board.

14 “(5) If the Secretary of the Air Force determines that  
15 one or more officers or former officers were not placed  
16 on an all-fully-qualified-list under this subsection because  
17 of administrative error, the Secretary may prepare a sup-  
18 plemental all-fully-qualified-officers list containing the  
19 names of any such officers for approval in accordance with  
20 this subsection.

21 “(d) DATE OF RANK.—

22 “(1) GENERAL RULE.—The date of rank of an  
23 officer appointed to a higher grade under this sec-  
24 tion is determined under section 741(d) of this title.

1           “(2) ADJUSTMENTS.—The date of rank of an  
2           officer appointed to a higher grade under this sec-  
3           tion may be adjusted in the same manner as an ad-  
4           justment may be made under section 741(d)(4) of  
5           this title in the date of rank of an officer appointed  
6           to a higher grade under section 624(a) of this title.  
7           In any use of the authority under the preceding sen-  
8           tence, subparagraph (C)(ii) of such section shall be  
9           applied by substituting ‘Space Force officer list’ for  
10          ‘active-duty list’.

11           “(3) ADDITIONAL PAY AND ALLOWANCES PRE-  
12          CLUDED.—Except as provided in paragraph (2) or  
13          as otherwise specifically authorized by law, an officer  
14          is not entitled to additional pay or allowances if the  
15          effective date of the officer’s promotion is adjusted  
16          to reflect a date earlier than the actual date of the  
17          officer’s promotion.

18          “(e) DELAY OF PROMOTIONS TO GENERAL OFFICER  
19          GRADES TO COMPLY WITH STRENGTH LIMITATIONS.—  
20          Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense,  
21          the promotion of an officer on the Space Force officer list  
22          to the grade of brigadier general or major general shall  
23          be delayed if that promotion would cause any strength lim-  
24          itation of section 526 of this title to be exceeded. The  
25          delay shall expire when the Secretary of the Air Force de-

1 terminates that the delay is no longer required to ensure  
2 compliance with the strength limitation.

3 “(f) AUTHORITY TO DELAY APPOINTMENTS FOR  
4 SPECIFIED REASONS.—The provisions of section 14311 of  
5 this title shall apply to the appointment of an officer under  
6 this section in the same manner as they apply to an ap-  
7 pointment of an officer under that section, and any ref-  
8 erence in that section to an reserve active-status list shall  
9 be treated for purposes of applicability to an officer of the  
10 Space Force as referring to the Space Force officer list.

11 **“§ 20240. Acceptance of promotions; oath of office**

12 “(a) ACCEPTANCE.—An officer who is appointed to  
13 a higher grade under section 20239 of this title is consid-  
14 ered to have accepted the appointment on the date on  
15 which the appointment is made unless the officer expressly  
16 declines the appointment.

17 “(b) OATH.—An officer who has served continuously  
18 since taking the oath of office prescribed in section 3331  
19 of title 5 is not required to take a new oath upon appoint-  
20 ment to a higher grade under section 20239 of this title.

21 **“§ 20241. Removal of officers from a list of officers**  
22 **recommended for promotion**

23 “(a) REMOVAL BY PRESIDENT.—The President may  
24 remove the name of any officer from a promotion list at  
25 any time before the date on which the officer is promoted.

1           “(b) REMOVAL FOR WITHHOLDING OF SENATE AD-  
2 VICE AND CONSENT.—If the Senate does not give its ad-  
3 vice and consent to the appointment to the next higher  
4 grade of an officer whose name is on a list of officers ap-  
5 proved by the President for promotion (except in the case  
6 of promotions to a grade to which appointments may be  
7 made by the President alone), the name of that officer  
8 shall be removed from the list.

9           “(c) REMOVAL AFTER 18 MONTHS.—(1) If an officer  
10 whose name is on a list of officers approved for promotion  
11 under section 20238(a) of this title to a grade for which  
12 appointment is required by section 20201(a) of this title  
13 to be made by and with the advice and consent of the Sen-  
14 ate is not appointed to that grade under such section dur-  
15 ing the officer’s promotion eligibility period, the officer’s  
16 name shall be removed from the list unless as of the end  
17 of such period the Senate has given its advice and consent  
18 to the appointment.

19           “(2) Before the end of the promotion eligibility period  
20 with respect to an officer under paragraph (1), the Presi-  
21 dent may extend that period for purposes of paragraph  
22 (1) by an additional 12 months.

23           “(3) In this subsection, the term ‘promotion eligibility  
24 period’ means, with respect to an officer whose name is  
25 on a list of officers approved for promotion under section

1 20238(a) of this title to a grade for which appointment  
2 is required by section 20201(a) of this title to be made  
3 by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, the pe-  
4 riod beginning on the date on which the list is so approved  
5 and ending on the first day of the eighteenth month fol-  
6 lowing the month during which the list is so approved.

7 “(d) ADMINISTRATIVE REMOVAL.—Under regula-  
8 tions prescribed by the Secretary of the Air Force, if an  
9 officer on the Space Force officer list is discharged or  
10 dropped from the rolls or transferred to a retired status  
11 after having been recommended for promotion to a higher  
12 grade under this chapter, but before being promoted, the  
13 officer’s name shall be administratively removed from the  
14 list of officers recommended for promotion by a selection  
15 board.

16 “(e) CONTINUED ELIGIBILITY FOR PROMOTION.—(1)  
17 An officer whose name is removed from a list under sub-  
18 section (a), (b), or (c) continues to be eligible for consider-  
19 ation for promotion. If that officer is recommended for  
20 promotion by the next selection board convened for that  
21 officer’s grade and competitive category and the officer is  
22 promoted, the Secretary of the Air Force may, upon the  
23 promotion, grant the officer the same date of rank, the  
24 same effective date for the pay and allowances of the grade  
25 to which promoted, and the same position on the Space

1 Force officer list, as the officer would have had if the offi-  
2 cer's name had not been removed from the list.

3 “(2) If such an officer who is in a grade below the  
4 grade of colonel is not recommended for promotion by the  
5 next selection board convened for the officer's grade and  
6 competitive category, or if the officer's name is again re-  
7 moved from the list of officers recommended for pro-  
8 motion, or if the Senate again does not give its advice and  
9 consent to his promotion, the officer shall be considered  
10 for all purposes to have failed of selection for promotion  
11 to the next higher grade.

12 “(f) **APPLICABILITY OF PREVIOUS EXECUTIVE**  
13 **ORDER.**—Except as otherwise provided by the President  
14 by Executive order, any Executive order issued before the  
15 date of the enactment of this section relating to functions  
16 of the President under section 14310 of this title shall  
17 apply in the same manner to functions of the President  
18 under this section.

19 “§ 20242. **Authority to vacate promotions to grade of**  
20 **brigadier general**

21 “(a) **AUTHORITY.**—The President may vacate the ap-  
22 pointment of a Space Force officer to the grade of briga-  
23 dier general if the period of time during which the officer  
24 has served in that grade after promotion to that grade  
25 is less than 18 months.



1 officer as a before the officer's appointment in a  
2 general officer grade.

3 “(4) Discharge the officer from the officer's ap-  
4 pointment.

5 “(b) CREDIT FOR SERVICE IN GRADE.—An officer  
6 who is appointed under subsection (a)(3) shall be credited  
7 with an amount of service in the grade in which appointed  
8 that is equal to the amount of prior service in an active  
9 status in that grade and in any higher grade.

10 “SUBCHAPTER IV—FAILURE OF SELECTION  
11 FOR PROMOTION AND INVOLUNTARY SEPA-  
12 RATION

13 “§ 20251. Failure of selection for promotion

14 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in this sec-  
15 tion, sections 14501, 14503, and 14504 and section 631  
16 and 632 of this title shall apply to promotions of officers  
17 on the Space Force officer list. For the purpose of such  
18 applicability—

19 “(1) any reference in those sections to the re-  
20 serve active-status list or the active-duty list shall  
21 apply to the Space Force officer list; and

22 “(2) any reference in those sections to a board  
23 convened under section 14201 or 611 of this title  
24 shall apply to a board convened under section 20211  
25 of this title.

1       “(b) INAPPLICABILITY OF FAILURE OF SELECTION  
2 FOR PROMOTION TO OFFICERS ABOVE PROMOTION  
3 ZONE.—The reference in section 14501 of this title to an  
4 officer above the promotion zone shall not apply in the  
5 promotion of officers on the Space Force officer list.

6       “(c) RETIREMENT AUTHORITIES.—In applying sec-  
7 tion 631 or 632 of this title to such an officer, the ref-  
8 erence in subsection (a)(3) of that section to qualifying  
9 for retirement under certain sections of this title shall be  
10 deemed to refer to qualifying for retirement under any  
11 provision of law other than chapter 61 of this title.

12       “(d) EFFECT OF FAILURE OF SELECTION.—In the  
13 administration of this chapter pursuant to subsection  
14 (a)—

15               “(1) an officer on the Space Force officer list  
16 shall not be deemed to have failed twice of selection  
17 for promotion for purposes of section 629(e)(2) or  
18 14502(b) of this title until the officer has failed se-  
19 lection of promotion to the next higher grade the  
20 maximum number of times specified for opportuni-  
21 ties for promotion to such grade within the competi-  
22 tive category concerned under section 20234 of this  
23 title; and

24               “(2) any reference in section 631(a) or 632(a)  
25 of this title, or in sections 14504 through 14506 of

1 this title, to an officer who has failed of selection for  
2 promotion to the next higher grade for the second  
3 time shall be deemed to refer instead to an officer  
4 on the Space Force officer list who has failed of se-  
5 lection for promotion to the next higher grade for  
6 the maximum number of times specified for opportu-  
7 nities for promotion to such grade within the com-  
8 petitive category concerned under section 20234 of  
9 this title.

10 **“§ 20251. Special selection boards; correction of er-**  
11 **rors**

12 “(a) PERSONS NOT CONSIDERED BY PROMOTION  
13 BOARD BECAUSE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ERROR.—

14 “(1) CONVENING OF BOARD.—In the case of an  
15 officer or former officer who the Secretary of the Air  
16 Force determines was not considered for selection  
17 for promotion by a selection board convened under  
18 section 20211 of this title because of administrative  
19 error, the Secretary shall convene a special selection  
20 board under this subsection to determine whether  
21 that officer or former officer should be recommended  
22 for promotion.

23 “(2) BOARD COMPOSITION; OATH.—Any such  
24 board shall be convened under regulations prescribed  
25 by the Secretary of Defense and shall be appointed

1 and composed in accordance with section 20212 of  
2 this title and shall include the representation of com-  
3 petitive categories required by that section. The  
4 members of a board convened under this subsection  
5 shall be required to take an oath in the same man-  
6 ner as prescribed in section 14103 of this title.

7 “(3) RECORD CONSIDERED BY BOARD.—A spe-  
8 cial selection board convened under paragraph (1)  
9 shall consider the record of the officer or former of-  
10 ficer as that record would have appeared to the se-  
11 lection board that should have considered the officer  
12 or former officer. That record shall be compared  
13 with a sampling of the records of those officers of  
14 the same grade and competitive category who were  
15 recommended for promotion, and those officers of  
16 the same grade and competitive category who were  
17 not recommended for promotion, by that board.

18 “(4) EFFECT.—If a special selection board con-  
19 vened under paragraph (1) does not recommend for  
20 promotion an officer or former officer in a grade  
21 below the grade of colonel whose name was referred  
22 to it for consideration, the officer or former officer  
23 shall be considered to have failed of selection for  
24 promotion.

1       “(b) OFFICERS CONSIDERED BUT NOT SELECTED;  
2 MATERIAL ERROR.—

3           “(1) CONVENING OF BOARD.—In the case of an  
4 officer or former officer who was eligible for pro-  
5 motion and was considered for selection for pro-  
6 motion by a selection board convened under section  
7 20211 of this title but was not selected, the Sec-  
8 retary of the Air Force may, under regulations pre-  
9 scribed by the Secretary of Defense, convene a spe-  
10 cial selection board under this subsection to deter-  
11 mine whether the officer or former officer should be  
12 recommended for promotion, if the Secretary must  
13 determine that—

14           “(A) the action of the selection board that  
15 considered the officer or former officer was con-  
16 trary to law in a matter material to the decision  
17 of the board or involved material error of fact  
18 or material administrative error; or

19           “(B) the board did not have before it for  
20 its consideration material information.

21           “(2) BOARD COMPOSITION; OATH.—A special  
22 selection board convened under paragraph ((1) shall  
23 be appointed and composed in accordance with sec-  
24 tion 20212 of this title (including the representation  
25 of competitive categories required by that section),

1 and the members of such a board shall take an oath  
2 in the same manner as prescribed in section 14103  
3 of this title.

4 “(3) RECORD CONSIDERED BY BOARD.—The  
5 special selection board shall consider the record of  
6 the officer or former officer as that record, if cor-  
7 rected, would have appeared to the board that con-  
8 sidered the officer or former officer. That record  
9 shall be compared with the records of a sampling of  
10 those officers of the same grade and competitive cat-  
11 egory who were recommended for promotion, and  
12 those officers of the same grade and competitive cat-  
13 egory who were not recommended for promotion, by  
14 that board.

15 “(4) EFFECT.—If a special selection board con-  
16 vened under paragraph (1) does not recommend for  
17 promotion an officer or former officer whose name  
18 was referred to it for consideration, the officer or  
19 former officer incurs no additional failure of selec-  
20 tion for promotion.

21 “(c) REPORT OF BOARD.—Each special selection  
22 board convened under this section shall submit to the Sec-  
23 retary of the Air Force a written report, signed by each  
24 member of the board, containing the name of each officer  
25 or former officer it recommends for promotion and certi-

1 fying that the board has carefully considered the record  
2 of each officer or former officer whose name was referred  
3 to it.

4 “(d) APPLICABLE PROVISIONS.—The provisions of  
5 sections 20215 and 20216 of this title apply to the report  
6 and proceedings of a special selection board convened  
7 under this section in the same manner as they apply to  
8 the report and proceedings of a selection board convened  
9 under section 20211 of this title.

10 “(e) APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS RECOMMENDED  
11 FOR PROMOTION.—

12 “(1) PROMOTION.—An officer or former officer  
13 whose name is placed on a promotion list as a result  
14 of a recommendation for promotion by a special se-  
15 lection board convened under this section shall, as  
16 soon as practicable, be appointed to the next higher  
17 grade in accordance with the law and policies which  
18 would have been applicable had the officer or former  
19 officer been recommended for promotion by the  
20 board which should have considered or which did  
21 consider the officer or former officer.

22 “(2) STATUS OF PROMOTED OFFICER.—An offi-  
23 cer who is promoted to the next higher grade as the  
24 result of the recommendation of a special selection  
25 board convened under this section shall, upon such

1 promotion, have the same date of rank, the same ef-  
2 fective date for the pay and allowances of that  
3 grade, and the same position on the Space Force of-  
4 ficer list as the officer would have had if the officer  
5 had been recommended for promotion to that grade  
6 by the selection board which should have considered,  
7 or which did consider, the officer.

8 “(3) CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORD.—If  
9 the report of a special selection board convened  
10 under this section, as approved by the President,  
11 recommends for promotion to the next higher grade  
12 an officer not currently eligible for promotion or a  
13 former officer whose name was referred to it for  
14 consideration, the Secretary of the Air Force may  
15 act under section 1552 of this title to correct the  
16 military record of the officer or former officer to cor-  
17 rect an error or remove an injustice resulting from  
18 not being selected for promotion by the board which  
19 should have considered, or which did consider, the  
20 officer.

21 “(f) PRESCRIBING OF CIRCUMSTANCES FOR CONSID-  
22 ERATION BY BOARD.—The Secretary of Defense may pre-  
23 scribe by regulation—

24 “(1) the circumstances under which consider-  
25 ation by a special selection board is contingent upon

1 application for consideration by an officer or former  
2 officer; and

3 “(2) time limits within which of officer or  
4 former officer must make such application in order  
5 to be considered by a special selection board under  
6 this section.

7 “(g) CONVENING OF BOARDS.—A board convened  
8 under this section—

9 “(1) shall be convened under regulations pre-  
10 scribed by the Secretary of Defense;

11 “(2) shall be composed in accordance with sec-  
12 tion 20212 of this title and regulations prescribed by  
13 the Secretary of the Air Force; and

14 “(3) shall be subject to the provisions of section  
15 613 of this title.

16 “(h) LIMITATION OF OTHER JURISDICTION.—No of-  
17 ficial or court of the United States shall have power or  
18 jurisdiction—

19 “(1) over any claim based in any way on the  
20 failure of an officer or former officer of the armed  
21 forces to be selected for promotion by a selection  
22 board convened under this chapter until—

23 “(A) the claim has been referred to a spe-  
24 cial selection board by the Secretary of the Air  
25 Force and acted upon by that board; or

1           “(B) the claim has been rejected by the  
2           Secretary without consideration by a special se-  
3           lection board; or

4           “(2) to grant any relief on such a claim unless  
5           the officer or former officer has been selected for  
6           promotion by a special selection board convened  
7           under this section to consider the officer or former  
8           officer’s claim.

9           “(i) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—(1) A court of the United  
10          States may review a determination by the Secretary of the  
11          Air Force under subsection (a)(1), (b)(1), or (e)(3) not  
12          to convene a special selection board. If a court finds the  
13          determination to be arbitrary or capricious, not based on  
14          substantial evidence, or otherwise contrary to law, it shall  
15          remand the case to the Secretary, who shall provide for  
16          consideration of the officer or former officer by a special  
17          selection board under this section.

18          “(2) If a court finds that the action of a special selec-  
19          tion board which considers an officer or former officer was  
20          contrary to law or involved material error of fact or mate-  
21          rial administrative error, it shall remand the case to the  
22          Secretary, who shall provide the officer or former officer  
23          reconsideration by a new special selection board.

24          “(j) DESIGNATION OF BOARDS.—The Secretary of  
25          the Air Force may designate a promotion board convened

1 under section 20201(a) of this title as a special selection  
2 board convened under this section.

3 **“§ 20252a. Special selection review boards: reference**

4 “Section 628a of this title, relating to the convening  
5 of a special selection review board when credible informa-  
6 tion of an adverse nature was not furnished to a pro-  
7 motion board, applies with respect to persons rec-  
8 ommended by a selection board for promotion to a grade  
9 at or below the grade of major general in the Space Force.

10 **“§ 20253. Retirement: retirement for years of service**

11 “Sections 633 through 636 of this title shall apply  
12 to the retirement of officers on the Space Force officer  
13 list in the same manner as to officers of the Regular Air  
14 Force.

15 **“SUBCHAPTER V—CONTINUATION ON ACTIVE**  
16 **DUTY AND SELECTIVE EARLY RETIRE-**  
17 **MENT; OTHER PROVISIONS**

18 **“§ 20261 Selection of officers for continuation on the**  
19 **Space Force officer list**

20 “Section 14701 of this title shall apply in continu-  
21 ation or retention on the Space Force officer in the same  
22 manner as to continuation on the reserve active-status list.

23 **“§ 20262. Retirement: selective early retirement**

24 “Sections 638 and 638a of this title shall apply to  
25 the retirement of officers on the Space Force officer list

1 in the same manner as to officers of the Regular Air  
2 Force.

3 **“§ 20263. Entitlement of officers discharged or retired**  
4 **under this chapter to separation pay or**  
5 **retired pay**

6 “(a) SEPARATION PAY.—An officer who is discharged  
7 under this chapter is entitled, if eligible therefor, to sepa-  
8 ration pay under section 1174 of this title.

9 “(b) RETIRED PAY.—An officer who is retired under  
10 this chapter is entitled to retired pay computed under  
11 chapter 71 or 1223 of this title, as applicable.

12 **“§ 20264. Other administrative authorities**

13 “The following provisions of this title shall apply to  
14 officers on the Space Force officer list in the same manner  
15 as to officers subject to those provisions:

16 “(1) Section 14518, relating to continuation of  
17 officers to complete disciplinary action.

18 “(2) Section 14519, relating to deferment of re-  
19 tirement or separation for medical reasons.

20 “(3) Section 14704, relating to the selective  
21 early removal from the reserve active-status list.”.

22 (d) TEMPORARY (“BREVET”) PROMOTIONS FOR OF-  
23 FICERS WITH CRITICAL SKILLS.—Section 605 of title 10,  
24 United States Code, is amended as follows:

1 (1) COVERAGE OF SPACE FORCE OFFICERS.—  
2 Subsections (a), (b)(2)(A), (f)(1), and (f)(2) are  
3 amended by striking “or Marine Corps,” each place  
4 it appears and inserting “Marine Corps, or Space  
5 Force,”.

6 (2) DISAGGREGATION OF AIR FORCE MAXIMUM  
7 NUMBERS.—Subsection (g) is amended—

8 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (3) and  
9 (4) as paragraphs (4) and (5), respectively; and

10 (B) by striking paragraph (2) and insert-  
11 ing the following new paragraphs (2) and (3):

12 “(2) In the case of the Air Force—

13 “(A) as captain 95;

14 “(B) as major, 305;

15 “(C) as lieutenant colonel, 165; and

16 “(D) as colonel, 75.

17 “(3) In the case of the Space Force—

18 “(A) as captain, 5;

19 “(B) as major, 20;

20 “(C) as lieutenant colonel, 10; and

21 “(D) as colonel, 5.”.

22 **SEC. 1717. ENLISTED MEMBERS.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle F of title 10, United  
24 States Code, as amended by section 1716, is further  
25 amended by adding at the end the following new chapter:

1       **“CHAPTER 2007—ENLISTED MEMBERS**

“Sec.

“20301. Original enlistments: qualifications; grade.

“20302. Enlisted members: term of enlistment.

“20303. Reference to chapter 31.

2       **“§ 20301. Original enlistments: qualifications; grade**

3           “(a) ORIGINAL ENLISTMENTS.—

4                   “(1) AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT.—The Secretary  
5           of the Air Force may accept original enlistments in  
6           the Space Force of qualified, effective, and able-bod-  
7           ied persons.

8                   “(2) AGE.—A person accepted for original en-  
9           listment shall be not less than seventeen years of  
10          age. However, no person under eighteen years of age  
11          may be originally enlisted without the written con-  
12          sent of the person’s parent or guardian, if the per-  
13          son has a parent or guardian entitled to the person’s  
14          custody and control.

15                  “(b) GRADE.—A person is enlisted in the Space  
16          Force in the grade prescribed by the Secretary of the Air  
17          Force.

18       **“§ 20302. Enlisted members: term of enlistment**

19                  “(a) TERM OF ORIGINAL ENLISTMENTS.—The Sec-  
20          retary of the Air Force may accept original enlistments  
21          of persons for the duration of their minority or for a pe-  
22          riod of at least two but not more than eight years in the  
23          Space Force.

1           “(b) TERM OF REENLISTMENTS.—The Secretary of  
2 the Air Force may accept a reenlistment in the Space  
3 Force for a period determined in accordance with para-  
4 graphs (2), (3), and (4) of section 505(d) of this title.

5   **“§ 20303. Reference to chapter 31**

6           “For other provisions of this title applicable to enlist-  
7 ments in the Space Force, see chapter 31 of this title.”.

8           (b) AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 10 CHAPTER RELATING  
9 TO ENLISTMENTS.—Chapter 31 of such title is amended  
10 as follows:

11           (1) RECRUITING CAMPAIGNS.—Section 503(a)  
12 is amended by inserting “and the Space Force”  
13 after “Regular Coast Guard”.

14           (2) QUALIFICATIONS, TERM, GRADE.—Section  
15 505 is amended—

16                   (A) by striking “Regular Space Force,”  
17 each place it appears; and

18                   (B) by adding at the end the following new  
19 subsection:

20           “(e) ENLISTMENTS IN THE SPACE FORCE.—For en-  
21 listments in the Space Force, see sections 20301 and  
22 20302 of this title.”.

23           (3) EXTENSION OF ENLISTMENTS DURING  
24 WAR.—Section 506 is amended by striking “Reg-  
25 ular” before “Space Force”.

1           (4) REENLISTMENT.—Section 508 is amended  
2 striking “Regular” before “Space Force” in sub-  
3 sections (b) and (c).

4           (5) ENLISTMENT INCENTIVES FOR PURSUIT OF  
5 SKILLS TO FACILITATE NATIONAL SERVICE.—Sec-  
6 tion 510(c) is amended—

7           (A) in paragraph (2), by inserting “or the  
8 Space Force” after “Selected Reserve”; and

9           (B) in paragraph (3)—

10           (i) by redesignating subparagraphs  
11 (D) and (E) as subparagraphs (E) and  
12 (F), respectively;

13           (ii) by inserting after subparagraph  
14 (C) the following new subparagraph (D):

15           “(D) in the Space Force;”; and

16           (iii) in subparagraph (F), as so reded-  
17 icated, by striking “subparagraphs (A)  
18 through (D)” and inserting “subpara-  
19 graphs (A) through (E)”.

20           (6) COLLEGE FIRST PROGRAM.—Section  
21 511(b)(1)(A), is amended by inserting “or as a  
22 member of the Space Force,” after “reserve compo-  
23 nent,”.

24           (7) DELAYED ENTRY PROGRAM.—Section  
25 513(a) is amended—

1 (A) by inserting, “, or who is qualified  
2 under section 20301 of this title and applicable  
3 regulations for enlistment in the Space Force,”  
4 after “armed force”; and

5 (B) by inserting “, or be enlisted as a  
6 member of the Space Force,” after “Coast  
7 Guard Reserve”.

8 (8) EFFECT UPON ENLISTED STATUS OF AC-  
9 CEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT AS CADET OR MID-  
10 SHIPMAN.—Section 516(b) is amended by inserting  
11 “or in the Space Force,” after “armed force”.

12 **SEC. 1718. RETENTION AND SEPARATION GENERALLY.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle F of title 10, United  
14 States Code, as amended by section 1717, is further  
15 amended by adding at the end the following new chapter:

16 **“CHAPTER 2009—RETENTION AND**  
17 **SEPARATION GENERALLY**

“Sec.

“20401. Applicability of certain provisions of law related to separation.

“20402. Enlisted members: standards and qualifications for retention.

“20403. Officers: standards and qualifications for retention.

“20404. Selection of officers for early retirement or discharge.

“20404. Force shaping authority.

18 **“§ 20401. Applicability of certain provisions of law re-**  
19 **lated to separation**

20 “(a) OFFICER SEPARATION.—Except as specified in  
21 this section or otherwise modified in this chapter, the pro-  
22 visions of chapter 59 of this title applicable to officers of

1 a regular component shall apply to officers of the Space  
2 Force.

3 “(b) Except as specified in this section or otherwise  
4 modified in this chapter, the provisions of sections 1169,  
5 1170, 1171, 1173, 1174(b) 1176(a) of chapter 59 of this  
6 title applicable to enlisted members of a regular compo-  
7 nent shall apply to enlisted members of the Space Force.

8 “(c) The provisions of section 1172 of this title per-  
9 taining to a person enlisted under section 518 of this title  
10 shall apply to an enlisted member of the Space Force.

11 “(d) The provisions of section 1174 of this title—

12 “(1) pertaining to a regular officer shall apply  
13 to a Space Force officer serving on sustained duty;

14 “(2) pertaining to a regular enlisted member  
15 shall apply to an enlisted member of the Space  
16 Force serving on sustained duty; and

17 “(3) pertaining to other members shall apply to  
18 members of the Space Force not serving on sus-  
19 tained duty.

20 “(e) The provisions of section 1175 of this title per-  
21 taining to a voluntary appointment, enlistment, or transfer  
22 to a reserve component shall apply to the voluntary release  
23 from active duty of a member of the Space Force on sus-  
24 tained duty.

25 “(f) The provisions of section 1176 of this title—

1           “(1) pertaining to a regular enlisted member  
2 shall apply to an enlisted member of the Space  
3 Force serving on sustained duty; and

4           “(2) pertaining to a reserve enlisted member  
5 serving in an active status shall apply to an enlisted  
6 member of the Space Force serving in a space force  
7 active status or on sustained duty.

8 **“§ 20402. Enlisted members: standards and qualifica-**  
9 **tions for retention**

10           “(a) STANDARDS AND QUALIFICATIONS FOR RETEN-  
11 TION.—The Secretary of the Air Force shall, by regula-  
12 tion, prescribe—

13           “(1) standards and qualifications for the reten-  
14 tion of enlisted members of the Space Force; and

15           “(2) equitable procedures for the periodic deter-  
16 mination of the compliance of each such member  
17 with those standards and qualifications.

18           “(b) EFFECT OF FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH STAND-  
19 ARDS AND QUALIFICATIONS.—If an enlisted member serv-  
20 ing in Space Force active status fails to comply with the  
21 standards and qualifications prescribed under subsection  
22 (a), the member shall—

23           “(1) if qualified, be transferred to Space Force  
24 inactive status;

1           “(2) if qualified, be retired in accordance with  
2           section 20603 of this title; or

3           “(3) have the member’s enlistment terminated.

4   **“§ 20403. Officers: standards and qualifications for re-**  
5           **tention**

6           “(a) STANDARDS AND QUALIFICATIONS.—To be re-  
7           tained in an active status, a Space Force officer must—

8           “(1) in any applicable yearly period, attain the  
9           number of points under section 12732(a)(2) of this  
10          title that are prescribed by the Secretary of the Air  
11          Force; and

12          “(2) conform to such other standards and  
13          qualifications as the Secretary may prescribe for of-  
14          ficers of the Space Force.

15          “(b) LIMITATION ON MINIMUM NUMBER OF  
16          POINTS.—The Secretary may not prescribe a minimum of  
17          more than 50 points under subsection (a).

18          “(c) RESULT OF FAILURE TO COMPLY.—A Space  
19          Force officer who fails to attain the number of points pre-  
20          scribed under subsection (a)(1), or to conform to the  
21          standards and qualifications prescribed under subsection  
22          (a)(2), may be referred to a board convened under section  
23          20501(a) of this title.

1 **“§ 20404. Selection of officers for early retirement or**  
2 **discharge**

3 “(a) CONSIDERATION FOR EARLY RETIREMENT.—  
4 The Secretary of the Air Force may convene selection  
5 boards under section 20211(b) of this title to consider for  
6 early retirement officers on the space force officer list as  
7 follows:

8 “(1) Officers in the grade of lieutenant colonel  
9 who have failed of selection for promotion at least  
10 one time and whose names are not on a list of offi-  
11 cers recommended for promotion.

12 “(2) Officers in the grade of colonel who have  
13 served in that grade for at least two years and  
14 whose names are not on a list of officers rec-  
15 ommended for promotion.

16 “(3) Officers, other than those described in  
17 paragraphs (1) and (2), holding a grade below the  
18 grade of colonel—

19 “(A) who are eligible for retirement under  
20 section 20601 of this title or who after two ad-  
21 ditional years or less of active service would be  
22 eligible for retirement under that section; and

23 “(B) whose names are not on a list of offi-  
24 cers recommended for promotion.

25 “(b) CONSIDERATION FOR DISCHARGE.—

1           “(1) The Secretary of the Air Force may con-  
2           vene selection boards under section 20211 of this  
3           title to consider for discharge officers on the space  
4           force officer list—

5                   “(A) who have served at least one year of  
6                   active status in the grade currently held;

7                   “(B) whose names are not on a list of offi-  
8                   cers recommended for promotion; and

9                   “(C) who are not eligible to be retired  
10                  under any provision of law (other than by rea-  
11                  son of eligibility pursuant to section 4403 of the  
12                  National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
13                  Year 1993) and are not within two years of be-  
14                  coming so eligible.

15                 “(2) An officer who is recommended for dis-  
16                 charge by a selection board convened pursuant to  
17                 the authority of paragraph (1) and whose discharge  
18                 is approved by the Secretary of the Air Force shall  
19                 be discharged on a date specified by the Secretary.

20                 “(3) Selection of officers for discharge under  
21                 paragraph (1) shall be based on the needs of the  
22                 service.

23                 “(c) DISCHARGES AND RETIREMENTS CONSIDERED  
24                 TO BE INVOLUNTARY.—The discharge or retirement of an

1 officer pursuant to this section shall be considered to be  
2 involuntary for purposes of any other provision of law.

3 **“§ 20405. Force shaping authority**

4 “(a) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of the Air Force  
5 may, solely for the purpose of restructuring the Space  
6 Force—

7 “(1) discharge an officer described in sub-  
8 section (b); or

9 “(2) involuntarily release such an officer from  
10 sustained duty.

11 “(b) COVERED OFFICERS.—

12 “(1) The authority under this section may be  
13 exercised in the case of an officer of the Space Force  
14 serving on sustained duty who—

15 “(A) has completed not more than six  
16 years of service as a commissioned officer in the  
17 armed forces; or

18 “(B) has completed more than six years of  
19 service as a commissioned officer in the armed  
20 forces, but has not completed the minimum  
21 service obligation applicable to that officer.

22 “(2) In this subsection, the term ‘minimum  
23 service obligation’, with respect to a member of the  
24 Space Force, means the initial period of required ac-  
25 tive duty service applicable to the member, together

1 with any additional period of required active duty  
2 service incurred by that member during the mem-  
3 ber's initial period of required active duty service.

4 “(c) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of the Air Force  
5 shall prescribe regulations for the exercise of the Sec-  
6 retary's authority under this section.”.

7 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 647 of  
8 title 10, United States Code, is amended—

9 (1) in subsection (b), by inserting “(other than  
10 an officer of the Space Force)” after “in the case of  
11 an officer”;

12 (2) in subsection (c), by striking “Regular Ma-  
13 rine Corps, of Regular Space Force” and inserting  
14 “or Regular Marine Corps”; and

15 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
16 section:

17 “(e) SPACE FORCE.—For a similar provision with re-  
18 spect to officers of the Space Force, see section 20405  
19 of this title.”.

20 **SEC. 1719. SEPARATION OF OFFICERS FOR SUBSTANDARD**  
21 **PERFORMANCE OF DUTY OR FOR CERTAIN**  
22 **OTHER REASONS.**

23 Subtitle F of title 10, United States Code, as amend-  
24 ed by section 1718, is further amended by adding at the  
25 end the following new chapter:

1 **“CHAPTER 2011—SEPARATION OF OFFI-**  
2 **CERS FOR SUBSTANDARD PERFORM-**  
3 **ANCE OF DUTY OR FOR CERTAIN**  
4 **OTHER REASONS**

“Sec.

“20501. Authority to establish procedures to consider the separation of officers for substandard performance of duty and for certain other reasons.

“20502. Retention boards.

“20503. Removal of officer: action by Secretary upon recommendation of retention board.

“20504. Rights and procedures.

“20505. Officer considered for removal: voluntary retirement or discharge.

“20506. Officers eligible to serve on retention boards.

5 **“§ 20501. Authority to establish procedures to con-**  
6 **sider the separation of officers for sub-**  
7 **standard performance of duty and for**  
8 **certain other reasons**

9 “(a) PROCEDURES FOR REVIEW OF RECORD OF OF-  
10 FICERS RELATING TO STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE OF  
11 DUTY.—

12 “(1) The Secretary of the Air Force shall pre-  
13 scribe, by regulation, procedures for the review at  
14 any time of the record of any commissioned officer  
15 (other than a retired officer) of the Space Force in  
16 a space force active status to determine whether the  
17 officer shall be required, because of a reason stated  
18 in paragraph (2), to show cause for the officer’s re-  
19 tention in a space force active status.

1           “(2) The reasons referred to in paragraph (1)  
2           are the following:

3                   “(A) The officer’s performance of duty has  
4                   fallen below standards prescribed by the Sec-  
5                   retary of Defense.

6                   “(B) The officer has failed to satisfy the  
7                   standards and qualifications established under  
8                   section 20403 of this title by the Secretary of  
9                   the Air Force.

10          “(b) PROCEDURES FOR REVIEW OF RECORD OF OF-  
11          FICERS RELATING TO CERTAIN OTHER REASONS.—

12                   “(1) The Secretary of the Air Force shall pre-  
13                   scribe, by regulation, procedures for the review at  
14                   any time of the record of any commissioned officer  
15                   (other than a retired officer) of the Space Force in  
16                   a space force active status to determine whether the  
17                   officer should be required, because of a reason stat-  
18                   ed in paragraph (2), to show cause for the officer’s  
19                   retention in a space force active status.

20                   “(2) The reasons referred to in paragraph (1)  
21                   are the following:

22                           “(A) Misconduct.

23                           “(B) Moral or professional dereliction.

1           “(C) The officer’s retention is not clearly  
2           consistent with the interests of national secu-  
3           rity.

4           “(c) SECRETARY OF DEFENSE LIMITATIONS.—Regu-  
5           lations prescribed by the Secretary of the Air Force under  
6           this section are subject to such limitations as the Sec-  
7           retary of Defense may prescribe.

8           **“§ 20502. Retention boards**

9           “(a) CONVENING OF BOARDS TO CONSIDER OFFI-  
10          CERS REQUIRED TO SHOW CAUSE.—The Secretary of the  
11          Air Force shall convene retention boards at such times  
12          and places as the Secretary may prescribe to receive evi-  
13          dence and make findings and recommendations as to  
14          whether an officer who is required under section 20501  
15          of this title to show cause for retention in a space force  
16          active status should be retained in a space force active  
17          status. Each retention board shall be composed of not less  
18          than three officers having the qualifications prescribed by  
19          section 20506 of this title.

20          “(b) FAIR AND IMPARTIAL HEARING.—A retention  
21          board shall give a fair and impartial hearing to each offi-  
22          cer required under section 20501 of this title to show  
23          cause for retention in a space force active status.

1           “(c) EFFECT OF BOARD DETERMINATION THAN AN  
2 OFFICER HAS FAILED TO ESTABLISH THAT THE OFFI-  
3 CER SHOULD BE RETAINED.—

4           “(1) If a retention board determines that the  
5 officer has failed to establish that the officer should  
6 be retained in a space force active status, the board  
7 shall recommend to the Secretary of the Air Force  
8 one of the following:

9                   “(A) That the officer be transferred to an  
10 inactive status.

11                   “(B) That the officer, if qualified under  
12 any provision of law, be retired.

13                   “(C) That the officer be discharged from  
14 the Space Force.

15           “(2) Under regulations prescribed by the Sec-  
16 retary of the Air Force, an officer as to whom a re-  
17 tention board makes a recommendation under para-  
18 graph (1) that the officer not be retained in a space  
19 force active status may be required to take leave  
20 pending the completion of the officer’s case under  
21 this chapter. The officer may be required to begin  
22 such leave at any time following the officer’s receipt  
23 of the report of the retention board, including the  
24 board’s recommendation for removal from a space  
25 force active status, and the expiration of any period

1 allowed for submission by the officer of a rebuttal to  
2 that report. The leave may be continued until the  
3 date on which action by the Secretary of the Air  
4 Force on the officer's case is completed or may be  
5 terminated at any earlier time.

6 “(d) EFFECT OF BOARD DETERMINATION THAN AN  
7 OFFICER HAS ESTABLISHED THAT THE OFFICER  
8 SHOULD BE RETAINED.—

9 “(1) If a retention board determines that the  
10 officer has established that the officer should be re-  
11 tained in a space force active status, the officer's  
12 case is closed.

13 “(2) An officer who is required to show cause  
14 for retention in a space force active status under  
15 subsection (a) of section 20501 of this title and who  
16 is determined under paragraph (1) to have estab-  
17 lished that the officer should be retained in a space  
18 force active status may not again be required to  
19 show cause for retention in a space force active sta-  
20 tus under such subsection within the one-year period  
21 beginning on the date of that determination.

22 “(3)(A) Subject to subparagraph (B), an officer  
23 who is required to show cause for retention in a  
24 space force active status under subsection (b) of sec-  
25 tion 20501 of this title and who is determined under

1 paragraph (1) to have established that the officer  
2 should be retained in a space force active status may  
3 again be required to show cause for retention at any  
4 time.

5 “(B) An officer who has been required to show  
6 cause for retention in a space force active status  
7 under subsection (b) of section 20501 of this title  
8 and who is thereafter retained in an active status  
9 may not again be required to show cause for reten-  
10 tion in a space force active status under such sub-  
11 section solely because of conduct which was the sub-  
12 ject of the previous proceedings, unless the findings  
13 or recommendations of the retention board that con-  
14 sidered the officer’s previous case are determined to  
15 have been obtained by fraud or collusion.

16 “(4) In the case of an officer described in para-  
17 graph (2) or paragraph (3)(A), the retention board  
18 may recommend that the officer be required to com-  
19 plete additional training, professional education, or  
20 such other developmental programs as may be avail-  
21 able to correct any identified deficiencies and im-  
22 prove the officer’s performance within the Space  
23 Force.

1 **“§ 20503. Removal of officer: action by Secretary**  
2 **upon recommendation of retention board**

3 “The Secretary of the Air Force may remove an offi-  
4 cer from space force active status if the removal of such  
5 officer from space force active status is recommended by  
6 a retention board convened under section 20502 of this  
7 title.

8 **“§ 20504. Rights and procedures**

9 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Under regulations prescribed by  
10 the Secretary of the Air Force, each officer required under  
11 section 20501 of this title to show cause for retention in  
12 a space force active status—

13 “(1) shall be notified in writing, at least 30  
14 days before the hearing of the officer’s case by a re-  
15 tention board, of the reasons for which the officer is  
16 being required to show cause for retention in a space  
17 force active status;

18 “(2) shall be allowed a reasonable time, as de-  
19 termined by the board, to prepare the officer’s show-  
20 ing of cause for retention in a space force active sta-  
21 tus;

22 “(3) shall be allowed to appear either in person  
23 or through electronic means and to be represented  
24 by counsel at proceedings before the board; and

25 “(4) shall be allowed full access to, and shall be  
26 furnished copies of, records relevant to the officer’s

1 case, except that the board shall withhold any record  
2 that the Secretary determines should be withheld in  
3 the interest of national security.

4 “(b) SUMMARY OF RECORDS WITHHELD IN INTER-  
5 EST OF NATIONAL SECURITY.—When a record is withheld  
6 under subsection (a)(4), the officer whose case is under  
7 consideration shall, to the extent that the interest of na-  
8 tional security permits, be furnished a summary of the  
9 record so withheld.

10 **“§ 20505. Officer considered for removal: voluntary**  
11 **retirement or discharge**

12 “(a) IN GENERAL.—At any time during proceedings  
13 under this chapter with respect to the removal of an offi-  
14 cer from a space force active status , the Secretary of the  
15 Air Force may grant a request by the officer—

16 “(1) for voluntary retirement, if the officer is  
17 qualified for retirement; or

18 “(2) for discharge in accordance with sub-  
19 section (b)(2).

20 “(b) RETIREMENT OR DISCHARGE.—An officer re-  
21 moved from a space force active status under section  
22 20503 of this title shall—

23 “(1) if eligible for voluntary retirement under  
24 any provision of law on the date of such removal, be  
25 retired in the grade and with the retired pay for

1 which the officer would be eligible if retired under  
2 such provision; and

3 “(2) if ineligible for voluntary retirement under  
4 any provision of law on the date of such removal—

5 “(A) be honorably discharged in the grade  
6 then held, in the case of an officer whose case  
7 was brought under subsection (a) of section  
8 20501 of this title; or

9 “(B) be discharged in the grade then held,  
10 in the case of an officer whose case was brought  
11 under subsection (b) of section 20501 of this  
12 title.

13 “(c) SEPARATION PAY FOR DISCHARGED OFFI-  
14 CER.—An officer who is discharged under subsection  
15 (b)(2) is entitled, if eligible therefor, to separation pay  
16 under section 1174(a)(2) of this title.

17 **“§ 20506. Officers eligible to serve on retention**  
18 **boards**

19 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The provisions of section 1187  
20 of this title apply to the membership of boards convened  
21 under this chapter in the same manner as to the member-  
22 ship of boards convened under chapter 60 of this title.

23 “(b) RETIRED AIR FORCE OFFICERS.—

24 “(1) AUTHORITY.—In applying subsection (b)  
25 of section 1187 of this title to a board convened

1 under this chapter, the Secretary of the Air Force  
2 may appoint retired officers of the Air Force, in ad-  
3 dition to retired officers of the Space Force, to com-  
4 plete the membership of the board.

5 “(2) LIMITATION.—A retired officer of the Air  
6 Force may be appointed to a board under paragraph  
7 (1) only if the officer served in a space-related ca-  
8 reer field of the Air Force for sufficient time such  
9 that the Secretary of the Air Force determines that  
10 the retired Air Force officer has adequate knowledge  
11 concerning the standards of performance and con-  
12 duct required of an officer of the Space Force.”.

13 **SEC. 1719A. RETIREMENT.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle F of title 10, United  
15 States Code, as amended by section 1719, is further  
16 amended by adding at the end the following new chapter:

17 **“CHAPTER 2013—VOLUNTARY**  
18 **RETIREMENT FOR LENGTH OF SERVICE**

“Sec.

“20601. Officers: voluntary retirement for length of service.

“20602. Officers: computation of years of service for voluntary retirement.

“20603. Enlisted members: voluntary retirement for length of service.

“20604. Enlisted members: computation of years of service for voluntary retire-  
ment.

“20605. Applicability of other provisions of law relating to retirement.

19 **“§ 20601. Officers: voluntary retirement for length of**  
20 **service**

21 “(a) TWENTY YEARS OR MORE.—The Secretary of  
22 the Air Force may, upon the officer’s request, retire a

1 commissioned officer of the Space Force who has at least  
2 20 years of service computed under section 20602 of this  
3 title, at least 10 years of which have been active service  
4 as a commissioned officer.

5 “(b) THIRTY YEARS OR MORE.—A commissioned of-  
6 ficer of the Space Force who has at least 30 years of serv-  
7 ice computed under section 20602 of this title may be re-  
8 tired upon the officer’s request, in the discretion of the  
9 President.

10 “(c) FORTY YEARS OR MORE.—Except as provided  
11 in section 20503 of this title, a commissioned officer of  
12 the Space Force who has at least 40 years of service com-  
13 puted under section 20602 of this title shall be retired  
14 upon the officer’s request.

15 **“§ 20602. Officers: computation of years of service for**  
16 **voluntary retirement**

17 “(a) YEARS OF ACTIVE SERVICE.—For the purpose  
18 of determining whether an officer of the Space Force may  
19 be retired under section 20601 of this title, the officer’s  
20 years of service are computed by adding all active service  
21 in the armed forces.

22 “(b) REFERENCE TO SECTION EXCLUDING SERVICE  
23 DURING CERTAIN PERIODS.—Section 972(b) of this title  
24 excludes from computation of an officer’s years of service

1 for purposes of this section any time identified with re-  
2 spect to that officer under that section.

3 **“§ 20603. Enlisted members: voluntary retirement for**  
4 **length of service**

5 “(a) TWENTY TO THIRTY YEARS.—Under regula-  
6 tions to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Air Force,  
7 an enlisted member of the Space Force who has at least  
8 20, but less than 30, years of service computed under sec-  
9 tion 20604 of this title may, upon the member’s request,  
10 be retired.

11 “(b) THIRTY YEARS OR MORE.—An enlisted member  
12 of the Space Force who has at least 30 years of service  
13 computed under section 20604 of this title shall be retired  
14 upon the member’s request.

15 **“§ 20604. Enlisted members: computation of years of**  
16 **service for voluntary retirement**

17 “(a) YEARS OF ACTIVE SERVICE.—For the purpose  
18 of determining whether an enlisted member of the Space  
19 Force may be retired under section 20603 of this title,  
20 the member’s years of service are computed by adding all  
21 active service in the armed forces.

22 “(b) REFERENCE TO SECTION EXCLUDING COUNT-  
23 ING OF CERTAIN SERVICE REQUIRED TO BE MADE UP.—  
24 Time required to be made up under section 972(a) of this

1 title may not be counted in computing years of service  
2 under subsection (a).

3 **“§ 20605. Applicability of other provisions of law re-**  
4 **lating to retirement**

5 “(a) APPLICABILITY TO MEMBERS OF THE SPACE  
6 FORCE.—Except as specifically provided for by this chap-  
7 ter, the provisions of this title specified in subsection (b)  
8 apply to members of the Space Force as follows:

9 “(1) Provisions pertaining to an officer of the  
10 Air Force shall apply to an officer of the Space  
11 Force.

12 “(2) Provisions pertaining to an enlisted mem-  
13 ber of the Air Force shall apply to an enlisted mem-  
14 ber of the Space Force.

15 “(3) Provisions pertaining to a regular officer  
16 shall apply to an officer who is on sustained duty in  
17 the Space Force.

18 “(4) Provisions pertaining to a regular enlisted  
19 member shall apply to an enlisted member who is on  
20 sustained duty in the Space Force.

21 “(5) Provisions pertaining to a reserve officer  
22 shall apply to an officer who is in a space force ac-  
23 tive status but not on sustained duty.

24 “(6) Provisions pertaining to a reserve enlisted  
25 member shall apply to an enlisted member who is in

1 a space force active status but not on sustained  
2 duty.

3 “(7) Provisions pertaining to service in a reg-  
4 ular component shall apply to service on sustained  
5 duty.

6 “(8) Provisions pertaining to service in a re-  
7 serve component shall apply to service in a space  
8 force active status not on sustained duty.

9 “(9) Provisions pertaining to a member of the  
10 Ready Reserve shall apply to a member of the Space  
11 Force who is in a space force active status prior to  
12 being ordered to active duty.

13 “(10) Provisions pertaining to a member of the  
14 Retired Reserve shall apply to a member of the  
15 Space Force who has retired under chapter 1223 of  
16 this title.

17 “(b) PROVISIONS OF LAW.—The provisions of this  
18 title referred to in subsection (a) are the following:

19 “(1) Chapter 61, relating to retirement or sepa-  
20 ration for physical disability.

21 “(2) Chapter 63, relating to retirement for age.

22 “(3) Chapter 69, relating to retired grade.

23 “(4) Chapter 71, relating to computation of re-  
24 tired pay.

1           “(5) Chapter 941, relating to retirement from  
2           the Air Force for length of service.

3           “(6) Chapter 945, relating to computation of  
4           retired pay.

5           “(7) Chapter 1223, relating to retired pay for  
6           non-regular service.

7           “(8) Chapter 1225, relating to retired grade.”.

8           (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Title 10, United  
9           States Code, is amended as follows:

10           (1) RETIRED MEMBERS ORDERED TO ACTIVE  
11           DUTY.—Section 688(b) is amended—

12                   (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “Regular  
13                   Marine Corps, or Regular Space Force” and in-  
14                   serting “or Regular Marine Corps”; and

15                   (B) by adding at the end the following new  
16                   paragraph:

17                   “(4) A retired member of the Space Force.”.

18           (2) RETIRED GRADE.—Section 9341 is amend-  
19           ed—

20                   (A) by striking “or the Space Force” both  
21                   places it appears in subsection (a);

22                   (B) by striking “or a Regular or Reserve  
23                   of the Space Force” in subsection (b); and

24                   (C) by adding at the end the following new  
25                   subsection:

1           “(c) SPACE FORCE.—(1) The retired grade of a com-  
2 missioned officer of the Space Force who retires other  
3 than for physical disability is determined under section  
4 1370 or 1370a of this title, as applicable to the officer.

5           “(2) Unless entitled to a higher retired grade under  
6 some other provision of law, a member of the Space Force  
7 not covered by paragraph (1) who retires other than for  
8 physical disability retires in the grade that the member  
9 holds on the date of the member’s retirement.”.

10           (3) RETIRED GRADE OF ENLISTED MEMBERS  
11 AFTER 30 YEARS OF SERVICE.—Section 9344(b)(2)  
12 is amended by striking “Regular” before “Space  
13 Force”.

14           (4) RETIRED LISTS.—Section 9346 is amend-  
15 ed—

16           (A) in subsection (a), by striking “or the  
17 Regular Space Force” and inserting “and a  
18 separate retired list containing the name of  
19 each retired commissioned officer of the Space  
20 Force (other than an officer whose name is on  
21 the list maintained under subsection (b)(2))”;

22           (B) in subsection (b)—

23           (i) by inserting “(1)” after “(b)”;

1 (ii) by redesignating paragraphs (1)  
2 and (2) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), re-  
3 spectively;

4 (iii) in subparagraph (A), as so redesi-  
5 gnated, by striking “, or for commissioned  
6 officers of the Space Force other than of  
7 the Regular Space Force”;

8 (iv) in subparagraph (B), as so redesi-  
9 gnated, by striking “or the Space Force”;  
10 and

11 (v) by adding at the end the following  
12 new paragraph:

13 “(2) The Secretary shall maintain a retired list  
14 containing the name of—

15 “(A) each person entitled to retired pay  
16 who as a member of the Space Force qualified  
17 for retirement under section 20601 of this title;  
18 and

19 “(B) each retired warrant officer or en-  
20 listed member of the Space Force who is ad-  
21 vanced to a commissioned grade.”;

22 (C) in subsection (c), by striking “or the  
23 Space Force” and inserting “and a separate re-  
24 tired list containing the name of each retired  
25 warrant officer of the Space Force”; and

1 (D) in subsection (d), by striking “or the  
2 Regular Space Force” and inserting “and a  
3 separate retired list containing the name of  
4 each retired enlisted member of the Space  
5 Force”.

6 **Subtitle B—Conforming Amend-**  
7 **ments Related to Space Force**  
8 **Military Personnel System**

9 **SEC. 1721. AMENDMENTS TO DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR**  
10 **FORCE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 10, UNITED**  
11 **STATES CODE.**

12 (a) PROVISIONS RELATING TO PERSONNEL.—Part II  
13 of subtitle D of title 10, United States Code, is amended  
14 as follows:

15 (1) GENDER-FREE BASIS FOR ACCEPTANCE OF  
16 ORIGINAL ENLISTMENTS.—

17 (A) Section 9132 by striking “Regular”  
18 before “Space Force”.

19 (B) The heading of such section is amend-  
20 ed by striking the fifth word.

21 (2) REENLISTMENT AFTER SERVICE AS AN OF-  
22 FICER.—

23 (A) Section 9138(a) is amended by strik-  
24 ing “Regular” before “Space Force” both  
25 places it appears.

1 (B) The heading of section 9138 is amend-  
2 ed by striking the fifth word.

3 (3) WARRANT OFFICERS: ORIGINAL APPOINT-  
4 MENT; QUALIFICATIONS.—Section 9160 is amended  
5 by striking “Regular” before “Space Force”.

6 (4) SERVICE AS AN OFFICER TO BE COUNTED  
7 AS ENLISTED SERVICE.—Section 9252 is amended  
8 by striking “Regular” before “Space Force”.

9 (5) CHAPTER HEADING.—

10 (A) The heading of chapter 915 is amend-  
11 ed to read as follows:

12 **“CHAPTER 915—APPOINTMENTS IN THE**  
13 **REGULAR AIR FORCE AND IN THE**  
14 **SPACE FORCE”.**

15 (B) The tables of chapters at the begin-  
16 ning of subtitle D, and at the beginning of part  
17 II of subtitle D of such title, are each amended  
18 by striking the item relating to chapter 915 and  
19 inserting the following new item:

“915. Appointments in the Regular Air Force and in the Space Force 9151”.

20 (b) PROVISIONS RELATING TO TRAINING GEN-  
21 ERALLY.—Section 9401 of such title is amended—

22 (1) in subsection (b)—

23 (A) by striking “or the Regular Space  
24 Force” after “Regular Air Force”; and

1 (B) by inserting “or one of the Space  
2 Force in a space force active status not on sus-  
3 tained duty,” after “on the active-duty list,”;

4 (2) in subsection (c)—

5 (A) by striking “or Reserve of the Space  
6 Force” and inserting “or member of the Space  
7 Force in a space force active status not on sus-  
8 tained duty”; and

9 (B) by striking “the Reserve’s consent”  
10 and inserting “the member’s consent”; and

11 (3) in subsection (f)—

12 (A) by striking “the Regular Space Force”  
13 and inserting “of Space Force members on sus-  
14 tained duty”; and

15 (B) by striking “the Space Force Reserve”  
16 and inserting “of Space Force members in an  
17 active status not on sustained duty”.

18 (c) PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE AIR FORCE  
19 ACADEMY.—Chapter 953 of such title is amended as fol-  
20 lows:

21 (1) PERMANENT PROFESSORS; DIRECTOR OF  
22 ADMISSIONS.—Section 9436 is amended—

23 (A) in subsection (a)—

24 (i) by striking “the equivalent grade  
25 in” both places it appears;

1 (ii) by inserting “or the Space Force”  
2 after “Regular Air Force” the first place it  
3 appears;

4 (iii) by striking “and a permanent”  
5 and all that follows through “in the Reg-  
6 ular Air Force”; and

7 (B) in subsection (b)—

8 (i) by striking “the equivalent grade  
9 in” both places it appears and inserting  
10 “the grade of lieutenant colonel in”; and

11 (ii) by striking “Regular Space Force  
12 has the grade equivalent to the grade of  
13 colonel in the Regular Air Force” and in-  
14 serting “Space Force has the grade of  
15 colonel in the Space Force”.

16 (2) APPOINTMENT OF CADETS.—Section  
17 9442(b) is amended—

18 (A) in paragraph (1)(C), by inserting “, or  
19 the Space Force,” after “members of reserve  
20 components”; and

21 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “Reg-  
22 ular” before “Space Force”.

23 (3) AGREEMENT OF CADETS TO SERVE AS OF-  
24 FICERS.—Section 9448(a) is amended—

1 (A) in paragraph (2)(A), by striking “Reg-  
2 ular” before “Space Force”; and

3 (B) in paragraph (3)—

4 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
5 graph (A), by inserting “, or to terminate  
6 the officer’s order to sustained duty in the  
7 Space Force” after “resign as a regular of-  
8 ficer”;

9 (ii) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
10 “or as a Reserve in the Space Force for  
11 service in the Space Force Reserve” and  
12 inserting “or will accept further assign-  
13 ment in a space force active status”; and

14 (iii) in subparagraph (B), by inserting  
15 “, or the Space Force,” after “that reserve  
16 component”.

17 (4) HAZING.—Section 9452(c) is amended by  
18 striking “Marine Corps, or Space Force,” and in-  
19 serting, “or Marine Corps, or in the Space Force,”.

20 (5) COMMISSION UPON GRADUATION.—Section  
21 9453(b) is amended—

22 (A) by striking “or in the equivalent grade  
23 in the Regular Space Force”; and

1 (B) by inserting before the period the fol-  
2 lowing: “or a second lieutenant in the Space  
3 Force under section 531 or 20201 of this title”.

4 (d) PROVISIONS RELATING TO SCHOOLS AND  
5 CAMPS.—Chapter 957 of such title is amended as follows:

6 (1) PURPOSE.—Section 9481 is amended—

7 (A) by striking “to qualify them for ap-  
8 pointment” and inserting “to qualify them  
9 for—

10 “(1) appointment”;

11 (B) by striking “or the Space Force Re-  
12 serve.” and inserting “; or”; and

13 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
14 paragraph:

15 “(2) appointment as officers, or enlistment as  
16 noncommissioned officers, for service in the Space  
17 Force in a space force active status.”.

18 (2) OPERATION.—Section 9482(4) is amended  
19 by striking “or the Regular Space Force” and in-  
20 serting “or members of the Space Force in an active  
21 status”.

1 **SEC. 1722. AMENDMENTS TO SUBTITLE A OF TITLE 10,**  
2 **UNITED STATES CODE.**

3 (a) PROVISIONS RELATING TO ORGANIZATION AND  
4 GENERAL MILITARY POWERS.—Part I of subtitle A of  
5 title 10, United States Code, is amended as follows:

6 (1) ANNUAL DEFENSE MANPOWER REPORT.—  
7 Section 115a(d)(3)(F) is amended by inserting be-  
8 fore the period the following: “or, in the case of the  
9 Space Force, officers ordered to active duty other  
10 than under section 20105(b) of this title”.

11 (2) SUSPENSION OF END-STRENGTH AND  
12 OTHER STRENGTH LIMITATIONS IN TIME OF WAR OR  
13 NATIONAL EMERGENCY.—Section 123a(a)(2) is  
14 amended by inserting “or the Space Force” after “a  
15 reserve component”.

16 (3) DEPUTY COMMANDER OF USNORTHCOM.—  
17 Section 164(e)(4) is amended—

18 (A) by inserting “(A)” after “(4)”;

19 (B) by striking “shall be a” and all that  
20 follows and inserting “shall be—

21 “(i) a qualified officer of a reserve component  
22 who is eligible for promotion to the grade of lieuten-  
23 ant general or, in the case of the Navy, vice admiral;  
24 or

25 “(ii) a qualified officer of the Space Force  
26 whose prior service includes service in a space force

1 active status other than sustained duty and who is  
2 eligible for promotion to the grade of lieutenant gen-  
3 eral.”; and

4 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
5 subparagraph:

6 “(B) The requirement in subparagraph (A) does not  
7 apply when the officer serving as commander of the com-  
8 batant command described in that subparagraph is (i) a  
9 reserve component officer, or (ii) an officer of the Space  
10 Force whose prior service includes service in a space force  
11 active status other than sustained duty.”.

12 (4) READINESS REPORTS.—Section 482(a) is  
13 amended by inserting “and the Space Force” after  
14 “active and reserve components” in paragraphs (1)  
15 and (2).

16 (b) DOPMA OFFICER PERSONNEL PROVISIONS.—  
17 Chapter 36 of such title is amended as follows:

18 (1) NONDISCLOSURE OF BOARD PRO-  
19 CEEDINGS.—Section 613a is amended by striking  
20 “573, 611, or 628” and inserting “573, 611, 628,  
21 or 20211” in subsections (a) and (c).

22 (2) INFORMATION FURNISHED TO SELECTION  
23 BOARDS.—Section 615(a) is amended—

24 (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “or  
25 20211” after “section 611(a)”; and

1 (B) in paragraph (3)—

2 (i) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
3 “regular officer” and all that follows and  
4 inserting “regular officer or an officer in  
5 the Space Force, a grade above captain or,  
6 in the case of the Navy, lieutenant.”; and

7 (ii) in subparagraph (D)—

8 (I) by striking “major general,”  
9 and inserting “major general or”; and

10 (II) by striking “or, in the case  
11 of the Space Force, the equivalent  
12 grade,”.

13 (3) ELIGIBILITY FOR CONSIDERATION FOR PRO-  
14 MOTION: TIME-IN-GRADE AND OTHER REQUIRE-  
15 MENTS.—Section 619(a) is amended by striking  
16 “Marine Corps, or Space Force” each place it ap-  
17 pears and inserting “or Marine Corps”.

18 (4) AUTHORITY TO VACATE PROMOTIONS TO  
19 GRADES OF BRIGADIER GENERAL AND REAR ADMI-  
20 RAL (LOWER HALF).—Section 625(b) is amended by  
21 striking “Marine Corps, or Space Force” and insert-  
22 ing “or Marine Corps”.

23 (5) SPECIAL SELECTION REVIEW BOARD.—Sec-  
24 tion 628a is amended—

25 (A) in subsection (a)(1)(A)—

1 (i) by striking “major general,” and  
2 inserting “major general or”;

3 (ii) by striking “, or an equivalent  
4 grade in the Space Force”;

5 (B) in subsection (e)(2), by adding at the  
6 end the following new sentence: “However, in  
7 the case of an officer on the Space Force officer  
8 list, the provisions of sections 618, 20215, and  
9 20216 of this title apply to the report and pro-  
10 ceedings of a special selection review board con-  
11 vened under this section in the same manner as  
12 they apply to report and proceedings of a pro-  
13 motion board convened under section 20211 of  
14 this title.”, and

15 (C) in subsection (f)(1), by adding at the  
16 end the following new sentence: “However, if  
17 the report of a special selection review board  
18 convened under this section recommends the  
19 sustainment of the recommendation for pro-  
20 motion to the next higher grade of an officer on  
21 the Space Force officer list who was referred to  
22 it for review under this section, and the Presi-  
23 dent approves the report, the officer shall, as  
24 soon as practicable, be appointed to the grade

1 in accordance with subsections (b) and (c) of  
2 section 20251 of this title.”.

3 (6) RETIREMENT FOR YEARS OF SERVICE.—

4 (A) LIEUTENANT COLONELS.—Section  
5 633(a) is amended—

6 (i) by inserting “(1)” before “Except  
7 as”;

8 (ii) by striking “Regular Marine  
9 Corps, or Regular Space Force” and in-  
10 sserting “or Regular Marine Corps”; and

11 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
12 lowing new paragraph:

13 “(2) Except as provided under section 637(b) or 637a  
14 of this title, each officer of the Space Force who holds  
15 the grade of lieutenant colonel who is not on a list of offi-  
16 cers recommended for promotion to the grade of colonel  
17 shall, if not earlier retired, be retired on the first day of  
18 the month after the month in which the officer completes  
19 28 years of active commissioned service.”.

20 (B) COLONELS.—Section 634(a) is amend-  
21 ed—

22 (i) by inserting “(1)” before “Except  
23 as”;

1 (ii) by striking “Regular Marine  
2 Corps, or Regular Space Force” and in-  
3 serting “or Regular Marine Corps”; and

4 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
5 lowing new paragraph:

6 “(2) Except as provided under section 637(b) or 637a  
7 of this title, each officer of the Space Force who holds  
8 the grade of colonel who is not on a list of officers rec-  
9 ommended for promotion to the grade of brigadier general  
10 shall, if not earlier retired, be retired on the first day of  
11 the month after the month in which the officer completes  
12 30 years of active commissioned service.”.

13 (C) BRIGADIER GENERALS.—Section 635  
14 is amended—

15 (i) by inserting “(a) ARMY, NAVY, AIR  
16 FORCE, AND MARINE CORPS.—” before  
17 “Except as”;

18 (ii) by striking “Regular Marine  
19 Corps, or Regular Space Force” and in-  
20 serting “or Regular Marine Corps”; and

21 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
22 lowing new subsection:

23 “(b) SPACE FORCE.—Except as provided under sec-  
24 tion 637(b) or 637a of this title, each officer of the Space  
25 Force who holds the grade of brigadier general who is not

1 on a list of officers recommended for promotion to the  
2 grade of major general shall, if not earlier retired, be re-  
3 tired as specified in subsection (a).”.

4 (D) OFFICERS IN GRADES ABOVE BRIGA-  
5 DIER GENERAL.—Section 636(a) is amended—

6 (i) by inserting “(1)” before “Except  
7 as”;

8 (ii) by striking “Regular Marine  
9 Corps, or Regular Space Force” and in-  
10 sserting “or Regular Marine Corps”; and

11 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
12 lowing new paragraph:

13 “(2) Except as provided in subsection (b) or (c) and  
14 under section 637(b) or 637a of this title, each officer of  
15 the Space Force who holds the grade of major general  
16 shall, if not earlier retired, be retired as specified in para-  
17 graph (1).”.

18 (E) SECTION HEADINGS.—

19 (i) The heading of section 633 is  
20 amended by striking “**lieutenant colo-**  
21 **nels and**” and inserting “**and Space**  
22 **Force lieutenant colonels; regular**  
23 **Navy**”.

24 (ii) The heading of section 634 is  
25 amended by striking “**colonels and**”

1 and inserting “**and Space Force colo-**  
2 **nels; regular**”.

3 (iii) The heading of section 635 is  
4 amended by striking “**brigadier gen-**  
5 **erals and**” and inserting “**and Space**  
6 **Force brigadier generals; regular**  
7 **Navy**”.

8 (iv) The heading of section 636 is  
9 amended by striking “**officers in**  
10 **grades above brigadier general**  
11 **and**” and inserting “**and Space Force**  
12 **officers in grades above brigadier**  
13 **general; regular Navy officers in**  
14 **grades above**”.

15 (c) MANAGEMENT POLICIES FOR JOINT QUALIFIED  
16 OFFICERS.—Section 661(a) of such title is amended—

17 (1) by striking “Marine Corps, and Space  
18 Force” and inserting “and Marine Corps”; and

19 (2) by inserting “, and officers of the Space  
20 Force on the Space Force officer list,” after “active-  
21 duty list”.

22 (d) LEAVE.—Chapter 40 of such title is amended as  
23 follows:

24 (1) ENTITLEMENT AND ACCUMULATION.—Sec-  
25 tion 701 is amended—

1 (A) in subsection (h)—

2 (i) by inserting at the end of para-  
3 graph (2) the following new subparagraph:

4 “(D) A member of the Space Force in a space  
5 force active status, not on sustained duty.”; and

6 (ii) in paragraphs (5)(B) and (6), by  
7 inserting “, or of the Space Force,” after  
8 “member of a reserve component”; and

9 (B) in subsection (i), by inserting “, or of  
10 the Space Force,” after “member of a reserve  
11 component”.

12 (2) PAYMENT UPON DISAPPROVAL OF CERTAIN  
13 BOARD OF INQUIRY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EXCESS  
14 LEAVE REQUIRED TO BE TAKEN.—Section  
15 707a(a)(1) is amended by inserting “or 20503”  
16 after “section 1182(c)(2)”.

17 (3) CAREER FLEXIBILITY TO ENHANCE RETEN-  
18 TION OF MEMBERS.—Section 710 is amended—

19 (A) in subsection (a), by inserting “or of  
20 the Space Force” after “regular components”;

21 (B) in subsection (b)(2), by inserting “, or  
22 a Space Force officer in a space force active  
23 status not on active duty under section  
24 20105(b) of this title,” after “officer”;

1 (C) in subsection (c)(1), by inserting be-  
2 fore the period at the end the following: “or, in  
3 the case of a member of the Space Force on  
4 sustained duty, to accept release from sustained  
5 duty orders and to serve in a space force active  
6 status”; and

7 (D) in subsection (g)(1)(A), by striking  
8 “chapter 36 or 1405” and inserting “chapter  
9 36, 1405, or 2005”.

10 (e) LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF OFFICES WHO MAY  
11 BE FROCKED TO A HIGHER GRADE.—Section 777(d)(2)  
12 of such title is amended by inserting “, or for the Space  
13 Force, the Space Force officer list,” after “active-duty  
14 list”.

15 (f) UNIFORM CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE.—Chapter  
16 47 of such title (the Uniform Code of Military Justice),  
17 is amended as follows:

18 (1) PERSONS SUBJECT TO UCMJ.—Section 802  
19 (article 2) is amended—

20 (A) in subsection (a)—

21 (i) in paragraph (1), by inserting  
22 “and members of the Space Force on ac-  
23 tive duty under section 20105 of this  
24 title,” after “regular component of the  
25 armed forces,”;

1 (ii) in paragraph (3)(A)(i), by insert-  
2 ing “or the Space Force” after “reserve  
3 component”;

4 (iii) in paragraph (5), by inserting “,  
5 or retired members of the Space Force who  
6 qualified for a non-regular retirement and  
7 are receiving retired pay,” after “a reserve  
8 component”; and

9 (iv) by adding at the end the following  
10 new paragraph:

11 “(14) Retired members of the Space Force who  
12 qualified for a regular retirement under section  
13 20603 of this title and are receiving retired pay.”;  
14 and

15 (B) in subsection (d)—

16 (i) in paragraph (1), by inserting “or  
17 the Space Force” after “reserve compo-  
18 nent”;

19 (ii) in paragraph (2), by inserting “or  
20 the Space Force” after “a reserve compo-  
21 nent”; and

22 (iii) in paragraph (4), by inserting “or  
23 the Space Force” after “in a regular com-  
24 ponent of the armed forces”.

1           (2) JURISDICTION TO TRY CERTAIN PER-  
2           SONNEL.—Subsection (d) of section 803 (article 3)  
3           is amended by inserting, “or the Space Force” after  
4           “reserve component”.

5           (3) ARTICLES TO BE EXPLAINED.—Section 937  
6           (article 137) is amended—

7                   (A) in subsection (a)(1)—

8                           (i) by striking “or” at the end of sub-  
9                           paragraph (A);

10                           (ii) by striking the period at the end  
11                           of subparagraph (B) and inserting “; or”;  
12                           and

13                           (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
14                           lowing new subparagraph:

15                           “(C) the member’s initial entrance on active  
16                           duty or into a space force active status.”;

17                   (B) in subsection (a)(2)—

18                           (i) by striking “and” at the end of  
19                           subparagraph (A);

20                           (ii) by redesignating subparagraph  
21                           (B) as subparagraph (C); and

22                           (iii) by inserting after subparagraph  
23                           (A) the following new subparagraph:

24                           “(B) after a member of Space Force has com-  
25                           pleted six months of sustained duty or in the case

1 of a member not on sustained duty, after the mem-  
2 ber has completed basic or recruit training; and”;

3 (C) in subsection (b)(1)(B), by inserting  
4 “or the Space Force” after “in a reserve com-  
5 ponent”; and

6 (D) in subsection (d), by striking “or to a  
7 member of a reserve component,” and inserting  
8 “, to a member of a reserve component, or to  
9 a member of the Space Force,”.

10 (f) RESTRICTION ON PERFORMANCE OF CIVIL FUNC-  
11 TIONS BY OFFICERS ON ACTIVE DUTY.—Section  
12 973(b)(1) of such title 10 is amended—

13 (1) by striking “and” at the end of subpara-  
14 graph (B);

15 (2) by striking the period at the end of sub-  
16 paragraph (C) and inserting “; and”; and

17 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
18 paragraph:

19 “(D) to an officer on the Space Force officer  
20 list serving on active duty under section 20105(b) of  
21 this title or under a call or order to active duty for  
22 a period in excess of 270 days.”.

23 (h) USE OF COMMISSARY STORES AND MWR RETAIL  
24 FACILITIES.—Section 1063 of such title is amended—

25 (1) in subsection (c)—

1 (A) in the heading, by inserting “AND  
2 SPACE FORCE” after “RESERVE”; and

3 (B) by inserting “or the Space Force”  
4 after “reserve component”;

5 (2) by redesignating subsections (d) and (e) as  
6 subsections (e) and (f), respectively;

7 (3) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-  
8 lowing new subsection (d):

9 “(d) MEMBERS OF THE SPACE FORCE.—A member  
10 of the Space Force in a space force active status who is  
11 not on sustained duty shall be permitted to use com-  
12 missary stores and MWR retail facilities under the same  
13 conditions as specified in subsection (a) for a member of  
14 the Selected Reserve.”; and

15 (4) in subsection (e), as redesignated by para-  
16 graph (2), by striking “subsection (a) or (b)” in  
17 paragraph (1) and inserting “subsection (a), (b), or  
18 (d)”.

19 (i) MEMBERS INVOLUNTARY SEPARATED.—

20 (1) ELIGIBILITY FOR CERTAIN BENEFITS AND  
21 SERVICES.—Section 1141 of such title is amended—

22 (A) by striking “and” at the end of para-  
23 graph (3);

24 (B) by striking the period at the end of  
25 paragraph (4) and inserting a semicolon; and

1 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
2 paragraphs:

3 “(5) in the case of an officer of the Space  
4 Force (other than a retired officer), the officer is in-  
5 voluntarily discharged or released from active duty  
6 under other than adverse conditions, as character-  
7 ized by the Secretary of the Air Force; and

8 “(6) in the case of an enlisted member of the  
9 Space Force, the member is—

10 “(A) denied reenlistment; or

11 “(B) involuntarily discharged or released  
12 from active duty under other than adverse con-  
13 ditions, as characterized by the Secretary of the  
14 Air Force.”.

15 (2) SEPARATION PAY.—Section 1174(a)(2) of  
16 such title is amended by striking “, Marine Corps,  
17 or Space Force” both places it appears and inserting  
18 “or Marine Corps”.

19 (j) BOARDS FOR THE CORRECTION OF MILITARY  
20 RECORDS.—Chapter 79 of such title is amended as fol-  
21 lows:

22 (1) REVIEW OF ACTIONS OF SELECTION  
23 BOARDS AND CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS.—  
24 Section 1558 is amended—

1 (A) inserting “, or the Space Force,” after  
2 “reserve component” each place it appears; and

3 (B) in subsection (b)—

4 (i) in paragraph (1)(C), by striking  
5 “section 628 or 14502” and inserting  
6 “section 628, 14502, or 20252”;

7 (ii) in paragraph (2)(A), by striking  
8 “or 14705” and inserting “14507, or  
9 20403”; and

10 (iii) in paragraph (2)(B)(i), by strik-  
11 ing “or 14101(a)” and inserting  
12 “14101(a), or 20211”.

13 (2) TITLE OF AIR FORCE SERVICE REVIEW  
14 AGENCY.—

15 (A) Sections 1555(c)(3) and 1557(f)(3)  
16 are amended by inserting “the Department of”  
17 after “Air Force,”.

18 (B) Section 1556(a) is amended by insert-  
19 ing “the Department of” after “the Army Re-  
20 view Boards Agency,”.

21 (C) Section 1559(c)(3) is amended by in-  
22 serting “the Department of the” after “Air  
23 Force,”.

24 (k) MILITARY FAMILY PROGRAMS.—Chapter 88 of  
25 such title is amended as follows:

1 (1) MEMBERS OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
2 MILITARY READINESS COUNCIL.—Section  
3 1781a(b)(1)(B)(iii) is amended—

4 (A) by striking “member and” and insert-  
5 ing “member,”; and

6 (B) by inserting “, and one of whom shall  
7 be the spouse or parent of a member of the  
8 Space Force” after “parent of a reserve compo-  
9 nent member”.

10 (2) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE POLICY AND  
11 PLANS FOR MILITARY FAMILY READINESS.—Section  
12 1781b is amended—

13 (A) in subsection (b)(3), by striking “mili-  
14 tary families of members of the regular compo-  
15 nents and military families of members of the  
16 reserve components” and inserting “military  
17 families of members of the regular components,  
18 the reserve components, and the Space Force”;  
19 and

20 (B) in subsection (c)(2)—

21 (i) by striking “both”; and

22 (ii) by striking “military families of  
23 members of the regular components and  
24 military families of members of the reserve  
25 components” and inserting “military fami-

1                   lies of members of the regular components,  
2                   members of the reserve components, and  
3                   members of the Space Force”.

4           (1) TRAINING AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS.—

5                   (1) PAYMENT OF TUITION FOR OFF-DUTY  
6           TRAINING OR EDUCATION.—Section 2007 of such  
7           title is amended by adding at the end the following  
8           new subsection:

9           “(g) The provisions of this section pertaining to mem-  
10          bers of the Ready Reserve, the Selected Reserve, or the  
11          Individual Ready Reserve also apply to members of the  
12          Space Force in a space force active status who are not  
13          on active duty.”.

14                  (2) ROTC FINANCIAL ASSISTANT PROGRAM FOR  
15          SPECIALLY SELECTED MEMBERS.—Section 2107 of  
16          such title is amended—

17                          (A) in subsection (a)—

18    (i) by striking “Navy,” and inserting  
19    “Navy or”; and

20    (ii) by striking “or as an officer in the  
21    equivalent grade in the Space Force”; and

22                          (B) by adding at the end the following a  
23          new subsection:

24          “(k) APPLICABILITY TO SPACE FORCE.—(1) Provi-  
25          sions of this section referring to a regular commission,

1 regular officer, or a commission in a regular component  
2 shall be treated as also referring to the commission of an  
3 officer, or an officer, who is a commissioned officer in the  
4 Space Force serving on active duty pursuant to section  
5 20105(b) of this title.

6 “(2) Provisions of this section referring to a reserve  
7 commission, reserve officer, or a commission in a reserve  
8 component shall be treated as also referring to the com-  
9 mission of an officer, or an officer, who is a commissioned  
10 officer in the Space Force not serving on active duty pur-  
11 suant to section 20105(b) of this title.”.

12 (3) DUTY AS ROTC ADMINISTRATORS AND IN-  
13 STRUCTORS.—Section 2111 of such title is amended  
14 by adding at the end the following new sentence:  
15 “The Secretary of the Air Force may detail mem-  
16 bers of the Space Force in the same manner as reg-  
17 ular and reserve members of the Air Force.”.

18 **SEC. 1723. TITLE 38, UNITED STATES CODE (VETERANS’**  
19 **BENEFITS).**

20 (a) DEFINITIONS.—

21 (1) GENERAL DEFINITIONS.—Section 101 of  
22 title 38, United States Code, is amended—

23 (A) in paragraph (23), by inserting “, or  
24 for members of the Space Force in a space  
25 force active status (as defined in section

1 101(e)(1) of title 10),” in subparagraphs (A)  
2 and (B) after “(including commissioned officers  
3 of the Reserve Corps of the Public Health Serv-  
4 ice)”;

5 (B) in paragraph (27)—

6 (i) by striking subparagraph (E); and

7 (ii) by redesignating subparagraphs  
8 (F), (G), and (H) as subparagraphs (E),  
9 (F), and (G), respectively.

10 (2) DEFINITIONS FOR PURPOSES OF SGLI.—

11 Section 1965 of such title is amended—

12 (A) in paragraph (2)(A), by inserting “, or  
13 by members of the Space Force in a space force  
14 active status (as defined in section 101(e)(1) of  
15 title 10) but not on sustained duty under sec-  
16 tion 20105 of title 10,” after “for Reserves”;  
17 and

18 (B) in paragraph (3)(A), by inserting “, or  
19 for members of the Space Force in a space  
20 force active status (as defined in section  
21 101(e)(1) of title 10),” after “(including com-  
22 missioned officers of the Reserve Corps of the  
23 Public Health Service)”.

24 (b) PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR INTERMENT IN NA-  
25 TIONAL CEMETERIES.—Section 2402(a) of such title is

1 amended in paragraph (2), by inserting “ any member of  
2 the Space Force,” after “a Reserve component of the  
3 Armed Forces,”.

4 (c) EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE.—

5 (1) MONTGOMERY GI BILL.—Section  
6 3011(a)(3)(D) of such title is amended by inserting  
7 “or for further service in the Space Force in a space  
8 force active status not on sustained duty under sec-  
9 tion 20105 of title 10” after “of the Armed  
10 Forces,”.

11 (2) POST 9-11 GI BILL.—Section 3311(c)(3) of  
12 such title is amended by inserting “, or for further  
13 service in the Space Force in a space force active  
14 status not on sustained duty under section 20105 of  
15 title 10,” after “of the Armed Forces” the second  
16 place it appears.

## 17 **Subtitle C—Transition Provisions**

### 18 **SEC. 1731. TRANSITION PERIOD.**

19 In this subtitle, the term “transition period” means  
20 the period beginning on the date of the enactment of this  
21 Act and ending on the last day of the fourth fiscal year  
22 beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act.

### 23 **SEC. 1732. CHANGE OF DUTY STATUS OF MEMBERS OF THE** 24 **SPACE FORCE.**

25 (a) CHANGE OF DUTY STATUS.—

1           (1) CONVERSION OF STATUS AND ORDER TO  
2           SUSTAINED DUTY.—During the transition period,  
3           the Secretary of the Air Force shall change the duty  
4           status of each member of the Regular Space Force  
5           to space force active status and shall, at the same  
6           time, order the member to sustained duty under sec-  
7           tion 20105 of title 10, United States Code, as added  
8           by section 1715. Any such order may be made with-  
9           out regard to any otherwise applicable requirement  
10          that such an order be made only with the consent  
11          of the member or as specified in an enlistment  
12          agreement or active-duty service commitment.

13          (2) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this sec-  
14          tion, the terms “space force active status” and “sus-  
15          tained duty” have the meanings given those terms  
16          by subsection (e) of section 101 of title 10, United  
17          States Code, as added by section 1713(a).

18          (b) EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHANGE OF DUTY STA-  
19          TUS.—The change of a member’s duty status and order  
20          to sustained duty in accordance with subsection (a) shall  
21          be effective on the date specified by the Secretary of the  
22          Air Force, but not later than the last day of the transition  
23          period.

1 **SEC. 1733. TRANSFER TO THE SPACE FORCE OF MEMBERS**  
2 **OF THE RESERVE COMPONENTS OF THE AIR**  
3 **FORCE.**

4 (a) TRANSFER OF MEMBERS.—

5 (1) OFFICERS.—During the transition period,  
6 the Secretary of Defense may, with the officer's con-  
7 sent, transfer a covered officer of a reserve compo-  
8 nent of the Air Force to, and appoint the officer in,  
9 the Space Force.

10 (2) ENLISTED MEMBERS.—During the transi-  
11 tion period, the Secretary of the Air Force may  
12 transfer each covered enlisted member of a reserve  
13 component of the Air Force to the Space Force,  
14 other than those members who do not consent to the  
15 transfer.

16 (3) EFFECTIVE DATE OF TRANSFERS.—Each  
17 transfer under this subsection shall be effective on  
18 the date specified by the Secretary of Defense, in the  
19 case of an officer, or the Secretary of the Air Force,  
20 in the case of an enlisted member, but not later than  
21 the last day of the transition period.

22 (b) REGULATIONS.—Transfers under subsection (a)  
23 shall be carried out under regulations prescribed by the  
24 Secretary of Defense. In the case of an officer, applicable  
25 regulations shall include those prescribed pursuant to sec-  
26 tion 716 of title 10, United States Code.

1           (c) TERM OF INITIAL ENLISTMENT IN SPACE  
2 FORCE.—In the case of a covered enlisted member who  
3 is transferred to the Space Force in accordance with sub-  
4 section (a), the Secretary of the Air Force may accept the  
5 initial enlistment of the member in the Space Force for  
6 a period of less than 2 years, but only if the period of  
7 enlistment in the Space Force is not less than the period  
8 remaining, as of the date of the transfer, in the member's  
9 term of enlistment in a reserve component of the Air  
10 Force.

11           (d) END STRENGTH ADJUSTMENTS UPON TRANS-  
12 FERS FROM RESERVE COMPONENTS OF THE AIR  
13 FORCE.—During the transition period, upon the transfer  
14 of a mission of the Air Force Reserve to the Space  
15 Force—

16           (1) the end strength authorized for the Space  
17 Force pursuant to section 115(a)(1)(A) of title 10,  
18 United States Code, for the fiscal year during which  
19 the transfer occurs shall be increased by the number  
20 of billets associated with that mission; and

21           (2) the end strength authorized for the reserve  
22 components of the Air Force pursuant to section  
23 115(a)(2) of such title for such fiscal year shall be  
24 decreased by the same number.

1 (e) ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.—For purposes of  
2 the transfer of covered members of the Air Force Reserve  
3 in accordance with subsection (a)—

4 (1) the Air Force Reserve, the Air National  
5 Guard, and the Space Force shall be considered to  
6 be components of the same Armed Force; and

7 (2) the Space Force officer list shall be consid-  
8 ered to be an active-duty list of an Armed Force.

9 (f) RETRAINING AND REASSIGNMENT FOR MEMBERS  
10 NOT TRANSFERRING.—If a covered member of a reserve  
11 component of the Air Force does not consent to transfer  
12 to the Space Force in accordance with subsection (a), the  
13 Secretary of the Air Force may, as determined appropriate  
14 by the Secretary in the case of the individual member, pro-  
15 vide the member retraining and reassignment within a re-  
16 serve component of the Air Force.

17 (g) COVERED DEFINED.—For purposes of this sec-  
18 tion, the term “covered”, with respect to a member of a  
19 reserve component of the Air Force, means—

20 (1) a member who, as of the date of the enact-  
21 ment of this Act, holds an Air Force specialty code  
22 for a specialty held by members of the Space Force;  
23 and

1           (2) any other member designated by the Sec-  
2           retary of the Air Force for the purposes of this sec-  
3           tion.

4   **SEC. 1734. PLACEMENT OF OFFICERS ON THE SPACE**  
5                           **FORCE OFFICER LIST.**

6           (a) **PLACEMENT ON LIST.**—Officers of the Space  
7           Force whose duty status is changed in accordance with  
8           section 1732, and officers of the reserve components of  
9           the Air Force who transfer to the Space Force in accord-  
10          ance with 1733, shall be placed on the Space Force officer  
11          list in an order determined by their respective grades and  
12          dates of rank.

13          (b) **OFFICERS OF SAME GRADE AND DATE OF**  
14          **RANK.**—Among officers of the same grade and date of  
15          rank, placement on the Space Force officer list shall be  
16          in the order of their rank as determined in accordance  
17          with section 741(c) of title 10, United States Code.

18   **SEC. 1735. DISESTABLISHMENT OF REGULAR SPACE**  
19                           **FORCE.**

20          (a) **DISESTABLISHMENT.**—The Secretary of the Air  
21          Force shall disestablish the Regular Space Force not later  
22          than the end of the transition period, once there are no  
23          longer any members remaining in the Regular Space  
24          Force. The Regular Space Force shall be disestablished  
25          upon the completion of the change of duty status of all

1 members of the Space Force pursuant to section 1742 and  
2 certification by the Secretary of the Air Force to the con-  
3 gressional defense committees that there are no longer any  
4 members of the Regular Space Force.

5 (b) PUBLICATION OF NOTICE IN FEDERAL REG-  
6 ISTER.—The Secretary shall publish in the Federal Reg-  
7 ister notice of the disestablishment of the Regular Space  
8 Force, including the date thereof, together with any cer-  
9 tification submitted pursuant to subsection (a).

10 (c) CONFORMING REPEAL.—

11 (1) REPEAL.—Section 9085 of title 10, United  
12 States Code, relating to the composition of the Reg-  
13 ular Space Force, is repealed.

14 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made  
15 by this subsection shall take effect on the date on  
16 which the certification is submitted under subsection  
17 (a).

18 **SEC. 1736. END STRENGTH FLEXIBILITY.**

19 (a) ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY TO VARY END  
20 STRENGTHS.—

21 (1) AUTHORITY.—Notwithstanding section  
22 115(g) of title 10, United States Code, upon deter-  
23 mination by the Secretary of the Air Force that such  
24 action would enhance manning and readiness in es-  
25 sential units or in critical specialties, the Secretary

1       may vary the end strength authorized by Congress  
2       for a fiscal year as follows:

3               (A) Increase the end strength authorized  
4               pursuant to section 115(a)(1)(A) of such title  
5               for a fiscal year for the Space Force by a num-  
6               ber equal to not more than 5 percent of such  
7               authorized end strength.

8               (B) Decrease the end strength authorized  
9               pursuant to section 115(a)(1)(A) of such title  
10              for a fiscal year for the Space Force by a num-  
11              ber equal to not more than 10 percent of such  
12              authorized end strength.

13              (2) TERMINATION.—The authority provided  
14              under paragraph (1) shall terminate on the last day  
15              of the transition period.

16              (b) TEMPORARY EXEMPTION FOR THE SPACE FORCE  
17 FROM END STRENGTH GRADE RESTRICTIONS.—Sections  
18 517 and 523 of title 10, United States Code, shall not  
19 apply to the Space Force during the transition period.

20 **SEC. 1737. PROMOTION AUTHORITY FLEXIBILITY.**

21              (a) PROMOTION AUTHORITY FLEXIBILITY.—During  
22 the transition period, the Secretary of the Air Force may  
23 convene selection boards to consider officers on the space  
24 force officer list for promotion, and may promote Space  
25 Force officers selected by such boards, in accordance with

1 any of the following provisions of title 10, United States  
2 Code:

3 (1) Chapter 36.

4 (2) Part III of subtitle E.

5 (3) Chapter 2005, as added by section 1716.

6 (b) COORDINATION OF PROVISIONS.—

7 (1) For a selection board convened pursuant to  
8 subsection (a) to consider members of the Space  
9 Force for promotion in accordance with chapter 36  
10 of such title—

11 (A) provisions that apply to an officer of a  
12 regular component of the Armed Forces shall  
13 apply to an officer of the Space Force; and

14 (B) the space force officer list shall be con-  
15 sidered to be an active-duty list.

16 (2) For a selection board convened pursuant to  
17 pursuant to subsection (a) to consider members of  
18 the Space Force for promotion in accordance with  
19 part III of subtitle E of such title—

20 (A) provisions that apply to an officer of a  
21 reserve component of the Armed Forces shall  
22 apply to an officer of the Space Force; and

23 (B) the space force officer list shall be con-  
24 sidered to be a reserve active-status list.

1           (3) For a selection board convened pursuant to  
2 subsection (a) to consider members of the Space  
3 Force for promotion in accordance with either chap-  
4 ter 36 or part III of subtitle E of such title—

5           (A) section 20213 of such title shall apply  
6 to the composition of the selection board;

7           (B) the provisions of chapter 2005 of such  
8 title regarding officers on the space force officer  
9 list eligible to be considered for promotion to  
10 the grade of brigadier general or major general  
11 shall apply;

12           (C) section 20216 of such title shall apply;  
13 and

14           (D) the provisions of chapter 36 or part  
15 III of subtitle E of such title, as the case may  
16 be, regarding failure of selection for promotion  
17 shall apply.

18       (c) EFFECT OF USING NEW CHAPTER 2005 AU-  
19 THORITIES.—If the Secretary of the Air Force convenes  
20 a selection board under chapter 2005 of title 10, United  
21 States Code, as added by section 1716, to consider officers  
22 on the space force officer list in a particular grade and  
23 competitive category for selection for promotion to the  
24 next higher grade, the Secretary may not convene a future  
25 selection board pursuant to subsection (a) to consider offi-

1 cers of the same grade and competitive category under  
2 chapter 36 or part III of subtitle E of such title.

3 **Subtitle D—Other Amendments**  
4 **Related to the Space Force**

5 **SEC. 1741. TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE.**

6 (a) AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION  
7 OF GRADES FOR OFFICERS OF THE SPACE FORCE.—Title  
8 10, United States Code, is amended as follows:

9 (1) COMMISSIONED OFFICER GRADES.—Section  
10 9151 is amended by inserting “and in the Space  
11 Force” after “in the Regular Air Force”.

12 (2) RANK.—Section 741(a) is amended in the  
13 table by striking “and Marine Corps” and inserting  
14 “Marine Corps, and Space Force”.

15 (3) DEFINITION OF GENERAL OFFICER.—Sec-  
16 tion 101(b)(4) is amended by striking “or Marine  
17 Corps” and inserting “Marine Corps, or Space  
18 Force”.

19 (4) TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS TO POSITIONS  
20 DESIGNATED TO CARRY THE GRADE OF GENERAL OR  
21 LIEUTENANT GENERAL.—Section 601(e) is amend-  
22 ed—

23 (A) by striking “or Marine Corps,” and in-  
24 serting “Marine Corps, or Space Force or”; and

1 (B) by striking “or the commensurate  
2 grades in the Space Force,”.

3 (5) RETIRED GRADE OF OFFICERS.—Section  
4 1370 is amended as follows:

5 (A) Subsection (a)(2) is amended by strik-  
6 ing “major general” and all that follows in sub-  
7 paragraphs (A) and (B) and inserting “major  
8 general or rear admiral.”.

9 (B) Subsection (b) is amended—

10 (i) in paragraph (1)—

11 (I) by striking “or Marine  
12 Corps” and all that follows through  
13 “the Space Force,” and inserting  
14 “Marine Corps, or, Space Force or  
15 lieutenant in the Navy,”; and

16 (II) in subparagraph (B), by  
17 striking “major general” and all that  
18 follow through “Space Force” and in-  
19 serting “major general or rear admi-  
20 ral”;

21 (ii) in paragraph (4), by striking “or  
22 Marine Corps” and all that follows through  
23 “Space Force,” and inserting “Marine  
24 Corps, or Space Force or captain in the  
25 Navy,”;

1 (iii) in paragraph (5)—

2 (I) in subparagraph (A), by strik-  
3 ing “or Marine Corps” and all that  
4 follows through “Space Force,” and  
5 inserting “Marine Corps, or Space  
6 Force or lieutenant commander in the  
7 Navy,”;

8 (II) in subparagraph (B), by  
9 striking “or Marine Corps” and all  
10 that follows through “Space Force,”  
11 and inserting “Marine Corps, or  
12 Space Force or commander or captain  
13 in the Navy,”; and

14 (III) in subparagraph (C), by  
15 striking “or Marine Corps” and all  
16 that follows through “Space Force,”  
17 and inserting “Marine Corps, or  
18 Space Force or rear admiral (lower  
19 half) or rear admiral in the Navy,”;  
20 and

21 (iv) in paragraph (6), by striking “, or  
22 an equivalent grade in the Space Force,”.

23 (C) Subsection (c)(1) is amended by “or  
24 Marine Corps” and all that follows through  
25 “Space Force” and inserting “Marine Corps, or

1           Space Force or vice admiral or admiral in the  
2           Navy”.

3           (D) Subsection (d) is amended—

4                   (i) in paragraph (1), by striking “or  
5                   Marine Corps” and all that follows through  
6                   “Space Force” and inserting “Marine  
7                   Corps, or Space Force or rear admiral in  
8                   the Navy”; and

9                   (ii) in paragraph (3), by striking “or  
10                   Marine Corps” and all that follows through  
11                   “Space Force,” and inserting “Marine  
12                   Corps, or Space Force or captain in the  
13                   Navy,”.

14           (E) Subsection (e)(2) is amended by strik-  
15           ing “or Marine Corps” and all that follows  
16           through “Space Force,” and inserting “Marine  
17           Corps, or Space Force or vice admiral or admi-  
18           ral in the Navy,”.

19           (F) Subsection (f) is amended—

20                   (i) in paragraph (3)—

21                           (I) in subparagraph (A), by strik-  
22                           ing “or Marine Corps” and all that  
23                           follows through “Space Force,” and  
24                           inserting “Marine Corps, or Space

1 Force or rear admiral in the Navy”;  
2 and

3 (II) in subparagraph (B), by  
4 striking “‘or Marine Corps’ and all  
5 that follows through ‘Space Force’  
6 and inserting “Marine Corps, or Space  
7 Force or vice admiral or admiral in  
8 the Navy”; and

9 (ii) in paragraph (6)—

10 (I) in subparagraph (A), by strik-  
11 ing “or Marine Corps” and all that  
12 follows through “Space Force,” and  
13 inserting “Marine Corps, or Space  
14 Force or rear admiral in the Navy”;  
15 and

16 (II) in subparagraph (B), by  
17 striking “or Marine Corps” and all  
18 that follows through “Space Force,”  
19 and inserting “Marine Corps, or  
20 Space Force or vice admiral or admi-  
21 ral in the Navy”.

22 (6) HONORARY PROMOTIONS.—Sections  
23 1563(e)(1) and 1563a(a)(1) are each amended—

24 (A) by striking “general,” and inserting  
25 “general or”; and

1 (B) by striking “, or an equivalent grade  
2 in the Space Force”.

3 (7) AIR FORCE INSPECTOR GENERAL.—Section  
4 9020(a) is amended by striking “the general, flag,  
5 or equivalent officers of”.

6 (b) OTHER TITLE 10 AMENDMENTS.—Such title is  
7 further amended as follows:

8 (1) LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF RETIRED MEM-  
9 BERS ORDERED TO ACTIVE DUTY.—Section 690(a)  
10 is amended by striking “or Marine Corps,” and in-  
11 sserting “Marine Corps, or Space Force,”.

12 (2) THE UNIFORM.—Section 772(i) is amend-  
13 ed—

14 (A) by striking “an Air Force School” and  
15 inserting “an Air Force or Space Force school”;  
16 and

17 (B) by striking “aviation badges of the Air  
18 Force” and inserting “aviation or space badges  
19 of the Air Force or Space Force”.

20 (3) MEMBERSHIP IN MILITARY UNIONS, ORGA-  
21 NIZING OF MILITARY UNIONS, AND RECOGNITION OF  
22 MILITARY UNIONS PROHIBITED.—Section 976(a) is  
23 amended by inserting “or the Space Force” in para-  
24 graph (1)(C) after “member of a Reserve compo-  
25 nent”.

1           (4) LIMITATION ON ENLISTED AIDES.—Section  
2           981 is amended—

3                   (A) in subsection (a), by striking “Marine  
4           Corps, Air Force,” and inserting “Air Force,  
5           Marine Corps, Space Force,”;

6                   (B) in subsection (b), by striking “and Ma-  
7           rine Corps” and inserting “Marine Corps, and  
8           Space Force”; and

9                   (C) in subsection (c)(1), by inserting  
10           “Space Force,” after “Marine Corps,”.

11           (5) DEFINITION OF VETERAN FOR PURPOSES  
12           OF FUNERAL HONORS.—Section 1491(h)(1) is  
13           amended by striking “or air service” and inserting  
14           “air, or space service”.

15           (6) HOUSING FOR RECRUITS.—Section 9419(d)  
16           is amended by inserting “or the Space Force” after  
17           “training program of the Air Force”.

18           (7) CHARTER OF CHIEF OF SPACE OPER-  
19           ATIONS.—Section 9082 is amended as follows:

20                   (A) CROSS-REFERENCE CORRECTION.—  
21           Subsection (d)(5) is amended by striking “sec-  
22           tions” and all that follows through “of law”  
23           and inserting “sections 171 and 3104 of this  
24           title and other provisions of law”.

1 (B) ELAPSED-TIME PROVISION.—Sub-  
2 section (e)(1) is amended by striking “Com-  
3 mencing” and all that follows through “the  
4 Chief” and inserting “The Chief”.

5 **SEC. 1742. OTHER PROVISIONS OF LAW.**

6 (a) TRADE ACT OF 1974.—Section 233(i)(1) of the  
7 Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2293(i)(1)) is amended by  
8 inserting “, or a member of the Space Force,” after “a  
9 member of a reserve component of the Armed Forces”.

10 (b) TITLE 28, UNITED STATES CODE (JUDICIARY  
11 AND JUDICIAL PROCEDURE).—Section 631(c) of title 28,  
12 United States Code is amended by inserting “members of  
13 the Space Force” after “Coast Guard” the second place  
14 it appears.

15 (c) SERVICEMEMBERS CIVIL RELIEF ACT.—The  
16 Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (50 U.S.C. 3901 et seq.)  
17 is amended as follows:

18 (1) MILITARY SERVICE DEFINED.—Section  
19 101(2)(A) (50 U.S.C. 3911(2)(A)) is amended by in-  
20 serting “Space Force,” after “Marine Corps,”.

21 (2) SAME RIGHTS AND PROTECTIONS AS RE-  
22 SERVES ORDERED TO REPORT FOR MILITARY SERV-  
23 ICE.—Section 106 (50 U.S.C. 3911) is amended by  
24 adding at the end the following new subsection:

1       “(c) The provisions of subsection (a) apply to a mem-  
2 ber of the Space Force who is ordered to report for mili-  
3 tary service in the same manner as to a member of a re-  
4 serve component who is ordered to report for military serv-  
5 ice.”.

6           (3) EXERCISE OF RIGHTS UNDER SCRA.—Sec-  
7 tion 108(5) (50 U.S.C. 3919(5)) is amended by in-  
8 serting before the period at the end the following:  
9       “or as a member of the Space Force”.

10       **TITLE XVIII—OTHER DEFENSE**  
11           **MATTERS**

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- Sec. 1851. Flexibility and funding for the World Trade Center Health Program.
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**1 Subtitle A—Other Defense Matters**

**2 SEC. 1801. TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

**3 (a) TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE.—**Title 10,  
**4 United States Code, is amended as follows:**

**5 (1) In the subtitle analysis for subtitle A—**

**6 (A) by striking the item relating to chapter**  
**7 113 and inserting the following new item:**

**“113. Defense Civilian Training Corps .....2200g”;**

**8 (B) by striking the item relating to chapter**  
**9 207 and inserting the following new item:**

**“207. Budgeting and Appropriations ..... 3131”;**

1 (C) by striking the item relating to chapter  
2 225 and inserting the following new item:

“225. [Reserved] ..... 3271”;

3 (D) by striking the item relating to chap-  
4 ter 272 and inserting the following new item:

“272. [Reserved] ..... 3721”;

5 (E) by striking the item relating to chapter  
6 287 and inserting the following new item:

“287. Other Contracting Programs ..... 3901”;

7 (F) by striking the item relating to chapter  
8 305 and inserting the following new item:

“305. Universities ..... 4141”;

9 (G) by inserting after the item relating to  
10 chapter 307 the following new items:

“SUBPART F—MAJOR SYSTEMS, MAJOR DEFENSE ACQUISITION  
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- “321. General Matters ..... 4201
- “322. Major Systems and Major Defense Acquisition Pro-  
grams Generally ..... 4211
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- “324. Selected Acquisition Reports ..... 4350
- “325. Cost Growth-Unit Cost Reports (Nunn-McCurdy) ... 4371
- “326. Weapon Systems Development And Related Mat-  
ters .....4401”; and

11 (H) by striking the item relating to chap-  
12 ter 383 and inserting the following new item:

“383. Development, Application, and Support of Dual-  
Use Technologies ..... 4831”.

13 (2) Section 172(c) is amended—

14 (A) in paragraph (5), by striking “per-  
15 forms” and inserting “perform”;

1 (B) in paragraph (11), by striking “estab-  
2 lishes” and inserting “establish”; and

3 (C) in paragraph (13), by striking “con-  
4 ducts” and inserting “conduct”.

5 (3) Section 231 is amended—

6 (A) in the section heading, by striking  
7 “**plan and certification**” and inserting  
8 “**plans and certifications**”; and

9 (B) in subsection (f)(1), by striking “such  
10 plan and certification” and inserting “such  
11 plans and certifications”.

12 (4) Section 386(b) is amended—

13 (A) in paragraph (2)(E), by striking “bi-  
14 lateral” and inserting “bilateral”; and

15 (B) in paragraph (4)—

16 (i) in subparagraph (E)(iii), by insert-  
17 ing “and” after the semicolon; and

18 (ii) in subparagraph (H), by striking  
19 “sections” and inserting “section”.

20 (5) Section 392a is amended—

21 (A) in subsection (b)(2)(B) by striking  
22 “designed” and inserting “designated”; and

23 (B) in subsection (c)(4)(A), by striking  
24 “clause (ii)” and inserting “subparagraph (B)”.

1           (6) The second section 398 (relating to pilot  
2 program for sharing cyber capabilities and related  
3 information with foreign operational partners) is re-  
4 designated as section 398a.

5           (7) Section 398a, as so redesignated, is amend-  
6 ed—

7           (A) in subsection (b)—

8                 (i) in paragraph (1)(A) by striking  
9 “paragraph (a)” inserting “subsection  
10 (a)”;

11                (ii) in paragraph (2), by striking  
12 “paragraph (a)” and inserting “paragraph  
13 (1)”;

14                (iii) in paragraph (3), by striking  
15 “clause (1)” and inserting “paragraph  
16 (1)”;

17           (B) in subsection (e), by striking “para-  
18 graph (a)” and inserting “subsection (a)”.

19           (8) Section 491(c) is amended by striking “the  
20 a” and inserting “a”.

21           (9) Section 526a is amended by redesignating  
22 the second subsection (i) as subsection (j).

23           (10) Section 701(l)(1)(B) is amended by redesi-  
24 gnating clauses (A) through (C) as clauses (i)  
25 through (iii).

1           (11) Section 1074h(c)(1) is amended by strik-  
2           ing “section 491 of title 14” and inserting “section  
3           2732 of title 14”.

4           (12) Section 1076a(d)(1)(E)(i) is amended by  
5           inserting “)” after “subsection (e)(3)”.

6           (13) The section heading for section 1090a is  
7           amended by striking the period after “**disorders**”.

8           (14) Section 1090b(e)(1)(B)(ii) is amended by  
9           striking “ensure” and inserting “ensuring”.

10          (15) Section 1134a(b) is amended by striking  
11          “section 491 of title 14” and inserting “section  
12          2732 of title 14”.

13          (16) Section 1370a is amended—

14                (A) in subsection (e), by inserting “to” be-  
15                fore “‘active duty’”; and

16                (B) in subsection (f)—

17                    (i) by striking “1370e(e)” and insert-  
18                    ing “1370(e)”; and

19                    (ii) by striking “reference to ‘chapter  
20                    71’ of this title” and inserting “reference  
21                    to ‘chapter 71 of this title’”.

22          (17) Section 1789(c)(3) is amended by striking  
23          “subparagraph (A) or (B)” and inserting “para-  
24          graph (1) or (2)”.

1 (18) Section 2200g(a) is amended by inserting  
2 “IN GENERAL.—” before “The Secretary”.

3 (19) Section 2228(c)(2) is amended by striking  
4 “;” and inserting “;”.

5 (20) The table of sections at the beginning of  
6 chapter 134 is amended by striking the item relating  
7 to section 2249.

8 (21) Section 2275(g)(3) is amended by striking  
9 “sections” and inserting “section”.

10 (22) Section 2700(2) is amended by striking  
11 “The term” and inserting “The terms”.

12 (23) Section 2864(f) is amended by redesignig-  
13 nating paragraph (6) as paragraph (4).

14 (24) Section 2878(f)(2)(D)(iii) is amended by  
15 striking “An report” and inserting “A report”.

16 (25) The item relating to section 3106 in the  
17 table of sections at the beginning of chapter 205 is  
18 amended by inserting a period at the end.

19 (26) Section 3304(g) is amended by inserting  
20 “under” before “this section”.

21 (27) Section 3323(b)(2) is amended by striking  
22 the period after “notwithstanding”.

23 (28) Section 3601(b)(4) is amended by insert-  
24 ing “note” before “prec.”.

25 (29) Section 3702 is amended—

1 (A) in subsection (a)(4) is amended by  
2 striking “subparagraph (C)” and inserting  
3 “paragraph (3)”; and

4 (B) in subsection (f), by striking “subpara-  
5 graphs (B) and (C) of such paragraph” and in-  
6 serting “paragraphs (1) and (2) of such sub-  
7 section”.

8 (30) Section 4014(b) is amended by striking  
9 “section 4142(b) of this title” and inserting “section  
10 4125(b) of this title”.

11 (31) Section 4024 is amended by striking “sec-  
12 tion 2303(a) of this title” each place it appears and  
13 inserting “section 3063 of this title”.

14 (32) By striking the second section 4094.

15 (33) Section 4092(c)(2) is amended by striking  
16 “the the” and inserting “the”.

17 (34) Section 4273(b)(5)(A) is amended by  
18 striking “4736” and inserting “4376”.

19 (35) Section 4351(c)(1)(B)(iv) is amended by  
20 striking “section 4355(4) of this title” and inserting  
21 “subsection (e)(4)”.

22 (36) Section 4820(b) is amended—

23 (A) by striking “subchapters” and insert-  
24 ing “chapters”; and

1 (B) by striking “subchapter” and inserting  
2 “chapter”.

3 (37) Section 4902(k)(5) is amended by insert-  
4 ing “the” before “mentor”.

5 (38) Section 8062 is amended by redesignating  
6 the second subsection (g) as subsection (h).

7 (39) Chapter 863 is amended by redesignating  
8 the second section 8696 (relating to battle force ship  
9 employment, maintenance, and manning baseline  
10 plans) as section 8697.

11 (b) COORDINATION WITH OTHER AMENDMENTS  
12 MADE BY THIS ACT.—For purposes of applying amend-  
13 ments made by provisions of this Act other than this sec-  
14 tion, the amendments made by this section shall be treated  
15 as having been enacted immediately before any such  
16 amendments by other provisions of this Act.

17 **SEC. 1802. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO ENGAGE IN CER-**  
18 **TAIN COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES.**

19 Section 431(a) of title 10, United States Code, is  
20 amended by striking “December 31, 2023” and inserting  
21 “December 31, 2024”.

1 **SEC. 1803. MODIFICATION TO REQUIREMENTS RELATING**  
2 **TO COMBATING MILITARY RELIANCE ON RUS-**  
3 **SIAN ENERGY.**

4 Section 1086 of the James M. Inhofe National De-  
5 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law  
6 117–263) is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (a)(2), by striking “main op-  
8 erating bases” and inserting “operating bases”; and

9 (2) in each of subsections (b) and (g), by strik-  
10 ing “main operating base” each place it appears and  
11 inserting “operating base”;

12 (3) in subsection (c)—

13 (A) in the subsection heading, by striking  
14 “MAIN”;

15 (B) by striking paragraph (1) and insert-  
16 ing the following new paragraph (1):

17 “(1) IDENTIFICATION OF INSTALLATIONS.—

18 The Secretary of Defense shall submit to the con-  
19 gressional defense committees a list of operating  
20 bases within the area of responsibility of the United  
21 States European Command ranked according to mis-  
22 sion criticality and vulnerability to energy disruption  
23 as follows:

24 “(A) In the case of a main operating base,  
25 by not later than June 1, 2023.

1 “(B) In the case of any operating base  
2 other than a main operating base, by not later  
3 than June 1, 2024.”; and

4 (C) in paragraph (2)(A), by inserting  
5 “(A)” after “paragraph (1)”.

6 **SEC. 1804. U.S. HOSTAGE AND WRONGFUL DETAINEE DAY**

7 **ACT OF 2023.**

8 (a) DESIGNATION.—

9 (1) HOSTAGE AND WRONGFUL DETAINEE  
10 DAY.—

11 (A) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 1 of title 36,  
12 United States Code, is amended—

13 (i) by redesignating the second section  
14 146 (relating to Choose Respect Day) as  
15 section 147; and

16 (ii) by adding at the end the fol-  
17 lowing:

18 **“§ 148. U.S. Hostage and Wrongful Detainee Day**

19 “(a) DESIGNATION.—March 9 is U.S. Hostage and  
20 Wrongful Detainee Day.

21 “(b) PROCLAMATION.—The President is requested to  
22 issue each year a proclamation calling on the people of  
23 the United States to observe U.S. Hostage and Wrongful  
24 Detainee Day with appropriate ceremonies and activi-  
25 ties.”.

1 (B) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMEND-  
2 MENT.—The table of sections for chapter 1 of  
3 title 36, United States Code, is amended by  
4 striking the item relating to the second section  
5 146 and inserting the following new items:

“147. Choose Respect Day.

“148. U.S. Hostage and Wrongful Detainee Day.”.

6 (2) HOSTAGE AND WRONGFUL DETAINEE  
7 FLAG.—

8 (A) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 9 of title 36,  
9 United States Code, is amended by adding at  
10 the end the following new section:

11 **“§ 904. Hostage and Wrongful Detainee flag**

12 “(a) DESIGNATION.—The Hostage and Wrongful De-  
13 tainee flag championed by the Bring Our Families Home  
14 Campaign is designated as the symbol of the commitment  
15 of the United States to recognizing, and prioritizing the  
16 freedom of, citizens and lawful permanent residents of the  
17 United States held as hostages or wrongfully detained  
18 abroad.

19 “(b) REQUIRED DISPLAY.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Hostage and Wrongful  
21 Detainee flag shall be displayed at the locations  
22 specified in paragraph (3) on the days specified in  
23 paragraph (2).

1           “(2) DAYS SPECIFIED.—The days specified in  
2 this paragraph are the following:

3           “(A) U.S. Hostage and Wrongful Detainee  
4 Day, March 9.

5           “(B) Flag Day, June 14.

6           “(C) Independence Day, July 4.

7           “(D) Any day on which a citizen or lawful  
8 permanent resident of the United States—

9           “(i) returns to the United States from  
10 being held hostage or wrongfully detained  
11 abroad; or

12           “(ii) dies while being held hostage or  
13 wrongfully detained abroad.

14           “(3) LOCATIONS SPECIFIED.—The locations  
15 specified in this paragraph are the following:

16           “(A) The Capitol.

17           “(B) The White House.

18           “(C) The buildings containing the official  
19 office of—

20           “(i) the Secretary of State; and

21           “(ii) the Secretary of Defense.

22           “(c) DISPLAY TO BE IN A MANNER VISIBLE TO THE  
23 PUBLIC.—Display of the Hostage and Wrongful Detainee  
24 flag pursuant to this section shall be in a manner designed  
25 to ensure visibility to the public.

1       “(d) LIMITATION.—This section may not be con-  
2       strued or applied so as to require any employee to report  
3       to work solely for the purpose of providing for the display  
4       of the Hostage and Wrongful Detainee flag.”.

5               (B) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMEND-  
6       MENT.—The table of sections for chapter 9 of  
7       title 36, United States Code, is amended by  
8       adding at the end the following:

“904. Hostage and Wrongful Detainee flag.”.

9       **SEC. 1805. IMPROVEMENTS TO DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS**  
10               **AFFAIRS-DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE JOINT**  
11               **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.**

12       Section 320 of title 38, United States Code, is  
13       amended—

14               (1) in subsection (a)—

15                       (A) in paragraph (2)—

16                               (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking “;  
17                               and” and inserting a semicolon;

18                               (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
19                               the period at the end and inserting a semi-  
20                               colon; and

21                               (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
22                               lowing new subparagraphs:

23                       “(C) the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Vet-  
24       erans’ Employment and Training and such other of-

1       ficers and employees of the Department of Labor as  
2       the Secretary of Labor may designate; and

3               “(D) such officers and employees of other Exec-  
4       utive agencies as the Secretary of Veterans Affairs  
5       and the Secretary of Defense jointly determine, with  
6       the consent of the heads of the Executive agencies  
7       of such officers and employees, necessary to carry  
8       out the goals and objectives of the Committee.”;

9               (B) by adding at the end the following new  
10       paragraph:

11       “(3) The co-chairs of the Committee are the Deputy  
12       Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Under Secretary of  
13       Defense for Personnel and Readiness.”;

14               (2) in subsection (b)(2), by striking “Job  
15       Training and Post-Service Placement Executive  
16       Committee” and inserting “Transition Executive  
17       Committee”;

18               (3) in subsection (d), by adding at the end the  
19       following new paragraph:

20       “(6) Develop, implement, and oversee such  
21       other joint actions, initiatives, programs, and policies  
22       as the two Secretaries determine appropriate and  
23       consistent with the purpose of the Committee.”; and

24               (4) in subsection (e)—

1 (A) in the subsection heading, by striking  
2 “JOB TRAINING AND POST-SERVICE PLACE-  
3 MENT” and inserting “TRANSITION”;

4 (B) in the matter before paragraph (1)—

5 (i) by striking “Job Training and  
6 Post-Service Placement” and inserting  
7 “Transition”;

8 (ii) by inserting “, in addition to such  
9 other activities as may assigned to the  
10 committee under subsection (d)(6)” after  
11 “shall”; and

12 (C) in paragraph (2), by inserting “, tran-  
13 sition from life in the Armed Forces to civilian  
14 life,” after “job training”.

15 **SEC. 1806. ACCESS TO AND USE OF MILITARY POST OF-**  
16 **FICES BY UNITED STATES CITIZENS EM-**  
17 **PLOYED OVERSEAS BY THE NORTH ATLANTIC**  
18 **TREATY ORGANIZATION WHO PERFORM**  
19 **FUNCTIONS IN SUPPORT OF MILITARY OPER-**  
20 **ATIONS OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

21 (a) REQUIREMENT TO AUTHORIZE USE OF POST OF-  
22 FICE.—Section 406 of title 39, United States Code, is  
23 amended by striking “may authorize the use” and insert-  
24 ing “shall authorize the use”.

1 (b) BRIEFING REQUIREMENT.—Not later than  
2 March 1, 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall brief the  
3 Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House  
4 of Representatives on the revision of the Financial Man-  
5 agement Regulation to authorize individuals under sub-  
6 paragraph (A) of section 406(c)(1) of title 39, United  
7 States Code, as amended by subsection (a), to utilize the  
8 authority provided under such subparagraph. If there is  
9 a determination that this authority is not feasible for a  
10 legal or financial reason, the Secretary shall include the  
11 background for those determinations in the briefing.

12 **SEC. 1807. EXTENSION OF ADMISSION TO GUAM OR THE**  
13 **COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MAR-**  
14 **IANA ISLANDS FOR CERTAIN NONIMMIGRANT**  
15 **H-2B WORKERS.**

16 Section 6(b)(1)(B) of the Joint Resolution entitled  
17 “A Joint Resolution to approve the ‘Covenant to Establish  
18 a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in Po-  
19 litical Union with the United States of America’, and for  
20 other purposes”, approved March 24, 1976 (48 U.S.C.  
21 1806(b)(1)(B)), is amended, in the matter preceding  
22 clause (i), by striking “December 31, 2024” and inserting  
23 “December 31, 2029”.

1 **SEC. 1808. SUPPORT FOR EXECUTION OF BILATERAL**  
2 **AGREEMENTS CONCERNING ILLICIT**  
3 **TRANSNATIONAL MARITIME ACTIVITY IN AF-**  
4 **RICA.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in co-  
6 ordination with the Commandant of the Coast Guard, and  
7 in consultation with the Secretary of State, may provide  
8 assistance to the Coast Guard for the execution of existing  
9 maritime law enforcement agreements between the United  
10 States and friendly African countries that were established  
11 to combat transnational organized illegal maritime activ-  
12 ity, including illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing.

13 (b) EFFECT ON MILITARY TRAINING AND READI-  
14 NESS.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that the  
15 provision of assistance under this section does not nega-  
16 tively affect military training, operations, readiness, or  
17 other military requirements.

18 (c) FUNDS.—If the Secretary of Defense provides as-  
19 sistance under subsection (a) during any fiscal year, the  
20 Secretary shall provide such assistance using amounts  
21 available for that fiscal year for the Department of De-  
22 fense for operation and maintenance.

23 (d) ASSISTANCE DEFINED.—In this section, the term  
24 “assistance” means any of the following:

25 (1) The use of surface and air assets as bases  
26 of operations and information collection platforms.

1 (2) Communication infrastructure.

2 (3) Information sharing.

3 (4) The provision of logistic support, supplies,  
4 and services (as such term is defined in section 2350  
5 of title 10, United States Code).

6 **SEC. 1809. NATIONAL COLD WAR CENTER DESIGNATION.**

7 (a) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this section are—

8 (1) to designate the museum located at Blythe-  
9 ville/Eaker Air Force Base in Blytheville, Arkansas,  
10 including its future and expanded exhibits, collec-  
11 tions, and educational programs, as a “National  
12 Cold War Center”;

13 (2) to recognize the preservation, maintenance,  
14 and interpretation of the artifacts, documents, im-  
15 ages, and history collected by the Center;

16 (3) to enhance the knowledge of the American  
17 people of the experience of the United States during  
18 the Cold War years; and

19 (4) to ensure that all future generations under-  
20 stand the sacrifices made to preserve freedom and  
21 democracy, and the benefits of peace for all future  
22 generations in the 21st century and beyond.

23 (b) DESIGNATION.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—The museum located at  
25 Blytheville/Eaker Air Force Base in Blytheville, Ar-

1 kansas, is designated as a “National Cold War Cen-  
2 ter”.

3 (2) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this  
4 section shall preclude the designation of other na-  
5 tional centers or museums in the United States in-  
6 terpreting the Cold War.

7 (c) EFFECT OF DESIGNATION.—The National Cold  
8 War Center designated by this section is not a unit of the  
9 National Park System, and the designation of the center  
10 as a National Cold War Center shall not be construed to  
11 require or permit Federal funds to be expended for any  
12 purpose related to the designation made by this section.

13 **SEC. 1810. REVISION OF REQUIREMENT FOR TRANSFER OF**  
14 **CERTAIN AIRCRAFT TO STATE OF CALI-**  
15 **FORNIA FOR WILDFIRE SUPPRESSION PUR-**  
16 **POSES.**

17 (a) TRANSFER OF EXCESS COAST GUARD HC-130H  
18 AIRCRAFT.—

19 (1) TRANSFER TO STATE OF CALIFORNIA.—The  
20 Secretary of Homeland Security shall transfer to the  
21 State of California without reimbursement—

22 (A) the 7 HC-130H aircraft specified in  
23 paragraph (2); and

24 (B) initial spares and necessary ground  
25 support equipment for such aircraft.

1           (2) AIRCRAFT SPECIFIED.—The aircraft speci-  
2       fied in this paragraph are the HC-130H Coast  
3       Guard aircraft with serial numbers 1706, 1708,  
4       1709, 1713, 1714, 1719, and 1721.

5           (3) TIMING; AIRCRAFT MODIFICATIONS.—Sub-  
6       ject to paragraph (4), the transfers under paragraph  
7       (1)—

8           (A) shall be made as soon as practicable  
9       after the date of the enactment of this Act; and

10          (B) may be carried out without further  
11       modifications to the aircraft by the United  
12       States.

13          (4) DEMILITARIZATION.—The Secretary of  
14       Homeland Security shall ensure that before an air-  
15       craft specified under paragraph (2) is transferred  
16       under paragraph (1), such aircraft is demilitarized,  
17       as determined necessary by the Secretary.

18          (b) CONDITIONS OF TRANSFER.—Aircraft trans-  
19       ferred to the State of California under this section—

20           (1) may be used only for wildfire suppression  
21       purposes, including search and rescue or emergency  
22       operations pertaining to wildfires;

23           (2) may not be flown outside of, or otherwise  
24       removed from, the United States unless dispatched  
25       by the National Interagency Fire Center in support

1 of an international agreement to assist in wildfire  
2 suppression efforts or for other disaster-related re-  
3 sponse purposes approved by the Governor of Cali-  
4 fornia in writing in advance; and

5 (3) may only be disposed of by the State of  
6 California pursuant to the statutes and regulations  
7 governing the disposal of aircraft provided to the  
8 State of California pursuant to the Department of  
9 Defense excess personal property program under  
10 section 2576a of title 10, United States Code.

11 (c) CALCULATION OF INITIAL SPARES.—For pur-  
12 poses of subsection (a)(1)(B), initial spares shall be cal-  
13 culated based on shelf stock support for 7 HC–130H air-  
14 craft each flying 400 hours each year.

15 (d) TRANSFER OF RESIDUAL KITS AND PARTS HELD  
16 BY AIR FORCE.—The Secretary of the Air Force may  
17 transfer to the State of California, without reimburse-  
18 ment, any residual kits and parts held by the Secretary  
19 of the Air Force that were procured in anticipation of the  
20 transfer of the aircraft specified in subsection (a)(2).

21 (e) COSTS AFTER TRANSFER.—Any cost associated  
22 with the operation, maintenance, sustainment, or disposal  
23 of any aircraft, initial spare, or ground support equipment  
24 transferred to the State of California under this section  
25 that are incurred after the date on which such aircraft,

1 initial spare, or ground support equipment is transferred  
2 shall be borne by the State of California.

3 (f) REPEAL OF PRIOR PROVISIONS OF LAW RELAT-  
4 ING TO TRANSFER.—The following provisions of law are  
5 repealed:

6 (1) Subsections (a), (c), (d), and (f) of section  
7 1098 of the National Defense Authorization Act for  
8 Fiscal Year 2014 (Public Law 113–66; 127 Stat.  
9 881), as amended by subsections (a), (b), (c), and  
10 (d) of section 1083 of the John S. McCain National  
11 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019  
12 (Public Law 115–232; 132 Stat. 1989).

13 (2) Subsections (e) and (f) of section 1083 of  
14 the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization  
15 Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 132  
16 Stat. 1989).

17 **SEC. 1811. LIMITATION ON FUNDS FOR WUHAN INSTITUTE**  
18 **OF VIROLOGY AND ECOHEALTH ALLIANCE,**  
19 **INC.**

20 (a) WUHAN INSTITUTE OF VIROLOGY.—None of the  
21 funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or other-  
22 wise made available for fiscal year 2024 for the Depart-  
23 ment of Defense may be made available for the Wuhan  
24 Institute of Virology for any purpose.

1 (b) ECOHEALTH ALLIANCE, INC.—None of the  
2 funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or other-  
3 wise made available for fiscal year 2024 for the Depart-  
4 ment of Defense may be used to fund any work to be per-  
5 formed in China by EcoHealth Alliance, Inc., including—

6 (1) work to be performed by any subsidiary of  
7 EcoHealth Alliance Inc, any organization that is di-  
8 rectly controlled by EcoHealth Alliance Inc, or any  
9 organization or individual that is a subgrantee or  
10 subcontractor of EcoHealth Alliance Inc.; or

11 (2) any grant for the performance of any such  
12 work.

## 13 **Subtitle B—Drone Security**

### 14 **SEC. 1821. SHORT TITLE.**

15 This subtitle may be cited as the “American Security  
16 Drone Act of 2023”.

### 17 **SEC. 1822. DEFINITIONS.**

18 In this subtitle:

19 (1) COVERED FOREIGN ENTITY.—The term  
20 “covered foreign entity” means an entity included on  
21 a list developed and maintained by the Federal Ac-  
22 quisition Security Council and published in the Sys-  
23 tem for Award Management (SAM). This list will in-  
24 clude entities in the following categories:

1 (A) An entity included on the Consolidated  
2 Screening List.

3 (B) Any entity that is subject to  
4 extrajudicial direction from a foreign govern-  
5 ment, as determined by the Secretary of Home-  
6 land Security.

7 (C) Any entity the Secretary of Homeland  
8 Security, in coordination with the Attorney  
9 General, Director of National Intelligence, and  
10 the Secretary of Defense, determines poses a  
11 national security risk.

12 (D) Any entity domiciled in the People's  
13 Republic of China or subject to influence or  
14 control by the Government of the People's Re-  
15 public of China or the Communist Party of the  
16 People's Republic of China, as determined by  
17 the Secretary of Homeland Security.

18 (E) Any subsidiary or affiliate of an entity  
19 described in subparagraphs (A) through (D).

20 (2) COVERED UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM.—

21 The term “covered unmanned aircraft system” has  
22 the meaning given the term “unmanned aircraft sys-  
23 tem” in section 44801 of title 49, United States  
24 Code.

1           (3) INTELLIGENCE; INTELLIGENCE COMMU-  
2           NITY.—The terms “intelligence” and “intelligence  
3           community” have the meanings given those terms in  
4           section 3 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50  
5           U.S.C. 3003).

6 **SEC. 1823. PROHIBITION ON PROCUREMENT OF COVERED**  
7                           **UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS FROM COV-**  
8                           **ERED FOREIGN ENTITIES.**

9           (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided under sub-  
10          sections (b) through (f), the head of an executive agency  
11          may not procure any covered unmanned aircraft system  
12          that is manufactured or assembled by a covered foreign  
13          entity, which includes associated elements related to the  
14          collection and transmission of sensitive information (con-  
15          sisting of communication links and the components that  
16          control the unmanned aircraft) that enable the operator  
17          to operate the aircraft in the National Airspace System.  
18          The Federal Acquisition Security Council, in coordination  
19          with the Secretary of Transportation, shall develop and  
20          update a list of associated elements.

21          (b) EXEMPTION.—The Secretary of Homeland Secu-  
22          rity, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of State, and  
23          the Attorney General are exempt from the restriction  
24          under subsection (a) if the procurement is required in the  
25          national interest of the United States and—

1           (1) is for the sole purposes of research, evalua-  
2           tion, training, testing, or analysis for electronic war-  
3           fare, information warfare operations, cybersecurity,  
4           or development of unmanned aircraft system or  
5           counter-unmanned aircraft system technology;

6           (2) is for the sole purposes of conducting  
7           counterterrorism or counterintelligence activities,  
8           protective missions, or Federal criminal or national  
9           security investigations, including forensic examina-  
10          tions, or for electronic warfare, information warfare  
11          operations, cybersecurity, or development of an un-  
12          manned aircraft system or counter-unmanned air-  
13          craft system technology; or

14          (3) is an unmanned aircraft system that, as  
15          procured or as modified after procurement but be-  
16          fore operational use, can no longer transfer to, or  
17          download data from, a covered foreign entity and  
18          otherwise poses no national security cybersecurity  
19          risks as determined by the exempting official.

20          (c) DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND FED-  
21          ERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION EXEMPTION.—The  
22          Secretary of Transportation is exempt from the restriction  
23          under subsection (a) if the operation or procurement is  
24          deemed to support the safe, secure, or efficient operation  
25          of the National Airspace System or maintenance of public

1 safety, including activities carried out under the Federal  
2 Aviation Administration's Alliance for System Safety of  
3 UAS through Research Excellence (ASSURE) Center of  
4 Excellence (COE) and any other activity deemed to sup-  
5 port the safe, secure, or efficient operation of the National  
6 Airspace System or maintenance of public safety, as deter-  
7 mined by the Secretary or the Secretary's designee.

8 (d) NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD  
9 EXEMPTION.—The National Transportation Safety  
10 Board, in consultation with the Secretary of Homeland Se-  
11 curity, is exempt from the restriction under subsection (a)  
12 if the operation or procurement is necessary for the sole  
13 purpose of conducting safety investigations.

14 (e) NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMIN-  
15 ISTRATION EXEMPTION.—The Administrator of the Na-  
16 tional Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA),  
17 in consultation with the Secretary of Homeland Security,  
18 is exempt from the restriction under subsection (a) if the  
19 procurement is necessary for the purpose of meeting  
20 NOAA's science or management objectives or operational  
21 mission.

22 (f) WAIVER.—The head of an executive agency may  
23 waive the prohibition under subsection (a) on a case-by-  
24 case basis—

1 (1) with the approval of the Director of the Of-  
2 fice of Management and Budget, after consultation  
3 with the Federal Acquisition Security Council; and

4 (2) upon notification to—

5 (A) the Committee on Homeland Security  
6 and Governmental Affairs of the Senate;

7 (B) the Committee on Oversight and Ac-  
8 countability in the House of Representatives;  
9 and

10 (C) other appropriate congressional com-  
11 mittees of jurisdiction.

12 **SEC. 1824. PROHIBITION ON OPERATION OF COVERED UN-**  
13 **MANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS FROM COV-**  
14 **ERED FOREIGN ENTITIES.**

15 (a) PROHIBITION.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on the date that  
17 is two years after the date of the enactment of this  
18 Act, no Federal department or agency may operate  
19 a covered unmanned aircraft system manufactured  
20 or assembled by a covered foreign entity.

21 (2) APPLICABILITY TO CONTRACTED SERV-  
22 ICES.—The prohibition under paragraph (1) applies  
23 to any covered unmanned aircraft systems that are  
24 being used by any executive agency through the

1 method of contracting for the services of covered un-  
2 manned aircraft systems.

3 (b) EXEMPTION.—The Secretary of Homeland Secu-  
4 rity, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of State, and  
5 the Attorney General are exempt from the restriction  
6 under subsection (a) if the operation is required in the  
7 national interest of the United States and—

8 (1) is for the sole purposes of research, evalua-  
9 tion, training, testing, or analysis for electronic war-  
10 fare, information warfare operations, cybersecurity,  
11 or development of unmanned aircraft system or  
12 counter-unmanned aircraft system technology;

13 (2) is for the sole purposes of conducting  
14 counterterrorism or counterintelligence activities,  
15 protective missions, or Federal criminal or national  
16 security investigations, including forensic examina-  
17 tions, or for electronic warfare, information warfare  
18 operations, cybersecurity, or development of an un-  
19 manned aircraft system or counter-unmanned air-  
20 craft system technology; or

21 (3) is an unmanned aircraft system that, as  
22 procured or as modified after procurement but be-  
23 fore operational use, can no longer transfer to, or  
24 download data from, a covered foreign entity and

1 otherwise poses no national security cybersecurity  
2 risks as determined by the exempting official.

3 (c) DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND FED-  
4 ERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION EXEMPTION.—The  
5 Secretary of Transportation is exempt from the restriction  
6 under subsection (a) if the operation is deemed to support  
7 the safe, secure, or efficient operation of the National Air-  
8 space System or maintenance of public safety, including  
9 activities carried out under the Federal Aviation Adminis-  
10 tration’s Alliance for System Safety of UAS through Re-  
11 search Excellence (ASSURE) Center of Excellence (COE)  
12 and any other activity deemed to support the safe, secure,  
13 or efficient operation of the National Airspace System or  
14 maintenance of public safety, as determined by the Sec-  
15 retary or the Secretary’s designee.

16 (d) NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD  
17 EXEMPTION.—The National Transportation Safety  
18 Board, in consultation with the Secretary of Homeland Se-  
19 curity, is exempt from the restriction under subsection (a)  
20 if the operation is necessary for the sole purpose of con-  
21 ducting safety investigations.

22 (e) NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMIN-  
23 ISTRATION EXEMPTION.—The Administrator of the Na-  
24 tional Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA),  
25 in consultation with the Secretary of Homeland Security,

1 is exempt from the restriction under subsection (a) if the  
2 procurement is necessary for the purpose of meeting  
3 NOAA's science or management objectives or operational  
4 mission.

5 (f) WAIVER.—The head of an executive agency may  
6 waive the prohibition under subsection (a) on a case-by-  
7 case basis—

8 (1) with the approval of the Director of the Of-  
9 fice of Management and Budget, after consultation  
10 with the Federal Acquisition Security Council; and

11 (2) upon notification to—

12 (A) the Committee on Homeland Security  
13 and Governmental Affairs of the Senate;

14 (B) the Committee on Oversight and Ac-  
15 countability in the House of Representatives;  
16 and

17 (C) other appropriate congressional com-  
18 mittees of jurisdiction.

19 (g) REGULATIONS AND GUIDANCE.—Not later than  
20 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
21 Secretary of Homeland Security, in consultation with the  
22 Attorney General and the Secretary of Transportation,  
23 shall prescribe regulations or guidance to implement this  
24 section.

1 **SEC. 1825. PROHIBITION ON USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS FOR**  
2 **PROCUREMENT AND OPERATION OF COV-**  
3 **ERED UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS FROM**  
4 **COVERED FOREIGN ENTITIES.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on the date that is two  
6 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, except  
7 as provided in subsection (b), no Federal funds awarded  
8 through a contract, grant, or cooperative agreement, or  
9 otherwise made available may be used—

10 (1) to procure a covered unmanned aircraft sys-  
11 tem that is manufactured or assembled by a covered  
12 foreign entity; or

13 (2) in connection with the operation of such a  
14 drone or unmanned aircraft system.

15 (b) EXEMPTION.—The Secretary of Homeland Secu-  
16 rity, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of State, and  
17 the Attorney General are exempt from the restriction  
18 under subsection (a) if the procurement or operation is  
19 required in the national interest of the United States  
20 and—

21 (1) is for the sole purposes of research, evalua-  
22 tion, training, testing, or analysis for electronic war-  
23 fare, information warfare operations, cybersecurity,  
24 or development of unmanned aircraft system or  
25 counter-unmanned aircraft system technology;

1           (2) is for the sole purposes of conducting  
2           counterterrorism or counterintelligence activities,  
3           protective missions, or Federal criminal or national  
4           security investigations, including forensic examina-  
5           tions, or for electronic warfare, information warfare  
6           operations, cybersecurity, or development of an un-  
7           manned aircraft system or counter-unmanned air-  
8           craft system technology; or

9           (3) is an unmanned aircraft system that, as  
10          procured or as modified after procurement but be-  
11          fore operational use, can no longer transfer to, or  
12          download data from, a covered foreign entity and  
13          otherwise poses no national security cybersecurity  
14          risks as determined by the exempting official.

15          (c) DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND FED-  
16          ERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION EXEMPTION.—The  
17          Secretary of Transportation is exempt from the restriction  
18          under subsection (a) if the operation or procurement is  
19          deemed to support the safe, secure, or efficient operation  
20          of the National Airspace System or maintenance of public  
21          safety, including activities carried out under the Federal  
22          Aviation Administration’s Alliance for System Safety of  
23          UAS through Research Excellence (ASSURE) Center of  
24          Excellence (COE) and any other activity deemed to sup-  
25          port the safe, secure, or efficient operation of the National

1 Airspace System or maintenance of public safety, as deter-  
2 mined by the Secretary or the Secretary's designee.

3 (d) NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMIN-  
4 ISTRATION EXEMPTION.—The Administrator of the Na-  
5 tional Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA),  
6 in consultation with the Secretary of Homeland Security,  
7 is exempt from the restriction under subsection (a) if the  
8 operation or procurement is necessary for the purpose of  
9 meeting NOAA's science or management objectives or  
10 operational mission.

11 (e) WAIVER.—The head of an executive agency may  
12 waive the prohibition under subsection (a) on a case-by-  
13 case basis—

14 (1) with the approval of the Director of the Of-  
15 fice of Management and Budget, after consultation  
16 with the Federal Acquisition Security Council; and

17 (2) upon notification to—

18 (A) the Committee on Homeland Security  
19 and Governmental Affairs of the Senate;

20 (B) the Committee on Oversight and Ac-  
21 countability in the House of Representatives;

22 and

23 (C) other appropriate congressional com-  
24 mittees of jurisdiction.

1 (f) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 180 days after  
2 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Federal Acquisi-  
3 tion Regulatory Council shall prescribe regulations or  
4 guidance, as necessary, to implement the requirements of  
5 this section pertaining to Federal contracts.

6 **SEC. 1826. PROHIBITION ON USE OF GOVERNMENT-ISSUED**  
7 **PURCHASE CARDS TO PURCHASE COVERED**  
8 **UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS FROM COV-**  
9 **ERED FOREIGN ENTITIES.**

10 Effective immediately, Government-issued Purchase  
11 Cards may not be used to procure any covered unmanned  
12 aircraft system from a covered foreign entity.

13 **SEC. 1827. MANAGEMENT OF EXISTING INVENTORIES OF**  
14 **COVERED UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS**  
15 **FROM COVERED FOREIGN ENTITIES.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—All executive agencies must ac-  
17 count for existing inventories of covered unmanned air-  
18 craft systems manufactured or assembled by a covered for-  
19 eign entity in their personal property accounting systems,  
20 within one year of the date of enactment of this Act, re-  
21 gardless of the original procurement cost, or the purpose  
22 of procurement due to the special monitoring and account-  
23 ing measures necessary to track the items' capabilities.

24 (b) CLASSIFIED TRACKING.—Due to the sensitive na-  
25 ture of missions and operations conducted by the United

1 States Government, inventory data related to covered un-  
2 manned aircraft systems manufactured or assembled by  
3 a covered foreign entity may be tracked at a classified  
4 level, as determined by the Secretary of Homeland Secu-  
5 rity or the Secretary's designee.

6 (c) EXCEPTIONS.—The Department of Defense, the  
7 Department of Homeland Security, the Department of  
8 Justice, the Department of Transportation, and the Na-  
9 tional Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration may ex-  
10 clude from the full inventory process, covered unmanned  
11 aircraft systems that are deemed expendable due to mis-  
12 sion risk such as recovery issues, or that are one-time-  
13 use covered unmanned aircraft due to requirements and  
14 low cost.

15 (d) INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY EXCEPTION.—Noth-  
16 ing in this section shall apply to any element of the intel-  
17 ligence community.

18 **SEC. 1828. COMPTROLLER GENERAL REPORT.**

19 Not later than 275 days after the date of the enact-  
20 ment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United  
21 States shall submit to Congress a report on the amount  
22 of commercial off-the-shelf drones and covered unmanned  
23 aircraft systems procured by Federal departments and  
24 agencies from covered foreign entities, except that nothing

1 in this section shall apply to any element of the intel-  
2 ligence community.

3 **SEC. 1829. GOVERNMENT-WIDE POLICY FOR PROCURE-**  
4 **MENT OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the  
6 date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Of-  
7 fice of Management and Budget, in coordination with the  
8 Department of Homeland Security, Department of Trans-  
9 portation, the Department of Justice, and other Depart-  
10 ments as determined by the Director of the Office of Man-  
11 agement and Budget, and in consultation with the Na-  
12 tional Institute of Standards and Technology, shall estab-  
13 lish a government-wide policy for the procurement of an  
14 unmanned aircraft system—

15 (1) for non-Department of Defense and non-in-  
16 telligence community operations; and

17 (2) through grants and cooperative agreements  
18 entered into with non-Federal entities.

19 (b) INFORMATION SECURITY.—The policy developed  
20 under subsection (a) shall include the following specifica-  
21 tions, which to the extent practicable, shall be based on  
22 industry standards and technical guidance from the Na-  
23 tional Institute of Standards and Technology, to address  
24 the risks associated with processing, storing, and trans-

1 mitting Federal information in an unmanned aircraft sys-  
2 tem:

3 (1) Protections to ensure controlled access to  
4 an unmanned aircraft system.

5 (2) Protecting software, firmware, and hard-  
6 ware by ensuring changes to an unmanned aircraft  
7 system are properly managed, including by ensuring  
8 an unmanned aircraft system can be updated using  
9 a secure, controlled, and configurable mechanism.

10 (3) Cryptographically securing sensitive col-  
11 lected, stored, and transmitted data, including prop-  
12 er handling of privacy data and other controlled un-  
13 classified information.

14 (4) Appropriate safeguards necessary to protect  
15 sensitive information, including during and after use  
16 of an unmanned aircraft system.

17 (5) Appropriate data security to ensure that  
18 data is not transmitted to or stored in non-approved  
19 locations.

20 (6) The ability to opt out of the uploading,  
21 downloading, or transmitting of data that is not re-  
22 quired by law or regulation and an ability to choose  
23 with whom and where information is shared when it  
24 is required.

1 (c) REQUIREMENT.—The policy developed under sub-  
2 section (a) shall reflect an appropriate risk-based ap-  
3 proach to information security related to use of an un-  
4 manned aircraft system.

5 (d) REVISION OF ACQUISITION REGULATIONS.—Not  
6 later than 180 days after the date on which the policy  
7 required under subsection (a) is issued—

8 (1) the Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council  
9 shall revise the Federal Acquisition Regulation, as  
10 necessary, to implement the policy; and

11 (2) any Federal department or agency or other  
12 Federal entity not subject to, or not subject solely  
13 to, the Federal Acquisition Regulation shall revise  
14 applicable policy, guidance, or regulations, as nec-  
15 essary, to implement the policy.

16 (e) EXEMPTION.—In developing the policy required  
17 under subsection (a), the Director of the Office of Man-  
18 agement and Budget shall—

19 (1) incorporate policies to implement the ex-  
20 emptions contained in this subtitle; and

21 (2) incorporate an exemption to the policy in  
22 the case of a head of the procuring department or  
23 agency determining, in writing, that no product that  
24 complies with the information security requirements  
25 described in subsection (b) is capable of fulfilling

1 mission critical performance requirements, and such  
2 determination—

3 (A) may not be delegated below the level of  
4 the Deputy Secretary, or Administrator, of the  
5 procuring department or agency;

6 (B) shall specify—

7 (i) the quantity of end items to which  
8 the waiver applies and the procurement  
9 value of those items; and

10 (ii) the time period over which the  
11 waiver applies, which shall not exceed three  
12 years;

13 (C) shall be reported to the Office of Man-  
14 agement and Budget following issuance of such  
15 a determination; and

16 (D) not later than 30 days after the date  
17 on which the determination is made, shall be  
18 provided to the Committee on Homeland Secu-  
19 rity and Governmental Affairs of the Senate  
20 and the Committee on Oversight and Account-  
21 ability of the House of Representatives.

1 **SEC. 1830. STATE, LOCAL, AND TERRITORIAL LAW EN-**  
2 **FORCEMENT AND EMERGENCY SERVICE EX-**  
3 **EMPTION.**

4 (a) **RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.**—Nothing in this sub-  
5 title shall prevent a State, local, or territorial law enforce-  
6 ment or emergency service agency from procuring or oper-  
7 ating a covered unmanned aircraft system purchased with  
8 non-Federal dollars.

9 (b) **CONTINUITY OF ARRANGEMENTS.**—The Federal  
10 Government may continue entering into contracts, grants,  
11 and cooperative agreements or other Federal funding in-  
12 struments with State, local, or territorial law enforcement  
13 or emergency service agencies under which a covered un-  
14 manned aircraft system will be purchased or operated if  
15 the agency has received approval or waiver to purchase  
16 or operate a covered unmanned aircraft system pursuant  
17 to section 1825.

18 **SEC. 1831. STUDY.**

19 (a) **STUDY ON THE SUPPLY CHAIN FOR UNMANNED**  
20 **AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS.**—

21 (1) **REPORT REQUIRED.**—Not later than one  
22 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
23 Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and  
24 Sustainment shall provide to the appropriate con-  
25 gressional committees a report on the supply chain  
26 for covered unmanned aircraft systems, including a

1 discussion of current and projected future demand  
2 for covered unmanned aircraft systems.

3 (2) ELEMENTS.—The report under paragraph  
4 (1) shall include the following:

5 (A) A description of the current and future  
6 global and domestic market for covered un-  
7 manned aircraft systems that are not widely  
8 commercially available except from a covered  
9 foreign entity.

10 (B) A description of the sustainability,  
11 availability, cost, and quality of secure sources  
12 of covered unmanned aircraft systems domesti-  
13 cally and from sources in allied and partner  
14 countries.

15 (C) The plan of the Secretary of Defense  
16 to address any gaps or deficiencies identified in  
17 subparagraph (B), including through the use of  
18 funds available under the Defense Production  
19 Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4501 et seq.) and part-  
20 nerships with the National Aeronautics and  
21 Space Administration and other interested per-  
22 sons.

23 (D) Such other information as the Under  
24 Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and  
25 Sustainment determines to be appropriate.

1           (3) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
2           TEES DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appro-  
3           priate congressional committees” means the fol-  
4           lowing:

5                   (A) The Committees on Armed Services of  
6                   the Senate and the House of Representatives.

7                   (B) The Committee on Homeland Security  
8                   and Governmental Affairs of the Senate and the  
9                   Committee on Oversight and Accountability of  
10                  the House of Representatives.

11                  (C) The Committee on Commerce, Science,  
12                  and Transportation of the Senate and the Com-  
13                  mittee on Science, Space, and Technology of  
14                  the House of Representatives.

15                  (D) The Select Committee on Intelligence  
16                  of the Senate and the Permanent Select Com-  
17                  mittee on Intelligence of the House of Rep-  
18                  resentatives.

19                  (E) The Committee on Transportation and  
20                  Infrastructure of the House of Representatives.

21                  (F) The Committee on Homeland Security  
22                  of the House of Representatives.

23                  (G) The Committee on Foreign Relations  
24                  of the Senate and the Committee on Foreign  
25                  Affairs of the House of Representatives.

1 **SEC. 1832. EXCEPTIONS.**

2 (a) EXCEPTION FOR WILDFIRE MANAGEMENT OPER-  
3 ATIONS AND SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS.—The  
4 appropriate Federal agencies, in consultation with the Sec-  
5 retary of Homeland Security, are exempt from the pro-  
6 curement and operation restrictions under sections 1823,  
7 1824, and 1825 to the extent the procurement or oper-  
8 ation is necessary for the purpose of supporting the full  
9 range of wildfire management operations or search and  
10 rescue operations.

11 (b) EXCEPTION FOR INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES.—  
12 Sections 1823, 1824, and 1825 shall not apply to any ac-  
13 tivity subject to the reporting requirements under title V  
14 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3091 et  
15 seq.), any authorized intelligence activities of the United  
16 States, or any activity or procurement that supports an  
17 authorized intelligence activity.

18 (c) EXCEPTION FOR TRIBAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OR  
19 EMERGENCY SERVICE AGENCY.—Tribal law enforcement  
20 or Tribal emergency service agencies, in consultation with  
21 the Secretary of Homeland Security, are exempt from the  
22 procurement, operation, and purchase restrictions under  
23 sections 1823, 1824, and 1825 to the extent the procure-  
24 ment or operation is necessary for the purpose of sup-  
25 porting the full range of law enforcement operations or  
26 search and rescue operations on Indian lands.

1 **SEC. 1833. SUNSET.**

2 Sections 1823, 1824, and 1825 shall cease to have  
3 effect on the date that is five years after the date of the  
4 enactment of this Act.

5 **Subtitle C—Unidentified**  
6 **Anomalous Phenomena**

7 **SEC. 1841. UNIDENTIFIED ANOMALOUS PHENOMENA**  
8 **RECORDS COLLECTION AT THE NATIONAL**  
9 **ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION.**

10 (a) RECORDS COLLECTION.—

11 (1) ESTABLISHMENT OF COLLECTION.—

12 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days  
13 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
14 Archivist shall commence establishment of a  
15 collection of unidentified anomalous phenomena,  
16 as such term is defined in section 1673(n)(8) of  
17 the National Defense Authorization Act for Fis-  
18 cal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 50 U.S.C.  
19 3373), records in the National Archives, to be  
20 known as the “Unidentified Anomalous Phe-  
21 nomena Records Collection”.

22 (B) PHYSICAL INTEGRITY.—In carrying  
23 out subparagraph (A), the Archivist shall en-  
24 sure the physical integrity and original prove-  
25 nance (or if indeterminate, the earliest histor-  
26 ical owner) of all records in the Collection.

1 (C) RECORD COPIES.—The Collection shall  
2 consist of record copies of all Government, Gov-  
3 ernment-provided, or Government-funded  
4 records relating to unidentified anomalous phe-  
5 nomena, technologies of unknown origin, and  
6 non-human intelligence (or equivalent subjects  
7 by any other name with the specific and sole ex-  
8 clusion of temporarily non-attributed objects),  
9 which shall be transmitted to the National Ar-  
10 chives in accordance with section 2107 of title  
11 44, United States Code.

12 (D) SUBJECT GUIDEBOOK.—The Archivist  
13 shall prepare and publish a subject guidebook  
14 and index to the Collection.

15 (2) CONTENTS.—The Collection shall include  
16 the following:

17 (A) Copies of all unidentified anomalous  
18 phenomena records, regardless of age or date of  
19 creation—

20 (i) that have been transmitted to the  
21 National Archives or disclosed to the public  
22 in an unredacted form prior to the date of  
23 the enactment of this Act;

24 (ii) that are otherwise required to  
25 have been transmitted to the National Ar-

1 chives after the date of the enactment of  
2 this Act; or

3 (iii) the disclosure of which is post-  
4 poned under this subtitle.

5 (B) A central directory comprised of iden-  
6 tification aids created for each record trans-  
7 mitted to the Archivist under section 1842(e).

8 (b) DISCLOSURE OF RECORDS.—Copies of all uniden-  
9 tified anomalous phenomena records transmitted to the  
10 National Archives for disclosure to the public shall—

11 (1) be included in the Collection; and

12 (2) be available to the public—

13 (A) for inspection and copying at the Na-  
14 tional Archives within 30 days after their trans-  
15 mission to the National Archives; and

16 (B) digitally via the National Archives on-  
17 line database within a reasonable amount of  
18 time not to exceed 180 days thereafter.

19 (c) FEES FOR COPYING.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Archivist shall—

21 (A) charge fees for copying unidentified  
22 anomalous phenomena records; and

23 (B) grant waivers of such fees pursuant to  
24 the standards established by section 552(a)(4)  
25 of title 5, United States Code.

1           (2) AMOUNT OF FEES.—The amount of a fee  
2 charged by the Archivist pursuant to paragraph  
3 (1)(A) for the copying of an unidentified anomalous  
4 phenomena record shall be such amount as the Ar-  
5 chivist determines appropriate to cover the costs in-  
6 curred by the National Archives in making and pro-  
7 viding such copy, except that in no case may the  
8 amount of the fee charged exceed the actual ex-  
9 penses incurred by the National Archives in making  
10 and providing such copy.

11 (d) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—

12           (1) USE OF FUNDS.—The Collection shall be  
13 preserved, protected, archived, digitized, and made  
14 available to the public at the National Archives and  
15 via the official National Archives online database  
16 using appropriations authorized, specified, and re-  
17 stricted for use under the terms of this subtitle.

18           (2) SECURITY OF RECORDS.—The National Se-  
19 curity Program Office at the National Archives, in  
20 consultation with the National Archives Information  
21 Security Oversight Office, shall establish a program  
22 to ensure the security of the postponed unidentified  
23 anomalous phenomena records in the protected, and  
24 yet-to-be disclosed or classified portion of the Collec-  
25 tion.

1 (e) OVERSIGHT.—

2 (1) SENATE.—The Committee on Homeland  
3 Security and Governmental Affairs, the Committee  
4 on Armed Services, and the Select Committee on In-  
5 telligence of the Senate shall have continuing legisla-  
6 tive oversight jurisdiction in the Senate with respect  
7 to the Collection.

8 (2) HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.—The Com-  
9 mittee on Oversight and Accountability, the Com-  
10 mittee on Armed Services, and the Permanent Select  
11 Committee on Intelligence of the House of Rep-  
12 resentatives shall have continuing legislative over-  
13 sight jurisdiction in the House of Representatives  
14 with respect to the Collection.

15 **SEC. 1842. REVIEW, IDENTIFICATION, TRANSMISSION TO**  
16 **THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES, AND PUBLIC DIS-**  
17 **CLOSURE OF UNIDENTIFIED ANOMALOUS**  
18 **PHENOMENA RECORDS BY GOVERNMENT OF-**  
19 **FICES.**

20 (a) IDENTIFICATION, ORGANIZATION, AND PREPARA-  
21 TION FOR TRANSMISSION.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after  
23 the date of the enactment of this Act, each head of  
24 a Government office shall—

1 (A) identify and organize records in the  
2 possession of the Government office or under  
3 the control of the Government office relating to  
4 unidentified anomalous phenomena; and

5 (B) prepare such records for transmission  
6 to the Archivist for inclusion in the Collection.

7 (2) PROHIBITIONS.—

8 (A) DESTRUCTION; ALTERATION; MUTILA-  
9 TION.—No unidentified anomalous phenomena  
10 record shall be destroyed, altered, or mutilated  
11 in any way.

12 (B) WITHHOLDING; REDACTION; POST-  
13 PONEMENT OF DISCLOSURE; RECLASSIFICA-  
14 TION.—No unidentified anomalous phenomena  
15 record made available or disclosed to the public  
16 prior to the date of the enactment of this Act  
17 may be withheld, redacted, postponed for public  
18 disclosure, or reclassified.

19 (C) RECORDS CREATED BY NON-FEDERAL  
20 PERSONS OR ENTITIES.—No unidentified anom-  
21 alous phenomena record created by a person or  
22 entity outside the Federal Government (exclud-  
23 ing names or identities consistent with the re-  
24 quirements of section 1843) shall be withheld,

1 redacted, postponed for public disclosure, or re-  
2 classified.

3 (b) CUSTODY OF UNIDENTIFIED ANOMALOUS PHE-  
4 NOMENA RECORDS PENDING REVIEW.—During the re-  
5 view by the heads of Government offices under subsection  
6 (c), each head of a Government office shall retain custody  
7 of the unidentified anomalous phenomena records of the  
8 office for purposes of preservation, security, and effi-  
9 ciency, unless it is a third agency record described in sub-  
10 section (c)(2)(C).

11 (c) REVIEW BY HEADS OF GOVERNMENT OFFICES.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 300 days  
13 after the date of the enactment of this Act, each  
14 head of a Government office shall review, identify,  
15 and organize each unidentified anomalous phe-  
16 nomena record in the custody or possession of the  
17 office for—

18 (A) disclosure to the public; and

19 (B) transmission to the Archivist.

20 (2) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out para-  
21 graph (1), the head of a Government office shall—

22 (A) determine which of the records of the  
23 office are unidentified anomalous phenomena  
24 records;

1 (B) determine which of the unidentified  
2 anomalous phenomena records of the office  
3 have been officially disclosed or made publicly  
4 available in a complete and unredacted form;

5 (C)(i) determine which of the unidentified  
6 anomalous phenomena records of the office, or  
7 particular information contained in such a  
8 record, was created by a third agency or by an-  
9 other Government office; and

10 (ii) transmit to a third agency or other  
11 Government office those records, or particular  
12 information contained in those records, or com-  
13 plete and accurate copies thereof;

14 (D)(i) determine whether the unidentified  
15 anomalous phenomena records of the office or  
16 particular information in unidentified anoma-  
17 lous phenomena records of the office are cov-  
18 ered by the standards for postponement of pub-  
19 lic disclosure under this subtitle; and

20 (ii) specify on the identification aid re-  
21 quired by subsection (d) the applicable post-  
22 ponement provision contained in section 1841;

23 (E) organize and make available, upon re-  
24 quest, to heads of Government offices other  
25 than the Government office with custody, in-

1 including the All-domain Anomaly Resolution Of-  
2 fice, all relevant unidentified anomalous records  
3 identified under subparagraph (D);

4 (F) organize and make available to the  
5 heads of Government offices other than the  
6 Government office with custody, including the  
7 All-domain Anomalous Resolution Office, for  
8 assistance with any record concerning which the  
9 office has any uncertainty as to whether the  
10 record is an unidentified anomalous phenomena  
11 record governed by this subtitle; and

12 (G) give precedence of work to—

13 (i) the identification, review, and  
14 transmission of unidentified anomalous  
15 phenomena records not already publicly  
16 available or disclosed as of the date of the  
17 enactment of this Act;

18 (ii) the identification, review, and  
19 transmission of all records that most un-  
20 ambiguously and definitively pertain to un-  
21 identified anomalous phenomena, tech-  
22 nologies of unknown origin, and non-  
23 human intelligence;

24 (iii) the identification, review, and  
25 transmission of unidentified anomalous

1                   phenomena records that on the date of the  
2                   enactment of this Act are the subject of  
3                   litigation under section 552 of title 5,  
4                   United States Code; and

5                   (iv) the identification, review, and  
6                   transmission of unidentified anomalous  
7                   phenomena records with earliest prove-  
8                   nance when not inconsistent with clauses  
9                   (i) through (iii) and otherwise feasible.

10                   (3) PRIORITY OF EXPEDITED REVIEW FOR DI-  
11                   RECTORS OF CERTAIN ARCHIVAL DEPOSITORIES.—

12                   The Director of each archival depository established  
13                   under section 2112 of title 44, United States Code,  
14                   shall have as a priority the expedited review for pub-  
15                   lic disclosure of unidentified anomalous phenomena  
16                   records in the possession and custody of the deposi-  
17                   tory, and shall make copies of such records available  
18                   to the All-domain Anomaly Resolution Office.

19                   (d) IDENTIFICATION AIDS.—

20                   (1) IN GENERAL.—

21                   (A) PREPARATION AND AVAILABILITY.—

22                   Not later than 45 days after the date of the en-  
23                   actment of this Act, the Archivist, in consulta-  
24                   tion with the heads of such Government offices  
25                   as the Archivist considers appropriate, shall

1           prepare and make available to all Government  
2           offices a standard form of identification, or  
3           finding aid, for use with each unidentified  
4           anomalous phenomena record subject to review  
5           under this subtitle whether in hardcopy (phys-  
6           ical), softcopy (electronic), or digitized data for-  
7           mat as may be appropriate.

8           (B) UNIFORM SYSTEM.—The Archivist  
9           shall ensure that the identification aid program  
10          is established in such a manner as to result in  
11          the creation of a uniform system for cataloging  
12          and finding every unidentified anomalous phe-  
13          nomena record subject to review under this sub-  
14          title where ever and how ever stored in  
15          hardcopy (physical), softcopy (electronic), or  
16          digitized data format.

17          (2) REQUIREMENTS FOR GOVERNMENT OF-  
18          FICES.—Upon completion of an identification aid  
19          using the standard form of identification prepared  
20          and made available under subparagraph (A) of para-  
21          graph (1) for the program established pursuant to  
22          subparagraph (B) of such paragraph, the head of a  
23          Government office shall—

24                  (A) attach a printed copy to each physical  
25                  unidentified anomalous phenomena record, and

1 an electronic copy to each softcopy or digitized  
2 data unidentified anomalous phenomena record,  
3 the identification aid describes; and

4 (B) attach a printed copy to each physical  
5 unidentified anomalous phenomena record, and  
6 an electronic copy to each softcopy or digitized  
7 data unidentified anomalous phenomena record  
8 the identification aid describes, when trans-  
9 mitted to the Archivist.

10 (3) RECORDS OF THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES  
11 THAT ARE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE.—Unidentified  
12 anomalous phenomena records which are in the pos-  
13 session of the National Archives on the date of the  
14 enactment of this Act, and which have been publicly  
15 available in their entirety without redaction, shall be  
16 made available in the Collection without any addi-  
17 tional review by another authorized office under this  
18 subtitle, and shall not be required to have such an  
19 identification aid unless required by the Archivist.

20 (e) TRANSMISSION TO THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES.—  
21 Each head of a Government office shall—

22 (1) transmit to the Archivist, and, as soon as  
23 possible, make available to the public, all unidenti-  
24 fied anomalous phenomena records of the Govern-  
25 ment office that can be publicly disclosed, including

1 those that are publicly available on the date of the  
2 enactment of this Act, without any redaction, adjust-  
3 ment, or withholding under the standards of this  
4 subtitle; and

5 (2) transmit to the Archivist upon approval for  
6 postponement by the original classification authority  
7 upon completion of other action authorized by this  
8 subtitle, all unidentified anomalous phenomena  
9 records of the Government office the public disclo-  
10 sure of which has been postponed, in whole or in  
11 part, under the standards of this subtitle, to become  
12 part of the protected, yet-to-be disclosed, or classi-  
13 fied portion of the Collection.

14 (f) CUSTODY OF POSTPONED UNIDENTIFIED ANOMA-  
15 LOUS PHENOMENA RECORDS.—An unidentified anoma-  
16 lous phenomena record the public disclosure of which has  
17 been postponed shall, pending transmission to the Archi-  
18 vist, be held for reasons of security and preservation by  
19 the originating body until such time as the information  
20 security program has been established at the National Ar-  
21 chives as required in section 1841(d)(2).

22 (g) PERIODIC REVIEW OF POSTPONED UNIDENTI-  
23 FIED ANOMALOUS PHENOMENA RECORDS.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—All postponed or redacted  
2 records shall be reviewed periodically by the origi-  
3 nating agency and the Archivist.

4           .(2) REQUIREMENTS.—

5           (A) PUBLIC DISCLOSURE.—A periodic re-  
6 view under paragraph (1) shall address the  
7 public disclosure of additional unidentified  
8 anomalous phenomena records in the Collection  
9 under the standards of this subtitle.

10           (B) UNCLASSIFIED WRITTEN DESCRIPTION  
11 OF REASON.—All postponed unidentified anom-  
12 alous phenomena records determined to require  
13 continued postponement shall require an unclas-  
14 sified written description of the reason for such  
15 continued postponement relevant to these spe-  
16 cific records. Such description shall be provided  
17 to the Archivist and published in the Federal  
18 Register upon determination.

19           (C) PERIODIC REVIEW; DOWNGRADING  
20 AND DECLASSIFICATION OF INFORMATION.—  
21 The Archivist shall establish requirements for  
22 periodic review of postponed unidentified anom-  
23 alous phenomena records that shall serve to  
24 downgrade and declassify information.

1 (D) DEADLINE FOR FULL DISCLOSURE.—

2 Each unidentified anomalous phenomena record  
3 shall be publicly disclosed in full, and available  
4 in the Collection, not later than the date that  
5 is 25 years after the date of the first creation  
6 of the record by the originating body, unless the  
7 President certifies that—

8 (i) continued postponement is made  
9 necessary by an identifiable harm to the  
10 military defense, intelligence operations,  
11 law enforcement, or conduct of foreign re-  
12 lations; and

13 (ii) the identifiable harm is of such  
14 gravity that it outweighs the public inter-  
15 est in disclosure.

16 (h) REQUIREMENTS FOR EXECUTIVE AGENCIES.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—The heads of Executive  
18 agencies shall—

19 (A) transmit digital records electronically  
20 in accordance with section 2107 of title 44,  
21 United States Code;

22 (B) charge fees for copying unidentified  
23 anomalous phenomena records; and

1 (C) grant waivers of such fees pursuant to  
2 the standards established by section 552(a)(4)  
3 of title 5, United States Code.

4 (2) AMOUNT OF FEES.—The amount of a fee  
5 charged by the head of an Executive agency pursu-  
6 ant to paragraph (1)(B) for the copying of an un-  
7 identified anomalous phenomena record shall be  
8 such amount as the head determines appropriate to  
9 cover the costs incurred by the Executive agency in  
10 making and providing such copy, except that in no  
11 case may the amount of the fee charged exceed the  
12 actual expenses incurred by the Executive agency in  
13 making and providing such copy.

14 **SEC. 1843. GROUNDS FOR POSTPONEMENT OF PUBLIC DIS-**  
15 **CLOSURE OF UNIDENTIFIED ANOMALOUS**  
16 **PHENOMENA RECORDS.**

17 (a) POSTPONEMENT DETERMINATION.—In addition  
18 to the relevant authorities in Executive Order 13526, dis-  
19 closure of unidentified anomalous phenomena records or  
20 particular information in unidentified anomalous phe-  
21 nomena records to the public may be postponed subject  
22 to the limitations of this subtitle if the original classifica-  
23 tion authority makes a determination that there is clear  
24 and convincing evidence that—

1           (1) the threat to the military defense, intel-  
2           ligence operations, or conduct of foreign relations of  
3           the United States posed by the public disclosure of  
4           the unidentified anomalous phenomena record is of  
5           such gravity that it outweighs the public interest in  
6           disclosure, and such public disclosure would reveal—

7                   (A) an intelligence agent whose identity  
8                   currently requires protection;

9                   (B) an intelligence source or method which  
10                  is currently utilized, or reasonably expected to  
11                  be utilized, by the Federal Government and  
12                  which has not been officially disclosed, the dis-  
13                  closure of which would interfere with the con-  
14                  duct of intelligence activities; or

15                  (C) any other matter currently relating to  
16                  the military defense, intelligence operations, or  
17                  conduct of foreign relations of the United  
18                  States, the disclosure of which would demon-  
19                  strably and substantially impair the national se-  
20                  curity of the United States;

21           (2) the public disclosure of the unidentified  
22           anomalous phenomena record would violate section  
23           552a of title 5, United States Code (referred to as  
24           the “Privacy Act of 1974”);

1           (3) the public disclosure of the unidentified  
2 anomalous phenomena record could reasonably be  
3 expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of  
4 personal privacy, and that invasion of privacy is so  
5 substantial that it outweighs the public interest; or

6           (4) the public disclosure of the unidentified  
7 anomalous phenomena record would compromise the  
8 existence of an understanding of confidentiality cur-  
9 rently requiring protection between a Federal Gov-  
10 ernment agent and a cooperating individual or a for-  
11 eign government, and public disclosure would be so  
12 harmful that it outweighs the public interest.

13       (b) WITHDRAWAL OF RECORDS.—Senior Agency Of-  
14 ficials designated in accordance with Executive Order  
15 13526 or any successor Orders may withdraw records in  
16 the Collection that are determined to be both not related  
17 to unidentified anomalous phenomena and properly classi-  
18 fied. The Senior Agency Official must notify the congres-  
19 sional leadership and the oversight committees of Con-  
20 gress, as identified in section 1841(e), by not later than  
21 60 days before each record is withdrawn.

22       (c) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION OF POSTPONE-  
23 MENT OF DISCLOSURE.—In the event that the disclosure  
24 of unidentified anomalous phenomena records or par-  
25 ticular information in unidentified anomalous phenomena

1 records to the public is postponed by an Executive agency,  
2 the head of the Executive agency shall notify congressional  
3 leadership and the oversight committees of Congress, as  
4 identified in section 1841(e), within 15 days of such deci-  
5 sion with a reason for the postponement of disclosure.

6 **Subtitle D—World Trade Center**  
7 **Health Program**

8 **SEC. 1851. FLEXIBILITY AND FUNDING FOR THE WORLD**  
9 **TRADE CENTER HEALTH PROGRAM.**

10 (a) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, ARMED FORCES, OR  
11 OTHER FEDERAL WORKER RESPONDERS TO THE SEP-  
12 TEMBER 11 ATTACKS AT THE PENTAGON AND  
13 SHANKSVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA.—Title XXXIII of the  
14 Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300mm et seq.) is  
15 amended—

16 (1) in section 3306 (42 U.S.C. 300mm–5)—

17 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (5)  
18 through (11) and paragraphs (12) through (17)  
19 as paragraphs (6) through (12) and paragraphs  
20 (14) through (19), respectively;

21 (B) by inserting after paragraph (4) the  
22 following:

23 “(5) The term ‘Federal agency’ means an agen-  
24 cy, office, or other establishment in the executive,

1 legislative, or judicial branch of the Federal Govern-  
2 ment.”; and

3 (C) by inserting after paragraph (12), as  
4 so redesignated, the following:

5 “(13) The term ‘uniformed services’ has the  
6 meaning given the term in section 101(a) of title 10,  
7 United States Code.”; and

8 (2) in section 3311(a) (42 U.S.C. 300mm-  
9 21(a))—

10 (A) in paragraph (2)(C)(i)—

11 (i) in subclause (I), by striking “; or”  
12 and inserting a semicolon;

13 (ii) in subclause (II), by striking “;  
14 and” and inserting a semicolon; and

15 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
16 lowing:

17 “(III) was an employee of the Depart-  
18 ment of Defense or any other Federal  
19 agency, worked during the period begin-  
20 ning on September 11, 2001, and ending  
21 on September 18, 2001, for a contractor of  
22 the Department of Defense or any other  
23 Federal agency, or was a member of a reg-  
24 ular or reserve component of the uni-  
25 formed services; and performed rescue, re-

1           covery, demolition, debris cleanup, or other  
2           related services at the Pentagon site of the  
3           terrorist-related aircraft crash of Sep-  
4           tember 11, 2001, during the period begin-  
5           ning on September 11, 2001, and ending  
6           on the date on which the cleanup of the  
7           site was concluded, as determined by the  
8           WTC Program Administrator; or

9           “ (IV) was an employee of the Depart-  
10          ment of Defense or any other Federal  
11          agency, worked during the period begin-  
12          ning on September 11, 2001, and ending  
13          on September 18, 2001, for a contractor of  
14          the Department of Defense or any other  
15          Federal agency, or was a member of a reg-  
16          ular or reserve component of the uni-  
17          formed services; and performed rescue, re-  
18          covery, demolition, debris cleanup, or other  
19          related services at the Shanksville, Penn-  
20          sylvania, site of the terrorist-related air-  
21          craft crash of September 11, 2001, during  
22          the period beginning on September 11,  
23          2001, and ending on the date on which the  
24          cleanup of the site was concluded, as deter-

1 mined by the WTC Program Adminis-  
2 trator; and”;

3 (B) in paragraph (4)(A)—

4 (i) by striking “(A) IN GENERAL.—  
5 The” and inserting the following:

6 “(A) LIMIT.—

7 “(i) IN GENERAL.—The”;

8 (ii) by inserting “or subclause (III) or  
9 (IV) of paragraph (2)(C)(i)” after “or  
10 (2)(A)(ii)”;

11 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
12 lowing:

13 “(ii) CERTAIN RESPONDERS TO THE  
14 SEPTEMBER 11 ATTACKS AT THE PEN-  
15 TAGON AND SHANKSVILLE, PENNSYLV-  
16 ANIA.—The total number of individuals  
17 who may be enrolled under paragraph  
18 (3)(A)(ii) based on eligibility criteria de-  
19 scribed in subclause (III) or (IV) of para-  
20 graph (2)(C)(i) shall not exceed 500 at any  
21 time.”.

22 (b) ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE WORLD TRADE  
23 CENTER HEALTH PROGRAM.—Title XXXIII of the Public  
24 Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300mm et seq.) is amended  
25 by adding at the end the following:

1 **“SEC. 3353. SPECIAL FUND.**

2 “(a) IN GENERAL.—There is established a fund to  
3 be known as the World Trade Center Health Program  
4 Special Fund (referred to in this section as the ‘Special  
5 Fund’), consisting of amounts deposited into the Special  
6 Fund under subsection (b).

7 “(b) AMOUNT.—Out of any money in the Treasury  
8 not otherwise appropriated, there is appropriated for fiscal  
9 year 2024 \$444,000,000 for deposit into the Special  
10 Fund, which amounts shall remain available in such Fund  
11 through fiscal year 2033.

12 “(c) USES OF FUNDS.—Amounts deposited into the  
13 Special Fund under subsection (b) shall be available, with-  
14 out further appropriation and without regard to any  
15 spending limitation under section 3351(c), to the WTC  
16 Program Administrator as needed at the discretion of such  
17 Administrator, for carrying out any provision in this title  
18 (including sections 3303 and 3341(c)).

19 “(d) REMAINING AMOUNTS.—Any amounts that re-  
20 main in the Special Fund on September 30, 2033, shall  
21 be deposited into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

22 **“SEC. 3354. PENTAGON/SHANKSVILLE FUND.**

23 “(a) IN GENERAL.—There is established a fund to  
24 be known as the World Trade Center Health Program  
25 Fund for Certain WTC Responders at the Pentagon and  
26 Shanksville, Pennsylvania (referred to in this section as

1 the ‘Pentagon/Shanksville Fund’), consisting of amounts  
2 deposited into the Pentagon/Shanksville Fund under sub-  
3 section (b).

4 “(b) AMOUNT.—Out of any money in the Treasury  
5 not otherwise appropriated, there is appropriated for fiscal  
6 year 2024 \$232,000,000 for deposit into the Pentagon/  
7 Shanksville Fund, which amounts shall remain available  
8 in such Fund through fiscal year 2033.

9 “(c) USES OF FUNDS.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Amounts deposited into the  
11 Pentagon/Shanksville Fund under subsection (b)  
12 shall be available, without further appropriation and  
13 without regard to any spending limitation under sec-  
14 tion 3351(c), to the WTC Program Administrator  
15 for the purpose of carrying out section 3312 with re-  
16 gard to WTC responders enrolled in the WTC Pro-  
17 gram based on eligibility criteria described in sub-  
18 clause (III) or (IV) of section 3311(a)(2)(C)(i).

19 “(2) LIMITATION ON OTHER FUNDING.—Not-  
20 withstanding sections 3331(a), 3351(b)(1), 3352(c),  
21 and 3353(c), and any other provision in this title,  
22 for the period of fiscal years 2024 through 2033, no  
23 amounts made available under this title other than  
24 those amounts appropriated under subsection (b)

1       may be available for the purpose described in para-  
2       graph (1).

3       “(d) REMAINING AMOUNTS.—Any amounts that re-  
4       main in the Pentagon/Shanksville Fund on September 30,  
5       2033, shall be deposited into the Treasury as miscella-  
6       neous receipts.”.

7       (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Title XXXIII of  
8       the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300mm et seq.)  
9       is amended—

10           (1) in section 3311(a)(4)(B)(i)(II) (42 U.S.C.  
11           300mm–21(a)(4)(B)(i)(II)), by striking “sections  
12           3351 and 3352” and inserting “this title”;

13           (2) in section 3321(a)(3)(B)(i)(II) (42 U.S.C.  
14           300mm–31(a)(3)(B)(i)(II)), by striking “sections  
15           3351 and 3352” and inserting “this title”;

16           (3) in section 3331 (42 U.S.C. 300mm–41)—

17               (A) in subsection (a), by striking “the  
18               World Trade Center Health Program Fund and  
19               the World Trade Center Health Program Sup-  
20               plemental Fund” and inserting “(as applicable)  
21               the Funds established under sections 3351,  
22               3352, 3353, and 3354”; and

23               (B) in subsection (d)—

24                   (i) in paragraph (1)(A), by inserting  
25                   “or the World Trade Center Health Pro-

1           gram Special Fund under section 3353”  
2           after “section 3351”;

3                   (ii) in paragraph (1)(B), by inserting  
4           “or the World Trade Center Health Pro-  
5           gram Fund for Certain WTC Responders  
6           at the Pentagon and Shanksville, Pennsyl-  
7           vania under section 3354” after “section  
8           3352”; and

9                   (iii) in paragraph (2), in the flush text  
10          following subparagraph (C), by inserting  
11          “or the World Trade Center Health Pro-  
12          gram Fund for Certain WTC Responders  
13          at the Pentagon and Shanksville, Pennsyl-  
14          vania under section 3354” after “section  
15          3352”; and

16          (4) in section 3351(b) (42 U.S.C. 300mm–  
17          61(b))—

18                   (A) in paragraph (2), by inserting “, the  
19          World Trade Center Health Program Special  
20          Fund under section 3353, or the World Trade  
21          Center Health Program Fund for Certain WTC  
22          Responders at the Pentagon and Shanksville,  
23          Pennsylvania under section 3354” before the  
24          period at the end; and

1 (B) in paragraph (3), by inserting “, the  
2 World Trade Center Health Program Special  
3 Fund under section 3353, or the World Trade  
4 Center Health Program Fund for Certain WTC  
5 Responders at the Pentagon and Shanksville,  
6 Pennsylvania under section 3354” before the  
7 period at the end.

8 **SEC. 1852. EXTENSION OF CERTAIN DIRECT SPENDING RE-**  
9 **DUCTIONS.**

10 Section 251A(6)(D) of the Balanced Budget and  
11 Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C.  
12 901a(6)(D)) is amended—

13 (1) in clause (i), by striking “6” and inserting  
14 “7”; and

15 (2) in clause (ii), by striking “second 6  
16 months” and inserting “last 5 months”.

17 **SEC. 1853. MEDICARE IMPROVEMENT FUND.**

18 Section 1898(b)(1) of the Social Security Act (42  
19 U.S.C. 1395iii(b)(1)) is amended by striking  
20 “\$466,795,056” and inserting “\$2,250,795,056”.

1 **DIVISION B—MILITARY CON-**  
2 **STRUCTION AUTHORIZA-**  
3 **TIONS**

4 **SEC. 2001. SHORT TITLE.**

5 This division and title XLVI of division D may be  
6 cited as the “Military Construction Authorization Act for  
7 Fiscal Year 2024”.

8 **SEC. 2002. EXPIRATION OF AUTHORIZATIONS AND**  
9 **AMOUNTS REQUIRED TO BE SPECIFIED BY**  
10 **LAW.**

11 (a) EXPIRATION OF AUTHORIZATIONS AFTER THREE  
12 YEARS.—Except as provided in subsection (b), all author-  
13 izations contained in titles XXI through XXVII for mili-  
14 tary construction projects, land acquisition, family housing  
15 projects and facilities, and contributions to the North At-  
16 lantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program  
17 (and authorizations of appropriations therefor) shall ex-  
18 pire on the later of—

19 (1) October 1, 2026; or

20 (2) the date of the enactment of an Act author-  
21 izing funds for military construction for fiscal year  
22 2027.

23 (b) EXCEPTION.—Subsection (a) shall not apply to  
24 authorizations for military construction projects, land ac-  
25 quisition, family housing projects and facilities, and con-

1 tributions to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Se-  
2 curity Investment Program (and authorizations of appro-  
3 priations therefor), for which appropriated funds have  
4 been obligated before the later of—

5 (1) October 1, 2026; or

6 (2) the date of the enactment of an Act author-  
7 izing funds for fiscal year 2027 for military con-  
8 struction projects, land acquisition, family housing  
9 projects and facilities, or contributions to the North  
10 Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment  
11 Program.

12 **SEC. 2003. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

13 Titles XXI through XXVII shall take effect on the  
14 later of—

15 (1) October 1, 2023; or

16 (2) the date of the enactment of this Act.

17 **TITLE XXI—ARMY MILITARY**  
18 **CONSTRUCTION**

Sec. 2101. Authorized Army construction and land acquisition projects.

Sec. 2102. Family housing.

Sec. 2103. Authorization of appropriations, Army.

Sec. 2104. Extension of authority to use cash payments in special account from  
land conveyance, Natick Soldier Systems Center, Massachu-  
setts.

Sec. 2105. Extension of authority to carry out fiscal year 2018 project at  
Kunsan Air Base, Korea.

Sec. 2106. Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2019 Army  
military construction projects.

Sec. 2107. Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2021 Army  
military construction projects.

1 **SEC. 2101. AUTHORIZED ARMY CONSTRUCTION AND LAND**  
 2 **ACQUISITION PROJECTS.**

3 (a) INSIDE THE UNITED STATES.—Using amounts  
 4 appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropria-  
 5 tions in section 2103(a) and available for military con-  
 6 struction projects inside the United States as specified in  
 7 the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the  
 8 Army may acquire real property and carry out military  
 9 construction projects for the installations or locations in-  
 10 side the United States, and in the amounts, set forth in  
 11 the following table:

**Army: Inside the United States**

State	Installation	Amount
Alabama .....	Redstone Arsenal .....	\$53,000,000
Georgia .....	Fort Eisenhower .....	\$177,000,000
Hawaii .....	Aliamanu Military Reservation .....	\$20,000,000
	Fort Shafter .....	\$80,000,000
	Helemano Military Reservation .....	\$90,000,000
	Schofield Barracks .....	\$70,000,000
Kansas .....	Fort Riley .....	\$105,000,000
Kentucky .....	Fort Campbell .....	\$39,000,000
Louisiana .....	Fort Johnson .....	\$13,400,000
Massachusetts .....	Soldier Systems Center Natick .....	\$18,500,000
Michigan .....	Detroit Arsenal .....	\$72,000,000
North Carolina .....	Fort Liberty .....	\$253,000,000
Pennsylvania .....	Letterkenny Army Depot .....	\$89,000,000
Texas .....	Fort Bliss .....	\$118,000,000
	Red River Army Depot .....	\$113,000,000
Washington .....	Joint Base Lewis-McChord .....	\$100,000,000

12 (b) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.—Using amounts  
 13 appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropria-  
 14 tions in section 2103(a) and available for military con-  
 15 struction projects outside the United States as specified  
 16 in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the  
 17 Army may acquire real property and carry out military

1 construction projects for the installations or locations out-  
 2 side the United States, and in the amounts, set forth in  
 3 the following table:

**Army: Outside the United States**

Country	Installation or Location	Amount
Germany .....	Grafenwoehr .....	\$10,400,000
	Hohenfels .....	\$88,000,000

4 **SEC. 2102. FAMILY HOUSING.**

5 (a) CONSTRUCTION AND ACQUISITION.—Using  
 6 amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of ap-  
 7 propriations in section 2103(a) and available for military  
 8 family housing functions as specified in the funding table  
 9 in section 4601, the Secretary of the Army may construct  
 10 or acquire family housing units (including land acquisition  
 11 and supporting facilities) at the installations or locations,  
 12 in the number of units, and in the amounts set forth in  
 13 the following table:

**Army: Family Housing**

Country	Installation or Location	Units	Amount
Germany .....	Baumholder .....	Family Housing New Construc- tion .....	\$90,135,000
Kwajalein .....	Kwajalein Atoll .....	Family Housing Replacement Construction ...	\$98,600,000

14 (b) IMPROVEMENTS TO MILITARY FAMILY HOUSING  
 15 UNITS.—Subject to section 2825 of title 10, United States  
 16 Code, and using amounts appropriated pursuant to the  
 17 authorization of appropriations in section 2103(a) and  
 18 available for military family housing functions as specified

1 in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the  
2 Army may improve existing military family housing units  
3 in an amount not to exceed \$100,000,000.

4 (c) **PLANNING AND DESIGN.**—Using amounts appro-  
5 priated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in  
6 section 2103(a) and available for military family housing  
7 functions as specified in the funding table in section 4601,  
8 the Secretary of the Army may carry out architectural and  
9 engineering services and construction design activities  
10 with respect to the construction or improvement of family  
11 housing units in an amount not to exceed \$27,549,000.

12 **SEC. 2103. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, ARMY.**

13 (a) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—Funds  
14 are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years  
15 beginning after September 30, 2023, for military con-  
16 struction, land acquisition, and military family housing  
17 functions of the Department of the Army as specified in  
18 the funding table in section 4601.

19 (b) **LIMITATION ON TOTAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION**  
20 **PROJECTS.**—Notwithstanding the cost variations author-  
21 ized by section 2853 of title 10, United States Code, and  
22 any other cost variation authorized by law, the total cost  
23 of all projects carried out under section 2101 of this Act  
24 may not exceed the total amount authorized to be appro-

1 priated under subsection (a), as specified in the funding  
2 table in section 4601.

3 **SEC. 2104. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO USE CASH PAY-**  
4 **MENTS IN SPECIAL ACCOUNT FROM LAND**  
5 **CONVEYANCE, NATICK SOLDIER SYSTEMS**  
6 **CENTER, MASSACHUSETTS.**

7 Section 2844(c)(2)(C) of the Military Construction  
8 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (division B of  
9 Public Law 115–91; 131 Stat. 1865) is amended—

10 (1) in the heading, by striking “OCTOBER 1,  
11 2025” and inserting “OCTOBER 1, 2027”; and

12 (2) by striking “October 1, 2025” and inserting  
13 “October 1, 2027”.

14 **SEC. 2105. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT FIS-**  
15 **CAL YEAR 2018 PROJECT AT KUNSAN AIR**  
16 **BASE, KOREA.**

17 (a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of  
18 the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal  
19 Year 2018 (division B of Public Law 115–91; 131 Stat.  
20 1817), the authorization set forth in the table in sub-  
21 section (b), as provided in section 2101(b) of such Act  
22 (131 Stat. 1819) and extended by section 2106(a) of the  
23 Military Construction Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (division  
24 B of Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2973), shall remain  
25 in effect until October 1, 2024, or the date of the enact-

1 ment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction  
 2 for fiscal year 2025, whichever is later.

3 (b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a)  
 4 is as follows:

**Army: Extension of 2018 Project Authorization**

Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Korea .....	Kunsan Air Base	Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Hangar .....	\$53,000,000

5 **SEC. 2106. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**  
 6 **TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2019 ARMY MILITARY CON-**  
 7 **STRUCTION PROJECTS.**

8 (a) ARMY MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.—

9 (1) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section  
 10 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act  
 11 for Fiscal Year 2019 (division B of Public Law 115–  
 12 232; 132 Stat. 2240), the authorizations set forth in  
 13 the table in paragraph (2), as provided in section  
 14 2101 of that Act (132 Stat. 2241), shall remain in  
 15 effect until October 1, 2024, or the date of the en-  
 16 actment of an Act authorizing funds for military  
 17 construction for fiscal year 2025, whichever is later.

18 (2) TABLE.—The table referred to in paragraph  
 19 (1) is as follows:

**Army: Extension of 2019 Project Authorizations**

<b>State/ Country</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Original Authorized Amount</b>
Korea .....	Camp Tango .....	Command and Control Facility .....	\$17,500,000
Maryland .....	Fort Meade .....	Cantonment Area Roads .....	\$16,500,000

1 (b) ARMY OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS

2 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.—

3 (1) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding such sec-  
 4 tion, the authorizations set forth in the table in  
 5 paragraph (2), as provided in section 2901 of such  
 6 Act, shall remain in effect until October 1, 2024, or  
 7 the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing  
 8 funds for military construction for fiscal year 2025,  
 9 whichever is later.

10 (2) TABLE.—The table referred to in paragraph

11 (1) is as follows:

**Army: Extension of 2019 Project Authorizations**

<b>Country</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Original Authorized Amount</b>
Bulgaria .....	Nevo Selo FOS .....	EDI: Ammunition Holding Area .....	\$5,200,000
Romania .....	Mihail Kogalniceanu FOS .....	EDI: Explosives and Ammo Load/Un- load Apron. ....	\$21,651,000

1 **SEC. 2107. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**  
 2 **TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2021 ARMY MILITARY CON-**  
 3 **STRUCTION PROJECTS.**

4 (a) ARMY CONSTRUCTION AND LAND ACQUI-  
 5 TION.—

6 (1) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section  
 7 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act  
 8 for Fiscal Year 2021 (division B of Public Law 116–  
 9 283; 134 Stat. 4294), the authorizations set forth in  
 10 the table in paragraph (2), as provided in section  
 11 2101(a) of that Act (134 Stat. 4295), shall remain  
 12 in effect until October 1, 2024, or the date of the  
 13 enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military  
 14 construction for fiscal year 2025, whichever is later.

15 (2) TABLE.—The table referred to in paragraph  
 16 (1) is as follows:

**Army: Extension of 2021 Project Authorizations**

<b>State</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Original Authorized Amount</b>
Arizona .....	Yuma Proving Ground	Ready Building .....	\$14,000,000
Georgia .....	Fort Gillem .....	Forensic Lab .....	\$71,000,000
Louisiana .....	Fort Johnson .....	Information Systems Facility .....	\$25,000,000

17 (b) CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER, FORT EISEN-  
 18 HOWER, GEORGIA.—

19 (1) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section  
 20 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act  
 21 for Fiscal Year 2021 (division B of Public Law 116–

1 283; 134 Stat. 4294), the authorization under sec-  
 2 tion 2865 of that Act (10 U.S.C. 2802 note) for the  
 3 project described in paragraph (2) in Fort Eisen-  
 4 hower, Georgia, shall remain in effect until October  
 5 1, 2024, or the date of the enactment of an Act au-  
 6 thorizing funds for military construction for fiscal  
 7 year 2025, whichever is later.

8 (2) PROJECT DESCRIBED.—The project de-  
 9 scribed in this paragraph is the following:

**Army: Extension of 2021 Project Authorization**

<b>State</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Original Authorized Amount</b>
Georgia .....	Fort Eisenhower .....	Child Development Center .....	\$21,000,000

10 **TITLE XXII—NAVY MILITARY**  
 11 **CONSTRUCTION**

Sec. 2201. Authorized Navy construction and land acquisition projects.

Sec. 2202. Family housing.

Sec. 2203. Authorization of appropriations, Navy.

Sec. 2204. Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2019 Navy military construction projects.

Sec. 2205. Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2021 Navy military construction projects.

12 **SEC. 2201. AUTHORIZED NAVY CONSTRUCTION AND LAND**  
 13 **ACQUISITION PROJECTS.**

14 (a) INSIDE THE UNITED STATES.—Using amounts  
 15 appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropria-  
 16 tions in section 2203(a) and available for military con-  
 17 struction projects inside the United States as specified in  
 18 the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the

1 Navy may acquire real property and carry out military  
 2 construction projects for the installations or locations in-  
 3 side the United States, and in the amounts, set forth in  
 4 the following table:

**Navy: Inside the United States**

State	Installation	Amount
California .....	Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center Twentynine Palms .....	\$55,341,000
	Port Hueneme .....	\$120,800,000
	Connecticut .....	Naval Submarine Base New London .....
District Of Columbia	Marine Barracks Washington (8th Street and I).	\$131,800,000
Florida .....	Naval Air Station Whiting Field .....	\$148,505,000
Georgia .....	Marine Corps Logistics Base Albany .....	\$64,000,000
Guam .....	Andersen Air Force Base .....	\$497,620,000
	Joint Region Marianas .....	\$174,540,000
	Naval Base Guam .....	\$950,656,000
Hawaii .....	Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay .....	\$318,845,000
Maryland .....	Fort Meade .....	\$186,480,000
	Naval Air Station Patuxent River .....	\$141,700,000
North Carolina .....	Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point .....	\$269,790,000
	Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune .....	\$286,780,000
Pennsylvania .....	Naval Surface Warfare Center Philadelphia	\$100,000,000
Virginia .....	Dam Neck Annex .....	\$109,680,000
	Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek - Fort Story .....	\$57,000,000
	Marine Corps Base Quantico .....	\$127,120,000
	Naval Station Norfolk .....	\$175,878,000
	Naval Weapons Station Yorktown .....	\$283,500,000
Washington .....	Naval Base Kitsap .....	\$245,000,000

5 (b) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.—Using amounts  
 6 appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropria-  
 7 tions in section 2203(a) and available for military con-  
 8 struction projects outside the United States as specified  
 9 in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the  
 10 Navy may acquire real property and carry out military  
 11 construction projects for the installations or locations out-  
 12 side the United States, and in the amounts, set forth in  
 13 the following table:

**Navy: Outside the United States**

<b>Country</b>	<b>Installation</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Djibouti .....	Camp Lemonnier .....	\$126,839,000
Italy .....	Naval Air Station Sigonella .....	\$90,348,000

**1 SEC. 2202. FAMILY HOUSING.**

2 (a) CONSTRUCTION AND ACQUISITION.—Using  
3 amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of ap-  
4 propriations in section 2203(a) and available for military  
5 family housing functions as specified in the funding table  
6 in section 4601, the Secretary of the Navy may construct  
7 or acquire family housing units (including land acquisition  
8 and supporting facilities) at the installations or locations,  
9 in the number of units, and in the amounts set forth in  
10 the following table:

**Navy: Family Housing**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Installation</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Guam .....	Joint Region Marianas .....	\$290,365,000

11 (b) IMPROVEMENTS TO MILITARY FAMILY HOUSING  
12 UNITS.—Subject to section 2825 of title 10, United States  
13 Code, and using amounts appropriated pursuant to the  
14 authorization of appropriations in section 2203(a) and  
15 available for military family housing functions as specified  
16 in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the  
17 Navy may improve existing military family housing units  
18 in an amount not to exceed \$57,740,000.

19 (c) PLANNING AND DESIGN.—Using amounts appro-  
20 priated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in

1 section 2203(a) and available for military family housing  
2 functions as specified in the funding table in section 4601,  
3 the Secretary of the Navy may carry out architectural and  
4 engineering services and construction design activities  
5 with respect to the construction or improvement of family  
6 housing units in an amount not to exceed \$14,370,000.

7 **SEC. 2203. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, NAVY.**

8 (a) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—Funds  
9 are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years  
10 beginning after September 30, 2023, for military con-  
11 struction, land acquisition, and military family housing  
12 functions of the Department of the Navy, as specified in  
13 the funding table in section 4601.

14 (b) **LIMITATION ON TOTAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION**  
15 **PROJECTS.**—Notwithstanding the cost variations author-  
16 ized by section 2853 of title 10, United States Code, and  
17 any other cost variation authorized by law, the total cost  
18 of all projects carried out under section 2201 may not ex-  
19 ceed the total amount authorized to be appropriated under  
20 subsection (a), as specified in the funding table in section  
21 4601.

22 **SEC. 2204. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**  
23 **TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2019 NAVY MILITARY CON-**  
24 **STRUCTION PROJECTS.**

25 (a) **NAVY MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.**—

1 (1) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section  
 2 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act  
 3 for Fiscal Year 2019 (division B of Public Law 115–  
 4 232; 132 Stat. 2240), the authorizations set forth in  
 5 the table in paragraph (2), as provided in section  
 6 2201 of that Act (132 Stat. 2244), shall remain in  
 7 effect until October 1, 2024, or the date of the en-  
 8 actment of an Act authorizing funds for military  
 9 construction for fiscal year 2025, whichever is later.

10 (2) TABLE.—The table referred to in paragraph  
 11 (1) is as follows:

**Navy: Extension of 2019 Project Authorizations**

<b>State/ Country</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Original Authorized Amount</b>
Bahrain .....	SW Asia .....	Fleet Maintenance Facility and TOC	\$26,340,000
North Carolina	Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune .....	2nd Radio BN Com- plex, Phase 2 .....	\$51,300,000
South Carolina	Marine Corps Air Sta- tion Beaufort .....	Recycling/Hazardous Waste Facility ....	\$9,517,000
Washington ....	Bangor .....	Pier and Mainte- nance Facility .....	\$88,960,000

12 (b) ENHANCING FORCE PROTECTION AND SAFETY  
 13 ON MILITARY INSTALLATIONS.—

14 (1) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section  
 15 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act  
 16 for Fiscal Year 2019 (division B of Public Law 115–  
 17 232; 132 Stat. 2240), the authorization set forth in  
 18 the table in paragraph (2), as provided in section

1 2810 of that Act (132 Stat. 2266), shall remain in  
 2 effect until October 1, 2024, or the date of the en-  
 3 actment of an Act authorizing funds for military  
 4 construction for fiscal year 2025, whichever is later.

5 (2) TABLE.—The table referred to in paragraph  
 6 (1) is as follows:

**Navy: Extension of 2019 Project Authorization**

State	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
South Carolina	Marine Corps Air Sta- tion Beaufort .....	Laurel Bay Fire Station .....	\$10,750,000

7 (c) NAVY CONSTRUCTION AND LAND ACQUISITION  
 8 PROJECT.—

9 (1) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section  
 10 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act  
 11 for Fiscal Year 2019 (division B of Public Law 115–  
 12 232; 132 Stat. 2240), the authorization set forth in  
 13 the table in paragraph (2), as provided in section  
 14 2902 of that Act (132 Stat. 2286), shall remain in  
 15 effect until October 1, 2024, or the date of the en-  
 16 actment of an Act authorizing funds for military  
 17 construction for fiscal year 2025, whichever is later.

18 (2) TABLE.—The table referred to in paragraph  
 19 (1) is as follows:

**Navy: Extension of 2019 Project Authorization**

<b>Country</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Original Authorized Amount</b>
Greece .....	Naval Support Activity Souda Bay .....	EDI: Joint Mobility Processing Center	\$41,650,000

1 **SEC. 2205. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**  
2 **TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2021 NAVY MILITARY CON-**  
3 **STRUCTION PROJECTS.**

4 (a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of  
5 the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal  
6 Year 2021 (division B of Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat.  
7 4294), the authorizations set forth in the table in sub-  
8 section (b), as provided in section 2201 of that Act (134  
9 Stat. 4297), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2024,  
10 or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds  
11 for military construction for fiscal year 2025, whichever  
12 is later.

13 (b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a)  
14 is as follows:

**Navy: Extension of 2021 Project Authorizations**

<b>State/ Country</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Original Authorized Amount</b>
California .....	Twentynine Palms .....	Wastewater Treat- ment Plant .....	\$76,500,000
Guam .....	Joint Region Marianas	Joint Communica- tion Upgrade .....	\$166,000,000
Maine .....	NCTAMS LANT De- tachment Cutler .....	Perimeter Security ..	\$26,100,000
Nevada .....	Fallon .....	Range Training Complex, Phase 1	\$29,040,000

1                   **TITLE XXIII—AIR FORCE**  
 2                   **MILITARY CONSTRUCTION**

Sec. 2301. Authorized Air Force construction and land acquisition projects.  
 Sec. 2302. Family housing.  
 Sec. 2303. Authorization of appropriations, Air Force.  
 Sec. 2304. Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2017 Air Force military construction projects.  
 Sec. 2305. Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2018 Air Force military construction projects.  
 Sec. 2306. Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2019 Air Force military construction projects.  
 Sec. 2307. Extension of authority to carry out fiscal year 2021 Air Force military construction projects.

3   **SEC. 2301. AUTHORIZED AIR FORCE CONSTRUCTION AND**  
 4                   **LAND ACQUISITION PROJECTS.**

5           (a) INSIDE THE UNITED STATES.—Using amounts  
 6 appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropria-  
 7 tions in section 2303(a) and available for military con-  
 8 struction projects inside the United States as specified in  
 9 the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the  
 10 Air Force may acquire real property and carry out mili-  
 11 tary construction projects for the installations or locations  
 12 inside the United States, and in the amounts, set forth  
 13 in the following table:

**Air Force: Inside the United States**

State	Installation	Amount
Florida .....	Eglin Air Force Base .....	\$15,500,000
	MacDill Air Force Base .....	\$148,000,000
	Patrick Space Force Base .....	\$27,000,000
	Tyndall Air Force Base .....	\$252,000,000
Georgia .....	Robins Air Force Base .....	\$115,000,000
Guam .....	Joint Region Marianas .....	\$411,000,000
Massachusetts .....	Hanscom Air Force Base .....	\$37,000,000
Mississippi .....	Columbus Air Force Base .....	\$39,500,000
Montana .....	Malmstrom Air Force Base .....	\$10,300,000
South Dakota .....	Ellsworth Air Force Base .....	\$235,000,000
Texas .....	Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland .....	\$158,000,000
Utah .....	Hill Air Force Base .....	\$107,000,000
Wyoming .....	F.E. Warren Air Force Base .....	\$85,000,000

1 (b) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.—Using amounts  
 2 appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropria-  
 3 tions in section 2303(a) and available for military con-  
 4 struction projects outside the United States as specified  
 5 in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the  
 6 Air Force may acquire real property and carry out mili-  
 7 tary construction projects for the installations or locations  
 8 outside the United States, and in the amounts, set forth  
 9 in the following table:

**Air Force: Outside the United States**

Country	Installation	Amount
Australia .....	Royal Australian Air Force Base Darwin ...	\$26,000,000
	Royal Australian Air Force Base Tindal .....	\$130,500,000
Norway .....	Rygge Air Station .....	\$136,000,000
Philippines .....	Cesar Basa Air Base .....	\$35,000,000
Spain .....	Morón Air Base .....	\$34,000,000
United Kingdom .....	Royal Air Force Fairford .....	\$67,000,000
	Royal Air Force Lakenheath .....	\$101,000,000

10 **SEC. 2302. FAMILY HOUSING.**

11 (a) CONSTRUCTION AND ACQUISITION.—Using  
 12 amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of ap-  
 13 propriations in section 2303(a) and available for military  
 14 family housing functions as specified in the funding table  
 15 in section 4601, the Secretary of the Air Force may con-  
 16 struct or acquire family housing units (including land ac-  
 17 quisition and supporting facilities) at the installations or  
 18 locations, in the number of units, and in the amounts set  
 19 forth in the following table:

**Navy: Family Housing**

<b>Country</b>	<b>Installation</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Japan .....	Yokota Air Base .....	\$27,000,000

1 (b) IMPROVEMENTS TO MILITARY FAMILY HOUSING  
2 UNITS.—Subject to section 2825 of title 10, United States  
3 Code, and using amounts appropriated pursuant to the  
4 authorization of appropriations in section 2303(a) and  
5 available for military family housing functions as specified  
6 in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the  
7 Air Force may improve existing military family housing  
8 units in an amount not to exceed \$229,282,000.

9 (c) PLANNING AND DESIGN.—Using amounts appro-  
10 priated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in  
11 section 2303(a) and available for military family housing  
12 functions as specified in the funding table in section 4601,  
13 the Secretary of the Air Force may carry out architectural  
14 and engineering services and construction design activities  
15 with respect to the construction or improvement of family  
16 housing units in an amount not to exceed \$7,815,000.

17 **SEC. 2303. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, AIR**  
18 **FORCE.**

19 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds  
20 are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years  
21 beginning after September 30, 2023, for military con-  
22 struction, land acquisition, and military family housing

1 functions of the Department of the Air Force, as specified  
2 in the funding table in section 4601.

3 (b) **LIMITATION ON TOTAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION**  
4 **PROJECTS.**—Notwithstanding the cost variations author-  
5 ized by section 2853 of title 10, United States Code, and  
6 any other cost variation authorized by law, the total cost  
7 of all projects carried out under section 2301 of this divi-  
8 sion may not exceed the total amount authorized to be  
9 appropriated under subsection (a), as specified in the  
10 funding table in section 4601

11 **SEC. 2304. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**  
12 **TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2017 AIR FORCE MILITARY**  
13 **CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.**

14 (a) **AIR FORCE MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**  
15 **OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.**—

16 (1) **EXTENSION.**—Notwithstanding section  
17 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act  
18 for Fiscal Year 2017 (division B of Public Law 114–  
19 328; 130 Stat. 2688), the authorizations set forth in  
20 the table in paragraph (2), as provided in section  
21 2301(b) of that Act (130 Stat. 2696) and extended  
22 by section 2304 of the Military Construction Act for  
23 Fiscal Year 2022 (division B of Public Law 117–81;  
24 135 Stat. 2169), shall remain in effect until October  
25 1, 2024, or the date of the enactment of an Act au-

1       thorizing funds for military construction for fiscal  
2       year 2025, whichever is later.

3               (2) TABLE.—The table referred to in paragraph  
4       (1) is as follows:

**Air Force: Extension of 2017 Project Authorizations**

Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Germany .....	Ramstein Air Base .....	37 AS Squadron Operations/Aircraft Maintenance Unit	\$13,437,000
Germany .....	Spangdahlem Air Base	Upgrade Hardened Aircraft Shelters for F/A-22 .....	\$2,700,000
Japan .....	Yokota Air Base .....	C-130J Corrosion Control Hangar ...	\$23,777,000

5       (b) AIR FORCE OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPER-  
6       ATIONS PROJECTS.—

7               (1) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section  
8       2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act  
9       for Fiscal Year 2017 (division B of Public Law 114–  
10       328; 130 Stat. 2688), the authorization set forth in  
11       the table in paragraph (2), as provided in section  
12       2902 of that Act (130 Stat. 2743) and extended by  
13       section 2304 of the Military Construction Act for  
14       Fiscal Year 2022 (division B of Public Law 117–81;  
15       135 Stat. 2169), shall remain in effect until October  
16       1, 2024, or the date of the enactment of an Act au-  
17       thorizing funds for military construction for fiscal  
18       year 2025, whichever is later.

1 (2) TABLE.—The table referred to in paragraph  
2 (1) is as follows:

**Air Force: Extension of 2017 Project Authorization**

Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Germany .....	Spangdahlem Air Base	F/A-22 Low Observable/Composite Repair Facility ....	\$12,000,000

3 **SEC. 2305. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**  
4 **TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2018 AIR FORCE MILITARY**  
5 **CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.**

6 (a) TYNDALL AIR FORCE BASE, FLORIDA.—

7 (1) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section  
8 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act  
9 for Fiscal Year 2018 (division B of Public Law 115–  
10 91; 131 Stat. 1817), the authorization set forth in  
11 the table in paragraph (2), as provided in section  
12 2301(a) of that Act (131 Stat. 1825) and extended  
13 by section 2304(a) of the Military Construction Act  
14 for Fiscal Year 2023 (division B of Public Law 117–  
15 263), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2024,  
16 or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing  
17 funds for military construction for fiscal year 2025,  
18 whichever is later.

19 (2) TABLE.—The table referred to in paragraph  
20 (1) is as follows:

**Air Force: Extension of 2018 Project Authorization**

<b>State</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Original Authorized Amount</b>
Florida .....	Tyndall Air Force Base	Fire Station .....	\$17,000,000

1 (b) AIR FORCE OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPER-  
 2 ATIONS PROJECTS.—

3 (1) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section  
 4 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act  
 5 for Fiscal Year 2018 (division B of Public Law 115–  
 6 91; 131 Stat. 1817), the authorizations set forth in  
 7 the table in paragraph (2), as provided in section  
 8 2903 of that Act (131 Stat. 1876) and extended by  
 9 section 2304(b) of the Military Construction Act for  
 10 Fiscal Year 2023 (division B of Public Law 117–  
 11 263), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2024,  
 12 or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing  
 13 funds for military construction for fiscal year 2025,  
 14 whichever is later.

15 (2) TABLE.—The table referred to in paragraph  
 16 (1) is as follows:

**Air Force: Extension of 2018 Project Authorizations**

<b>Country</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Original Authorized Amount</b>
Hungary .....	Keckemet Air Base ....	ERI: Airfield Up-grades .....	\$12,900,000
	Keckemet Air Base ....	ERI: Construct Par-allel Taxiway .....	\$30,000,000
	Keckemet Air Base ....	ERI: Increase POL Storage Capacity	\$12,500,000

**Air Force: Extension of 2018 Project Authorizations**—Continued

<b>Country</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Original Authorized Amount</b>
Luxembourg ...	Sanem .....	ERI: ECAOS Deployable Air-base System Storage .....	\$67,400,000
Slovakia .....	Malacky .....	ERI: Airfield Upgrades .....	\$4,000,000
	Malacky .....	ERI: Increase POL Storage Capacity	\$20,000,000

1 **SEC. 2306. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**  
2 **TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2019 AIR FORCE MILITARY**  
3 **CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.**

4 (a) AIR FORCE MILITARY CONSTRUCTION  
5 PROJECTS.—

6 (1) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section  
7 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act  
8 for Fiscal Year 2019 (division B of Public Law 115–  
9 232; 132 Stat. 2240), the authorizations set forth in  
10 the table in paragraph (2), as provided in section  
11 2301 of that Act (132 Stat. 2246), shall remain in  
12 effect until October 1, 2024, or the date of the en-  
13 actment of an Act authorizing funds for military  
14 construction for fiscal year 2025, whichever is later.

15 (2) TABLE.—The table referred to in paragraph  
16 (1) is as follows:

**Air Force: Extension of 2019 Project Authorizations**

<b>State/ Country</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Original Authorized Amount</b>
Mariana Is- lands .....	Tinian .....	APR-Cargo Pad with Taxiway Ex- tension. ....	\$46,000,000
	Tinian .....	APR-Maintenance Support Facility ..	\$4,700,000
Maryland .....	Joint Base Andrews .....	Child Development Center .....	\$13,000,000
	Joint Base Andrews .....	PAR Relocate Haz Cargo Pad and EOD Range. ....	\$37,000,000
New Mexico ....	Holloman Air Force Base .....	MQ-9 FTU Ops Fa- cility .....	\$85,000,000
	Kirtland Air Force Base .....	Wyoming Gate Up- grade for Anti- Terrorism Compli- ance .....	\$7,000,000
United King- dom .....	Royal Air Force Lakenheath .....	F-35A ADAL Con- ventional Muni- tions MX. ....	\$9,204,000
Utah .....	Hill Air Force Base .....	Composite Aircraft Antenna Calibra- tion Fac. ....	\$26,000,000

1 (b) AIR FORCE OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPER-  
2 ATIONS PROJECTS.—

3 (1) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section  
4 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act  
5 for Fiscal Year 2019 (division B of Public Law 115–  
6 232; 132 Stat. 2240), the authorizations set forth in  
7 the table in paragraph (2), as provided in section  
8 2903 of that Act (132 Stat. 2287), shall remain in  
9 effect until October 1, 2024, or the date of the en-  
10 actment of an Act authorizing funds for military  
11 construction for fiscal year 2025, whichever is later.

1 (2) TABLE.—The table referred to in paragraph  
2 (1) is as follows:

**Air Force: Extension of 2019 Project Authorizations**

Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Slovakia .....	Malacky .....	EDI: Regional Munitions Storage Area .....	\$59,000,000
United Kingdom .....	RAF Fairford .....	EDI: Construct DABS-FEV Storage .....	\$87,000,000
	RAF Fairford .....	EDI: Munitions Holding Area .....	\$19,000,000

3 **SEC. 2307. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT FIS-**  
4 **CAL YEAR 2021 AIR FORCE MILITARY CON-**  
5 **STRUCTION PROJECTS.**

6 (a) JOINT BASE LANGLEY–EUSTIS, VIRGINIA.—

7 (1) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section  
8 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act  
9 for Fiscal Year 2021 (division B of Public Law 116–  
10 283; 134 Stat. 4294), the authorization set forth in  
11 the table in paragraph (2), as provided in section  
12 2301 of that Act (134 Stat. 4299), shall remain in  
13 effect until October 1, 2024, or the date of the en-  
14 actment of an Act authorizing funds for military  
15 construction for fiscal year 2025, whichever is later.

16 (2) TABLE.—The table referred to in paragraph  
17 (1) is as follows:

**Air Force: Extension of 2021 Project Authorization**

<b>State</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Original Authorized Amount</b>
Virginia .....	Joint Base Langley-Eustis .....	Access Control Point Main Gate With Land Acq. ....	\$19,500,000

1 (b) AIR FORCE OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPER-  
 2 ATIONS.—

3 (1) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section  
 4 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act  
 5 for Fiscal Year 2021 (division B of Public Law 116–  
 6 283; 134 Stat. 4294), the authorizations set forth in  
 7 the table in paragraph (2), as provided in section  
 8 2902 of that Act (134 Stat. 4373), shall remain in  
 9 effect until October 1, 2024, or the date of the en-  
 10 actment of an Act authorizing funds for military  
 11 construction for fiscal year 2025, whichever is later.

12 (2) TABLE.—The table referred to in paragraph  
 13 (1) is as follows:

**Air Force: Extension of 2021 Project Authorizations**

<b>Country</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Original Authorized Amount</b>
Germany .....	Ramstein Air Base .....	EDI: Rapid Airfield Damage Repair Storage .....	\$36,345,000
	Spangdahlem .....	EDI: Rapid Airfield Damage Repair Storage .....	\$25,824,000

1 **TITLE XXIV—DEFENSE AGEN-**  
 2 **CIES MILITARY CONSTRUC-**  
 3 **TION**

- Sec. 2401. Authorized Defense Agencies construction and land acquisition projects.
- Sec. 2402. Authorized Energy Resilience and Conservation Investment Program projects.
- Sec. 2403. Authorization of appropriations, Defense Agencies.
- Sec. 2404. Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2018 Defense Agencies military construction projects.
- Sec. 2405. Extension and modification of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2019 Defense Agencies military construction projects.
- Sec. 2406. Extension of authority to carry out fiscal year 2021 project at Defense Fuel Support Point Tsurumi, Japan.
- Sec. 2407. Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2021 Energy Resilience and Conservation Investment projects.
- Sec. 2408. Authority to carry out military construction projects to improve certain fiscal year 2022 utility systems.
- Sec. 2409. Additional authority to carry out certain military construction projects to improve certain fiscal year 2023 utility systems.

4 **SEC. 2401. AUTHORIZED DEFENSE AGENCIES CONSTRUC-**  
 5 **TION AND LAND ACQUISITION PROJECTS.**

6 (a) **INSIDE THE UNITED STATES.**—Using amounts  
 7 appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropria-  
 8 tions in section 2403(a) and available for military con-  
 9 struction projects inside the United States as specified in  
 10 the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of De-  
 11 fense may acquire real property and carry out military  
 12 construction projects for the installations or locations in-  
 13 side the United States, and in the amounts, set forth in  
 14 the following table:

**Defense Agencies: Inside the United States**

<b>State</b>	<b>Installation</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Alabama .....	Redstone Arsenal .....	\$147,975,000
California .....	Marine Corps Air Station Miramar .....	\$103,000,000
	Naval Base Coronado .....	\$51,000,000

**Defense Agencies: Inside the United States**—Continued

<b>State</b>	<b>Installation</b>	<b>Amount</b>
	Naval Base San Diego .....	\$101,644,000
Delaware .....	Dover Air Force Base .....	\$30,500,000
Maryland .....	Fort Meade .....	\$885,000,000
	Joint Base Andrews .....	\$38,300,000
Montana .....	Great Falls International Airport .....	\$30,000,000
North Carolina .....	Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune .....	\$70,000,000
Utah .....	Hill Air Force Base .....	\$14,200,000
Virginia .....	Fort Belvoir .....	\$185,000,000
	Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek - Fort Story.	\$61,000,000
	Pentagon .....	\$30,600,000
Washington .....	Joint Base Lewis-McChord .....	\$62,000,000
	Manchester .....	\$71,000,000
	Naval Undersea Warfare Center Keyport	\$37,000,000

1 (b) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.—Using amounts  
2 appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropria-  
3 tions in section 2403(a) and available for military con-  
4 struction projects outside the United States as specified  
5 in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of De-  
6 fense may acquire real property and carry out military  
7 construction projects for the installations or locations out-  
8 side the United States, and in the amounts, set forth in  
9 the following table:

**Defense Agencies: Outside the United States**

<b>Country</b>	<b>Installation</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Cuba .....	Naval Station Guantanamo Bay .....	\$257,000,000
Germany .....	Baumholder .....	\$57,700,000
	Ramstein Air Base .....	\$181,764,000
Honduras .....	Soto Cano Air Base .....	\$41,300,000
Japan .....	Kadena Air Base .....	\$100,300,000
Spain .....	Naval Station Rota .....	\$80,000,000

1 **SEC. 2402. AUTHORIZED ENERGY RESILIENCE AND CON-**  
 2 **SERVATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM**  
 3 **PROJECTS.**

4 (a) **INSIDE THE UNITED STATES.**—Using amounts  
 5 appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropria-  
 6 tions in section 2403(a) and available for energy conserva-  
 7 tion projects as specified in the funding table in section  
 8 4601, the Secretary of Defense may carry out energy con-  
 9 servation projects under chapter 173 of title 10, United  
 10 States Code, for the installations or locations inside the  
 11 United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the fol-  
 12 lowing table:

**ERCIP Projects: Inside the United States**

<b>State</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Amount</b>
California .....	Marine Corps Air Station Miramar .....	\$30,550,000
	Naval Base San Diego .....	\$6,300,000
	Vandenberg Space Force Base .....	\$57,000,000
Colorado .....	Buckley Space Force Base .....	\$14,700,000
Georgia .....	Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay .....	\$74,500,000
Kansas .....	Forbes Field .....	\$5,850,000
Missouri .....	Lake City Army Ammunition Plant .....	\$80,100,000
Nebraska .....	Offutt Air Force Base .....	\$41,000,000
North Carolina .....	Fort Liberty (Camp Mackall) .....	\$10,500,000
Oklahoma .....	Fort Sill .....	\$76,650,000
Puerto Rico .....	Fort Buchanan .....	\$56,000,000
Texas .....	Fort Cavazos .....	\$18,250,000
Virginia .....	Pentagon .....	\$2,250,000
Washington .....	Joint Base Lewis-McChord .....	\$49,850,000
Wyoming .....	F.E. Warren Air Force Base .....	\$25,000,000

13 (b) **OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.**—Using amounts  
 14 appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropria-  
 15 tions in section 2403(a) and available for energy conserva-  
 16 tion projects as specified in the funding table in section  
 17 4601, the Secretary of Defense may carry out energy con-  
 18 servation projects under chapter 173 of title 10, United

1 States Code, for the installations or locations outside the  
 2 United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the fol-  
 3 lowing table:

**ERCIP Projects: Outside the United States**

Country	Installation or Location	Amount
Korea .....	K-16 Air Base .....	\$5,650,000
Kuwait .....	Camp Buehring .....	\$18,850,000

4 (c) IMPROVEMENTS TO CONVEYED UTILITY SYS-  
 5 TEMS.—In the case of a utility system that is conveyed  
 6 under section 2688 of title 10, United States Code, and  
 7 that only provides utility services to a military installation,  
 8 notwithstanding subchapters I and III of chapter 169 and  
 9 chapters 221 and 223 of title 10, United States Code, the  
 10 Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of a military depart-  
 11 ment may authorize a contract with the conveyee of the  
 12 utility system to carry out the military construction  
 13 projects set forth in the following table:

**Improvements to Conveyed Utility Systems**

State	Installation or Location	Project
Nebraska .....	Offutt Air Force Base .....	Microgrid and Backup Power
North Carolina ...	Fort Liberty (Camp Mackall) .....	Microgrid and Backup Power
Texas .....	Fort Cavazos .....	Microgrid and Backup Power
Washington .....	Joint Base Lewis-McChord .....	Power Generation and Microgrid

14 **SEC. 2403. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, DE-**  
 15 **FENSE AGENCIES.**

16 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds  
 17 are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years

1 beginning after September 30, 2023, for military con-  
2 struction, land acquisition, and military family housing  
3 functions of the Department of Defense (other than the  
4 military departments), as specified in the funding table  
5 in section 4601.

6 (b) **LIMITATION ON TOTAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION**  
7 **PROJECTS.**—Notwithstanding the cost variations author-  
8 ized by section 2853 of title 10, United States Code, and  
9 any other cost variation authorized by law, the total cost  
10 of all projects carried out under section 2401 of this Act  
11 may not exceed the total amount authorized to be appro-  
12 priated under subsection (a), as specified in the funding  
13 table in section 4601.

14 **SEC. 2404. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**  
15 **TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2018 DEFENSE AGENCIES**  
16 **MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.**

17 (a) **EXTENSION.**—Notwithstanding section 2002 of  
18 the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal  
19 Year 2018 (division B of Public Law 115–91; 131 Stat.  
20 1817), the authorizations set forth in the table in sub-  
21 section (b), as provided in section 2401(b) of that Act  
22 (131 Stat. 1829) and extended by section 2404 of the  
23 Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
24 2023 (division B of Public Law 117–263), shall remain  
25 in effect until October 1, 2024, or the date of the enact-

1 ment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction  
2 for fiscal year 2025, whichever is later.

3 (b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a)  
4 is as follows:

**Defense Agencies: Extension of 2018 Project Authorizations**

Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Japan .....	Iwakuni .....	PDI: Construct Bulk Storage Tanks PH 1 .....	\$30,800,000
Puerto Rico ....	Punta Borinquen .....	Ramey Unit School Replacement .....	\$61,071,000

5 **SEC. 2405. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY**  
6 **TO CARRY OUT CERTAIN FISCAL YEAR 2019**  
7 **DEFENSE AGENCIES MILITARY CONSTRU-**  
8 **CTION PROJECTS.**

9 (a) EXTENSION.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section  
11 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act  
12 for Fiscal Year 2019 (division B of Public Law 115–  
13 232; 132 Stat. 2240), the authorizations set forth in  
14 the table in paragraph (2), as provided in section  
15 2401(b) of that Act (132 Stat. 2249), shall remain  
16 in effect until October 1, 2024, or the date of the  
17 enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military  
18 construction for fiscal year 2025, whichever is later.

19 (2) TABLE.—The table referred to in paragraph  
20 (1) is as follows:

**Defense Agencies: Extension of 2019 Project Authorizations**

<b>Country</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Original Authorized Amount</b>
Germany .....	Baumholder .....	SOF Joint Parachute Rigging Facility .....	\$11,504,000
Japan .....	Camp McTureous Iwakuni .....	Betchel Elementary School Fuel Pier .....	\$94,851,000 \$33,200,000

1 (b) MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT  
2 FISCAL YEAR 2019 PROJECT IN BAUMHOLDER, GER-  
3 MANY.—

4 (1) MODIFICATION OF PROJECT AUTHORITY.—

5 In the case of the authorization contained in the  
6 table in section 2401(b) of the Military Construction  
7 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (division B  
8 of Public Law 115–232; 132 Stat. 2249) for  
9 Baumholder, Germany, for construction of a SOF  
10 Joint Parachute Rigging Facility, the Secretary of  
11 Defense may construct a 3,200 square meter facility.

12 (2) MODIFICATION OF PROJECT AMOUNTS.—

13 (A) DIVISION B TABLE.—The authoriza-  
14 tion table in section 2401(b) of the Military  
15 Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
16 2019 (division B of Public Law 115–232; 132  
17 Stat. 2249), as extended pursuant to subsection  
18 (a), is amended in the item relating to  
19 Baumholder, Germany, by striking  
20 “\$11,504,000” and inserting “\$23,000,000” to

1 reflect the project modification made by para-  
2 graph (1).

3 (B) DIVISION D TABLE.—The funding  
4 table in section 4601 of the John S. McCain  
5 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
6 Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 132 Stat.  
7 2406) is amended in the item relating to De-  
8 fense-wide, Baumholder, Germany, SOF Joint  
9 Parachute Rigging Facility, by striking  
10 “11,504” in the Conference Authorized column  
11 and inserting “23,000” to reflect the project  
12 modification made by paragraph (1).

13 **SEC. 2406. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT FIS-**  
14 **CAL YEAR 2021 PROJECT AT DEFENSE FUEL**  
15 **SUPPORT POINT TSURUMI, JAPAN.**

16 (a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of  
17 the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal  
18 Year 2021 (division B of Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat.  
19 4294), the authorization set forth in the table in sub-  
20 section (b), as provided in section 2401(b) of that Act  
21 (134 Stat. 4304), shall remain in effect until October 1,  
22 2024, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing  
23 funds for military construction for fiscal year 2025, which-  
24 ever is later.

1 (b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a)  
 2 is as follows:

**Defense Agencies: Extension of 2021 Project Authorization**

Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Japan .....	Def Fuel Support Point Tsurumi .....	Fuel Wharf .....	\$49,500,000

3 **SEC. 2407. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**  
 4 **TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2021 ENERGY RESILIENCE**  
 5 **AND CONSERVATION INVESTMENT**  
 6 **PROJECTS.**

7 (a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of  
 8 the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal  
 9 Year 2021 (division B of Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat.  
 10 4294), the authorizations set forth in the table in sub-  
 11 section (b), as provided in section 2402 of that Act (134  
 12 Stat. 4306), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2024,  
 13 or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds  
 14 for military construction for fiscal year 2025, whichever  
 15 is later.

16 (b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a)  
 17 is as follows:

**ERCIP Projects: Extension of 2021 Project Authorizations**

State/ Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Arkansas .....	Ebbing Air National Guard Base .....	PV Arrays and Bat- tery Storage .....	\$2,600,000

**ERCIP Projects: Extension of 2021 Project Authorizations—**  
Continued

<b>State/ Country</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Original Authorized Amount</b>
California .....	Marine Corps Air Com- bat Center Twentynine Palms ...	Install 10 Mw Bat- tery Energy Stor- age for Various Buildings .....	\$11,646,000
	Military Ocean Ter- minal Concord .....	Military Ocean Ter- minal Concord Microgrid .....	\$29,000,000
	Naval Support Activity Monterey .....	Cogeneration Plant at B236 .....	\$10,540,000
Italy .....	Naval Support Activity Naples .....	Smart Grid .....	\$3,490,000
Nevada .....	Creech Air Force Base	Central Standby Generators .....	\$32,000,000
Virginia .....	Naval Medical Center Portsmouth .....	Retro Air Handling Units From Con- stant Volume; Re- heat to Variable Air Volume .....	\$611,000

**1 SEC. 2408. AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT MILITARY CON-**  
**2 STRUCTION PROJECTS TO IMPROVE CERTAIN**  
**3 FISCAL YEAR 2022 UTILITY SYSTEMS.**

4 In the case of a utility system that is conveyed under  
5 section 2688 of title 10, United States Code, and that only  
6 provides utility services to a military installation, notwith-  
7 standing subchapters I and III of chapter 169 and chap-  
8 ters 221 and 223 of title 10, United States Code, the Sec-  
9 retary of Defense or the Secretary of a military depart-  
10 ment may authorize a contract with the conveyee of the  
11 utility system to carry out the military construction  
12 projects set forth in the following table:

**Improvement of Conveyed Utility Systems**

<b>State</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>
Alabama .....	Fort Novosel .....	Construct a 10 MW RICE Generator Plant and Micro-Grid Controls
Georgia .....	Fort Moore .....	Construct 4.8MW Generation and Microgrid
	Fort Stewart .....	Construct a 10 MW Generation Plant, with Microgrid Controls
New York .....	Fort Drum .....	Well Field Expansion Project
North Carolina ...	Fort Liberty .....	Construct 10 MW Microgrid Utilizing Existing and New Generators
	Fort Liberty .....	Fort Liberty Emergency Water System

1 **SEC. 2409. ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**  
2 **TAIN MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**  
3 **TO IMPROVE CERTAIN FISCAL YEAR 2023**  
4 **UTILITY SYSTEMS.**

5 In the case of a utility system that is conveyed under  
6 section 2688 of title 10, United States Code, and that only  
7 provides utility services to a military installation, notwith-  
8 standing subchapters I and III of chapter 169 and chap-  
9 ters 221 and 223 of title 10, United States Code, the Sec-  
10 retary of Defense or the Secretary of a military depart-  
11 ment may authorize a contract with the conveyee of the  
12 utility system to carry out the military construction  
13 projects set forth in the following table:

**Improvement of Conveyed Utility Systems**

<b>State</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>
Georgia .....	Fort Stewart – Hunter Army Airfield .....	Power Generation and Microgrid
Kansas .....	Fort Riley .....	Power Generation and Microgrid
Texas .....	Fort Cavazos .....	Power Generation and Microgrid

1       **TITLE XXV—INTERNATIONAL**  
2       **PROGRAMS**

Subtitle A—North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment

Sec. 2501. Authorized NATO construction and land acquisition projects.

Sec. 2502. Authorization of appropriations, NATO.

Subtitle B—Host Country In-Kind Contributions

Sec. 2511. Republic of Korea funded construction projects.

Sec. 2512. Republic of Poland funded construction projects.

3       **Subtitle A—North Atlantic Treaty**  
4       **Organization Security Investment**

5       **SEC. 2501. AUTHORIZED NATO CONSTRUCTION AND LAND**  
6       **ACQUISITION PROJECTS.**

7       The Secretary of Defense may make contributions for  
8 the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Invest-  
9 ment Program, as provided in section 2806 of title 10,  
10 United States Code, in an amount not to exceed the sum  
11 of the amount authorized to be appropriated for this pur-  
12 pose in section 2502 and the amount collected from the  
13 North Atlantic Treaty Organization as a result of con-  
14 struction previously financed by the United States.

1 **SEC. 2502. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, NATO.**

2 Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for  
 3 fiscal years beginning after September 30, 2023, for con-  
 4 tributions by the Secretary of Defense under section 2806  
 5 of title 10, United States Code, for the share of the United  
 6 States of the cost of projects for the North Atlantic Treaty  
 7 Organization Security Investment Program authorized by  
 8 section 2501 as specified in the funding table in section  
 9 4601.

10 **Subtitle B—Host Country In-Kind**  
 11 **Contributions**

12 **SEC. 2511. REPUBLIC OF KOREA FUNDED CONSTRUCTION**  
 13 **PROJECTS.**

14 Pursuant to agreement with the Republic of Korea  
 15 for required in-kind contributions, the Secretary of De-  
 16 fense may accept military construction projects for the in-  
 17 stallations or locations in the Republic of Korea, and in  
 18 the amounts, set forth in the following table:

**Republic of Korea Funded Construction Projects**

<b>Component</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Army .....	Camp Bonifas .....	Vehicle Maintenance Shop	\$7,700,000
Army .....	Camp Carroll .....	Humidity Controlled Ware- house .....	\$189,000,000
Army .....	Camp Humphreys	Airfield Services Storage Warehouse .....	\$7,100,000
Army .....	Camp Walker .....	Consolidated Fire and Military Police Station ..	\$48,000,000
Army .....	Pusan .....	Warehouse Facility .....	\$40,000,000
Navy .....	Chinhae .....	Electrical Switchgear Building .....	\$6,000,000
Air Force .....	Osan Air Base ....	Consolidated Operations Group and Maintenance Group Headquarters .....	\$46,000,000
Air Force .....	Osan Air Base ....	Flight Line Dining Facility	\$6,800,000

**Republic of Korea Funded Construction Projects**—Continued

<b>Component</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Air Force .....	Osan Air Base ....	Reconnaissance Squadron Operations and Avionics Facility .....	\$30,000,000
Air Force .....	Osan Air Base ....	Repair Aircraft Maintenance Hangar B1732 ....	\$8,000,000
Air Force .....	Osan Air Base ....	Upgrade Electrical Distribution East, Phase 2	\$46,000,000
Air Force .....	Osan Air Base ....	Water Supply Treatment Facility .....	\$22,000,000

1 **SEC. 2512. REPUBLIC OF POLAND FUNDED CONSTRUCTION**  
2 **PROJECTS.**

3 Pursuant to agreement with the Republic of Poland  
4 for required in-kind contributions, the Secretary of De-  
5 fense may accept military construction projects for the in-  
6 stallations or locations in the Republic of Poland, and in  
7 the amounts, set forth in the following table:

**Republic of Poland Funded Construction Projects**

<b>Component</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Army .....	Powidz .....	Barracks and Dining Facility .....	\$93,000,000
Army .....	Powidz .....	Rotary Wing Aircraft Apron .....	\$35,000,000
Army .....	Swietoszow .....	Bulk Fuel Storage .....	\$35,000,000
Army .....	Swietoszow .....	Rail Extension and Railroad .....	\$7,300,000
Air Force .....	Wroclaw .....	Aerial Port of Debarkation Ramp .....	\$59,000,000
Air Force .....	Wroclaw .....	Taxiways to Aerial Port of Debarkation Ramp .....	\$39,000,000
Defense-Wide	Lubliniec .....	Special Operations Forces Company Operations Facility .....	\$16,200,000

8 **TITLE XXVI—GUARD AND**  
9 **RESERVE FORCES FACILITIES**

Sec. 2601. Authorized Army National Guard construction and land acquisition projects.

Sec. 2602. Authorized Army Reserve construction and land acquisition projects.

Sec. 2603. Authorized Navy Reserve and Marine Corps Reserve construction and land acquisition projects.

- Sec. 2604. Authorized Air National Guard construction and land acquisition projects.
- Sec. 2605. Authorized Air Force Reserve construction and land acquisition projects.
- Sec. 2606. Authorization of appropriations, National Guard and Reserve.
- Sec. 2607. Extension of authority to carry out fiscal year 2018 project at Hulman Regional Airport, Indiana.
- Sec. 2608. Extension of authority to carry out fiscal year 2019 project at Francis S. Gabreski Airport, New York.
- Sec. 2609. Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2021 National Guard and Reserve military construction projects.
- Sec. 2610. Modification of authority to carry out fiscal year 2023 project at Camp Pendleton, California.
- Sec. 2611. Authority to conduct restoration and modernization projects at the First City Troop Readiness Center in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

**1 SEC. 2601. AUTHORIZED ARMY NATIONAL GUARD CON-**  
**2 STRUCTION AND LAND ACQUISITION**  
**3 PROJECTS.**

4 Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the author-  
 5 ization of appropriations in section 2606 and available for  
 6 the National Guard and Reserve as specified in the fund-  
 7 ing table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Army may  
 8 acquire real property and carry out military construction  
 9 projects for the Army National Guard locations inside the  
 10 United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the fol-  
 11 lowing table:

**Army National Guard: Inside the United States**

<b>State</b>	<b>Installation</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Arizona .....	Surprise Readiness Center .....	\$15,000,000
Florida .....	Camp Blanding .....	\$11,000,000
Idaho .....	Jerome County Regional Site .....	\$17,000,000
Illinois .....	North Riverside Armory .....	\$24,000,000
Kentucky	Burlington .....	\$16,400,000
Mississippi	Southaven Readiness Center .....	\$33,000,000
Missouri .....	Bellefontaine .....	\$28,000,000
New Hampshire .....	Littleton .....	\$23,000,000
New Mexico .....	Rio Rancho Training Site .....	\$11,000,000
New York .....	Lexington Avenue Armory .....	\$90,000,000
Ohio .....	Camp Perry Joint Training Center .....	\$19,200,000
Oregon	Washington County Readiness Center .....	\$26,000,000
Pennsylvania .....	Hermitage Readiness Center .....	\$13,600,000
Rhode Island .....	Quonset Point .....	\$41,000,000

**Army National Guard: Inside the United States**—Continued

<b>State</b>	<b>Installation</b>	<b>Amount</b>
South Carolina .....	Aiken County Readiness Center .....	\$20,000,000
	McCrary Training Center .....	\$7,900,000
Virginia .....	Sandston RC & FMS 1 .....	\$20,000,000
Wisconsin .....	Viroqua .....	\$18,200,000

1 **SEC. 2602. AUTHORIZED ARMY RESERVE CONSTRUCTION**  
2 **AND LAND ACQUISITION PROJECTS.**

3 Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the author-  
4 ization of appropriations in section 2606 and available for  
5 the National Guard and Reserve as specified in the fund-  
6 ing table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Army may  
7 acquire real property and carry out military construction  
8 projects for the Army Reserve locations inside the United  
9 States, and in the amounts, set forth in the following  
10 table:

**Army Reserve**

<b>State</b>	<b>Installation</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Alabama .....	Birmingham .....	\$57,000,000
Arizona .....	San Tan Valley .....	\$17,000,000
California .....	Fort Hunter Liggett .....	\$40,000,000
Georgia .....	Marine Corps Logistics Base Albany .....	\$40,000,000

11 **SEC. 2603. AUTHORIZED NAVY RESERVE AND MARINE**  
12 **CORPS RESERVE CONSTRUCTION AND LAND**  
13 **ACQUISITION PROJECTS.**

14 Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the author-  
15 ization of appropriations in section 2606 and available for  
16 the National Guard and Reserve as specified in the fund-  
17 ing table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Navy may  
18 acquire real property and carry out military construction

1 projects for the Navy Reserve and Marine Corps Reserve  
 2 locations inside the United States, and in the amounts,  
 3 set forth in the following table:

**Navy Reserve and Marine Corps Reserve**

State	Installation or Location	Amount
Michigan .....	Naval Reserve Center Battle Creek .....	\$24,549,000
Virginia .....	Marine Forces Reserve Dam Neck Virginia Beach .....	\$12,400,000

4 **SEC. 2604. AUTHORIZED AIR NATIONAL GUARD CONSTRUCTION AND LAND ACQUISITION PROJECTS.**

5  
 6 Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the author-  
 7 ization of appropriations in section 2606 and available for  
 8 the National Guard and Reserve as specified in the fund-  
 9 ing table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Air Force  
 10 may acquire real property and carry out military construc-  
 11 tion projects for the Air National Guard locations inside  
 12 the United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the  
 13 following table:

**Air National Guard**

State	Location	Amount
Alabama .....	Montgomery Regional Airport .....	\$7,000,000
Alaska .....	Joint Base Elmendorf – Richardson .....	\$7,000,000
Arizona .....	Tucson International Airport .....	\$11,600,000
Arkansas .....	Ebbing Air National Guard Base .....	\$75,989,000
Colorado .....	Buckley Space Force Base .....	\$12,000,000
Indiana .....	Fort Wayne International Airport .....	\$8,900,000
Oregon .....	Portland International Airport .....	\$79,000,000
Pennsylvania .....	Harrisburg International Airport .....	\$8,000,000
Wisconsin .....	Truax Field .....	\$5,200,000

1 **SEC. 2605. AUTHORIZED AIR FORCE RESERVE CONSTRUC-**  
 2 **TION AND LAND ACQUISITION PROJECTS.**

3 Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the author-  
 4 ization of appropriations in section 2606 and available for  
 5 the National Guard and Reserve as specified in the fund-  
 6 ing table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Air Force  
 7 may acquire real property and carry out military construc-  
 8 tion projects for the Air Force Reserve locations inside  
 9 the United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the  
 10 following table:

**Air Force Reserve**

State	Location	Amount
Arizona .....	Davis-Monthan Air Force Base .....	\$8,500,000
California .....	March Air Reserve Base .....	\$226,500,000
Georgia .....	Dobbins Air Reserve Base .....	\$22,000,000
Guam .....	Joint Region Marianas .....	\$27,000,000
Louisiana .....	Barksdale Air Force Base .....	\$7,000,000
Texas .....	Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort Worth.	\$16,000,000

11 **SEC. 2606. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, NA-**  
 12 **TIONAL GUARD AND RESERVE.**

13 Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for  
 14 fiscal years beginning after September 30, 2023, for the  
 15 costs of acquisition, architectural and engineering services,  
 16 and construction of facilities for the Guard and Reserve  
 17 Forces, and for contributions therefor, under chapter  
 18 1803 of title 10, United States Code (including the cost  
 19 of acquisition of land for those facilities), as specified in  
 20 the funding table in section 4601.

1 **SEC. 2607. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT FIS-**  
 2 **CAL YEAR 2018 PROJECT AT HULMAN RE-**  
 3 **GIONAL AIRPORT, INDIANA.**

4 (a) **EXTENSION.**—Notwithstanding section 2002 of  
 5 the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal  
 6 Year 2018 (division B of Public Law 115–91; 131 Stat.  
 7 1817), the authorization set forth in the table in sub-  
 8 section (b), as provided in section 2604 of that Act (131  
 9 Stat. 1836) and extended by section 2608 of the Military  
 10 Construction Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (division B of Pub-  
 11 lic Law 117–263), shall remain in effect until October 1,  
 12 2024, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing  
 13 funds for military construction for fiscal year 2025, which-  
 14 ever is later.

15 (b) **TABLE.**—The table referred to in subsection (a)  
 16 is as follows:

**National Guard and Reserve: Extension of 2018 Project  
 Authorization**

<b>State</b>	<b>Installation or Location</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Original Authorized Amount</b>
Indiana .....	Hulman Regional Air- port .....	Construct Small Arms Range .....	\$8,000,000

17 **SEC. 2608. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT FIS-**  
 18 **CAL YEAR 2019 PROJECT AT FRANCIS S.**  
 19 **GABRESKI AIRPORT, NEW YORK.**

20 (a) **EXTENSION.**—Notwithstanding section 2002 of  
 21 the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal

1 Year 2019 (division B of Public Law 115–232; 132 Stat.  
 2 2240), the authorization set forth in the table in sub-  
 3 section (b), as provided in sections 2604 of that Act (132  
 4 Stat. 2255), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2024,  
 5 or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds  
 6 for military construction for fiscal year 2025, whichever  
 7 is later.

8 (b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a)  
 9 is as follows:

**National Guard and Reserve: Extension of 2019 Project  
 Authorization**

State	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
New York .....	Francis S. Gabreski Airport .....	Security Forces/ Comm. Training Facility .....	\$20,000,000

10 **SEC. 2609. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**  
 11 **TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2021 NATIONAL GUARD**  
 12 **AND RESERVE MILITARY CONSTRUCTION**  
 13 **PROJECTS.**

14 (a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of  
 15 the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal  
 16 Year 2021 (division B of Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat.  
 17 4294), the authorizations set forth in the table in sub-  
 18 section (b), as provided in sections 2601, 2602, and 2604  
 19 of that Act (134 Stat. 4312, 4313, 4314), shall remain  
 20 in effect until October 1, 2024, or the date of the enact-

1 ment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction  
 2 for fiscal year 2025, whichever is later.

3 (b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a)  
 4 is as follows:

**National Guard and Reserve: Extension of 2021 Project Authorizations**

State or Territory	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Arkansas .....	Fort Chaffee .....	National Guard Readiness Center	\$15,000,000
California .....	Bakersfield .....	National Guard Vehicle Maintenance Shop .....	\$9,300,000
Colorado .....	Peterson Space Force Base .....	National Guard Readiness Center	\$15,000,000
Guam .....	Joint Region Marianas	Space Control Facility #5 .....	\$20,000,000
Ohio .....	Columbus .....	National Guard Readiness Center	\$15,000,000
Massachusetts	Devens Reserve Forces Training Area .....	Automated Multi-purpose Machine Gun Range .....	\$8,700,000
North Carolina	Asheville .....	Army Reserve Center/Land .....	\$24,000,000
Puerto Rico ....	Fort Allen .....	National Guard Readiness Center	\$37,000,000
South Carolina	Joint Base Charleston	National Guard Readiness Center	\$15,000,000
Texas .....	Fort Worth .....	Aircraft Maintenance Hangar Addition/Alt. ....	\$6,000,000
	Joint Base San Antonio	F-16 Mission Training Center .....	\$10,800,000
Virgin Islands	St. Croix .....	Army Aviation Support Facility (AASF) .....	\$28,000,000
	St. Croix .....	CST Ready Building	\$11,400,000

5 **SEC. 2610. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT**  
 6 **FISCAL YEAR 2023 PROJECT AT CAMP PEN-**  
 7 **DLETON, CALIFORNIA.**

8 In the case of the authorization contained in the table  
 9 in section 2602 of the Military Construction Authorization  
 10 Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (division B of Public Law 117–

1 263; 136 Stat. 2987) for Camp Pendleton, California, for  
2 construction of an area maintenance support activity, the  
3 Secretary of the Army may construct a 15,000 square foot  
4 facility.

5 **SEC. 2611. AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT RESTORATION AND**  
6 **MODERNIZATION PROJECTS AT THE FIRST**  
7 **CITY TROOP READINESS CENTER IN PHILA-**  
8 **DELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the conditions de-  
10 scribed in subsection (b), the Chief of the National Guard  
11 Bureau may only obligate or expend amounts available to  
12 the Army National Guard for Facilities Sustainment, Res-  
13 toration, and Modernization, or award a contract, to con-  
14 duct restoration and modernization projects at the First  
15 City Troop Readiness Center in Philadelphia, Pennsyl-  
16 vania.

17 (b) CONDITIONS.—The conditions described in this  
18 subsection are the following:

19 (1) As of the date on which the Chief awards  
20 a contract under subsection (a), any lease held by  
21 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the First  
22 City Troop Readiness Center has a term sufficient  
23 to allow a project described in subsection (a) to real-  
24 ize the applicable full lifecycle benefit.

1           (2) The Federal contribution for such a project  
2 does not exceed 50 percent of the total cost of the  
3 project.

4           (3) Not later than 15 days before the date on  
5 which the Chief awards any such contract, the Chief  
6 submits to the Committees on Armed Services of the  
7 Senate and the House of Representatives a notifica-  
8 tion that includes an explanation of the sufficiency  
9 of the term of the lease described in paragraph (1).

10 **TITLE XXVII—BASE REALIGN-**  
11 **MENT AND CLOSURE ACTIVI-**  
12 **TIES**

Sec. 2701. Authorization of appropriations for base realignment and closure activities funded through Department of Defense Base Closure Account.

Sec. 2702. Prohibition on conducting additional base realignment and closure (BRAC) round.

13 **SEC. 2701. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR**  
14 **BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE ACTIVI-**  
15 **TIES FUNDED THROUGH DEPARTMENT OF**  
16 **DEFENSE BASE CLOSURE ACCOUNT.**

17 Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for  
18 fiscal years beginning after September 30, 2023, for base  
19 realignment and closure activities, including real property  
20 acquisition and military construction projects, as author-  
21 ized by the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act  
22 of 1990 (part A of title XXIX of Public Law 101–510;  
23 10 U.S.C. 2687 note) and funded through the Department

1 of Defense Base Closure Account established by section  
2 2906 of such Act as specified in the funding table in sec-  
3 tion 4601.

4 **SEC. 2702. PROHIBITION ON CONDUCTING ADDITIONAL**  
5 **BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE (BRAC)**  
6 **ROUND.**

7 Nothing in this Act shall be construed to authorize  
8 an additional Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC)  
9 round.

10 **TITLE XXVIII—MILITARY CON-**  
11 **STRUCTION GENERAL PROVI-**  
12 **SIONS**

TITLE XXVIII—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION GENERAL PROVISIONS

Subtitle A—Military Construction Programs

- Sec. 2801. Modifications to Defense Community Infrastructure Program.
- Sec. 2802. Modification to authority for unspecified minor construction.
- Sec. 2803. Application of dollar limitations for unspecified minor military construction projects to locations outside the United States.
- Sec. 2804. Increase to amount of certain funds for military installation resilience projects.
- Sec. 2805. Authority for certain construction projects in friendly foreign countries.
- Sec. 2806. Temporary expansion of authority for use of one-step turn-key procedures for repair projects.
- Sec. 2807. Authorization of cost-plus incentive-fee contracting for military construction projects to mitigate risk to the Sentinel program schedule and cost.
- Sec. 2808. Inclusion on Department of Defense Form 1391 of information on consideration of certain methods of construction for certain military construction projects.
- Sec. 2809. Incorporation of cybersecurity supply chain risk management tools and methods.
- Sec. 2810. Authority for Indo-Pacific posture unspecified minor military construction projects.
- Sec. 2811. Authority to conduct energy resilience and conservation projects at installations at which certain energy projects have occurred.

Subtitle B—Military Housing Reforms

- Sec. 2821. Establishment of the Military Family Readiness Working Group for Military Housing.
- Sec. 2822. Improvements to privatized military housing.
- Sec. 2823. Notification relating to legal counsel for nondisclosure agreements.
- Sec. 2824. Inclusion of questions regarding military housing for members of the Armed Forces in status of forces survey.
- Sec. 2825. Implementation of Comptroller General recommendations relating to strengthening oversight of privatized military housing.

#### Subtitle C—Covered Military Unaccompanied Housing Reforms

- Sec. 2831. Design standards for covered military unaccompanied housing.
- Sec. 2832. Establishment of standards for habitability of covered military unaccompanied housing.
- Sec. 2833. Modification of procedures for issuance of waivers of covered privacy and configuration standards; temporary biannual briefing.
- Sec. 2834. Certification of habitability of covered military unaccompanied housing.
- Sec. 2835. Pilot program for military construction projects to replace certain covered military unaccompanied housing facilities.
- Sec. 2836. Establishment of civilian employees for oversight of covered military unaccompanied housing.
- Sec. 2837. Maintenance work order management process for covered military unaccompanied housing.
- Sec. 2838. Uniform index for evaluating the condition of covered military unaccompanied housing facilities.
- Sec. 2839. Annual reports on the condition of covered military unaccompanied housing.
- Sec. 2840. Submission of temporary housing support certification to Members of Congress.
- Sec. 2841. Elimination of flexibilities for construction standards for covered military unaccompanied housing.

#### Subtitle D—Real Property and Facilities Administration

- Sec. 2851. Guidance on Department of Defense-wide standards for access to military installations.
- Sec. 2852. Authority to make grants for security and fire protection for former Army and Navy General Hospital, Hot Springs National Park, Hot Springs, Arkansas; briefing.
- Sec. 2853. Plan and report on critical infrastructure systems at military installations.
- Sec. 2854. Closure and disposal of the Pueblo Chemical Depot, Pueblo County, Colorado.
- Sec. 2855. Limitation on authority to modify or restrict public access to Greenbury Point Conservation Area at Naval Support Activity Annapolis, Maryland.
- Sec. 2856. Authorization for the Secretary of the Navy to resolve the electrical utility operations at Former Naval Air Station Barbers Point, Hawaii.
- Sec. 2857. Inclusion of military installation resilience in real property management and installation master planning of Department.
- Sec. 2858. Modification of authority to relocate Joint Spectrum Center to Fort Meade, Maryland.

#### Subtitle E—Land Conveyances

- Sec. 2861. Extension of sunset for land conveyance, Sharpe Army Depot, Lathrop, California.
- Sec. 2862. Clarification of authority of Department of Defense to conduct certain military activities at Nevada test and training range.
- Sec. 2863. Extensions, additions, and revisions to the Military Lands Withdrawal Act of 1999 relating to the Barry M. Goldwater Range, Arizona.
- Sec. 2864. Land acquisition, Westmoreland State Park, Virginia.
- Sec. 2865. Land conveyance, Naval Weapons Station Earle, New Jersey.
- Sec. 2866. Land Conveyance, Paine Field Air National Guard Station, Everett, Snohomish County, Washington.
- Sec. 2867. Land conveyance, Wetzel County Memorial Army Reserve Center, New Martinsville, West Virginia.
- Sec. 2868. Land conveyance, BG J Sumner Jones Army Reserve Center, Wheeling, West Virginia.

#### Subtitle F—Pilot Programs and Reports

- Sec. 2871. Modification of pilot program on increased use of sustainable building materials in military construction.
- Sec. 2872. Modification of pilot program on establishment of account for reimbursement for use of testing facilities at installations of the Department of the Air Force.
- Sec. 2873. Pilot program to provide air purification technology in covered military housing.
- Sec. 2874. Joint Housing Requirements and Market Analysis for certain military installations in Hawaii.
- Sec. 2875. Quarterly briefings on military construction related to the Sentinel intercontinental ballistic missile weapon system program.

#### Subtitle G—Other Matters

- Sec. 2881. Increase of limitation on fee for architectural and engineering services procured by military departments.
- Sec. 2882. Development and operation of Marine Corps Heritage Center and National Museum of the Marine Corps.
- Sec. 2883. Technical corrections.
- Sec. 2884. Modification of authority of Secretary of the Army to enter into cooperative agreements relating to access and management of Air Force Memorial.
- Sec. 2885. Designation of National Museum of the Mighty Eighth Air Force.
- Sec. 2886. Continuing education curriculum on use of innovative products for military construction projects.
- Sec. 2887. Guidance on encroachment that affects covered sites.
- Sec. 2888. Extension and modification of annual updates to master plans and investment strategies for Army ammunition plants.
- Sec. 2889. Limitation on use of funds for United States Space Command Headquarters.
- Sec. 2890. Plan for use of excess construction materials on southwest border.

1     **Subtitle A—Military Construction**  
2                     **Programs**

3     **SEC. 2801. MODIFICATIONS TO DEFENSE COMMUNITY IN-**  
4                     **FRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM.**

5             Section 2391(d) of title 10, United States Code, is  
6 amended—

7             (1) in the subsection heading, by striking  
8             “PILOT”; and

9             (2) by striking paragraph (5).

10    **SEC. 2802. MODIFICATION TO AUTHORITY FOR UNSPEC-**  
11                     **IFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION.**

12             (a) INCLUSION OF DEMOLITION IN DEFINITION OF  
13 UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION  
14 PROJECT.—Section 2805(a) of title 10, United States  
15 Code, is amended—

16             (1) in paragraph (2), by inserting “or a demoli-  
17 tion project” after “is a military construction  
18 project”; and

19             (2) by adding at the end the following new  
20 paragraph:

21             “(3) Notwithstanding the requirements of this sec-  
22 tion, the Secretary concerned may use amounts authorized  
23 pursuant to another law or regulation to carry out a demo-  
24 lition project described in paragraph (2).”.

1 (b) MODIFICATION TO DOLLAR THRESHOLDS FOR  
2 UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION.—Section 2805 of  
3 title 10, United States Code, is amended—

4 (1) in subsection (a)(2), by striking the dollar  
5 figure and inserting “\$9,000,000”;

6 (2) in subsection (b)(2), by striking the dollar  
7 figure and inserting “\$4,000,000”;

8 (3) in subsection (c), by striking the dollar fig-  
9 ure and inserting “\$4,000,000”; and

10 (4) in subsection (d)—

11 (A) in paragraph (1)—

12 (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
13 the dollar figure and inserting  
14 “\$9,000,000”; and

15 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
16 the dollar figure and inserting  
17 “\$9,000,000”; and

18 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking the dollar  
19 figure and inserting “\$9,000,000”.

20 (c) MODIFICATION TO ADJUSTMENT OF DOLLAR  
21 LIMITATIONS FOR LOCATION.—Section 2805(f) of title  
22 10, United States Code, is amended—

23 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking the dollar fig-  
24 ure and inserting “\$14,000,000”; and

25 (2) by striking paragraph (3).

1 (d) REPORT.—No later than 270 days after the date  
2 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
3 shall submit to the congressional defense committees a re-  
4 port on the impacts of inflation over time on the utility  
5 of the authority to carry out unspecified minor military  
6 construction projects under section 2805 of title 10,  
7 United States Code.

8 (e) REPEAL.—Section 2801 of the National Defense  
9 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–  
10 263; 136 Stat. 2992; 10 U.S.C. 2805 note) is repealed.

11 **SEC. 2803. APPLICATION OF DOLLAR LIMITATIONS FOR UN-**  
12 **SPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION**  
13 **PROJECTS TO LOCATIONS OUTSIDE THE**  
14 **UNITED STATES.**

15 Section 2805(f) of title 10, United States Code (as  
16 amended by section 2802), is further amended—

17 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “inside the  
18 United States”; and

19 (2) by striking paragraph (2).

20 **SEC. 2804. INCREASE TO AMOUNT OF CERTAIN FUNDS FOR**  
21 **MILITARY INSTALLATION RESILIENCE**  
22 **PROJECTS.**

23 Section 2815(e)(3) of title 10, United States Code,  
24 is amended by striking “\$100,000,000” and inserting  
25 “\$125,000,000”.

1 **SEC. 2805. AUTHORITY FOR CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION**  
2 **PROJECTS IN FRIENDLY FOREIGN COUN-**  
3 **TRIES.**

4 Subchapter I of chapter 169 of title 10, United States  
5 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new  
6 section:

7 **“§ 2817. Authority for certain construction projects in**  
8 **friendly foreign countries**

9 “(a) CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZED.—Using funds  
10 available for operations and maintenance, the Secretary  
11 of Defense may carry out a construction project in a  
12 friendly foreign country, and perform planning and design  
13 to support such a project, that the Secretary determines  
14 meets each of the following conditions:

15 “(1) The commander of the geographic combat-  
16 ant command in which the construction project will  
17 be carried out identified the construction project as  
18 necessary to support vital United States military re-  
19 quirements at an air port of debarkation, sea port  
20 of debarkation, or rail or other logistics support lo-  
21 cation.

22 “(2) The construction project will not be car-  
23 ried out at a military installation.

24 “(3) The funds made available under the au-  
25 thority of this section for the construction project—

26 “(A) will be sufficient to—

1                   “(i) construct a complete and usable  
2                   facility or make an improvement to a facil-  
3                   ity; or

4                   “(ii) complete the repair of an existing  
5                   facility or improvement to a facility; and

6                   “(B) will not require additional funds from  
7                   other Department of Defense accounts.

8                   “(4) The level of construction for the construc-  
9                   tion project may not exceed the minimum necessary  
10                  to meet the military requirements identified under  
11                  paragraph (1).

12                  “(5) Deferral of the construction project pend-  
13                  ing inclusion of the construction project proposal in  
14                  the national defense authorization Act for a subse-  
15                  quent fiscal year is inconsistent with the military re-  
16                  quirements identified under paragraph (1) and other  
17                  national security or national interests of the United  
18                  States.

19                  “(b) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—

20                  “(1) NOTIFICATION REQUIRED.—Upon deter-  
21                  mining to carry out a construction project under this  
22                  section that has an estimated cost in excess of the  
23                  amounts authorized for unspecified minor military  
24                  construction projects under section 2805(c) of this  
25                  title, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the

1 specified congressional committees a notification of  
2 such determination.

3 “(2) ELEMENTS.—The notification required by  
4 paragraph (1) shall include the following:

5 “(A) A certification that the conditions  
6 specified in subsection (a) are satisfied with re-  
7 gard to the construction project.

8 “(B) A justification for such project.

9 “(C) An estimate of the cost of such  
10 project.

11 “(3) NOTICE AND WAIT.—The Secretary of De-  
12 fense may carry out a construction project only after  
13 the end of the 30-day period beginning on the date  
14 the notice required by paragraph (1) is received by  
15 the specified congressional committees in an elec-  
16 tronic medium pursuant to section 480 of this title.

17 “(c) ANNUAL LIMITATIONS ON USE OF AUTHOR-  
18 ITY.—

19 “(1) TOTAL COST LIMITATION.—The Secretary  
20 of Defense may not obligate more than  
21 \$200,000,000 in any fiscal year under the authority  
22 provided by this section.

23 “(2) ADDITIONAL OBLIGATION AUTHORITY.—  
24 Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the Secretary of De-  
25 fense may authorize the obligation under this section

1 of not more than an additional \$10,000,000 from  
2 funds available for operations and maintenance for  
3 a fiscal year if the Secretary determines that the ad-  
4 ditional funds are needed for costs associated with  
5 contract closeouts for all construction projects dur-  
6 ing such fiscal year.

7 “(3) PROJECT LIMITATION.—The maximum  
8 amount that the Secretary may obligate for a single  
9 construction project is \$15,000,000.

10 “(d) SPECIFIED CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-  
11 FINED.—In this section, the term ‘specified congressional  
12 committees’ means—

13 “(1) the Committee on Armed Services and the  
14 Subcommittee on Defense and the Subcommittee on  
15 Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related  
16 Agencies of the Committee on Appropriations of the  
17 Senate; and

18 “(2) the Committee on Armed Services and the  
19 Subcommittee on Defense and the Subcommittee on  
20 Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related  
21 Agencies of the Committee on Appropriations of the  
22 House of Representatives.”.

1 **SEC. 2806. TEMPORARY EXPANSION OF AUTHORITY FOR**  
2 **USE OF ONE-STEP TURN-KEY PROCEDURES**  
3 **FOR REPAIR PROJECTS.**

4 During the five-year period beginning on the date of  
5 the enactment of this Act, section 2862(a)(2) of title 10,  
6 United States Code, shall be applied and administered by  
7 substituting “\$8,000,000” for “\$4,000,000”.

8 **SEC. 2807. AUTHORIZATION OF COST-PLUS INCENTIVE-FEE**  
9 **CONTRACTING FOR MILITARY CONSTRUCC-**  
10 **TION PROJECTS TO MITIGATE RISK TO THE**  
11 **SENTINEL PROGRAM SCHEDULE AND COST.**

12 Notwithstanding section 3323 of title 10, United  
13 States Code, the Secretary of Defense may authorize the  
14 use of contracts using cost-plus incentive-fee contracting  
15 for military construction projects associated with launch  
16 facilities, launch centers, and related infrastructure of the  
17 Sentinel intercontinental ballistic missile weapon system  
18 program of the Department of Defense for not more than  
19 one low-rate initial production lot at each of the following  
20 locations:

- 21 (1) F.E. Warren Air Force Base, Wyoming.  
22 (2) Malmstrom Air Force Base, Montana.  
23 (3) Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota.

1 **SEC. 2808. INCLUSION ON DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FORM**  
2 **1391 OF INFORMATION ON CONSIDERATION**  
3 **OF CERTAIN METHODS OF CONSTRUCTION**  
4 **FOR CERTAIN MILITARY CONSTRUCTION**  
5 **PROJECTS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—As part of the Department of De-  
7 fense Form 1391 submitted to the appropriate committees  
8 of Congress for a covered military construction project,  
9 each covered official shall, to the extent practicable, in-  
10 clude information on whether all relevant construction ma-  
11 terials and methods of construction included in the Uni-  
12 fied Facilities Criteria/DoD Building Code (UFC 1–200–  
13 01) were considered in the design of such covered military  
14 construction project.

15 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

16 (1) The terms “appropriate committees of Con-  
17 gress” and “military construction project” have the  
18 meanings given in section 2801 of title 10, United  
19 States Code.

20 (2) The term “covered military construction  
21 project” means a military construction project with  
22 an estimated total cost in excess of \$9,000,000.

23 (3) The term “covered official” means—

24 (A) the Secretary of Defense; and

25 (B) each Secretary of a military depart-  
26 ment.

1 **SEC. 2809. INCORPORATION OF CYBERSECURITY SUPPLY**  
2 **CHAIN RISK MANAGEMENT TOOLS AND**  
3 **METHODS.**

4 Section 2914 of title 10, United States Code, is  
5 amended—

6 (1) by redesignating subsection (e) as sub-  
7 section (f); and

8 (2) by inserting after subsection (d) the fol-  
9 lowing new subsection:

10 “(e) INCORPORATION OF CYBERSECURITY SUPPLY  
11 CHAIN RISK MANAGEMENT TOOLS AND METHODS.—(1)  
12 The Secretary of Defense shall incorporate into covered  
13 projects cybersecurity supply chain risk management tools  
14 and solutions to provide continuous analysis, monitoring,  
15 and mitigation of cyber vulnerabilities.

16 “(2) In carrying out the requirements of paragraph  
17 (1), the Secretary of Defense shall consider, to the max-  
18 imum extent practicable, the following:

19 “(A) The adoption of commercially available cy-  
20 bersecurity supply chain risk management tools and  
21 solutions.

22 “(B) The inclusion of existing databases on  
23 cyber vulnerabilities when selecting such tools and  
24 solutions.



1           (1) the design, construction, development, con-  
2           version, extension, renovation, or repair of a facility,  
3           whether to satisfy temporary or permanent require-  
4           ments; and

5           (2) to the extent necessary, any acquisition of  
6           land subject to the limitations on real property ac-  
7           quisition of chapter 159 of title 10, United States  
8           Code.

9           (c) PURPOSES.—A project carried out under this sec-  
10          tion shall be for the purpose of—

11           (1) supporting the rotational deployments of  
12          the Armed Forces;

13           (2) enhancing facility preparedness and military  
14          installation resilience (as defined in section  
15          101(e)(8) of title 10, United States Code) in support  
16          of potential, planned, or anticipated defense activi-  
17          ties; or

18           (3) providing for prepositioning and storage of  
19          equipment and supplies.

20          (d) LOCATION OF PROJECTS.—A project carried out  
21          under this section must be located within the area of re-  
22          sponsibility of the United States Indo-Pacific Command  
23          and at a military installation that includes a main oper-  
24          ating base, cooperative security location, forward oper-

1 ating site, or contingency location for use by the Armed  
2 Forces.

3 (e) AVAILABLE AMOUNTS.—In carrying out a project  
4 under this section, the Commander may use amounts ap-  
5 propriated for—

6 (1) the INDOPACOM Military Construction  
7 Pilot Program fund (as specified in the funding  
8 table in section 4601); and

9 (2) operation and maintenance, not to exceed  
10 200 percent of the amount specified in section  
11 2805(e) of title 10, United States Code.

12 (f) NOTICE TO CONGRESS.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—If the Commander decides  
14 to carry out a project under this section with a cost  
15 exceeding \$2,000,000, the Commander shall submit  
16 a written notification to the congressional defense  
17 committees of that decision.

18 (2) RELEVANT DETAILS.—A notice under para-  
19 graph (1) with respect to a project shall include rel-  
20 evant details and justification of the project, includ-  
21 ing the estimated cost, and may include a classified  
22 annex.

23 (3) TIMING.—A project under this section cov-  
24 ered by paragraph (1) may not be carried out until  
25 the end of the 14-day period beginning on the date

1 of receipt of the notification under such paragraph  
2 by the congressional defense committees.

3 (g) PROJECT EXECUTION.—

4 (1) PROJECT SUPERVISION.—Subsections (a)  
5 and (b) of section 2851 of title 10, United States  
6 Code, shall not apply to projects carried out by the  
7 Commander under this section.

8 (2) APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 169 OF TITLE 10,  
9 UNITED STATES CODE.—When exercising the au-  
10 thority under subsection (a), the Commander shall,  
11 for purposes of chapter 169 of title 10, United  
12 States Code, be considered the Secretary concerned.

13 (h) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than December 31,  
14 2024, and annually thereafter until the termination date  
15 in subsection (i), the Commander shall submit to the con-  
16 gressional defense committees a report containing a list  
17 of projects funded, lessons learned, and, subject to the  
18 concurrence of the Secretary of Defense, recommended ad-  
19 justments to the authority under this section for the most  
20 recently ended fiscal year covered by the report.

21 (i) TERMINATION.—The authority to carry out a  
22 project under this section expires on March 31, 2029.

1 **SEC. 2811. AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT ENERGY RESILIENCE**  
2 **AND CONSERVATION PROJECTS AT INSTAL-**  
3 **LATIONS AT WHICH CERTAIN ENERGY**  
4 **PROJECTS HAVE OCCURRED.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (k) of section 2688 of  
6 title 10, United States Code, is amended to read as fol-  
7 lows:

8 “(k) IMPROVEMENT OF CONVEYED UTILITY SYS-  
9 TEM.—(1) In the case of a utility system that has been  
10 conveyed under this section and that only provides utility  
11 services to a military installation, the Secretary of Defense  
12 or the Secretary of a military department may authorize  
13 a contract on a sole source basis with the conveyee of the  
14 utility system to carry out a military construction project  
15 as authorized and appropriated for by law for an infra-  
16 structure improvement that enhances the reliability, resil-  
17 ience, efficiency, physical security, or cybersecurity of the  
18 utility system.

19 “(2) The Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of  
20 a military department may convey under subsection (j)  
21 any infrastructure constructed under paragraph (1) that  
22 is in addition to the utility system conveyed under such  
23 paragraph.”.

24 (b) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE INFRASTRUCTURE  
25 RESILIENCE AND READINESS.—

1           (1) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense  
2           and the Secretary of the military department con-  
3           cerned may utilize existing areawide contracts to  
4           procure utility services from a utility service sup-  
5           plier—

6                   (A) to support installation energy resilience  
7                   and mission readiness;

8                   (B) for the protection of critical infrastruc-  
9                   ture of the Department of Defense located at a  
10                  military installation; and

11                  (C) to achieve energy resilience at military  
12                  installations through implementation of utility  
13                  system infrastructure projects, to include facili-  
14                  ties sustainment, restoration, and moderniza-  
15                  tion of such infrastructure.

16           (2) SUNSET.—The authority under this sub-  
17           section shall terminate on September 30, 2032.

18           (3) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

19                   (A) AREAWIDE CONTRACT.—The term  
20                   “areawide contract” means a contract entered  
21                   into between the General Services Administra-  
22                   tion and a utility service supplier under section  
23                   501 of title 40, United States Code, to procure  
24                   the utility service needs of Federal agencies  
25                   within the franchise territory of the supplier.

1 (B) ENERGY RESILIENCE.—The term “en-  
2 ergy resilience” has the meaning given the term  
3 in section 101(e) of title 10, United States  
4 Code.

5 (C) FRANCHISE TERRITORY.—The term  
6 “franchise territory” means a geographical area  
7 that a utility service supplier has a right to  
8 serve based upon a franchise granted by an  
9 independent regulatory body, a certificate of  
10 public convenience and necessity, or other legal  
11 means.

12 (D) UTILITY SERVICE.—The term “utility  
13 service”—

14 (i) means a utility or service described  
15 in section 2872a(b) of title 10, United  
16 States Code;

17 (ii) includes the services supplied by a  
18 utility service supplier described in an  
19 areawide contract such as connection,  
20 change, disconnection, continue service,  
21 line extension, alteration or relocation, me-  
22 tering, and special facilities, including pri-  
23 mary generation, backup generation,  
24 microgrid controls, charging capabilities,  
25 and any supporting infrastructure; and

1 (iii) includes ancillary services, includ-  
2 ing total maintenance and repair, major  
3 restoration and repair, studies, and any  
4 other services, as appropriate.

5 (E) UTILITY SERVICE SUPPLIER.—The  
6 term “utility service supplier” means an entity  
7 that supplies a utility service.

8 (F) UTILITY SYSTEM.—The term “utility  
9 system” has the meaning given the term in sub-  
10 sections (i)(1)(A) and (i)(2)(A) of section 2688  
11 of title 10, United States Code.

## 12 **Subtitle B—Military Housing**

### 13 **Reforms**

#### 14 **SEC. 2821. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MILITARY FAMILY** 15 **READINESS WORKING GROUP FOR MILITARY** 16 **HOUSING.**

17 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (e) of section 1781a  
18 of title 10, United States Code, is amended to read as  
19 follows:

20 “(e) MILITARY FAMILY READINESS WORKING  
21 GROUP FOR MILITARY HOUSING.—

22 “(1) There is in the Council the Military Fam-  
23 ily Readiness Working Group for Military Housing  
24 (in this section referred to as the ‘Housing Working  
25 Group’).

1           “(2)(A) The Housing Working Group shall be  
2 composed of the following members:

3           “(i) The Assistant Secretary of Defense for  
4 Energy, Installations, and Environment, who  
5 shall serve as chair of the Housing Working  
6 Group on a nondelegable basis.

7           “(ii) One representative of each of the  
8 Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and  
9 Space Force—

10           “(I) each of whom shall be a member  
11 of the armed force to be represented; and

12           “(II) not fewer than two of whom  
13 shall be enlisted members.

14           “(iii) One spouse of a member of each of  
15 the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and  
16 Space Force on active duty, not fewer than two  
17 of which shall be the spouse of an enlisted  
18 member.

19           “(iv) One commander or senior official of  
20 a military installation from each military de-  
21 partment with responsibility for the public  
22 works or civil engineering systems of such in-  
23 stallation.

24           “(v) One individual appointed by the Sec-  
25 retary of Defense among representatives of a

1 voluntary consensus standards body that devel-  
2 ops personnel certification standards for build-  
3 ing maintenance, inspections, or restoration.

4 “(vi) The Director of the Office of Military  
5 Family Readiness Policy.

6 “(B) The term of Housing Working Group  
7 members specified under clauses (ii) through (v) of  
8 subparagraph (A) shall be two years and may be re-  
9 newed by the Secretary of Defense.

10 “(C) The chair of the Housing Working Group  
11 shall extend an invitation to all landlords for one  
12 representative of each landlord to attend such meet-  
13 ings of the Housing Working Group as the chair  
14 considers appropriate but at a minimum of once per  
15 year.

16 “(3) The Housing Working Group shall meet at  
17 least two times each year.

18 “(4) The duties of the Housing Working Group  
19 shall include the following:

20 “(A) To review and make recommenda-  
21 tions to the Secretary of Defense on policies for  
22 covered military housing, including inspections  
23 practices and resident surveys.

24 “(B) To make recommendations to the  
25 Secretary of Defense to improve—

1 “(i) awareness and promotion of accu-  
2 rate and timely information about covered  
3 military housing, accommodations available  
4 through the Exceptional Family Member  
5 Program of the Department, and other  
6 support services; and

7 “(ii) collaboration among policy-  
8 makers, providers of such accommodations  
9 and other support services, and targeted  
10 beneficiaries of such accommodations and  
11 other support services.

12 “(5) In this subsection:

13 “(A) The term ‘landlord’ has the meaning  
14 given that term in section 2871 of this title.

15 “(B) The term ‘covered military housing’  
16 means housing acquired or constructed pursu-  
17 ant to subchapter IV of chapter 169 of this title  
18 that is owned by an entity other than the Fed-  
19 eral Government.”.

20 (b) ANNUAL REPORTS.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than July 1, 2024,  
22 and annually thereafter until July 1, 2029, the De-  
23 partment of Defense Military Family Readiness  
24 Council (established under section 1781a of title 10,  
25 United States Code) shall submit to the Secretary of

1 Defense and the congressional defense committees a  
2 report on military family readiness.

3 (2) CONTENTS.—Each report under this sub-  
4 section shall include the following:

5 (A) An assessment of the adequacy and ef-  
6 fectiveness of the military family readiness pro-  
7 grams and activities of the Department of De-  
8 fense during the fiscal year preceding the date  
9 of submission of the report in meeting the  
10 needs and requirements of military families.

11 (B) Recommendations on actions to be  
12 taken to improve the capability of the military  
13 family readiness programs and activities of the  
14 Department of Defense to meet the needs and  
15 requirements of military families, including ac-  
16 tions relating to the allocation of funding and  
17 other resources to and among such programs  
18 and activities.

19 (C) A report on the activities of the Mili-  
20 tary Family Readiness Working Group for Mili-  
21 tary Housing (established under subsection (e)  
22 of such section 1781a, as amended by this sec-  
23 tion) during the year covered by the report.

24 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Paragraph (31) of  
25 section 1061(c) of the National Defense Authorization Act

1 for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328; 10 U.S.C.  
2 111 note) is repealed.

3 **SEC. 2822. IMPROVEMENTS TO PRIVATIZED MILITARY**  
4 **HOUSING.**

5 (a) INCLUSION OF INFORMATION ON COMPLIANCE  
6 WITH TENANT BILL OF RIGHTS IN NOTICE OF LEASE  
7 EXTENSION.—Section 2878(f)(2) of title 10, United  
8 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
9 lowing new subparagraph:

10 “(E) An assessment of compliance by the lessor  
11 with the Military Housing Privatization Initiative  
12 Tenant Bill of Rights developed under section 2890  
13 of this title.”.

14 (b) MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO INVESTIGATE  
15 REPRISALS.—Subsection (e) of section 2890 of such title  
16 is amended—

17 (1) in paragraph (1)—

18 (A) by striking “Assistant Secretary of De-  
19 fense for Sustainment” and inserting “Inspec-  
20 tor General of the Department of Defense”;  
21 and

22 (B) by striking “member of the armed  
23 forces” and inserting “tenant”;

24 (2) in paragraph (2)—

1 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph

2 (A)—

3 (i) by striking “Assistant Secretary of  
4 Defense for Sustainment” and inserting  
5 “Inspector General”;

6 (ii) by striking “member of the armed  
7 forces” and inserting “tenant”; and

8 (iii) by striking “Assistant Secretary”  
9 and inserting “Inspector General”; and

10 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “As-  
11 sistant Secretary” and inserting “Inspector  
12 General”; and

13 (3) in paragraph (3)—

14 (A) by striking “Assistant Secretary of De-  
15 fense for Sustainment” and inserting “Inspec-  
16 tor General of the Department of Defense”;  
17 and

18 (B) by striking “Secretary of the military  
19 department concerned” and inserting “Inspec-  
20 tor General of the military department con-  
21 cerned”.

22 (c) LIMITATION ON HOUSING ENHANCEMENT PAY-  
23 MENTS.—Section 606(a)(2) of the John S. McCain Na-  
24 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019

1 (Public Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C. 2871 note) is amend-  
2 ed—

3 (1) in subparagraph (A)—

4 (A) by striking “Each month” and insert-  
5 ing “Except as provided in subparagraph (D),  
6 each month”; and

7 (B) by striking “one of more” and insert-  
8 ing “one or more”; and

9 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
10 paragraph:

11 “(D) LIMITATION ON PAYMENT.—

12 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Subject to clause  
13 (ii), the Secretary of a military department  
14 may not make a payment under subpara-  
15 graph (A) to a lessor unless the Assistant  
16 Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installa-  
17 tions, and Environment determines the les-  
18 sor is in compliance with the Military  
19 Housing Privatization Initiative Tenant  
20 Bill of Rights developed under section  
21 2890 of title 10, United States Code.

22 “(ii) APPLICATION.—The limitation  
23 under clause (i) shall apply to any pay-  
24 ment under a housing agreement entered  
25 into on or after the date of the enactment

1 of the National Defense Authorization Act  
2 for Fiscal Year 2024 by the Secretary of  
3 a military department with a lessor.”.

4 **SEC. 2823. NOTIFICATION RELATING TO LEGAL COUNSEL**  
5 **FOR NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS.**

6 Section 2890(f) of title 10, United States Code, is  
7 amended by adding at the end the following new para-  
8 graph:

9 “(3) A party presenting a proposed nondislo-  
10 sure agreement to a tenant shall notify such tenant  
11 that such tenant may, not later than 10 business  
12 days after such presentation, seek legal counsel with  
13 respect to the terms of and implications of entering  
14 into such agreement. A tenant may not be required  
15 to sign such agreement before the end of such 10-  
16 day period.”.

17 **SEC. 2824. INCLUSION OF QUESTIONS REGARDING MILI-**  
18 **TARY HOUSING FOR MEMBERS OF THE**  
19 **ARMED FORCES IN STATUS OF FORCES SUR-**  
20 **VEY.**

21 The Secretary of Defense shall include, at a min-  
22 imum, in each status of forces survey of the Department  
23 of Defense conducted on or after the date of the enact-  
24 ment of this Act questions specifically relating to the fol-  
25 lowing:

1 (1) Overall satisfaction with current military  
2 housing of members of the Armed Forces.

3 (2) Satisfaction of such members with the phys-  
4 ical condition of such military housing.

5 (3) Satisfaction of such members with the af-  
6 fordability of such military housing.

7 (4) Whether such military housing of such  
8 members has impacted any decision of such a mem-  
9 ber related to reenlistment in the Armed Forces.

10 **SEC. 2825. IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPTROLLER GENERAL**  
11 **RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO**  
12 **STRENGTHENING OVERSIGHT OF**  
13 **PRIVATIZED MILITARY HOUSING.**

14 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than one year after the  
15 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
16 shall implement each recommendation of the Comptroller  
17 General of the United States contained in the report titled  
18 “DOD Can Further Strengthen Oversight of Its  
19 Privatized Housing Program” (GAO–23–105377), dated  
20 April 6, 2023, and reissued with revisions on April 20,  
21 2023.

22 (b) **NON-IMPLEMENTATION REPORTING REQUIRE-**  
23 **MENT.**—If the Secretary elects not to implement any such  
24 recommendation, the Secretary shall, not later than one  
25 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, submit



1 (D) by adding at the end the following new  
2 subsections:

3 “(b) FLOOR SPACE AND NUMBER OF MEMBERS AL-  
4 LOWED.—In the design and configuration of covered mili-  
5 tary unaccompanied housing, the Secretary of Defense  
6 shall establish uniform design standards that—

7 “(1) provide a minimum area of floor space, not  
8 including bathrooms or closets, per individual occu-  
9 pying a unit of covered military unaccompanied  
10 housing;

11 “(2) ensure that not more than two individuals  
12 may occupy such a unit; and

13 “(3) provide definitions and measures that  
14 specify—

15 “(A) criteria of design;

16 “(B) quality of construction material to be  
17 used; and

18 “(C) levels of maintenance to be required.

19 “(c) COVERED MILITARY UNACCOMPANIED HOUS-  
20 ING.—For purposes of this section, section 2856a, and  
21 section 2856b, the term ‘covered military unaccompanied  
22 housing’ means Government-owned military housing in-  
23 tended to be occupied by members of the armed forces  
24 serving a tour of duty unaccompanied by dependents.”.

1           (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-  
2           tions at the beginning of subchapter III of chapter  
3           169 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by  
4           amending the item relating to section 2856 to read  
5           as follows:

“2856. Covered military unaccompanied housing: design standards.”.

6           (b) COMPLETION AND ISSUANCE OF UNIFORM DE-  
7           SIGN STANDARDS.—Not later than 180 days after the  
8           date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
9           shall—

10           (1) ensure that the uniform design standards  
11           required under section 2856(b)(1) of title 10, United  
12           States Code, as added by subsection (a)(1)(D), are  
13           completed, issued, and submitted to the congres-  
14           sional defense committees; or

15           (2) submit to the congressional defense commit-  
16           tees a report—

17           (A) explaining in detail why such stand-  
18           ards are not completed and issued;

19           (B) indicating when such standards are ex-  
20           pected to be completed and issued; and

21           (C) specifying the names of the personnel  
22           responsible for the failure to complete and issue  
23           such standards.

24           (c) COMPLIANCE WITH UNIFORM DESIGN STAND-  
25           ARDS.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than two years  
2           after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
3           retary of each military department shall ensure that  
4           all covered military unaccompanied housing located  
5           on a military installation under the jurisdiction of  
6           such Secretary complies with the uniform standards  
7           established under section 2856(b)(1) of title 10,  
8           United States Code, as added by subsection  
9           (a)(1)(D).

10           (2) NO WAIVER.—The requirement under para-  
11           graph (1) may not be waived.

12           (3) COVERED MILITARY UNACCOMPANIED  
13           HOUSING DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term  
14           “covered military unaccompanied housing” has the  
15           meaning given in section 2856 of title 10, United  
16           States Code (as amended by subsection (a)).

17           (d) CERTIFICATION OF BUDGET REQUIREMENTS.—  
18           The Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) shall in-  
19           clude with the submission of the budget of the President  
20           to Congress pursuant to section 1105 of title 31, United  
21           States Code, for fiscal years 2025 through 2029 a signed  
22           certification that the Secretary of Defense and each Sec-  
23           retary of a military department has requested sufficient  
24           funds to comply with this section and the amendments  
25           made by this section.

1 **SEC. 2832. ESTABLISHMENT OF STANDARDS FOR HABIT-**  
2 **ABILITY OF COVERED MILITARY UNACCOM-**  
3 **PANIED HOUSING.**

4 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Subchapter III of title 10,  
5 United States Code, (as amended by section 2833) is fur-  
6 ther amended by inserting after section 2856a (as added  
7 by such section) the following new section:

8 **“§ 2856b. Covered military unaccompanied housing:**  
9 **standards for habitability**

10 “(a) STANDARDS REQUIRED.—For the purposes of  
11 assigning a member of the armed forces to a unit of cov-  
12 ered military unaccompanied housing, the Secretary of  
13 Defense shall establish uniform minimum standards for  
14 covered military unaccompanied housing, that shall in-  
15 clude minimum requirements for—

16 “(1) condition;

17 “(2) habitability, health, and environmental  
18 comfort;

19 “(3) safety and security; and

20 “(4) any other element the Secretary of De-  
21 fense determines appropriate.

22 “(b) LIMITATION ON ISSUANCE OF WAIVERS.—Any  
23 waiver of a uniform standard described in subsection (a)  
24 may only be issued by a Secretary of a military depart-  
25 ment.”.

1 (b) GUIDANCE.—Not later than 30 days after the  
2 date on which the Secretary of Defense develops the uni-  
3 form standards under section 2856b of title 10, United  
4 States Code (as added by subsection (a)), the Secretary  
5 of Defense shall issue to each Secretary of a military de-  
6 partment guidance on such uniform standards.

7 **SEC. 2833. MODIFICATION OF PROCEDURES FOR ISSUANCE**  
8 **OF WAIVERS OF COVERED PRIVACY AND**  
9 **CONFIGURATION STANDARDS; TEMPORARY**  
10 **BIANNUAL BRIEFING.**

11 (a) TERMINATION OF EXISTING WAIVERS OF COV-  
12 ERED PRIVACY AND CONFIGURATION STANDARDS.—Any  
13 waiver of covered privacy and configuration standards in  
14 effect on or before the date of the enactment of this Act  
15 shall terminate on March 1, 2024.

16 (b) WAIVERS OF COVERED PRIVACY AND CONFIGU-  
17 RATION STANDARDS.—Subchapter III of title 10, United  
18 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 2856  
19 the following new section:

20 **“§ 2856a. Covered military unaccompanied housing:**  
21 **waivers of covered privacy and configu-**  
22 **ration standards**

23 **“(a) PROCEDURES FOR ISSUANCE OF CERTAIN**  
24 **WAIVERS.**—Effective March 2, 2024, any waiver of cov-

1 ered privacy and configuration standards shall be issued  
2 in accordance with the following:

3 “(1) A commander of a military installation de-  
4 siring a waiver of covered habitability standards  
5 shall submit to the Secretary of the military depart-  
6 ment concerned a request for such waiver.

7 “(2) A Secretary of a military department may  
8 approve a request under subparagraph (A) only if  
9 such Secretary has exhausted all options available to  
10 such Secretary to provide housing that meets cov-  
11 ered privacy and configuration standards, including  
12 the—

13 “(A) use of available privately-owned mili-  
14 tary housing;

15 “(B) modification of unit integrity goals to  
16 allow the use of each available unit of covered  
17 military unaccompanied housing that meets cov-  
18 ered privacy and configuration standards; and

19 “(C) issuance of a certificate of nonavail-  
20 ability of covered military unaccompanied hous-  
21 ing to allow eligibility for basic allowance for  
22 housing under section 403 of title 37.

23 “(3) An official described in paragraph (1) or  
24 (2) may not delegate the respective authorities under  
25 such paragraphs.

1           “(4) Any waiver of covered privacy and configu-  
2           ration standards issued pursuant to this paragraph  
3           shall terminate on the date that is 9 months after  
4           the date on which such waiver was issued. A Sec-  
5           retary of a military department may not renew any  
6           such waiver.

7           “(b) ANNUAL REPORT ON WAIVERS.—Not later than  
8           March 1, 2025, and annually thereafter not later than 15  
9           days after the submission of the budget of the President  
10          to Congress pursuant to section 1105 of title 31, the Sec-  
11          retary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on  
12          Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the  
13          Senate and the Comptroller General of the United States  
14          a report on waivers issued under this section that in-  
15          cludes—

16                 “(1) the number of such waivers that were  
17                 issued during the period covered by the report;

18                 “(2) a plan to remedy the deficiencies, if any,  
19                 of covered military unaccompanied housing that re-  
20                 quired the issuance of such a waiver;

21                 “(3) a strategy to remedy issues, if any, caused  
22                 by covered military unaccompanied housing that did  
23                 not comply with such uniform standards;

24                 “(4) a strategy to remedy the factors, if any,  
25                 that require a commander of a military installation

1 to submit to the applicable Secretary of a military  
2 department a request for consecutive waivers of such  
3 uniform standards, including a timeline for the im-  
4 plementation of such strategy; and

5 “(5) an analysis of strategies to remedy the fac-  
6 tors described in paragraph (4), including—

7 “(A) projects to modernize existing covered  
8 military unaccompanied housing to comply with  
9 such uniform standards;

10 “(B) projects to construct new covered  
11 military unaccompanied housing; and

12 “(C) modifications to relevant policies of  
13 the Department of Defense, excluding such poli-  
14 cies relating to infrastructure.

15 “(c) COVERED PRIVACY AND CONFIGURATION  
16 STANDARD DEFINED.—In this section, the term ‘covered  
17 privacy and configuration standard’ means the minimum  
18 standards for privacy and configuration applicable to cov-  
19 ered military unaccompanied housing described in Depart-  
20 ment of Defense Manual 4165.63 titled ‘DoD Housing  
21 Management’ and dated October 28, 2010 (or a successor  
22 document).”.

23 (c) TEMPORARY BIENNIAL BRIEFING ON WAIVERS;  
24 LIMITATIONS ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—

1           (1) BRIEFINGS.—Not later than 30 days after  
2           the submission of the budget of the President to  
3           Congress pursuant to section 1105 of title 31,  
4           United States Code, and on a biannual basis there-  
5           after until the date that is two years after the date  
6           of the enactment of this Act, each Secretary of a  
7           military department shall provide to the congress-  
8           sional defense committees a briefing on waivers of  
9           covered privacy and configuration standards pursu-  
10          ant to section 2856a of title 10, United States Code,  
11          for covered military unaccompanied housing under  
12          the jurisdiction of that Secretary that includes—

13                   (A) the number, disaggregated by military  
14                   installation, of waivers in effect as of the date  
15                   of such briefing relating to occupancy;

16                   (B) a list of each waiver described in sub-  
17                   paragraph (A) that includes—

18                           (i) an identification of the official who  
19                           approved each such waiver;

20                           (ii) a description of the military neces-  
21                           sity underlying each such waiver; and

22                           (iii) a statement of the period each  
23                           such waiver is effective; and

24                   (C) an identification of the number of  
25                   members of the Armed Forces that reside in

1 covered military unaccompanied housing subject  
2 to a waiver described in such subparagraph.

3 (2) LIMITATIONS.—

4 (A) OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE,  
5 ARMY.—Of the funds authorized to be appro-  
6 priated by this Act or otherwise made available  
7 for fiscal 2024 for Administration and Service-  
8 wide Activities, operations and maintenance,  
9 Army, not more than 75 percent may be obli-  
10 gated or expended until the Secretary of the  
11 Army provides the first respective briefing de-  
12 scribed in paragraph (1).

13 (B) OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE,  
14 NAVY.—Of the funds authorized to be appro-  
15 priated by this Act or otherwise made available  
16 for fiscal 2024 for Administration and Service-  
17 wide Activities, operations and maintenance,  
18 Navy, not more than 75 percent may be obli-  
19 gated or expended until the Secretary of the  
20 Navy provides the first respective briefing de-  
21 scribed in such paragraph.

22 (C) OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE, AIR  
23 FORCE.—Of the funds authorized to be appro-  
24 priated by this Act or otherwise made available  
25 for fiscal 2024 for Administration and Service-

1 wide Activities, operations and maintenance,  
2 Air Force, not more than 75 percent may be  
3 obligated or expended until the Secretary of the  
4 Air Force provides the first respective briefing  
5 described in such paragraph.

6 (d) REVISIONS TO RULES, GUIDANCE, OR OTHER  
7 ISSUANCES.—Not later than 120 days after the date of  
8 the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense and  
9 Secretaries of the military departments shall revise any  
10 rule, guidance, or other issuance of the Department of De-  
11 fense and the military departments under the respective  
12 jurisdictions of such Secretaries to include the procedures  
13 for the issuance of waivers of covered privacy and configu-  
14 ration standards pursuant to section 2856a of title 10,  
15 United States Code (as added by subsection (a)).

16 (e) COMPTROLLER GENERAL BRIEFING.—Not later  
17 than 60 days after the date of the submission of the plan  
18 described in subsection (b)(2) of section 2856a of title 10,  
19 United States Code (as added by subsection (a)), con-  
20 tained in the first report required under such subsection,  
21 the Comptroller General of the United States shall provide  
22 to the Committees on Armed Services of the House of  
23 Representatives and the Senate a briefing that includes—

24 (1) an analysis on the ability of each military  
25 department to execute such plan; and

1           (2) recommendations, if any, of the Comptroller  
2       General with respect to modifications of such plan.

3       (f) COVERED PRIVACY AND CONFIGURATION STAND-  
4   ARD.—The term “covered privacy and configuration  
5   standard” has the meaning given in section 2856a of title  
6   10, United States Code (as added by subsection (a)).

7   **SEC. 2834. CERTIFICATION OF HABITABILITY OF COVERED**  
8                           **MILITARY UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING.**

9       Section 2856b of title 10, United States Code (as  
10   added by section 2832) is amended by adding at the end  
11   the following new subsection:

12       “(c) CERTIFICATION.—The Secretary of Defense  
13   shall include, in conjunction with the submission of the  
14   budget of the President to Congress pursuant to section  
15   1105 of title 31, a certification from each Secretary of  
16   a military department to the congressional defense com-  
17   mittees that the cost for all needed repairs and improve-  
18   ments for each occupied covered military unaccompanied  
19   housing facility under the jurisdiction of such Secretary  
20   does not exceed 20 percent of the replacement cost of such  
21   facility, as mandated by Department of Defense Manual  
22   4165.63 titled ‘DoD Housing Management’ and dated Oc-  
23   tober 28, 2010 (or a successor document).”.

1 **SEC. 2835. PILOT PROGRAM FOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION**  
2 **PROJECTS TO REPLACE CERTAIN COVERED**  
3 **MILITARY UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING FA-**  
4 **CILITIES.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Each Secretary of a military de-  
6 partment may carry out a pilot program under which each  
7 such Secretary administers a military construction project,  
8 not otherwise authorized by law, to replace a covered mili-  
9 tary unaccompanied housing facility—

10 (1) that such Secretary determines is not in  
11 compliance with the uniform standards for covered  
12 military unaccompanied housing under section  
13 2856b of title 10, United States Code (as added by  
14 section 2832); and

15 (2) for which the total cost of a repair project  
16 to bring such covered military unaccompanied facil-  
17 ity into compliance with such uniform standards ex-  
18 ceeds 75 percent of the total cost of such a military  
19 construction project.

20 (b) FACILITY REQUIREMENTS.—A facility con-  
21 structed pursuant to a military construction project under  
22 a pilot program under subsection (a)—

23 (1) with respect to the covered military unac-  
24 companied housing facility such facility replaces—

25 (A) may not have a capacity to house more  
26 members of the Armed Forces;

1 (B) shall be designed and utilized for the  
2 same purpose; and

3 (C) shall be located on the same military  
4 installation; and

5 (2) shall be designed to meet, at a minimum,  
6 standards for construction, utilization, and force  
7 protection.

8 (c) NONDELEGATION.—For the purposes of carrying  
9 out a military construction project under a pilot program  
10 under subsection (a), the authority of a Secretary of a  
11 military department to determine whether a covered mili-  
12 tary unaccompanied housing facility is in substandard  
13 condition may not be delegated.

14 (d) SOURCE OF FUNDS.—A Secretary of a military  
15 department may spend amounts available to such Sec-  
16 retary for operation and maintenance or unspecified mili-  
17 tary construction to carry out this section.

18 (e) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—With respect  
19 to a military construction project proposed to be carried  
20 out under a pilot program under subsection (a) with an  
21 estimated cost in excess of \$10,000,000, the Secretary of  
22 the military department concerned shall submit to the ap-  
23 propriate committees of Congress a report that includes—

24 (1) a justification for such military construction  
25 project;

1           (2) an estimate of the total cost of such mili-  
2       tary construction project; and

3           (3) a description of the elements of military  
4       construction, including the elements specified in sec-  
5       tion 2802(b) of title 10, United States Code, incor-  
6       porated into such military construction project.

7       (f) SUNSET.—The authority to carry out a pilot pro-  
8       gram pursuant to subsection (a) shall terminate on the  
9       date that is five years after the date of the enactment of  
10      this Act.

11      (g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12           (1) The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
13       gress” has the meaning given such term in section  
14       2801 of title 10, United States Code.

15           (2) The term “covered military unaccompanied  
16       housing” has the meaning given such term in section  
17       2856 of such title (as amended by section 2831).

18      **SEC. 2836. ESTABLISHMENT OF CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES FOR**  
19                           **OVERSIGHT OF COVERED MILITARY UNAC-**  
20                           **COMPANIED HOUSING.**

21      (a) ESTABLISHMENT CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES.—

22           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after  
23       the date of the enactment of this Act and subject to  
24       paragraph (3), the Secretary of Defense shall issue  
25       regulations to require each Secretary of a military

1 department to establish a civilian employee at the  
2 housing office of each military installation under the  
3 respective jurisdiction of each such Secretary to be  
4 responsible for oversight of covered military unac-  
5 companied housing at that military installation.  
6 Such civilian employee shall be an employee of—

7 (A) the Department of Defense; or

8 (B) the military department concerned.

9 (2) SUPERVISORY CHAIN.—Each civilian em-  
10 ployee described in paragraph (1) and member of  
11 the Armed Forces described in paragraph (3) shall  
12 report to an appropriate supervisory civilian em-  
13 ployee at the housing office for the applicable mili-  
14 tary installation.

15 (3) EXCEPTION.—The requirement under the  
16 regulations issued pursuant to paragraph (1) shall  
17 not apply with respect to military installations at  
18 which oversight of covered military unaccompanied  
19 housing is performed by a member of the Armed  
20 Forces with an occupational specialty that defines  
21 the primary duty of such member as a barracks  
22 manager or an equivalent occupation.

23 (b) LIMITATION ON ROLE BY MEMBERS OF THE  
24 ARMED FORCES; POSITION DESIGNATION.—

1           (1) LIMITATION.—The Secretary of Defense  
2           and the Secretaries of the military departments con-  
3           cerned may not allow an enlisted member of the  
4           Armed Forces or commissioned officer to, as a col-  
5           lateral duty, be designated as a barracks manager or  
6           supervisor overseeing, managing, accepting, or com-  
7           piling maintenance records for any covered military  
8           unaccompanied housing at the applicable military in-  
9           stallation.

10          (2) DESIGNATION.—Except as provided in  
11          paragraph (3) of subsection (a), the functions of a  
12          barracks manager or supervisor described in para-  
13          graph (1) shall be completed by a civilian employee  
14          described in paragraph (1) of such subsection.

15          (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

16           (1) The term “covered military unaccompanied  
17           housing” has the meaning given such term in section  
18           2856 of title 10, United States Code (as amended by  
19           section 2831).

20           (2) The term “military installation” has the  
21           meaning given such term in section 2801 of such  
22           title.

1 **SEC. 2837. MAINTENANCE WORK ORDER MANAGEMENT**  
2 **PROCESS FOR COVERED MILITARY UNAC-**  
3 **COMPANIED HOUSING.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 60 days after the  
5 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
6 shall issue rules to establish for each military department  
7 a process associated with maintenance work order man-  
8 agement for covered military unaccompanied housing  
9 under the jurisdiction of such military department that  
10 is—

11 (1) in existence on or before the date of the en-  
12 actment of this Act; or

13 (2) constructed or used on or after such date  
14 of enactment.

15 (b) **USE OF PROCESS.**—The processes required under  
16 subsection (a) shall include clearly defined requirements  
17 for effective and timely maintenance work order manage-  
18 ment, including requirements with respect to—

19 (1) quality assurance for maintenance com-  
20 pleted;

21 (2) communication of maintenance progress and  
22 resolution with individuals responsible for the man-  
23 agement of the covered military unaccompanied  
24 housing and the residents of such housing; and



1           (2) that are constructed or used on or after  
2           such date.

3           (b) COMPLETION OF INDEX.—Not later than 6  
4           months after the date of the enactment of this Act, each  
5           Secretary of a military department shall apply the uniform  
6           index established under subsection (a) to evaluate the con-  
7           dition of each military installation under the jurisdiction  
8           of each such Secretary.

9           (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10           (1) The term “covered military unaccompanied  
11           housing” has the meaning given in section 2856 of  
12           title 10, United States Code (as amended by section  
13           2831).

14           (2) The term “military department” has the  
15           meaning given in section 101 of such title.

16           (3) The term “military installation” has the  
17           meaning given in section 2801 of such title.

18   **SEC. 2839. ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CONDITION OF COV-**  
19                           **ERED MILITARY UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING.**

20           (a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Along with the submission  
21           of the budget of the President to Congress pursuant to  
22           section 1105 of title 31, United States Code, for fiscal  
23           year 2025, and annually thereafter for the subsequent  
24           four years, each Secretary of a military department shall  
25           submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Sen-

1 ate and the House of Representatives a report on the con-  
2 dition of covered military unaccompanied housing facilities  
3 using the uniform index described in section 2838 of this  
4 Act.

5 (b) ELEMENTS.—Each report required under sub-  
6 section (a) shall include the following:

7 (1) A list of the condition of each such covered  
8 military unaccompanied housing facility located on  
9 each military installation under the jurisdiction of  
10 the Secretary of the military department concerned.

11 (2) For such facilities in poor or failing condi-  
12 tion—

13 (A) the percentage of repair costs as com-  
14 pared to the total replacement cost for each  
15 such facility;

16 (B) the funding required to conduct all  
17 needed repairs and improvements at each such  
18 facility; and

19 (C) the five-year plan for addressing condi-  
20 tions at such facility.

21 (3) For such facilities in good and fair condi-  
22 tion, the five-year plan for sustainment to ensure  
23 that each such facility does not fall to poor or failing  
24 condition.

1           (4) Any other information determined appro-  
2           priate by the Secretary of the military department  
3           concerned.

4           (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

5           (1) The term “covered military unaccompanied  
6           housing” has the meaning given in section 2856 of  
7           title 10, United States Code (as amended by section  
8           2831).

9           (2) The term “military department” has the  
10          meaning given in section 101 of such title.

11          (3) The term “military installation” has the  
12          meaning given in section 2801 of such title.

13          (d) AMENDMENT TO BRIEFINGS ON MHPI HOUSING  
14          PROJECTS.—Section 606(a)(4) of the John S. McCain  
15          National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019  
16          (Public Law 115–232; 132 Stat. 1795; 10 U.S.C. 2871  
17          note) is amended by striking “the Secretary of Defense”  
18          and inserting “each Secretary of a military department”.

19          (e) AMENDMENT TO SUBMISSIONS ON HOUSING  
20          DOCUMENTS.—Section 2890(d) of title 10, United States  
21          Code, is amended—

22               (1) by striking “the Secretary of Defense” each  
23               place it appears and inserting “each Secretary of a  
24               military department”; and

1           (2) by striking “the Department of Defense”  
2           and inserting “the military department under the ju-  
3           risdiction of such Secretary”.

4 **SEC. 2840. SUBMISSION OF TEMPORARY HOUSING SUPPORT**  
5 **CERTIFICATION TO MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.**

6           Section 2815 of the National Defense Authorization  
7 Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328; 10 U.S.C.  
8 2556 note) is amended by adding at the end the following  
9 new sentence: “Upon granting such certification, the Sec-  
10 retary of Defense shall notify each Member of Congress  
11 representing the area in which such facility is located of  
12 such grant of certification.”

13 **SEC. 2841. ELIMINATION OF FLEXIBILITIES FOR CON-**  
14 **STRUCTION STANDARDS FOR COVERED MILI-**  
15 **TARY UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING.**

16           (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 180 days after the  
17 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
18 and each Secretary of a military department shall modify  
19 all directives, instructions, manuals, regulations, policies,  
20 and other guidance and issuances of the Department of  
21 Defense or appropriate military department to eliminate  
22 the grant of any flexibilities to the standards for construc-  
23 tion of new covered military unaccompanied housing.

24           (b) **MATTERS INCLUDED.**—The requirement under  
25 subsection (a) shall include modifications that remove the

1 flexibility provided to the military departments with re-  
2 spect to new construction standards for covered military  
3 unaccompanied housing, including modification of the De-  
4 partment of Defense Manual 4165.63 titled “DoD Hous-  
5 ing Management” and dated October 28, 2010 (or a suc-  
6 cessor document).

7 (c) COVERED MILITARY UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING  
8 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “covered military un-  
9 accompanied housing” has the meaning given in section  
10 2856 of title 10, United States Code (as amended by sec-  
11 tion 2831).

## 12 **Subtitle D—Real Property and** 13 **Facilities Administration**

### 14 **SEC. 2851. GUIDANCE ON DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE-WIDE** 15 **STANDARDS FOR ACCESS TO MILITARY IN-** 16 **STALLATIONS.**

17 (a) INTERIM GUIDANCE.—Not later than 30 days  
18 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
19 of Defense shall issue interim guidance to the appropriate  
20 official or officials within the Department of Defense for  
21 purposes of establishing final standards of the Depart-  
22 ment of Defense for determining the fitness of individuals  
23 for access to military installations, which shall include  
24 modifying volume 3 of the Department of Defense Manual  
25 5200.08 titled “Physical Security Program: Access to

1 DoD Installations” (dated January 2, 2019) or any com-  
2 parable or successor policy guidance document.

3 (b) FINAL GUIDANCE.—Not later than 180 days  
4 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
5 of Defense shall issue final guidance relating to the stand-  
6 ards described in subsection (a).

7 (c) BRIEFING.—Not later than 60 days after issuing  
8 the interim guidance required under subsection (a), the  
9 Secretary of Defense shall brief the Committees on Armed  
10 Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives  
11 on such guidance, which shall include a timeline for the  
12 issuance of such final guidance.

13 **SEC. 2852. AUTHORITY TO MAKE GRANTS FOR SECURITY**  
14 **AND FIRE PROTECTION FOR FORMER ARMY**  
15 **AND NAVY GENERAL HOSPITAL, HOT**  
16 **SPRINGS NATIONAL PARK, HOT SPRINGS, AR-**  
17 **KANSAS; BRIEFING.**

18 (a) GRANT AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense,  
19 acting through the Director of the Office of Local Defense  
20 Community Cooperation, may make a grant (including a  
21 supplemental grant) or enter into a cooperative agreement  
22 under section 2391 of title 10, United States Code, to as-  
23 sist the State of Arkansas provide security services and  
24 fire protection services for the covered property.

1 (b) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than 120 days  
2 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
3 of the Army shall provide to the congressional defense  
4 committees a briefing that includes—

5 (1) a summary of the coordination among af-  
6 fected stakeholders during the period covered by the  
7 briefing, including—

8 (A) the Administrator of the General Serv-  
9 ices Administration;

10 (B) the National Park Service;

11 (C) the Governor of Arkansas;

12 (D) the Mayor of Hot Springs, Arkansas;

13 and

14 (E) the State Historic Preservation Officer  
15 for the State of Arkansas;

16 (2) a summary of—

17 (A) any environmental investigations con-  
18 ducted at the covered property as of the date of  
19 the enactment of this Act;

20 (B) the response actions required under  
21 any such environmental investigation;

22 (C) an identification of potentially respon-  
23 sible parties, if any, for any hazardous sub-  
24 stance identified under an environmental inves-  
25 tigation described in subparagraph (A); and

1 (D) an estimate of the cost to complete en-  
2 vironmental restoration at the covered property;

3 (3) an estimation of the total cost to—

4 (A) stabilize each structure on the covered  
5 property; and

6 (B) demolish each such structure; and

7 (4) an assessment of necessary steps for the  
8 covered property to be eligible for a grant under the  
9 Arkansas Brownfields Program and recommenda-  
10 tions with respect to such steps.

11 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—The Sec-  
12 retary of Defense may obligate or expend not more than  
13 \$2,750,000 of the funds authorized to be appropriated in  
14 section 4301 for the Office of Local Defense Community  
15 Operation to carry out subsection (a).

16 (d) COVERED PROPERTY DEFINED.—In this section,  
17 the term “covered property” means the approximately  
18 twenty-one acres, more or less, of land located at Hot  
19 Springs National Park, Arkansas, which comprise facili-  
20 ties previously occupied by the Army and Navy General  
21 Hospital conveyed by quitclaim deed to the State of Ar-  
22 kansas pursuant to the Act of September 21, 1959.

1 **SEC. 2853. PLAN AND REPORT ON CRITICAL INFRASTRUC-**  
2 **TURE SYSTEMS AT MILITARY INSTALLA-**  
3 **TIONS.**

4 (a) PLAN.—Not later than one year after the date  
5 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense,  
6 in coordination with each Secretary of a military depart-  
7 ment, shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services  
8 of the Senate and the House of Representatives a plan  
9 to implement a standardized system to measure and report  
10 on the condition and performance of, the level of invest-  
11 ment in, and any applicable risks to critical infrastructure  
12 systems owned by the Federal Government that—

13 (1) have not been privatized or transferred pur-  
14 suant to a conveyance under section 2688 of title  
15 10, United States Code; and

16 (2) are located on a military installation (as de-  
17 fined in section 2801 of such title).

18 (b) REPORT.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on February 1 of  
20 the year immediately following the date on which the  
21 plan under subsection (a) is submitted, and annually  
22 thereafter, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination  
23 with each Secretary of a military department, shall  
24 submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the  
25 Senate and the House of Representatives a consoli-  
26 dated report on the condition of critical infrastruc-

1       ture systems owned by the Federal Government lo-  
2       cated at military installations.

3               (2) ELEMENTS.—Each report required by para-  
4       graph (1) shall include the following:

5               (A) Installation-level data for each critical  
6       infrastructure system described in paragraph  
7       (1) that includes the following for each such  
8       system:

9               (i) For the five-year period preceding  
10       the date of submission of the report, all in-  
11       stances of noncompliance of such system  
12       with any applicable Federal or State law or  
13       regulation, including information on any  
14       prior or current consent order or equiva-  
15       lent compliance agreement with any Fed-  
16       eral or State regulatory agency.

17              (ii) The year of original installation of  
18       critical infrastructure system components,  
19       including treatment facilities, pump sta-  
20       tions, and storage tanks.

21              (iii) The average age of distribution  
22       system piping and wiring.

23              (iv) The rate of system recapitaliza-  
24       tion, represented as an annual percentage

1 replacement rate of all critical infrastruc-  
2 ture system assets.

3 (v) For the one-year period preceding  
4 the date of submission of the report, the  
5 percentage of key system operational com-  
6 ponents (including fire hydrants, valves,  
7 and backflow preventors) inspected and de-  
8 termined through testing to be fully oper-  
9 ational.

10 (vi) For the one-year period preceding  
11 the date of submission of the report, the  
12 absolute number, and a normalized meas-  
13 ure for comparative purposes, of all un-  
14 planned system outages.

15 (vii) For the one-year period pre-  
16 ceding the date of submission of the re-  
17 port, the absolute duration, and a normal-  
18 ized measure for comparative purposes, of  
19 all unplanned system outages.

20 (viii) For the one-year period pre-  
21 ceding the date of submission of the re-  
22 port, the absolute number, and a normal-  
23 ized measure for comparative purposes, of  
24 all critical infrastructure system main  
25 breaks and leaks.

1 (B) A standardized risk assessment for  
2 each military installation, identifying the cur-  
3 rent and projected level of risk related to the  
4 following:

5 (i) The ability to maintain compliance  
6 with applicable current and proposed State  
7 regulations and standards and applicable  
8 regulations and policies of the Department  
9 of Defense and the military departments  
10 related to each critical infrastructure sys-  
11 tem described in paragraph (1), and the  
12 ability to operate critical infrastructure  
13 systems in accordance with accepted indus-  
14 try standards.

15 (ii) The ability to maintain a con-  
16 sistent and compliant supply of water for  
17 current and projected future installation  
18 needs based on current and projected  
19 source water availability and quality, in-  
20 cluding an assessment of source water con-  
21 tamination risks for each critical infra-  
22 structure system described in paragraph  
23 (1).

24 (iii) The ability of each critical infra-  
25 structure system described in paragraph

1 (1) to withstand severe weather events, in-  
2 cluding drought, flooding, and temperature  
3 fluctuations.

4 (iv) The ability for utility industrial  
5 controls systems for each critical infra-  
6 structure system described in paragraph  
7 (1) to maintain compliance with applicable  
8 current and proposed cybersecurity stand-  
9 ards and regulations.

10 (3) FORM.—A report under this subsection  
11 shall be submitted in an unclassified form but may  
12 contain a classified annex.

13 (c) CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEM DE-  
14 FINED.—In this section, the term “critical infrastructure  
15 system” includes a transportation infrastructure system  
16 and a utilities infrastructure system.

17 **SEC. 2854. CLOSURE AND DISPOSAL OF THE PUEBLO CHEM-**  
18 **ICAL DEPOT, PUEBLO COUNTY, COLORADO.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Army shall  
20 close Pueblo Chemical Depot in Pueblo County, Colorado  
21 (in this section referred to as the “Depot”), not later than  
22 one year after the completion of the chemical demilitariza-  
23 tion mission in such location in accordance with the Chem-  
24 ical Weapons Convention Treaty.

1 (b) PROCEDURES.—The Secretary of the Army shall  
2 carry out the closure and subsequent related property  
3 management and disposal of the Depot, including the  
4 land, buildings, structures, infrastructure, and associated  
5 equipment, installed equipment, material, and personal  
6 property that comprise the Chemical Agent-Destruction  
7 Pilot Plant, in accordance with the procedures and au-  
8 thorities for the closure, management, and disposal of  
9 property under the appropriate base closure laws (as de-  
10 fined in section 101 of title 10, United States Code).

11 (c) OFFICE OF LOCAL DEFENSE COMMUNITY CO-  
12 OPERATION ACTIVITIES.—The Office of Local Defense  
13 Community Cooperation of the Department of Defense  
14 may make grants and supplement other Federal funds  
15 pursuant to section 2391 of title 10, United States Code,  
16 to support closure and reuse activities of the Depot.

17 (d) TREATMENT OF EXISTING PERMITS.—Nothing in  
18 this section shall be construed to prevent the removal or  
19 demolition by the Program Executive Office, Assembled  
20 Chemical Weapons Alternatives of the Department of the  
21 Army of existing buildings, structures, infrastructure, and  
22 associated equipment, installed equipment, material, and  
23 personal property of the Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot  
24 Plant at the Depot in accordance with the existing Haz-  
25 ardous Waste Permit Number CO-20-09-02-01 under the

1 Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. 6901 et seq.) (com-  
2 monly known as the Resource Conservation and Recovery  
3 Act of 1976) issued by the State of Colorado, or any asso-  
4 ciated or follow-on permits under such Act.

5 (e) RELATION TO PROCEDURES FOR USE TO ASSIST  
6 THE HOMELESS.—Such land, buildings, structures, infra-  
7 structure, and associated equipment, installed equipment,  
8 material, and personal property comprising the Chemical  
9 Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant at the Depot is—

10 (1) hereby deemed unsuitable for use to assist  
11 the homeless; and

12 (2) not subject to the procedures relating to the  
13 use to assist the homeless of buildings and property  
14 at military installations under the Defense Base Clo-  
15 sure and Realignment Act of 1990 (part A of title  
16 XXIX of Public Law 101–510; 10 U.S.C. 2687  
17 note).

18 **SEC. 2855. LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY TO MODIFY OR RE-**  
19 **STRICT PUBLIC ACCESS TO GREENBURY**  
20 **POINT CONSERVATION AREA AT NAVAL SUP-**  
21 **PORT ACTIVITY ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection  
23 (b), the Secretary of the Navy may not modify or restrict  
24 public access to the Greenbury Point Conservation Area  
25 at Naval Support Activity Annapolis, Maryland.

1 (b) EXCEPTIONS.—The limitation in subsection (a)  
2 shall not apply to—

3 (1) temporary restrictions to protect public  
4 safety that are necessitated by emergent situations,  
5 hazardous conditions, maintenance of existing facili-  
6 ties, or live fire exercises; or

7 (2) the terms of a lease or transfer of the  
8 Greenbury Point Conservation Area to another pub-  
9 lic entity.

10 **SEC. 2856. AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE**  
11 **NAVY TO RESOLVE THE ELECTRICAL UTILITY**  
12 **OPERATIONS AT FORMER NAVAL AIR STA-**  
13 **TION BARBERS POINT, HAWAII.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Navy (in this  
15 section referred to as the “Secretary”) may enter into an  
16 agreement with the State of Hawaii or a third party for  
17 the purpose of resolving the electrical utility operations at  
18 Former Naval Air Station Barbers Point, Hawaii, also  
19 known as “Kalaeloa”.

20 (b) ELEMENTS OF AGREEMENT.—An agreement en-  
21 tered into under subsection (a) shall include a requirement  
22 that the Secretary—

23 (1) assist with—

1 (A) the transfer of customers of the Navy  
2 off of the electrical utility system of the Navy  
3 at the location specified in such subsection; and

4 (B) the enhancement of the surrounding  
5 electrical utility system to accept any additional  
6 load from such transfer, with a priority for such  
7 systems that serve downtown Kalaeloa, Hawaii,  
8 and the Hawaii Army National Guard;

9 (2) provide the instantaneous peak demand  
10 analysis and design necessary to conduct such trans-  
11 fer;

12 (3) provide rights of way and easements nec-  
13 essary to support the construction of replacement  
14 electrical infrastructure; and

15 (4) be responsible for all environmental assess-  
16 ments and remediation, and costs related to the re-  
17 moval and disposal, of the electrical utility system of  
18 the Navy once it is no longer in use.

19 (c) LIMITATION ON EXPENDITURE OF AMOUNTS.—  
20 The Secretary may expend not more than \$48,000,000  
21 during any fiscal year to provide support for an agreement  
22 entered into under subsection (a).

23 (d) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 180 days after  
24 the date of the enactment of this Act, and not less fre-  
25 quently than every 180 days thereafter until the date on

1 which an agreement described in subsection (a) is entered  
2 into, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional de-  
3 fense committees a report on progress made in developing  
4 and entering into an agreement described in subsection  
5 (a).

6 (e) REPEAL.—Section 2205 of the Military Construc-  
7 tion Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (division B  
8 of Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2977) is repealed.

9 **SEC. 2857. INCLUSION OF MILITARY INSTALLATION RESIL-**  
10 **IENCE IN REAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT**  
11 **AND INSTALLATION MASTER PLANNING OF**  
12 **DEPARTMENT.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the  
14 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
15 shall—

16 (1) update Department of Defense Instruction  
17 4165.70 (relating to real property management) and  
18 Unified Facilities Criteria 2–100–01 (relating to in-  
19 stallation master planning) to—

20 (A) include a requirement to incorporate  
21 the impact of military installation resilience in  
22 all installation master plans;

23 (B) include a list of all sources of informa-  
24 tion approved by the Department of Defense;

1 (C) define the 17 identified military instal-  
2 lation resilience hazards to ensure that the im-  
3 pacts from such hazards are reported consist-  
4 ently across the Department;

5 (D) require each commander of a military  
6 installation to address the rationale for deter-  
7 mining that any such hazard is not applicable  
8 to the military installation concerned;

9 (E) standardize reporting formats for mili-  
10 tary installation resilience plans;

11 (F) establish and define standardized risk  
12 rating categories for the use by each Secretary  
13 of a military department; and

14 (G) define criteria for determining the level  
15 of risk to a military installation to compare  
16 hazards between military departments; and

17 (2) require each Secretary of a military depart-  
18 ment to update the handbook for the military de-  
19 partment concerned to incorporate the requirements  
20 under paragraph (1).

21 **SEC. 2858. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO RELOCATE**  
22 **JOINT SPECTRUM CENTER TO FORT MEADE,**  
23 **MARYLAND.**

24 Section 2887(a)(1) of the Military Construction Au-  
25 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (division B of Public

1 Law 110–181; 122 Stat. 569) is amended by striking “;  
2 and” and inserting “; or”.

3 **Subtitle E—Land Conveyances**

4 **SEC. 2861. EXTENSION OF SUNSET FOR LAND CONVEYANCE,**  
5 **SHARPE ARMY DEPOT, LATHROP, CALI-**  
6 **FORNIA.**

7 Section 2833(g) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry  
8 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021  
9 (Public Law 116–283) is amended by striking “three  
10 years” and inserting “five years”.

11 **SEC. 2862. CLARIFICATION OF AUTHORITY OF DEPART-**  
12 **MENT OF DEFENSE TO CONDUCT CERTAIN**  
13 **MILITARY ACTIVITIES AT NEVADA TEST AND**  
14 **TRAINING RANGE.**

15 (a) SPECIFICATION OF AUTHORIZED MILITARY AC-  
16 TIVITIES.—Paragraph (1) of section 3011(b) of the Mili-  
17 tary Lands Withdrawal Act of 1999 (title XXX of the Na-  
18 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000;  
19 Public Law 106–65; 113 Stat. 886) is amended—

20 (1) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A),  
21 by inserting “, subject to the conditions set forth in  
22 subsection (a) of section 3014” after “Secretary of  
23 the Air Force”;

24 (2) by striking “and” at the end of subpara-  
25 graph (C);

1           (3) by redesignating subparagraph (D) as sub-  
2           paragraph (G); and

3           (4) by inserting after subparagraph (C) the fol-  
4           lowing new subparagraphs:

5                     “(D) for emergency response;

6                     “(E) for the establishment and use of ex-  
7           isting or new electronic tracking and commu-  
8           nications sites, including the construction of up  
9           to 15 equipment pads, no larger than 150-by-  
10          150 feet in size, along existing roads to allow  
11          placement and operation of threat emitters;

12                    “(F) for the use and maintenance of roads  
13          in existence as of January 1, 2024, to allow ac-  
14          cess to threat emitters and repeaters for instal-  
15          lation, maintenance, and periodic relocation;  
16          and”.

17          (b)           INTERAGENCY            COMMITTEE.—Section  
18          3011(b)(5)(G) of the Military Lands Withdrawal Act of  
19          1999 (title XXX of the National Defense Authorization  
20          Act for Fiscal Year 2000; Public Law 106–65) is amend-  
21          ed—

22                    (1) by amending clause (i) to read as follows:

23                             “(i) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of  
24                             the Interior and the Secretary of the Air  
25                             Force shall jointly establish an interagency

1 committee (referred to in this subpara-  
2 graph as the ‘interagency committee’) to—

3 “(I) facilitate coordination, man-  
4 age public access needs and require-  
5 ments, and minimize potential conflict  
6 between the Department of the Inte-  
7 rior and the Department of the Air  
8 Force with respect to joint operating  
9 areas within the Desert National  
10 Wildlife Refuge; and

11 “(II) discuss the activities au-  
12 thorized in paragraph (1) and provide  
13 input to the United States Fish and  
14 Wildlife Service and the Department  
15 of the Air Force when assessing  
16 whether these activities may be con-  
17 ducted on the joint operating areas  
18 within the Desert National Wildlife  
19 Refuge that are under the primary ju-  
20 risdiction of the Secretary of the Inte-  
21 rior in a manner that is consistent  
22 with the National Wildlife Refuge  
23 System Administration Act (16  
24 U.S.C. 668dd et seq.) and other appli-  
25 cable law.”; and

1 (2) in clause (ii)—

2 (A) by inserting “, including a designee of  
3 the Director of the United States Fish and  
4 Wildlife Service” before the period at the end of  
5 subclause (I); and

6 (B) by inserting “, including a designee of  
7 the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for  
8 Energy, Installations, and Environment” before  
9 the period at the end of subclause (II).

10 (c) ADDITIONAL PURPOSE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL  
11 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—Section 3011(b)(5)(H)(ii) of  
12 the Military Lands Withdrawal Act of 1999 (title XXX  
13 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
14 2000; Public Law 106–65) is amended—

15 (1) by striking “and” at the end of subclause  
16 (I);

17 (2) by striking the period at the end of sub-  
18 clause (II) and inserting “; and”; and

19 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
20 clause:

21 “(III) discussing and making rec-  
22 ommendations to the interagency com-  
23 mittee established under subpara-  
24 graph (G) with respect to any pro-  
25 posal by the Secretary of the Air

1 Force to undertake any of the activi-  
2 ties authorized in paragraph (1) on  
3 the joint operating areas within the  
4 Desert National Wildlife Refuge.”.

5 (d) COMPLETION OF INTERAGENCY MEMORANDUM  
6 OF UNDERSTANDING.—

7 (1) DEADLINE.—Not later than one year after  
8 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
9 of the Air Force and the Secretary of the Interior  
10 shall—

11 (A) enter into a complete new operational  
12 memorandum of understanding under para-  
13 graph (5)(E) of section 3011(b) of the Military  
14 Lands Withdrawal Act of 1999 (title XXX of  
15 the National Defense Authorization Act for Fis-  
16 cal Year 2000; Public Law 106–65); or

17 (B) amend the current memorandum of  
18 understanding in effect under that paragraph  
19 that will complete the memorandum of under-  
20 standing.

21 (2) ACCESS TO JOINT USE AREA FOR FISH AND  
22 WILDLIFE SERVICE.—The memorandum of under-  
23 standing entered into or amended under paragraph  
24 (1) shall include one or more provisions to ensure

1 adequate access for the United States Fish and  
2 Wildlife Service to the joint use area.

3 (e) BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT AND STATE OF  
4 NEVADA COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT.—Not later than 180  
5 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
6 of the Interior shall submit to the Committee on Energy  
7 and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee  
8 on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives a  
9 report that describes the status of the cooperative agree-  
10 ment authorized under section 2905(j)(6) of the James  
11 M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
12 Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 3043).

13 **SEC. 2863. EXTENSIONS, ADDITIONS, AND REVISIONS TO**  
14 **THE MILITARY LANDS WITHDRAWAL ACT OF**  
15 **1999 RELATING TO THE BARRY M. GOLD-**  
16 **WATER RANGE, ARIZONA.**

17 (a) EXTENSION OF WITHDRAWAL AND GILA BEND  
18 ADDITION TO BARRY M. GOLDWATER RANGE.—Section  
19 3031(a)(3) of the Military Lands Withdrawal Act of 1999  
20 (title XXX of Public Law 106–65; 113 Stat. 898) is  
21 amended—

22 (1) by striking “comprise approximately  
23 1,650,200 acres” and inserting the following: “com-  
24 prise—

25 “(A) approximately 1,656,491.94 acres”;

1           (2) by striking “‘Barry M. Goldwater Range  
2 Land Withdrawal’, dated June 17, 1999” and in-  
3 sserting the following: “‘Barry M. Goldwater Range  
4 Requested Withdrawal Extension Map’, dated June  
5 13, 2022”; and

6           (3) by striking “section 3033.” and inserting  
7 the following: “section 3033; and

8                   “(B) approximately 2,365.89 acres of land  
9 in Maricopa County, Arizona, as generally de-  
10 picted on the map entitled ‘Gila Bend Addition  
11 to Barry M. Goldwater Range’, dated July 5,  
12 2022, and filed in accordance with section  
13 3033.”.

14           (b) RELATION TO OTHER WITHDRAWALS AND RES-  
15 ERVATIONS.—Section 3031(a) of such Act is amended—

16           (1) by redesignating paragraphs (4), (5), (6),  
17 and (7) as paragraphs (5), (6), (7), and (8), respec-  
18 tively;

19           (2) in paragraph (5), as so redesignated, by in-  
20 sserting “, whichever is later” after “accepted by the  
21 Secretary of the Interior”; and

22           (3) by inserting after paragraph (3) the fol-  
23 lowing:

24                   “(4) RELATION TO OTHER WITHDRAWALS AND  
25 RESERVATIONS.—

1           “(A) The prior withdrawals and reserva-  
2           tions identified as Public Land Order Nos. 56  
3           and 97, and Executive Orders 8892, 9104, and  
4           9215, are hereby revoked in their entirety.

5           “(B) Upon the date of the enactment of  
6           this paragraph, the patented mining claim  
7           known as the Legal Tender, Mineral Survey  
8           No. 3445, located in Section 26, Township 15  
9           South, Range 10 West, Gila Salt River Merid-  
10          ian, Arizona, is hereby transferred from the  
11          Secretary of the Air Force to the Secretary of  
12          the Interior, at no cost and in ‘as-is’ condition,  
13          and shall be managed by the United States  
14          Fish and Wildlife Service as a land parcel in-  
15          cluded within the Cabeza Prieta National Wild-  
16          life Refuge and in wilderness status as part of  
17          the Cabeza Prieta Wilderness.”.

18          (c) RENEWAL OF CURRENT WITHDRAWAL AND RES-  
19          ERVATION.—Section 3031(d) of such Act is amended by  
20          striking “25 years after the date of the enactment of this  
21          Act” and inserting “on October 5, 2049”.

22          (d) EXTENSION.—Section 3031(e) of such Act is  
23          amended—

24                  (1) in the heading, by striking “INITIAL”; and

25                  (2) in paragraph (1), by striking “initial”.

1 **SEC. 2864. LAND ACQUISITION, WESTMORELAND STATE**  
2 **PARK, VIRGINIA.**

3 (a) **AUTHORITY.**—The Secretary of the Navy may ac-  
4 quire, by purchase or lease from the Commonwealth of  
5 Virginia (in this section referred to as the “Common-  
6 wealth”), a real property interest in approximately 225  
7 square feet of land, including ingress and egress, at West-  
8 moreland State Park, Virginia, for the purpose of install-  
9 ing, operating, maintaining, and protecting equipment to  
10 support research and development activities by the De-  
11 partment of the Navy for national security purposes.

12 (b) **TERMS AND CONDITIONS.**—The acquisition of  
13 property under this section shall be subject to the fol-  
14 lowing terms and conditions:

15 (1) The Secretary shall pay the Commonwealth  
16 fair market value for the interest to be acquired, as  
17 determined by the Secretary.

18 (2) Such other terms and conditions considered  
19 appropriate by the Secretary.

20 (c) **DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.**—The legal descrip-  
21 tion of the property to be acquired under this section shall  
22 be determined by a survey that is satisfactory to the Sec-  
23 retary and the Commonwealth.

24 (d) **APPLICABILITY OF THE LAND AND WATER CON-**  
25 **SERVATION FUND ACT.**—The provisions of chapter 2003

1 of title 54, United States Code, shall not apply to the ac-  
2 quisition of property under this section.

3 (e) REIMBURSEMENT.—The Secretary shall reim-  
4 burse the Commonwealth for reasonable and documented  
5 administrative costs incurred by the Commonwealth to  
6 execute the acquisition by the Secretary authorized by this  
7 section.

8 (f) TERMINATION OF REAL PROPERTY INTEREST.—  
9 The real property interest acquired by the Secretary shall  
10 terminate, and be released without cost to the Common-  
11 wealth, when the Secretary determines such real property  
12 interest is no longer required for national security pur-  
13 poses.

14 **SEC. 2865. LAND CONVEYANCE, NAVAL WEAPONS STATION**  
15 **EARLE, NEW JERSEY.**

16 (a) CONVEYANCE AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of  
17 the Navy may convey to Colts Neck Township, New Jersey  
18 (in this section referred to as the “Township”), all right,  
19 title, and interest of the United States in and to a parcel  
20 of real property, including any improvements thereon, con-  
21 sisting of approximately 3.13 acres and currently used by  
22 the Township for school bus parking.

23 (b) CONSIDERATION.—

24 (1) CONSIDERATION REQUIRED.—As consider-  
25 ation for the conveyance under subsection (a), the

1 Township shall pay to the Secretary of the Navy an  
2 amount equal to not less than the fair market value  
3 of the property to be conveyed, as determined by the  
4 Secretary, which may consist of cash payment, in-  
5 kind consideration as described in paragraph (2), or  
6 a combination thereof.

7 (2) IN-KIND CONSIDERATION.—In-kind consid-  
8 eration provided by the Township under paragraph  
9 (1) may include—

10 (A) the acquisition, construction, provision,  
11 improvement, maintenance, repair, or restora-  
12 tion (including environmental restoration), or a  
13 combination thereof, of any property, facilities,  
14 or infrastructure with proximity to Naval  
15 Weapons Station Earle, New Jersey; or

16 (B) the delivery of services relating to the  
17 needs of Naval Weapons Station Earle that the  
18 Secretary considers acceptable.

19 (3) CONVEYANCE.—Cash payments received  
20 under subsection (b) as consideration for the convey-  
21 ance under subsection (a) shall be deposited in the  
22 special account in the Treasury established under  
23 section 572(b)(5) of title 40, United States Code.

24 (c) PAYMENT OF COSTS OF CONVEYANCE.—

1           (1) PAYMENT REQUIRED.—The Secretary of  
2 the Navy shall require the Township to cover costs  
3 to be incurred by the Secretary, or to reimburse the  
4 Secretary for such costs incurred by the Secretary,  
5 to carry out the conveyance under subsection (a), in-  
6 cluding survey costs, costs for environmental docu-  
7 mentation related to the conveyance, and any other  
8 administrative costs related to the conveyance. If  
9 amounts are collected from the Township in advance  
10 of the Secretary incurring the actual costs, and the  
11 amount collected exceeds the costs actually incurred  
12 by the Secretary to carry out the conveyance, the  
13 Secretary shall refund the excess amount to the  
14 Township.

15           (2) TREATMENT OF AMOUNTS RECEIVED.—  
16 Amounts received as reimbursement under para-  
17 graph (1) shall be credited to the fund or account  
18 that was used to cover the costs incurred by the Sec-  
19 retary in carrying out the land conveyance under  
20 subsection (a) or, if the period of availability of obli-  
21 gations for that appropriation has expired, to the  
22 appropriations of a fund that is currently available  
23 to the Secretary for the same purpose. Amounts so  
24 credited shall be merged with amounts in such fund  
25 or account and shall be available for the same pur-

1 poses, and subject to the same conditions and limita-  
2 tions, as amounts in such fund or account.

3 (d) DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.—The exact acreage  
4 and legal description of the parcel of real property to be  
5 conveyed under subsection (a) shall be determined by sur-  
6 veys satisfactory to the Secretary of the Navy.

7 (e) ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The  
8 Secretary of the Navy may require such additional terms  
9 and conditions in connection with the conveyance under  
10 subsection (a) as the Secretary considers appropriate to  
11 protect the interests of the United States.

12 **SEC. 2866. LAND CONVEYANCE, PAINE FIELD AIR NATIONAL**  
13 **GUARD STATION, EVERETT, SNOHOMISH**  
14 **COUNTY, WASHINGTON.**

15 (a) CONVEYANCE AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of  
16 the Air Force (in this section referred to as the “Sec-  
17 retary”) may convey to Snohomish County, a political sub-  
18 division of the State of Washington (in this section re-  
19 ferred to as the “County”) all right, title, and interest of  
20 the United States in and to three parcels of real property,  
21 including any improvements thereon and any related ease-  
22 ments, consisting of approximately 14.23 acres, collec-  
23 tively, located on the Washington Air National Guard  
24 Base at Paine Field, Everett, Washington, for the pur-  
25 poses of—

1           (1) removing the property from the boundaries  
2 of the Washington Air National Guard Base and ac-  
3 commodating the operational needs of the Snoho-  
4 mish County Airport and Paine Field; and

5           (2) the development of the parcels and build-  
6 ings for economic purposes.

7           (b) CONDITIONS OF CONVEYANCE.—The conveyance  
8 under subsection (a) shall be—

9           (1) subject to valid existing rights;

10           (2) subject to the condition that the County ac-  
11 cept the real property, and any improvements there-  
12 on, in its condition at the time of the conveyance  
13 (commonly known as a conveyance “as is”);

14           (3) subject to any other terms and conditions  
15 as agreed to by the Secretary and the County; and

16           (4) subject to any other terms and conditions  
17 as the Secretary considers appropriate to protect the  
18 interests of the United States.

19           (c) CONSIDERATION.—

20           (1) CONSIDERATION REQUIRED.—As consider-  
21 ation for the conveyance under subsection (a), the  
22 County shall pay to the Secretary in cash an amount  
23 that is not less than the fair market value of the  
24 right, title, and interest conveyed under subsection

1 (a), as determined by the Secretary based on an ap-  
2 praisal of the property.

3 (2) TREATMENT OF CONSIDERATION RE-  
4 CEIVED.—Consideration received by the Secretary  
5 under paragraph (1) shall be deposited in the ac-  
6 count in the Treasury established under section  
7 572(b) of title 40, United States Code, and shall be  
8 available in accordance with paragraph (5)(B)(ii) of  
9 such subsection.

10 (d) PAYMENT OF COSTS OF CONVEYANCE.—

11 (1) PAYMENT REQUIRED.—The Secretary may  
12 require the County to cover all costs (except costs  
13 for environmental remediation of the property) to be  
14 incurred by the Secretary, or to reimburse the Sec-  
15 retary for costs incurred by the Secretary, to carry  
16 out the conveyance under subsection (a), including  
17 costs related to real estate due diligence and any  
18 other administrative costs related to the conveyance.  
19 If amounts paid by the County to the Secretary in  
20 advance exceed the costs actually incurred by the  
21 Secretary to carry out the conveyance under sub-  
22 section (a), the Secretary shall refund the excess  
23 amount to the County.

24 (2) TREATMENT OF AMOUNTS RECEIVED.—  
25 Amounts received under paragraph (1) as reim-

1       bursement for costs incurred by the Secretary to  
2       carry out the conveyance under subsection (a) shall  
3       be credited to the fund or account that was used to  
4       cover the costs incurred by the Secretary in carrying  
5       out the conveyance or to an appropriate fund or ac-  
6       count currently available to the Secretary for the  
7       purposes for which the costs were paid. Amounts so  
8       credited shall be merged with amounts in such fund  
9       or account and shall be available for the same pur-  
10      poses, and to the same conditions and limitations, as  
11      amounts in such fund or account.

12      (e) DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.—The exact acreage  
13      and legal description of the property to be conveyed under  
14      subsection (a) shall be determined by a survey satisfactory  
15      to the Secretary.

16      **SEC. 2867. LAND CONVEYANCE, WETZEL COUNTY MEMO-**  
17                                      **RIAL ARMY RESERVE CENTER, NEW**  
18                                      **MARTINSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA.**

19      (a) CONVEYANCE AUTHORIZED.—

20              (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Army  
21      (in this section referred to as the “Secretary”) may  
22      convey to the City of New Martinsville, West Vir-  
23      ginia (in this section referred to as the “City”), all  
24      right, title, and interest of the United States in and  
25      to a parcel of real property, including any improve-

1       ments thereon, consisting of approximately 2.96  
2       acres, known as the former Wetzel County Memorial  
3       Army Reserve Center, located within the City, for  
4       the purpose of providing emergency management re-  
5       sponse or law enforcement services.

6               (2) CONTINUATION OF EXISTING EASEMENTS,  
7       RESTRICTIONS, AND COVENANTS.—The conveyance  
8       of the property under paragraph (1) shall be subject  
9       to any easement, restriction, or covenant of record  
10       applicable to the property and in existence on the  
11       date of the enactment of this Act.

12       (b) REVISIONARY INTEREST.—

13               (1) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary determines  
14       at any time that the property conveyed under sub-  
15       section (a) is not being used in accordance with the  
16       purpose of the conveyance specified in such sub-  
17       section, all right, title, and interest in and to the  
18       property, including any improvements thereto, may,  
19       at the option of the Secretary, revert to and become  
20       the property of the United States, and the United  
21       States may have the right of immediate entry onto  
22       such property.

23               (2) DETERMINATION.—A determination by the  
24       Secretary under paragraph (1) may be made on the  
25       record after an opportunity for a hearing.

1 (c) PAYMENT OF COSTS OF CONVEYANCE.—

2 (1) PAYMENT REQUIRED.—The Secretary may  
3 require the City to cover all costs (except costs for  
4 environmental remediation of the property) to be in-  
5 curred by the Secretary, or to reimburse the Sec-  
6 retary for costs incurred by the Secretary, to carry  
7 out the conveyance under subsection (a), including  
8 costs for environmental and real estate due diligence  
9 and any other administrative costs related to the  
10 conveyance.

11 (2) REFUND OF EXCESS AMOUNTS.—If  
12 amounts are collected from the City under para-  
13 graph (1) in advance of the Secretary incurring the  
14 actual costs, and the amount collected exceeds the  
15 costs actually incurred by the Secretary to carry out  
16 the conveyance under subsection (a), the Secretary  
17 shall refund the excess amount to the City.

18 (d) LIMITATION ON SOURCE OF FUNDS.—The City  
19 may not use Federal funds to cover any portion of the  
20 costs required to be paid by the City under this section.

21 (e) DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.—The exact acreage  
22 and legal description of the property to be conveyed under  
23 subsection (a) shall be determined by a survey satisfactory  
24 to the Secretary.

1 (f) ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The Sec-  
2 retary may require such additional terms and conditions  
3 in connection with the conveyance under subsection (a) as  
4 the Secretary considers appropriate to protect the inter-  
5 ests of the United States.

6 **SEC. 2868. LAND CONVEYANCE, BG J SUMNER JONES ARMY**  
7 **RESERVE CENTER, WHEELING, WEST VIR-**  
8 **GINIA.**

9 (a) CONVEYANCE AUTHORIZED.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Army  
11 (in this section referred to as the “Secretary”) may  
12 convey to the City of Wheeling, West Virginia (in  
13 this section referred to as the “City”), all right,  
14 title, and interest of the United States in and to a  
15 parcel of real property, including any improvements  
16 thereon, consisting of approximately 3.33 acres,  
17 known as the former BG J Sumner Jones Army Re-  
18 serve Center, located within the City, for the pur-  
19 pose of providing emergency management response  
20 or law enforcement services.

21 (2) CONTINUATION OF EXISTING EASEMENTS,  
22 RESTRICTIONS, AND COVENANTS.—The conveyance  
23 of the property under paragraph (1) shall be subject  
24 to any easement, restriction, or covenant of record

1 applicable to the property and in existence on the  
2 date of the enactment of this Act.

3 (b) REVISIONARY INTEREST.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary determines  
5 at any time that the property conveyed under sub-  
6 section (a) is not being used in accordance with the  
7 purpose of the conveyance specified in such sub-  
8 section, all right, title, and interest in and to the  
9 property, including any improvements thereto, may,  
10 at the option of the Secretary, revert to and become  
11 the property of the United States, and the United  
12 States may have the right of immediate entry onto  
13 such property.

14 (2) DETERMINATION.—A determination by the  
15 Secretary under paragraph (1) may be made on the  
16 record after an opportunity for a hearing.

17 (c) PAYMENT OF COSTS OF CONVEYANCE.—

18 (1) PAYMENT REQUIRED.—The Secretary may  
19 require the City to cover all costs (except costs for  
20 environmental remediation of the property) to be in-  
21 curred by the Secretary, or to reimburse the Sec-  
22 retary for costs incurred by the Secretary, to carry  
23 out the conveyance under subsection (a), including  
24 costs for environmental and real estate due diligence

1 and any other administrative costs related to the  
2 conveyance.

3 (2) REFUND OF EXCESS AMOUNTS.—If  
4 amounts are collected from the City under para-  
5 graph (1) in advance of the Secretary incurring the  
6 actual costs, and the amount collected exceeds the  
7 costs actually incurred by the Secretary to carry out  
8 the conveyance under subsection (a), the Secretary  
9 shall refund the excess amount to the City.

10 (d) LIMITATION ON SOURCE OF FUNDS.—The City  
11 may not use Federal funds to cover any portion of the  
12 costs required to be paid by the City under this section.

13 (e) DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.—The exact acreage  
14 and legal description of the property to be conveyed under  
15 subsection (a) shall be determined by a survey satisfactory  
16 to the Secretary.

17 (f) ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The Sec-  
18 retary may require such additional terms and conditions  
19 in connection with the conveyance under subsection (a) as  
20 the Secretary considers appropriate to protect the inter-  
21 ests of the United States.



1 (5) in subsection (f)(1) (as so redesignated), by  
2 striking “December 31, 2024” and inserting “De-  
3 cember 31, 2025”.

4 **SEC. 2872. MODIFICATION OF PILOT PROGRAM ON ESTAB-**  
5 **LISHMENT OF ACCOUNT FOR REIMBURSE-**  
6 **MENT FOR USE OF TESTING FACILITIES AT**  
7 **INSTALLATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF**  
8 **THE AIR FORCE.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2862 of the Military Con-  
10 struction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (division  
11 B of Public Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C. 9771 note prec.) is  
12 amended—

13 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “testing” and  
14 inserting “Major Range and Test Facility Base”;

15 (2) in subsection (b), by inserting “, have Major  
16 Range and Test Facility Base facilities,” after “con-  
17 struct”;

18 (3) by amending subsection (c) to read as fol-  
19 lows:

20 “(c) OVERSIGHT OF FUNDS.—

21 “(1) USE OF AMOUNTS.—The commander of an  
22 installation selected to participate in the pilot pro-  
23 gram may obligate or expend amounts reimbursed  
24 under the pilot program for projects at the installa-  
25 tion.

1 “(2) DESIGNATION OF MAINTENANCE COSTS.—

2 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The commander of an  
3 installation selected to participate in the pilot  
4 program may designate the appropriate amount  
5 of maintenance cost reimbursements to be  
6 charged to users of Major Range and Test Fa-  
7 cility Base facilities under the pilot program.

8 “(B) USE OF MAINTENANCE COST REIM-  
9 BURSEMENTS.—Maintenance cost reimburse-  
10 ments under subparagraph (A) for an installa-  
11 tion may be used either solely or in combination  
12 with funds otherwise made available to satisfy  
13 the costs of maintenance projects at the instal-  
14 lation.

15 “(3) OVERSIGHT.—The commander of an in-  
16 stallation selected to participate in the pilot program  
17 shall have direct oversight over amounts reimbursed  
18 to the installation under the pilot program for Facil-  
19 ity, Sustainment, Restoration, and Modernization.”;

20 (4) by redesignating subsection (e) as sub-  
21 section (f);

22 (5) by inserting after subsection (d) the fol-  
23 lowing new subsection:

24 “(e) TREATMENT OF REIMBURSEMENTS.—Funds  
25 otherwise made available to participants in the pilot pro-

1 gram may not be reduced by amounts reimbursed under  
2 the pilot program for Facility, Sustainment, Restoration,  
3 and Modernization.”; and

4 (6) in subsection (f), as redesignated by para-  
5 graph (2), by striking “December 1, 2026” and in-  
6 serting “December 1, 2027”.

7 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The heading for such  
8 section 2862 is amended to read as follows:

9 **“SEC. 2862. PILOT PROGRAM TO AUGMENT SUSTAINMENT**  
10 **WITH MAINTENANCE COST REIMBURSE-**  
11 **MENTS FROM MAJOR RANGE AND TEST FA-**  
12 **CILITY BASE USERS AT INSTALLATIONS OF**  
13 **THE DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE.”.**

14 **SEC. 2873. PILOT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE AIR PURIFI-**  
15 **CATION TECHNOLOGY IN COVERED MILI-**  
16 **TARY HOUSING.**

17 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense may  
18 carry out a pilot program to—

19 (1) provide commercially available off-the-shelf  
20 items (as defined in section 104 of title 41, United  
21 States Code) for air purification and covered sensors  
22 to landlords; and

23 (2) monitor and measure the effect of such  
24 items on the environmental health and public health  
25 of tenants of covered military housing.

1 (b) SELECTION OF INSTALLATIONS.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Army,  
3 the Secretary of the Navy, and the Secretary of the  
4 Air Force shall each select one military installation  
5 under the jurisdiction of such Secretary to carry out  
6 any pilot program carried out under this section.

7 (2) CONSIDERATIONS.—Each Secretary shall  
8 ensure that the military installation selected under  
9 this section contains military unaccompanied hous-  
10 ing in which the items described in subsection (a)  
11 may be used.

12 (c) DEVICES.—An air purification item or a covered  
13 sensor provided under this section shall use technology  
14 proven to reduce indoor air risks and yield measurable en-  
15 vironmental health and public health outcomes.

16 (d) BRIEFING.—Not later than 365 days after the  
17 date on which a pilot program is commenced under this  
18 section, the Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of the  
19 Navy, and the Secretary of the Air Force shall each pro-  
20 vide to the Committees on Armed Services of the House  
21 of Representatives and the Senate a briefing on the pilot  
22 program established under this section, including a de-  
23 scription of the items described in subsection (a) used  
24 under such program. The briefing shall include—

1 (1) a description of any cost savings identified  
2 from use of such items relating to—

3 (A) extending the durability and habit-  
4 ability of covered military housing; and

5 (B) reducing maintenance frequency; and

6 (2) with respect to cost savings identified in  
7 paragraph (1), a plan to expand the use of covered  
8 sensors and air purification items in newly con-  
9 structed covered military housing.

10 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

11 (1) The term “covered sensor” means a com-  
12 mercially available off-the-shelf item (as defined in  
13 section 104 of title 41, United States Code) manu-  
14 factured in the United States that detects the condi-  
15 tions for potential mold growth before mold is  
16 present.

17 (2) The term “covered military housing”  
18 means—

19 (A) military unaccompanied housing; and

20 (B) Government-owned units of military  
21 housing.

22 (3) The term “military unaccompanied hous-  
23 ing” has the meaning given in section 2871 of title  
24 10, United States Code.

1 **SEC. 2874. JOINT HOUSING REQUIREMENTS AND MARKET**  
2 **ANALYSIS FOR CERTAIN MILITARY INSTALLA-**  
3 **TIONS IN HAWAII.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in con-  
5 sultation with appropriate Federal, State, and local stake-  
6 holders (to the maximum extent practicable) shall conduct  
7 a joint Housing Requirements and Market Analysis for  
8 each covered military installation.

9 (b) DEADLINE.—Not later than one year after the  
10 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall sub-  
11 mit to the congressional defense committees a report on  
12 each joint Housing Requirements and Market Analysis  
13 conducted under subsection (a) that includes—

14 (1) an analysis of the extent to which military  
15 installations in Hawaii have affected the availability  
16 of housing in communities in proximity to such mili-  
17 tary installations;

18 (2) the number of members of the Armed  
19 Forces and their dependents residing in privately-  
20 owned housing located outside of such military in-  
21 stallations;

22 (3) a cost-benefit analysis of implementing a re-  
23 quirement for each member of the Armed Forces as-  
24 signed to a duty station in Hawaii to reside in hous-  
25 ing located on the military installation to which such  
26 member is assigned;

1           (4) an assessment of strategies to reduce the ef-  
2           fect of members of the Armed Forces and depend-  
3           ents of such members on the availability of rental  
4           housing in such communities, including strategies to  
5           provide such members and dependents with alter-  
6           native housing options;

7           (5) the optimal stock and occupancy rate of  
8           military housing units in Hawaii, as determined by  
9           the Secretary;

10          (6) an estimate of the cost to the United States  
11          to maintain such optimal stock and occupancy rate;

12          (7) an assessment of the feasibility of expand-  
13          ing housing located on military installations in Ha-  
14          waii to create housing intended to be occupied by ci-  
15          vilian employees and contractors of the Department  
16          of Defense;

17          (8) an identification of limitations and chal-  
18          lenges, if any, to data collection and analysis in car-  
19          rying out such joint Housing Requirements and  
20          Market Analysis;

21          (9) strategies to—

22                 (A) address such limitations and chal-  
23                 lenges; and

24                 (B) standardize methods of data collection  
25                 and analysis for conducting a Housing Require-

1           ments and Market Analysis under section 2837  
2           of title 10, United States Code; and  
3           (10) other relevant information, as determined  
4           by the Secretary.

5           (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6           (1) The term “covered military installation”  
7           means a military installation in Hawaii for which a  
8           Housing Requirements and Market Analysis has not  
9           been conducted during the three-year period pre-  
10          ceding the date of the enactment of this Act.

11          (2) The term “Housing Requirements and Mar-  
12          ket Analysis” has the meaning given such term in  
13          section 2837 of title 10, United States Code.

14          (3) The term “military installation” has the  
15          meaning given such term in section 2801 of such  
16          title.

17 **SEC. 2875. QUARTERLY BRIEFINGS ON MILITARY CON-**  
18 **STRUCTION RELATED TO THE SENTINEL**  
19 **INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE**  
20 **WEAPON SYSTEM PROGRAM.**

21          (a) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days  
22          after the date of the enactment of this Act, and every 90  
23          days thereafter until the date that is five years after the  
24          date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the  
25          Air Force shall provide to the Committees on Armed Serv-

1 ices of the House of Representatives and the Senate a  
2 briefing on contracts for covered construction projects re-  
3 lating to the Sentinel intercontinental ballistic missile  
4 weapon system program.

5 (b) ELEMENTS.—These briefings shall include at a  
6 minimum the following information:

7 (1) An update on the Sentinel intercontinental  
8 ballistic missile weapon system program, including  
9 delays that may affect the timelines for covered con-  
10 struction projects.

11 (2) An update on timelines and costs for cov-  
12 ered construction projects, including details on land  
13 acquisitions for such projects.

14 (3) An update on any site surveys conducted at  
15 the site for performance of the covered construction  
16 project, including new information about site condi-  
17 tions that may impact future contracts for covered  
18 construction projects.

19 (4) With respect to any contract or subcontract  
20 (at any tier) for a covered construction project that  
21 is not a fixed-price contract, a description of the lo-  
22 cation of performance for such contract or sub-  
23 contract.

24 (5) With respect to any contract or subcontract  
25 (at any tier) for a covered construction project that

1 is a cost-plus-incentive-fee contract, a description of  
2 the following for performance of the contract or sub-  
3 contract:

4 (A) The target cost.

5 (B) The target incentive fee.

6 (C) The minimum and maximum incentive  
7 fee amounts.

8 (D) A description of the incentive fee ad-  
9 justment formula (including allowable costs).

10 (E) A description of the incentive fee  
11 structure.

12 (F) An analysis of any change to the ele-  
13 ments in subparagraphs (A) through (E) since  
14 the previous quarter.

15 (6) A summary of Government actions to miti-  
16 gate cost growth of covered construction projects.

17 (7) A review of conditions observed at the site  
18 for performance of the covered construction project  
19 contract during the previous quarter and how those  
20 conditions may impact the cost of such contract and  
21 subsequent contracts for covered construction  
22 projects at such site.

23 (8) The most recent construction schedule, in-  
24 cluding any anticipated delays and mitigation meas-  
25 ures for each such delay, requests for equitable ad-

1       justment, and any changes to the schedule since the  
2       previous quarter.

3           (9) An update on the estimated cost to com-  
4       plete the covered construction project.

5           (10) A summary of any factors that may cause  
6       delay to the completion of the covered construction  
7       project or cost growth for such project, including  
8       workforce shortages, regulatory review timelines, and  
9       supply chain shortages.

10          (11) Any required changes to statute or regula-  
11       tion, including any changes to the future-years de-  
12       fense program submitted under section 221 of title  
13       10, United States Code, relating to the covered con-  
14       struction project.

15       (c) COVERED CONSTRUCTION PROJECT DEFINED.—  
16       In this section, the term “covered construction project”  
17       means a below-ground military construction project or  
18       other infrastructure project in connection with the devel-  
19       opment and fielding of the Sentinel intercontinental bal-  
20       listic missile weapon system program.

1                   **Subtitle G—Other Matters**

2   **SEC. 2881. INCREASE OF LIMITATION ON FEE FOR ARCHI-**  
3                   **TECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES**  
4                   **PROCURED BY MILITARY DEPARTMENTS.**

5           (a) ARMY.—Section 7540(b) of title 10, United  
6 States Code, is amended by striking “6 percent” and in-  
7 serting “10 percent”.

8           (b) NAVY.—Section 8612(b) of such title is amended  
9 by striking “6 percent” and inserting “10 percent”.

10          (c) AIR FORCE.—Section 9540(b) of such title is  
11 amended by striking “6 percent” and inserting “10 per-  
12 cent”.

13   **SEC. 2882. DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION OF MARINE**  
14                   **CORPS HERITAGE CENTER AND NATIONAL**  
15                   **MUSEUM OF THE MARINE CORPS.**

16          (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 861 of title 10, United  
17 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 8617  
18 the following new section:

19   **“§ 8618. Marine Corps Heritage Center and National**  
20                   **Museum of the Marine Corps at Marine**  
21                   **Corps Base, Quantico, Virginia**

22          “(a) JOINT VENTURE FOR DEVELOPMENT AND CON-  
23 TINUED MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION.—The Secretary  
24 of the Navy may enter into a joint venture with the Marine  
25 Corps Heritage Foundation (in this section referred to as

1 the ‘Foundation’), a not-for-profit entity, for the design,  
2 construction, and maintenance and operation of a multi-  
3 purpose facility to be used for historical displays for public  
4 viewing, curation, and storage of artifacts, research facili-  
5 ties, classrooms, offices, and associated activities con-  
6 sistent with the mission of the Marine Corps University.  
7 The facility shall be known as the Marine Corps Heritage  
8 Center and the National Museum of the Marine Corps.

9 “(b) DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION.—For each phase  
10 of development of the facility described in subsection (a),  
11 the Secretary may—

12 “(1) permit the Foundation to contract for the  
13 design, construction, or both of such phase of devel-  
14 opment; or

15 “(2) accept funds from the Foundation for the  
16 design, construction, or both of such phase of devel-  
17 opment.

18 “(c) ACCEPTANCE AUTHORITY.—Upon completion of  
19 construction of any phase of development of the facility  
20 described in subsection (a) by the Foundation to the satis-  
21 faction of the Secretary, and the satisfaction of any finan-  
22 cial obligations incident thereto by the Foundation, the fa-  
23 cility shall become the real property of the Department  
24 of the Navy with all right, title, and interest in and to  
25 facility being in the United States.

1 “(d) MAINTENANCE, OPERATION, AND SUPPORT.—

2 (1) The Secretary may, for the purpose of maintenance  
3 and operation of the Marine Corps Heritage Center and  
4 the National Museum of the Marine Corps—

5 “(A) enter into contracts or cooperative agree-  
6 ments, on a sole-source basis, with the Foundation  
7 for the procurement of property or services for the  
8 direct benefit or use of the Marine Corps Heritage  
9 Center and the National Museum of the Marine  
10 Corps; and

11 “(B) notwithstanding the requirements of sub-  
12 section (h) of section 2667 of this title and under  
13 such terms and conditions as the Secretary considers  
14 appropriate for the joint venture authorized by sub-  
15 section (a), lease in accordance with such section  
16 2667 portions of the facility developed under sub-  
17 section (a) to the Foundation for use in generating  
18 revenue for activities of the facility and for such ad-  
19 ministrative purposes as may be necessary for sup-  
20 port of the facility.

21 “(2) In making a determination of fair market value  
22 under section 2667(b)(4) of this title for payment of con-  
23 sideration pursuant to a lease described in paragraph  
24 (1)(B), the Secretary may consider the entirety of the edu-  
25 cational efforts of the Foundation, support to the Marine

1 Corps Heritage Center history division by the Foundation,  
2 or the funding of museum programs and exhibits by the  
3 Foundation, or other support related to the Marine Corps  
4 Heritage Center and the National Museum of the Marine  
5 Corps, in addition to the types of in-kind consideration  
6 provided under section 2667(c) of this title.

7       “(3) The Secretary may authorize the Foundation to  
8 use real or personal property within the Marine Corps  
9 Heritage Center and National Museum of the Marine  
10 Corps to conduct additional revenue-generating activities,  
11 as the Secretary considers appropriate considering the  
12 work of the Foundation and needs of the Marine Corps  
13 Heritage Center and National Museum of the Marine  
14 Corps. The Secretary shall only authorize the use of such  
15 property for a revenue-generating activity if the Secretary  
16 determines the activity will not interfere with military ac-  
17 tivities and personnel or the activities of the Marine Corps  
18 Heritage Center and National Museum of the Marine  
19 Corps.

20       “(4) The Secretary shall retain lease payments re-  
21 ceived under this section, other than in-kind consideration  
22 authorized under paragraph (2) or under section 2667(c)  
23 of this title, solely for use in support of the Marine Corps  
24 Heritage Center and the National Museum of the Marine

1 Corps, and funds received as lease payments shall remain  
2 available until expended.

3 “(e) AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT GIFTS.—(1) The Sec-  
4 retary of the Navy may accept, hold, administer, and  
5 spend any gift, devise, or bequest of real property, per-  
6 sonal property, or money made on the condition that the  
7 gift, devise, or bequest be used for the benefit, or in con-  
8 nection with, the establishment, operation, or mainte-  
9 nance, of the Marine Corps Heritage Center or the Na-  
10 tional Museum of the Marine Corps. Section 2601 (other  
11 than subsections (b), (c), and (e)) of this title shall apply  
12 to gifts accepted under this subsection.

13 “(2) The Secretary may display at the Marine Corps  
14 Heritage Center or the National Museum of the Marine  
15 Corps recognition for an individual or organization that  
16 contributes money to a partner organization, or an indi-  
17 vidual or organization that contributes a gift directly to  
18 the Navy, for the benefit of the Marine Corps Heritage  
19 Center or the National Museum of the Marine Corps,  
20 whether or not the contribution is subject to the condition  
21 that the recognition be provided. The Secretary shall pre-  
22 scribe regulations governing the circumstances under  
23 which contributor recognition may be provided, appro-  
24 priate forms of recognition, and suitable display stand-  
25 ards.

1       “(3) The Secretary may authorize the sale of donated  
2 property received under paragraph (1). A sale under this  
3 paragraph need not be conducted in accordance with dis-  
4 posal requirements that would otherwise apply, so long as  
5 the sale is conducted at arms-length and includes an  
6 auditable transaction record.

7       “(4) Any money received under paragraph (1) and  
8 any proceeds from the sale of property under paragraph  
9 (3) shall be deposited into a fund established in the Treas-  
10 ury to support the Marine Corps Heritage Center and the  
11 National Museum of the Marine Corps.

12       “(f) **ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.**—The  
13 Secretary may require such additional terms and condi-  
14 tions in connection with the joint venture authorized by  
15 subsection (a) as the Secretary considers appropriate to  
16 protect the interests of the United States.”.

17       (b) **CONFORMING REPEAL.**—Section 2884 of the  
18 Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for  
19 Fiscal Year 2001 (Public Law 106–398) is repealed.

20 **SEC. 2883. TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.**

21       (a) **NUMU NEW SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA.**—  
22 Section 2902(c) of the Military Construction Authoriza-  
23 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (16 U.S.C. 460gggg(c)) is  
24 amended by striking “217,845” and inserting “209,181”.

1 (b) REDUCTION OF IMPACT OF FALLON RANGE  
2 TRAINING COMPLEX MODERNIZATION.—Section  
3 2995(a)(3)(A) of the Military Land Withdrawals Act of  
4 2013 (title XXIX of Public Law 113–66) (as added by  
5 section 2901 of the Military Construction Authorization  
6 Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (division B of Public Law 117–  
7 263; 136 Stat. 3016)) is amended by inserting “Gas”  
8 after “Basin”.

9 **SEC. 2884. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY**  
10 **OF THE ARMY TO ENTER INTO COOPERATIVE**  
11 **AGREEMENTS RELATING TO ACCESS AND**  
12 **MANAGEMENT OF AIR FORCE MEMORIAL.**

13 Section 2863(e) of the Military Construction Author-  
14 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2002 (division B of Public Law  
15 107–107; 115 Stat. 1332), is amended by striking “the  
16 Foundation” and inserting “non-Federal Government en-  
17 tities, the Secretary of the Air Force, or both,”.

18 **SEC. 2885. DESIGNATION OF NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE**  
19 **MIGHTY EIGHTH AIR FORCE.**

20 (a) DESIGNATION.—The National Museum of the  
21 Mighty Eighth Air Force located at 175 Bourne Avenue,  
22 Pooler, Georgia (or any successor location), is designated  
23 as the official National Museum of the Mighty Eighth Air  
24 Force of the United States (referred to in this section as  
25 the “National Museum”).

1 (b) RELATION TO NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM.—The  
2 National Museum shall not be included as a unit of the  
3 National Park System.

4 (c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—This section shall not  
5 be construed to appropriate, or authorize the appropria-  
6 tion of, Federal funds for any purpose related to the Na-  
7 tional Museum.

8 **SEC. 2886. CONTINUING EDUCATION CURRICULUM ON USE**  
9 **OF INNOVATIVE PRODUCTS FOR MILITARY**  
10 **CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.**

11 (a) CURRICULUM REQUIRED.—Not later than one  
12 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Com-  
13 mander of the Naval Facilities Systems Engineering Com-  
14 mand and the Deputy Commanding General for Military  
15 and International Operations for the Army Corps of Engi-  
16 neers, shall establish a joint continuing education cur-  
17 riculum for the following individuals responsible for man-  
18 aging military construction projects and planning and de-  
19 sign projects within the Department of Defense:

- 20 (1) Project managers.
- 21 (2) Program managers.
- 22 (3) Design professionals.
- 23 (4) Contracting officers.
- 24 (5) Representatives of such contracting officers.

1 (b) ELEMENTS.—The curriculum under subsection  
2 (a) shall include training on—

3 (1) cost estimating and cost control mecha-  
4 nisms, including analyses of contract types;

5 (2) standards relating to antiterrorism force  
6 protection, lateral wind, seismic activity, and fire  
7 performance;

8 (3) life-cycle sustainability and renewability;

9 (4) use of innovative building materials (includ-  
10 ing sustainable materials) and innovative construc-  
11 tion methods; and

12 (5) designs to improve the resilience of military  
13 installations.

14 (c) PROVISION OF TRAINING; CURRICULUM UP-  
15 DATES.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that—

16 (1) not later than 180 days after the date of  
17 the completion of the curriculum under subsection  
18 (a), such curriculum is made available to the con-  
19 tracting officers and program managers described in  
20 such subsection;

21 (2) by not later than January 1, 2025—

22 (A) not less than 75 percent of the individ-  
23 uals described in paragraphs (1) through (5) of  
24 such subsection have completed the continuing

1 education curriculum required under such sub-  
2 section in effect as of such date; and

3 (B) such individuals are provided updated  
4 information on innovative construction tech-  
5 niques on a continuous basis; and

6 (3) such curriculum is updated each time an in-  
7 novative product or construction method is included  
8 in the Unified Facilities Criteria/DoD Building Code  
9 (UFC 1–200–01).

10 (d) REPORT.—Not later than June 1, 2025, the Sec-  
11 retary of Defense shall submit to Committees on Armed  
12 Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate  
13 a report that includes—

14 (1) an update on the status of the curriculum  
15 under subsection (a); and

16 (2) a plan for administering such curriculum to  
17 the individuals described in paragraphs (1) through  
18 (5) of such subsection.

19 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms “mili-  
20 tary construction project” and “military installation” have  
21 the meanings given in section 2801 of title 10, United  
22 States Code.

1 **SEC. 2887. GUIDANCE ON ENCROACHMENT THAT AFFECTS**  
2 **COVERED SITES.**

3 (a) **GUIDANCE REQUIRED.**—Not later than 180 days  
4 after the date of the enactment of this Act, each Secretary  
5 of a military department shall issue guidance to estab-  
6 lish—

7 (1) a process to identify encroachment with re-  
8 spect to a covered site;

9 (2) a method to mitigate such encroachment;  
10 and

11 (3) a procedure to certify that such encroach-  
12 ment does not directly result in a national security  
13 risk to the covered site.

14 (b) **CONSIDERATIONS.**—In developing the guidance  
15 required by this section, each Secretary of a military de-  
16 partment shall consider the following:

17 (1) The process by which a commander or head  
18 of a covered site identifies and reports encroachment  
19 with respect to such covered site.

20 (2) Methods to track data relating to processes,  
21 methods, and procedures described in subsection (a).

22 (3) Coordination processes to track and miti-  
23 gate encroachment—

24 (A) within each military department; and

1 (B) between the military departments and  
2 the Assistant Secretaries of Defense for  
3 Sustainment and Industrial Base Policy.

4 (c) FOREIGN INVESTMENT ENCROACHMENT.—Such  
5 guidance shall include a requirement that if a Secretary  
6 of a military department determines that encroachment  
7 described in subsection (a) involves or may involve foreign  
8 investment, such Secretary shall—

9 (1) report information about encroachment re-  
10 lating to foreign investment to the Assistant Sec-  
11 retary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy; and

12 (2) coordinate with the Assistant Secretary of  
13 Defense for Industrial Base Policy on efforts to  
14 mitigate such encroachment or potential encroach-  
15 ment.

16 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
17 on which the guidance required by subsection (a) is issued,  
18 the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment, in co-  
19 ordination with the Secretaries of the military depart-  
20 ments, shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services  
21 of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report  
22 on the guidance required by this section, including—

23 (1) the extent to which such guidance has been  
24 implemented within the Department of Defense;

1 (2) a description of methods to update any lists  
2 of covered sites; and

3 (3) an assessment of the procedure described in  
4 subsection (a)(3).

5 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6 (1) The term “covered site” means a military  
7 installation or another facility or property of the  
8 United States Government.

9 (2) The term “encroachment” means an activ-  
10 ity conducted within close proximity to a covered site  
11 that—

12 (A) may pose a national security risk to a  
13 covered site;

14 (B) may affect the operational mission of  
15 a covered site; or

16 (C) is incompatible with an installation  
17 master plan of a covered site.

18 (3) The term “military department” has the  
19 meaning given such term in section 101 of title 10,  
20 United States Code.

21 (4) The term “military installation” has the  
22 meaning given such term in section 2801 of title 10,  
23 United States Code.

1 **SEC. 2888. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF ANNUAL UP-**  
2 **DATES TO MASTER PLANS AND INVESTMENT**  
3 **STRATEGIES FOR ARMY AMMUNITION**  
4 **PLANTS.**

5 Section 2834(d) of the Military Construction Author-  
6 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (division B of Public Law  
7 117–81; 135 Stat. 2201) is amended—

8 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by  
9 striking “March 31, 2026” and inserting “March  
10 31, 2030”; and

11 (2) by adding at the end the following new  
12 paragraph:

13 “(5) A description of any changes to a master  
14 plan for an ammunition production facility made in  
15 response to global events, including pandemics and  
16 armed conflicts.”.

17 **SEC. 2889. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR UNITED**  
18 **STATES SPACE COMMAND HEADQUARTERS.**

19 None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by  
20 this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024  
21 for the Department of Defense may be obligated or ex-  
22 pended to acquire, construct, plan, or design a new head-  
23 quarters building for United States Space Command until  
24 June 30, 2024, when the Inspector General of the Depart-  
25 ment of Defense and the Comptroller General of the

1 United States shall complete reviews of the selection an-  
2 nounced in July of 2023.

3 **SEC. 2890. PLAN FOR USE OF EXCESS CONSTRUCTION MA-**  
4 **TERIALS ON SOUTHWEST BORDER.**

5 (a) PLAN.—Not later than 75 days after the date of  
6 the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall  
7 submit to Congress a plan to use, transfer, or donate to  
8 States on the southern border of the United States all cov-  
9 ered materials, with prioritization given to the refurbish-  
10 ment and or maintenance of ports of entry along the  
11 southwest border and construction projects aimed at stop-  
12 ping illicit human and vehicle traffic along the border of  
13 the United States with Mexico.

14 (b) ELEMENTS.—The plan required by subsection (a)  
15 shall include the following:

16 (1) A detailed proposal for the disposition of  
17 such covered materials, including a timeline for dis-  
18 position and the authorities under which such dis-  
19 position shall occur.

20 (2) An assessment of the condition of such ma-  
21 terials being stored, including (if applicable) a de-  
22 scription of materials that have depreciated in value,  
23 become damaged, or been lost.

24 (c) REQUIREMENTS OF REQUESTING STATES.—Any  
25 State requesting the covered materials made available

1 under this section must certify, in writing, that the mate-  
2 rials it accepts will be exclusively used for the refurbish-  
3 ment or maintenance of ports of entry along the southwest  
4 border or construction projects aimed at stopping illicit  
5 human and vehicle traffic along the border of the United  
6 States with Mexico.

7 (d) EXECUTION OF PLAN.—Not later than 100 days  
8 after the date of submission of the plan required by sub-  
9 section (a), the Secretary of Defense shall commence exe-  
10 cution of such plan until the date on which the Depart-  
11 ment of Defense is no longer incurring any costs to main-  
12 tain, store, or protect the covered materials.

13 (e) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the date  
14 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
15 shall submit to Congress a report containing the following:

16 (1) A detailed description of the decision proc-  
17 ess of the Secretary to forgo the excess property dis-  
18 posal process of the Department of Defense and in-  
19 stead pay to store the covered materials.

20 (2) A list of entities the Department is paying  
21 for use of their privately owned land to store the  
22 covered materials, with appropriate action taken to  
23 protect personally identifiable information, such as  
24 by making the list of entities available in an annex  
25 that is labeled as controlled unclassified information.

1           (3) An explanation of the process through  
2           which the Department contracted with private land-  
3           owners to store the covered materials, including  
4           whether there was a competitive contracting process  
5           and whether the landowners have instituted an in-  
6           ventory review system.

7           (4) A description of any investigations by the  
8           Inspector General of the Department that have been  
9           opened related to storing the covered materials.

10          (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the term “covered  
11          material” means all remaining construction materials cur-  
12          rently possessed by the United States Government that  
13          were purchased under section 2808 and 284 of title 10,  
14          United States Code, from fiscal years 2017 through 2021,  
15          including bollards and Nucor tubular square structural  
16          tubes.

17       **DIVISION C—DEPARTMENT OF**  
18       **ENERGY NATIONAL SECURITY**  
19       **AUTHORIZATIONS AND**  
20       **OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS**  
21       **TITLE XXXI—DEPARTMENT OF**  
22       **ENERGY NATIONAL SECURITY**  
23       **PROGRAMS**

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- Sec. 3115. Criminal penalties for interference with the transport of special nuclear materials, nuclear weapons components, or restricted data.
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- Sec. 3117. Plutonium Modernization Program management.
- Sec. 3118. Modification of certain requirements and authorities relating to the removal or security of fissile materials, radiological materials, and related equipment at vulnerable sites worldwide.
- Sec. 3119. Extension of briefing and reporting requirements for certain National Nuclear Security Administration contracts.
- Sec. 3120. Modification of minor construction threshold for plant projects.
- Sec. 3121. Modifications relating to unfunded priorities of the National Nuclear Security Administration.
- Sec. 3122. Limitation on establishing an enduring bioassurance program within the National Nuclear Security Administration.
- Sec. 3123. Modification of reporting requirements for uranium capabilities replacement project.
- Sec. 3124. Prohibition on availability of funds for naval nuclear fuel systems based on low-enriched uranium.
- Sec. 3125. Prohibition on availability of funds to reconvert or retire W76-2 warheads.
- Sec. 3126. Limitation on availability of funds pending submittal of spend plan for development of sea-launched cruise missile warhead.
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- Sec. 3128. Integrated schedule for future-years nuclear security program.

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- Sec. 3131. U.S. nuclear fuel security initiative.
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1       **Subtitle A—National Security**  
2       **Programs and Authorizations**

3       **SEC. 3101. NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRA-**  
4                   **TION.**

5           (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds  
6 are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Depart-  
7 ment of Energy for fiscal year 2024 for the activities of  
8 the National Nuclear Security Administration in carrying  
9 out programs as specified in the funding table in section  
10 4701.

11          (b) AUTHORIZATION OF NEW PLANT PROJECTS.—  
12 From funds referred to in subsection (a) that are available  
13 for carrying out plant projects, the Secretary of Energy  
14 may carry out new plant projects for the National Nuclear  
15 Security Administration as follows:

16               Project 24–D–513, Z-Pinch Experimental Un-  
17 derground System Test Bed Facilities Improvement,  
18 Nevada National Security Site, Nye County, Ne-  
19 vada, \$80,000,000.

20               Project 24–D–512, TA–46 Protective Force  
21 Facility, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Ala-  
22 mos, New Mexico, \$48,500,000.

23               Project 24–D–511, Plutonium Production  
24 Building, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Ala-  
25 mos, New Mexico, \$48,500,000.

1 Project 24–D–510, Analytic Gas Laboratory,  
2 Pantex Plant, Panhandle, Texas, \$35,000,000.

3 Project 24–D–530, Naval Reactors Facility  
4 Medical Science Complex, Idaho Falls, Idaho,  
5 \$36,584,000.

6 **SEC. 3102. DEFENSE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP.**

7 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds  
8 are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Depart-  
9 ment of Energy for fiscal year 2024 for defense environ-  
10 mental cleanup activities in carrying out programs as  
11 specified in the funding table in section 4701.

12 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF NEW PLANT PROJECT.—  
13 From funds referred to in subsection (a) that are available  
14 for carrying out plant projects, the Secretary of Energy  
15 may carry out, for defense environmental cleanup activi-  
16 ties, the following new plant project:

17 Project 24–D–401, Environmental Restoration  
18 Disposal Facility Super Cell 11 Expansion Project,  
19 Hanford Site, Richland, Washington, \$1,000,000.

20 **SEC. 3103. OTHER DEFENSE ACTIVITIES.**

21 Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated to  
22 the Department of Energy for fiscal year 2024 for other  
23 defense activities in carrying out programs as specified in  
24 the funding table in section 4701.

1 **SEC. 3104. NUCLEAR ENERGY.**

2 Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated to  
3 the Department of Energy for fiscal year 2024 for nuclear  
4 energy as specified in the funding table in section 4701.

5 **Subtitle B—Program Authoriza-**  
6 **tions, Restrictions, and Limita-**  
7 **tions**

8 **SEC. 3111. TRANSFER OF CYBERSECURITY RESPONSIBIL-**  
9 **ITIES TO ADMINISTRATOR FOR NUCLEAR SE-**  
10 **CURITY.**

11 The National Nuclear Security Administration Act  
12 (50 U.S.C. 2401 et seq.) is amended—

13 (1) in section 3212(b) (50 U.S.C. 2402(b)), by  
14 adding at the end the following new paragraph:

15 “(20) Information resources management, in-  
16 cluding cybersecurity.”; and

17 (2) in section 3232(b)(3) (50 U.S.C.  
18 2422(b)(3)), by striking “and cyber”.

19 **SEC. 3112. REDESIGNATING DUTIES RELATED TO DEPART-**  
20 **MENTAL RADIOLOGICAL AND NUCLEAR INCI-**  
21 **DENT RESPONSES.**

22 (a) DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR FOR DEFENSE PRO-  
23 GRAMS.—Section 3214(b) of the National Nuclear Secu-  
24 rity Administration Act (50 U.S.C. 2404 (b)) is amended  
25 by striking paragraph (3).

1 (b) ADMINISTRATOR FOR NUCLEAR SECURITY.—Sec-  
2 tion 3212(b)(7) of the National Nuclear Security Adminis-  
3 tration Act (50 U.S.C. 2402(b)(7)) is amended by insert-  
4 ing “and Nuclear Emergency Support Team capabilities,  
5 including all field-deployed and remote technical support  
6 to public health and safety missions, countering weapons  
7 of mass destruction operations, technical and operational  
8 nuclear forensics, and responses to United States nuclear  
9 weapon accidents” after “management”.

10 **SEC. 3113. CYBERSECURITY RISK INVENTORY, ASSESS-**  
11 **MENT, AND MITIGATION WORKING GROUP.**

12 Subtitle A of the National Nuclear Security Adminis-  
13 tration Act (50 U.S.C. 2401 et seq.) is amended by adding  
14 at the end the following new section:

15 **“SEC. 3222. CYBERSECURITY RISK INVENTORY, ASSESS-**  
16 **MENT, AND MITIGATION WORKING GROUP.**

17 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is in the Administra-  
18 tion a working group, to be known as the ‘Cybersecurity  
19 Risk Inventory, Assessment, and Mitigation Working  
20 Group’ (referred to in this section as the ‘working group’).

21 “(b) MEMBERSHIP.—Members of the working group  
22 shall include—

23 “(1) the Deputy Administrator for Defense  
24 Programs;

1           “(2) the Associate Administrator for Informa-  
2           tion Management and Chief Information Officer;  
3           and

4           “(3) such other personnel of the Administration  
5           as are determined appropriate for inclusion in the  
6           working group by the Chairperson.

7           “(c) CHAIRPERSON.—The Deputy Administrator for  
8           Defense Programs shall serve as the Chairperson of the  
9           working group, except that the Administrator may des-  
10          ignate another member of the working group to serve as  
11          Chairperson in lieu of the Deputy Administrator if the Ad-  
12          ministrator determines it is appropriate to do so.

13          “(d) COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGY.—The working  
14          group shall prepare a comprehensive strategy for  
15          inventorying the range of systems of the Administration  
16          that are potentially at risk in the operational technology  
17          and nuclear weapons information technology environ-  
18          ments, assessing the systems at risk based on mission im-  
19          pact, and implementing risk mitigation actions. Such  
20          strategy shall incorporate key elements of effective cyber-  
21          security risk management strategies, as identified by the  
22          Government Accountability Office, including the specifica-  
23          tion of—

24                 “(1) goals, objectives, activities, and perform-  
25                 ance measures;

1           “(2) organizational roles, responsibilities, and  
2           coordination;

3           “(3) resources needed to implement the strat-  
4           egy through 2034; and

5           “(4) detailed milestones and schedules for com-  
6           pletion of tasks.

7           “(e) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—

8           “(1) INTERIM BRIEFING.—Not later than 120  
9           days after the date of the enactment of this section,  
10          the working group shall provide to the congressional  
11          defense committees a briefing on the plan of the  
12          working group to develop the strategy required  
13          under subsection (d).

14          “(2) COMPLETED STRATEGY.—Not later than  
15          April 1, 2025, the working group shall submit the  
16          congressional defense committees a copy of the com-  
17          pleted strategy.

18          “(f) TERMINATION.—The working group shall termi-  
19          nate on a date determined by the Administrator that is  
20          not earlier than the date that is five years after the date  
21          of the enactment of this section.”.

1 **SEC. 3114. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH**  
2 **CERTAIN CONTRACTING, PROGRAM MANAGE-**  
3 **MENT, SCIENTIFIC, ENGINEERING, AND**  
4 **TECHNICAL POSITIONS.**

5 Section 3241 of the National Nuclear Security Ad-  
6 ministration Act (50 U.S.C. 2441) is amended by striking  
7 “800” and inserting “1,200”.

8 **SEC. 3115. CRIMINAL PENALTIES FOR INTERFERENCE**  
9 **WITH THE TRANSPORT OF SPECIAL NUCLEAR**  
10 **MATERIALS, NUCLEAR WEAPONS COMPO-**  
11 **NENTS, OR RESTRICTED DATA.**

12 Section 92 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42  
13 U.S.C. 2122) is amended—

14 (1) by redesignating subsection b. as subsection  
15 c.;

16 (2) by inserting after subsection a. the following  
17 new subsection:

18 “b. Whoever knowingly and willfully impedes the pas-  
19 sage of a vehicle of a nuclear materials courier (as defined  
20 in section 8331 of title 5, United States Code) engaged  
21 in the transport of any atomic weapon, special nuclear ma-  
22 terial, atomic weapon component, or Restricted Data shall  
23 be subject to arrest and imposition of a criminal fine of  
24 not more than \$1,000.”;

1           (3) in subsection c. (as so redesignated), by  
2           striking “prohibited by subsection a.” and inserting  
3           “prohibited by subsections a. or b.”; and

4           (4) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
5           section:

6           “d. The Attorney General shall have primary inves-  
7           tigative authority for any violation of this section.”.

8   **SEC. 3116. PROHIBITION ON EXPANSION OF ADVANCED RE-**  
9                           **COVERY AND INTEGRATED EXTRACTION SYS-**  
10                          **TEM PENDING ACHIEVEMENT OF 30 PIT-PER-**  
11                          **YEAR BASE CAPABILITY.**

12           Section 4219 of the Atomic Energy Defense Act (50  
13   U.S.C. 2538a) is amended by—

14           (1) redesignating subsection (f) as subsection  
15           (g); and

16           (2) inserting after subsection (e) the following  
17           new subsection:

18           “(f) PROHIBITION ON ARIES EXPANSION BEFORE  
19   ACHIEVEMENT OF 30 PIT-PER-YEAR BASE CAPABILITY.—

20           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Until the date on which the  
21   Administrator certifies to the congressional defense  
22   committees that the base capability to produce not  
23   less than 30 war reserve plutonium pits per year has  
24   been established at Los Alamos National Labora-  
25   tory, the Administrator may not—

1           “(A) carry out a project to expand the pit  
2           disassembly and processing capability of the  
3           spaces at PF-4 occupied by ARIES as of the  
4           date of the enactment of this Act; or

5           “(B) otherwise expand such spaces.

6           “(2) EXCEPTIONS.—Paragraph (1) shall not  
7           apply with respect to—

8           “(A) ongoing or planned small projects to  
9           sustain or improve the efficiency of plutonium  
10          oxide production, provided that such projects do  
11          not expand the spaces at PF-4 occupied by  
12          ARIES as of the date of the enactment of this  
13          Act;

14          “(B) the planning and design of an addi-  
15          tional ARIES capability at a location other  
16          than PF-4; or

17          “(C) the transfer of the ARIES capability  
18          to a location other than PF-4.

19          “(3) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

20          “(A) The term ‘ARIES’ means the Ad-  
21          vanced Recovery and Integrated Extraction  
22          System method, developed and piloted at Los  
23          Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New  
24          Mexico, for disassembling surplus defense pluto-

1           nium pits and converting the plutonium from  
2           such pits into plutonium oxide.

3                   “(B) The term ‘PF-4’ means the Pluto-  
4           nium Facility at Technical Area 55 located at  
5           Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos,  
6           New Mexico.”.

7   **SEC. 3117. PLUTONIUM MODERNIZATION PROGRAM MAN-**  
8                   **AGEMENT.**

9           Section 4219 of the Atomic Energy Defense Act (50  
10   U.S.C. 2538a), as amended by section 3116, is further  
11   amended by adding at the end the following new sub-  
12   section:

13           “(h) Not later than 570 days after the date of the  
14   enactment of this subsection, the Administrator for Nu-  
15   clear Security shall ensure that the plutonium moderniza-  
16   tion program established by the Office of Defense Pro-  
17   grams of the National Nuclear Security Administration,  
18   or any subsequently developed program designed to meet  
19   the requirements under subsection (a), is managed in ac-  
20   cordance with the best practices for schedule development  
21   and cost estimating of the Government Accountability Of-  
22   fice.”.

1 **SEC. 3118. MODIFICATION OF CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS**  
2 **AND AUTHORITIES RELATING TO THE RE-**  
3 **MOVAL OR SECURITY OF FISSILE MATERIALS,**  
4 **RADIOLOGICAL MATERIALS, AND RELATED**  
5 **EQUIPMENT AT VULNERABLE SITES WORLD-**  
6 **WIDE.**

7 (a) MODIFICATION OF REPORTING REQUIRE-  
8 MENTS.—Section 4306B of the Atomic Energy Defense  
9 Act (50 U.S.C. 2569) is amended—

10 (1) by striking subsection (d); and

11 (2) by redesignating subsections (e), (f), and  
12 (g) as subsections (d), (e), and (f), respectively.

13 (b) EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT CERTAIN  
14 CONTRIBUTIONS.—Subsection (e) of such section, as so  
15 redesignated by subsection (a)(2) of this section, is  
16 amended by striking paragraph (6).

17 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 4309(c)(7)  
18 of the Atomic Energy Defense Act (50 U.S.C. 2575(c)(7))  
19 is amended by striking “section 3132(f) of the Ronald W.  
20 Reagan National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
21 Year 2005 (50 U.S.C. 2569(f))” and inserting “with sec-  
22 tion 4306B(e)”.

1 **SEC. 3119. EXTENSION OF BRIEFING AND REPORTING RE-**  
2 **QUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN NATIONAL NU-**  
3 **CLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRATION CON-**  
4 **TRACTS.**

5 Section 4807(f)(1) of the Atomic Energy Defense Act  
6 (50 U.S.C. 2787(f)(1)) is amended by striking “2022”  
7 and inserting “2032”.

8 **SEC. 3120. MODIFICATION OF MINOR CONSTRUCTION**  
9 **THRESHOLD FOR PLANT PROJECTS.**

10 Section 4701(2) of the Atomic Energy Defense Act  
11 (50 U.S.C. 2741(2)) is amended—

12 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “subpara-

13 graphs (B) and (C)” and inserting “subparagraph

14 (B)”;

15 (2) in subparagraph (B), by striking “During

16 the period beginning on the date of the enactment

17 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal

18 Year 2023 and ending on November 30, 2025, the”

19 and inserting “The”; and

20 (3) by striking subparagraph (C).

21 **SEC. 3121. MODIFICATIONS RELATING TO UNFUNDED PRI-**  
22 **ORITIES OF THE NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECU-**  
23 **RITY ADMINISTRATION.**

24 Section 4716 of the Atomic Energy Defense Act (50  
25 U.S.C. 2756) is amended—

26 (1) in subsection (b)(1)—

1 (A) in subparagraph (A), by inserting “or  
2 the risk to be mitigated” after “objectives to be  
3 achieved”; and

4 (B) in subparagraph (B), by inserting “or  
5 risk mitigation” after “objectives”; and

6 (2) in subsection (c)(2), by striking “fulfill”  
7 and inserting “address”.

8 **SEC. 3122. LIMITATION ON ESTABLISHING AN ENDURING**  
9 **BIOASSURANCE PROGRAM WITHIN THE NA-**  
10 **TIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRA-**  
11 **TION.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle B of title XLVIII of the  
13 Atomic Energy Defense Act (50 U.S.C. 2791 et seq.) is  
14 amended by adding at the end the following new section:

15 **“SEC. 4815. LIMITATION ON ESTABLISHING AN ENDURING**  
16 **BIOASSURANCE PROGRAM WITHIN THE AD-**  
17 **MINISTRATION.**

18 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator may not es-  
19 tablish, administer, manage, or facilitate a program within  
20 the Administration for the purposes of executing an en-  
21 during national security research and development effort  
22 to broaden the role of the Department of Energy in na-  
23 tional biodefense.

24 “(b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—The limitation de-  
25 scribed in subsection (a) shall not be interpreted—

1           “(1) to prohibit the establishment of a bioassur-  
2           ance program for the purpose of executing enduring  
3           national security research and development in any  
4           component of the Department of Energy other than  
5           the Administration or in any other Federal agency;  
6           or

7           “(2) to impede the use of resources of the Ad-  
8           ministration, including resources provided by a na-  
9           tional security laboratory or a nuclear weapons pro-  
10          duction facility site, to support the execution of a  
11          bioassurance program, if such support is provided—

12                   “(A) on a cost-reimbursable basis to an en-  
13                   tity that is not a component of the Department  
14                   of Energy; and

15                   “(B) in a manner that does not interfere  
16                   with mission of such laboratory or facility.”.

17          (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents  
18          for the Atomic Energy Defense Act is amended by insert-  
19          ing after the item relating to section 4814 the following  
20          new item:

          “Sec. 4815. Limitation on establishing an enduring bioassurance program with-  
          in the Administration.”.

1 **SEC. 3123. MODIFICATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**  
2 **FOR URANIUM CAPABILITIES REPLACEMENT**  
3 **PROJECT.**

4 Section 3123 of the National Defense Authorization  
5 Act for Fiscal Year 2013 (Public Law 112–239; 126 Stat.  
6 2177) is amended by striking subsection (g) and inserting  
7 the following new subsection:

8 “(g) PROGRAM ACCOUNTABILITY MATRICES AND  
9 GAO ASSESSMENTS.—

10 “(1) REQUIREMENT.—Concurrent with the sub-  
11 mission of the budget of the President (as submitted  
12 to Congress pursuant to section 1105(a) of title 31,  
13 United States Code) for fiscal year 2025 and each  
14 fiscal year thereafter until the termination date  
15 specified in paragraph (4), the Administrator for  
16 Nuclear Security shall submit to the congressional  
17 defense committees and the Comptroller General of  
18 the United States the matrices described in para-  
19 graph (2) relating to the project referred to in sub-  
20 section (a).

21 “(2) MATRICES DESCRIBED.—The matrices de-  
22 scribed in this subsection are the following:

23 “(A) TECHNOLOGY MATURITY MATRIX.—A  
24 matrix that identifies key milestones, develop-  
25 ment events, and specific performance goals for

1 the development of critical technologies relating  
2 to the project referred to in subsection (a).

3 “(B) SCOPE, COST, AND SCHEDULE MA-  
4 TRIX.—A matrix that identifies—

5 “(i) causes of cost growth and sched-  
6 ule slippage, if any, for the project referred  
7 to in subsection (a), including challenges  
8 relating to construction, procurement, and  
9 supply chain issues;

10 “(ii) the impact of such cost and  
11 schedule problems on current and planned  
12 weapons modernization efforts; and

13 “(iii) the scope, cost, and schedule of  
14 activities funded by the uranium mod-  
15 ernization program for the period of fiscal  
16 years 2024 through 2028 as set forth in  
17 the corresponding future-years nuclear se-  
18 curity program submitted to Congress pur-  
19 suant to section 2453 of title 10, United  
20 States Code.

21 “(3) GAO ASSESSMENT.—Not later than 180  
22 days after receiving the matrices described in para-  
23 graph (2), the Comptroller General of the United  
24 States shall—

1           “(A) assess the progress made on the  
2 project referred to in subsection (a); and

3           “(B) provide to the congressional defense  
4 committees a briefing on the results of that as-  
5 sessment.

6           “(4) TERMINATION.—The requirements of this  
7 subsection shall terminate on the date that is one  
8 year after the date on which the project referred to  
9 in subsection (a) is completed.”.

10 **SEC. 3124. PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**  
11 **NAVAL NUCLEAR FUEL SYSTEMS BASED ON**  
12 **LOW-ENRICHED URANIUM.**

13       None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by  
14 this Act or otherwise made available for the National Nu-  
15 clear Security Administration may be obligated or ex-  
16 pended to conduct research or development relating to an  
17 advanced naval nuclear fuel system based on low-enriched  
18 uranium.

19 **SEC. 3125. PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS TO**  
20 **RECONVERT OR RETIRE W76-2 WARHEADS.**

21       (a) PROHIBITION.—Except as provided in subsection  
22 (b), none of the funds authorized to be appropriated by  
23 this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024  
24 for the National Nuclear Security Administration may be

1 obligated or expended to reconvert or retire a W76-2 war-  
2 head.

3 (b) WAIVER.—The Administrator for Nuclear Secu-  
4 rity may waive the prohibition under subsection (a) if the  
5 Administrator, in consultation with the Secretary of De-  
6 fense and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, cer-  
7 tifies in writing to the congressional defense committees  
8 that—

9 (1) Russia and China do not possess naval ca-  
10 pabilities similar to the W76-2 warhead in the ac-  
11 tive stockpiles of the respective countries; and

12 (2) the Department of Defense does not have a  
13 valid military requirement for the W76-2 warhead.

14 **SEC. 3126. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS PEND-**  
15 **ING SUBMITTAL OF SPEND PLAN FOR DEVEL-**  
16 **OPMENT OF SEA-LAUNCHED CRUISE MISSILE**  
17 **WARHEAD.**

18 Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this  
19 Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024 for  
20 the Office of the Administrator for Nuclear Security, not  
21 more than 50 percent may be obligated or expended until  
22 the date on which the Administrator submits to the con-  
23 gressional defense committees the spend plan for the war-  
24 head associated with the sea-launched cruise missile re-  
25 quired by section 1642(d) of the National Defense Author-

1 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263;  
2 136 Stat. 2946).

3 **SEC. 3127. DEADLINES FOR COMMENCEMENT OF OPER-**  
4 **ATIONS OF CERTAIN ATOMIC ENERGY RE-**  
5 **PLACEMENT PROJECTS.**

6 (a) HIGH EXPLOSIVE SYNTHESIS, FORMULATION,  
7 AND PRODUCTION FACILITY.—

8 (1) DEADLINE FOR COMMENCEMENT OF OPER-  
9 ATIONS.—Project 21-D-510, the High Explosive  
10 Synthesis, Formulation, and Production facility,  
11 shall commence operations by not later than Decem-  
12 ber 31, 2034.

13 (2) ANNUAL REPORT.—

14 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator for  
15 Nuclear Security shall submit to the congres-  
16 sional defense committees, not later than Feb-  
17 ruary 1 of each year until the termination date  
18 specified in subparagraph (B), a report that in-  
19 cludes a comprehensive estimate of the funds  
20 necessary, by year, to achieve the deadline spec-  
21 ified in paragraph (1).

22 (B) TERMINATION DATE.—The termi-  
23 nation date specified in this subparagraph is  
24 the date on which the Administrator determines

1           that the facility referred to in paragraph (1)  
2           has commenced operations.

3       (b) TRITIUM FINISHING FACILITY.—

4           (1) DEADLINE FOR COMMENCEMENT OF OPER-  
5       ATIONS.—Project 18-D-650, the Tritium Finishing  
6       Facility, shall commence operations by not later  
7       than December 31, 2036.

8           (2) ANNUAL REPORT.—

9           (A) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator for  
10       Nuclear Security shall submit to the congress-  
11       sional defense committees, not later than Feb-  
12       ruary 1 of each year until the termination date  
13       specified in subparagraph (B), a report that in-  
14       cludes a comprehensive estimate of the funds  
15       necessary, by year, to achieve the deadline spec-  
16       ified in paragraph (1).

17           (B) TERMINATION DATE.—The termi-  
18       nation date specified in this subparagraph is  
19       the date on which the Administrator determines  
20       that the facility referred to in paragraph (1)  
21       has commenced operations.

22       **SEC. 3128. INTEGRATED SCHEDULE FOR FUTURE-YEARS**  
23               **NUCLEAR SECURITY PROGRAM.**

24       (a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator for Nuclear  
25       Security shall—

1 (1) develop and maintain a high-level milestone  
2 schedule document for all covered construction  
3 projects that includes production infrastructure  
4 modernization schedules with weapons modernization  
5 programs; and

6 (2) for each covered construction project in-  
7 cluded in the high-level milestone schedule document  
8 under paragraph (1), include in such document an  
9 identification and explanation of the status of any  
10 associated integrated master schedule.

11 (b) INCLUSION IN FUTURE-YEARS NUCLEAR SECU-  
12 RITY PROGRAM.—The milestone schedule document re-  
13 quired under subsection (a) shall be included in the future-  
14 years nuclear security program for fiscal year 2025 and  
15 each subsequent fiscal year.

16 (c) COVERED CONSTRUCTION PROJECT.—In this sec-  
17 tion, the term “covered construction project” means—

18 (1) a construction project that is subject to De-  
19 partment of Energy Order 413.3B, or a successor  
20 order; or

21 (2) a program designated as Enhanced Man-  
22 agement A or B under the Program Execution In-  
23 struction of the Office of Defense Programs of the  
24 National Nuclear Security Administration.

## 1                   **Subtitle C—Other Matters**

### 2   **SEC. 3131. U.S. NUCLEAR FUEL SECURITY INITIATIVE.**

3           (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This section may be cited as the  
4 “Nuclear Fuel Security Act of 2023”.

5           (b) **SENSE OF CONGRESS.**—It is the sense of Con-  
6 gress that—

7                   (1) the Department should—

8                           (A) support increased domestic production  
9                           of low-enriched uranium; and

10                           (B) accelerate efforts to establish a domes-  
11                           tic high-assay, low-enriched uranium enrich-  
12                           ment capability; and

13                   (2) if domestic enrichment of high-assay, low-  
14                   enriched uranium will not be commercially available  
15                   at the scale needed in time to meet the needs of the  
16                   advanced nuclear reactor demonstration projects of  
17                   the Department, the Secretary shall consider and  
18                   implement, as necessary—

19                           (A) all viable options to make high-assay,  
20                           low-enriched uranium produced from inven-  
21                           tories owned by the Department available in a  
22                           manner that is sufficient to maximize the po-  
23                           tential for the Department to meet the needs  
24                           and schedules of advanced nuclear reactor de-  
25                           velopers, without impacting existing Depart-

1           ment missions, until such time that commercial  
2           enrichment and deconversion capability for  
3           high-assay, low-enriched uranium exists at a  
4           scale sufficient to meet future needs; and

5                   (B) all viable options for partnering with  
6           countries that are allies or partners of the  
7           United States to meet those needs and sched-  
8           ules until that time.

9           (c) OBJECTIVES.—The objectives of this section  
10          are—

11                   (1) to support domestic production of low-en-  
12          riched uranium;

13                   (2) to expeditiously increase domestic produc-  
14          tion of high-assay, low-enriched uranium by an an-  
15          nual quantity, and in such form, determined by the  
16          Secretary to be sufficient to meet the needs of—

17                           (A) advanced nuclear reactor developers;  
18          and

19                           (B) the consortium;

20                   (3) to ensure the availability of domestically  
21          produced, converted, enriched, deconverted, and re-  
22          duced uranium in a quantity determined by the Sec-  
23          retary, in consultation with U.S. nuclear energy  
24          companies, to be sufficient to address a reasonably  
25          anticipated supply disruption;

1           (4) to address gaps and deficiencies in the do-  
2           mestic production, conversion, enrichment,  
3           deconversion, and reduction of uranium by  
4           partnering with countries that are allies or partners  
5           of the United States if domestic options are not  
6           practicable;

7           (5) to ensure that, in the event of a supply dis-  
8           ruption in the nuclear fuel market, a reserve of nu-  
9           clear fuels is available to serve as a backup supply  
10          to support the nuclear nonproliferation and civil nu-  
11          clear energy objectives of the Department, including  
12          collaborative research and development activities  
13          with other Federal agencies;

14          (6) to support enrichment, deconversion, and  
15          reduction technology deployed in the United States;  
16          and

17          (7) to ensure that, until such time that domes-  
18          tic enrichment and deconversion of high-assay, low-  
19          enriched uranium is commercially available at the  
20          scale needed to meet the needs of advanced nuclear  
21          reactor developers, the Secretary considers and im-  
22          plements, as necessary—

23                 (A) all viable options to make high-assay,  
24                 low-enriched uranium produced from inven-  
25                 tories owned by the Department available in a

1 manner that is sufficient to maximize the po-  
2 tential for the Department to meet the needs  
3 and schedules of advanced nuclear reactor de-  
4 velopers; and

5 (B) all viable options for partnering with  
6 countries that are allies or partners of the  
7 United States to meet those needs and sched-  
8 ules.

9 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTOR.—The term  
11 “advanced nuclear reactor” has the meaning given  
12 the term in section 951(b) of the Energy Policy Act  
13 of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16271(b)).

14 (2) ASSOCIATED ENTITY.—The term “associ-  
15 ated entity” means an entity that—

16 (A) is owned, controlled, or dominated  
17 by—

18 (i) the government of a country that  
19 is an ally or partner of the United States;  
20 or

21 (ii) an associated individual; or

22 (B) is organized under the laws of, or oth-  
23 erwise subject to the jurisdiction of, a country  
24 that is an ally or partner of the United States,

1 including a corporation that is incorporated in  
2 such a country.

3 (3) ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUAL.—The term “asso-  
4 ciated individual” means an alien who is a national  
5 of a country that is an ally or partner of the United  
6 States.

7 (4) CONSORTIUM.—The term “consortium”  
8 means the consortium established under section  
9 2001(a)(2)(F) of the Energy Act of 2020 (42 U.S.C.  
10 16281(a)(2)(F)).

11 (5) DEPARTMENT.—The term “Department”  
12 means the Department of Energy.

13 (6) HIGH-ASSAY, LOW-ENRICHED URANIUM;  
14 HALEU.—The term “high-assay, low-enriched ura-  
15 nium” or “HALEU” means high-assay low-enriched  
16 uranium (as defined in section 2001(d) of the En-  
17 ergy Act of 2020 (42 U.S.C. 16281(d))).

18 (7) LOW-ENRICHED URANIUM; LEU.—The term  
19 “low-enriched uranium” or “LEU” means each of—

20 (A) low-enriched uranium (as defined in  
21 section 3102 of the USEC Privatization Act  
22 (42 U.S.C. 2297h)); and

23 (B) low-enriched uranium (as defined in  
24 section 3112A(a) of that Act (42 U.S.C.  
25 2297h–10a(a))).

1           (8) PROGRAMS.—The term “Programs”  
2 means—

3           (A) the Nuclear Fuel Security Program es-  
4 tablished under subsection (e)(1);

5           (B) the American Assured Fuel Supply  
6 Program of the Department; and

7           (C) the HALEU for Advanced Nuclear Re-  
8 actor Demonstration Projects Program estab-  
9 lished under subsection (e)(3).

10          (9) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
11 the Secretary of Energy.

12          (10) U.S. NUCLEAR ENERGY COMPANY.—The  
13 term “U.S. nuclear energy company” means a com-  
14 pany that—

15           (A) is organized under the laws of, or oth-  
16 erwise subject to the jurisdiction of, the United  
17 States; and

18           (B) is involved in the nuclear energy indus-  
19 try.

20          (e) ESTABLISHMENT AND EXPANSION OF PRO-  
21 GRAMS.—The Secretary, consistent with the objectives de-  
22 scribed in subsection (c), shall—

23           (1) establish a program, to be known as the  
24 “Nuclear Fuel Security Program”, to increase the  
25 quantity of HALEU and, if determined to be nec-

1        essary after completion of a market evaluation, LEU  
2        produced by U.S. nuclear energy companies;

3            (2) expand the American Assured Fuel Supply  
4        Program of the Department to ensure the avail-  
5        ability of domestically produced, converted, enriched,  
6        deconverted, and reduced uranium in the event of a  
7        supply disruption; and

8            (3) establish a program, to be known as the  
9        “HALEU for Advanced Nuclear Reactor Dem-  
10       onstration Projects Program”—

11           (A) to maximize the potential for the De-  
12       partment to meet the needs and schedules of  
13       advanced nuclear reactor developers until such  
14       time that commercial enrichment and  
15       deconversion capability for HALEU exists in  
16       the United States at a scale sufficient to meet  
17       future needs; and

18           (B) where practicable, to partner with  
19       countries that are allies or partners of the  
20       United States to meet those needs and sched-  
21       ules until that time.

22       (f) NUCLEAR FUEL SECURITY PROGRAM.—

23           (1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out the Nuclear  
24       Fuel Security Program, the Secretary—

25           (A) shall—

1 (i) if determined to be necessary or  
2 appropriate based on the completion of a  
3 market evaluation, not later than 90 days  
4 after the date of enactment of this Act,  
5 take actions, including cost-shared finan-  
6 cial agreements, milestone-based payments,  
7 or other mechanisms, to support commer-  
8 cial availability of LEU and to promote di-  
9 versity of supply in domestic uranium min-  
10 ing, conversion, enrichment, and  
11 deconversion capacity and technologies, in-  
12 cluding new capacity, among U.S. nuclear  
13 energy companies;

14 (ii) not later than 180 days after the  
15 date of enactment of this Act, enter into 2  
16 or more contracts with members of the  
17 consortium to begin acquiring not less than  
18 20 metric tons per year of HALEU by De-  
19 cember 31, 2027 (or the earliest operation-  
20 ally feasible date thereafter), from U.S.  
21 nuclear energy companies;

22 (iii) utilize only uranium produced,  
23 converted, enriched, deconverted, and re-  
24 duced in—

25 (I) the United States; or

1 (II) if domestic options are not  
2 practicable, a country that is an ally  
3 or partner of the United States; and  
4 (iv) to the maximum extent prac-  
5 ticable, ensure that the use of domestic  
6 uranium utilized as a result of that pro-  
7 gram does not negatively affect the eco-  
8 nomic operation of nuclear reactors in the  
9 United States; and

10 (B)(i) may not make commitments under  
11 this subsection (including cooperative agree-  
12 ments (used in accordance with section 6305 of  
13 title 31, United States Code), purchase agree-  
14 ments, guarantees, leases, service contracts, or  
15 any other type of commitment) for the purchase  
16 or other acquisition of HALEU or LEU un-  
17 less—

18 (I) funds are specifically provided for  
19 those purposes in advance in appropria-  
20 tions Acts enacted after the date of enact-  
21 ment of this Act; or

22 (II) the commitment is funded en-  
23 tirely by funds made available to the Sec-  
24 retary from the account described in sub-  
25 section (j)(2)(B); and

1 (ii) may make a commitment described in  
2 clause (i) only—

3 (I) if the full extent of the anticipated  
4 costs stemming from the commitment is  
5 recorded as an obligation at the time that  
6 the commitment is made; and

7 (II) to the extent of that up-front ob-  
8 ligation recorded in full at that time.

9 (2) CONSIDERATIONS.—In carrying out para-  
10 graph (1)(A)(ii), the Secretary shall consider and, if  
11 appropriate, implement—

12 (A) options to ensure the quickest avail-  
13 ability of commercially enriched HALEU, in-  
14 cluding—

15 (i) partnerships between 2 or more  
16 commercial enrichers; and

17 (ii) utilization of up to 10-percent en-  
18 riched uranium as feedstock in demonstra-  
19 tion-scale or commercial HALEU enrich-  
20 ment facilities;

21 (B) options to partner with countries that  
22 are allies or partners of the United States to  
23 provide LEU and HALEU for commercial pur-  
24 poses;

1 (C) options that provide for an array of  
2 HALEU—

3 (i) enrichment levels;

4 (ii) output levels to meet demand; and

5 (iii) fuel forms, including uranium  
6 metal and oxide; and

7 (D) options—

8 (i) to replenish, as necessary, Depart-  
9 ment stockpiles of uranium that were in-  
10 tended to be downblended for other pur-  
11 poses, but were instead used in carrying  
12 out activities under the HALEU for Ad-  
13 vanced Nuclear Reactor Demonstration  
14 Projects Program;

15 (ii) to continue supplying HALEU to  
16 meet the needs of the recipients of an  
17 award made pursuant to the funding op-  
18 portunity announcement of the Depart-  
19 ment numbered DE-FOA-0002271 for  
20 Pathway 1, Advanced Reactor Demonstra-  
21 tions; and

22 (iii) to make HALEU available to  
23 other advanced nuclear reactor developers  
24 and other end-users.

1           (3) AVOIDANCE OF MARKET DISRUPTIONS.—In  
2 carrying out the Nuclear Fuel Security Program, the  
3 Secretary, to the extent practicable and consistent  
4 with the purposes of that program, shall not disrupt  
5 or replace market mechanisms by competing with  
6 U.S. nuclear energy companies.

7           (g) EXPANSION OF THE AMERICAN ASSURED FUEL  
8 SUPPLY PROGRAM.—The Secretary, in consultation with  
9 U.S. nuclear energy companies, shall—

10           (1) expand the American Assured Fuel Supply  
11 Program of the Department by merging the oper-  
12 ations of the Uranium Reserve Program of the De-  
13 partment with the American Assured Fuel Supply  
14 Program; and

15           (2) in carrying out the American Assured Fuel  
16 Supply Program of the Department, as expanded  
17 under paragraph (1)—

18           (A) maintain, replenish, diversify, or in-  
19 crease the quantity of uranium made available  
20 by that program in a manner determined by the  
21 Secretary to be consistent with the purposes of  
22 that program and the objectives described in  
23 subsection (c);

24           (B) utilize only uranium produced, con-  
25 verted, enriched, deconverted, and reduced in—

1 (i) the United States; or

2 (ii) if domestic options are not prac-  
3 ticable, a country that is an ally or partner  
4 of the United States;

5 (C) make uranium available from the  
6 American Assured Fuel Supply, subject to  
7 terms and conditions determined by the Sec-  
8 retary to be reasonable and appropriate;

9 (D) refill and expand the supply of ura-  
10 nium in the American Assured Fuel Supply, in-  
11 cluding by maintaining a limited reserve of ura-  
12 nium to address a potential event in which a  
13 domestic or foreign recipient of uranium experi-  
14 ences a supply disruption for which uranium  
15 cannot be obtained through normal market  
16 mechanisms or under normal market conditions;  
17 and

18 (E) take other actions that the Secretary  
19 determines to be necessary or appropriate to  
20 address the purposes of that program and the  
21 objectives described in subsection (c).

22 (h) HALEU FOR ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTOR  
23 DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS PROGRAM.—

24 (1) ACTIVITIES.—On enactment of this Act, the  
25 Secretary shall immediately accelerate and, as nec-

1        essary, initiate activities to make available from in-  
2        ventories or stockpiles owned by the Department and  
3        made available to the consortium, HALEU for use  
4        in advanced nuclear reactors that cannot operate on  
5        uranium with lower enrichment levels or on alternate  
6        fuels, with priority given to the awards made pursu-  
7        ant to the funding opportunity announcement of the  
8        Department numbered DE-FOA-0002271 for Path-  
9        way 1, Advanced Reactor Demonstrations, with ad-  
10       ditional HALEU to be made available to other ad-  
11       vanced nuclear reactor developers, as the Secretary  
12       determines to be appropriate.

13               (2) QUANTITY.—In carrying out activities  
14       under this subsection, the Secretary shall consider  
15       and implement, as necessary, all viable options to  
16       make HALEU available in quantities and forms suf-  
17       ficient to maximize the potential for the Department  
18       to meet the needs and schedules of advanced nuclear  
19       reactor developers, including by seeking to make  
20       available—

21                       (A) by September 30, 2024, not less than  
22                       3 metric tons of HALEU;

23                       (B) by December 31, 2025, not less than  
24                       an additional 8 metric tons of HALEU; and

1 (C) by June 30, 2026, not less than an ad-  
2 ditional 10 metric tons of HALEU.

3 (3) FACTORS FOR CONSIDERATION.—In car-  
4 rying out activities under this subsection, the Sec-  
5 retary shall take into consideration—

6 (A) options for providing HALEU from a  
7 stockpile of uranium owned by the Department,  
8 including—

9 (i) uranium that has been declared ex-  
10 cess to national security needs during or  
11 prior to fiscal year 2023;

12 (ii) uranium that—

13 (I) directly meets the needs of  
14 advanced nuclear reactor developers;  
15 but

16 (II) has been previously used or  
17 fabricated for another purpose;

18 (iii) uranium that can meet the needs  
19 of advanced nuclear reactor developers  
20 after removing radioactive or other con-  
21 taminants that resulted from previous use  
22 or fabrication of the fuel for research, de-  
23 velopment, demonstration, or deployment  
24 activities of the Department, including ac-  
25 tivities that reduce the environmental li-

1 ability of the Department by accelerating  
2 the processing of uranium from stockpiles  
3 designated as waste;

4 (iv) uranium from a high-enriched  
5 uranium stockpile (excluding stockpiles in-  
6 tended for national security needs), which  
7 can be blended with lower assay uranium  
8 to become HALEU to meet the needs of  
9 advanced nuclear reactor developers; and

10 (v) uranium from stockpiles intended  
11 for other purposes (excluding stockpiles in-  
12 tended for national security needs), but for  
13 which uranium could be swapped or re-  
14 placed in time in such a manner that  
15 would not negatively impact the missions  
16 of the Department;

17 (B) options for expanding, or establishing  
18 new, capabilities or infrastructure to support  
19 the processing of uranium from Department in-  
20 ventories;

21 (C) options for accelerating the availability  
22 of HALEU from HALEU enrichment dem-  
23 onstration projects of the Department;

24 (D) options for providing HALEU from  
25 domestically enriched HALEU procured by the

1 Department through a competitive process pur-  
2 suant to the Nuclear Fuel Security Program es-  
3 tablished under subsection (e)(1);

4 (E) options to replenish, as needed, De-  
5 partment stockpiles of uranium made available  
6 pursuant to subparagraph (A) with domestically  
7 enriched HALEU procured by the Department  
8 through a competitive process pursuant to the  
9 Nuclear Fuel Security Program established  
10 under subsection (e)(1); and

11 (F) options that combine 1 or more of the  
12 approaches described in subparagraphs (A)  
13 through (E) to meet the deadlines described in  
14 paragraph (2).

15 (4) LIMITATIONS.—

16 (A) CERTAIN SERVICES.—The Secretary  
17 shall not barter or otherwise sell or transfer  
18 uranium in any form in exchange for services  
19 relating to—

20 (i) the final disposition of radioactive  
21 waste from uranium that is the subject of  
22 a contract for sale, resale, transfer, or  
23 lease under this subsection; or

24 (ii) environmental cleanup activities.

1 (B) CERTAIN COMMITMENTS.—In carrying  
2 out activities under this subsection, the Sec-  
3 retary—

4 (i) may not make commitments under  
5 this subsection (including cooperative  
6 agreements (used in accordance with sec-  
7 tion 6305 of title 31, United States Code),  
8 purchase agreements, guarantees, leases,  
9 service contracts, or any other type of com-  
10 mitment) for the purchase or other acquisi-  
11 tion of HALEU or LEU unless—

12 (I) funds are specifically provided  
13 for those purposes in advance in ap-  
14 propriations Acts enacted after the  
15 date of enactment of this Act; or

16 (II) the commitment is funded  
17 entirely by funds made available to  
18 the Secretary from the account de-  
19 scribed in subsection (j)(2)(B); and

20 (ii) may make a commitment de-  
21 scribed in clause (i) only—

22 (I) if the full extent of the antici-  
23 pated costs stemming from the com-  
24 mitment is recorded as an obligation

1 at the time that the commitment is  
2 made; and

3 (II) to the extent of that up-front  
4 obligation recorded in full at that  
5 time.

6 (5) SUNSET.—The authority of the Secretary to  
7 carry out activities under this subsection shall termi-  
8 nate on the earlier of—

9 (A) the date on which the Secretary noti-  
10 fies Congress that the HALEU needs of ad-  
11 vanced nuclear reactor developers can be fully  
12 met by commercial HALEU suppliers in the  
13 United States, as determined by the Secretary,  
14 in consultation with U.S. nuclear energy compa-  
15 nies; and

16 (B) September 30, 2034.

17 (i) DOMESTIC SOURCING CONSIDERATIONS.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
19 graph (2), the Secretary may only carry out an ac-  
20 tivity in connection with 1 or more of the Programs  
21 if—

22 (A) the activity promotes manufacturing in  
23 the United States associated with uranium sup-  
24 ply chains; or

1 (B) the activity relies on resources, mate-  
2 rials, or equipment developed or produced—

3 (i) in the United States; or

4 (ii) in a country that is an ally or  
5 partner of the United States by—

6 (I) the government of that coun-  
7 try;

8 (II) an associated entity; or

9 (III) a U.S. nuclear energy com-  
10 pany.

11 (2) WAIVER.—The Secretary may waive the re-  
12 quirements of paragraph (1) with respect to an ac-  
13 tivity if the Secretary determines a waiver to be nec-  
14 essary to achieve 1 or more of the objectives de-  
15 scribed in subsection (c).

16 (j) REASONABLE COMPENSATION.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out activities  
18 under this section, the Secretary shall ensure that  
19 any LEU and HALEU made available by the Sec-  
20 retary under 1 or more of the Programs is subject  
21 to reasonable compensation, taking into account the  
22 fair market value of the LEU or HALEU and the  
23 purposes of this section.

24 (2) AVAILABILITY OF CERTAIN FUNDS.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding sec-  
2 tion 3302(b) of title 31, United States Code,  
3 revenues received by the Secretary from the  
4 sale or transfer of fuel feed material acquired  
5 by the Secretary pursuant to a contract entered  
6 into under clause (i) or (ii) of subsection  
7 (f)(1)(A) shall—

8 (i) be deposited in the account de-  
9 scribed in subparagraph (B);

10 (ii) be available to the Secretary for  
11 carrying out the purposes of this section,  
12 to reduce the need for further appropria-  
13 tions for those purposes; and

14 (iii) remain available until expended.

15 (B) REVOLVING FUND.—There is estab-  
16 lished in the Treasury an account into which  
17 the revenues described in subparagraph (A)  
18 shall be—

19 (i) deposited in accordance with clause  
20 (i) of that subparagraph; and

21 (ii) made available in accordance with  
22 clauses (ii) and (iii) of that subparagraph.

23 (k) NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION.—The Nu-  
24 clear Regulatory Commission shall prioritize and expedite  
25 consideration of any action related to the Programs to the

1 extent permitted under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954  
2 (42 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.) and related statutes.

3 (l) USEC PRIVATIZATION ACT.—The requirements  
4 of section 3112(d)(2) of the USEC Privatization Act (42  
5 U.S.C. 2297h–10(d)(2)) shall not apply to activities re-  
6 lated to the Programs.

7 (m) NATIONAL SECURITY NEEDS.—The Secretary  
8 shall only make available to a member of the consortium  
9 under this section for commercial use or use in a dem-  
10 onstration project material that the President has deter-  
11 mined is not necessary for national security needs during  
12 or prior to fiscal year 2023, subject to the condition that  
13 the material made available shall not include any material  
14 that the Secretary determines to be necessary for the Na-  
15 tional Nuclear Security Administration or any critical mis-  
16 sion of the Department.

17 (n) INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS.—This section  
18 shall be applied in a manner consistent with the obliga-  
19 tions of the United States under international agreements.

20 (o) REPORT ON CIVIL NUCLEAR CREDIT PRO-  
21 GRAM.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enact-  
22 ment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the appro-  
23 priate committees of Congress a report that identifies the  
24 anticipated funding requirements for the civil nuclear  
25 credit program described in section 40323 of the Infra-

1 structure Investment and Jobs Act (42 U.S.C. 18753),  
2 taking into account—

3 (1) the zero-emission nuclear power production  
4 credit authorized by section 45U of the Internal  
5 Revenue Code of 1986; and

6 (2) any increased fuel costs associated with the  
7 use of domestic fuel that may arise from the imple-  
8 mentation of that program.

9 (p) SUPPLY CHAIN INFRASTRUCTURE AND WORK-  
10 FORCE CAPACITY BUILDING.—

11 (1) SUPPLY CHAIN INFRASTRUCTURE.—Section  
12 10781(b)(1) of Public Law 117–167 (commonly  
13 known as the “CHIPS and Science Act of 2022”)  
14 (42 U.S.C. 19351(b)(1)) is amended by striking  
15 “and demonstration of advanced nuclear reactors”  
16 and inserting “demonstration, and deployment of  
17 advanced nuclear reactors and associated supply  
18 chain infrastructure”.

19 (2) WORKFORCE CAPACITY BUILDING.—Section  
20 954(b) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C.  
21 16274(b)) is amended—

22 (A) in the subsection heading, by striking  
23 “Graduate”;

24 (B) by striking “graduate” each place it  
25 appears;

1 (C) in paragraph (2)(A), by inserting  
2 “community colleges, trade schools, registered  
3 apprenticeship programs, pre-apprenticeship  
4 programs,” after “universities,”;

5 (D) in paragraph (3), by striking “2021  
6 through 2025” and inserting “2023 through  
7 2027”;

8 (E) by redesignating paragraph (3) as  
9 paragraph (4); and

10 (F) by inserting after paragraph (2) the  
11 following:

12 “(A) FOCUS AREAS.—In carrying out the  
13 subprogram under this subsection, the Sec-  
14 retary may implement traineeships in focus  
15 areas that, in the determination of the Sec-  
16 retary, are necessary to support the nuclear en-  
17 ergy sector in the United States, including—

18 “(i) research and development;

19 “(ii) construction and operation;

20 “(iii) associated supply chains; and

21 “(iv) workforce training and retrain-  
22 ing to support transitioning workforces.”.

23 **SEC. 3132. UPDATED FINANCIAL INTEGRATION POLICY.**

24 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-  
25 ment of this Act, the Administrator for Nuclear Security

1 shall issue an updated financial integration policy, which  
2 shall include the following:

3           (1) Updated responsibilities for offices of the  
4           National Nuclear Security Administration and re-  
5           quirements for management and operating contrac-  
6           tors, including contractors at sites that are not sites  
7           of the Administration.

8           (2) Guidance for how offices of the Administra-  
9           tion should use common financial data, including  
10          guidance requiring that such data be used as the  
11          primary source of financial data by program offices,  
12          to the extent practicable.

13          (3) Processes recommended by the Government  
14          Accountability Office to improve financial integra-  
15          tion efforts of the Administration, including an in-  
16          ternal process to verify how management and oper-  
17          ating contractors crosswalk data from their systems  
18          to the appropriate work breakdown structure of the  
19          Administration and apply common cost element defi-  
20          nitions.

21          (4) Any other matters the Administrator con-  
22          siders appropriate.

1 **SEC. 3133. PLAN FOR DOMESTIC ENRICHMENT CAPABILITY**  
2 **TO SATISFY DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE URA-**  
3 **NIUM REQUIREMENTS.**

4 (a) REPORT.—Not later than 120 days after the date  
5 of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the Na-  
6 tional Nuclear Security Administration shall submit to the  
7 congressional defense committees a report that contains  
8 a plan to establish a domestic enrichment capability suffi-  
9 cient to meet defense requirements for enriched uranium.  
10 Such plan shall include—

11 (1) a description of defense requirements for  
12 enriched uranium expected to be necessary between  
13 the date of the enactment of this Act and 2060 to  
14 meet the requirements of the Department of De-  
15 fense, including quantities, material assay, and the  
16 dates by which new enrichment is required;

17 (2) key milestones, steps, and policy decisions  
18 required to achieve the domestic uranium enrich-  
19 ment capability;

20 (3) the dates by which such key milestones are  
21 to be achieved;

22 (4) a funding profile, broken down by project  
23 and sub-project, for obtaining such capability;

24 (5) a description of any changes in the require-  
25 ment of the Department of Defense for highly en-  
26 riched uranium due to AUKUS; and

1 (6) any other elements or information the Ad-  
2 ministrator determines appropriate.

3 (b) ANNUAL CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than February 1  
5 of each year after the year during which the report  
6 required by subsection (a) is submitted until the  
7 date specified in paragraph (2), the Administrator  
8 shall submit to the congressional defense committees  
9 a certification that—

10 (A) the Administration is in compliance  
11 with the plan and milestones contained in the  
12 report; or

13 (B) the Administration is not in compli-  
14 ance with such plan or milestones, together  
15 with—

16 (i) a description of the nature of the  
17 non-compliance;

18 (ii) the reasons for the non-compli-  
19 ance; and

20 (iii) a plan to achieve compliance.

21 (2) TERMINATION DATE.—No report shall be  
22 required under paragraph (1) after the date on  
23 which the Administrator certifies to the congres-  
24 sional defense committees that the final key mile-  
25 stone under the plan has been met.

1 (c) FORM OF REPORTS.—The report under sub-  
2 section (a) and each annual certification under subsection  
3 (b) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may in-  
4 clude a classified annex.

5 **SEC. 3134. BRIEFINGS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ENHANCED**  
6 **MISSION DELIVERY INITIATIVE.**

7 (a) BRIEFINGS REQUIRED.—Concurrent with the  
8 submission of the budget of the President to Congress  
9 under section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, for  
10 each of fiscal years 2025 through 2029, the Administrator  
11 for Nuclear Security, acting through the Director for Cost  
12 Estimating and Program Evaluation, shall provide to the  
13 congressional defense committees a briefing on the status  
14 of the implementation of the 18 principal recommenda-  
15 tions and associated subelements of such recommenda-  
16 tions set forth in the report titled “Evolving the Nuclear  
17 Security Enterprise: A Report of the Enhanced Mission  
18 Delivery Initiative”, published by the National Nuclear Se-  
19 curity Administration in September 2022.

20 (b) ELEMENTS.—Each briefing required by sub-  
21 section (a) shall address—

22 (1) the status of the implementation of each  
23 recommendation described in subsection (a);

1 (2) with respect to each recommendation that  
2 has been implemented, whether the outcome of such  
3 implementation is achieving the desired result;

4 (3) with respect to each recommendation that  
5 has not been implemented, the reason for not imple-  
6 menting such recommendation;

7 (4) whether additional legislation is required in  
8 order to implement a recommendation; and

9 (5) such other matters as the Administrator  
10 considers necessary.

11 **TITLE XXXII—DEFENSE NU-**  
12 **CLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY**  
13 **BOARD**

Sec. 3201. Authorization.

14 **SEC. 3201. AUTHORIZATION.**

15 There are authorized to be appropriated for fiscal  
16 year 2024, \$47,230,000 for the operation of the Defense  
17 Nuclear Facilities Safety Board under chapter 21 of the  
18 Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2286 et seq.).

19 **TITLE XXXIV—NAVAL**  
20 **PETROLEUM RESERVES**

Sec. 3401. Authorization of appropriations.

21 **SEC. 3401. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

22 (a) AMOUNT.—There are hereby authorized to be ap-  
23 propriated to the Secretary of Energy \$13,010,000 for fis-

1 cal year 2024 for the purpose of carrying out activities  
2 under chapter 869 of title 10, United States Code, relating  
3 to the naval petroleum reserves.

4 (b) PERIOD OF AVAILABILITY.—Funds appropriated  
5 pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in sub-  
6 section (a) shall remain available until expended.

7 **TITLE XXXV—MARITIME**  
8 **ADMINISTRATION**

Subtitle A—Maritime Administration

Sec. 3501. Authorization of appropriations for Maritime Administration.

Subtitle B—Maritime Infrastructure

Sec. 3511. Port infrastructure development program eligible projects.

Sec. 3512. Assistance for small inland river and coastal ports and terminals.

Sec. 3513. Port infrastructure development program: eligibility of shore power projects; selection criteria.

Sec. 3514. Codification of existing language; technical amendments.

Subtitle C—Reports

Sec. 3521. Reports on maritime industry, policies, and programs.

Sec. 3522. Reports on availability of used sealift vessels and the scrapping and recycling of imported vessels.

Sec. 3523. Study on foreign ownership and control of marine terminals.

Sec. 3524. Reports to Congress.

Subtitle D—Other Matters

Sec. 3531. Cargoes procured, furnished, or financed by the United States Government.

Sec. 3532. Recapitalization of National Defense Reserve Fleet.

Sec. 3533. United States Merchant Marine Academy and Coast Guard Academy matters; Maritime Administration requirements.

Sec. 3534. Maritime workforce working group.

Sec. 3535. Consideration of life-cycle cost estimates for acquisition and procurement of vessels.

Sec. 3536. Loans for retrofitting to qualify as a vessel of the United States.

Sec. 3537. Accountability for National Maritime Strategy.

1                   **Subtitle A—Maritime**  
2                   **Administration**

3   **SEC. 3501. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR MAR-**  
4                   **ITIME ADMINISTRATION.**

5           (a) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be appro-  
6   priated to the Department of Transportation for fiscal  
7   year 2024, for programs associated with maintaining the  
8   United States Merchant Marine, the following amounts:

9           (1) For expenses necessary to support the  
10   United States Merchant Marine Academy,  
11   \$198,500,000, of which—

12           (A) \$103,500,000 shall be for Academy  
13   operations;

14           (B) \$70,000,000 shall be for United States  
15   Merchant Marine Academy capital improvement  
16   projects;

17           (C) \$22,000,000 shall be for facilities  
18   maintenance and repair and equipment; and

19           (D) \$3,000,000 shall be for training, staff-  
20   ing, retention, recruiting, and contract manage-  
21   ment for United States Merchant Marine Acad-  
22   emy capital improvement projects.

23           (2) For expenses necessary to support the State  
24   maritime academies, \$66,580,000, of which—

1 (A) \$4,480,000 shall be for the Student  
2 Incentive Payment Program;

3 (B) \$6,000,000 shall be for direct pay-  
4 ments for State maritime academies;

5 (C) \$17,600,000 shall be for training ship  
6 fuel assistance;

7 (D) \$8,000,000 shall be for offsetting the  
8 costs of training ship sharing; and

9 (E) \$30,500,000 shall be for maintenance  
10 and repair of State maritime academy training  
11 vessels.

12 (3) For expenses necessary to support the Na-  
13 tional Security Multi-Mission Vessel program, in-  
14 cluding funds for construction and necessary ex-  
15 penses to construct shoreside infrastructure to sup-  
16 port such vessels, \$75,000,000.

17 (4) For expenses necessary to support Maritime  
18 Administration operations and programs,  
19 \$105,573,000, of which—

20 (A) \$15,000,000 shall be for the maritime  
21 environmental and technical assistance under  
22 section 50307 of title 46, United States Code;

23 (B) \$15,000,000 shall be for the United  
24 States marine highways program, including to

1 make grants authorized under section 55601 of  
2 title 46, United States Code;

3 (C) \$74,773,000 shall be for headquarters  
4 operations expenses; and

5 (D) \$800,000 shall be for expenses nec-  
6 essary to provide for National Defense Reserve  
7 Fleet resiliency.

8 (5) For expenses necessary for the disposal of  
9 obsolete vessels in the National Defense Reserve  
10 Fleet of the Maritime Administration, \$6,021,000.

11 (6) For expenses necessary to maintain and  
12 preserve a United States flag merchant marine to  
13 serve the national security needs of the United  
14 States under chapter 531 of title 46, United States  
15 Code, \$318,000,000.

16 (7) For expenses necessary for the loan guar-  
17 antee program authorized under chapter 537 of title  
18 46, United States Code, \$43,020,000, of which—

19 (A) \$40,000,000 may be for the cost (as  
20 such term is defined in section 502(5) of the  
21 Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990 (2 U.S.C.  
22 661a(5)) of loan guarantees under the program;  
23 and

1 (B) \$3,020,000 may be used for adminis-  
2 trative expenses relating to loan guarantee com-  
3 mitments under the program.

4 (8) For expenses necessary to provide assist-  
5 ance to small shipyards and for maritime training  
6 programs authorized under section 54101 of title 46,  
7 United States Code, \$30,000,000.

8 (9) For expenses necessary to implement the  
9 port infrastructure development program, as author-  
10 ized under section 54301 of title 46, United States  
11 Code, \$500,000,000, to remain available until ex-  
12 pended, except that no such funds authorized under  
13 this title for this program may be used to provide  
14 a grant to purchase fully automated cargo handling  
15 equipment that is remotely operated or remotely  
16 monitored with or without the exercise of human  
17 intervention or control, if the Secretary of Transpor-  
18 tation determines such equipment would result in a  
19 net loss of jobs within a port or port terminal. If  
20 such a determination is made, the data and analysis  
21 for such determination shall be reported to the Com-  
22 mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of  
23 the Senate and the Committee on Transportation  
24 and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives

1 not later than 3 days after the date of the deter-  
2 mination.

3 (10) For expenses necessary to implement the  
4 development of a national maritime strategy, as re-  
5 quired by section 3542 of the James M. Inhofe Na-  
6 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
7 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 3094),  
8 \$2,000,000, to remain available until expended.

9 (11) For expenses necessary for the design of  
10 a vessel for the National Defense Reserve Fleet, as  
11 required by section 3546 of the James M. Inhofe  
12 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
13 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 46 U.S.C. 57100 note),  
14 \$6,000,000, to remain available until expended.

15 (b) STUDENT INCENTIVE PAYMENT AGREEMENTS.—  
16 Section 51509(b) of title 46, United States Code, is  
17 amended—

18 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “\$8,000” and  
19 inserting “\$16,000”; and

20 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “\$32,000”  
21 and inserting “\$64,000”.

1                   **Subtitle B—Maritime**  
2                   **Infrastructure**

3   **SEC. 3511. PORT INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PRO-**  
4                   **GRAM ELIGIBLE PROJECTS.**

5           Section 54301(a)(3)(A)(ii) of title 46, United States  
6 Code, is amended—

7           (1) in subclause (III), by striking “or” at the  
8 end;

9           (2) in subclause (IV)(ii), by striking the period  
10 and inserting “; or”; and

11           (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
12 clause:

13                                   “(V) port and port-related infra-  
14                                   structure that supports seafood and  
15                                   seafood-related businesses, including  
16                                   the loading and unloading of commer-  
17                                   cially harvested fish and fish products,  
18                                   seafood processing, cold storage, and  
19                                   other related infrastructure.”.

20   **SEC. 3512. ASSISTANCE FOR SMALL INLAND RIVER AND**  
21                   **COASTAL PORTS AND TERMINALS.**

22           (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 54301(b) of title 46,  
23 United States Code, is amended—

24           (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “the findings  
25 of which are acceptable to the Secretary”;

1           (2) by redesignating paragraphs (2) through  
2           (5) as paragraphs (4) through (7), respectively; and  
3           (3) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-  
4           lowing new paragraph (2):

5           “(2) INDEPENDENT AUDIT.—

6                   “(A) IN GENERAL.—If an eligible applicant  
7                   provides data by an independent audit for pur-  
8                   poses of paragraph (1), the Secretary shall use  
9                   such data to make a tonnage determination if  
10                   the Secretary determines that it is acceptable to  
11                   use such data instead of using Corps of Engi-  
12                   neers data.

13                   “(B) ACCEPTABLE USE OF DATA.—For  
14                   purposes of subparagraph (A), an acceptable  
15                   use of data means that the Secretary has deter-  
16                   mined such data is a reasonable substitute for  
17                   Army Corps data.

18                   “(C) JUSTIFICATION.—If the Secretary  
19                   makes a determination pursuant to subpara-  
20                   graph (A) that it is not acceptable to use inde-  
21                   pendent audit data provided by an eligible ap-  
22                   plicant, the Secretary shall provide the eligible  
23                   applicant with notification of, and justification  
24                   for, such determination.

1           “(3) TONNAGE DETERMINATION.—In making a  
2           determination of the average annual tonnage of  
3           cargo using Corps of Engineers data for purposes of  
4           evaluating an application of an eligible applicant  
5           pursuant to paragraph (1), the Secretary shall use  
6           data that is specific to the eligible applicant.”.

7           (b)           CONFORMING           AMENDMENT.—Section  
8           54301(a)(7)(C)(ii) of title 46, United States Code, is  
9           amended by striking “subsection (b)(3)(A)(ii)(III)” and  
10          inserting “subsection (b)(5)(A)(ii)(III)”.

11 **SEC. 3513. PORT INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PRO-**  
12 **GRAM: ELIGIBILITY OF SHORE POWER**  
13 **PROJECTS; SELECTION CRITERIA.**

14          (a) ELIGIBILITY OF SHORE POWER PROJECTS.—

15               (1) IN GENERAL.—In making port infrastruc-  
16               ture development grants under section 54301 of title  
17               46, United States Code, for fiscal year 2024, the  
18               Secretary of Transportation shall treat a project de-  
19               scribed in paragraph (2) as—

20                       (A) having met the requirements of para-  
21                       graphs (1) and (6)(A)(i) of section 54301(a) of  
22                       such title; and

23                       (B) being an eligible project under section  
24                       54301(a)(3) of such title.

1           (2) PROJECT DESCRIBED.—A project described  
2           in this paragraph is a project to provide shore power  
3           at a port that services both of the following:

4                   (A) Passenger vessels described in section  
5                   3507(k) of title 46, United States Code.

6                   (B) Vessels that move goods or freight.

7           (b) SELECTION CRITERIA.—Section 54301(a)(6) of  
8           title 46, United States Code, is amended—

9                   (1) in subparagraph (A)(ii), by inserting “(ex-  
10                   cept in the case of a project described under sub-  
11                   paragraph (C))” after “effective”;

12                   (2) in subparagraph (B)(ii), by inserting “(ex-  
13                   cept in the case of a project described under sub-  
14                   paragraph (C))” after “as applicable”; and

15                   (3) by adding at the end, the following:

16                           “(C) NONCONTIGUOUS STATES AND TERRI-  
17                           TORIES.—The requirements under subpara-  
18                           graphs (A)(ii) and (B)(ii) shall not apply in the  
19                           case of a project described in paragraph (3) in  
20                           a noncontiguous State or territory.”.

21 **SEC. 3514. CODIFICATION OF EXISTING LANGUAGE; TECH-**  
22 **NICAL AMENDMENTS.**

23           (a) PORT INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PRO-  
24           GRAM.—

25                   (1) STRATEGIC SEAPORTS.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—Section 3505(a)(1) of  
2 the National Defense Authorization Act for Fis-  
3 cal Year 2014 (Public Law 113–66; 46 U.S.C.  
4 50302 note) is—

5 (i) transferred to appear after section  
6 54301(a)(6)(B) of title 46, United States  
7 Code;

8 (ii) redesignated as subparagraph (C);  
9 and

10 (iii) amended by striking “Under the  
11 port infrastructure development grant pro-  
12 gram established under section 50302(e) of  
13 title 46, United States Code” and inserting  
14 “In selecting projects described in para-  
15 graph (3)”.

16 (B) STRATEGIC SEAPORT DEFINED.—Sec-  
17 tion 3505(a)(2) of such Act is transferred to  
18 appear after section 54301(a)(12)(D) of title  
19 46, United States Code, and redesignated as  
20 subparagraph (E).

21 (C) REPEAL.—Section 3505(a) of such Act  
22 is repealed.

23 (2) DETERMINATION OF EFFECTIVENESS.—  
24 Section 54301(b)(5)(B) of title 46, United States

1 Code, is amended by striking “subsection (c)(6)(A)”  
2 and inserting “subsection (a)(6)(A)”.

3 (b) TRANSFER OF IMPROVEMENTS TO PROCESS FOR  
4 WAIVING NAVIGATION AND INSPECTION LAWS.—Section  
5 3502(b) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National De-  
6 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 is—

7 (1) amended—

8 (A) by striking “For fiscal year 2020 and  
9 each subsequent fiscal year, the” and inserting  
10 “The”; and

11 (B) by striking “section 56101 of title 46,  
12 United States Code,” and inserting “this sec-  
13 tion”;

14 (2) transferred to appear after section 56101(e)  
15 of title 46, United States Code; and

16 (3) redesignated as subsection (f).

17 (c) CHAPTER ANALYSIS.—The analysis for chapter  
18 503 of title 46, United States Code, is amended in the  
19 item relating to section 50308 by striking “**Port devel-**  
20 **opment; maritime transportation system**  
21 **emergency relief program**” and inserting “**Mari-**  
22 **time transportation system emergency relief**  
23 **program**”.

24 (d) VESSEL OPERATIONS REVOLVING FUND.—Sec-  
25 tion 50301(b) of title 46, United States Code, is amended

1 by striking “(50 App. U.S.C. 1291(a), (c), 1293(c),  
2 1294)” and inserting “(50 U.S.C. 4701(a), (c), 4703(c),  
3 4704)”.

4 (e) MARITIME TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM EMER-  
5 GENCY RELIEF PROGRAM.—Section 50308 of title 46,  
6 United States Code, is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (a)(2)(B), by striking “Fed-  
8 eral Emergency Management Administration” and  
9 inserting “Federal Emergency Management Agen-  
10 cy”; and

11 (2) in subsection (j)(4)(A), by striking “Federal  
12 Emergency Management Administration” and in-  
13 serting “Federal Emergency Management Agency”.

14 (f) MARINE HIGHWAYS.—The analysis for subtitle V  
15 of title 46, United States Code, is amended in the item  
16 relating to chapter 556 by striking “**SHORT SEA**  
17 **TRANSPORTATION**” and inserting “**MARINE**  
18 **HIGHWAYS**”.

19 (g) CHAPTER 537.—The analysis for chapter 537 of  
20 title 46, United States Code, is amended by striking the  
21 item relating to section 53703 and inserting the following:  
“53703. Application and administration.”.

22 (h) CHAPTER 541.—The analysis for chapter 541 of  
23 title 46, United States Code, is amended to read as fol-  
24 lows:

“CHAPTER 541—MISCELLANEOUS

“Sec.  
“54101. Assistance for small shipyards.”.

1 (i) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—Section 11328(b) of  
2 the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act  
3 for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263) is amended  
4 by striking “Maritime” and inserting “Marine”.

5 (j) NATIONAL DEFENSE RESERVE FLEET OBSOLETE  
6 VESSEL.—

7 (1) DEFINITION OF OBSOLETE VESSELS.—  
8 Chapter 571 of title 46, United States Code, is  
9 amended—

10 (A) by redesignating section 57111 as sec-  
11 tion 57110; and

12 (B) by adding at the end the following:

13 **“§ 57111. Definition of obsolete vessel**

14 “In this chapter, the term ‘obsolete vessel’ means a  
15 vessel that—

16 “(1) is or will be in the custody and control of  
17 the Maritime Administration for purposes of dis-  
18 posing of the vessel; and

19 “(2) has been determined by the Secretary of  
20 Transportation to be of insufficient value, with re-  
21 spect to the programs of the Maritime Administra-  
22 tion, to warrant—

23 “(A) preserving for future use or spare  
24 parts harvesting; or

1           “(B) retaining in the National Defense Re-  
2           serve Fleet.”.

3           (2) NATIONAL DEFENSE RESERVE FLEET VES-  
4           SEL STATUS.—Section 57100(g) of title 46, United  
5           States Code, is amended by striking “of insufficient  
6           value to remain in the National Defense Reserve  
7           Fleet” and inserting “an obsolete vessel”.

8           (3) PLACEMENT OF VESSELS IN NATIONAL DE-  
9           FENSE RESERVE FLEET.—Section 57101(b) of title  
10          46, United States Code, is amended by inserting “,  
11          or section 308704 of title 54” before the period at  
12          the end.

13          (4) DISPOSITION OF VESSELS.—Section 57102  
14          of title 46, United States Code, is amended—

15                 (A) in the heading, by striking “**not**  
16                 **worth preserving**”;

17                 (B) in subsection (a), by striking “owned  
18                 by the Maritime Administration” and all that  
19                 follows through the period at the end and in-  
20                 serting “is an obsolete vessel, the Secretary  
21                 may dispose of such vessel (by sale or by pur-  
22                 chase of disposal services).”; and

23                 (C) in subsection (b), by striking “on the  
24                 basis of competitive sealed bids, after an ap-

1 praisal and due advertisement” and inserting  
2 “on a best value basis”.

3 (5) DONATION OF VESSELS IN THE NATIONAL  
4 DEFENSE RESERVE FLEET.—Section 57103 of title  
5 46, United States Code, is amended—

6 (A) in the heading, by striking “**non-**  
7 **retention**”; and

8 (B) in subsection (a), by striking “of insuf-  
9 ficient value to warrant its further preserva-  
10 tion”.

11 (6) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMEND-  
12 MENTS.—The analysis for chapter 571 of title 46,  
13 United States Code, is amended—

14 (A) by striking the item relating to section  
15 57102 and inserting the following:

“Disposition of vessels.”;

16 (B) by striking the item relating to section  
17 57103 and inserting the following:

“Donation of vessels in the National Defense Reserve Fleet.”;

18 (C) by redesignating the item relating to  
19 section 57111 as the item relating to section  
20 57110; and

21 (D) by adding at the end the following:

“57111. Definition of obsolete vessel.”.

22 (k) DEEPWATER PORTS.—

1           (1) DECLARATION OF POLICY.—Section 2 of  
2           the Deepwater Port Act of 1974 (33 U.S.C. 1501)  
3           is amended—

4                   (A) in subsection (a)—

5                           (i) in the matter preceding paragraph  
6                           (1), by striking “(a) It” and all that fol-  
7                           lows through “to—” and inserting the fol-  
8                           lowing:

9                           “(a) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this Act are—”;

10                           (ii) in each of paragraphs (1) through  
11                           (6)—

12                                   (I) by inserting “to” after the  
13                                   paragraph designation; and

14                                   (II) by indenting the paragraphs  
15                                   appropriately;

16                                   (iii) in paragraph (2), by striking  
17                                   “such ports” and inserting “deepwater  
18                                   ports”;

19                                   (iv) in paragraph (5)—

20   (I) by striking “continental  
21   shelf” and inserting “Continental  
22   Shelf”; and

23   (II) by striking “attendant there-  
24   to” and inserting “associated with  
25   that traffic”; and

1 (v) in paragraph (6), by striking “con-  
2 tinental shelf” each place it appears and  
3 inserting “Continental Shelf”; and

4 (B) in subsection (b), by striking the sub-  
5 section designation and all that follows through  
6 “to affect” and inserting the following:

7 “(b) EFFECT OF ACT.—Nothing in this Act affects”.

8 (2) DEFINITIONS.—Section 3 of the Deepwater  
9 Port Act of 1974 (33 U.S.C. 1502) is amended—

10 (A) by striking the section designation and  
11 heading and all that follows through “the  
12 term—” in the matter preceding paragraph (1)  
13 and inserting the following:

14 **“SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

15 “In this Act:”;

16 (B) in each of paragraphs (1) through  
17 (17)—

18 (i) by inserting “The term” after the  
19 paragraph designation;

20 (ii) by inserting a paragraph heading,  
21 the text of which comprises the term de-  
22 fined in that paragraph; and

23 (iii) by striking the semicolon at the  
24 end of the paragraph and inserting a pe-  
25 riod;

1 (C) in paragraph (2), by striking “section  
2 5(c)(2)(A) or (B)” and inserting “subparagraph  
3 (A) or (B) of section 5(c)(2)”;

4 (D) in each of paragraphs (18) and (19)—  
5 (i) by inserting “The term” after the  
6 paragraph designation; and

7 (ii) by inserting a paragraph heading,  
8 the text of which comprises the term de-  
9 fined in that paragraph; and

10 (E) in paragraph (18), by striking “; and”  
11 at the end and inserting a period.

12 (3) LICENSES FOR OWNERSHIP, CONSTRUC-  
13 TION, AND OPERATION OF DEEPWATER PORTS.—  
14 Section 4 of the Deepwater Port Act of 1974 (33  
15 U.S.C. 1503) is amended—

16 (A) in subsection (c)—

17 (i) in each of paragraphs (1) through  
18 (7), by striking “he” after the paragraph  
19 designation and inserting “the Secretary”;

20 (ii) in paragraph (1), by adding a  
21 semicolon at the end; and

22 (iii) in paragraph (8)—

23 (I) by striking “the adjacent”  
24 and inserting “each adjacent”;

1 (II) by striking “of States, pur-  
2 suant to section 9 of this Act,”;

3 (III) by inserting “the” before  
4 “issuance”; and

5 (IV) by inserting “pursuant to  
6 section 9(b)(1), if applicable” before  
7 “; and”;

8 (B) in subsection (e)—

9 (i) in paragraph (1), in the second  
10 sentence—

11 (I) by striking “requirements of  
12 this title” and inserting “requirements  
13 of this Act”;

14 (II) by striking “section 10(a) of  
15 this title” and inserting “section  
16 10(a)”;

17 (III) by striking the semicolon  
18 and inserting a comma;

19 (ii) in paragraph (2)(B), by striking  
20 “he will comply” and inserting “the li-  
21 censee or transferee will comply”; and

22 (iii) in paragraph (3)—

23 (I) in the first sentence, by strik-  
24 ing “he deems necessary to assure”

1 and inserting “the Secretary deter-  
2 mines to be necessary to ensure”;

3 (II) in the second sentence, by  
4 striking “he finds” and inserting “the  
5 Secretary finds”; and

6 (III) in the third sentence—

7 (aa) by striking “he deter-  
8 mines” and inserting “the Sec-  
9 retary determines”;

10 (bb) by striking “(67 Stat.  
11 462)” and inserting “(43 U.S.C.  
12 1331 et seq.)”; and

13 (cc) by striking “terms” and  
14 all that follows through the pe-  
15 riod at the end and inserting  
16 “terms of that Act.”; and

17 (C) in subsection (f), by striking “this  
18 title” and inserting “this Act”.

19 (4) PROCEDURE.—Section 5 of the Deepwater  
20 Port Act of 1974 (33 U.S.C. 1504) is amended—

21 (A) in subsection (c)—

22 (i) by striking the subsection designa-  
23 tion and all that follows through the end of  
24 paragraph (1) and inserting the following:

25 “(c) APPLICATIONS.—

1 “(1) REQUIREMENTS.—

2 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Each person that sub-  
3 mits to the Secretary an application shall in-  
4 clude in the application a detailed plan that  
5 contains all information required under para-  
6 graph (2).

7 “(B) ACTION BY SECRETARY.—Not later  
8 than 21 days after the date of receipt of an ap-  
9 plication, the Secretary shall—

10 “(i) determine whether the application  
11 contains all information required under  
12 paragraph (2); and

13 “(ii)(I) if the Secretary determines  
14 that such information is contained in the  
15 application, not later than 5 days after  
16 making the determination, publish in the  
17 Federal Register—

18 “(aa) a notice of the application;

19 and

20 “(bb) a summary of the plans; or

21 “(II) if the Secretary determines that  
22 all required information is not contained in  
23 the application—

24 “(aa) notify the applicant of the  
25 applicable deficiencies; and

1                   “(bb) take no further action with  
2                   respect to the application until those  
3                   deficiencies have been remedied.

4                   “(C) APPLICABILITY.—On publication of a  
5                   notice relating to an application under subpara-  
6                   graph (B)(ii)(I), the Secretary shall be subject  
7                   to subsection (f).”; and

8                   (ii) in paragraph (2)—

9                   (I) by striking “of this para-  
10                  graph” each place it appears;

11                  (II) by striking the paragraph  
12                  designation and all that follows  
13                  through “to—” in the matter pre-  
14                  ceding subparagraph (A) and insert-  
15                  ing the following:

16                  “(2) INCLUSIONS.—Each application shall in-  
17                  clude such financial, technical, and other informa-  
18                  tion as the Secretary determines to be necessary or  
19                  appropriate, including—”; and

20                  (III) by indenting subparagraphs

21                  (A) through (M) appropriately;

22                  (B) in subsection (g), in the last sentence,  
23                  by striking “section 5(e) of this Act” and in-  
24                  serting “subsection (e)”;  
25                  (C) in subsection (h)—

1 (i) by striking “(h)(1) Each” and in-  
2 serting the following:

3 “(h) FEES.—

4 “(1) REQUIREMENT.—

5 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Each”;

6 (ii) in subparagraph (A) of paragraph  
7 (1) (as so designated), in the second sen-  
8 tence, by striking “In addition” and insert-  
9 ing the following:

10 “(B) REIMBURSEMENT.—In addition to a  
11 fee under subparagraph (A)”;

12 (iii) in paragraph (2)—

13 (I) by striking the last sentence;

14 (II) by striking “(2) Notwith-  
15 standing” and inserting the following:

16 “(2) USAGE FEES.—

17 “(A) DEFINITION OF DIRECTLY RELATED  
18 LAND-BASED FACILITY.—In this paragraph, the  
19 term ‘directly related land-based facility’, with  
20 respect to a deepwater port facility, means an  
21 onshore tank farm and any pipelines connecting  
22 the tank farm to the deepwater port facility.

23 “(B) AUTHORIZATION.—Notwithstanding”;

24 and

1 (III) in subparagraph (B) (as so  
2 designated)—

3 (aa) in the fourth sentence,  
4 by striking “Such fees” and in-  
5 serting the following:

6 “(E) APPROVAL.—A fee established under  
7 this paragraph”;

8 (bb) in the third sentence—

9 (AA) by striking  
10 “such” each place it appears  
11 and inserting “the applica-  
12 ble”; and

13 (BB) by striking “Fees  
14 under” and inserting the fol-  
15 lowing:

16 “(D) AMOUNT.—The amount of a fee es-  
17 tablished under”; and

18 (cc) in the second sen-  
19 tence—

20 (AA) by striking  
21 “such” each place it appears  
22 and inserting “the applica-  
23 ble”; and

24 (BB) by striking “Fees  
25 may be fixed under author-

1                                   ity of this paragraph” and  
2                                   inserting the following:

3                   “(C) TREATMENT.—A fee may be estab-  
4                   lished pursuant to this paragraph”; and

5                   (iv) in paragraph (3)—

6                   (I) by striking “Outer” and in-  
7                   serting “outer”; and

8                   (II) by striking “(3) A licensee”  
9                   and inserting the following:

10                  “(3) RENTAL PAYMENT.—A licensee”;

11                  (D) in subsection (i)—

12                  (i) in paragraph (2)—

13                  (I) in subparagraph (A)—

14                  (aa) by inserting “First,”  
15                  after the subparagraph designa-  
16                  tion; and

17                  (bb) by striking the semi-  
18                  colon at the end and inserting a  
19                  period;

20                  (II) in subparagraph (B)—

21                  (aa) by inserting “Second,”  
22                  after the subparagraph designa-  
23                  tion; and

1 (bb) by striking the semi-  
2 colon at the end and inserting a  
3 period; and

4 (III) in subparagraph (C), by in-  
5 serting “Third,” after the subpara-  
6 graph designation;

7 (ii) in paragraph (3)—

8 (I) in subparagraph (C), by strik-  
9 ing “(C) any” and inserting the fol-  
10 lowing:

11 “(D) Any”;

12 (II) in subparagraph (B)—

13 (aa) by striking “; and” at  
14 the end and inserting a period;  
15 and

16 (bb) by striking “(B) any”  
17 and inserting the following:

18 “(C) Any”;

19 (III) in subparagraph (A)—

20 (aa) by striking “section 6  
21 of this Act;” and inserting “sec-  
22 tion 6.”; and

23 (bb) by striking “(A) the de-  
24 gree” and inserting the following:

25 “(A) The degree”; and

1 (IV) by inserting after subpara-  
2 graph (A) the following:

3 “(B) National security, including an as-  
4 sessment of the implications for the national se-  
5 curity of the United States or an allied country  
6 (as that term is defined in section 2350f(d)(1)  
7 of title 10, United States Code) of the United  
8 States.”; and

9 (iii) in paragraph (4)—

10 (I) by striking the second sen-  
11 tence and inserting the following:

12 “(B) EFFECT OF FAILURE TO DETER-  
13 MINE.—If the Secretary fails to approve or  
14 deny an application for a deepwater port for  
15 natural gas by the applicable deadline under  
16 subparagraph (A), the reporting requirements  
17 under paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) shall not  
18 apply to the application.”; and

19 (II) in the matter preceding sub-  
20 paragraph (B) (as so added), by strik-  
21 ing “(4) The Secretary” and inserting  
22 the following:

23 “(4) APPLICATIONS FOR DEEPWATER PORTS  
24 FOR NATURAL GAS.—

1                   “(A) DEADLINE FOR DETERMINATION.—  
2           The Secretary”;

3                   (E) in subsection (j)(1), by striking “of  
4           Transportation”; and

5                   (F) by adding at the end the following:

6           “(k) TRANSPARENCY IN ISSUANCE OF LICENSES AND  
7   PERMITS.—

8                   “(1) DEFINITION OF APPLICABLE DEADLINE.—

9           In this subsection, the term ‘applicable deadline’,  
10          with respect to an applicant, means the deadline or  
11          date applicable to the applicant under any of the fol-  
12          lowing:

13                   “(A) Section 4(c)(6).

14                   “(B) Section 4(d)(3).

15                   “(C) Subsection (c)(1)(B) (including clause  
16          (ii)(I) of that subsection).

17                   “(D) Subsection (d)(3).

18                   “(E) Paragraph (1) or (2) of subsection  
19          (e).

20                   “(F) Subsection (g).

21                   “(G) Paragraph (1) or (4)(A) of subsection  
22          (i).

23                   “(2) SUSPENSIONS AND DELAYS.—If the Sec-  
24          retary suspends or delays an applicable deadline, the

1 Secretary shall submit to the applicant, and publish  
2 in the Federal Register, a written statement—

3 “(A) describing the reasons for the suspen-  
4 sion or delay;

5 “(B) describing and requesting any infor-  
6 mation necessary to issue the applicable license  
7 or permit and the status of applicable license or  
8 permit application at the lead agency and any  
9 cooperating agencies; and

10 “(C) identifying the applicable deadline  
11 with respect to the statement.

12 “(3) APPLICANT RIGHTS TO TECHNICAL ASSIST-  
13 ANCE.—

14 “(A) IN GENERAL.—An applicant that re-  
15 ceives a statement under paragraph (2) may  
16 submit to the Secretary a request for a meeting  
17 with appropriate personnel of the Department  
18 of Transportation and representatives of each  
19 cooperating Federal agency, as appropriate, de-  
20 termined by the Secretary to be relevant with  
21 respect to the application, including such offi-  
22 cials as are appropriate, who shall provide tech-  
23 nical assistance, status, process, and timeline  
24 updates and additional information as nec-  
25 essary.

1           “(B) TIMING.—A meeting requested under  
2           clause (i) shall be held not later than 30 days  
3           after the date on which the Secretary receives  
4           the request under that clause.

5           “(4) REQUIREMENTS.—On receipt of a request  
6           under paragraph (3)(A), and not less frequently  
7           than once every 30 days thereafter until the date on  
8           which the application process is no longer suspended  
9           or delayed, the Secretary shall submit a notice of the  
10          delay, including a description of the time elapsed  
11          since the applicable deadline and the nature and cir-  
12          cumstances of the applicable suspension or delay,  
13          to—

14                 “(A) the Committee on Commerce,  
15                 Science, and Transportation of the Senate; and

16                 “(B) the Committee on Transportation  
17                 and Infrastructure of the House of Representa-  
18                 tives.

19           “(5) BRIEFING.—If the Secretary suspends or  
20           delays an applicable deadline, not later than 120  
21           days after that applicable deadline, and not less fre-  
22           quently than once every 120 days thereafter until  
23           the date on which the application process is no  
24           longer suspended or delayed, the Secretary (or a  
25           designee of the Secretary) shall provide a briefing

1 regarding the time elapsed since the applicable dead-  
2 line and the nature and circumstances of the appli-  
3 cable suspension or delay to—

4 “(A) the Committee on Commerce,  
5 Science, and Transportation of the Senate; and

6 “(B) the Committee on Transportation  
7 and Infrastructure of the House of Representa-  
8 tives.”.

9 (5) REVIEW CRITERIA.—Section 6 of the Deep-  
10 water Port Act of 1974 (33 U.S.C. 1505) is amend-  
11 ed—

12 (A) in subsection (a), by striking “(a) The  
13 Secretary” and inserting the following:

14 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary”;

15 (B) in subsection (b)—

16 (i) by striking “of this section”; and

17 (ii) by striking “(b) The Secretary”

18 and inserting the following:

19 “(b) REVIEW AND REVISION.—The Secretary”; and

20 (C) in subsection (c)—

21 (i) by striking “concurrently with the  
22 regulations in section 5(a) of this Act and  
23 in accordance with the provisions of that  
24 subsection” and inserting “concurrently  
25 with the regulations promulgated pursuant

1 to section 5(a) and in accordance with that  
2 section”; and

3 (ii) by striking “(c) Criteria” and in-  
4 sserting the following:

5 “(c) REQUIREMENT.—The criteria”.

6 (6) ADJACENT COASTAL STATES.—Section 9 of  
7 the Deepwater Port Act of 1974 (33 U.S.C. 1508)  
8 is amended—

9 (A) by striking subsection (a) and insert-  
10 ing the following:

11 “(a) DESIGNATION.—In issuing a notice relating to  
12 an application for a deepwater port under section  
13 5(c)(1)(B)(ii)(I), the Secretary shall designate as an adja-  
14 cent coastal State, with respect to the deepwater port, any  
15 coastal State that would be—

16 “(1) directly connected by pipeline to that deep-  
17 water port; or

18 “(2) located within 15 miles of that deepwater  
19 port.”; and

20 (B) in subsection (b)—

21 (i) by striking “(b)(1) Not later than  
22 10 days after the designation of adjacent  
23 coastal States pursuant to this Act” and  
24 inserting the following:

1           “(b) INPUT FROM ADJACENT COASTAL STATES AND  
2 OTHER INTERESTED STATES.—

3                   “(1) SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS TO GOV-  
4 ERNORS FOR APPROVAL.—

5                           “(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 10  
6 days after the date on which the Secretary des-  
7 ignates adjacent coastal States under sub-  
8 section (a) with respect to a deepwater port  
9 proposed in an application”;

10                                   (ii) in paragraph (1)(A) (as so des-  
11 ignated)—

12   (I) in the fourth sentence, by  
13 striking “If the Governor” and insert-  
14 ing the following:

15   “(D) INCONSISTENCY WITH CERTAIN  
16 STATE PROGRAMS.—If the Governor of an adja-  
17 cent coastal State”;

18   (II) in the third sentence, by  
19 striking “If the Governor fails to  
20 transmit his” and inserting the fol-  
21 lowing:

22   “(C) PRESUMED APPROVAL.—If the Gov-  
23 ernor of an adjacent coastal State fails to  
24 transmit a required”; and

1 (III) in the second sentence, by  
2 striking “The Secretary” and insert-  
3 ing the following:

4 “(B) PROHIBITION.—The Secretary”; and  
5 (iii) in paragraph (2)—

6 (I) by striking “(2) Any other in-  
7 terested State” and inserting the fol-  
8 lowing:

9 “(2) OTHER INTERESTED STATES.—Any other  
10 State with an interest relating to a deepwater port  
11 proposed in an application”; and

12 (II) by striking “a deepwater  
13 port” and inserting “the deepwater  
14 port”.

## 15 **Subtitle C—Reports**

### 16 **SEC. 3521. REPORTS ON MARITIME INDUSTRY, POLICIES, 17 AND PROGRAMS.**

18 (a) REPORT ON ADMINISTRATION OF PROGRAMS.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 553 of title 46,  
20 United States Code, is amended by inserting before  
21 section 55302 the following:

1 **“§ 55301. Report on administration of programs by**  
2 **other Federal departments and agencies**

3 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the Mari-  
4 time Administration shall annually submit to Congress a  
5 report on the administration by—

6 “(1) the Department of Defense of section  
7 2631 of title 10; and

8 “(2) other Federal departments and agencies of  
9 programs the Administrator determines are subject  
10 to section 55305 of this title.

11 “(b) CONTENTS.—Each annual report required  
12 under subsection (a) shall include, for each Federal de-  
13 partment or agency that administers a program covered  
14 by the report—

15 “(1) the gross tonnage of cargo (equipment,  
16 materials, or agricultural products), expressed by  
17 type of cargo, transported on United States flag ves-  
18 sels as compared to on foreign vessels; and

19 “(2) the total number of United States flag ves-  
20 sels and total number of foreign vessels contracted  
21 by each department or agency.

22 “(c) AGENCY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—Not  
23 later than January 31 of each year, the head of each Fed-  
24 eral department or agency that administers a program  
25 covered by a report required under subsection (a) shall  
26 submit to the Administrator of the Maritime Administra-

1 tion the information described in subsection (b) for that  
2 department or agency.”.

3 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for  
4 chapter 553 of title 46, United States Code, is  
5 amended by inserting before the item relating to sec-  
6 tion 55302 the following new item:

“55301. Report on administration of programs by other Federal departments  
and agencies.”.

7 (b) REPORT ON SURVEY OF UNITED STATES SHIP-  
8 BUILDING AND REPAIR FACILITIES.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
10 after the date of enactment of this Act, and annually  
11 thereafter for each of the subsequent four fiscal  
12 years, the Secretary of Transportation, in consulta-  
13 tion with the Secretary of Defense, the Adminis-  
14 trator of the Maritime Administration, and the Com-  
15 mandant of the Coast Guard, shall submit to the ap-  
16 propriate committees of Congress a report that in-  
17 cludes a survey of United States shipbuilding and  
18 repair facilities.

19 (2) CONTENTS.—Each report required under  
20 paragraph (1) shall include an identification of all  
21 requirements for a survey of United States ship-  
22 building and repair facilities in accordance with sec-  
23 tions 50102 and 50103 of title 46, United States

1 Code, and section 502(f) of the Merchant Marine  
2 Act of 1936 (46 U.S.C. 53101 note).

3 (3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—At the time the  
4 Secretary of Transportation submits to the appro-  
5 priate congressional committees a report under para-  
6 graph (1), the Secretary shall make the report, and  
7 all report data, publicly available on an appropriate  
8 website.

9 (4) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term  
10 “appropriate congressional committees” means—

11 (A) the Committee on Commerce, Science,  
12 and Transportation of the Senate; and

13 (B) the Committee on Transportation and  
14 Infrastructure and the Committee on Armed  
15 Services of the House of Representatives.

16 (c) REPORT ON PORT PREFERENCES FOR US-FLAG  
17 VESSELS.—Not later than one year after the date of the  
18 enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the Maritime  
19 Administration shall submit to Congress a report on the  
20 preference, if any, afforded by each port authority or ma-  
21 rine terminal operator, as applicable, to vessels docu-  
22 mented under the laws of the United States, including  
23 such vessels—

1           (1) operated by an armed force (as such term  
2 is defined in section 101(4) of title 10, United  
3 States Code);

4           (2) participating in the Maritime Security Pro-  
5 gram or the Emergency Preparedness Program  
6 under chapter 531 of title 46, United States Code,  
7 the Cable Security Fleet under chapter 532 of such  
8 title, the Tanker Security Fleet under chapter 534  
9 of such title, or the National Defense Reserve Fleet  
10 under section 57100 of such title; or

11           (3) with a coastwise endorsement under chapter  
12 121 of title 46, United States Code.

13           (d) REPORT ON INCREASING EFFECTIVENESS OF  
14 MARINE HIGHWAYS.—

15           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year  
16 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Ad-  
17 ministrator of the Maritime Administration shall  
18 complete and make publicly available on an appro-  
19 priate website a study that identifies opportunities  
20 for, and barriers to, increasing the effectiveness of  
21 marine highways designated under section 55601 of  
22 title 46, United States Code, in addressing two or  
23 more of the components described in clauses (i), (ii),  
24 and (iv) of subparagraphs (A) and subparagraph

1 (B) of section 50307(a)(2) of title 46, United States  
2 Code.

3 (2) PILOT PROGRAM.—Beginning on the date  
4 that is 120 days after the date of the completion of  
5 the study required under paragraph (1), the Admin-  
6 istrator shall carry out a one-year pilot program  
7 under which the Administrator shall select one ma-  
8 rine highway project and implement the findings of  
9 the study with respect to that project.

10 (3) FINAL REPORT.—Not later than 90 days  
11 after the completion of the pilot program under  
12 paragraph (3), the Administrator shall provide to  
13 the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Trans-  
14 portation of the Senate and the Committee on  
15 Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of  
16 Representatives, a briefing on the lessons learned  
17 from the pilot program, any recommendations based  
18 on feedback from maritime stakeholders, States, In-  
19 dian Tribes, nonprofit organizations, and other  
20 stakeholders, and recommendations for establishing  
21 future marine highways in the United States.

22 (e) STUDY ON AVAILABILITY OF FEDERAL STUDENT  
23 AID FOR MARINER TRAINING.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of  
25 the United States shall conduct a study of the avail-

1 ability of Federal financial assistance for licensed  
2 and unlicensed mariners, as applicable, for mariner  
3 training and the effectiveness of coordination with  
4 respect to such assistance of—

5 (A) Federal agencies;

6 (B) Federal agencies and States; and

7 (C) Federal agencies and Indian Tribes.

8 (2) MATTERS EVALUATED.—The study con-  
9 ducted under paragraph (1) shall include an evalua-  
10 tion of the following:

11 (A) The availability of Federal financial  
12 assistance for mariner training provided by the  
13 Department of Education, the Department of  
14 Veterans Affairs, the Department of Labor, the  
15 Maritime Administration, or other agencies to  
16 the full range of prospective mariners, and an  
17 identification of any gaps in financial assist-  
18 ance.

19 (B) The extent to which the Maritime Ad-  
20 ministration has effectively coordinated with the  
21 Department of Education, the Department of  
22 Veterans Affairs, the Department of Labor, or  
23 other relevant Federal agencies to align Federal  
24 financial assistance with the education and  
25 training needs of mariners.

1           (C) The extent to which the Maritime Ad-  
2           ministration has effectively communicated with  
3           prospective and current mariners about the  
4           availability of Federal financial assistance to fa-  
5           cilitate their training and education needs.

6           (3) SCOPE.—The study conducted under para-  
7           graph (1) shall include an examination of the avail-  
8           ability of Federal financial assistance, and the serv-  
9           ice obligations related to such financial assistance, if  
10          applicable, at mariner training institutions within  
11          the United States, including for students attending,  
12          or participating in—

13                 (A) the United States Merchant Marine  
14                 Academy;

15                 (B) a State maritime academy;

16                 (C) an institution described in subpara-  
17                 graphs (B) and (C) of section 51706(e)(1) of  
18                 title 46, United States Code;

19                 (D) an Indian Tribe apprenticeship or  
20                 other training program; or

21                 (E) an educational program carried out by  
22                 a Federal agency.

23           (4) REPORT.—Not later than two years after  
24           the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comp-  
25           troller General shall submit to the Committee on

1 Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Sen-  
2 ate and the Committee on Transportation and Infra-  
3 structure and the Committee on Armed Services of  
4 the House of Representatives a report containing the  
5 findings of the Comptroller General with respect to  
6 the study conducted under paragraph (1).

7 **SEC. 3522. REPORTS ON AVAILABILITY OF USED SEALIFT**  
8 **VESSELS AND THE SCRAPPING AND RECY-**  
9 **CLING OF IMPORTED VESSELS.**

10 (a) REPORT ON AVAILABILITY OF USED SEALIFT  
11 VESSELS.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Commander of the  
13 United States Transportation Command, in con-  
14 sultation with the Administrator of the Maritime  
15 Administration, shall conduct a market analysis to  
16 determine the availability of used sealift vessels  
17 that—

18 (A) meet military requirements; and

19 (B) may be purchased using the authority  
20 provided under section 2218 of title 10, United  
21 States Code, within the period of five years fol-  
22 lowing the date of the enactment of this Act.

23 (2) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after  
24 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Com-  
25 mander of the United States Transportation Com-

1 mand shall submit to the congressional defense com-  
2 mittees and the Committee on Commerce, Science,  
3 and Transportation of the Senate a report on the re-  
4 sults of the market analysis conducted under para-  
5 graph (1).

6 (b) STUDY ON THE SCRAPPING AND RECYCLING OF  
7 IMPORTED VESSELS.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the  
9 Maritime Administration and the Deputy Under  
10 Secretary for International Affairs of the Depart-  
11 ment of Labor shall jointly conduct a study to re-  
12 view domestic United States ship scrapping capacity  
13 and capability.

14 (2) ELEMENTS.—The study required under  
15 paragraph (1) shall include the following:

16 (A) An assessment of—

17 (i) the capabilities of United States  
18 shipyards to recycle and dispose of domes-  
19 tic and foreign vessels and their component  
20 parts;

21 (ii) the capacity of United States ship-  
22 yards to complete ship recycling and dis-  
23 posal of domestic and foreign vessels and  
24 their component parts and related activi-  
25 ties; and

1 (iii) the infrastructure, regulatory,  
2 economic, or other barriers to domestic  
3 ship recycling and disposal of vessels of the  
4 United States (as defined in section 116 of  
5 title 46, United States Code) and foreign  
6 vessels and their component parts.

7 (B) An identification of—

8 (i) the estimated number of vessels  
9 over 1,000 tons that were recycled or  
10 scrapped globally each year for the ten-  
11 year period preceding the date of the en-  
12 actment of this Act;

13 (ii) the country in which such vessels  
14 were scrapped or recycled;

15 (iii) the component parts of a vessel  
16 that require additional processing after  
17 ship recycling;

18 (iv) best practices and methods used  
19 globally, including in the United States, at  
20 the time of the study, to recycle or dispose  
21 of the components described in clause (iii);  
22 and

23 (v) for the 15 foreign countries with  
24 the highest global market share for ship  
25 recycling and disposal, and for any coun-

1 tries with documented labor exploitation or  
2 environmental concerns (as determined by  
3 the Administrator and the Deputy Under  
4 Secretary)—

5 (I) the practices used at the time  
6 of the study for ship recycling and  
7 disposal, including for the component  
8 parts described in clause (iii); and

9 (II) to the extent such informa-  
10 tion is available, environmental and  
11 labor practices used in such recycling  
12 and disposal.

13 (3) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the  
14 date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator  
15 shall submit to the Committee on Commerce,  
16 Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the  
17 Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of  
18 the House of Representatives a report containing the  
19 findings of the study required under paragraph (1).

20 (4) DEFINITIONS OF COMPONENT PARTS.—In  
21 this subsection, the term “component parts” means  
22 an item or items on a ship that require additional  
23 processing after removal from the ship, such as cable  
24 insulation, rubber and felt gaskets, electronic equip-  
25 ment, caulking, or paint.

1 **SEC. 3523. STUDY ON FOREIGN OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL**  
2 **OF MARINE TERMINALS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the  
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Trans-  
5 portation, in consultation with the Secretary of Commerce,  
6 shall seek to enter into an agreement with a federally  
7 funded research and development center under which the  
8 center shall evaluate how foreign state-owned enterprises  
9 with leases, long term concessions, partial ownership, or  
10 ownership of marine terminals (including marine terminal  
11 operators) at the 15 largest United States container ports  
12 affect, or could affect, United States national and eco-  
13 nomic security.

14 (b) CONTENTS.—An agreement entered into pursu-  
15 ant to subsection (a) shall provide that the center shall—

16 (1) consider—

17 (A) foreign ownership or state-owned en-  
18 terprises with leases, long-term concessions,  
19 partial ownership, or ownership of marine ter-  
20 minals (including marine terminal operators) at  
21 15 largest United States container ports over  
22 the 30-year period preceding the date of enact-  
23 ment of this Act;

24 (B) instances of ownership in individual  
25 marine terminals and cumulative ownership by

1 Chinese or Russian entities, state-owned enter-  
2 prises, or nationals;

3 (C) instances of ownership in individual  
4 marine terminals and partial or complete own-  
5 ership by any foreign entity;

6 (D) the amount of Federal funds that have  
7 been distributed to ports and marine terminals  
8 that are wholly or partially foreign-owned, in-  
9 cluding Chinese and Russian state-owned enter-  
10 prises;

11 (E) where any stake in foreign ownership,  
12 or other vectors of control, exists (including any  
13 level of equity stake in joint ventures with  
14 United States or foreign marine terminal opera-  
15 tors), including Chinese or Russian state-owned  
16 enterprises, a detailed description of foreign  
17 operational control, including both affirmative  
18 and negative control; and

19 (F) the degree to which transactions for  
20 leases, long-term concessions, partial ownership,  
21 or ownership of marine terminals referred to in  
22 subparagraph (A) were considered covered  
23 transactions by the Committee on Foreign In-  
24 vestment in the United States and subsequently  
25 subject to review during the 30-year period pre-

1 ceding the date of the enactment of this Act;

2 and

3 (2) offer recommendations on—

4 (A) policies by ports and marine terminal  
5 operators with respect to foreign ownership or  
6 control to prevent any degree of threats to  
7 United States national security and economic  
8 security;

9 (B) whether foreign ownership, a positional  
10 relationship, or state-owned enterprises with  
11 leases, long term concessions, partial ownership,  
12 or ownership of marine terminals (including  
13 marine terminal operators) affords the foreign  
14 entity access to operational technology and in-  
15 formation unique to the United States and oth-  
16 erwise unavailable;

17 (C) whether foreign ownership or state-  
18 owned enterprises with leases, long term conces-  
19 sions, partial ownership, or ownership of marine  
20 terminals (including marine terminal operators)  
21 has or could affect the supply chain and policies  
22 related to the prioritization of certain cargoes;  
23 and

24 (D) legislative or other policy changes  
25 needed to secure and advance United States na-

1           tional and economic security of the United  
2           States.

3           (c) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the initi-  
4 ation of an evaluation carried out pursuant to an agree-  
5 ment entered into under subsection (a), the Secretary of  
6 Transportation shall submit to the Committee on Com-  
7 merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the  
8 Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the  
9 House of Representatives a report containing the results  
10 of such evaluation.

11          (d) FORM.—The report required under subsection (c)  
12 shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include  
13 a classified annex.

14 **SEC. 3524. REPORTS TO CONGRESS.**

15          Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-  
16 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit  
17 to Congress a report on the implementation by the De-  
18 partment of Defense of the amendments to section 2631  
19 of title 10, United States Code, made by section 1024 of  
20 the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Au-  
21 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–  
22 283).

1                   **Subtitle D—Other Matters**

2   **SEC. 3531. CARGOES PROCURED, FURNISHED, OR FI-**  
3                   **NANCED BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERN-**  
4                   **MENT.**

5           (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 55305 of title 46, United  
6 States Code, is amended—

7                   (1) by striking subsection (a);

8                   (2) by redesignating—

9                           (A) subsection (b) as subsection (a); and

10                           (B) subsections (c), (d), and (e), as sub-  
11                   sections (d), (e), and (f), respectively;

12                   (3) in subsection (a), as so redesignated, by  
13                   striking “privately-owned commercial vessels of the  
14                   United States,” and inserting “privately-owned com-  
15                   mercial vessels of the United States, as provided  
16                   under subsection (b),”;

17                   (4) by inserting after subsection (a), as so re-  
18                   designated, the following:

19                   “(b) **ELIGIBLE VESSELS.**—To be eligible to carry  
20 cargo as provided under subsection (a), a privately-owned  
21 commercial vessel shall be documented under the laws of  
22 the United States—

23                           “(1) for not less than three years; or

1           “(2) after January 1, 2030, for less than three  
2           years, if the vessel owner signs an agreement with  
3           the Secretary providing that—

4                   “(A) the vessel shall remain documented  
5                   under the laws of the United States for not less  
6                   than three years; and

7                   “(B) the vessel owner shall, upon request  
8                   of the Secretary, agree to enroll the vessel in an  
9                   emergency preparedness agreement or voluntary  
10                  agreement authorized under section 708 of the  
11                  Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C.  
12                  4558) and shall ensure the vessel remains so  
13                  enrolled until the vessel ceases to be docu-  
14                  mented under the laws of the United States.

15           “(c) VIOLATION OF AGREEMENT.—A vessel under an  
16           agreement executed pursuant to subsection (b)(2) may be  
17           seized by, and forfeited to, the United States if, in viola-  
18           tion of that agreement—

19                   “(1) the vessel owner places the vessel under  
20                   foreign registry; or

21                   “(2) a person operates the vessel under the au-  
22                   thority of a foreign country.”; and

23                   (5) by striking subsection (d), as so redesign-  
24                   nated, and inserting the following:

1           “(d) WAIVERS.—(1) Notwithstanding any other pro-  
2 vision of law, when the President, the Secretary of De-  
3 fense, or the Secretary of Transportation declares the ex-  
4 istence of an emergency justifying a temporary waiver of  
5 this section or section 55314 of this title, the President,  
6 the Secretary of Defense, or the Secretary of Transpor-  
7 tation, following a determination by the Maritime Admin-  
8 istrator, acting in the Administrator’s capacity as Direc-  
9 tor, National Shipping Authority, of the non-availability  
10 of qualified United States flag capacity at fair and reason-  
11 able rates for commercial vessels of the United States to  
12 meet the requirements of this section or section 55314 of  
13 this title, may waive compliance with such section to the  
14 extent, in the manner, and on the terms the Maritime Ad-  
15 ministrator, acting in such capacity, prescribes, and no  
16 other waivers of the requirements of this section or section  
17 55314 of this title shall be authorized.

18           “(2)(A) Subject to subparagraphs (B) and (C), a  
19 waiver issued under this subsection shall be for a period  
20 of not more than 60 days.

21           “(B) Upon termination of the period of a waiver  
22 issued under this subsection, the Maritime Administrator  
23 may extend the waiver for an additional period of not more  
24 than 30 days, if the Maritime Administrator makes the  
25 determinations described in paragraph (1).

1       “(C) The aggregate duration of the period of all waiv-  
2       ers and extensions of waivers under this subsection with  
3       respect to any one set of events shall not exceed three  
4       months in a fiscal year.

5       “(3) The Maritime Administrator shall—

6               “(A) for each determination referred to in para-  
7       graph (1), identify any actions that could be taken  
8       to enable qualified United States flag capacity to  
9       meet the requirements of this section or section  
10       55314 at fair and reasonable rates for commercial  
11       vessels of the United States;

12               “(B) provide notice of each determination re-  
13       ferred to in paragraph (1) to the Secretary of  
14       Transportation and, as applicable, the President or  
15       the Secretary of Defense; and

16               “(C) publish each determination referred to in  
17       paragraph (1)—

18                       “(i) on the website of the Maritime Admin-  
19       istration not later than 24 hours after notice of  
20       the determination is provided to the Secretary  
21       of Transportation; and

22                       “(ii) in the Federal Register.

23       “(4) The Maritime Administrator shall notify—

24               “(A) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and  
25       Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on

1 Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of  
2 Representatives of—

3 “(i) any request for a waiver (or an exten-  
4 sion thereof) made by the Secretary of Trans-  
5 portation of this section or section 55314(a) of  
6 this title by not later than 72 hours after re-  
7 ceiving such a request; and

8 “(ii) the issuance of any such waiver (or  
9 an extension thereof), and why such waiver or  
10 extension was necessary, by not later than 72  
11 hours after such issuance; and

12 “(B) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and  
13 Transportation and the Committee on Armed Serv-  
14 ices of the Senate and the Committee on Transpor-  
15 tation and Infrastructure and the Committee on  
16 Armed Services of the House of Representatives  
17 of—

18 “(i) any request for a waiver (or an exten-  
19 sion thereof) made by the Secretary of Defense  
20 of this section or section 55314(a) of this title  
21 by not later than 72 hours after receiving such  
22 a request; and

23 “(ii) the issuance of any such waiver (or  
24 an extension thereof), and why such waiver or

1 extension was necessary, by not later than 72  
2 hours after such issuance.”.

3 (b) SMALL PASSENGER VESSELS WITH OVERNIGHT  
4 ACCOMMODATIONS.—

5 (1) EXTENSION AUTHORITY.—

6 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Commandant of  
7 the Coast Guard shall not enforce the require-  
8 ments of section 3306(n)(3)(A)(v) of title 46,  
9 United States Code, against an operator of an  
10 overnight fishing charter before April 1, 2024.

11 (B) PLAN REQUIRED.—Not later than  
12 April 1, 2024, an operator of an overnight fish-  
13 ing charter not in compliance with such section  
14 3306(n)(3)(A)(v) shall submit to the Com-  
15 mandant a plan for complying with such re-  
16 quirements.

17 (C) EXTENSION.—On and after April 1,  
18 2024, with respect to an operator of an over-  
19 night fishing charter which has submitted a  
20 plan for compliance in accordance with sub-  
21 paragraph (B), a captain of the port may ex-  
22 tend the period described under subparagraph  
23 (A) until a date not later than January 1,  
24 2026.

1           (2) LIMITATION.—Without further Congres-  
2           sional action, a captain of the port may not extend  
3           the period of nonenforcement of the requirements of  
4           section 3306(n)(3)(A)(v) of title 46, United States  
5           Code, with respect to an overnight fishing charter,  
6           to a date later than January 1, 2026.

7           (3) NOTICE TO PASSENGERS.—Beginning on  
8           the date on which the requirements under section  
9           3306(n)(3)(A)(v) of title 46, United States Code,  
10          take effect, the owner or operator of a vessel for  
11          which an extension is granted under paragraph  
12          (1)(C) shall provide on the website of such owner or  
13          operator of the vessel, the vessel, and each ticket for  
14          a passenger a prominently displayed notice that the  
15          vessel is exempt from meeting the Coast Guard safe-  
16          ty compliance standards concerning egress as de-  
17          scribed in such section.

18          (4) OVERNIGHT FISHING CHARTER DEFINED.—  
19          In this section, the term “overnight fishing charter”  
20          means a vessel that—

21                 (A) is engaged in “charter fishing” as such  
22                 term is defined in section 3 of the Magnuson-  
23                 Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management  
24                 Act (16 U.S.C. 1802); and

1 (B) has overnight accommodations for pas-  
2 sengers.

3 **SEC. 3532. RECAPITALIZATION OF NATIONAL DEFENSE RE-**  
4 **SERVE FLEET.**

5 Section 3546 of the James M. Inhofe National De-  
6 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law  
7 117–263; 46 U.S.C. 57100 note) is amended—

8 (1) in subsection (a)—

9 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph  
10 (1)—

11 (i) by striking “Subject to the avail-  
12 ability of appropriations” and inserting  
13 “Subject to the availability of appropria-  
14 tions made specifically available for reim-  
15 bursements to the Ready Reserve Force,  
16 Maritime Administration account of the  
17 Department of Transportation for pro-  
18 grams, projects, activities, and expenses re-  
19 lated to the National Defense Reserve  
20 Fleet”; and

21 (ii) by striking “of Transportation”  
22 and inserting “of the Navy”; and

23 (B) in paragraph (1)—

24 (i) by striking “roll-on, roll-off cargo”  
25 and inserting “sealift”; and

1 (ii) by striking “2024” and inserting  
2 “2025”;

3 (2) in subsection (d), by striking “The Sec-  
4 retary of Transportation shall consult and coordi-  
5 nate with the Secretary of the Navy” and inserting  
6 “The Secretary of the Navy shall consult and coordi-  
7 nate with the Secretary of Transportation”; and

8 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
9 section:

10 “(f) LIMITATION.—Of the amounts authorized to be  
11 appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for  
12 fiscal year 2024 for the Secretary of the Navy for travel  
13 expenses, not more than 50 percent may be obligated or  
14 expended until the Secretary of the Navy submits to the  
15 congressional defense committees a report that includes  
16 a detailed description of the acquisition strategy for the  
17 execution of the authority under subsection (a).”.

18 **SEC. 3533. UNITED STATES MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY**  
19 **AND COAST GUARD ACADEMY MATTERS;**  
20 **MARITIME ADMINISTRATION REQUIRE-**  
21 **MENTS.**

22 (a) TRAINING COURSE ON WORKINGS OF CON-  
23 GRESS.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
25 after the date of the enactment of this section, the

1 Secretary of Transportation, in consultation with the  
2 Maritime Administrator, the Superintendent of the  
3 United States Merchant Marine Academy, and such  
4 other individuals and organizations as the Secretary  
5 of Transportation considers appropriate, shall de-  
6 velop a training course on the workings of Congress  
7 and offer that training course at least once each  
8 year. This course shall be similar in design to the  
9 training course required under section 315 of title  
10 14, United States Code, as practicable.

11 (2) COURSE SUBJECT MATTER.—The training  
12 course required by paragraph (1) shall provide an  
13 overview and introduction to Congress and the Fed-  
14 eral legislative process, including—

15 (A) the history and structure of Congress  
16 and the committee systems of the Senate and  
17 the House of Representatives, including the  
18 functions and responsibilities of the Committee  
19 on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of  
20 the Senate and the Committee on Transpor-  
21 tation and Infrastructure and the Committee on  
22 Armed Services of the House of Representa-  
23 tives;

24 (B) the documents produced by Congress,  
25 including bills, resolutions, committee reports,

1 and conference reports, and the purposes and  
2 functions of those documents;

3 (C) the legislative processes and rules of  
4 the Senate and the House of Representatives,  
5 including similarities and differences between  
6 the processes and rules of each chamber, in-  
7 cluding—

8 (i) the congressional budget process;

9 (ii) the congressional authorization  
10 and appropriations processes;

11 (iii) the Senate advice and consent  
12 process for Presidential nominees; and

13 (iv) the Senate advice and consent  
14 process for treaty ratification;

15 (D) the roles of Members of Congress and  
16 congressional staff in the legislative process;  
17 and

18 (E) the concept and underlying purposes of  
19 congressional oversight within the governance  
20 framework of separation of powers of the  
21 United States.

22 (3) LECTURERS AND PANELISTS.—

23 (A) OUTSIDE EXPERTS.—The Secretary of  
24 Transportation shall ensure that not less than  
25 60 percent of the lecturers, panelists, and other

1 individuals providing education and instruction  
2 as part of the training course required by this  
3 subsection are bipartisan subject matter experts  
4 on Congress and the Federal legislative process  
5 who are not employed by the executive branch  
6 of the Federal Government.

7 (B) AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT PRO BONO  
8 SERVICES.—In satisfying the requirement under  
9 subparagraph (A), the Secretary of Transpor-  
10 tation shall seek, and may accept, educational  
11 and instructional services of lecturers, panelists,  
12 and other individuals and organizations pro-  
13 vided to the Department of Transportation on  
14 a pro bono basis.

15 (4) COMPLETION OF REQUIRED TRAINING.—

16 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days  
17 after the date on which the Secretary of Trans-  
18 portation completes the development of the  
19 training course described in this section, and  
20 annually thereafter while serving in applicable  
21 positions, the covered individuals described in  
22 subparagraph (B) shall complete the training  
23 course described in this subsection.

24 (B) COVERED INDIVIDUALS.—The covered  
25 individuals in this subsection are the following:

1 (i) The Administrator of the Maritime  
2 Administration and the Deputy Adminis-  
3 trator of the Maritime Administration.

4 (ii) Any official of the Maritime Ad-  
5 ministration whose appointment is subject  
6 to the advice and consent of the Senate  
7 and Maritime Administration employees  
8 that are serving in a Senior Executive  
9 Service position (as defined in section  
10 3132(a) of title 5, United States Code).

11 (iii) Any Maritime Administration em-  
12 ployees whose duties consist of engagement  
13 with congressional, governmental, or public  
14 affairs, who are appointed or assigned to a  
15 billet in the National Capital Region on  
16 the date on which the Secretary of Trans-  
17 portation completes the development of the  
18 training course described in this section.

19 (iv) The Superintendent, Deputy Su-  
20 perintendent, Provost, Commandant of  
21 Midshipmen, Counsel, and Director of  
22 Public Affairs of the United States Mer-  
23 chant Marine Academy.

24 (C) NEW OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES.—  
25 Any Maritime Administration official or em-

1            ployee or United States Merchant Marine Acad-  
2            emy official or employee who is a covered indi-  
3            vidual described in subparagraph (B) who is  
4            newly appointed, newly employed in the Na-  
5            tional Capital Region, or newly employed by the  
6            United States Merchant Marine Academy after  
7            the date on which the Secretary of Transpor-  
8            tation completes the development of the train-  
9            ing course described in this subsection, shall  
10          complete a training course that meets the re-  
11          quirements of this subsection not later than 60  
12          days after reporting for duty, and annually  
13          thereafter, while serving in applicable positions.

14          (b) GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE REPORT  
15 ON MARITIME ADMINISTRATION STAFFING REQUIRE-  
16 MENTS.—

17            (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than six months  
18          after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
19          Comptroller General of the United States shall sub-  
20          mit to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and  
21          Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on  
22          Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of  
23          Representatives, a report that includes an analysis  
24          of the staffing requirements for effectively executing  
25          the mission of the Maritime Administration and an

1 identification of any existing gaps that could impede  
2 its operations.

3 (2) CONTENTS.—The report under paragraph  
4 (1) shall include—

5 (A) an evaluation of the personnel require-  
6 ments for the successful execution of the mis-  
7 sion of the Maritime Administration, including  
8 such requirements for—

9 (i) those offices that deal with infra-  
10 structure, shipbuilding, or student safety;

11 (ii) those offices that have significant  
12 delays in meeting constituent needs, in-  
13 cluding offices involved in the processing of  
14 permits and grants, or which perform a  
15 communication or outreach function to the  
16 public, constituents, or Congress (including  
17 the Office of Public Affairs of the Mari-  
18 time Administration);

19 (iii) the United States Merchant Ma-  
20 rine Academy; and

21 (iv) other activities carried out by the  
22 Maritime Administration;

23 (B) a thorough analysis of any deficiencies  
24 or inadequacies in staffing levels, at the time  
25 the report is submitted, that could hinder the

1 efficient functioning of the Maritime Adminis-  
2 tration; and

3 (C) recommendations for integrating the  
4 findings of the report into the policies and plan-  
5 ning processes of the Maritime Administration,  
6 with the aim of addressing the identified gaps  
7 and enhancing the overall effectiveness of the  
8 Maritime Administration.

9 (e) COAST GUARD ACADEMY IMPROVEMENT BRIEF-  
10 ING.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enact-  
11 ment of this Act, the Commandant of the Coast Guard  
12 shall provide to the Committee on Transportation and In-  
13 frastructure of the House of Representatives and the Com-  
14 mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the  
15 Senate a briefing on—

16 (1) a plan, which shall include timelines and  
17 cost estimates, to—

18 (A) remediate asbestos, lead, and mold  
19 from the Chase Hall of the Coast Guard Acad-  
20 emy;

21 (B) house not more than two students to  
22 a room in Chase Hall; and

23 (C) upgrade electric outlet availability and  
24 storage space in student rooms at Chase Hall;  
25 and

1           (2) the increased student housing capacity nec-  
2           essary to allow the Coast Guard to put through suf-  
3           ficient officers to eliminate the current portion of  
4           the officer shortfall due to space constraints at the  
5           Coast Guard Academy, including the Officer Can-  
6           didate School and direct Commission Officer Pro-  
7           gram housed at the Academy.

8   **SEC. 3534. MARITIME WORKFORCE WORKING GROUP.**

9           (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after the  
10          date of the enactment of this Act, the Maritime Adminis-  
11          trator, in consultation with the National Merchant Marine  
12          Personnel Advisory Committee, the National Offshore  
13          Safety Advisory Committee, the National Towing Safety  
14          Advisory Committee, and the Committee on the Marine  
15          Transportation System, shall convene a working group to  
16          examine and assess the size of the pool of mariners with  
17          covered credentials necessary to support the United States  
18          flag fleet.

19          (b) MEMBERSHIP.—The Maritime Administrator  
20          shall designate individuals to serve as members of the  
21          working group convened under subsection (a). The work-  
22          ing group shall consist of—

23                  (1) the Maritime Administrator, who shall serve  
24                  as chairperson of the working group;

- 1           (2) the Superintendent of the United States
- 2           Merchant Marine Academy;
- 3           (3) the Commandant of the Coast Guard;
- 4           (4) the Commander of the United States Trans-
- 5           portation Command;
- 6           (5) the Secretary of the Navy; and
- 7           (6) at least one representative from each of—
- 8           (A) the State maritime academies;
- 9           (B) the owners and operators of United
- 10           States-flagged vessels engaged in offshore oil
- 11           and gas exploration, development, and produc-
- 12           tion;
- 13           (C) the owners and operators of United
- 14           States-flagged vessels engaged in inland river
- 15           transportation;
- 16           (D) the owners and operators of United
- 17           States-flagged vessels engaged in inland river
- 18           transportation;
- 19           (E) a nonprofit labor organization rep-
- 20           resenting a class of licensed or unlicensed en-
- 21           gine department mariners who are employed on
- 22           vessels operating in the United States flag fleet;
- 23           (F) a nonprofit labor organization rep-
- 24           resenting a class of licensed or unlicensed mari-

1           ners who are employed on vessels operating in  
2           the United States flag fleet;

3           (G) the owners of vessels operating in the  
4           United States flag fleet, or their private con-  
5           tracting parties, that are primarily operating in  
6           international transportation;

7           (H) Centers of Excellence for Maritime  
8           Training designated under section 51706 of  
9           title 46, United States Code; and

10          (I) private maritime training providers.

11          (c) NO QUORUM REQUIREMENT.—The Maritime Ad-  
12         ministrators may convene the working group virtually and  
13         without all members present.

14          (d) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The working group shall  
15         carry out the following responsibilities:

16                 (1) Reviewing the report required by section  
17                 3525(b), and the study required by section 3545(a),  
18                 of the James Inhofe National Defense Authorization  
19                 Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263), if  
20                 available.

21                 (2) Identifying the number of mariners with  
22                 covered credentials in each of the following cat-  
23                 egories:

24                         (A) All such mariners.

1 (B) Such mariners who have a valid Coast  
2 Guard merchant mariner credential with the  
3 necessary endorsements for service on unlimited  
4 tonnage vessels that are subject to the Inter-  
5 national Convention on Standards of Training,  
6 Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers,  
7 1978, as amended.

8 (C) Such mariners who are participating in  
9 a Federal program that supports the United  
10 States merchant marine and the United States  
11 flag fleet.

12 (D) Such mariners who are available to  
13 crew the United States flag fleet and the surge  
14 sealift fleet in times of a national emergency.

15 (E) Such mariners who are full-time.

16 (F) Such mariners who are merchant mar-  
17 iner credentialed officers in the United States  
18 Navy Reserve.

19 (G) Such licensed and unlicensed mari-  
20 ners—

21 (i) required to maintain, mobilize, and  
22 operate the entire Ready Reserve Force for  
23 periods of 30 days, 90 days, 180 days, and  
24 one year including separate totals for mer-  
25 chant mariners employed to maintain the

1 Ready Reserve Force in a reduced oper-  
2 ating status; and

3 (ii) required to submit documentation  
4 of sea service to the National Maritime  
5 Center, including such mariners that have  
6 acquired sea service during the prior year  
7 and such mariners that have not acquired  
8 sea service during the prior year.

9 (3) Evaluating potential gaps or surpluses of  
10 credentialed merchant mariners, by rating and quali-  
11 fication, required to maintain, mobilize, and operate  
12 the Ready Reserve Force for periods of 30 days, 90  
13 days, 180 days, and one year and the potential im-  
14 pacts such mobilization and operation will have on  
15 the commercial maritime industry's capability to op-  
16 erate during such periods.

17 (4) Identifying a list of all actively operating  
18 documented vessels of at least 500 gross registered  
19 tons, as measured under section 14502 of title 46,  
20 United States Code, or an alternate tonnage meas-  
21 ured under section 14302 of such title as prescribed  
22 by the Secretary under section 14104, of such title,  
23 with the tonnage of each such vessel.

24 (5) Assessing the effect on the United States  
25 merchant marine and United States Merchant Ma-

1 rine Academy if graduates from State maritime  
2 academies and the United States Merchant Marine  
3 Academy were assigned to, or required to fulfill, cer-  
4 tain maritime positions based on the overall needs of  
5 the United States merchant marine.

6 (6) Assessing the effectiveness of marketing  
7 and outreach efforts, including recruitment and re-  
8 tention strategy and methods of publicizing opportu-  
9 nities, for new mariner accession into the maritime  
10 industry.

11 (7) Assessing the accessibility of Coast Guard  
12 Merchant Mariner Licensing and Documentation  
13 System data for mariners with covered credentials,  
14 the maritime industry, and the Maritime Adminis-  
15 tration for the purposes of evaluating the pool of  
16 mariners with covered credentials.

17 (8) Assessing the impediments to the  
18 credentialing of United States merchant mariners,  
19 including training capacity, credentialing system  
20 delays, costs to merchant mariners, statutory or reg-  
21 ulatory requirements, and other factors.

22 (9) Making recommendations to—

23 (A) enhance the availability and quality of  
24 interagency data, including data from the  
25 United States Transportation Command, the

1 Coast Guard, the Navy, and the Bureau of  
2 Transportation Statistics, for use by the Mari-  
3 time Administration in evaluating the pool of  
4 mariners with covered credentials;

5 (B) close any gaps identified in the evalua-  
6 tion described in paragraph (3), including spe-  
7 cific policy, legislative change proposals, and  
8 funding requests; and

9 (C) improve United States merchant mar-  
10 iner recruitment and retention.

11 (e) PROVISION OF INFORMATION.—All members of  
12 the working group convened under subsection (a) shall  
13 provide to the Maritime Administrator, in a timely manner  
14 and in a suitable format agreed to by members, any infor-  
15 mation that is needed to carry out the responsibilities  
16 under subsection (d).

17 (f) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date  
18 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transpor-  
19 tation shall submit to the Committee on Commerce,  
20 Science, and Transportation of the Senate, the Committee  
21 on Armed Services of the House of Representatives, and  
22 the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of  
23 the House of Representatives a report that contains the  
24 findings and conclusions of the working group gathered

1 in the course of performing the responsibilities under sub-  
2 section (d). Such report shall include each of the following:

3 (1) The number of mariners with covered cre-  
4 dentials identified for each category described in  
5 subparagraphs (A) through (G) of subsection (d)(2).

6 (2) The results of the evaluation under sub-  
7 section (d)(3).

8 (3) The list identified under subsection (d)(4).

9 (4) The results of the assessments conducted  
10 under paragraphs (5) and (8) of subsection (d).

11 (5) The recommendations made under para-  
12 graphs (5) and (9) of subsection (d).

13 (6) Such other information as the working  
14 group determines appropriate.

15 (g) CLASSIFIED ANNEX.—The report required under  
16 this section shall be submitted in unclassified form, but  
17 shall include a classified annex including the results from  
18 subsection (d)(2)(G) and subsection (d)(3).

19 (h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

20 (1) The term “covered credential” means any  
21 credential issued under part E of subtitle II of title  
22 46, United States Code.

23 (2) The term “documented vessel” has the  
24 meaning given the term in section 106 of title 46,  
25 United States Code.

1           (3) The term “Ready Reserve Force” has the  
2           meaning given the term in chapter 571 of title 46,  
3           United States Code.

4           (i) SUNSET.—The Maritime Administrator shall dis-  
5           band the working group upon the submission of the report  
6           required under subsection (f).

7           (j) TEMPORARY REDUCTION OF LENGTHS OF CER-  
8           TAIN PERIODS OF SERVICE.—For the 3-year period begin-  
9           ning on the date of enactment of this Act—

10           (1) section 7307 of title 46, United States  
11           Code, shall be applied by substituting “18 months”  
12           for “3 years”;

13           (2) section 7308 of such title shall be applied  
14           by substituting “12 months” for “18 months”; and

15           (3) section 7309 of such title shall be applied  
16           by substituting “6 months” for “12 months”.

17           (k) CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE FOR DOMESTIC MARI-  
18           TIME WORKFORCE TRAINING AND EDUCATION.—Section  
19           51706 of title 46, United States Code, is amended—

20           (1) in subsection (a)—

21           (A) by striking “The Secretary” and in-  
22           serting the following:

23           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary”;

24           (B) by inserting “, after consultation with  
25           the Coast Guard,” after “Transportation”;

1 (C) by inserting “, for a 5-year period,”  
2 after “designate”; and

3 (D) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(2) WITHDRAWAL OF DESIGNATION.—The  
5 Secretary of Transportation may withdraw a des-  
6 ignation as a center of excellence for domestic mari-  
7 time workforce training and education of a covered  
8 training entity upon discovery of adverse informa-  
9 tion, including discovery of information that the cov-  
10 ered training entity has engaged in fraudulent or  
11 unlawful activities, or has been subjected to discipli-  
12 nary or adverse administrative action by Federal,  
13 State, or other regulatory bodies.”;

14 (2) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the  
15 following:

16 “(5) ELIGIBLE USES OF GRANT FUNDS.—A  
17 center of excellence receiving a grant under this sub-  
18 section shall—

19 “(A) carry out activities that are identified  
20 as priorities for the purpose of developing, of-  
21 fering, or improving educational or career train-  
22 ing programs for the United States maritime  
23 industry workforce; and

24 “(B) provide training to upgrade the skills  
25 of the United States maritime industry work-

1 force, including training to acquire covered re-  
2 quirements as well as technical skills training  
3 for jobs in the United States maritime indus-  
4 try.”; and

5 (3) in subsection (c)(1)—

6 (A) in subparagraph (B)(v), by striking  
7 “and” after the semicolon;

8 (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking the  
9 period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

10 (C) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(D) has—

12 “(i) not been subject to a disciplinary  
13 or adverse administrative action by Fed-  
14 eral, State, or other regulatory bodies;

15 “(ii) no unresolved nonconformities  
16 from administrative audits by regulatory  
17 bodies; and

18 “(iii) not been subject to any adverse  
19 criminal action by a Federal, State, or  
20 local law enforcement authority.”.

21 **SEC. 3535. CONSIDERATION OF LIFE-CYCLE COST ESTI-**  
22 **MATES FOR ACQUISITION AND PROCURE-**  
23 **MENT OF VESSELS.**

24 In carrying out the acquisition and procurement of  
25 vessels in the National Defense Reserve Fleet, the Sec-

1 retary of Transportation, acting through the Adminis-  
2 trator of the Maritime Administration, shall consider the  
3 life-cycle cost estimates of vessels during the design and  
4 evaluation processes to the maximum extent practicable.

5 **SEC. 3536. LOANS FOR RETROFITTING TO QUALIFY AS A**  
6 **VESSEL OF THE UNITED STATES.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 53706(a) of title 46,  
8 United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the  
9 following:

10 “(8) Financing (including reimbursement of an  
11 obligor for expenditures previously made for) the re-  
12 construction, reconditioning, retrofitting, repair, re-  
13 configuration, or similar work in a shipyard located  
14 in the United States.”.

15 (b) PROHIBITION ON USE OF APPROPRIATED  
16 FUNDS.—Amounts appropriated to the Maritime Admin-  
17 istration before the date of enactment of this Act shall  
18 not be available to be used for the cost of loan guarantees  
19 for projects receiving financing support or credit enhance-  
20 ments under section 53706(a)(8) of title 46, United States  
21 Code, as added by this section.

22 **SEC. 3537. ACCOUNTABILITY FOR NATIONAL MARITIME**  
23 **STRATEGY.**

24 (a) BIENNIAL BRIEFING.—

1           (1) REQUIREMENT.—Not less than twice annu-  
2           ally, the Administrator of the Maritime Administra-  
3           tion, in consultation with the National Security  
4           Council, the Secretary of State, the Secretary of  
5           Transportation, and the Secretary of Homeland Se-  
6           curity, shall provide to the appropriate congressional  
7           committees briefings on the status of establishing  
8           the type of national maritime strategy required  
9           under section 50114 of title 46, United States Code.  
10          The Chief of Naval Operations, the Commandant of  
11          the Marine Corps, and the Commandant of the  
12          Coast Guard shall participate in each briefing re-  
13          quired under this paragraph.

14          (2) USE.—The Administrator shall use the  
15          briefings required under paragraph (1) to augment  
16          and influence the national maritime strategy discus-  
17          sion with national security focused stakeholders  
18          across the administration, until an updated strategy  
19          is published and endorsed by the President of the  
20          United States.

21          (b) ELEMENTS.—As the national maritime strategy  
22          relates to national security, each briefing under subsection  
23          (a) shall include the following:

24                  (1) Recommendations for a whole-of-Govern-  
25                  ment approach to orchestrating national instruments

1 of power to shape all elements of the maritime enter-  
2 prise of the United States, domestic and inter-  
3 national, on the high seas or domestic waterways.

4 (2) An assessment of great power competition  
5 in the maritime domain, to include opportunities for  
6 increased cooperation with allied and partner global  
7 maritime industry leaders to improve national ship-  
8 building and shipping, while promoting the inter-  
9 national rules-based maritime order.

10 (3) An analysis of existing shipyards to build  
11 and capitalize on the virtuous cycle between commer-  
12 cial and military shipbuilding and repair, including  
13 areas of improvement.

14 (4) An analysis of opportunities for private or  
15 public financing to increase the capacity, efficiency,  
16 and effectiveness of United States shipyards, includ-  
17 ing infrastructure, labor force, technology, and glob-  
18 al competitiveness.

19 (5) An analysis of potential improvements to  
20 national or cooperative arrangements for sealift ca-  
21 pacity and shipping, including for contested logistics.

22 (c) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—

23 In this section, the term “appropriate congressional com-  
24 mittees” means—

25 (1) the congressional defense committees;



1 tables in this division may be transferred or repro-  
 2 grammed under a transfer or reprogramming authority  
 3 provided by another provision of this Act or by other law.  
 4 The transfer or reprogramming of an amount specified in  
 5 such funding tables shall not count against a ceiling on  
 6 such transfers or reprogrammings under section 1001 of  
 7 this Act or any other provision of law, unless such transfer  
 8 or reprogramming would move funds between appropria-  
 9 tion accounts.

10 (d) **APPLICABILITY TO CLASSIFIED ANNEX.**—This  
 11 section applies to any classified annex that accompanies  
 12 this Act.

13 (e) **ORAL OR WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS.**—No oral  
 14 or written communication concerning any amount speci-  
 15 fied in the funding tables in this division shall supersede  
 16 the requirements of this section.

17 **TITLE XLI—PROCUREMENT**

18 **SEC. 4101. PROCUREMENT.**

<b>SEC. 4101. PROCUREMENT</b> (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Line	Item	FY 2024 Request	Conference Authorized
<b>AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, ARMY</b>			
<b>FIXED WING</b>			
003	FUTURE UAS FAMILY .....	53,453	53,453
005	SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS .....	20,769	20,769
<b>ROTARY</b>			
006	AH-64 APACHE BLOCK IIIA REMAN .....	718,578	718,578
007	AH-64 APACHE BLOCK IIIA REMAN AP .....	110,360	110,360
008	UH-60 BLACKHAWK M MODEL (MYP) .....	668,258	668,258
009	UH-60 BLACKHAWK M MODEL (MYP) AP .....	92,494	92,494
010	UH-60 BLACK HAWK L AND V MODELS .....	153,196	153,196
011	CH-47 HELICOPTER .....	202,487	379,987
	Four Additional Aircraft .....		[177,500]
012	CH-47 HELICOPTER AP .....	18,936	41,436
	CH-47F Block II—Adv Procurement .....		[22,500]
012A	UH-72B LAKOTA HELICOPTER .....		20,000
	Two aircraft .....		[20,000]
<b>MODIFICATION OF AIRCRAFT</b>			
013	MQ-1 PAYLOAD .....	13,650	13,650
014	GRAY EAGLE MODS2 .....	14,959	82,959
	Program increase .....		[68,000]

<b>SEC. 4101. PROCUREMENT</b> (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Line	Item	FY 2024 Request	Conference Authorized
016	AH-64 MODS .....	113,127	113,127
017	CH-47 CARGO HELICOPTER MODS (MYP) .....	20,689	20,689
022	UTILITY HELICOPTER MODS .....	35,879	53,879
	Black Hawk Mods—60kVA Generators .....		[15,000]
	Litter Basket Stabilization Systems .....		[3,000]
023	NETWORK AND MISSION PLAN .....	32,418	32,418
024	COMMS, NAV SURVEILLANCE .....	74,912	74,912
025	DEGRADED VISUAL ENVIRONMENT .....	16,838	16,838
026	AVIATION ASSURED PNT .....	67,383	67,383
027	GATM ROLLUP .....	8,924	8,924
029	UAS MODS .....	2,258	2,258
	<b>GROUND SUPPORT AVIONICS</b>		
030	AIRCRAFT SURVIVABILITY EQUIPMENT .....	161,731	156,501
	B-Kit unit cost adjustment .....		[-5,230]
031	SURVIVABILITY CM .....	6,526	6,526
032	CMWS .....	72,041	72,041
033	COMMON INFRARED COUNTERMEASURES (CIRCM) .....	261,384	261,384
	<b>OTHER SUPPORT</b>		
034	COMMON GROUND EQUIPMENT .....	25,752	25,752
035	AIRCREW INTEGRATED SYSTEMS .....	22,097	22,097
036	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL .....	21,216	21,216
037	LAUNCHER, 2.75 ROCKET .....	2,125	2,125
	<b>TOTAL AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, ARMY</b> .....	<b>3,012,440</b>	<b>3,313,210</b>
	<b>MISSILE PROCUREMENT, ARMY</b>		
	<b>SURFACE-TO-AIR MISSILE SYSTEM</b>		
001	LOWER TIER AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE (AMD) SEN .....	6,625	6,625
003	M-SHORAD—PROCUREMENT .....	400,697	390,197
	Excess fielding growth .....		[-10,500]
004	MSE MISSILE .....	1,212,832	1,212,832
006	PRECISION STRIKE MISSILE (PRSM) .....	384,071	377,821
	Unjustified growth: Software maintenance .....		[-6,250]
007	INDIRECT FIRE PROTECTION CAPABILITY INC 2-I .....	313,189	313,189
008	MID-RANGE CAPABILITY (MRC) .....	169,519	169,519
	<b>AIR-TO-SURFACE MISSILE SYSTEM</b>		
009	HELLFIRE SYS SUMMARY .....	21,976	21,976
010	JOINT AIR-TO-GROUND MSLS (JAGM) .....	303,409	303,409
012	LONG-RANGE HYPERSONIC WEAPON .....	156,821	156,821
	<b>ANTI-TANK/ASSAULT MISSILE SYS</b>		
013	JAVELIN (AAWS-M) SYSTEM SUMMARY .....	199,509	199,509
014	TOW 2 SYSTEM SUMMARY .....	120,475	120,475
015	GUIDED MLRS ROCKET (GMLRS) .....	886,367	886,367
016	GUIDED MLRS ROCKET (GMLRS) .....	55,913	55,913
017	MLRS REDUCED RANGE PRACTICE ROCKETS (RRPR) .....	10,334	10,334
018	HIGH MOBILITY ARTILLERY ROCKET SYSTEM (HIMARS) .....	179,230	179,230
019	ARMY TACTICAL MSL SYS (ATACMS)—SYS SUM .....	7,307	7,307
	<b>MODIFICATIONS</b>		
021	PATRIOT MODS .....	212,247	212,247
022	STINGER MODS .....	36,484	36,484
023	AVENGER MODS .....	22,274	22,274
025	MLRS MODS .....	168,198	168,198
026	HIMARS MODIFICATIONS .....	76,266	76,266
	<b>SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS</b>		
027	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....	6,573	6,573
	<b>SUPPORT EQUIPMENT &amp; FACILITIES</b>		
028	AIR DEFENSE TARGETS .....	11,701	11,701
	<b>TOTAL MISSILE PROCUREMENT, ARMY</b> .....	<b>4,962,017</b>	<b>4,945,267</b>
	<b>PROCUREMENT OF WEAPONS AND TRACKED COMBAT VEHICLES, ARMY</b>		
	<b>TRACKED COMBAT VEHICLES</b>		
001	ARMORED MULTI PURPOSE VEHICLE (AMPV) .....	554,777	552,277
	Program decrease .....		[-2,500]
003	MOBILE PROTECTED FIREPOWER .....	394,635	386,635
	Excessive growth—systems technical support .....		[-8,000]
	<b>MODIFICATION OF TRACKED COMBAT VEHICLES</b>		
004	STRYKER UPGRADE .....	614,282	749,682
	Excessive growth—fleet modifications .....		[-4,600]
	Program increase .....		[140,000]
005	BRADLEY FIRE SUPPORT TEAM (BFIST) VEHICLE .....	5,232	5,232
006	BRADLEY PROGRAM (MOD) .....	158,274	217,070
	Program increase .....		[65,000]
	Unjustified growth: modification 7 installation .....		[-6,204]
007	M109 FOV MODIFICATIONS .....	90,986	90,986
008	PALADIN INTEGRATED MANAGEMENT (PIM) .....	469,152	674,152
	Program increase .....		[205,000]
009	IMPROVED RECOVERY VEHICLE (M88 HERCULES) .....	41,058	41,058
012	JOINT ASSAULT BRIDGE .....	159,804	159,804

<b>SEC. 4101. PROCUREMENT</b> (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Line	Item	FY 2024 Request	Conference Authorized
013	ABRAMS UPGRADE PROGRAM .....	697,883	1,240,283
	Abrams Upgrade Predictive Maintenance (PPMX) .....		[10,000]
	Program increase .....		[532,400]
014	ABRAMS UPGRADE PROGRAM AP .....	102,440	102,440
<b>WEAPONS &amp; OTHER COMBAT VEHICLES</b>			
016	PERSONAL DEFENSE WEAPON (ROLL) .....	510	510
017	M240 MEDIUM MACHINE GUN (7.62MM) .....	425	425
019	MACHINE GUN, CAL .50 M2 ROLL .....	3,420	3,420
020	MORTAR SYSTEMS .....	8,013	8,013
021	LOCATION & AZIMUTH DETERMINATION SYSTEM (LADS) .....	3,174	3,174
022	XM320 GRENADE LAUNCHER MODULE (GLM) .....	14,143	14,143
023	PRECISION SNIPER RIFLE .....	5,248	5,248
024	CARBINE .....	571	8,571
	Program Increase—M4 carbine upper receivers .....		[8,000]
025	NEXT GENERATION SQUAD WEAPON .....	292,850	292,850
026	HANDGUN .....	32	32
<b>MOD OF WEAPONS AND OTHER COMBAT VEH</b>			
028	M777 MODS .....	18,920	18,920
031	M119 MODIFICATIONS .....	13,097	13,097
032	MORTAR MODIFICATION .....	423	423
<b>SUPPORT EQUIPMENT &amp; FACILITIES</b>			
033	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5.0M (WOCV-WTCV) .....	1,148	1,148
034	PRODUCTION BASE SUPPORT (WOCV-WTCV) .....	115,024	115,024
<b>TOTAL PROCUREMENT OF WEAPONS AND TRACKED COMBAT VEHICLES, ARMY.</b>		<b>3,765,521</b>	<b>4,704,617</b>
<b>PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, ARMY</b>			
<b>SMALL/MEDIUM CAL AMMUNITION</b>			
001	CTG, 5.56MM, ALL TYPES .....	90,853	90,853
002	CTG, 7.62MM, ALL TYPES .....	65,370	80,370
	Program increase .....		[15,000]
003	NEXT GENERATION SQUAD WEAPON AMMUNITION .....	191,244	191,244
004	CTG, HANDGUN, ALL TYPES .....	6,597	6,597
005	CTG, .50 CAL, ALL TYPES .....	41,534	64,402
	Program increase .....		[22,868]
006	CTG, 20MM, ALL TYPES .....	7,925	7,925
007	CTG, 25MM, ALL TYPES .....	38,760	31,503
	Excess to need .....		[-7,257]
008	CTG, 30MM, ALL TYPES .....	107,805	107,805
009	CTG, 40MM, ALL TYPES .....	148,970	148,970
010	CTG, 50MM, ALL TYPES .....	28,000	28,000
<b>MORTAR AMMUNITION</b>			
011	60MM MORTAR, ALL TYPES .....	35,160	35,160
012	81MM MORTAR, ALL TYPES .....	40,562	40,562
013	120MM MORTAR, ALL TYPES .....	106,784	106,784
<b>TANK AMMUNITION</b>			
014	CARTRIDGES, TANK, 105MM AND 120MM, ALL TYPES .....	300,368	300,368
<b>ARTILLERY AMMUNITION</b>			
015	ARTILLERY CARTRIDGES, 75MM & 105MM, ALL TYPES .....	21,298	21,298
016	ARTILLERY PROJECTILE, 155MM, ALL TYPES .....	150,839	150,839
018	PRECISION ARTILLERY MUNITIONS .....	96,406	96,406
019	ARTILLERY PROPELLANTS, FUZES AND PRIMERS, ALL .....	172,947	172,947
<b>MINES</b>			
020	MINES & CLEARING CHARGES, ALL TYPES .....	71,182	71,182
021	CLOSE TERRAIN SHAPING OBSTACLE .....	55,374	55,374
<b>ROCKETS</b>			
022	SHOULDER LAUNCHED MUNITIONS, ALL TYPES .....	18,630	18,630
023	ROCKET, HYDRA 70, ALL TYPES .....	87,293	87,293
<b>OTHER AMMUNITION</b>			
024	CAD/PAD, ALL TYPES .....	6,564	6,564
025	DEMOLITION MUNITIONS, ALL TYPES .....	24,238	24,238
026	GRENADES, ALL TYPES .....	48,374	48,374
027	SIGNALS, ALL TYPES .....	23,252	23,252
028	SIMULATORS, ALL TYPES .....	11,309	11,309
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>			
030	AMMO COMPONENTS, ALL TYPES .....	3,976	3,976
031	NON-LETHAL AMMUNITION, ALL TYPES .....	3,281	3,281
032	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION (AMMO) .....	17,436	17,436
033	AMMUNITION PECULIAR EQUIPMENT .....	13,133	13,133
034	FIRST DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION (AMMO) .....	18,068	18,068
035	CLOSEOUT LIABILITIES .....	102	102
<b>PRODUCTION BASE SUPPORT</b>			
036	INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES .....	726,135	726,135
037	CONVENTIONAL MUNITIONS DEMILITARIZATION .....	183,752	183,752
038	ARMS INITIATIVE .....	4,057	4,057
<b>TOTAL PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, ARMY</b>		<b>2,967,578</b>	<b>2,998,189</b>
<b>OTHER PROCUREMENT, ARMY</b>			

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<b>TACTICAL VEHICLES</b>			
001	SEMITRAILERS, FLATBED: .....	22,751	22,751
002	SEMITRAILERS, TANKERS .....	40,359	40,359
003	HI MOB MULTI-PURP WHLD VEH (HMMWV) .....	25,904	25,904
004	GROUND MOBILITY VEHICLES (GMV) .....	36,223	36,223
006	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE FAMILY OF VEHICL .....	839,413	837,318
	Unit cost increases .....		[-2,095]
007	TRUCK, DUMP, 20T (CCE) .....	20,075	35,075
	Program increase .....		[15,000]
008	FAMILY OF MEDIUM TACTICAL VEH (FMTV) .....	110,734	110,734
009	FAMILY OF COLD WEATHER ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE .....	28,745	28,745
010	FIRETRUCKS & ASSOCIATED FIREFIGHTING EQUIP .....	55,340	55,340
011	FAMILY OF HEAVY TACTICAL VEHICLES (FHTV) .....	66,428	166,428
	Program increase .....		[100,000]
012	PLS ESP .....	51,868	51,868
014	TACTICAL WHEELED VEHICLE PROTECTION KITS .....	3,792	3,792
015	MODIFICATION OF IN SVC EQUIP .....	80,326	137,826
	HMMWV ABS/ESC .....		[57,500]
<b>NON-TACTICAL VEHICLES</b>			
016	PASSENGER CARRYING VEHICLES .....	2,203	2,203
017	NONTACTICAL VEHICLES, OTHER .....	8,246	8,246
<b>COMM—JOINT COMMUNICATIONS</b>			
018	SIGNAL MODERNIZATION PROGRAM .....	161,585	151,185
	Program decrease .....		[-10,400]
019	TACTICAL NETWORK TECHNOLOGY MOD IN SVC .....	358,646	356,143
	On-the-Move Satellite Communications Terminals .....		[9,500]
	SATCOM obsolescence previously funded .....		[-12,003]
020	DISASTER INCIDENT RESPONSE COMMS TERMINAL (DI .....	254	254
021	JCSE EQUIPMENT (USRDECOM) .....	5,097	5,097
<b>COMM—SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS</b>			
024	DEFENSE ENTERPRISE WIDEBAND SATCOM SYSTEMS .....	101,181	101,181
025	TRANSPORTABLE TACTICAL COMMAND COMMUNICATIONS .....	54,849	54,849
026	SHF TERM .....	41,634	41,634
027	ASSURED POSITIONING, NAVIGATION AND TIMING .....	202,370	202,370
028	EHF SATELLITE COMMUNICATION .....	19,122	19,122
030	GLOBAL BRDCST SVC—GBS .....	531	531
<b>COMM—C3 SYSTEM</b>			
031	COE TACTICAL SERVER INFRASTRUCTURE (TSD) .....	77,999	77,999
<b>COMM—COMBAT COMMUNICATIONS</b>			
032	HANDHELD MANPACK SMALL FORM FIT (HMS) .....	765,109	760,066
	Excess to need .....		[-5,043]
033	ARMY LINK 16 SYSTEMS .....	60,767	60,767
035	UNIFIED COMMAND SUITE .....	18,999	18,999
036	COTS COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT .....	492,001	484,901
	Program decrease .....		[-7,100]
037	FAMILY OF MED COMM FOR COMBAT CASUALTY CARE .....	1,374	1,374
038	ARMY COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONICS .....	52,485	52,485
<b>COMM—INTELLIGENCE COMM</b>			
039	CI AUTOMATION ARCHITECTURE-INTEL .....	16,767	16,767
041	MULTI-DOMAIN INTELLIGENCE .....	119,989	119,989
<b>INFORMATION SECURITY</b>			
042	INFORMATION SYSTEM SECURITY PROGRAM-ISSP .....	701	701
043	COMMUNICATIONS SECURITY (COMSEC) .....	159,712	159,712
044	DEFENSIVE CYBER OPERATIONS .....	13,848	13,848
045	INSIDER THREAT PROGRAM—UNIT ACTIVITY MONITO .....	1,502	1,502
047	BIOMETRIC ENABLING CAPABILITY (BEC) .....	453	453
<b>COMM—LONG HAUL COMMUNICATIONS</b>			
049	BASE SUPPORT COMMUNICATIONS .....	23,278	23,278
<b>COMM—BASE COMMUNICATIONS</b>			
050	INFORMATION SYSTEMS .....	32,608	32,608
051	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT MODERNIZATION PROGRAM .....	4,949	4,949
052	INSTALLATION INFO INFRASTRUCTURE MOD PROGRAM .....	243,011	243,011
<b>ELECT EQUIP—TACT INT REL ACT (TIARA)</b>			
055	JTT/CIBS-M .....	8,543	8,543
056	TERRESTRIAL LAYER SYSTEMS (TLS) .....	85,486	85,486
058	DCGS-A-INTEL .....	2,980	2,980
060	TROJAN .....	30,649	30,649
061	MOD OF IN-SVC EQUIP (INTEL SPT) .....	4,169	4,169
062	BIOMETRIC TACTICAL COLLECTION DEVICES .....	932	932
<b>ELECT EQUIP—ELECTRONIC WARFARE (EW)</b>			
063	EW PLANNING & MANAGEMENT TOOLS (EWPMT) .....	21,278	21,278
064	AIR VIGILANCE (AV) .....	6,641	6,641
065	MULTI-FUNCTION ELECTRONIC WARFARE (MFEW) SYST .....	15,941	15,941
067	COUNTERINTELLIGENCE/SECURITY COUNTERMEASURES .....	22,833	22,833
068	CI MODERNIZATION .....	434	434
<b>ELECT EQUIP—TACTICAL SURV. (TAC SURV)</b>			
069	SENTINEL MODS .....	161,886	161,886
070	NIGHT VISION DEVICES .....	141,143	98,722

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	Rephrase to RDT&E for IVAS 1.2 Development .....		[-39,137]
	Restore acquisition accountability: Government program management costs .....		[-3,284]
071	SMALL TACTICAL OPTICAL RIFLE MOUNTED MLRF .....	15,484	15,484
073	FAMILY OF WEAPON SIGHTS (FWS) .....	185,634	185,634
074	ENHANCED PORTABLE INDUCTIVE ARTILLERY FUZE SE .....	3,652	3,652
075	FORWARD LOOKING INFRARED (IFLIR) .....	20,438	20,438
076	COUNTER SMALL UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEM (C-SUAS) .....	365,376	305,376
	Execution delays .....		[-60,000]
077	JOINT BATTLE COMMAND—PLATFORM (JBC-P) .....	215,290	210,066
	Unjustified Cost Growth—Fielding and Systems Engineering .....		[-5,224]
078	JOINT EFFECTS TARGETING SYSTEM (JETS) .....	8,932	8,932
079	COMPUTER BALLISTICS: LHMC XM32 .....	2,965	2,965
080	MORTAR FIRE CONTROL SYSTEM .....	8,024	8,024
081	MORTAR FIRE CONTROL SYSTEMS MODIFICATIONS .....	7,399	7,399
082	COUNTERFIRE RADARS .....	99,782	99,782
	<b>ELECT EQUIP—TACTICAL C2 SYSTEMS</b>		
083	ARMY COMMAND POST INTEGRATED INFRASTRUCTURE .....	78,512	78,512
084	FIRE SUPPORT C2 FAMILY .....	10,052	10,052
085	AIR & MSL DEFENSE PLANNING & CONTROL SYS .....	68,892	68,892
086	LAMD BATTLE COMMAND SYSTEM .....	412,556	395,456
	Excess Interim Contractor Support .....		[-17,100]
087	LIFE CYCLE SOFTWARE SUPPORT (LCSS) .....	4,270	4,270
088	NETWORK MANAGEMENT INITIALIZATION AND SERVICE .....	37,194	37,194
089	GLOBAL COMBAT SUPPORT SYSTEM-ARMY (GCSS-A) .....	1,987	1,987
090	INTEGRATED PERSONNEL AND PAY SYSTEM-ARMY (IPP) .....	5,318	5,318
091	MOD OF IN-SVC EQUIPMENT (ENFIRE) .....	4,997	4,997
	<b>ELECT EQUIP—AUTOMATION</b>		
092	ARMY TRAINING MODERNIZATION .....	10,130	10,130
093	AUTOMATED DATA PROCESSING EQUIP .....	61,489	61,489
094	ACCESSIONS INFORMATION ENVIRONMENT (AIE) .....	4,198	4,198
096	HIGH PERF COMPUTING MOD PGM (HPCMP) .....	76,053	76,053
097	CONTRACT WRITING SYSTEM .....	6,061	6,061
098	CSS COMMUNICATIONS .....	56,804	56,804
	<b>CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS</b>		
151A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	1,781	1,781
	<b>CHEMICAL DEFENSIVE EQUIPMENT</b>		
102	BASE DEFENSE SYSTEMS (BDS) .....	70,781	70,781
103	CBRN DEFENSE .....	63,198	63,198
	<b>BRIDGING EQUIPMENT</b>		
104	TACTICAL BRIDGING .....	1,157	1,157
105	TACTICAL BRIDGE, FLOAT-RIBBON .....	82,228	82,228
106	BRIDGE SUPPLEMENTAL SET .....	4,414	4,414
	<b>ENGINEER (NON-CONSTRUCTION) EQUIPMENT</b>		
110	ROBOTICS AND APPLIQUE SYSTEMS .....	68,893	68,893
112	FAMILY OF BOATS AND MOTORS .....	4,785	4,785
	<b>COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>		
113	HEATERS AND ECUS .....	7,617	7,617
115	PERSONNEL RECOVERY SUPPORT SYSTEM (PRSS) .....	5,356	5,356
116	GROUND SOLDIER SYSTEM .....	167,129	154,262
	Excess to need .....		[-12,867]
117	MOBILE SOLDIER POWER .....	15,967	15,967
118	FORCE PROVIDER .....	34,200	34,200
120	CARGO AERIAL DEL & PERSONNEL PARACHUTE SYSTEM .....	45,792	45,792
121	FAMILY OF ENGR COMBAT AND CONSTRUCTION SETS .....	12,118	12,118
	<b>PETROLEUM EQUIPMENT</b>		
123	QUALITY SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT .....	2,507	2,507
124	DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS, PETROLEUM & WATER .....	40,989	40,989
	<b>MEDICAL EQUIPMENT</b>		
125	COMBAT SUPPORT MEDICAL .....	86,829	86,829
	<b>MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT</b>		
126	MOBILE MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT SYSTEMS .....	17,287	17,287
	<b>CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT</b>		
128	TRACTOR, FULL TRACKED .....	29,878	29,878
129	ALL TERRAIN CRANES .....	27,725	30,725
	FOATC Type I Cranes .....		[3,000]
131	FAMILY OF DIVER SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	1,811	1,811
132	CONST EQUIP ESP .....	8,898	8,898
	<b>RAIL FLOAT CONTAINERIZATION EQUIPMENT</b>		
133	ARMY WATERCRAFT ESP .....	30,592	30,592
134	MANEUVER SUPPORT VESSEL (MSV) .....	149,449	191,476
	One additional vessel .....		[42,027]
	<b>GENERATORS</b>		
136	GENERATORS AND ASSOCIATED EQUIP .....	78,364	78,364
137	TACTICAL ELECTRIC POWER RECAPITALIZATION .....	11,088	11,088
	<b>MATERIAL HANDLING EQUIPMENT</b>		
138	FAMILY OF FORKLIFTS .....	12,982	12,982
	<b>TRAINING EQUIPMENT</b>		
139	COMBAT TRAINING CENTERS SUPPORT .....	56,619	56,619

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140	TRAINING DEVICES, NONSYSTEM .....	226,379	226,379
141	SYNTHETIC TRAINING ENVIRONMENT (STE) .....	234,965	234,965
142	GAMING TECHNOLOGY IN SUPPORT OF ARMY TRAINING .....	9,698	9,698
	<b>TEST MEASURE AND DIG EQUIPMENT (TMD)</b>		
143	INTEGRATED FAMILY OF TEST EQUIPMENT (IFTE) .....	36,149	36,149
144	TEST EQUIPMENT MODERNIZATION (TEMOD) .....	32,623	32,623
	<b>OTHER SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>		
145	PHYSICAL SECURITY SYSTEMS (OPA3) .....	132,739	132,739
146	BASE LEVEL COMMON EQUIPMENT .....	34,460	34,460
147	MODIFICATION OF IN-SVC EQUIPMENT (OPA-3) .....	35,239	35,239
148	BUILDING, PRE-FAB, RELOCATABLE .....	31,011	31,011
149	SPECIAL EQUIPMENT FOR TEST AND EVALUATION .....	52,481	52,481
	<b>OPA2</b>		
151	INITIAL SPARES—C&E .....	9,169	9,169
	<b>TOTAL OTHER PROCUREMENT, ARMY</b> .....	<b>8,672,979</b>	<b>8,725,753</b>
	<b>AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, NAVY</b>		
	<b>COMBAT AIRCRAFT</b>		
001	F/A-18E/F (FIGHTER) HORNET .....	41,329	41,329
002	JOINT STRIKE FIGHTER CV .....	2,410,569	2,382,069
	Flyaway unit cost growth .....		[-28,500]
003	JOINT STRIKE FIGHTER CV AP .....	189,425	189,425
004	JSF STOVL .....	2,126,317	2,083,651
	Flyaway unit cost growth .....		[-42,666]
005	JSF STOVL AP .....	193,125	193,125
006	CH-53K (HEAVY LIFT) .....	1,698,050	1,698,050
007	CH-53K (HEAVY LIFT) AP .....	456,567	456,567
008	V-22 (MEDIUM LIFT) .....	27,216	162,216
	Program increase—one additional CMV-22 aircraft .....		[135,000]
009	H-1 UPGRADES (UH-1Y/AH-1Z) .....	4,292	4,292
010	P-8A POSEIDON .....	31,257	391,257
	Two additional aircraft .....		[360,000]
011	E-2D ADV HAWKEYE .....	182,817	620,817
	Two additional aircraft .....		[438,000]
	<b>TRAINER AIRCRAFT</b>		
013	MULTI-ENGINE TRAINING SYSTEM (METS) .....	289,141	289,141
	<b>OTHER AIRCRAFT</b>		
015	KC-130J .....	241,291	241,291
017	MQ-4 TRITON .....	416,010	416,010
019	MQ-8 UAV .....	1,546	1,546
021	MQ-25 .....	545,697	346,697
	Scheduling delays .....		[-199,000]
022	MQ-25 AP .....	50,576	37,976
	Scheduling delays .....		[-12,600]
023	MARINE GROUP 5 UAS .....	89,563	86,063
	Ancillary Equipment carryover .....		[-3,500]
023A	UC-12W .....		45,000
	USMC UPL—2 additional aircraft .....		[45,000]
	<b>MODIFICATION OF AIRCRAFT</b>		
024	F-18 A-D UNIQUE .....	116,551	116,551
025	F-18E/F AND EA-18G MODERNIZATION AND SUSTAINM .....	605,416	605,416
026	MARINE GROUP 5 UAS SERIES .....	98,063	98,063
027	AEA SYSTEMS .....	24,110	24,110
028	AV-8 SERIES .....	22,829	22,829
029	INFRARED SEARCH AND TRACK (IRST) .....	179,193	179,193
030	ADVERSARY .....	69,336	69,336
031	F-18 SERIES .....	640,236	634,424
	F/A-18 C/D/E/F and EA-18G training equipment previously funded .....		[-5,812]
032	H-53 SERIES .....	41,414	41,414
033	MH-60 SERIES .....	106,495	106,495
034	H-1 SERIES .....	114,284	124,284
	UH-1Y—SIEPU Upgrades .....		[10,000]
035	EP-3 SERIES .....	8,548	8,548
036	E-2 SERIES .....	183,246	183,246
037	TRAINER A/C SERIES .....	16,376	16,376
039	C-130 SERIES .....	198,220	194,193
	Technical insertion (OSIP 019-14) Block 7 GPE unjustified growth .....		[-4,027]
040	FEWSG .....	651	651
041	CARGO/TRANSPORT A/C SERIES .....	13,930	13,930
042	E-6 SERIES .....	164,571	164,571
043	EXECUTIVE HELICOPTERS SERIES .....	60,498	60,498
044	T-45 SERIES .....	170,357	170,357
045	POWER PLANT CHANGES .....	21,079	21,079
046	JPATS SERIES .....	28,005	28,005
048	COMMON ECM EQUIPMENT .....	53,614	53,614
049	COMMON AVIONICS CHANGES .....	136,199	136,199
050	COMMON DEFENSIVE WEAPON SYSTEM .....	6,585	6,585
051	ID SYSTEMS .....	13,085	13,085

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052	P-8 SERIES .....	316,168	316,168
053	MAGTF EW FOR AVIATION .....	24,901	24,901
054	MQ-8 SERIES .....	14,700	14,700
055	V-22 (TILT/ROTOR ACFT) OSPREY .....	215,997	226,887
	V-22 Nacelle Improvement .....		[10,890]
056	NEXT GENERATION JAMMER (NGJ) .....	426,396	423,876
	Contract savings .....		[-2,520]
057	F-35 STOVL SERIES .....	311,921	311,921
058	F-35 CV SERIES .....	166,909	166,909
059	QRC .....	28,206	28,206
060	MQ-4 SERIES .....	93,951	90,163
	OSIP (003-23) previously funded .....		[-3,788]
	<b>AIRCRAFT SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS</b>		
062	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....	2,451,244	2,451,244
	<b>AIRCRAFT SUPPORT EQUIP &amp; FACILITIES</b>		
063	COMMON GROUND EQUIPMENT .....	566,156	561,156
	Program decrease .....		[-5,000]
064	AIRCRAFT INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES .....	133,815	133,815
065	WAR CONSUMABLES .....	44,632	44,632
066	OTHER PRODUCTION CHARGES .....	49,907	49,907
067	SPECIAL SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	404,178	384,850
	Flyaway unit cost growth .....		[-19,328]
	<b>TOTAL AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, NAVY .....</b>	<b>17,336,760</b>	<b>18,008,909</b>
	<b>WEAPONS PROCUREMENT, NAVY</b>		
	<b>BALLISTIC MISSILES</b>		
001	CONVENTIONAL PROMPT STRIKE .....	341,434	256,076
	Early to need .....		[-85,358]
	<b>MODIFICATION OF MISSILES</b>		
002	TRIDENT II MODS .....	1,284,705	1,284,705
	<b>SUPPORT EQUIPMENT &amp; FACILITIES</b>		
003	MISSILE INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES .....	7,954	7,954
	<b>STRATEGIC MISSILES</b>		
004	TOMAHAWK .....	72,908	72,908
	<b>TACTICAL MISSILES</b>		
005	AMRAAM .....	439,153	439,153
006	SIDEWINDER .....	78,165	75,306
	AUR Block II unit cost increase .....		[-2,859]
007	STANDARD MISSILE .....	969,525	969,525
008	STANDARD MISSILE AP .....	227,320	227,320
009	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB II .....	65,863	64,497
	AUR unit cost growth .....		[-1,366]
010	RAM .....	114,896	114,896
011	JOINT AIR GROUND MISSILE (JAGM) .....	79,292	79,292
012	HELLFIRE .....	6,923	6,923
013	AERIAL TARGETS .....	176,588	176,588
014	OTHER MISSILE SUPPORT .....	3,687	3,687
015	LRASM .....	639,636	639,636
016	NAVAL STRIKE MISSILE (NSM) .....	29,925	29,925
017	NAVAL STRIKE MISSILE (NSM) AP .....	5,755	5,755
	<b>MODIFICATION OF MISSILES</b>		
018	TOMAHAWK MODS .....	540,944	508,455
	Contract award delays .....		[-32,489]
019	ESSM .....	290,129	290,129
020	AARGM-ER .....	162,429	162,429
021	AARGM-ER AP .....	33,273	33,273
022	STANDARD MISSILES MODS .....	89,255	89,255
	<b>SUPPORT EQUIPMENT &amp; FACILITIES</b>		
023	WEAPONS INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES .....	2,037	2,037
	<b>ORDNANCE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>		
025	ORDNANCE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	208,154	208,154
	<b>TORPEDOES AND RELATED EQUIP</b>		
026	SSTD .....	4,830	4,830
027	MK-48 TORPEDO .....	308,497	308,497
028	ASW TARGETS .....	14,817	14,817
	<b>MOD OF TORPEDOES AND RELATED EQUIP</b>		
029	MK-54 TORPEDO MODS .....	104,086	104,086
030	MK-48 TORPEDO ADCAP MODS .....	20,714	20,714
031	MARITIME MINES .....	58,800	58,800
	<b>SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>		
032	TORPEDO SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	133,187	133,187
033	ASW RANGE SUPPORT .....	4,146	4,146
	<b>DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION</b>		
034	FIRST DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION .....	5,811	5,811
	<b>GUNS AND GUN MOUNTS</b>		
035	SMALL ARMS AND WEAPONS .....	14,165	14,165
	<b>MODIFICATION OF GUNS AND GUN MOUNTS</b>		
036	CIWS MODS .....	4,088	4,088

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037	COAST GUARD WEAPONS .....	55,172	55,172
038	GUN MOUNT MODS .....	82,682	82,682
039	LCS MODULE WEAPONS .....	3,264	3,264
040	AIRBORNE MINE NEUTRALIZATION SYSTEMS .....	14,357	14,357
	<b>SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS</b>		
042	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....	177,819	177,819
	<b>TOTAL WEAPONS PROCUREMENT, NAVY</b> .....	<b>6,876,385</b>	<b>6,754,313</b>
	<b>PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS</b>		
	<b>NAVY AMMUNITION</b>		
001	GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS .....	43,519	38,893
	O2181 laser guided bombs contract award delay .....		[-4,626]
002	JDAM .....	73,689	73,689
003	AIRBORNE ROCKETS, ALL TYPES .....	67,423	62,228
	MK 66 rocket motor unit cost growth .....		[-5,195]
004	MACHINE GUN AMMUNITION .....	11,862	11,862
005	PRACTICE BOMBS .....	52,481	46,325
	01050 BLU-109 contract award delay .....		[-6,156]
006	CARTRIDGES & CART ACTUATED DEVICES .....	72,426	72,426
007	AIR EXPENDABLE COUNTERMEASURES .....	104,529	104,529
008	JATOS .....	7,433	7,433
009	5 INCH/54 GUN AMMUNITION .....	30,871	25,841
	Insufficient justification .....		[-5,030]
010	INTERMEDIATE CALIBER GUN AMMUNITION .....	41,261	41,261
011	OTHER SHIP GUN AMMUNITION .....	44,044	44,044
012	SMALL ARMS & LANDING PARTY AMMO .....	48,478	48,478
013	PYROTECHNIC AND DEMOLITION .....	9,521	9,521
014	AMMUNITION LESS THAN \$5 MILLION .....	1,679	1,679
015	EXPEDITIONARY LOITERING MUNITIONS .....	249,575	299,575
	Goalkeeper .....		[50,000]
	<b>MARINE CORPS AMMUNITION</b>		
016	MORTARS .....	61,274	61,274
017	DIRECT SUPPORT MUNITIONS .....	73,338	73,338
018	INFANTRY WEAPONS AMMUNITION .....	178,240	176,255
	AB39, CTG. 7.62 millimeter MK 316 mod contract award delay .....		[-602]
	Excess to need: Cartridge, caliber 50 4 API MS/1 API-T M20 linked .....		[-157]
	Excess to need: Cartridge, Caliber 50 Linked MK322 Mod 1/Ball (1000m cap)		[-1,226]
019	COMBAT SUPPORT MUNITIONS .....	15,897	15,897
020	AMMO MODERNIZATION .....	17,941	17,941
021	ARTILLERY MUNITIONS .....	82,452	82,452
022	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION .....	5,340	5,340
	<b>TOTAL PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS.</b>	<b>1,293,273</b>	<b>1,320,281</b>
	<b>SHIPBUILDING AND CONVERSION, NAVY</b>		
	<b>FLEET BALLISTIC MISSILE SHIPS</b>		
001	OHIO REPLACEMENT SUBMARINE .....	2,443,598	2,443,598
002	OHIO REPLACEMENT SUBMARINE AP .....	3,390,734	3,390,734
	<b>OTHER WARSHIPS</b>		
003	CARRIER REPLACEMENT PROGRAM .....	1,115,296	1,115,296
004	CVN-81 .....	800,492	800,492
005	VIRGINIA CLASS SUBMARINE .....	7,129,965	7,129,965
006	VIRGINIA CLASS SUBMARINE AP .....	3,215,539	3,215,539
008	CVN REFUELING OVERHAULS AP .....	817,646	802,988
	Excess growth .....		[-14,658]
009	DDG 1000 .....	410,400	410,400
010	DDG-51 .....	4,199,179	4,199,179
011	DDG-51 AP .....	284,035	784,035
	Program increase .....		[500,000]
013	FFG-FRIGATE .....	2,173,698	2,163,698
	Insufficient justification .....		[-10,000]
	<b>AMPHIBIOUS SHIPS</b>		
014	LPD FLIGHT II .....		1,000,000
	Program increase for LPD-33—USMC UFR .....		[1,000,000]
018	LHA REPLACEMENT .....	1,830,149	1,830,149
	<b>AUXILIARIES, CRAFT AND PRIOR YR PROGRAM COST</b>		
021	AS SUBMARINE TENDER .....	1,733,234	248,000
	Late contract award .....		[-1,485,234]
022	TAO FLEET OILER .....	815,420	815,420
025	LCU 1700 .....	62,532	62,532
026	OUTFITTING .....	557,365	539,681
	Outfitting early to need .....		[-17,684]
028	SERVICE CRAFT .....	63,815	93,815
	Yard, Repair, Berthing, and Messing Barge .....		[30,000]
029	AUXILIARY PERSONNEL LIGHTER .....		72,000
	Additional APL-67 class berthing barge .....		[72,000]
030	LCAC SLEP .....	15,286	15,286
031	AUXILIARY VESSELS (USED SEALIFT) .....	142,008	142,008

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032	COMPLETION OF PY SHIPBUILDING PROGRAMS .....	1,648,559	1,648,559
	<b>TOTAL SHIPBUILDING AND CONVERSION, NAVY .....</b>	<b>32,848,950</b>	<b>32,923,374</b>
	<b>OTHER PROCUREMENT, NAVY</b>		
	<b>SHIP PROPULSION EQUIPMENT</b>		
001	SURFACE POWER EQUIPMENT .....	14,003	14,003
	<b>GENERATORS</b>		
002	SURFACE COMBATANT HM&E .....	105,441	100,100
	DDG 51 ship control system cost growth .....		[-5,341]
	<b>NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT</b>		
003	OTHER NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT .....	110,286	110,286
	<b>OTHER SHIPBOARD EQUIPMENT</b>		
004	SUB PERISCOPE, IMAGING AND SUPT EQUIP PROG .....	262,951	262,951
005	DDG MOD .....	628,532	637,532
	Navy Common Actuator .....		[9,000]
006	FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT .....	34,782	34,782
007	COMMAND AND CONTROL SWITCHBOARD .....	2,458	2,458
008	LHA/LHD MIDLIFE .....	104,369	104,369
009	LCC 19/20 EXTENDED SERVICE LIFE PROGRAM .....	10,529	10,529
010	POLLUTION CONTROL EQUIPMENT .....	23,272	23,272
011	SUBMARINE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	112,526	112,526
012	VIRGINIA CLASS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	32,076	32,076
013	LCS CLASS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	18,832	18,832
014	SUBMARINE BATTERIES .....	28,221	28,221
015	LPD CLASS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	91,890	85,274
	HWISW obsolescence installation cost growth .....		[-6,616]
016	DDG 1000 CLASS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	232,124	294,024
	Navy UPL .....		[61,900]
017	STRATEGIC PLATFORM SUPPORT EQUIP .....	25,058	25,058
018	DSSP EQUIPMENT .....	4,623	4,623
020	LCAC .....	10,794	10,794
021	UNDERWATER EOD EQUIPMENT .....	19,549	19,549
022	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION .....	86,001	86,001
023	CHEMICAL WARFARE DETECTORS .....	3,288	3,288
	<b>REACTOR PLANT EQUIPMENT</b>		
024	SHIP MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND MODERNIZATION .....	2,746,313	2,746,313
025	REACTOR POWER UNITS .....	2,016	2,016
026	REACTOR COMPONENTS .....	390,148	390,148
	<b>OCEAN ENGINEERING</b>		
027	DIVING AND SALVAGE EQUIPMENT .....	18,086	18,086
	<b>SMALL BOATS</b>		
028	STANDARD BOATS .....	74,963	83,963
	40-foot Patrol Boats .....		[9,000]
	<b>PRODUCTION FACILITIES EQUIPMENT</b>		
029	OPERATING FORCES IPE .....	187,495	187,495
	<b>OTHER SHIP SUPPORT</b>		
030	LCS COMMON MISSION MODULES EQUIPMENT .....	49,060	49,060
031	LCS MCM MISSION MODULES .....	93,961	79,670
	Excess to need .....		[-14,291]
033	LCS SUW MISSION MODULES .....	12,102	12,102
034	LCS IN-SERVICE MODERNIZATION .....	171,704	154,674
	Excessive cost growth .....		[-17,030]
035	SMALL & MEDIUM UUV .....	61,951	61,951
	<b>LOGISTIC SUPPORT</b>		
036	LSD MIDLIFE & MODERNIZATION .....	7,594	7,594
	<b>SHIP SONARS</b>		
037	SPQ-9B RADAR .....	7,267	7,267
038	AN/SQQ-89 SURF ASW COMBAT SYSTEM .....	138,065	138,065
039	SSN ACOUSTIC EQUIPMENT .....	463,577	463,577
040	UNDERSEA WARFARE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	23,452	23,452
	<b>ASW ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT</b>		
041	SUBMARINE ACOUSTIC WARFARE SYSTEM .....	46,726	46,726
042	SSTD .....	14,560	14,560
043	FIXED SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM .....	420,069	420,069
044	SURTASS .....	33,910	33,910
	<b>ELECTRONIC WARFARE EQUIPMENT</b>		
045	AN/SLQ-32 .....	329,513	329,513
	<b>RECONNAISSANCE EQUIPMENT</b>		
046	SHIPBOARD IW EXPLOIT .....	379,230	362,305
	Excessive cost growth .....		[-16,925]
047	AUTOMATED IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (AIS) .....	4,082	4,082
	<b>OTHER SHIP ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT</b>		
048	COOPERATIVE ENGAGEMENT CAPABILITY .....	37,677	37,677
049	NAVAL TACTICAL COMMAND SUPPORT SYSTEM (NTCSS) .....	15,374	15,374
050	ATDLS .....	50,148	50,148
051	NAVY COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM (NCCS) .....	3,918	3,918
052	MINESWEEPING SYSTEM REPLACEMENT .....	16,814	16,814
054	NAVSTAR GPS RECEIVERS (SPACE) .....	37,319	37,319

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055	AMERICAN FORCES RADIO AND TV SERVICE .....	2,750	2,750
056	STRATEGIC PLATFORM SUPPORT EQUIP .....	6,437	6,437
	<b>AVIATION ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT</b>		
057	ASHORE ATC EQUIPMENT .....	89,237	89,237
058	AFLOAT ATC EQUIPMENT .....	90,487	88,369
	Excessive cost growth .....		[-2,118]
059	ID SYSTEMS .....	59,234	59,234
060	JOINT PRECISION APPROACH AND LANDING SYSTEM .....	3,343	3,343
061	NAVAL MISSION PLANNING SYSTEMS .....	39,180	39,180
	<b>OTHER SHORE ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT</b>		
062	MARITIME INTEGRATED BROADCAST SYSTEM .....	6,994	6,994
063	TACTICAL/MOBILE C4I SYSTEMS .....	52,026	52,026
064	DCGS-N .....	16,579	16,579
065	CANES .....	467,587	467,587
066	RADLAC .....	16,475	16,475
067	CANES-INTELL .....	48,207	48,207
068	GPETE .....	25,761	25,761
069	MASF .....	16,475	16,475
070	INTEG COMBAT SYSTEM TEST FACILITY .....	6,345	6,345
071	EMI CONTROL INSTRUMENTATION .....	4,282	4,282
073	IN-SERVICE RADARS AND SENSORS .....	255,256	240,256
	Insufficient justification .....		[-15,000]
	<b>SHIPBOARD COMMUNICATIONS</b>		
074	BATTLE FORCE TACTICAL NETWORK .....	74,180	74,180
075	SHIPBOARD TACTICAL COMMUNICATIONS .....	29,776	29,776
076	SHIP COMMUNICATIONS AUTOMATION .....	96,916	96,916
077	COMMUNICATIONS ITEMS UNDER \$5M .....	14,107	14,107
	<b>SUBMARINE COMMUNICATIONS</b>		
078	SUBMARINE BROADCAST SUPPORT .....	73,791	73,791
079	SUBMARINE COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT .....	83,178	83,178
	<b>SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS</b>		
080	SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS .....	72,871	72,871
081	NAVY MULTIBAND TERMINAL (NMT) .....	37,921	37,921
	<b>SHORE COMMUNICATIONS</b>		
082	JOINT COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT ELEMENT (JCSE) .....	5,065	5,065
	<b>CRYPTOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT</b>		
083	INFO SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM (ISSP) .....	154,890	154,890
084	MIO INTEL EXPLOITATION TEAM .....	1,079	1,079
	<b>CRYPTOLOGIC EQUIPMENT</b>		
085	CRYPTOLOGIC COMMUNICATIONS EQUIP .....	17,483	17,483
	<b>OTHER ELECTRONIC SUPPORT</b>		
086	COAST GUARD EQUIPMENT .....	77,458	77,458
	<b>SONOBUOYS</b>		
088	SONOBUOYS—ALL TYPES .....	311,177	311,177
	<b>AIRCRAFT SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>		
089	MINOTAUR .....	5,396	5,396
090	WEAPONS RANGE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	147,556	147,556
091	AIRCRAFT SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	162,273	162,273
092	ADVANCED ARRESTING GEAR (AAG) .....	11,930	11,930
093	ELECTROMAGNETIC AIRCRAFT LAUNCH SYSTEM (EMALS) .....	17,836	17,836
094	METEOROLOGICAL EQUIPMENT .....	19,703	19,703
095	LEGACY AIRBORNE MCM .....	12,202	12,202
097	AVIATION SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	82,115	82,115
098	UMCS-UNMAN CARRIER AVIATION(UCA)MISSION CNTRL .....	152,687	152,687
099	ARCHITECT & CAP FOR AUTONOMY IN NAV ENTER .....	1,612	1,612
	<b>SHIP GUN SYSTEM EQUIPMENT</b>		
100	SHIP GUN SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT .....	6,404	6,404
	<b>SHIP MISSILE SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT</b>		
101	HARPOON SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	227	227
102	SHIP MISSILE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	294,511	294,511
103	TOMAHAWK SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	92,432	92,432
	<b>FBM SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>		
104	STRATEGIC MISSILE SYSTEMS EQUIP .....	325,318	325,318
	<b>ASW SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>		
105	SSN COMBAT CONTROL SYSTEMS .....	133,063	133,063
106	ASW SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	27,469	27,469
	<b>OTHER ORDNANCE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>		
107	EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL EQUIP .....	27,864	27,864
108	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION .....	6,171	6,171
	<b>OTHER EXPENDABLE ORDNANCE</b>		
109	ANTI-SHIP MISSILE DECOY SYSTEM .....	56,630	56,630
110	SUBMARINE TRAINING DEVICE MODS .....	76,954	76,954
111	SURFACE TRAINING EQUIPMENT .....	209,487	209,487
	<b>CIVIL ENGINEERING SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>		
112	PASSENGER CARRYING VEHICLES .....	3,827	3,827
113	GENERAL PURPOSE TRUCKS .....	4,570	4,570
114	CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE EQUIP .....	56,829	56,829
115	FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT .....	16,583	16,583

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116	TACTICAL VEHICLES .....	24,236	24,236
117	AMPHIBIOUS EQUIPMENT .....	4,504	4,504
118	POLLUTION CONTROL EQUIPMENT .....	3,898	3,898
119	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION .....	67,286	67,286
120	PHYSICAL SECURITY VEHICLES .....	1,286	1,286
	<b>SUPPLY SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>		
121	SUPPLY EQUIPMENT .....	33,258	33,258
122	FIRST DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION .....	6,977	6,977
123	SPECIAL PURPOSE SUPPLY SYSTEMS .....	659,529	659,529
	<b>TRAINING DEVICES</b>		
124	TRAINING SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	2,083	2,083
125	TRAINING AND EDUCATION EQUIPMENT .....	106,542	106,542
	<b>COMMAND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>		
126	COMMAND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	44,448	44,448
127	MEDICAL SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	12,529	12,529
129	NAVAL MIP SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	5,408	5,408
130	OPERATING FORCES SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	12,105	12,105
131	C4ISR EQUIPMENT .....	7,670	7,670
132	ENVIRONMENTAL SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	52,597	52,597
133	PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIPMENT .....	108,901	108,901
134	ENTERPRISE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY .....	42,154	42,154
	<b>OTHER</b>		
139	NEXT GENERATION ENTERPRISE SERVICE .....	177,585	177,585
140	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES .....	23,176	23,176
	<b>CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS</b>		
143A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	16,290	17,990
	Program increase .....		[1,700]
	<b>SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS</b>		
142	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....	645,900	645,900
143	VIRGINIA CLASS (VA CL) SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....	470,000	470,000
	<b>TOTAL OTHER PROCUREMENT, NAVY</b>	<b>14,535,257</b>	<b>14,539,536</b>
	<b>PROCUREMENT, MARINE CORPS</b>		
	<b>TRACKED COMBAT VEHICLES</b>		
001	AAV7A1 PIP .....	3,353	3,353
002	AMPHIBIOUS COMBAT VEHICLE FAMILY OF VEHICLES .....	557,564	554,064
	Unjustified growth—Program Management .....		[-3,500]
003	LAV PIP .....	42,052	42,052
	<b>ARTILLERY AND OTHER WEAPONS</b>		
004	155MM LIGHTWEIGHT TOWED HOWITZER .....	489	489
005	ARTILLERY WEAPONS SYSTEM .....	165,268	165,268
006	WEAPONS AND COMBAT VEHICLES UNDER \$5 MILLION .....	14,004	14,004
	<b>GUIDED MISSILES</b>		
007	TOMAHAWK .....	105,192	105,192
008	NAVAL STRIKE MISSILE (NSM) .....	169,726	169,726
009	NAVAL STRIKE MISSILE (NSM) AP .....	39,244	39,244
010	GROUND BASED AIR DEFENSE .....	249,103	253,603
	Program increase .....		[4,500]
011	ANTI-ARMOR MISSILE-JAVELIN .....	54,883	54,883
012	FAMILY ANTI-ARMOR WEAPON SYSTEMS (FOAAWS) .....	23,627	23,627
013	ANTI-ARMOR MISSILE-TOW .....	2,007	2,007
014	GUIDED MLRS ROCKET (GMLRS) .....	8,867	8,867
	<b>COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEMS</b>		
015	COMMON AVIATION COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM .....	75,382	72,908
	Unjustified fielding growth .....		[-2,474]
	<b>REPAIR AND TEST EQUIPMENT</b>		
016	REPAIR AND TEST EQUIPMENT .....	53,590	53,590
	<b>OTHER SUPPORT (TEL)</b>		
017	MODIFICATION KITS .....	1,782	1,782
	<b>COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM (NON-TEL)</b>		
018	ITEMS UNDER \$5 MILLION (COMM & ELEC) .....	122,917	118,038
	SBNVG unit cost growth .....		[-4,879]
019	AIR OPERATIONS C2 SYSTEMS .....	23,744	23,744
	<b>RADAR + EQUIPMENT (NON-TEL)</b>		
020	GROUND/AIR TASK ORIENTED RADAR (G/ATOR) .....	66,291	66,291
	<b>INTELL/COMM EQUIPMENT (NON-TEL)</b>		
021	ELECTRO MAGNETIC SPECTRUM OPERATIONS (EMSO) .....	177,270	177,270
022	GCSS-MC .....	4,144	4,144
023	FIRE SUPPORT SYSTEM .....	58,483	58,483
024	INTELLIGENCE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	148,062	148,062
026	UNMANNED AIR SYSTEMS (INTEL) .....	52,273	48,909
	Unit cost growth .....		[-3,364]
027	DCGS-MC .....	68,289	73,389
	USMC UPL #5 .....		[5,100]
028	UAS PAYLOADS .....	19,088	19,088
	<b>OTHER SUPPORT (NON-TEL)</b>		
031	EXPEDITIONARY SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	2,010	2,010
032	MARINE CORPS ENTERPRISE NETWORK (MCEN) .....	259,044	244,479

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	Network transport excess growth .....		[-14,565]
033	COMMON COMPUTER RESOURCES .....	27,966	27,966
034	COMMAND POST SYSTEMS .....	71,109	69,151
	Unit cost growth .....		[-1,958]
035	RADIO SYSTEMS .....	544,059	504,327
	Unexecutable growth .....		[-39,732]
036	COMM SWITCHING & CONTROL SYSTEMS .....	46,276	46,276
037	COMM & ELEC INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT .....	27,111	27,111
038	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES .....	27,583	27,583
040	UNMANNED EXPEDITIONARY SYSTEMS .....	13,564	13,564
	<b>CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS</b>		
057A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	2,799	2,799
	<b>ADMINISTRATIVE VEHICLES</b>		
043	COMMERCIAL CARGO VEHICLES .....	34,169	34,169
	<b>TACTICAL VEHICLES</b>		
044	MOTOR TRANSPORT MODIFICATIONS .....	17,299	17,299
045	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE .....	232,501	232,501
046	TRAILERS .....	2,034	2,034
	<b>ENGINEER AND OTHER EQUIPMENT</b>		
047	TACTICAL FUEL SYSTEMS .....	12,956	12,956
048	POWER EQUIPMENT ASSORTED .....	28,899	28,899
049	AMPHIBIOUS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	15,691	15,691
050	EOD SYSTEMS .....	41,200	41,200
	<b>MATERIALS HANDLING EQUIPMENT</b>		
051	PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIPMENT .....	53,949	53,949
	<b>GENERAL PROPERTY</b>		
052	FIELD MEDICAL EQUIPMENT .....	5,457	5,457
053	TRAINING DEVICES .....	96,577	96,577
054	FAMILY OF CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT .....	29,883	29,883
055	ULTRA-LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE (ULTV) .....	17,034	17,034
	<b>OTHER SUPPORT</b>		
056	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION .....	27,691	27,691
	<b>SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS</b>		
057	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....	35,657	35,657
	<b>TOTAL PROCUREMENT, MARINE CORPS</b> .....	<b>3,979,212</b>	<b>3,918,340</b>
	<b>AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE</b>		
	<b>STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE</b>		
001	B-21 RAIDER .....	1,617,093	1,617,093
002	B-21 RAIDER AP .....	708,000	708,000
	<b>TACTICAL FORCES</b>		
003	F-35 .....	4,877,121	4,773,381
	Flyaway unit cost growth .....		[-103,740]
004	F-35 AP .....	402,000	402,000
005	F-15EX .....	2,670,039	2,442,861
	Other support costs unjustified growth .....		[-26,730]
	Technical realignment .....		[-200,448]
006	F-15EX AP .....	228,000	228,000
	<b>TACTICAL AIRLIFT</b>		
007	KC-46A MDAP .....	2,882,590	2,835,019
	Commodities activation excess to need .....		[-41,000]
	Cost overestimation: Other government costs .....		[-6,571]
	<b>OTHER AIRLIFT</b>		
008	C-130J .....	34,921	34,921
	<b>HELICOPTERS</b>		
011	MH-139A .....	228,807	228,807
012	COMBAT RESCUE HELICOPTER .....	282,533	379,749
	Obsolescence ahead of need .....		[-22,784]
	Program increase—two aircraft .....		[120,000]
	<b>MISSION SUPPORT AIRCRAFT</b>		
013	CIVIL AIR PATROL A/C .....	3,013	11,900
	Program increase .....		[8,887]
	<b>OTHER AIRCRAFT</b>		
015	TARGET DRONES .....	42,226	42,226
017	E-11 BACN/HAG .....	67,367	67,367
	<b>STRATEGIC AIRCRAFT</b>		
019	B-2A .....	107,980	104,380
	Excess to need: IFF transponder .....		[-3,600]
020	B-1B .....	12,757	9,782
	Technical realignment .....		[-2,975]
021	B-52 .....	65,815	48,599
	Cost overestimation: Tactical data links program support .....		[-3,199]
	Technical realignment .....		[-14,017]
022	LARGE AIRCRAFT INFRARED COUNTERMEASURES .....	21,723	21,723
	<b>TACTICAL AIRCRAFT</b>		
024	E-11 BACN/HAG .....	58,923	58,923
025	F-15 .....	34,830	155,278
	Technical realignment .....		[120,448]

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026	F-16 .....	297,342	360,743
	Comms suite upgrade installation delays .....		[-5,454]
	Comms suite upgrade kits previously funded .....		[-5,705]
	IVEWS restoration .....		[100,000]
	SLEP costs previously funded .....		[-25,440]
027	F-22A .....	794,676	359,679
	Sensor enhancement delays .....		[-434,997]
028	F-35 MODIFICATIONS .....	451,798	451,798
029	F-15 EPAW .....	280,658	264,977
	SEPM unjustified growth .....		[-15,681]
	<b>AIRLIFT AIRCRAFT</b>		
031	C-5 .....	24,377	24,377
032	C-17A .....	140,560	140,560
033	C-32A .....	19,060	19,060
034	C-37A .....	13,454	13,454
	<b>TRAINER AIRCRAFT</b>		
035	GLIDER MODS .....	5,270	5,270
036	T-6 .....	2,942	2,942
037	T-1 .....	10,950	10,950
038	T-38 .....	125,340	125,340
	<b>OTHER AIRCRAFT</b>		
040	U-2 MODS .....	54,727	54,727
042	C-12 .....	446	446
044	VC-25A MOD .....	29,707	29,707
045	C-40 .....	8,921	8,921
046	C-130 .....	71,177	91,177
	iMAFFS .....		[20,000]
047	C-130J MODS .....	121,258	121,258
048	C-135 .....	153,595	153,595
049	COMPASS CALL .....	144,686	194,686
	SABER integration on EC-37B aircraft .....		[50,000]
050	COMBAT FLIGHT INSPECTION—CFIN .....	446	446
051	RC-135 .....	220,138	220,138
052	E-3 .....	1,350	1,350
053	E-4 .....	13,055	13,055
056	H-1 .....	816	816
057	H-60 .....	4,207	4,207
060	HC/MC-130 MODIFICATIONS .....	101,055	101,055
061	OTHER AIRCRAFT .....	54,134	73,403
	Technical realignment .....		[11,619]
	Technical realignment—Sentinel Aircraft Procurement .....		[7,650]
062	MQ-9 MODS .....	98,063	98,063
064	SENIOR LEADER C3 SYSTEM—AIRCRAFT .....	24,847	24,847
065	CV-22 MODS .....	153,006	153,006
	<b>AIRCRAFT SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS</b>		
066	INITIAL SPARES/REPAIR PARTS .....	781,521	772,877
	Technical realignment .....		[-8,644]
	<b>COMMON SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>		
067	AIRCRAFT REPLACEMENT SUPPORT EQUIP .....	157,664	157,664
	<b>POST PRODUCTION SUPPORT</b>		
068	B-2A .....	1,838	1,838
069	B-2B .....	15,207	15,207
072	MC-130J .....	10,117	10,117
074	F-16 .....	1,075	1,075
075	F-22A .....	38,418	38,418
	<b>INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS</b>		
079	INDUSTRIAL RESPONSIVENESS .....	18,874	18,874
	<b>WAR CONSUMABLES</b>		
080	WAR CONSUMABLES .....	27,482	27,482
	<b>OTHER PRODUCTION CHARGES</b>		
081	OTHER PRODUCTION CHARGES .....	1,478,044	1,295,035
	DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[80,000]
	Excess to need .....		[-229,400]
	T-7A depot activation ahead of need .....		[-33,609]
	<b>CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS</b>		
083A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	17,165	17,165
	<b>TOTAL AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE</b> .....	<b>20,315,204</b>	<b>19,649,814</b>
	<b>MISSILE PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE</b>		
	<b>MISSILE REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT—BALLISTIC</b>		
001	MISSILE REPLACEMENT EQ-BALLISTIC .....	69,319	69,319
	<b>BALLISTIC MISSILES</b>		
003	GROUND BASED STRATEGIC DETERRENT AP .....	539,300	539,300
	<b>STRATEGIC</b>		
004	LONG RANGE STAND-OFF WEAPON .....	66,816	66,816
	<b>TACTICAL</b>		
005	REPLAC EQUIP & WAR CONSUMABLES .....	37,318	37,318
006	JOINT AIR-SURFACE STANDOFF MISSILE .....	915,996	915,996

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007	JOINT AIR-SURFACE STANDOFF MISSILE AP .....	769,672	769,672
008	JOINT STRIKE MISSILE .....	161,011	161,011
009	LRASMO .....	87,796	87,796
010	LRASMO AP .....	99,871	99,871
011	SIDEWINDER (AIM-9X) .....	95,643	95,643
012	AMRAAM .....	489,049	489,049
013	AMRAAM AP .....	212,410	212,410
014	PREDATOR HELLFIRE MISSILE .....	1,049	1,049
015	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB .....	48,734	48,734
016	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB II .....	291,553	291,553
017	STAND-IN ATTACK WEAPON (SIAW) .....	41,947	41,947
	<b>INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES</b>		
018	INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS/POL PREVENTION .....	793	793
	<b>CLASS IV</b>		
019	ICBM FUZE MOD .....	115,745	115,745
020	ICBM FUZE MOD AP .....	43,044	43,044
021	MM III MODIFICATIONS .....	48,639	48,639
022	AIR LAUNCH CRUISE MISSILE (ALCM) .....	41,494	41,494
	<b>MISSILE SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS</b>		
023	MSL SPRS/REPAIR PARTS (INITIAL) .....	6,840	6,840
024	MSL SPRS/REPAIR PARTS (REPLEN) .....	75,191	75,191
	<b>SPECIAL PROGRAMS</b>		
029	SPECIAL UPDATE PROGRAMS .....	419,498	419,498
	<b>CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS</b>		
029A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	851,718	851,718
	<b>TOTAL MISSILE PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE .....</b>	<b>5,530,446</b>	<b>5,530,446</b>
	<b>PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, AIR FORCE</b>		
	<b>ROCKETS</b>		
001	ROCKETS .....	18,483	18,483
	<b>CARTRIDGES</b>		
002	CARTRIDGES .....	101,104	100,604
	Small cal/ground munitions—(A143) 7.62MM ball linked unit cost adjustment		[-500]
	<b>BOMBS</b>		
004	GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS .....	142,118	127,263
	Previously funded items .....		[-14,855]
005	MASSIVE ORDNANCE PENETRATOR (MOP) .....	14,074	1,250
	Unjustified request .....		[-12,824]
006	JOINT DIRECT ATTACK MUNITION .....	132,364	128,487
	PSC other government costs unjustified growth .....		[-3,877]
007	B-61 .....	68	68
008	B61-12 TRAINER .....	10,100	10,100
	<b>OTHER ITEMS</b>		
009	CAD/PAD .....	51,487	51,487
010	EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL (EOD) .....	6,707	6,707
011	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....	585	585
013	FIRST DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION .....	2,299	2,299
014	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5,000,000 .....	5,115	5,115
	<b>FLARES</b>		
015	EXPENDABLE COUNTERMEASURES .....	79,786	79,786
	<b>FUZES</b>		
016	FUZES .....	109,562	109,562
	<b>SMALL ARMS</b>		
017	SMALL ARMS .....	29,306	29,306
	<b>TOTAL PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, AIR FORCE .....</b>	<b>703,158</b>	<b>671,102</b>
	<b>PROCUREMENT, SPACE FORCE</b>		
	<b>SPACE PROCUREMENT, SF</b>		
001	AF SATELLITE COMM SYSTEM .....	64,345	64,345
003	COUNTERSPACE SYSTEMS .....	52,665	52,665
004	FAMILY OF BEYOND LINE-OF-SIGHT TERMINALS .....	25,057	25,057
005	FABT FORCE ELEMENT TERMINAL .....	121,634	121,634
007	GENERAL INFORMATION TECH—SPACE .....	3,451	3,451
008	GPSIII FOLLOW ON .....	119,700	70,400
	Request for Equitable Adjustment .....		[-49,300]
009	GPS III SPACE SEGMENT .....	121,770	103,670
	Unjustified growth SV 03-10 production .....		[-18,100]
010	GLOBAL POSITIONING (SPACE) .....	893	893
011	HERITAGE TRANSITION .....	6,110	6,110
012	JOINT TACTICAL GROUND STATIONS .....	580	580
013	SPACEBORNE EQUIP (COMSEC) .....	83,168	83,168
014	MILSATCOM .....	44,672	44,672
015	SBIR HIGH (SPACE) .....	39,438	39,438
016	SPECIAL SPACE ACTIVITIES .....	840,913	380,213
	Space Force realignment of funds .....		[-497,000]
	Space Force Unfunded Priorities List Classified Program A .....		[36,300]
017	MOBILE USER OBJECTIVE SYSTEM .....	101,147	101,147
018	NATIONAL SECURITY SPACE LAUNCH .....	2,142,846	2,142,846

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020	PTES HUB .....	56,482	56,482
021	ROCKET SYSTEMS LAUNCH PROGRAM .....	74,848	74,848
022	SPACE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY LAUNCH .....	529,468	529,468
023	SPACE MODS .....	166,596	166,596
024	SPACELIFT RANGE SYSTEM SPACE .....	114,505	114,505
	<b>SPARES</b>		
025	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....	906	906
	<b>SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>		
026	POWER CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT .....	3,100	3,100
	<b>TOTAL PROCUREMENT, SPACE FORCE</b> .....	<b>4,714,294</b>	<b>4,186,194</b>
	<b>OTHER PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE</b>		
	<b>PASSENGER CARRYING VEHICLES</b>		
001	PASSENGER CARRYING VEHICLES .....	6,123	6,123
	<b>CARGO AND UTILITY VEHICLES</b>		
002	MEDIUM TACTICAL VEHICLE .....	3,961	3,961
003	CAP VEHICLES .....	1,027	1,027
004	CARGO AND UTILITY VEHICLES .....	45,036	47,338
	Technical realignment .....		[2,302]
	<b>SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLES</b>		
005	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE .....	57,780	51,721
	Utility unjustified unit cost growth .....		[-6,059]
006	SECURITY AND TACTICAL VEHICLES .....	390	390
007	SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLES .....	79,023	82,803
	Technical realignment .....		[3,780]
	<b>FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT</b>		
008	FIRE FIGHTING/CRASH RESCUE VEHICLES .....	70,252	70,252
	<b>MATERIALS HANDLING EQUIPMENT</b>		
009	MATERIALS HANDLING VEHICLES .....	73,805	75,895
	Technical realignment .....		[2,090]
	<b>BASE MAINTENANCE SUPPORT</b>		
010	RUNWAY SNOW REMOV AND CLEANING EQU .....	22,030	22,030
011	BASE MAINTENANCE SUPPORT VEHICLES .....	223,354	240,634
	Technical realignment .....		[17,280]
	<b>COMM SECURITY EQUIPMENT(COMSEC)</b>		
013	COMSEC EQUIPMENT .....	98,600	98,600
	<b>INTELLIGENCE PROGRAMS</b>		
015	INTERNATIONAL INTEL TECH & ARCHITECTURES .....	5,393	5,393
016	INTELLIGENCE TRAINING EQUIPMENT .....	5,012	5,012
017	INTELLIGENCE COMM EQUIPMENT .....	40,042	40,042
	<b>ELECTRONICS PROGRAMS</b>		
018	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL & LANDING SYS .....	67,581	67,581
019	NATIONAL AIRSPACE SYSTEM .....	3,841	3,841
020	BATTLE CONTROL SYSTEM—FIXED .....	1,867	1,867
022	3D EXPEDITONARY LONG-RANGE RADAR .....	83,735	83,735
023	WEATHER OBSERVATION FORECAST .....	28,530	28,530
024	STRATEGIC COMMAND AND CONTROL .....	73,593	73,593
025	CHEYENNE MOUNTAIN COMPLEX .....	8,221	8,221
026	MISSION PLANNING SYSTEMS .....	17,078	17,078
029	STRATEGIC MISSION PLANNING & EXECUTION SYSTEM .....	3,861	3,861
	<b>SPCL COMM-ELECTRONICS PROJECTS</b>		
030	GENERAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY .....	206,142	212,093
	Insufficient justification .....		[-25,000]
	Technical realignment .....		[30,951]
031	AF GLOBAL COMMAND & CONTROL SYS .....	2,582	2,582
032	BATTLEFIELD AIRBORNE CONTROL NODE (BACN) .....	30	30
033	MOBILITY COMMAND AND CONTROL .....	3,768	3,768
034	AIR FORCE PHYSICAL SECURITY SYSTEM .....	208,704	208,704
035	COMBAT TRAINING RANGES .....	346,340	343,290
	Unit cost growth: P6CTS .....		[-3,050]
036	MINIMUM ESSENTIAL EMERGENCY COMM N .....	84,102	84,102
037	WIDE AREA SURVEILLANCE (WAS) .....	11,594	11,594
038	C3 COUNTERMEASURES .....	148,818	148,818
044	AIR & SPACE OPERATIONS CENTER (AOC) .....	5,032	5,032
	<b>AIR FORCE COMMUNICATIONS</b>		
046	BASE INFORMATION TRANSPRT INFRAST (BITI) WIRED .....	108,532	322,704
	Technical realignment .....		[214,172]
047	AFNET .....	154,911	152,618
	Insufficient justification .....		[-2,293]
048	JOINT COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT ELEMENT (JCSE) .....	5,381	5,381
049	USCENTCOM .....	18,025	18,025
050	USSTRATCOM .....	4,436	4,436
051	USSPACECOM .....	27,073	27,073
	<b>ORGANIZATION AND BASE</b>		
052	TACTICAL C-E EQUIPMENT .....	226,819	226,819
053	RADIO EQUIPMENT .....	30,407	30,407
054	BASE COMM INFRASTRUCTURE .....	113,563	113,563
	<b>MODIFICATIONS</b>		

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055	COMM ELECT MODS .....	98,224	115,224
	NORTHCOM UPL—Over the Horizon Radar Acceleration .....		[17,000]
	<b>PERSONAL SAFETY &amp; RESCUE EQUIP</b>		
056	PERSONAL SAFETY AND RESCUE EQUIPMENT .....	60,473	60,473
	<b>DEPOT PLANT+MTRLS HANDLING EQ</b>		
057	POWER CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT .....	9,235	9,235
058	MECHANIZED MATERIAL HANDLING EQUIP .....	15,662	15,662
	<b>BASE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>		
059	BASE PROCURED EQUIPMENT .....	77,875	77,875
060	ENGINEERING AND EOD EQUIPMENT .....	280,734	293,968
	DAF requested realignment of funds from OMAF SAG 11R .....		[5,950]
	Recovery of Air Bases Denied by Ordnance Program .....		[5,000]
	Technical realignment .....		[2,284]
061	MOBILITY EQUIPMENT .....	207,071	232,271
	Technical realignment .....		[25,200]
062	FUELS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT (FSE) .....	218,790	208,336
	All Terrain Berm Storage System schedule discrepancies .....		[-7,215]
	Fuel storage bladder unjustified unit cost growth .....		[-3,239]
063	BASE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	51,914	51,914
	<b>SPECIAL SUPPORT PROJECTS</b>		
065	DARP RC135 .....	28,882	28,882
066	DCGS-AF .....	129,655	129,655
070	SPECIAL UPDATE PROGRAM .....	1,042,833	1,042,833
	<b>CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS</b>		
072A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	25,456,490	25,456,490
	<b>SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS</b>		
071	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS (CYBER) .....	1,032	1,032
072	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....	12,628	12,628
	<b>TOTAL OTHER PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE</b> .....	<b>30,417,892</b>	<b>30,697,045</b>
	<b>PROCUREMENT, DEFENSE-WIDE</b>		
	<b>MAJOR EQUIPMENT, SDA</b>		
001	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DPAA .....	516	516
002	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, OSD .....	186,006	186,006
	<b>MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DISA</b>		
011	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY .....	12,275	12,275
012	TELEPORT PROGRAM .....	42,399	42,399
014	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION .....	47,538	47,538
015	DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEM NETWORK .....	39,472	39,472
016	WHITE HOUSE COMMUNICATION AGENCY .....	118,523	118,523
017	SENIOR LEADERSHIP ENTERPRISE .....	94,591	94,591
018	JOINT REGIONAL SECURITY STACKS (JRSS) .....	22,714	22,714
019	JOINT SERVICE PROVIDER .....	107,637	97,637
	Insufficient justification .....		[-10,000]
020	FOURTH ESTATE NETWORK OPTIMIZATION (4ENO) .....	33,047	33,047
	<b>MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DLA</b>		
028	MAJOR EQUIPMENT .....	30,355	30,355
	<b>MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DCSA</b>		
029	MAJOR EQUIPMENT .....	2,135	2,135
	<b>MAJOR EQUIPMENT, TJS</b>		
030	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, TJS .....	3,747	3,747
	<b>MAJOR EQUIPMENT, MISSILE DEFENSE AGENCY</b>		
031	THAAD .....	216,782	316,782
	6 additional THAAD Interceptors .....		[100,000]
033	AEGIS BMD .....	374,756	374,756
035	BMDS AN/TPY-2 RADARS .....	29,108	29,108
036	SM-3 IILAS .....	432,824	432,824
037	ARROW 3 UPPER TIER SYSTEMS .....	80,000	80,000
038	SHORT RANGE BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE (SRBMD) .....	40,000	40,000
039	DEFENSE OF GUAM PROCUREMENT .....	169,627	169,627
040	AEGIS ASHORE PHASE III .....	2,390	2,390
041	IRON DOME .....	80,000	80,000
042	AEGIS BMD HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE .....	27,825	27,825
	<b>MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DHRA</b>		
043	PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION .....	3,704	3,704
	<b>MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DEFENSE THREAT REDUCTION AGENCY</b>		
046	VEHICLES .....	366	366
047	OTHER MAJOR EQUIPMENT .....	12,787	12,787
048	DTRA CYBER ACTIVITIES .....	21,413	21,413
	<b>MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DODEA</b>		
049	AUTOMATION/EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT & LOGISTICS .....	1,358	1,358
	<b>MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DMAC</b>		
050	MAJOR EQUIPMENT .....	13,012	13,012
	<b>MAJOR EQUIPMENT, USCYBERCOM</b>		
051	CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS .....	129,082	129,082
	<b>CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS</b>		
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>		
073A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	658,529	658,529

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<b>AVIATION PROGRAMS</b>			
053	ARMED OVERWATCH/TARGETING .....	266,846	266,846
054	MANNED ISR .....	7,000	7,000
055	MC-12 .....	600	600
057	ROTARY WING UPGRADES AND SUSTAINMENT .....	261,012	256,012
	Underexecution .....		[-5,000]
058	UNMANNED ISR .....	26,997	26,997
059	NON-STANDARD AVIATION .....	25,782	21,782
	Theater Basing Initiatives excess to need .....		[-4,000]
060	U-28 .....	7,198	7,198
061	MH-47 CHINOOK .....	149,883	149,883
062	CV-22 MODIFICATION .....	75,981	75,981
063	MQ-9 UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE .....	17,684	17,684
064	PRECISION STRIKE PACKAGE .....	108,497	108,497
065	AC/MC-130J .....	319,754	319,754
066	C-130 MODIFICATIONS .....	18,796	18,796
<b>SHIPBUILDING</b>			
067	UNDERWATER SYSTEMS .....	66,111	73,111
	Deep Submergence Collective Propulsion .....		[7,000]
<b>AMMUNITION PROGRAMS</b>			
068	ORDNANCE ITEMS <\$5M .....	147,831	147,831
<b>OTHER PROCUREMENT PROGRAMS</b>			
069	INTELLIGENCE SYSTEMS .....	203,400	203,400
070	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS .....	5,718	5,718
071	OTHER ITEMS <\$5M .....	108,816	106,316
	Program decrease .....		[-2,500]
072	COMBATANT CRAFT SYSTEMS .....	55,064	55,064
073	SPECIAL PROGRAMS .....	20,412	20,412
074	TACTICAL VEHICLES .....	56,561	56,561
075	WARRIOR SYSTEMS <\$5M .....	329,837	370,437
	USSOCOM UPL—Counter Uncrewed Aerial Systems (CUAS) Group 3 Defeat Acceleration .....		[40,600]
076	COMBAT MISSION REQUIREMENTS .....	4,987	4,987
077	OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS INTELLIGENCE .....	23,639	23,639
078	OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS .....	322,341	322,341
<b>CBDP</b>			
079	CHEMICAL BIOLOGICAL SITUATIONAL AWARENESS .....	159,884	159,884
080	CB PROTECTION & HAZARD MITIGATION .....	231,826	231,826
	<b>TOTAL PROCUREMENT, DEFENSE-WIDE .....</b>	<b>6,056,975</b>	<b>6,183,075</b>
<b>NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVE EQUIPMENT</b>			
<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>			
006	UNDISTRIBUTED .....		100,000
	Program increase .....		[100,000]
	<b>TOTAL NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVE EQUIPMENT .....</b>		<b>100,000</b>
	<b>TOTAL PROCUREMENT .....</b>	<b>167,988,341</b>	<b>169,169,465</b>

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<b>RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, ARMY</b>				
<b>BASIC RESEARCH</b>				
001	0601102A	DEFENSE RESEARCH SCIENCES .....	296,670	301,670
		AI-Enhanced Quantum Computing .....		[5,000]
002	0601103A	UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INITIATIVES .....	75,672	75,672
003	0601104A	UNIVERSITY AND INDUSTRY RESEARCH CENTERS .....	108,946	110,946
		Hypervelocity research and testing .....		[2,000]
004	0601121A	CYBER COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH ALLIANCE .....	5,459	5,459

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005	0601601A	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING BASIC RESEARCH.	10,708	10,708
		<b>SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH</b>	<b>497,455</b>	<b>504,455</b>
		<b>APPLIED RESEARCH</b>		
006	0602002A	ARMY AGILE INNOVATION AND DEVELOPMENT-APPLIED RESEARCH.	5,613	5,613
008	0602134A	COUNTER IMPROVISED-THREAT ADVANCED STUDIES	6,242	6,242
009	0602141A	LETHALITY TECHNOLOGY	85,578	95,578
		Armaments technology for unmanned systems		[2,500]
		Convergent Advanced Manufacturing for Extreme Environments		[2,500]
		Critical energetic materials chemistries		[2,500]
		Universal Nanocrystalline Alloys Lethality		[2,500]
010	0602142A	ARMY APPLIED RESEARCH	34,572	34,572
011	0602143A	SOLDIER LETHALITY TECHNOLOGY	104,470	124,970
		Airborne Pathfinder		[8,000]
		Body armor research		[2,500]
		Digital night vision technology		[5,000]
		Pathfinder program		[2,500]
		Wafer-Level Vacuum Packaging (WLVP) of Microbolometers		[2,500]
012	0602144A	GROUND TECHNOLOGY	60,005	85,505
		Cold weather research		[2,500]
		Critical hybrid advanced materials processing		[5,000]
		Engineered repair materials for roadways		[3,000]
		Polar proving ground and training program		[5,000]
		Titanium metal powder production technology		[10,000]
013	0602145A	NEXT GENERATION COMBAT VEHICLE TECHNOLOGY	166,500	180,500
		Fuel cells for next generation combat vehicles		[3,500]
		High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle (HMMWD – Humvee) Gunner Restraint System (GRS).		[500]
		Hydrogen fuel source research and development		[10,000]
014	0602146A	NETWORK C3I TECHNOLOGY	81,618	86,618
		Intelligent Resilience of Communications Signals		[2,500]
		Secure Microelectronic Interposer Technology		[2,500]
015	0602147A	LONG RANGE PRECISION FIRES TECHNOLOGY	34,683	37,183
		Additive manufacturing for low-cost missile applications		[2,500]
016	0602148A	FUTURE VERTICLE LIFT TECHNOLOGY	73,844	76,344
		eVTOL power source development		[2,500]
017	0602150A	AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY	33,301	60,801
		Counter-Unmanned Aircraft Systems technology		[5,000]
		High energy laser enabling and support technology		[2,500]
		High energy Laser in a Box		[20,000]
018	0602180A	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES.	24,142	24,142
019	0602181A	ALL DOMAIN CONVERGENCE APPLIED RESEARCH	14,297	14,297
020	0602182A	C3I APPLIED RESEARCH	30,659	30,659
021	0602183A	AIR PLATFORM APPLIED RESEARCH	48,163	49,663
		Unmanned aerial and ground sensor network		[1,500]
022	0602184A	SOLDIER APPLIED RESEARCH	18,986	18,986
023	0602213A	C3I APPLIED CYBER	22,714	22,714
024	0602386A	BIOTECHNOLOGY FOR MATERIALS—APPLIED RESEARCH	16,736	16,736
025	0602785A	MANPOWER/PERSONNEL/TRAINING TECHNOLOGY	19,969	19,969
026	0602787A	MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY	66,266	76,166
		Precision Medicine for Bone Injuries		[4,900]
		Preventing trauma-related stress disorder		[5,000]
		<b>SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH</b>	<b>948,358</b>	<b>1,067,258</b>
		<b>ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT</b>		
027	0603002A	MEDICAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	4,147	12,147
		Hearing Protections Communications		[8,000]
028	0603007A	MANPOWER, PERSONNEL AND TRAINING ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY.	16,316	16,316
029	0603025A	ARMY AGILE INNOVATION AND DEMONSTRATION	23,156	23,156
030	0603040A	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES.	13,187	18,187
		Tactical artificial intelligence and machine learning		[5,000]
031	0603041A	ALL DOMAIN CONVERGENCE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	33,332	33,332
032	0603042A	C3I ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	19,225	19,225
033	0603043A	AIR PLATFORM ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	14,165	14,165
034	0603044A	SOLDIER ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	1,214	1,214
036	0603116A	LETHALITY ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	20,582	17,755
		Program decrease		[-2,827]
037	0603117A	ARMY ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	136,280	136,280
038	0603118A	SOLDIER LETHALITY ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	102,778	105,278
		Autonomous Long Range Resupply		[2,500]
039	0603119A	GROUND ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	40,597	48,097
		Advanced composites and multi-material protective systems		[5,000]
		Research supporting rapid entry in Arctic conditions		[2,500]

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040	0603134A	COUNTER IMPROVISED-THREAT SIMULATION .....	21,672	21,672
041	0603386A	BIOTECHNOLOGY FOR MATERIALS—ADVANCED RESEARCH.	59,871	59,871
042	0603457A	C3I CYBER ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT .....	28,847	28,847
043	0603461A	HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING MODERNIZATION PROGRAM.	255,772	255,772
044	0603462A	NEXT GENERATION COMBAT VEHICLE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY.	217,394	234,894
		Advanced Manufacturing Center of Excellence .....		[12,500]
		Next Generation Combat Vehicle Advanced Technology (Silent Watch Hydrogen Fuel Cell).		[5,000]
045	0603463A	NETWORK C3I ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	105,549	105,549
046	0603464A	LONG RANGE PRECISION FIRES ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	153,024	188,024
		Aluminum-Lithium Alloy Solid Rocket Motor .....		[5,000]
		Maneuvering Submunitions for Precision Strike Missile .....		[5,000]
		Missile Virtual Interactive Testbeds And Labs .....		[5,000]
		XM1155 Glide Flight Projectile .....		[20,000]
047	0603465A	FUTURE VERTICAL LIFT ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	158,795	173,795
		Additive manufacturing .....		[10,000]
		Next Generation Vertical Takeoff and Landing Concepts for Unmanned Aircraft.		[5,000]
048	0603466A	AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	21,015	23,515
		SHORAD S&T Engineering and Integration (SSEI) Lab .....		[2,500]
049	0603920A	HUMANITARIAN DEMINING .....	9,068	23,000
		Program increase .....		[13,932]
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.</b>	<b>1,455,986</b>	<b>1,560,091</b>
		<b>ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT &amp; PROTOTYPES</b>		
051	0603305A	ARMY MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEMS INTEGRATION .....	12,904	32,904
		Artificial Intelligence Decision Aids for All Domain Operations .....		[5,000]
		Capability for Advanced Protective Technologies Assessment and Integration (CAPTAIN).		[8,000]
		Integrated Environmental Control and Power .....		[5,000]
		Resilient Position, Navigation, and Timing Development (PNT) .....		[2,000]
052	0603308A	ARMY SPACE SYSTEMS INTEGRATION .....	19,120	24,120
		Essential Multi-Function Multi-Mission Payload Development .....		[5,000]
054	0603619A	LANDMINE WARFARE AND BARRIER—ADV DEV .....	47,537	47,537
055	0603639A	TANK AND MEDIUM CALIBER AMMUNITION .....	91,323	91,323
056	0603645A	ARMORED SYSTEM MODERNIZATION—ADV DEV .....	43,026	43,026
057	0603747A	SOLDIER SUPPORT AND SURVIVABILITY .....	3,550	3,550
058	0603766A	TACTICAL ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM—ADV DEV.	65,567	65,567
059	0603774A	NIGHT VISION SYSTEMS ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT .....	73,675	73,675
060	0603779A	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TECHNOLOGY—DEM/VAL .....	31,720	34,220
		Program decrease .....		[-2,500]
		Underwater Cut and Capture Demonstration .....		[5,000]
061	0603790A	NATO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT .....	4,143	4,143
062	0603801A	AVIATION—ADV DEV .....	1,502,160	1,500,804
		FARA—Excess to need .....		[-13,356]
		Modular Communication, Command, and Control Suite (MC3—Suite)		[12,000]
063	0603804A	LOGISTICS AND ENGINEER EQUIPMENT—ADV DEV .....	7,604	7,604
064	0603807A	MEDICAL SYSTEMS—ADV DEV .....	1,602	1,602
065	0603827A	SOLDIER SYSTEMS—ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT .....	27,681	25,825
		Excessive growth—Program management .....		[-1,333]
		Slow expenditure rate—Advance Development .....		[-523]
066	0604017A	ROBOTICS DEVELOPMENT .....	3,024	3,024
067	0604019A	EXPANDED MISSION AREA MISSILE (EMAM) .....	97,018	97,018
068	0604020A	CROSS FUNCTIONAL TEAM (CFT) ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT & PROTOTYPING.	117,557	117,557
069	0604035A	LOW EARTH ORBIT (LEO) SATELLITE CAPABILITY .....	38,851	38,851
070	0604036A	MULTI-DOMAIN SENSING SYSTEM (MDSS) ADV DEV .....	191,394	191,394
071	0604037A	TACTICAL INTEL TARGETING ACCESS NODE (TITAN) ADV DEV.	10,626	10,626
072	0604100A	ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVES .....	11,095	11,095
073	0604101A	SMALL UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE (SUAV) (6.4) .....	5,144	5,144
074	0604103A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT TOOL (EWPMT).	2,260	2,260
075	0604113A	FUTURE TACTICAL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM (FTUAS).	53,143	53,143
076	0604114A	LOWER TIER AIR MISSILE DEFENSE (LTAMD) SENSOR .....	816,663	816,663
077	0604115A	TECHNOLOGY MATURATION INITIATIVES .....	281,314	281,314
078	0604117A	MANEUVER—SHORT RANGE AIR DEFENSE (M-SHORAD) .....	281,239	273,994
		Delayed expenditure—contract award delay .....		[-7,245]
079	0604119A	ARMY ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT & PROTOTYPING.	204,914	204,914
080	0604120A	ASSURED POSITIONING, NAVIGATION AND TIMING (PNT) ..	40,930	40,930

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081	0604121A	SYNTHETIC TRAINING ENVIRONMENT REFINEMENT & PROTOTYPING.	109,714	109,714
082	0604134A	COUNTER IMPROVISED-THREAT DEMONSTRATION, PROTOTYPE DEVELOPMENT, AND TESTING.	16,426	16,426
083	0604135A	STRATEGIC MID-RANGE FIRES .....	31,559	31,559
084	0604182A	HYPERSONICS .....	43,435	43,435
085	0604403A	FUTURE INTERCEPTOR .....	8,040	8,040
086	0604531A	COUNTER—SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT.	64,242	64,242
087	0604541A	UNIFIED NETWORK TRANSPORT .....	40,915	40,915
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	19,200	19,200
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT &amp; PROTOTYPES.</b>	<b>4,420,315</b>	<b>4,437,358</b>
<b>SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION</b>				
091	0604201A	AIRCRAFT AVIONICS .....	13,673	13,673
092	0604270A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT .....	12,789	12,789
093	0604601A	INFANTRY SUPPORT WEAPONS .....	64,076	64,076
094	0604604A	MEDIUM TACTICAL VEHICLES .....	28,226	3,226
		Program decrease .....		[-25,000]
095	0604611A	JAVELIN .....	7,827	7,827
096	0604622A	FAMILY OF HEAVY TACTICAL VEHICLES .....	44,197	44,197
097	0604633A	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL .....	1,134	1,134
		Integrated Mission Planning & Airspace Control Tools (IMPACT) ....		[10,000]
098	0604641A	TACTICAL UNMANNED GROUND VEHICLE (TUGV) .....	142,125	142,125
099	0604642A	LIGHT TACTICAL WHEELED VEHICLES .....	53,564	9,671
		Incomplete development goals .....		[-43,893]
100	0604645A	ARMORED SYSTEMS MODERNIZATION (ASM)—ENG DEV ....	102,201	102,201
101	0604710A	NIGHT VISION SYSTEMS—ENG DEV .....	48,720	82,829
		Rephase from Procurement for IVAS 1.2 development .....		[39,137]
		Slow expenditure—Joint Effects Targetting System (JETS) .....		[-5,028]
102	0604713A	COMBAT FEEDING, CLOTHING, AND EQUIPMENT .....	2,223	2,223
103	0604715A	NON-SYSTEM TRAINING DEVICES—ENG DEV .....	21,441	21,441
104	0604741A	AIR DEFENSE COMMAND, CONTROL AND INTELLIGENCE—ENG DEV.	74,738	84,738
		Software Integration Digital Eco-system .....		[10,000]
105	0604742A	CONSTRUCTIVE SIMULATION SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT ....	30,985	30,985
106	0604746A	AUTOMATIC TEST EQUIPMENT DEVELOPMENT .....	13,626	13,626
107	0604760A	DISTRIBUTIVE INTERACTIVE SIMULATIONS (DIS)—ENG DEV.	8,802	8,802
108	0604798A	BRIGADE ANALYSIS, INTEGRATION AND EVALUATION .....	20,828	20,828
109	0604802A	WEAPONS AND MUNITIONS—ENG DEV .....	243,851	253,851
		Long Range Precision Guidance Kit .....		[10,000]
110	0604804A	LOGISTICS AND ENGINEER EQUIPMENT—ENG DEV .....	37,420	42,420
		Ultra-Lightweight Camouflage Net System .....		[5,000]
111	0604805A	COMMAND, CONTROL, COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS—ENG DEV.	34,214	34,214
112	0604807A	MEDICAL MATERIEL/MEDICAL BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE EQUIPMENT—ENG DEV.	6,496	6,496
113	0604808A	LANDMINE WARFARE/BARRIER—ENG DEV .....	13,581	13,581
114	0604818A	ARMY TACTICAL COMMAND & CONTROL HARDWARE & SOFTWARE.	168,574	168,574
115	0604820A	RADAR DEVELOPMENT .....	94,944	94,944
116	0604822A	GENERAL FUND ENTERPRISE BUSINESS SYSTEM (GPEBS)	2,965	2,965
117	0604827A	SOLDIER SYSTEMS—WARRIOR DEM/VAL .....	11,333	11,333
118	0604852A	SUITE OF SURVIVABILITY ENHANCEMENT SYSTEMS—EMD.	79,250	78,050
		Maintain program management level of effort .....		[-1,200]
119	0604854A	ARTILLERY SYSTEMS—EMD .....	42,490	42,490
120	0605013A	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....	104,024	104,024
121	0605018A	INTEGRATED PERSONNEL AND PAY SYSTEM-ARMY (IPPS-A).	102,084	102,084
123	0605030A	JOINT TACTICAL NETWORK CENTER (JTNC) .....	18,662	18,662
124	0605031A	JOINT TACTICAL NETWORK (JTN) .....	30,328	30,328
125	0605035A	COMMON INFRARED COUNTERMEASURES (CIRCM) .....	11,509	11,509
126	0605036A	COMBATING WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION (CWMD) ....	1,050	1,050
128	0605041A	DEFENSIVE CYBER TOOL DEVELOPMENT .....	27,714	27,714
129	0605042A	TACTICAL NETWORK RADIO SYSTEMS (LOW-TIER) .....	4,318	4,318
130	0605047A	CONTRACT WRITING SYSTEM .....	16,355	16,355
131	0605049A	MISSILE WARNING SYSTEM MODERNIZATION (MWSM) .....	27,571	27,571
132	0605051A	AIRCRAFT SURVIVABILITY DEVELOPMENT .....	24,900	24,900
133	0605052A	INDIRECT FIRE PROTECTION CAPABILITY INC 2—BLOCK 1.	196,248	196,248
134	0605053A	GROUND ROBOTICS .....	35,319	35,319
135	0605054A	EMERGING TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVES .....	201,274	149,834
		Program decrease .....		[-51,440]
137	0605144A	NEXT GENERATION LOAD DEVICE—MEDIUM .....	36,970	36,970
139	0605148A	TACTICAL INTEL TARGETING ACCESS NODE (TITAN) EMD	132,136	132,136

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140	0605203A	ARMY SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT & DEMONSTRATION .....	81,657	81,657
141	0605205A	SMALL UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE (SUAV) (6.5) .....	31,284	27,361
		Unjustified growth .....		[-3,923]
142	0605206A	CI AND HUMINT EQUIPMENT PROGRAM-ARMY (CIHEP-A) ..	2,170	2,170
143	0605216A	JOINT TARGETING INTEGRATED COMMAND AND COORDI- NATION SUITE (JTIC2S).	9,290	9,290
144	0605224A	MULTI-DOMAIN INTELLIGENCE .....	41,003	41,003
146	0605231A	PRECISION STRIKE MISSILE (PRSM) .....	272,786	272,786
147	0605232A	HYPERSONICS EMD .....	900,920	900,920
148	0605233A	ACCESSIONS INFORMATION ENVIRONMENT (AIE) .....	27,361	27,361
149	0605235A	STRATEGIC MID-RANGE CAPABILITY .....	348,855	348,855
150	0605236A	INTEGRATED TACTICAL COMMUNICATIONS .....	22,901	22,901
151	0605450A	JOINT AIR-TO-GROUND MISSILE (JAGM) .....	3,014	3,014
152	0605457A	ARMY INTEGRATED AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE (AIAMD)	284,095	284,095
153	0605531A	COUNTER—SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS SYS DEV & DEMONSTRATION.	36,016	36,016
154	0605625A	MANNED GROUND VEHICLE .....	996,653	875,753
		OMFV slow expenditure .....		[-120,900]
155	0605766A	NATIONAL CAPABILITIES INTEGRATION (MIP) .....	15,129	15,129
156	0605812A	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE (JLTV) ENGINEERING AND MANUFACTURING DEVELOPMENT PH. Slow expenditure .....	27,243	26,143
				[-1,100]
157	0605830A	AVIATION GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	1,167	1,167
158	0303032A	TROJAN—RH12 .....	3,879	3,879
159	0304270A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT .....	137,186	137,186
		<b>SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION.</b>	<b>5,639,364</b>	<b>5,461,017</b>
		<b>MANAGEMENT SUPPORT</b>		
160	0604256A	THREAT SIMULATOR DEVELOPMENT .....	38,492	38,492
161	0604258A	TARGET SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....	11,873	21,873
		Program increase .....		[5,000]
		U.S. Replacement for Foreign Engines for Aerial Targets .....		[5,000]
162	0604759A	MAJOR T&E INVESTMENT .....	76,167	76,167
163	0605103A	RAND ARROYO CENTER .....	37,078	37,078
164	0605301A	ARMY KWAJALEIN ATOLL .....	314,872	314,872
165	0605326A	CONCEPTS EXPERIMENTATION PROGRAM .....	95,551	95,551
167	0605601A	ARMY TEST RANGES AND FACILITIES .....	439,118	439,118
168	0605602A	ARMY TECHNICAL TEST INSTRUMENTATION AND TAR- GETS. Rapid Assurance Modernization Program .....	42,220	47,220
				[5,000]
169	0605604A	SURVIVABILITY/LETHALITY ANALYSIS .....	37,518	37,518
170	0605606A	AIRCRAFT CERTIFICATION .....	2,718	2,718
172	0605706A	MATERIEL SYSTEMS ANALYSIS .....	26,902	26,902
173	0605709A	EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN ITEMS .....	7,805	7,805
174	0605712A	SUPPORT OF OPERATIONAL TESTING .....	75,133	75,133
175	0605716A	ARMY EVALUATION CENTER .....	71,118	71,118
176	0605718A	ARMY MODELING & SIM X-CMD COLLABORATION & INTEG	11,204	11,204
177	0605801A	PROGRAMWIDE ACTIVITIES .....	93,895	93,895
178	0605803A	TECHNICAL INFORMATION ACTIVITIES .....	31,327	31,327
179	0605805A	MUNITIONS STANDARDIZATION, EFFECTIVENESS AND SAFETY.	50,409	50,409
180	0605857A	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TECHNOLOGY MGMT SUP- PORT	1,629	1,629
181	0605898A	ARMY DIRECT REPORT HEADQUARTERS—R&D - MHA .....	55,843	55,843
182	0606002A	RONALD REAGAN BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TEST SITE.	91,340	91,340
183	0606003A	COUNTERINTEL AND HUMAN INTEL MODERNIZATION .....	6,348	6,348
185	0606942A	ASSESSMENTS AND EVALUATIONS CYBER VULNERABILITIES.	6,025	6,025
		<b>SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT .....</b>	<b>1,624,585</b>	<b>1,639,585</b>
		<b>OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT</b>		
187	0603778A	MLRS PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM .....	14,465	14,465
188	0605024A	ANTI-TAMPER TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT .....	7,472	7,472
189	0607131A	WEAPONS AND MUNITIONS PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS.	8,425	8,425
190	0607136A	BLACKHAWK PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM .....	1,507	23,007
		Program increase .....		[21,500]
191	0607137A	CHINOOK PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM .....	9,265	21,765
		714C Engine Enhancement .....		[7,500]
		Program increase .....		[5,000]
192	0607139A	IMPROVED TURBINE ENGINE PROGRAM .....	201,247	191,062
		Excessive growth—Government Planning .....		[-1,721]
		Slow expenditure rate .....		[-8,464]
193	0607142A	AVIATION ROCKET SYSTEM PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT.	3,014	3,014
194	0607143A	UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM UNIVERSAL PRODUCTS .....	25,393	25,393

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195	0607145A	APACHE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT .....	10,547	18,047
		Apache future development program increase .....		[7,500]
196	0607148A	AN/TPQ-53 COUNTERFIRE TARGET ACQUISITION RADAR SYSTEM.	54,167	54,167
197	0607150A	INTEL CYBER DEVELOPMENT .....	4,345	4,345
198	0607312A	ARMY OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....	19,000	19,000
199	0607313A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT .....	6,389	6,389
200	0607315A	ENDURING TURBINE ENGINES AND POWER SYSTEMS .....	2,411	2,411
201	0607665A	FAMILY OF BIOMETRICS .....	797	797
202	0607865A	PATRIOT PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT .....	177,197	177,197
203	0203728A	JOINT AUTOMATED DEEP OPERATION COORDINATION SYSTEM (JADOC).	42,177	42,177
204	0203735A	COMBAT VEHICLE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS .....	146,635	224,490
		Abrams Modernization Program .....		[88,300]
		Slow expenditure—Stryker Combat Vehicle Improvement Program .....		[-10,445]
205	0203743A	155MM SELF-PROPELLED HOWITZER IMPROVEMENTS .....	122,902	110,802
		Excess growth—ERCA range prototype build .....		[-5,900]
		Slow expenditure—Extended Range Cannon Artillery .....		[-6,200]
207	0203752A	AIRCRAFT ENGINE COMPONENT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.	146	146
208	0203758A	DIGITIZATION .....	1,515	1,515
209	0203801A	MISSILE/AIR DEFENSE PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.	4,520	4,520
210	0203802A	OTHER MISSILE PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS .....	10,044	10,044
211	0205412A	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TECHNOLOGY—OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEV.	281	281
212	0205778A	GUIDED MULTIPLE-LAUNCH ROCKET SYSTEM (GMLRS) .....	75,952	75,952
213	0208053A	JOINT TACTICAL GROUND SYSTEM .....	203	203
216	0303028A	SECURITY AND INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES .....	301	301
217	0303140A	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM .....	15,323	15,323
218	0303141A	GLOBAL COMBAT SUPPORT SYSTEM .....	13,082	13,082
219	0303142A	SATCOM GROUND ENVIRONMENT (SPACE) .....	26,838	26,838
222	0305179A	INTEGRATED BROADCAST SERVICE (IBS) .....	9,456	9,456
225	0305219A	MQ-1C GRAY EAGLE UAS .....	6,629	6,629
227	0708045A	END ITEM INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES .....	75,317	85,317
		Additive manufacturing expansion .....		[10,000]
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	8,786	8,786
		<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT.</b>	<b>1,105,748</b>	<b>1,212,818</b>
		<b>SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS</b>		
228	0608041A	DEFENSIVE CYBER—SOFTWARE PROTOTYPE DEVELOPMENT.	83,570	83,570
		<b>SUBTOTAL SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS.</b>	<b>83,570</b>	<b>83,570</b>
		<b>TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, ARMY.</b>	<b>15,775,381</b>	<b>15,966,152</b>
		<b>RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, NAVY</b>		
		<b>BASIC RESEARCH</b>		
001	0601103N	UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INITIATIVES .....	96,355	106,355
		Defense University Research Instrumentation Program (DURIP) .....		[10,000]
002	0601153N	DEFENSE RESEARCH SCIENCES .....	540,908	543,908
		Hypersonic research initiatives .....		[3,000]
		<b>SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH .....</b>	<b>637,263</b>	<b>650,263</b>
		<b>APPLIED RESEARCH</b>		
003	0602114N	POWER PROJECTION APPLIED RESEARCH .....	23,982	23,982
004	0602123N	FORCE PROTECTION APPLIED RESEARCH .....	142,148	144,648
		Cavitation erosion research .....		[2,500]
005	0602131M	MARINE CORPS LANDING FORCE TECHNOLOGY .....	59,208	68,708
		Unmanned logistics solutions .....		[9,500]
006	0602235N	COMMON PICTURE APPLIED RESEARCH .....	52,090	52,090
007	0602236N	WARFIGHTER SUSTAINMENT APPLIED RESEARCH .....	74,722	77,722
		Research on foreign malign influence operations .....		[3,000]
008	0602271N	ELECTROMAGNETIC SYSTEMS APPLIED RESEARCH .....	92,473	92,473
009	0602435N	OCEAN WARFIGHTING ENVIRONMENT APPLIED RESEARCH.	80,806	89,806
		Continuous distributed sensing systems .....		[4,000]
		Intelligent Autonomous Systems for Seabed Warfare .....		[5,000]
010	0602651M	JOINT NON-LETHAL WEAPONS APPLIED RESEARCH .....	7,419	7,419
011	0602747N	UNDERSEA WARFARE APPLIED RESEARCH .....	61,503	74,003
		Academic Partnerships for Submarine & Undersea Vehicle Research & Manufacturing.		[10,000]
		Undersea Sensing and Communications .....		[2,500]
012	0602750N	FUTURE NAVAL CAPABILITIES APPLIED RESEARCH .....	182,662	182,662

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013	0602782N	MINE AND EXPEDITIONARY WARFARE APPLIED RESEARCH.	30,435	30,435
014	0602792N	INNOVATIVE NAVAL PROTOTYPES (INP) APPLIED RESEARCH.	133,828	133,828
015	0602861N	SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT—ONR FIELD ACTIVITIES.	85,063	85,063
		<b>SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH</b>	<b>1,026,339</b>	<b>1,062,839</b>
		<b>ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT</b>		
016	0603123N	FORCE PROTECTION ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	29,512	29,512
017	0603271N	ELECTROMAGNETIC SYSTEMS ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	8,418	8,418
018	0603273N	SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FOR NUCLEAR RE-ENTRY SYSTEMS.	112,329	112,329
019	0603640M	USMC ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATION (ATD) .. Adaptive Future Force .. Hardware In the Loop capabilities .. Long Range Maneuvering Projectile ..	308,217	331,217 [5,000] [8,000] [10,000]
020	0603651M	JOINT NON-LETHAL WEAPONS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	15,556	15,556
021	0603673N	FUTURE NAVAL CAPABILITIES ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT. Automated acoustic signal classifier ..	264,700	267,200 [2,500]
022	0603680N	MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM	61,843	61,843
023	0603729N	WARFIGHTER PROTECTION ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .. Balloon catheter hemorrhage control device ..	5,100	6,600 [1,500]
024	0603758N	NAVY WARFIGHTING EXPERIMENTS AND DEMONSTRATIONS.	75,898	75,898
025	0603782N	MINE AND EXPEDITIONARY WARFARE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY.	2,048	2,048
026	0603801N	INNOVATIVE NAVAL PROTOTYPES (INP) ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT. HEL weapon system ..	132,931	134,431 [1,500]
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.</b>	<b>1,016,552</b>	<b>1,045,052</b>
		<b>ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT &amp; PROTOTYPES</b>		
027	0603128N	UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEM .. ILS support previously funded ..	108,225	105,053 [-3,172]
028	0603178N	LARGE UNMANNED SURFACE VEHICLES (LUSV)	117,400	117,400
029	0603207N	AIR/OCEAN TACTICAL APPLICATIONS .. Autonomous surface and underwater dual-modality vehicles ..	40,653	43,653 [3,000]
030	0603216N	AVIATION SURVIVABILITY	20,874	20,874
031	0603239N	NAVAL CONSTRUCTION FORCES	7,821	7,821
032	0603254N	ASW SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	17,090	17,090
033	0603261N	TACTICAL AIRBORNE RECONNAISSANCE	3,721	3,721
034	0603382N	ADVANCED COMBAT SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY .. Tier 2.5 LO Inspection Technology ..	6,216	9,216 [3,000]
035	0603502N	SURFACE AND SHALLOW WATER MINE COUNTERMEASURES.	34,690	34,690
036	0603506N	SURFACE SHIP TORPEDO DEFENSE	730	730
037	0603512N	CARRIER SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	6,095	6,095
038	0603525N	PILOT FISH	916,208	916,208
039	0603527N	RETRACT LARCH	7,545	7,545
040	0603536N	RETRACT JUNIPER	271,109	271,109
041	0603542N	RADIOLOGICAL CONTROL	811	811
042	0603553N	SURFACE ASW	1,189	1,189
043	0603561N	ADVANCED SUBMARINE SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT	88,415	88,415
044	0603562N	SUBMARINE TACTICAL WARFARE SYSTEMS	15,119	15,119
045	0603563N	SHIP CONCEPT ADVANCED DESIGN .. Support for Additive Manufacturing ..	89,939	96,939 [7,000]
046	0603564N	SHIP PRELIMINARY DESIGN & FEASIBILITY STUDIES .. Ship Concept Advanced Design ..	121,402	126,402 [5,000]
047	0603570N	ADVANCED NUCLEAR POWER SYSTEMS	319,656	319,656
048	0603573N	ADVANCED SURFACE MACHINERY SYSTEMS .. Support Shipboard Distribution of High-Power Energy ..	133,911	138,911 [5,000]
049	0603576N	CHALK EAGLE	116,078	116,078
050	0603581N	LITTORAL COMBAT SHIP (LCS)	32,615	32,615
051	0603582N	COMBAT SYSTEM INTEGRATION	18,610	18,610
052	0603595N	OHIO REPLACEMENT .. Rapid composites ..	257,076	267,076 [10,000]
053	0603596N	LCS MISSION MODULES	31,464	31,464
054	0603597N	AUTOMATED TEST AND RE-TEST (ATRT)	10,809	10,809
055	0603599N	FRIGATE DEVELOPMENT .. Live fire test and evaluation early to need ..	112,972	110,172 [-2,800]
056	0603609N	CONVENTIONAL MUNITIONS	9,030	9,030
057	0603635M	MARINE CORPS GROUND COMBAT/SUPPORT SYSTEM .. Slow expenditure ..	128,782	119,189 [-9,593]

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058	0603654N	JOINT SERVICE EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DEVELOPMENT ...	44,766	44,766
059	0603713N	OCEAN ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....	10,751	10,751
060	0603721N	ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION .....	24,457	24,457
061	0603724N	NAVY ENERGY PROGRAM .....	72,214	77,214
		Marine Energy Systems for Sensors and Microgrids .....		[5,000]
062	0603725N	FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT .....	10,149	10,149
063	0603734N	CHALK CORAL .....	687,841	522,841
		Program decrease .....		[-165,000]
064	0603739N	NAVY LOGISTIC PRODUCTIVITY .....	4,712	4,712
065	0603746N	RETRACT MAPLE .....	420,455	420,455
066	0603748N	LINK PLUMERIA .....	2,100,474	2,050,474
		Project 2937: Unjustified requirements .....		[-50,000]
067	0603751N	RETRACT ELM .....	88,036	88,036
068	0603764M	LINK EVERGREEN .....	547,005	547,005
069	0603790N	NATO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT .....	6,265	6,265
070	0603795N	LAND ATTACK TECHNOLOGY .....	1,624	1,624
071	0603851M	JOINT NON-LETHAL WEAPONS TESTING .....	31,058	31,058
072	0603860N	JOINT PRECISION APPROACH AND LANDING SYSTEMS— DEM/VAL	22,590	22,590
073	0603925N	DIRECTED ENERGY AND ELECTRIC WEAPON SYSTEMS ....	52,129	52,129
074	0604014N	F/A -18 INFRARED SEARCH AND TRACK (IRST) .....	32,127	32,127
075	0604027N	DIGITAL WARFARE OFFICE .....	181,001	181,001
076	0604028N	SMALL AND MEDIUM UNMANNED UNDERSEA VEHICLES ..	110,506	93,991
		Medusa unexecutable contract award date .....		[-16,515]
077	0604029N	UNMANNED UNDERSEA VEHICLE CORE TECHNOLOGIES ..	71,156	71,156
078	0604030N	RAPID PROTOTYPING, EXPERIMENTATION AND DEM- ONSTRATION.	214,100	214,100
079	0604031N	LARGE UNMANNED UNDERSEA VEHICLES .....	6,900	6,900
080	0604112N	GERALD R. FORD CLASS NUCLEAR AIRCRAFT CARRIER (CVN 78—80).	118,182	118,182
082	0604127N	SURFACE MINE COUNTERMEASURES .....	16,127	16,127
083	0604272N	TACTICAL AIR DIRECTIONAL INFRARED COUNTER- MEASURES (TADIRCM).	34,684	34,684
084	0604289M	NEXT GENERATION LOGISTICS .....	5,991	5,991
085	0604292N	FUTURE VERTICAL LIFT (MARITIME STRIKE) .....	2,100	2,100
086	0604320M	RAPID TECHNOLOGY CAPABILITY PROTOTYPE .....	131,763	131,763
087	0604454N	LX (R) .....	21,319	21,319
088	0604536N	ADVANCED UNDERSEA PROTOTYPING .....	104,328	82,603
		Program delays .....		[-21,725]
089	0604636N	COUNTER UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (C-UAS) .....	11,567	11,567
090	0604659N	PRECISION STRIKE WEAPONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ..	5,976	195,976
		SLCM-N .....		[190,000]
091	0604707N	SPACE AND ELECTRONIC WARFARE (SEW) ARCHITEC- TURE/ENGINEERING SUPPORT.	9,993	9,993
092	0604786N	OFFENSIVE ANTI-SURFACE WARFARE WEAPON DEVELOP- MENT.	237,655	237,655
093	0605512N	MEDIUM UNMANNED SURFACE VEHICLES (MUSVS)) .....	85,800	74,248
		Program delays .....		[-11,552]
094	0605513N	UNMANNED SURFACE VEHICLE ENABLING CAPABILITIES Prior year underexecution .....	176,261	171,980
				[-4,281]
095	0605514M	GROUND BASED ANTI-SHIP MISSILE .....	36,383	36,383
096	0605516M	LONG RANGE FIRES .....	36,763	36,763
097	0605518N	CONVENTIONAL PROMPT STRIKE (CPS) .....	901,064	901,064
098	0303354N	ASW SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT—MIP .....	10,167	10,167
099	0304240M	ADVANCED TACTICAL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM .....	539	9,439
		KAMAN KARGO .....		[8,900]
100	0304270N	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT—MIP .....	1,250	1,250
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOP- MENT &amp; PROTOTYPES.</b>	<b>9,734,483</b>	<b>9,686,745</b>
		<b>SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION</b>		
101	0603208N	TRAINING SYSTEM AIRCRAFT .....	44,120	44,120
102	0604038N	MARITIME TARGETING CELL .....	30,922	30,922
103	0604212M	OTHER HELO DEVELOPMENT .....	101,209	83,614
		Project 3406 insufficient justification .....		[-17,595]
104	0604212N	OTHER HELO DEVELOPMENT .....	2,604	2,604
105	0604214M	AV-8B AIRCRAFT—ENG DEV .....	8,263	8,263
106	0604215N	STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT .....	4,039	4,039
107	0604216N	MULTI-MISSION HELICOPTER UPGRADE DEVELOPMENT ...	62,350	62,350
108	0604221N	P-3 MODERNIZATION PROGRAM .....	771	771
109	0604230N	WARFARE SUPPORT SYSTEM .....	109,485	109,485
110	0604231N	COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEMS .....	87,457	87,457
111	0604234N	ADVANCED HAWKEYE .....	399,919	419,919
		Navy UPL—E-2D Theater Combat ID and HECTR .....		[20,000]
112	0604245M	H-1 UPGRADES .....	29,766	29,766
113	0604261N	ACOUSTIC SEARCH SENSORS .....	51,531	51,531
114	0604262N	V-22A .....	137,597	137,597
115	0604264N	AIR CREW SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....	42,155	42,155

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116	0604269N	EA-18 .....	172,507	172,507
117	0604270N	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT .....	171,384	168,350
		Prior year underexecution .....		[-3,034]
118	0604273M	EXECUTIVE HELO DEVELOPMENT .....	35,376	35,376
119	0604274N	NEXT GENERATION JAMMER (NGJ) .....	40,477	40,477
120	0604280N	JOINT TACTICAL RADIO SYSTEM—NAVY (JTRS-NAVY) .....	451,397	461,397
		Navy Multiband Terminal .....		[5,000]
		Satellite Terminal (transportable) Non-Geostationary .....		[5,000]
121	0604282N	NEXT GENERATION JAMMER (NGJ) INCREMENT II .....	250,577	199,645
		Next Generation Jammer—Low Band .....		[-50,932]
122	0604307N	SURFACE COMBATANT COMBAT SYSTEM ENGINEERING ...	453,311	438,061
		Aegis capability package 2024 delays .....		[-5,500]
		Software SW factory insufficient justification .....		[-9,750]
124	0604329N	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB (SDB) .....	52,211	52,211
125	0604366N	STANDARD MISSILE IMPROVEMENTS .....	418,187	388,811
		Prior year underexecution .....		[-29,376]
126	0604373N	AIRBORNE MCM .....	11,368	11,368
127	0604378N	NAVAL INTEGRATED FIRE CONTROL—COUNTER AIR SYSTEMS ENGINEERING.	66,445	68,945
		Stratospheric Balloon Research .....		[2,500]
128	0604419N	ADVANCED SENSORS APPLICATION PROGRAM (ASAP) .....		10,000
		Program increase .....		[10,000]
129	0604501N	ADVANCED ABOVE WATER SENSORS .....	115,396	115,396
130	0604503N	SSN-688 AND TRIDENT MODERNIZATION .....	93,435	93,435
131	0604504N	AIR CONTROL .....	42,656	42,656
132	0604512N	SHIPBOARD AVIATION SYSTEMS .....	10,442	10,442
133	0604518N	COMBAT INFORMATION CENTER CONVERSION .....	11,359	11,359
134	0604522N	AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE RADAR (AMDR) SYSTEM .....	90,307	90,307
135	0604530N	ADVANCED ARRESTING GEAR (AAG) .....	10,658	10,658
136	0604558N	NEW DESIGN SSN .....	234,356	241,356
		Precision Maneuvering Unit .....		[7,000]
137	0604562N	SUBMARINE TACTICAL WARFARE SYSTEM .....	71,516	71,516
138	0604567N	SHIP CONTRACT DESIGN/ LIVE FIRE T&E .....	22,462	22,462
139	0604574N	NAVY TACTICAL COMPUTER RESOURCES .....	4,279	4,279
140	0604601N	MINE DEVELOPMENT .....	104,731	104,731
141	0604610N	LIGHTWEIGHT TORPEDO DEVELOPMENT .....	229,668	221,168
		Project 3418 testing ahead of need .....		[-8,500]
142	0604654N	JOINT SERVICE EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DEVELOPMENT ...	9,064	9,064
143	0604657M	USMC GROUND COMBAT/SUPPORTING ARMS SYSTEMS—ENG DEV.	62,329	42,148
		OPF-M termination .....		[-20,181]
144	0604703N	PERSONNEL, TRAINING, SIMULATION, AND HUMAN FACTORS.	9,319	9,319
145	0604727N	JOINT STANDOFF WEAPON SYSTEMS .....	1,964	1,964
146	0604755N	SHIP SELF DEFENSE (DETECT & CONTROL) .....	158,426	158,426
147	0604756N	SHIP SELF DEFENSE (ENGAGE: HARD KILL) .....	47,492	47,492
148	0604757N	SHIP SELF DEFENSE (ENGAGE: SOFT KILL/EW) .....	125,206	125,206
149	0604761N	INTELLIGENCE ENGINEERING .....	19,969	19,969
150	0604771N	MEDICAL DEVELOPMENT .....	6,061	6,061
151	0604777N	NAVIGATION/ID SYSTEM .....	45,262	45,262
154	0604850N	SSN(X) .....	361,582	321,828
		Unjustified growth—management and support costs .....		[-7,950]
		Unjustified growth—NSWC studies .....		[-13,804]
		Unjustified growth—shipbuilder studies .....		[-18,000]
155	0605013M	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....	22,663	22,663
156	0605013N	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....	282,138	283,138
		Cyber supply chain risk management .....		[1,000]
157	0605024N	ANTI-TAMPER TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT .....	8,340	8,340
158	0605180N	TACAMO MODERNIZATION .....	213,743	213,743
159	0605212M	CH-53K RDTE .....	222,288	222,288
160	0605215N	MISSION PLANNING .....	86,448	86,448
161	0605217N	COMMON AVIONICS .....	81,076	81,076
162	0605220N	SHIP TO SHORE CONNECTOR (SSC) .....	1,343	1,343
163	0605327N	T-AO 205 CLASS .....	71	71
164	0605414N	UNMANNED CARRIER AVIATION (UCA) .....	220,404	200,001
		Test excess to need due to EDM delays .....		[-20,403]
165	0605450M	JOINT AIR-TO-GROUND MISSILE (JAGM) .....	384	384
166	0605500N	MULTI-MISSION MARITIME AIRCRAFT (MMA) .....	36,027	36,027
167	0605504N	MULTI-MISSION MARITIME (MMA) INCREMENT III .....	132,449	132,449
168	0605611M	MARINE CORPS ASSAULT VEHICLES SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT & DEMONSTRATION.	103,236	103,236
169	0605813M	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE (JLTV) SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT & DEMONSTRATION.	2,609	2,609
170	0204202N	DDG-1000 .....	231,778	223,444
		Prior year underexecution .....		[-8,334]
171	0301377N	COUNTERING ADVANCED CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS (CACW).	17,531	17,531
172	0304785N	ISR & INFO OPERATIONS .....	174,271	174,271

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173	0306250M	CYBER OPERATIONS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....	2,068	2,068
		<b>SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION.</b>	<b>6,962,234</b>	<b>6,799,375</b>
		<b>MANAGEMENT SUPPORT</b>		
174	0604256N	THREAT SIMULATOR DEVELOPMENT .....	22,918	22,918
175	0604258N	TARGET SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....	18,623	18,623
176	0604759N	MAJOR T&E INVESTMENT .....	74,221	74,221
177	0605152N	STUDIES AND ANALYSIS SUPPORT—NAVY .....	3,229	3,229
178	0605154N	CENTER FOR NAVAL ANALYSES .....	45,672	45,672
180	0605804N	TECHNICAL INFORMATION SERVICES .....	1,000	1,000
181	0605853N	MANAGEMENT, TECHNICAL & INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT .....	124,328	124,328
182	0605856N	STRATEGIC TECHNICAL SUPPORT .....	4,053	4,053
183	0605863N	RD&E SHIP AND AIRCRAFT SUPPORT .....	203,447	203,447
184	0605864N	TEST AND EVALUATION SUPPORT .....	481,975	481,975
185	0605865N	OPERATIONAL TEST AND EVALUATION CAPABILITY .....	29,399	29,399
186	0605866N	NAVY SPACE AND ELECTRONIC WARFARE (SEW) SUPPORT .....	27,504	27,504
187	0605867N	SEW SURVEILLANCE/RECONNAISSANCE SUPPORT .....	9,183	9,183
188	0605873M	MARINE CORPS PROGRAM WIDE SUPPORT .....	34,976	34,976
189	0605898N	MANAGEMENT HQ—R&D .....	41,331	41,331
190	0606355N	WARFARE INNOVATION MANAGEMENT .....	37,340	37,340
191	0305327N	INSIDER THREAT .....	2,246	2,246
192	0902498N	MANAGEMENT HEADQUARTERS (DEPARTMENTAL SUPPORT ACTIVITIES).	2,168	2,168
		<b>SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT .....</b>	<b>1,163,613</b>	<b>1,163,613</b>
		<b>OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT</b>		
196	0604840M	F-35 C2D2 .....	544,625	509,122
		TR-3/B4 Unplanned cost growth .....		[-35,503]
197	0604840N	F-35 C2D2 .....	543,834	512,266
		TR-3/B4 Unplanned cost growth .....		[-31,568]
198	0605520M	MARINE CORPS AIR DEFENSE WEAPONS SYSTEMS .....	99,860	89,360
		Slow expenditure .....		[-10,500]
199	0607658N	COOPERATIVE ENGAGEMENT CAPABILITY (CEC) .....	153,440	153,440
200	0101221N	STRATEGIC SUB & WEAPONS SYSTEM SUPPORT .....	321,648	321,648
201	0101224N	SSBN SECURITY TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM .....	62,694	62,694
202	0101226N	SUBMARINE ACOUSTIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT .....	92,869	92,869
203	0101402N	NAVY STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS .....	51,919	51,919
204	0204136N	F/A-18 SQUADRONS .....	333,783	321,783
		Next generation naval mission planning system insufficient justification.		[-12,000]
205	0204228N	SURFACE SUPPORT .....	8,619	8,619
206	0204229N	TOMAHAWK AND TOMAHAWK MISSION PLANNING CENTER (TMPIC).	122,834	122,834
207	0204311N	INTEGRATED SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM .....	76,279	76,279
208	0204313N	SHIP-TOWED ARRAY SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS .....	1,103	1,103
209	0204413N	AMPHIBIOUS TACTICAL SUPPORT UNITS (DISPLACEMENT CRAFT).	1,991	1,991
210	0204460M	GROUND/AIR TASK ORIENTED RADAR (G/ATOR) .....	92,674	84,074
		Slow expenditure .....		[-8,600]
211	0204571N	CONSOLIDATED TRAINING SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....	115,894	115,894
212	0204575N	ELECTRONIC WARFARE (EW) READINESS SUPPORT .....	61,677	61,677
213	0205601N	ANTI-RADIATION MISSILE IMPROVEMENT .....	59,555	59,555
214	0205620N	SURFACE ASW COMBAT SYSTEM INTEGRATION .....	29,973	29,973
215	0205632N	MK-48 ADCAP .....	213,165	213,165
216	0205633N	AVIATION IMPROVEMENTS .....	143,277	143,277
217	0205675N	OPERATIONAL NUCLEAR POWER SYSTEMS .....	152,546	152,546
218	0206313M	MARINE CORPS COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS .....	192,625	183,725
		Marine Electromagnetic Warfare Ground Family of Systems .....		[-7,200]
		Tactical Communication Modernization .....		[-1,700]
219	0206335M	COMMON AVIATION COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM (CAC2S).	12,565	12,565
220	0206623M	MARINE CORPS GROUND COMBAT/SUPPORTING ARMS SYSTEMS.	83,900	83,900
221	0206624M	MARINE CORPS COMBAT SERVICES SUPPORT .....	27,794	27,794
222	0206625M	USMC INTELLIGENCE/ELECTRONIC WARFARE SYSTEMS (MIP).	47,762	47,762
223	0206629M	AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT VEHICLE .....	373	373
224	0207161N	TACTICAL AIM MISSILES .....	36,439	36,439
225	0207163N	ADVANCED MEDIUM RANGE AIR-TO-AIR MISSILE (AMRAAM).	29,198	29,198
226	0208043N	PLANNING AND DECISION AID SYSTEM (PDAS) .....	3,565	3,565
230	0303138N	AFLOAT NETWORKS .....	49,995	49,995
231	0303140N	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM .....	33,390	33,390
232	0305192N	MILITARY INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM (MIP) ACTIVITIES .....	7,304	7,304
233	0305204N	TACTICAL UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES .....	11,235	11,235
234	0305205N	UAS INTEGRATION AND INTEROPERABILITY .....	16,409	16,409
235	0305208M	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS .....	51,192	51,192

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236	0305220N	MQ-4C TRITON .....	12,094	12,094
237	0305231N	MQ-8 UAV .....	29,700	29,700
238	0305232M	RQ-11 UAV .....	2,107	2,107
239	0305234N	SMALL (LEVEL 0) TACTICAL UAS (STUASLo) .....	2,999	2,999
240	0305241N	MULTI-INTELLIGENCE SENSOR DEVELOPMENT .....	49,460	49,460
241	0305242M	UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS (UAS) PAYLOADS (MIP) .....	13,005	13,005
242	0305251N	CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS FORCES AND FORCE SUPPORT .....	2,000	2,000
243	0305421N	RQ-4 MODERNIZATION .....	300,378	300,378
244	0307577N	INTELLIGENCE MISSION DATA (IMD) .....	788	788
245	0308601N	MODELING AND SIMULATION SUPPORT .....	10,994	10,994
246	0702207N	DEPOT MAINTENANCE (NON-IF) .....	23,248	23,248
247	0708730N	MARITIME TECHNOLOGY (MARITECH) .....	3,284	3,284
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	2,021,376	2,061,376
		INDOPACOM UPL .....		[40,000]
		<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT.</b>	<b>6,359,438</b>	<b>6,292,367</b>
		<b>SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS</b>		
249	0608013N	RISK MANAGEMENT INFORMATION—SOFTWARE PILOT PROGRAM.	11,748	11,748
250	0608231N	MARITIME TACTICAL COMMAND AND CONTROL (MTC2)—SOFTWARE PILOT PROGRAM.	10,555	10,555
		<b>SUBTOTAL SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS.</b>	<b>22,303</b>	<b>22,303</b>
		<b>TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, NAVY.</b>	<b>26,922,225</b>	<b>26,722,557</b>
		<b>RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, AF BASIC RESEARCH</b>		
001	0601102F	DEFENSE RESEARCH SCIENCES .....	401,486	401,486
002	0601103F	UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INITIATIVES .....	182,372	182,372
		<b>SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH</b>	<b>583,858</b>	<b>583,858</b>
		<b>APPLIED RESEARCH</b>		
003	0602020F	FUTURE AF CAPABILITIES APPLIED RESEARCH .....	90,713	90,713
004	0602022F	UNIVERSITY AFFILIATED RESEARCH CENTER (UARC)—TACTICAL AUTONOMY.	8,018	8,018
005	0602102F	MATERIALS .....	142,325	162,825
		Advanced materials science for manufacturing research .....		[9,000]
		High energy synchrotron x-ray research .....		[9,000]
		Materials development for high mach capabilities .....		[2,500]
006	0602201F	AEROSPACE VEHICLE TECHNOLOGIES .....	161,268	163,768
		Aerospace engineering systems security integration .....		[2,500]
007	0602202F	HUMAN EFFECTIVENESS APPLIED RESEARCH .....	146,921	146,921
008	0602203F	AEROSPACE PROPULSION .....	184,867	189,867
		High mach turbine engine .....		[5,000]
009	0602204F	AEROSPACE SENSORS .....	216,269	216,269
011	0602298F	SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT— MAJOR HEADQUARTERS ACTIVITIES.	10,303	10,303
012	0602602F	CONVENTIONAL MUNITIONS .....	160,599	160,599
013	0602605F	DIRECTED ENERGY TECHNOLOGY .....	129,961	118,452
		DAF requested realignment of funds to 6601SF .....		[-11,509]
014	0602788F	DOMINANT INFORMATION SCIENCES AND METHODS .....	182,076	230,076
		Distributed quantum information sciences networking testbed .....		[5,000]
		Future Flag experimentation testbed .....		[25,000]
		Ion trapped quantum information sciences computer .....		[8,000]
		Multi-domain radio frequency spectrum testing environment .....		[5,000]
		Secure interference-avoiding connectivity of autonomous artificially intelligent machines.		[5,000]
		<b>SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH</b>	<b>1,433,320</b>	<b>1,497,811</b>
		<b>ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT</b>		
015	0603032F	FUTURE AF INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGY DEMOS .....	255,855	213,655
		Program reduction .....		[-42,200]
016	0603112F	ADVANCED MATERIALS FOR WEAPON SYSTEMS .....	30,372	30,372
017	0603199F	SUSTAINMENT SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (S&T) .....	10,478	10,478
018	0603203F	ADVANCED AEROSPACE SENSORS .....	48,046	45,846
		Multi-spectrum sensing demonstration excess to need .....		[-2,200]
019	0603211F	AEROSPACE TECHNOLOGY DEV/DEMO .....	51,896	71,896
		Hybrid Electric Propulsion .....		[7,500]
		Semiautonomous adversary air platform .....		[12,500]
020	0603216F	AEROSPACE PROPULSION AND POWER TECHNOLOGY .....	56,789	56,789
021	0603270F	ELECTRONIC COMBAT TECHNOLOGY .....	32,510	32,510
022	0603273F	SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FOR NUCLEAR RE-ENTRY SYSTEMS.	70,321	70,321
023	0603444F	MAUI SPACE SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM (MSSS) .....	2	2

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024	0603456F	HUMAN EFFECTIVENESS ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	15,593	15,593
025	0603601F	CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS TECHNOLOGY .....	132,311	132,311
026	0603605F	ADVANCED WEAPONS TECHNOLOGY .....	102,997	92,997
		Excessive cost growth .....		[-10,000]
027	0603680F	MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM .....	44,422	51,922
		Additive manufacturing for aerospace parts .....		[5,000]
		High accuracy robotics .....		[2,500]
028	0603788F	BATTLESPACE KNOWLEDGE DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION.	37,779	40,279
		Modeling and simulation conversion software .....		[2,500]
029	0207412F	CONTROL AND REPORTING CENTER (CRC) .....	2,005	2,005
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.</b>	<b>891,376</b>	<b>866,976</b>
		<b>ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT &amp; PROTOTYPES</b>		
030	0603036F	MODULAR ADVANCED MISSILE .....	105,238	0
		Program decrease .....		[-105,238]
031	0603260F	INTELLIGENCE ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT .....	6,237	6,237
032	0603742F	COMBAT IDENTIFICATION TECHNOLOGY .....	21,298	21,298
033	0603790F	NATO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT .....	2,208	2,208
034	0603851F	INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE—DEM/VAL .....	45,319	45,319
035	0604001F	NC3 ADVANCED CONCEPTS .....	10,011	10,011
037	0604003F	ADVANCED BATTLE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (ABMS) .....	500,575	500,575
038	0604004F	ADVANCED ENGINE DEVELOPMENT .....	595,352	595,352
039	0604005F	NC3 COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT & PROTOTYPING .....	78,799	78,799
040	0604006F	DEPT OF THE AIR FORCE TECH ARCHITECTURE .....	2,620	0
		DAF requested realignment of funds to 64858F .....		[-2,620]
041	0604007F	E-7 .....	681,039	681,039
042	0604009F	AFWERX PRIME .....	83,336	88,336
		Agility Prime .....		[5,000]
043	0604015F	LONG RANGE STRIKE—BOMBER .....	2,984,143	2,984,143
044	0604025F	RAPID DEFENSE EXPERIMENTATION RESERVE (RDER) .....	154,300	154,300
045	0604032F	DIRECTED ENERGY PROTOTYPING .....	1,246	1,246
046	0604033F	HYPERSONICS PROTOTYPING .....	150,340	0
		Air-Launched Rapid Response Weapon (ARRW) .....		[-150,340]
047	0604183F	HYPERSONICS PROTOTYPING—HYPERSONIC ATTACK CRUISE MISSILE (HACM).	381,528	381,528
048	0604201F	PNT RESILIENCY, MODS, AND IMPROVEMENTS .....	18,041	18,041
049	0604257F	ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY AND SENSORS .....	27,650	25,180
		Imaging and targeting support excess growth .....		[-2,470]
050	0604288F	SURVIVABLE AIRBORNE OPERATIONS CENTER (SAOC) .....	888,829	790,537
		EMO excess to need .....		[-69,716]
		Management services overestimation .....		[-15,919]
		Test and evaluation excess to need .....		[-12,657]
051	0604317F	TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER .....	26,638	26,638
052	0604327F	HARD AND DEEPLY BURIED TARGET DEFEAT SYSTEM (HDBTDS) PROGRAM.	19,266	19,266
053	0604414F	CYBER RESILIENCY OF WEAPON SYSTEMS-ACS .....	37,121	37,121
054	0604534F	ADAPTIVE ENGINE TRANSITION PROGRAM (AETP) .....		280,000
		Technology Maturation and Risk Reduction .....		[280,000]
055	0604668F	JOINT TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (JTMS) ..	37,026	37,026
056	0604776F	DEPLOYMENT & DISTRIBUTION ENTERPRISE R&D .....	31,833	31,833
057	0604858F	TECH TRANSITION PROGRAM .....	210,806	235,476
		DAF requested realignment of funds from OMAF SAG 11R .....		[17,550]
		DAF requested realignment of funds from OMAF SAG 11Z .....		[4,500]
		DAF requested realignment of funds from RDAF 64006F .....		[2,620]
058	0604860F	OPERATIONAL ENERGY AND INSTALLATION RESILIENCE	46,305	35,903
		Excess growth .....		[-10,402]
059	0605164F	AIR REFUELING CAPABILITY MODERNIZATION .....	19,400	19,400
061	0207110F	NEXT GENERATION AIR DOMINANCE .....	2,326,128	2,326,128
062	0207179F	AUTONOMOUS COLLABORATIVE PLATFORMS .....	118,826	101,013
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[-17,813]
063	0207420F	COMBAT IDENTIFICATION .....	1,902	1,902
064	0207455F	THREE DIMENSIONAL LONG-RANGE RADAR (3DELRR) .....	19,763	19,763
065	0207522F	AIRBASE AIR DEFENSE SYSTEMS (ABADS) .....	78,867	78,867
066	0208030F	WAR RESERVE MATERIEL—AMMUNITION .....	8,175	8,175
068	0305236F	COMMON DATA LINK EXECUTIVE AGENT (CDL EA) .....	25,157	25,157
069	0305601F	MISSION PARTNER ENVIRONMENTS .....	17,727	17,727
072	0708051F	RAPID SUSTAINMENT MODERNIZATION (RSM) .....	43,431	43,431
073	0808737F	INTEGRATED PRIMARY PREVENTION .....	9,364	9,364
074	0901410F	CONTRACTING INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM .....	28,294	28,294
075	1206415F	U.S. SPACE COMMAND RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT.	14,892	14,892
075A	0605057F	NEXT GENERATION AIR-REFUELING SYSTEM .....		7,928
		Technical realignment .....		[7,928]
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT &amp; PROTOTYPES.</b>	<b>9,859,030</b>	<b>9,789,453</b>

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<b>SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION</b>				
076	0604200F	FUTURE ADVANCED WEAPON ANALYSIS & PROGRAMS .....	9,757	17,757
		RAACM .....		[5,000]
		Stand-Off Attack Weapon Technology .....		[3,000]
077	0604201F	PNT RESILIENCY, MODS, AND IMPROVEMENTS .....	163,156	163,156
078	0604222F	NUCLEAR WEAPONS SUPPORT .....	45,884	45,884
079	0604270F	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT .....	13,804	13,804
080	0604281F	TACTICAL DATA NETWORKS ENTERPRISE .....	74,023	79,023
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[5,000]
081	0604287F	PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIPMENT .....	10,605	10,605
082	0604602F	ARMAMENT/ORDNANCE DEVELOPMENT .....	5,918	5,918
083	0604604F	SUBMUNITIONS .....	3,345	3,345
084	0604617F	AGILE COMBAT SUPPORT .....	21,967	21,967
085	0604706F	LIFE SUPPORT SYSTEMS .....	39,301	39,301
086	0604735F	COMBAT TRAINING RANGES .....	152,569	152,569
087	0604932F	LONG RANGE STANDOFF WEAPON .....	911,406	891,406
		DAF realignment of funds .....		[-20,000]
088	0604933F	ICBM FUZE MODERNIZATION .....	71,732	71,732
089	0605030F	JOINT TACTICAL NETWORK CENTER (JTNC) .....	2,256	2,256
090	0605031F	JOINT TACTICAL NETWORK (JTN) .....	452	452
091	0605056F	OPEN ARCHITECTURE MANAGEMENT .....	36,582	36,582
092	0605057F	NEXT GENERATION AIR-REFUELING SYSTEM .....	7,928	0
		Technical realignment .....		[-7,928]
093	0605223F	ADVANCED PILOT TRAINING .....	77,252	74,980
		Program delay .....		[-2,272]
094	0605229F	HH-60W .....	48,268	47,376
		Support costs excess to need .....		[-892]
095	0605238F	GROUND BASED STRATEGIC DETERRENT EMD .....	3,746,935	3,739,285
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[-7,650]
096	0207171F	F-15 EPAWSS .....	13,982	13,982
097	0207279F	ISOLATED PERSONNEL SURVIVABILITY AND RECOVERY ...	56,225	56,225
098	0207328F	STAND IN ATTACK WEAPON .....	298,585	285,585
		Aircraft integration delays .....		[-13,000]
099	0207701F	FULL COMBAT MISSION TRAINING .....	7,597	17,597
		Airborne Augmented Reality for Pilot Training .....		[10,000]
100	0208036F	MEDICAL C-CBRNE PROGRAMS .....	2,006	2,006
102	0305205F	ENDURANCE UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES .....	30,000	30,000
103	0401221F	KC-46A TANKER SQUADRONS .....	124,662	87,455
		Aircrew training system previously funded .....		[-9,864]
		Direct mission support excess to need .....		[-7,168]
		Test and evaluation previously funded .....		[-20,175]
104	0401319F	VC-25B .....	490,701	433,701
		Excess to need .....		[-57,000]
105	0701212F	AUTOMATED TEST SYSTEMS .....	12,911	12,911
106	0804772F	TRAINING DEVELOPMENTS .....	1,922	1,922
106A	0102417F	OVER-THE-HORIZON BACKSCATTER RADAR .....		428,754
		Technical realignment .....		[428,754]
		<b>SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION.</b>	<b>6,481,731</b>	<b>6,787,536</b>
<b>MANAGEMENT SUPPORT</b>				
107	0604256F	THREAT SIMULATOR DEVELOPMENT .....	16,626	16,626
108	0604759F	MAJOR T&E INVESTMENT .....	31,143	31,143
109	0605101F	RAND PROJECT AIR FORCE .....	38,398	38,398
110	0605502F	SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH .....	1,466	1,466
111	0605712F	INITIAL OPERATIONAL TEST & EVALUATION .....	13,736	13,736
112	0605807F	TEST AND EVALUATION SUPPORT .....	913,213	946,026
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[32,813]
113	0605827F	ACQ WORKFORCE- GLOBAL VIG & COMBAT SYS .....	317,901	317,901
114	0605828F	ACQ WORKFORCE- GLOBAL REACH .....	541,677	541,677
115	0605829F	ACQ WORKFORCE- CYBER, NETWORK, & BUS SYS .....	551,213	536,513
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[-14,700]
117	0605831F	ACQ WORKFORCE- CAPABILITY INTEGRATION .....	243,780	273,780
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[30,000]
118	0605832F	ACQ WORKFORCE- ADVANCED PRGM TECHNOLOGY .....	109,030	77,030
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[-32,000]
119	0605833F	ACQ WORKFORCE- NUCLEAR SYSTEMS .....	336,788	336,788
120	0605898F	MANAGEMENT HQ—R&D .....	5,005	6,705
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[1,700]
121	0605976F	FACILITIES RESTORATION AND MODERNIZATION—TEST AND EVALUATION SUPPORT.	87,889	87,889
122	0605978F	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT—TEST AND EVALUATION SUPPORT.	35,065	35,065
123	0606017F	REQUIREMENTS ANALYSIS AND MATURATION .....	89,956	89,956
124	0606398F	MANAGEMENT HQ—T&E .....	7,453	7,453
126	0303255F	COMMAND, CONTROL, COMMUNICATION, AND COMPUTERS (C4)—STRATCOM.	20,871	45,871

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		NC3 network sensor demonstration .....		[15,000]
		NC3 Rapid Engineering Architecture Collaboration Hub (REACH) ...		[10,000]
127	0308602F	ENTPEIRSE INFORMATION SERVICES (EIS) .....	100,357	100,357
128	0702806F	ACQUISITION AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT .....	20,478	20,478
129	0804731F	GENERAL SKILL TRAINING .....	796	796
132	1001004F	INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES .....	3,917	3,917
		<b>SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT .....</b>	<b>3,486,758</b>	<b>3,529,571</b>
<b>OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT</b>				
134	0604233F	SPECIALIZED UNDERGRADUATE FLIGHT TRAINING .....	41,464	40,282
		T-6 avionics replacement program delay .....		[-1,182]
135	0604283F	BATTLE MGMT COM & CTRL SENSOR DEVELOPMENT .....	40,000	40,000
136	0604445F	WIDE AREA SURVEILLANCE .....	8,018	8,018
137	0604617F	AGILE COMBAT SUPPORT .....	5,645	5,645
139	0604840F	F-35 C2D2 .....	1,275,268	1,268,275
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[-5,000]
		Program decrease .....		[-1,993]
140	0605018F	AF INTEGRATED PERSONNEL AND PAY SYSTEM (AF-IPPS)	40,203	40,203
141	0605024F	ANTI-TAMPER TECHNOLOGY EXECUTIVE AGENCY .....	49,613	49,613
142	0605117F	FOREIGN MATERIEL ACQUISITION AND EXPLOITATION ...	93,881	93,881
143	0605278F	HC/MC-130 RECAP RDT&E .....	36,536	11,536
		Excess to need .....		[-5,000]
		Program decrease .....		[-20,000]
144	0606018F	NC3 INTEGRATION .....	22,910	22,910
145	0101113F	B-52 SQUADRONS .....	950,815	944,193
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[14,017]
		Scheduling delays .....		[-20,639]
146	0101122F	AIR-LAUNCHED CRUISE MISSILE (ALCM) .....	290	290
147	0101126F	B-1B SQUADRONS .....	12,619	12,619
148	0101127F	B-2 SQUADRONS .....	87,623	87,623
149	0101213F	MINUTEMAN SQUADRONS .....	33,237	43,237
		Legacy Weapons Software Translation/Modernization .....		[5,000]
		Multi-Domain Command and Control Tool .....		[5,000]
150	0101316F	WORLDWIDE JOINT STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS .....	24,653	24,653
151	0101318F	SERVICE SUPPORT TO STRATCOM—GLOBAL STRIKE .....	7,562	7,562
153	0101328F	ICBM REENTRY VEHICLES .....	475,415	475,415
155	0102110F	MH-139A .....	25,737	25,737
156	0102326F	REGION/SECTOR OPERATION CONTROL CENTER MOD-ERNIZATION PROGRAM.	831	831
157	0102412F	NORTH WARNING SYSTEM (NWS) .....	102	102
158	0102417F	OVER-THE-HORIZON BACKSCATTER RADAR .....	428,754	35,000
		NORTHCOM UPL—Over the Horizon Radar Acceleration .....		[35,000]
		Technical realignment .....		[-428,754]
159	0202834F	VEHICLES AND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT—GENERAL .....	15,498	19,498
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[4,000]
160	0205219F	MQ-9 UAV .....	81,123	81,123
161	0205671F	JOINT COUNTER RCIED ELECTRONIC WARFARE .....	2,303	2,303
162	0207040F	MULTI-PLATFORM ELECTRONIC WARFARE EQUIPMENT ...	7,312	7,312
164	0207133F	F-16 SQUADRONS .....	98,633	139,233
		IVEWS restoration .....		[40,600]
165	0207134F	F-15E SQUADRONS .....	50,965	50,965
166	0207136F	MANNED DESTRUCTIVE SUPPRESSION .....	16,543	16,543
167	0207138F	F-22A SQUADRONS .....	725,889	740,889
		Cyber Resiliency .....		[15,000]
168	0207142F	F-35 SQUADRONS .....	97,231	97,231
169	0207146F	F-15EX .....	100,006	100,006
170	0207161F	TACTICAL AIM MISSILES .....	41,958	41,958
171	0207163F	ADVANCED MEDIUM RANGE AIR-TO-AIR MISSILE (AMRAAM).	53,679	53,679
172	0207227F	COMBAT RESCUE—PARARESCUE .....	726	726
173	0207238F	E-11A .....	64,888	64,888
174	0207247F	AF TENCAP .....	25,749	25,749
175	0207249F	PRECISION ATTACK SYSTEMS PROCUREMENT .....	11,872	11,872
176	0207253F	COMPASS CALL .....	66,932	66,932
177	0207268F	AIRCRAFT ENGINE COMPONENT IMPROVEMENT PRO-GRAM.	55,223	60,223
		Additive manufacturing expansion .....		[5,000]
178	0207325F	JOINT AIR-TO-SURFACE STANDOFF MISSILE (JASSM) .....	132,937	132,937
179	0207327F	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB (SDB) .....	37,518	40,518
		GLSDB Maritime Seeker .....		[3,000]
180	0207410F	AIR & SPACE OPERATIONS CENTER (AOC) .....	72,059	72,059
181	0207412F	CONTROL AND REPORTING CENTER (CRC) .....	17,498	17,498
183	0207418F	AFSPECWAR—TACP .....	2,106	2,106
185	0207431F	COMBAT AIR INTELLIGENCE SYSTEM ACTIVITIES .....	72,010	72,010
186	0207438F	THEATER BATTLE MANAGEMENT (TBM) C4I .....	6,467	6,467
187	0207439F	ELECTRONIC WARFARE INTEGRATED REPROGRAMMING (EWIR).	10,388	10,388
188	0207444F	TACTICAL AIR CONTROL PARTY-MOD .....	10,060	10,060

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189	0207452F	DCAPES .....	8,233	8,233
190	0207521F	AIR FORCE CALIBRATION PROGRAMS .....	2,172	2,172
192	0207573F	NATIONAL TECHNICAL NUCLEAR FORENSICS .....	2,049	2,049
193	0207590F	SEEK EAGLE .....	33,478	33,478
195	0207605F	WARGAMING AND SIMULATION CENTERS .....	11,894	11,894
197	0207697F	DISTRIBUTED TRAINING AND EXERCISES .....	3,811	3,811
198	0208006F	MISSION PLANNING SYSTEMS .....	96,272	96,272
199	0208007F	TACTICAL DECEPTION .....	26,533	26,533
201	0208087F	DISTRIBUTED CYBER WARFARE OPERATIONS .....	50,122	50,122
202	0208088F	AF DEFENSIVE CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS .....	113,064	113,064
208	0208288F	INTEL DATA APPLICATIONS .....	967	967
209	0301025F	GEOBASE .....	1,514	1,514
211	0301113F	CYBER SECURITY INTELLIGENCE SUPPORT .....	8,476	8,476
218	0301401F	AF MULTI-DOMAIN NON-TRADITIONAL ISR BATTLESPACE AWARENESS.	2,890	2,890
219	0302015F	E-4B NATIONAL AIRBORNE OPERATIONS CENTER (NAOC)	39,868	39,868
220	0303004F	EIT CONNECT .....	32,900	32,900
221	0303089F	CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS SYSTEMS .....	4,881	4,881
222	0303131F	MINIMUM ESSENTIAL EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK (MEECN).	33,567	33,567
223	0303133F	HIGH FREQUENCY RADIO SYSTEMS .....	40,000	35,000
		Program support costs unjustified request .....		[-5,000]
224	0303140F	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM .....	95,523	95,523
226	0303248F	ALL DOMAIN COMMON PLATFORM .....	71,296	71,296
227	0303260F	JOINT MILITARY DECEPTION INITIATIVE .....	4,682	4,682
228	0304100F	STRATEGIC MISSION PLANNING & EXECUTION SYSTEM (SMPEX).	64,944	64,944
230	0304260F	AIRBORNE SIGINT ENTERPRISE .....	108,947	106,745
		Underexecution .....		[-2,202]
231	0304310F	COMMERCIAL ECONOMIC ANALYSIS .....	4,635	4,635
234	0305015F	C2 AIR OPERATIONS SUITE—C2 INFO SERVICES .....	13,751	13,751
235	0305020F	CCMD INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY .....	1,660	1,660
236	0305022F	ISR MODERNIZATION & AUTOMATION DVMT (IMAD) .....	18,680	13,570
		Unjustified growth .....		[-5,110]
237	0305099F	GLOBAL AIR TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT (GATM) .....	5,031	5,031
238	0305103F	CYBER SECURITY INITIATIVE .....	301	301
239	0305111F	WEATHER SERVICE .....	26,329	35,329
		Weather service data migration .....		[9,000]
240	0305114F	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL, APPROACH, AND LANDING SYS- TEM (ATCALS).	8,751	8,751
241	0305116F	AERIAL TARGETS .....	6,915	6,915
244	0305128F	SECURITY AND INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITIES .....	352	352
245	0305146F	DEFENSE JOINT COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES .....	6,930	6,930
246	0305179F	INTEGRATED BROADCAST SERVICE (IBS) .....	21,588	21,588
247	0305202F	DRAGON U-2 .....	16,842	16,842
248	0305206F	AIRBORNE RECONNAISSANCE SYSTEMS .....	43,158	43,158
249	0305207F	MANNED RECONNAISSANCE SYSTEMS .....	14,330	14,330
250	0305208F	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS .....	88,854	88,854
251	0305220F	RQ-4 UAV .....	1,242	1,242
252	0305221F	NETWORK-CENTRIC COLLABORATIVE TARGETING .....	12,496	12,496
253	0305238F	NATO AGS .....	2	2
254	0305240F	SUPPORT TO DCGS ENTERPRISE .....	31,589	31,589
255	0305600F	INTERNATIONAL INTELLIGENCE TECHNOLOGY AND AR- CHITECTURES.	15,322	15,322
256	0305881F	RAPID CYBER ACQUISITION .....	8,830	8,830
257	0305984F	PERSONNEL RECOVERY COMMAND & CTRL (PRC2) .....	2,764	2,764
258	0307577F	INTELLIGENCE MISSION DATA (IMD) .....	7,090	7,090
259	0401115F	C-130 AIRLIFT SQUADRON .....	5,427	5,427
260	0401119F	C-5 AIRLIFT SQUADRONS (IF) .....	29,502	28,286
		SIL early to need .....		[-1,216]
261	0401130F	C-17 AIRCRAFT (IF) .....	2,753	2,753
262	0401132F	C-130J PROGRAM .....	19,100	19,100
263	0401134F	LARGE AIRCRAFT IR COUNTERMEASURES (LAIRCM) .....	5,982	5,982
264	0401218F	KC-135S .....	51,105	49,522
		Comm 2 early to need .....		[-1,583]
265	0401318F	CV-22 .....	18,127	18,127
266	0408011F	SPECIAL TACTICS / COMBAT CONTROL .....	9,198	9,198
268	0708610F	LOGISTICS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (LOGIT) .....	17,520	17,520
269	0801380F	AF LVC OPERATIONAL TRAINING (LVC-OT) .....	25,144	25,144
270	0804743F	OTHER FLIGHT TRAINING .....	2,265	2,265
272	0901202F	JOINT PERSONNEL RECOVERY AGENCY .....	2,266	2,266
273	0901218F	CIVILIAN COMPENSATION PROGRAM .....	4,006	4,006
274	0901220F	PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION .....	3,078	3,078
275	0901226F	AIR FORCE STUDIES AND ANALYSIS AGENCY .....	5,309	2,309
		Modeling and simulation development excess growth .....		[-3,000]
276	0901538F	FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS DE- VELOPMENT.	4,279	4,279
277	0901554F	DEFENSE ENTERPRISE ACNTNG AND MGT SYS (DEAMS) ...	45,925	45,925

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278	1202140F	SERVICE SUPPORT TO SPACECOM ACTIVITIES .....	9,778	9,778
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	16,814,245	16,587,427
		Classified adjustment .....		[-212,081]
		Program justification review .....		[-14,737]
		<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT.</b>	<b>23,829,283</b>	<b>23,237,403</b>
		<b>TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, AF.</b>	<b>46,565,356</b>	<b>46,292,608</b>
		<b>RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, SF APPLIED RESEARCH</b>		
004	1206601SF	SPACE TECHNOLOGY .....	206,196	292,584
		Advanced analog microelectronics .....		[3,000]
		Advanced isotope power systems .....		[3,000]
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[72,888]
		Space modeling, simulation, and analysis hub .....		[7,500]
		<b>SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH</b> .....	<b>206,196</b>	<b>292,584</b>
		<b>ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT</b>		
005	1206310SF	SPACE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.	472,493	465,022
		Defense In Depth as Mission Assurance Spacecraft—Multilevel Security.		[3,000]
		Prior year carryover .....		[-21,980]
		Technical realignment .....		[11,509]
006	1206616SF	SPACE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT/DEMO ....	110,033	158,033
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[40,000]
		Modular multi-mode propulsion system .....		[8,000]
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.</b>	<b>582,526</b>	<b>623,055</b>
		<b>ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT &amp; PROTOTYPES</b>		
007	0604002SF	SPACE FORCE WEATHER SERVICES RESEARCH .....	849	849
008	1203010SF	SPACE FORCE IT, DATA ANALYTICS, DIGITAL SOLUTIONS	61,723	51,723
		Program decrease .....		[-10,000]
009	1203164SF	NAVSTAR GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM (USER EQUIPMENT) (SPACE).	353,807	353,807
010	1203622SF	SPACE WARFIGHTING ANALYSIS .....	95,541	95,541
011	1203710SF	EO/IR WEATHER SYSTEMS .....	95,615	95,615
013	1206410SF	SPACE TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPING	2,081,307	2,056,307
		Inadequate justification—other activities .....		[-25,000]
016	1206427SF	SPACE SYSTEMS PROTOTYPE TRANSITIONS (SSPT) .....	145,948	96,475
		DAF requested realignment of funds to 6616SF .....		[-40,000]
		Underexecution .....		[-9,473]
017	1206438SF	SPACE CONTROL TECHNOLOGY .....	58,374	58,374
018	1206458SF	TECH TRANSITION (SPACE) .....	164,649	164,649
019	1206730SF	SPACE SECURITY AND DEFENSE PROGRAM .....	59,784	59,784
020	1206760SF	PROTECTED TACTICAL ENTERPRISE SERVICE (PTES) .....	76,554	76,554
021	1206761SF	PROTECTED TACTICAL SERVICE (PTS) .....	360,126	355,826
		Unjustified request—management services .....		[-4,300]
022	1206855SF	EVOLVED STRATEGIC SATCOM (ESS) .....	632,833	632,833
023	1206857SF	SPACE RAPID CAPABILITIES OFFICE .....	12,036	12,036
024	1206862SF	TACTICALLY RESPONSE SPACE .....	30,000	50,000
		Program increase .....		[20,000]
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT &amp; PROTOTYPES.</b>	<b>4,229,146</b>	<b>4,160,373</b>
		<b>SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION</b>		
025	1203269SF	GPS III FOLLOW-ON (GPS IIIF) .....	308,999	308,999
027	1206421SF	COUNTERSPACE SYSTEMS .....	36,537	36,537
028	1206422SF	WEATHER SYSTEM FOLLOW-ON .....	79,727	78,127
		Unjustified increase—management services .....		[-1,600]
029	1206425SF	SPACE SITUATION AWARENESS SYSTEMS .....	372,827	372,827
030	1206431SF	ADVANCED EHF MILSATCOM (SPACE) .....	4,068	4,068
031	1206432SF	POLAR MILSATCOM (SPACE) .....	73,757	73,757
032	1206433SF	WIDEBAND GLOBAL SATCOM (SPACE) .....	49,445	47,245
		Underexecution .....		[-2,200]
033	1206440SF	NEXT-GEN OPIR—GROUND .....	661,367	638,267
		Underexecution .....		[-23,100]
034	1206442SF	NEXT GENERATION OPIR .....	222,178	217,178
		Underexecution .....		[-5,000]
035	1206443SF	NEXT-GEN OPIR—GEO .....	719,731	715,466
		Unjustified increase—management services .....		[-4,265]
036	1206444SF	NEXT-GEN OPIR—POLAR .....	1,013,478	1,010,213
		Unjustified increase—management services .....		[-3,265]
037	1206445SF	COMMERCIAL SATCOM (COMSATCOM) INTEGRATION .....	73,501	73,501

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038	1206446SF	RESILIENT MISSILE WARNING MISSILE TRACKING—LOW EARTH ORBIT (LEO).	1,266,437	1,519,222
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[252,785]
039	1206447SF	RESILIENT MISSILE WARNING MISSILE TRACKING—MEDIUM EARTH ORBIT (MEO).	538,208	790,992
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[252,784]
040	1206448SF	RESILIENT MISSILE WARNING MISSILE TRACKING—INTEGRATED GROUND SEGMENT.	505,569	0
		DAF requested realignment of funds to 6446SF .....		[-252,785]
		DAF requested realignment of funds to 6447SF .....		[-252,784]
041	1206853SF	NATIONAL SECURITY SPACE LAUNCH PROGRAM (SPACE)—EMD.	82,188	92,188
		Launch capability development .....		[10,000]
		<b>SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION.</b>	<b>6,008,017</b>	<b>5,978,587</b>
		<b>MANAGEMENT SUPPORT</b>		
043	1203622SF	SPACE WARFIGHTING ANALYSIS .....	3,568	3,568
046	1206392SF	ACQ WORKFORCE—SPACE & MISSILE SYSTEMS .....	258,969	276,500
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[17,531]
047	1206398SF	SPACE & MISSILE SYSTEMS CENTER—MHA .....	13,694	15,053
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[1,359]
048	1206601SF	SPACE TECHNOLOGY .....	91,778	0
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[-91,778]
049	1206759SF	MAJOR T&E INVESTMENT—SPACE .....	146,797	146,797
050	1206860SF	ROCKET SYSTEMS LAUNCH PROGRAM (SPACE) .....	18,023	18,023
052	1206864SF	SPACE TEST PROGRAM (STP) .....	30,192	30,192
		<b>SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT .....</b>	<b>563,021</b>	<b>490,133</b>
		<b>OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT</b>		
055	1203001SF	FAMILY OF ADVANCED BLOS TERMINALS (FAB-T) .....	91,369	91,369
056	1203040SF	DCO-SPACE .....	76,003	76,003
057	1203109SF	NARROWBAND SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS .....	230,785	221,335
		Inadequate justification—management services .....		[-9,450]
058	1203110SF	SATELLITE CONTROL NETWORK (SPACE) .....	86,465	84,365
		Underexecution .....		[-2,100]
059	1203154SF	LONG RANGE KILL CHAINS .....	243,036	243,036
061	1203173SF	SPACE AND MISSILE TEST AND EVALUATION CENTER .....	22,039	22,039
062	1203174SF	SPACE INNOVATION, INTEGRATION AND RAPID TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	41,483	43,483
		Accelerating Space Operators Education and Experiential Learning ..		[2,000]
063	1203182SF	SPACELIFT RANGE SYSTEM (SPACE) .....	11,175	11,175
065	1203330SF	SPACE SUPERIORITY ISR .....	28,730	28,730
067	1203873SF	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE RADARS .....	20,752	28,752
		Perimeter Acquisition Radar Attack Characterization System (PARCS) radar.		[8,000]
068	1203906SF	NCMC—TW/AA SYSTEM .....	25,545	25,545
069	1203913SF	NUDET DETECTION SYSTEM (SPACE) .....	93,391	93,391
070	1203940SF	SPACE SITUATION AWARENESS OPERATIONS .....	264,966	264,966
071	1206423SF	GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM III—OPERATIONAL CONTROL SEGMENT.	317,309	271,909
		Excess to need .....		[-45,400]
075	1206770SF	ENTERPRISE GROUND SERVICES .....	155,825	155,825
076	1208053SF	JOINT TACTICAL GROUND SYSTEM .....	14,568	14,568
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	5,764,667	6,358,367
		DCO-S .....		[43,000]
		Space Force realignment of funds for classified program .....		[270,000]
		Space Force Unfunded Priorities List Classified Program B .....		[83,000]
		Space Force Unfunded Priorities List Classified Program C .....		[53,000]
		Space Force Unfunded Priorities List Classified Program D .....		[54,700]
		USSF UPL—Classified program F .....		[90,000]
		<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT.</b>	<b>7,488,108</b>	<b>8,034,858</b>
		<b>SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS</b>		
078	1208248SF	SPACE COMMAND & CONTROL—SOFTWARE PILOT PROGRAM.	122,326	122,326
		<b>SUBTOTAL SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS.</b>	<b>122,326</b>	<b>122,326</b>
		<b>TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, SF.</b>	<b>19,199,340</b>	<b>19,701,916</b>
		<b>RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, DW BASIC RESEARCH</b>		
001	0601000BR	DTRA BASIC RESEARCH .....	14,761	14,761
002	0601101E	DEFENSE RESEARCH SCIENCES .....	311,531	311,531

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003	0601108D8Z	HIGH ENERGY LASER RESEARCH INITIATIVES .....	16,329	16,329
004	0601110D8Z	BASIC RESEARCH INITIATIVES .....	71,783	91,783
		Defense Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (DEPSCoR).....		[20,000]
005	0601117E	BASIC OPERATIONAL MEDICAL RESEARCH SCIENCE .....	50,430	50,430
006	0601120D8Z	NATIONAL DEFENSE EDUCATION PROGRAM .....	159,549	162,549
		Program increase .....		[3,000]
007	0601228D8Z	HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES/MINORITY INSTITUTIONS.....	100,467	150,000
		Program increase .....		[49,533]
008	0601384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM .....	36,235	36,235
		<b>SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH .....</b>	<b>761,085</b>	<b>833,618</b>
<b>APPLIED RESEARCH</b>				
009	0602000D8Z	JOINT MUNITIONS TECHNOLOGY .....	19,157	19,157
010	0602115E	BIOMEDICAL TECHNOLOGY .....	141,081	131,081
		Program decrease .....		[-10,000]
011	0602128D8Z	PROMOTION AND PROTECTION STRATEGIES .....	3,219	3,219
012	0602230D8Z	DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION .....	55,160	40,160
		Realignment .....		[-15,000]
013	0602234D8Z	LINCOLN LABORATORY RESEARCH PROGRAM .....	46,858	46,858
014	0602251D8Z	APPLIED RESEARCH FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF S&T PRIORITIES.....	66,866	66,866
015	0602303E	INFORMATION & COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY .....	333,029	333,029
017	0602384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM .....	240,610	240,610
018	0602668D8Z	CYBER SECURITY RESEARCH .....	17,437	25,437
		Pacific Intelligence and Innovation Initiative .....		[5,000]
		Semiconductor industry cybersecurity research .....		[3,000]
019	0602675D8Z	SOCIAL SCIENCES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY .....	4,718	4,718
020	0602702E	TACTICAL TECHNOLOGY .....	234,549	214,549
		Program decrease .....		[-20,000]
021	0602715E	MATERIALS AND BIOLOGICAL TECHNOLOGY .....	344,986	344,986
022	0602716E	ELECTRONICS TECHNOLOGY .....	572,662	572,662
023	0602718BR	COUNTER WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION APPLIED RESEARCH.....	208,870	208,870
024	0602751D8Z	SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INSTITUTE (SEI) APPLIED RESEARCH.....	11,168	11,168
025	0602890D8Z	HIGH ENERGY LASER RESEARCH .....	48,804	48,804
026	0602891D8Z	FSRM MODELLING .....	2,000	2,000
027	1160401BB	SOF TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....	52,287	52,287
		<b>SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH .....</b>	<b>2,403,461</b>	<b>2,366,461</b>
<b>ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT</b>				
028	0603000D8Z	JOINT MUNITIONS ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	37,706	42,706
		Advanced Process Technology for Energetics .....		[5,000]
029	0603021D8Z	NATIONAL SECURITY INNOVATION CAPITAL .....	15,085	15,085
030	0603121D8Z	SO/LIC ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT .....	30,102	30,102
031	0603122D8Z	COMBATING TERRORISM TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT .....	75,593	123,093
		Joint R&D with Israel .....		[47,500]
032	0603133D8Z	FOREIGN COMPARATIVE TESTING .....	27,078	27,078
033	0603160BR	COUNTER WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.....	400,947	409,447
		Advanced manufacturing of energetic materials .....		[8,500]
034	0603176BR	ADVANCED CONCEPTS AND PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT .....	7,990	7,990
035	0603176C	ADVANCED CONCEPTS AND PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT .....	17,825	17,825
036	0603180C	ADVANCED RESEARCH .....	21,461	28,461
		Radiation Hardened Microelectronics—Facility and Workforce Development.....		[5,000]
		Testbed for Advanced Digital Low Latency Networks .....		[2,000]
037	0603183D8Z	JOINT HYPERSONIC TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT &TRANSITION.....	52,292	54,292
		Common Hypersonic Glide Body Development .....		[2,000]
038	0603225D8Z	JOINT DOD-DOE MUNITIONS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.....	19,567	19,567
039	0603260BR	INTELLIGENCE ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT .....	10,000	10,000
040	0603286E	ADVANCED AEROSPACE SYSTEMS .....	331,753	321,753
		Program decrease .....		[-10,000]
041	0603287E	SPACE PROGRAMS AND TECHNOLOGY .....	134,809	122,309
		Excess growth .....		[-12,500]
042	0603288D8Z	ANALYTIC ASSESSMENTS .....	24,328	24,328
043	0603289D8Z	ADVANCED INNOVATIVE ANALYSIS AND CONCEPTS .....	55,626	55,626
044	060330D8Z	QUANTUM APPLICATION .....	75,000	75,000
046	0603342D8Z	DEFENSE INNOVATION UNIT (DIU) .....	104,729	109,729
		Nuclear Advanced Propulsion and power .....		[2,500]
		Program increase .....		[2,500]
047	0603375D8Z	TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION .....	123,837	123,837
048	0603379D8Z	ADVANCED TECHNICAL INTEGRATION .....	11,000	11,000
049	0603384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM—ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT.....	267,073	234,654

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		Generative Unconstrained Intelligent Drug Engineering-Enhanced Biodefense.		[3,000]
		Program decrease .....		[-35,419]
050	0603527D8Z	RETRACT LARCH .....	57,401	57,401
051	0603618D8Z	JOINT ELECTRONIC ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	19,793	19,793
053	0603662D8Z	NETWORKED COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITIES .....	11,197	11,197
054	0603680D8Z	DEFENSE-WIDE MANUFACTURING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM.	252,965	365,465
		Additive manufacturing at scale .....		[5,000]
		Bioindustrial Manufacturing Infrastructure .....		[100,000]
		Digital manufacturing modernization .....		[5,000]
		Hypersonic Advanced Composites Manufacturing .....		[2,500]
055	0603680S	MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM .....	46,404	51,404
		Program increase .....		[5,000]
056	0603712S	GENERIC LOGISTICS R&D TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATIONS.	16,580	16,580
057	0603716D8Z	STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH PROGRAM .....	60,387	60,387
058	0603720S	MICROELECTRONICS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT AND SUPPORT.	144,707	144,707
059	0603727D8Z	JOINT WARFIGHTING PROGRAM .....	2,749	2,749
060	0603739E	ADVANCED ELECTRONICS TECHNOLOGIES .....	254,033	244,033
		Reduce carryover—next generation microelectronics manufacturing ...		[-10,000]
061	0603760E	COMMAND, CONTROL AND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS ...	321,591	321,591
062	0603766E	NETWORK-CENTRIC WARFARE TECHNOLOGY .....	885,425	885,425
063	0603767E	SENSOR TECHNOLOGY .....	358,580	353,330
		Program decrease .....		[-5,250]
065	0603781D8Z	SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INSTITUTE .....	16,699	16,699
066	0603838D8Z	DEFENSE INNOVATION ACCELERATION (DIA) .....	257,110	257,110
067	0603924D8Z	HIGH ENERGY LASER ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM.	111,799	111,799
068	0603941D8Z	TEST & EVALUATION SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY .....	345,384	345,384
069	0603945D8Z	AUKUS INNOVATION INITIATIVES .....	25,000	25,000
070	0603950D8Z	NATIONAL SECURITY INNOVATION NETWORK .....	21,575	28,575
		National Security Innovation Network .....		[7,000]
071	0604055D8Z	OPERATIONAL ENERGY CAPABILITY IMPROVEMENT .....	171,668	186,033
		Excess growth .....		[-5,635]
		HELCAP Thermal Energy Storage .....		[10,000]
		Increase for tristructural-isotropic fuel .....		[10,000]
072	1160402BB	SOF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....	156,097	156,097
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.</b>	<b>5,380,945</b>	<b>5,524,641</b>
		<b>ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT &amp; PROTOTYPES</b>		
074	0603161D8Z	NUCLEAR AND CONVENTIONAL PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIPMENT RDT&E ADC&P.	76,764	76,764
075	0603600D8Z	WALKOFF .....	143,486	143,486
076	0603851D8Z	ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY TECHNICAL CERTIFICATION PROGRAM.	117,196	89,596
		Program decrease .....		[-30,600]
		Sustainable Technology Evaluation and Demonstration program increase.		[3,000]
077	0603881C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TERMINAL DEFENSE SEGMENT.	220,311	310,311
		INDOPACOM UPL—Enhanced THAAD Mission Support Element Integration (eTMI).		[90,000]
078	0603882C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE MIDCOURSE DEFENSE SEGMENT.	903,633	903,633
079	0603884BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM—DEVAL.	316,853	292,006
		Excess growth .....		[-24,847]
080	0603884C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE SENSORS .....	239,159	239,159
081	0603890C	BMD ENABLING PROGRAMS .....	597,720	596,913
		Poor justification .....		[-807]
082	0603891C	SPECIAL PROGRAMS—MDA .....	552,888	635,280
		MDA UPL—Classified increase .....		[22,892]
		MDA UPL—Electronic Warfare for Missile Defense .....		[27,300]
		MDA UPL—Left Through Right of Launch Integration .....		[32,200]
083	0603892C	AEGIS BMD .....	693,727	689,727
		Program decrease .....		[-4,000]
084	0603896C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE COMMAND AND CONTROL, BATTLE MANAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATI.	554,201	554,201
085	0603898C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE JOINT WARFIGHTER SUPPORT.	48,248	48,248
086	0603904C	MISSILE DEFENSE INTEGRATION & OPERATIONS CENTER (MDIOC).	50,549	50,549
087	0603906C	REGARDING TRENCH .....	12,564	27,564
		MDA UPL—Classified increase .....		[15,000]

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088	0603907C	SEA BASED X-BAND RADAR (SBX) .....	177,868	177,868
089	0603913C	ISRAELI COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS .....	300,000	300,000
090	0603914C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TEST .....	360,455	360,455
091	0603915C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TARGETS .....	570,258	597,258
		Advanced Reactive Target Simulation .....		[10,000]
		Hypersonic Maneuvering Extended Range (HMER) Target System ...		[2,000]
		Hypersonic Target for MDA Advanced Target Front End Configura- tion 3 (ATFE C3) .....		[5,000]
		Hypersonic Targets and Countermeasures Program .....		[10,000]
092	0603923D8Z	COALITION WARFARE .....	12,103	12,103
093	0604011D8Z	NEXT GENERATION INFORMATION COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY (5G) .....	179,278	179,278
094	0604016D8Z	DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CORROSION PROGRAM .....	3,185	3,185
095	0604102C	GUAM DEFENSE DEVELOPMENT .....	397,578	544,578
		INDOPACOM UPL—Guam Defense System, INDOPACOM .....		[147,000]
096	0604115C	TECHNOLOGY MATURATION INITIATIVES .....		6,000
		Diode-Pumped Alkali Laser (DPAL) for Missile Defense .....		[6,000]
097	0604124D8Z	CHIEF DIGITAL AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE OFFI- CER (CDAO)—MIP .....	34,350	34,350
098	0604181C	HYPERSONIC DEFENSE .....	208,997	433,997
		MDA UPL—Glide Phase Interceptor .....		[225,000]
099	0604250D8Z	ADVANCED INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES .....	1,085,826	1,062,226
		Classified adjustment .....		[-28,600]
		Mobile micronuclear reactors .....		[5,000]
100	0604294D8Z	TRUSTED & ASSURED MICROELECTRONICS .....	810,839	752,540
		Radiation-Hardened Fully-Depleted Silicon-on-Insulator Microelec- tronics .....		[2,500]
		Strategic Rad Hard Chiplet Design Acceleration .....		[2,500]
		Unjustified growth .....		[-63,299]
101	0604331D8Z	RAPID PROTOTYPING PROGRAM .....	110,291	110,291
102	0604331J	RAPID PROTOTYPING PROGRAM .....	9,880	9,880
104	0604400D8Z	DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DOD) UNMANNED SYSTEM COMMON DEVELOPMENT .....	2,643	2,643
105	0604551BR	CATAPULT INFORMATION SYSTEM .....	8,328	8,328
106	0604555D8Z	OPERATIONAL ENERGY CAPABILITY IMPROVEMENT— NON S&T .....	53,726	60,726
		High Energy Laser Power Beaming .....		[7,000]
108	0604682D8Z	WARGAMING AND SUPPORT FOR STRATEGIC ANALYSIS (SSA) .....	3,206	3,206
109	0604790D8Z	RAPID DEFENSE EXPERIMENTATION RESERVE (RDER) ....	79,773	79,773
110	0604826J	JOINT C5 CAPABILITY DEVELOPMENT, INTEGRATION AND INTEROPERABILITY ASSESSMENTS .....	28,517	28,517
111	0604873C	LONG RANGE DISCRIMINATION RADAR (LRDR) .....	103,517	103,517
112	0604874C	IMPROVED HOMELAND DEFENSE INTERCEPTORS .....	2,130,838	2,130,838
113	0604876C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TERMINAL DEFENSE SEG- MENT TEST .....	47,577	47,577
114	0604878C	AEGIS BMD TEST .....	193,484	188,435
		Excess growth .....		[-5,049]
115	0604879C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE SENSOR TEST .....	111,049	111,049
116	0604880C	LAND-BASED SM-3 (LBSM3) .....	22,163	22,163
117	0604887C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE MIDCOURSE SEGMENT TEST .....	41,824	41,824
118	0202057C	SAFETY PROGRAM MANAGEMENT .....	2,484	2,484
119	0208059JCY	CYBERCOM ACTIVITIES .....	65,484	65,484
120	0208085JCY	ROBUST INFRASTRUCTURE AND ACCESS .....	170,182	135,535
		Unjustified growth .....		[-34,647]
121	0208086JCY	CYBER TRAINING ENVIRONMENT (CTE) .....	114,980	114,980
122	0300206R	ENTERPRISE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS .....	2,156	2,156
123	0305103C	CYBER SECURITY INITIATIVE .....	2,760	2,760
124	0305245D8Z	INTELLIGENCE CAPABILITIES AND INNOVATION INVEST- MENTS .....	3,000	3,000
125	0305251JCY	CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS FORCES AND FORCE SUPPORT	2,669	2,669
126	0901579D8Z	OFFICE OF STRATEGIC CAPITAL (OSC) .....	99,000	99,000
129	1206895C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEM SPACE PROGRAMS	109,483	109,483
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOP- MENT &amp; PROTOTYPES</b> .....	<b>12,187,050</b>	<b>12,607,593</b>
		<b>SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION</b>		
130	0604123D8Z	CHIEF DIGITAL AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE OFFI- CER (CDAO)—DEM/VAL ACTIVITIES .....	615,246	582,346
		Insufficient justification .....		[-32,900]
130A	999999	JADC2 .....		174,000
		Program increase—Joint Fires Network (JFN) .....		[174,000]
131	0604161D8Z	NUCLEAR AND CONVENTIONAL PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIPMENT RDT&E SDD .....	6,229	6,229
132	0604384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM—EMD ..	382,977	362,380
		Execution risk .....		[-20,597]
133	0604771D8Z	JOINT TACTICAL INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM (JTIDS) .....	9,775	9,775

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134	0605000BR	COUNTER WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT.	14,414	14,414
135	0605013BL	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....	6,953	6,953
136	0605021SE	HOMELAND PERSONNEL SECURITY INITIATIVE .....	9,292	9,292
137	0605022D8Z	DEFENSE EXPORTABILITY PROGRAM .....	18,981	18,981
138	0605027D8Z	OUS(D) IT DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES .....	5,456	5,456
140	0605080S	DEFENSE AGENCY INITIATIVES (DAI)—FINANCIAL SYSTEM.	32,629	32,629
141	0605141BR	MISSION ASSURANCE RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (MARMS).	9,316	9,316
142	0605210D8Z	DEFENSE-WIDE ELECTRONIC PROCUREMENT CAPABILITIES.	6,899	6,899
143	0605294D8Z	TRUSTED & ASSURED MICROELECTRONICS .....	297,586	276,586
		Program decrease .....		[-21,000]
145	0605772D8Z	NUCLEAR COMMAND, CONTROL, & COMMUNICATIONS .....	4,110	4,110
146	0305304D8Z	DOD ENTERPRISE ENERGY INFORMATION MANAGEMENT (EEIM).	8,159	8,159
147	0305310D8Z	CWMD SYSTEMS: SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION.	14,471	14,471
148	0505167D8Z	DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS AGAINST WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION.	3,770	3,770
		<b>SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION.</b>	<b>1,446,263</b>	<b>1,545,766</b>
		<b>MANAGEMENT SUPPORT</b>		
149	0603829J	JOINT CAPABILITY EXPERIMENTATION .....	12,402	12,402
150	0604774D8Z	DEFENSE READINESS REPORTING SYSTEM (DRRS) .....	12,746	12,746
151	0604875D8Z	JOINT SYSTEMS ARCHITECTURE DEVELOPMENT .....	8,426	8,426
152	0604940D8Z	CENTRAL TEST AND EVALUATION INVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT (CTEIP).	833,792	836,292
		Reusable Hypersonic Testbed .....		[2,500]
153	0604942D8Z	ASSESSMENTS AND EVALUATIONS .....	5,810	5,810
154	0605001E	MISSION SUPPORT .....	99,090	99,090
155	0605100D8Z	JOINT MISSION ENVIRONMENT TEST CAPABILITY (JMETC).	187,421	187,421
156	0605126J	JOINT INTEGRATED AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE ORGANIZATION (JIAMDO).	61,477	61,477
158	0605142D8Z	SYSTEMS ENGINEERING .....	39,949	39,949
159	0605151D8Z	STUDIES AND ANALYSIS SUPPORT—OSD .....	6,292	6,292
160	0605161D8Z	NUCLEAR MATTERS-PHYSICAL SECURITY .....	21,043	21,043
161	0605170D8Z	SUPPORT TO NETWORKS AND INFORMATION INTEGRATION.	10,504	10,504
162	0605200D8Z	GENERAL SUPPORT TO OUSD(INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY).	2,980	2,980
163	0605384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM .....	74,382	74,382
170	0605790D8Z	SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH (SBIR)/ SMALL BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER.	3,831	3,831
171	0605797D8Z	MAINTAINING TECHNOLOGY ADVANTAGE .....	38,923	38,923
172	0605798D8Z	DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY ANALYSIS .....	60,404	60,404
173	0605801KA	DEFENSE TECHNICAL INFORMATION CENTER (DTIC) .....	65,715	65,715
174	0605803SE	R&D IN SUPPORT OF DOD ENLISTMENT, TESTING AND EVALUATION.	26,037	26,037
175	0605804D8Z	DEVELOPMENT TEST AND EVALUATION .....	37,353	37,353
176	0605898E	MANAGEMENT HQ—R&D .....	14,833	14,833
177	0605998KA	MANAGEMENT HQ—DEFENSE TECHNICAL INFORMATION CENTER (DTIC).	3,752	3,752
178	0606005D8Z	SPECIAL ACTIVITIES .....	18,088	18,088
179	0606100D8Z	BUDGET AND PROGRAM ASSESSMENTS .....	14,427	14,427
180	0606114D8Z	ANALYSIS WORKING GROUP (AWG) SUPPORT .....	4,200	4,200
181	0606135D8Z	CHIEF DIGITAL AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE OFFICER (CDAO) ACTIVITIES.	17,247	17,247
182	0606225D8Z	ODNA TECHNOLOGY AND RESOURCE ANALYSIS .....	3,386	3,386
183	0606300D8Z	DEFENSE SCIENCE BOARD .....	2,352	2,352
184	0606301D8Z	AVIATION SAFETY TECHNOLOGIES .....	213	213
186	0606771D8Z	CYBER RESILIENCY AND CYBERSECURITY POLICY .....	45,194	45,194
187	0606853BR	MANAGEMENT, TECHNICAL & INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT	11,919	11,919
188	0203345D8Z	DEFENSE OPERATIONS SECURITY INITIATIVE (DOSI) .....	3,112	3,112
189	0204571J	JOINT STAFF ANALYTICAL SUPPORT .....	4,916	4,916
190	0208045K	C4I INTEROPERABILITY .....	66,152	66,152
195	0305172K	COMBINED ADVANCED APPLICATIONS .....	5,366	5,366
197	0305208K	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS .....	3,069	3,069
199	0804768J	COCOM EXERCISE ENGAGEMENT AND TRAINING TRANSFORMATION (CE2T2)—NON-MHA.	101,319	95,019
		No JLVC acquisition strategy .....		[-6,300]
200	0808709SE	DEFENSE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE (DEOMI).	740	740
201	0901598C	MANAGEMENT HQ—MDA .....	28,363	28,363
202	0903235K	JOINT SERVICE PROVIDER (JSP) .....	5,177	5,177

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9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	36,315	36,315
		<b>SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT .....</b>	<b>1,998,717</b>	<b>1,994,917</b>
<b>OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT</b>				
203	0604130V	ENTERPRISE SECURITY SYSTEM (ESS) .....	42,482	42,482
205	0607210D8Z	INDUSTRIAL BASE ANALYSIS AND SUSTAINMENT SUP- PORT. Domestic advanced microelectronics packaging .....	1,017,141	1,025,141
		Shipbuilding and ship repair workforce development .....		[5,000]
206	0607310D8Z	COUNTERPROLIFERATION SPECIAL PROJECTS: OPER- ATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT.	12,713	12,713
207	0607327T	GLOBAL THEATER SECURITY COOPERATION MANAGE- MENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS (G-TSCMIS).	8,503	8,503
208	0607384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE (OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT).	80,495	80,495
209	0208097JCY	CYBER COMMAND AND CONTROL (CYBER C2) .....	95,733	95,733
210	0208099JCY	DATA AND UNIFIED PLATFORM (D&UP) .....	138,558	138,558
214	0302019K	DEFENSE INFO INFRASTRUCTURE ENGINEERING AND IN- TEGRATION.	19,299	19,299
215	0303126K	LONG-HAUL COMMUNICATIONS—DCS .....	37,726	37,726
216	0303131K	MINIMUM ESSENTIAL EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK (MEECN).	5,037	5,037
218	0303140D8Z	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM .....	97,171	91,171
		Program decrease .....		[-6,000]
220	0303140K	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM .....	8,351	8,351
222	0303153K	DEFENSE SPECTRUM ORGANIZATION .....	35,995	35,995
223	0303171K	JOINT PLANNING AND EXECUTION SERVICES .....	5,677	5,677
224	0303228K	JOINT REGIONAL SECURITY STACKS (JRSS) .....	3,196	3,196
228	0305104D8Z	DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE (DIB) CYBER SECURITY INI- TIATIVE.	25,655	25,655
232	0305133V	INDUSTRIAL SECURITY ACTIVITIES .....	2,134	2,134
235	0305146V	DEFENSE JOINT COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES .....	2,295	2,295
236	0305172D8Z	COMBINED ADVANCED APPLICATIONS .....	52,736	52,736
239	0305186D8Z	POLICY R&D PROGRAMS .....	6,263	6,263
240	0305199D8Z	NET CENTRICITY .....	23,275	21,963
		Prior year underexecution .....		[-1,312]
242	0305208BB	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS .....	6,214	6,214
249	0305327V	INSIDER THREAT .....	2,971	2,971
250	0305387D8Z	HOMELAND DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PRO- GRAM.	1,879	1,879
257	0306250JCY	CYBER OPERATIONS TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT .....	469,385	476,385
		Modernization of Department of Defense Internet Gateway Cyber De- fense.		[7,000]
261	0505167D8Z	DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS AGAINST WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION.	1,760	1,760
262	0708012K	LOGISTICS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES .....	1,420	1,420
263	0708012S	PACIFIC DISASTER CENTERS .....	1,905	1,905
264	0708047S	DEFENSE PROPERTY ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM .....	3,249	3,249
265	1105219BB	MQ-9 UAV .....	37,188	67,188
		Adaptive Airborne Enterprise (A2E) .....		[30,000]
267	1160403BB	AVIATION SYSTEMS .....	216,174	222,174
		Alternative Domestic Source AC-130J IRSS .....		[6,000]
268	1160405BB	INTELLIGENCE SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....	86,737	86,737
269	1160408BB	OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS .....	216,135	216,135
270	1160431BB	WARRIOR SYSTEMS .....	263,374	268,374
		Counter Uncrewed Aerial Systems (CUAS) Group 3 Defeat Accelera- tion.		[5,000]
271	1160432BB	SPECIAL PROGRAMS .....	529	529
272	1160434BB	UNMANNED ISR .....	6,727	6,727
273	1160480BB	SOF TACTICAL VEHICLES .....	9,335	9,335
274	1160483BB	MARITIME SYSTEMS .....	158,231	158,231
275	1160490BB	OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS INTELLIGENCE .....	15,749	15,749
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	8,463,742	8,463,742
		<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOP- MENT.</b>	<b>11,683,139</b>	<b>11,731,827</b>
<b>SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS</b>				
278	0608648D8Z	ACQUISITION VISIBILITY—SOFTWARE PILOT PROGRAM .....	21,355	21,355
279	0303150K	GLOBAL COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM .....	33,166	33,166
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	270,653	270,653
		<b>SUBTOTAL SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS.</b>	<b>325,174</b>	<b>325,174</b>
<b>TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, DW.</b>			<b>36,185,834</b>	<b>36,929,997</b>
<b>OPERATIONAL TEST &amp; EVAL, DEFENSE</b>				

SEC. 4201. RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION (In Thousands of Dollars)				
Line	Program Element	Item	FY 2024 Request	Conference Authorized
<b>MANAGEMENT SUPPORT</b>				
001	0605118OTE	OPERATIONAL TEST AND EVALUATION .....	169,544	169,544
002	0605131OTE	LIVE FIRE TEST AND EVALUATION .....	103,252	103,252
003	0605814OTE	OPERATIONAL TEST ACTIVITIES AND ANALYSES .....	58,693	58,693
<b>SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT .....</b>			<b>331,489</b>	<b>331,489</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATIONAL TEST &amp; EVAL, DEFENSE .....</b>			<b>331,489</b>	<b>331,489</b>
<b>TOTAL RDT&amp;E .....</b>			<b>144,979,625</b>	<b>145,944,719</b>

1 **TITLE XLIII—OPERATION AND**  
 2 **MAINTENANCE**  
 3 **SEC. 4301. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE.**

SEC. 4301. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE (In Thousands of Dollars)				
Line		Item	FY 2024 Request	Conference Authorized
<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY</b>				
<b>OPERATING FORCES</b>				
010	MANEUVER UNITS .....		3,943,409	4,203,409
	Program increase: Expanding INDOPACOM campaigning activities .....			[360,000]
	Unjustified growth .....			[-100,000]
020	MODULAR SUPPORT BRIGADES .....		225,238	225,238
030	ECHELONS ABOVE BRIGADE .....		947,395	933,395
	Underexecution .....			[-14,000]
040	THEATER LEVEL ASSETS .....		2,449,141	2,439,141
	Underexecution .....			[-10,000]
050	LAND FORCES OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....		1,233,070	1,219,070
	Underexecution .....			[-14,000]
060	AVIATION ASSETS .....		2,046,144	2,006,144
	Unjustified growth .....			[-40,000]
070	FORCE READINESS OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....		7,149,427	7,095,427
	Unjustified growth .....			[-54,000]
080	LAND FORCES SYSTEMS READINESS .....		475,435	475,435
090	LAND FORCES DEPOT MAINTENANCE .....		1,423,560	1,423,560
100	MEDICAL READINESS .....		951,499	951,499
110	BASE OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....		9,943,031	9,930,362
	Fire and Emergency Services .....			[15,000]
	Unjustified growth .....			[-27,669]
120	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION .....		5,381,757	5,705,353
	Program increase .....			[323,596]
130	MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONAL HEADQUARTERS .....		313,612	313,612
140	ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES .....		454,565	454,565
150	RESET .....		447,987	447,987
160	US AFRICA COMMAND .....		414,680	564,680
	AFRICOM UPL—High-risk ISR .....			[150,000]
170	US EUROPEAN COMMAND .....		408,529	408,529
180	US SOUTHERN COMMAND .....		285,692	285,692
190	US FORCES KOREA .....		88,463	88,463
200	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS .....		507,845	507,845
210	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSECURITY .....		704,667	704,667
<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES .....</b>			<b>39,795,146</b>	<b>40,384,073</b>
<b>MOBILIZATION</b>				
230	STRATEGIC MOBILITY .....		470,143	470,143
240	ARMY PREPOSITIONED STOCKS .....		433,909	433,909
250	INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS .....		4,244	4,244
<b>SUBTOTAL MOBILIZATION .....</b>			<b>908,296</b>	<b>908,296</b>
<b>TRAINING AND RECRUITING</b>				
260	OFFICER ACQUISITION .....		178,428	178,428
270	RECRUIT TRAINING .....		78,235	78,235

<b>SEC. 4301. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE</b>			
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280	ONE STATION UNIT TRAINING .....	114,777	114,777
290	SENIOR RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS .....	551,462	551,462
300	SPECIALIZED SKILL TRAINING .....	1,147,431	1,132,431
	Unjustified growth .....		[-15,000]
310	FLIGHT TRAINING .....	1,398,415	1,398,415
320	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION .....	200,779	200,779
330	TRAINING SUPPORT .....	682,896	682,896
340	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING .....	690,280	780,280
	Recruiting and advertising increase .....		[90,000]
350	EXAMINING .....	195,009	195,009
360	OFF-DUTY AND VOLUNTARY EDUCATION .....	260,235	260,235
370	CIVILIAN EDUCATION AND TRAINING .....	250,252	250,252
380	JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS .....	204,895	204,895
	<b>SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING .....</b>	<b>5,953,094</b>	<b>6,028,094</b>
	<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>		
400	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION .....	718,323	718,323
410	CENTRAL SUPPLY ACTIVITIES .....	900,624	875,624
	Unjustified growth .....		[-25,000]
420	LOGISTIC SUPPORT ACTIVITIES .....	828,059	828,059
430	AMMUNITION MANAGEMENT .....	464,029	464,029
440	ADMINISTRATION .....	537,837	537,837
450	SERVICEWIDE COMMUNICATIONS .....	1,962,059	1,937,059
	Insufficient justification .....		[-25,000]
460	MANPOWER MANAGEMENT .....	361,553	358,553
	Unjustified growth .....		[-3,000]
470	OTHER PERSONNEL SUPPORT .....	829,248	829,248
480	OTHER SERVICE SUPPORT .....	2,370,107	2,365,107
	Unjustified growth .....		[-5,000]
490	ARMY CLAIMS ACTIVITIES .....	203,323	203,323
500	REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT .....	286,682	286,682
510	FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT READINESS .....	455,928	455,928
520	DEF ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT .....	39,867	39,867
530	INTERNATIONAL MILITARY HEADQUARTERS .....	610,201	610,201
540	MISC. SUPPORT OF OTHER NATIONS .....	38,948	38,948
590A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	2,291,229	2,291,229
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>12,898,017</b>	<b>12,840,017</b>
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>		
600	UNDISTRIBUTED .....		-337,600
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....		[-208,000]
	Unobligated balances .....		[-129,600]
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED .....</b>		<b>-337,600</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY .....</b>	<b>59,554,553</b>	<b>59,822,880</b>
	<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY RESERVE OPERATING FORCES</b>		
010	MODULAR SUPPORT BRIGADES .....	15,208	15,208
020	ECHELONS ABOVE BRIGADE .....	720,802	720,802
030	THEATER LEVEL ASSETS .....	143,400	143,400
040	LAND FORCES OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	707,654	707,654
050	AVIATION ASSETS .....	134,346	134,346
060	FORCE READINESS OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	451,178	451,178
070	LAND FORCES SYSTEMS READINESS .....	97,564	97,564
080	LAND FORCES DEPOT MAINTENANCE .....	45,711	45,711
090	BASE OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	608,079	606,079
	Unjustified growth .....		[-2,000]
100	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION .....	495,435	495,435
110	MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONAL HEADQUARTERS .....	28,783	28,783
120	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS .....	3,153	3,153
130	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSECURITY .....	19,591	19,591
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES .....</b>	<b>3,470,904</b>	<b>3,468,904</b>
	<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>		
140	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION .....	19,155	19,155
150	ADMINISTRATION .....	21,668	21,668

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160	SERVICEWIDE COMMUNICATIONS .....	44,118	44,118
170	MANPOWER MANAGEMENT .....	7,127	7,127
180	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING .....	67,976	67,976
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE- WIDE ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>160,044</b>	<b>160,044</b>
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>		
210	UNDISTRIBUTED .....		-14,300
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....		[-10,900]
	Unobligated balances .....		[-3,400]
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED .....</b>		<b>-14,300</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY RESERVE .....</b>	<b>3,630,948</b>	<b>3,614,648</b>
	<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD</b>		
	<b>OPERATING FORCES</b>		
010	MANEUVER UNITS .....	925,071	925,071
020	MODULAR SUPPORT BRIGADES .....	201,781	201,781
030	ECHELONS ABOVE BRIGADE .....	840,373	833,373
	Unjustified growth .....		[-7,000]
040	THEATER LEVEL ASSETS .....	107,392	105,392
	Unjustified growth .....		[-2,000]
050	LAND FORCES OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	62,908	62,908
060	AVIATION ASSETS .....	1,113,908	1,102,908
	Unjustified growth .....		[-11,000]
070	FORCE READINESS OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	832,946	831,446
	Training Exercise Support .....		[3,500]
	Unjustified growth .....		[-5,000]
080	LAND FORCES SYSTEMS READINESS .....	50,696	50,696
090	LAND FORCES DEPOT MAINTENANCE .....	231,784	231,784
100	BASE OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	1,249,066	1,249,066
110	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZA- TION .....	1,081,561	1,081,561
120	MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONAL HEADQUARTERS .....	1,468,857	1,468,857
130	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS .....	9,566	9,566
140	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSECURITY .....	15,710	15,710
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES .....</b>	<b>8,191,619</b>	<b>8,170,119</b>
	<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>		
150	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION .....	7,251	7,251
160	ADMINISTRATION .....	66,025	66,025
170	SERVICEWIDE COMMUNICATIONS .....	113,366	113,366
180	MANPOWER MANAGEMENT .....	8,663	8,663
190	OTHER PERSONNEL SUPPORT .....	292,426	292,426
200	REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT .....	3,754	3,754
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE- WIDE ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>491,485</b>	<b>491,485</b>
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>		
230	UNDISTRIBUTED .....		-49,000
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....		[-29,000]
	Unobligated balances .....		[-20,000]
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED .....</b>		<b>-49,000</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD .....</b>	<b>8,683,104</b>	<b>8,612,604</b>
	<b>COUNTER-ISLAMIC STATE OF IRAQ AND SYRIA TRAIN AND EQUIP</b>		
	<b>COUNTER ISIS TRAIN AND EQUIP FUND (CTEF)</b>		
010	IRAQ .....	241,950	241,950
020	SYRIA .....	156,000	156,000
	<b>SUBTOTAL COUNTER ISIS TRAIN AND EQUIP FUND (CTEF) .....</b>	<b>397,950</b>	<b>397,950</b>
	<b>TOTAL COUNTER-ISLAMIC STATE OF IRAQ AND SYRIA TRAIN AND EQUIP .....</b>	<b>397,950</b>	<b>397,950</b>

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<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY</b>			
<b>OPERATING FORCES</b>			
010	MISSION AND OTHER FLIGHT OPERATIONS .....	7,882,504	7,882,504
020	FLEET AIR TRAINING .....	2,773,957	2,773,957
030	AVIATION TECHNICAL DATA & ENGINEERING SERVICES ....	73,047	73,047
040	AIR OPERATIONS AND SAFETY SUPPORT .....	213,862	213,862
050	AIR SYSTEMS SUPPORT .....	1,155,463	1,155,463
060	AIRCRAFT DEPOT MAINTENANCE .....	1,857,021	1,857,021
070	AIRCRAFT DEPOT OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	66,822	66,822
080	AVIATION LOGISTICS .....	1,871,670	1,871,670
090	MISSION AND OTHER SHIP OPERATIONS .....	7,015,796	7,005,796
	Underexecution .....		[-10,000]
100	SHIP OPERATIONS SUPPORT & TRAINING .....	1,301,108	1,301,108
110	SHIP DEPOT MAINTENANCE .....	11,164,249	11,164,249
120	SHIP DEPOT OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	2,728,712	2,728,712
130	COMBAT COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONIC WARFARE ..	1,776,881	1,803,381
	AFRICOM UPL—Somalia Persistent Presence .....		[26,500]
140	SPACE SYSTEMS AND SURVEILLANCE .....	389,915	389,915
150	WARFARE TACTICS .....	1,005,998	1,005,998
160	OPERATIONAL METEOROLOGY AND OCEANOGRAPHY .....	455,330	455,330
170	COMBAT SUPPORT FORCES .....	2,350,089	2,336,089
	Naval Small Craft Instruction and Technical Training School ....		[6,000]
	Unjustified growth .....		[-20,000]
180	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND DEPOT OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	189,044	189,044
200	COMBATANT COMMANDERS CORE OPERATIONS .....	92,504	92,504
210	COMBATANT COMMANDERS DIRECT MISSION SUPPORT .....	352,980	416,980
	INDOPACOM campaigning .....		[36,000]
	Joint Training Team .....		[28,000]
230	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES .....	522,180	522,180
240	FLEET BALLISTIC MISSILE .....	1,763,238	1,763,238
250	WEAPONS MAINTENANCE .....	1,640,642	1,615,642
	Underexecution .....		[-25,000]
260	OTHER WEAPON SYSTEMS SUPPORT .....	696,653	696,653
270	ENTERPRISE INFORMATION .....	1,780,645	1,762,645
	Insufficient justification .....		[-18,000]
280	SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION AND MODERNIZATION .....	4,406,192	4,714,316
	Dry Dock Repairs at PSNS Investment Restoration and Mod- ernization .....		[200,000]
	Hangar resilience and repair .....		[20,000]
	Program increase .....		[88,124]
290	BASE OPERATING SUPPORT .....	6,223,827	6,221,627
	Navy divestment of electrical utility operations at former Naval Air Station Barbers Point .....		[18,000]
	Unjustified growth .....		[-20,200]
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES .....</b>	<b>61,750,329</b>	<b>62,079,753</b>
<b>MOBILIZATION</b>			
300	SHIP PREPOSITIONING AND SURGE .....	475,255	475,255
310	READY RESERVE FORCE .....	701,060	701,060
320	SHIP ACTIVATIONS/INACTIVATIONS .....	302,930	302,930
330	EXPEDITIONARY HEALTH SERVICES SYSTEMS .....	151,966	151,966
340	COAST GUARD SUPPORT .....	21,464	21,464
	<b>SUBTOTAL MOBILIZATION .....</b>	<b>1,652,675</b>	<b>1,652,675</b>
<b>TRAINING AND RECRUITING</b>			
350	OFFICER ACQUISITION .....	201,555	201,555
360	RECRUIT TRAINING .....	16,521	16,521
370	RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS .....	175,171	175,171
380	SPECIALIZED SKILL TRAINING .....	1,238,894	1,233,894
	Unjustified growth .....		[-5,000]
390	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION .....	335,603	335,603
400	TRAINING SUPPORT .....	390,931	390,931
410	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING .....	269,483	269,483
420	OFF-DUTY AND VOLUNTARY EDUCATION .....	90,452	90,452
430	CIVILIAN EDUCATION AND TRAINING .....	73,406	73,406
440	JUNIOR ROTC .....	58,970	58,970
	<b>SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING .....</b>	<b>2,850,986</b>	<b>2,845,986</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>			

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450	ADMINISTRATION .....	1,350,449	1,338,449
	Program decrease .....		[-12,000]
460	CIVILIAN MANPOWER AND PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT .....	242,760	242,760
470	MILITARY MANPOWER AND PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT .....	745,666	745,666
490	MEDICAL ACTIVITIES .....	323,978	323,978
500	DEF ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT .....	67,357	67,357
510	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION .....	248,822	248,822
530	PLANNING, ENGINEERING, AND PROGRAM SUPPORT .....	616,816	616,816
540	ACQUISITION, LOGISTICS, AND OVERSIGHT .....	850,906	850,906
550	INVESTIGATIVE AND SECURITY SERVICES .....	888,508	888,508
730A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	655,281	655,281
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>5,990,543</b>	<b>5,978,543</b>
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>		
740	UNDISTRIBUTED .....		-462,300
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....		[-236,300]
	Unobligated balances .....		[-226,000]
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED .....</b>		<b>-462,300</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY .....</b>	<b>72,244,533</b>	<b>72,094,657</b>
	<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, MARINE CORPS OPERATING FORCES</b>		
010	OPERATIONAL FORCES .....	1,799,964	1,793,964
	INDOPACOM campaigning .....		[8,000]
	Unjustified growth .....		[-14,000]
020	FIELD LOGISTICS .....	1,878,228	1,853,228
	Unjustified growth .....		[-25,000]
030	DEPOT MAINTENANCE .....	211,460	211,460
040	MARITIME PREPOSITIONING .....	137,831	137,831
060	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES .....	205,449	205,449
070	SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION .....	1,211,183	1,235,407
	Program increase .....		[24,224]
080	BASE OPERATING SUPPORT .....	3,124,551	3,084,801
	Unjustified growth .....		[-42,750]
	USMC Nucleated Foam Engine Wash .....		[3,000]
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES .....</b>	<b>8,568,666</b>	<b>8,522,140</b>
	<b>TRAINING AND RECRUITING</b>		
090	RECRUIT TRAINING .....	26,284	26,284
100	OFFICER ACQUISITION .....	1,316	1,316
110	SPECIALIZED SKILL TRAINING .....	133,176	133,176
120	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION .....	66,213	66,213
130	TRAINING SUPPORT .....	570,152	570,152
140	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING .....	246,586	300,903
	Marine Corps Enlisted Training Corps .....		[5,000]
	Recruiting and advertising increase .....		[49,317]
150	OFF-DUTY AND VOLUNTARY EDUCATION .....	55,230	55,230
160	JUNIOR ROTC .....	29,616	29,616
	<b>SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING .....</b>	<b>1,128,573</b>	<b>1,182,890</b>
	<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>		
180	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION .....	90,366	90,366
190	ADMINISTRATION .....	428,650	428,650
220A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	65,658	65,658
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>584,674</b>	<b>584,674</b>
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>		
230	UNDISTRIBUTED .....		-65,800
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....		[-33,800]
	Unobligated balances .....		[-32,000]
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED .....</b>		<b>-65,800</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, MARINE CORPS .....</b>	<b>10,281,913</b>	<b>10,223,904</b>
	<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY RESERVE OPERATING FORCES</b>		

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<b>Line</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>FY 2024 Request</b>	<b>Conference Authorized</b>
010	MISSION AND OTHER FLIGHT OPERATIONS .....	731,113	731,113
020	INTERMEDIATE MAINTENANCE .....	10,122	10,122
030	AIRCRAFT DEPOT MAINTENANCE .....	167,811	167,811
040	AIRCRAFT DEPOT OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	103	103
050	AVIATION LOGISTICS .....	29,185	29,185
060	COMBAT COMMUNICATIONS .....	20,806	20,806
070	COMBAT SUPPORT FORCES .....	186,590	186,590
080	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES .....	296	296
090	ENTERPRISE INFORMATION .....	32,467	32,467
100	SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION AND MODERNIZATION .....	63,726	63,726
110	BASE OPERATING SUPPORT .....	121,064	121,064
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES .....</b>	<b>1,363,283</b>	<b>1,363,283</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>			
120	ADMINISTRATION .....	2,025	2,025
130	MILITARY MANPOWER AND PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT ...	13,401	13,401
140	ACQUISITION AND PROGRAM MANAGEMENT .....	2,101	2,101
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>17,527</b>	<b>17,527</b>
<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>			
170	UNDISTRIBUTED .....		-8,100
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....		[-3,900]
	Unobligated balances .....		[-4,200]
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED .....</b>		<b>-8,100</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY RESERVE .....</b>	<b>1,380,810</b>	<b>1,372,710</b>
<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, MARINE CORPS RESERVE</b>			
<b>OPERATING FORCES</b>			
010	OPERATING FORCES .....	128,468	128,468
020	DEPOT MAINTENANCE .....	20,967	20,967
030	SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION AND MODERNIZATION .....	46,589	46,589
040	BASE OPERATING SUPPORT .....	120,808	120,808
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES .....</b>	<b>316,832</b>	<b>316,832</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>			
050	ADMINISTRATION .....	12,563	12,563
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>12,563</b>	<b>12,563</b>
<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>			
060	UNDISTRIBUTED .....		-4,900
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....		[-3,900]
	Unobligated balances .....		[-1,000]
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED .....</b>		<b>-4,900</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, MARINE CORPS RESERVE .....</b>	<b>329,395</b>	<b>324,495</b>
<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE</b>			
<b>OPERATING FORCES</b>			
010	PRIMARY COMBAT FORCES .....	980,768	936,068
	Technical realignment .....		[-14,700]
	Unjustified growth .....		[-30,000]
020	COMBAT ENHANCEMENT FORCES .....	2,665,924	2,733,924
	INDOPACOM Campaigning .....		[104,000]
	Unjustified growth .....		[-36,000]
030	AIR OPERATIONS TRAINING (OJT, MAINTAIN SKILLS) .....	1,630,552	1,611,552
	Unjustified growth .....		[-19,000]
040	DEPOT PURCHASE EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE .....	4,632,693	4,644,043
	F-22 Block 20 buy-back costs .....		[11,350]
050	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION .....	4,252,815	4,279,719
	DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[-58,152]
	Program increase .....		[85,056]
060	CYBERSPACE SUSTAINMENT .....	229,440	229,440
070	CONTRACTOR LOGISTICS SUPPORT AND SYSTEM SUPPORT .....	9,537,192	9,679,142

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Line	Item	FY 2024 Request	Conference Authorized
	F-22 Block 20 buy-back costs .....		[181,950]
	Underexecution .....		[-40,000]
080	FLYING HOUR PROGRAM .....	6,697,549	6,600,149
	F-22 Block 20 buy-back costs .....		[17,600]
	Underexecution .....		[-115,000]
090	BASE SUPPORT .....	11,633,510	11,310,018
	DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[-223,192]
	DAF requested realignment of funds from SAG 11A .....		[14,700]
	Underexecution .....		[-115,000]
100	GLOBAL C3I AND EARLY WARNING .....	1,350,827	1,301,476
	Technical realignment .....		[-30,951]
	Unjustified request .....		[-18,400]
110	OTHER COMBAT OPS SPT PROGRAMS .....	1,817,941	1,804,941
	Unjustified growth .....		[-13,000]
120	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES .....	807,966	807,966
130	TACTICAL INTEL AND OTHER SPECIAL ACTIVITIES .....	267,615	267,615
160	US NORTHCOM/NORAD .....	245,263	245,263
170	US STRATCOM .....	541,720	541,720
190	US CENTCOM .....	335,220	329,220
	Office of Security Cooperation-Iraq reduction .....		[-6,000]
200	US SOCOM .....	27,511	27,511
210	US TRANSCOM .....	607	607
220	CENTCOM CYBERSPACE SUSTAINMENT .....	1,415	1,415
230	USSPACECOM .....	373,989	373,989
240	MEDICAL READINESS .....	564,880	562,596
	Technical realignment .....		[-2,284]
480A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	1,465,926	1,465,926
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES</b> .....	<b>50,061,323</b>	<b>49,754,300</b>
<b>MOBILIZATION</b>			
260	AIRLIFT OPERATIONS .....	3,012,287	3,012,287
270	MOBILIZATION PREPAREDNESS .....	241,918	241,918
	<b>SUBTOTAL MOBILIZATION</b> .....	<b>3,254,205</b>	<b>3,254,205</b>
<b>TRAINING AND RECRUITING</b>			
280	OFFICER ACQUISITION .....	202,769	202,769
290	RECRUIT TRAINING .....	28,892	28,892
300	RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS (ROTC) .....	137,647	137,647
310	SPECIALIZED SKILL TRAINING .....	588,131	588,131
320	FLIGHT TRAINING .....	875,230	862,989
	Underexecution .....		[-12,241]
330	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION .....	301,262	303,262
	Program increase .....		[2,000]
340	TRAINING SUPPORT .....	194,609	194,609
350	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING .....	204,318	204,318
360	EXAMINING .....	7,775	7,775
370	OFF-DUTY AND VOLUNTARY EDUCATION .....	263,421	263,421
380	CIVILIAN EDUCATION AND TRAINING .....	343,039	343,039
390	JUNIOR ROTC .....	75,666	75,666
	<b>SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING</b> .....	<b>3,222,759</b>	<b>3,212,518</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>			
400	LOGISTICS OPERATIONS .....	1,062,199	1,062,199
410	TECHNICAL SUPPORT ACTIVITIES .....	162,919	162,919
420	ADMINISTRATION .....	1,409,015	1,408,515
	Program decrease—contract support .....		[-500]
430	SERVICEWIDE COMMUNICATIONS .....	30,268	30,268
440	OTHER SERVICEWIDE ACTIVITIES .....	1,851,856	1,811,376
	Technical realignment .....		[4,520]
	Underexecution .....		[-45,000]
450	CIVIL AIR PATROL .....	30,901	30,901
460	DEF ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT .....	42,759	42,759
480	INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT .....	115,267	115,267
490A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	1,506,624	1,506,624
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE- WIDE ACTIVITIES</b> .....	<b>6,211,808</b>	<b>6,170,828</b>
<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>			
500	UNDISTRIBUTED .....		-408,500
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....		[-208,500]

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	Unobligated balances .....		[-200,000]
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED</b> .....		<b>-408,500</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE</b> .....	<b>62,750,095</b>	<b>61,983,351</b>
	<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, SPACE FORCE OPERATING FORCES</b>		
010	GLOBAL C3I & EARLY WARNING .....	642,201	617,201
	Unjustified growth .....		[-25,000]
020	SPACE LAUNCH OPERATIONS .....	356,162	356,162
030	SPACE OPERATIONS .....	866,547	864,047
	Unjustified growth .....		[-2,500]
040	EDUCATION & TRAINING .....	199,181	212,353
	Technical realignment .....		[18,172]
	Unjustified growth .....		[-5,000]
050	SPECIAL PROGRAMS .....	383,233	383,233
060	DEPOT MAINTENANCE .....	67,757	67,757
070	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION .....	678,648	692,221
	Program increase .....		[13,573]
080	CONTRACTOR LOGISTICS AND SYSTEM SUPPORT .....	1,380,350	1,378,350
	Unjustified growth .....		[-2,000]
090	SPACE OPERATIONS -BOS .....	188,760	188,760
110A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	71,475	71,475
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES</b> .....	<b>4,834,314</b>	<b>4,831,559</b>
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>		
120	UNDISTRIBUTED .....		-33,100
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....		[-14,100]
	Unobligated balances .....		[-19,000]
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED</b> .....		<b>-33,100</b>
	<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>		
100	LOGISTICS OPERATIONS .....	34,046	34,046
110	ADMINISTRATION .....	149,108	130,936
	Technical realignment .....		[-18,172]
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b> .....	<b>183,154</b>	<b>164,982</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, SPACE FORCE</b> .....	<b>5,017,468</b>	<b>4,963,441</b>
	<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE RESERVE OPERATING FORCES</b>		
010	PRIMARY COMBAT FORCES .....	2,088,949	2,058,949
	Unjustified growth .....		[-30,000]
020	MISSION SUPPORT OPERATIONS .....	198,213	198,213
030	DEPOT PURCHASE EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE .....	647,758	647,758
040	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION .....	122,314	122,314
050	CONTRACTOR LOGISTICS SUPPORT AND SYSTEM SUPPORT .....	374,442	374,442
060	BASE SUPPORT .....	543,962	543,962
070	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES .....	1,742	1,742
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES</b> .....	<b>3,977,380</b>	<b>3,947,380</b>
	<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>		
080	ADMINISTRATION .....	107,281	107,281
090	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING .....	9,373	9,373
100	MILITARY MANPOWER AND PERS MGMT (ARPC) .....	15,563	15,563
110	OTHER PERS SUPPORT (DISABILITY COMP) .....	6,174	6,174
120	AUDIOVISUAL .....	485	485
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b> .....	<b>138,876</b>	<b>138,876</b>
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>		
130	UNDISTRIBUTED .....		-40,500
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....		[-12,500]
	Unobligated balances .....		[-28,000]

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	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED</b>		<b>-40,500</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE RESERVE</b>	<b>4,116,256</b>	<b>4,045,756</b>
	<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR NATIONAL GUARD</b>		
	<b>OPERATING FORCES</b>		
010	AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS	2,498,675	2,478,675
	Unjustified growth		[-20,000]
020	MISSION SUPPORT OPERATIONS	656,714	656,714
030	DEPOT PURCHASE EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	1,171,901	1,171,901
040	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION	370,188	370,188
050	CONTRACTOR LOGISTICS SUPPORT AND SYSTEM SUPPORT	1,280,003	1,262,003
	Unjustified growth		[-18,000]
060	BASE SUPPORT	1,089,579	1,089,579
070	CYBERSPACE SUSTAINMENT	19,708	19,708
080	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	49,476	49,476
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES</b>	<b>7,136,244</b>	<b>7,098,244</b>
	<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>		
090	ADMINISTRATION	68,417	68,417
100	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING	49,033	49,033
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>117,450</b>	<b>117,450</b>
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>		
110	UNDISTRIBUTED		-46,200
	Foreign currency fluctuations		[-24,300]
	Unobligated balances		[-21,900]
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED</b>		<b>-46,200</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR NATIONAL GUARD</b>	<b>7,253,694</b>	<b>7,169,494</b>
	<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, DEFENSE-WIDE OPERATING FORCES</b>		
010	JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF	461,370	467,770
	Combatant Commander's Initiative Fund (CCIF)—AFRICOM and SOUTHCOM		[10,000]
	Unobligated balances		[-3,600]
020	JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF—JTEEP	701,081	698,081
	Unjustified growth		[-3,000]
030	JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF—CYBER	8,210	8,210
040	OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE—MISO	252,480	252,480
060	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND COMBAT DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES	2,012,953	2,012,953
070	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND MAINTENANCE	1,210,930	1,182,630
	MQ-9 Unmanned Aerial Vehicle unjustified increase		[-4,000]
	Program decrease		[-24,300]
080	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND MANAGEMENT/OPERATIONAL HEADQUARTERS	202,574	199,968
	Program decrease		[-2,606]
090	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND THEATER FORCES	3,346,004	3,337,278
	Program decrease		[-8,726]
100	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	49,757	49,757
110	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND INTELLIGENCE	1,391,402	1,405,402
	Program decrease		[-6,000]
	Special Operations Command Intelligence increase in Non-Traditional ISR (SOF Digital Ecosystem POR)		[20,000]
120	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND OPERATIONAL SUPPORT	1,438,967	1,419,975
	Program decrease		[-18,992]
130	CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS	1,318,614	1,323,614
	Internet Operations Management		[5,000]
140	USCYBERCOM HEADQUARTERS	332,690	332,690
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES</b>	<b>12,727,032</b>	<b>12,690,808</b>
	<b>TRAINING AND RECRUITING</b>		

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150	DEFENSE ACQUISITION UNIVERSITY .....	183,342	183,342
160	JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF .....	118,172	118,172
170	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND/PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION .....	33,855	33,855
	<b>SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING .....</b>	<b>335,369</b>	<b>335,369</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>			
180	CIVIL MILITARY PROGRAMS .....	142,240	275,740
	National Guard Youth Challenge .....		[83,500]
	STARBASE .....		[50,000]
190	DEFENSE CONTRACT AUDIT AGENCY—CYBER .....	4,870	4,870
200	DEFENSE CONTRACT AUDIT AGENCY .....	667,943	667,943
210	DEFENSE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT AGENCY .....	1,567,119	1,564,119
	Unobligated balances .....		[-3,000]
220	DEFENSE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT AGENCY—CYBER .....	30,279	30,279
230	DEFENSE COUNTERINTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY AGENCY .....	1,062,123	1,027,123
	Unjustified growth .....		[-35,000]
250	DEFENSE COUNTERINTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY AGENCY—CYBER .....	9,835	9,835
260	DEFENSE HUMAN RESOURCES ACTIVITY—CYBER .....	27,517	27,517
270	DEFENSE HUMAN RESOURCES ACTIVITY .....	1,033,789	988,789
	Underexecution .....		[-45,000]
300	DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEMS AGENCY .....	2,567,698	2,532,798
	Program decrease .....		[-25,000]
	Unobligated balances .....		[-9,900]
310	DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEMS AGENCY—CYBER .....	526,893	526,893
320	DEFENSE LEGAL SERVICES AGENCY .....	241,779	239,779
	Historical unobligated balances .....		[-2,000]
330	DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY .....	446,731	446,731
340	DEFENSE MEDIA ACTIVITY .....	246,840	246,840
360	DEFENSE POW/MIA OFFICE .....	195,959	195,959
370	DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY .....	2,379,100	2,259,100
	Program decrease—Border Security .....		[-120,000]
380	DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY SECURITY ADMINISTRATION .....	41,722	41,722
390	DEFENSE THREAT REDUCTION AGENCY .....	984,272	974,272
	Program decrease .....		[-10,000]
410	DEFENSE THREAT REDUCTION AGENCY—CYBER .....	70,548	70,548
420	DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY .....	3,451,625	3,514,625
	Historical unobligated balances .....		[-7,000]
	Impact Aid .....		[50,000]
	Impact Aid Students with Disabilities .....		[20,000]
430	MISSILE DEFENSE AGENCY .....	564,078	564,078
440	OFFICE OF THE LOCAL DEFENSE COMMUNITY COOPERATION .....	118,216	118,216
480	OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE—CYBER .....	92,176	92,176
490	OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE .....	2,676,416	2,628,173
	Bien Hoa dioxin cleanup .....		[15,000]
	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Nation-wide human health assessment .....		[5,000]
	Legacy Resource Management Program .....		[2,000]
	Program decrease .....		[-91,443]
	Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration program .....		[20,200]
	United States Telecommunications Training Institute .....		[1,000]
530	WASHINGTON HEADQUARTERS SERVICES .....	440,947	430,947
	Program decrease .....		[-10,000]
530A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	20,114,447	20,043,479
	Classified adjustment .....		[-70,968]
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>39,705,162</b>	<b>39,522,551</b>
<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>			
540	UNDISTRIBUTED .....		-15,000
	Historical unobligated balances .....		[-15,000]
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED .....</b>		<b>-15,000</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, DEFENSE-WIDE .....</b>	<b>52,767,563</b>	<b>52,533,728</b>

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<b>UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES</b>			
<b>ADMINISTRATION AND ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES</b>			
010	US COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES, DE- FENSE .....	16,620	16,620
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>16,620</b>	<b>16,620</b>
	<b>TOTAL UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES .....</b>	<b>16,620</b>	<b>16,620</b>
<b>DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ACQUISITION WORK- FORCE DEVELOPMENT FUND</b>			
<b>ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT</b>			
010	ACQ WORKFORCE DEV FD .....	54,977	54,977
	<b>SUBTOTAL ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVEL- OPMENT .....</b>	<b>54,977</b>	<b>54,977</b>
	<b>TOTAL DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ACQUI- SION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FUND .....</b>	<b>54,977</b>	<b>54,977</b>
<b>OVERSEAS HUMANITARIAN, DISASTER, AND CIVIC AID</b>			
<b>HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE</b>			
010	OVERSEAS HUMANITARIAN, DISASTER AND CIVIC AID .....	114,900	114,900
	<b>SUBTOTAL HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE .....</b>	<b>114,900</b>	<b>114,900</b>
	<b>TOTAL OVERSEAS HUMANITARIAN, DISASTER, AND CIVIC AID .....</b>	<b>114,900</b>	<b>114,900</b>
<b>COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION ACCOUNT</b>			
010	COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION .....	350,999	350,999
	<b>SUBTOTAL COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION</b>	<b>350,999</b>	<b>350,999</b>
	<b>TOTAL COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION ACCOUNT .....</b>	<b>350,999</b>	<b>350,999</b>
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, ARMY</b>			
<b>DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY</b>			
050	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, ARMY .....	198,760	198,760
	<b>SUBTOTAL DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY .....</b>	<b>198,760</b>	<b>198,760</b>
	<b>TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, ARMY .....</b>	<b>198,760</b>	<b>198,760</b>
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, NAVY</b>			
<b>DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY</b>			
060	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, NAVY .....	335,240	335,240
	<b>SUBTOTAL DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY .....</b>	<b>335,240</b>	<b>335,240</b>
	<b>TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, NAVY .....</b>	<b>335,240</b>	<b>335,240</b>
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, AIR FORCE</b>			
<b>DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE</b>			
070	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, AIR FORCE .....	349,744	349,744
	<b>SUBTOTAL DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE .....</b>	<b>349,744</b>	<b>349,744</b>
	<b>TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, AIR FORCE .....</b>	<b>349,744</b>	<b>349,744</b>
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, DEFENSE</b>			
<b>DEFENSE-WIDE</b>			
080	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, DEFENSE .....	8,965	8,965
	<b>SUBTOTAL DEFENSE-WIDE .....</b>	<b>8,965</b>	<b>8,965</b>
	<b>TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, DE- FENSE .....</b>	<b>8,965</b>	<b>8,965</b>

SEC. 4301. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Line	Item	FY 2024 Request	Conference Authorized
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, FORMERLY USED DEFENSE SITES</b>			
<b>DEFENSE-WIDE</b>			
090	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION FORMERLY USED SITES	232,806	232,806
	<b>SUBTOTAL DEFENSE-WIDE</b> .....	<b>232,806</b>	<b>232,806</b>
<b>TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, FORMERLY USED DEFENSE SITES</b> .....			
		<b>232,806</b>	<b>232,806</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATION &amp; MAINTENANCE</b> .....		<b>290,071,293</b>	<b>288,822,629</b>

1 **TITLE XLIV—MILITARY**  
 2 **PERSONNEL**  
 3 **SEC. 4401. MILITARY PERSONNEL.**

SEC. 4401. MILITARY PERSONNEL (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Item	FY 2024 Request	Conference Authorized	
Military Personnel Appropriations .....	168,320,510	166,211,649	
Air Force end strength underexecution .....		[-564,000]	
Air National Guard AGR end strength underexecution .....		[-33,000]	
Army, Underexecution of strength .....		[-787,901]	
Marine Corps Reserve, Underexecution of strength .....		[-24,315]	
Navy end strength underexecution .....		[-600,000]	
Navy Reserve, Projected underexecution .....		[-10,000]	
Unobligated balances .....		[-89,645]	
Medicare-Eligible Retiree Health Care Fund Contributions .....	10,553,456	10,553,456	
<b>TOTAL, Military Personnel</b> .....	<b>178,873,966</b>	<b>176,765,105</b>	

4 **TITLE XLV—OTHER**  
 5 **AUTHORIZATIONS**  
 6 **SEC. 4501. OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS.**

SEC. 4501. OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Program Title	FY 2024 Request	Conference Authorized	
<b>NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUND</b>			
DEFENSE STOCKPILE .....	7,629	7,629	
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUND</b> .....	<b>7,629</b>	<b>7,629</b>	
<b>WORKING CAPITAL FUND, ARMY</b>			
ARMY ARSENALS INITIATIVE .....	27,551	27,551	
ARMY SUPPLY MANAGEMENT .....	1,662	1,662	
<b>TOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, ARMY</b> .....	<b>29,213</b>	<b>29,213</b>	
<b>WORKING CAPITAL FUND, AIR FORCE</b>			
<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>			
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS .....	83,587	83,587	
<b>TOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, AIR FORCE</b> .....	<b>83,587</b>	<b>83,587</b>	
<b>WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DEFENSE-WIDE</b>			
DEFENSE AUTOMATION & PRODUCTION SERVICES .....	4	4	
ENERGY MANAGEMENT—DEFENSE .....	114,663	114,663	

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SEC. 4501. OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS (In Thousands of Dollars)		
Program Title	FY 2024 Request	Conference Authorized
<b>TOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DEFENSE-WIDE</b> .....	<b>114,667</b>	<b>114,667</b>
<b>WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DEFENSE COMMISSARY AGENCY</b>		
WORKING CAPITAL FUND—DECA .....	1,447,612	1,447,612
<b>TOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DEFENSE COMMISSARY AGENCY</b> .....	<b>1,447,612</b>	<b>1,447,612</b>
<b>CHEMICAL AGENTS AND MUNITIONS DESTRUCTION, DEFENSE</b>		
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE .....	89,284	89,284
RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION .....	1,002,560	1,002,560
<b>TOTAL CHEMICAL AGENTS AND MUNITIONS DESTRUCTION, DEFENSE</b> .....	<b>1,091,844</b>	<b>1,091,844</b>
<b>DRUG INTERDICTION AND COUNTER-DRUG ACTIVITIES, DEFENSE</b>		
COUNTER-NARCOTICS SUPPORT .....	643,848	648,848
Global Trader in the Office of Naval Intelligence Maritime Intelligence Support .....		[5,000]
DRUG DEMAND REDUCTION PROGRAM .....	134,313	136,813
Young Marines Program .....		[2,500]
NATIONAL GUARD COUNTER-DRUG PROGRAM .....	102,272	122,272
Program increase .....		[20,000]
NATIONAL GUARD COUNTER-DRUG SCHOOLS .....	5,993	10,993
Program increase .....		[5,000]
<b>TOTAL DRUG INTERDICTION AND COUNTER-DRUG ACTIVITIES, DEFENSE</b> .....	<b>886,426</b>	<b>918,926</b>
<b>OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL</b>		
OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL—O&M .....	518,919	518,919
OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL—CYBER .....	1,948	1,948
OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL—RDT&E .....	3,400	3,400
OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL—PROCUREMENT .....	1,098	1,098
<b>TOTAL OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL</b> .....	<b>525,365</b>	<b>525,365</b>
<b>DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM</b>		
IN-HOUSE CARE .....	10,044,342	9,950,353
Baseline adjustment .....		[-93,989]
PRIVATE SECTOR CARE .....	19,893,028	19,867,877
Unjustified growth .....		[-25,151]
CONSOLIDATED HEALTH SUPPORT .....	2,007,012	2,000,994
Historical underexecution .....		[-6,018]
INFORMATION MANAGEMENT .....	2,327,816	2,327,816
MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES .....	347,446	347,446
EDUCATION AND TRAINING .....	336,111	343,111
TriService Nursing Research Program .....		[7,000]
BASE OPERATIONS/COMMUNICATIONS .....	2,144,551	2,142,051
Historical underexecution .....		[-2,500]
R&D RESEARCH .....	40,311	50,311
Clinical study on treatment with psychedelic substances .....		[10,000]
R&D EXPLORATORY DEVELOPMENT .....	178,892	178,892
R&D ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT .....	327,040	327,040
R&D DEMONSTRATION/VALIDATION .....	172,351	172,351
R&D ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT .....	107,753	107,753
R&D MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT .....	87,096	87,096
R&D CAPABILITIES ENHANCEMENT .....	18,330	18,330
PROC INITIAL OUTFITTING .....	22,344	22,344
PROC REPLACEMENT & MODERNIZATION .....	238,435	238,435
PROC JOINT OPERATIONAL MEDICINE INFORMATION SYSTEM .....	29,537	29,537
PROC MILITARY HEALTH SYSTEM—DESKTOP TO DATACENTER .....	74,055	74,055
PROC DOD HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM MODERNIZATION .....	17,510	17,510
<b>TOTAL DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM</b> .....	<b>38,413,960</b>	<b>38,303,302</b>
<b>TOTAL OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS</b> .....	<b>42,600,303</b>	<b>42,522,145</b>

1 **TITLE XLVI—MILITARY**  
 2 **CONSTRUCTION**  
 3 **SEC. 4601. MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.**

SEC. 4601. MILITARY CONSTRUCTION (In Thousands of Dollars)				
Account	State/Country and Installation	Project Title	FY 2024 Request	Conference Authorized
<b>MILITARY CONSTRUCTION</b>				
<b>ARMY</b>				
	Alabama			
Army	Anniston Army Depot	ACCESS CONTROL POINT (P&D) .....	0	5,500
Army	Anniston Army Depot	COMPONENT REBUILD SHOP (P&D) .....	0	8,100
Army	Anniston Army Depot	OPEN STORAGE (P&D) .....	0	270
Army	Anniston Army Depot	VEHICLE PAINT SHOP (P&D) .....	0	2,900
Army	Fort Novosel	COST TO COMPLETE: ADV INDIVIDUAL TRAINING BARRACKS COMPLEX.	0	41,200
Army	Redstone Arsenal	SUBSTATION .....	50,000	50,000
	Alaska			
Army	Fort Wainwright	COST TO COMPLETE: ENLISTED UNACCOMPANIED PERS HSG.	34,000	34,000
Army	Fort Wainwright	SOLDIER PERFORMANCE READINESS CENTER (P&D).	0	7,900
	Florida			
Army	Camp Bull Simons	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER .....	0	0
	Georgia			
Army	Fort Eisenhower	CYBER INSTRUCTIONAL FACILITY (CLASSROOMS).	163,000	73,000
Army	Fort Moore	CAMP MERRILL AST BARRACKS (P&D) .....	0	1,320
Army	Fort Stewart/Hunter Army Airfield	COMBAT AVIATION BRIGADE GSAB HANGAR (P&D).	0	6,400
Army	Fort Stewart/Hunter Army Airfield	MILITARY INTELLIGENCE BATTALION HANGAR (P&D).	0	2,220
	Germany			
Army	Grafenwoehr	AUTOMATED MULTIPURPOSE MACHINE GUN RANGE.	10,400	10,400
Army	Hohenfels	SIMULATIONS CENTER .....	56,000	56,000
	Hawaii			
Army	Aliamamu Military Reservation	WATER STORAGE TANK .....	20,000	20,000
Army	Fort Shafter	CLEARWELL AND BOOSTER PUMP .....	0	23,000
Army	Helemano Military Reservation	WELLS AND STORAGE TANKS .....	0	33,000
Army	Schofield Barracks	ELEVATED TANK AND DISTRIBUTION LINES.	0	16,000
Army	Schofield Barracks	WATER STORAGE TANK .....	0	21,000
Army	Wheeler Army Airfield	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER (P&D) .....	0	5,400
	Indiana			
Army	Crane Army Ammunition Plant	EARTH COVERED MAGAZINES (P&D) .....	0	1,195
	Kansas			
Army	Fort Riley	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER (P&D) .....	0	1,600
Army	Fort Riley	AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGER .....	105,000	105,000
Army	Fort Riley	BOB DOLE INTERMODAL RAILYARD IMPROVEMENTS (P&D).	0	1,110
	Kentucky			
Army	Blue Grass Army Depot	SMALL ARMS MODERNIZATION (P&D) .....	0	3,300
Army	Fort Campbell	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER (P&D) .....	0	2,500
Army	Fort Campbell	MULTIPURPOSE TRAINING RANGE .....	38,000	39,000
	Kwajalein			
Army	Kwajalein Atoll	COST TO COMPLETE: PIER .....	0	0
	Louisiana			
Army	Fort Johnson	MULTIPURPOSE ATHLETIC FIELD .....	0	13,400
	Massachusetts			
Army	Soldier Systems Center Natick	BARRACKS ADDITION .....	18,500	18,500
	Michigan			
Army	Detroit Arsenal	GROUND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT BUILDING.	72,000	72,000
Army	Detroit Arsenal	MANNED/UNMANNED TACTICAL VEHICLE LAB (P&D).	0	2,400
	New Mexico			
Army	White Sands Missile Range	J-DETC DIRECTED ENERGY FACILITY (P&D).	0	5,500
	New York			
Army	Watervliet Arsenal	TANK FARM (P&D) .....	0	160

SEC. 4601. MILITARY CONSTRUCTION (In Thousands of Dollars)				
Account	State/Country and Installation	Project Title	FY 2024 Request	Conference Authorized
	North Carolina			
Army	Fort Liberty	AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR .....	0	61,000
Army	Fort Liberty	AUTOMATED RECORD FIRE RANGE .....	19,500	21,000
Army	Fort Liberty	BARRACKS .....	50,000	50,000
Army	Fort Liberty	BARRACKS (FACILITY PROTOTYPING) .....	85,000	85,000
Army	Fort Liberty	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER .....	0	36,000
	Oklahoma			
Army	McAlester Army Ammunition Plant	WATER TREATMENT PLANT (P&D) .....	0	1,194
	Pennsylvania			
Army	Letterkenny Army Depot	ANECHOIC CHAMBER (P&D) .....	0	275
Army	Letterkenny Army Depot	GUIDED MISSILE MAINTENANCE BUILDING .....	89,000	89,000
Army	Tobyhanna Army Depot	HELIPAD (P&D) .....	0	311
Army	Tobyhanna Army Depot	RADAR MAINTENANCE SHOP (P&D) .....	0	259
	Poland			
Army	Various Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN .....	0	25,710
	South Carolina			
Army	Fort Jackson	COST TO COMPLETE: RECEPTION BARRACKS COMPLEX, PHASE 2.	0	66,000
	Texas			
Army	Fort Bliss	COLLECTIVE TRAINING BARRACKS (P&D) ...	0	8,000
Army	Fort Bliss	RAIL YARD .....	74,000	74,000
Army	Fort Cavazos	BARRACKS (P&D) .....	0	20,000
Army	Fort Cavazos	TACTICAL EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE FACILITIES (P&D).	0	5,800
Army	Red River Army Depot	COMPONENT REBUILD SHOP .....	113,000	46,400
Army	Red River Army Depot	NON-DESTRUCTIVE TESTING FACILITY (P&D).	0	280
Army	Red River Army Depot	STANDBY GENERATOR (P&D) .....	0	270
	Virginia			
Army	Fort Belvoir	EQUINE TRAINING FACILITY (P&D) .....	0	4,000
	Washington			
Army	Joint Base Lewis-McChord	BARRACKS .....	100,000	100,000
Army	Joint Base Lewis-McChord	BARRACKS (P&D) .....	0	7,900
Army	Joint Base Lewis-McChord	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP (P&D) .....	0	7,500
Army	Yakima Training Center	AUTOMATED INFANTRY PLATOON BATTLE COURSE (P&D).	0	960
	Worldwide Unspecified Locations			
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	BARRACKS REPLACEMENT FUND (P&D) .....	0	65,000
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER PLANNING & DESIGN.	0	20,000
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	COST TO COMPLETE ARMY .....	0	0
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	HOST NATION SUPPORT .....	26,000	26,000
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	LAB INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING & DESIGN.	0	30,000
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	ORGANIC INDUSTRIAL BASE PLANNING & DESIGN.	0	5,000
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN .....	270,875	270,875
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.	76,280	86,280
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION DEMOLITION.	0	15,000
<b>Subtotal Military Construction, Army</b> .....			<b>1,470,555</b>	<b>1,912,289</b>
<b>NAVY</b>				
	Arizona			
Navy	Marine Corps Air Station Yuma	WATER TREATMENT PLANT (P&D) .....	0	8,900
	Australia			
Navy	Royal Australian Air Force Base Darwin	PDI: AIRCRAFT PARKING APRON (INC) .....	134,624	134,624
	California			
Navy	Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center Twentynine Palms	COMMUNICATIONS TOWERS .....	42,100	42,100

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Account	State/Country and Installation	Project Title	FY 2024 Request	Conference Authorized
Navy	Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton	FIRE/EMERGENCY RESPONSE STATION (53 AREA) REPLACEMENT (P&D).	0	2,683
Navy	Naval Base Coronado	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER (P&D) .....	0	6,200
Navy	Naval Base San Diego	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER (P&D) .....	0	5,600
Navy	Port Hueneeme	LABORATORY COMPOUND FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS.	110,000	70,000
	Connecticut			
Navy	Naval Submarine Base New London	SUBMARINE PIER 31 EXTENSION .....	112,518	36,718
Navy	Naval Submarine Base New London	WEAPONS MAGAZINE & ORDNANCE OPERATIONS FAC..	219,200	19,200
	District of Columbia			
Navy	Marine Barracks Washington (8th Street and I)	BACHELOR ENLISTED QUARTERS & SUPPORT FACILITY.	131,800	16,800
Navy	Naval Support Activity	ELECTROMAGNETIC & CYBER COUNTERMEASURES LAB (P&D).	0	40,000
	Djibouti			
Navy	Camp Lemonnier	ELECTRICAL POWER PLANT .....	0	25,000
	Florida			
Navy	Naval Air Station Whiting Field	ADVANCED HELICOPTER TRAINING SYSTEM HANGAR.	0	50,000
	Georgia			
Navy	Marine Corps Logistics Base Albany	CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATION FACILITY.	0	64,000
	Guam			
Navy	Andersen Air Force Base	PDI: CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER .....	105,220	55,220
Navy	Andersen Air Force Base	PDI: JOINT CONSOL. COMM. CENTER (INC)	107,000	107,000
Navy	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: JOINT COMMUNICATION UPGRADE (INC).	292,830	31,330
Navy	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: MISSILE INTEGRATION TEST FACILITY.	174,540	56,140
Navy	Naval Base Guam	PDI: 9TH ESB TRAINING COMPLEX .....	23,380	27,536
Navy	Naval Base Guam	PDI: ARTILLERY BATTERY FACILITIES .....	137,550	137,550
Navy	Naval Base Guam	PDI: CONSOLIDATED MEB HQ/NCIS PHH .....	19,740	19,740
Navy	Naval Base Guam	PDI: RECREATION CENTER .....	34,740	34,740
Navy	Naval Base Guam	PDI: RELIGIOUS MINISTRY SERVICES FACILITY.	46,350	46,350
Navy	Naval Base Guam	PDI: SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY (INC).	166,159	56,159
Navy	Naval Base Guam	PDI: TRAINING CENTER .....	89,640	89,640
	Hawaii			
Navy	Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam	DRY DOCK 3 REPLACEMENT (INC) .....	1,318,711	1,318,711
Navy	Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam	WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT .....	0	15,000
Navy	Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam	WATERFRONT PRODUCTION FACILITY (P&D).	0	60,000
Navy	Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay	WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY COMPLIANCE UPGRADE.	0	134,505
	Italy			
Navy	Naval Air Station Sigonella	EDI: ORDNANCE MAGAZINES .....	77,072	77,072
	Maine			
Navy	Portsmouth Naval Shipyard	MULTI-MISSION DRYDOCK #1 EXTENSION (INC).	544,808	544,808
	Maryland			
Navy	Fort Meade	CYBERSECURITY OPERATIONS FACILITY ....	186,480	60,580
Navy	Naval Air Station Patuxent River	AIRCRAFT DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE FACILITIES.	141,700	58,000
Navy	Naval Support Activity Bethesda	CONSTRUCT JOINT NAVY/DHA FIRE STATION (P&D).	0	3,000
	North Carolina			
Navy	Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point	2D LAAD MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS FACILITIES.	0	45,000
Navy	Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point	AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR (INC) ....	19,529	19,529
Navy	Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point	MAINTENANCE FACILITY & MARINE AIR GROUP HQS.	125,150	35,150
Navy	Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune	10TH MARINES MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS COMPLEX.	0	66,270
Navy	Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune	AMPHIBIOUS COMBAT VEHICLE SHELTERS	0	32,890
Navy	Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune	CORROSION REPAIR FACILITY REPLACEMENT.	0	45,000
	Pennsylvania			

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Navy	Naval Surface Warfare Center Philadelphia	AI MACHINERY CONTROL DEVELOPMENT CENTER.	0	65,200
Navy	Virginia Dam Neck Annex	MARITIME SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM FACILITY.	109,680	23,680
Navy	Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek—Fort Story	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER .....	35,000	57,000
Navy	Marine Corps Base Quantico	WATER TREATMENT PLANT .....	127,120	37,120
Navy	Naval Station Norfolk	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER .....	43,600	47,200
Navy	Naval Station Norfolk	MQ-25 AIRCRAFT LAYDOWN FACILITIES .....	114,495	11,495
Navy	Naval Station Norfolk	SUBMARINE PIER 3 (INC) .....	99,077	99,077
Navy	Naval Weapons Station Yorktown	WEAPONS MAGAZINES .....	221,920	46,920
Navy	Norfolk Naval Shipyard	DRY DOCK SALTWATER SYSTEM FOR CVN-78 (INC).	81,082	81,082
Navy	Washington Naval Air Station	E/A-18G AIRCRAFT REGIONAL SERVICE FACILITY (P&D).	0	11,100
Navy	Whidbey Island Naval Base Kitsap	ALTERNATE POWER TRANSMISSION LINE .....	0	19,000
Navy	Naval Base Kitsap	ARMORED FIGHTING VEHICLE SUPPORT FACILITY.	0	31,000
Navy	Naval Base Kitsap	SHIPYARD ELECTRICAL BACKBONE .....	195,000	15,000
Navy	Worldwide Unspecified Locations	BARRACKS REPLACEMENT FUND (P&D) .....	0	75,000
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	INDOPACOM PLANNING & DESIGN .....	0	69,000
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	SIOP (P&D) .....	0	50,000
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER PLANNING & DESIGN.	0	20,000
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	LAB INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING & DESIGN.	0	30,000
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	NAVY SHORE UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE (P&D).	0	85,000
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN .....	599,942	599,942
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.	34,430	44,430
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION DEMOLITION.	0	15,000
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	USMC MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PLANNING & DESIGN.	0	48,749
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	USMC UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.	0	30,000
<b>Subtotal Military Construction, Navy .....</b>			<b>6,022,187</b>	<b>5,310,740</b>
<b>AIR FORCE</b>				
Alaska				
Air Force	Eielson Air Force Base	COAL THAW SHED ADDITION (P&D) .....	0	1,500
Air Force	Eielson Air Force Base	CONSOLIDATED MUNITIONS COMPLEX (P&D).	0	1,200
Air Force	Eielson Air Force Base	FIRE STATION (P&D) .....	0	1,700
Air Force	Eielson Air Force Base	JOINT MOBILITY CENTER EXPANSION (P&D).	0	3,000
Air Force	Eielson Air Force Base	JOINT PACIFIC ALASKA RANGE COMPLEX (JPARC) OPS FACILITY (P&D).	0	1,400
Air Force	Eielson Air Force Base	PERMANENT PARTY DORM (P&D) .....	0	9,500
Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	COMBAT ALERT CELL (P&D) .....	0	18,100
Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	EXTEND RUNWAY 16/34 (INC 3) .....	107,500	107,500
Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	PRECISION GUIDED MISSILE COMPLEX (P&D).	0	6,100
Arizona				
Air Force	Luke Air Force Base	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER (P&D) .....	0	2,700
Air Force	Luke Air Force Base	GILA BEND (P&D) .....	0	2,600
Australia				
Air Force	Royal Australian Air Force Base Darwin	PDI: SQUADRON OPERATIONS FACILITY .....	26,000	26,000
Air Force	Royal Australian Air Force Base Tindal	PDI: AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE SUPPORT FACILITY.	17,500	17,500
Air Force	Royal Australian Air Force Base Tindal	PDI: SQUADRON OPERATIONS FACILITY .....	20,000	20,000
Air Force	Royal Australian Air Force Base Tindal	PDI: BOMBER APRON .....	93,000	93,000

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	Florida			
Air Force	Eglin Air Force Base	LRSO HARDWARE SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT & TEST FACILITY.	0	15,500
Air Force	MacDill Air Force Base	KC-46A ADAL AIRCRAFT CORROSION CONTROL.	25,000	25,000
Air Force	MacDill Air Force Base	KC-46A ADAL AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR.	27,000	27,000
Air Force	MacDill Air Force Base	KC-46A ADAL APRON & HYDRANT FUELING PITS.	61,000	61,000
Air Force	MacDill Air Force Base	KC-46A ADAL FUEL SYSTEM MAINTENANCE DOCK.	18,000	18,000
Air Force	Patrick Space Force Base	COMMERCIAL VEHICLE INSPECTION .....	15,000	15,000
Air Force	Patrick Space Force Base	COST TO COMPLETE: CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS CENTER.	15,000	15,000
Air Force	Patrick Space Force Base	FINAL DENIAL BARRIERS, SOUTH GATE .....	12,000	12,000
Air Force	Tyndall Air Force Base	NATURAL DISASTER RECOVERY .....	0	252,000
	Georgia			
Air Force	Robins Air Force Base	BATTLE MANAGEMENT COMBINED OPERATIONS COMPLEX.	115,000	35,000
	Guam			
Air Force	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: NORTH AIRCRAFT PARKING RAMP (INC).	109,000	109,000
	Japan			
Air Force	Kadena Air Base	PDI: HELO RESCUE OPS MAINTENANCE HANGAR (INC 3).	46,000	46,000
Air Force	Kadena Air Base	PDI: THEATER A/C CORROSION CONTROL CTR (INC).	42,000	42,000
	Louisiana			
Air Force	Barksdale Air Force Base	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER (P&D) .....	0	2,000
Air Force	Barksdale Air Force Base	DORMITORY (P&D) .....	0	7,000
Air Force	Barksdale Air Force Base	WEAPONS GENERATION FACILITY (INC 3) ..	112,000	112,000
	Mariana Islands			
Air Force	Timian	PDI: AIRFIELD DEVELOPMENT, PHASE 1 (INC 3).	26,000	26,000
Air Force	Timian	PDI: FUEL TANKS W/PIPELINE & HYDRANT (INC 3).	20,000	21,000
Air Force	Timian	PDI: PARKING APRON (INC 3) .....	32,000	32,000
	Massachusetts			
Air Force	Hanscom Air Force Base	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER .....	37,000	37,000
Air Force	Hanscom Air Force Base	MIT-LINCOLN LAB (WEST LAB CSL/MIF) (INC 4).	70,000	70,000
	Mississippi			
Air Force	Columbus Air Force Base	T-7A GROUND BASED TRAINING SYSTEM FACILITY.	30,000	30,000
Air Force	Columbus Air Force Base	T-7A UNIT MAINTENANCE TRAINING FACILITY.	9,500	9,500
Air Force	Keesler Air Force Base	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER (P&D) .....	0	2,000
	Montana			
Air Force	Malmstrom Air Force Base	FIRE STATION BAY/STORAGE AREA .....	0	10,300
	Nebraska			
Air Force	Offutt Air Force Base	55 CES MAINTENANCE/WAREHOUSE (P&D)	0	4,500
Air Force	Offutt Air Force Base	BASE OPERATIONS/MOBILITY CENTER (P&D).	0	5,000
Air Force	Offutt Air Force Base	LOGISTICS READINESS SQUADRON TRANSPORTATION FACILITY (P&D).	0	3,500
	Nevada			
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	DORMITORY (P&D) .....	0	7,500
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F-35 COALITION HANGAR (P&D) .....	0	5,500
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F-35 DATA LAB SUPPORT FACILITY (P&D) ..	0	700
	New Mexico			
Air Force	Cannon Air Force Base	SATELLITE FIRE STATION (P&D) .....	0	5,000
Air Force	Kirtland Air Force Base	COST TO COMPLETE: WYOMING GATE UPGRADE FOR ANTITERRORISM COMPLIANCE.	0	0
	Norway			
Air Force	Rygge Air Station	EDI: DABS-FEV STORAGE .....	88,000	96,000
Air Force	Rygge Air Station	EDI: MUNITIONS STORAGE AREA .....	31,000	40,000
	Ohio			
Air Force	Wright-Patterson Air Force Base	ACQUISITION MANAGEMENT COMPLEX PHASE V (P&D).	0	19,500
	Oklahoma			

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Air Force	Tinker Air Force Base	F-35 AIRCRAFT OXYGEN SHOP (P&D) .....	0	5,800
Air Force	Tinker Air Force Base	KC-46 3-BAY DEPOT MAINTENANCE HANGAR (INC 3).	78,000	58,000
Air Force	Vance Air Force Base	CONSOLIDATED UNDERGRADUATE PILOT TRAINING CENTER (P&D).	0	8,400
Air Force	Philippines Cesar Basa Air Base	PDI: TRANSIENT AIRCRAFT PARKING APRON.	35,000	35,000
Air Force	South Dakota Ellsworth Air Force Base	B-21 FUEL SYSTEM MAINTENANCE DOCK ..	75,000	75,000
Air Force	Ellsworth Air Force Base	B-21 PHASE HANGAR .....	160,000	34,000
Air Force	Ellsworth Air Force Base	B-21 WEAPONS GENERATION FACILITY (INC).	160,000	160,000
Air Force	Spain Morón Air Base	EDI: MUNITIONS STORAGE .....	26,000	34,000
Air Force	Texas Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland	91 CYBER OPERATIONS CENTER .....	0	48,000
Air Force	Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland	BMT - CHAPEL FOR AMERICA'S AIRMEN .....	0	90,000
Air Force	Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER .....	20,000	20,000
Air Force	United Kingdom Royal Air Force Fairford	COST TO COMPLETE: EDI DABS-FEV STORAGE.	0	28,000
Air Force	Royal Air Force Fairford	COST TO COMPLETE: EDI MUNITIONS HOLDING AREA.	0	20,000
Air Force	Royal Air Force Fairford	EDI: RADR STORAGE FACILITY .....	47,000	47,000
Air Force	Royal Air Force Lakenheath	EDI: RADR STORAGE FACILITY .....	28,000	28,000
Air Force	Royal Air Force Lakenheath	SURETY DORMITORY .....	50,000	50,000
Air Force	Utah Hill Air Force Base	F-35 T-7A EAST CAMPUS INFRASTRUCTURE.	82,000	82,000
Air Force	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	BARRACKS REPLACEMENT FUND (P&D) .....	0	65,000
Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER PLANNING & DESIGN.	0	20,000
Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	COST TO COMPLETE .....	0	0
Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	EDI: PLANNING & DESIGN .....	5,648	5,648
Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	LAB INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING & DESIGN.	0	30,000
Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN .....	429,266	429,266
Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.	64,900	74,900
Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION DEMOLITION.	0	15,000
Air Force	Wyoming F.E. Warren Air Force Base	COST TO COMPLETE: CONSOLIDATED HELO/TRF OPS/AMU AND ALERT FACILITY.	0	18,000
Air Force	F.E. Warren Air Force Base	GBSD INTEGRATED COMMAND CENTER (INC 2).	27,000	27,000
Air Force	F.E. Warren Air Force Base	GBSD INTEGRATED TRAINING CENTER .....	85,000	85,000
Air Force	F.E. Warren Air Force Base	GBSD MISSILE HANDLING COMPLEX (INC 2).	28,000	28,000
<b>Subtotal Military Construction, Air Force .....</b>			<b>2,605,314</b>	<b>3,151,314</b>
<b>DEFENSE-WIDE</b>				
Defense-Wide	Alabama Redstone Arsenal	GROUND TEST FACILITY INFRASTRUCTURE.	147,975	67,975
Defense-Wide	California Marine Corps Air Station Miramar	AMBULATORY CARE CENTER—DENTAL CLINIC ADD//ALT.	103,000	20,600
Defense-Wide	Marine Corps Air Station Miramar	ELECTRICAL INFRASTRUCTURE, ON-SITE GENERATION, AND MICROGRID IMPROVEMENTS.	0	30,550

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Defense-Wide	Monterey	COST TO COMPLETE: COGEN PLANT AT B236.	0	5,460
Defense-Wide	Naval Base Coronado	COST TO COMPLETE: SOF ATC OPERATIONS SUPPORT FACILITY.	0	11,400
Defense-Wide	Naval Base Coronado	SOF NAVAL SPECIAL WARFARE COMMAND OPERATIONS SUPPORT FACILITY PHASE 2.	0	51,000
Defense-Wide	Naval Base San Diego	AMBULATORY CARE CENTER—DENTAL CLINIC REPLMT.	101,644	22,184
Defense-Wide	Naval Base San Diego	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER .....	0	6,300
Defense-Wide	Naval Base Ventura County	COST TO COMPLETE: GROUND MOUNTED SOLAR PV.	0	16,840
Defense-Wide	Vandenberg Space Force Base	MICROGRID WITH BACKUP POWER .....	0	57,000
	Colorado			
Defense-Wide	Buckley Space Force Base	REDUNDANT ELECTRICAL SUPPLY .....	0	9,000
Defense-Wide	Buckley Space Force Base	REPLACEMENT WATER WELL .....	0	5,700
	Cuba			
Defense-Wide	Naval Station Guantanamo Bay	AMBULATORY CARE CENTER (INC 1) .....	60,000	60,000
	Delaware			
Defense-Wide	Dover Air Force Base	WHOLE BLOOD PROCESSING LABORATORY REPLACEMENT.	0	30,500
	Djibouti			
Defense-Wide	Camp Lemonnier	COST TO COMPLETE: ENHANCE ENERGY SECURITY AND CONTROL SYSTEMS.	0	5,200
	Georgia			
Defense-Wide	Fort Moore	DEXTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (P&D) .....	0	500
Defense-Wide	Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay	ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE 2.	0	49,500
	Germany			
Defense-Wide	Baumholder	HUMAN PERFORMANCE TRAINING CENTER	0	16,700
Defense-Wide	Baumholder	SOF COMPANY OPERATIONS FACILITY .....	41,000	41,000
Defense-Wide	Baumholder	SOF JOINT PARACHUTE RIGGING FACILITY	23,000	23,000
Defense-Wide	Kaiserslautern Air Base	KAISERSLAUTERN MIDDLE SCHOOL .....	21,275	21,275
Defense-Wide	Ramstein Air Base	RAMSTEIN MIDDLE SCHOOL .....	181,764	181,764
Defense-Wide	Rhine Ordnance Barracks	MEDICAL CENTER REPLACEMENT (INC 11)	77,210	77,210
Defense-Wide	Stuttgart	ROBINSON BARRACKS ELEM SCHOOL REPLACEMENT.	8,000	8,000
	Hawaii			
Defense-Wide	Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam	COST TO COMPLETE: FY20 500 KW PV COVERED PARKING EV CHARGING STATION.	0	7,476
Defense-Wide	Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam	COST TO COMPLETE: PRIMARY ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION.	0	13,040
	Honduras			
Defense-Wide	Soto Cano Air Base	FUEL FACILITIES .....	41,300	41,300
	Italy			
Defense-Wide	Naples	COST TO COMPLETE: SMART GRID .....	0	7,610
	Japan			
Defense-Wide	Fleet Activities Yokosuka	KINNICK HIGH SCHOOL (INC) .....	70,000	70,000
Defense-Wide	Kadena Air Base	PDI SOF MAINTENANCE HANGAR .....	88,900	88,900
Defense-Wide	Kadena Air Base	PDI: SOF COMPOSITE MAINTENANCE FACILITY.	11,400	11,400
	Kansas			
Defense-Wide	Forbes Field	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER .....	0	5,850
Defense-Wide	Fort Riley	COST TO COMPLETE: POWER GENERATION AND MICROGRID.	0	15,468
	Kentucky			
Defense-Wide	Fort Knox	MIDDLE SCHOOL ADDITION (P&D) .....	0	6,600
	Korea			
Defense-Wide	K-16 Air Base	K-16 EMERGENCY BACKUP POWER .....	0	5,650
	Kuwait			
Defense-Wide	Camp Arifjan	COST TO COMPLETE: POWER GENERATION AND MICROGRID.	0	8,197
Defense-Wide	Camp Buehring	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER .....	0	18,850
	Louisiana			
Defense-Wide	Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base New Orleans	COST TO COMPLETE: DISTRIBUTION SWITCHGEAR.	0	6,453
	Maryland			
Defense-Wide	Bethesda Naval Hospital	MEDICAL CENTER ADDITION/ALTERATION (INC 7).	101,816	101,816
Defense-Wide	Fort Meade	NSAW MISSION OPS AND RECORDS CENTER (INC).	105,000	105,000

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Defense-Wide	Fort Meade	NSAW RECAP BUILDING 4 (INC) .....	315,000	315,000
Defense-Wide	Fort Meade	NSAW RECAP BUILDING 5 (ECB 5) (INC) .....	65,000	65,000
Defense-Wide	Joint Base Andrews	HYDRANT FUELING SYSTEM .....	38,300	38,300
	Missouri			
Defense-Wide	Lake City Army Ammunition Plant	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER .....	0	80,100
	Montana			
Defense-Wide	Great Falls International Airport	FUEL FACILITIES .....	30,000	30,000
	Nebraska			
Defense-Wide	Offutt Air Force Base	DEFENSE POW/MIA ACCOUNTABILITY AGENCY LABORATORY (P&D).	0	5,000
Defense-Wide	Offutt Air Force Base	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER .....	0	41,000
	North Carolina			
Defense-Wide	Fort Liberty (Camp Mackall)	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER .....	0	10,500
Defense-Wide	Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune	MARINE RAIDER BATTALION OPERATIONS FACILITY.	0	70,000
	Oklahoma			
Defense-Wide	Fort Sill	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER .....	0	76,650
	Pennsylvania			
Defense-Wide	Fort Indiantown Gap	COST TO COMPLETE: GEOTHERMAL AND SOLAR PV.	0	9,250
	Puerto Rico			
Defense-Wide	Fort Buchanan	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER .....	0	56,000
Defense-Wide	Juana Díaz	COST TO COMPLETE: MICROGRID CONTROLS, 690 KW PV, 275KW GEN, 570 KWH BESS.	0	7,680
Defense-Wide	Ramey	COST TO COMPLETE: MICROGRID CONTROL SYSTEM, 460 KW PV, 275KW GEN, 660 KWH BESS.	0	6,360
	Spain			
Defense-Wide	Naval Station Rota	BULK TANK FARM, PHASE 1 .....	80,000	80,000
	Texas			
Defense-Wide	Fort Cavazos	COST TO COMPLETE: POWER GENERATION AND MICROGRID.	0	18,900
Defense-Wide	Fort Cavazos	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER .....	0	18,250
	Utah			
Defense-Wide	Hill Air Force Base	OPEN STORAGE .....	14,200	14,200
	Virginia			
Defense-Wide	Fort Belvoir	DLA HEADQUARTERS ANNEX .....	185,000	25,000
Defense-Wide	Fort Belvoir (NGA Campus East)	COST TO COMPLETE: CHILLED WATER REDUNDANCY.	0	550
Defense-Wide	Hampton Roads	COST TO COMPLETE: BACKUP POWER GENERATION.	0	1,200
Defense-Wide	Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek—Fort Story	SOF SDVT2 OPERATIONS SUPPORT FACILITY.	61,000	61,000
Defense-Wide	Pentagon	HVAC EFFICIENCY UPGRADES .....	0	2,250
Defense-Wide	Pentagon	SEC OPS AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS FACS ...	30,600	30,600
	Washington			
Defense-Wide	Joint Base Lewis-McChord	POWER GENERATION AND MICROGRID .....	0	49,850
Defense-Wide	Joint Base Lewis-McChord	SOF CONSOLIDATED RIGGING FACILITY .....	62,000	62,000
Defense-Wide	Manchester	BULK STORAGE TANKS, PHASE 2 .....	71,000	71,000
Defense-Wide	Naval Undersea Warfare Center Keyport	SOF COLD WATER TRAINING AUSTERE ENVIRONMENT FACILITY.	0	37,000
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	INDOPACOM MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PILOT PROGRAM.	0	150,000
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	INDOPACOM UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.	0	62,000
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	ENERGY RESILIENCE AND CONSERV. INVEST. PROG..	548,000	0
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	ERCIP PLANNING & DESIGN .....	86,250	101,250
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	EXERCISE RELATED MINOR CONSTRUCTION.	11,107	21,472
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (CYBERCOM) .....	30,215	30,215
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (DEFENSE-WIDE) .....	32,579	32,579
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (DHA) .....	49,610	49,610
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (DLA) .....	24,000	24,000
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (DODEA) .....	8,568	8,568

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Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (MDA) .....	1,035	21,035
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (NSA) .....	3,068	3,068
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (SOCOM) .....	25,130	25,130
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (TJS) .....	2,000	2,000
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (WHIS) .....	590	590
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION (DEFENSE-WIDE).	3,000	3,000
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION (SOCOM).	19,271	19,271
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION (DLA).	4,875	4,875
Defense-Wide	Wyoming F.E. Warren Air Force Base	MICROGRID AND BATTERY STORAGE .....	0	25,000
<b>Subtotal Military Construction, Defense-Wide .....</b>			<b>2,984,682</b>	<b>3,198,571</b>
<b>ARMY NATIONAL GUARD</b>				
Alabama				
Army National Guard	Fort McClellan	COST TO COMPLETE: ENLISTED BARRACKS, TT.	0	7,000
Army National Guard	Huntsville	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.	0	4,650
Arizona				
Army National Guard	Surprise Readiness Center	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER .....	15,000	15,000
Arkansas				
Army National Guard	Fort Chaffee	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.	0	610
California				
Army National Guard	Bakersfield	COST TO COMPLETE: VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP.	0	1,000
Army National Guard	Camp Roberts	COST TO COMPLETE: AUTOMATED MULTIPURPOSE MACHINE GUN (MPMG) RANGE.	0	5,000
Colorado				
Army National Guard	Peterson Space Force Base	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.	0	3,000
Connecticut				
Army National Guard	Putnam	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.	0	6,125
Florida				
Army National Guard	Camp Blanding	MULTIPURPOSE MACHINE GUN RANGE .....	0	11,000
Army National Guard	Camp Blanding	TRAINING AIDS CENTER (P&D) .....	0	1,200
Army National Guard	Camp Blanding	WEDGE INFANTRY SQUAD BATTLE COURSE (P&D).	0	840
Guam				
Army National Guard	Barrigada	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.	0	6,900
Idaho				
Army National Guard	Jerome County Regional Site	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.	0	1,250
Army National Guard	Jerome County Regional Site	NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP.	17,000	17,000
Illinois				
Army National Guard	Bloomington	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP.	0	5,250
Army National Guard	Chicago, Jones Armory	GENERAL JONES NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER ALTERATION (P&D).	0	5,000
Army National Guard	North Riverside Armory	NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP.	24,000	24,000
Army National Guard	Peoria	READINESS CENTER (P&D) .....	0	2,400
Indiana				
Army National Guard	Shelbyville	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER ADD/ALT.	0	5,000
Kansas				
Army National Guard	Topeka	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD/RESERVE CENTER BUILDING.	0	5,856
Kentucky				
Army National Guard	Burlington	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP .....	0	16,400

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Army National Guard	Frankfort	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD/RESERVE CENTER BUILDING.	0	2,000
	Louisiana			
Army National Guard	Camp Beauregard	COLLECTIVE TRAINING UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING OPEN-BAY (P&D).	0	2,400
Army National Guard	Camp Beauregard	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.	0	2,000
Army National Guard	Camp Minden	COST TO COMPLETE: COLLECTIVE TRAINING UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING, OPEN BAY.	0	3,718
	Maine			
Army National Guard	Northern Maine Range Complex	AUTOMATED MULTIPURPOSE MACHINE GUN RANGE (P&D).	0	2,800
Army National Guard	Saco	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP.	0	7,420
	Massachusetts			
Army National Guard	Camp Edwards	COST TO COMPLETE: AUTOMATED MULTIPURPOSE MACHINE GUN (MPMG) RANGE.	0	0
	Minnesota			
Army National Guard	Camp Ripley	ACCESS CONTROL FACILITY (P&D) .....	0	1,530
	Mississippi			
Army National Guard	Camp Shelby	CAMP SHELBY JFTC RAILHEAD EXPANSION (P&D).	0	2,200
Army National Guard	Camp Shelby	COST TO COMPLETE: MANEUVER AREA TRAINING EQUIPMENT SITE ADDITION.	0	5,425
Army National Guard	Meridian	ARMY AVIATION SUPPORT FACILITY 3 (P&D).	0	2,160
Army National Guard	Southaven Readiness Center	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER .....	0	33,000
	Missouri			
Army National Guard	Bellefontaine	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER .....	28,000	28,000
	Nebraska			
Army National Guard	Bellevue	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.	0	9,090
Army National Guard	Greenlief Training Site	COLLECTIVE TRAINING UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING OPEN-BAY (P&D).	0	1,200
Army National Guard	Mead Training Site	COST TO COMPLETE: COLLECTIVE TRAINING UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING, OPEN BAY.	0	1,913
Army National Guard	North Platte	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP.	0	400
	Nevada			
Army National Guard	Floyd Edsall Training Center	COMBINED SUPPORT MAINTENANCE SHOP (P&D).	0	2,700
Army National Guard	Floyd Edsall Training Center	GENERAL INSTRUCTION FACILITY (P&D) ....	0	5,490
Army National Guard	Harry Reid Training Center	READY BUILDING (P&D) .....	0	590
	New Hampshire			
Army National Guard	Concord	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.	0	200
Army National Guard	Littleton	NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP ADDITION.	23,000	23,000
	New Jersey			
Army National Guard	Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.	0	605
Army National Guard	Newark	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER (P&D).	0	1,900
	New Mexico			
Army National Guard	Rio Rancho Training Site	NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP ADDITION.	11,000	11,000
	New York			
Army National Guard	Lexington Avenue Armory	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER ADDITION/ALTERATION.	0	70,000
	North Carolina			
Army National Guard	Salisbury	ARMY AVIATION SUPPORT FACILITIES (P&D).	0	2,200
	North Dakota			
Army National Guard	Camp Grafton	INSTITUTIONAL POST-INITIAL MILITARY TRAINING, UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING (P&D).	0	1,950
Army National Guard	Dickinson	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.	0	5,425
	Ohio			
Army National Guard	Camp Perry Joint Training Center	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER .....	19,200	19,200

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Army National Guard	Columbus	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.	0	4,000
Army National Guard	Oklahoma Ardmore	COST TO COMPLETE: VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP.	0	400
Army National Guard	Shawnee Readiness Center	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER (P&D).	0	1,800
Army National Guard	Oregon Washington County Readiness Center	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER .....	26,000	26,000
Army National Guard	Pennsylvania Fort Indiantown Gap	AUTOMATED MULTIPURPOSE MACHINE GUN RANGE (P&D).	0	1,550
Army National Guard	Hermitage Readiness Center	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER .....	13,600	13,600
Army National Guard	Moon Township	COST TO COMPLETE: COMBINED SUPPORT MAINTENANCE SHOP.	0	3,100
Army National Guard	Puerto Rico Fort Allen	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.	0	3,677
Army National Guard	Rhode Island Camp Fogarty Training Site	COLLECTIVE TRAINING UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING OPEN-BAY (P&D).	0	1,990
Army National Guard	Quonset Point	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER .....	0	41,000
Army National Guard	South Carolina Aiken County Readiness Center	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER .....	20,000	20,000
Army National Guard	Joint Base Charleston	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.	0	4,373
Army National Guard	McCrady Training Center	AUTOMATED MULTIPURPOSE MACHINE GUN RANGE.	7,900	7,900
Army National Guard	South Dakota Sioux Falls	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.	0	5,250
Army National Guard	Tennessee Campbell Army Air Field	ARMY AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWERS (P&D).	0	2,500
Army National Guard	McMinnville	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.	0	500
Army National Guard	Texas Fort Cavazos	GENERAL PURPOSE INSTRUCTION BUILDING (P&D).	0	2,685
Army National Guard	Fort Worth	COST TO COMPLETE: AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR ADD/ALT.	0	6,489
Army National Guard	Fort Worth	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP.	0	381
Army National Guard	Utah Camp Williams	COLLECTIVE TRAINING UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING, SENIOR NCO AND OFFICER (P&D).	0	2,875
Army National Guard	Vermont Bennington	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER.	0	3,415
Army National Guard	Virgin Islands St. Croix	COST TO COMPLETE: ARMY AVIATION SUPPORT FACILITY.	0	4,200
Army National Guard	St. Croix	COST TO COMPLETE: READY BUILDING .....	0	1,710
Army National Guard	Virginia Sandston Re & FMS 1	AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR .....	20,000	20,000
Army National Guard	Troutville	COST TO COMPLETE: COMBINED SUPPORT MAINTENANCE SHOP ADDITION.	0	2,415
Army National Guard	Troutville	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER ADDITION.	0	2,135
Army National Guard	Washington Camp Murray	NATIONAL GUARD/RESERVE CENTER (P&D)	0	3,600
Army National Guard	West Virginia Bluefield	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER (P&D).	0	1,950
Army National Guard	Charleston	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER (P&D).	0	4,800
Army National Guard	Parkersburg	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER (P&D).	0	3,300
	Wisconsin			

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Army National Guard	Viroqua	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER .....	18,200	18,200
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Army National Guard	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	COST TO COMPLETE ARMY NATIONAL GUARD.	0	0
Army National Guard	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN .....	34,286	34,286
Army National Guard	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.	63,000	73,000
Army National Guard	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION DEMOLITION.	0	15,000
<b>Subtotal Military Construction, Army National Guard .....</b>			<b>340,186</b>	<b>732,078</b>
<b>ARMY RESERVE</b>				
	Alabama			
Army Reserve	Birmingham	ARMY RESERVE CENTER/AMSA/LAND .....	57,000	57,000
	Arizona			
Army Reserve	San Tan Valley	AREA MAINTENANCE SUPPORT ACTIVITY ...	12,000	17,000
	California			
Army Reserve	Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton	COST TO COMPLETE: AREA MAINTENANCE SUPPORT ACTIVITY.	0	3,000
Army Reserve	Fort Hunter Liggett	NETWORK ENTERPRISE CENTER .....	0	40,000
	Florida			
Army Reserve	Perrine	COST TO COMPLETE: ARMY RESERVE CENTER.	0	3,000
	Georgia			
Army Reserve	Marine Corps Logistics Base Albany	ARMY RESERVE CENTER .....	0	40,000
	North Carolina			
Army Reserve	Asheville	COST TO COMPLETE: ARMY RESERVE CENTER.	0	12,000
	Ohio			
Army Reserve	Wright Patterson Air Force Base	COST TO COMPLETE: ARMY RESERVE CENTER.	0	5,000
	Virginia			
Army Reserve	Richmond	ARMY RESERVE CENTER (P&D) .....	0	4,000
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Army Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	COST TO COMPLETE ARMY RESERVE .....	0	0
Army Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN .....	23,389	23,389
Army Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.	14,687	24,687
Army Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION DEMOLITION.	0	5,000
<b>Subtotal Military Construction, Army Reserve .....</b>			<b>107,076</b>	<b>234,076</b>
<b>NAVY RESERVE &amp; MARINE CORPS RESERVE</b>				
	Michigan			
Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve	Naval Reserve Center Battle Creek	ORGANIC SUPPLY FACILITIES .....	24,549	24,549
	Virginia			
Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve	Marine Forces Reserve Dam Neck Virginia Beach	G/ATOR SUPPORT FACILITIES .....	12,400	12,400
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MCNR PLANNING & DESIGN .....	6,495	6,495
Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MCNR UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.	7,847	17,847
Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION DEMOLITION.	0	5,000
<b>Subtotal Military Construction, Navy Reserve &amp; Marine Corps Reserve .....</b>			<b>51,291</b>	<b>66,291</b>
<b>AIR NATIONAL GUARD</b>				
	Alabama			
Air National Guard	Montgomery Regional Airport	F-35 ADAL SQ OPS BLDG 1303 .....	7,000	7,000
	Alaska			
Air National Guard	Eielson Air Force Base	AMC STANDARD DUAL BAY HANGAR (P&D)	0	5,000

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Air National Guard	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	ADAL ALERT CREW FACILITY HGR 18 .....	0	7,000
Air National Guard	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	HC-130J SIMULATOR FACILITY (P&D) .....	0	2,000
Arizona				
Air National Guard	Tucson International Airport	MCCA: AIRCRAFT ARRESTING SYSTEM (NEW RWY).	11,600	11,600
Arkansas				
Air National Guard	Ebbing Air National Guard Base	3-BAY HANGAR .....	0	54,000
Air National Guard	Ebbing Air National Guard Base	AIRCREW FLIGHT EQUIPMENT/STEP .....	0	0
Air National Guard	Ebbing Air National Guard Base	SPECIAL ACCESS PROGRAM FACILITY .....	0	21,989
Colorado				
Air National Guard	Buckley Space Force Base	AIRCRAFT CORROSION CONTROL .....	12,000	12,000
Florida				
Air National Guard	Jacksonville International Airport	F-35 MUNITIONS STORAGE AREA ADMIN (P&D).	0	600
Indiana				
Air National Guard	Fort Wayne International Airport	FIRE STATION .....	8,900	8,900
Maine				
Air National Guard	Bangor International Airport	REPAIR HANGAR ACCESS APRON (LIGHT DUTY RAMP) (P&D).	0	1,450
Air National Guard	Bangor International Airport	REPAIR WHISKEY APRON (P&D) .....	0	704
Mississippi				
Air National Guard	Jackson International Airport	COST TO COMPLETE: 172ND AIRLIFT WING FIRE/CRASH RESCUE STATION.	0	8,000
Missouri				
Air National Guard	Rosecrans Air National Guard Base	139TH AIRLIFT WING ENTRY CONTROL POINT (P&D).	0	2,000
Air National Guard	Rosecrans Air National Guard Base	ENTRY CONTROL POINT (P&D) .....	0	0
New Jersey				
Air National Guard	Atlantic City International Airport	CONSOLIDATED DINING, SERVICES, AND FITNESS CENTER (P&D).	0	2,000
Air National Guard	Atlantic City International Airport	F-16 MISSION TRAINING CENTER (P&D) .....	0	1,100
Oregon				
Air National Guard	Portland International Airport	SPECIAL TACTICS COMPLEX, PHASE 1 .....	22,000	23,000
Air National Guard	Portland International Airport	SPECIAL TACTICS COMPLEX, PHASE 2 .....	18,500	21,000
Air National Guard	Portland International Airport	SPECIAL TACTICS COMPLEX, PHASE 3 .....	0	24,000
Air National Guard	Portland International Airport	SPECIAL TACTICS COMPLEX, PHASE 4 .....	0	11,000
Pennsylvania				
Air National Guard	Harrisburg International Airport	ENTRY CONTROL FACILITY .....	0	8,000
Wisconsin				
Air National Guard	Truax Field	F-35: MM&I FAC, B701 .....	0	5,200
Air National Guard	Volk Air National Guard Base	FIRE/CRASH RESCUE STATION (P&D) .....	0	0
Worldwide Unspecified				
Air National Guard	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN .....	35,600	35,600
Air National Guard	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.	63,122	73,122
Air National Guard	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION DEMOLITION.	0	15,000
<b>Subtotal Military Construction, Air National Guard .....</b>			<b>178,722</b>	<b>361,265</b>
<b>AIR FORCE RESERVE</b>				
Arizona				
Air Force Reserve	Davis-Monthan Air Force Base	GUARDIAN ANGEL POTFF FACILITY .....	0	8,500
California				
Air Force Reserve	March Air Reserve Base	KC-46 ADD/ALTER B1244 FUT/CARGO PALLET STORAGE.	17,000	17,000
Air Force Reserve	March Air Reserve Base	KC-46 ADD/ALTER B6000 SIMULATOR FACILITY.	8,500	8,500
Air Force Reserve	March Air Reserve Base	KC-46 TWO BAY MAINTENANCE/FUEL HANGAR.	201,000	201,000

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	Georgia			
Air Force Reserve	Dobbins Air Reserve Base	SECURITY FORCES FACILITY .....	0	22,000
	Guam			
Air Force Reserve	Joint Region Marianas	AERIAL PORT FACILITY .....	27,000	27,000
	Louisiana			
Air Force Reserve	Barksdale Air Force Base	307 BW MEDICAL FACILITY ADDITION .....	0	7,000
	Ohio			
Air Force Reserve	Youngstown Air Reserve Station	FIRE STATION (P&D) .....	0	2,500
	Texas			
Air Force Reserve	Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort Worth	LRS WAREHOUSE .....	16,000	16,000
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Air Force Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN .....	12,146	12,146
Air Force Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.	9,926	19,926
Air Force Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION DEMOLITION.	0	5,000
<b>Subtotal Military Construction, Air Force Reserve .....</b>			<b>291,572</b>	<b>346,572</b>
<b>NATO SECURITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM</b>				
	Worldwide Unspecified			
NATO	NATO Security Investment Program	NATO SECURITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM ...	293,434	343,434
<b>Subtotal NATO Security Investment Program .....</b>			<b>293,434</b>	<b>343,434</b>
<b>TOTAL MILITARY CONSTRUCTION .....</b>			<b>14,345,019</b>	<b>15,656,630</b>
<b>FAMILY HOUSING</b>				
<b>FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, ARMY</b>				
	Georgia			
Fam Hsg Con, Army	Fort Eisenhower	FORT EISENHOWER MHPI EQUITY INVESTMENT.	50,000	50,000
	Germany			
Fam Hsg Con, Army	Baumholder	FAMILY HOUSING NEW CONSTRUCTION .....	78,746	90,135
	Kwajalein			
Fam Hsg Con, Army	Kwajalein Atoll	FAMILY HOUSING REPLACEMENT CONSTRUCTION.	98,600	98,600
	Missouri			
Fam Hsg Con, Army	Fort Leonard Wood	FORT LEONARD WOOD MHPI EQUITY INVESTMENT.	50,000	50,000
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Fam Hsg Con, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FAMILY HOUSING P&D .....	27,549	27,549
<b>Subtotal Family Housing Construction, Army .....</b>			<b>304,895</b>	<b>316,284</b>
<b>FAMILY HOUSING O&amp;M, ARMY</b>				
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FURNISHINGS .....	12,121	12,121
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	HOUSING PRIVATIZATION SUPPORT .....	86,019	86,019
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	LEASING .....	112,976	112,976
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MAINTENANCE .....	86,706	86,706
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MANAGEMENT .....	41,121	41,121
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MISCELLANEOUS .....	554	554
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	SERVICES .....	7,037	7,037
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UTILITIES .....	38,951	38,951
<b>Subtotal Family Housing Operation And Maintenance, Army .....</b>			<b>385,485</b>	<b>385,485</b>
<b>FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, NAVY &amp; MARINE CORPS</b>				
	Guam			

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Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Joint Region Marianas	REPLACE ANDERSEN HOUSING (AF), PHASE 7.			83,126	83,126
Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Joint Region Marianas	REPLACE ANDERSEN HOUSING, PHASE 8 ...			121,906	121,906
Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN, WASHINGTON DC .....			4,782	4,782
Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	IMPROVEMENTS, WASHINGTON DC .....			57,740	57,740
Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	USMC DPRI/GUAM PLANNING & DESIGN .....			9,588	9,588
<b>Subtotal Family Housing Construction, Navy &amp; Marine Corps .....</b>					<b>277,142</b>	<b>277,142</b>
<b>FAMILY HOUSING O&amp;M, NAVY &amp; MARINE CORPS</b>						
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FURNISHINGS .....			17,744	17,744
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	HOUSING PRIVATIZATION SUPPORT .....			65,655	65,655
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	LEASING .....			60,214	60,214
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MAINTENANCE .....			101,356	101,356
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MANAGEMENT .....			61,896	61,896
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MISCELLANEOUS .....			419	419
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	SERVICES .....			13,250	13,250
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UTILITIES .....			43,320	43,320
<b>Subtotal Family Housing Operation &amp; Maintenance, Navy &amp; Marine Corps</b>					<b>363,854</b>	<b>363,854</b>
<b>FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE</b>						
Fam Hsg Con, Air Force	Alabama Maxwell Air Force Base	MHPI RESTRUCTURE-AETC GROUP II .....			65,000	65,000
Fam Hsg Con, Air Force	Colorado U.S. Air Force Academy	CONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENT—CARLTON HOUSE.			9,282	9,282
Fam Hsg Con, Air Force	Hawaii Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam	MHPI RESTRUCTURE-JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM.			75,000	75,000
Fam Hsg Con, Air Force	Japan Yokota Air Base	IMPROVE FAMILY HOUSING PAIP 9, PHASE 1 (24 UNITS).			0	27,000
Fam Hsg Con, Air Force	Mississippi Keesler Air Force Base	MHPI RESTRUCTURE-SOUTHERN GROUP .....			80,000	80,000
Fam Hsg Con, Air Force	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN .....			7,815	7,815
<b>Subtotal Family Housing Construction, Air Force .....</b>					<b>237,097</b>	<b>264,097</b>
<b>FAMILY HOUSING O&amp;M, AIR FORCE</b>						
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FURNISHINGS .....			12,884	23,884
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	HOUSING PRIVATIZATION SUPPORT .....			31,803	31,803
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	LEASING .....			5,143	5,143

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Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MAINTENANCE .....	135,410	124,410
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MANAGEMENT .....	68,023	68,023
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MISCELLANEOUS .....	2,377	2,377
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	SERVICES .....	10,692	10,692
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UTILITIES .....	48,054	48,054
<b>Subtotal Family Housing Operation And Maintenance, Air Force .....</b>			<b>314,386</b>	<b>314,386</b>
<b>FAMILY HOUSING O&amp;M, DEFENSE-WIDE</b>				
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified Locations	FURNISHINGS .....	673	673
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FURNISHINGS .....	89	89
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	LEASING .....	32,042	32,042
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	LEASING .....	13,658	13,658
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MAINTENANCE .....	35	35
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UTILITIES .....	4,273	4,273
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UTILITIES .....	15	15
<b>Subtotal Family Housing Operation And Maintenance, Defense-Wide .....</b>			<b>50,785</b>	<b>50,785</b>
<b>FAMILY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND</b>				
Family Housing Improvement Fund	Worldwide Unspecified Locations	ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES—FHIF .....	6,611	6,611
<b>Subtotal Family Housing Improvement Fund .....</b>			<b>6,611</b>	<b>6,611</b>
<b>UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND</b>				
Unaccompanied Housing Improvement Fund	Worldwide Unspecified Locations	ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES—UHIF .....	496	496
<b>Subtotal Unaccompanied Housing Improvement Fund .....</b>			<b>496</b>	<b>496</b>
<b>TOTAL FAMILY HOUSING .....</b>			<b>1,940,751</b>	<b>1,979,140</b>
<b>DEFENSE BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE, ARMY</b>				
BRAC, Army	Worldwide Unspecified Locations	BASE REALIGNMENT & CLOSURE .....	150,640	200,640
<b>Subtotal Base Realignment and Closure—Army .....</b>			<b>150,640</b>	<b>200,640</b>
<b>BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE, NAVY</b>				
BRAC, Navy	Worldwide Unspecified Locations	BASE REALIGNMENT & CLOSURE .....	108,818	158,818
<b>Subtotal Base Realignment and Closure—Navy .....</b>			<b>108,818</b>	<b>158,818</b>
<b>BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE, AIR FORCE</b>				
BRAC, Air Force	Worldwide Unspecified Locations	BASE REALIGNMENT & CLOSURE .....	123,990	173,990
<b>Subtotal Base Realignment and Closure—Air Force .....</b>			<b>123,990</b>	<b>173,990</b>
<b>BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE, DEFENSE-WIDE</b>				
BRAC, Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified Locations	INT-4; DLA ACTIVITIES .....	5,726	5,726
<b>Subtotal Base Realignment and Closure—Defense-Wide .....</b>			<b>5,726</b>	<b>5,726</b>

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TOTAL DEFENSE BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE .....			389,174	539,174
TOTAL MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, FAMILY HOUSING, AND BRAC .....			16,674,944	18,174,944

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<b>Discretionary Summary by Appropriation</b>			
<b>Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies</b>			
<b>Appropriation Summary:</b>			
<b>Energy Programs</b>			
Nuclear Energy .....		177,733	160,000
<b>Atomic Energy Defense Activities</b>			
<b>National Nuclear Security Administration:</b>			
Weapons Activities .....		18,832,947	19,121,676
Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation .....		2,508,959	2,444,252
Naval Reactors .....		1,964,100	1,964,100
Federal Salaries and Expenses .....		538,994	518,994
<b>Total, National Nuclear Security Administration .....</b>		<b>23,845,000</b>	<b>24,049,022</b>
Defense Environmental Cleanup .....		7,073,587	7,043,763
Defense Uranium Enrichment D&D .....		427,000	0
Other Defense Activities .....		1,075,197	1,075,197
<b>Total, Atomic Energy Defense Activities .....</b>		<b>32,420,784</b>	<b>32,167,982</b>
<b>Total, Discretionary Funding .....</b>		<b>32,598,517</b>	<b>32,327,982</b>
<b>Nuclear Energy</b>			
Safeguards and security .....		177,733	160,000
Program decrease .....			[-17,733]
<b>Total, Nuclear Energy .....</b>		<b>177,733</b>	<b>160,000</b>
<b>National Nuclear Security Administration</b>			
<b>Weapons Activities</b>			
<b>Stockpile management</b>			
<b>Stockpile major modernization</b>			
B61 Life extension program .....		449,850	449,850
W88 Alteration program .....		178,823	178,823
W80-4 Life extension program .....		1,009,929	1,009,929
W80-4 ALT Nuclear-armed sea-launched cruise missile .....		0	70,000
Program increase .....			[70,000]
W87-1 Modification Program .....		1,068,909	1,068,909
W93 .....		389,656	389,656
B61-13 .....		52,000	52,000
<b>Subtotal, Stockpile major modernization .....</b>		<b>3,097,167</b>	<b>3,219,167</b>
Stockpile sustainment .....		1,276,578	1,276,578
Weapons dismantlement and disposition .....		53,718	53,718

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Program	FY 2024 Request	Conference Authorized
Production operations .....	710,822	710,822
Nuclear enterprise assurance .....	66,614	66,614
<b>Total, Stockpile management .....</b>	<b>5,256,899</b>	<b>5,326,899</b>
<b>Production Modernization</b>		
<b>Primary Capability Modernization</b>		
<b>Plutonium Modernization</b>		
<b>Los Alamos Plutonium Modernization</b>		
Los Alamos Plutonium Operations .....	833,100	833,100
21-D-512 Plutonium Pit Production Project, LANL .....	670,000	670,000
15-D-302 TA-55 Reinvestments Project, Phase 3, LANL .....	30,000	30,000
07-D-220-04 Transuranic Liquid Waste Facility, LANL .....	0	0
04-D-125 Chemistry and Metallurgy Research Replacement Project, LANL .....	227,122	227,122
<b>Subtotal, Los Alamos Plutonium Modernization .....</b>	<b>1,760,222</b>	<b>1,760,222</b>
<b>Savannah River Plutonium Modernization</b>		
Savannah River Plutonium Operations .....	62,764	62,764
21-D-511 Savannah River Plutonium Processing Facility, SRS .....	858,235	1,000,235
Program increase .....		[142,000]
<b>Subtotal, Savannah River Plutonium Modernization .....</b>	<b>920,999</b>	<b>1,062,999</b>
Enterprise Plutonium Support .....	87,779	87,779
<b>Total, Plutonium Modernization .....</b>	<b>2,769,000</b>	<b>2,911,000</b>
<b>High Explosives &amp; Energetics</b>		
High Explosives & Energetics .....	93,558	93,558
23-D-516 Energetic Materials Characterization Facility, LANL .....	0	0
21-D-510 HE Synthesis, Formulation, and Production, PX .....	0	80,000
Program increase .....		[80,000]
15-D-301 HE Science & Engineering Facility, PX .....	101,356	101,356
<b>Subtotal, High Explosives &amp; Energetics .....</b>	<b>194,914</b>	<b>274,914</b>
<b>Total, Primary Capability Modernization .....</b>	<b>2,963,914</b>	<b>3,185,914</b>
<b>Secondary Capability Modernization</b>		
Secondary Capability Modernization .....	666,914	666,914
18-D-690 Lithium Processing Facility, Y-12 .....	210,770	210,770
06-D-141 Uranium Processing Facility, Y-12 .....	760,000	760,000
<b>Total, Secondary Capability Modernization .....</b>	<b>1,637,684</b>	<b>1,637,684</b>
<b>Tritium and Domestic Uranium Enrichment</b>		
Tritium and Domestic Uranium Enrichment .....	592,992	592,992
18-D-650 Tritium Finishing Facility, SRS .....	0	37,000
Program increase .....		[37,000]
<b>Total, Tritium and Domestic Uranium Enrichment .....</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>629,992</b>
<b>Non-Nuclear Capability Modernization</b>		
Non-Nuclear Capability Modernization .....	166,990	166,990
22-D-513 Power Sources Capability, SNL .....	37,886	37,886
<b>Total, Non-Nuclear Capability Modernization .....</b>	<b>204,876</b>	<b>204,876</b>
Capability Based Investments .....	156,462	156,462
<b>Total, Production Modernization .....</b>	<b>5,555,928</b>	<b>5,814,928</b>
<b>Stockpile research, technology, and engineering</b>		
<b>Assessment Science</b>		
Assessment Science .....	917,751	917,751
17-D-640 U1a Complex Enhancements Project, NNSS .....	126,570	126,570
<b>Total, Assessment Science .....</b>	<b>1,044,321</b>	<b>1,044,321</b>
Engineering and integrated assessments .....	440,456	440,456
Inertial confinement fusion .....	601,650	641,650
Program increase .....		[40,000]
Advanced simulation and computing .....	782,472	782,472
Weapon technology and manufacturing maturation .....	327,745	307,745
Program decrease .....		[-20,000]
Academic programs .....	152,271	112,000
Community Capacity Building Program .....		[-30,000]
Program decrease .....		[-10,271]
<b>Total, Stockpile research, technology, and engineering .....</b>	<b>3,348,915</b>	<b>3,328,644</b>
<b>Infrastructure and operations</b>		
<b>Operating</b>		
Operations of facilities .....	1,053,000	1,053,000

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<b>SEC. 4701. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY NATIONAL SECURITY PROGRAMS</b> (In Thousands of Dollars)		
Program	FY 2024 Request	Conference Authorized
Safety and Environmental Operations .....	139,114	139,114
Maintenance and Repair of Facilities .....	718,000	700,000
Program decrease .....		[-18,000]
<b>Recapitalization</b>		
Infrastructure and Safety .....	650,012	638,012
Program decrease .....		[-12,000]
<b>Subtotal, Recapitalization .....</b>	<b>650,012</b>	<b>638,012</b>
<b>Total, Operating .....</b>	<b>2,560,126</b>	<b>2,530,126</b>
<b>Mission enabling construction:</b>		
22-D-510 Analytic Gas Laboratory, PX .....	35,000	35,000
22-D-511 Plutonium Production Building, LANL .....	48,500	48,500
22-D-512 TA-46 Protective Force Facility, LANL .....	48,500	48,500
22-D-517 Electrical Power Capacity Upgrade, LANL .....	75,000	75,000
22-D-518 Plutonium Modernization Ops & Waste Mngmt Office Bldg, LANL .....	0	0
23-D-519 Special Material Facility, Y-12 .....	0	0
<b>Total, Mission enabling construction .....</b>	<b>207,000</b>	<b>207,000</b>
<b>Total, Infrastructure and operations .....</b>	<b>2,767,126</b>	<b>2,737,126</b>
<b>Secure transportation asset</b>		
Operations and equipment .....	239,008	239,008
Program direction .....	118,056	118,056
<b>Total, Secure transportation asset .....</b>	<b>357,064</b>	<b>357,064</b>
<b>Defense nuclear security</b>		
Operations and maintenance .....	988,756	988,756
<b>Construction:</b>		
17-D-710 West End Protected Area Reduction Project, Y-12 .....	28,000	38,000
Program increase .....		[10,000]
<b>Subtotal, Construction .....</b>	<b>28,000</b>	<b>38,000</b>
<b>Total, Defense nuclear security .....</b>	<b>1,016,756</b>	<b>1,026,756</b>
<b>Information technology and cybersecurity .....</b>	<b>578,379</b>	<b>578,379</b>
<b>Legacy contractor pensions .....</b>	<b>65,452</b>	<b>65,452</b>
<b>Total, Weapons Activities .....</b>	<b>18,946,519</b>	<b>19,235,248</b>
<b>Adjustments</b>		
Use of prior year balances .....	-113,572	-113,572
<b>Total, Adjustments .....</b>	<b>-113,572</b>	<b>-133,572</b>
<b>Total, Weapons Activities .....</b>	<b>18,832,947</b>	<b>19,121,676</b>
<b>Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation</b>		
<b>Material Management and Minimization</b>		
Conversion (formerly HEU Reactor Conversion) .....	116,675	116,675
Nuclear material removal .....	47,100	47,100
Material disposition .....	282,250	282,250
<b>Total, Material Management and Minimization .....</b>	<b>446,025</b>	<b>446,025</b>
<b>Global Material Security</b>		
International nuclear security .....	84,707	75,000
Program decrease .....		[-9,707]
Radiological security .....	258,033	258,033
Nuclear smuggling detection and deterrence .....	181,308	181,308
<b>Total, Global Material Security .....</b>	<b>524,048</b>	<b>514,341</b>
Nonproliferation and Arms Control .....	212,358	192,358
Program decrease .....		[-20,000]
<b>Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation R&amp;D</b>		
Proliferation detection .....	290,388	280,388
Program decrease .....		[-10,000]
Nonproliferation stewardship program .....	107,437	107,437
Nuclear detonation detection .....	285,603	285,603
Forensics R&D .....	44,759	44,759
Nonproliferation fuels development .....	0	0
<b>Total, Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation R&amp;D .....</b>	<b>728,187</b>	<b>718,187</b>
<b>Nonproliferation Construction:</b>		
18-D-150 Surplus Plutonium Disposition Project, SRS .....	77,211	77,211
<b>Total, Nonproliferation Construction .....</b>	<b>77,211</b>	<b>77,211</b>
NNSA Bioassurance Program .....	25,000	0
Program decrease .....		[-25,000]
Legacy contractor pensions .....	22,587	22,587

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Program	FY 2024 Request	Conference Authorized
<b>Nuclear Counterterrorism and Incident Response Program</b>		
Emergency Operations .....	19,123	19,123
Counterterrorism and Counterproliferation .....	474,420	474,420
<b>Total, Nuclear Counterterrorism and Incident Response Program</b> .....	<b>493,543</b>	<b>493,543</b>
<b>Subtotal, Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation</b> .....	<b>2,528,959</b>	<b>2,464,252</b>
<b>Adjustments</b>		
Use of prior year balances .....	-20,000	-20,000
<b>Total, Adjustments</b> .....	<b>-20,000</b>	<b>-20,000</b>
<b>Total, Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation</b> .....	<b>2,508,959</b>	<b>2,444,252</b>
<b>Naval Reactors</b>		
Naval reactors development .....	838,340	838,340
Columbia-Class reactor systems development .....	52,900	52,900
S8G Prototype refueling .....	0	0
Naval reactors operations and infrastructure .....	712,036	712,036
Program direction .....	61,540	61,540
<b>Construction:</b>		
22-D-533 BL Component Test Complex .....	0	0
22-D-531 KL Chemistry & Radiological Health Building .....	10,400	10,400
21-D-530 KL Steam and Condensate Upgrade .....	53,000	53,000
14-D-901 Spent Fuel Handling Recapitalization Project, NRF .....	199,300	199,300
24-D-530 NRF Medical Science Complex .....	36,584	36,584
<b>Total, Construction</b> .....	<b>299,284</b>	<b>299,284</b>
<b>Total, Naval Reactors</b> .....	<b>1,964,100</b>	<b>1,964,100</b>
<b>Federal Salaries and Expenses</b>		
Program direction .....	538,994	518,994
Use of prior year balances .....	0	0
<b>Total, Federal Salaries and Expenses</b> .....	<b>538,994</b>	<b>518,994</b>
<b>TOTAL, National Nuclear Security Administration</b> .....	<b>23,845,000</b>	<b>24,049,022</b>
<b>Defense Environmental Cleanup</b>		
Closure sites administration .....	3,023	3,023
<b>Richland</b>		
River corridor and other cleanup operations .....	180,000	180,000
Central plateau remediation .....	684,289	684,289
Richland community and regulatory support .....	10,100	10,100
18-D-404 Modification of Waste Encapsulation and Storage Facility .....	0	0
22-D-401 L-888 Eastern Plateau Fire Station .....	7,000	7,000
22-D-402 L-897 200 Area Water Treatment Facility .....	11,200	11,200
23-D-404 181D Export Water System Reconfiguration and Upgrade .....	27,149	27,149
23-D-405 181B Export Water System Reconfiguration and Upgrade .....	462	462
24-D-401 Environmental Restoration Disposal Facility Supercell 11 Expans Proj .....	1,000	1,000
<b>Total, Richland</b> .....	<b>921,200</b>	<b>921,200</b>
<b>Office of River Protection:</b>		
Waste Treatment Immobilization Plant Commissioning .....	466,000	430,000
Program decrease .....		[-36,000]
Rad liquid tank waste stabilization and disposition .....	813,625	813,625
<b>Construction:</b>		
23-D-403 Hanford 200 West Area Tank Farms Risk Management Project .....	15,309	15,309
15-D-409 Low Activity Waste Pretreatment System .....	60,000	60,000
18-D-16 Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant—LBL/ Direct feed LAW .....	0	0
01-D-16D High-Level Waste Facility .....	600,000	600,000
01-D-16E Pretreatment Facility .....	20,000	20,000
<b>Subtotal, Construction</b> .....	<b>695,309</b>	<b>695,309</b>
ORP Low-level waste offsite disposal .....	0	0
<b>Total, Office of River Protection</b> .....	<b>1,974,934</b>	<b>1,938,934</b>
<b>Idaho National Laboratory:</b>		
Idaho cleanup and waste disposition .....	377,623	377,623

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Idaho community and regulatory support .....	2,759	2,759
<b>Construction:</b>		
22-D-403 Idaho Spent Nuclear Fuel Staging Facility .....	10,159	10,159
22-D-404 Addl ICDF Landfill Disposal Cell and Evaporation Ponds Project .....	46,500	46,500
22-D-402 Calcine Construction .....	10,000	10,000
<b>Subtotal, Construction</b> .....	<b>66,659</b>	<b>66,659</b>
<b>Total, Idaho National Laboratory</b> .....	<b>447,041</b>	<b>447,041</b>
<b>NNSA sites and Nevada off-sites</b>		
Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory .....	1,879	1,879
LNL Excess Facilities D&D .....	20,195	20,195
Separations Processing Research Unit .....	15,300	15,300
Nevada Test Site .....	61,952	61,952
Sandia National Laboratory .....	2,264	2,264
Los Alamos National Laboratory .....	273,831	273,831
Los Alamos Excess Facilities D&D .....	13,648	13,648
<b>Total, NNSA sites and Nevada off-sites</b> .....	<b>389,069</b>	<b>389,069</b>
<b>Oak Ridge Reservation:</b>		
OR Nuclear Facility D&D .....	335,000	335,000
U233 Disposition Program .....	55,000	55,000
OR cleanup and waste disposition .....	72,000	72,000
<b>Construction:</b>		
14-D-403 Outfall 200 Mercury Treatment Facility .....	10,000	10,000
17-D-401 On-site Waste Disposal Facility .....	24,500	24,500
<b>Subtotal, Construction</b> .....	<b>34,500</b>	<b>34,500</b>
OR community & regulatory support .....	5,500	5,500
OR technology development and deployment .....	3,000	3,000
<b>Total, Oak Ridge Reservation</b> .....	<b>505,000</b>	<b>505,000</b>
<b>Savannah River Site:</b>		
Savannah River risk management operations .....	453,109	460,241
Program increase .....		[7,132]
Savannah River legacy pensions .....	65,898	65,898
Savannah River community and regulatory support .....	12,389	12,389
Savannah River National Laboratory O&M .....	42,000	42,000
<b>Construction:</b>		
20-D-401 Saltstone Disposal Unit #10, 11, 12 .....	56,250	56,250
19-D-701 SR Security Systems Replacement .....	0	0
18-D-401 Saltstone Disposal Unit #8, 9 .....	31,250	31,250
18-D-402 Emergency Operations Center Replacement, SR .....	34,733	34,733
<b>Subtotal, Construction</b> .....	<b>122,233</b>	<b>122,233</b>
Radioactive liquid tank waste stabilization .....	880,323	900,323
Program increase .....		[20,000]
<b>Total, Savannah River Site</b> .....	<b>1,575,952</b>	<b>1,603,084</b>
<b>Waste Isolation Pilot Plant</b>		
Waste Isolation Pilot Plant .....	369,961	369,961
<b>Construction:</b>		
15-D-411 Safety Significant Confinement Ventilation System, WIPP .....	44,365	44,365
15-D-412 Utility Shaft, WIPP .....	50,000	50,000
<b>Total, Construction</b> .....	<b>94,365</b>	<b>94,365</b>
<b>Total, Waste Isolation Pilot Plant</b> .....	<b>464,326</b>	<b>464,326</b>
Program direction—Defense Environmental Cleanup .....	326,893	326,893
Program support—Defense Environmental Cleanup .....	103,504	82,548
Program decrease .....		[-20,956]
Safeguards and Security—Defense Environmental Cleanup .....	332,645	332,645
Technology development and deployment .....	30,000	30,000
<b>Subtotal, Defense Environmental Cleanup</b> .....	<b>7,073,587</b>	<b>7,043,763</b>
<b>TOTAL, Defense Environmental Cleanup</b> .....	<b>7,073,587</b>	<b>7,043,763</b>
<b>Defense Uranium Enrichment D&amp;D</b> .....	427,000	0
Program decrease .....		[-427,000]
<b>Other Defense Activities</b>		
<b>Environment, health, safety and security</b>		

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Program	FY 2024 Request	Conference Authorized
Environment, health, safety and security mission support .....	144,705	144,705
Program direction .....	86,558	86,558
<b>Total, Environment, health, safety and security .....</b>	<b>231,263</b>	<b>231,263</b>
<b>Office of Enterprise Assessments</b>		
Enterprise assessments .....	30,022	30,022
Program direction .....	64,132	64,132
<b>Total, Office of Enterprise Assessments .....</b>	<b>94,154</b>	<b>94,154</b>
Specialized security activities .....	345,330	345,330
<b>Legacy Management</b>		
Legacy Management Activities—Defense .....	173,681	173,681
Program Direction .....	22,621	22,621
<b>Total, Legacy Management .....</b>	<b>196,302</b>	<b>196,302</b>
Defense-Related Administrative Support .....	203,649	203,649
Office of Hearings and Appeals .....	4,499	4,499
<b>Subtotal, Other Defense Activities .....</b>	<b>1,075,197</b>	<b>1,075,197</b>
Use of prior year balances .....	0	0
<b>Total, Other Defense Activities .....</b>	<b>1,075,197</b>	<b>1,075,197</b>

1     **DIVISION E—OTHER MATTERS**  
2     **TITLE L—VETERANS AFFAIRS**  
3     **MATTERS**

Sec. 5001. Adjustment of threshold amount for minor medical facility projects of Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sec. 5002. Grave markers at Santa Fe National Cemetery, New Mexico.

Sec. 5003. Improving processing by Department of Veterans Affairs of disability claims for post-traumatic stress disorder through improved training.

4     **SEC. 5001. ADJUSTMENT OF THRESHOLD AMOUNT FOR**  
5                     **MINOR MEDICAL FACILITY PROJECTS OF DE-**  
6                     **PARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

7             Section 8104(a) of title 38, United States Code, is  
8 amended—

9                     (1) in paragraph (3)(A), by striking  
10             “\$20,000,000” each place it appears and inserting  
11             “the amount specified in paragraph (4)”; and

1           (2) by adding at the end the following new  
2 paragraph:

3           “(4)(A) The amount specified in this paragraph is  
4 \$30,000,000, as adjusted pursuant to this paragraph.

5           “(B)(i) The Secretary may annually adjust the  
6 amount specified in this paragraph to reflect a percentage  
7 increase, if any, in construction costs during the prior cal-  
8 endar year, as determined by—

9           “(I) the relevant composite construction and  
10 lease cost indices pursuant to section 3307(h) of  
11 title 40, or any similar successor index developed by  
12 the Administrator of the General Services Adminis-  
13 tration; or

14           “(II) the Producer Price Index for New Health  
15 Care Building Construction published by the Bureau  
16 of Labor Statistics of the Department of Labor, or  
17 any similar successor index developed by the Sec-  
18 retary of Labor.

19           “(ii) If there is no percentage increase in construction  
20 costs determined as described in clause (i) for a calendar  
21 year, the Secretary may not adjust the amount specified  
22 in subparagraph (A) for that year.

23           “(C) If the Secretary adjusts the amount specified  
24 in this paragraph, the Secretary shall publish a notice of  
25 such adjustment in the Federal Register.

1 “(D) Not later than 30 days before adjusting the  
2 amount specified in this paragraph, the Secretary shall no-  
3 tify the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs and the Com-  
4 mittee on Appropriations of the Senate and the Committee  
5 on Veterans’ Affairs and the Committee on Appropriations  
6 of the House of Representatives.

7 “(E) The Secretary shall determine a logical schedule  
8 for adjustments under this paragraph to take effect so  
9 that the amounts for and types of construction projects  
10 requested by the Department in the budget of the Presi-  
11 dent under section 1105(a) of title 31 are consistent with  
12 the threshold for construction projects as so adjusted.”.

13 **SEC. 5002. GRAVE MARKERS AT SANTA FE NATIONAL CEME-**  
14 **TERY, NEW MEXICO.**

15 (a) REPEAL OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE FLAT  
16 GRAVE MARKERS.—Section 612 of the Veterans Millen-  
17 nium Health Care and Benefits Act (Public Law 106–117;  
18 38 U.S.C. 2404 note) is hereby repealed.

19 (b) STUDY REQUIRED.—Not later than one year  
20 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
21 of Veterans Affairs shall submit to the Committees on  
22 Veterans’ Affairs of the Senate and House of Representa-  
23 tives, and make publicly available, a report on the cost  
24 of replacing the flat grave markers that were provided

1 under such section 612 at the Santa Fe National Ceme-  
2 tery, New Mexico, with upright grave markers.

3 **SEC. 5003. IMPROVING PROCESSING BY DEPARTMENT OF**  
4 **VETERANS AFFAIRS OF DISABILITY CLAIMS**  
5 **FOR POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER**  
6 **THROUGH IMPROVED TRAINING.**

7 (a) FORMAL PROCESS FOR CONDUCT OF ANNUAL  
8 ANALYSIS OF TRAINING NEEDS BASED ON TRENDS.—  
9 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment  
10 of this Act, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, acting  
11 through the Under Secretary for Benefits, shall establish  
12 a formal process to analyze, on an annual basis, training  
13 needs of employees of the Department who review claims  
14 for disability compensation for post-traumatic stress dis-  
15 order, based on identified processing error trends.

16 (b) FORMAL PROCESS FOR CONDUCT OF ANNUAL  
17 STUDIES TO SUPPORT ANNUAL ANALYSIS.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
19 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
20 retary, acting through the Under Secretary, shall es-  
21 tablish a formal process to conduct, on an annual  
22 basis, studies to help guide the process established  
23 under subsection (a).

24 (2) ELEMENTS.—Each study conducted under  
25 paragraph (1) shall cover the following:

1 (A) Military post-traumatic stress disorder  
2 stressors.

3 (B) Decision-making claims for claims  
4 processors.

5 **TITLE LI—JUDICIARY MATTERS**

Sec. 5101. Prohibition of demand for bribe.

Sec. 5102. Preventing child sex abuse.

Sec. 5103. Recognition as corporation and grant of Federal charter for Na-  
tional American Indian Veterans, Incorporated.

Sec. 5104. Visa availability for government employee immigrant visa program.

6 **SEC. 5101. PROHIBITION OF DEMAND FOR BRIBE.**

7 Section 201 of title 18, United States Code, is  
8 amended—

9 (1) in subsection (a)—

10 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at  
11 the end;

12 (B) in paragraph (3), by striking the pe-  
13 riod at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

14 (C) by adding at the end the following:

15 “(4) the term ‘foreign official’ means—

16 “(A)(i) any official or employee of a for-  
17 eign government or any department, agency, or  
18 instrumentality thereof; or

19 “(ii) any senior foreign political figure, as  
20 defined in section 1010.605 of title 31, Code of  
21 Federal Regulations, or any successor regula-  
22 tion;

1           “(B) any official or employee of a public  
2 international organization;

3           “(C) any person acting in an official ca-  
4 pacity for or on behalf of—

5                 “(i) a government, department, agen-  
6 cy, or instrumentality described in sub-  
7 paragraph (A)(i); or

8                 “(ii) a public international organiza-  
9 tion; or

10           “(D) any person acting in an unofficial ca-  
11 pacity for or on behalf of—

12                 “(i) a government, department, agen-  
13 cy, or instrumentality described in sub-  
14 paragraph (A)(i); or

15                 “(ii) a public international organiza-  
16 tion; and

17           “(5) the term ‘public international organization’  
18 means—

19                 “(A) an organization that is designated by  
20 Executive order pursuant to section 1 of the  
21 International Organizations Immunities Act (22  
22 U.S.C. 288); or

23                 “(B) any other international organization  
24 that is designated by the President by Execu-  
25 tive order for the purposes of this section, effec-

1           tive as of the date of publication of such order  
2           in the Federal Register.”; and

3           (2) by adding at the end the following:

4           “(f) PROHIBITION OF DEMAND FOR A BRIBE.—

5           “(1) OFFENSE.—It shall be unlawful for any  
6           foreign official or person selected to be a foreign of-  
7           ficial to corruptly demand, seek, receive, accept, or  
8           agree to receive or accept, directly or indirectly, any-  
9           thing of value personally or for any other person or  
10          nongovernmental entity, by making use of the mails  
11          or any means or instrumentality of interstate com-  
12          merce, from any person (as defined in section 104A  
13          of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 (15  
14          U.S.C. 78dd–3), except that that definition shall be  
15          applied without regard to whether the person is an  
16          offender) while in the territory of the United States,  
17          from an issuer (as defined in section 3(a) of the Se-  
18          curities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78c(a))),  
19          or from a domestic concern (as defined in section  
20          104 of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977  
21          (15 U.S.C. 78dd–2)), in return for—

22                  “(A) being influenced in the performance  
23                  of any official act;

1           “(B) being induced to do or omit to do any  
2           act in violation of the official duty of such for-  
3           eign official or person; or

4           “(C) conferring any improper advantage,  
5           in connection with obtaining or retaining business  
6           for or with, or directing business to, any person.

7           “(2) PENALTIES.—Any person who violates  
8           paragraph (1) shall be fined not more than  
9           \$250,000 or 3 times the monetary equivalent of the  
10          thing of value, imprisoned for not more than 15  
11          years, or both.

12          “(3) JURISDICTION.—An offense under para-  
13          graph (1) shall be subject to extraterritorial Federal  
14          jurisdiction.

15          “(4) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the  
16          date of enactment of the Foreign Extortion Preven-  
17          tion Act, and annually thereafter, the Attorney Gen-  
18          eral, in consultation with the Secretary of State as  
19          relevant, shall submit to the Committee on the Judi-  
20          ciary and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the  
21          Senate and the Committee on the Judiciary and the  
22          Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep-  
23          resentatives, and post on the publicly available  
24          website of the Department of Justice, a report—

1           “(A) focusing, in part, on demands by for-  
2           foreign officials for bribes from entities domiciled  
3           or incorporated in the United States, and the  
4           efforts of foreign governments to prosecute such  
5           cases;

6           “(B) addressing United States diplomatic  
7           efforts to protect entities domiciled or incor-  
8           porated in the United States from foreign brib-  
9           ery, and the effectiveness of those efforts in  
10          protecting such entities;

11          “(C) summarizing major actions taken  
12          under this section in the previous year, includ-  
13          ing enforcement actions taken and penalties im-  
14          posed;

15          “(D) evaluating the effectiveness of the  
16          Department of Justice in enforcing this section;  
17          and

18          “(E) detailing what resources or legislative  
19          action the Department of Justice needs to en-  
20          sure adequate enforcement of this section.

21          “(5) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—This sub-  
22          section shall not be construed as encompassing con-  
23          duct that would violate section 30A of the Securities  
24          Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78dd–1) or sec-  
25          tion 104 or 104A of the Foreign Corrupt Practices

1 Act of 1977 (15 U.S.C. 78dd–2; 15 U.S.C. 78dd–  
2 3) whether pursuant to a theory of direct liability,  
3 conspiracy, complicity, or otherwise.”.

4 **SEC. 5102. PREVENTING CHILD SEX ABUSE.**

5 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This section may be cited as the  
6 “Preventing Child Sex Abuse Act of 2023”.

7 (b) **SENSE OF CONGRESS.**—The sense of Congress is  
8 the following:

9 (1) The safety of children should be a top pri-  
10 ority for public officials and communities in the  
11 United States.

12 (2) According to the Rape, Abuse & Incest Na-  
13 tional Network, an individual in the United States is  
14 sexually assaulted every 68 seconds. And every 9  
15 minutes, that victim is a child. Meanwhile, only 25  
16 out of every 1,000 perpetrators will end up in pris-  
17 on.

18 (3) The effects of child sexual abuse can be  
19 long-lasting and affect the victim’s mental health.

20 (4) Victims are more likely than non-victims to  
21 experience the following mental health challenges:

22 (A) Victims are about 4 times more likely  
23 to develop symptoms of drug abuse.

1 (B) Victims are about 4 times more likely  
2 to experience post-traumatic stress disorder as  
3 adults.

4 (C) Victims are about 3 times more likely  
5 to experience a major depressive episode as  
6 adults.

7 (5) The criminal justice system should and has  
8 acted as an important line of defense to protect chil-  
9 dren and hold perpetrators accountable.

10 (6) However, the horrific crimes perpetuated by  
11 Larry Nassar demonstrate firsthand the loopholes  
12 that still exist in the criminal justice system. While  
13 Larry Nassar was found guilty of several State-level  
14 offenses, he was not charged federally for his illicit  
15 sexual contact with minors, despite crossing State  
16 and international borders to commit this conduct.

17 (7) The Department of Justice has also identi-  
18 fied a growing trend of Americans who use chari-  
19 table or missionary work in a foreign country as a  
20 cover for sexual abuse of children.

21 (8) It is the intent of Congress to prohibit  
22 Americans from engaging in sexual abuse or exploi-  
23 tation of minors under the guise of work, including  
24 volunteer work, with an organization that affects

1 interstate or foreign commerce, such as an inter-  
2 national charity.

3 (9) Federal law does not require that an abus-  
4 er's intention to engage in sexual abuse be a pri-  
5 mary, significant, dominant, or motivating purpose  
6 of the travel.

7 (10) Child sexual abuse does not require phys-  
8 ical contact between the abuser and the child. This  
9 is especially true as perpetrators turn increasingly to  
10 internet platforms, online chat rooms, and webcams  
11 to commit child sexual abuse.

12 (11) However, a decision of the United States  
13 Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit found the  
14 use of a webcam to engage in sexually provocative  
15 activity with a minor did not qualify as “sexual ac-  
16 tivity”.

17 (12) Congress can address this issue by amend-  
18 ing the definition of the term “sexual activity” to  
19 clarify that it does not require interpersonal, phys-  
20 ical contact.

21 (13) It is the duty of Congress to provide clear-  
22 er guidance to ensure that those who commit crimes  
23 against children are prosecuted to the fullest extent  
24 of the law.

1 (c) INTERSTATE CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE.—Section  
2 2423 of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

3 (1) in subsection (b), by striking “with a moti-  
4 vating purpose of engaging in any illicit sexual con-  
5 duct with another person” and inserting “with in-  
6 tent to engage in any illicit sexual conduct with an-  
7 other person”;

8 (2) by redesignating subsections (d), (e), (f),  
9 and (g) as subsections (e), (f), (g), and (i), respec-  
10 tively;

11 (3) in subsection (e), as so redesignated, by  
12 striking “with a motivating purpose of engaging in  
13 any illicit sexual conduct” and inserting “with intent  
14 to engage in any illicit sexual conduct”; and

15 (4) by inserting after subsection (g), as so re-  
16 designated, the following:

17 “(h) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—As used in this sec-  
18 tion, the term ‘intent’ shall be construed as any intention  
19 to engage in prostitution, sexual activity for which any  
20 person can be charged with a criminal offense, or illicit  
21 sexual conduct, as applicable, at the time of the transpor-  
22 tation or travel.”.

23 (d) ABUSE UNDER THE GUISE OF CHARITY.—Sec-  
24 tion 2423 of title 18, United States Code, as amended by  
25 subsection (c) of this section, is amended—

1           (1) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-  
2           lowing:

3           “(d) ILLICIT SEXUAL CONDUCT IN CONNECTION  
4 WITH CERTAIN ORGANIZATIONS.—Any citizen of the  
5 United States or alien admitted for permanent residence  
6 who—

7           “(1) is an officer, director, employee, or agent  
8 of an organization that affects interstate or foreign  
9 commerce;

10           “(2) makes use of the mails or any means or  
11 instrumentality of interstate or foreign commerce  
12 through the connection or affiliation of the person  
13 with such organization; and

14           “(3) commits an act in furtherance of illicit sex-  
15 ual conduct through the connection or affiliation of  
16 the person with such organization,  
17 shall be fined under this title, imprisoned for not more  
18 than 30 years, or both.”;

19           (2) in subsection (f), as so redesignated, by  
20 striking “or (d)” and inserting “(d), or (e)”; and

21           (3) in subsection (i), as so redesignated, by  
22 striking “(f)(2)” and inserting “(g)(2)”.

23           (e) SEXUAL ACTIVITY WITH MINORS.—Section 2427  
24 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting

1 “does not require interpersonal physical contact, and” be-  
2 fore “includes”.

3 **SEC. 5103. RECOGNITION AS CORPORATION AND GRANT OF**  
4 **FEDERAL CHARTER FOR NATIONAL AMER-**  
5 **ICAN INDIAN VETERANS, INCORPORATED.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part B of subtitle II of title 36,  
7 United States Code, is amended by inserting after chapter  
8 1503 the following:

9 **“CHAPTER 1504—NATIONAL AMERICAN**  
10 **INDIAN VETERANS, INCORPORATED**

“Sec.

“150401. Organization.

“150402. Purposes.

“150403. Membership.

“150404. Board of directors.

“150405. Officers.

“150406. Nondiscrimination.

“150407. Powers.

“150408. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and badges.

“150409. Restrictions.

“150410. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status.

“150411. Records and inspection.

“150412. Service of process.

“150413. Liability for acts of officers and agents.

“150414. Failure to comply with requirements.

“150415. Annual report.

11 **“§ 150401 Organization**

12 “The National American Indian Veterans, Incor-  
13 porated, a nonprofit corporation organized in the United  
14 States (referred to in this chapter as the ‘corporation’),  
15 is a federally chartered corporation.

1 **“§ 150402. Purposes**

2 “The purposes of the corporation are those stated in  
3 the articles of incorporation, constitution, and bylaws of  
4 the corporation, and include a commitment—

5 “(1) to uphold and defend the Constitution of  
6 the United States while respecting the sovereignty of  
7 the American Indian Nations;

8 “(2) to unite under one body all American In-  
9 dian veterans who served in the Armed Forces of  
10 United States;

11 “(3) to be an advocate on behalf of all Amer-  
12 ican Indian veterans without regard to whether they  
13 served during times of peace, conflict, or war;

14 “(4) to promote social welfare (including edu-  
15 cational, economic, social, physical, and cultural val-  
16 ues and traditional healing) in the United States by  
17 encouraging the growth and development, readjust-  
18 ment, self-respect, self-confidence, contributions, and  
19 self-identity of American Indian veterans;

20 “(5) to serve as an advocate for the needs of  
21 American Indian veterans and their families and  
22 survivors in their dealings with all Federal and State  
23 government agencies;

24 “(6) to promote, support, and utilize research,  
25 on a nonpartisan basis, pertaining to the relation-

1 ship between American Indian veterans and Amer-  
2 ican society; and

3 “(7) to provide technical assistance to the Bu-  
4 reau of Indian Affairs regional areas that are not  
5 served by any veterans committee or organization or  
6 program by—

7 “(A) providing outreach service to Indian  
8 Tribes in need; and

9 “(B) training and educating Tribal Vet-  
10 erans Service Officers for Indian Tribes in  
11 need.

12 **“§ 150403. Membership**

13 “Subject to section 150406, eligibility for member-  
14 ship in the corporation, and the rights and privileges of  
15 members, shall be as provided in the constitution and by-  
16 laws of the corporation.

17 **“§ 150404. Board of directors**

18 “Subject to section 150406, the board of directors of  
19 the corporation, and the responsibilities of the board, shall  
20 be as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the cor-  
21 poration and in conformity with the laws under which the  
22 corporation is incorporated.

23 **“§ 150405. Officers**

24 “Subject to section 150406, the officers of the cor-  
25 poration, and the election of such officers, shall be as pro-

1 vided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation and  
2 in conformity with the laws of the jurisdiction under which  
3 the corporation is incorporated.

4 **“§ 150406. Nondiscrimination**

5 “In establishing the conditions of membership in the  
6 corporation, and in determining the requirements for serv-  
7 ing on the board of directors or as an officer of the cor-  
8 poration, the corporation may not discriminate on the  
9 basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicap,  
10 or age.

11 **“§ 150407. Powers**

12 “The corporation shall have only those powers grant-  
13 ed the corporation through its articles of incorporation,  
14 constitution, and bylaws, which shall conform to the laws  
15 of the jurisdiction under which the corporation is incor-  
16 porated.

17 **“§ 150408. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems,  
18 and badges**

19 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The corporation shall have the  
20 sole and exclusive right to use the names ‘National Amer-  
21 ican Indian Veterans, Incorporated’ and ‘National Amer-  
22 ican Indian Veterans’, and such seals, emblems, and  
23 badges as the corporation may lawfully adopt.

24 “(b) EFFECT.—Nothing in this section interferes or  
25 conflicts with any established or vested rights.

1 **“§ 150409. Restrictions**

2 “(a) STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may  
3 not—

4 “(1) issue any shares of stock; or

5 “(2) declare or pay any dividends.

6 “(b) DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The income or assets of the  
8 corporation may not—

9 “(A) inure to any person who is a member,  
10 officer, or director of the corporation; or

11 “(B) be distributed to any such person  
12 during the life of the charter granted by this  
13 chapter.

14 “(2) EFFECT.—Nothing in this subsection pre-  
15 vents the payment of reasonable compensation to the  
16 officers of the corporation, or reimbursement for ac-  
17 tual and necessary expenses, in amounts approved  
18 by the board of directors.

19 “(c) LOANS.—The corporation may not make any  
20 loan to any officer, director, member, or employee of the  
21 corporation.

22 “(d) NO FEDERAL ENDORSEMENT.—The corpora-  
23 tion may not claim congressional approval or Federal Gov-  
24 ernment authority by virtue of the charter granted by this  
25 chapter for any of the activities of the corporation.

1 **“§ 150410. Duty to maintain tax-exempt status**

2 “The corporation shall maintain its status as an or-  
3 ganization exempt from taxation under the Internal Rev-  
4 enue Code of 1986.

5 **“§ 150411. Records and inspection**

6 “(a) RECORDS.—The corporation shall keep—

7 “(1) correct and complete books and records of  
8 accounts;

9 “(2) minutes of any proceeding of the corpora-  
10 tion involving any member of the corporation, the  
11 board of directors, or any committee having author-  
12 ity under the board of directors; and

13 “(3) at the principal office of the corporation,  
14 a record of the names and addresses of all members  
15 of the corporation having the right to vote.

16 “(b) INSPECTION.—

17 “(1) IN GENERAL.—All books and records of  
18 the corporation may be inspected by any member  
19 having the right to vote, or by any agent or attorney  
20 of such a member, for any proper purpose, at any  
21 reasonable time.

22 “(2) EFFECT.—Nothing in this section con-  
23 travenes—

24 “(A) the laws of the jurisdiction under  
25 which the corporation is incorporated; or

1           “(B) the laws of those jurisdictions within  
2           the United States and its territories within  
3           which the corporation carries out activities in  
4           furtherance of the purposes of the corporation.

5   **“§ 150412. Service of process**

6           “With respect to service of process, the corporation  
7 shall comply with the laws of—

8           “(1) the jurisdiction under which the corpora-  
9           tion is incorporated; and

10           “(2) those jurisdictions within the United  
11           States and its territories within which the corpora-  
12           tion carries out activities in furtherance of the pur-  
13           poses of the corporation.

14   **“§ 150413. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

15           “The corporation shall be liable for the acts of the  
16 officers and agents of the corporation acting within the  
17 scope of their authority.

18   **“§ 150414. Failure to comply with requirements**

19           “If the corporation fails to comply with any of the  
20 requirements of this chapter, including the requirement  
21 under section 150410 to maintain its status as an organi-  
22 zation exempt from taxation, the charter granted by this  
23 chapter shall expire.

1 **“§ 150415. Annual report**

2 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The corporation shall submit to  
3 Congress an annual report describing the activities of the  
4 corporation during the preceding fiscal year.

5 “(b) SUBMITTAL DATE.—Each annual report under  
6 this section shall be submitted at the same time as the  
7 report of the audit of the corporation required by section  
8 10101(b).

9 “(c) REPORT NOT PUBLIC DOCUMENT.—No annual  
10 report under this section shall be printed as a public docu-  
11 ment.”.

12 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of chapters  
13 for subtitle II of title 36, United States Code, is amended  
14 by inserting after the item relating to chapter 1503 the  
15 following:

“1504. National American Indian Veterans, Incorporated ..... 150401”.

16 **SEC. 5104. VISA AVAILABILITY FOR GOVERNMENT EM-**  
17 **PLOYEE IMMIGRANT VISA PROGRAM.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Beginning in fiscal year 2024,  
19 subject to subsection (b), visas shall be made available to  
20 a special immigrant described in section 101(a)(27)(D) of  
21 the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.  
22 1101(a)(27)(D)) if a visa is not immediately available for  
23 issuance to the special immigrant under section 203(b)(4)  
24 of that Act (8 U.S.C. 1153(b)(4)).

1 (b) NUMERICAL LIMITATIONS.—

2 (1) FISCAL YEAR 2024.—For fiscal year 2024,  
3 not more than 3,500 visas shall be made available  
4 under subsection (a).

5 (2) SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEARS.—For fiscal  
6 year 2025 and each fiscal year thereafter, not more  
7 than 3,000 visas shall be made available under sub-  
8 section (a).

9 (c) TEMPORARY REDUCTION IN DIVERSITY VISAS.—  
10 Section 203(d)(2) of the Nicaraguan Adjustment and Cen-  
11 tral America Relief Act (8 U.S.C. 1151 note; Public Law  
12 105–100) is amended—

13 (1) by amending paragraph (2) to read as fol-  
14 lows:

15 “(2) In no case shall the reduction under para-  
16 graph (1) for a fiscal year exceed the amount by  
17 which—

18 “(A) the sum of—

19 “(i) one-half of the total number of  
20 individuals described in subclauses (I),  
21 (II), (III), and (IV) of section  
22 309(c)(5)(C)(i) of the Illegal Immigration  
23 Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act  
24 of 1996 (8 U.S.C. 1101 note; Public Law  
25 104–208) who have adjusted their status

1 to that of aliens lawfully admitted for per-  
2 manent residence under section 202 of the  
3 Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central Amer-  
4 ican Relief Act (Public Law 105–100; 8  
5 U.S.C. 1255 note) as of the end of the pre-  
6 vious fiscal year; and

7 “(ii) the total number of individuals  
8 described in section 101(a)(27)(D) of the  
9 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.  
10 1101(a)(27)(D)) for whom visas shall have  
11 been made available under section 5104 of  
12 the National Defense Authorization Act for  
13 Fiscal Year 2024 as of the end of the pre-  
14 vious fiscal year; exceeds

15 “(B) the total of the reductions in avail-  
16 able visas under this subsection for all previous  
17 fiscal years.”; and

18 (2) by adding at the end the following:

19 “(3)(A) Paragraph (1) shall not apply in a fis-  
20 cal year following a fiscal year for which the sum  
21 calculated under paragraph (2)(A), minus the num-  
22 ber in paragraph (2)(B), is zero.

23 “(B) Nothing in this paragraph may be con-  
24 strued—

1 “(i) to repeal, modify, or render perma-  
2 nently inapplicable paragraph (1); or

3 “(ii) to prevent the offsetting of the num-  
4 ber of visas described in that paragraph for the  
5 purpose of providing visa availability for aliens  
6 described in section 5104 of the National De-  
7 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024.

8 “(4) In the event that the number of visas  
9 available for a fiscal year under section 201(e) of the  
10 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1151(e))  
11 is reduced to a number fewer than 50,000, not fewer  
12 than 3,000 of such visas shall be made available for  
13 individuals described in section 5104 of the National  
14 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024.”.

15 (d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
16 tion or the amendments made by this section may be con-  
17 strued to modify the number of visas available under sec-  
18 tion 203(b)(4) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8  
19 U.S.C. 1153(b)(4)) to special immigrants described in sec-  
20 tion 101(a)(27)(D) of that Act (8 U.S.C.  
21 1101(a)(27)(D)).

22 **TITLE LII—OVERSIGHT AND**  
23 **ACCOUNTABILITY MATTERS**

Sec. 5201. Establishment of higher rates of regularly scheduled overtime pay  
for United States Border Patrol agents classified at GS-12.

1 **SEC. 5201. ESTABLISHMENT OF HIGHER RATES OF REGU-**  
2 **LARLY SCHEDULED OVERTIME PAY FOR**  
3 **UNITED STATES BORDER PATROL AGENTS**  
4 **CLASSIFIED AT GS-12.**

5 Section 5550 of title 5, United States Code, is  
6 amended by adding at the end the following:

7 “(h) SPECIAL OVERTIME PAY FOR GS-12 BORDER  
8 PATROL AGENTS.—

9 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding para-  
10 graphs (1)(F), (2)(C), and (3)(C) of subsection (b),  
11 a border patrol agent encumbering a position at  
12 grade GS-12 shall receive a special overtime pay-  
13 ment under this subsection for hours of regularly  
14 scheduled work described in paragraph (2)(A)(ii) or  
15 (3)(A)(ii) of subsection (b), as applicable, that are  
16 credited to the agent through actual performance of  
17 work, crediting under rules for canine agents under  
18 subsection (b)(1)(F), or substitution of overtime  
19 hours in the same work period under subsection  
20 (f)(2)(A), except that no such payment may be made  
21 for periods of absence resulting in an hours obliga-  
22 tion under paragraph (3) or (4) of subsection (f).

23 “(2) COMPUTATION.—The special overtime pay-  
24 ment authorized under paragraph (1) shall be com-  
25 puted by multiplying the credited hours by 50 per-

1 cent of the border patrol agent’s hourly rate of basic  
2 pay, rounded to the nearest cent.

3 “(3) LIMITATIONS.—The special overtime pay-  
4 ment authorized under paragraph (1)—

5 “(A) is not considered basic pay for retire-  
6 ment under section 8331(3) or 8401(4) or for  
7 any other purpose;

8 “(B) is not payable during periods of paid  
9 leave or other paid time off; and

10 “(C) is not considered in computing an  
11 agent’s lump-sum annual leave payment under  
12 sections 5551 and 5552.”.

## 13 **TITLE LIII—FEDERAL DATA AND** 14 **INFORMATION SECURITY**

Sec. 5301. Short title.

Sec. 5302. Federal Data Center Consolidation Initiative amendments.

### 15 **SEC. 5301. SHORT TITLE.**

16 This title may be cited as the “Federal Data Center  
17 Enhancement Act of 2023”.

### 18 **SEC. 5302. FEDERAL DATA CENTER CONSOLIDATION INI-** 19 **TIATIVE AMENDMENTS.**

20 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

21 (1) The statutory authorization for the Federal  
22 Data Center Optimization Initiative under section  
23 834 of the Carl Levin and Howard P. “Buck”  
24 McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for

1 Fiscal Year 2015 (44 U.S.C. 3601 note; Public Law  
2 113–291) expired at the end of fiscal year 2022.

3 (2) The expiration of the authorization de-  
4 scribed in paragraph (1) presents Congress with an  
5 opportunity to review the objectives of the Federal  
6 Data Center Optimization Initiative to ensure that  
7 the initiative is meeting the current needs of the  
8 Federal Government.

9 (3) The initial focus of the Federal Data Center  
10 Optimization Initiative, which was to consolidate  
11 data centers and create new efficiencies, has resulted  
12 in, since 2010—

13 (A) the consolidation of more than 6,000  
14 Federal data centers; and

15 (B) cost savings and avoidance of  
16 \$5,800,000,000.

17 (4) The need of the Federal Government for ac-  
18 cess to data and data processing systems has evolved  
19 since the date of enactment in 2014 of subtitle D of  
20 title VIII of the Carl Levin and Howard P. “Buck”  
21 McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for  
22 Fiscal Year 2015.

23 (5) Federal agencies and employees involved in  
24 mission critical functions increasingly need reliable  
25 access to secure, reliable, and protected facilities to

1 house mission critical data and data operations to  
2 meet the immediate needs of the people of the  
3 United States.

4 (6) As of the date of enactment of this title,  
5 there is a growing need for Federal agencies to use  
6 data centers and cloud applications that meet high  
7 standards for cybersecurity, resiliency, and avail-  
8 ability.

9 (b) MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW DATA CEN-  
10 TERS.—Section 834 of the Carl Levin and Howard P.  
11 “Buck” McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for  
12 Fiscal Year 2015 (44 U.S.C. 3601 note; Public Law 113–  
13 291) is amended—

14 (1) in subsection (a), by striking paragraphs  
15 (3) and (4) and inserting the following:

16 “(3) NEW DATA CENTER.—The term ‘new data  
17 center’ means—

18 “(A)(i) a data center or a portion thereof  
19 that is owned, operated, or maintained by a  
20 covered agency; or

21 “(ii) to the extent practicable, a data cen-  
22 ter or portion thereof—

23 “(I) that is owned, operated, or main-  
24 tained by a contractor on behalf of a cov-  
25 ered agency on the date on which the con-

1           tract between the covered agency and the  
2           contractor expires; and

3                   “(II) with respect to which the cov-  
4           ered agency extends the contract, or enters  
5           into a new contract, with the contractor;  
6           and

7                   “(B) on or after the date that is 180 days  
8           after the date of enactment of the Federal Data  
9           Center Enhancement Act of 2023, a data cen-  
10          ter or portion thereof that is—

11                   “(i) established; or

12                   “(ii) substantially upgraded or ex-  
13          panded.”;

14                   (2) by striking subsection (b) and inserting the  
15          following:

16          “(b) MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW DATA  
17          CENTERS.—

18                   “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
19          after the date of enactment of the Federal Data  
20          Center Enhancement Act of 2023, the Administrator  
21          shall establish minimum requirements for new data  
22          centers in consultation with the Administrator of  
23          General Services and the Federal Chief Information  
24          Officers Council.

25                   “(2) CONTENTS.—

1           “(A) IN GENERAL.—The minimum re-  
2           quirements established under paragraph (1)  
3           shall include requirements relating to—

4                   “(i) the availability of new data cen-  
5                   ters;

6                   “(ii) the use of new data centers, in-  
7                   cluding costs related to the facility, energy  
8                   consumption, and related infrastructure;

9                   “(iii) uptime percentage;

10                   “(iv) protections against power fail-  
11                   ures, including on-site energy generation  
12                   and access to multiple transmission paths;

13                   “(v) protections against physical in-  
14                   trusions and natural disasters;

15                   “(vi) information security protections  
16                   required by subchapter II of chapter 35 of  
17                   title 44, United States Code, and other ap-  
18                   plicable law and policy; and

19                   “(vii) any other requirements the Ad-  
20                   ministrator determines appropriate.

21           “(B) CONSULTATION.—In establishing the  
22           requirements described in subparagraph (A)(vi),  
23           the Administrator shall consult with the Direc-  
24           tor of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Se-  
25           curity Agency and the National Cyber Director.

1           “(3) INCORPORATION OF MINIMUM REQUIRE-  
2           MENTS INTO CURRENT DATA CENTERS.—As soon as  
3           practicable, and in any case not later than 90 days  
4           after the Administrator establishes the minimum re-  
5           quirements pursuant to paragraph (1), the Adminis-  
6           trator shall issue guidance to ensure, as appropriate,  
7           that covered agencies incorporate the minimum re-  
8           quirements established under that paragraph into  
9           the operations of any data center of a covered agen-  
10          cy existing as of the date of enactment of the Fed-  
11          eral Data Center Enhancement Act of 2023.

12          “(4) REVIEW OF REQUIREMENTS.—The Admin-  
13          istrator, in consultation with the Administrator of  
14          General Services and the Federal Chief Information  
15          Officers Council, shall review, update, and modify  
16          the minimum requirements established under para-  
17          graph (1), as necessary.

18          “(5) REPORT ON NEW DATA CENTERS.—During  
19          the development and planning lifecycle of a new data  
20          center, if the head of a covered agency determines  
21          that the covered agency is likely to make a manage-  
22          ment or financial decision relating to any data cen-  
23          ter, the head of the covered agency shall—

24                       “(A) notify—

25                               “(i) the Administrator;

1                   “(ii) Committee on Homeland Secu-  
2                   rity and Governmental Affairs of the Sen-  
3                   ate; and

4                   “(iii) Committee on Oversight and Ac-  
5                   countability of the House of Representa-  
6                   tives; and

7                   “(B) describe in the notification with suffi-  
8                   cient detail how the covered agency intends to  
9                   comply with the minimum requirements estab-  
10                  lished under paragraph (1).

11                  “(6) USE OF TECHNOLOGY.—In determining  
12                  whether to establish or continue to operate an exist-  
13                  ing data center, the head of a covered agency shall—

14                   “(A) regularly assess the application port-  
15                   folio of the covered agency and ensure that each  
16                   at-risk legacy application is updated, replaced,  
17                   or modernized, as appropriate, to take advan-  
18                   tage of modern technologies; and

19                   “(B) prioritize and, to the greatest extent  
20                   possible, leverage commercial data center solu-  
21                   tions, including hybrid cloud, multi-cloud, co-lo-  
22                   cation, interconnection, or cloud computing (as  
23                   defined in section 3607 of this Chapter) rather  
24                   than acquiring, overseeing, or managing custom  
25                   data center infrastructure.

1 “(7) PUBLIC WEBSITE.—

2 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator  
3 shall maintain a public-facing website that in-  
4 cludes information, data, and explanatory state-  
5 ments relating to the compliance of covered  
6 agencies with the requirements of this section.

7 “(B) PROCESSES AND PROCEDURES.—In  
8 maintaining the website described in subpara-  
9 graph (A), the Administrator shall—

10 “(i) ensure covered agencies regularly,  
11 and not less frequently than biannually,  
12 update the information, data, and explana-  
13 tory statements posed on the website, pur-  
14 suant to guidance issued by the Adminis-  
15 trator, relating to any new data centers  
16 and, as appropriate, each existing data  
17 center of the covered agency; and

18 “(ii) ensure that all information, data,  
19 and explanatory statements on the website  
20 are maintained as open Government data  
21 assets.”; and

22 (3) in subsection (c), by striking paragraph (1)  
23 and inserting the following:

24 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The head of a covered  
25 agency shall oversee and manage the data center

1 portfolio and the information technology strategy of  
2 the covered agency in accordance with Federal cy-  
3 bersecurity guidelines and directives, including—

4 “(A) information security standards and  
5 guidelines promulgated by the Director of the  
6 National Institute of Standards and Tech-  
7 nology;

8 “(B) applicable requirements and guidance  
9 issued by the Director of the Office of Manage-  
10 ment and Budget pursuant to section 3614 of  
11 title 44, United States Code; and

12 “(C) directives issued by the Secretary of  
13 Homeland Security under section 3553 of title  
14 44, United States Code.”.

15 (c) EXTENSION OF SUNSET.—Section 834(e) of the  
16 Carl Levin and Howard P. “Buck” McKeon National De-  
17 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (44 U.S.C.  
18 3601 note; Public Law 113–291) is amended by striking  
19 “2022” and inserting “2026”.

20 (d) GAO REVIEW.—Not later than 1 year after the  
21 date of the enactment of this title, and annually there-  
22 after, the Comptroller General of the United States shall  
23 review, verify, and audit the compliance of covered agen-  
24 cies with the minimum requirements established pursuant  
25 to section 834(b)(1) of the Carl Levin and Howard P.

1 “Buck” McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for  
2 Fiscal Year 2015 (44 U.S.C. 3601 note; Public Law 113–  
3 291) for new data centers and subsection (b)(3) of that  
4 section for existing data centers, as appropriate.

5 **TITLE LIV—FOREIGN AFFAIRS**  
6 **MATTERS**

Subtitle A—Combating Global Corruption

- Sec. 5401. Short title.
- Sec. 5402. Definitions.
- Sec. 5403. Publication and provision of lists regarding progress on anti-corruption efforts.
- Sec. 5404. Minimum standards for the elimination of corruption and assessment of efforts to combat corruption.
- Sec. 5405. Imposition of sanctions under Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act.
- Sec. 5406. Designation of embassy anti-corruption points of contact.

Subtitle B—Other Matters

- Sec. 5411. Global cooperative framework to end human rights abuses in sourcing critical minerals.
- Sec. 5412. Connecting Oceania’s Nations with Vanguard Exercises and National Empowerment.
- Sec. 5413. Ending China’s developing nation status.
- Sec. 5414. Permitting for international bridges.

7 **Subtitle A—Combating Global**  
8 **Corruption**

9 **SEC. 5401. SHORT TITLE.**

10 This subtitle may be cited as the “Combating Global  
11 Corruption Act”.

12 **SEC. 5402. DEFINITIONS.**

13 In this subtitle:

14 (1) The term “appropriate congressional com-  
15 mittees” means—

1 (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations,  
2 the Committee on Appropriations, the Com-  
3 mittee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Af-  
4 fairs, and the Committee on the Judiciary of  
5 the Senate; and

6 (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the  
7 Committee on Appropriations, the Committee  
8 on Financial Services, and the Committee on  
9 the Judiciary of the House of Representatives.

10 (2) The term “corrupt actor” means—

11 (A) any foreign person or entity that is a  
12 government official or government entity re-  
13 sponsible for, or complicit in, an act of corrup-  
14 tion; and

15 (B) any company, in which a person or en-  
16 tity described in subparagraph (A) has a sig-  
17 nificant stake, which is responsible for, or  
18 complicit in, an act of corruption.

19 (3) The term “corruption” means the unlawful  
20 exercise of entrusted public power for private gain,  
21 including by bribery, nepotism, fraud, or embezzle-  
22 ment.

23 (4) The term “significant corruption” means  
24 corruption committed at a high level of government  
25 that has some or all of the following characteristics:

1 (A) Illegitimately distorts major decision-  
2 making, such as policy or resource determina-  
3 tions, or other fundamental functions of govern-  
4 ance.

5 (B) Involves economically or socially large-  
6 scale government activities.

7 **SEC. 5403. PUBLICATION AND PROVISION OF LISTS RE-**  
8 **GARDING PROGRESS ON ANTI-CORRUPTION**  
9 **EFFORTS.**

10 (a) PUBLIC LIST.—The Secretary of State shall pub-  
11 lish annually, on a publicly accessible website, a list of for-  
12 eign countries where the government is sustaining or mak-  
13 ing good progress on anti-corruption efforts in accordance  
14 with the minimum standards set forth in section 5404.  
15 Such list shall include a brief description of each such  
16 country's progress or justification for being on such list.

17 (b) CLASSIFIED LIST.—The Secretary of State shall  
18 provide to the appropriate congressional committees a  
19 classified list of countries where the government is making  
20 limited or no efforts to comply with minimum standards  
21 set forth in section 5404, and are not achieving meaning-  
22 ful progress on combating corruption. Such list shall in-  
23 clude a brief description of each country's lack of progress  
24 or justification for being on such list.

1 (c) ANNUAL UPDATE.—The Secretary of State shall  
2 provide an annual update in a classified setting to the ap-  
3 propriate congressional committees on the United States  
4 Government’s efforts to fight against corruption. This up-  
5 date should include an overview of the key obstacles to  
6 combating corruption and present near-term and long-  
7 term strategies.

8 (d) IMPLEMENTATION AND TIMING.—

9 (1) DEADLINE.—The publication and submis-  
10 sion of the lists and the annual update required by  
11 subsections (a), (b), and (c) shall be completed not  
12 later than 2 years after the date of the enactment  
13 of this Act, and annually thereafter for seven years.

14 (2) REPORT ON METHODOLOGY.—Not later  
15 than one year after the date of the enactment of this  
16 Act, the Secretary shall submit to the appropriate  
17 congressional committees a report detailing the  
18 methodology developed to assign countries to either  
19 the public list or the classified list and a proposed  
20 budget for preparing the first set of lists during the  
21 subsequent year.

22 (e) EXCEPTION TO PUBLICATION.—The Secretary  
23 may, in specific instances where the Secretary determines  
24 the inclusion of specific countries on the public list re-  
25 quired by subsection (a) would not be in the national inter-

1 ests of the United States, submit the information required  
2 by subsection (a) about such specific countries in a classi-  
3 fied manner in writing to the appropriate congressional  
4 committees, together with a justification for why publica-  
5 tion would not be in the national interest. The justifica-  
6 tion, if applicable, shall be submitted the same date as  
7 the public list required by subsection (a).

8 **SEC. 5404. MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE ELIMINATION**  
9 **OF CORRUPTION AND ASSESSMENT OF EF-**  
10 **FORTS TO COMBAT CORRUPTION.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—The government of a country is  
12 complying with the minimum standards for the elimi-  
13 nation of corruption if the government—

14 (1) has enacted and implemented laws and es-  
15 tablished government structures, policies, and prac-  
16 tices that prohibit corruption, including significant  
17 corruption;

18 (2) enforces the laws described in paragraph (1)  
19 by punishing any person who is found, through a  
20 fair judicial process, to have violated such laws;

21 (3) prescribes punishment for significant cor-  
22 ruption that is commensurate with the punishment  
23 prescribed for serious crimes; and

24 (4) is making serious and sustained efforts to  
25 address corruption, including through prevention.

1 (b) FACTORS FOR ASSESSING GOVERNMENT EF-  
2 FORTS TO COMBAT CORRUPTION.—In determining wheth-  
3 er a government is making serious and sustained efforts  
4 to address corruption, the Secretary of State shall con-  
5 sider, to the extent relevant or appropriate, factors such  
6 as—

7 (1) whether the government of the country has  
8 criminalized corruption, investigates and prosecutes  
9 acts of corruption, and convicts and sentences per-  
10 sons responsible for such acts over which it has ju-  
11 risdiction, including, as appropriate, incarcerating  
12 individuals convicted of such acts;

13 (2) whether the government of the country vig-  
14 orously investigates, prosecutes, convicts, and sen-  
15 tences public officials who participate in or facilitate  
16 corruption, including nationals of the country who  
17 are deployed in foreign military assignments, trade  
18 delegations abroad, or other similar missions, who  
19 engage in or facilitate significant corruption;

20 (3) whether the government of the country has  
21 adopted measures to prevent corruption, such as  
22 measures to inform and educate the public, including  
23 potential victims, about the causes and consequences  
24 of corruption;

1           (4) what steps the government of the country  
2           has taken to prohibit government officials from par-  
3           ticipating in, facilitating, or condoning corruption,  
4           including the investigation, prosecution, and convic-  
5           tion of such officials;

6           (5) the extent to which the country provides ac-  
7           cess, or, as appropriate, makes adequate resources  
8           available, to civil society organizations and other in-  
9           stitutions to combat corruption, including reporting,  
10          investigating, and monitoring;

11          (6) whether an independent judiciary or judicial  
12          body in the country is responsible for, and effectively  
13          capable of, deciding corruption cases impartially, on  
14          the basis of facts and in accordance with the law,  
15          without any improper restrictions, influences, in-  
16          ducements, pressures, threats, or interferences (di-  
17          rect or indirect);

18          (7) whether the government of the country is  
19          assisting in international investigations of  
20          transnational corruption networks and in other coop-  
21          erative efforts to combat significant corruption, in-  
22          cluding, as appropriate, cooperating with the govern-  
23          ments of other countries to extradite corrupt actors;

24          (8) whether the government of the country rec-  
25          ognizes the rights of victims of corruption, ensures

1 their access to justice, and takes steps to prevent  
2 victims from being further victimized or persecuted  
3 by corrupt actors, government officials, or others;

4 (9) whether the government of the country pro-  
5 tects victims of corruption or whistleblowers from re-  
6 prisal due to such persons having assisted in expos-  
7 ing corruption, and refrains from other discrimina-  
8 tory treatment of such persons;

9 (10) whether the government of the country is  
10 willing and able to recover and, as appropriate, re-  
11 turn the proceeds of corruption;

12 (11) whether the government of the country is  
13 taking steps to implement financial transparency  
14 measures in line with the Financial Action Task  
15 Force recommendations, including due diligence and  
16 beneficial ownership transparency requirements;

17 (12) whether the government of the country is  
18 facilitating corruption in other countries in connec-  
19 tion with state-directed investment, loans or grants  
20 for major infrastructure, or other initiatives; and

21 (13) such other information relating to corrup-  
22 tion as the Secretary of State considers appropriate.

23 (c) ASSESSING GOVERNMENT EFFORTS TO COMBAT  
24 CORRUPTION IN RELATION TO RELEVANT INTER-  
25 NATIONAL COMMITMENTS.—In determining whether a

1 government is making serious and sustained efforts to ad-  
2 dress corruption, the Secretary of State shall consider the  
3 government of a country's compliance with the following,  
4 as relevant:

5 (1) The Inter-American Convention against  
6 Corruption of the Organization of American States,  
7 done at Caracas March 29, 1996.

8 (2) The Convention on Combating Bribery of  
9 Foreign Public Officials in International Business  
10 Transactions of the Organisation of Economic Co-  
11 operation and Development, done at Paris December  
12 21, 1997 (commonly referred to as the "Anti-Brib-  
13 ery Convention").

14 (3) The United Nations Convention against  
15 Transnational Organized Crime, done at New York  
16 November 15, 2000.

17 (4) The United Nations Convention against  
18 Corruption, done at New York October 31, 2003.

19 (5) Such other treaties or conventions ratified  
20 by the United States as the Secretary of State con-  
21 siders appropriate.

1 **SEC. 5405. IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS UNDER GLOBAL**  
2 **MAGNITSKY HUMAN RIGHTS ACCOUNT-**  
3 **ABILITY ACT.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State, in con-  
5 sultation with the Secretary of the Treasury, should evalu-  
6 ate whether there are foreign persons engaged in signifi-  
7 cant corruption for the purposes of potential imposition  
8 of sanctions under the Global Magnitsky Human Rights  
9 Accountability Act (subtitle F of title XII of Public Law  
10 114–328; 22 U.S.C. 10101 et seq.)—

11 (1) in all countries identified pursuant to sec-  
12 tion 5403(b); and

13 (2) in relation to the planning or construction  
14 or any operation of the Nord Stream 2 pipeline.

15 (b) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days  
16 after providing the list required by section 5403(b), and  
17 annually thereafter, the Secretary of State shall submit  
18 to the appropriate congressional committees a report that  
19 includes—

20 (1) a list of foreign persons with respect to  
21 which the President imposed sanctions pursuant to  
22 the evaluation under subsection (a);

23 (2) the dates on which such sanctions were im-  
24 posed;

25 (3) the reasons for imposing such sanctions;  
26 and

1           (4) a list of all foreign persons that have en-  
2           gaged in significant corruption in relation to the  
3           planning, construction, or operation of the Nord  
4           Stream 2 pipeline.

5           (c) FORM OF REPORT.—Each report required by sub-  
6           section (b) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may  
7           include a classified annex.

8           (d) BRIEFING IN LIEU OF REPORT.—The Secretary  
9           of State, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treas-  
10          ury, may, instead of submitting a written report required  
11          under subsection (b) (except with respect to the list re-  
12          quired by subsection (b)(4)), provide to the appropriate  
13          congressional committees a briefing, together with a writ-  
14          ten justification, if doing so would better serve the na-  
15          tional interests of the United States.

16          (e) TERMINATION OF REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO  
17          NORD STREAM 2.—The requirements under subsections  
18          (a)(2) and (b)(4) shall terminate on the date that is 5  
19          years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

20       **SEC. 5406. DESIGNATION OF EMBASSY ANTI-CORRUPTION**  
21                               **POINTS OF CONTACT.**

22          (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State shall an-  
23          nually designate an anti-corruption point of contact at the  
24          United States diplomatic post to each country identified  
25          pursuant to section 5403(b), or which the Secretary other-

1 wise determines is in need of such a point of contact. The  
2 point of contact shall be the chief of mission or the chief  
3 of mission's designee.

4 (b) RESPONSIBILITIES.—Each anti-corruption point  
5 of contact designated under subsection (a) shall be respon-  
6 sible for enhancing coordination and promoting the imple-  
7 mentation of a whole-of-government approach among the  
8 relevant Federal departments and agencies undertaking  
9 efforts to—

10 (1) promote good governance in foreign coun-  
11 tries; and

12 (2) enhance the ability of such countries—

13 (A) to combat public corruption; and

14 (B) to develop and implement corruption  
15 risk assessment tools and mitigation strategies.

16 (c) TRAINING.—The Secretary of State shall imple-  
17 ment appropriate training for anti-corruption points of  
18 contact designated under subsection (a).

## 19 **Subtitle B—Other Matters**

### 20 **SEC. 5411. GLOBAL COOPERATIVE FRAMEWORK TO END** 21 **HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES IN SOURCING CRIT-** 22 **ICAL MINERALS.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State shall seek  
24 to convene a meeting of foreign leaders to establish a mul-  
25 tilateral framework to end human rights abuses, including

1 the exploitation of forced labor and child labor, related to  
2 the mining and sourcing of critical minerals.

3 (b) IMPLEMENTATION REPORT.—The Secretary shall  
4 lead the development of an annual global report on the  
5 implementation of the framework under subsection (a), in-  
6 cluding progress and recommendations to fully end human  
7 rights abuses, including the exploitation of forced labor  
8 and child labor, related to the extraction of critical min-  
9 erals around the world.

10 (c) CONSULTATIONS.—The Secretary shall consult  
11 closely on a timely basis with the following with respect  
12 to developing and implementing the framework under sub-  
13 section (a):

14 (1) The Forced Labor Enforcement Task Force  
15 established under section 741 of the United States-  
16 Mexico-Canada Agreement Implementation Act (19  
17 U.S.C. 4681); and

18 (2) Congress.

19 (d) RELATIONSHIP TO UNITED STATES LAW.—Noth-  
20 ing in the framework under subsection (a) shall be con-  
21 strued—

22 (1) to amend or modify any law of the United  
23 States; or

24 (2) to limit any authority conferred under any  
25 law of the United States.

1 (e) EXTRACTIVE INDUSTRIES TRANSPARENCY INI-  
2 TIATIVE AND CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE DODD-FRANK  
3 WALL STREET REFORM AND CONSUMER PROTECTION  
4 ACT.—Nothing in this section shall—

5 (1) affect the authority of the President to take  
6 any action to join and subsequently comply with the  
7 terms and obligations of the Extractive Industries  
8 Transparency Initiative (EITI); or

9 (2) affect section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Wall  
10 Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (15  
11 U.S.C. 78m note), or subsection (q) of section 13 of  
12 the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C.  
13 78m), as added by section 1504 of the Dodd-Frank  
14 Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act  
15 (Public Law 111–203; 124 Stat. 2220), or any rule  
16 prescribed under either such section.

17 (f) CRITICAL MINERAL DEFINED.—In this section,  
18 the term “critical mineral” has the meaning given the  
19 term in section 7002(a) of the Energy Act of 2020 (30  
20 U.S.C. 1606(a)).

21 **SEC. 5412. CONNECTING OCEANIA’S NATIONS WITH VAN-**  
22 **GUARD EXERCISES AND NATIONAL EM-**  
23 **POWERMENT.**

24 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the  
25 “Connecting Oceania’s Nations with Vanguard Exercises

1 and National Empowerment Act of 2023” or the “CON-  
2 VENE Act of 2023”.

3 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 (1) The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
5 gress” means—

6 (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations  
7 and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the  
8 Senate;

9 (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and  
10 the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence  
11 of the House of Representatives; and

12 (C) the congressional defense committees.

13 (2) NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL.—The term  
14 “national security council” means, with respect to a  
15 specified country, an intergovernmental body under  
16 the jurisdiction of the freely elected government of  
17 the specified country that acts as the primary co-  
18 ordinating entity for security cooperation, disaster  
19 response, and the activities described in subsection  
20 (c)(5).

21 (3) SPECIFIED COUNTRY.—The term “specified  
22 country” means—

23 (A) the Federated States of Micronesia;

24 (B) the Republic of the Marshall Islands;

25 and

1 (C) the Republic of Palau.

2 (e) NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCILS OF SPECIFIED  
3 COUNTRIES.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State, in  
5 consultation with other relevant Federal depart-  
6 ments and agencies, as appropriate, may consult and  
7 engage with each specified country to advise and  
8 provide assistance to a national security council (in-  
9 cluding by developing a national security council, if  
10 appropriate), or to identify a similar coordinating  
11 body for national security matters, comprised of citi-  
12 zens of the specified country—

13 (A) that enables the specified country—

14 (i) to better coordinate with the  
15 United States Government, including the  
16 Armed Forces, as appropriate;

17 (ii) to increase cohesion on activities,  
18 including emergency humanitarian re-  
19 sponse, law enforcement, and maritime se-  
20 curity activities; and

21 (iii) to provide trained professionals to  
22 serve as members of the committees of the  
23 specified country established under the ap-  
24 plicable Compact of Free Association; and

1 (B) for the purpose of enhancing resilience  
2 capabilities and protecting the people, infra-  
3 structure, and territory of the specified country  
4 from malign actions.

5 (2) COMPOSITION.—The Secretary of State, re-  
6 specting the unique needs of each specified country,  
7 may seek to ensure that the national security coun-  
8 cil, or other identified coordinating body, of the  
9 specified country is composed of sufficient staff and  
10 members to enable the activities described in para-  
11 graph (5).

12 (3) STANDARDS FOR EQUIPMENT AND SERV-  
13 ICES.—The Secretary of State may work with the  
14 national security council, or other identified coordi-  
15 nating body, of each specified country to ensure  
16 that—

17 (A) the equipment and services used by the  
18 national security council or other identified co-  
19 ordinating body are compliant with security  
20 standards so as to minimize the risk of  
21 cyberattacks or espionage;

22 (B) the national security council or other  
23 identified coordinating body takes all reasonable  
24 efforts not to procure or use systems, equip-  
25 ment, or software that originates from any enti-

1 ty identified under section 1260H of the Wil-  
2 liam M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense  
3 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year (10 U.S.C.  
4 113 note); and

5 (C) to the extent practicable, the equip-  
6 ment and services used by the national security  
7 council or other identified coordinating body are  
8 interoperable with the equipment and services  
9 used by the national security councils, or other  
10 identified coordinating bodies, of the other spec-  
11 ified countries.

12 (4) REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION.—

13 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180  
14 days after the date of the enactment of this  
15 Act, and annually thereafter for 2 years, the  
16 Secretary of State shall submit to the appro-  
17 priate committees of Congress a report that in-  
18 cludes—

19 (i) an assessment as to whether a na-  
20 tional security council or a similar formal  
21 coordinating body is helping or would help  
22 achieve the objectives described in para-  
23 graph (1) at acceptable financial and op-  
24 portunity cost;

1 (ii) a description of all actions taken  
2 by the United States Government to assist  
3 in the identification or maintenance of a  
4 national security council, or other identi-  
5 fied coordinating body, in each specified  
6 country;

7 (iii) with respect to each specified  
8 country, an assessment as to whether—

9 (I) the specified country has ap-  
10 propriately staffed its national secu-  
11 rity council or other identified coordi-  
12 nating body; and

13 (II) the extent to which the na-  
14 tional security council, or other identi-  
15 fied coordinating body, of the speci-  
16 fied country is capable of carrying out  
17 the activities described in paragraph  
18 (5);

19 (iv) an assessment of—

20 (I) any challenge to cooperation  
21 and coordination with the national se-  
22 curity council, or other identified co-  
23 ordinating body, of any specified  
24 country;

1 (II) current efforts by the Sec-  
2 retary of State to coordinate with the  
3 specified countries on the activities  
4 described in paragraph (5); and

5 (III) existing governmental enti-  
6 ties within each specified country that  
7 are capable of supporting such activi-  
8 ties;

9 (v) a description of any challenge with  
10 respect to—

11 (I) the implementation of the na-  
12 tional security council, or other identi-  
13 fied coordinating body, of any speci-  
14 fied country; and

15 (II) the implementation of para-  
16 graphs (1) through (3);

17 (vi) an assessment of any attempt or  
18 campaign by a malign actor to influence  
19 the political, security, or economic policy of  
20 a specified country, a member of a national  
21 security council or other identified coordi-  
22 nating body, or an immediate family mem-  
23 ber of such a member; and

24 (vii) any other matter the Secretary of  
25 State considers relevant.

1 (B) FORM.—Each report required by sub-  
2 paragraph (A) may be submitted in unclassified  
3 form and may include a classified annex.

4 (5) ACTIVITIES DESCRIBED.—The activities de-  
5 scribed in this subsection are the following homeland  
6 security activities:

7 (A) Coordination of—

8 (i) the prosecution and investigation  
9 of transnational criminal enterprises;

10 (ii) responses to national emergencies,  
11 such as natural disasters;

12 (iii) counterintelligence and counter-  
13 coercion responses to foreign threats; and

14 (iv) efforts to combat illegal, unre-  
15 ported, or unregulated fishing.

16 (B) Coordination with United States Gov-  
17 ernment officials on humanitarian response,  
18 military exercises, law enforcement, and other  
19 issues of security concern.

20 (C) Identification and development of an  
21 existing governmental entity to support home-  
22 land defense and civil support activities.

23 **SEC. 5413. ENDING CHINA'S DEVELOPING NATION STATUS.**

24 (a) FINDING; STATEMENT OF POLICY.—

1           (1) FINDING.—Congress finds that the People’s  
2           Republic of China is still classified as a developing  
3           nation under multiple treaties and international or-  
4           ganization structures, even though China has grown  
5           to be the second largest economy in the world.

6           (2) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of  
7           the United States—

8                   (A) to oppose the labeling or treatment of  
9                   the People’s Republic of China as a developing  
10                  nation in current and future treaty negotiations  
11                  and in each international organization of which  
12                  the United States and the People’s Republic of  
13                  China are both current members;

14                  (B) to pursue the labeling or treatment of  
15                  the People’s Republic of China as a developed  
16                  nation in each international organization of  
17                  which the United States and the People’s Re-  
18                  public of China are both current members; and

19                  (C) to work with allies and partners of the  
20                  United States to implement the policies de-  
21                  scribed in subparagraphs (A) and (B).

22           (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

23                   (1) The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
24                  gress” means—

1 (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations of  
2 the Senate and the Committee on Foreign Af-  
3 fairs of the House of Representatives with re-  
4 spect to subsection (c); and

5 (B) the Committee on Finance of the Sen-  
6 ate and the Committee on Ways and Means of  
7 the House of Representatives with respect to  
8 subsection (d).

9 (2) The term “OECD” means the Organisation  
10 for Economic Co-operation and Development.

11 (3) The term “Secretary” means the Secretary  
12 of State.

13 (4) The term “WTO” means the World Trade  
14 Organization.

15 (c) DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY.—

16 (1) REPORT ON DEVELOPMENT STATUS IN CUR-  
17 RENT TREATY NEGOTIATIONS.—Not later than 180  
18 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
19 Secretary shall submit a report to the appropriate  
20 committees of Congress that—

21 (A) identifies all current treaty negotia-  
22 tions in which—

23 (i) the proposed treaty would provide  
24 for different treatment or standards for  
25 enforcement of the treaty based on respec-

1           tive development status of the states that  
2           are party to the treaty; and

3                   (ii) the People's Republic of China is  
4           actively participating in the negotiations,  
5           or it is reasonably foreseeable that the  
6           People's Republic of China would seek to  
7           become a party to the treaty; and

8                   (B) for each treaty negotiation identified  
9           pursuant to subparagraph (A), describes how  
10          the treaty under negotiation would provide dif-  
11          ferent treatment or standards for enforcement  
12          of the treaty based on development status of  
13          the states parties.

14           (2) REPORT ON DEVELOPMENT STATUS IN EX-  
15          ISTING ORGANIZATIONS AND TREATIES.—Not later  
16          than 180 days after the date of the enactment of  
17          this Act, the Secretary shall submit a report to the  
18          appropriate committees of Congress that—

19                   (A) identifies all international organiza-  
20          tions or treaties of which the United States is  
21          a member, that provide different treatment or  
22          standards for enforcement based on the respec-  
23          tive development status of the member states or  
24          states parties;

1 (B) describes the mechanisms for changing  
2 the country designation for each relevant treaty  
3 or organization; and

4 (C) for each of the organizations or trea-  
5 ties identified pursuant to subparagraph (A)—

6 (i) includes a list of countries that—

7 (I) are labeled as developing na-  
8 tions or receive the benefits of a devel-  
9 oping nation under the terms of the  
10 organization or treaty; and

11 (II) meet the World Bank classi-  
12 fication for upper middle income or  
13 high-income countries; and

14 (ii) describes how the organization or  
15 treaty provides different treatment or  
16 standards for enforcement based on devel-  
17 opment status of the member states or  
18 states parties.

19 (3) MECHANISMS FOR CHANGING DEVELOP-  
20 MENT STATUS.—

21 (A) IN GENERAL.—In any international or-  
22 ganization of which the United States and the  
23 People's Republic of China are both current  
24 members, the Secretary, in consultation with al-

1 lies and partners of the United States, shall  
2 pursue—

3 (i) changing the status of the People's  
4 Republic of China from developing nation  
5 to developed nation if a mechanism exists  
6 in such organization to make such status  
7 change; or

8 (ii) the development of a mechanism  
9 described in clause (i) to change the status  
10 of the People's Republic of China in such  
11 organization from developing nation to de-  
12 veloped nation.

13 (B) WAIVER.—The President may waive  
14 the application of clause (i) or (ii) of subpara-  
15 graph (A) with respect to any international or-  
16 ganization if the President notifies the appro-  
17 priate committees of Congress that such a waiv-  
18 er is in the national interests of the United  
19 States.

20 (4) EXCEPTION.—This subsection shall not  
21 apply to the WTO or any treaty identified in sub-  
22 section (d).

23 (d) DUTIES OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REP-  
24 RESENTATIVE.—

1           (1) REPORT ON SPECIAL AND DIFFERENTIAL  
2 TREATMENT AT THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZA-  
3 TION.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the  
4 enactment of this Act, the United States Trade Rep-  
5 resentative shall submit a report to the appropriate  
6 committees of Congress that—

7           (A) identifies each provision of a WTO  
8 agreement that provides for special and dif-  
9 ferential treatment based on the self-declared  
10 development status of WTO members, including  
11 the People’s Republic of China;

12           (B) identifies—

13           (i) all current multilateral negotia-  
14 tions at the WTO in which proposed nego-  
15 tiating text would provide for special and  
16 differential treatment for WTO members;  
17 and

18           (ii) all current plurilateral negotia-  
19 tions at the WTO in which the People’s  
20 Republic of China is actively participating,  
21 or it is reasonably foreseeable that the  
22 People’s Republic of China would seek to  
23 become a party to the agreement, in which  
24 proposed negotiating text would provide for

1 special and differential treatment for WTO  
2 members;

3 (C) for each negotiation identified pursu-  
4 ant to subparagraph (B), describes how the  
5 draft provisions as of the date of the report  
6 would provide different treatment or standards  
7 for enforcement based on the self-declared de-  
8 velopment status of WTO members;

9 (D) includes a list of WTO members  
10 that—

11 (i) self-declare as developing country  
12 WTO members;

13 (ii) meet the World Bank classifica-  
14 tion for upper middle-income or high-in-  
15 come countries; and

16 (iii)(I) are members of, or applicants  
17 to, the OECD; or

18 (II) account for not less than 0.5  
19 percent of global merchandise trade  
20 annually for each of the most recently  
21 completed 5 calendar years; and

22 (E) describes how the WTO provides dif-  
23 ferent treatment or standards for enforcement  
24 based on the self-declared development status of  
25 the WTO members.

1           (2) SENSE OF CONGRESS ON MECHANISMS FOR  
2           CHANGING SPECIAL AND DIFFERENTIAL TREATMENT  
3           AT THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION.—It is the  
4           sense of Congress that the United States Trade  
5           Representative, in consultation with allies and part-  
6           ners of the United States, should—

7                   (A) oppose the use of special and differen-  
8                   tial treatment by the People’s Republic of  
9                   China at the WTO;

10                   (B) work to preclude the People’s Republic  
11                   of China from being eligible to use special and  
12                   differential treatment in future WTO agree-  
13                   ments; and

14                   (C) work to set appropriate thresholds,  
15                   based on objective criteria, for determining each  
16                   country’s eligibility for special and differential  
17                   treatment in current and future WTO negotia-  
18                   tions, consistent with subparagraphs (A) and  
19                   (B).

20 **SEC. 5414. PERMITTING FOR INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES.**

21           The International Bridge Act of 1972 (33 U.S.C. 535  
22 et seq.) is amended by inserting after section 5 the fol-  
23 lowing:

24 **“SEC. 6. PERMITTING FOR INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES.**

25           “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1           “(1) ELIGIBLE APPLICANT.—The term ‘eligible  
2 applicant’ means an entity that has submitted an  
3 application for a Presidential permit during the pe-  
4 riod beginning on December 1, 2020, and ending on  
5 December 31, 2024, for any of the following:

6           “(A) 1 or more international bridges in  
7 Webb County, Texas.

8           “(B) An international bridge in Cameron  
9 County, Texas.

10           “(C) An international bridge in Maverick  
11 County, Texas.

12           “(2) PRESIDENTIAL PERMIT.—

13           “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘Presi-  
14 dential permit’ means—

15           “(i) an approval by the President to  
16 construct, maintain, and operate an inter-  
17 national bridge under section 4; or

18           “(ii) an approval by the President to  
19 construct, maintain, and operate an inter-  
20 national bridge pursuant to a process de-  
21 scribed in Executive Order 13867 (84 Fed.  
22 Reg. 15491; relating to Issuance of Per-  
23 mits With Respect to Facilities and Land  
24 Transportation Crossings at the Inter-

1 national Boundaries of the United States)  
2 (or any successor Executive Order).

3 “(B) INCLUSION.—The term ‘Presidential  
4 permit’ includes an amendment to an approval  
5 described in clause (i) or (ii) of subparagraph  
6 (A).

7 “(3) SECRETARY.—The term ‘Secretary’ means  
8 the Secretary of State.

9 “(b) APPLICATION.—An eligible applicant for a Pres-  
10 idential permit to construct, maintain, and operate an  
11 international bridge shall submit an application for the  
12 permit to the Secretary.

13 “(c) RECOMMENDATION.—

14 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days  
15 after the date on which the Secretary receives an ap-  
16 plication under subsection (b), the Secretary shall  
17 make a recommendation to the President—

18 “(A) to grant the Presidential permit; or

19 “(B) to deny the Presidential permit.

20 “(2) CONSIDERATION.—The basis for a rec-  
21 ommendation under paragraph (1) shall be whether  
22 the international bridge is in the foreign policy inter-  
23 ests of the United States.

24 “(d) PRESIDENTIAL ACTION.—

1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The President shall grant  
2 or deny the Presidential permit for an application  
3 under subsection (b) by not later than 60 days after  
4 the earlier of—

5           “(A) the date on which the Secretary  
6 makes a recommendation under subsection  
7 (c)(1); and

8           “(B) the date on which the Secretary is re-  
9 quired to make a recommendation under sub-  
10 section (c)(1).

11           “(2) NO ACTION.—

12           “(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subpara-  
13 graph (B), if the President does not grant or  
14 deny the Presidential permit for an application  
15 under subsection (b) by the deadline described  
16 in paragraph (1), the Presidential permit shall  
17 be considered to have been granted as of that  
18 deadline.

19           “(B) REQUIREMENT.—As a condition on a  
20 Presidential permit considered to be granted  
21 under subparagraph (A), the eligible applicant  
22 shall complete all applicable environmental doc-  
23 uments required pursuant to Public Law 91–  
24 190 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.).

1       “(e) DOCUMENT REQUIREMENTS.—Notwithstanding  
2 any other provision of law, the Secretary shall not require  
3 an eligible applicant for a Presidential permit—

4           “(1) to include in the application under sub-  
5 section (b) environmental documents prepared pur-  
6 suant to Public Law 91–190 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et  
7 seq.); or

8           “(2) to have completed any environmental re-  
9 view under Public Law 91–190 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et  
10 seq.) prior to the President granting a Presidential  
11 permit under subsection (d).

12       “(f) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this  
13 section—

14           “(1) prohibits the President from granting a  
15 Presidential permit conditioned on the eligible appli-  
16 cant completing all environmental documents pursu-  
17 ant to Public Law 91–190 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.)  
18 and complying with relevant laws;

19           “(2) prohibits the Secretary from requesting a  
20 list of all permits and approvals from Federal, State,  
21 and local agencies that the eligible applicant believes  
22 are required in connection with the international  
23 bridge, or a brief description of how those permits  
24 and approvals will be acquired prior to making a  
25 recommendation to the President;

1           “(3) exempts an eligible applicant from the re-  
2           quirement to complete all environmental documents  
3           pursuant to Public Law 91–190 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et  
4           seq.) prior to construction of an international bridge;  
5           or

6           “(4) exempts an eligible applicant from com-  
7           plying with Public Law 91–190 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et  
8           seq.) or any other law.”.

9           **TITLE LV—EDUCATION AND**  
10           **WORKFORCE MATTERS**

Sec. 5501. Amendments to the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Com-  
pensation Program Act of 2000.

11   **SEC. 5501. AMENDMENTS TO THE ENERGY EMPLOYEES OC-**  
12           **CUPATIONAL ILLNESS COMPENSATION PRO-**  
13           **GRAM ACT OF 2000.**

14           (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This section may be cited as the  
15   “Beryllium Testing Fairness Act”.

16           (b) **MODIFICATION OF DEMONSTRATION OF BERYL-**  
17   **LIUM SENSITIVITY.**—Section 3621(8)(A) of the Energy  
18   Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program  
19   Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7384l(8)(A)) is amended—

20           (1) by striking “established by an abnormal”  
21           and inserting the following: “established by—

22                           “(i) an abnormal”;

23           (2) by striking the period at the end and insert-  
24           ing “; or”; and

1 (3) by adding at the end the following:

2 “(ii) three borderline beryllium lym-  
3 phocyte proliferation tests performed on  
4 blood cells over a period of 3 years.”.

5 (c) EXTENSION OF ADVISORY BOARD ON TOXIC SUB-  
6 STANCES AND WORKER HEALTH.—Section 3687(j) of the  
7 Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation  
8 Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7385s-16(j)) is amended  
9 by striking “10 years” and inserting “15 years”.

10 **TITLE LVI—TRANSPORTATION**  
11 **AND INFRASTRUCTURE MAT-**  
12 **TERS**

Sec. 5601. Extension of prohibition on provision of airport improvement grant funds to certain entities that have violated intellectual property rights of United States entities.

Sec. 5602. Nogales wastewater improvement.

Sec. 5603. International Port Security Enforcement Act.

13 **SEC. 5601. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON PROVISION OF**  
14 **AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT GRANT FUNDS TO**  
15 **CERTAIN ENTITIES THAT HAVE VIOLATED IN-**  
16 **TELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS OF UNITED**  
17 **STATES ENTITIES.**

18 Subsections (a) and (c)(2)(B) of section 10003 of the  
19 William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Author-  
20 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283;  
21 134 Stat. 4864) are each amended by striking “2023” and  
22 inserting “2024”.

1 **SEC. 5602. NOGALES WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENT.**

2 (a) AMENDMENT TO THE ACT OF JULY 27, 1953.—

3 The first section of the Act of July 27, 1953 (67 Stat.  
4 195, chapter 242; 22 U.S.C. 277d–10), is amended by  
5 striking the period at the end and inserting “: *Provided*  
6 *further*, That such equitable proportion shall consist only  
7 of the costs directly associated with the treatment and  
8 conveyance of the wastewater of the city and, to the extent  
9 practicable, shall not include any costs directly associated  
10 with the quality or quantity of wastewater originating in  
11 Mexico.”.

12 (b) NOGALES SANITATION PROJECT.—

13 (1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

14 (A) CITY.—The term “City” means the  
15 City of Nogales, Arizona.

16 (B) COMMISSION.—The term “Commis-  
17 sion” means the United States Section of the  
18 International Boundary and Water Commission.

19 (C) INTERNATIONAL OUTFALL INTER-  
20 CEPTOR.—The term “International Outfall In-  
21 terceptor” means the pipeline that conveys  
22 wastewater from the United States-Mexico bor-  
23 der to the Nogales International Wastewater  
24 Treatment Plant.

25 (D) NOGALES INTERNATIONAL WASTE-  
26 WATER TREATMENT PLANT.—The term

1 “Nogales International Wastewater Treatment  
2 Plant” means the wastewater treatment plant  
3 that—

4 (i) is operated by the Commission;

5 (ii) is located in Rio Rico, Santa Cruz  
6 County, Arizona, after manhole 99; and

7 (iii) treats wastewater originating  
8 from—

9 (I) Nogales, Sonora, Mexico; and

10 (II) Nogales, Arizona.

11 (E) NOGALES SANITATION PROJECT.—The  
12 term “Nogales sanitation project” means—

13 (i) the International Outfall Inter-  
14 ceptor; and

15 (ii) the Nogales International Waste-  
16 water Treatment Plant.

17 (2) OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL.—

18 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Commission shall  
19 assume full ownership and control of the Inter-  
20 national Outfall Interceptor on the date on  
21 which—

22 (i) the City has conveyed, without  
23 consideration, all right, title, and interest  
24 of the City in the International Outfall In-  
25 terceptor to the Commission;

1           (ii) all memoranda and agreements  
2           necessary for the Commission to operate  
3           and maintain the International Outfall In-  
4           terceptor, as described in subparagraph  
5           (B), have been entered into; and

6           (iii) a total of \$12,500,000 has been  
7           appropriated pursuant to paragraph (3) or  
8           otherwise secured by the Commission for  
9           use in carrying out such paragraph.

10           (B) AGREEMENTS.—In accordance with  
11           the Act of July 27, 1953 (67 Stat. 195, chapter  
12           242; 22 U.S.C. 277d–10 et seq.), as amended  
13           by this section, the Commission shall, with re-  
14           spect to each applicable governing body in the  
15           State of Arizona, including the City, seek to  
16           enter into—

17           (i) a memorandum of understanding  
18           granting to the Commission access to ex-  
19           isting easements for a right of entry to the  
20           International Outfall Interceptor for the  
21           life of the International Outfall Inter-  
22           ceptor;

23           (ii) an agreement with respect to the  
24           flows entering the International Outfall In-

1           terceptor that are controlled by the City;  
2           and

3                   (iii) an agreement to work in good  
4           faith to expeditiously enter into such other  
5           agreements as are necessary for the Com-  
6           mission to operate and maintain the Inter-  
7           national Outfall Interceptor.

8           (3) OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE.—

9                   (A) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on the date  
10          on which the Commission assumes full owner-  
11          ship and control of the International Outfall In-  
12          terceptor under paragraph (2), the Commission  
13          shall carry out the operation and maintenance  
14          of the International Outfall Interceptor.

15                   (B) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIA-  
16          TIONS.—There are authorized to be appro-  
17          priated to the Commission to carry out this  
18          paragraph \$12,500,000 for the period of fiscal  
19          years 2025 through 2029, to remain available  
20          until expended.

21          (4) DEBRIS SCREEN.—

22                   (A) DEBRIS SCREEN REQUIRED.—

23                           (i) IN GENERAL.—The Commission  
24          shall construct, operate, and maintain a  
25          debris screen, in coordination with other

1 relevant Federal agencies, at manhole 1 of  
2 the International Outfall Interceptor for  
3 intercepting debris and drug bundles com-  
4 ing to the United States from Nogales, So-  
5 nora, Mexico.

6 (ii) REQUIREMENT.—The Commission  
7 and the Commissioner of U.S. Customs  
8 and Border Protection shall coordinate the  
9 construction, operation, and maintenance  
10 of the debris screen under clause (i), in-  
11 cluding for purposes of the removal of  
12 drug bundles and other illicit goods caught  
13 in the debris screen.

14 (B) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIA-  
15 TIONS.—There are authorized to be appro-  
16 priated to the Commission, to remain available  
17 until expended—

18 (i) for fiscal year 2025—

19 (I) \$8,000,000 for construction  
20 of the debris screen described in sub-  
21 paragraph (A)(i); and

22 (II) not less than \$1,000,000 for  
23 the operation and maintenance of the  
24 debris screen described in subpara-  
25 graph (A)(i); and

1 (ii) not less than \$1,000,000 for each  
2 of fiscal years 2026 through 2029 for the  
3 operation and maintenance of the debris  
4 screen described in subparagraph (A)(i).

5 (5) LIMITATION OF CLAIMS.—Chapter 171 and  
6 section 1346(b) of title 28, United States Code  
7 (commonly known as the “Federal Tort Claims  
8 Act”), shall not apply to any claim arising from the  
9 activities of the Commission in carrying out this  
10 subsection, including any claim arising from dam-  
11 ages that result from overflow of the International  
12 Outfall Interceptor due to excess inflow to the Inter-  
13 national Outfall Interceptor originating from  
14 Nogales, Sonora, Mexico.

15 (c) INTERNATIONAL TREATY.—Not later than six  
16 months after the date of enactment of this section, the  
17 Commission shall seek to initiate negotiations with Mexico  
18 for a new Treaty Minute or a modification of Treaty  
19 Minute 227 to address, at a minimum, the following:

20 (1) Joint operation and maintenance respon-  
21 sibilities of the International Outfall Interceptor.

22 (2) Capacity usage of wastewater flows from  
23 the United States and Mexico through the Inter-  
24 national Outfall Interceptor.

1           (3) Payment for excess wastewater flows  
2 through the International Outfall Interceptor ema-  
3 nating from the Nogales, Sonora, Mexico area.

4           (4) Any terms and conditions considered nec-  
5 essary to support proportional use and maintenance  
6 of the International Outfall Interceptor.

7       (d) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date  
8 of enactment of this section, and each year thereafter, the  
9 Commission shall submit to the Committee on Foreign Re-  
10 lations of the Senate and the Committee on Transpor-  
11 tation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives  
12 a report that includes—

13           (1) an operation and maintenance plan, or a de-  
14 scription of the status of such plan, developed by the  
15 Commission and other relevant agencies, for the de-  
16 bris screen required under subsection (b)(4)(A);

17           (2) a description of any operation and mainte-  
18 nance issues of the Nogales sanitation project, in-  
19 cluding relating to transnational criminal activity;

20           (3) an update on efforts by the Commission to  
21 renegotiate an existing Treaty Minute or develop a  
22 new Treaty Minute pursuant to subsection (c); and

23           (4) an accounting of all outstanding or overdue  
24 payments from Mexico or the City for the processing

1 and conveyance of wastewater through the Nogales  
2 sanitation project.

3 (e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsections (a) and (b) (in-  
4 cluding the amendments made by such subsections) shall  
5 take effect on October 1, 2024.

6 **SEC. 5603. INTERNATIONAL PORT SECURITY ENFORCE-**  
7 **MENT ACT.**

8 Section 70108 of title 46, United States Code, is  
9 amended—

10 (1) in subsection (f)—

11 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “provided  
12 that” and all that follows and inserting the fol-  
13 lowing: “if—”

14 “(A) the Secretary certifies that the for-  
15 eign government or international organization—

16 “(i) has conducted the assessment in  
17 accordance with subsection (b); and

18 “(ii) has provided the Secretary with  
19 sufficient information pertaining to its as-  
20 sessment (including information regarding  
21 the outcome of the assessment); and

22 “(B) the foreign government that con-  
23 ducted the assessment is not a state sponsor of  
24 terrorism (as defined in section 3316(h)).”; and

1 (B) by amending paragraph (3) to read as  
2 follows:

3 “(3) LIMITATIONS.—Nothing in this section  
4 may be construed—

5 “(A) to require the Secretary to treat an  
6 assessment conducted by a foreign government  
7 or an international organization as an assess-  
8 ment that satisfies the requirement under sub-  
9 section (a);

10 “(B) to limit the discretion or ability of the  
11 Secretary to conduct an assessment under this  
12 section;

13 “(C) to limit the authority of the Secretary  
14 to repatriate aliens to their respective countries  
15 of origin; or

16 “(D) to prevent the Secretary from re-  
17 questing security and safety measures that the  
18 Secretary considers necessary to safeguard  
19 Coast Guard personnel during the repatriation  
20 of aliens to their respective countries of ori-  
21 gin.”; and

22 (2) by adding at the end the following:

23 “(g) STATE SPONSORS OF TERRORISM AND INTER-  
24 NATIONAL TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS.—The Sec-  
25 retary—

1 “(1) may not enter into an agreement under  
2 subsection (f)(2) with—

3 “(A) a foreign government that is a state  
4 sponsor of terrorism (as defined in section  
5 3316(h)); or

6 “(B) an entity designated by the Secretary  
7 of State as a foreign terrorist organization pur-  
8 suant to section 219 of the Immigration and  
9 Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189); and

10 “(2) shall—

11 “(A) deem any port that is under the juris-  
12 diction of a foreign government that is a state  
13 sponsor of terrorism as not having effective  
14 antiterrorism measures for purposes of this sec-  
15 tion and section 70109; and

16 “(B) immediately apply the sanctions de-  
17 scribed in section 70110(a) to such port.”.

18 **TITLE LVII—ARCHITECT OF THE**  
19 **CAPITOL APPOINTMENT ACT**  
20 **OF 2023**

Sec. 5701. Short title.

Sec. 5702. Appointment and term of service of Architect of the Capitol.

Sec. 5703. Appointment of Deputy Architect of the Capitol; vacancy in Archi-  
tect or Deputy Architect.

Sec. 5704. Deputy Architect of the Capitol to serve as acting in case of ab-  
sence, disability, or vacancy.

1 **SEC. 5701. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This title may be cited as the “Architect of the Cap-  
3 itol Appointment Act of 2023”.

4 **SEC. 5702. APPOINTMENT AND TERM OF SERVICE OF AR-**  
5 **CHITECT OF THE CAPITOL.**

6 (a) **APPOINTMENT.**—The Architect of the Capitol  
7 shall be appointed, without regard to political affiliation  
8 and solely on the basis of fitness to perform the duties  
9 of the office, upon a majority vote of a congressional com-  
10 mission (referred to in this section as the “commission”)  
11 consisting of the Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
12 the majority leader of the Senate, the minority leaders of  
13 the House of Representatives and Senate, the chair and  
14 ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropria-  
15 tions of the House of Representatives, the chairman and  
16 ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropria-  
17 tions of the Senate, the chair and ranking minority mem-  
18 ber of the Committee on House Administration of the  
19 House of Representatives, and the chairman and ranking  
20 minority member of the Committee on Rules and Adminis-  
21 tration of the Senate.

22 (b) **TERM OF SERVICE.**—The Architect of the Capitol  
23 shall be appointed for a term of 10 years and, upon a  
24 majority vote of the members of the commission, may be  
25 reappointed for additional 10-year terms.

1 (c) REMOVAL.—The Architect of the Capitol may be  
2 removed from office at any time upon a majority vote of  
3 the members of the commission.

4 (d) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

5 (1) Section 319 of the Legislative Branch Ap-  
6 propriations Act, 1990 (2 U.S.C. 1801) is repealed.

7 (2) The matter under the heading “For the  
8 Capitol:” under the heading “DEPARTMENT OF  
9 THE INTERIOR.” of the Act of February 14, 1902  
10 (32 Stat. 19, chapter 17; incorporated in 2 U.S.C.  
11 1811) is amended by striking “, and he shall be ap-  
12 pointed by the President”.

13 (e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section, and the amend-  
14 ments made by this section, shall apply with respect to  
15 appointments made on or after the date of enactment of  
16 this Act.

17 **SEC. 5703. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY ARCHITECT OF THE**  
18 **CAPITOL; VACANCY IN ARCHITECT OR DEP-**  
19 **UTY ARCHITECT.**

20 Section 1203 of title I of division H of the Consoli-  
21 dated Appropriations Resolution, 2003 (2 U.S.C. 1805)  
22 is amended—

23 (1) in subsection (a)—

1 (A) by inserting “(in this section referred  
2 to as the ‘Architect’)” after “The Architect of  
3 the Capitol”; and

4 (B) by inserting “(in this section referred  
5 to as the ‘Deputy Architect’)” after “Deputy  
6 Architect of the Capitol”;

7 (2) by redesignating subsection (b) as sub-  
8 section (c);

9 (3) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-  
10 lowing:

11 “(b) DEADLINE.—The Architect shall appoint a Dep-  
12 uty Architect under subsection (a) not later than 120 days  
13 after—

14 “(1) the date on which the Architect is ap-  
15 pointed under section 5702 of the Architect of the  
16 Capitol Appointment Act of 2023, if there is no  
17 Deputy Architect on the date of the appointment; or

18 “(2) the date on which a vacancy arises in the  
19 office of the Deputy Architect.”;

20 (4) in subsection (c), as so redesignated, by  
21 striking “of the Capitol” each place it appears; and

22 (5) by adding at the end the following:

23 “(d) FAILURE TO APPOINT.—If the Architect does  
24 not appoint a Deputy Architect on or before the applicable  
25 date specified in subsection (b), the congressional commis-

1 sion described in section 5702(a) of the Architect of the  
2 Capitol Appointment Act of 2023 shall appoint the Deputy  
3 Architect by a majority vote of the members of the com-  
4 mission.

5 “(e) NOTIFICATION.—If the position of Deputy Ar-  
6 chitect becomes vacant, the Architect shall immediately  
7 notify the members of the congressional commission de-  
8 scribed in section 5702(a) of the Architect of the Capitol  
9 Appointment Act of 2023.”.

10 **SEC. 5704. DEPUTY ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL TO SERVE**  
11 **AS ACTING IN CASE OF ABSENCE, DISABILITY,**  
12 **OR VACANCY.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Deputy Architect of the Cap-  
14 itol (in this section referred to as the “Deputy Architect”)  
15 shall act as Architect of the Capitol (in this section re-  
16 ferred to as the “Architect”) if the Architect is absent or  
17 disabled or there is no Architect.

18 (b) ABSENCE, DISABILITY, OR VACANCY IN OFFICE  
19 OF DEPUTY ARCHITECT.—For purposes of subsection (a),  
20 if the Deputy Architect is also absent or disabled or there  
21 is no Deputy Architect, the congressional commission de-  
22 scribed in section 5702(a) shall designate, by a majority  
23 vote of the members of the commission, an individual to  
24 serve as acting Architect until—

1 (1) the end of the absence or disability of the  
2 Architect or the Deputy Architect; or

3 (2) in the case of vacancies in both positions,  
4 an Architect has been appointed under section  
5 5702(a).

6 (c) AUTHORITY.—An officer serving as acting Archi-  
7 tect under subsection (a) or (b) shall perform all the duties  
8 and exercise all the authorities of the Architect, including  
9 the authority to delegate the duties and authorities of the  
10 Architect in accordance with the matter under the heading  
11 “Office of the Architect of the Capitol” under the heading  
12 “ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL” of the Legislative  
13 Appropriation Act, 1956 (2 U.S.C. 1803).

14 (d) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The matter under  
15 the heading “salaries” under the heading “Office of the  
16 Architect of the Capitol” under the heading “ARCHI-  
17 TECT OF THE CAPITOL” of the Legislative Branch  
18 Appropriation Act, 1971 (2 U.S.C. 1804) is amended by  
19 striking “: Provided,” and all that follows through “no Ar-  
20 chitect”.

21 **TITLE LVIII—FINANCIAL**  
22 **SERVICES MATTERS**

Sec. 5801. Assessment of gifts and grants to United States institutions of higher education from entities on the Non-SDN Chinese Military-Industrial Complex Companies List.

1 **SEC. 5801. ASSESSMENT OF GIFTS AND GRANTS TO UNITED**  
2 **STATES INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDU-**  
3 **CATION FROM ENTITIES ON THE NON-SDN**  
4 **CHINESE MILITARY-INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX**  
5 **COMPANIES LIST.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the  
7 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the  
8 Treasury shall submit to the appropriate congressional  
9 committees an assessment of gifts and grants to United  
10 States institutions of higher education from entities on the  
11 Non-SDN Chinese Military-Industrial Complex Compa-  
12 nies List maintained by the Office of Foreign Assets Con-  
13 trol.

14 (b) ELEMENTS.—The Secretary, in consultation with  
15 the Secretary of Education, shall include in the assess-  
16 ment required by subsection (a) an estimate of—

17 (1) a list and description of each of the gifts  
18 and grants provided to United States institutions of  
19 higher education by entities described in subsection  
20 (a); and

21 (2) the monetary value of each of those gifts  
22 and grants.

23 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

24 (1) The term “appropriate congressional com-  
25 mittees” means—

1 (A) the Committee on Banking, Housing,  
2 and Urban Affairs and the Committee on  
3 Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the  
4 Senate; and

5 (B) the Committee on Financial Services  
6 and the Committee on Education and the  
7 Workforce of the House of Representatives.

8 (2) The term “gifts and grants” includes finan-  
9 cial contributions, material donations, provision of  
10 services, scholarships, fellowships, research funding,  
11 infrastructure investment, contracts, or any other  
12 form of support that provides a benefit to the recipi-  
13 ent institution.

14 **DIVISION F—DEPARTMENT OF**  
15 **STATE AUTHORIZATION ACT**  
16 **OF 2023**

17 **SEC. 6001. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

18 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This division may be cited as the  
19 “Department of State Authorization Act of 2023”.

20 (b) **TABLE OF CONTENTS.**—The table of contents for  
21 this division is as follows:

Sec. 6001. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 6002. Definitions.

**TITLE LXI—DIPLOMATIC SECURITY AND CONSULAR AFFAIRS**

Sec. 6101. Special hiring authority for passport services.

Sec. 6102. Quarterly report on passport wait times.

Sec. 6103. Passport travel advisories.

Sec. 6104. Strategy to ensure access to passport services for all Americans.

Sec. 6105. Strengthening the National Passport Information Center.

- Sec. 6106. Strengthening passport customer visibility and transparency.
- Sec. 6107. Annual Office of Authentications report.
- Sec. 6108. Publication and updates of estimated time for processing of passport applications.
- Sec. 6109. Authority to designate additional passport acceptance agents.
- Sec. 6110. Notification of passport expiration.
- Sec. 6111. Use of commercially available technology in online passport renewal program.
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- Sec. 6228. Accessibility at diplomatic missions.
- Sec. 6229. Report on breastfeeding accommodations overseas.
- Sec. 6230. Determining the effectiveness of knowledge transfers between Foreign Service Officers.
- Sec. 6231. Education allowance for dependents of Department of State employees located in United States territories.
- Sec. 6232. Overtime pay exception for protective services.

## TITLE LXIII—INFORMATION SECURITY AND CYBER DIPLOMACY

- Sec. 6301. Data-informed diplomacy.
- Sec. 6302. Establishment and expansion of the Bureau Chief Data Officer Program.

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- Sec. 6303. Establishment of the Chief Artificial Intelligence Officer of the Department of State.
- Sec. 6304. Strengthening the Chief Information Officer of the Department of State.
- Sec. 6305. Sense of Congress on strengthening enterprise governance.
- Sec. 6306. Digital connectivity and cybersecurity partnership.
- Sec. 6307. Establishment of a cyberspace, digital connectivity, and related technologies (CDT) fund.
- Sec. 6308. Cyber protection support for personnel of the Department of State in positions highly vulnerable to cyber attack.
- Sec. 6309. Implementation of GAO High Risk List recommendations.

## TITLE LXIV—ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

- Sec. 6401. Personal services contractors.
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- Sec. 6408. Overseas placement of special appointment positions.
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- Sec. 6410. Establishment of fiscal responsibility award.

## TITLE LXV—ECONOMIC DIPLOMACY

- Sec. 6501. Report on recruitment, retention, and promotion of Foreign Service economic officers.
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## TITLE LXVI—PUBLIC DIPLOMACY

- Sec. 6601. Public diplomacy outreach.
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## TITLE LXVII—OTHER MATTERS

- Sec. 6701. Internships of United States nationals at international organizations.
- Sec. 6702. Training for international organizations.
- Sec. 6703. Infrastructure projects and investments by the United States and People’s Republic of China.
- Sec. 6704. Special envoys.
- Sec. 6705. US-ASEAN Center.
- Sec. 6706. Briefings on the United States-European Union Trade and Technology Council.
- Sec. 6707. Modification and repeal of reports.

Sec. 6708. Art in embassies.

Sec. 6709. Institute for Transatlantic Engagement.

Sec. 6710. Notification of revocation of clearances.

1 **SEC. 6002. DEFINITIONS.**

2 In this division:

3 (1) **APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-**  
4 **TEES.**—The term “appropriate congressional com-  
5 mittees” means the Committee on Foreign Relations  
6 of the Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs  
7 of the House of Representatives.

8 (2) **DEPARTMENT.**—The term “Department”  
9 means the Department of State.

10 (3) **SECRETARY.**—The term “Secretary” means  
11 the Secretary of State.

12 **TITLE LXI—DIPLOMATIC SECU-**  
13 **RITY AND CONSULAR AF-**  
14 **FAIRS**

15 **SEC. 6101. SPECIAL HIRING AUTHORITY FOR PASSPORT**  
16 **SERVICES.**

17 During the 3-year period beginning on the date of  
18 the enactment of this division, the Secretary, without re-  
19 gard to the provisions under sections 3309 through 3318  
20 of title 5, United States Code, may directly appoint up  
21 to 80 candidates to positions in the competitive service (as  
22 defined in section 2102 of such title) at the Department  
23 in the Passport and Visa Examining Series 0967.

1 **SEC. 6102. QUARTERLY REPORT ON PASSPORT WAIT TIMES.**

2 Not later than 30 days after the date of the enact-  
3 ment of this division, and quarterly thereafter for the fol-  
4 lowing 3 years, the Secretary shall submit a report to the  
5 appropriate congressional committees that describes—

6 (1) the current estimated wait times for pass-  
7 port processing;

8 (2) the steps that have been taken by the De-  
9 partment to reduce wait times to a reasonable time;

10 (3) efforts to improve the rollout of the online  
11 passport renewal processing program, including how  
12 much of passport revenues the Department is spend-  
13 ing on consular systems modernization;

14 (4) the demand for urgent passport services by  
15 major metropolitan area;

16 (5) the steps that have been taken by the De-  
17 partment to reduce and meet the demand for urgent  
18 passport services, particularly in areas that are  
19 greater than 5 hours driving time from the nearest  
20 passport agency; and

21 (6) how the Department details its staff and re-  
22 sources to passport services programs.

23 **SEC. 6103. PASSPORT TRAVEL ADVISORIES.**

24 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-  
25 ment of this division, the Department should make promi-

1    nent in United States regular passports, on the first three  
2    pages of the passport, the following information:

3           (1) A prominent, clear advisory for all travelers  
4           to check [travel.state.gov](http://travel.state.gov) for updated travel warnings  
5           and advisories.

6           (2) A prominent, clear notice urging all trav-  
7           elers to register with the Department prior to over-  
8           seas travel.

9           (3) A prominent, clear advisory—

10           (A) noting that many countries deny entry  
11           to travelers during the last 6 months of their  
12           passport validity period; and

13           (B) urging all travelers to renew their  
14           passport not later than 1 year prior to its expi-  
15           ration.

16    **SEC. 6104. STRATEGY TO ENSURE ACCESS TO PASSPORT**  
17           **SERVICES FOR ALL AMERICANS.**

18           Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-  
19           ment of this division, the Secretary shall submit a strategy  
20           to the appropriate congressional committees, the Com-  
21           mittee on Appropriations of the Senate, and the Com-  
22           mittee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives  
23           for ensuring reasonable access to passport services for all  
24           Americans, which shall include—

1 (1) a detailed strategy describing how the De-  
2 partment could—

3 (A) by not later than 1 year after submis-  
4 sion of the strategy, reduce passport processing  
5 times to an acceptable average for renewals and  
6 for expedited service; and

7 (B) by not later than 2 years after the  
8 submission of the strategy, provide United  
9 States residents living in a significant popu-  
10 lation center more than a 5-hour drive from a  
11 passport agency with urgent, in-person passport  
12 services, including the possibility of building  
13 new passport agencies; and

14 (2) a description of the specific resources re-  
15 quired to implement the strategy.

16 **SEC. 6105. STRENGTHENING THE NATIONAL PASSPORT IN-**  
17 **FORMATION CENTER.**

18 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
19 gress that passport wait times since 2021 have been unac-  
20 ceptably long and have created frustration among those  
21 seeking to obtain or renew passports.

22 (b) ONLINE CHAT FEATURE.—The Department  
23 should develop an online tool with the capability for cus-  
24 tomers to correspond with customer service representa-

1 tives regarding questions and updates pertaining to their  
2 application for, or renewal of, a passport.

3 (c) GAO REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the  
4 date of the enactment of this division, the Comptroller  
5 General of the United States shall initiate a review of Na-  
6 tional Passport Information Center (NPIC) operations,  
7 which shall include an analysis of the extent to which  
8 NPIC—

9 (1) responds to constituent inquiries by tele-  
10 phone, including how long constituents are kept on  
11 hold and their ability to be placed in a queue;

12 (2) provides personalized customer service;

13 (3) maintains its telecommunications infra-  
14 structure to ensure it effectively handles call vol-  
15 umes; and

16 (4) other relevant issues the Comptroller Gen-  
17 eral deems appropriate.

18 **SEC. 6106. STRENGTHENING PASSPORT CUSTOMER VISI-**  
19 **BILITY AND TRANSPARENCY.**

20 (a) ONLINE STATUS TOOL.—Not later than 2 years  
21 after the date of the enactment of this division, the De-  
22 partment should modernize the online passport application  
23 status tool to include, to the greatest extent possible, step  
24 by step updates on the status of passport applications, in-  
25 cluding with respect to the following stages:

- 1 (1) Submitted for processing.
- 2 (2) In process at a lockbox facility.
- 3 (3) Awaiting adjudication.
- 4 (4) In process of adjudication.
- 5 (5) Adjudicated with a result of approval or de-
- 6 nial.

7 (6) Materials shipped.

8 (b) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.—The tool pursuant  
9 to subsection (a) should include a display that informs  
10 each passport applicant of—

11 (1) the date on which his or her passport appli-  
12 cation was received; and

13 (2) the estimated wait time remaining in the  
14 passport application process.

15 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the date  
16 of the enactment of this division, the Secretary shall sub-  
17 mit a report to the appropriate congressional committees  
18 that outlines a plan for coordinated comprehensive public  
19 outreach to increase public awareness and understanding  
20 of—

21 (1) the online status tool required under sub-  
22 section (a);

23 (2) passport travel advisories required under  
24 section 6103; and

25 (3) passport wait times.

1 **SEC. 6107. ANNUAL OFFICE OF AUTHENTICATIONS REPORT.**

2 (a) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date  
3 of the enactment of this division, the Secretary shall sub-  
4 mit an annual report for 5 years to the appropriate con-  
5 gressional committees that describes—

6 (1) the number of incoming authentication re-  
7 quests, broken down by month and type of request,  
8 to show seasonal fluctuations in demand;

9 (2) the average time taken by the Office of Au-  
10 thentications of the Department to authenticate doc-  
11 uments, broken down by month to show seasonal  
12 fluctuations in wait times;

13 (3) how the Department details staff to the Of-  
14 fice of Authentications; and

15 (4) the impact that hiring additional, perma-  
16 nent, dedicated staff for the Office of Authentica-  
17 tions would have on the processing times referred to  
18 in paragraph (2).

19 (b) AUTHORIZATION.—The Secretary is authorized to  
20 hire additional, permanent, dedicated staff for the Office  
21 of Authentications.

1 **SEC. 6108. PUBLICATION AND UPDATES OF ESTIMATED**  
2 **TIME FOR PROCESSING OF PASSPORT APPLI-**  
3 **CATIONS.**

4 The Secretary shall publish and update on a quar-  
5 terly basis on relevant websites of the Department the es-  
6 timated time for processing of passport applications.

7 **SEC. 6109. AUTHORITY TO DESIGNATE ADDITIONAL PASS-**  
8 **PORT ACCEPTANCE AGENTS.**

9 (a) **AUTHORITY TO DESIGNATE.**—The Secretary may  
10 designate any person described in subsection (b) that  
11 meets such other requirements as the Secretary may pre-  
12 scribe pursuant to regulations to serve as a passport ac-  
13 ceptance agent, unless the Secretary withdraws such au-  
14 thorization on a case-by-case basis with respect to a given  
15 person.

16 (b) **AUTHORIZED PERSONS.**—A person described in  
17 this subsection is any of the following:

18 (1) An employee of the clerk of any Federal  
19 court.

20 (2) An employee of the clerk of any State court  
21 of record.

22 (3) A postal employee at a United States post  
23 office that has been selected to accept passport ap-  
24 plications.

1           (4) An employee of the Department of Defense  
2           at a military installation that has been authorized to  
3           accept passport applications.

4           (5) An employee of a Federal department or  
5           agency that has been selected to accept passport ap-  
6           plications.

7           (6) Any other person specifically designated by  
8           the Secretary.

9           (c) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall prescribe or  
10          revise such regulations as may be necessary to carry out  
11          this division.

12       **SEC. 6110. NOTIFICATION OF PASSPORT EXPIRATION.**

13          The Secretary shall take such steps as may be nec-  
14          essary to ensure that each individual holding a valid  
15          United States passport is notified of the upcoming expira-  
16          tion of such passport not later than one year before the  
17          date of such expiration.

18       **SEC. 6111. USE OF COMMERCIALY AVAILABLE TECH-**  
19                               **NOLOGY IN ONLINE PASSPORT RENEWAL**  
20                               **PROGRAM.**

21          The Secretary shall take such steps as may be nec-  
22          essary to compare and use the best commercially available  
23          technology in the private sector, as determined by the Sec-  
24          retary, in the development of the Department's online  
25          passport renewal program or any successor program.

1 **SEC. 6112. ELECTRONIC PAYMENT FOR PASSPORT APPLI-**  
2 **CATION FEES.**

3 The Secretary shall develop a process to accept elec-  
4 tronic payment for all fees associated with the processing  
5 of passport applications, including for applications sub-  
6 mitted by regular mail.

7 **SEC. 6113. AGREEMENTS WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES RE-**  
8 **GARDING PASSPORTS NEARING EXPIRATION.**

9 The President, acting through the Secretary, shall  
10 seek to reach agreements with the governments of foreign  
11 countries that do not accept United States passports that  
12 are at or within 6 months of expiration to allow for the  
13 use of such United States passports.

14 **SEC. 6114. PASSPORT FEE EXCEPTION FOR SEARCH, RES-**  
15 **CUE, AND OTHER RELATED DISASTER RELIEF**  
16 **OPERATIONS.**

17 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This section may be cited as the  
18 “First Responders Passport Act”.

19 (b) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 1(a) of the Passport Act  
20 of June 4, 1920 (22 U.S.C. 214(a) is amended—

21 (1) by inserting “(1)” before “There shall be  
22 collected”;

23 (2) by striking “No passport fee shall be col-  
24 lected from an officer” and inserting the following:

25 “(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), no passport fee  
26 shall be collected from—

1           “(A) an officer”;

2           (3) by striking “or from members of his imme-  
3       diate family; from an American seaman who requires  
4       a passport in connection with his duties aboard an  
5       American flag-vessel; from a widow” and inserting  
6       the following: “or from immediate family of such of-  
7       ficer or employee;

8           “(B) an American sailor who requires a pass-  
9       port in connection with assigned duties aboard an  
10       American flag-vessel;

11          “(C) a widow”;

12          (4) by striking “memorial service for such  
13       member; or from an individual” and inserting the  
14       following: “memorial service for such member;

15          “(D) an individual”; and

16          (5) by striking “law enforcement purposes. No  
17       execution fee” and inserting “law enforcement pur-  
18       poses;

19          “(E) at the discretion of the Secretary, an indi-  
20       vidual who—

21               “(i) is operating under a contract, grant,  
22               or cooperative agreement with the United  
23               States Government to participate in search, res-  
24               cue, and other related disaster relief operations

1 within a foreign country following a natural dis-  
2 aster; or

3 “(ii) is required pursuant to such contract,  
4 grant, or cooperative agreement to be available  
5 to travel abroad to assist in search, rescue, or  
6 other related disaster relief efforts immediately  
7 upon notice from the United States Govern-  
8 ment.

9 “(3) No execution fee”.

10 **SEC. 6115. INCREASED ACCOUNTABILITY IN ASSIGNMENT**  
11 **RESTRICTIONS AND REVIEWS.**

12 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
13 gress that—

14 (1) the use of policies to restrict personnel from  
15 serving in certain assignments may undermine the  
16 Department’s ability to deploy relevant cultural and  
17 linguistic skills at diplomatic posts abroad if not ap-  
18 plied judiciously; and

19 (2) the Department should continuously evalu-  
20 ate all processes relating to assignment restrictions,  
21 assignment reviews, and preclusions at the Depart-  
22 ment.

23 (b) NOTIFICATION OF STATUS.—Beginning not later  
24 than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this divi-  
25 sion, the Secretary shall—

1           (1) provide a status update for all Department  
2           personnel who, prior to such date of enactment, were  
3           subject to a prior assignment restriction, assignment  
4           review, or preclusion for whom a review or decision  
5           related to assignment is pending; and

6           (2) on an ongoing basis, provide a status up-  
7           date for any Department personnel who has been  
8           the subject of a pending assignment restriction or  
9           pending assignment review for more than 30 days.

10          (c) NOTIFICATION CONTENT.—The notification re-  
11         quired under subsection (b) shall inform relevant per-  
12         sonnel, as of the date of the notification—

13           (1) whether any prior assignment restriction  
14           has been lifted;

15           (2) if their assignment status is subject to on-  
16           going review, and an estimated date for completion;  
17           and

18           (3) if they are subject to any other restrictions  
19           on their ability to serve at posts abroad.

20          (d) ADJUDICATION OF ONGOING ASSIGNMENT RE-  
21         VIEWS.—

22           (1) TIME LIMIT.—The Department shall estab-  
23           lish a reasonable time limit for the Department to  
24           complete an assignment review and establish a dead-

1 line by which it must inform personnel of a decision  
2 related to such a review.

3 (2) APPEALS.—For any personnel the Depart-  
4 ment determines are ineligible to serve in an assign-  
5 ment due to an assignment restriction or assignment  
6 review, a Security Appeal Panel shall convene not  
7 later than 120 days of an appeal being filed.

8 (3) ENTRY-LEVEL BIDDING PROCESS.—The De-  
9 partment shall include a description of the assign-  
10 ment review process and critical human intelligence  
11 threat posts in a briefing to new officers as part of  
12 their entry-level bidding process.

13 (4) POINTS OF CONTACT.—The Department  
14 shall designate points of contact in the Bureau of  
15 Diplomatic Security and Bureau of Global Talent  
16 Management to answer employee and Career Devel-  
17 opment Officer questions about assignment restric-  
18 tions, assignment reviews, and preclusions.

19 (e) SECURITY APPEAL PANEL.—Not later than 90  
20 days after the date of the enactment of this division, the  
21 Security Appeal Panel shall be comprised of—

22 (1) the head of an office responsible for human  
23 resources or discrimination who reports directly to  
24 the Secretary;

1 (2) the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary  
2 for the Bureau of Global Talent Management;

3 (3) the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary  
4 for the Bureau of Intelligence and Research;

5 (4) an Assistant Secretary or Deputy, or equiv-  
6 alent, from a third bureau as designated by the  
7 Under Secretary for Management;

8 (5) a representative from the geographic bureau  
9 to which the restriction applies; and

10 (6) a representative from the Office of the  
11 Legal Adviser and a representative from the Bureau  
12 of Diplomatic Security, who shall serve as non-vot-  
13 ing advisors.

14 (f) APPEAL RIGHTS.—Section 414(a) of the Depart-  
15 ment of State Authorities Act, Fiscal Year 2017 (22  
16 U.S.C. 2734c(a)) is amended by striking the first two sen-  
17 tences and inserting “The Secretary shall establish and  
18 maintain a right and process for employees to appeal a  
19 decision related to an assignment, based on a restriction,  
20 review, or preclusion. Such right and process shall ensure  
21 that any such employee shall have the same appeal rights  
22 as provided by the Department regarding denial or revoca-  
23 tion of a security clearance.”.

24 (g) FAM UPDATE.—Not later than 120 days after  
25 the date of the enactment of this division, the Secretary

1 shall amend all relevant provisions of the Foreign Affairs  
2 Manual, and any associated or related policies of the De-  
3 partment, to comply with this section.

4 **SEC. 6116. SUITABILITY REVIEWS FOR FOREIGN SERVICE**  
5 **INSTITUTE INSTRUCTORS.**

6 The Secretary shall take reasonable steps to ensure  
7 that all instructors at the Foreign Service Institute, in-  
8 cluding direct hires and contractors, who provide language  
9 instruction are—

10 (1) subject to suitability reviews and back-  
11 ground investigations; and

12 (2) subject to periodic background checks or re-  
13 investigations to the extent consistent with Depart-  
14 ment and Executive policy for other Department  
15 personnel.

16 **SEC. 6117. DIPLOMATIC SECURITY FELLOWSHIP PRO-**  
17 **GRAMS.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 47 of the State Depart-  
19 ment Basic Authorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2719) is  
20 amended—

21 (1) by striking “The Secretary” and inserting  
22 the following:

23 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary”; and

24 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
25 section:

1 “(b) DIPLOMATIC SECURITY FELLOWSHIP PRO-  
2 GRAMS.—

3 “(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of  
4 State, working through the Assistant Secretary for  
5 Diplomatic Security, is authorized to establish Diplo-  
6 matic Security fellowship programs to provide grants  
7 to United States nationals pursuing post-secondary  
8 studies who commit to pursuing a career as a special  
9 agent, security engineering officer, or in the civil  
10 service in the Bureau of Diplomatic Security.

11 “(2) RULEMAKING.—The Secretary is author-  
12 ized to promulgate regulations for the administra-  
13 tion of Diplomatic Security fellowship programs that  
14 set forth—

15 “(A) the eligibility requirements for receiv-  
16 ing a grant under this subsection;

17 “(B) the process by which eligible appli-  
18 cants may request such a grant;

19 “(C) the maximum amount of such a  
20 grant; and

21 “(D) the educational progress to which all  
22 grant recipients are obligated.”.

23 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
24 authorized to be appropriated \$2,000,000 for each of fis-  
25 cal years 2024 through 2028 to carry out this section.

1           **TITLE LXII—PERSONNEL**  
2                   **MATTERS**  
3       **Subtitle A—Hiring, Promotion, and**  
4                   **Development**

5       **SEC. 6201. ADJUSTMENT TO PROMOTION PRECEPTS.**

6           Section 603(b) of the Foreign Service Act of 1980  
7       (22 U.S.C. 4003(b)) is amended—

8                   (1) by redesignating paragraph (2), (3), and (4)  
9           as paragraphs (7), (8), and (9), respectively; and

10                   (2) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-  
11       lowing new paragraphs:

12                   “(2) experience serving at an international or-  
13       ganization, multilateral institution, or engaging in  
14       multinational negotiations;

15                   “(3) willingness to serve in hardship posts over-  
16       seas where applicable and across geographically dis-  
17       tinct regions;

18                   “(4) experience advancing policies or developing  
19       expertise that enhance the United States’ competi-  
20       tiveness with regard to critical and emerging tech-  
21       nologies;

22                   “(5) willingness to participate in appropriate  
23       and relevant professional development opportunities  
24       offered by the Foreign Service Institute or other

1 educational institutions associated with the Depart-  
2 ment;

3 “(6) willingness to enable and encourage subor-  
4 dinates at various levels to avail themselves of ap-  
5 propriate and relevant professional development op-  
6 portunities offered by the Foreign Service Institute  
7 or other educational institutions associated with the  
8 Department;”.

9 **SEC. 6202. HIRING AUTHORITIES.**

10 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
11 gress that—

12 (1) the Department should possess hiring au-  
13 thorities to enable recruitment of individuals rep-  
14 resentative of the nation with special skills needed to  
15 address 21st century diplomacy challenges; and

16 (2) the Secretary shall conduct a survey of hir-  
17 ing authorities held by the Department to identify—

18 (A) hiring authorities already authorized  
19 by Congress;

20 (B) other authorities granted through  
21 Presidential decree or executive order; and

22 (C) any authorities needed to enable re-  
23 cruitment of individuals with the special skills  
24 described in paragraph (1).

1 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
2 of the enactment of this division, the Secretary shall sub-  
3 mit to the appropriate congressional committees, the Com-  
4 mittee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs  
5 of the Senate, and the Committee on Oversight and Ac-  
6 countability of the House of Representatives a report that  
7 includes a description of all existing hiring authorities and  
8 legislative proposals on any new needed authorities.

9 (c) SPECIAL HIRING AUTHORITY.—For an initial pe-  
10 riod of not more than 3 years after the date of the enact-  
11 ment of this division, the Secretary may appoint, without  
12 regard to the provisions of sections 3309 through 3318  
13 of title 5, United States Code, up to 80 candidates directly  
14 to positions in the competitive service at the Department,  
15 as defined in section 2102 of that title, in the following  
16 occupational series: 25 candidates under 1560 Data  
17 Science, 25 candidates under 2210 Information Tech-  
18 nology Management, and 30 candidates under 0201  
19 Human Resources Management.

20 **SEC. 6203. EXTENDING PATHS TO SERVICE FOR PAID STU-**  
21 **DENT INTERNS.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—For up to 2 years following the  
23 end of a compensated internship at the Department, the  
24 Department may offer employment to up to 25 such in-  
25 terns and appoint them directly to positions in the com-

1 petitive service, as defined in section 2102 of title 5,  
2 United States Code, without regard to the provisions of  
3 sections 3309 through 3318 of such title.

4 (b) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date  
5 of the enactment of this division, and annually thereafter  
6 for 3 years, the Secretary shall submit to the appropriate  
7 congressional committees, the Homeland Security and  
8 Governmental Affairs Committee of the Senate, and the  
9 Committee on Oversight and Accountability of the House  
10 of Representatives a report listing which undergraduate  
11 and post-secondary institutions the interns offered em-  
12 ployment under subsection (a) attended, where available.

13 **SEC. 6204. LATERAL ENTRY PROGRAM.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 404 of the Department of  
15 State Authorities Act, Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–  
16 323; 130 Stat. 1928) is amended—

17 (1) in subsection (b)—

18 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
19 by striking “3-year” and inserting “5-year”;

20 (B) in paragraph (5), by striking “; and”;

21 (C) in paragraph (6), by striking the pe-  
22 riod at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

23 (D) by adding at the end the following new  
24 paragraphs:

1           “(7) does not include the use of Foreign Serv-  
2           ice-Limited or other noncareer Foreign Service hir-  
3           ing authorities; and

4           “(8) includes not fewer than 30 participants for  
5           each year of the pilot program.”; and

6           (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
7           section:

8           “(e) CERTIFICATION.—If the Secretary does not com-  
9           mence the lateral entry program within 180 days after the  
10          date of the enactment of this subsection, the Secretary  
11          shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional  
12          committees—

13           “(1) certifying that progress is being made on  
14           implementation of the pilot program and describing  
15           such progress, including the date on which appli-  
16           cants will be able to apply;

17           “(2) estimating the date by which the pilot pro-  
18           gram will be fully implemented;

19           “(3) outlining how the Department will use the  
20           Lateral Entry Program to fill needed skill sets in  
21           key areas such as cyberspace, emerging technologies,  
22           economic statecraft, multilateral diplomacy, and  
23           data and other sciences.”.

1 **SEC. 6205. MID-CAREER MENTORING PROGRAM.**

2 (a) AUTHORIZATION.—The Secretary, in collabora-  
3 tion with the Director of the Foreign Service Institute,  
4 is authorized to establish a Mid-Career Mentoring Pro-  
5 gram (referred to in this section as the “Program”) to  
6 assist in the retention of, and to decrease mid-career attri-  
7 tion of, employees, including those who have demonstrated  
8 potential for advancement and may be at risk of leaving  
9 the Department.

10 (b) SELECTION.—

11 (1) NOMINATIONS.—The head of each bureau  
12 shall semiannually nominate participants for the  
13 Program from a pool of applicants in the positions  
14 described in paragraph (2)(B), including from posts  
15 both domestically and abroad.

16 (2) SUBMISSION OF SLATE OF NOMINEES TO  
17 SECRETARY.—The Director of the Foreign Service  
18 Institute, in consultation with the Director General  
19 of the Foreign Service, shall semiannually—

20 (A) vet the nominees most recently nomi-  
21 nated pursuant to paragraph (1); and

22 (B) submit to the Secretary a slate of ap-  
23 plicants to participate in the Program, who  
24 shall consist of at least—

25 (i) 10 Foreign Service Officers and  
26 specialists classified at the FS-03 or FS-04

1 level of the Foreign Service Salary Sched-  
2 ule;

3 (ii) 10 Civil Service employees classi-  
4 fied at GS-12 or GS-13 of the General  
5 Schedule; and

6 (iii) 5 Foreign Service Officers from  
7 the United States Agency for International  
8 Development.

9 (3) FINAL SELECTION.—The Secretary shall se-  
10 lect the applicants who will be invited to participate  
11 in the Program from the slate received pursuant to  
12 paragraph (2)(B) and extend such an invitation to  
13 each selected applicant.

14 (4) MERIT PRINCIPLES.—Section 105 of the  
15 Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 3905) shall  
16 apply to nominations, submissions to the Secretary,  
17 and selections for the Program under this section.

18 (c) PROGRAM SESSIONS.—

19 (1) FREQUENCY; DURATION.—All of the partici-  
20 pants who accept invitations extended pursuant to  
21 subsection (b)(3) shall meet 3 to 4 times per year  
22 for training sessions with high-level leaders of the  
23 Department and USAID, including private group  
24 meetings with the Secretary and the Administrator

1 of the United States Agency for International Devel-  
2 opment.

3 (2) THEMES.—Each session referred to in para-  
4 graph (1) shall focus on specific themes developed  
5 jointly by the Foreign Service Institute and the Ex-  
6 ecutive Secretariat focused on substantive policy  
7 issues and leadership practices.

8 (d) MENTORING PROGRAM.—The Secretary and the  
9 Administrator each is authorized to establish a mentoring  
10 and coaching program that pairs a senior leader of the  
11 Department or USAID with each of the program partici-  
12 pants who complete the Program during the 1-year period  
13 immediately following their participation in the Program.

14 (e) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than one year after  
15 the date of the enactment of this division, and annually  
16 thereafter for three years, the Secretary shall submit a  
17 report to the appropriate congressional committees that  
18 describes the activities of the Program during the most  
19 recent year and includes disaggregated demographic data  
20 on participants in the Program.

21 **SEC. 6206. REPORT ON THE FOREIGN SERVICE INSTITUTE'S**  
22 **LANGUAGE PROGRAM.**

23 Not later than 60 days after the date of the enact-  
24 ment of this division, the Secretary shall submit a report

1 to the appropriate congressional committees that in-  
2 cludes—

3           (1) the average pass and fail rates for language  
4 programs at the Foreign Service Institute in com-  
5 parison with Language Designated Position (LDP)  
6 requirements, disaggregated by language during the  
7 5-year period immediately preceding the date of the  
8 enactment of this division;

9           (2) the number of Department employees and  
10 contractors who are language instructors at the For-  
11 eign Service Institute, and a comparison of the in-  
12 structor/student ratio in the language programs at  
13 the Foreign Service Institute disaggregated by lan-  
14 guage;

15           (3) salaries for language instructors  
16 disaggregated by language, employment/contractor  
17 status, and a comparison to salaries for instructors  
18 teaching languages in comparable employment;

19           (4) recruitment and retention plans for lan-  
20 guage instructors, disaggregated by language where  
21 necessary and practicable;

22           (5) any plans to increase pass rates for lan-  
23 guages with high failure rates; and

24           (6) a list of all outside entities with which the  
25 Foreign Service Institute partners or contracts in

1 order to hire or obtain foreign language instructors,  
2 including the duration of any relevant agreements,  
3 and an indication of how agreements are evaluated  
4 by the Department for potential renewal, where  
5 available.

6 **SEC. 6207. CONSIDERATION OF CAREER CIVIL SERVANTS**  
7 **AS CHIEFS OF MISSIONS.**

8 Section 304(b) of the Foreign Service Act of 1980  
9 (22 U.S.C. 3944) is amended—

10 (1) by redesignating paragraph (2) as para-  
11 graph (3); and

12 (2) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-  
13 lowing new paragraph:

14 “(2) The Secretary shall also furnish to the Presi-  
15 dent, on an annual basis and to assist the President in  
16 selecting qualified candidates for appointments or assign-  
17 ments as chief of mission, the names of between 5 and  
18 10 career civil servants serving at the Department of State  
19 or the United States Agency for International Develop-  
20 ment who are qualified to serve as chiefs of mission, to-  
21 gether with pertinent information about such individ-  
22 uals.”.

23 **SEC. 6208. CIVIL SERVICE ROTATIONAL PROGRAM.**

24 (a) **ESTABLISHMENT OF PILOT ROTATIONAL PRO-**  
25 **GRAM FOR CIVIL SERVICE.**—Not later than 180 days after

1 the date of the enactment of this division, the Secretary  
2 shall establish a program to provide qualified civil servants  
3 serving at the Department an opportunity to serve at a  
4 United States embassy, including identifying criteria and  
5 an application process for such program.

6 (b) PROGRAM.—The program established under this  
7 section shall—

8 (1) provide at least 20 career civil servants the  
9 opportunity to serve for 2 to 3 years at a United  
10 States embassy to gain additional skills and experi-  
11 ence;

12 (2) offer such civil servants the opportunity to  
13 serve in a political or economic section at a United  
14 States embassy; and

15 (3) include clear and transparent criteria for  
16 eligibility and selection, which shall include a min-  
17 imum of 5 years of service at the Department.

18 (c) SUBSEQUENT POSITION AND PROMOTION.—Fol-  
19 lowing a rotation at a United States embassy pursuant  
20 to the program established by this section, participants in  
21 the program must be afforded, at minimum, a position  
22 equivalent in seniority, compensation, and responsibility to  
23 the position occupied prior serving in the program. Suc-  
24 cessful completion of a rotation at a United States em-

1 bassy shall be considered favorably with regard to applica-  
2 tions for promotion in civil service jobs at the Department.

3 (d) IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than 2 years after  
4 the date of the enactment of this division, the Secretary  
5 shall identify not less than 20 positions in United States  
6 embassies for the program established under this section  
7 and offer at least 20 civil servants the opportunity to serve  
8 in a rotation at a United States embassy pursuant to this  
9 section.

10 **SEC. 6209. REPORTING REQUIREMENT ON CHIEFS OF MIS-**  
11 **SION.**

12 Not later than 30 days following the end of each cal-  
13 endar quarter, the Secretary shall submit to the appro-  
14 priate congressional committees—

15 (1) a list of every chief of mission or United  
16 States representative overseas with the rank of Am-  
17 bassador who, during the prior quarter, was granted  
18 approval by the Under Secretary of State for Man-  
19 agement to be outside a country of assignment for  
20 purposes other than official travel or temporary duty  
21 orders; and

22 (2) the number of days each such chief of mis-  
23 sion or United States representative overseas with  
24 the rank of Ambassador was outside a country of as-

1 signment during the previous quarter for purposes  
2 other than official travel or temporary duty orders.

3 **SEC. 6210. REPORT ON CHIEFS OF MISSION AND DEPUTY**  
4 **CHIEFS OF MISSION.**

5 Not later than April 1, 2024, and annually thereafter  
6 for the next 4 years, the Secretary shall submit to the  
7 appropriate congressional committees a report that in-  
8 cludes—

9 (1) the Foreign Service cone of each current  
10 chief of mission and deputy chief of mission (or who-  
11 ever is acting in the capacity of chief or deputy chief  
12 if neither is present) for each United States embassy  
13 at which there is a Foreign Service Officer filling ei-  
14 ther of those positions; and

15 (2) aggregated data for all chiefs of mission  
16 and deputy chiefs of mission described in paragraph  
17 (1), disaggregated by cone.

18 **SEC. 6211. EFFORTS TO IMPROVE RETENTION AND PRE-**  
19 **VENT RETALIATION.**

20 (a) STREAMLINED REPORTING.—Not later than one  
21 year after the date of the enactment of this division, the  
22 Secretary shall establish a single point of initial reporting  
23 for allegations of discrimination, and harassment that pro-  
24 vides an initial review of the allegations and, if necessary,

1 the ability to file multiple claims based on a single com-  
2 plaint.

3 (b) REQUIRED ANNUAL SURVEYS.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
5 after the date of the enactment of this division, and  
6 annually thereafter, the Secretary shall conduct an  
7 annual employee satisfaction survey to assess the  
8 level of job satisfaction, work environment, and over-  
9 all employee experience within the Department.

10 (2) OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES.—The survey re-  
11 quired under paragraph (1) shall include options for  
12 open-ended responses.

13 (3) SURVEY QUESTIONS.—The survey shall in-  
14 clude questions regarding—

15 (A) work-life balance;

16 (B) compensation and benefits;

17 (C) career development opportunities;

18 (D) the performance evaluation and pro-  
19 motion process, including fairness and trans-  
20 parency;

21 (E) communication channels and effective-  
22 ness;

23 (F) leadership and management;

24 (G) organizational culture;

1 (H) awareness and effectiveness of com-  
2 plaint measures;

3 (I) accessibility and accommodations;

4 (J) availability of transportation to and  
5 from a work station;

6 (K) information technology infrastructure  
7 functionality and accessibility;

8 (L) the employee's understanding of the  
9 Department's structure, mission, and goals;

10 (M) alignment and relevance of work to  
11 the Department's mission;

12 (N) sense of empowerment to affect posi-  
13 tive change; and

14 (O) experiences with harassment, discrimi-  
15 nation, retaliation, and other events that con-  
16 tribute to attrition and negatively impact work  
17 culture and productivity.

18 (c) REQUIRED EXIT SURVEYS.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
20 after the date of the enactment of this division, the  
21 Secretary shall develop and implement a standard-  
22 ized, confidential exit survey process that includes  
23 anonymous feedback and exit interviews with em-  
24 ployees who voluntarily separate from the Depart-

1       ment, whether through resignation, retirement, or  
2       other means.

3           (2) SCOPE.—The exit surveys conducted pursu-  
4       ant to paragraph (1) shall—

5           (A) be designed to gather insights and  
6       feedback from departing employees regarding—

7           (i) their reasons for leaving, including  
8       caretaking responsibilities, career limita-  
9       tions for partner or spouse, and discrimi-  
10      nation, harassment, or retaliation;

11          (ii) their overall experience with the  
12      Department; and

13          (iii) any suggestions for improvement;  
14      and

15      (B) include questions related to—

16          (i) the employee's reasons for leaving;

17          (ii) job satisfaction;

18          (iii) work environment;

19          (iv) professional growth opportunities;

20          (v) leadership effectiveness;

21          (vi) suggestions for enhancing the De-  
22      partment's performance; and

23          (vii) if applicable, the name and in-  
24      dustry of the employee's future employer.

1           (3) COMPILATION OF RESULTS.—The Secretary  
2           shall compile and analyze the anonymized exit sur-  
3           vey data collected pursuant to this paragraph to  
4           identify trends, common themes, and areas needing  
5           improvement within the Department.

6           (d) PILOT SURVEYS.—Not later than 180 days after  
7           the date of the enactment of this division, the Secretary  
8           shall conduct a Department-wide survey for Locally Em-  
9           ployed Staff regarding retention, training, promotion, and  
10          other matters, including harassment, discrimination, and  
11          retaliation, that includes workforce perspectives on the ac-  
12          cessibility and effectiveness of complaint measures.

13          (e) REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after the con-  
14          clusion of each survey conducted pursuant to this section,  
15          the Secretary shall make the key findings available to the  
16          Department workforce and shall submit them to the ap-  
17          propriate congressional committees.

18          (f) RETALIATION PREVENTION EFFORTS.—

19                 (1) EMPLOYEE EVALUATION.—

20                         (A) IN GENERAL.—If there is a pending  
21                         investigation of discrimination or harassment  
22                         against a superior who is responsible for rating  
23                         or reviewing the complainant employee, the  
24                         complainant shall be reviewed by the superior's

1 supervisor or other Department employee as ap-  
2 propriate.

3 (B) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This paragraph  
4 shall take effect 90 days after the date of the  
5 enactment of this division.

6 (2) RETALIATION PREVENTION GUIDANCE.—  
7 Any Department employee against whom an allega-  
8 tion of discrimination or harassment has been made  
9 shall receive written guidance (a “retaliation hold”)  
10 on the types of actions that can be considered retal-  
11 iation against the complainant employee. The em-  
12 ployee’s immediate supervisor shall also receive the  
13 retaliation hold guidance.

14 **SEC. 6212. NATIONAL ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN.**

15 Not later than 270 days after the date of the enact-  
16 ment of this division, the Secretary shall submit a strategy  
17 to the appropriate congressional committees that assesses  
18 the potential benefits and costs of a national advertising  
19 campaign to improve the recruitment to the Civil Service  
20 and the Foreign Service by raising public awareness of  
21 the important accomplishments of the Department.

22 **SEC. 6213. EXPANSION OF DIPLOMATS IN RESIDENCE PRO-**  
23 **GRAMS.**

24 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than two years after the  
25 date of the enactment of this division—

1           (1) the Secretary is authorized to increase the  
2           number of diplomats in the Diplomats in Residence  
3           Program from 17 to at least 20; and

4           (2) the Administrator of the United States  
5           Agency for International Development is authorized  
6           to increase the number of development diplomats in  
7           the Diplomats in Residence Program from 1 to at  
8           least 3.

9           (b) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date  
10          of the enactment of this division, and every year for three  
11          years thereafter, the Secretary shall report to the appro-  
12          priate congressional committees whether additional Dip-  
13          lomats in Residence have been established, and, if so, what  
14          regions or colleges or universities such diplomats are as-  
15          signed to, with an explanation as to why those regions or  
16          schools were chosen as most in need of additional Depart-  
17          ment recruiting personnel.

18                   **Subtitle B—Pay, Benefits, and**  
19                   **Workforce Matters**

20           **SEC. 6221. EDUCATION ALLOWANCE.**

21           (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 9 of title I of the Foreign  
22          Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 4081 et seq.) is amended  
23          by adding at the end the following new section:

1 **“SEC. 908. EDUCATION ALLOWANCE.**

2 “A Department employee who is on leave to perform  
3 service in the uniformed services (as defined in section  
4 4303(13) of title 38, United States Code) may receive an  
5 education allowance if the employee would, if not for such  
6 service, be eligible to receive the education allowance.”.

7 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents  
8 in section 2 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C.  
9 3901 note) is amended by inserting after the item relating  
10 to section 907 the following:

“Sec. 908. Education allowance”.

11 **SEC. 6222. IMPROVING MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR**  
12 **FOREIGN AND CIVIL SERVANTS.**

13 (a) ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL TO ADDRESS MENTAL  
14 HEALTH.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall seek to  
16 increase the number of personnel within the Bureau  
17 of Medical Services to address mental health needs  
18 for both foreign and civil servants.

19 (2) EMPLOYMENT TARGETS.—Not later than  
20 180 days after the date of the enactment of this di-  
21 vision, the Secretary shall seek to employ not fewer  
22 than 10 additional personnel in the Bureau of Med-  
23 ical Services, compared to the number of personnel  
24 employed as of the date of the enactment of this di-  
25 vision.

1 (b) STUDY.—The Secretary shall conduct a study on  
2 the accessibility of mental health care providers and serv-  
3 ices available to Department personnel, including an as-  
4 sessment of—

5 (1) the accessibility of mental health care pro-  
6 viders at diplomatic posts and in the United States;

7 (2) the accessibility of inpatient services for  
8 mental health care for Department personnel;

9 (3) steps that may be taken to improve such ac-  
10 cessibility;

11 (4) the impact of the COVID–19 pandemic on  
12 the mental health of Department personnel, particu-  
13 larly those who served abroad between March 1,  
14 2020, and December 31, 2022, and Locally Em-  
15 ployed Staff, where information is available;

16 (5) recommended steps to improve the manner  
17 in which the Department advertises mental health  
18 services to the workforce;

19 (6) hesitancy to seek out mental health services,  
20 due to perceptions and realities regarding the degree  
21 to which employees’ use of mental health services  
22 could impact their career trajectory, including secu-  
23 rity clearances; and



1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subsections  
2           (a) and (c) of section 40118 of title 49, United  
3           States Code, the Department is authorized to pay  
4           for the transportation by a foreign air carrier of De-  
5           partment personnel and any in-cabin or accom-  
6           panying checked baggage or cargo if—

7                   (A) no air carrier holding a certificate  
8                   under section 41102 of such title is willing and  
9                   able to transport up to 3 domestic animals ac-  
10                  companying such Federal personnel; and

11                  (B) the transportation is from a place—

12                          (i) outside the United States to a  
13                          place in the United States;

14                          (ii) in the United States to a place  
15                          outside the United States; or

16                          (iii) outside the United States to an-  
17                          other place outside the United States.

18           (2) LIMITATION.—An amount paid pursuant to  
19           paragraph (1) for transportation by a foreign carrier  
20           may not be greater than the amount that would oth-  
21           erwise have been paid had the transportation been  
22           on an air carrier holding a certificate under section  
23           41102 had that carrier been willing and able to pro-  
24           vide such transportation. If the amount that would  
25           otherwise have been paid to such an air carrier is

1 less than the cost of transportation on the applicable  
2 foreign carrier, the Department personnel may pay  
3 the difference of such amount.

4 (3) DOMESTIC ANIMAL DEFINED.—In this sub-  
5 section, the term “domestic animal” means a dog or  
6 a cat.

7 **SEC. 6225. INTERNET AT HARDSHIP POSTS.**

8 Section 3 of the State Department Basic Authorities  
9 Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2670) is amended—

10 (1) in subsection (l), by striking “; and” and in-  
11 serting a semicolon;

12 (2) in subsection (m) by striking the period at  
13 the end and by inserting “; and”; and

14 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
15 section:

16 “(n) pay expenses to provide internet services in resi-  
17 dences owned or leased by the United States Government  
18 in foreign countries for the use of Department personnel  
19 where Department personnel receive a post hardship dif-  
20 ferential equivalent to 30 percent or more above basic  
21 compensation.”.

22 **SEC. 6226. COMPETITIVE LOCAL COMPENSATION PLAN.**

23 (a) ESTABLISHMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF  
24 PREVAILING WAGE RATES GOAL.—Section 401(a) of the  
25 Department of State Authorities Act, fiscal year 2017 (22

1 U.S.C. 3968a(a)) is amended in the matter preceding  
2 paragraph (1), by striking “periodically” and inserting  
3 “every 3 years”.

4 (b) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date  
5 of the enactment of this division, the Secretary shall sub-  
6 mit to the appropriate congressional committees, the Com-  
7 mittee on Appropriations of the Senate, and the Com-  
8 mittee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives  
9 a report that includes—

10 (1) compensation (including position classifica-  
11 tion) plans for locally employed staff based upon  
12 prevailing wage rates and compensation practices for  
13 corresponding types of positions in the locality of  
14 employment; and

15 (2) an assessment of the feasibility and impact  
16 of changing the prevailing wage rate goal for posi-  
17 tions in the local compensation plan from the 50th  
18 percentile to the 75th percentile.

19 **SEC. 6227. SUPPORTING TANDEM SPOUSES IN THE FOR-**  
20 **EIGN SERVICE.**

21 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
22 gress that—

23 (1) challenges finding and maintaining spousal  
24 employment and family dissatisfaction are one of the

1 leading reasons employees cite for leaving the De-  
2 partment;

3 (2) tandem Foreign Service personnel represent  
4 important members of the Foreign Service commu-  
5 nity, who act as force multipliers for our diplomacy;

6 (3) the Department can and should do more to  
7 keep tandem spouses posted together and consider  
8 family member employment needs when assigning  
9 tandem officers; and

10 (4) common sense steps providing more flexi-  
11 bility in the assignments process would improve out-  
12 comes for tandem officers without disadvantaging  
13 other Foreign Service Officers.

14 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

15 (1) FAMILY TOGETHERNESS.—The term “fam-  
16 ily togetherness” means facilitating the placement of  
17 Foreign Service personnel at the same United States  
18 diplomatic post when both spouses are members of  
19 a tandem couple of Foreign Service personnel.

20 (2) TANDEM FOREIGN SERVICE PERSONNEL;  
21 TANDEM.—The terms “tandem Foreign Service per-  
22 sonnel” and “tandem” mean a member of a couple  
23 of which one spouse is a career or career candidate  
24 employee of the Foreign Service and the other  
25 spouse is a career or career candidate employee of

1 the Foreign Service or an employee of one of the  
2 agencies authorized to use the Foreign Service Per-  
3 sonnel System under section 202 of the Foreign  
4 Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 3922).

5 (c) FAMILY TOGETHERNESS IN ASSIGNMENTS.—Not  
6 later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this divi-  
7 sion, the Department shall amend and update its policies  
8 to further promote the principle of family togetherness in  
9 the Foreign Service, which shall include the following:

10 (1) ENTRY-LEVEL FOREIGN SERVICE PER-  
11 SONNEL.—The Secretary shall adopt policies and  
12 procedures to facilitate the assignment of entry-level  
13 tandem Foreign Service personnel on directed as-  
14 signments to the same diplomatic post or country as  
15 their tandem spouse if they request to be assigned  
16 to the same post or country. The Secretary shall  
17 also provide a written justification to the requesting  
18 personnel explaining any denial of a request that  
19 would result in tandem spouses not serving together  
20 at the same post or country.

21 (2) TENURED FOREIGN SERVICE PERSONNEL.—  
22 The Secretary shall add family togetherness to the  
23 criteria when making a needs of the Service deter-  
24 mination, as defined by the Foreign Affairs Manual,

1 for the placement of tenured tandem Foreign Service  
2 personnel at United States diplomatic posts.

3 (3) UPDATES TO ANTINEPOTISM POLICY.—The  
4 Secretary shall update antinepotism policies so that  
5 nepotism rules only apply when an employee and a  
6 relative are placed into positions wherein they jointly  
7 and exclusively control government resources, prop-  
8 erty, or money or establish government policy.

9 (4) TEMPORARY SUPERVISION OF TANDEM  
10 SPOUSE.—The Secretary shall update policies to  
11 allow for a tandem spouse to temporarily supervise  
12 another tandem spouse for up to 90 days in a cal-  
13 endar year, including at a United States diplomatic  
14 mission.

15 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the date  
16 of enactment of this division, and annually thereafter for  
17 two years, the Secretary shall submit to the appropriate  
18 congressional committees a report that includes—

19 (1) the number of Foreign Service tandem  
20 spouses currently serving;

21 (2) the number of Foreign Service tandems cur-  
22 rently serving in separate locations, or, to the extent  
23 possible, that are on leave without pay (LWOP); and

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1           (3) an estimate of the cost savings that would  
2           result if all Foreign Service tandem spouses were  
3           placed at a single post.

4 **SEC. 6228. ACCESSIBILITY AT DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS.**

5           Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-  
6           ment of this division, the Department shall submit to the  
7           appropriate congressional committees, the Committee on  
8           Appropriations of the Senate, and the Committee on Ap-  
9           propriations of the House of Representatives a report that  
10          includes—

11           (1) a list of the overseas United States diplo-  
12          matic missions that, as of the date of the enactment  
13          of this division, are not readily accessible to and usa-  
14          ble by individuals with disabilities;

15           (2) any efforts in progress to make such mis-  
16          sions readily accessible to and usable by individuals  
17          with disabilities; and

18           (3) an estimate of the cost to make all such  
19          missions readily accessible to and usable by individ-  
20          uals with disabilities.

21 **SEC. 6229. REPORT ON BREASTFEEDING ACCOMMODA-**  
22 **TIONS OVERSEAS.**

23           Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-  
24          ment of this division, the Secretary shall submit to the

1 appropriate congressional committees a report that in-  
2 cludes—

3           (1) a detailed report on the Department's ef-  
4           forts to equip 100 percent of United States embas-  
5           sies and consulates with dedicated lactation spaces,  
6           other than bathrooms, that are shielded from view  
7           and free from intrusion from coworkers and the pub-  
8           lic for use by employees, including the expected de-  
9           mand for such spaces as well as the status of such  
10          rooms when there is no demand for such space; and

11          (2) a description of costs and other resources  
12          needed to provide such spaces.

13 **SEC. 6230. DETERMINING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF KNOWL-**  
14                           **EDGE TRANSFERS BETWEEN FOREIGN SERV-**  
15                           **ICE OFFICERS.**

16          The Secretary shall assess the effectiveness of knowl-  
17          edge transfers between Foreign Service Officers who are  
18          departing from overseas positions and Foreign Service Of-  
19          ficers who are arriving at such positions, and make rec-  
20          ommendations for approving such knowledge transfers, as  
21          appropriate, by—

22               (1) not later than 90 days after the date of the  
23               enactment of this division, conducting a written sur-  
24               vey of a representative sample of Foreign Service  
25               Officers working in overseas assignments that ana-

1       lyzes the effectiveness of existing mechanisms to fa-  
2       cilitate transitions, including training, mentorship,  
3       information technology, knowledge management, re-  
4       lationship building, the role of locally employed staff,  
5       and organizational culture; and

6               (2) not later than 120 days after the date of  
7       the enactment of this division, submitting to the ap-  
8       propriate congressional committees a report that in-  
9       cludes a summary and analysis of results of the sur-  
10      vey conducted pursuant to paragraph (1) that—

11               (A) identifies best practices and areas for  
12      improvement;

13               (B) describes the Department’s method-  
14      ology for determining which Foreign Service Of-  
15      ficers should receive familiarization trips before  
16      arriving at a new post;

17               (C) includes recommendations regarding  
18      future actions the Department should take to  
19      maximize effective knowledge transfer between  
20      Foreign Service Officers;

21               (D) identifies any steps taken, or intended  
22      to be taken, to implement such recommenda-  
23      tions, including any additional resources or au-  
24      thorities necessary to implement such rec-  
25      ommendations; and

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1 (E) provides recommendations to Congress  
2 for legislative action to advance the priority de-  
3 scribed in subparagraph (C).

4 **SEC. 6231. EDUCATION ALLOWANCE FOR DEPENDENTS OF**  
5 **DEPARTMENT OF STATE EMPLOYEES LO-**  
6 **CATED IN UNITED STATES TERRITORIES.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—An individual employed by the  
8 Department at a location described in subsection (b) shall  
9 be eligible for a cost-of-living allowance for the education  
10 of the dependents of such employee in an amount that  
11 does not exceed the educational allowance authorized by  
12 the Secretary of Defense for such location.

13 (b) LOCATION DESCRIBED.—A location is described  
14 in this subsection if—

15 (1) such location is in a territory of the United  
16 States; and

17 (2) the Secretary of Defense has determined  
18 that schools available in such location are unable to  
19 adequately provide for the education of—

20 (A) dependents of members of the Armed  
21 Forces; or

22 (B) dependents of employees of the De-  
23 partment of Defense.

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1 **SEC. 6232. OVERTIME PAY EXCEPTION FOR PROTECTIVE**  
2 **SERVICES.**

3 (a) COVERED EMPLOYEE DEFINED.—In this section,  
4 the term “covered employee” means any individual em-  
5 ployed by, and conducting protective services on behalf of,  
6 the Diplomatic Security Service for an individual.

7 (b) EXCEPTION TO THE LIMITATION ON PREMIUM  
8 PAY FOR PROTECTIVE SERVICES.—Notwithstanding the  
9 restrictions contained in section 5547 of title 5, United  
10 States Code, any covered employee may receive premium  
11 pay for overtime officially ordered or approved and per-  
12 formed while conducting protective security functions in  
13 excess of the annual equivalent of the limitation on the  
14 rate of pay contained in section 5547(a) of such title, ex-  
15 cept that such premium pay shall not be payable to an  
16 employee to the extent that such aggregate amount would  
17 exceed the rate of basic pay payable for a position at level  
18 II of the Executive Schedule under section 5313 of such  
19 title.

20 (c) TREATMENT OF ADDITIONAL PAY.—If the appli-  
21 cation of subsection (b) results in the payment of addi-  
22 tional premium pay to a covered employee of a type that  
23 is normally creditable as basic pay for retirement or any  
24 other purpose, that additional pay shall not—

25 (1) be considered to be basic pay of the covered  
26 employee for any purpose; or

1           (2) be used in computing a lump-sum payment  
2           to the covered employee for accumulated and ac-  
3           crued annual leave under section 5551 or section  
4           5552 of title 5, United States Code.

5           (d) AGGREGATE LIMIT.—With respect to the applica-  
6           tion of section 5307 of title 5, United States Code, the  
7           payment of any additional premium pay to a covered em-  
8           ployee as a result of subsection (b) shall not be counted  
9           as part of the aggregate compensation of the covered em-  
10          ployee.

11          (e) REPORT.—

12           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
13           after the date of the enactment of this division, the  
14           Secretary shall submit to the appropriate committees  
15           of Congress a report describing the steps the De-  
16           partment is taking to address the increased protec-  
17           tive service demands placed upon individuals by the  
18           Diplomatic Security Service.

19           (2) ELEMENTS.—The report required under  
20           paragraph (1) shall include the following elements:

21                   (A) An analysis of the current operational  
22                   demands and staffing levels.

23                   (B) Recommended strategies for reducing  
24                   overtime requirements, including—

25                           (i) hiring additional personnel;

1 (ii) solutions such that sufficient re-  
2 sources are available throughout each year  
3 without the need for waivers of premium  
4 pay limitations;

5 (iii) redistribution of workload; and

6 (iv) other improvements in operational  
7 efficiency.

8 (3) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS  
9 DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “appro-  
10 priate committees of Congress” means—

11 (A) the appropriate congressional commit-  
12 tees;

13 (B) the Committee on Homeland Security  
14 and Governmental Affairs and the Committee  
15 on Appropriations of the Senate; and

16 (C) the Committee on Oversight and Ac-  
17 countability and the Committee on Appropria-  
18 tions of the House of Representatives.

19 (f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect  
20 as if enacted on Jan 1, 2023.

21 (g) SUNSET.—This section shall terminate on De-  
22 cember 31, 2025.

1 **TITLE LXIII—INFORMATION SE-**  
2 **CURITY AND CYBER DIPLO-**  
3 **MACY**

4 **SEC. 6301. DATA-INFORMED DIPLOMACY.**

5 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-  
6 ings:

7 (1) In a rapidly evolving and digitally inter-  
8 connected global landscape, access to and mainte-  
9 nance of reliable, readily available data is key to in-  
10 formed decisionmaking and diplomacy and therefore  
11 should be considered a strategic asset.

12 (2) In order to achieve its mission in the 21st  
13 century, the Department must adapt to these trends  
14 by maintaining and providing timely access to high-  
15 quality data at the time and place needed, while si-  
16 multaneously cultivating a data-savvy workforce.

17 (3) Leveraging data science and data analytics  
18 has the potential to improve the performance of the  
19 Department's workforce by providing otherwise un-  
20 known insights into program deficiencies, short-  
21 comings, or other gaps in analysis.

22 (4) While innovative technologies such as artifi-  
23 cial intelligence and machine learning have the po-  
24 tential to empower the Department to analyze and  
25 act upon data at scale, systematized, sustainable

1 data management and information synthesis remain  
2 a core competency necessary for data-driven deci-  
3 sionmaking.

4 (5) The goals set out by the Department's En-  
5 terprise Data Council (EDC) as the areas of most  
6 critical need for the Department, including Culti-  
7 vating a Data Culture, Accelerating Decisions  
8 through Analytics, Establishing Mission-Driven Data  
9 Management, and Enhancing Enterprise Data Gov-  
10 ernance, are laudable and will remain critical as the  
11 Department develops into a data-driven agency.

12 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
13 gress that—

14 (1) the Department should prioritize the re-  
15 cruitment and retainment of top data science talent  
16 in support of its data-informed diplomacy efforts as  
17 well as its broader modernization agenda; and

18 (2) the Department should strengthen data flu-  
19 ency among its workforce, promote data collabora-  
20 tion across and within its bureaus, and enhance its  
21 enterprise data oversight.

22 **SEC. 6302. ESTABLISHMENT AND EXPANSION OF THE BU-**  
23 **REAU CHIEF DATA OFFICER PROGRAM.**

24 (a) BUREAU CHIEF DATA OFFICER PROGRAM.—

1           (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall es-  
2           tablish a program, which shall be known as the “Bu-  
3           reau Chief Data Officer Program” (referred to in  
4           this section as the “Program”), overseen by the De-  
5           partment’s Chief Data Officer. The Bureau Chief  
6           Data Officers hired under this program shall report  
7           to their respective Bureau leadership.

8           (2) GOALS.—The goals of the Program shall in-  
9           clude the following:

10                   (A) Cultivating a data culture by pro-  
11                   moting data fluency and data collaboration  
12                   across the Department.

13                   (B) Promoting increased data analytics use  
14                   in critical decisionmaking areas.

15                   (C) Promoting data integration and stand-  
16                   ardization.

17                   (D) Increasing efficiencies across the De-  
18                   partment by incentivizing acquisition of enter-  
19                   prise data solutions and subscription data serv-  
20                   ices to be shared across bureaus and offices and  
21                   within bureaus.

22           (b) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—

23                   (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
24                   after the date of the enactment of this division, the  
25                   Secretary shall submit to the appropriate committees

1 of Congress an implementation plan that outlines  
2 strategies for—

3 (A) advancing the goals described in sub-  
4 section (a)(2);

5 (B) hiring Bureau Chief Data Officers at  
6 the GS-14 or GS-15 grade or a similar rank;

7 (C) assigning at least one Bureau Chief  
8 Data Officer to each bureau of the Department;  
9 and

10 (D) allocation of necessary resources to  
11 sustain the Program.

12 (2) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS  
13 DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “appro-  
14 priate committees of Congress” means—

15 (A) the appropriate congressional commit-  
16 tees;

17 (B) the Committee on Homeland Security  
18 and Governmental Affairs and the Committee  
19 on Appropriations of the Senate; and

20 (C) the Committee on Oversight and Ac-  
21 countability and the Committee on Appropria-  
22 tions of the House of Representatives.

23 (c) ASSIGNMENT.—In implementing the Bureau  
24 Chief Data Officer Program, bureaus may not dual-hat

1 currently employed personnel as Bureau Chief Data Offi-  
2 cers.

3 (d) ANNUAL REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—Not later  
4 than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this divi-  
5 sion, and annually thereafter for the following 3 years, the  
6 Secretary shall submit a report to the appropriate congres-  
7 sional committees regarding the status of the implementa-  
8 tion plan required under subsection (b).

9 **SEC. 6303. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CHIEF ARTIFICIAL IN-**  
10 **TELLIGENCE OFFICER OF THE DEPARTMENT**  
11 **OF STATE.**

12 Section 1 of the State Department Basic Authorities  
13 Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2651a) is amended by adding at  
14 the end the following new subsection:

15 “(n) CHIEF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE OFFICER.—

16 “(1) IN GENERAL.—There shall be within the  
17 Department of State a Chief Artificial Intelligence  
18 Officer, which may be dual-hatted as the Depart-  
19 ment’s Chief Data Officer, who shall be a member  
20 of the Senior Executive Service.

21 “(2) DUTIES DESCRIBED.—The principal duties  
22 and responsibilities of the Chief Artificial Intel-  
23 ligence Officer shall be—

24 “(A) to evaluate, oversee, and, if appro-  
25 priate, facilitate the responsible adoption of ar-

1           tificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning  
2           applications to help inform decisions by policy-  
3           makers and to support programs and manage-  
4           ment operations of the Department of State;  
5           and

6                   “(B) to act as the principal advisor to the  
7           Secretary of State on the ethical use of AI and  
8           advanced analytics in conducting data-informed  
9           diplomacy.

10           “(3) QUALIFICATIONS.—The Chief Artificial In-  
11          telligence Officer should be an individual with dem-  
12          onstrated skill and competency in—

13                   “(A) the use and application of data ana-  
14          lytics, AI, and machine learning; and

15                   “(B) transformational leadership and orga-  
16          nizational change management, particularly  
17          within large, complex organizations.

18           “(4) PARTNER WITH THE CHIEF INFORMATION  
19          OFFICER ON SCALING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE  
20          USE CASES.—To ensure alignment between the Chief  
21          Artificial Intelligence Officer and the Chief Informa-  
22          tion Officer, the Chief Information Officer will con-  
23          sult with the Chief Artificial Intelligence Officer on  
24          best practices for rolling out and scaling AI capabili-  
25          ties across the Bureau of Information and Resource

1 Management's broader portfolio of software applica-  
2 tions.

3 “(5) ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE DEFINED.—In  
4 this subsection, the term ‘artificial intelligence’ has  
5 the meaning given the term in section 238(g) of the  
6 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year  
7 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C. 4001 note).”.

8 **SEC. 6304. STRENGTHENING THE CHIEF INFORMATION OF-**  
9 **FICER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Chief Information Officer of  
11 the Department shall be consulted on all decisions to ap-  
12 prove or disapprove, significant new unclassified informa-  
13 tion technology expenditures, including software, of the  
14 Department, including expenditures related to information  
15 technology acquired, managed, and maintained by other  
16 bureaus and offices within the Department, in order to—

17 (1) encourage the use of enterprise software  
18 and information technology solutions where such so-  
19 lutions exist or can be developed in a timeframe and  
20 manner consistent with maintaining and enhancing  
21 the continuity and improvement of Department op-  
22 erations;

23 (2) increase the bargaining power of the De-  
24 partment in acquiring information technology solu-  
25 tions across the Department;

1           (3) reduce the number of redundant Authorities  
2           to Operate (ATO), which, instead of using one ATO-  
3           approved platform across bureaus, requires multiple  
4           ATOs for software use cases across different bu-  
5           reaus;

6           (4) enhance the efficiency, reduce redundancy,  
7           and increase interoperability of the use of informa-  
8           tion technology across the enterprise of the Depart-  
9           ment;

10          (5) enhance training and alignment of informa-  
11          tion technology personnel with the skills required to  
12          maintain systems across the Department;

13          (6) reduce costs related to the maintenance of,  
14          or effectuate the retirement of, legacy systems;

15          (7) ensure the development and maintenance of  
16          security protocols regarding the use of information  
17          technology solutions and software across the Depart-  
18          ment; and

19          (8) improve end-user training on the operation  
20          of information technology solutions and to enhance  
21          end-user cybersecurity practices.

22          (b) STRATEGY AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN RE-  
23          QUIRED.—

24           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
25          after the date of the enactment of this division, the

1 Chief Information Officer of the Department shall  
2 develop, in consultation with relevant bureaus and  
3 offices as appropriate, a strategy and a 5-year im-  
4 plementation plan to advance the objectives de-  
5 scribed in subsection (a).

6 (2) CONSULTATION.—No later than one year  
7 after the date of the enactment of this division, the  
8 Chief Information Officer shall submit the strategy  
9 required by this subsection to the appropriate con-  
10 gressional committees and shall consult with the ap-  
11 propriate congressional committees, not less than on  
12 an annual basis for 5 years, regarding the progress  
13 related to the implementation plan required by this  
14 subsection.

15 (c) IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR THE BUREAU FOR IN-  
16 FORMATION RESOURCES MANAGEMENT.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
18 after the date of the enactment of this division, the  
19 Chief Information Officer shall develop policies and  
20 protocols to improve the customer service orienta-  
21 tion, quality and timely delivery of information tech-  
22 nology solutions, and training and support for bu-  
23 reau and office-level information technology officers.

24 (2) SURVEY.—Not later than one year after the  
25 date of the enactment of this division, and annually

1           thereafter for five years, the Chief Information Offi-  
2           cer shall undertake a client satisfaction survey of bu-  
3           reau information technology officers to obtain feed-  
4           back on metrics related to—

5                   (A) customer service orientation of the Bu-  
6                   reau of Information Resources Management;

7                   (B) quality and timelines of capabilities de-  
8                   livered;

9                   (C) maintenance and upkeep of informa-  
10                  tion technology solutions;

11                  (D) training and support for senior bureau  
12                  and office-level information technology officers;  
13                  and

14                  (E) other matters which the Chief Infor-  
15                  mation Officer, in consultation with client bu-  
16                  reaus and offices, determines appropriate.

17           (3) SUBMISSION OF FINDINGS.—Not later than  
18           60 days after completing each survey required under  
19           paragraph (2), the Chief Information Officer shall  
20           submit a summary of the findings to the appropriate  
21           congressional committees, the Committee on Home-  
22           land Security and Governmental Affairs of the Sen-  
23           ate, and the Committee on Oversight and Account-  
24           ability of the House of Representatives.

1 (d) SIGNIFICANT EXPENDITURE DEFINED.—For  
2 purposes of this section, the term “significant expendi-  
3 ture” means any cumulative expenditure in excess of  
4 \$250,000 total in a single fiscal year for a new unclassified  
5 software or information technology capability.

6 (e) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
7 tion may be construed—

8 (1) to alter the authorities of the United States  
9 Office of Management and Budget, Office of the Na-  
10 tional Cyber Director, the Department of Homeland  
11 Security, or the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure  
12 Security Agency with respect to Federal information  
13 systems; or

14 (2) to alter the responsibilities and authorities  
15 of the Chief Information Officer of the Department  
16 as described in titles 40 or 44, United States Code,  
17 or any other law defining or assigning responsibil-  
18 ities or authorities to Federal Chief Information Of-  
19 ficers.

20 **SEC. 6305. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON STRENGTHENING EN-**  
21 **TERPRISE GOVERNANCE.**

22 It is the sense of Congress that in order to modernize  
23 the Department, enterprise-wide governance regarding  
24 budget and finance, information technology, and the cre-  
25 ation, analysis, and use of data across the Department is

1 necessary to better align resources to strategy, including  
2 evaluating trade-offs, and to enhance efficiency and secu-  
3 rity in using data and technology as tools to inform and  
4 evaluate the conduct of United States foreign policy.

5 **SEC. 6306. DIGITAL CONNECTIVITY AND CYBERSECURITY**  
6 **PARTNERSHIP.**

7 (a) DIGITAL CONNECTIVITY AND CYBERSECURITY  
8 PARTNERSHIP.—The Secretary is authorized to establish  
9 a program, which may be known as the “Digital  
10 Connectivity and Cybersecurity Partnership”, to help for-  
11 eign countries—

12 (1) expand and increase secure internet access  
13 and digital infrastructure in emerging markets, in-  
14 cluding demand for and availability of high-quality  
15 information and communications technology (ICT)  
16 equipment, software, and services;

17 (2) protect technological assets, including data;

18 (3) adopt policies and regulatory positions that  
19 foster and encourage open, interoperable, reliable,  
20 and secure internet, the free flow of data, multi-  
21 stakeholder models of internet governance, and pro-  
22 competitive and secure ICT policies and regulations;

23 (4) access United States exports of ICT goods  
24 and services;

1           (5) expand interoperability and promote the di-  
2           versification of ICT goods and supply chain services  
3           to be less reliant on imports from the People's Re-  
4           public of China;

5           (6) promote best practices and common stand-  
6           ards for a national approach to cybersecurity; and

7           (7) advance other priorities consistent with  
8           paragraphs (1) through (6), as determined by the  
9           Secretary.

10          (b) USE OF FUNDS.—Funds made available to carry  
11          out this section may be used to strengthen civilian cyberse-  
12          curity and information and communications technology ca-  
13          pacity, including participation of foreign law enforcement  
14          and military personnel in non-military activities, notwith-  
15          standing any other provision of law, provided that such  
16          support is essential to enabling civilian and law enforce-  
17          ment of cybersecurity and information and communication  
18          technology related activities in their respective countries.

19          (c) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—Not later than 180  
20          days after the date of the enactment of this division, the  
21          Secretary shall submit to the appropriate congressional  
22          committees, the Committee on Homeland Security and  
23          Governmental Affairs of the Senate, and the Committee  
24          on Oversight and Accountability of the House of Rep-

1 representatives an implementation plan for the coming year  
2 to advance the goals identified in subsection (a).

3 (d) CONSULTATION.—In developing and  
4 operationalizing the implementation plan required under  
5 subsection (c), the Secretary shall consult with—

6 (1) the appropriate congressional committees,  
7 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, and  
8 the Committee on Appropriations of the House of  
9 Representatives;

10 (2) United States industry leaders;

11 (3) other relevant technology experts, including  
12 the Open Technology Fund;

13 (4) representatives from relevant United States  
14 Government agencies; and

15 (5) representatives from like-minded allies and  
16 partners.

17 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—For the  
18 purposes of carrying out this section, funds authorized to  
19 be appropriated to carry out chapter 4 of part II of the  
20 Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2346 et seq.)  
21 may be made available, notwithstanding any other provi-  
22 sion of law to strengthen civilian cybersecurity and infor-  
23 mation and communications technology capacity, including  
24 for participation of foreign law enforcement and military  
25 personnel in non-military activities, and for contributions

1 to international organizations and international financial  
2 institutions of which the United States is a member. Such  
3 funds shall remain available until expended.

4 **SEC. 6307. ESTABLISHMENT OF A CYBERSPACE, DIGITAL**  
5 **CONNECTIVITY, AND RELATED TECH-**  
6 **NOLOGIES (CDT) FUND.**

7 Part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22  
8 U.S.C. 2301 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end  
9 the following new chapter:

10 **“CHAPTER 10—CYBERSPACE, DIGITAL**  
11 **CONNECTIVITY, AND RELATED TECH-**  
12 **NOLOGIES (CDT) FUND**

13 **“SEC. 591. FINDINGS.**

14 “Congress makes the following findings:

15 “(1) Increasingly digitized and interconnected  
16 social, political, and economic systems have intro-  
17 duced new vulnerabilities for malicious actors to ex-  
18 ploit, which threatens economic and national secu-  
19 rity.

20 “(2) The rapid development, deployment, and  
21 integration of information and communication tech-  
22 nologies into all aspects of modern life bring mount-  
23 ing risks of accidents and malicious activity involv-  
24 ing such technologies, and their potential con-  
25 sequences.

1           “(3) Because information and communication  
2 technologies are globally manufactured, traded, and  
3 networked, the economic and national security of the  
4 United State depends greatly on cybersecurity prac-  
5 tices of other actors, including other countries.

6           “(4) United States assistance to countries and  
7 international organizations to bolster civilian capac-  
8 ity to address national cybersecurity and deterrence  
9 in cyberspace can help—

10           “(A) reduce vulnerability in the informa-  
11 tion and communication technologies ecosystem;  
12 and

13           “(B) advance national and economic secu-  
14 rity objectives.

15 **“SEC. 592. AUTHORIZATION OF ASSISTANCE AND FUNDING**  
16 **FOR CYBERSPACE, DIGITAL CONNECTIVITY,**  
17 **AND RELATED TECHNOLOGIES (CDT) CAPAC-**  
18 **ITY BUILDING ACTIVITIES.**

19           “(a) AUTHORIZATION.—The Secretary of State is au-  
20 thorized to provide assistance to foreign governments and  
21 organizations, including national, regional, and inter-  
22 national institutions, on such terms and conditions as the  
23 Secretary may determine, in order to—

24           “(1) advance a secure and stable cyberspace;

1           “(2) protect and expand trusted digital eco-  
2 systems and connectivity;

3           “(3) build the cybersecurity capacity of partner  
4 countries and organizations; and

5           “(4) ensure that the development of standards  
6 and the deployment and use of technology supports  
7 and reinforces human rights and democratic values,  
8 including through the Digital Connectivity and Cy-  
9 bersecurity Partnership.

10          “(b) SCOPE OF USES.—Assistance under this section  
11 may include programs to—

12           “(1) advance the adoption and deployment of  
13 secure and trustworthy information and communica-  
14 tions technology (ICT) infrastructure and services,  
15 including efforts to grow global markets for secure  
16 ICT goods and services and promote a more diverse  
17 and resilient ICT supply chain;

18           “(2) provide technical and capacity building as-  
19 sistance to—

20           “(A) promote policy and regulatory frame-  
21 works that create an enabling environment for  
22 digital connectivity and a vibrant digital econ-  
23 omy;

24           “(B) ensure technologies, including related  
25 new and emerging technologies, are developed,

1 deployed, and used in ways that support and re-  
2 inforce democratic values and human rights;

3 “(C) promote innovation and competition;  
4 and

5 “(D) support digital governance with the  
6 development of rights-respecting international  
7 norms and standards;

8 “(3) help countries prepare for, defend against,  
9 and respond to malicious cyber activities, including  
10 through—

11 “(A) the adoption of cybersecurity best  
12 practices;

13 “(B) the development of national strategies  
14 to enhance cybersecurity;

15 “(C) the deployment of cybersecurity tools  
16 and services to increase the security, strength,  
17 and resilience of networks and infrastructure;

18 “(D) support for the development of cyber-  
19 security watch, warning, response, and recovery  
20 capabilities, including through the development  
21 of cybersecurity incident response teams;

22 “(E) support for collaboration with the Cy-  
23 bersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency  
24 (CISA) and other relevant Federal agencies to  
25 enhance cybersecurity;

1           “(F) programs to strengthen allied and  
2 partner governments’ capacity to detect, inves-  
3 tigate, deter, and prosecute cybercrimes;

4           “(G) programs to provide information and  
5 resources to diplomats engaging in discussions  
6 and negotiations around international law and  
7 capacity building measures related to cybersecu-  
8 rity;

9           “(H) capacity building for cybersecurity  
10 partners, including law enforcement and mili-  
11 tary entities as described in subsection (f);

12           “(I) programs that enhance the ability of  
13 relevant stakeholders to act collectively against  
14 shared cybersecurity threats;

15           “(J) the advancement of programs in sup-  
16 port of the Framework of Responsible State Be-  
17 havior in Cyberspace; and

18           “(K) the fortification of deterrence instru-  
19 ments in cyberspace; and

20           “(4) such other purpose and functions as the  
21 Secretary of State may designate.

22           “(c) RESPONSIBILITY FOR POLICY DECISIONS AND  
23 JUSTIFICATION.—The Secretary of State shall be respon-  
24 sible for policy decisions regarding programs under this  
25 chapter, with respect to—

1           “(1) whether there will be cybersecurity and  
2 digital capacity building programs for a foreign  
3 country or entity operating in that country;

4           “(2) the amount of funds for each foreign coun-  
5 try or entity; and

6           “(3) the scope and nature of such uses of fund-  
7 ing.

8           “(d) DETAILED JUSTIFICATION FOR USES AND PUR-  
9 POSES OF FUNDS.—The Secretary of State shall provide,  
10 on an annual basis, a detailed justification for the uses  
11 and purposes of the amounts provided under this chapter,  
12 including information concerning—

13           “(1) the amounts and kinds of grants;

14           “(2) the amounts and kinds of budgetary sup-  
15 port provided, if any; and

16           “(3) the amounts and kinds of project assist-  
17 ance provided for what purpose and with such  
18 amounts.

19           “(e) ASSISTANCE AND FUNDING UNDER OTHER AU-  
20 THORITIES.—The authority granted under this section to  
21 provide assistance or funding for countries and organiza-  
22 tions does not preclude the use of funds provided to carry  
23 out other authorities also available for such purpose.

24           “(f) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Amounts appro-  
25 priated to carry out this chapter may be used, notwith-

1 standing any other provision of law, to strengthen civilian  
2 cybersecurity and information and communications tech-  
3 nology capacity, including participation of foreign law en-  
4 forcement and military personnel in non-military activi-  
5 ties, and for contributions to international organizations  
6 and international financial institutions of which the  
7 United States is a member, provided that such support  
8 is essential to enabling civilian and law enforcement of cy-  
9 bersecurity and information and communication tech-  
10 nology related activities in their respective countries.

11 “(g) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.—Funds made  
12 available under this section shall be obligated in accord-  
13 ance with the procedures applicable to reprogramming no-  
14 tifications pursuant to section 634A of this Act.

15 **“SEC. 593. REVIEW OF EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE CAPACITY.**

16 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State, in con-  
17 sultation as appropriate with other relevant Federal de-  
18 partments and agencies is authorized to conduct a review  
19 that—

20 “(1) analyzes the United States Government’s  
21 capacity to promptly and effectively deliver emer-  
22 gency support to countries experiencing major cyber-  
23 security and ICT incidents;

24 “(2) identifies relevant factors constraining the  
25 support referred to in paragraph (1); and



1 information collection activities because of their  
2 positions in the Department; and

3 (B) whose personal technology devices or  
4 personal accounts are highly vulnerable to cyber  
5 attacks and hostile information collection activi-  
6 ties.

7 (2) **PERSONAL ACCOUNTS.**—The term “personal  
8 accounts” means accounts for online and tele-  
9 communications services, including telephone, resi-  
10 dential internet access, email, text and multimedia  
11 messaging, cloud computing, social media, health  
12 care, and financial services, used by Department  
13 personnel outside of the scope of their employment  
14 with the Department.

15 (3) **PERSONAL TECHNOLOGY DEVICES.**—The  
16 term “personal technology devices” means tech-  
17 nology devices used by personnel of the Department  
18 outside of the scope of their employment with the  
19 Department, including networks to which such de-  
20 vices connect.

21 (b) **REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE CYBER PROTECTION**  
22 **SUPPORT.**—The Secretary, in consultation with the Sec-  
23 retary of Homeland Security and the Director of National  
24 Intelligence, as appropriate—

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1           (1) shall offer cyber protection support for the  
2           personal technology devices and personal accounts of  
3           at-risk personnel; and

4           (2) may provide the support described in para-  
5           graph (1) to any Department personnel who request  
6           such support.

7           (c) NATURE OF CYBER PROTECTION SUPPORT.—  
8           Subject to the availability of resources, the cyber protec-  
9           tion support provided to personnel pursuant to subsection  
10          (b) may include training, advice, assistance, and other  
11          services relating to protection against cyber attacks and  
12          hostile information collection activities.

13          (d) PRIVACY PROTECTIONS FOR PERSONAL DE-  
14          VICES.—The Department is prohibited pursuant to this  
15          section from accessing or retrieving any information from  
16          any personal technology device or personal account of De-  
17          partment employees unless—

18                 (1) access or information retrieval is necessary  
19                 for carrying out the cyber protection support speci-  
20                 fied in this section; and

21                 (2) the Department has received explicit con-  
22                 sent from the employee to access a personal tech-  
23                 nology device or personal account prior to each time  
24                 such device or account is accessed.

1 (e) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-  
2 tion may be construed—

3 (1) to encourage Department personnel to use  
4 personal technology devices for official business; or

5 (2) to authorize cyber protection support for  
6 senior Department personnel using personal devices,  
7 networks, and personal accounts in an official capac-  
8 ity.

9 (f) REPORT.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
11 after the date of the enactment of this division, the  
12 Secretary shall submit to the appropriate committees  
13 of Congress a report regarding the provision of cyber  
14 protection support pursuant to subsection (b), which  
15 shall include—

16 (A) a description of the methodology used  
17 to make the determination under subsection  
18 (a)(1); and

19 (B) guidance for the use of cyber protec-  
20 tion support and tracking of support requests  
21 for personnel receiving cyber protection support  
22 pursuant to subsection (b).

23 (2) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS  
24 DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “appro-  
25 priate committees of Congress” means—

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1 (A) the appropriate congressional commit-  
2 tees;

3 (B) the Select Committee on Intelligence  
4 and the Committee on Homeland Security and  
5 Governmental Affairs of the Senate; and

6 (C) the Permanent Select Committee on  
7 Intelligence and the Committee on Oversight  
8 and Accountability of the House of Representa-  
9 tives.

10 **SEC. 6309. IMPLEMENTATION OF GAO HIGH RISK LIST REC-**  
11 **COMMENDATIONS.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall implement  
13 the Government Accountability Office’s High Risk List  
14 recommendations as applicable to the Department for the  
15 following activities:

16 (1) Improving the management of IT acquisi-  
17 tions and operations.

18 (2) Improving strategic human capital manage-  
19 ment.

20 (3) Managing Federal real property.

21 (4) Ensuring the cybersecurity of the nation.

22 (5) Managing government-wide personnel secu-  
23 rity clearance process.

24 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the date  
25 of the enactment of this division, the Secretary shall sub-

1 mit to the appropriate congressional committees a report  
2 on the Department’s progress in implementing all of the  
3 Government Accountability Office’s High Risk List rec-  
4 ommendations as applicable to the Department described  
5 in subsection (a).

6 (c) HIGH RISK LIST DEFINED.—In this section, the  
7 term “High Risk List” refers to GAO–23–106203, the  
8 April 20, 2023, report by the Government Accountability  
9 Office titled, “High-Risk Series: Efforts Made to Achieve  
10 Progress Need to Be Maintained and Expanded to Fully  
11 Address All Areas”.

## 12 **TITLE LXIV—ORGANIZATION** 13 **AND OPERATIONS**

### 14 **SEC. 6401. PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACTORS.**

15 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
16 gress that the Department should seek to ensure it has  
17 sufficient full-time equivalent positions allotted to carry  
18 out its current mission, working with the Office of Per-  
19 sonnel Management and appropriate congressional com-  
20 mittees to that end, and that the use of personal services  
21 contractors should not be relied upon to perform core De-  
22 partment functions indefinitely.

23 (b) EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES AND CRISIS RE-  
24 SPONSE.—To assist the Department in addressing and re-  
25 sponding to exigent circumstances and urgent crises

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1 abroad, the Department is authorized to employ, domesti-  
2 cally and abroad, a limited number of personal services  
3 contractors in order to meet exigent needs, subject to the  
4 requirements of this section.

5 (c) AUTHORITY.—The authority to employ personal  
6 services contractors is in addition to any existing authori-  
7 ties to enter into personal services contracts and authority  
8 provided in the Afghanistan Supplemental Appropriations  
9 Act, 2022 (division C of Public Law 117–43).

10 (d) EMPLOYING AND ALLOCATION OF PERSONNEL.—  
11 To meet the needs described in subsection (b) and subject  
12 to the requirements in subsection (e), the Department  
13 may—

14 (1) enter into contracts to employ a total of up  
15 to 100 personal services contractors at any given  
16 time for each of fiscal years 2024, 2025, and 2026;  
17 and

18 (2) allocate up to 20 personal services contrac-  
19 tors to a given bureau.

20 (e) LIMITATION.—Employment authorized by this  
21 section shall not exceed two calendar years.

22 (f) NOTIFICATION AND REPORTING TO CONGRESS.—

23 (1) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 15 days  
24 after the use of authority under this section, the  
25 Secretary shall notify the appropriate congressional

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1 committees, the Committee on Appropriations of the  
2 Senate, and the Committee on Appropriations of the  
3 House of Representatives of the number of personal  
4 services contractors being employed, the expected  
5 length of employment, the relevant bureau, the pur-  
6 pose for using personal services contractors, an indi-  
7 cation of how many personal services contractors  
8 were previously employees of the Department, and  
9 the justification, including the exigent circumstances  
10 requiring such use.

11 (2) ANNUAL REPORTING.—Not later than De-  
12 cember 1, 2024, and annually thereafter for two  
13 years, the Department shall submit to the appro-  
14 priate congressional committees, the Committee on  
15 Appropriations of the Senate, and the Committee on  
16 Appropriations of the House of Representatives a re-  
17 port describing the number of personal services con-  
18 tractors employed pursuant to this section for the  
19 prior fiscal year, the length of employment, the rel-  
20 evant bureau by which they were employed pursuant  
21 to this section, the purpose for using personal serv-  
22 ices contractors, disaggregated demographic data of  
23 such contractors, an indication of how many per-  
24 sonal services contractors were previously employees

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1 of the Department, and the justification for the em-  
2 ployment, including the exigent circumstances.

3 **SEC. 6402. HARD-TO-FILL POSTS.**

4 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
5 gress that—

6 (1) the number of hard-to-fill vacancies at  
7 United States diplomatic missions is far too high,  
8 particularly in Sub-Saharan Africa;

9 (2) these vacancies—

10 (A) adversely impact the Department's  
11 execution of regional strategies;

12 (B) hinder the ability of the United States  
13 to effectively compete with strategic competi-  
14 tors, such as the People's Republic of China  
15 and the Russian Federation; and

16 (C) present a clear national security risk to  
17 the United States; and

18 (3) if the Department is unable to incentivize  
19 officers to accept hard-to-fill positions, the Depart-  
20 ment should consider directed assignments, particu-  
21 larly for posts in Africa, and other means to more  
22 effectively advance the national interests of the  
23 United States.

24 (b) REPORT ON DEVELOPMENT OF INCENTIVES FOR  
25 HARD-TO-FILL POSTS.—Not later than 180 days after the

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1 date of the enactment of this division, the Secretary shall  
2 submit a report to the appropriate congressional commit-  
3 tees on efforts to develop new incentives for hard-to-fill  
4 positions at United States diplomatic missions. The report  
5 shall include a description of the incentives developed to  
6 date and proposals to try to more effectively fill hard-to-  
7 fill posts.

8 (c) STUDY ON FEASIBILITY OF ALLOWING NON-CON-  
9 SULAR FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS GIVEN DIRECTED  
10 CONSULAR POSTS TO VOLUNTEER FOR HARD-TO-FILL  
11 POSTS IN UNDERSTAFFED REGIONS.—

12 (1) STUDY.—

13 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180  
14 days after the date of the enactment of this di-  
15 vision, the Secretary shall conduct a study on—

16 (i) the number of Foreign Service po-  
17 sitions vacant for six months or longer at  
18 overseas posts, including for consular, po-  
19 litical, and economic positions, over the  
20 last five years, broken down by region, and  
21 a comparison of the proportion of vacan-  
22 cies between regions; and

23 (ii) the feasibility of allowing first-  
24 tour Foreign Service generalists in non-  
25 Consular cones, directed for a consular

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1           tour, to volunteer for reassignment at  
2           hard-to-fill posts in understaffed regions.

3           (B) MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED.—The  
4           study conducted under subparagraph (A) shall  
5           consider whether allowing first-tour Foreign  
6           Service generalists to volunteer as described in  
7           such subparagraph would address current va-  
8           cancies and what impact the new mechanism  
9           would have on consular operations.

10          (2) REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after  
11          completing the study required under paragraph (1),  
12          the Secretary shall submit to the appropriate con-  
13          gressional committees a report containing the find-  
14          ings of the study.

15 **SEC. 6403. ENHANCED OVERSIGHT OF THE OFFICE OF**  
16 **CIVIL RIGHTS.**

17          (a) REPORT WITH RECOMMENDATIONS AND MAN-  
18          AGEMENT STRUCTURE.—Not later than 270 days after  
19          the date of the enactment of this division, the Secretary  
20          shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees  
21          a report with any recommendations for the long-term  
22          structure and management of the Office of Civil Rights  
23          (OCR), including—

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1           (1) an assessment of the strengths and weak-  
2           nesses of OCR's investigative processes and proce-  
3           dures;

4           (2) any changes made within OCR to its inves-  
5           tigative processes to improve the integrity and thor-  
6           oughness of its investigations; and

7           (3) any recommendations to improve the man-  
8           agement structure, investigative process, and over-  
9           sight of the Office.

10 **SEC. 6404. CRISIS RESPONSE OPERATIONS.**

11           (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after the  
12           date of the enactment of this division, the Secretary shall  
13           institute the following changes and ensure that the fol-  
14           lowing elements have been integrated into the ongoing cri-  
15           sis response management and response by the Crisis Man-  
16           agement and Strategy Office:

17           (1) The Department's crisis response planning  
18           and operations shall conduct, maintain, and update  
19           on a regular basis contingency plans for posts and  
20           regions experiencing or vulnerable to conflict or  
21           emergency conditions, including armed conflict, nat-  
22           ural disasters, significant political or military up-  
23           heaval, and emergency evacuations.

24           (2) The Department's crisis response efforts  
25           shall be led by an individual with significant experi-

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1           ence responding to prior crises, who shall be so des-  
2           ignated by the Secretary.

3           (3) The Department's crisis response efforts  
4           shall provide at least quarterly updates to the Sec-  
5           retary and other relevant senior officials, including a  
6           plan and schedule to develop contingency planning  
7           for identified posts and regions consistent with para-  
8           graph (1).

9           (4) The decision to develop contingency plan-  
10          ning for any particular post or region shall be made  
11          independent of any regional bureau.

12          (5) The crisis response team shall develop and  
13          maintain best practices for evacuations, closures,  
14          and emergency conditions.

15          (b) UPDATES.—

16          (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
17          after the date of the enactment of this division, and  
18          every 180 days thereafter for the next five years, the  
19          Secretary shall submit to the appropriate congress-  
20          sional committees, the Committee on Appropriations  
21          of the Senate, and the Committee on Appropriations  
22          of the House of Representatives an update outlining  
23          the steps taken to implement this section, along with  
24          any other recommendations to improve the Depart-  
25          ment's crisis management and response operations.

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1 (2) CONTENTS.—Each update submitted pursu-  
2 ant to paragraph (1) should include—

3 (A) a list of the posts whose contingency  
4 plans, including any noncombatant evacuation  
5 contingencies, has been reviewed and updated  
6 as appropriate during the preceding 180 days;  
7 and

8 (B) an assessment of the Secretary's con-  
9 fidence that each post—

10 (i) has continuously reached out to  
11 United States persons in country to main-  
12 tain and update contact information for as  
13 many such persons as practicable; and

14 (ii) is prepared to communicate with  
15 such persons in an emergency or crisis sit-  
16 uation.

17 (3) FORM.—Each update submitted pursuant  
18 to paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified  
19 form, but may include a classified annex.

20 **SEC. 6405. SPECIAL ENVOY TO THE PACIFIC ISLANDS**  
21 **FORUM.**

22 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
23 gress that—

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1 (1) the United States must increase its diplo-  
2 matic activity and presence in the Pacific, particu-  
3 larly among Pacific Island nations; and

4 (2) the Special Envoy to the Pacific Islands  
5 Forum—

6 (A) should advance the United States part-  
7 nership with Pacific Island Forum nations and  
8 with the organization itself on key issues of im-  
9 portance to the Pacific region; and

10 (B) should coordinate policies across the  
11 Pacific region with like-minded democracies.

12 (b) APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL ENVOY TO THE PA-  
13 CIFIC ISLANDS FORUM.—Section 1 of the State Depart-  
14 ment Basic Authorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2651a),  
15 as amended by section 6303, is further amended by adding  
16 at the end the following new subsection:

17 “(o) SPECIAL ENVOY TO THE PACIFIC ISLANDS  
18 FORUM.—

19 “(1) APPOINTMENT.—The President shall ap-  
20 point, by and with the advice and consent of the  
21 Senate, a qualified individual to serve as Special  
22 Envoy to the Pacific Islands Forum (referred to in  
23 this section as the ‘Special Envoy’).

24 “(2) CONSIDERATIONS.—

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1           “(A) SELECTION.—The Special Envoy  
2 shall be—

3           “(i) a United States Ambassador to a  
4 country that is a member of the Pacific Is-  
5 lands Forum; or

6           “(ii) a qualified individual who is not  
7 described in clause (i).

8           “(B) LIMITATIONS.—If the President ap-  
9 points an Ambassador to a country that is a  
10 member of the Pacific Islands Forum to serve  
11 concurrently as the Special Envoy to the Pacific  
12 Islands Forum, such Ambassador—

13           “(i) may not begin service as the Spe-  
14 cial Envoy until he or she has been con-  
15 firmed by the Senate for an ambassador-  
16 ship to a country that is a member of the  
17 Pacific Islands Forum; and

18           “(ii) shall not receive additional com-  
19 pensation for his or her service as Special  
20 Envoy.

21           “(3) DUTIES.—The Special Envoy shall—

22           “(A) represent the United States in its role  
23 as dialogue partner to the Pacific Islands  
24 Forum; and

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1           “(B) carry out such other duties as the  
2           President or the Secretary of State may pre-  
3           scribe.”.

4           (c) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
5 of the enactment of this division, the Secretary shall sub-  
6 mit a report to the appropriate congressional committees  
7 that describes how the Department will increase its ability  
8 to recruit and retain highly-qualified ambassadors, special  
9 envoys, and other senior personnel in posts in Pacific is-  
10 land countries as the Department expands its diplomatic  
11 footprint throughout the region.

12 **SEC. 6406. SPECIAL ENVOY FOR BELARUS.**

13           (a) SPECIAL ENVOY.—The President shall appoint a  
14 Special Envoy for Belarus within the Department (re-  
15 ferred to in this section as the “Special Envoy”). The Spe-  
16 cial Envoy should be a person of recognized distinction  
17 in the field of European security, geopolitics, democracy  
18 and human rights, and may be a career Foreign Service  
19 Officer.

20           (b) CENTRAL OBJECTIVE.—The central objective of  
21 the Special Envoy is to coordinate and promote efforts—

22           (1) to improve respect for the fundamental  
23           human rights of the people of Belarus;

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1           (2) to sustain focus on the national security im-  
2           plications of Belarus’s political and military align-  
3           ment for the United States; and

4           (3) to respond to the political, economic, and  
5           security impacts of events in Belarus upon neigh-  
6           boring countries and the wider region.

7           (c) DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Special  
8           Envoy shall—

9           (1) engage in discussions with Belarusian offi-  
10          cials regarding human rights, political, economic and  
11          security issues in Belarus;

12          (2) support international efforts to promote  
13          human rights and political freedoms in Belarus, in-  
14          cluding coordination and dialogue between the  
15          United States and the United Nations, the Organi-  
16          zation for Security and Cooperation in Europe, the  
17          European Union, Belarus, and the other countries in  
18          Eastern Europe;

19          (3) consult with nongovernmental organizations  
20          that have attempted to address human rights and  
21          political and economic instability in Belarus;

22          (4) make recommendations regarding the fund-  
23          ing of activities promoting human rights, democracy,  
24          the rule of law, and the development of a market  
25          economy in Belarus;

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1           (5) review strategies for improving protection of  
2           human rights in Belarus, including technical train-  
3           ing and exchange programs;

4           (6) develop an action plan for holding to ac-  
5           count the perpetrators of the human rights viola-  
6           tions documented in the United Nations High Com-  
7           missioner for Human Rights report on the situation  
8           of human rights in Belarus in the run-up to the  
9           2020 presidential election and its aftermath (Human  
10          Rights Council Resolution 49/36);

11          (7) engage with member countries of the North  
12          Atlantic Treaty Organization, the Organization for  
13          Security and Cooperation in Europe and the Euro-  
14          pean Union with respect to the implications of  
15          Belarus's political and security alignment for trans-  
16          atlantic security; and

17          (8) work within the Department and among  
18          partnering countries to sustain focus on the political  
19          situation in Belarus.

20          (d) **ROLE.**—The position of Special Envoy—

21                 (1) shall be a full-time position;

22                 (2) may not be combined with any other posi-  
23                 tion within the Department;

24                 (3) shall only exist as long as United States  
25                 diplomatic operations in Belarus at the United

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1 States Embassy in Minsk, Belarus have been sus-  
2 pended;

3 (4) shall oversee the operations and personnel  
4 of the Belarus Affairs Unit; and

5 (5) shall have a duty station that is co-located  
6 with the Belarus Affairs Unit.

7 (e) REPORT ON ACTIVITIES.—Not later than 180  
8 days after the date of the enactment of this division, and  
9 annually thereafter for the following 5 years, the Sec-  
10 retary, in consultation with the Special Envoy, shall sub-  
11 mit a report to the appropriate congressional committees  
12 that describes the activities undertaken pursuant to sub-  
13 section (c) during the reporting period.

14 (f) SUNSET.—The position of Special Envoy for  
15 Belarus and the authorities provided by this section shall  
16 terminate 5 years after the date of the enactment of this  
17 division.

18 **SEC. 6407. PRESIDENTIAL ENVOY FOR THE ABRAHAM AC-**  
19 **CORDS, NEGEV FORUM, AND RELATED INTE-**  
20 **GRATION AND NORMALIZATION FORA AND**  
21 **AGREEMENTS.**

22 Title I of the State Department Basic Authorities Act  
23 of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2651a et seq.) is amended by adding  
24 at the end the following new section:

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1 **“SEC. 64. PRESIDENTIAL ENVOY FOR THE ABRAHAM AC-**  
2 **CORDS, NEGEV FORUM, AND RELATED INTE-**  
3 **GRATION AND NORMALIZATION FORA AND**  
4 **AGREEMENTS.**

5 “(a) OFFICE.—There is established within the De-  
6 partment of State the Office of the Special Presidential  
7 Envoy for the Abraham Accords, Negev Forum, and Re-  
8 lated Integration and Normalization Fora and Agreements  
9 (referred to in this section as the ‘Regional Integration  
10 Office’).

11 “(b) LEADERSHIP.—

12 “(1) SPECIAL ENVOY.—The Regional Integra-  
13 tion Office shall be headed by the Special Presi-  
14 dential Envoy for the Abraham Accords, Negev  
15 Forum, and Related Normalization Agreements, who  
16 shall—

17 “(A) be appointed by the President, by and  
18 with the advice and consent of the Senate; and

19 “(B) report directly to the Secretary of  
20 State.

21 “(c) RANK AND STATUS OF AMBASSADOR.—The Spe-  
22 cial Envoy shall have the rank and status of ambassador.

23 “(d) DUTIES.—The Special Envoy shall—

24 “(1) lead diplomatic engagement—

25 “(A) to strengthen and expand the Negev  
26 Forum, the Abraham Accords, and related nor-

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1 malization agreements with Israel, including  
2 promoting initiatives that benefit the people of  
3 key partners in regional integration or other re-  
4 gional actors in order to encourage such expan-  
5 sion; and

6 “(B) to support the work of regional inte-  
7 gration;

8 “(2) implement the policy of the United States  
9 to expand normalization and support greater re-  
10 gional integration—

11 “(A) within the Middle East and North Af-  
12 rica; and

13 “(B) between the Middle East and North  
14 Africa and other key regions, including sub-Sa-  
15 haran Africa, the Indo-Pacific region, and be-  
16 yond;

17 “(3) work to deliver tangible economic and se-  
18 curity benefits for the citizens of Abraham Accords  
19 countries, Negev Forum countries, and countries  
20 that are members of other related normalization  
21 agreements;

22 “(4) serve as the ministerial liaison for the  
23 United States to the Negev Forum and other emerg-  
24 ing normalization and integration fora, as necessary,  
25 and provide senior representation at events, steering

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1 committee meetings, and other relevant diplomatic  
2 engagements relating to the Negev Forum or other  
3 regional integration bodies;

4 “(5) coordinate all cross-agency engagements  
5 and strategies in support of normalization efforts  
6 with other relevant officials and agencies;

7 “(6) ensure that the appropriate congressional  
8 committees are regularly informed about the work of  
9 the Regional Integration Office;

10 “(7) initiate and advance negotiations on a  
11 framework for an economic and security partnership  
12 with the Negev Forum countries, other key partners  
13 in regional integration, and other regional actors;

14 “(8) oppose efforts to delegitimize Israel and  
15 legal barriers to normalization with Israel;

16 “(9) initiate negotiations with Abraham Ac-  
17 cords countries and Negev Forum countries, observ-  
18 ers, and key partners in regional integration on an  
19 economic framework that includes—

20 “(A) improving supply chain security and  
21 resiliency;

22 “(B) aligning common regulatory and fi-  
23 nancial standards;

24 “(C) attracting foreign investment;

1           “(D) diversification of energy resources,  
2           including renewable sources of energy, and the  
3           development and deployment of emerging and  
4           advanced technologies that promote energy se-  
5           curity; and

6           “(E) digital economy, cybersecurity, and  
7           cross-border data flow;

8           “(10) lead interagency efforts to reach an inter-  
9           national agreement on the comprehensive economic  
10          framework described in paragraph (9);

11          “(11) endeavor to embed already established  
12          standards on countering money laundering and ter-  
13          rorist financing into the regional economic frame-  
14          work described in paragraph (9); and

15          “(12) promote regional integration and broader  
16          interconnectivity among the Abraham Accords coun-  
17          tries, Negev Forum countries, observers, key part-  
18          ners in regional integration, and other regional ac-  
19          tors by promoting and supporting targeted invest-  
20          ment in regional infrastructure and other critical  
21          sectors that broaden and deepen interconnectivity,  
22          increase economic growth and resilience, create bene-  
23          fits for citizens of Abraham Accords countries and  
24          Negev Forum countries, and advance the national

1 security, economic, and development interests of the  
2 United States.

3 “(e) LIMITATION.—The Special Envoy shall not be  
4 a dual-hatted official with other responsibilities within the  
5 Department of State or the executive branch.

6 “(f) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
7 gress that whole-of-government resources should be har-  
8 nessed to ensure the successful performance by the Special  
9 Envoy of the duties described in subsection (d).

10 “(g) REPORT.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
12 after the date of the enactment of this section, and  
13 annually thereafter, the Special Envoy shall submit  
14 to the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Sen-  
15 ate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the  
16 House of Representatives a report on actions taken  
17 by all relevant Federal agencies—

18 “(A) to strengthen and expand the Abra-  
19 ham Accords and the work of the Negev Forum  
20 and future structures and organizations; and

21 “(B) towards the objectives of regional in-  
22 tegration.

23 “(2) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required  
24 by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified  
25 form but may contain a separate, classified annex.

1           “(h) STRATEGY.—Not later than 180 days after the  
2 date of the enactment of this section, the Secretary of  
3 State, in consultation with the heads of other relevant  
4 Federal agencies, shall submit to the Committee on For-  
5 eign Relations of the Senate and the Committee on For-  
6 eign Affairs of the House of Representatives an inter-  
7 agency strategy to use the economic tools of the Federal  
8 Government to promote regional integration through tar-  
9 geted investment as described in subsection (d)(12).

10           “(i) TERMINATION.—This section shall terminate on  
11 the date that is 6 years after date of the enactment of  
12 the section.

13           “(j) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—If, on the date of the  
14 enactment of this section, an individual has already been  
15 designated, consistent with the requirements and respon-  
16 sibilities described in subsections (b), (c), and (d) and sec-  
17 tion 1 of this Act (22 U.S.C. 2651a), the requirements  
18 under subsection (b) shall be considered to be satisfied  
19 with respect to such individual until the date on which  
20 such individual no longer serves as the Special Envoy.

21           “(k) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

22                   “(1) ABRAHAM ACCORDS.—The term ‘Abraham  
23 Accords’ means—

24                           “(A) the Abraham Accords Declaration,  
25                           done at Washington September 15, 2020;

1           “(B) the Abraham Accords Peace Agree-  
2           ment: Treaty of Peace, Diplomatic Relations  
3           and Full Normalization Between the United  
4           Arab Emirates and Israel, done at Washington  
5           September 15, 2020;

6           “(C) the Abraham Accords: Declaration of  
7           Peace, Cooperation, and Constructive Diplo-  
8           matic and Friendly Relations, done at Wash-  
9           ington September 15, 2020, between Israel and  
10          the Kingdom of Bahrain; and

11          “(D) the Joint Declaration of the Kingdom  
12          of Morocco, the United States, and Israel, done  
13          at Rabat December 22, 2020.

14          “(2) EXPAND.—The term ‘expand’, with re-  
15          spect to the Abraham Accords, means to increase  
16          the number of regional, Arab, or Muslim-majority  
17          countries that seek to normalize relations with the  
18          State of Israel.

19          “(3) KEY PARTNERS IN REGIONAL INTEGRA-  
20          TION.—The term ‘key partners in regional integra-  
21          tion’ means—

22                 “(A) any Abraham Accords country;

23                 “(B) Egypt;

24                 “(C) Jordan;

25                 “(D) the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; and

1           “(E) any other active and constructive  
2 country that supports cooperation—

3           “(i) to normalize relations between  
4 countries in the Middle East and North  
5 Africa and Israel; and

6           “(ii) to advance regional integration.

7           “(4) NEGEV FORUM.—The term ‘Negev Forum’  
8 means the regional grouping known as the Negev  
9 Forum Regional Cooperation Framework that was  
10 adopted on November 10, 2022, or any successor  
11 group.

12           “(5) OBSERVER.—The term ‘observer’—

13           “(A) means any country, particularly in-  
14 side the Middle East and North Africa region,  
15 or political entity that—

16           “(i) directly supports the objectives  
17 and processes of the Negev Forum;

18           “(ii) expresses serious interest in par-  
19 ticipating in certain projects determined by  
20 the Negev Forum that benefit normaliza-  
21 tion with Israel and greater regional inte-  
22 gration; and

23           “(iii) is not an official member of the  
24 Negev Forum Steering Committee or any  
25 working group of the Negev Forum; and

1           “(B) includes 3+1 format members Cy-  
2           prus and Greece.

3           “(6) OTHER REGIONAL ACTORS.—The term  
4           ‘other regional actors’ means the Palestinian Au-  
5           thority or a credible future political entity that  
6           serves as the interlocutor for the Palestinian people.

7           “(7) STRENGTHEN.—The term ‘strengthen’,  
8           with respect to the Abraham Accords and the Negev  
9           Forum, means to engage in efforts that improve the  
10          diplomatic relations between Abraham Accords coun-  
11          tries and broaden the breadth and scope of issues on  
12          which Abraham Accords countries cooperate.”.

13 **SEC. 6408. OVERSEAS PLACEMENT OF SPECIAL APPOINT-**  
14 **MENT POSITIONS.**

15          Not later than 90 days after the date of the enact-  
16          ment of this division, the Secretary shall submit to the  
17          appropriate congressional committees a report on current  
18          special appointment positions at United States diplomatic  
19          missions that do not exercise significant authority, and all  
20          positions under schedule B or schedule C of subpart C  
21          of part 213 of title 5, Code of Federal Regulations, at  
22          United States diplomatic missions. The report shall in-  
23          clude the title and responsibilities of each position, the ex-  
24          pected duration of the position, the name of the individual

1 currently appointed to the position, and the hiring author-  
2 ity utilized to fill the position.

3 **SEC. 6409. RESOURCES FOR UNITED STATES NATIONALS**  
4 **UNLAWFULLY OR WRONGFULLY DETAINED**  
5 **ABROAD.**

6 Section 302(d) of the Robert Levinson Hostage Re-  
7 covery and Hostage-Taking Accountability Act (22 U.S.C.  
8 1741(d)) is amended—

9 (1) in the subsection heading, by striking “RE-  
10 SOURCE GUIDANCE” and inserting “RESOURCES  
11 FOR UNITED STATES NATIONALS UNLAWFULLY OR  
12 WRONGFULLY DETAINED ABROAD”;

13 (2) in paragraph (1), by striking the paragraph  
14 heading and all that follows through “Not later  
15 than” and inserting the following:

16 “(1) RESOURCE GUIDANCE.—

17 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than”;

18 (3) in paragraph (2), by redesignating subpara-  
19 graphs (A), (B), (C), (D), and (E) and clauses (i),  
20 (ii), (iii), (iv), and (v), respectively, and moving such  
21 clauses (as so redesignated) 2 ems to the right;

22 (4) by redesignating paragraph (2) as subpara-  
23 graph (B) and moving such subparagraph (as so re-  
24 designated) 2 ems to the right;

1 (5) in subparagraph (B), as redesignated by  
2 paragraph (4), by striking “paragraph (1)” and in-  
3 serting “subparagraph (A)”; and

4 (6) by adding at the end the following:

5 “(2) TRAVEL ASSISTANCE.—

6 “(A) FAMILY ADVOCACY.—For the purpose  
7 of facilitating meetings between the United  
8 States Government and the family members of  
9 United States nationals unlawfully or wrong-  
10 fully detained abroad, the Secretary shall pro-  
11 vide financial assistance to cover the costs of  
12 travel to and from Washington, D.C., including  
13 travel by air, train, bus, or other transit as ap-  
14 propriate, to any individual who—

15 “(i) is—

16 “(I) a family member of a United  
17 States national unlawfully or wrong-  
18 fully detained abroad as determined  
19 by the Secretary under subsection (a);  
20 or

21 “(II) an appropriate individual  
22 who—

23 “(aa) is approved by the  
24 Special Presidential Envoy for  
25 Hostage Affairs; and

1                   “(bb) does not represent in  
2                   any legal capacity a United  
3                   States national unlawfully or  
4                   wrongfully detained abroad or  
5                   the family of such United States  
6                   national;

7                   “(ii) has a permanent address that is  
8                   more than 50 miles from Washington,  
9                   D.C.; and

10                  “(iii) requests such assistance.

11                  “(B) TRAVEL AND LODGING.—

12                  “(i) IN GENERAL.—For each such  
13                  United States national unlawfully or  
14                  wrongfully detained abroad, the financial  
15                  assistance described in subparagraph (A)  
16                  shall be provided for not more than 2 trips  
17                  per fiscal year, unless the Special Presi-  
18                  dential Envoy for Hostage Affairs deter-  
19                  mines that a third trip is warranted.

20                  “(ii) LIMITATIONS.—Any trip de-  
21                  scribed in clause (i) shall—

22                  “(I) consist of not more than 2  
23                  family members or other individuals  
24                  approved in accordance with subpara-  
25                  graph (A)(i)(II), unless the Special

1 Presidential Envoy for Hostage Af-  
2 fairs determines that circumstances  
3 warrant an additional family member  
4 or other individual approved in ac-  
5 cordance with subparagraph (A)(i)(II)  
6 and approves assistance to such third  
7 family member or other individual;  
8 and

9 “(II) not exceed more than 2  
10 nights lodging, which shall not exceed  
11 the applicable government rate.

12 “(C) RETURN TRAVEL.—If other United  
13 States Government assistance is unavailable,  
14 the Secretary may provide to a United States  
15 national unlawfully or wrongfully detained  
16 abroad as determined by the Secretary under  
17 subsection (a), United States assistance, as nec-  
18 essary, for return travel to the United States  
19 upon release of such United States national.

20 “(3) SUPPORT.—

21 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall  
22 seek to make available physical health services,  
23 mental health services, and other support as ap-  
24 propriate, including providing information on  
25 available legal or financial resources, to—

1           “(i) any United States national un-  
2 lawfully or wrongfully detained abroad;  
3 and

4           “(ii) any family member of such  
5 United States national.

6           “(B) LIMITATIONS.—

7           “(i) IN GENERAL.—For any support  
8 described in subparagraph (A) for an indi-  
9 vidual described in clause (i) or (ii) of such  
10 subparagraph that commences following  
11 the return of a United States national who  
12 was unlawfully or wrongfully detained  
13 abroad, such support shall be made avail-  
14 able for up to 5 years from the date on  
15 which any individual identified in subpara-  
16 graph (A) chooses to avail themselves of  
17 the support described in that subpara-  
18 graph, unless the Special Presidential  
19 Envoy for Hostage Affairs determines that  
20 circumstances warrant extending such sup-  
21 port.

22           “(ii) EXCEPTION.—The time limita-  
23 tion under clause (i) does not apply to any  
24 support provided during the pendency of

1           the detention of a United States national  
2           unlawfully or wrongfully detained abroad.

3           “(4) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—The Sec-  
4           retary shall notify the Committee on Foreign Rela-  
5           tions of the Senate, the Committee on Foreign Af-  
6           fairs of the House of Representatives, and the Com-  
7           mittees on Appropriations of the Senate and the  
8           House of Representatives of any amount spent above  
9           \$250,000 for any fiscal year to carry out paragraphs  
10          (2) and (3).

11          “(5) FUNDING.—Funds authorized to be appro-  
12          priated for the Department of State, which may in-  
13          clude funds made available for unforeseen emer-  
14          gencies arising in the diplomatic and consular serv-  
15          ice, may be used to provide the support authorized  
16          by this section.

17          “(6) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after  
18          the end of each fiscal year, the Secretary shall sub-  
19          mit to the Committees on Foreign Relations and Ap-  
20          propriations of the Senate and the Committee on  
21          Foreign Affairs and Appropriations of the House of  
22          Representatives a report that includes—

23                  “(A) a detailed description of expenditures  
24                  made pursuant to paragraphs (2) and (3);

1           “(B) a detailed description of types of sup-  
2           port provided pursuant to paragraph (3), pro-  
3           vided that such description does not identify  
4           any individuals receiving any physical or mental  
5           health support, in order to protect their privacy;  
6           and

7           “(C) the number and location of visits out-  
8           side of Washington, D.C., during the prior fis-  
9           cal year made by the Special Presidential Envoy  
10          for Hostage Affairs to family members of each  
11          United States national unlawfully or wrongfully  
12          detained abroad.

13          “(7) SUNSET.—The authority and requirements  
14          under paragraphs (2), (3), (4), and (5) shall termi-  
15          nate on December 31, 2027.

16          “(8) FAMILY MEMBER DEFINED.—In this sub-  
17          section, the term ‘family member’ means a spouse,  
18          father, mother, child, brother, sister, grandparent,  
19          grandchild, aunt, uncle, nephew, niece, cousin, fa-  
20          ther-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-  
21          law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, step-  
22          mother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, step-  
23          sister, half brother, or half sister.”.

1 **SEC. 6410. ESTABLISHMENT OF FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
2 **AWARD.**

3 The Under Secretary of State for Management shall  
4 establish, in consultation with the Director of the Budget  
5 and Planning Bureau and the Director of Global Talent,  
6 an annual departmental award for any exemplary em-  
7 ployee who recommends, identifies, or adopts significant  
8 cost-saving measures for program implementation or  
9 through the reallocation of resources.

10 **TITLE LXV—ECONOMIC**  
11 **DIPLOMACY**

12 **SEC. 6501. REPORT ON RECRUITMENT, RETENTION, AND**  
13 **PROMOTION OF FOREIGN SERVICE ECO-**  
14 **NOMIC OFFICERS.**

15 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 180 days after the  
16 date of the enactment of this division, the Secretary shall  
17 submit a report to the appropriate congressional commit-  
18 tees regarding the recruitment, retention, and promotion  
19 of economic officers in the Foreign Service.

20 (b) **ELEMENTS.**—The report required under sub-  
21 section (a) shall include—

22 (1) an overview of the key challenges the De-  
23 partment faces in—

24 (A) recruiting individuals to serve as eco-  
25 nomic officers in the Foreign Service; and

1 (B) retaining individuals serving as eco-  
2 nomic officers in the Foreign Service, particu-  
3 larly at the level of GS-14 of the General  
4 Schedule and higher;

5 (2) an overview of the key challenges in recruit-  
6 ing and retaining qualified individuals to serve in  
7 economic positions in the Civil Service;

8 (3) a comparison of promotion rates for eco-  
9 nomic officers in the Foreign Service relative to  
10 other officers in the Foreign Service;

11 (4) a summary of the educational history and  
12 training of current economic officers in the Foreign  
13 Service and Civil Service officers serving in economic  
14 positions;

15 (5) the identification, disaggregated by region,  
16 of hard-to-fill posts and proposed incentives to im-  
17 prove staffing of economic officers in the Foreign  
18 Service at such posts;

19 (6) a summary and analysis of the factors that  
20 lead to the promotion of—

21 (A) economic officers in the Foreign Serv-  
22 ice; and

23 (B) individuals serving in economic posi-  
24 tions in the Civil Service; and

1 (7) a summary and analysis of current Depart-  
2 ment-funded or run training opportunities and exter-  
3 nally-funded programs, including the Secretary's  
4 Leadership Seminar at Harvard Business School,  
5 for—

6 (A) economic officers in the Foreign Serv-  
7 ice; and

8 (B) individuals serving in economic posi-  
9 tions in the Civil Service.

10 **SEC. 6502. MANDATE TO REVISE DEPARTMENT OF STATE**  
11 **METRICS FOR SUCCESSFUL ECONOMIC AND**  
12 **COMMERCIAL DIPLOMACY.**

13 (a) MANDATE TO REVISE DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
14 PERFORMANCE MEASURES FOR ECONOMIC AND COMMER-  
15 CIAL DIPLOMACY.—The Secretary shall, as part of the De-  
16 partment's next regularly scheduled review on metrics and  
17 performance measures, include revisions of Department  
18 performance measures for economic and commercial diplo-  
19 macy by identifying outcome-oriented, and not process-ori-  
20 ented, performance metrics, including metrics that—

21 (1) measure how Department efforts advanced  
22 specific economic and commercial objectives and led  
23 to successes for the United States or other private  
24 sector actors overseas; and

1           (2) focus on customer satisfaction with Depart-  
2           ment services and assistance.

3           (b) PLAN FOR ENSURING COMPLETE DATA FOR  
4 PERFORMANCE MEASURES.—As part of the review re-  
5 quired under subsection (a), the Secretary shall include  
6 a plan for ensuring that—

7           (1) the Department, both at its main head-  
8           quarters and at domestic and overseas posts, main-  
9           tains and fully updates data on performance meas-  
10          ures; and

11          (2) Department leadership and the appropriate  
12          congressional committees can evaluate the extent to  
13          which the Department is advancing United States  
14          economic and commercial interests abroad through  
15          meeting performance targets.

16          (c) REPORT ON PRIVATE SECTOR SURVEYS.—The  
17 Secretary shall prepare a report that lists and describes  
18 all the methods through which the Department conducts  
19 surveys of the private sector to measure private sector sat-  
20 isfaction with assistance and services provided by the De-  
21 partment to advance private sector economic and commer-  
22 cial goals in foreign markets.

23          (d) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after con-  
24 ducting the review pursuant to subsection (a), the Sec-

1 retary shall submit to the appropriate congressional com-  
2 mittees—

3 (1) the revised performance metrics required  
4 under subsection (a);

5 (2) the report required under subsection (c);  
6 and

7 (3) a report on the status of and actions taken  
8 to implement section 708 of the Championing Amer-  
9 ican Business through Diplomaey Act of 2019 (title  
10 VII of division J of Public Law 116–94; 22 U.S.C.  
11 9904).

12 **SEC. 6503. DIRECTION TO EMBASSY DEAL TEAMS.**

13 (a) PURPOSES.—The purposes of deal teams at  
14 United States embassies and consulates are—

15 (1) to promote a private sector-led approach—

16 (A) to advance economic growth and job  
17 creation that is tailored, as appropriate, to spe-  
18 cific economic sectors; and

19 (B) to advance strategic partnerships;

20 (2) to prioritize efforts—

21 (A) to identify commercial and investment  
22 opportunities;

23 (B) to advocate for improvements in the  
24 business and investment climate;

1 (C) to engage and consult with private sec-  
2 tor partners; and

3 (D) to report on the activities described in  
4 subparagraphs (A) through (C), in accordance  
5 with the applicable requirements under sections  
6 706 and 707 of the Championing American  
7 Business Through Diplomacy Act of 2019 (22  
8 U.S.C. 9902 and 9903);

9 (3)(A)(i) to identify trade and investment op-  
10 portunities for United States companies in foreign  
11 markets; or

12 (ii) to assist with existing trade and invest-  
13 ment opportunities already identified by United  
14 States companies; and

15 (B) to deploy United States Government eco-  
16 nomic and other tools to help such United States  
17 companies to secure their objectives;

18 (4) to identify and facilitate opportunities for  
19 entities in a host country to increase exports to, or  
20 investment in, the United States in order to grow  
21 two-way trade and investment;

22 (5) to modernize, streamline, and improve ac-  
23 cess to resources and services designed to promote  
24 increased trade and investment opportunities;

1           (6) to identify and secure United States or al-  
2           lied government support of strategic projects, such  
3           as ports, railways, energy production and distribu-  
4           tion, critical minerals development, telecommuni-  
5           cations networks, and other critical infrastructure  
6           projects vulnerable to predatory investment by an  
7           authoritarian country or entity in such country  
8           where support or investment serves an important  
9           United States interest;

10           (7) to coordinate across the United States Gov-  
11           ernment to ensure the appropriate and most effec-  
12           tive use of United States Government tools to sup-  
13           port United States economic, commercial, and in-  
14           vestment objectives; and

15           (8) to coordinate with the multi-agency DC  
16           Central Deal Team, established in February 2020,  
17           on the matters described in paragraphs (1) through  
18           (7) and other relevant matters.

19           (b) CLARIFICATION.—A deal team may be composed  
20           of the personnel comprising the mission economic team  
21           formed pursuant to section 207 of the Foreign Service Act  
22           of 1980.

23           (c) RESTRICTIONS.—A deal team may not provide  
24           support for, or assist a United States person with a trans-  
25           action involving, a government, or an entity owned or con-

1 trolled by a government, if the Secretary determines that  
2 such government—

3 (1) has repeatedly provided support for acts of  
4 international terrorism, as described in—

5 (A) section 1754(e)(1)(A)(i) of the Export  
6 Control Reform Act of 2018 (subtitle B of title  
7 XVII of Public Law 115–232);

8 (B) section 620A(a) of the Foreign Assist-  
9 ance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2371(a));

10 (C) section 40(d) of the Arms Export Con-  
11 trol Act (22 U.S.C. 2780(d)); or

12 (D) any other relevant provision of law; or

13 (2) has engaged in an activity that would trig-  
14 ger a restriction under section 116(a) or 502B(a)(2)  
15 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C.  
16 2151n(a) and 2304(a)(2)) or any other relevant pro-  
17 vision of law.

18 (d) FURTHER RESTRICTIONS.—

19 (1) PROHIBITION ON SUPPORT OF SANCTIONED  
20 PERSONS.—Deal teams may not carry out activities  
21 prohibited under United States sanctions laws or  
22 regulations, including dealings with persons on the  
23 list of specially designated persons and blocked per-  
24 sons maintained by the Office of Foreign Assets  
25 Control of the Department of the Treasury, except

1 to the extent otherwise authorized by the Secretary  
2 of the Treasury or the Secretary.

3 (2) PROHIBITION ON SUPPORT OF ACTIVITIES  
4 SUBJECT TO SANCTIONS.—Any person receiving sup-  
5 port from a deal team must be in compliance with  
6 all United States sanctions laws and regulations as  
7 a condition for receiving such assistance.

8 (e) CHIEF OF MISSION AUTHORITY AND ACCOUNT-  
9 ABILITY.—The chief of mission to a foreign country—

10 (1) is the designated leader of a deal team in  
11 such country; and

12 (2) shall be held accountable for the perform-  
13 ance and effectiveness of United States deal teams  
14 in such country.

15 (f) GUIDANCE CABLE.—The Department shall send  
16 out regular guidance on Deal Team efforts by an All Dip-  
17 lomatic and Consular Posts (referred to in this section as  
18 “ALDAC”) that—

19 (1) describes the role of deal teams; and

20 (2) includes relevant and up-to-date information  
21 to enhance the effectiveness of deal teams in a coun-  
22 try.

23 (g) CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—In preparing the cable re-  
25 quired under subsection (f), the Secretary shall pro-

1 tect from disclosure any proprietary information of  
2 a United States person marked as business confiden-  
3 tial information unless the person submitting such  
4 information—

5 (A) had notice, at the time of submission,  
6 that such information would be released by; or

7 (B) subsequently consents to the release of  
8 such information.

9 (2) TREATMENT AS TRADE SECRETS.—Propri-  
10 etary information obtained by the United States  
11 Government from a United States person pursuant  
12 to the activities of deal teams shall be—

13 (A) considered to be trade secrets and  
14 commercial or financial information (as such  
15 terms are used under section 552b(c)(4) of title  
16 5, United States Code); and

17 (B) exempt from disclosure without the ex-  
18 press approval of the person.

19 (h) SUNSET.—The requirements under subsections  
20 (f) through (h) shall terminate on the date that is 5 years  
21 after the date of the enactment of this division.

22 **SEC. 6504. ESTABLISHMENT OF A “DEAL TEAM OF THE**  
23 **YEAR” AWARD.**

24 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall establish  
25 a new award, to be known as the “Deal Team of the Year

1 Award”, and annually present the award to a deal team  
2 at one United States mission in each region to recognize  
3 outstanding achievements in supporting a United States  
4 company or companies pursuing commercial deals abroad  
5 or in identifying new deal prospects for United States  
6 companies.

7 (b) AWARD CONTENT.—

8 (1) DEPARTMENT OF STATE.—Each member of  
9 a deal team receiving an award pursuant to sub-  
10 section (a) shall receive a certificate that is signed  
11 by the Secretary and—

12 (A) in the case of a member of the Foreign  
13 Service, is included in the next employee evalua-  
14 tion report; or

15 (B) in the case of a Civil Service employee,  
16 is included in the next annual performance re-  
17 view.

18 (2) OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES.—If an award  
19 is presented pursuant to subsection (a) to a Federal  
20 Government employee who is not employed by the  
21 Department, the employing agency may determine  
22 whether to provide such employee any recognition or  
23 benefits in addition to the recognition or benefits  
24 provided by the Department.

1 (c) ELIGIBILITY.—Any interagency economics team  
2 at a United States overseas mission under chief of mission  
3 authority that assists United States companies with iden-  
4 tifying, navigating, and securing trade and investment op-  
5 portunities in a foreign country or that facilitates bene-  
6 ficial foreign investment into the United States is eligible  
7 for an award under this section.

8 (d) REPORT.—Not later than the last day of the fis-  
9 cal year in which awards are presented pursuant to sub-  
10 section (a), the Secretary shall submit to the appropriate  
11 congressional committees, the Committee on Homeland  
12 Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate, and the  
13 Committee on Oversight and Accountability of the House  
14 of Representatives a report that includes—

15 (1) each mission receiving a Deal Team of the  
16 Year Award.

17 (2) the names and agencies of each awardee  
18 within the recipient deal teams; and

19 (3) a detailed description of the reason such  
20 deal teams received such award.

## 21 **TITLE LXVI—PUBLIC** 22 **DIPLOMACY**

### 23 **SEC. 6601. PUBLIC DIPLOMACY OUTREACH.**

24 (a) COORDINATION OF RESOURCES.—The Adminis-  
25 trator of the United States Agency for International De-

1 velopment and the Secretary shall direct public affairs sec-  
2 tions at United States embassies and USAID Mission Pro-  
3 gram Officers at USAID missions to coordinate, enhance  
4 and prioritize resources for public diplomacy and aware-  
5 ness campaigns around United States diplomatic and de-  
6 velopment efforts, including through—

7           (1) the utilization of new media technology for  
8           maximum public engagement; and

9           (2) enact coordinated comprehensive community  
10          outreach to increase public awareness and under-  
11          standing and appreciation of United States diplo-  
12          matic and development efforts.

13          (b) DEVELOPMENT OUTREACH AND COORDINATION  
14 OFFICERS.—USAID should prioritize hiring of additional  
15 Development Outreach and Coordination officers in  
16 USAID missions to support the purposes of subsection  
17 (a).

18          (c) BEST PRACTICES.—The Secretary and the Ad-  
19 ministrator of USAID shall identify 10 countries in which  
20 Embassies and USAID missions have successfully exe-  
21 cuted efforts, including monitoring and evaluation of such  
22 efforts, described in (a) and develop best practices to be  
23 turned into Department and USAID guidance.

1 **SEC. 6602. MODIFICATION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR RADIO**  
2 **FREE EUROPE/RADIO LIBERTY.**

3 In section 308(h) of the United States International  
4 Broadcasting Act of 1994 (22 U.S.C. 6207(h)) is amend-  
5 ed—

6 (1) by striking subparagraphs (1), (3), and (5);

7 and

8 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (2) and (4) as  
9 paragraphs (1) and (2), respectively.

10 **SEC. 6603. REPORT ON RADIO FREE AFRICA AND RADIO**  
11 **FREE AMERICAS.**

12 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-  
13 ment of this division, the Chief Executive Officer of the  
14 United States Agency for Global Media shall submit a re-  
15 port to the appropriate congressional committees, the  
16 Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, and the Com-  
17 mittee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives  
18 that details the financial and other resources that would  
19 be required to establish and operate 2 nonprofit organiza-  
20 tions, modeled after Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty and  
21 Radio Free Asia, for the purposes of providing accurate,  
22 uncensored, and reliable news and information to—

23 (1) the region of Africa, with respect to Radio  
24 Free Africa; and

25 (2) the region of Latin America and the Carib-  
26 bean, with respect to Radio Free Americas.

1 **SEC. 6604. JOHN LEWIS CIVIL RIGHTS FELLOWSHIP PRO-**  
2 **GRAM.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Mutual Educational and Cul-  
4 tural Exchange Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2451 et seq.) is  
5 amended by adding at the end the following:

6 **“SEC. 115. JOHN LEWIS CIVIL RIGHTS FELLOWSHIP PRO-**  
7 **GRAM.**

8 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established the  
9 John Lewis Civil Rights Fellowship Program (referred to  
10 in this section as the ‘Fellowship Program’) within the J.  
11 William Fulbright Educational Exchange Program.

12 “(b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the Fellowship  
13 Program are—

14 “(1) to honor the legacy of Representative John  
15 Lewis by promoting a greater understanding of the  
16 history and tenets of nonviolent civil rights move-  
17 ments; and

18 “(2) to advance foreign policy priorities of the  
19 United States by promoting studies, research, and  
20 international exchange in the subject of nonviolent  
21 movements that established and protected civil  
22 rights around the world.

23 “(c) ADMINISTRATION.—The Bureau of Educational  
24 and Cultural Affairs (referred to in this section as the ‘Bu-  
25 reau’) shall administer the Fellowship Program in accord-  
26 ance with policy guidelines established by the Board, in

1 consultation with the binational Fulbright Commissions  
2 and United States Embassies.

3 “(d) SELECTION OF FELLOWS.—

4 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Board shall annually  
5 select qualified individuals to participate in the Fel-  
6 lowship Program. The Bureau may determine the  
7 number of fellows selected each year, which, when-  
8 ever feasible, shall be not fewer than 25.

9 “(2) OUTREACH.—

10 “(A) IN GENERAL.—To the extent prac-  
11 ticable, the Bureau shall conduct outreach at  
12 institutions, including—

13 “(i) minority serving institutions, in-  
14 cluding historically Black colleges and uni-  
15 versities; and

16 “(ii) other appropriate institutions  
17 that are likely to produce a range of quali-  
18 fied applicants, as determined by the Bu-  
19 reau.

20 “(B) DEFINITIONS.—In this paragraph:

21 “(i) HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGE  
22 AND UNIVERSITY.—The term ‘historically  
23 Black college and university’ has the mean-  
24 ing given the term ‘part B institution’ in

1 section 322 of the Higher Education Act  
2 of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1061).

3 “(ii) MINORITY SERVING INSTITU-  
4 TION.—The term ‘minority-serving institu-  
5 tion’ means an eligible institution under  
6 section 371(a) of the Higher Education  
7 Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1067q(a)).

8 “(e) FELLOWSHIP ORIENTATION.—Annually, the Bu-  
9 reau shall organize and administer a fellowship orienta-  
10 tion, which shall—

11 “(1) be held in Washington, D.C., or at another  
12 location selected by the Bureau; and

13 “(2) include programming to honor the legacy  
14 of Representative John Lewis.

15 “(f) STRUCTURE.—

16 “(1) WORK PLAN.—To carry out the purposes  
17 described in subsection (b)—

18 “(A) each fellow selected pursuant to sub-  
19 section (d) shall arrange an internship or re-  
20 search placement—

21 “(i) with a nongovernmental organiza-  
22 tion, academic institution, or other organi-  
23 zation approved by the Bureau; and

24 “(ii) in a country with an operational  
25 Fulbright U.S. Student Program; and

1           “(B) the Bureau shall, for each fellow, ap-  
2           prove a work plan that identifies the target ob-  
3           jectives for the fellow, including specific duties  
4           and responsibilities relating to those objectives.

5           “(2) CONFERENCES; PRESENTATIONS.—Each  
6           fellow shall—

7           “(A) attend a fellowship orientation orga-  
8           nized and administered by the Bureau under  
9           subsection (e);

10          “(B) not later than the date that is 1 year  
11          after the end of the fellowship period, attend a  
12          fellowship summit organized and administered  
13          by the Bureau, which—

14                 “(i) whenever feasible, shall be held in  
15                 a location of importance to the civil rights  
16                 movement in the United States; and

17                 “(ii) may coincide with other events  
18                 facilitated by the Bureau; and

19          “(C) at such summit, give a presentation  
20          on lessons learned during the period of the fel-  
21          lowship.

22          “(3) FELLOWSHIP PERIOD.—Each fellowship  
23          under this section shall continue for a period deter-  
24          mined by the Bureau, which, whenever feasible, shall  
25          be not fewer than 10 months.

1           “(g) FELLOWSHIP AWARD.—The Bureau shall pro-  
2 vide each fellow under this section with an allowance that  
3 is equal to the amount needed for—

4           “(1) the reasonable costs of the fellow during  
5 the fellowship period; and

6           “(2) travel and lodging expenses related to at-  
7 tending the orientation and summit required under  
8 subsection (e)(2).

9           “(h) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after  
10 the date of the completion of the Fellowship Program by  
11 the initial cohort of fellows selected under subsection (d),  
12 and annually thereafter, the Secretary of State shall sub-  
13 mit to the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate  
14 and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of  
15 Representatives a report on the implementation of the Fel-  
16 lowship Program, including—

17           “(1) a description of the demographics of the  
18 cohort of fellows who completed a fellowship during  
19 the preceding 1-year period;

20           “(2) a description of internship and research  
21 placements, and research projects selected by such  
22 cohort, under the Fellowship Program, including  
23 feedback from—

24           “(A) such cohort on implementation of the  
25 Fellowship Program; and

1 “(B) the Secretary on lessons learned;

2 “(3) a plan for factoring such lessons learned  
3 into future programming, and

4 “(4) an analysis of trends relating to the diver-  
5 sity of each cohort of fellows and the topics of  
6 projects completed since the establishment of the  
7 Fellowship Program.”.

8 (b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO  
9 THE MUTUAL EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE  
10 ACT OF 1961.—Section 112(a) of the Mutual Educational  
11 and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961 ( 22 U.S.C. 2460(a))  
12 is amended—

13 (1) in paragraph (8), by striking “; and” and  
14 inserting a semicolon;

15 (2) in paragraph (9), by striking the period and  
16 inserting “; and”; and

17 (3) by adding at the end the following new  
18 paragraph:

19 “(10) the John Lewis Civil Rights Fellowship  
20 Program established under section 115, which pro-  
21 vides funding for international internships and re-  
22 search placements for early- to mid-career individ-  
23 uals from the United States to study nonviolent civil  
24 rights movements in self-arranged placements with

1 universities or nongovernmental organizations in for-  
2 eign countries.”.

3 (c) SUNSET.—The authority to carry out the John  
4 Lewis Civil Rights Fellowship Program established under  
5 section 115 of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Ex-  
6 change Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2451 et seq.), as added  
7 by subsection (a), shall expire on the date that is 10 years  
8 after the date of the enactment of this division.

9 **SEC. 6605. DOMESTIC ENGAGEMENT AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS.**

10 (a) STRATEGY REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days  
11 after the date of the enactment of this division, the Sec-  
12 retary shall develop a strategy to explain to the American  
13 people the value of the work of the Department and the  
14 importance that United States foreign policy plays in ad-  
15 vancing the national security of the United States. The  
16 strategy shall include—

17 (1) tools to inform the American people about  
18 the non-partisan importance of United States diplo-  
19 macy and foreign relations and to utilize public di-  
20 plomacy to meet the United States’ national security  
21 priorities;

22 (2) efforts to reach the widest possible audience  
23 of Americans, including those who historically have  
24 not had exposure to United States foreign policy ef-  
25 forts and priorities;

1           (3) additional staffing and resource needs in-  
2           cluding—

3                   (A) domestic positions within the Bureau  
4                   of Global Public Affairs to focus on engagement  
5                   with the American people as outlined in para-  
6                   graph (1);

7                   (B) positions within the Bureau of Edu-  
8                   cational and Cultural Affairs to enhance pro-  
9                   grams and reach the widest possible audience;

10                   (C) increasing the number of fellowship  
11                   and detail programs that place Foreign Service  
12                   and civil service employees outside the Depart-  
13                   ment for a limited time, including Pearson Fel-  
14                   lows, Reta Jo Lewis Local Diplomats, Brook-  
15                   ings Fellows, and Georgetown Fellows; and

16                   (D) recommendations for increasing par-  
17                   ticipation in the Hometown Diplomats program  
18                   and evaluating this program as well as other  
19                   opportunities for Department officers to engage  
20                   with American audiences while traveling within  
21                   the United States.

1 **SEC. 6606. MODERNIZATION AND ENHANCEMENT STRAT-**  
2 **EGY.**

3 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-  
4 ment of this division, the Secretary shall submit a strategy  
5 to the appropriate congressional committees for—

6 (1) modernizing and increasing the operational  
7 and programming capacity of American Spaces and  
8 American Corners throughout the world, including  
9 by leveraging public-private partnerships;

10 (2) providing salaries to locally employed staff  
11 of American Spaces and American Corners; and

12 (3) providing opportunities for United States  
13 businesses and nongovernmental organizations to  
14 better utilize American Spaces.

15 **TITLE LXVII—OTHER MATTERS**

16 **SEC. 6701. INTERNSHIPS OF UNITED STATES NATIONALS AT**  
17 **INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS.**

18 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary is authorized to  
19 bolster efforts to increase the number of United States  
20 citizens representative of the American people occupying  
21 positions in the United Nations system, agencies, and  
22 commissions, and in other international organizations, in-  
23 cluding by awarding grants to educational institutions and  
24 students.

25 (b) **REPORT.**—Not later than 90 days after the date  
26 of the enactment of this division, the Secretary of State

1 shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional  
2 committees that identifies—

3           (1) the number of United States citizens who  
4           are involved in internship programs at international  
5           organizations;

6           (2) the distribution of the individuals described  
7           in paragraph (1) among various international orga-  
8           nizations; and

9           (3) grants, programs, and other activities that  
10          are being utilized to recruit and fund United States  
11          citizens to participate in internship programs at  
12          international organizations.

13          (c) ELIGIBILITY.—An individual referred to in sub-  
14          section (a) is an individual who—

15               (1) is enrolled at or received their degree within  
16               two years from—

17                       (A) an institution of higher education; or

18                       (B) an institution of higher education  
19                       based outside the United States, as determined  
20                       by the Secretary; and

21               (2) is a citizen of the United States.

22          (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
23          authorized to be appropriated \$1,500,000 for the Depart-  
24          ment for fiscal year 2024 to carry out the grant program  
25          authorized under subsection (a).

1 **SEC. 6702. TRAINING FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZA-**  
2 **TIONS.**

3 (a) TRAINING PROGRAMS.—Section 708 of the For-  
4 eign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 4028) is amended  
5 by adding at the end of the following new subsection:

6 “(e) TRAINING IN MULTILATERAL DIPLOMACY.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in consulta-  
8 tion with other senior officials as appropriate, shall  
9 establish training courses on—

10 “(A) the conduct of diplomacy at inter-  
11 national organizations and other multilateral in-  
12 stitutions; and

13 “(B) broad-based multilateral negotiations  
14 of international instruments.

15 “(2) REQUIRED TRAINING.—Members of the  
16 Service, including appropriate chiefs of mission and  
17 other officers who are assigned to United States  
18 missions representing the United States to inter-  
19 national organizations and other multilateral institu-  
20 tions or who are assigned in other positions that  
21 have as their primary responsibility formulation of  
22 policy related to such organizations and institutions,  
23 or participation in negotiations of international in-  
24 struments, shall receive specialized training in the  
25 areas described in paragraph (1) prior to the begin-  
26 ning of service for such assignment or, if receiving

1 such training at that time is not practical, within  
2 the first year of beginning such assignment.”.

3 (b) TRAINING FOR DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES.—The  
4 Secretary of State shall ensure that employees of the De-  
5 partment of State who are assigned to positions described  
6 in paragraph (2) of subsection (e) of section 708 of the  
7 Foreign Service Act of 1980 (as added by subsection (a)  
8 of this section), including members of the civil service or  
9 general service, or who are seconded to international orga-  
10 nizations for a period of at least one year, receive training  
11 described in such subsection and participate in other such  
12 courses as the Secretary may recommend to build or aug-  
13 ment identifiable skills that would be useful for such De-  
14 partment officials representing United States interests at  
15 these institutions and organizations.

16 **SEC. 6703. INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS AND INVEST-**  
17 **MENTS BY THE UNITED STATES AND PEO-**  
18 **PLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.**

19 Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment  
20 of this division, the Secretary, in coordination with the Ad-  
21 ministrator of the United States Agency for International  
22 Development and the Chief Executive Officer of the Devel-  
23 opment Finance Corporation, shall submit to the appro-  
24 priate congressional committees, the Committee on Appro-  
25 priations of the Senate, and the Committee on Appropria-

1 tions of the House of Representatives a report regarding  
2 the opportunities and costs of infrastructure projects in  
3 Middle East, African, and Latin American and Caribbean  
4 countries, which shall—

5 (1) describe the nature and total funding of  
6 United States infrastructure investments and con-  
7 struction in Middle East, African, and Latin Amer-  
8 ican and Caribbean countries, and that of United  
9 States allies and partners in the same regions;

10 (2) describe the nature and total funding of in-  
11 frastructure investments and construction by the  
12 People’s Republic of China in Middle East, African,  
13 and Latin American and Caribbean countries;

14 (3) assess the national security threats posed by  
15 the infrastructure investment gap between the Peo-  
16 ple’s Republic of China and the United States and  
17 United States allies and partners, including—

18 (A) infrastructure, such as ports;

19 (B) access to critical and strategic min-  
20 erals;

21 (C) digital and telecommunication infra-  
22 structure;

23 (D) threats to supply chains; and

24 (E) general favorability towards the Peo-  
25 ple’s Republic of China and the United States

1 and United States' allies and partners among  
2 Middle East, African, and Latin American and  
3 Caribbean countries;

4 (4) assess the opportunities and challenges for  
5 companies based in the United States to invest in in-  
6 frastructure projects in Middle East, African, and  
7 Latin American and Caribbean countries;

8 (5) describe options for the United States Gov-  
9 ernment to undertake to increase support for United  
10 States businesses engaged in large-scale infrastruc-  
11 ture projects in Middle East, African, and Latin  
12 American and Caribbean countries; and

13 (6) identify regional infrastructure priorities,  
14 ranked according to United States national interests,  
15 in Middle East, African, and Latin American and  
16 Caribbean countries.

17 **SEC. 6704. SPECIAL ENVOYS.**

18 (a) REVIEW.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
19 of the enactment of this division, the Secretary shall con-  
20 duct a review of all special envoy positions to determine—

21 (1) which special envoy positions are needed to  
22 accomplish the mission of the Department;

23 (2) which special envoy positions could be ab-  
24 sorbed into the Department's existing bureau struc-  
25 ture;

1           (3) which special envoy positions were estab-  
2           lished by an Act of Congress; and

3           (4) which special envoy positions were created  
4           by the Executive Branch without explicit congres-  
5           sional approval.

6           (b) REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after the com-  
7           pletion of the review required under subsection (a), the  
8           Secretary shall submit a report to the appropriate congres-  
9           sional committees that includes—

10           (1) a list of every special envoy position in the  
11           Department;

12           (2) a detailed justification of the need for each  
13           special envoy, if warranted;

14           (3) a list of the special envoy positions that  
15           could be absorbed into the Department’s existing bu-  
16           reau structure without compromising the mission of  
17           the Department;

18           (4) a list of the special envoy positions that  
19           were created by an Act of Congress; and

20           (5) a list of the special envoy positions that are  
21           not expressly authorized by statute.

22 **SEC. 6705. US-ASEAN CENTER.**

23           (a) DEFINED TERM.—In this section, the term  
24           “ASEAN” means the Association of Southeast Asian Na-  
25           tions.

1           (b) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary is authorized  
2 to enter into a public-private partnership for the purposes  
3 of establishing a US-ASEAN Center in the United States  
4 to support United States economic and cultural engage-  
5 ment with Southeast Asia.

6           (c) FUNCTIONS.—Notwithstanding any other provi-  
7 sion of law, the US-ASEAN Center established pursuant  
8 to subsection (b) may—

9                   (1) provide grants for research to support and  
10 elevate the importance of the US-ASEAN partner-  
11 ship;

12                   (2) facilitate activities to strengthen US-  
13 ASEAN trade and investment;

14                   (3) expand economic and technological relation-  
15 ships between ASEAN countries and the United  
16 States into new areas of cooperation;

17                   (4) provide training to United States citizens  
18 and citizens of ASEAN countries that improve peo-  
19 ple-to-people ties;

20                   (5) develop educational programs to increase  
21 awareness for the United States and ASEAN coun-  
22 tries on the importance of relations between the  
23 United States and ASEAN countries; and

24                   (6) carry out other activities the Secretary con-  
25 siders necessary to strengthen ties between the

1 United States and ASEAN countries and achieve the  
2 objectives of the US-ASEAN Center.

3 (d) PARAMETERS.—In carrying out this section, the  
4 Secretary shall ensure that the activities of the US-  
5 ASEAN Center do not duplicate current lines of effort  
6 being conducted by the United States Government or its  
7 grantees.

8 **SEC. 6706. BRIEFINGS ON THE UNITED STATES-EUROPEAN**  
9 **UNION TRADE AND TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL.**

10 It is the sense of Congress that the United States-  
11 European Union Trade and Technology Council is an im-  
12 portant forum for the United States and the European  
13 Union to engage on transatlantic trade, investment, and  
14 engagement on matters related to critical and emerging  
15 technology and that the Department should provide reg-  
16 ular updates to the appropriate congressional committees  
17 on the deliverables and policy initiatives announced at  
18 United States-European Union Trade and Technology  
19 Council ministerials.

20 **SEC. 6707. MODIFICATION AND REPEAL OF REPORTS.**

21 (a) COUNTRY REPORTS ON HUMAN RIGHTS PRAC-  
22 TICES.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall examine  
24 the production of the 2023 and subsequent annual  
25 Country Reports on Human Rights Practices by the

1 Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights,  
2 and Labor as required under sections 116(d) and  
3 502B(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22  
4 U.S.C. 2151n(d), 2304(b)) to maximize—

5 (A) cost and personnel efficiencies;

6 (B) the potential use of data and analytic  
7 tools and visualization; and

8 (C) advancement of the modernization  
9 agenda for the Department announced by the  
10 Secretary on October 27, 2021.

11 (2) TRANSNATIONAL REPRESSION AMEND-  
12 MENTS TO ANNUAL COUNTRY REPORTS ON HUMAN  
13 RIGHTS PRACTICES.—Section 116(d) of the Foreign  
14 Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2151n(d)) is  
15 amended by adding at the end the following new  
16 paragraph:

17 “(13) Wherever applicable, a description of the  
18 nature and extent of acts of transnational repression  
19 that occurred during the preceding year, including  
20 identification of—

21 “(A) incidents in which a government har-  
22 assed, intimidated, or killed individuals outside  
23 of their internationally recognized borders and  
24 the patterns of such repression among repeat  
25 offenders;

1           “(B) countries in which such transnational  
2           repression occurs and the role of the govern-  
3           ments of such countries in enabling, preventing,  
4           mitigating, and responding to such acts;

5           “(C) the tactics used by the governments  
6           of countries identified pursuant to subpara-  
7           graph (A), including the actions identified and  
8           any new techniques observed;

9           “(D) in the case of digital surveillance and  
10          harassment, the type of technology or platform,  
11          including social media, smart city technology,  
12          health tracking systems, general surveillance  
13          technology, and data access, transfer, and stor-  
14          age procedures, used by the governments of  
15          countries identified pursuant to subparagraph  
16          (A) for such actions; and

17          “(E) groups and types of individuals tar-  
18          geted by acts of transnational repression in  
19          each country in which such acts occur.”.

20          (b) ELIMINATION OF OBSOLETE REPORTS.—

21                 (1) ANNUAL REPORTS RELATING TO FUNDING  
22                 MECHANISMS FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS SECURITY  
23                 AND SEMICONDUCTORS.—Division H of the William  
24                 M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authoriza-

1       tion Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283)  
2       is amended—

3               (A) in section 9202(a)(2) (47 U.S.C.  
4               906(a)(2))—

5                     (i) by striking subparagraph (C); and

6                     (ii) by redesignating subparagraph

7               (D) as subparagraph (C); and

8               (B) in section 9905 (15 U.S.C. 4655)—

9                     (i) by striking subsection (c); and

10                    (ii) by redesignating subsection (d) as

11               subsection (c).

12               (2) ANNUAL REPORT ON PROMOTING THE RULE  
13       OF LAW IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION.—Section  
14       202 of the Russia and Moldova Jackson-Vanik Re-  
15       peal and Sergei Magnitsky Rule of Law Account-  
16       ability Act of 2012 (Public Law 112–208) is amend-  
17       ed by striking subsection (a).

18               (3) ANNUAL REPORT ON ADVANCING FREEDOM  
19       AND DEMOCRACY.—Section 2121 of the Advance  
20       Democratic Values, Address Nondemocratic Coun-  
21       tries, and Enhance Democracy Act of 2007 (title  
22       XXI of Public Law 110–53) is amended by striking  
23       subsection (c).

24               (4) ANNUAL REPORTS ON UNITED STATES-  
25       VIETNAM HUMAN RIGHTS DIALOGUE MEETINGS.—

1 Section 702 of the Foreign Relations Authorization  
2 Act, Fiscal Year 2003 (22 U.S.C. 2151n note) is re-  
3 pealed.

4 **SEC. 6708. ART IN EMBASSIES.**

5 Section 5112(c) of the Department of State Author-  
6 ization Act of 2021 (division E of Public Law 117–81;  
7 135 Stat, 2350) is amended by striking “2 years after”  
8 and inserting “4 years after”.

9 **SEC. 6709. INSTITUTE FOR TRANSATLANTIC ENGAGEMENT.**

10 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of State is au-  
11 thorized to establish the Institute for Transatlantic En-  
12 gagement (referred to in this section as the “Institute”).

13 (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of any Institute estab-  
14 lished pursuant to subsection (a) shall be to strengthen  
15 national security by highlighting, to a geographically di-  
16 verse set of populations from the United States, Canada,  
17 and European nations, the importance of the transatlantic  
18 relationship and the threats posed by adversarial coun-  
19 tries, such as the Russian Federation and the People’s Re-  
20 public of China, to democracy, free-market economic prin-  
21 ciples, and human rights.

22 (c) DIRECTOR.—Any Institute established pursuant  
23 to subsection (a) shall be headed by a Director, to be ap-  
24 pointed by the Secretary, who shall have expertise in

1 transatlantic relations and diverse populations in the  
2 United States and Europe.

3 (d) SCOPE AND ACTIVITIES.—Any Institute estab-  
4 lished pursuant to subsection (a) shall—

5 (1) strengthen knowledge among participants of  
6 the formation and implementation of transatlantic  
7 policies critical to national security, including the  
8 threats posed by the Russian Federation and the  
9 People’s Republic of China;

10 (2) increase awareness among participants of  
11 the roles of government and nongovernmental actors,  
12 such as multilateral organizations, businesses, civil  
13 society actors, academia, think tanks, and philan-  
14 thropic institutions, in transatlantic policy develop-  
15 ment and execution;

16 (3) increase understanding among participants  
17 of the manner in which diverse backgrounds and  
18 perspectives affect the development of transatlantic  
19 policies;

20 (4) enhance the skills, abilities, and effective-  
21 ness of participating government officials;

22 (5) increase awareness among participants of  
23 the importance of, and interest in, international pub-  
24 lic service careers;

1           (6) not less than 3 times annually, convene rep-  
2           representatives of the United States Government, the  
3           Government of Canada, and of governments of Eu-  
4           ropean nations for a program offered by the Insti-  
5           tute; and

6           (7) develop metrics to track the success and ef-  
7           ficacy of the program which shall be reported to the  
8           appropriate congressional committees and prior to  
9           the convening of the first program described in para-  
10          graph (6).

11          (e) ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE.—Participants in  
12          the programs of the Institute shall include elected govern-  
13          ment officials—

14                (1) serving at national, regional, or local levels  
15                in the United States, Canada, and European na-  
16                tions; and

17                (2) who represent geographically diverse back-  
18                grounds or constituencies in the United States, Can-  
19                ada, and Europe.

20          (f) SELECTION OF PARTICIPANTS.—

21                (1) UNITED STATES PARTICIPANTS.—Partici-  
22                pants from the United States shall be appointed in  
23                an equally divided manner by—

24                        (A) the chairpersons and ranking members  
25                        of the Committee on Foreign Relations of the

1 Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs  
2 of the House of Representatives;

3 (B) the majority leader of the Senate and  
4 the minority leader of the Senate; and

5 (C) the Speaker of the House of Rep-  
6 resentatives and the minority leader of the  
7 House of Representatives.

8 (2) EUROPEAN AND CANADIAN PARTICI-  
9 PANTS.—Participants from Europe and Canada  
10 shall be appointed by the Secretary of State, in con-  
11 sultation with—

12 (A) the chairpersons and ranking members  
13 of the appropriate congressional committees;

14 (B) the majority leader of the Senate and  
15 the minority leader of the Senate; and

16 (C) the Speaker of the House of Rep-  
17 resentatives and the minority leader of the  
18 House of Representatives.

19 (g) RESTRICTIONS.—

20 (1) UNPAID PARTICIPATION.—Participants in  
21 the Institute may not be paid a salary for such par-  
22 ticipation.

23 (2) REIMBURSEMENT.—The Institute may pay  
24 or reimburse participants for reasonable travel, lodg-

1 ing, and food in connection with participation in the  
2 program.

3 (3) TRAVEL.—No funds authorized to be appro-  
4 priated under subsection (h) may be used for travel  
5 for members of Congress to participate in Institute  
6 activities.

7 (h) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
8 authorized to be appropriated up to \$750,000 for fiscal  
9 years 2024 and 2025 to carry out this section.

10 (i) SUNSET.—The authority provided by this section  
11 terminates on December 31, 2025.

12 **SEC. 6710. NOTIFICATION OF REVOCATION OF CLEAR-**  
13 **ANCES.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to any covered offi-  
15 cial whose security clearance is suspended or revoked, the  
16 Secretary shall—

17 (1) submit to the Chair and Ranking Member  
18 of the appropriate congressional committees, the  
19 Majority Leader of the Senate, the Minority Leader  
20 of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Rep-  
21 resentatives, and the Minority Leader of the House  
22 of Representatives a notification not later than 15  
23 days after the suspension or revocation of such  
24 clearance; and

1           (2) brief the Chair and Ranking Member of the  
2           appropriate congressional committees, the Majority  
3           Leader of the Senate, the Minority Leader of the  
4           Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representa-  
5           tives, and the Minority Leader of the House of Rep-  
6           resentatives not later than 30 days after such sus-  
7           pension or revocation on the present employment  
8           status of such individual and whether the job duties  
9           of such individual have changed since such suspen-  
10          sion or revocation.

11          (b) FORM.—The notification and briefing required by  
12          subsection (a) may be provided in classified form, if nec-  
13          essary.

14          (c) COVERED OFFICIAL DEFINED.—For purposes of  
15          this section, the term “covered official” means any of the  
16          following:

17               (1) Any individual holding a position at or high-  
18               er than the level of Assistant Secretary or its equiva-  
19               lent in the Department of State.

20               (2) Any individual holding the position of chief  
21               of mission or principal officer at any diplomatic or  
22               consular post.

23               (3) Any individual holding the rank and status  
24               of an ambassador or otherwise holding a position

1 that reports directly to the Secretary, such as a spe-  
2 cial envoy.

3 (d) SUNSET.—This section shall terminate not later  
4 than three years after the date of the enactment of this  
5 division.

6 **DIVISION G—INTELLIGENCE AU-**  
7 **THORIZATION ACT FOR FIS-**  
8 **CAL YEAR 2024**

9 **SEC. 7001. SHORT TITLE.**

10 This division may be cited as the “Intelligence Au-  
11 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024”.

12 **SEC. 7002. DEFINITIONS.**

13 In this division:

14 (1) CONGRESSIONAL INTELLIGENCE COMMIT-  
15 TEES.—The term “congressional intelligence com-  
16 mittees” has the meaning given such term in section  
17 3 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C.  
18 3003).

19 (2) INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.—The term  
20 “intelligence community” has the meaning given  
21 such term in such section 3.

22 **SEC. 7003. EXPLANATORY STATEMENT.**

23 The explanatory statement regarding this division,  
24 printed in the House section of the Congressional Record  
25 by the Chairman of the Permanent Select Committee on

1 Intelligence of the House of Representatives and in the  
2 Senate section of the Congressional Record by the Chair-  
3 man of the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate,  
4 shall have the same effect with respect to the implementa-  
5 tion of this division as if it were a joint explanatory state-  
6 ment of a committee of conference.

7                   **TITLE I—INTELLIGENCE**  
8                   **ACTIVITIES**

Sec. 7101. Authorization of appropriations.

Sec. 7102. Classified Schedule of Authorizations.

Sec. 7103. Intelligence Community Management Account.

Sec. 7104. Increase in employee compensation and benefits authorized by law.

Sec. 7105. Restriction on conduct of intelligence activities.

9   **SEC. 7101. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

10       Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for  
11 fiscal year 2024 for the conduct of the intelligence and  
12 intelligence-related activities of the Federal Government.

13   **SEC. 7102. CLASSIFIED SCHEDULE OF AUTHORIZATIONS.**

14       (a) **SPECIFICATIONS OF AMOUNTS.**—The amounts  
15 authorized to be appropriated under section 101 for the  
16 conduct of the intelligence activities of the Federal Gov-  
17 ernment are those specified in the classified Schedule of  
18 Authorizations prepared to accompany this division.

19       (b) **AVAILABILITY OF CLASSIFIED SCHEDULE OF AU-**  
20 **THORIZATIONS.**—

21           (1) **AVAILABILITY.**—The classified Schedule of  
22 Authorizations referred to in subsection (a) shall be  
23 made available to the Committee on Appropriations

1 of the Senate, the Committee on Appropriations of  
2 the House of Representatives, and to the President.

3 (2) DISTRIBUTION BY THE PRESIDENT.—Sub-  
4 ject to paragraph (3), the President shall provide for  
5 suitable distribution of the classified Schedule of Au-  
6 thorizations referred to in subsection (a), or of ap-  
7 propriate portions of such Schedule, within the exec-  
8 utive branch of the Federal Government.

9 (3) LIMITS ON DISCLOSURE.—The President  
10 shall not publicly disclose the classified Schedule of  
11 Authorizations or any portion of such Schedule ex-  
12 cept—

13 (A) as provided in section 601(a) of the  
14 Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11  
15 Commission Act of 2007 (50 U.S.C. 3306(a));

16 (B) to the extent necessary to implement  
17 the budget; or

18 (C) as otherwise required by law.

19 **SEC. 7103. INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT AC-**  
20 **COUNT.**

21 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
22 authorized to be appropriated for the Intelligence Commu-  
23 nity Management Account of the Director of National In-  
24 telligence for fiscal year 2024 the sum of \$645,900,000.

1 (b) CLASSIFIED AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIA-  
2 TIONS.—In addition to amounts authorized to be appro-  
3 priated for the Intelligence Community Management Ac-  
4 count by subsection (a), there are authorized to be appro-  
5 priated for the Intelligence Community Management Ac-  
6 count for fiscal year 2024 such additional amounts as are  
7 specified in the classified Schedule of Authorizations re-  
8 ferred to in section 102(a).

9 **SEC. 7104. INCREASE IN EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION AND**  
10 **BENEFITS AUTHORIZED BY LAW.**

11 Appropriations authorized by this division for salary,  
12 pay, retirement, and other benefits for Federal employees  
13 may be increased by such additional or supplemental  
14 amounts as may be necessary for increases in such com-  
15 pensation or benefits authorized by law.

16 **SEC. 7105. RESTRICTION ON CONDUCT OF INTELLIGENCE**  
17 **ACTIVITIES.**

18 The authorization of appropriations by this division  
19 shall not be deemed to constitute authority for the conduct  
20 of any intelligence activity which is not otherwise author-  
21 ized by the Constitution or the laws of the United States.

1 **TITLE II—CENTRAL INTEL-**  
2 **LIGENCE AGENCY RETIRE-**  
3 **MENT AND DISABILITY SYS-**  
4 **TEM**

Sec. 7201. Authorization of appropriations.

5 **SEC. 7201. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

6 There is authorized to be appropriated for the Cen-  
7 tral Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability Fund  
8 \$514,000,000 for fiscal year 2024.

9 **TITLE III—INTELLIGENCE**  
10 **COMMUNITY MATTERS**

Subtitle A—General Intelligence Community Matters

- Sec. 7301. Plan to recruit, train, and retain personnel with experience in financial intelligence and emerging technologies.
- Sec. 7302. Policy and performance framework for mobility of intelligence community workforce.
- Sec. 7303. Standards, criteria, and guidance for counterintelligence vulnerability assessments and surveys.
- Sec. 7304. Improving administration of certain post-employment restrictions for intelligence community.
- Sec. 7305. Mission of the National Counterintelligence and Security Center.
- Sec. 7306. Budget transparency on costs of implementation of Executive Order 13556.
- Sec. 7307. Improvements relating to intelligence community staffing, details, and assignments.
- Sec. 7308. Insider threats.
- Sec. 7309. Modification of deadline for annual submission of National Intelligence Priorities Framework.
- Sec. 7310. Matters relating to chief data officers of intelligence community.
- Sec. 7311. Modification to special pay authority for science, technology, engineering, or mathematics positions.
- Sec. 7312. Annual report on unfunded priorities of intelligence community.
- Sec. 7313. Submission of legislative proposals.
- Sec. 7314. Annual report on reporting requirements.
- Sec. 7315. Notice and damage assessment with respect to significant unauthorized disclosure or compromise of classified national intelligence.
- Sec. 7316. In-state tuition rates for certain members of intelligence community.
- Sec. 7317. Repeal of study on personnel under Strategic Intelligence Partnership Program.
- Sec. 7318. Intelligence Community Counterintelligence Office at the Department of Agriculture.

- Sec. 7319. Sunset of Climate Security Advisory Council.
- Sec. 7320. Inclusion of counternarcotics as special topic in certain budget justification materials.
- Sec. 7321. Development of plan to make open-source intelligence products available to certain Federal employees.
- Sec. 7322. Intelligence community-wide policy on prepublication review.
- Sec. 7323. Review relating to confidential human source program of Federal Bureau of Investigation.
- Sec. 7324. Prohibition on availability of funds for certain activities and assessment of the Overt Human Intelligence and Open Source Intelligence Collection Programs of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of Homeland Security.
- Sec. 7325. Sense of Congress on priority of fentanyl in National Intelligence Priorities Framework.
- Sec. 7326. Reports on civilian casualties caused by certain operations of foreign governments.
- Sec. 7327. Modification and repeal of reporting requirements.

#### Subtitle B—Central Intelligence Agency

- Sec. 7331. Change to penalties and increased availability of mental health treatment for unlawful conduct on Central Intelligence Agency installations.
- Sec. 7332. Modifications to procurement authorities of the Central Intelligence Agency.
- Sec. 7333. Inspector General of the Central Intelligence Agency quarterly employee engagement summaries.
- Sec. 7334. Benjamin Tallmadge Institute as primary Central Intelligence Agency entity for education and training in counterintelligence.
- Sec. 7335. Central Intelligence Agency intelligence assessment of Sinaloa Cartel and Jalisco Cartel.
- Sec. 7336. Central Intelligence Agency intelligence assessment with respect to efforts by People's Republic of China to increase influence in Middle East.
- Sec. 7337. Assessment of availability of mental health and chaplain services to Agency employees.
- Sec. 7338. Assessment by Director of Central Intelligence Agency on certain effects of Abraham Accords.
- Sec. 7339. Reporting and investigating allegations of sexual assault and sexual harassment within the Central Intelligence Agency.

#### Subtitle C—Matters Relating to Defense Intelligence and Overhead Architecture

- Sec. 7341. Modification of reporting requirement for All-Domain Anomaly Resolution Office.
- Sec. 7342. Defense Intelligence Agency assessment of strategic competition in Latin America and the Caribbean.
- Sec. 7343. Funding limitations relating to unidentified anomalous phenomena.

#### Subtitle D—Matters Relating to National Security Agency, Cyber, and Commercial Cloud Enterprise

- Sec. 7351. Congressional notification by National Security Agency of intelligence collection adjustments.

Sec. 7352. Modifications to enforcement of cybersecurity requirements for national security systems.

Sec. 7353. Support by intelligence community for certain cross-functional team of Department of Defense.

Sec. 7354. Commercial Cloud Enterprise notification.

Sec. 7355. Commercial Cloud Enterprise sole source task order notification requirement.

Sec. 7356. Analysis of commercial cloud initiatives of intelligence community.

## 1     **Subtitle A—General Intelligence** 2                     **Community Matters**

### 3     **SEC. 7301. PLAN TO RECRUIT, TRAIN, AND RETAIN PER-** 4                     **SONNEL WITH EXPERIENCE IN FINANCIAL IN-** 5                     **TELLIGENCE AND EMERGING TECH-** 6                     **NOLOGIES.**

7             (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the  
8 date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of National  
9 Intelligence, in coordination with the heads of human cap-  
10 ital of the Central Intelligence Agency, the National Secu-  
11 rity Agency, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
12 shall submit to the congressional intelligence committees,  
13 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, and the  
14 Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representa-  
15 tives a plan for the intelligence community to recruit,  
16 train, and retain personnel who have skills and experience  
17 in financial intelligence and emerging technologies in order  
18 to improve analytic tradecraft.

19             (b) ELEMENTS.—The plan required by subsection (a)  
20 shall include the following elements:

1           (1) An assessment, including measurable bench-  
2           marks of progress, of current initiatives of the intel-  
3           ligence community to recruit, train, and retain per-  
4           sonnel who have skills and experience in financial in-  
5           telligence and emerging technologies.

6           (2) An assessment of whether personnel in the  
7           intelligence community who have such skills are cur-  
8           rently well integrated into the analytical cadre of the  
9           relevant elements of the intelligence community that  
10          produce analyses with respect to financial intel-  
11          ligence and emerging technologies.

12          (3) An identification of challenges to hiring or  
13          compensation in the intelligence community that  
14          limit progress toward rapidly increasing the number  
15          of personnel with such skills, and an identification of  
16          hiring or other reforms to resolve such challenges.

17          (4) A determination of whether the National In-  
18          telligence University has the resources and expertise  
19          necessary to train existing personnel in financial in-  
20          telligence and emerging technologies.

21          (5) A strategy, including measurable bench-  
22          marks of progress, to, by January 1, 2025, increase  
23          the analytical cadre of personnel with expertise and  
24          previous employment in financial intelligence and  
25          emerging technologies.

1 **SEC. 7302. POLICY AND PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK FOR**  
2 **MOBILITY OF INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY**  
3 **WORKFORCE.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the  
5 date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of National  
6 Intelligence shall, in coordination with the Secretary of  
7 Defense and the Director of the Office of Personnel Man-  
8 agement as the Director of National Intelligence considers  
9 appropriate, develop and implement a policy and perform-  
10 ance framework to ensure the timely and effective mobility  
11 of employees and contractors of the Federal Government  
12 who are transferring employment between elements of the  
13 intelligence community.

14 (b) ELEMENTS.—The policy and performance frame-  
15 work required by subsection (a) shall include processes  
16 with respect to the following:

17 (1) Human resources.

18 (2) Medical reviews.

19 (3) Determinations of suitability or eligibility  
20 for access to classified information in accordance  
21 with Executive Order 13467 (50 U.S.C. 3161 note;  
22 relating to reforming processes related to suitability  
23 for Government employment, fitness for contractor  
24 employees, and eligibility for access to classified na-  
25 tional security information).

1 **SEC. 7303. STANDARDS, CRITERIA, AND GUIDANCE FOR**  
2 **COUNTERINTELLIGENCE VULNERABILITY AS-**  
3 **SESSMENTS AND SURVEYS.**

4 Section 904(d)(7)(A) of the Counterintelligence En-  
5 hancement Act of 2002 (50 U.S.C. 3383(d)(7)(A)) is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 “(A) COUNTERINTELLIGENCE VULNER-  
8 ABILITY ASSESSMENTS AND SURVEYS.—To de-  
9 velop standards and criteria for counterintel-  
10 ligence risk assessments and surveys of the vul-  
11 nerability of the United States to intelligence  
12 threats, including with respect to critical infra-  
13 structure and critical technologies, in order to  
14 identify the areas, programs, and activities that  
15 require protection from such threats.”.

16 **SEC. 7304. IMPROVING ADMINISTRATION OF CERTAIN**  
17 **POST-EMPLOYMENT RESTRICTIONS FOR IN-**  
18 **TELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.**

19 Section 304(d) of the National Security Act of 1947  
20 (50 U.S.C. 3073a(d)) is amended—

21 (1) in paragraph (1), by inserting “the restric-  
22 tions under subsection (a) and” before “the report  
23 requirements”;

24 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “ceases to oc-  
25 cupy” and inserting “occupies”; and

1           (3) in paragraph (3)(B), by striking “before the  
2           person ceases to occupy a covered intelligence posi-  
3           tion” and inserting “when the person occupies a cov-  
4           ered intelligence position”.

5 **SEC. 7305. MISSION OF THE NATIONAL COUNTERINTEL-**  
6 **LIGENCE AND SECURITY CENTER.**

7           (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 904 of the Counterintel-  
8           ligence Enhancement Act of 2002 (50 U.S.C. 3383) is  
9           amended—

10           (1) by redesignating subsections (d) through (i)  
11           as subsections (e) through (j), respectively; and

12           (2) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-  
13           lowing:

14           “(d) MISSION.—The mission of the National Coun-  
15           terintelligence and Security Center shall include orga-  
16           nizing and leading strategic planning for counterintel-  
17           ligence activities of the United States Government by inte-  
18           grating instruments of national power as needed to  
19           counter foreign intelligence activities.”.

20           (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

21           (1) COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ENHANCEMENT  
22           ACT OF 2002.—Section 904 of the Counterintel-  
23           ligence Enhancement Act of 2002 (50 U.S.C. 3383)  
24           is amended—

1 (A) in subsection (e), as redesignated by  
2 subsection (a)(1), by striking “Subject to sub-  
3 section (e)” both places it appears and inserting  
4 “Subject to subsection (f)”; and

5 (B) in subsection (f), as so redesignated—

6 (i) in paragraph (1), by striking “sub-  
7 section (d)(1)” and inserting “subsection  
8 (e)(1)”; and

9 (ii) in paragraph (2), by striking  
10 “subsection (d)(2)” and inserting “sub-  
11 section (e)(2)”.

12 (2) COUNTERINTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY EN-  
13 HANCEMENTS ACT OF 1994.—Section  
14 811(d)(1)(B)(ii) of the Counterintelligence and Se-  
15 curity Enhancements Act of 1994 (50 U.S.C.  
16 3381(d)(1)(B)(ii)) is amended by striking “section  
17 904(d)(2) of that Act (50 U.S.C. 3383(d)(2))” and  
18 inserting “section 904(e)(2) of that Act (50 U.S.C.  
19 3383(e)(2))”.

20 **SEC. 7306. BUDGET TRANSPARENCY ON COSTS OF IMPLE-**  
21 **MENTATION OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 13556.**

22 The head of each element of the intelligence commu-  
23 nity shall provide a cost estimate for implementation of  
24 Executive Order 13556 (75 Fed. Reg. 68675; relating to  
25 controlled unclassified information), or any successor

1 order, over the future years intelligence plan to the con-  
2 gressional intelligence committees not later than 30 days  
3 after the date on which the President submits to Congress  
4 a budget of the United States Government for fiscal year  
5 2025 pursuant to section 1105(a) of title 31, United  
6 States Code.

7 **SEC. 7307. IMPROVEMENTS RELATING TO INTELLIGENCE**  
8 **COMMUNITY STAFFING, DETAILS, AND AS-**  
9 **SIGNMENTS.**

10 (a) IMPROVEMENTS RELATING TO ASSIGNMENTS  
11 AND DETAILS.—Section 102A(f)(3)(A) of the National  
12 Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3024(f)(3)(A)) is amend-  
13 ed—

14 (1) in the matter preceding clause (i), by strik-  
15 ing “personnel policies” and inserting “binding per-  
16 sonnel policies”;

17 (2) by amending clause (i) to read as follows:

18 “(i) require and facilitate assignments and de-  
19 tails of personnel to national intelligence centers,  
20 and between elements of the intelligence community  
21 over the course of the careers of such personnel;”;  
22 and

23 (3) by amending clause (v) to read as follows:

24 “(v) require service in more than one element  
25 of the intelligence community as a condition of pro-

1 motion to such positions within the intelligence com-  
2 munity as the Director shall specify, and take req-  
3 uisite steps to ensure compliance among elements of  
4 the intelligence community; and”.

5 (b) REQUIRED STAFFING DOCUMENT FOR OFFICE  
6 OF DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE.—

7 (1) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 120 days  
8 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Di-  
9 rector of National Intelligence shall establish, and  
10 thereafter shall update as necessary, a single docu-  
11 ment setting forth each position within the Office of  
12 the Director of National Intelligence, including any  
13 directorate, center, or office within such Office.

14 (2) ELEMENTS.—The document under para-  
15 graph (1) shall include, with respect to each position  
16 set forth in the document, the following:

17 (A) A description of the position.

18 (B) The directorate, center, office, or other  
19 component of the Office of the Director of Na-  
20 tional Intelligence within which the position is.

21 (C) The element of the intelligence commu-  
22 nity designated to fill the position, if applicable.

23 (D) The requisite type and level of skills  
24 for the position, including any special skills or  
25 certifications required.

1 (E) The requisite security clearance level  
2 for the position.

3 (F) The pay grade for the position.

4 (G) Any special pay or incentive pay pay-  
5 able for the position.

6 (3) INTEGRATED REPRESENTATION.—In estab-  
7 lishing and filling the positions specified in para-  
8 graph (1), the Director of National Intelligence shall  
9 take such steps as may be necessary to ensure the  
10 integrated representation of officers and employees  
11 from the other elements of the intelligence commu-  
12 nity with respect to such positions.

13 **SEC. 7308. INSIDER THREATS.**

14 Section 102A(f) of the National Security Act of 1947  
15 (50 U.S.C. 3024(f)) is amended—

16 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (8) through  
17 (10) as paragraphs (9) through (11), respectively;  
18 and

19 (2) by inserting after paragraph (7) the fol-  
20 lowing new paragraph (8):

21 “(8) The Director of National Intelligence shall—

22 “(A) conduct assessments and audits of the  
23 compliance of each element of the intelligence com-  
24 munity with minimum insider threat policy;

1           “(B) receive information from each element of  
2           the intelligence community regarding the collection,  
3           sharing, and use by such element of audit and moni-  
4           toring data for insider threat detection across all  
5           classified and unclassified information technology  
6           systems within such element;

7           “(C) provide guidance and oversight to Federal  
8           departments and agencies to fully implement auto-  
9           mated records checks, consistent with personnel vet-  
10          ting reforms and the Trusted Workforce 2.0 initia-  
11          tive, or successor initiative, and ensure that informa-  
12          tion collected pursuant to such records checks is ap-  
13          propriately shared in support of intelligence commu-  
14          nity-wide insider threat initiatives;

15          “(D) carry out evaluations of the effectiveness  
16          of counterintelligence, security, and insider threat  
17          program activities of each element of the intelligence  
18          community, including with respect to the lowest or-  
19          ganizational unit of each such element, that include  
20          an identification of any gaps, shortfalls, or resource  
21          needs of each such element;

22          “(E) identify gaps, shortfalls, resources needs,  
23          and recommendations for adjustments in allocations  
24          and additional resources and other remedies to

1 strengthen counterintelligence, security, and insider  
2 threat detection programs;

3 “(F) pursuant to final damage assessments fa-  
4 cilitated by the National Counterintelligence and Se-  
5 curity Center that have been undertaken as a result  
6 of an unauthorized disclosure, determine whether the  
7 heads of the elements of the intelligence community  
8 implement recommended mitigation, and notify the  
9 congressional intelligence committees of such deter-  
10 minations and notify the Committee on Armed Serv-  
11 ices of the Senate and the Committee on Armed  
12 Services of the House of Representatives in cases in-  
13 volving elements of the intelligence community  
14 withing the Department of Defense; and

15 “(G) study the data collected during the course  
16 of background investigations and adjudications for  
17 security clearances granted to individuals who subse-  
18 quently commit unauthorized disclosures, and issue  
19 findings regarding the quality of such data as a pre-  
20 dictor for insider threat activity, delineated by the  
21 severity of the unauthorized disclosure.”.

1 **SEC. 7309. MODIFICATION OF DEADLINE FOR ANNUAL SUB-**  
2 **MISSION OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE PRI-**  
3 **ORITIES FRAMEWORK.**

4 Section 102A(p)(3) of the National Security Act of  
5 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3024(p)(3)) is amended by striking “Oc-  
6 tober 1” and inserting “March 1”.

7 **SEC. 7310. MATTERS RELATING TO CHIEF DATA OFFICERS**  
8 **OF INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.**

9 (a) PROHIBITION ON SIMULTANEOUS SERVICE AS  
10 CHIEF DATA OFFICER AND CHIEF INFORMATION OFFI-  
11 CER.—Section 103G of the National Security Act of 1947  
12 (50 U.S.C. 3032) is amended by adding at the end the  
13 following new subsection:

14 “(d) PROHIBITION ON SIMULTANEOUS SERVICE AS  
15 CHIEF DATA OFFICER AND CHIEF INFORMATION OFFI-  
16 CER.—An individual serving in the position of Chief Infor-  
17 mation Officer of the Intelligence Community or chief in-  
18 formation officer of any other element of the intelligence  
19 community shall not concurrently serve as the Intelligence  
20 Community Chief Data Officer under section 103K and  
21 as the chief data officer of any other element of the intel-  
22 ligence community.”.

23 (b) CLARIFICATION OF DUTIES OF INTELLIGENCE  
24 COMMUNITY CHIEF DATA OFFICER.—

25 (1) CLARIFICATION OF DATA-RELATED DU-  
26 TIES.—Section 103K(c)(4) of the National Security

1 Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3034b(c)(4)) is amended by  
2 inserting “relating to data” after “duties”.

3 (2) REMOVAL OF UNRELATED DUTIES AND  
4 FUNCTIONS.—Not later than 90 days after the date  
5 of the enactment of this Act, consistent with section  
6 103K(c) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50  
7 U.S.C. 3034b(c)), as amended by paragraph (1), the  
8 Director of National Intelligence shall complete such  
9 internal reorganization of the Office of the Director  
10 of National Intelligence as the Director determines  
11 necessary to ensure that the duties of the Intel-  
12 ligence Community Chief Data Officer appointed  
13 under such section do not include any other duty  
14 that does not relate to an issue involving data.

15 (3) BRIEFING.—Prior to the date on which the  
16 Director completes the reorganization under para-  
17 graph (2), the Director shall provide to the appro-  
18 priate committees of Congress a briefing regard-  
19 ing—

20 (A) the proposed reorganization; and

21 (B) any other efforts of the Director to en-  
22 sure that any future duties prescribed by the  
23 Director to be performed by the Intelligence  
24 Community Chief Data Officer pursuant to sec-  
25 tion 103K(c) of the National Security Act of

1           1947 (50 U.S.C. 3034b(e)), as amended by  
2           paragraph (1), relate exclusively to issues in-  
3           volving data, consistent with such section.

4           (c) REPORTS.—Not later than 90 days after the date  
5 of the enactment of this Act, the head of each element  
6 of the intelligence community shall submit to the appro-  
7 priate committees of Congress a written report regarding  
8 the organizational and reporting structure for the chief  
9 data officer of that element, including an identification of  
10 whether such chief data officer reports to, or is otherwise  
11 subordinate to, the chief information officer of that ele-  
12 ment and, if so, the rationale for such organizational and  
13 reporting structure.

14           (d) DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF  
15 CONGRESS.—In this section, the term “appropriate com-  
16 mittees of Congress” means—

- 17           (1) the congressional intelligence committees;  
18           (2) the Committee on Appropriations of the  
19           Senate; and  
20           (3) the Committee on Appropriations of the  
21           House of Representatives.

1 **SEC. 7311. MODIFICATION TO SPECIAL PAY AUTHORITY**  
2 **FOR SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING,**  
3 **OR MATHEMATICS POSITIONS.**

4 (a) MODIFICATION.—Section 113B of the National  
5 Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3049a) is amended—

6 (1) in the section heading, by inserting “**AND**  
7 **POSITIONS REQUIRING BANKING OR FINAN-**  
8 **CIAL SERVICES EXPERTISE**” after “**MATHE-**  
9 **MATICS POSITIONS**”;

10 (2) in subsection (a)—

11 (A) in the heading, by inserting “**OR IN**  
12 **BANKING OR FINANCIAL SERVICES**” after  
13 “**MATHEMATICS**”;

14 (B) in paragraph (1), in the matter pre-  
15 ceding subparagraph (A), by inserting “or in  
16 banking or financial services (including exper-  
17 tise relating to critical financial infrastructure  
18 operations, capital markets, banking compliance  
19 programs, or international investments)” after  
20 “or mathematics”;

21 (C) by redesignating paragraph (2) as  
22 paragraph (3); and

23 (D) by inserting after paragraph (1) the  
24 following new paragraph:

25 “(2) **LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF RECIPI-**  
26 **ENTS.**—For each element of the intelligence commu-

1 nity, the number of individuals serving in a position  
2 in such element who receive a higher rate of pay es-  
3 tablished or increased under paragraph (1) may not,  
4 at any time during a given fiscal year, exceed 50 in-  
5 dividuals or 5 percent of the total number of full-  
6 time equivalent positions authorized for such ele-  
7 ment for the preceding fiscal year, whichever is  
8 greater.”; and

9 (3) in subsection (e), by striking “the element”  
10 and inserting “an element”.

11 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents  
12 at the beginning of such Act is amended by striking the  
13 item relating to section 113B and inserting the following  
14 new item:

“Sec. 113B. Special pay authority for science, technology, engineering, or  
mathematics positions and positions requiring banking or fi-  
nancial services expertise.”.

15 (c) REPORTS.—Not later than September 1 of each  
16 year until September 1, 2025, the head of each element  
17 of the intelligence community shall submit to the congres-  
18 sional intelligence committees, the Committee on Appro-  
19 priations of the Senate, and the Committee on Appropria-  
20 tions of the House of Representatives a report on any  
21 rates of pay established for such element under section  
22 113B of such Act (50 U.S.C. 3049a), as amended by sub-  
23 section (a), including—

1 (1) a description of any rates of pay so estab-  
2 lished; and

3 (2) an identification of the number of positions  
4 in such element that will be subject to such rates of  
5 pay during the subsequent fiscal year.

6 **SEC. 7312. ANNUAL REPORT ON UNFUNDED PRIORITIES OF**  
7 **INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.**

8 Section 514(a) of the National Security Act of 1947  
9 (50 U.S.C. 3113(a)) is amended by inserting “prepare  
10 and” after “each element of the intelligence community  
11 shall”.

12 **SEC. 7313. SUBMISSION OF LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS.**

13 Title V of the National Security Act of 1947 (50  
14 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end  
15 the following new section (and conforming the table of  
16 contents at the beginning of such Act accordingly):

17 **“SEC. 516. SUBMISSION OF LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS.**

18 “Not later than 45 days after the date on which the  
19 President submits to Congress the budget for each fiscal  
20 year pursuant to section 1105(a) of title 31, United States  
21 Code, the Director of National Intelligence shall submit  
22 to the congressional intelligence committees, the Com-  
23 mittee on Appropriations of the Senate, and the Com-  
24 mittee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives  
25 any legislative provisions that are proposed by the Direc-

1 tor to be enacted as part of the annual intelligence author-  
2 ization bill for that fiscal year.”.

3 **SEC. 7314. ANNUAL REPORT ON REPORTING REQUIRE-**  
4 **MENTS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title XI of the National Security  
6 Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3231 et seq.) is amended by add-  
7 ing at the end the following:

8 **“SEC. 1114. ANNUAL REPORT ON REPORTING REQUIRE-**  
9 **MENTS.**

10 “(a) ANNUAL REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than  
11 March 1 of each fiscal year, the Director of National Intel-  
12 ligence shall submit to the congressional intelligence com-  
13 mittees, the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate,  
14 and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of  
15 Representatives a report detailing all congressionally man-  
16 dated reporting requirements applicable to Office of the  
17 Director of National Intelligence for the upcoming fiscal  
18 year.

19 “(b) CONTENTS.—Each report submitted pursuant to  
20 subsection (a) shall include, for the fiscal year covered by  
21 the report and for each congressionally mandated report-  
22 ing requirement detailed in the report:

23 “(1) A description of the reporting requirement.



1 **“SEC. 1105A. NOTICE AND DAMAGE ASSESSMENT WITH RE-**  
2 **SPECT TO SIGNIFICANT UNAUTHORIZED DIS-**  
3 **CLOSURE OR COMPROMISE OF CLASSIFIED**  
4 **NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE.**

5 “(a) NOTIFICATION AND DAMAGE ASSESSMENT RE-  
6 QUIREMENTS.—

7 “(1) REQUIREMENTS.—If the Director of Na-  
8 tional Intelligence becomes aware of an actual or po-  
9 tential significant unauthorized disclosure or com-  
10 promise of classified national intelligence—

11 “(A) as soon as practicable, but not later  
12 than 7 days after the date on which the Direc-  
13 tor becomes so aware, the Director shall notify  
14 the congressional intelligence committees of  
15 such actual or potential disclosure or com-  
16 promise; and

17 “(B) in the case of an actual disclosure or  
18 compromise, not later than 7 days after the  
19 date on which the Director becomes so aware,  
20 the Director or the head of any element of the  
21 intelligence community from which the signifi-  
22 cant unauthorized disclosure or compromise  
23 originated shall initiate a damage assessment  
24 consistent with the procedures set forth in In-  
25 telligence Community Directive 732 (relating to  
26 the conduct of damage assessments), or suc-

1           cessor directive, with respect to such disclosure  
2           or compromise.

3           “(2) CONTENTS OF NOTIFICATION.—A notifica-  
4           tion submitted to the congressional intelligence com-  
5           mittees under paragraph (1)(A) with respect to an  
6           actual or potential significant unauthorized disclo-  
7           sure or compromise of classified national intelligence  
8           shall include—

9                   “(A) a summary of the facts and cir-  
10                   cumstances of such disclosure or compromise;

11                   “(B) a summary of the contents of the na-  
12                   tional intelligence revealed or potentially re-  
13                   vealed, as the case may be, by such disclosure  
14                   or compromise;

15                   “(C) an initial appraisal of the level of ac-  
16                   tual or potential damage, as the case may be,  
17                   to the national security of the United States as  
18                   a result of such disclosure or compromise; and

19                   “(D) in the case of an actual disclosure or  
20                   compromise, which elements of the intelligence  
21                   community will be involved in the damage as-  
22                   sessment conducted with respect to such disclo-  
23                   sure or compromise pursuant to paragraph  
24                   (1)(B).

1       “(b) DAMAGE ASSESSMENT REPORTING REQUIRE-  
2 MENTS.—

3               “(1) RECURRING REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—

4       Not later than 30 days after the date of the initi-  
5       ation of a damage assessment pursuant to sub-  
6       section (a)(1)(B), and every 90 days thereafter until  
7       the completion of the damage assessment or upon  
8       the request of the congressional intelligence commit-  
9       tees, the Director of National Intelligence shall—

10               “(A) submit to the congressional intel-  
11               ligence committees copies of any documents or  
12               materials disclosed as a result of the significant  
13               unauthorized disclosure or compromise of the  
14               classified national intelligence that is the sub-  
15               ject of the damage assessment; and

16               “(B) provide to the congressional intel-  
17               ligence committees a briefing on such docu-  
18               ments and materials and a status of the dam-  
19               age assessment.

20               “(2) FINAL DAMAGE ASSESSMENT.—As soon as  
21       practicable after completing a damage assessment  
22       pursuant to subsection (a)(1)(B), the Director of  
23       National Intelligence shall submit the final damage  
24       assessment to the congressional intelligence commit-  
25       tees.

1           “(c) NOTIFICATION OF REFERRAL TO DEPARTMENT  
2 OF JUSTICE.—If a referral is made to the Department of  
3 Justice from any element of the intelligence community  
4 regarding a significant unauthorized disclosure or com-  
5 promise of classified national intelligence under this sec-  
6 tion, the Director of National Intelligence shall notify the  
7 congressional intelligence committees of the referral on the  
8 date such referral is made.”.

9   **SEC. 7316. IN-STATE TUITION RATES FOR CERTAIN MEM-**  
10                                   **BERS OF INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.**

11           (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 135(d) of the Higher  
12 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1015d(d)), as amended  
13 by section 6206(a)(4) of the Foreign Service Families Act  
14 of 2021 (Public Law 117–81), is further amended—

15                   (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “or” after the  
16 semicolon;

17                   (2) in paragraph (2), by striking the period at  
18 the end and inserting “; or”; and

19                   (3) by adding at the end the following new  
20 paragraph:

21                   “(3) an officer or employee of an element of the  
22 intelligence community (as such term is defined in  
23 section 3 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50  
24 U.S.C. 3003)) who serves in a position of employ-

1       ment in such element for a period of more than 30  
2       days.”.

3       (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by  
4       subsection (a) shall take effect at each public institution  
5       of higher education in a State that receives assistance  
6       under the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001  
7       et seq.) for the first period of enrollment at such institu-  
8       tion that begins after July 1, 2024.

9       **SEC. 7317. REPEAL OF STUDY ON PERSONNEL UNDER**  
10                   **STRATEGIC INTELLIGENCE PARTNERSHIP**  
11                   **PROGRAM.**

12       Section 6435 of the Intelligence Authorization Act for  
13       Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 3533)  
14       is repealed (and conforming the table of contents in sec-  
15       tion 6001(b) accordingly).

16       **SEC. 7318. INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY COUNTERINTEL-**  
17                   **LIGENCE OFFICE AT THE DEPARTMENT OF**  
18                   **AGRICULTURE.**

19       (a) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

20               (1) **DEPARTMENT.**—The term “Department”  
21       means the Department of Agriculture.

22               (2) **SECRETARY.**—The term “Secretary” means  
23       the Secretary of Agriculture.

1 (b) REPEAL.—Section 415 of the Intelligence Au-  
2 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–  
3 103; 28 U.S.C. 532 note) is repealed.

4 (c) ESTABLISHMENT OF INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY  
5 COUNTERINTELLIGENCE OFFICE.—

6 (1) AGREEMENT WITH SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE.—The Director of National Intelligence,  
7 acting through the Director of the National Counter-  
8 intelligence and Security Center, shall seek to enter  
9 into an agreement with the Secretary under which  
10 the Director of National Intelligence and the Sec-  
11 retary shall establish within the Department an of-  
12 fice, which shall be known as the “Intelligence Com-  
13 munity Counterintelligence Office”, in accordance  
14 with this section.  
15

16 (2) LOCATION.—The Intelligence Community  
17 Counterintelligence Office established pursuant to  
18 this section shall be physically located within the  
19 headquarters of the Department and within reason-  
20 able proximity to the offices of the leadership of the  
21 Department.

22 (3) SECURITY.—The Director of the National  
23 Counterintelligence and Security Center shall be re-  
24 sponsible for the protection of classified information  
25 and for the establishment and enforcement of all se-

1 security-related controls within the Intelligence Com-  
2 munity Counterintelligence Office.

3 (d) PERSONNEL.—

4 (1) DIRECTOR.—

5 (A) APPOINTMENT.—There shall be at the  
6 head of the Intelligence Community Counter-  
7 intelligence Office a Director who is appointed  
8 by the Director of National Intelligence. The  
9 Director of the Intelligence Community Coun-  
10 terintelligence Office shall—

11 (i) be supervised and subject to per-  
12 formance evaluations by the Director of  
13 the National Counterintelligence and Secu-  
14 rity Center, in consultation with the Sec-  
15 retary;

16 (ii) be an employee of the intelligence  
17 community with significant counterintel-  
18 ligence experience; and

19 (iii) serve for a period of 3 years.

20 (B) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Director of  
21 the Intelligence Community Counterintelligence  
22 Office shall carry out the following responsibil-  
23 ities:

24 (i) Serving as the head of the Intel-  
25 ligence Community Counterintelligence Of-

1            fice, with supervisory responsibility for the  
2            Intelligence Community Counterintel-  
3            ligence Office and any other personnel as-  
4            signed to the Intelligence Community  
5            Counterintelligence Office.

6            (ii) Advising the Secretary on counter-  
7            intelligence and intelligence information.

8            (iii) Ensuring that counterintelligence  
9            threat information and, as appropriate,  
10           finished intelligence on topics related to  
11           the functions of the Department, are pro-  
12           vided to appropriate personnel of the de-  
13           partment or agency without delay.

14           (iv) Ensuring critical intelligence rel-  
15           evant to the Secretary is requested and  
16           disseminated in a timely manner.

17           (v) Establishing, as appropriate,  
18           mechanisms for collaboration through  
19           which Department subject matter experts,  
20           including those without security clearances,  
21           can share information and expertise with  
22           the intelligence community.

23           (vi) Correlating and evaluating coun-  
24           terintelligence threats identified within in-  
25           telligence community reporting, in coordi-

1 nation with the National Counterintel-  
2 ligence and Security Center, and providing  
3 appropriate dissemination of such intel-  
4 ligence to officials of the Department with  
5 a need-to-know.

6 (vii) Advising the Secretary on meth-  
7 ods to improve the counterintelligence pos-  
8 ture of the Department.

9 (viii) Where appropriate, supporting  
10 the Department's leadership in engaging  
11 with the National Security Council.

12 (ix) In coordination with the National  
13 Counterintelligence and Security Center,  
14 establishing counterintelligence partner-  
15 ships to improve the counterintelligence de-  
16 fense of the Department.

17 (2) DEPUTY DIRECTOR.—There shall be within  
18 the Intelligence Community Counterintelligence Of-  
19 fice a Deputy Director who is appointed by the Sec-  
20 retary, in coordination with the Director of National  
21 Intelligence. The Deputy Director shall—

22 (A) be supervised and subject to perform-  
23 ance evaluations by the Secretary, in consulta-  
24 tion with the Director of the National Counter-  
25 intelligence and Security Center;

1 (B) be a current or former employee of the  
2 Department with significant experience within  
3 the Department; and

4 (C) serve at the pleasure of the Secretary.

5 (3) OTHER EMPLOYEES.—

6 (A) JOINT DUTY ASSIGNMENT.—There  
7 shall be within the Intelligence Community  
8 Counterintelligence Office such other employees  
9 as the Director of National Intelligence, in con-  
10 sultation with the Secretary, determines appro-  
11 priate. Employment at the Intelligence Commu-  
12 nity Counterintelligence Office is an intelligence  
13 community joint duty assignment. A permanent  
14 change of station to the Intelligence Community  
15 Counterintelligence Office shall be for a period  
16 of not less than 2 years.

17 (B) SUPERVISION.—The Director of the  
18 Intelligence Community Counterintelligence Of-  
19 fice shall be responsible for the supervision and  
20 management of employees assigned to the Intel-  
21 ligence Community Counterintelligence Office,  
22 including employees assigned by program ele-  
23 ments of the intelligence community and other  
24 Federal departments and agencies, as appro-  
25 priate.

1 (C) JOINT DUTY OR ASSIGNED PERSONNEL  
2 REIMBURSEMENT.—The Director of National  
3 Intelligence shall reimburse a program element  
4 of the intelligence community or a Federal de-  
5 partment or agency for any permanent change  
6 of station employee assigned to the Intelligence  
7 Community Counterintelligence Office from  
8 amounts authorized to be appropriated for the  
9 Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

10 (D) OPERATION UNDER AUTHORITY OF DI-  
11 RECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE.—Em-  
12 ployees assigned to the Intelligence Community  
13 Counterintelligence Office under this paragraph  
14 shall operate under the authorities of the Direc-  
15 tor of National Intelligence for the duration of  
16 their assignment or period of employment with-  
17 in the Intelligence Community Counterintel-  
18 ligence Office, except for temporary duty as-  
19 signment employees.

20 (E) INCENTIVE PAY.—

21 (i) IN GENERAL.—An employee who  
22 accepts employment at the Intelligence  
23 Community Counterintelligence Office dur-  
24 ing the 120-day period after the date of  
25 the establishment of the Intelligence Com-

1 community Counterintelligence Office shall re-  
2 ceive an incentive payment, which shall be  
3 payable by the Director of National Intel-  
4 ligence, in an amount equal to 10 percent  
5 of the base annual pay of the employee.  
6 Such an employee who completes 2 years  
7 of service in the Intelligence Community  
8 Counterintelligence Office may receive an  
9 incentive payment in an amount equal to  
10 10 percent of the base annual pay of the  
11 employee if the Director of the Intelligence  
12 Community Counterintelligence Office de-  
13 termines the performance of the employee  
14 is exceptional.

15 (ii) ELIGIBILITY.—An employee is  
16 only eligible for an incentive payment  
17 under clause (i) if the employee enters into  
18 an agreement with the Director of Na-  
19 tional Intelligence to serve in the Intel-  
20 ligence Community Counterintelligence Of-  
21 fice for a period of at least 2 years.

22 (e) FUNDING.—To the extent and in such amounts  
23 as specifically provided in advance in appropriations Acts  
24 for the purposes detailed in this subsection, the Director  
25 of National Intelligence may expend such sums as are au-

1 thORIZED within the National Intelligence Program of the  
2 Office of the Director of National Intelligence for—

3 (1) the renovation, furnishing, and equipping of  
4 a Federal building, as necessary, to meet the secu-  
5 rity and operational requirements of the Intelligence  
6 Community Counterintelligence Office;

7 (2) the provision of connectivity to the Intel-  
8 ligence Community Counterintelligence Office to en-  
9 able briefings, secure audio and video communica-  
10 tions, and collaboration between employees of the  
11 Department and the intelligence community at the  
12 unclassified, secret, and top secret levels;

13 (3) the provision of other information tech-  
14 nology systems and devices, such as computers,  
15 printers, and phones, for use by employees of the In-  
16 telligence Community Counterintelligence Office;

17 (4) the assignment of employees of the intel-  
18 ligence community to support the operation of the  
19 Intelligence Community Counterintelligence Office;  
20 and

21 (5) the provision of other personal services nec-  
22 essary for the operation of the Intelligence Commu-  
23 nity Counterintelligence Office.

1 (f) DEADLINE FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INTEL-  
2 LIGENCE COMMUNITY COUNTERINTELLIGENCE OF-  
3 FICE.—

4 (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than January  
5 1, 2025, the Director of National Intelligence shall  
6 seek to establish, in accordance with this section, the  
7 Intelligence Community Counterintelligence Office  
8 within the Department.

9 (2) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after  
10 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director  
11 of National Intelligence shall submit to the congress-  
12 sional intelligence committees, the Committee on Ap-  
13 propriations of the Senate, and the Committee on  
14 Appropriations of the House of Representatives a re-  
15 port on the plan to establish the Intelligence Com-  
16 munity Counterintelligence Office required under  
17 paragraph (1). Such report shall include the costs  
18 and schedule associated with establishing the Intel-  
19 ligence Community Counterintelligence Office.

20 **SEC. 7319. SUNSET OF CLIMATE SECURITY ADVISORY**  
21 **COUNCIL.**

22 Section 120(e) of the National Security Act of 1947  
23 (50 U.S.C. 3060(e)) is amended by striking “December  
24 31, 2025” and inserting “December 31, 2024”.

1 **SEC. 7320. INCLUSION OF COUNTERNARCOTICS AS SPECIAL**  
2 **TOPIC IN CERTAIN BUDGET JUSTIFICATION**  
3 **MATERIALS.**

4 (a) INCLUSION OF COUNTERNARCOTICS AS SPECIAL  
5 TOPIC.—For the purposes of the congressional budget jus-  
6 tification book for the National Intelligence Program (as  
7 such term is defined in section 3 of the National Security  
8 Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003)) for each of fiscal years  
9 2025 through 2027, and for any subsequent fiscal year  
10 as the Director of National Intelligence determines appro-  
11 priate, information with respect to the aggregate amount  
12 of funding requested for counternarcotics required to be  
13 included as part of the budget justification materials sub-  
14 mitted to Congress under section 506(a)(3) of such Act  
15 shall be included as a provision relating to a special topic  
16 in such congressional budget justification book.

17 (b) CONTENTS.—With respect to a fiscal year, the  
18 special topic provision included in the congressional budg-  
19 et justification book pursuant to subsection (a) regarding  
20 the aggregate amount of funding requested for counter-  
21 narcotics shall include—

22 (1) a summary of the main activities and in-  
23 vestments that such requested funding would sup-  
24 port;

1           (2) a breakdown of such requested funding by  
2           program, budget category, intelligence discipline,  
3           and any other appropriate classification;

4           (3) a comparison of aggregate requested fund-  
5           ing and aggregate enacted funding for counter-  
6           narcotics for the current fiscal year and the previous  
7           fiscal year;

8           (4) the number of full-time equivalent civilian  
9           and military personnel assigned to the counter-  
10          narcotics mission of the intelligence community; and

11          (5) such other information as the Director of  
12          National Intelligence determines appropriate.

13 **SEC. 7321. DEVELOPMENT OF PLAN TO MAKE OPEN-**  
14 **SOURCE INTELLIGENCE PRODUCTS AVAIL-**  
15 **ABLE TO CERTAIN FEDERAL EMPLOYEES.**

16          (a) **PLAN REQUIREMENT.**—Not later than 180 days  
17 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director  
18 of National Intelligence, in consultation with such heads  
19 of the elements of the intelligence community as the Direc-  
20 tor considers appropriate, shall develop and submit to the  
21 appropriate committees of Congress a plan to make avail-  
22 able to covered individuals any covered open-source intel-  
23 ligence product.

24          (b) **ELEMENTS.**—The plan required under subsection  
25 (a) shall include the following:

1           (1) Policies and procedures to make available to  
2 covered individuals any covered open-source intel-  
3 ligence product in a manner consistent with the pro-  
4 tection of intelligence sources and methods.

5           (2) Policies and procedures to increase the  
6 availability and accessibility to covered individuals of  
7 publicly available foreign language material that is  
8 translated by or within the intelligence community.

9           (3) Policies and procedures to ensure that the  
10 head of each element of the intelligence community  
11 that produces any covered open-source intelligence  
12 product complies with all policies and procedures  
13 issued to implement the plan submitted under sub-  
14 section (a).

15           (4) Policies and procedures to ensure that any  
16 covered open-source intelligence product that is  
17 made available to covered individuals satisfies the re-  
18 quirements under any policy, procedure, or standard  
19 issued by the head of an element of the intelligence  
20 community relating to the production and dissemina-  
21 tion of intelligence products.

22           (5) Any obstacles to making available to cov-  
23 ered individuals unclassified products derived from  
24 open-source intelligence produced by the intelligence

1 community, including translated foreign language  
2 material described in paragraph (2).

3 (6) With respect to implementation of the plan,  
4 a discussion of the estimated timeline, any additional  
5 funding or other resources, and any new authorities  
6 that would be required for such implementation.

7 (7) A discussion of the feasibility and advis-  
8 ability of making unclassified products derived from  
9 open-source intelligence produced by the intelligence  
10 community available to State and local government  
11 officials who would derive value from such unclassi-  
12 fied products.

13 (8) Policies and procedures relating to the dis-  
14 semination of United States person information con-  
15 tained in covered open-source intelligence products.

16 (c) FORM.—The plan required under subsection (a)  
17 shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include  
18 a classified annex.

19 (d) INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY DIRECTIVE WITH  
20 RESPECT TO OPEN-SOURCE INTELLIGENCE.—Not later  
21 than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
22 the Director of National Intelligence shall update Intel-  
23 ligence Community Directive 208, Maximizing the Utility  
24 of Analytic Products (or any successor directive) to spe-  
25 cifically address—

1 (1) the production and dissemination of unclas-  
2 sified intelligence products derived entirely from  
3 open-source intelligence, including from unclassified  
4 publicly available information, unclassified commer-  
5 cially available information, or any other type of un-  
6 classified information; and

7 (2) the needs and requirements of covered indi-  
8 viduals who do not hold a security clearance or have  
9 access to the classified systems on which such un-  
10 classified intelligence products reside.

11 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12 (1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-  
13 GRESS.—The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
14 gress” means—

15 (A) the congressional intelligence commit-  
16 tees;

17 (B) the Committee on Homeland Security  
18 and Governmental Affairs, the Committee on  
19 the Judiciary, and the Committee on Appro-  
20 priations of the Senate; and

21 (C) the Committee on Oversight and Ac-  
22 countability, the Committee on the Judiciary,  
23 and the Committee on Appropriations of the  
24 House of Representatives.

1           (2) COVERED INDIVIDUAL.—The term “covered  
2 individual” means an employee of the Federal Gov-  
3 ernment—

4           (A) who is not an employee or contractor  
5 of an element of the intelligence community;  
6 and

7           (B) who would derive value from a covered  
8 open-source intelligence product.

9           (3) COVERED OPEN-SOURCE INTELLIGENCE  
10 PRODUCT.—The term “covered open-source intel-  
11 ligence product” means an unclassified product de-  
12 rived from open-source intelligence that is produced  
13 by the intelligence community.

14 **SEC. 7322. INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY-WIDE POLICY ON**  
15 **PREPUBLICATION REVIEW.**

16       Not later than 30 days after the date of the enact-  
17 ment of this Act, the Director of National Intelligence  
18 shall issue, and submit to the congressional intelligence  
19 committees, the Committee on the Judiciary, the Com-  
20 mittee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs,  
21 and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, and  
22 the Committee on the Judiciary, the Committee on Over-  
23 sight and Accountability, and the Committee on Appro-  
24 priations of the House of Representatives, an intelligence  
25 community-wide policy regarding prepublication review.

1 **SEC. 7323. REVIEW RELATING TO CONFIDENTIAL HUMAN**  
2 **SOURCE PROGRAM OF FEDERAL BUREAU OF**  
3 **INVESTIGATION.**

4 (a) REVIEW.—The Inspector General of the Intel-  
5 ligence Community, in coordination with the Inspector  
6 General of the Department of Justice, shall conduct a re-  
7 view of the policies and procedures governing the confiden-  
8 tial human source program of the Federal Bureau of In-  
9 vestigation (in this section referred to as the “program”)”  
10 and the compliance by the Federal Bureau of Investigation  
11 with such policies and procedures, including—

12 (1) the policy of the Department of Justice ti-  
13 tled “The Attorney General’s Guidelines Regarding  
14 the Use of FBI Confidential Sources” (or successor  
15 policy); and

16 (2) Intelligence Community Directive 304 (or  
17 successor directive).

18 (b) ELEMENTS.—The review under subsection (a)  
19 shall include the following:

20 (1) An assessment of the compliance by the  
21 Federal Bureau of Investigation with the policies  
22 and procedures governing the program, including  
23 with respect to the management and validation of  
24 confidential human sources under such program.

25 (2) An assessment of the means by which the  
26 Federal Bureau of Investigation conducts risk as-

1        assessments relating to the continual validation of  
2        long-term confidential human sources under the pro-  
3        gram.

4            (3) An assessment of the timeliness and com-  
5        pletion rates of the reviews of confidential human  
6        sources under the program.

7            (4) An identification of the data points assessed  
8        by the Federal Bureau of Investigation during such  
9        reviews and the State and local databases used in  
10       conducting such reviews.

11           (5) A list containing an identification of each  
12       incident of noncompliance with a policy or procedure  
13       specified in paragraph (1).

14        (c) SUBMISSION.—Not later than 90 days after the  
15       date on which the review under subsection (a) is com-  
16       pleted, the Inspector General of the Intelligence Commu-  
17       nity shall submit to the congressional intelligence commit-  
18       tees, the Committee on the Judiciary and the Committee  
19       on Appropriations of the Senate, and the Committee on  
20       the Judiciary and the Committee on Appropriations of the  
21       House of Representatives a report containing the results  
22       of such review.

1 **SEC. 7324. PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**  
2 **CERTAIN ACTIVITIES AND ASSESSMENT OF**  
3 **THE OVERT HUMAN INTELLIGENCE AND**  
4 **OPEN SOURCE INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION**  
5 **PROGRAMS OF THE OFFICE OF INTEL-**  
6 **LIGENCE AND ANALYSIS OF THE DEPART-**  
7 **MENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.**

8 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

9 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
10 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-  
11 mittees” means the following:

12 (A) The congressional intelligence commit-  
13 tees.

14 (B) The Committee on Homeland Security  
15 and Governmental Affairs of the Senate.

16 (C) The Committee on Homeland Security  
17 of the House of Representatives.

18 (2) COVERED ACTIVITY.—The term “covered  
19 activity” means—

20 (A) with respect to the Overt Human In-  
21 telligence Collection Program, an interview for  
22 intelligence collection purposes with any indi-  
23 vidual, including a United States person, who  
24 has been criminally charged, arraigned, or  
25 taken into the custody of a Federal, State, or  
26 local law enforcement agency, but whose guilt

1 with respect to such criminal matters has not  
2 yet been adjudicated, unless the Office of Intel-  
3 ligence and Analysis has obtained the consent  
4 of the interviewee following consultation with  
5 counsel;

6 (B) with respect to either the Overt  
7 Human Intelligence Collection Program or the  
8 Open Source Intelligence Collection Program,  
9 any collection targeting journalists in the per-  
10 formance of their journalistic functions; and

11 (C) with respect to the Overt Human In-  
12 telligence Collection Program, an interview for  
13 intelligence collection purposes with a United  
14 States person where the Office of Intelligence  
15 and Analysis lacks a reasonable belief based on  
16 facts and circumstances that the United States  
17 person may possess significant foreign intel-  
18 ligence (as defined in section 3 of the National  
19 Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003)).

20 (3) OVERT HUMAN INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION  
21 PROGRAM.—The term “Overt Human Intelligence  
22 Collection Program” means the program established  
23 by the Under Secretary of Homeland Security for  
24 Intelligence and Analysis pursuant to Policy Instruc-

1           tion 907 of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis,  
2           issued on June 29, 2016, or any successor program.

3           (4) OPEN SOURCE INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION  
4           PROGRAM.—The term “Open Source Collection In-  
5           telligence Program” means the program established  
6           by the Under Secretary of Homeland Security for  
7           Intelligence and Analysis for the purpose of col-  
8           lecting intelligence and information for potential pro-  
9           duction and reporting in the form of Open Source  
10          Information Reports as reflected in Policy Instruc-  
11          tion 900 of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis,  
12          issued on January 13, 2015, or any successor pro-  
13          gram.

14          (5) UNITED STATES PERSON.—The term  
15          “United States person” means—

16                 (A) a United States citizen;

17                 (B) an alien known by the Office of Intel-  
18                 ligence and Analysis to be a permanent resident  
19                 alien;

20                 (C) an unincorporated association substan-  
21                 tially composed of United States citizens or per-  
22                 manent resident aliens; or

23                 (D) a corporation incorporated in the  
24                 United States, except for a corporation directed

1 and controlled by a foreign government or gov-  
2 ernments.

3 (6) UNITED STATES PERSON INFORMATION  
4 (USPI).—The term “United States person informa-  
5 tion”—

6 (A) means information that is reasonably  
7 likely to identify 1 or more specific United  
8 States persons; and

9 (B) may be either a single item of informa-  
10 tion or information that, when combined with  
11 other available information, is reasonably likely  
12 to identify one or more specific United States  
13 persons.

14 (b) PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR  
15 COVERED ACTIVITIES OF OVERT HUMAN INTELLIGENCE  
16 COLLECTION PROGRAM AND OPEN SOURCE INTEL-  
17 LIGENCE COLLECTION PROGRAM.—None of the funds au-  
18 thorized to be appropriated by this division may be made  
19 available to the Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the  
20 Department of Homeland Security to conduct a covered  
21 activity.

22 (c) LIMITATION ON PERSONNEL.—None of the funds  
23 authorized to be appropriated by this division may be used  
24 by the Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the Depart-  
25 ment of Homeland Security to increase, above the staffing

1 level in effect on the day before the date of the enactment  
2 of this Act, the number of personnel assigned to the Open  
3 Source Intelligence Division who work exclusively or pre-  
4 dominantly on domestic terrorism issues.

5 (d) INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE INTELLIGENCE  
6 COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT OF OVERT HUMAN INTEL-  
7 LIGENCE COLLECTION PROGRAM AND OPEN SOURCE IN-  
8 TELLIGENCE COLLECTION PROGRAM.—

9 (1) REQUIREMENT.—The Inspector General of  
10 the Intelligence Community shall conduct an assess-  
11 ment of the Overt Human Intelligence Collection  
12 Program and the Open Source Intelligence Collec-  
13 tion Program.

14 (2) ELEMENTS.—The assessment under para-  
15 graph (1) shall include findings and, as the Inspec-  
16 tor General considers appropriate, recommendations  
17 on the following:

18 (A) Whether the Overt Human Intelligence  
19 Collection Program and the Open Source Intel-  
20 ligence Collection Program are legally author-  
21 ized, and if so, an identification of the legal au-  
22 thorities.

23 (B) Whether, and to what extent, such  
24 programs have provided valuable insights on  
25 national intelligence priorities and intelligence

1 priorities of the Department of Homeland Secu-  
2 rity, citing specific examples of such insights at  
3 the appropriate classification level.

4 (C) Whether there is sufficient training  
5 provided to, and sufficient oversight provided  
6 of, personnel of the Office of Intelligence and  
7 Analysis of the Department of Homeland Secu-  
8 rity who conduct intelligence collection under  
9 such programs.

10 (D) Whether the responsibilities and re-  
11 quirements for such programs set forth in the  
12 relevant policy instructions, intelligence over-  
13 sight guidelines, and other governing documents  
14 or standard operating procedures of the Office  
15 of Intelligence and Analysis, particularly as  
16 they relate to the obligation to safeguard the  
17 privacy, civil liberties, and civil rights of United  
18 States persons, are adequate, appropriate, and  
19 consistently adhered to by such personnel.

20 (E) Whether such programs raise or have  
21 raised legal, ethical, or operational concerns, in-  
22 cluding concerns relating to the actual or poten-  
23 tial violation of any applicable policies or proce-  
24 dures for protecting the constitutional or statu-  
25 tory rights of United States persons.

1 (F) Whether other Federal agencies, such  
2 as the Federal Bureau of Investigation, conduct  
3 similar programs and, if so, a comparison of  
4 any similarities and differences between the re-  
5 spective programs.

6 (G) With respect to non-analytic intel-  
7 ligence reports produced by the Office of Intel-  
8 ligence and Analysis derived in whole or in part  
9 from such programs, whether such reports ap-  
10 propriately minimize United States person in-  
11 formation and use press reporting in an appro-  
12 priate manner.

13 (H) With respect to the Open Source Intel-  
14 ligence Collection Program, whether such pro-  
15 gram is effective at identifying threats directed  
16 against the United States, including true  
17 threats, incitement to violence, and malign  
18 cyber activity.

19 (I) Whether there have been any identified  
20 instances in which State, local, territorial, or  
21 Tribal government agencies have used, or  
22 sought to use, the Office of Intelligence and  
23 Analysis as an instrument to introduce political  
24 or politicized information into the national in-  
25 telligence collection and reporting stream.

1           (J) Any other matter the Inspector Gen-  
2           eral of the Intelligence Community determines  
3           appropriate.

4           (3) BRIEFING.—Not later than 120 days after  
5           the date of the enactment of this Act, the Inspector  
6           General of the Intelligence Community shall provide  
7           to the appropriate congressional committees a brief-  
8           ing on the preliminary findings and recommenda-  
9           tions of the Inspector General with respect to the as-  
10          sessment under paragraph (1).

11          (4) REPORT.—

12           (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180  
13           days after the date of the enactment of this  
14           Act, the Inspector General of the Intelligence  
15           Community shall submit to the appropriate con-  
16           gressional committees a report containing the  
17           findings and recommendations of the Inspector  
18           General with respect to the assessment under  
19           paragraph (1).

20           (B) FORM.—The report submitted pursu-  
21           ant to subparagraph (A) shall be submitted  
22           under that subparagraph in unclassified form,  
23           but may include a classified annex.

24           (5) QUARTERLY BRIEFINGS.—The Under Sec-  
25           retary of Homeland Security for Intelligence and

1 Analysis shall, not less than once per quarter, pro-  
2 vide to the appropriate congressional committees a  
3 briefing on the intelligence collection activities of the  
4 Office of Intelligence and Analysis. These briefings  
5 shall include—

6 (A) a description of any new activities, ini-  
7 tiatives, or efforts undertaken pursuant to the  
8 Overt Human Intelligence Collection Program  
9 or the Open Source Intelligence Collection Pro-  
10 gram;

11 (B) a description of any new policies, pro-  
12 cedures, or guidance concerning the Overt  
13 Human Intelligence Collection Program or the  
14 Open Source Intelligence Collection Program;

15 (C) a description of any compliance-related  
16 inquiries, investigations, reviews, checks, or au-  
17 dits initiated concerning the Overt Human In-  
18 telligence Collection Program or the Open  
19 Source Intelligence Collection Program, as well  
20 as an update on the outcome or status of any  
21 preexisting inquiries, investigations, reviews,  
22 checks, or audits concerning these programs;

23 (D) a comparison of the volume of intel-  
24 ligence and information collected on United  
25 States persons by the Office and used in fin-

1           ished intelligence products produced by the Of-  
2           fice with the volume of intelligence or informa-  
3           tion on United States persons that is—

4                   (i) collected by State, local, and Tribal  
5                   territory governments, the private sector,  
6                   and other components of the Department  
7                   of Homeland Security;

8                   (ii) provided directly or indirectly to  
9                   the Office; and

10                   (iii) used in finished intelligence prod-  
11                   ucts produced by the Office; and

12           (E) information on the reports and prod-  
13           ucts issued by the Overt Human Intelligence  
14           Collection Program and the Open Source Intel-  
15           ligence Collection Program for the quarter cov-  
16           ered by the briefing, which shall reflect—

17                   (i) the number of reports and prod-  
18                   ucts issued by each program;

19                   (ii) the number of reports and prod-  
20                   ucts issued by type or format of the report  
21                   or product;

22                   (iii) the number of reports and prod-  
23                   ucts based on information provided by rep-  
24                   resentatives of Federal, foreign or inter-  
25                   national, State, local, Tribal, territorial, or

1 private sector entities, respectively, and,  
2 for each of these subcategories, the num-  
3 ber of reports or products based on infor-  
4 mation provided by known or presumed  
5 United States persons;

6 (iv) the number of reports and prod-  
7 ucts based on information provided by in-  
8 dividuals in administrative custody and,  
9 within that number, the number of reports  
10 or products based on information provided  
11 by known or presumed United States per-  
12 sons;

13 (v) the number of reports and prod-  
14 ucts based on information provided by con-  
15 fidential informants and, within that num-  
16 ber, the number of reports or products  
17 based on information provided by known or  
18 presumed United States persons;

19 (vi) the number of reports and prod-  
20 ucts supporting different national or de-  
21 partmental missions and, for each of these  
22 subcategories, the number of reports or  
23 products based on information provided by  
24 known or presumed United States persons;  
25 and

1 (vii) the number of reports and prod-  
2 ucts identifying United States persons.

3 (e) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—

4 (1) EFFECT ON OTHER INTELLIGENCE OVER-  
5 SIGHT.—Nothing in this section shall be construed  
6 as limiting or superseding the authority of any offi-  
7 cial within the Department of Homeland Security to  
8 conduct legal, privacy, civil rights, or civil liberties  
9 oversight of the intelligence activities of the Office of  
10 Intelligence and Analysis.

11 (2) SHARING AND RECEIVING INTELLIGENCE  
12 INFORMATION.—Nothing in this section shall be con-  
13 strued to prohibit, or to limit the authority of, per-  
14 sonnel of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis  
15 from sharing intelligence information with, or receiv-  
16 ing information from—

17 (A) foreign, State, local, Tribal, or terri-  
18 torial governments (or any agency or subdivi-  
19 sion thereof);

20 (B) the private sector; or

21 (C) other elements of the Federal govern-  
22 ment, including the components of the Depart-  
23 ment of Homeland Security.

1 **SEC. 7325. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON PRIORITY OF**  
2 **FENTANYL IN NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE PRI-**  
3 **ORITIES FRAMEWORK.**

4 It is the sense of Congress that the trafficking of il-  
5 licit fentanyl, including precursor chemicals and manufac-  
6 turing equipment associated with illicit fentanyl produc-  
7 tion and organizations that traffic or finance the traf-  
8 ficking of illicit fentanyl, originating from the People's Re-  
9 public of China and Mexico should be among the highest  
10 priorities in the National Intelligence Priorities Frame-  
11 work of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

12 **SEC. 7326. REPORTS ON CIVILIAN CASUALTIES CAUSED BY**  
13 **CERTAIN OPERATIONS OF FOREIGN GOVERN-**  
14 **MENTS.**

15 (a) ANNUAL REPORTS.—Not later than 1 year after  
16 the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually there-  
17 after for 2 years, the Director of National Intelligence  
18 shall submit to the congressional intelligence committees,  
19 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, the Com-  
20 mittee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives,  
21 and, consistent with the protection of intelligence sources  
22 and methods, the Foreign Relations Committee of the  
23 Senate and the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House  
24 of Representatives, a report on civilian casualties caused  
25 by covered operations.

1 (b) ELEMENTS.—Each report under subsection (a)  
2 shall include, for the year covered by the report, each of  
3 the following:

4 (1) A list identifying each covered operation  
5 during that year that has resulted in civilian casual-  
6 ties that the Director of National Intelligence has  
7 confirmed.

8 (2) An identification of the total number of ci-  
9 vilian casualties resulting from covered operations  
10 during that year that the Director of National Intel-  
11 ligence has confirmed.

12 (3) For each covered operation identified in the  
13 list under paragraph (1), an identification of the fol-  
14 lowing:

15 (A) The date on which, and the location  
16 where, the covered operation occurred.

17 (B) The element of the foreign government  
18 that conducted the covered operation.

19 (C) The individual or entity against which  
20 the covered operation was directed.

21 (D) Any other circumstances or facts that  
22 the Director of National Intelligence determines  
23 relevant.

1 (c) FORM.—Each report required under subsection  
2 (a) may be submitted in classified form, but if so sub-  
3 mitted shall include an unclassified executive summary.

4 (d) COVERED OPERATION DEFINED.—In this sec-  
5 tion, the term “covered operation” means an operation—

6 (1) conducted by a foreign government;

7 (2) involving the use of force; and

8 (3) in which intelligence shared by an element  
9 of the intelligence community plays a significant  
10 role.

11 **SEC. 7327. MODIFICATION AND REPEAL OF REPORTING RE-**  
12 **QUIREMENTS.**

13 (a) MODIFICATION OF FREQUENCY OF WHISTLE-  
14 BLOWER NOTIFICATIONS TO INSPECTOR GENERAL OF  
15 THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.—Section 5334(a) of the  
16 Damon Paul Nelson and Matthew Young Pollard Intel-  
17 ligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2018, 2019,  
18 and 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 50 U.S.C. 3033 note) is  
19 amended by striking “in near real time” and inserting  
20 “monthly”.

21 (b) REPEAL OF REQUIREMENT FOR INSPECTORS  
22 GENERAL REVIEWS OF ENHANCED PERSONNEL SECUR-  
23 RITY PROGRAMS.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 11001 of title 5,  
25 United States Code, is amended—

1 (A) by striking subsection (d); and

2 (B) by redesignating subsection (e) as sub-  
3 section (d).

4 (2) TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.—Subsection (d)  
5 of section 11001 of such title, as redesignated by  
6 paragraph (1)(B), is amended—

7 (A) in paragraph (3), by adding “and”  
8 after the semicolon at the end; and

9 (B) in paragraph (4), by striking “; and”  
10 and inserting a period.

11 (c) REPEAL OF CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION RE-  
12 QUIREMENT FOR DEGREE-GRANTING AUTHORITY OF THE  
13 NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE UNIVERSITY.—Section 1032(c)  
14 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3225a(e))  
15 is repealed.

16 (d) REPEAL OF REQUIREMENT FOR DIRECTOR OF  
17 NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE TO UPDATE LIST IDENTIFYING  
18 ONLINE VIOLENT EXTREMIST CONTENT.—Section  
19 403(b) of the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal  
20 Year 2017 (50 U.S.C. 3368(b)) is amended by striking  
21 “or more frequently as needed” and inserting “until the  
22 date of the enactment of the Intelligence Authorization  
23 Act for Fiscal Year 2024”.

24 (e) REPEAL OF REQUIREMENT FOR ANNUAL REPORT  
25 ON ILLICIT FINANCING OF ESPIONAGE AND FOREIGN IN-

1 FLUENCE OPERATIONS.—Section 5722(d) of the Damon  
2 Paul Nelson and Matthew Young Pollard Intelligence Au-  
3 thorization Act for Fiscal Years 2018, 2019, and 2020  
4 (Public Law 116–92; 133 Stat. 2176) is amended—

5 (1) in the heading, by striking “REPORTS” and  
6 inserting “REPORT”;

7 (2) in the heading of paragraph (1), by striking  
8 “INITIAL REPORT” and inserting “IN GENERAL”;

9 (3) by striking paragraph (2) and redesignating  
10 paragraph (3) as paragraph (2); and

11 (4) in paragraph (2), as so redesignated, by  
12 striking “Each report” and inserting “The report”.

13 **Subtitle B—Central Intelligence**  
14 **Agency**

15 **SEC. 7331. CHANGE TO PENALTIES AND INCREASED AVAIL-**  
16 **ABILITY OF MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT**  
17 **FOR UNLAWFUL CONDUCT ON CENTRAL IN-**  
18 **TELLIGENCE AGENCY INSTALLATIONS.**

19 Section 15(b) of the Central Intelligence Agency Act  
20 of 1949 (50 U.S.C. 3515(b)) is amended, in the second  
21 sentence, by striking “those specified in section 1315(c)(2)  
22 of title 40, United States Code” and inserting “the max-  
23 imum penalty authorized for a Class B misdemeanor  
24 under section 3559 of title 18, United States Code”.

1 **SEC. 7332. MODIFICATIONS TO PROCUREMENT AUTHORI-**  
2 **TIES OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGEN-**  
3 **CY.**

4 Section 3 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of  
5 1949 (50 U.S.C. 3503) is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “sections” and  
7 all that follows through “session)” and inserting  
8 “sections 3201, 3203, 3204, 3206, 3207, 3302  
9 through 3306, 3321 through 3323, 3801 through  
10 3808, 3069, 3134, 3841, and 4752 of title 10,  
11 United States Code” and

12 (2) in subsection (d), by striking “in para-  
13 graphs” and all that follows through “1947” and in-  
14 serting “in sections 3201 through 3204 of title 10,  
15 United States Code, shall not be delegable. Each de-  
16 termination or decision required by sections 3201  
17 through 3204, 3321 through 3323, and 3841 of title  
18 10, United States Code”.

19 **SEC. 7333. INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE CENTRAL INTEL-**  
20 **LIGENCE AGENCY QUARTERLY EMPLOYEE**  
21 **ENGAGEMENT SUMMARIES.**

22 (a) **DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL**  
23 **COMMITTEES.**—In this section, the term “appropriate  
24 congressional committees” means—

1           (1) the Select Committee on Intelligence and  
2           the Subcommittee on Defense of the Committee on  
3           Appropriations of the Senate; and

4           (2) the Permanent Select Committee on Intel-  
5           ligence and the Subcommittee on Defense of the  
6           Committee on Appropriations of the House of Rep-  
7           resentatives.

8           (b) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the  
9           last day of the first full fiscal quarter beginning after the  
10          date of the enactment of this Act and not later than 30  
11          days after the last day of each fiscal quarter thereafter  
12          until the last fiscal quarter of fiscal year 2027, the Inspec-  
13          tor General of the Central Intelligence Agency shall sub-  
14          mit to the appropriate congressional committees a sum-  
15          mary of the engagement of employees of the Central Intel-  
16          ligence Agency with the Inspector General during that  
17          quarter.

18          (c) CONTENTS.—Each summary submitted pursuant  
19          to subsection (b) shall include each of the following for  
20          the quarter covered by the summary:

21                 (1) The total number of reports filed with the  
22                 Inspector General by employees of the Agency.

23                 (2) An identification of the nature of the allega-  
24                 tion made in each such report, such as—

25                         (A) fraud, waste, and abuse;

- 1 (B) harassment or other personnel issues;
- 2 (C) questionable intelligence activities; or
- 3 (D) threats to health and safety.

4 (3) For each such report—

5 (A) whether an investigation was initiated  
6 because of the report;

7 (B) for any such investigation, whether the  
8 status of the investigation is initiated, in  
9 progress, or complete; and

10 (C) for any completed investigation, wheth-  
11 er the allegation made in the report was found  
12 to be substantiated or unsubstantiated, and  
13 whether any recommendations or criminal refer-  
14 rals were made as a result.

15 (4) A copy of any audit, assessment, inspection,  
16 or other final report completed by the Inspector  
17 General during the quarter covered by the summary.

18 **SEC. 7334. BENJAMIN TALLMADGE INSTITUTE AS PRIMARY**  
19 **CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY ENTITY**  
20 **FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING IN COUN-**  
21 **TERINTELLIGENCE.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Central Intel-  
23 ligence Agency shall maintain the Benjamin Tallmadge In-  
24 stitute as the primary entity within the Central Intel-

1 ligence Agency for education and training related to all  
2 aspects of counterintelligence.

3 (b) RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTOR.—The Director  
4 of the Central Intelligence Agency shall—

5 (1) ensure the Institute is fully and properly or-  
6 ganized and has the resources necessary to provide  
7 counterintelligence education and training for all ca-  
8 reer fields within the Agency, including specialized  
9 certifications for Agency counterintelligence per-  
10 sonnel;

11 (2) develop appropriate certification courses  
12 that are designed to educate, train, and certify  
13 Agency personnel in—

14 (A) counterintelligence threats, insider  
15 threats, and other counterintelligence processes  
16 and issues;

17 (B) the conduct and support of counter-  
18 intelligence inquiries and investigations;

19 (C) relevant skills necessary for coordina-  
20 tion with Federal law enforcement; and

21 (D) any other skills as the Director deter-  
22 mines necessary;

23 (3) identify and designate specific positions for  
24 which an individual shall be required to have a cer-

1 tification described in paragraph (2) prior to filling  
2 such a position; and

3 (4) develop necessary infrastructure and capac-  
4 ity to support the availability of courses under sub-  
5 section (c) to increase participation by personnel  
6 from other components of the intelligence commu-  
7 nity in the courses offered by the Institute.

8 (c) TRAINING AND FAMILIARIZATION COURSES.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—The head of the Institute  
10 shall—

11 (A) develop training and familiarization  
12 courses at different classification levels, includ-  
13 ing courses at an unclassified level; and

14 (B) offer instruction in the courses devel-  
15 oped under subparagraph (A) or make training  
16 curricula available to other intelligence commu-  
17 nity components, as appropriate, to support  
18 outreach efforts.

19 (2) AVAILABILITY OF COURSES.—The training  
20 and familiarization courses developed under para-  
21 graph (1) shall be made available to any of the fol-  
22 lowing that have a need and appropriate clearance,  
23 as determined by the Director of the National Coun-  
24 terintelligence and Security Center in consultation  
25 with the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency,

1 for a general education on counterintelligence  
2 threats, briefings on specific topics, or other training  
3 related to counterintelligence:

4 (A) Federal departments and agencies that  
5 are not elements of the intelligence community.

6 (B) State, local, and Tribal governments.

7 (C) Private sector entities.

8 (D) Such other personnel and entities as  
9 appropriate.

10 (d) BASELINE CERTIFICATION COURSE.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Institute shall develop,  
12 in coordination with the National Counterintelligence  
13 and Security Center and the Defense Intelligence  
14 Agency, and implement a baseline certification  
15 course for all counterintelligence career professionals  
16 that aligns the minimum certification requirements  
17 of the course and the Defense Counterintelligence  
18 Agent Course of the Joint Counterintelligence Train-  
19 ing Activity.

20 (2) AVAILABILITY OF COURSE.—The baseline  
21 certification course developed under paragraph (1)  
22 shall be made available, on a space-available basis,  
23 to all intelligence community professionals and ap-  
24 propriate personnel with appropriate security clear-  
25 ance from any other agency, committee, commission,

1 office, or other establishment in the executive, legis-  
2 lative, or judicial branch of the Federal Government.

3 **SEC. 7335. CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY INTEL-**  
4 **LIGENCE ASSESSMENT OF SINALOA CARTEL**  
5 **AND JALISCO CARTEL.**

6 (a) ASSESSMENT.—Not later than 90 days after the  
7 date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Cen-  
8 tral Intelligence Agency, in consultation with the heads of  
9 the other elements of the intelligence community that the  
10 Director determines appropriate, shall submit to the ap-  
11 propriate committees of Congress an intelligence assess-  
12 ment on the transnational criminal organizations known  
13 as the Sinaloa Cartel and the Jalisco Cartel.

14 (b) ELEMENTS.—The intelligence assessment under  
15 subsection (a) shall include, with respect to each  
16 transnational criminal organization specified in such sub-  
17 section, a description of the following:

18 (1) The key leaders, organizational structure,  
19 subgroups, presence in the states within Mexico, and  
20 cross-border illicit drug smuggling routes of the  
21 transnational criminal organization.

22 (2) The practices used by the transnational  
23 criminal organization to import the chemicals used  
24 to make synthetic drugs, to produce such drugs, and

1 to smuggle such drugs across the border into the  
2 United States.

3 (3) The main suppliers and the main brokers  
4 that supply the transnational criminal organization  
5 with precursor chemicals and equipment used in the  
6 production of synthetic drugs.

7 (4) The manner in which the transnational  
8 criminal organization is tailoring the fentanyl prod-  
9 ucts of such organization to attract a wider variety  
10 of United States consumers, including unwitting  
11 users.

12 (5) The degree to which the transnational  
13 criminal organization is using human and technical  
14 operations to undermine counternarcotics efforts by  
15 United States and Mexican security services.

16 (6) An estimate of the annual revenue received  
17 by the transnational criminal organization from the  
18 sale of illicit drugs, disaggregated by drug type.

19 (7) Any other information the Director of the  
20 Central Intelligence Agency determines relevant.

21 (c) FORM.—The intelligence assessment under sub-  
22 section (a) may be submitted in classified form.

23 (d) DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF  
24 CONGRESS.—In this section, the term “appropriate com-  
25 mittees of Congress” means—

1 (1) the congressional intelligence committees;

2 (2) the Committee on Foreign Relations, the  
3 Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental  
4 Affairs, the Committee on Banking, Housing, and  
5 Urban Affairs, and the Committee on Appropria-  
6 tions of the Senate; and

7 (3) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the  
8 Committee on Homeland Security, and the Com-  
9 mittee on Appropriations of the House of Represent-  
10 atives.

11 **SEC. 7336. CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY INTEL-**  
12 **LIGENCE ASSESSMENT WITH RESPECT TO EF-**  
13 **FORTS BY PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA TO**  
14 **INCREASE INFLUENCE IN MIDDLE EAST.**

15 (a) ASSESSMENT.—Not later than 90 days after the  
16 date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Cen-  
17 tral Intelligence Agency, in consultation with such heads  
18 of the other elements of the intelligence community that  
19 the Director of National Intelligence determines appro-  
20 priate, shall submit to the appropriate congressional com-  
21 mittees an intelligence assessment on efforts by the Peo-  
22 ple's Republic of China to increase its influence, through  
23 overt or covert means, with respect to the political, mili-  
24 tary, economic, or other policies or activities of govern-  
25 ments of countries and territories in the Middle East in

1 ways that are detrimental to the national security interests  
2 of the United States.

3 (b) ELEMENTS.—The intelligence assessment re-  
4 quired under subsection (a) shall include the following:

5 (1) A summary of the key relationships that the  
6 People’s Republic of China has developed, or is seek-  
7 ing to develop, with countries and territories in the  
8 Middle East, and the national security objectives  
9 that the People’s Republic of China intends to ad-  
10 vance through such established or emerging relation-  
11 ships.

12 (2) A description of the relationship between  
13 the People’s Republic of China and Iran, including  
14 in the areas of security cooperation and intelligence  
15 sharing.

16 (3) An identification of the countries and terri-  
17 tories in the Middle East in which the People’s Re-  
18 public of China has established, or is seeking to es-  
19 tablish, a military or intelligence presence or military  
20 or intelligence partnerships.

21 (4) An assessment of how the People’s Republic  
22 of China seeks to weaken the role, influence, and re-  
23 lationships of the United States with respect to  
24 countries and territories in the Middle East, includ-  
25 ing through the Global Security Initiative of the

1 People's Republic of China, including through com-  
2 mercial engagements and agreements with state-  
3 owned enterprises of the People's Republic of China.

4 (5) An analysis of whether, and to what degree,  
5 efforts by the People's Republic of China to increase  
6 its influence among countries and territories in the  
7 Middle East are designed to support the broader  
8 strategic interests of the People's Republic of China,  
9 including with respect to Taiwan.

10 (c) FORM.—The intelligence assessment required  
11 under subsection (a) may be submitted in classified form.

12 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

13 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
14 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-  
15 mittees” means the following:

16 (A) The congressional intelligence commit-  
17 tees.

18 (B) The Committee on Foreign Relations,  
19 the Committee on Armed Services, and the  
20 Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.

21 (C) The Committee on Foreign Affairs, the  
22 Committee on Armed Services, the Committee  
23 on Appropriations, and the Select Committee on  
24 the Strategic Competition Between the United

1 States and the Chinese Communist Party of the  
2 House of Representatives.

3 (2) COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES IN THE MID-  
4 DLE EAST.—The term “countries and territories in  
5 the Middle East” means—

- 6 (A) Algeria;
- 7 (B) Bahrain;
- 8 (C) Egypt;
- 9 (D) Iran;
- 10 (E) Iraq;
- 11 (F) Israel;
- 12 (G) Jordan;
- 13 (H) Kuwait;
- 14 (I) Lebanon;
- 15 (J) Libya;
- 16 (K) Morocco;
- 17 (L) Oman;
- 18 (M) the Palestinian territories;
- 19 (N) Qatar;
- 20 (O) Saudi Arabia;
- 21 (P) Syria;
- 22 (Q) Tunisia;
- 23 (R) the United Arab Emirates; and
- 24 (S) Yemen.

1 **SEC. 7337. ASSESSMENT OF AVAILABILITY OF MENTAL**  
2 **HEALTH AND CHAPLAIN SERVICES TO AGEN-**  
3 **CY EMPLOYEES.**

4 (a) **ASSESSMENT.**—The Director of the Central Intel-  
5 ligence Agency shall conduct an assessment on the avail-  
6 ability of the services of mental health professionals and  
7 chaplains with appropriate security clearances to employ-  
8 ees of the Agency. Such assessment shall include—

9 (1) an evaluation of the current availability of  
10 and demand for such services globally;

11 (2) an assessment of the feasibility of expand-  
12 ing the availability of such services;

13 (3) information, including a detailed schedule  
14 and cost estimate, as to what would be required to  
15 increase the availability of such services for Agency  
16 employees located in the United States and abroad;  
17 and

18 (4) information on the feasibility and advis-  
19 ability of requiring that each employee returning  
20 from a high risk or high threat tour, as designated  
21 by the Director, access the services of a mental  
22 health professional, chaplain, or both, at the option  
23 of the employee.

24 (b) **REPORT.**—Not later than 210 days after the date  
25 of the enactment of this Act, the Director shall submit

1 to the appropriate congressional committees a report on  
2 the assessment required by subsection (a).

3 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
5 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-  
6 mittees” means—

7 (A) the Permanent Select Committee on  
8 Intelligence and the Subcommittee on Defense  
9 of the Committee on Appropriations of the  
10 House of Representatives; and

11 (B) the Select Committee on Intelligence  
12 and the Subcommittee on Defense of the Com-  
13 mittee on Appropriations of the Senate.

14 (2) CHAPLAIN.—The term “chaplain” means a  
15 member of the Chaplain Corps, as established under  
16 section 26 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of  
17 1949 (50 U.S.C. 3527), whom the Director has cer-  
18 tified as meeting common standards for professional  
19 chaplaincy and board certification by a national  
20 chaplaincy and pastoral care organization or equiva-  
21 lent.

22 (3) MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL.—The  
23 term “mental health professional” means an appro-  
24 priately trained and certified professional counselor,  
25 medical professional, psychologist, psychiatrist, or

1 other appropriate employee, as determined by the  
2 Director.

3 **SEC. 7338. ASSESSMENT BY DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTEL-**  
4 **LIGENCE AGENCY ON CERTAIN EFFECTS OF**  
5 **ABRAHAM ACCORDS.**

6 (a) ASSESSMENT.—Not later than 90 days after the  
7 date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Cen-  
8 tral Intelligence Agency, in consultation with the heads of  
9 the other elements of the intelligence community that the  
10 Director determines appropriate, shall submit to the ap-  
11 propriate committees of Congress an assessment of the  
12 current effects on the intelligence community of the agree-  
13 ments between Israel and 4 other foreign countries, collec-  
14 tively known as the Abraham Accords, and of the potential  
15 effects on the intelligence community if the Abraham Ac-  
16 cords were to be expanded to additional foreign countries.

17 (b) ELEMENTS.—The assessment under subsection  
18 (a) shall include, with respect to the agreements referred  
19 to in such subsection, the following:

20 (1) A description of whether, and in what re-  
21 spects, the agreement between Israel and Bahrain  
22 has resulted in the intelligence community obtaining  
23 new and valuable insights regarding national intel-  
24 ligence priorities.

1           (2) A description of whether, and in what re-  
2           spects, the agreement between Israel and Morocco  
3           has resulted in the intelligence community obtaining  
4           new and valuable insights regarding national intel-  
5           ligence priorities.

6           (3) A description of whether, and in what re-  
7           spects, the agreement between Israel and the United  
8           Arab Emirates has resulted in the intelligence com-  
9           munity obtaining new and valuable insights regard-  
10          ing national intelligence priorities.

11          (4) A description of whether, and in what re-  
12          spects, the agreement between Israel and Sudan has  
13          resulted in the intelligence community obtaining new  
14          and valuable insights regarding national intelligence  
15          priorities.

16          (5) An assessment of whether, and in what re-  
17          spects, additional agreements between Israel and  
18          other foreign countries to normalize or otherwise en-  
19          hance relations would result in the intelligence com-  
20          munity obtaining new and valuable insights regard-  
21          ing national intelligence priorities.

22          (c) FORM.—The assessment under subsection (a)  
23          may be submitted in classified form.

1 (d) DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF  
2 CONGRESS.—In this section, the term “appropriate com-  
3 mittees of Congress” means—

4 (1) the congressional intelligence committees;

5 (2) the Committee on Appropriations of the  
6 Senate; and

7 (3) the Committee on Appropriations of the  
8 House of Representatives.

9 **SEC. 7339. REPORTING AND INVESTIGATING ALLEGATIONS**  
10 **OF SEXUAL ASSAULT AND SEXUAL HARASS-**  
11 **MENT WITHIN THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE**  
12 **AGENCY.**

13 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
14 gress that—

15 (1) sexual assault and sexual harassment arise  
16 from, and are often indicative of, an environment  
17 where toxic, provocative, and sometimes significantly  
18 inappropriate behavior is tolerated;

19 (2) when supervisors and senior leaders at  
20 headquarters and in the field are among the offend-  
21 ers and facilitate a work climate in which toxic and  
22 disrespectful behavior is tolerated, harassment and  
23 even assault will often go unaddressed and  
24 unpunished;



1 aspects of the response of the Agency to allegations  
2 of sexual assault and sexual harassment.

3 “(2) Developing and implementing policies and  
4 procedures to protect the confidentiality of employ-  
5 ees who report sexual assault or sexual harassment  
6 and to mitigate negative effects on the reputation or  
7 career of such an employee as a result of such a re-  
8 port.

9 “(3) Developing and implementing documented  
10 standards for—

11 “(A) appropriate mitigation and protection  
12 measures for individuals who make allegations  
13 of a sexual assault or sexual harassment to be  
14 put in place while an investigation proceeds;

15 “(B) appropriate employee consequences to  
16 be imposed based on the findings of an inquiry  
17 or investigation into a substantiated allegation  
18 of sexual assault or sexual harassment;

19 “(C) appropriate career path protection for  
20 all employees involved in an incident resulting  
21 in a reported allegation of sexual assault or sex-  
22 ual harassment while an administrative or  
23 criminal investigation or review of the allegation  
24 is pending; and

1           “(D) mitigation measures to protect em-  
2           ployees and mission execution while such allega-  
3           tions are being addressed.

4           “(4) Articulating and enforcing norms, expecta-  
5           tions, practices, and policies, including with respect  
6           to employee promotions and assignments, that are  
7           published for the workforce and designed to promote  
8           a healthy workplace culture that is inhospitable to  
9           sexual assault and sexual harassment.

10          “(5) Developing and issuing workforce mes-  
11          saging to inform Agency employees of policies, pro-  
12          cedures, resources, and points of contact to obtain  
13          information related to, or to report, sexual assault or  
14          sexual harassment globally.

15          “(6) Developing and implementing sexual as-  
16          sault and sexual harassment training for all Agency  
17          employees that—

18                 “(A) is designed to strengthen individual  
19                 knowledge, skills, and capacity to prevent and  
20                 respond to sexual assault and sexual harass-  
21                 ment;

22                 “(B) includes onboarding programs, an-  
23                 nual refresher training, and specialized leader-  
24                 ship training; and

1           “(C) includes details of the definitions of  
2           sexual assault and sexual harassment, the dis-  
3           tinction between such terms, and what does or  
4           does not constitute each.

5           “(7) Developing and implementing processes  
6           and procedures applicable to personnel involved in  
7           providing the training referred to in paragraph (6)  
8           that—

9           “(A) are designed to ensure seamless pol-  
10          icy consistency and mechanisms for submitting  
11          reports of sexual assault and sexual harassment  
12          in all training environments; and

13          “(B) include requirements for in-person  
14          training that—

15                 “(i) covers the reporting processes for  
16                 sexual assault and sexual harassment that  
17                 are specific to training environments for  
18                 students and trainers; and

19                 “(ii) shall be provided at an appro-  
20                 priate time during the first 5 days of any  
21                 extended or residential training course.

22          “(8) Developing and implementing, in consulta-  
23          tion with the Victim Advocacy Specialists of the  
24          Federal Bureau of Investigation, appropriate train-  
25          ing requirements, policies, and procedures applicable

1 to all employees whose professional responsibilities  
2 include interaction with people making reports alleg-  
3 ing sexual assault or sexual harassment.

4 “(9) Developing and implementing procedures  
5 under which current and former employees of the  
6 Agency who have reported an allegation of sexual as-  
7 sault or sexual harassment may obtain documents  
8 and records related to such a report, as appropriate  
9 and upon request.

10 “(10) Developing and implementing procedures  
11 under which an employee who makes a restricted or  
12 unrestricted report containing an allegation of a sex-  
13 ual assault or sexual harassment may transfer out  
14 of the current assignment or location of the em-  
15 ployee, upon the request of the employee making the  
16 report. Such procedures shall be consistent with the  
17 privilege established in section 31.

18 “(11) Developing policies and procedures for  
19 the Special Victim Investigator, as applicable, to fa-  
20 cilitate outside engagement requests of employees re-  
21 porting allegations of sexual assault or sexual har-  
22 assment as described in sections 31 and 32.

23 “(12) Coordinating the response of the Agency  
24 to allegations of sexual assault and sexual harass-  
25 ment.

1       “(b) SEMIANNUAL REPORT.—Not less frequently  
2 than once every 180 days, the Director shall submit to  
3 the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate and  
4 the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the  
5 House of Representatives a report on the activities of all  
6 Agency offices responsible for preventing, investigating,  
7 adjudicating, and addressing claims of sexual assault or  
8 sexual harassment. The Director shall personally review,  
9 approve, and submit each report under this subsection on  
10 a nondelegable basis. Each such report shall include—

11               “(1) for the period covered by the report—

12                       “(A) the number of new allegations of sex-  
13 ual assault and sexual harassment reported to  
14 any Agency office, disaggregated by restricted  
15 and unrestricted reports;

16                       “(B) the number of new or ongoing cases  
17 in which the Sexual Harassment/Assault Re-  
18 sponse and Prevention Office has provided vic-  
19 tim advocacy services;

20                       “(C) a description of all training activities  
21 related to sexual assault and sexual harassment  
22 carried out Agency-wide, and the number of  
23 such trainings conducted; and

24               “(2) for the period beginning on the date of the  
25 enactment of the Intelligence Authorization Act for

1 Fiscal Year 2024 and ending on the last day of the  
2 period covered by the report—

3 “(A) the total number of allegations of sex-  
4 ual assault and sexual harassment;

5 “(B) the disposition of each report of such  
6 an allegation;

7 “(C) any corrective action taken in re-  
8 sponse to each such report;

9 “(D) the number of such allegations that  
10 were not substantiated; and

11 “(E) the number of employee reassignment  
12 and relocation requests, including—

13 “(i) the number of such requests that  
14 were granted;

15 “(ii) the number of such requests that  
16 were denied; and

17 “(iii) for any such request that was  
18 denied, the position of the individual who  
19 denied the request and the reason for de-  
20 nial.

21 “(c) APPLICABILITY.—

22 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The policies developed pur-  
23 suant to this section shall apply to each of the fol-  
24 lowing:

25 “(A) Any employee of the Agency.

1           “(B) Any person other than an Agency  
2           employee who alleges they were sexually as-  
3           saulted or harassed at a facility associated with  
4           the Agency or during the performance of a  
5           function associated with the Agency. If such  
6           person is an employee of an industrial con-  
7           tractor, the contracting officer for the relevant  
8           contract shall coordinate with the contractually  
9           identified representative for the prime con-  
10          tractor in a manner consistent with section 31.

11          “(2) RELATION TO EXISTING REGULATIONS.—  
12          The policies developed pursuant to this section for  
13          handling allegations of sexual harassment shall be in  
14          addition to the requirements of part 1614 of title  
15          29, Code of Federal Regulations, or successor regu-  
16          lations.”.

17          (c) REPORTING AND INVESTIGATION OF ALLEGA-  
18          TIONS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT AND SEXUAL HARASS-  
19          MENT.—Such Act is further amended by adding at the  
20          end the following new section:

1 **“SEC. 31. REPORTING AND INVESTIGATION OF ALLEGA-**  
2 **TIONS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT AND SEXUAL**  
3 **HARASSMENT.**

4 “(a) **POLICIES RELATING TO RESTRICTED AND UN-**  
5 **RESTRICTED REPORTING OF SEXUAL ASSAULT AND SEX-**  
6 **UAL HARASSMENT.—**

7 “(1) **IN GENERAL.—**The Director shall develop  
8 and implement policies, regulations, personnel train-  
9 ing, and workforce education to establish and pro-  
10 vide information about restricted reports and unre-  
11 stricted reports of allegations of sexual assault and  
12 sexual harassment within the Agency in accordance  
13 with this subsection.

14 “(2) **WORKFORCE EDUCATION.—**Workforce  
15 education developed under paragraph (1) shall be  
16 designed to clearly inform Agency employees of the  
17 differences between restricted and unrestricted re-  
18 porting of allegations of sexual assault and sexual  
19 harassment, and which individual or office within  
20 the Agency is responsible for receiving each type of  
21 report.

22 “(3) **RELATIONSHIP TO THE SEXUAL HARASS-**  
23 **MENT/ASSAULT RESPONSE AND PREVENTION OF-**  
24 **FICE.—**To the extent consistent with preserving a  
25 victim’s complete autonomy, the policies, regulations,

1 training, and messaging described in this subsection  
2 shall—

3 “(A) encourage Agency employees to make  
4 restricted or unrestricted reports of sexual as-  
5 sault and sexual harassment to the Sexual Har-  
6 assment/Assault Response and Prevention Of-  
7 fice;

8 “(B) encourage Agency employees to use  
9 the Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and  
10 Prevention Office as the primary point of con-  
11 tact and entry point for Agency employees to  
12 make restricted or unrestricted reports of sex-  
13 ual assault and sexual harassment;

14 “(C) encourage Agency employees to seek  
15 the victim advocacy services of the Sexual Har-  
16 assment/Assault Response and Prevention Of-  
17 fice after reporting an allegation of sexual as-  
18 sault or sexual harassment, to the extent con-  
19 sistent with the victim’s election; and

20 “(D) encourage Agency employees and in-  
21 dividuals who receive disclosures of sexual as-  
22 sault and sexual harassment to provide the re-  
23 port to, and receive guidance from, the Sexual  
24 Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention  
25 Office.

1       “(b) ELECTION.—Any person making a report con-  
2 taining an allegation of a sexual assault or sexual harass-  
3 ment shall elect whether to make a restricted report or  
4 an unrestricted report. Once an election is made to make  
5 an unrestricted report, such election may not be changed.

6       “(c) UNRESTRICTED REPORTS.—

7           “(1) ASSISTANCE.—A person who elects to  
8 make an unrestricted report containing an allegation  
9 of sexual assault or sexual harassment may seek the  
10 assistance of another employee of the Agency with  
11 taking the action required under paragraph (2).

12           “(2) ACTION REQUIRED.—A person electing to  
13 make an unrestricted report containing an allegation  
14 of sexual assault or sexual harassment shall submit  
15 the report to the Sexual Harassment/Assault Re-  
16 sponse and Prevention Office. To the extent con-  
17 sistent with the person’s election after consultation  
18 with the Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and  
19 Prevention Office, the Sexual Harassment/Assault  
20 Response and Prevention Office may facilitate the  
21 person’s contact with any other appropriate Agency  
22 official or office, and make available to Agency em-  
23 ployees the following:

24           “(A) A list of physicians and mental health  
25 care providers (including from the private sec-

1           tor, as applicable) who have experience with the  
2           physical and mental health care needs of the  
3           Agency workforce.

4           “(B) A list of chaplains and religious coun-  
5           selors who have experience with the needs of  
6           the Agency workforce, including information re-  
7           garding access to the Chaplain Corps estab-  
8           lished under section 26.

9           “(C) Information regarding how to select  
10          and retain private attorneys who have experi-  
11          ence with the legal needs of the Agency work-  
12          force, including detailed information on the  
13          process for the appropriate sharing of informa-  
14          tion with retained private attorneys.

15          “(3) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—The inclusion  
16          of any person on a list maintained or made available  
17          pursuant to subsection (c)(2) shall not be construed  
18          as an endorsement of such person (or any service  
19          furnished by such person), and neither the Sexual  
20          Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention Office  
21          nor the Agency shall be liable, as a result of such  
22          inclusion, for any portion of compensable injury,  
23          loss, or damage attributable to such person or serv-  
24          ice.

25          “(d) RESTRICTED REPORTS.—

1           “(1) PROCESS FOR MAKING REPORTS.—A per-  
2           son who elects to make a restricted report con-  
3           taining an allegation of sexual assault or sexual har-  
4           assment shall submit the report to the Sexual Har-  
5           assment/Assault Response and Prevention Office.

6           “(2) ACTION REQUIRED.—A restricted report  
7           containing an allegation of sexual assault or sexual  
8           harassment—

9                   “(A) shall be treated by the person who re-  
10                  ceives the report in the same manner as a com-  
11                  munication covered by the privilege set forth in  
12                  this section;

13                  “(B) shall not result in a referral to law  
14                  enforcement or commencement of a formal ad-  
15                  ministrative investigation, unless the victim  
16                  elects to change the report from a restricted re-  
17                  port to an unrestricted report;

18                  “(C) in a case requiring an employee reas-  
19                  signment, relocation, or other mitigation or pro-  
20                  tective measures, shall result only in actions  
21                  that are managed in a manner to limit, to the  
22                  extent possible, the disclosure of any informa-  
23                  tion contained in the report;

24                  “(D) shall be exempt from any Federal or,  
25                  to the maximum extent permitted by the Con-

1           stitution, State reporting requirements, includ-  
2           ing the requirements under section 535(b) of  
3           title 28, United States Code, section 17(b)(5) of  
4           this Act, relevant provisions of Executive Order  
5           12333 (50 U.S.C. 3001 note; relating to United  
6           States intelligence activities), or successor  
7           order, Executive Order 13462 (50 U.S.C. 3001  
8           note; relating to President’s intelligence advi-  
9           sory board and intelligence oversight board), or  
10          successor order, title VII of the Civil Rights Act  
11          of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000e et seq.), the Age Dis-  
12          crimination in Employment Act of 1967 (29  
13          U.S.C. 621 et seq.), title I of the Americans  
14          with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12111  
15          et seq.), and sections 501 and 505 of the Reha-  
16          bilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 791 and  
17          794a), except when reporting is necessary to  
18          prevent or mitigate an imminent threat of seri-  
19          ous bodily harm.

20           “(3) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—The receipt of  
21          a restricted report submitted under subsection (d)  
22          shall not be construed as imputing actual or con-  
23          structive knowledge of an alleged incident of sexual  
24          assault or sexual harassment to the Agency for the  
25          purpose of the Agency’s responsibility to exercise

1 reasonable care to take immediate and appropriate  
2 corrective action to prevent and correct harassing  
3 behavior.

4 “(e) PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS WITH AGENCY  
5 EMPLOYEES.—

6 “(1) IN GENERAL.—A victim shall be entitled to  
7 maintain and assert a privilege against disclosure of,  
8 and be able to prevent any other person from dis-  
9 closing, any confidential communication made be-  
10 tween the victim and any employee of the Sexual  
11 Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention Of-  
12 fice, if such communication was made for the pur-  
13 pose of facilitating advice or assistance to the victim  
14 in accordance with this section. A victim may con-  
15 sent to additional disclosures.

16 “(2) WHEN A COMMUNICATION IS CONFIDEN-  
17 TIAL.—A communication is confidential for the pur-  
18 poses of this section if made in the course of the re-  
19 lationship between the victim and any employee of  
20 the Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Pre-  
21 vention Office and not intended to be disclosed to  
22 third persons, other than those to whom disclosure  
23 is made in furtherance of the provision of advice or  
24 assistance to the victim or those reasonably nec-  
25 essary for such transmission of the communication.

1           “(3) MAINTENANCE OF PRIVILEGE.—The privi-  
2           lege is maintained by the victim. A victim may au-  
3           thorize the Sexual Harassment/Assault Response  
4           and Prevention Office employee who received the  
5           communication to assert the privilege on his or her  
6           behalf, with confidentiality. The Sexual Harassment/  
7           Assault Response and Prevention Office employee  
8           who received the communication may assert the  
9           privilege on behalf of the victim. The authority of  
10          such Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Pre-  
11          vention Office employee to so assert the privilege is  
12          presumed in the absence of evidence to the contrary.

13          “(4) EXCEPTIONS.—The privilege shall not  
14          apply to prevent limited disclosures necessary under  
15          the following circumstances:

16                 “(A) When the victim is deceased.

17                 “(B) When the Sexual Harassment/Assault  
18                 Response and Prevention Office employee who  
19                 received the communication has a reasonable  
20                 belief that a victim’s mental or emotional condi-  
21                 tion makes the victim a danger to any person,  
22                 including the victim.

23                 “(C) When the otherwise privileged com-  
24                 munication clearly contemplates the future com-  
25                 mission of a crime or breach of national secu-

1           rity, or aiding any individual to commit or plan  
2           to commit what the victim knew or reasonable  
3           should have known to be a crime or breach of  
4           national security.

5           “(D) When disclosure of a communication  
6           is constitutionally required.

7           “(5) HANDLING OF EXCEPTIONS.—When the  
8           Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Preven-  
9           tion Office employee determines that information re-  
10          quires an exception to the privilege, the Sexual Har-  
11          assment/Assault Response and Prevention Office em-  
12          ployee who received the communication will protect  
13          information pertaining to the facts and cir-  
14          cumstances surrounding the underlying sexual as-  
15          sault or sexual harassment allegations to the great-  
16          est extent possible.

17          “(f) INCIDENT REPORTS WHEN VICTIM OR ALLEGED  
18          PERPETRATOR IS AN AGENCY EMPLOYEE.—

19                 “(1) INCIDENT REPORTING POLICY.—The Di-  
20                 rector shall establish and maintain a policy under  
21                 which—

22                         “(A) the head of the Sexual Harassment/  
23                         Assault Response and Prevention Office is re-  
24                         quired to submit a written incident report not  
25                         later than 8 days after receiving an unrestricted

1 report containing an allegation of sexual assault  
2 or sexual harassment; and

3 “(B) each such incident report required  
4 under subparagraph (A) shall be provided to—

5 “(i) the Director of the Agency;

6 “(ii) the Chief Operating Officer of  
7 the Agency;

8 “(iii) the Special Victim Investigator;

9 and

10 “(iv) such other individuals as the Di-  
11 rector determines appropriate.

12 “(2) PURPOSE.—The purpose of an incident re-  
13 port required under paragraph (1) is—

14 “(A) to record the details about actions  
15 taken or in progress to provide the necessary  
16 care and support to the victim of the alleged in-  
17 cident;

18 “(B) to document the referral of the alle-  
19 gations to the appropriate investigatory or law  
20 enforcement agency; and

21 “(C) to provide initial formal notification  
22 of the alleged incident.

23 “(3) ELEMENTS.—Each incident report re-  
24 quired under paragraph (1) shall include each of the  
25 following:

1           “(A) The time, date, and location of the al-  
2           leged sexual assault or sexual harassment.

3           “(B) An identification of the type of of-  
4           fense or harassment alleged.

5           “(C) An identification of the assigned of-  
6           fice and location of the victim.

7           “(D) An identification of the assigned of-  
8           fice and location of the alleged perpetrator, in-  
9           cluding information regarding whether the al-  
10          leged perpetrator has been temporarily trans-  
11          ferred or removed from an assignment or other-  
12          wise restricted, if applicable.

13          “(E) A description of any post-incident ac-  
14          tions taken in connection with the incident, in-  
15          cluding—

16                 “(i) referral to any services available  
17                 to victims, including the date of each refer-  
18                 ral;

19                 “(ii) notification of the incident to ap-  
20                 propriate investigatory organizations, in-  
21                 cluding the organizations notified and  
22                 dates of notifications; and

23                 “(iii) issuance of any personal protec-  
24                 tion orders or steps taken to separate the

1 victim and the alleged perpetrator within  
2 their place of employment.

3 “(F) Such other elements as the Director  
4 determines appropriate.

5 “(g) COMMON PERPETRATOR NOTICE REQUIRE-  
6 MENT.—

7 “(1) UNRESTRICTED REPORTS.—Upon receipt  
8 of an incident report under subsection (f)(1) con-  
9 taining an allegation of sexual assault or sexual har-  
10 assment against an individual known to be the sub-  
11 ject of at least one allegation of sexual assault or  
12 sexual harassment by another reporter, the Special  
13 Victim Investigator shall notify each of the following  
14 of all existing allegations against the individual:

15 “(A) The Director of the Agency.

16 “(B) The Chief Operating Officer of the  
17 Agency.

18 “(C) The Sexual Harassment/Assault Re-  
19 sponse and Prevention Office.

20 “(D) If the individual is an Agency em-  
21 ployee, the head of the directorate employing  
22 the individual and the first-level supervisor of  
23 the individual.

24 “(E) If the individual is an Agency con-  
25 tractor, the Acquisition Group Chief and the

1 contracting officer for the relevant contract.  
2 For industrial contractor personnel, the con-  
3 tracting officer shall notify the contractually  
4 identified representative for the prime con-  
5 tractor.

6 “(F) The Inspector General of the Agency.

7 “(G) Such other individuals as the Direc-  
8 tor determines appropriate.

9 “(2) RESTRICTED REPORTS.—In the case of re-  
10 stricted reports under subsection (d), the Sexual  
11 Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention Office  
12 shall notify any victims known to have filed a re-  
13 stricted report against an individual known to be the  
14 subject of at least one unrestricted allegation of sex-  
15 ual assault or sexual harassment by another reporter  
16 that another allegation has been made against the  
17 same individual who is the alleged subject of the vic-  
18 tim’s report at the time of the victim’s initial report  
19 or any time thereafter upon receipt of any subse-  
20 quent unrestricted report under subsection (c) or a  
21 common perpetrator notice under paragraph (1) of  
22 this subsection.

23 “(h) APPLICABILITY.—The policies developed pursu-  
24 ant to this section shall apply to each of the following:

25 “(1) Any employee of the Agency.

1           “(2) Any person other than an Agency em-  
2           ployee who alleges they were sexually assaulted or  
3           harassed at a facility associated with the Agency or  
4           during the performance of a function associated with  
5           the Agency.

6           “(i) RECORDS.—

7           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall establish  
8           a system for the tracking and, in accordance with  
9           chapter 31 of title 44, United States Code (com-  
10          monly known as the ‘Federal Records Act of 1950’),  
11          long-term temporary retention of all Agency records  
12          related to any investigation into an allegation of sex-  
13          ual assault or sexual harassment made in an unre-  
14          stricted report, including any related medical docu-  
15          mentation.

16          “(2) RELATION TO PRIVILEGE.—Any Agency  
17          records created under the authority of this section  
18          are subject to the privileges described in this section.  
19          Routine records management activities conducted by  
20          authorized Agency personnel with respect to such  
21          records, including maintaining, searching, or  
22          dispositioning of records, shall not result in a waiver  
23          of those privileges.

24          “(3) APPLICABILITY TO FOIA.—This section  
25          shall constitute a withholding statute pursuant to

1 section 552(b)(3) of title 5, United States Code,  
2 with respect to any information that may reveal the  
3 identity of a victim of sexual assault or sexual har-  
4 assment, or any information subject to the privileges  
5 described in this section.

6 “(j) RELATIONSHIP TO THE OFFICE OF EQUAL EM-  
7 PLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY.—In the case of a restricted re-  
8 port of sexual harassment, such report shall not result in  
9 a referral to the Office of Equal Employment Opportunity,  
10 unless the victim elects to change the report from a re-  
11 stricted report to an unrestricted report. In the case of  
12 an unrestricted report, the Special Victim Investigator, the  
13 Office of Equal Employment Opportunity, law enforce-  
14 ment, or any other appropriate investigative body, or any  
15 appropriate combination thereof, may investigate the un-  
16 restricted report, as appropriate. Policies and procedures  
17 developed pursuant to this section are intended to offer  
18 victims options in addition to the process described in part  
19 1614 of title 29, Code of Federal Regulations, or successor  
20 regulations.

21 “(k) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

22 “(1) REPORT.—The term ‘report’ means a com-  
23 munication—

24 “(A) by a victim;

1           “(B) that describes information relating to  
2           an allegation of sexual assault or sexual harass-  
3           ment;

4           “(C) to an individual eligible to document  
5           an unrestricted or restricted report; and

6           “(D) that the victim intends to result in  
7           formal documentation of an unrestricted or re-  
8           stricted report.

9           “(2) VICTIM.—The term ‘victim’ means a per-  
10          son who alleges they have suffered direct physical or  
11          emotional harm because they were subjected to sex-  
12          ual assault or sexual harassment.”.

13          (d) SPECIAL VICTIM INVESTIGATOR.—Such Act is  
14          further amended by adding at the end the following new  
15          section:

16          **“SEC. 32. SPECIAL VICTIM INVESTIGATOR.**

17          “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Director shall establish  
18          in the Office of Security a Special Victim Investigator,  
19          who shall be authorized to investigate or facilitate the in-  
20          vestigation of unrestricted reports containing allegations  
21          of sexual assault and sexual harassment. The person ap-  
22          pointed as the Special Victim Investigator shall be an ap-  
23          propriately credentialed Federal law enforcement officer  
24          and may be detailed or assigned from a Federal law en-  
25          forcement entity.

1 “(b) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Investigator shall—

2 “(1) at the election of a victim (as defined in  
3 section 31(k)), be authorized to conduct internal  
4 Agency inquiries, investigations, and other fact-find-  
5 ing activities related to allegations of sexual harass-  
6 ment, which may be separate and in addition to any  
7 inquiry or investigation conducted by the Office of  
8 Equal Employment Opportunity;

9 “(2) conduct and manage internal Agency in-  
10 quires, investigations, and other fact-finding activi-  
11 ties related to specific allegations of sexual assault;

12 “(3) testify in a criminal prosecution in any  
13 venue, where appropriate;

14 “(4) serve as the case agent for a criminal in-  
15 vestigation in any venue, where appropriate;

16 “(5) facilitate engagement with other law en-  
17 forcement relating to such allegations, where appro-  
18 priate, including coordinating on the matter and any  
19 related matters with other Federal, State, local, and  
20 Tribal law enforcement agencies, as necessary and  
21 appropriate, pursuant to regulations, requirements,  
22 and procedures developed in consultation with the  
23 Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Department of  
24 State’s Diplomatic Security Service, or other Fed-  
25 eral, State, local, or Tribal law enforcement authori-

1 ties, for any such inquiries, investigations, or other  
2 fact-finding activities;

3 “(6) develop and implement policies and proce-  
4 dures necessary for the Special Victim Investigator  
5 or any law enforcement partner to conduct effective  
6 investigations and also protect sensitive information;

7 “(7) serve as the primary internal investigative  
8 body in the Agency for allegations of sexual assault,  
9 except that, in the case of an allegation of a sexual  
10 assault involving an employee of the Office of Secu-  
11 rity, the Special Victim Investigator shall coordinate  
12 with the Inspector General or appropriate criminal  
13 investigators employed by a Federal, State, local, or  
14 Tribal law enforcement entity, as necessary, to  
15 maintain the integrity of the investigation and miti-  
16 gate potential conflicts of interest;

17 “(8) establish and coordinate clear policies re-  
18 garding which agency should take the lead on con-  
19 ducting, or be the lead in coordinating with local law  
20 enforcement when applicable, investigations of sexual  
21 assault and sexual harassment overseas; and

22 “(9) sharing information with the Sexual Har-  
23 assment/Assault Response and Prevention Office, in-  
24 cluding providing a copy of materials related to in-  
25 vestigations with such redactions as deemed nec-

1        essary, to facilitate the support and advocacy of such  
2        Office for victims of alleged sexual assault or sexual  
3        harassment.

4        “(c) TIMEFRAME FOR INVESTIGATIONS.—The Spe-  
5        cial Victim Investigator shall—

6                “(1) ensure that any Special Victim Investi-  
7        gator investigation into an allegation of a sexual as-  
8        sault or sexual harassment contained in an unre-  
9        stricted report submitted under section 31 is com-  
10       pleted by not later than 60 days after the date on  
11       which the report is referred to the Special Victim In-  
12       vestigator; and

13               “(2) if the Special Victim Investigator deter-  
14       mines that the completion of an investigation will  
15       take longer than 60 days—

16                       “(A) not later than 60 days after the date  
17       on which the report is referred to the Special  
18       Victim Investigator, submit to the Director a  
19       request for an extension that contains a sum-  
20       mary of the progress of the investigation, the  
21       reasons why the completion of the investigation  
22       requires additional time, and a plan for the  
23       completion of the investigation; and

24                       “(B) provide to the person who made the  
25       report and the person against whom the allega-

1           tion in the report was made notice of the exten-  
2           sion of the investigation.”.

3           (e) IMPLEMENTATION AND REPORTING REQUIRE-  
4 MENTS.—

5           (1) DEADLINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION.—Not  
6           later than 180 days after the date of the enactment  
7           of this Act, the Director of the Central Intelligence  
8           Agency shall—

9                   (A) complete an Agency climate assess-  
10                  ment—

11                           (i) which does not request any infor-  
12                           mation that would make an Agency em-  
13                           ployee or an Agency employee’s position  
14                           identifiable;

15                           (ii) for the purposes of—

16                                   (I) preventing and responding to  
17                                   sexual assault and sexual harassment;  
18                                   and

19                                   (II) examining the prevalence of  
20                                   sexual assault and sexual harassment  
21                                   occurring among the Agency’s work-  
22                                   force; and

23                           (iii) that includes an opportunity for  
24                           Agency employees to express their opinions  
25                           regarding the manner and extent to which

1 the Agency responds to allegations of sex-  
2 ual assault and complaints of sexual har-  
3 assment, and the effectiveness of such re-  
4 sponse;

5 (B) submit to the appropriate congres-  
6 sional committees the findings of the Director  
7 with respect to the climate assessment com-  
8 pleted pursuant to subparagraph (A);

9 (C) establish and implement the policies  
10 required under sections 30 and 31 of the Cen-  
11 tral Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, as added  
12 by subsections (b) and (c), respectively;

13 (D) consolidate the responsibilities of the  
14 Director under section 30 of the Central Intel-  
15 ligence Agency Act of 1949 in a single Office,  
16 as determined by the Director; and

17 (E) establish the Special Victim Investi-  
18 gator, as required by section 32 of the Central  
19 Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, as added by  
20 subsection (d).

21 (2) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the  
22 date of the enactment of this Act, and not less fre-  
23 quently than once every 90 days thereafter for 2  
24 years, the Director of the Central Intelligence Agen-  
25 cy shall submit to the appropriate congressional

1 committees a report on the implementation of this  
2 section and the amendments made by this section.  
3 The Director shall personally review, approve, and  
4 submit each report under this paragraph on a non-  
5 delegable basis.

6 (3) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
7 TEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “ap-  
8 propriate congressional committees” means—

9 (A) the Select Committee on Intelligence  
10 and the Subcommittee on Defense of the Com-  
11 mittee on Appropriations of the Senate; and

12 (B) the Permanent Select Committee on  
13 Intelligence and the Subcommittee on Defense  
14 of the Committee on Appropriations of the  
15 House of Representatives.

16 **Subtitle C—Matters Relating to De-**  
17 **fense Intelligence and Overhead**  
18 **Architecture**

19 **SEC. 7341. MODIFICATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENT**  
20 **FOR ALL-DOMAIN ANOMALY RESOLUTION OF-**  
21 **FICE.**

22 Section 1683(k)(1) of the National Defense Author-  
23 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (50 U.S.C. 3373(k)(1)),  
24 as amended by section 6802(a) of the Intelligence Author-

1 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263),  
2 is further amended—

3 (1) in the heading, by striking “DIRECTOR OF  
4 NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AND SECRETARY OF DE-  
5 FENSE” and inserting “ALL-DOMAIN ANOMALY RES-  
6 OLUTION OFFICE”; and

7 (2) in subparagraph (A), by striking “Director  
8 of National Intelligence and the Secretary of De-  
9 fense shall jointly” and inserting “Director of the  
10 Office shall”.

11 **SEC. 7342. DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY ASSESSMENT**  
12 **OF STRATEGIC COMPETITION IN LATIN**  
13 **AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN.**

14 (a) ASSESSMENT.—Not later than 120 days after the  
15 date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the De-  
16 fense Intelligence Agency, in consultation with the heads  
17 of the other elements of the intelligence community that  
18 the Director determines appropriate, shall submit to the  
19 appropriate congressional committees an intelligence as-  
20 sessment on the level of intelligence and defense coopera-  
21 tion between covered countries and—

22 (1) the People’s Republic of China; and

23 (2) the Russian Federation.

24 (b) ELEMENTS.—The intelligence assessment under  
25 subsection (a) shall include a description of any security-

1 related cooperation or engagement between covered coun-  
2 tries and the People's Republic of China or the Russian  
3 Federation in the following areas:

- 4 (1) Strategic dialogue.
- 5 (2) Training or professional military education.
- 6 (3) Defense agreements.
- 7 (4) Intelligence sharing agreements.
- 8 (5) Arms transfers.
- 9 (6) Defense equipment transfers.
- 10 (7) Military exercises.
- 11 (8) Joint operations.
- 12 (9) Permanent military presence.
- 13 (10) Space cooperation.
- 14 (11) Any other area the Director of the Defense  
15 Intelligence Agency determines appropriate.

16 (c) FORM.—The assessment under subsection (a)  
17 may be provided in classified form.

18 (d) FORMAT.—To the extent practicable, the Director  
19 shall present the information contained in the assessment  
20 under subsection (a) in the format of a chart or other  
21 graphic.

22 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

- 23 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
24 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-  
25 mittees” means the following:

1 (A) The congressional intelligence commit-  
2 tees.

3 (B) The congressional defense committees,  
4 as such term is defined in section 101(a) of  
5 title 10, United States Code.

6 (C) The Committee on Foreign Relations  
7 of the Senate and the Committee on Foreign  
8 Affairs of the House of Representatives.

9 (2) COVERED COUNTRY.—The term “covered  
10 country” means Mexico and each foreign country or  
11 territory in Central or South America or in the Car-  
12ibbean.

13 **SEC. 7343. FUNDING LIMITATIONS RELATING TO UNIDENTI-**  
14 **FIED ANOMALOUS PHENOMENA.**

15 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

16 (1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-  
17GRESS.—The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
18gress” means—

19 (A) the Select Committee on Intelligence,  
20 the Committee on Armed Services, and the  
21 Committee on Appropriations of the Senate;  
22 and

23 (B) the Permanent Select Committee on  
24 Intelligence, the Committee on Armed Services,

1           and the Committee on Appropriations of the  
2           House of Representatives.

3           (2) CONGRESSIONAL LEADERSHIP.—The term  
4           “congressional leadership” means—

5                   (A) the majority leader of the Senate;

6                   (B) the minority leader of the Senate;

7                   (C) the Speaker of the House of Rep-  
8           resentatives; and

9                   (D) the minority leader of the House of  
10          Representatives.

11          (3) UNIDENTIFIED ANOMALOUS PHENOMENA.—

12          The term “unidentified anomalous phenomena” has  
13          the meaning given such term in section 1683(n) of  
14          the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal  
15          Year 2022 (50 U.S.C. 3373(n)).

16          (b) LIMITATIONS.—None of the funds authorized to  
17          be appropriated or otherwise made available by this divi-  
18          sion may be obligated or expended in support of any activ-  
19          ity involving unidentified anomalous phenomena protected  
20          under any form of special access or restricted access limi-  
21          tation unless the Director of National Intelligence has pro-  
22          vided the details of the activity to the appropriate commit-  
23          tees of Congress and congressional leadership, including  
24          for any activities described in a report released by the All-  
25          domain Anomaly Resolution Office in fiscal year 2024.

1 (c) LIMITATION REGARDING INDEPENDENT RE-  
2 SEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.—Independent research and  
3 development funding relating to unidentified anomalous  
4 phenomena shall not be allowable as indirect expenses for  
5 purposes of contracts covered by such instruction, unless  
6 such material and information is made available to the ap-  
7 propriate congressional committees and leadership.

8 **Subtitle D—Matters Relating to Na-**  
9 **tional Security Agency, Cyber,**  
10 **and Commercial Cloud Enter-**  
11 **prise**

12 **SEC. 7351. CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION BY NATIONAL**  
13 **SECURITY AGENCY OF INTELLIGENCE COL-**  
14 **LECTION ADJUSTMENTS.**

15 The National Security Agency Act of 1959 (50  
16 U.S.C. 3601 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end  
17 the following new section:

18 **“SEC. 22. CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION OF INTEL-**  
19 **LIGENCE COLLECTION ADJUSTMENTS.**

20 “(a) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 30 days after  
21 the date on which the Director of the National Security  
22 Agency determines the occurrence of an intelligence collec-  
23 tion adjustment, the Director shall submit to the congres-  
24 sional intelligence committees, the Committee on Appro-  
25 priations of the Senate, and the Committee on Appropria-

1 tions of the House of Representatives a notification of the  
2 intelligence collection adjustment.

3 “(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 “(1) CONGRESSIONAL INTELLIGENCE COMMIT-  
5 TEES.—The term ‘congressional intelligence commit-  
6 tees’ has the meaning given that term in section 3  
7 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C.  
8 3003).

9 “(2) INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION ADJUST-  
10 MENT.—The term ‘intelligence collection adjustment’  
11 includes a change by the United States Government  
12 to a policy on intelligence collection or the  
13 prioritization thereof that results in a significant  
14 loss of intelligence.”.

15 **SEC. 7352. MODIFICATIONS TO ENFORCEMENT OF CYBER-**  
16 **SECURITY REQUIREMENTS FOR NATIONAL**  
17 **SECURITY SYSTEMS.**

18 Section 6309 of the Intelligence Authorization Act for  
19 Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263) is amended—

20 (1) by redesignating subsection (e) as sub-  
21 section (f); and

22 (2) by inserting after subsection (d) the fol-  
23 lowing new subsection:

24 “(e) IMPLEMENTATION REPORT.—Each head of an  
25 element of the intelligence community that owns or oper-

1 ates a national security system shall submit to the con-  
2 gressional intelligence committees not later than 90 days  
3 after the date of the enactment of this subsection a plan  
4 detailing the cost and schedule requirements necessary to  
5 meet all of the cybersecurity requirements for national se-  
6 curity systems by the end of fiscal year 2026.”.

7 **SEC. 7353. SUPPORT BY INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY FOR**  
8 **CERTAIN CROSS-FUNCTIONAL TEAM OF DE-**  
9 **PARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

10 (a) ACCESS TO INFORMATION.—Upon request by the  
11 cross-functional team of the Department of Defense estab-  
12 lished under section 910 of the National Defense Author-  
13 ization Act of Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10  
14 U.S.C. 111 note) (in this section referred to as the “cross-  
15 functional team”), and consistent with the protection of  
16 intelligence sources and methods, the head of any element  
17 of the intelligence community shall provide such team with  
18 access to any information (including any intelligence re-  
19 porting, analysis, or finished intelligence product) of the  
20 element potentially relevant to the duties of such team re-  
21 quired under subsection (b)(1) of such section.

22 (b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in sub-  
23 section (a) shall be construed as waiving the Health Insur-  
24 ance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (Public

1 Law 104–191) or any other applicable law regarding pri-  
2 vacy or the protection of health information.

3 (c) STAFFING OF CROSS-FUNCTIONAL TEAM BY CER-  
4 TAIN ELEMENTS.—

5 (1) STAFFING.—

6 (A) COVERED ELEMENTS.—The head of  
7 each covered element shall detail or assign to  
8 the cross-functional team, including through a  
9 joint duty assignment (as applicable), intel-  
10 ligence or counterintelligence personnel of that  
11 covered element in such numbers as the head,  
12 in consultation with such team, determines nec-  
13 essary to support such team in fulfilling the du-  
14 ties required under section 910(b)(1) of the Na-  
15 tional Defense Authorization Act of Fiscal Year  
16 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C. 111  
17 note).

18 (B) OTHER ELEMENTS.—The head any  
19 element that is not a covered element may only  
20 detail or assign to the cross-functional team, in-  
21 cluding through a joint duty assignment (as ap-  
22 plicable), intelligence or counterintelligence per-  
23 sonnel of such element if the head of such ele-  
24 ment—

1 (i) receives written concurrence from  
2 the Director of National Intelligence and  
3 the Secretary of Defense regarding the  
4 specific personnel to be detailed or as-  
5 signed; and

6 (ii) submits to the congressional intel-  
7 ligence committees, the Committee on  
8 Armed Services of the Senate, and the  
9 Committee on Armed Services of the  
10 House of Representatives a notification de-  
11 scribing the personnel to be detailed or as-  
12 signed and the rationale for participation  
13 in the cross functional team.

14 (2) NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY.—In carrying  
15 out paragraph (1) with respect to the National Secu-  
16 rity Agency, the Director of the National Security  
17 Agency shall ensure there is detailed or assigned to  
18 the cross-functional team at least 1 individual deter-  
19 mined appropriate by the Director, who, while so de-  
20 tailed or assigned, shall provide such team with tech-  
21 nical expertise of the National Security Agency rel-  
22 evant to the fulfilment of the duties referred to in  
23 paragraph (1).

24 (d) ADDITIONAL DETAIL AUTHORITY.—Upon re-  
25 quest by the cross-functional team, the head of any ele-

1 ment of the intelligence community may detail to such  
2 team personnel of the element to provide intelligence,  
3 counterintelligence, or related support.

4 (e) COVERED ELEMENT DEFINED.—In this section,  
5 the term “covered element” means the following:

6 (1) The National Security Agency.

7 (2) The Defense Intelligence Agency.

8 (3) The intelligence elements of the Army, the  
9 Navy, the Air Force, and the Marine Corps.

10 **SEC. 7354. COMMERCIAL CLOUD ENTERPRISE NOTIFICA-**  
11 **TION.**

12 (a) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—Not later than  
13 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and  
14 on a quarterly basis thereafter, the Director of the Central  
15 Intelligence Agency shall submit to the appropriate com-  
16 mittees of Congress a notification relating to the Commer-  
17 cial Cloud Enterprise contract entered into by the Director  
18 of the Central Intelligence Agency in November 2020 for  
19 commercial cloud services for the intelligence community,  
20 which shall include—

21 (1) the number and value of all task orders  
22 issued under such contract, broken down by vendor,  
23 for each element of the intelligence community;

24 (2) the duration of each task order;

1           (3) the number of sole source task orders issued  
2           compared to the number of task orders issued on a  
3           competitive basis under such contract; and

4           (4) with respect to each vendor authorized to  
5           provide commercial cloud services under such con-  
6           tract, an update on the status of the security accred-  
7           itation and authority to operate decision of each ven-  
8           dor.

9           (b) DATA SHARING.—The head of each element of  
10          the intelligence community shall share such data with the  
11          Director of the Central Intelligence Agency as necessary  
12          to prepare the notification required under subsection (a).

13          (c) SUNSET.—The requirement to submit the notifi-  
14          cation under subsection (a) shall terminate on the date  
15          that is 3 years after the date of the enactment of this  
16          Act.

17          (d) DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF  
18          CONGRESS.—In this section, the term “appropriate com-  
19          mittees of Congress” means—

20                 (1) the congressional intelligence committees;

21                 (2) the Committee on Appropriations of the  
22                 Senate; and

23                 (3) the Committee on Appropriations of the  
24                 House of Representatives.

1 **SEC. 7355. COMMERCIAL CLOUD ENTERPRISE SOLE**  
2 **SOURCE TASK ORDER NOTIFICATION RE-**  
3 **QUIREMENT.**

4 (a) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—Not later than  
5 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and  
6 on a semiannual basis thereafter, the head of each element  
7 of the intelligence community shall submit to the appro-  
8 priate committees of Congress a notification with respect  
9 to any sole source task order awarded by such head under  
10 the contract relating to the Commercial Cloud Enterprise  
11 entered into by the Director of the Central Intelligence  
12 Agency in November 2020 for commercial cloud services  
13 for the intelligence community.

14 (b) CONTENTS.—Each notification required under  
15 subsection (a) shall include, with respect to the task order  
16 concerned—

17 (1) a description of the order;

18 (2) the duration of the order;

19 (3) a summary of services provided under the  
20 order;

21 (4) the value of the order;

22 (5) the justification for awarding the order on  
23 a sole source basis; and

24 (6) an identification of the vendor awarded the  
25 order.

1 (c) SUNSET.—The requirement to submit the notifi-  
2 cation under subsection (a) shall terminate on the date  
3 that is 3 years after the date of the enactment of this  
4 Act.

5 (d) DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF  
6 CONGRESS.—In this section, the term “appropriate com-  
7 mittees of Congress” means—

8 (1) the congressional intelligence committees;

9 (2) the Committee on Appropriations of the  
10 Senate; and

11 (3) the Committee on Appropriations of the  
12 House of Representatives.

13 **SEC. 7356. ANALYSIS OF COMMERCIAL CLOUD INITIATIVES**  
14 **OF INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.**

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the  
16 date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of National  
17 Intelligence shall, in coordination with such heads of ele-  
18 ments of the intelligence community as the Director con-  
19 siders appropriate—

20 (1) complete a comprehensive analysis of the  
21 commercial cloud initiatives of the intelligence com-  
22 munity relating to the Commercial Cloud Enterprise  
23 contract entered into by the Director of the Central  
24 Intelligence Agency in November 2020; and

1           (2) provide to the congressional intelligence  
2 committees, the Committee on the Appropriations of  
3 the Senate, and the Committee on Appropriations of  
4 the House of Representatives a briefing on the find-  
5 ings of the Director with respect to the analysis con-  
6 ducted pursuant to paragraph (1).

7           (b) ELEMENTS.—The analysis conducted under sub-  
8 section (a) shall include—

9           (1) the current year and 5-year projected costs  
10 for commercial cloud utilization for each element of  
11 the intelligence community, including costs related to  
12 data storage, data migration, egress fees, and any  
13 other commercial cloud services;

14           (2) the termination or planned termination, as  
15 the case may be, of legacy data storage capacity of  
16 an element of the intelligence community and the  
17 projected cost savings resulting from such termi-  
18 nation;

19           (3) efforts underway by the Office of the Direc-  
20 tor of National Intelligence and elements of the in-  
21 telligence community to utilize multiple commercial  
22 cloud service providers;

23           (4) the operational value that elements of the  
24 intelligence community are achieving through utiliza-

1       tion of commercial cloud analytic tools and services;  
2       and

3               (5) how effectively the commercial cloud enter-  
4       prise is currently postured to support artificial intel-  
5       ligence workloads of intelligence community elements  
6       and a description of criteria for continuing to rely on  
7       legacy data centers for those artificial intelligence  
8       requirements by an intelligence community element.

9       **TITLE           IV—MATTERS           CON-**  
10       **CERNING       FOREIGN       COUN-**  
11       **TRIES**

          Subtitle A—People’s Republic of China

- Sec. 7401. Intelligence community coordinator for accountability of atrocities of the People’s Republic of China.
- Sec. 7402. Interagency working group and report on the malign efforts of the People’s Republic of China in Africa.
- Sec. 7403. Amendment to requirement for annual assessment by intelligence community working group for monitoring the economic and technological capabilities of the People’s Republic of China.
- Sec. 7404. Assessments of reciprocity in the relationship between the United States and the People’s Republic of China.
- Sec. 7405. Assessment of threat posed to United States ports by cranes manufactured by countries of concern.
- Sec. 7406. Intelligence assessment of influence operations by People’s Republic of China toward Pacific Islands countries.
- Sec. 7407. Independent study on economic impact of military invasion of Taiwan by People’s Republic of China.
- Sec. 7408. Report by Director of National Intelligence on Uyghur genocide.

          Subtitle B—Other Foreign Countries

- Sec. 7411. Report on efforts to capture and detain United States citizens as hostages.
- Sec. 7412. Intelligence assessments regarding Haiti.
- Sec. 7413. Monitoring Iranian enrichment of uranium-235.



1 (A) a member, official, or employee of the  
2 government of the People’s Republic of China;

3 (B) a member, official, or employee of the  
4 Chinese Communist Party;

5 (C) a member of the armed forces, secu-  
6 rity, or other defense services of the People’s  
7 Republic of China; or

8 (D) an agent or contractor of a person  
9 specified in subparagraph (A), (B), or (C).

10 (3) COMMIT.—The term “commit”, with respect  
11 to an atrocity of the People’s Republic of China, in-  
12 cludes the planning, committing, aiding, and abet-  
13 ting of such atrocity of the People’s Republic of  
14 China.

15 (4) FOREIGN PERSON.—The term “foreign per-  
16 son” means—

17 (A) any person or entity that is not a  
18 United States person; or

19 (B) any entity not organized under the  
20 laws of the United States or of any jurisdiction  
21 within the United States.

22 (5) GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC  
23 OF CHINA.—The term “government of the People’s  
24 Republic of China” includes the regional govern-  
25 ments of Xinjiang, Tibet, and Hong Kong.

1           (6) UNITED STATES PERSON.—The term  
2           “United States person” has the meaning given that  
3           term in section 105A(c) of the National Security Act  
4           of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3039(c)).

5           (b) INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY COORDINATOR FOR  
6 ACCOUNTABILITY OF ATROCITIES OF THE PEOPLE’S RE-  
7 PUBLIC OF CHINA.—

8           (1) DESIGNATION.—Not later than 30 days  
9           after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Di-  
10          rector of National Intelligence shall designate a sen-  
11          ior official of the Office of the Director of National  
12          Intelligence to serve as the intelligence community  
13          coordinator for accountability of atrocities of the  
14          People’s Republic of China (in this section referred  
15          to as the “Coordinator”).

16          (2) DUTIES.—The Coordinator shall oversee the  
17          efforts of the intelligence community relating to the  
18          following:

19                 (A) Identifying and, as appropriate, dis-  
20                 seminating within the United States Govern-  
21                 ment, intelligence relating to atrocities of the  
22                 People’s Republic of China.

23                 (B) Identifying analytic and other intel-  
24                 ligence needs and priorities of the United States

1 Government with respect to the commitment of  
2 atrocities of the People's Republic of China.

3 (C) Collaborating with appropriate coun-  
4 terparts across the intelligence community to  
5 ensure appropriate coordination on, and inte-  
6 gration of the analysis of, the commitment of  
7 atrocities of the People's Republic of China.

8 (D) Ensuring that relevant departments  
9 and agencies of the United States Government  
10 receive appropriate support from the intel-  
11 ligence community with respect to the collec-  
12 tion, analysis, preservation, and, as appropriate,  
13 downgrade and dissemination of intelligence  
14 products relating to the commitment of atroc-  
15 ities of the People's Republic of China.

16 (3) PLAN REQUIRED.—Not later than 90 days  
17 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Di-  
18 rector of National Intelligence shall submit to the  
19 appropriate committees of Congress—

20 (A) the name of the official designated as  
21 the Coordinator pursuant to paragraph (1);

22 (B) the strategy of the intelligence commu-  
23 nity for the prioritization and integration of in-  
24 telligence relating to atrocities of the People's  
25 Republic of China, including a detailed descrip-

1           tion of how the Coordinator shall support the  
2           implementation of such strategy; and

3           (C) the plan of the intelligence community  
4           to conduct a review of classified and unclassi-  
5           fied intelligence reporting regarding atrocities  
6           of the People's Republic of China for down-  
7           grading, dissemination, and, as appropriate,  
8           public release.

9           (4) BRIEFINGS TO CONGRESS.—Not later than  
10          120 days after the date of enactment of this Act,  
11          and not less frequently than quarterly thereafter, the  
12          Director of National Intelligence, acting through the  
13          Coordinator, shall brief the appropriate committees  
14          of Congress on—

15                 (A) the analytical findings, changes in col-  
16                 lection, and other activities of the intelligence  
17                 community with respect to atrocities of the Peo-  
18                 ple's Republic of China; and

19                 (B) the recipients of intelligence reporting  
20                 shared pursuant to this section in the prior  
21                 quarter, including for the purposes of ensuring  
22                 that the public is informed about atrocities of  
23                 the People's Republic of China and to support  
24                 efforts by the United States Government to  
25                 seek accountability for the atrocities of the Peo-

1           ple’s Republic of China, and the date of any  
2           such sharing.

3           (c) SUNSET.—This section shall cease to have effect  
4 on September 30, 2027.

5 **SEC. 7402. INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP AND REPORT**  
6                           **ON THE MALIGN EFFORTS OF THE PEOPLE’S**  
7                           **REPUBLIC OF CHINA IN AFRICA.**

8           (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

9                   (1) IN GENERAL.—The Director of National In-  
10           telligence, in consultation with such heads of ele-  
11           ments of the intelligence community as the Director  
12           considers appropriate, shall establish an interagency  
13           working group within the intelligence community to  
14           analyze the tactics and capabilities of the People’s  
15           Republic of China in Africa.

16                   (2) ESTABLISHMENT FLEXIBILITY.—The work-  
17           ing group established under paragraph (1) may be—

18                           (A) independently established; or

19                           (B) to avoid redundancy, incorporated into  
20           existing working groups or cross-intelligence ef-  
21           forts within the intelligence community.

22           (b) REPORT.—

23                   (1) DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES  
24           OF CONGRESS.—In this subsection, the term “appro-  
25           priate committees of Congress” means—

1 (A) the congressional intelligence commit-  
2 tees;

3 (B) the Committee on Foreign Relations,  
4 the Committee on Energy and Natural Re-  
5 sources, and the Subcommittee on Defense of  
6 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate;  
7 and

8 (C) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the  
9 Committee on Energy and Commerce, and the  
10 Subcommittee on Defense of the Committee on  
11 Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

12 (2) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days  
13 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
14 working group established under subsection (a) shall  
15 submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a  
16 report on the specific tactics and capabilities of the  
17 People’s Republic of China in Africa.

18 (3) ELEMENTS.—Each report required by para-  
19 graph (2) shall include the following elements:

20 (A) An assessment and description of ef-  
21 forts by the Government of the People’s Repub-  
22 lic of China to exploit mining and reprocessing  
23 operations in Africa.

24 (B) An assessment and description of ef-  
25 forts by the Government of the People’s Repub-

1           lic of China to provide or fund technologies in  
2           Africa, including—

3                   (i) telecommunications and energy  
4                   technologies, such as advanced reactors,  
5                   transportation, and other commercial prod-  
6                   ucts; and

7                   (ii) by requiring that the People's Re-  
8                   public of China be the sole provider of such  
9                   technologies.

10           (C) An assessment of opportunities for  
11           mitigation.

12           (4) FORM.—The report required by paragraph  
13           (2) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may  
14           include a classified annex if necessary.

15           (c) SUNSET.—The requirements of this section shall  
16           terminate on the date that is 5 years after the date of  
17           the enactment of this Act.

18   **SEC. 7403. AMENDMENT TO REQUIREMENT FOR ANNUAL**  
19                   **ASSESSMENT BY INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY**  
20                   **WORKING GROUP FOR MONITORING THE**  
21                   **ECONOMIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL CAPABILI-**  
22                   **TIES OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.**

23           Section 6503(c)(3)(D) of the Intelligence Authoriza-  
24           tion Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (division F of Public Law

1 117–263) is amended by striking “the top 200” and in-  
2 serting “all the known”.

3 **SEC. 7404. ASSESSMENTS OF RECIPROCITY IN THE RELA-**  
4 **TIONSHIP BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES**  
5 **AND THE PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the  
7 date of the enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary  
8 of State for Intelligence and Research, in consultation  
9 with the Director of National Intelligence and such other  
10 heads of elements of the intelligence community as the As-  
11 sistant Secretary considers relevant, shall submit to Con-  
12 gress the following:

13 (1) A comprehensive assessment that identifies  
14 critical areas in the security, diplomatic, economic,  
15 financial, technological, scientific, commercial, aca-  
16 demic, and cultural spheres in which the United  
17 States does not enjoy a reciprocal relationship with  
18 the People’s Republic of China.

19 (2) A comprehensive assessment that describes  
20 how the lack of reciprocity between the People’s Re-  
21 public of China and the United States in the areas  
22 identified in the assessment required by paragraph  
23 (1) provides advantages to the People’s Republic of  
24 China.

25 (b) FORM OF ASSESSMENTS.—

1           (1) CRITICAL AREAS.—The assessment required  
2           by subsection (a)(1) shall be submitted in unclassi-  
3           fied form.

4           (2) ADVANTAGES.—The assessment required by  
5           subsection (a)(2) shall be submitted in classified  
6           form.

7   **SEC. 7405. ASSESSMENT OF THREAT POSED TO UNITED**  
8                           **STATES PORTS BY CRANES MANUFACTURED**  
9                           **BY COUNTRIES OF CONCERN.**

10          (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

11           (1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-  
12           GRESS.—The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
13           gress” means—

14                   (A) the congressional intelligence commit-  
15                   tees;

16                   (B) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
17                   Committee on Homeland Security and Govern-  
18                   mental Affairs, the Committee on Banking,  
19                   Housing, and Urban Affairs, the Committee on  
20                   Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and  
21                   the Subcommittee on Defense of the Committee  
22                   on Appropriations of the Senate; and

23                   (C) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
24                   Committee on Oversight and Accountability, the  
25                   Committee on Financial Services, the Com-

1           committee on Energy and Commerce, and the Sub-  
2           committee on Defense of the Committee on Ap-  
3           propriations of the House of Representatives.

4           (2) COUNTRY OF CONCERN.—The term “coun-  
5           try of concern” has the meaning given that term in  
6           section 1(m)(1) of the State Department Basic Au-  
7           thorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2651a(m)(1)).

8           (b) ASSESSMENT.—The Director of National Intel-  
9           ligence, in coordination with such other heads of the ele-  
10          ments of the intelligence community as the Director con-  
11          siders appropriate and the Secretary of Defense, shall con-  
12          duct an assessment of the threat posed to United States  
13          ports by cranes manufactured by countries of concern and  
14          commercial entities of those countries, including the  
15          Shanghai Zhenhua Heavy Industries Co. (ZPMC).

16          (c) REPORT AND BRIEFING.—

17               (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
18               after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Di-  
19               rector of National Intelligence shall submit a report  
20               and provide a briefing to the appropriate committees  
21               of Congress on the findings of the assessment re-  
22               quired by subsection (b).

23               (2) ELEMENTS.—The report and briefing re-  
24               quired by paragraph (1) shall outline the potential  
25               for the cranes described in subsection (b) to collect

1 intelligence, disrupt operations at United States  
2 ports, and impact the national security of the United  
3 States.

4 (3) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required by  
5 paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified  
6 form, but may include a classified annex.

7 **SEC. 7406. INTELLIGENCE ASSESSMENT OF INFLUENCE OP-**  
8 **ERATIONS BY PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA**  
9 **TOWARD PACIFIC ISLANDS COUNTRIES.**

10 (a) ASSESSMENT.—Not later than 180 days after the  
11 date of the enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary  
12 of State for Intelligence and Research, in consultation  
13 with the heads of the other elements of the intelligence  
14 community that the Assistant Secretary determines appro-  
15 priate, shall submit to the appropriate congressional com-  
16 mittees an assessment of influence operations by the Peo-  
17 ple’s Republic of China toward Pacific Islands countries.

18 (b) ELEMENTS.—The intelligence assessment under  
19 subsection (a) shall include the following:

20 (1) A description of recent and potential future  
21 efforts by the People’s Republic of China, using ei-  
22 ther overt or covert means, to enhance its security,  
23 political, diplomatic, or economic ties with Pacific Is-  
24 lands countries.

1           (2) An assessment of how the People’s Republic  
2 of China views the success of its efforts to expand  
3 influence in Pacific Islands countries, and the impor-  
4 tance of such efforts to its national security, foreign  
5 policy, and economic development objectives.

6           (3) An identification of Pacific Islands coun-  
7 tries in which the People’s Republic of China has es-  
8 tablished, or is seeking to establish, an intelligence  
9 presence or intelligence partnerships.

10          (4) An assessment of the degree to which the  
11 People’s Republic of China is using economic or  
12 other forms of coercion to pressure the Pacific Is-  
13 lands countries that diplomatically recognize Taiwan  
14 (the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Palau, Nauru,  
15 and Tuvalu) into instead recognizing the People’s  
16 Republic of China.

17          (5) An analysis of how specific Pacific Islands  
18 countries are responding to efforts by the People’s  
19 Republic of China to increase bilateral engagement.

20          (6) An assessment of the influence of the Peo-  
21 ple’s Republic of China in the Pacific Islands Forum  
22 (the main multilateral organization of the region)  
23 and of the efforts of the People’s Republic of China  
24 to establish parallel regional organizations and re-  
25 cruit Pacific Islands countries to participate.

1           (7) An analysis of opportunities for the United  
2 States to counter influence operations by the Peo-  
3 ple’s Republic of China in the Pacific Islands region  
4 that undermine the national security or economic in-  
5 terests of the United States.

6           (c) FORM.—The intelligence assessment under sub-  
7 section (a) may be submitted in classified form.

8           (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

9           (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
10 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-  
11 mittees” means—

12                   (A) the congressional intelligence commit-  
13 tees;

14                   (B) the Committee on Foreign Relations,  
15 the Committee on Armed Services, and the  
16 Committee on Appropriations of the Senate;  
17 and

18                   (C) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the  
19 Committee on Armed Services, the Committee  
20 on Appropriations, and the Select Committee on  
21 the Strategic Competition Between the United  
22 States and the Chinese Communist Party of the  
23 House of Representatives.

24           (2) PACIFIC ISLANDS COUNTRIES.—The term  
25 “Pacific Islands countries” includes the Federated

1 States of Micronesia, Fiji, French Polynesia,  
2 Kiribati, the Republic of the Marshall Islands,  
3 Nauru, Palau, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Samoa,  
4 Niue, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu.

5 **SEC. 7407. INDEPENDENT STUDY ON ECONOMIC IMPACT OF**  
6 **MILITARY INVASION OF TAIWAN BY PEOPLE'S**  
7 **REPUBLIC OF CHINA.**

8 (a) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 60 days after the  
9 date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of National  
10 Intelligence shall seek to enter into a contract with an eli-  
11 gible entity to conduct a comprehensive study on the glob-  
12 al economic impact of a military invasion of Taiwan by  
13 the People's Republic of China or certain other aggressive  
14 or coercive actions taken by the People's Republic of  
15 China with respect to Taiwan.

16 (b) MATTERS INCLUDED.—The study required under  
17 subsection (a) shall include the following:

18 (1) An assessment of the economic impact glob-  
19 ally, in the United States, and in the People's Re-  
20 public of China that would result from an invasion  
21 of Taiwan by the People's Republic of China under  
22 various potential invasion and response scenarios, in-  
23 cluding with respect to the impact on—

24 (A) supply chains;

25 (B) trade flows;

- 1 (C) financial markets;
- 2 (D) sovereign debt; and
- 3 (E) gross domestic product, unemploy-  
4 ment, and other key economic indicators.

5 (2) An assessment of the economic impact glob-  
6 ally, in the United States, and in the People's Re-  
7 public of China that would result from of an aggres-  
8 sive or coercive military, economic, or other action  
9 taken by the People's Republic of China with respect  
10 to Taiwan that falls short of an invasion, including  
11 as a result of a blockade of Taiwan.

12 (3) The development of economic policy options,  
13 to include sanctions and supply chain restrictions,  
14 designed to cause escalating impacts on the economy  
15 of the People's Republic of China during a  
16 preconflict phase.

17 (c) REPORT.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 270 days  
19 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the eligi-  
20 ble entity that the Director of National Intelligence  
21 enters into an agreement with under subsection (a)  
22 shall submit to the Director a report containing the  
23 results of the study conducted under such sub-  
24 section.

1           (2) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than  
2           30 days after the date the Director receives the re-  
3           port under paragraph (1), the Director shall submit  
4           the report to—

5                   (A) the congressional intelligence commit-  
6                   tees;

7                   (B) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
8                   Committee on Foreign Relations, the Com-  
9                   mittee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Af-  
10                  fairs, and the Committee on Appropriations of  
11                  the Senate; and

12                  (C) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
13                  Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Com-  
14                  mittee on Appropriations of the House of Rep-  
15                  resentatives.

16           (3) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required  
17           under this subsection shall be submitted in unclassi-  
18           fied form, but may include a classified annex.

19           (d) ELIGIBLE ENTITY DEFINED.—In this section,  
20           the term “eligible entity” means a federally funded re-  
21           search and development center or nongovernmental entity  
22           which has—

23                   (1) a primary focus on studies and analysis;

24                   (2) experience and expertise relevant to the  
25           study required under subsection (a); and

1           (3) a sufficient number of personnel with the  
2           appropriate security clearance to conduct such  
3           study.

4 **SEC. 7408. REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTEL-**  
5 **LIGENCE ON UYGHUR GENOCIDE.**

6           (a) REPORT ON UYGHUR GENOCIDE.—

7           (1) SUBMISSION.—Not later than 180 days  
8           after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Di-  
9           rector of National Intelligence, in coordination with  
10          the relevant heads of the elements of the intelligence  
11          community, shall submit to the appropriate commit-  
12          tees of Congress a report on the Uyghur genocide.

13          (2) MATTERS.—The report under paragraph  
14          (1) shall address the following matters:

15                 (A) Forced sterilization, forced birth con-  
16                 trol, and forced abortion of Uyghurs.

17                 (B) Forced transfer of Uyghur children  
18                 from their families.

19                 (C) Forced labor of Uyghurs, inside and  
20                 outside of Xinjiang.

21                 (D) The work conditions of Uyghur labor-  
22                 ers (including laborers in the textile, automobile  
23                 and electric vehicle, solar panel, polyvinyl chlo-  
24                 ride, and rare earth metals sectors), including  
25                 an identification of any company that is—

1 (i) organized under the laws of the  
2 People's Republic of China or otherwise  
3 subject to the jurisdiction of (or over which  
4 control is exercised or exercisable by) the  
5 Government of the People's Republic of  
6 China; and

7 (ii) employing forced Uyghur laborers  
8 from Xinjiang.

9 (E) Any other forms of physical or psycho-  
10 logical torture against Uyghurs.

11 (F) Any other actions that infringe on the  
12 rights of Uyghurs to live freely in accordance  
13 with their customs, culture, and religious prac-  
14 tices.

15 (G) The methods of surveillance of  
16 Uyghurs, including surveillance via technology,  
17 law enforcement notifications, and forcing  
18 Uyghurs to live with other individuals for moni-  
19 toring purposes.

20 (H) Such other matters as the Director of  
21 National Intelligence may determine appro-  
22 priate.

23 (3) FORM.—The report under paragraph (1)  
24 shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may in-  
25 clude a classified annex.

1 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

2 (1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-  
3 GRESS.—The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
4 gress” means—

5 (A) the congressional intelligence commit-  
6 tees;

7 (B) the Committee on Foreign Relations  
8 and the Committee on Appropriations of the  
9 Senate; and

10 (C) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and  
11 the Committee on Appropriations of the House  
12 of Representatives.

13 (2) INTELLIGENCE; NATIONAL INTEL-  
14 LIGENCE.—The terms “intelligence” and “national  
15 intelligence” have the meanings given those terms in  
16 section 3 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50  
17 U.S.C. 3003).

## 18 **Subtitle B—Other Foreign** 19 **Countries**

### 20 **SEC. 7411. REPORT ON EFFORTS TO CAPTURE AND DETAIN** 21 **UNITED STATES CITIZENS AS HOSTAGES.**

22 (a) DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF  
23 CONGRESS.—In this section, the term “appropriate com-  
24 mittees of Congress” means—

25 (1) the congressional intelligence committees;

1           (2) the Committee on Foreign Relations, the  
2           Committee on the Judiciary, and the Committee on  
3           Appropriations of the Senate; and

4           (3) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the  
5           Committee on the Judiciary, and the Committee on  
6           Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

7           (b) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after the  
8           date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of National  
9           Intelligence shall submit to the appropriate committees of  
10          Congress a report on efforts by the Maduro regime in Ven-  
11          ezuela to detain United States citizens and lawful perma-  
12          nent residents.

13          (c) ELEMENTS.—The report required by subsection  
14          (b) shall include, regarding the arrest, capture, detain-  
15          ment, or imprisonment of United States citizens and law-  
16          ful permanent residents, the following:

17               (1) The names, positions, and institutional af-  
18               filiation of Venezuelan individuals, or those acting  
19               on their behalf, who have engaged in such activities.

20               (2) A description of any role played by  
21               transnational criminal organizations, and an identi-  
22               fication of such organizations.

23               (3) Where relevant, an assessment of whether  
24               and how United States citizens and lawful perma-  
25               nent residents have been lured to Venezuela.



1 to the United States, the increased use of Haiti  
2 as a transshipment point for illicit drugs des-  
3 tined for the United States, or any other rel-  
4 evant factor or trend.

5 (2) A description of opportunities available to  
6 improve or stabilize the security, political, and eco-  
7 nomic situation in Haiti.

8 (3) An identification of specific events or ac-  
9 tions in Haiti that, were they to occur individually  
10 or in combination, would serve as signposts indi-  
11 cating the further deterioration or collapse of the se-  
12 curity, political, and economic situation in Haiti.

13 (b) INTELLIGENCE ASSESSMENT.—The Director of  
14 National Intelligence shall produce an intelligence assess-  
15 ment based on a review of the intelligence products per-  
16 taining to Haiti that were written by elements of the intel-  
17 ligence community and provided to policymakers during  
18 the period of time beginning on January 1, 2021, and end-  
19 ing on July 7, 2021. Such assessment shall include each  
20 of the following:

21 (1) An analysis of whether, during the time pe-  
22 riod covered by the assessment, the intelligence com-  
23 munity provided policymakers with adequate indica-  
24 tions and warning of the assassination of Haitian  
25 President Jovenal Moise on July 7, 2021.

1           (2) An analysis of whether, during such time  
2           period, the intelligence community provided policy-  
3           makers with useful and unique insights, derived  
4           from both covertly collected and open-source intel-  
5           ligence, that policymakers would not otherwise have  
6           been able to obtain from sources outside of the intel-  
7           ligence community.

8           (3) Based on the analyses conducted under  
9           paragraphs (1) and (2), any recommendations to im-  
10          prove indications and warning or to otherwise en-  
11          hance the utility for policymakers of intelligence  
12          products that the intelligence community prepares  
13          on Haiti, specifically, or on other countries charac-  
14          terized by chronic insecurity, instability, and pov-  
15          erty.

16          (c) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—

17           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after  
18           the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director  
19           shall concurrently submit to the appropriate commit-  
20           tees of Congress the intelligence community assess-  
21           ment produced under subsection (a) and the intel-  
22           ligence assessment produced under subsection (b).

23           (2) FORM.— The assessments submitted under  
24           paragraph (1) shall be submitted in classified form.

1           (3) DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES  
2           OF CONGRESS.—In this subsection, the term “appro-  
3           priate committees of Congress” means—

4                   (A) the congressional intelligence commit-  
5           tees;

6                   (B) the Committee on Foreign Relations  
7           and the Committee on Appropriations of the  
8           Senate; and

9                   (C) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and  
10          the Committee on Appropriations of the House  
11          of Representatives.

12 **SEC. 7413. MONITORING IRANIAN ENRICHMENT OF URA-**  
13 **NIUM-235.**

14          (a) SIGNIFICANT ENRICHMENT ACTIVITY DE-  
15          FINED.—In this section, the term “significant enrichment  
16          activity” means—

17                   (1) any enrichment of any amount of uranium-  
18          235 to a purity percentage that is 5 percent higher  
19          than the purity percentage indicated in the prior  
20          submission to Congress under subsection (b)(1); or

21                   (2) any enrichment of uranium-235 in a quan-  
22          tity exceeding 10 kilograms.

23          (b) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—

24                   (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 48 hours  
25          after the Director of National Intelligence assesses

1 that the Islamic Republic of Iran has produced or  
2 possesses any amount of uranium-235 enriched to  
3 greater than 60 percent purity or has engaged in  
4 significant enrichment activity, the Director shall  
5 submit to Congress such assessment, consistent with  
6 the protection of intelligence sources and methods.

7 (2) DUPLICATION.—For any submission re-  
8 quired by this subsection, the Director of National  
9 Intelligence may rely upon existing products that re-  
10 flect the current analytic judgment of the intel-  
11 ligence community, including reports or products  
12 produced in response to congressional mandate or  
13 requests from executive branch officials.

14 **TITLE V—MATTERS PERTAINING**  
15 **TO UNITED STATES ECO-**  
16 **NOMIC AND EMERGING TECH-**  
17 **NOLOGY COMPETITION WITH**  
18 **UNITED STATES ADVER-**  
19 **SARIES**

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## 1                   **Subtitle A—General Matters**

### 2   **SEC. 7501. DETAIL OF INDIVIDUALS FROM INTELLIGENCE**

#### 3                           **COMMUNITY TO DEPARTMENT OF COM-**

#### 4                           **MERCE.**

5           (a) **AUTHORITY.**—In order to better facilitate the  
6 sharing of actionable intelligence on foreign adversary in-  
7 tent, capabilities, threats, and operations that pose a  
8 threat to the interests or security of the United States,  
9 particularly as they relate to the procurement, develop-  
10 ment, and use of dual-use and emerging technologies, the  
11 Director of National Intelligence may, acting through the  
12 Intelligence Community Civilian Joint Duty Program and  
13 in consultation with the Secretary of Commerce, advertise  
14 joint duty positions and detail or facilitate the detail of  
15 civilian employees from across the intelligence community  
16 to the Bureau of Industry and Security of the Department  
17 of Commerce.

18           (b) **DETAIL.**—Detailees on a joint duty assignment  
19 (JDA) assigned pursuant to subsection (a) shall be drawn

1 from such elements of the intelligence community as the  
2 Director considers appropriate, in consultation with the  
3 Secretary of Commerce.

4 (c) EXPERTISE.—The Director shall ensure that  
5 detailees referred to in subsection (a) have subject matter  
6 expertise on countries of concern, including China, Iran,  
7 North Korea, and Russia, as well as functional areas such  
8 as illicit procurement, counterproliferation, emerging and  
9 foundational technology, economic and financial intel-  
10 ligence, information and communications technology sys-  
11 tems, supply chain vulnerability, and counterintelligence.

12 (d) DUTY CREDIT.—The detail of an employee of the  
13 intelligence community to the Department of Commerce  
14 under subsection (a) shall be without interruption or loss  
15 of civil service status or privilege.

16 **SEC. 7502. INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY INNOVATION UNIT.**

17 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Title I of the National Secu-  
18 rity Act of 1947 ( 50 U.S.C. 3021 et seq.) is amended  
19 by inserting after section 103K the following new section  
20 (and conforming the table of contents at the beginning of  
21 such Act accordingly):

22 **“§ 103L. Intelligence Community Innovation Unit**

23 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

24 “(1) EMERGING TECHNOLOGY.—the term  
25 ‘emerging technology’ has the meaning given that

1 term in section 6701 of the Intelligence Authoriza-  
2 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263;  
3 50 U.S.C. 3024 note).

4 “(2) UNIT.—The term ‘Unit’ means the Intel-  
5 ligence Community Innovation Unit.

6 “(b) PLAN FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF INTELLIGENCE  
7 COMMUNITY INNOVATION UNIT.—

8 “(1) PLAN REQUIRED.—Not later than 180  
9 days after the date of the enactment of the Intel-  
10 ligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024, the  
11 Director of National Intelligence shall develop a plan  
12 for how to implement the Intelligence Community  
13 Innovation Unit within the intelligence community.

14 “(2) MATTERS COVERED.—The plan developed  
15 pursuant to paragraph (1) shall cover how the Unit  
16 will—

17 “(A) benefit heads of the elements of the  
18 intelligence community in identifying commer-  
19 cial emerging technologies and associated capa-  
20 bilities to address critical mission needs of ele-  
21 ments of the intelligence community;

22 “(B) provide to the heads of the elements  
23 of the intelligence community seeking to field  
24 commercial emerging technologies technical ex-  
25 pertise with respect to such technologies.

1           “(C) facilitate the transition of potential  
2           prototypes and solutions to critical mission  
3           needs of the intelligence community from re-  
4           search and prototype projects to production;  
5           and

6           “(D) serve as a liaison between the intel-  
7           ligence community and the private sector, in  
8           which capacity such liaison shall focus on small-  
9           and medium-sized companies and other organi-  
10          zations that do not have significant experience  
11          engaging with the intelligence community.

12          “(3) REQUIREMENTS.—The plan developed pur-  
13          suant to paragraph (1) shall—

14               “(A) plan for not more than 50 full-time  
15               equivalent personnel; and

16               “(B) include an assessment as to how the  
17               establishment of the Unit would benefit the  
18               identification and evaluation of commercial  
19               emerging technologies for prototyping and po-  
20               tential adoption by the intelligence community  
21               to fulfill critical mission needs.

22          “(4) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—Upon com-  
23          pleting development of the plan pursuant to para-  
24          graph (1), the Director shall—

1           “(A) submit to the congressional intel-  
2           ligence committees, the Subcommittee on De-  
3           fense of the Committee on Appropriations of  
4           the Senate, and the Subcommittee on Defense  
5           of the Committee on Appropriations of the  
6           House of Representatives a copy of the plan;  
7           and

8           “(B) provide such committees and sub-  
9           committees a briefing on the plan.

10          “(c) ESTABLISHMENT.—To the extent and in such  
11          amounts as specifically provided in advance in appropria-  
12          tions Acts for the purposes detailed in this section, not  
13          later than 180 days after the date on which the Director  
14          of National Intelligence submits the plan pursuant to sub-  
15          section (b)(4)(A), the Director of National Intelligence  
16          shall establish the Unit within the Office of the Director  
17          of National Intelligence.

18          “(d) LIMITATION.—The Unit shall not abrogate or  
19          otherwise constrain any element of the intelligence com-  
20          munity from conducting authorized activities.

21          “(e) DIRECTOR OF THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY  
22          INNOVATION UNIT.—

23                 “(1) APPOINTMENT; REPORTING.—The head of  
24          the Unit is the Director of the Intelligence Commu-  
25          nity Innovation Unit, who shall be appointed by the

1 Director of National Intelligence and shall report di-  
2 rectly to the Director of National Intelligence.

3 “(2) QUALIFICATIONS.—In selecting an indi-  
4 vidual for appointment as the Director of the Intel-  
5 ligence Community Innovation Unit, the Director of  
6 National Intelligence shall give preference to individ-  
7 uals who the Director of National Intelligence deter-  
8 mines have—

9 “(A) significant relevant experience involv-  
10 ing commercial emerging technology within the  
11 private sector; and

12 “(B) a demonstrated history of fostering  
13 the adoption of commercial emerging tech-  
14 nologies by the United States Government or  
15 the private sector.

16 “(f) STAFF.—

17 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to the Director  
18 of the Intelligence Community Innovation Unit, the  
19 Unit shall be composed of not more than 50 full-  
20 time equivalent positions.

21 “(2) STAFF WITH CERTAIN EXPERTISE.—The  
22 Director of National Intelligence shall ensure that  
23 there is a sufficient number of staff of the Unit, as  
24 determined by the Director, with expertise in—

1           “(A) other transaction authorities and  
2           nontraditional and rapid acquisition pathways  
3           for emerging technology;

4           “(B) engaging and evaluating small- and  
5           medium-sized emerging technology companies;

6           “(C) the mission needs of the intelligence  
7           community; and

8           “(D) such other skills or experiences as the  
9           Director determines necessary.

10          “(g) AUTHORITY RELATING TO DETAILEES.—Upon  
11          request of the Unit, each head of an element of the intel-  
12          ligence community may detail to the Unit any of the per-  
13          sonnel of that element to assist in carrying out the duties  
14          under subsection (b) on a reimbursable or a nonreimburs-  
15          able basis.

16          “(h) ENSURING TRANSITION FROM PROTOTYPING TO  
17          PRODUCTION.—The Director of the Intelligence Commu-  
18          nity Innovation Unit shall transition research and proto-  
19          type projects to products in a production stage upon iden-  
20          tifying a demonstrated critical mission need of one or more  
21          elements of the intelligence community and a potential  
22          mission partner likely to field and further fund upon mat-  
23          uration, including by designating projects as Emerging  
24          Technology Transition Projects under the pilot program  
25          required by section 6713 of the Intelligence Authorization

1 Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 50 U.S.C.  
2 3024 note).

3 “(i) ENCOURAGEMENT OF USE BY ELEMENTS.—The  
4 Director of National Intelligence shall take such steps as  
5 may be necessary to encourage the use of the Unit by the  
6 heads of the other elements of the intelligence community.

7 “(j) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—

8 “(1) NO PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT FOR PRI-  
9 VATE SECTOR.—Nothing in this section shall be con-  
10 strued to require any element of the intelligence  
11 community to provide preferential treatment for any  
12 private sector entity with regard to procurement of  
13 technology construed as restricting or preempting  
14 any activities of the intelligence community.

15 “(2) NO ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY.—The Unit  
16 established pursuant to subsection (c) will be limited  
17 to the existing authorities possessed by the Director  
18 of National Intelligence.

19 “(k) SUNSET.—The authorities and requirements of  
20 this section shall terminate on the date that is 5 years  
21 after the date of the establishment of the Unit.”.

22 (b) CLARIFICATION OF EMERGING TECHNOLOGY  
23 DEFINITION.—Section 6701(8)(A) of the Intelligence Au-  
24 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–  
25 263; 50 U.S.C. 3024 note) is amended by striking “during

1 the 10-year period beginning on January 1, 2022” and  
2 inserting “during the subsequent 10-year period”.

3 (c) BRIEFINGS.—Not later than 180 days after the  
4 date of the establishment of the Intelligence Community  
5 Innovation Unit pursuant to section 103L of the National  
6 Security Act of 1947, as added by subsection (a), and on  
7 a semiannual basis thereafter for 5 years, the Director of  
8 National Intelligence shall provide to the appropriate con-  
9 gressional committees a briefing on the status of the Intel-  
10 ligence Community Innovation Unit, the staffing levels of  
11 such Unit, and the progress of such Unit in identifying  
12 and facilitating the adoption of commercial emerging tech-  
13 nologies capable of advancing the mission needs of the in-  
14 telligence community.

15 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

16 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
17 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-  
18 mittees” means the congressional intelligence com-  
19 mittees, the Subcommittee on Defense of the Com-  
20 mittee on Appropriations of the Senate, and the  
21 Subcommittee on Defense of the Committee on Ap-  
22 propriations of the House of Representatives.

23 (2) EMERGING TECHNOLOGY.—The term  
24 “emerging technology” has the meaning given such

1 term in section 103L of the National Security Act  
2 of 1947, as added by subsection (a).

3 **SEC. 7503. ESTABLISHMENT OF OFFICE OF ENGAGEMENT.**

4 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Title I of the National Secu-  
5 rity Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3021 et seq.), as amended  
6 by section 901, is further amended by adding at the end  
7 the following new section (and conforming the table of  
8 contents at the beginning of such Act accordingly):

9 **“SEC. 122. OFFICE OF ENGAGEMENT.**

10 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is within the Office of  
11 the Director of National Intelligence an Office of Engage-  
12 ment (in this section referred to as the ‘Office’).

13 “(b) HEAD; STAFF.—

14 “(1) HEAD.—The Director of National Intel-  
15 ligence shall appoint as head of the Office an indi-  
16 vidual with requisite experience in matters relating  
17 to the duties of the Office, as determined by the Di-  
18 rector of National Intelligence. Such head of the Of-  
19 fice shall report directly to the Director of National  
20 Intelligence.

21 “(2) STAFF.—To assist the head of the Office  
22 in fulfilling the duties of the Office, the head shall  
23 employ full-time equivalent staff in such number,  
24 and with such requisite expertise in matters relating  
25 to such duties, as may be determined by the head.

1       “(c) DUTIES.—The duties of the Office shall be as  
2 follows:

3           “(1) To ensure coordination across the elements  
4 of the intelligence community efforts regarding out-  
5 reach, relationship development, and associated  
6 knowledge and relationship management, with cov-  
7 ered entities, consistent with the protection of intel-  
8 ligence sources and methods.

9           “(2) To assist in sharing best practices regard-  
10 ing such efforts among the elements of the intel-  
11 ligence community.

12           “(3) To establish and implement metrics to as-  
13 sess the effectiveness of such efforts.

14       “(d) COVERED ENTITY DEFINED.—In this section,  
15 the term ‘covered entity’ means an entity that is not an  
16 entity of the United States Government, including private  
17 sector companies, institutions of higher education, trade  
18 associations, think tanks, laboratories, international orga-  
19 nizations, and foreign partners and allies.”.

20       (b) DEADLINE.—To the extent and in such amounts  
21 as specifically provided in advance in appropriations Acts  
22 for the purposes detailed in section 122 of the National  
23 Security Act of 1947, as added by subsection (a), the Di-  
24 rector of National Intelligence shall establish the Office

1 of Engagement by not later than 1 year after the date  
2 of the enactment of this Act.

3 (c) TRANSFER.—The Director shall transfer to the  
4 Office of Engagement all functions within the Office of  
5 the Director of National Intelligence that, on the day be-  
6 fore the date of the enactment of this Act, performed du-  
7 ties set forth in section 122 of the National Security Act  
8 of 1947, as added by subsection (a).

9 (d) PLAN AND BRIEFINGS.—

10 (1) PLAN.—Not later than 180 days after the  
11 date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of  
12 National Intelligence shall submit to the congress-  
13 sional intelligence committees a plan for the estab-  
14 lishment of the Office of Engagement.

15 (2) QUARTERLY BRIEFINGS.—Not later than 1  
16 year after the date of the establishment of the Office  
17 of Engagement, and on a quarterly basis for 5 years  
18 thereafter, the Director of National Intelligence shall  
19 submit to the congressional intelligence committees,  
20 the Committee on Homeland Security and Govern-  
21 mental Affairs and the Committee on Appropriations  
22 of the Senate, and the Committee on Oversight and  
23 Accountability and the Committee on Appropriations  
24 of the House of Representatives a briefing on the  
25 status of the Office, including with respect to the

1 staffing levels, activities, and fulfilment of duties of  
2 the Office.

3 (e) **RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.**—Nothing in this sec-  
4 tion, or an amendment made by this section, shall be con-  
5 strued as restricting or preempting engagement or out-  
6 reach activities of elements of the intelligence community.

7 (f) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section, the term “Office  
8 of Engagement” means the Office of Engagement estab-  
9 lished under section 122 of the National Security Act of  
10 1947, as added by subsection (a).

11 **SEC. 7504. DESIGNATION OF A CHIEF TECHNOLOGY OFFI-  
12 CER WITHIN CERTAIN ELEMENTS OF THE IN-  
13 TELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.**

14 (a) **DESIGNATION AUTHORITY.**—The head of each  
15 covered element of the intelligence community shall des-  
16 ignate a senior official to serve as the chief technology offi-  
17 cer of such element.

18 (b) **COVERED ELEMENTS.**—For purposes of this sec-  
19 tion, the covered elements of the intelligence community  
20 are the following:

- 21 (1) The Central Intelligence Agency.
- 22 (2) The Defense Intelligence Agency.
- 23 (3) The Federal Bureau of Investigation.
- 24 (4) The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agen-  
25 cy.

1 (5) The National Security Agency.

2 (6) The National Reconnaissance Office.

3 (c) RESPONSIBILITY.—The chief technology officer of  
4 each covered element of the intelligence community shall  
5 be responsible for assisting the head of such element in  
6 the identification and adoption of technology to advance  
7 mission needs.

8 (d) PROHIBITION OF DUAL APPOINTMENT.—Any  
9 chief technology officer designated pursuant to subsection  
10 (a) may not concurrently serve as the chief information  
11 officer, the chief data officer, or the principal science offi-  
12 cer of any element of the intelligence community.

13 **SEC. 7505. REQUIREMENT TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL SE-**  
14 **CURITY CLEARANCES FOR CERTAIN CON-**  
15 **TRACTORS.**

16 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

17 (1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-  
18 GRESS.—The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
19 gress” means—

20 (A) the congressional intelligence commit-  
21 tees;

22 (B) the Subcommittee on Defense of the  
23 Committee on Appropriations of the Senate;  
24 and

1 (C) the Subcommittee on Defense of the  
2 Committee on Appropriations of the House of  
3 Representatives.

4 (2) COVERED CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT.—The  
5 term “covered contract or agreement”, with respect  
6 to an entity, means a contract or other agreement  
7 between that entity and an element of the intel-  
8 ligence community the performance of which re-  
9 quires a specified number of covered persons to hold  
10 a security clearance.

11 (3) COVERED PERSON.—The term “covered  
12 person”, with respect to an entity, means a con-  
13 tractor or employee of that entity.

14 (b) PLAN AND STUDY.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—No later than April 1, 2024,  
16 the Director of National Intelligence shall—

17 (A) complete a study on the feasibility and  
18 advisability of implementing a program to au-  
19 thorize additional security clearances for certain  
20 contractors as described in subsection (c);

21 (B) develop a plan to implement the pro-  
22 gram described in subparagraph (A); and

23 (C) submit to the appropriate committees  
24 of Congress—

1 (i) a report on the findings of the Di-  
2 rector with respect to the study completed  
3 pursuant to subparagraph (A); and

4 (ii) the plan developed pursuant to  
5 subparagraph (B).

6 (2) STUDY ELEMENTS.—The study completed  
7 pursuant to paragraph (1)(A) shall address the fol-  
8 lowing:

9 (A) For contracts agreed to after the date  
10 of the enactment of this Act, how private enti-  
11 ties that contract with the intelligence commu-  
12 nity would make payments for additional clear-  
13 ances for their employees and how the intel-  
14 ligence community would receive payments.

15 (B) A list of and changes to provisions of  
16 law required in order to fully implement the  
17 program required by subsection (c) and achieve  
18 the intent indicated in subparagraph (A) of this  
19 paragraph.

20 (C) Such considerations as the Director  
21 may have for carrying out the program required  
22 by subsection (c) and achieving the intent indi-  
23 cated in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph.

24 (c) PROGRAM TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL SECURITY  
25 CLEARANCES FOR CERTAIN CONTRACTORS.— Subject to

1 the limitations described in subsection (d), the Director  
2 shall establish a program under which—

3 (1) any entity that enters into a covered con-  
4 tract or agreement with an element of the intel-  
5 ligence community may designate an additional  
6 number of covered persons who may submit an ap-  
7 plication for a security clearance;

8 (2) the appropriate authorized investigative  
9 agency and authorized adjudicative agency, as such  
10 terms are defined in section 3001(a) of the Intel-  
11 ligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of  
12 2004 (50 U.S.C. 3341(a)), shall—

13 (A) upon receiving such an application—

14 (i) conduct an appropriate investiga-  
15 tion of the background of the additional  
16 covered person; and

17 (ii) make a determination as to  
18 whether the additional covered person is el-  
19 igible for access to classified information;  
20 and

21 (B) if the determination under subpara-  
22 graph (A)(ii) is favorable, upon any of the spec-  
23 ified number of covered persons required to  
24 hold a security clearance for the performance of  
25 work under that covered contract or agreement

1 becoming unable to perform such work, make a  
2 determination as to whether the additional cov-  
3 ered person has a demonstrated need-to-know  
4 under Executive Order 12968 (60 Fed. Reg.  
5 40245; relating to access to classified informa-  
6 tion), or any successor thereto, or Executive  
7 Order 10865 (25 Fed. Reg. 1583; relating to  
8 safeguarding classified information within in-  
9 dustry), or any successor thereto (without re-  
10 quiring an additional investigation to be con-  
11 ducted under subparagraph (A)(i)); and

12 (3) if the additional covered person receives a  
13 favorable determination regarding the need-to-know  
14 under paragraph (2)(B) and signs an approved non-  
15 disclosure agreement, the additional covered person  
16 may perform such work in lieu of such covered per-  
17 son.

18 (d) LIMITATIONS.—The limitations described in this  
19 subsection are as follows:

20 (1) LIMITATION ON NUMBER DESIGNATED PER  
21 CONTRACT.—The additional number designated by  
22 an entity under the program established pursuant to  
23 subsection (c) for each covered contract or agree-  
24 ment may not exceed the greater of the following:

1 (A) 10 percent of the number of security  
2 clearances required to be held by covered per-  
3 sons to perform work under the covered con-  
4 tract or agreement.

5 (B) 1 person.

6 (2) LIMITATION ON NUMBER DESIGNATED PER  
7 ENTITY.—The total additional number designated by  
8 an entity under the program established pursuant to  
9 subsection (c) may not exceed the greater of the fol-  
10 lowing:

11 (A) 10 percent of the sum total number of  
12 security clearances required to be held by cov-  
13 ered persons to perform work under all covered  
14 contracts or agreements of the entity.

15 (B) 1 person.

16 (e) PROHIBITIONS.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—No application for a security  
18 clearance may be submitted by a covered person of  
19 an entity or granted pursuant to the program estab-  
20 lished under subsection (c) in excess of the limita-  
21 tions under subsection (d) applicable to such entity.

22 (2) PROHIBITION ON BEARING COSTS.—No  
23 head of an element of the intelligence community  
24 may bear any cost associated with granting or main-

1           taining a security clearance the application for which  
2           is submitted pursuant to subsection (c)(1).

3           (f) **RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.**—Nothing in this sec-  
4           tion may be construed as requiring the head of an element  
5           of the intelligence community to grant any covered person  
6           access to classified information if a favorable determina-  
7           tion of eligibility to access such classified information is  
8           not made with respect to such person.

9           **SEC. 7506. INTELLIGENCE INNOVATION BOARD.**

10           (a) **ESTABLISHMENT OF INTELLIGENCE INNOVATION**  
11           **BOARD.**—There is established in the executive branch of  
12           the Federal Government a board to be known as the Intel-  
13           ligence Innovation Board (in this section referred to as  
14           the “Board”).

15           (b) **PURPOSE.**—The purpose of the Board is to pro-  
16           vide to the Director of National Intelligence and the heads  
17           of the other elements of the intelligence community advice  
18           and recommendations on changes to the culture, organiza-  
19           tional structures, processes, and functions of the intel-  
20           ligence community necessary to address the adoption of  
21           emerging technologies by the intelligence community and  
22           to accelerate such adoption.

23           (c) **MEMBERSHIP.**—

24                   (1) **APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS.**—The Board  
25           shall be composed of 9 members appointed by the

1 Director of National Intelligence, after consultation  
2 with the Chair and Ranking Member of the Perma-  
3 nent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House  
4 of Representatives and the Chair and Vice Chair of  
5 the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate,  
6 from among citizens of the United States—

7 (A) who are not officers or employees of an  
8 element of the intelligence community;

9 (B) who are eligible to hold an appropriate  
10 security clearance;

11 (C) who have demonstrated academic, gov-  
12 ernment, business, or other expertise relevant to  
13 the mission and functions of the intelligence  
14 community; and

15 (D) who the Director of National Intel-  
16 ligence determines—

17 (i) meet at least 1 of the qualifica-  
18 tions described in paragraph (2); and

19 (ii) do not present any active or po-  
20 tential conflict of interest.

21 (2) QUALIFICATIONS.—

22 (A) IN GENERAL.—The qualifications de-  
23 scribed in this paragraph are the following:

24 (i) A proven track record of sound  
25 judgment in leading or governing a large

1 and complex private sector corporation or  
2 organization.

3 (ii) A proven track record as a distin-  
4 guished academic or researcher at an ac-  
5 credited institution of higher education (as  
6 defined in section 101 of the Higher Edu-  
7 cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001)).

8 (iii) Demonstrated experience in iden-  
9 tifying emerging technologies and facili-  
10 tating the adoption of such technologies  
11 into the operations of large organizations  
12 in either the public or private sector.

13 (iv) Demonstrated experience in devel-  
14 oping new technology.

15 (v) Demonstrated experience in tech-  
16 nical evaluations of commercial products.

17 (vi) Demonstrated expertise in privacy  
18 and civil liberties implications associated  
19 with emerging technologies.

20 (B) MEMBERSHIP STRUCTURE.—The Di-  
21 rector shall ensure that no more than 4 concur-  
22 rently serving members of the Board qualify for  
23 membership on the Board based predominately  
24 on a single qualification set forth under sub-  
25 paragraph (A).

1           (3) CHAIR.—The Board shall have a Chair, who  
2 shall be appointed by the Director of National Intel-  
3 ligence from among the members of the Board, after  
4 consultation with the Chair and Ranking Member of  
5 the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of  
6 the House of Representatives and the Chair and  
7 Vice Chair of the Select Committee on Intelligence  
8 of the Senate.

9           (4) NOTIFICATIONS.—Not later than 30 days  
10 after the date on which the Director of National In-  
11 telligence appoints a member to the Board under  
12 paragraph (1), or appoints a member of the Board  
13 as Chair under paragraph (3), the Director shall no-  
14 tify the congressional intelligence committees, the  
15 Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, and the  
16 Committee on Appropriations of the House of Rep-  
17 resentatives of such appointment in writing.

18           (5) TERMS.—

19           (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in  
20 subparagraph (B), each member of the Board  
21 shall be appointed for a term of 2 years.

22           (B) VACANCIES.—A member of the Board  
23 appointed to fill a vacancy occurring before the  
24 expiration of the term for which the predecessor  
25 of the member was appointed shall be appointed

1           only for the remainder of that term. A vacancy  
2           in the Board shall not affect the powers of the  
3           Board and shall be filled in the manner in  
4           which the original appointment was made.

5           (C) REAPPOINTMENTS.—A member of the  
6           Board may not be reappointed for an additional  
7           term, unless the Director of National Intel-  
8           ligence certifies to the congressional intelligence  
9           committees, the Committee on Appropriations  
10          of the Senate, and the Committee on Appro-  
11          priations of the House of Representatives that  
12          reappointment for a single additional term is  
13          vital to the completion of an ongoing project or  
14          initiative of the Board.

15          (6) PROHIBITION ON COMPENSATION.—Mem-  
16          bers of the Board shall serve without pay.

17          (7) TRAVEL EXPENSES.—Each member of the  
18          Board may reimbursement of reasonable travel ex-  
19          penses, subject to a process established by the Direc-  
20          tor and in accordance with applicable provisions  
21          under subchapter I of chapter 57 of title 5, United  
22          States Code.

23          (8) MEETINGS.—

24                  (A) IN GENERAL.—The Board shall meet  
25          as necessary to carry out its purpose and duties

1 under this section, but shall meet in person not  
2 less frequently than on a quarterly basis. A ma-  
3 jority of the members of the Board shall con-  
4 stitute a quorum.

5 (B) CLOSED MEETINGS.—Meetings of the  
6 Board may be closed to the public only to pro-  
7 tect national security.

8 (d) STAFF.—

9 (1) COMPOSITION.—To the extent and in such  
10 amounts as specifically provided in advance in ap-  
11 propriations Act for the purposes detailed in this  
12 section, the Board shall be supported by full-time  
13 staff with requisite experience to assist the Board in  
14 carrying out its purpose and duties under this sec-  
15 tion in such number as the Director of National In-  
16 telligence determines appropriate. Such staff may be  
17 appointed by the Director of National Intelligence or  
18 detailed or otherwise assigned from another element  
19 of the intelligence community.

20 (2) SECURITY CLEARANCES.—Staff of the  
21 Board, shall, as a condition of appointment, detail,  
22 or assignment to the Board, as the case may be,  
23 hold appropriate security clearances for access to the  
24 classified records and materials to be reviewed by  
25 the staff, and shall follow the guidance and practices

1 on security under applicable Executive orders and  
2 Presidential or agency directives.

3 (e) REPORTS.—

4 (1) SUBMISSION.—Beginning on the date that  
5 is 2 years after the date on which the Board is es-  
6 tablished, and once every 2 years thereafter until the  
7 date on which the Board terminates under sub-  
8 section (i), the Board shall submit to the Director  
9 of National Intelligence and the congressional intel-  
10 ligence committees, the Committee on Appropria-  
11 tions of the Senate, and the Committee on Appro-  
12 priations of the House of Representatives a report  
13 on the activities of the Board, which shall include,  
14 with respect to the period covered by the report, the  
15 following:

16 (A) An assessment of the efforts of the in-  
17 telligence community taken during such period  
18 to accelerate the adoption of competitive emerg-  
19 ing technologies by the intelligence community,  
20 including such efforts taken with respect to the  
21 culture, organizational structures, processes, or  
22 functions of the intelligence community.

23 (B) Recommendations on how the intel-  
24 ligence community may make further progress  
25 to accelerate such adoption, including rec-

1           ommendations on changes to the culture, orga-  
2           nizational structures, processes, and functions  
3           of the intelligence community necessary for  
4           such accelerated adoption.

5           (C) Any other matters the Board or the  
6           Director of National Intelligence determines ap-  
7           propriate.

8           (2) FORM.—Each report under paragraph (1)  
9           may be submitted in classified form, but if so sub-  
10          mitted shall include an unclassified executive sum-  
11          mary.

12          (f) TERMINATION.—

13           (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
14          graph (2), the Board shall terminate on September  
15          30, 2026.

16           (2) RENEWAL.—The Director of National Intel-  
17          ligence may renew the Board for an additional 2-  
18          year period following the date of termination speci-  
19          fied in paragraph (1) if the Director notifies the  
20          congressional intelligence committees, the Committee  
21          on Appropriations of the Senate, and the Committee  
22          on Appropriations of the House of Representatives  
23          of such renewal.

24          (g) CHARTER.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after  
2           the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director  
3           of National Intelligence shall establish a charter for  
4           the Board, consistent with this section.

5           (2) ELEMENTS.—The charter established pur-  
6           suant to paragraph (1) shall include the following:

7                   (A) Mandatory processes for identifying  
8                   potential conflicts of interest, including the sub-  
9                   mission of initial and periodic financial disclo-  
10                  sures by Board members.

11                   (B) The vetting of potential conflicts of in-  
12                   terest by the Inspector General of the Intel-  
13                   ligence Community.

14                   (C) The establishment of a process and as-  
15                   sociated protections for any whistleblower alleg-  
16                   ing a violation of applicable conflict of interest,  
17                   Federal contracting, or other provision of law.

18 **SEC. 7507. PROGRAMS FOR NEXT-GENERATION MICRO-**  
19 **ELECTRONICS IN SUPPORT OF ARTIFICIAL**  
20 **INTELLIGENCE.**

21           (a) PROGRAM ESTABLISHMENT.—Subject to the  
22           availability of appropriations, the Director of National In-  
23           telligence, acting through the Director of the Intelligence  
24           Advanced Research Projects Activity, shall establish or

1 otherwise oversee a program to advance microelectronics  
2 research.

3 (b) RESEARCH FOCUS.—The Director of National In-  
4 telligence shall ensure that the research carried out under  
5 the program established under subsection (a) is focused  
6 on the following:

7 (1) Advanced engineering and applied research  
8 into next-generation computing models, materials,  
9 devices, architectures, and algorithms to enable the  
10 advancement of artificial intelligence and machine  
11 learning.

12 (2) Efforts to—

13 (A) overcome challenges with engineering  
14 and applied research of microelectronics, includ-  
15 ing with respect to the physical limits on tran-  
16 sistors, electrical interconnects, and memory  
17 elements;

18 (B) promote long-term advancements in  
19 computing technologies, including by fostering a  
20 unified and multidisciplinary approach encom-  
21 passing research and development into—

22 (i) next-generation algorithm design;

23 (ii) next-generation compute capa-  
24 bility;

- 1 (iii) generative and adaptive artificial
- 2 intelligence for design applications;
- 3 (iv) photonics-based microprocessors,
- 4 including electrophotonics;
- 5 (v) the chemistry and physics of new
- 6 materials;
- 7 (vi) optical communication networks,
- 8 including electrophotonics; and
- 9 (vii) safety and controls for generative
- 10 artificial intelligence applications for the
- 11 intelligence community.

12 (3) Any other activity the Director determines  
13 would promote the development of microelectronics  
14 research for future technologies, including optical  
15 communications or quantum technologies.

16 (c) CONSIDERATION, CONSULTATION, AND COLLABO-  
17 RATION.—In carrying out the program established under  
18 subsection (a), the Director of National Intelligence  
19 shall—

- 20 (1) consider the national strategy developed
- 21 pursuant to subsection (a)(3)(A)(i) of section 9906
- 22 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National De-
- 23 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (15
- 24 U.S.C. 4656);

1           (2) consult with the Secretary of Commerce;  
2           and

3           (3) actively collaborate with relevant Govern-  
4           ment agencies and programs, including the pro-  
5           grams established under subsection (c), (d), (e), and  
6           (f) of such section 9906 (15 U.S.C. 4656), academic  
7           institutions, and private industry to leverage exper-  
8           tise and resources in conducting research.

9           (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—  
10          Amounts authorized to be appropriated for the National  
11          Intelligence Program of the Office of the Director of Na-  
12          tional Intelligence may be made available to carry out the  
13          program established under subsection (a).

14          (e) BRIEFING REQUIREMENTS.—The Director of the  
15          Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity shall  
16          provide to the congressional intelligence committees, the  
17          Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, the Com-  
18          mittee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives,  
19          and, consistent with the protection of intelligence sources  
20          and methods, the Committee on Commerce, Science, and  
21          Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on En-  
22          ergy and Commerce of the House of Representatives, reg-  
23          ular briefings on—

24                 (1) the progress, achievements, and outcomes of  
25                 the program established under subsection (a);

1           (2) the collaborations conducted pursuant to  
2           subsection (c); and

3           (3) recommendations for future research prior-  
4           ities.

5 **SEC. 7508. PROGRAM FOR BEYOND 5G.**

6           (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Director of National In-  
7           telligence, acting through the Director of the Intelligence  
8           Advanced Research Projects Activity, may initiate or oth-  
9           erwise carry out a program dedicated to research and de-  
10          velopment efforts relevant to 6G technology and any suc-  
11          cessor technologies, but only if such efforts are specific  
12          to potential applications of 6G technology (or any suc-  
13          cessor technologies) for the intelligence community or for  
14          other national security purposes.

15          (b) CONSULTATION AND COORDINATION.—In car-  
16          rying out any program under subsection (a), the Director  
17          shall consult and coordinate with—

18                (1) relevant—

19                    (A) heads of Federal departments and  
20                    agencies, including the Administrator of the  
21                    National Telecommunications and Information  
22                    Administration;

23                    (B) interagency bodies, such as the Com-  
24                    mittee for the Assessment of Foreign Participa-

1           tion in the United States Telecommunications  
2           Sector;

3           (C) private sector entities;

4           (D) institutions of higher learning; and

5           (E) federally funded research and develop-  
6           ment centers; and

7           (2) such other individuals and entities as the  
8           Director determines appropriate.

9           (c) 6G TECHNOLOGY DEFINED.—In this section, the  
10          term “6G technology” means hardware, software, or other  
11          technologies relating to sixth-generation wireless net-  
12          works.

13       **SEC. 7509. INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL RE-**  
14               **MOTE SENSING REQUIREMENTS.**

15          (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
16          gress that—

17               (1) the United States benefits from a robust  
18               commercial remote sensing industry that supports a  
19               science, technology, engineering, and mathematics  
20               academic pipeline, enables skilled manufacturing  
21               jobs, and fosters technological innovation;

22               (2) commercial remote sensing capabilities com-  
23               plement and augment dedicated Government remote  
24               sensing capabilities, both when integrated into Gov-

1       ernment architectures and leveraged as stand-alone  
2       services;

3           (3) the Director of National Intelligence and  
4       Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Se-  
5       curity should serve as the United States Government  
6       leads for commercial remote sensing procurement  
7       and seek to accommodate commercial remote sensing  
8       needs of the intelligence community, the Department  
9       of Defense, and Federal civil organizations under  
10      the preview of the cognizant functional managers;  
11      and

12           (4) a transparent, sustained investment by the  
13      United States Government in commercial remote  
14      sensing capabilities—

15           (A) is required to strengthen the United  
16      States commercial remote sensing commercial  
17      industry; and

18           (B) should include electro-optical, synthetic  
19      aperture radar, hyperspectral, and radio fre-  
20      quency detection and other innovative  
21      phenemonology that may have national security  
22      applications.

23      (b) **GUIDANCE REQUIRED.**—Not later than 180 days  
24      after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director  
25      of National Intelligence and the Under Secretary of De-

1 fense for Intelligence and Security shall jointly develop  
2 guidance requiring the Commercial Strategy Board or, if  
3 that is not feasible, such other entities within the intel-  
4 ligence community and the Department of Defense that  
5 the Director and the Under Secretary determine appro-  
6 priate, to perform, on a recurring basis, the following  
7 functions related to commercial remote sensing:

8           (1) Validation of the current and long-term  
9           commercial remote sensing capability needs, as de-  
10          termined by the relevant functional managers, of the  
11          Department of Defense, the intelligence community,  
12          and Federal civil users under the preview of the cog-  
13          nizant functional managers.

14          (2) Development of commercial remote sensing  
15          requirements documents that are unclassified and  
16          releasable to United States commercial industry.

17          (3) Development of a cost estimate that is un-  
18          classified and releasable to United States commercial  
19          industry, covering at least 5 years, associated with  
20          fulfilling the requirements contained in the commer-  
21          cial remote sensing requirements documents referred  
22          developed under paragraph (2).

23          (c) FUNDING LEVELS.—In the case of any fiscal year  
24          for which a cost estimate is developed under subsection  
25          (b)(3) and for which the budget of the President (as sub-

1 mitted to Congress pursuant to section 1105 of title 31,  
2 United States Code) requests a level of funding for the  
3 procurement of commercial remote sensing requirements  
4 that is less than the amount identified in the cost esti-  
5 mate, the President shall include with the budget an expla-  
6 nation for the difference.

7 (d) REPORT.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
9 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Di-  
10 rector of National Intelligence and the Under Sec-  
11 retary of Defense for Intelligence and Security shall  
12 jointly submit to the appropriate congressional com-  
13 mittees a report on the implementation of subsection  
14 (b).

15 (2) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
16 TEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “ap-  
17 propriate congressional committees” means—

18 (A) the congressional intelligence commit-  
19 tees;

20 (B) the congressional defense committees;

21 (C) the Subcommittee on Defense of the  
22 Committee on Appropriations of the House of  
23 Representatives; and

24 (D) the Subcommittee on Defense of the  
25 Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.

1 **SEC. 7510. REQUIREMENT TO ENSURE INTELLIGENCE COM-**  
2 **MUNITY DIRECTIVES APPROPRIATELY AC-**  
3 **COUNT FOR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND**  
4 **MACHINE LEARNING TOOLS IN INTEL-**  
5 **LIGENCE PRODUCTS.**

6 (a) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 120 days after  
7 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of Na-  
8 tional Intelligence shall provide to the appropriate commit-  
9 tees of Congress a briefing on whether intelligence commu-  
10 nity directives in effect as of the date such briefing is pro-  
11 vided furnish intelligence community analysts with suffi-  
12 cient guidance and direction with respect to the use of ar-  
13 tificial intelligence and machine learning tools in intel-  
14 ligence products produced by the intelligence community.

15 (b) ELEMENTS.—The briefing required under sub-  
16 section (a) shall include—

17 (1) a determination by the Director as to—

18 (A) whether Intelligence Community Direc-  
19 tive 203, Analytic Standards, Intelligence Com-  
20 munity Directive 206, Sourcing Requirements  
21 for Disseminated Analytic Products, and any  
22 other intelligence community directive related to  
23 the production and dissemination of intelligence  
24 products by the intelligence community in effect  
25 as of the date the briefing under subsection (a)  
26 is provided furnish intelligence community ana-

1           lysts with sufficient guidance and direction on  
2           how to properly use, provide sourcing informa-  
3           tion about, and otherwise provide transparency  
4           to customers regarding the use of artificial in-  
5           telligence and machine learning tools in intel-  
6           ligence products produced by the intelligence  
7           community; and

8                   (B) whether any intelligence community di-  
9           rective described in subparagraph (A) requires  
10          an update to provide such guidance and direc-  
11          tion; and

12          (2) with respect to the determination under  
13          paragraph (1)—

14                   (A) in the case the Director makes a deter-  
15          mination that no update to an intelligence com-  
16          munity directive described in such paragraph is  
17          required, an explanation regarding why such in-  
18          telligence community directives currently pro-  
19          vide sufficient guidance and direction to intel-  
20          ligence community analysts; and

21                   (B) in the case the Director makes a deter-  
22          mination that an update to an intelligence com-  
23          munity directive described in such paragraph is  
24          required, a plan and proposed timeline to up-  
25          date any such intelligence community directive.

1 (c) DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF  
2 CONGRESS.—In this section, the term “appropriate com-  
3 mittees of Congress” means—

4 (1) the congressional intelligence committees;

5 (2) the Committee on Appropriations of the  
6 Senate; and

7 (3) the Committee on Appropriations of the  
8 House of Representatives.

9 **Subtitle B—Next-generation En-**  
10 **ergy, Biotechnology, and Artifi-**  
11 **cial Intelligence**

12 **SEC. 7511. EXPANDED ANNUAL ASSESSMENT OF ECONOMIC**  
13 **AND TECHNOLOGICAL CAPABILITIES OF THE**  
14 **PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA AND RE-**  
15 **LATED BRIEFING.**

16 (a) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than 45 days  
17 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director  
18 of National Intelligence shall provide to the congressional  
19 intelligence committees a briefing on the status of the im-  
20 plementation by the Director of section 6503 of the Intel-  
21 ligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (division  
22 F of Public Law 117–263), including—

23 (1) the expected timeline for establishing the  
24 working group required by subsection (a) of such  
25 section;

1           (2) the expected timeline for such working  
2 group to submit to Congress the first assessment re-  
3 quired by subsection (c)(2) of such section; and

4           (3) whether any elements of the assessment de-  
5 scribed in subsection (c)(3) of such section, as  
6 amended by subsection (b), should be prepared in  
7 consultation with other working groups or entities  
8 within the Office of the Director of National Intel-  
9 ligence.

10       (b) MODIFICATIONS.—Section 6503(c) of the Intel-  
11 ligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (division  
12 F of Public Law 117–263) is amended—

13           (1) in paragraph (1)—

14               (A) in subparagraph (B), by inserting “the  
15 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources,  
16 the Committee on Homeland Security and Gov-  
17 ernmental Affairs,” after “Transportation,”;  
18 and

19               (B) in subparagraph (C), by inserting “the  
20 Committee on Oversight and Accountability,”  
21 after “and Means,”; and

22           (2) in paragraph (3), by adding at the end the  
23 following:

1           “(I) A detailed assessment, prepared in  
2           consultation with all elements of the working  
3           group—

4                   “(i) of the investments made by the  
5           People’s Republic of China in—

6                           “(I) artificial intelligence;

7                           “(II) next-generation energy  
8           technologies, especially small modular  
9           reactors and advanced batteries; and

10                          “(III) biotechnology; and

11                          “(ii) that identifies—

12                                  “(I) competitive practices of the  
13           People’s Republic of China relating to  
14           the technologies described in clause  
15           (i);

16                                  “(II) opportunities to counter the  
17           practices described in subclause (I);

18                                  “(III) countries the People’s Re-  
19           public of China is targeting for ex-  
20           ports of civil nuclear technology;

21                                  “(IV) countries best positioned to  
22           utilize civil nuclear technologies from  
23           the United States in order to facilitate  
24           the commercial export of those tech-  
25           nologies;

1                   “(V) United States vulnerabilities  
2                   in the supply chain of these tech-  
3                   nologies; and

4                   “(VI) opportunities to counter  
5                   the export by the People’s Republic of  
6                   China of civil nuclear technologies  
7                   globally.

8                   “(J) An identification and assessment of  
9                   any unmet resource or authority needs of the  
10                  working group that affect the ability of the  
11                  working group to carry out this section.”.

12 **SEC. 7512. ASSESSMENT OF USING CIVIL NUCLEAR ENERGY**  
13                   **FOR INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY CAPABILI-**  
14                   **TIES.**

15                  (a) **ASSESSMENT REQUIRED.**—The Director of Na-  
16                  tional Intelligence shall, in consultation with the heads of  
17                  such other elements of the intelligence community as the  
18                  Director considers appropriate, conduct an assessment of  
19                  capabilities identified by the Intelligence Community Con-  
20                  tinuity Program established pursuant to section E(3) of  
21                  Intelligence Community Directive 118, or any successor  
22                  directive, or such other intelligence community facilities  
23                  or intelligence community capabilities as may be deter-  
24                  mined by the Director to be critical to United States na-  
25                  tional security, that have unique energy needs—

1           (1) to ascertain the feasibility and advisability  
2 of using civil nuclear reactors to meet such needs;  
3 and

4           (2) to identify such additional technologies, in-  
5 frastructure, or authorities needed, or other poten-  
6 tial obstacles, to commence use of a nuclear reactor  
7 to meet such needs.

8 (b) REPORT.—

9           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
10 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Di-  
11 rector shall submit to the appropriate committees of  
12 Congress a report, which may be in classified form,  
13 on the findings of the Director with respect to the  
14 assessment conducted pursuant to subsection (a).

15           (2) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-  
16 GRESS.—In this subsection, the term “appropriate  
17 committees of Congress” means—

18           (A) the congressional intelligence commit-  
19 tees;

20           (B) the Committee on Homeland Security  
21 and Governmental Affairs, the Committee on  
22 Energy and Natural Resources, and the Com-  
23 mittee on Appropriations of the Senate; and

24           (C) the Committee on Oversight and Ac-  
25 countability, the Committee on Energy and

1 Commerce, and the Committee on Appropria-  
2 tions of the House of Representatives.

3 **SEC. 7513. POLICIES ESTABLISHED BY DIRECTOR OF NA-**  
4 **TIONAL INTELLIGENCE FOR ARTIFICIAL IN-**  
5 **TELLIGENCE CAPABILITIES.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 6702 of the Intelligence  
7 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (50 U.S.C.  
8 3334m) is amended—

9 (1) in subsection (a), in the matter preceding  
10 paragraph (1), by striking “subsection (b)” and in-  
11 serting “subsection (c)”;

12 (2) by redesignating subsection (b) as sub-  
13 section (c); and

14 (3) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-  
15 lowing:

16 “(b) POLICIES.—

17 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out subsection  
18 (a)(1), not later than 1 year after the date of the  
19 enactment of the Intelligence Authorization Act for  
20 Fiscal Year 2024, the Director of National Intel-  
21 ligence, in consultation with the heads of the ele-  
22 ments of the intelligence community, the Director of  
23 the Office of Management and Budget, and such  
24 other officials as the Director of National Intel-

1       ligence determines appropriate, shall establish the  
2       policies described in paragraph (2).

3           “(2) POLICIES DESCRIBED.—The policies de-  
4       scribed in this paragraph are policies for the acqui-  
5       sition, adoption, development, use, coordination, and  
6       maintenance of artificial intelligence capabilities  
7       that—

8           “(A) establish a lexicon relating to the use  
9       of machine learning and artificial intelligence  
10      developed or acquired by elements of the intel-  
11      ligence community;

12          “(B) establish minimum guidelines for  
13      evaluating the performance of models developed  
14      or acquired by elements of the intelligence com-  
15      munity, such as by—

16           “(i) specifying conditions for the con-  
17      tinuous monitoring of artificial intelligence  
18      capabilities for performance, including the  
19      conditions for retraining or retiring models  
20      based on performance;

21           “(ii) documenting performance objec-  
22      tives, including specifying how performance  
23      objectives shall be developed and contrac-  
24      tually enforced for capabilities procured  
25      from third parties;

1           “(iii) specifying the manner in which  
2           models should be audited, as necessary, in-  
3           cluding the types of documentation that  
4           should be provided to any auditor; and

5           “(iv) specifying conditions under  
6           which models used by elements of the intel-  
7           ligence community should be subject to  
8           testing and evaluation for vulnerabilities to  
9           techniques meant to undermine the avail-  
10          ability, integrity, or privacy of an artificial  
11          intelligence capability;

12          “(C) establish minimum guidelines for  
13          tracking dependencies in adjacent systems, ca-  
14          pabilities, or processes impacted by the retrain-  
15          ing or sunseting of any model described in sub-  
16          paragraph (B);

17          “(D) establish minimum documentation re-  
18          quirements for capabilities procured from third  
19          parties, aligning such requirements, as nec-  
20          essary, with existing documentation require-  
21          ments applicable to capabilities developed by  
22          elements of the intelligence community;

23          “(E) establish minimum standards for the  
24          documentation of imputed, augmented, or syn-  
25          thetic data used to train any model developed,

1           procured, or used by an element of the intel-  
2           ligence community; and

3           “(F) provide guidance on the acquisition  
4           and usage of models that have previously been  
5           trained by a third party for subsequent modi-  
6           fication and usage by such an element.

7           “(3) POLICY REVIEW AND REVISION.—The Di-  
8           rector of National Intelligence shall annually review  
9           or revise each policy established under paragraph  
10          (1).”.

11          (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 6712(b)(1)  
12          of such Act (50 U.S.C. 3024 note) is amended by striking  
13          “section 6702(b)” and inserting “section 6702(c)”.

14                   **TITLE VI—CLASSIFICATION**  
15                   **REFORM**

Sec. 7601. Short title.

Sec. 7602. Promoting efficient declassification review.

Sec. 7603. Training to promote sensible classification.

Sec. 7604. Improvements to Public Interest Declassification Board.

Sec. 7605. Implementation of technology for classification and declassification.

Sec. 7606. Studies and recommendations on necessity of security clearances.

16          **SEC. 7601. SHORT TITLE.**

17           This title may be cited as the “Sensible Classification  
18          Act of 2023”.

19          **SEC. 7602. PROMOTING EFFICIENT DECLASSIFICATION RE-**  
20                   **VIEW.**

21           (a) IN GENERAL.—Whenever an agency is processing  
22          a request pursuant to section 552 of title 5, United States

1 Code (commonly known as the “Freedom of Information  
2 Act”) or the mandatory declassification review provisions  
3 of Executive Order 13526 (50 U.S.C. 3161 note; relating  
4 to classified national security information), or successor  
5 order, and identifies responsive classified records that are  
6 more than 25 years of age as of December 31 of the year  
7 in which the request is received, the head of the agency  
8 shall, in accordance with existing processes to protect na-  
9 tional security under the Freedom of Information Act and  
10 the mandatory review provisions of Executive Order  
11 12526, review the record and process the record for de-  
12 classification and release by the National Declassification  
13 Center of the National Archives and Records Administra-  
14 tion, unless the head of agency—

15           (1) makes a certification to Congress, including  
16           the congressional intelligence committees, the Com-  
17           mittee on Armed Services, the Committee on Home-  
18           land Security and Governmental Affairs, the Com-  
19           mittee on Foreign Relations, the Committee on the  
20           Judiciary of the Senate, and the Committee on  
21           Armed Services, the Committee on Oversight and  
22           Accountability, the Committee on Foreign Affairs,  
23           and the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of  
24           Representatives, that the declassification of certain  
25           components within the record would be harmful to

1 the protection of sources and methods or national  
2 security, pursuant to existing processes; and

3 (2) provides an explanation to Congress, includ-  
4 ing the congressional intelligence committees, the  
5 Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on  
6 Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, the  
7 Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee on  
8 the Judiciary of the Senate, and the Committee on  
9 Armed Services, the Committee on Oversight and  
10 Accountability, the Committee on Foreign Affairs,  
11 and the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of  
12 Representatives, for such certification.

13 (b) APPLICATION.—Subsection (a) shall apply re-  
14 gardless of whether or not the record described in such  
15 subsection is in the legal custody of the National Archives  
16 and Records Administration.

17 **SEC. 7603. TRAINING TO PROMOTE SENSIBLE CLASSIFICA-**  
18 **TION.**

19 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

20 (1) OVER-CLASSIFICATION.—The term “over-  
21 classification” means classification at a level that ex-  
22 ceeds the minimum level of classification that is suf-  
23 ficient to protect the national security of the United  
24 States.

1           (2) SENSIBLE CLASSIFICATION.—The term  
2           “sensible classification” means classification at a  
3           level that is the minimum level of classification that  
4           is sufficient to protect the national security of the  
5           United States.

6           (b) TRAINING REQUIRED.—Each head of an agency  
7           with classification authority shall conduct training for em-  
8           ployees of the agency with classification authority to hold  
9           employees accountable for over-classification and to pro-  
10          mote sensible classification.

11 **SEC. 7604. IMPROVEMENTS TO PUBLIC INTEREST DECLASSI-**  
12 **SIFICATION BOARD.**

13          Section 703 of the Public Interest Declassification  
14          Act of 2000 (50 U.S.C. 3355a) is amended—

15                 (1) in subsection (c), by adding at the end the  
16                 following:

17                 “(5) A member of the Board whose term has expired  
18                 may continue to serve until the earlier of—

19                         “(A) the date that a successor is appointed and  
20                         sworn in; and

21                         “(B) the date that is 1 year after the date of  
22                         the expiration of the term.

23                 “(6) Not later than 30 days after the date on which  
24                 the term of a member of the Board ends, the appointing

1 authority of the member shall submit to Congress a plan  
2 to appoint a successor.”; and

3 (2) in subsection (f)—

4 (A) by inserting “(1)” before “Any em-  
5 ployee”; and

6 (B) by adding at the end the following:

7 “(2) In addition to any employees detailed to the  
8 Board under paragraph (1), the Board may, subject to  
9 the availability of funds, hire not more than 12 staff mem-  
10 bers.”.

11 **SEC. 7605. IMPLEMENTATION OF TECHNOLOGY FOR CLAS-**  
12 **SIFICATION AND DECLASSIFICATION.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the  
14 date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator of  
15 the Office of Electronic Government (in this section re-  
16 ferred to as the “Administrator”) shall, in consultation  
17 with the Secretary of Defense, the Director of the Central  
18 Intelligence Agency, the Director of National Intelligence,  
19 the Public Interest Declassification Board, the Director of  
20 the Information Security Oversight Office, and the head  
21 of the National Declassification Center of the National Ar-  
22 chives and Records Administration—

23 (1) research a technology-based solutions—

24 (A) to support efficient and effective sys-  
25 tems for classification and declassification; and

1 (B) to be implemented on an interoperable  
2 and federated basis across the Federal Govern-  
3 ment; and

4 (2) submit to the President and Congress, in-  
5 cluding the congressional intelligence committees,  
6 the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee  
7 on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs,  
8 the Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee  
9 on the Judiciary of the Senate, and the Committee  
10 on Armed Services, the Committee on Oversight and  
11 Accountability, the Committee on Foreign Affairs,  
12 and the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of  
13 Representatives, recommendations regarding a tech-  
14 nology-based solutions described in paragraph (1).

15 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 540 days after the date  
16 of the enactment of this Act, the President shall submit  
17 to Congress a classified report describing actions taken to  
18 implement the recommendations under subsection (a)(2).

19 **SEC. 7606. STUDIES AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON NECES-**  
20 **SITY OF SECURITY CLEARANCES.**

21 (a) AGENCY STUDIES ON NECESSITY OF SECURITY  
22 CLEARANCES.—

23 (1) STUDIES REQUIRED.—The head of each  
24 agency that grants security clearances to personnel

1 of such agency shall conduct a study on the neces-  
2 sity of such clearances.

3 (2) REPORTS REQUIRED.—

4 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year  
5 after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
6 each head of an agency that conducts a study  
7 under paragraph (1) shall submit to Congress,  
8 including the congressional intelligence commit-  
9 tees, the Committee on Armed Services, the  
10 Committee on Homeland Security and Govern-  
11 mental Affairs, the Committee on Foreign Rela-  
12 tions, the Committee on the Judiciary of the  
13 Senate, and the Committee on Armed Services,  
14 the Committee on Oversight and Accountability,  
15 the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the  
16 Committee on the Judiciary of the House of  
17 Representatives, a report on the findings of the  
18 agency head with respect to such study, which  
19 the agency head may classify as appropriate.

20 (B) REQUIRED ELEMENTS.—Each report  
21 submitted by the head of an agency under sub-  
22 paragraph (A) shall include, for such agency,  
23 the following:

1 (i) The number of personnel eligible  
2 for access to information up to the “Top  
3 Secret” level.

4 (ii) The number of personnel eligible  
5 for access to information up to the “Se-  
6 cret” level.

7 (iii) Information on any reduction in  
8 the number of personnel eligible for access  
9 to classified information based on the  
10 study conducted under paragraph (1).

11 (iv) A description of how the agency  
12 head will ensure that the number of secu-  
13 rity clearances granted by such agency will  
14 be kept to the minimum required for the  
15 conduct of agency functions, commensurate  
16 with the size, needs, and mission of the  
17 agency.

18 (3) INDUSTRY.—This subsection shall apply to  
19 the Secretary of Defense in the Secretary’s capacity  
20 as the Executive Agent for the National Industrial  
21 Security Program, and the Secretary shall treat con-  
22 tractors, licensees, and grantees as personnel of the  
23 Department of Defense for purposes of the studies  
24 and reports required by this subsection.

1 (b) DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE REVIEW  
2 OF SENSITIVE COMPARTMENTED INFORMATION.—Not  
3 later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this  
4 Act, the Director of National Intelligence shall—

5 (1) review the number of personnel eligible for  
6 access to sensitive compartmented information; and

7 (2) submit to Congress, including the congress-  
8 sional intelligence committees, the Committee on  
9 Armed Services, the Committee on Homeland Secu-  
10 rity and Governmental Affairs, the Committee on  
11 Foreign Relations, the Committee on the Judiciary  
12 of the Senate, and the Committee on Armed Serv-  
13 ices, the Committee on Oversight and Account-  
14 ability, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the  
15 Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Rep-  
16 resentatives, a report on how the Director will en-  
17 sure that the number of such personnel is limited to  
18 the minimum required.

19 (c) AGENCY REVIEW OF SPECIAL ACCESS PRO-  
20 GRAMS.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enact-  
21 ment of this Act, each head of an agency who is authorized  
22 to establish a special access program by Executive Order  
23 13526 (50 U.S.C. 3161 note; relating to classified na-  
24 tional security information), or successor order, shall—

1           (1) review the number of personnel of the agen-  
2           cy eligible for access to such special access pro-  
3           grams; and

4           (2) submit to Congress, including the congress-  
5           sional intelligence committees, the Committee on  
6           Armed Services, the Committee on Homeland Secu-  
7           rity and Governmental Affairs, the Committee on  
8           Foreign Relations, the Committee on the Judiciary  
9           of the Senate, and the Committee on Armed Serv-  
10          ices, the Committee on Oversight and Account-  
11          ability, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the  
12          Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Rep-  
13          resentatives, a report on how the agency head will  
14          ensure that the number of such personnel is limited  
15          to the minimum required.

16          (d) SECRETARY OF ENERGY REVIEW OF Q AND L  
17          CLEARANCES.—Not later than 1 year after the date of  
18          enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Energy shall—

19               (1) review the number of personnel of the De-  
20               partment of Energy granted Q and L access; and

21               (2) submit to Congress, including the congress-  
22               sional intelligence committees, the Committee on  
23               Armed Services, the Committee on Homeland Secu-  
24               rity and Governmental Affairs, the Committee on  
25               Foreign Relations, the Committee on the Judiciary

1 of the Senate, and the Committee on Armed Serv-  
2 ices, the Committee on Oversight and Account-  
3 ability, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the  
4 Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Rep-  
5 resentatives, a report on how the Secretary will en-  
6 sure that the number of such personnel is limited to  
7 the minimum required

8 (e) INDEPENDENT REVIEWS.—Not later than 180  
9 days after the date on which a study is completed under  
10 subsection (a) or a review is completed under subsections  
11 (b) through (d), the Director of the Office of Management  
12 and Budget shall each review the study or review, as the  
13 case may be.

14 **TITLE VII—SECURITY CLEAR-**  
15 **ANCE AND TRUSTED WORK-**  
16 **FORCE**

Sec. 7701. Review of shared information technology services for personnel vet-  
ting.

Sec. 7702. Timeliness standard for rendering determinations of trust for per-  
sonnel vetting.

Sec. 7703. Annual report on personnel vetting trust determinations.

Sec. 7704. Survey to assess strengths and weaknesses of Trusted Workforce  
2.0.

17 **SEC. 7701. REVIEW OF SHARED INFORMATION TECH-**  
18 **NOLOGY SERVICES FOR PERSONNEL VET-**  
19 **TING.**

20 (a) DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF  
21 CONGRESS.—In this section, the term “appropriate com-  
22 mittees of Congress” means—

1 (1) the congressional intelligence committees;

2 (2) the Committee on Armed Services and the  
3 Subcommittee on Defense of the Committee on Ap-  
4 propriations of the Senate; and

5 (3) the Committee on Armed Services and the  
6 Subcommittee on Defense of the Committee on Ap-  
7 propriations of the House of Representatives.

8 (b) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the  
9 date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of National  
10 Intelligence shall submit to the appropriate committees of  
11 Congress a review of the extent to which the intelligence  
12 community can use information technology services shared  
13 among the intelligence community for purposes of per-  
14 sonnel vetting, including with respect to human resources,  
15 suitability, and security.

16 **SEC. 7702. TIMELINESS STANDARD FOR RENDERING DE-**  
17 **TERMINATIONS OF TRUST FOR PERSONNEL**  
18 **VETTING.**

19 (a) TIMELINESS STANDARD.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—The President shall, acting  
21 through the Security Executive Agent and the Suit-  
22 ability and Credentialing Executive Agent, establish  
23 and publish in such public venue as the President  
24 considers appropriate, new timeliness performance  
25 standards for processing personnel vetting trust de-

1 terminations in accordance with the Federal per-  
2 sonnel vetting performance management standards.

3 (2) QUINQUENNIAL REVIEWS.—Not less fre-  
4 quently than once every 5 years, the President shall,  
5 acting through the Security Executive Agent and the  
6 Suitability and Credentialing Executive Agent—

7 (A) review the standards established pur-  
8 suant to paragraph (1); and

9 (B) pursuant to such review—

10 (i) update such standards as the  
11 President considers appropriate; and

12 (ii) publish in the Federal Register  
13 such updates as may be made pursuant to  
14 clause (i).

15 (3) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 3001  
16 of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention  
17 Act of 2004 (50 U.S.C. 3341) is amended by strik-  
18 ing subsection (g).

19 (b) QUARTERLY REPORTS ON IMPLEMENTATION.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not less frequently than  
21 quarterly, the Security Executive Agent and the  
22 Suitability and Credentialing Executive Agent shall  
23 jointly make available to the public a quarterly re-  
24 port on the compliance of Executive agencies (as de-  
25 fined in section 105 of title 5, United States Code)

1 with the standards established pursuant to sub-  
2 section (a).

3 (2) DISAGGREGATION.—Each report made  
4 available pursuant to paragraph (1) shall  
5 disaggregate, to the greatest extent practicable, data  
6 by appropriate category of personnel risk and be-  
7 tween Government and contractor personnel.

8 (c) COMPLEMENTARY STANDARDS FOR INTEL-  
9 LIGENCE COMMUNITY.—The Director of National Intel-  
10 ligence may, in consultation with the Security, Suitability,  
11 and Credentialing Performance Accountability Council es-  
12 tablished pursuant to Executive Order 13467 (50 U.S.C.  
13 3161 note; relating to reforming processes related to suit-  
14 ability for Government employment, fitness for contractor  
15 employees, and eligibility for access to classified national  
16 security information) establish for the intelligence commu-  
17 nity standards complementary to those established pursu-  
18 ant to subsection (a).

19 **SEC. 7703. ANNUAL REPORT ON PERSONNEL VETTING**  
20 **TRUST DETERMINATIONS.**

21 (a) DEFINITION OF PERSONNEL VETTING TRUST  
22 DETERMINATION.—In this section, the term “personnel  
23 vetting trust determination” means any determination  
24 made by an executive branch agency as to whether an indi-

1 vidual can be trusted to perform job functions or to be  
2 granted access necessary for a position.

3 (b) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than March 30,  
4 2024, and annually thereafter for 5 years, the Director  
5 of National Intelligence, acting as the Security Executive  
6 Agent, and the Director of the Office of Personnel Man-  
7 agement, acting as the Suitability and Credentialing Exec-  
8 utive Agent, in coordination with the Security, Suitability,  
9 and Credentialing Performance Accountability Council,  
10 shall jointly make available to the public a report on spe-  
11 cific types of personnel vetting trust determinations made  
12 during the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year in which  
13 the report is made available, disaggregated, to the greatest  
14 extent possible, by the following:

15 (1) Determinations of eligibility for national se-  
16 curity-sensitive positions, separately noting—

17 (A) the number of individuals granted ac-  
18 cess to classified national security information;  
19 and

20 (B) the number of individuals determined  
21 to be eligible for but not granted access to clas-  
22 sified national security information.

23 (2) Determinations of suitability or fitness for  
24 a public trust position.



Sec. 7803. Intelligence community implementation of HAVANA Act of 2021 authorities.

Sec. 7804. Report and briefings on Central Intelligence Agency handling of anomalous health incidents.

1 **SEC. 7801. IMPROVED FUNDING FLEXIBILITY FOR PAY-**  
2 **MENTS MADE BY THE CENTRAL INTEL-**  
3 **LIGENCE AGENCY FOR QUALIFYING INJU-**  
4 **RIES TO THE BRAIN.**

5 Section 19A(d) of the Central Intelligence Agency  
6 Act of 1949 (50 U.S.C. 3519b(d)) is amended by striking  
7 paragraph (3) and inserting the following new paragraph:

8 “(3) FUNDING.—

9 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Payment under para-  
10 graph (2) in a fiscal year may be made using  
11 any funds—

12 “(i) appropriated specifically for pay-  
13 ments under such paragraph; or

14 “(ii) reprogrammed in accordance  
15 with section 504 of the National Security  
16 Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3094).

17 “(B) BUDGET.—For each fiscal year, the  
18 Director shall include with the budget justifica-  
19 tion materials submitted to Congress in support  
20 of the budget of the President for that fiscal  
21 year pursuant to section 1105(a) of title 31,  
22 United States Code, an estimate of the funds

1 required in that fiscal year to make payments  
2 under paragraph (2).”.

3 **SEC. 7802. CLARIFICATION OF REQUIREMENTS TO SEEK**  
4 **CERTAIN BENEFITS RELATING TO INJURIES**  
5 **TO THE BRAIN.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 19A(d)(5) of the Central  
7 Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 (50 U.S.C. 3519b(d)(5))  
8 is amended—

9 (1) by striking “Payments made” and inserting  
10 the following:

11 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Payments made”; and  
12 (2) by adding at the end the following:

13 “(B) RELATION TO CERTAIN FEDERAL  
14 WORKERS COMPENSATION LAWS.—Without re-  
15 gard to the requirements in sections (b) and  
16 (c), covered employees need not first seek bene-  
17 fits provided under chapter 81 of title 5, United  
18 States Code, to be eligible solely for payment  
19 authorized under paragraph (2) of this sub-  
20 section.”.

21 (b) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 90 days after the  
22 date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Cen-  
23 tral Intelligence Agency shall—

24 (1) revise applicable regulations to conform  
25 with the amendment made by subsection (a); and

1           (2) submit to the congressional intelligence  
2 committees, the Subcommittee on Defense of the  
3 Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, and the  
4 Subcommittee on Defense of the Committee on Ap-  
5 propriations of the House of Representatives copies  
6 of such regulations, as revised pursuant to para-  
7 graph (1).

8 **SEC. 7803. INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY IMPLEMENTATION**  
9 **OF HAVANA ACT OF 2021 AUTHORITIES.**

10       (a) REGULATIONS.—Except as provided in subsection  
11 (c), not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-  
12 ment of this Act, each head of an element of the intel-  
13 ligence community that has not already done so shall—

14           (1) issue regulations and procedures to imple-  
15 ment the authorities provided by section 19A(d) of  
16 the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 (50  
17 U.S.C. 3519b(d)) and section 901(i) of title IX of  
18 division J of the Further Consolidated Appropria-  
19 tions Act, 2020 (22 U.S.C. 2680b(i)) to provide pay-  
20 ments under such sections, to the degree that such  
21 authorities are applicable to the head of the element;  
22 and

23           (2) submit to the congressional intelligence  
24 committees, the Committee on Armed Services and  
25 the Subcommittee on Defense of the Committee on

1 Appropriations of the Senate, and the Committee on  
2 Armed Services and the Subcommittee on Defense of  
3 the Committee on Appropriations of the House of  
4 Representatives copies of such regulations.

5 (b) REPORTING.—Not later than 210 days after the  
6 date of the enactment of this Act, each head of an element  
7 of the intelligence community shall submit to the congress-  
8 sional intelligence committees, the Committee on Armed  
9 Services and the Subcommittee on Defense of the Com-  
10 mittee on Appropriations of the Senate, and the Com-  
11 mittee on Armed Services and the Subcommittee on De-  
12 fense of the Committee on Appropriations of the House  
13 of Representatives a report on—

14 (1) the estimated number of individuals associ-  
15 ated with their element that may be eligible for pay-  
16 ment under the authorities described in subsection  
17 (a)(1);

18 (2) an estimate of the obligation that the head  
19 of the intelligence community element expects to  
20 incur in fiscal year 2025 as a result of establishing  
21 the regulations pursuant to subsection (a)(1); and

22 (3) any perceived barriers or concerns in imple-  
23 menting such authorities.

24 (c) ALTERNATIVE REPORTING.—Not later than 180  
25 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, each head

1 of an element of the intelligence community (other than  
2 the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency) who be-  
3 lieves that the authorities described in subsection (a)(1)  
4 are not currently relevant for individuals associated with  
5 their element, or who are not otherwise in position to issue  
6 the regulations and procedures required by subsection  
7 (a)(1) shall provide written and detailed justification to  
8 the congressional intelligence committees, the Committee  
9 on Armed Services and the Subcommittee on Defense of  
10 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, and the  
11 Committee on Armed Services and the Subcommittee on  
12 Defense of the Committee on Appropriations of the House  
13 of Representatives to explain this position.

14 **SEC. 7804. REPORT AND BRIEFINGS ON CENTRAL INTEL-**  
15 **LIGENCE AGENCY HANDLING OF ANOMA-**  
16 **LOUS HEALTH INCIDENTS.**

17 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

18 (1) AGENCY.—The term “Agency” means the  
19 Central Intelligence Agency.

20 (2) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-  
21 GRESS.—The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
22 gress” means—

23 (A) the congressional intelligence commit-  
24 tees;

1 (B) the Committee on Appropriations of  
2 the Senate; and

3 (C) the Committee on Appropriations of  
4 the House of Representatives.

5 (3) QUALIFYING INJURY.—The term “quali-  
6 fying injury” has the meaning given such term in  
7 section 19A(d)(1) of the Central Intelligence Agency  
8 Act of 1949 (50 U.S.C. 3519b(d)(1)).

9 (b) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the  
10 date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Cen-  
11 tral Intelligence Agency shall submit to the appropriate  
12 committees of Congress a report on the handling of anom-  
13 alous health incidents by the Agency.

14 (c) CONTENTS.—The report required by subsection  
15 (b) shall include the following:

16 (1) PRIORITY CASES.—

17 (A) A detailed list of priority cases of  
18 anomalous health incidents, including any cases  
19 that the Agency has assessed as potentially re-  
20 sulting from an external stimulus or the actions  
21 of a foreign actor, including, for each case, loca-  
22 tions, dates, times, and circumstances of the  
23 anomalous health incidents.

24 (B) For each priority case listed in accord-  
25 ance with subparagraph (A)—

1 (i) an explanation as to why such case  
2 was determined to be a priority case;

3 (ii) a description of each entity as-  
4 signed to investigate the case;

5 (iii) a detailed explanation of each  
6 credible alternative explanation that the  
7 Agency assigned to the incident, including  
8 whether each individual affected by the in-  
9 cident was informed about and provided  
10 with an opportunity to appeal such credible  
11 alternative explanation; and

12 (iv) a detailed account of the input,  
13 data, evidence, or opinions the Agency has  
14 received from other agencies or compo-  
15 nents of the Federal Government that the  
16 Agency may have used to reach a conclu-  
17 sion on such case.

18 (C) For each priority case of an anomalous  
19 health incident determined to largely display  
20 the core characteristics of an anomalous health  
21 incident established by the Intelligence Commu-  
22 nity Experts Panel, including each case for  
23 which the Agency does not have a credible al-  
24 ternative explanation, a detailed description of  
25 such case.

1           (2) ANOMALOUS HEALTH INCIDENT SEN-  
2           SORS.—

3           (A) A list of all types of sensors that the  
4           Agency has developed or deployed with respect  
5           to reports of anomalous health incidents, in-  
6           cluding, for each type of sensor, the deployment  
7           location, the date and the duration of the em-  
8           ployment of such type of sensor, and, if applica-  
9           ble, the reason for removal.

10          (B) A list of entities to which the Agency  
11          has provided unrestricted access to data from  
12          sensors associated with anomalous health inci-  
13          dents.

14          (C) A list of requests for support the  
15          Agency has received from elements of the Fed-  
16          eral Government regarding sensor development,  
17          testing, or deployment, and a description of the  
18          support provided in each case.

19          (D) A description of each emitter signature  
20          that the Agency prioritizes as a threat obtained  
21          by sensors associated with anomalous health in-  
22          cidents in Agency holdings since 2016, and an  
23          explanation of such prioritization.

24          (d) ADDITIONAL SUBMISSIONS.—Concurrent with  
25          the submission of the report required by subsection (b),

1 the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency shall sub-  
2 mit to the appropriate committees of Congress—

3 (1) a report on the length of time, from the  
4 time of initial application, for an applicant for pay-  
5 ment under the Expanded Care Program of the Cen-  
6 tral Intelligence Agency to receive a determination  
7 from the Agency, disaggregated by qualifying inju-  
8 ries and qualifying injuries to the brain;

9 (2) copies of all informational and instructional  
10 materials provided to employees of and other individ-  
11 uals affiliated with the Agency, with respect to ap-  
12 plying for the Expanded Care Program; and

13 (3) copies of Agency guidance provided to em-  
14 ployees of and other individuals affiliated with the  
15 Agency, with respect to reporting and responding to  
16 a suspected anomalous health incident, and the roles  
17 and responsibilities of each element of the Agency  
18 tasked with responding to a report of an anomalous  
19 health incident.

20 (e) BRIEFING REQUIREMENT.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after  
22 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director  
23 of the Central Intelligence Agency shall brief the ap-  
24 propriate committees of Congress on the report re-  
25 quired by subsection (b).

1           (2) ADDITIONAL BRIEFINGS.—Upon request of  
2           the appropriate committees of Congress, the Direc-  
3           tor shall brief such committees on anomalous health  
4           incidents.

5           (3) AVAILABILITY.—The Director shall ensure  
6           that employees and other personnel of the Agency  
7           are made available for briefings under this sub-  
8           section.

## 9           **TITLE IX—OTHER MATTERS**

Sec. 7901. Technical corrections.

Sec. 7902. Extension of title VII of FISA.

### 10       **SEC. 7901. TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.**

11       (a) NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947.—The Na-  
12       tional Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.) is  
13       amended—

14           (1) in section 102A(n) (50 U.S.C. 3024(n)) by  
15       redesignating the second paragraph (5) as para-  
16       graph (6);

17           (2) in section 503(c)(3) (50 U.S.C. 3093(c)(3)),  
18       by striking “section” and inserting “subsection”;

19           (3) in section 805(6) (50 U.S.C. 3164(6)), by  
20       striking “sections 101 (a) and (b)” and inserting  
21       “subsections (a) and (b) of section 101”; and

22           (4) in section 1102A (50 U.S.C. 3232a)—

23               (A) in subsection (b)(3), by striking “sub-  
24       section (2)” and inserting “paragraph (1)”; and

1 (B) in subsection (c)(4)(C)(iv), by striking  
2 “wavier” and inserting “waiver”.

3 (b) INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL  
4 YEAR 2023.—The Intelligence Authorization Act for Fis-  
5 cal Year 2023 (division F of Public Law 117–263) is  
6 amended—

7 (1) in section 6422(b) (50 U.S.C. 3334l(b)), by  
8 striking “Congressional” and inserting “congres-  
9 sional”; and

10 (2) in section 6732(b) (50 U.S.C. 3024 note;  
11 136 Stat. 3583), by striking “paragraph (5)” and  
12 inserting “paragraph (6)”.

13 (c) DAVID L. BOREN NATIONAL SECURITY EDU-  
14 CATION ACT OF 1991.—The David L. Boren National Se-  
15 curity Education Act of 1991 (50 U.S.C. 1901 et seq.)  
16 is amended—

17 (1) in section 802(j)(6) (50 U.S.C.  
18 1902(j)(6))—

19 (A) by redesignating subparagraphs (C)  
20 and (D) as subparagraphs (B) and (C), respec-  
21 tively; and

22 (B) in subparagraph (B), as so redesign-  
23 ated, by striking “subparagraph (D)” and in-  
24 serting “subparagraph (C)”;

1           (2) in section 803(d)(9)(D) (50 U.S.C.  
2           1903(d)(9)(D)), by striking “Local” and inserting  
3           “local”; and

4           (3) in section 808(4)(A) (50 U.S.C.  
5           1908(4)(A)), by striking “a agency” and inserting  
6           “an agency”.

7           (d) CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY RETIREMENT  
8 ACT.—The Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act  
9 (50 U.S.C. 2001 et seq.) is amended—

10           (1) in section 211(c)(2)(B) (50 U.S.C.  
11           2021(c)(2)(B)), by striking “subsection 241(c)” and  
12           inserting “section 241(c)”;

13           (2) in section 263(g)(1) (50 U.S.C.  
14           2093(g)(1)), by striking “Fund” and inserting  
15           “fund”;

16           (3) in section 271(b) (50 U.S.C. 2111(b)), by  
17           striking “section 231(b)” and inserting “section  
18           231(c)”;

19           (4) in section 304(c) (50 U.S.C. 2154(c))—

20                   (A) in paragraph (1)(B)(i), by striking  
21                   “title 50” and inserting “title 5”; and

22                   (B) in paragraph (5)(A)(ii), by striking  
23                   “sections” and inserting “section”.

24           (e) INTELLIGENCE REFORM AND TERRORISM PRE-  
25 VENTION ACT OF 2004.—Section 3001 of the Intelligence

1 Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 (50 U.S.C.  
2 3341) is amended—

3 (1) in subsection (a)—

4 (A) in paragraph (4)(B)(i), by striking the  
5 semicolon and inserting “);”; and

6 (B) in paragraph (9)(A), by striking “with  
7 industry” and inserting “within industry”; and

8 (2) in subsection (j)(1)(C)(i), by striking “(d),”  
9 and all that follows through “section 8H” and in-  
10 serting “(d), and (h) of section 8H”.

11 (f) INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL  
12 YEAR 2003.—The Intelligence Authorization Act for Fis-  
13 cal Year 2003 (Public Law 107–306; 116 Stat. 2383) is  
14 amended—

15 (1) in section 313(d)(3)(B) (50 U.S.C.  
16 3361(d)(3)(B)), by adding a period at the end; and

17 (2) in section 343(d)(1) (50 U.S.C.  
18 3363(d)(1)), by striking “Not later then” and in-  
19 serting “Not later than”.

20 (g) CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY ACT OF  
21 1949.—The Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 (50  
22 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.) is amended—

23 (1) in section 4—

1 (A) in subsection (a)(1)(E) (50 U.S.C.  
2 3505(a)(1)(E)), by striking the period at the  
3 end and inserting “; and”; and

4 (B) in subsection (b)(2) (50 U.S.C.  
5 3505(b)(2)), by striking “authorized by sec-  
6 tion” and inserting “authorized by sections”;

7 (2) in section 6 (50 U.S.C. 3507), by striking  
8 “or of the, names” and inserting “or of the names”;

9 (3) in section 12(a)(2)(A) (50 U.S.C.  
10 3512(a)(2)(A)), by striking “used only for—” and  
11 inserting “used only for—”;

12 (4) in section 17—

13 (A) in subsection (d)(5)(B)(ii) (50 U.S.C.  
14 3517(d)(5)(B)(ii)), by adding a period at the  
15 end; and

16 (B) in subsection (e)(4) (50 U.S.C.  
17 3517(e)(4)), by striking “which oath affirma-  
18 tion, or affidavit” and inserting “which oath,  
19 affirmation, or affidavit”; and

20 (5) in section 19(a)(2) (50 U.S.C. 3519(a)(2)),  
21 by striking “, as a participant” and inserting “as a  
22 participant”.

23 (h) CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY VOLUNTARY  
24 SEPARATION PAY ACT.—Section 2(a)(1) of the Central  
25 Intelligence Agency Voluntary Separation Pay Act (50

1 U.S.C. 3519a(a)(1)) is amended by adding “and” at the  
2 end.

3 (i) NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY ACT OF 1959.—  
4 Section 16(d)(1) of the National Security Agency Act of  
5 1959 (50 U.S.C. 3614(d)(1)) is amended by striking “pro-  
6 gram participant,” and inserting “program participant”.

7 (j) INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL  
8 YEAR 1995.—Section 811(e)(7) of the Intelligence Au-  
9 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 1995 (50 U.S.C.  
10 3381(e)(7)) is amended by striking “sections 101 (a) and  
11 (b)” and inserting “subsections (a) and (b) of section  
12 101”.

13 (k) COORDINATION WITH OTHER AMENDMENTS  
14 MADE BY THIS ACT.—For purposes of applying amend-  
15 ments made by provisions of this Act other than this sec-  
16 tion, the amendments made by this section shall be treated  
17 as having been enacted immediately before any such  
18 amendments by other provisions of this Act.

19 **SEC. 7902. EXTENSION OF TITLE VII OF FISA.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 403(b) of the Foreign In-  
21 telligence Surveillance Act of 1978 Amendments Act of  
22 2008 is amended—

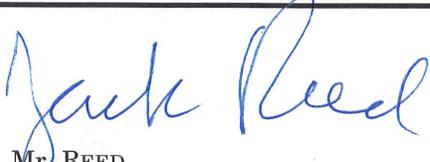
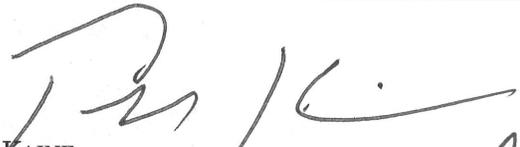
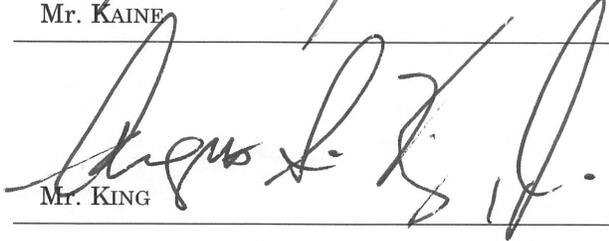
23 (1) in paragraph (1) (Public Law 110–261; 50  
24 U.S.C. 1881 note), by striking “December 31,  
25 2023” and inserting “April 19, 2024”; and

1           (2) in paragraph (2) (Public Law 110–261; 18  
2           U.S.C. 2511 note), in the matter preceding subpara-  
3           graph (A), by striking “December 31, 2023” and in-  
4           serting “April 19, 2024”.

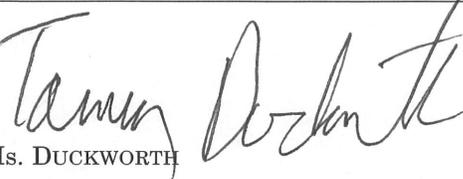
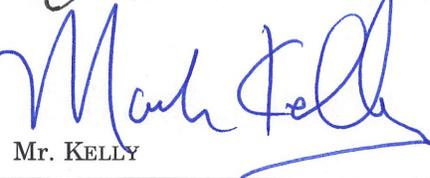
5           (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 404(b) of  
6           the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 Amend-  
7           ments Act of 2008 is amended in paragraph (1) in the  
8           paragraph heading, by striking “DECEMBER 31, 2023” and  
9           inserting “APRIL 19, 2024”.

          And the Senate agree to the same.

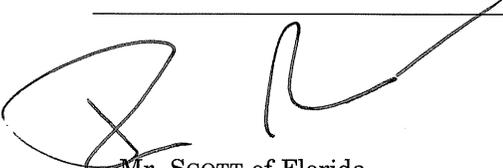
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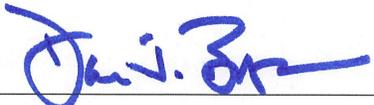
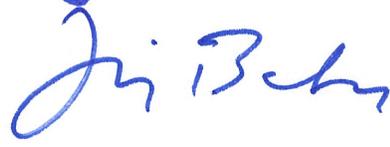
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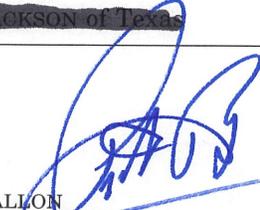
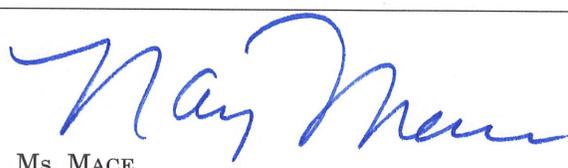
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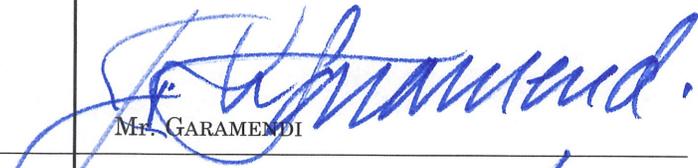
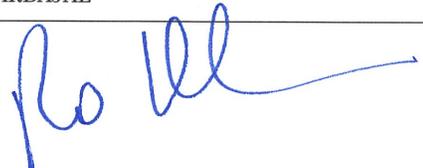
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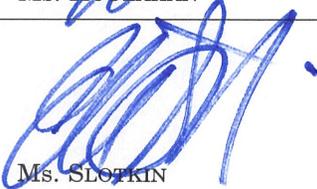
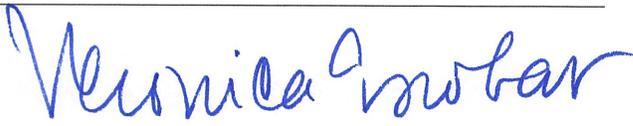
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	 Ms. MACE
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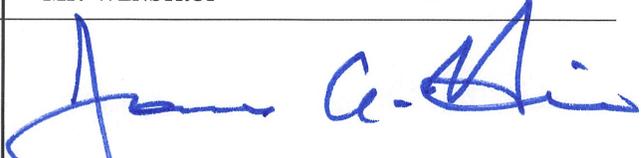
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	 Ms. SLOTKIN
	 Ms. SHERRILL
	 Ms. ESCOBAR

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<i>Managers on the part of the SENATE</i>	<i>Managers on the part of the HOUSE</i>
	From the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, for consideration of matters within the jurisdiction of that committee under clause 11 of rule X:
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	 Mr. WENSTRUP
	 Mr. HIMES

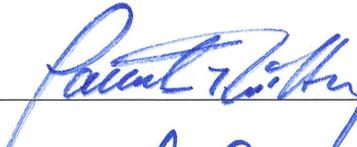
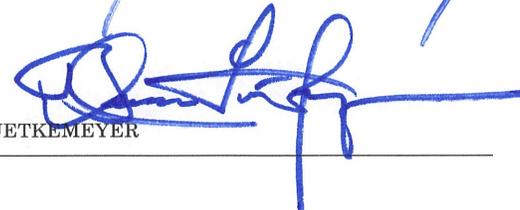
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<i>Managers on the part of the SENATE</i>	<i>Managers on the part of the HOUSE</i>
	From the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for consideration of secs. 636, 651-55, 658-61, 1041, and 1042 of the House bill and secs. 303, 563, 592, 593, 1079, 1090K, 1099JJ, 1726, and 3142 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference:
	 Ms. FOXX
	 Mr. OWENS
	 Mr. SCOTT of Virginia

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<i>Managers on the part of the SENATE</i>	<i>Managers on the part of the HOUSE</i>
	From the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for consideration of secs. 224, 749, and 3121 of the House bill, and secs. 314, 712 of division A, 1087, 1088, 1090A, 1090G, 1099II, 3122-24, 3143, 3144, 6074, 8141, and sec. 11009 of division J of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference:
	 Mr. CARTER of Georgia
	<del>Mr. DAWSON</del>
	<del>Mr. DAWSON</del>

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<i>Managers on the part of the SENATE</i>	<i>Managers on the part of the HOUSE</i>
	From the Committee on Financial Services, for consideration of subtitle J of Title X of Division A, secs. 1085 and 1086, title LXVIII of Division E, Division I, and Division J of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:
	Mr. MCHENRY 
	Mr. LUETKEMEYER 
	<del>Mr. WATERS</del>

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<i>Managers on the part of the SENATE</i>	<i>Managers on the part of the HOUSE</i>
	From the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for consideration of secs. 217, 1009, 1080K, 1210, 1211, 1213, 1214, 1216, 1220, 1220A, 1220C, 1220G, 1220K, 1220L, 1221-24, 1234, 1245, 1250, 1310L, 1505, and 1883 of the House bill, and secs. 212, 1085, 1302, 1397, 1399B, 1399D, 1399E, 1399F, 1399I, 1399J, 1399K, 1399L, subtitles H-K of title XIII of division A, secs. 1634, 6031, 6242, 6293, division F, and secs. 11104 and 11105 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference:
	 Mr. McCAUL
	 Mr. McCORMICK
	 Mr. MEEKS

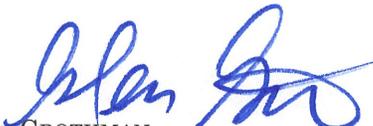
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<i>Managers on the part of the SENATE</i>	<i>Managers on the part of the HOUSE</i>
	<p>From the Committee on the Judiciary, for consideration of secs. 542, 822, 1049, 1689, and 3116 of the House bill, and secs. 1041, 1090H, subtitles I and K of title X of division A, subtitle I of title XIII of division A, secs. 6031, 6075, 6082, 6084, subtitle H of title LX of division E, secs. 6813, 6816, 6821, 6831 of division E, secs. 9007, 9011, 9012, 9014, and title LXXI of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference:</p>
	<p>Mr. ISSA </p>
	<p><del>Ms. Issa of Florida</del></p>
	<p><del>Mr. NADLER</del></p>

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<i>Managers on the part of the SENATE</i>	<i>Managers on the part of the HOUSE</i>
	From the Committee on Natural Resources, for consideration of secs. 261, 510, 1853, 1865, 2843, 2844, 2847, and 3515 of the House bill, and secs. 312, 1041, 1090G, 2805, 6711, 11002 of division J, division K, and sec. 11341 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference:
	 Mr. CARL
	<del>Mr. HERRING</del>
	<del>Mr. GUDALVA</del>

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<i>Managers on the part of the SENATE</i>	<i>Managers on the part of the HOUSE</i>
	<p>From the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, for consideration of secs. 364, 834, 891, 899C, 921, 922, 1047, 1101-10, 1116-18, 1122, 1221, 1222, 1521, 1523, 1805, and 1880 of the House bill, and secs. 537, 867, subtitle H of title X of division A, secs. 1201-03, 1206-09, 1211-13, 1215, 1512, 11133, 6101, 6202, 6203, 6607, sec. 6831 of division E, 8141, 9005, 11331-33, and secs. 601, 603, 605, 703, 704, 715-18, 802, and 1001 of division M, and secs. 11001 and 11002 of division L of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference:</p>
	 <p>Mr. GROTHMAN</p>
	 <p>Mr. PERRY</p>
	 <p>Mr. RASKIN</p>

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<i>Managers on the part of the SENATE</i>	<i>Managers on the part of the HOUSE</i>
	From the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, for consideration of secs. 886, 1608, 1875, and 1879 of the House bill, and secs. 308, 845, 1090E, 1090G, 3144, 5204, and title X of division M of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:
	<del>Mr. MIKE GARCIA of California</del>
	Mr. COLLINS 
	<del>Ms. LOREN</del>

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<i>Managers on the part of the SENATE</i>	<i>Managers on the part of the HOUSE</i>
	From the Committee on Small Business, for consideration of secs. 223, 853, 881, 882, 884, and 886 of the House bill, and secs. 141, 823, 831, 841-45, 849-52, and 5841 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:
	 Mr. MOLINARO
	 Mr. ALFORD
	<del>Ms. VELAZQUEZ</del>

### H.R. 2670—Continued

<i>Managers on the part of the SENATE</i>	<i>Managers on the part of the HOUSE</i>
	From the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for consideration of secs. 315, 707, 723, 866, 1602, 1608, 1804, 1854, 3501, 3511-13, 3515, 3531, and 3533 of the House bill, and secs. 314, 1083, 1090D, 1399N, 1606, 1644, 2814, title XXXV of division C, secs. 6079, 6226, 8141, and division H of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:
	 Mr. GRAVES of Missouri
	 Mr. WEBSTER of Florida
	 Mr. LARSEN of Washington

### H.R. 2670—Continued

<i>Managers on the part of the SENATE</i>	<i>Managers on the part of the HOUSE</i>
	From the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for consideration of secs. 571, 572, 579, 1118, 1413, 1733, and 1885 of the House bill, and secs. 1084, 1090B, 1521, 1833, 1852, 6071, 6077, and 11020 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:
	 Mr. BOST
	 Mr. LUTTRELL
	

JOINT EXPLANATORY STATEMENT OF THE COMMITTEE OF  
CONFERENCE

The managers on the part of the House and the Senate at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2670), to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2024 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes, submit the following joint statement to the House and the Senate in explanation of the effect of the action agreed upon by the managers and recommended in the accompanying conference report:

The Senate amendment struck all of the House bill after the enacting clause and inserted a substitute text.

The House recedes from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate with an amendment that is a substitute for the House bill and the Senate amendment. The differences between the House bill, the Senate amendment, and the substitute agreed to in conference are noted below, except for clerical corrections, conforming changes made necessary by agreements reached by the conferees, and minor drafting and clarifying changes.

*Disclosure of earmarks and congressionally directed spending items*

In compliance with clause 9 of rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the joint explanatory statement includes a table that lists the congressional earmarks (as defined in paragraph (e) of clause 9) that are contained in the conference report or this joint explanatory statement at the request of a Member of the House of Representatives. The conference report or this joint explanatory statement does not contain any congressional earmarks at the request of a Senator. Neither the conference report nor the joint explanatory statement contains any limited tax benefits or limited tariff benefits as defined in paragraphs (f) or (g) of clause 9 of rule XXI of the House of Representatives.

*Summary of discretionary authorizations and budget authority implication*

The budget request for national defense discretionary programs within the jurisdiction of the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives for fiscal year 2024 was \$874.2 billion. Of this amount, \$841.2 billion was requested for Department of Defense programs, \$32.6 billion was requested for national security programs in the Department of Energy and the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, and \$378.0 million for defense-related activities.

The agreement would authorize \$874.2 billion in fiscal year 2024, including \$841.4 billion for Department of Defense programs, \$32.4 billion for national security programs in the Department of Energy and the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, and \$438.0 million for defense-related activities.

The two tables preceding the detailed program adjustments in division D of the accompanying joint explanatory statement summarize the discretionary authorizations in the agreement and the equivalent budget authority levels for fiscal year 2024 defense programs.

*Sec. 4 - Budgetary effects of this Act*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 4) that would state the budgetary effects of this Act for the purpose of complying with the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-139).

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

# **DIVISION A—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AUTHORIZATIONS**

## **TITLE I—PROCUREMENT**

### **SUBTITLE A—AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS**

#### *Sec. 101 - Authorization of appropriations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 101) that would authorize appropriations for procurement at the levels identified in section 4101 of division D of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 101).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

### **SUBTITLE B—ARMY PROGRAMS**

#### *Sec. 111 - Limitation on availability of funds pending assessment of Army Trackless Moving Target systems*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 111) that would limit appropriations for the Trackless Moving Target program of the Army until the Secretary of the Army meets certain conditions and provides a report to the congressional defense committees.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would modify the limitation of funding, directed assessment, and reporting requirements.

#### *Sec. 112 - Strategy for Army tactical wheeled vehicle program*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 113) that would require the Secretary of the Army to update the Army's tactical wheeled vehicle (TWV) strategy every 5 years beginning with the submission of the President's Budget request for fiscal year 2025. This strategy will consider the full fleet of TWVs and associated trailers and support equipment. Further, the Secretary of the Army shall brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than 15 days after the budget submission, on its strategy and future years defense program.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment that also sunsets this provision with the 2035 submission of the required strategy.

*Sec. 113 - Report on acquisition strategies for the logistics augmentation program of the Army*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 115) that would require the Secretary of the Army to submit a report on acquisition strategies of the logistics augmentation program of the Army.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

## **SUBTITLE C—NAVY PROGRAMS**

*Sec. 121 - Modification of requirements for minimum number of carrier air wings of the Navy*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 121) that would amend section 8062(e) of title 10, United States Code, to relieve the Navy of a requirement to maintain 10 carrier air wings.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would provide a sunset for the requirement to maintain 10 carrier air wings 12 months after the Secretary of the Navy submits a report on potential approaches to manning, operating, and deploying a 10th aircraft carrier and associated carrier air wing to determine how the Navy could mobilize such a carrier air wing if required by operational needs.

*Sec. 122 - Extension of prohibition on availability of funds for Navy port waterborne security barriers*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 122) that would further extend through fiscal year 2024 an existing prohibition on the use of funds for waterborne security barriers.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 123 - Multiyear procurement authority for Virginia class submarine program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 131) that would authorize multiyear procurement authority for not more than 13 *Virginia*-class submarines.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 123) that would authorize multiyear procurement authority for 10 *Virginia*-class submarines.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would remove an additional limitation in the House provision relating to modification of target price.

*Sec. 124 - Procurement authority for Auxiliary Personnel Lighter program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 133) that would provide the Secretary of the Navy authority to enter into multiyear contracts for procurement of up to six Auxiliary Personnel Lighter class vessels.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recedes.

*Sec. 125 - Limitation on reductions to V-22 aircraft nacelle improvement program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 134) that would restrict moving the MV-22 Nacelle Improvement production line until the Secretary of the Navy certifies the implementation plan for MV-22 Tailored Nacelle Improvement program results in greater performance and reliability than the MV-22 Nacelle Improvement program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to upgrade at least 24 V-22 aircraft unless the Secretary certifies to the congressional defense committees that such reduction is in the interests of national security.

*Sec. 126 - Limitation on consideration of Government-operated dry docks in certain contract solicitations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 137) that would require the Secretary of the Navy to ensure that no Government-operated drydock is eligible to compete for the award of a contract for private sector non-nuclear surface ship maintenance unless the Secretary determines that there is not sufficient private sector dock competition.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 127 - Annual reports on use of Government docks for ship repair and maintenance*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 136) that would require the Secretary of the Navy to provide a report on the use of Government docks for ship repair and maintenance.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

## **SUBTITLE D—AIR FORCE PROGRAMS**

*Sec. 131 - Limitation on retirement of F-15 aircraft and modification of related reporting requirement*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 164) that would authorize to be appropriated an additional \$30.6 million for F-15EX Advanced Procurement and make offsetting reductions in Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Defense-wide for Environmental Security Technical Certification Program.

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 135) that would modify an existing reporting requirement, mandated prior to divestment of F-15 aircraft, to include identification of remaining service life, upgrades, and other modifications. The Senate amendment contained another similar provision (sec. 5133) that would prohibit the use of funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024 for the divestment of any F-15E aircraft.

The House recesses on section 164.

Authorization of specific funding amounts can be found in the funding tables.

The House recesses with an amendment on the two Senate provisions that would: (1) Merge the two provisions; (2) Permit the Secretary of the Air Force to retire up to 68 F-15E aircraft; and (3) Require a report only on retiring F-15E aircraft, describing the total cost of all modifications to date for each aircraft and the estimated service-life remaining for each F-15E aircraft the Secretary selects for retirement.

The conferees applaud the Air Force's effort to field F-15EX across the active duty, reserve, and Air National Guard components equitably, but remain concerned that tactical fighter capacity is not sufficient to meet combatant commander warfighting requirements at an acceptable level of risk. The conferees expect the Secretary of the Air Force to address and mitigate the concern regarding insufficient tactical fighter aircraft capacity in the tactical fighter aircraft force structure report to Congress mandated elsewhere in this Act.

*Sec. 132 - Limitations and minimum inventory requirement relating to RQ-4 aircraft*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 131) that would prohibit the Secretary of the Air Force from divesting any RQ-4 aircraft.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 133 - Temporary exception to minimum inventory requirement for fighter aircraft of the Air Force*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 134) that would reduce the number of fighter aircraft that the Air Force would be required to maintain from 1,145 fighters to 1,112.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would make the reduction from 1,145 fighters to 1,112 fighters temporary rather than permanent.

*Sec. 134 - Modification of minimum inventory requirements for C-130 aircraft*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 151) that would extend by one year a previously implemented minimum C-130 aircraft inventory requirement.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 5131)

The House recesses.

*Sec. 135 - Modification of annual reports on T-7A Advanced Pilot Training System*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 152) that would amend section 156 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) by requiring the Secretary of the Air Force to include additional reporting requirements related to the acquisition strategy and execution of the T-7A training aircraft program, as well as extending the reporting requirement by five years.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the annual schedule risk assessment to be completed at an 80 percent confidence level.

*Sec. 136 - Modification to prohibition on certain reductions to B-1 bomber aircraft squadrons*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 153) that would extend an existing prohibition on reductions to B-1 squadrons until the date on which the Secretary of the Air Force certifies to the congressional defense committees that not fewer than 100 B-21 aircraft have completed construction. The provision would also provide exceptions to the prohibition in the case of bomb wings which are in the process of replacing B-1 aircraft with B-21 aircraft, as well as an individual B-1 aircraft damaged beyond economical repair.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 5132) that would extend by three years the existing prohibition on reductions to B-1 squadrons.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would extend the prohibition through September 30, 2026.

*Sec. 137 - Modification of minimum inventory requirements for A-10 aircraft*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 154) that would reduce the minimum A-10 aircraft primary mission aircraft inventory requirement to 135 total aircraft, and would repeal a duplicate A-10 aircraft primary mission aircraft inventory requirement. The provision would also require the Secretary of Defense to evaluate any A-10 aircraft that is retired, during fiscal year 2023 or later fiscal years, for potential transfer to military forces of an ally or partner nation of the United States.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 133).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 138 - Procurement authority for over-the-horizon radar systems*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 155) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to procure not more than six over-the-horizon radar systems, as soon as practicable. This section would also establish certain requirements relating to the use of competitive procedures for such procurement.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 139 - Prohibition on availability of funds for retirement of KC-135 aircraft*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 163) that would prohibit the use of fiscal year 2024 funds for the decommissioning of a KC-135 aircraft.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 140 - Prohibition on reduction of KC-135 aircraft in PMAI of the reserve components*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 157) that would prevent the Air Force from reducing the number of primary mission aircraft inventory KC-135 aircraft in the Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 141 - Limitation on issuance of acquisition strategy for the KC-135 recapitalization program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 156) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to provide the congressional defense committees the business case analysis and Joint Staff-validated requirements for the KC-135 recapitalization program along with the analysis of alternatives for the Next Generation Air Refueling System before deciding on an acquisition strategy for the KC-135 recapitalization program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would expand the House provision to include a tanker road map.

*Sec. 142 - Prohibition on certain reductions to inventory of E-3 airborne warning and control system aircraft*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 137) that would prohibit the use of funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024 for the retirement, or placement into storage or backup inventory, of E-3 aircraft that would reduce the total aircraft inventory below 16.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 143 - Prohibition on availability of funds for termination of production lines for the HH-60W aircraft*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 158) that would prohibit any funds authorized to be appropriated or otherwise

made available for fiscal year 2024 for the Air Force from being obligated or expended to terminate the operations of, or to prepare to terminate the operations of, a production line for the HH-60W Combat Rescue Helicopter.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 144 - Limitation on retirement of F-16C/D aircraft*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 160) that would prohibit the divestment of any F-16 aircraft beginning on January 1, 2024, until the Secretary of the Air Force provides to the congressional defense committees a report, including certain plans and assessments, not less than 180 days prior to divesting or preparing to divest any F-16 aircraft.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would: (1) Prohibit the Secretary from divesting or preparing to divest any F-16 aircraft until 180 days have transpired since the Secretary submits the report on his plans for long-term fighter force structure required elsewhere in this Act; and (2) Require the Secretary to provide information on various attributes of any F-16 aircraft he proposes for retirement in the future.

*Sec. 145 - Limitation on procurement of KC-46A aircraft*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 161) that would limit the Air Force from buying more than 179 KC-46A on the current contract until the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics certifies to the congressional defense committees that there are validated needs and provides long-term cost estimates.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to notify the congressional defense committees 180 days prior to signing a contract that would result buying more than 179 KC-46A aircraft.

*Sec. 146 - Limitation on actions relating to remote vision systems of KC-46A aircraft*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 162) that would require a certification from the Secretary of the Air Force before retrofitting KC-46A aircraft with Remote Vision System 2.0.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 147 - Limitation on retirement of T-1A training aircraft*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 132) that would prohibit retirement of T-1A training aircraft pending a Chief of Staff of the Air Force certification to the congressional defense committees relating to pilot training.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would make technical corrections to certain pilot training program references.

*Sec. 148 - Plan for long-term Air Force fighter force structure*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 159) that would prohibit the termination of any fighter flying mission of any fighter squadron of the Air National Guard until a period of 180 days after the Secretary of the Air Force, in coordination with the Director, Air National Guard, develops a notional plan to recapitalize all fighter squadrons of the Air National Guard with replacement aircraft and submits the results of the plan to the congressional defense committees.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to submit a report, not later than April 1, 2024, on: (1) Plans for long-term fighter force structure, training, and sustainment over the next 12 years, including the rationale for any plans to activate, divest, deactivate, or change the mission of any unit; and (2) Plans to augment or supplant existing piloted tactical fighter aircraft training events via acquisition and fielding of common, joint, all-domain, high-fidelity synthetic simulation environments.

The conferees recognize the importance of in-flight training. However, the conferees also believe that expanded use of complementary synthetic training environments provides an effective and efficient way to train against high-end threats in realistic combat environments while employing the latest tactics, techniques, and procedures without the imposition of artificial or restrictive operational limitations. Finally, the conferees believe that adoption, implementation, and integration of advanced synthetic training environments has been unnecessarily slow and should proceed more quickly across the joint force.

**SUBTITLE E—DEFENSE-WIDE, JOINT, AND  
MULTISERVICE MATTERS**

*Sec. 151 - Annual report on force structure changes exhibit for the defense budget*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 186) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide a report on the divestment of major weapon systems with the submission of each president's budget request.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 152 - Multiyear procurement authority for domestically processed critical minerals*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 181) that would provide multiyear procurement authority for rare earth elements processed domestically.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 153 - Prohibition on solicitation of proprietary armor for certain tactical vehicles*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 182) that would prohibit the Secretary of Defense from including in a solicitation for a tactical tracked vehicle or tactical wheeled vehicle a requirement that such vehicle use proprietary armor. This section would also modify section 4863 of title 10, United States Code, requiring the application of such section to include tactical tracked vehicles and tactical wheeled vehicles.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would limit the provision to proprietary armor constraints.

*Sec. 154 - Prohibition on availability of funds for procurement of certain batteries*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 183) that would prohibit the Department of Defense from purchasing battery technology produced by Contemporary Amperex Technology Company.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to deliver a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2025, on: (1) The implementation and progress made regarding section 225 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263); (2) Coordination efforts

made to date regarding the Department-wide approach to establish a battery strategy; (3) Identified mechanisms for measuring defense supply chain risks across the National Technology Industrial Base; (4) Efforts to establish a Department-wide catalogue of advanced batteries for current and future applications; (5) Defined future battery supply chain requirements and opportunities to leverage the commercial industry; (6) Identified sources of supply for raw and refined battery materials for defense applications; (7) Efforts to expand secure sources of supply and manufacturing for battery materials in defense applications; (8) Efforts to reuse end-of-life batteries in defense applications; (9) Recommendations to adjust acquisition regulations to prioritize domestic or allied sources of supply for battery materials; and (10) Any other aspect deemed appropriate by the Secretary.

### **LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Report on Army requirements and acquisition strategy for night vision devices*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 111) that would direct the Secretary of the Army to submit a report to the congressional defense committees not later than February 29, 2024, on its requirements and acquisition strategy for night vision devices.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

The conferees direct the Secretary of the Army, not later than February 29, 2024, to submit to the congressional defense committees a report on night vision devices. The report shall include the following elements:

- (1) An identification of the specific capabilities the Army is seeking to achieve in night vision;
- (2) An identification of the capabilities in night vision required by unit, including the number and type of units for each capability;
- (3) An identification of the total requirement for night vision devices in the Army, disaggregated by number and type of unit; and
- (4) A description of the acquisition strategy of the Army for achieving the capabilities described in paragraph (1), including a description of each of the following:
  - (a) The acquisition objective for each type of night vision device;
  - (b) The programmed purchase quantities for night vision devices required each year;

(c) The contract type of each procurement of night vision devices;

(d) The expected date for achieving the capabilities;

(e) The industrial base constraints on each type of night vision device; and

(f) The modernization plan for each type of night vision device.

#### *Report on Black Hawk helicopter program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 112) that would require a report to the congressional defense committees after the submission of the President's Budget for fiscal year 2025 identifying funding requested for Black Hawk modernization and detailing required elements of the required report.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of the Army, not later than 30 days after the date on which the budget request for fiscal year 2025 is submitted to Congress pursuant to section 1105 of title 31, United States Code, to submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the modernization of the Black Hawk helicopter program of the Army. This report shall include:

(1) Identification of the level of funding requested for Black Hawk modernization for the period of fiscal years 2025 through 2029 set forth separately by fiscal year and appropriations account;

(2) Requirements for the program that are sufficient to ensure the Black Hawk helicopters of the Army are systematically modernized to address obsolescence and provide capabilities that ensure relevance in the joint all-domain operational environment; and

(3) A program acquisition strategy.

#### *Army plan for ensuring sources of cannon tubes*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 112) that would require the Secretary of the Army to provide a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than February 29, 2024, consisting of an updated version of the Army's March 2022 report titled, "Army Plan for Ensuring Sources of Cannon Tubes." The update shall take into account increased demand for cannon tubes generated by the Nation's present and projected support for Ukraine and other foreign military sales.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of the Army to update the assessment of the Secretary on the sufficiency of the development, production, procurement, and modernization of the defense industrial base for cannon and large caliber weapons tubes. The conferees further direct the Secretary, not later than February 29, 2024, to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives an update to the report submitted to Congress in March 2022 entitled "Army Plan for Ensuring Sources of Cannon Tubes."

*Sense of Senate on procurement of outstanding F/A-18 Super Hornet platforms*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 124) that would express the sense of the Senate regarding the use of funds previously appropriated for the procurement of additional F/A-18 aircraft, encouraging expeditious entry into a contract for procurement of 20 such aircraft.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees agree that the Navy and contractor team should conclude these contract negotiations as soon as possible.

*Multiyear procurement authority for MK-48 torpedoes*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 132) that would provide multiyear procurement authority for the Department of the Navy to procure up to 550 MK-48 torpedoes.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees have chosen to deal with this issue elsewhere in this Act.

*Report on Navy shipbuilding workforce development special initiative*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 135) that would require the Secretary of the Navy to provide a report to the congressional defense committees on the implementation of the Navy shipbuilding workforce development special incentive.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of the Navy, not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, to submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the status

of the implementation of the Navy shipbuilding workforce development special incentive under section 8696 of title 10, United States Code.

The report shall include, at a minimum:

(1) A description of each activity carried out under subsection (c)(2)(A) of such section to provide short- and long-term workforce housing, transportation, and other support services to facilitate attraction, relocation, and retention of workers; and

(2) An evaluation of the effectiveness of such activities.

*Report on Air Force executive aircraft*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 136) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to provide a report to the congressional defense committees, not later than January 1, 2025, relating to the Air Force's executive aircraft fleet.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of the Air Force to submit a plan on the Air Force's executive aircraft fleet to the congressional defense committees no later than January 1, 2025.

*Pilot program to accelerate the procurement and fielding of innovative technologies*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 141) that would amend section 834(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81) to allow the Secretary of Defense to waive the priority established for small businesses for up to two solicitations for proposals per fiscal year.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Plan to expedite integration of Long-Range Anti-Ship Missiles into legacy aircraft fleets*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 184) that would require a plan from the Secretary of Defense to integrate the Long-Range Anti-Ship Missile onto certain legacy aircraft.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit a plan to the congressional defense committees, not later than 180

days after enactment of this Act, to integrate the Long-Range Anti-Ship Missile onto certain legacy aircraft.

#### *Categorization and tracking of F-35 aircraft parts*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 185) that would require the Secretary of Defense to make a determination on whether F-35 parts should be categorized as government-furnished property, and to develop a system for continuous tracking of parts.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on whether F-35 aircraft parts are to be categorized as government-furnished property. The briefing will also include the status of development of a system for continuously tracking such parts, regardless of the determination.

## **TITLE II—RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION**

### **SUBTITLE A—AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS**

#### *Sec. 201 - Authorization of appropriations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 201) that would authorize appropriations for research, development, test, and evaluation at the levels identified in section 4201 of division D of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 201).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

### **SUBTITLE B—PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS, RESTRICTIONS, AND LIMITATIONS**

#### *Sec. 211 - Annual report on unfunded priorities of the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 228) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit annually to the congressional defense committees a report on the unfunded

priorities of the Department of Defense-wide research, development, test, and evaluation activities.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 212 - Delegation of responsibility for certain research programs*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 215) that would amend section 980(b) of title 10, United States Code to authorize the Secretary of Defense to delegate to the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering the authority to waive the informed consent requirement included in this statute for certain medical research.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 213 - Modification to personnel management authority to attract experts in science and engineering*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 213) that would modify section 4092(b) of title 10, United States Code, to improve the ability of the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency to attract and more rapidly hire new types of program managers.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 214 - Clarifying role of partnership intermediaries to promote defense research and education*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 212) that would facilitate technology transfers from industry or academic institutions to a Center for Science, Technology and Engineering Partnership.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 217).

The House recesses.

*Sec. 215 - Naval Air Warfare Rapid Capabilities Office*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 211) that would establish a Naval Air Warfare Rapid Capabilities Office.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would not specify the location of the headquarters of the Rapid Capabilities Office.

*Sec. 216 - Modification of support for research and development of bioindustrial manufacturing processes*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 213) that would provide support for the development of a network of bioindustrial manufacturing to conduct research and development to improve the ability of the industrial base to assess, validate, and scale new, innovative bioindustrial manufacturing processes for the production of chemicals, materials, and other products necessary to support national security of secure fragile supply chains.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would modify the additional element to insert "pharmaceutical biologics and associated precursor materials."

*Sec. 217 - Modification to administration of the Advanced Sensors Application Program*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 214) that would realign management of the Advanced Sensors Application Program from the Department of the Navy to the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security and the Department of the Air Force.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 218 - Matters pertaining to hypersonic capabilities and testing strategies*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 261) that would limit the Department of Defense travel funds made available for fiscal year 2024 for travel by the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy until the submission of a strategy for hypersonic testing, as required by section 237 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263), and require the strategy to be updated biennially through 2030. The provision would also require the Department of Defense to study at least two additional corridors for testing long-distance hypersonic systems, and to initiate any activities required by the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (Public Law 91-190) necessary for such testing.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 226) that would direct the Secretary of Defense to submit a report, not later than March 1, 2024, and with each budget submission thereafter through fiscal year 2030, on all offensive and defensive hypersonic investments.

The House recesses with an amendment that would combine both provisions and add developmental and operational testing to the reporting requirements on funding and investments.

*Sec. 219 - Improvements to defense quantum information science and technology research and development program*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 5203) that would amend section 234 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115-232) to authorize fellowships in quantum information science and technology research and development for individuals who have a graduate or post-graduate degree.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 220 - Application of public-private talent exchange programs in the Department of Defense to quantum information sciences and technology research*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 5201) that would allow the Secretary of Defense to establish a public-private exchange program with up to 10 participants focused on working with private sector entities working on quantum information sciences and technology research under the existing authority of section 1599g of title 10, United States Code.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 221 - Support for protection of sensitive research performed on behalf of the Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 215) that would allow the Secretary of Defense to enter into contracts or other agreements with one or more eligible consortia to assist institutions of higher education in protecting sensitive research performed on behalf of the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar amendment.

The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment.

The conferees note that as part of the CHIPS and Science Act (Public Law 117-167), the National Science Foundation was directed to create a new Research Security-Information Sharing Advisory Office, and is in the process of establishing that entity. The conferees are also aware that some universities have been providing such support similar to the kind described in this section to other universities. The conferees expect the Department to look at all available opportunities to potentially

satisfy this requirement, but to also consider cost-effectiveness and the ability to scale as key considerations when evaluating what might be the best solution to pursue.

*Sec. 222 - Support to the Defence Innovation Accelerator for the North Atlantic*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 217) that would authorize the Secretary of Defense to make funds available for the joint fund to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization for the initiative known as the Defence Innovation Accelerator for the North Atlantic.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 212).

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 223 - Consortium on use of additive manufacturing for defense capability development*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 216) that would require the Secretary of the Army to establish a consortium to facilitate the use of additive manufacturing for the development of aviation and missile capabilities for the Army.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that broadens the scope of the consortium beyond just the Army, and expands the participation to include one or more Science and Technology Reinvention Laboratory from any other military departments.

*Sec. 224 - Next Generation Air Dominance family of systems development program accountability matrices*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 218) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force and the Secretary of the Navy to provide annual accountability matrices to the congressional defense committees relating to each Department's Next Generation Air Dominance piloted fighter aircraft and unpiloted Collaborative Combat Aircraft (CCA). The provision would also require the establishment of cost-related key performance parameters for the covered programs and establish categories of CCA and cost limitations for each category.

The Senate contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would remove the requirement for establishing cost caps for CCAs specifically labeled as attritable, expendable, or exquisite. The conferees recognize that the Secretary of the Air Force and the Secretary

of the Navy instead intend that their CCA programs pursue a CCA aircraft designated with the 'Increment 1' nomenclature.

The conferees agree that CCAs, procured affordably with reasonably defined capability requirements, fielded in sufficient capacity, based on thoroughly considered analysis and successfully demonstrated concepts of operations and employment beforehand, have the potential to significantly increase the lethality of existing tactical fighter aircraft. Unfortunately, neither the Secretary of the Air Force nor the Secretary of the Navy has sufficiently explained to the congressional defense committees: (1) How the Departments can acquire the vehicles affordably in sufficient numbers to execute the concept of operations; or (2) How the program is being defined to apply to challenges in the near-, mid-, and long-terms, particularly as it relates to unpiloted CCA capabilities that may be used in either an attritable or expendable mission taskings.

Therefore, the conferees direct the Secretary of the Air Force and the Secretary of the Navy to provide separate reports to the congressional defense committees, not later than May 1, 2024, explaining and demonstrating with underpinning analyses, how CCA affordability is being defined and applied for unpiloted aircraft that may be used for either attritable or expendable mission taskings. The reports should be submitted with unclassified information, but may contain a separate classified annex submission, if required.

*Sec. 225 - Continuous capability development and delivery program for F-35 aircraft*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 219) that would require the Secretary of Defense to designate the F-35 continuous capability and development and delivery program as a major subprogram of the F-35 acquisition program. The provision would also require the F-35 Program Executive Officer to designate and manufacture six new developmental testing and evaluation aircraft to adequately support future activities of the F-35 testing and evaluation program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require the F-35 Program Executive Officer to select developmental testing aircraft beginning not earlier than Lot 19 production and require delivery of the new developmental testing aircraft not later than 2030.

*Sec. 226 - F-35 propulsion and thermal management modernization program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 226) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force and the Secretary of the Navy to develop validated propulsion, power and cooling, thermal management, and electrical power requirements for the planned service life of the F-35. The provision would also require the Program Executive Officer for the F-35 program to use such requirements to conduct a cost-benefit analysis and technical risk analysis on upgrades and modifications necessary to support such requirements, and would require the designation of related activities as a major subprogram of the F-35 acquisition program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical and clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 227 - Establishment or expansion of University Affiliated Research Centers for critical materials*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 865) that would require the Secretary of Defense to develop a plan to establish a new or expand an existing University Affiliated Research Center to increase the Department of Defense's ability to conduct research, development, engineering, or workforce expansion related to critical materials for national security needs.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 228 - Policies for management and certification of Link 16 military tactical data link network*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 274) that would require the Secretary of Defense to develop and implement policies to adapt Link 16 system management and certification to align with agile development practices.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would strike language in the House provision relating to the sense of Congress and modify the testing of Link 16 by striking the word "commercial".

The conferees note that nothing in this provision should be interpreted to affect provisions related to spectrum coordination contained in "Memorandum of Agreement between Department of Defense and Department of Transportation Regarding the 960-1215 MHz Frequency Band" entered into in 2002, or any subsequent modifications to the agreement; Department of Defense Regulation 4650.1-R1 relating to Link 16 Electromagnetic

Compatibility Features Certification Process and Requirements, issued April 26, 2005, and any subsequent versions of such regulation; and the National Telecommunications and Information Administration Spectrum Planning Subcommittee Stage 4 Certification contained in the latest version of SPS-14260.

*Sec. 229 - Rapid response to emergent technology advancements or threats*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 5206) that would allow the Secretary of a military department to use authorities established pursuant to section 3601 of title 10, United States Code, to initiate urgent or emerging operational development activities for a period of up to one year, in order to leverage an emergent technological advancement of value to the national defense to address a military service-specific need, or to provide a rapid response to an emerging threat identified by a military service.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 230 - Pilot program to commercialize prototypes of the Department of the Air Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 221) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to carry out a pilot program to award grants to applicants for a project to commercialize a prototype of the Department of the Air Force.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a clarifying technical amendment.

*Sec. 231 - Pilot program on near-term quantum computing applications*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 222) that would require the Secretary of Defense to carry out a pilot program that tests and evaluates how quantum and quantum-hybrid applications may be used to solve technical programs and provide capabilities needed by the Department of Defense and the Armed Forces.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would make clarifying edits to the language.

*Sec. 232 - Pilot program to facilitate access to advanced technology developed by small businesses for ground vehicle systems of the Army*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 223) that would direct the Secretary of the Army to carry out a pilot program between Army Ground Vehicle Systems Center and a non-profit research institute operating a contested logistics research center to enhance access to small business advanced technology.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would broaden the pool of non-profit research institutes eligible to participate in the pilot.

*Sec. 233 - Limitation on availability of funds pending documentation on Future Attack Reconnaissance Aircraft program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 225) that would limit the funds authorized to be appropriated or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024 for the Office of the Secretary of the Army for travel of persons, of which not more than 70 percent may be obligated or expended until the date on which the Secretary of the Army submits to the congressional defense committees the analysis of alternatives document for the Future Attack Reconnaissance Aircraft program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

## **SUBTITLE C—ENERGETICS AND OTHER MUNITIONS MATTERS**

*Sec. 241 - Joint Energetics Transition Office*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 241) that would establish a Joint Energetics Transition Office within the Secretary of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 921).

The House recedes with an amendment that clarifies the organization, roles, and responsibilities of the Joint Energetics Transition Office.

*Sec. 242 - Consideration of lethality in the analysis of alternatives for munitions*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 242) that would establish a performance parameter to ensure that lethality is considered a key performance parameter and require the Secretary of Defense to document such determination on why lethality was not determined as an appropriate parameter.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would include lethality as an element for consideration in the analysis of alternatives conducted prior to issuing a capability development document for purposes of procuring any new munition or modifying an existing munition.

*Sec. 243 - Pilot program on incorporation of the CL20 compound in certain weapon systems*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 243) that would require the Secretary of Defense to carry out a pilot program under the Secretary to incorporate the CL20 compound as the energetic material for the main fill in the warheads or propellants of three weapons system under development by the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would clarify the cost, schedule, and performance tradeoffs of CL20, as well as clarify the definition of energetic materials.

*Sec. 244 - Limitation on sourcing chemical materials for munitions from certain countries*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 244) that would prohibit the Department of Defense from procuring a chemical material for munitions from any country other than India, any member country of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), or any country that is designated as a major non-NATO ally.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a clarifying technical amendment.

The conferees note with concern that the Joint Program Executive Office Armaments & Ammunition (JPEO A&A) Single Manager of Conventional Ammunition (SMCA) utilizes a number of combined pre-cursor materials sourced from the People's Republic of China. We understand that Defense Production Act (DPA) title III authorities are being leveraged to establish domestic sources for materials sourced from China. We encourage the Department to analyze locations named in the Army's Organic Industrial Base Modernization Implementation Plan, as well as Army depots not specifically named, for domestic production of materials currently sourced from China. For instance, the Department of the Army's Feasibility Report to Congress to Reuse the Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant (BGCAPP) and Blue Grass Army Depot (BGAD) infrastructure highlights BGCAPP's facilities and expertise that could be used to produce critical chemicals.

*Sec. 245 - Defense industrial base munition surge capacity critical reserve*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 899B) that would allow the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to establish a critical reserve of long-lead items and components to provide the capability to quickly access the required components to accelerate the delivery of munitions for the capabilities identified pursuant to section 222c of title 10, United States Code.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recedes with a clarifying amendment.

## **SUBTITLE D—PLANS, REPORTS, AND OTHER MATTERS**

*Sec. 251 - Congressional notification of changes to Department of Defense policy on autonomy in weapon systems*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 266) that would require a congressional briefing if any changes are made to the Department of Defense Directive 3000.09 on legal autonomous weapons systems.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recedes.

*Sec. 252 - Audit to identify diversion of Department of Defense funding to China's research labs*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 230) that would direct the Department of Defense Office of Inspector General to conduct a study, and submit a report to Congress, regarding the amount of Federal funds awarded by the Department of Defense—whether directly or indirectly—to research laboratories in the People's Republic of China, or affiliated entities, through grants, contracts, subgrants, subcontracts, or any other type of agreement or collaboration, during the 10-year period immediately preceding such date of enactment.

The Senate amendment contained similar provisions (sec. 1363 and sec. 6243).

The House recedes with an amendment to Senate section 6243 that would narrow the scope of the study to work performed in China on research supported by the Government of China by EcoHealth Alliance.

*Sec. 253 - Annual review of status of implementation plan for digital engineering career tracks*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 5205) that would require the Secretary of Defense, not less frequently than once each year until December 31, 2029, to conduct an internal review of the status of the implementation of the plan submitted pursuant to section 230(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116-92), and submit to the congressional defense committees a report on each review.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

**LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Certain disclosure requirements for university research funded by the Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 214) that would require the principal investigator of any covered research program at an institution of higher education to accurately and completely disclose to the Department of Defense detailed information on identities, citizenship, and affiliations of researchers working on such efforts, as well as periodic updates on the formal, informal, direct, and indirect contacts with third-party collaborators.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Program of standards and requirements for microelectronics*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 216) that would require the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to establish a program within the National Security Agency (NSA) to develop and continuously update, as the Secretary determines necessary, the standards, commercial best practices, and requirements for the design, manufacturing, packaging, testing, and distribution of microelectronics acquired by the Department of Defense (DOD). In addition, the program would provide acceptable levels of confidentiality, integrity, and availability for Department commercial-off-the-shelf microelectronics, field programmable gate arrays, and custom integrated circuits.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees recognize that the Department has made great strides in increasing its focus and capacity to operate in the microelectronics space. However, we note that after some initial progress in developing evidence-based standards for microelectronics assurance, the Department's investment to mature such standards has stagnated. Activities such as (Rapid Assured Microelectronics Prototypes (RAMP) and State-of-the-Art Heterogeneous Integrated Packaging (SHIP) have provided opportunities to test these out at a high level, but the conferees believe that more investment, intellectual as well as financial, should be made in the foundational work to demonstrate that such standards can provide similar or greater levels of security compared to traditional means.

Additionally, the conferees recognize there are some specific areas that would benefit from increased analysis to inform the implementation of a more mature evidence-based standards regime. The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to conduct a review of contracts for Department of Defense classified, export-controlled, and other applications requiring high-assurance custom integrated circuits and application-specific integrated circuits designed by defense industrial base contractors, and provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees, not later than June 17, 2024. Such briefing shall include how contracts can use (1) Security overlays grounded in evidence-based assurance processes and techniques and include them in the contract data requirements list; (2) Commercial best practices for confidentiality, integrity, and availability; (3) Legal mechanisms for data collection and sharing to enable security overlays and evidence-based assurance processes and techniques; and (4) Automation technology to efficiently generate, or access, and analyze data to support security overlays grounded in evidence-based assurance processes and techniques.

Furthermore, the ability to secure microelectronics parts will require a more detailed understanding of third-party intellectual property and how that is accessed, analyzed and protected by the Department of Defense. To that end, the conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study on the use and security of third-party intellectual property in custom integrated circuits and application-specific integrated circuits designed or used by defense industrial base contractors for the Department of Defense, and provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees, not later than 1 year after the enactment of this Act. Such briefing shall include: (1) The range of third-party intellectual property used in such integrated circuits, including a description of the most commonly used third-party intellectual property and any

Department concern with respect to its use in defense systems; (2) The range of sources of such third-party intellectual property and distribution of market shares; (3) Licensing and data rights issues associated with use of third-party intellectual property; (4) The security benefits and risks of use of third-party intellectual property widely used in the commercial sector, and the current processes in the Department and the defense industrial base that address such risks; (5) The expense and security benefits and risks of defense industrial base contractors developing their own intellectual property blocks that replicate or attempt to replicate functions of third-party intellectual property that are widely used in the commercial sector; and (6) The feasibility of developing and acquiring access to sets of security-certified third-party intellectual property for reuse, including ensuring that such a collection includes all critical third-party intellectual property blocks, and taking into account current and potential Department of Defense third-party intellectual property security process review methodologies.

*Prohibition on availability of funds for gain-of-function research*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 224) that would prohibit funding made available for fiscal year 2024 to be expended for conducting gain-of-function research for the purpose of enhancing the pathogenicity, transmissibility, or host range of a microorganism or virus.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Department of Defense is neither currently conducting gain-of-function research nor are any funds planned for gain-of-function research in fiscal year 2024.

*Report on feasibility and advisability of establishing a quantum computing innovation center*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 224) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the feasibility and advisability of establishing a quantum computing innovation center within the Department of Defense.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, to submit to the congressional defense

committees, not later than November 1, 2024, a report on the feasibility and advisability of establishing a quantum computing innovation center within the Department of Defense. Such report shall include:

(1) An evaluation of the plans of the Department to develop quantum computing, algorithms, and networking applications, including as a participant in the National Quantum Initiative;

(2) An assessment of any processes to harmonize or coordinate activities across the Department to develop quantum computing applications;

(3) An evaluation of any Department-issued policy guidance regarding quantum computing applications;

(4) An evaluation of any Department plans to defend against adversarial use of quantum computing applications;

(5) Any established metrics or performance indicators to track the progress of quantum computing technology or workforce developments;

(6) The extent to which the Department is partnering with commercial entities engaging in quantum research and development;

(7) An assessment of how a quantum information center might help address any gaps in programs, coordination, workforce development or technology transition; and

(8) Identification of possible approaches for establishing and maintaining such a quantum information center to support Department of Defense goals.

*Briefing on the impediments to the transition of the Semantic Forensics program to operational use*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 225) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering to, in consultation with the Office of General Counsel of the Department of Defense and the Director of the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), provide the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on the impediments to the transition of the Semantic Forensics program to operational use.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees believe that the Department of Defense should urgently prioritize ensuring that the Semantic Forensics program successfully transitions from DARPA to another entity without disruption. The conferees note that DARPA funding for the Semantic Forensics program expires after fiscal year 2024.

Therefore, not later than March 1, 2024, the conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on a transition plan for the Semantic Forensics program. The briefing shall include the following elements:

- (1) A list of identified notional transition partners, including nonprofit and public-private partnerships;
- (2) The feasibility and merits of transitioning the Semantic Forensics program to each notional partner organization;
- (3) A notional timeline with milestones for ensuring a successful transition; and
- (4) A cost estimate for a transition partner to operate and maintain the Semantic Forensics program.

Given the potential importance of the Semantic Forensics program with respect to election security, the conferees strongly urge the President to include funding for the program in the fiscal year 2025 budget request.

*Limitation on availability of funds pending report and certification on the Warfighter Machine Interface of the Army*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 228) that would limit the funds authorized to be appropriated or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024 for the Warfighting Machine Interface until receipt of a previously-required report on commercial software for that program. The provision would require reporting from Secretary of the Army relating to commercial product and service preference requirements.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Limitation on availability of funds for fundamental research collaboration with certain institutions*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 229) that would not authorize the Department of Defense to provide any available funding to an institution of higher education for conducting fundamental research in collaboration with any of the following:

- (1) An entity of concern;
- (2) An academic institution of the military, law enforcement, intelligence, or security agency of the People's Republic of China; and
- (3) Any component of the defense laboratory system in the People's Republic of China.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

### *Review of artificial intelligence investment*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 230) that would require the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act to: (1) Review the current investment into applications of artificial intelligence to the platforms, processes, and operations of the Department of Defense; and (2) Categorize the types of artificial intelligence investments by categories.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to review the current investment into applications of artificial intelligence to the platforms, processes, and operations of the Department of Defense, and provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than June 15, 2024. Such briefing shall: (1) Categorize the types of artificial intelligence investments using a standardized taxonomy; (2) Include the findings of the Secretary with respect to the review and any action taken or proposed to be taken by the Secretary to address such findings; and (3) Include an evaluation of how the findings of the Secretary align with stated strategies of the Department of Defense with regard to artificial intelligence and performance objectives established in the Department of Defense Data, Analytics, and Artificial Intelligence Adoption Strategy.

### *Assessment of energetics industrial base*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 244) that would direct the Secretary of Defense to conduct an assessment of the supply chains for energetic materials and the status of the energetics industrial base to identify opportunities to accelerate the development of critical energetic material and to enhance the ability of the Department of Defense to access material for defense purpose.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the elements of this assessment are addressed elsewhere in this bill.

### *Modification to annual reports on critical technology areas supportive of the National Defense Strategy*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 262) that would require the report required by section 217 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283) to list each program element that funds research, development, test, and evaluation activities for each technology area covered therein until 2029.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Study on establishment of centralized platform for development and testing of autonomy software*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 264) that would task the Secretary of Defense to assess the establishment of a centralized platform for all-domain autonomy software development and testing.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note the increasing use of autonomous capabilities throughout the Department of Defense and believe that utilization of such capabilities will grow more essential and widespread in the years to come. The conferees believe the Department should prepare for the proliferation of autonomous systems, including by determining how to best govern the development, testing, procurement, and deployment of autonomous systems.

Therefore, the conferees direct the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, in coordination with the Director of the Test Resource Management Center, to submit a study to assess the feasibility and advisability of establishing a centralized platform for the development and testing of autonomy software to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives not later than January 1, 2025. The study shall include, at minimum:

(1) An assessment of the status of efforts to resource and integrate autonomy software into systems in use by the Department as of the date of the study, as well as systems that are under consideration for future use within the future years defense plan;

(2) Identification of systems employed by the Department which are, or can be, integrated with autonomy software to enable the continuous operational availability of such systems in GPS- or communications-denied environments, including systems identified under section 246 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 116-283);

(3) An assessment of any gaps in, shortfalls in, or inadequacy of:

(a) program funding relating to the acquisition of autonomy software;

(b) acquisition processes for acquiring and integrating autonomy-enabling capabilities across relevant programs of record, including the mechanisms of the planning, programming, budgeting, and execution process;

(c) training capabilities relating to autonomy software;

(d) coordination, harmonization, and interoperability of autonomy software, where appropriate, throughout the Department;

(e) capabilities for testing, evaluating, verifying, and validating autonomy software in all environments, including live, virtual, and constructive environments; and

(f) efforts to test, resource, and scale commercially available autonomy software for use by the Department;

(4) A plan to address, to the extent practicable, the gaps assessed in paragraph (3), including:

(a) updated procedures to plan for the potential costs of autonomy software at the beginning of the acquisition life cycle;

(b) plans to include, in greater detail, the projected costs of autonomy software for applicable programs of record in the future years defense program submitted to Congress under section 221 of title 10, United States Code; and

(c) plans to harmonize the acquisition of autonomy software for programs of record across the Armed Forces.

*Annual report on incremental and transformational research and development*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 265) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering to submit a report that identifies the number of incremental and transformational research and development projects that are in progress within the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note the importance of maintaining a diverse research portfolio to best manage and balance the inherent risk in fundamental science, as well as research and development. A diverse research profile may be addressed in many ways—support for multiple disciplines, methods, and orthogonal approaches

being a few examples. Another form of diversity would be the estimated time horizon that the research may yield an operational capability or technology.

The conferees note that investments in incremental research that can yield a usable product or capability in the near term can be important to achieve operational imperatives, but without investments in research that could transform the technology and security landscape in the future, the United States risks being surprised or left behind by advances by both adversaries and partners. The conferees believe that the Department of Defense should pursue both incremental and transformational research in a thoughtful, risk-informed way to ensure we have a diverse portfolio for delivering the range of capabilities needed now and in the future.

*Sense of Congress on dual use innovative technology for the robotic combat vehicle of the Army*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 267) that would express the sense of Congress on dual-use innovative technology for the Robotic Combat Vehicle of the Army.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees encourage the Army to continue using the software acquisition pathway approach as well as leveraging dual-use, innovative commercial technology for the Robotic Combat Vehicle program and consider a similar framework for future ground vehicles, such as the Optionally Manned Fighting Vehicle and the Common Tactical Truck programs. The conferees also encourage the other military services to consider this dual-use acquisition approach for their autonomous ground vehicle programs.

*Funding for research and development of smart concrete materials*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 268) that would increase by \$2.6 million in PE 62144A for the research and development of smart concrete materials, with a corresponding decrease in operation and maintenance, Defense-wide, for administration and service-wide activities, Office of the Secretary of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The specific authorization of appropriations amounts can be found in the funding tables.

*Assessment and strategy for use of open-architecture additive manufacturing for certain items and components*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 269) that would assess the capacity of the Department of Defense to test, evaluate, and use the additive fabrication technology to supplement maintenance parts in the weapons systems and equipment support.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sense of Congress on the continuing need for innovation in the Armed Forces*

The House amendment contained an amendment (sec. 270) that would encourage the Armed Forces to continue innovating to maintain, bolster, and augment military readiness, wartime preparedness, and ensure the overall national security of the United States.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note the importance of a robust innovation ecosystem in increasing our national security. The United States military's innovative capacity in technological areas such as artificial intelligence, quantum information sciences, advanced air mobility, and counter-UAS systems is key to maintaining and improving military readiness. The conferees support continued expansion and fostering of innovation ecosystems for both national and economic security needs.

*Funding for cyber supply chain risk management*

The House bill contained an amendment (sec. 271) that would increase funding by \$1,000,000 in PE 0605013N for cyber supply chain risk management, with a corresponding decrease in PE 0605294D8Z.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Funding for National Defense Education Program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 272) that would increase the amount of funds used for research, development, testing, and evaluation in division D of the funding tables by \$5.0 million for the National Defense Education Program, and correspondingly decrease the amount authorized for operations and maintenance in division D of the funding tables by \$5.0

million for administration and service-wide activities at Washington Headquarters Service.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The specific authorization of appropriations amounts can be found in the funding tables.

#### *Updates to national biodefense strategy*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 273) that would require the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Health and Human Services to revise, update and submit the most recent version of the national biodefense strategy and associated implementation plan required under section 1086 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114-328).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note the administration issued the updated National Biodefense Strategy and Implementation Plan for Countering Biological Threats, Enhancing Preparedness, and Achieving Global Health Security in October of 2022 and the Department of Defense published its Biodefense Posture Review in August of 2023. The conferees believe the administration and Department of Defense should routinely update the Biodefense Strategy and Posture review as threats and capabilities change and ensure the United States' capabilities keep pace with the threat environment.

#### *Sense of Congress on the Army Artificial Intelligence Integration Center*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 275) that would express a sense of Congress on the Army Artificial Intelligence Integration Center.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

#### *Report on research relating to lightweight advanced carbon materials*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 276) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the congressional defense committees on any research relating to the potential use of lightweight advanced carbon materials for defense applications.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Department of Defense should support development-stage research of lightweight advanced carbon materials, such as coal-derived graphite and carbon foam, for use in electromagnetic interference shielding, signature reduction, aerospace tooling, and other defense applications.

*Funding for Department of Defense software factories*

The House bill contained an amendment (sec. 277) that would increase funding by \$10,000,000 in PE 0605829F for support of Department of Defense software factories, with a corresponding decrease in operation and maintenance, Navy, for administration and service-wide activities.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The specific authorization of appropriations amounts can be found in the funding tables.

*Briefing on Science, Mathematics, and Research for Transformation (SMART) defense education program*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 5202) that would require the Secretary of Defense, not later than three years after the date of the enactment of this Act, to provide a briefing on participation and use of the Science, Mathematics, and Research for Transformation (SMART) education program, with a particular focus on levels of interest from students engaged in studying quantum fields.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Improvements to National Quantum Initiative Program*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 5204) that would amend section 8814 of the National Quantum Initiative Act (Public Law 115-368) to integrate the efforts of the Department of Defense and the intelligence community on the National Quantum Initiative Advisory Committee.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

## **TITLE III—OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE**

### **SUBTITLE A—AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS**

*Sec. 301 - Authorization of appropriations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 301) that would authorize appropriations for operation and maintenance activities at the levels identified in section 4301 of division D of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 301).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

**SUBTITLE B—ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT**

*Sec. 311 - Improvement and codification of Sentinel Landscapes Partnership program authority*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 312) that would transfer the Sentinel Landscapes program to title 10, United States Code.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

The conferees note that both private landowners and agricultural producers operating on private or public lands are within the scope of the phrase "owners and managers of land" for the purpose of this section.

*Sec. 312 - Modification of authority for environmental restoration projects at National Guard facilities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 311) that would amend section 2700 of title 10, United States Code, to include National Guard facilities.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 323).

The House recesses.

*Sec. 313 - Modification to technical assistance authority for environmental restoration activities*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 315) that would require the Secretary of Defense to furnish technical assistance to communities and individuals that have been affected by a release of a pollutant affirmatively determined to have originated from a facility under the jurisdiction of, or formerly under the jurisdiction of, the Department of Defense.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would modify existing technical assistance authorities to communities pursuant to section 2705 of title 10, United States Code.

*Sec. 314 - Coordination on agreements to limit encroachments and other constraints on military training, testing, and operations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1808) that would amend section 2684a of title 10, United States Code, by inserting "a State-owned National Guard installation, each regionally associated installation."

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 315 - Requirement for approval by Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment of waiver for systems not meeting fuel efficiency key performance parameter*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 311) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to waive a requirement that a system meet the efficiency key performance parameter.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 316 - Modification to prototype and demonstration projects for energy resilience at certain military installations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 314) that would amend section 322(c)(6) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) to include hydrogen as an energy storage and power generation tool that the Department of Defense can research, develop, and test.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

*Sec. 317 - Authority to transfer certain funds as payment relating to Naval Air Station, Moffett Field, California*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 315) that would provide authorization to transfer certain funds related to Naval Air Station, Moffett Field, California.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 314).

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 318 - Prohibition on required disclosure by Department of Defense contractors of information relating to greenhouse gas emissions*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1822) that would prohibit funds from being used to require any entity submitting an offer for a Federal contract to disclose, as a condition of submitting the offer, information relating to greenhouse gas emissions and climate-related financial risk.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 820).

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 319 - Required infrastructure plan prior to deployment of certain non-tactical vehicles at military installations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 313) that would require an annual assessment and determination by the Secretary of Defense that sufficient recharging infrastructure is in place to support electric non-tactical vehicle fleets in each covered command area of operations.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require the Secretary concerned to complete an infrastructure plan prior to deployment of covered non-tactical vehicles.

*Sec. 320 - Prohibition and report requirement relating to certain energy programs of Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 318) that would prohibit funding of energy programs to entities owned or controlled by the Russian Federation or the Chinese Communist Party.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 321 - Report on schedule and cost estimates for completion of testing and remediation of contaminated sites; publication of cleanup information*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 372) that would require the Secretary of Defense to publicly publish timely and regularly updated information on the status of the cleanup of sites for which the Secretary has obligated amounts for environmental restoration activities.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 326).

The House recedes with an amendment that would effectively combine the two provisions.

## **SUBTITLE C—TREATMENT OF PERFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES**

*Sec. 331 - Modification of timing of report on activities of PFAS Task Force*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 327) that would reduce recurring reporting requirements enacted in prior years related to per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 332 - Budget justification document for funding relating to perfluoroalkyl substances and polyfluoroalkyl substances*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 325) that would require the Department of Defense to include with the submission of the annual budget request a separate budget justification document on activities of the Department related to per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 333 - Increase of transfer authority for funding of study and assessment on health implications of perfluoroalkyl substances and polyfluoroalkyl substances contamination in drinking water by Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 322) that would extend the authorization and funding transfer for the ongoing study and assessment on human health impacts of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances in drinking water by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 334 - Prizes for development of technology for thermal destruction of perfluoroalkyl substances or polyfluoroalkyl substances*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 332) that would authorize the Secretary of Defense to carry out a pilot program

that uses thermal destruction to dispose of perfluoroalkyl substances or polyfluoroalkyl substances.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 335 - Treatment of certain materials contaminated with perfluoroalkyl substances or polyfluoroalkyl substances*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 321) that would allow the Secretary of Defense to treat covered materials if the treatment of such materials occurs through the use of remediation or disposal technology approved by the relevant Federal regulatory agency.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 336 - Government Accountability Office reports on testing and remediation of perfluoroalkyl substances and polyfluoroalkyl substances*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 328) that would direct the Comptroller General of the United States to submit a report assessing the state of ongoing testing and remediation by the Department of Defense of current or former military installations contaminated with perfluoroalkyl substances or polyfluoroalkyl substances.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

## **SUBTITLE D—LOGISTICS AND SUSTAINMENT**

*Sec. 341 - Modification of rule of construction regarding provision of support and services to non-Department of Defense organizations and activities*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 358) that would make funds available to the Secretary of a military department for operation and maintenance for the Innovative Readiness Training program to be expended to assist in demolition, clearing of roads, infrastructure improvements, and construction to restore an area after a natural disaster.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 342 - Repeal of Comptroller General review requirement relating to core logistics capabilities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 341) that would repeal the Comptroller General of the United States' review requirement relating to core logistics capabilities.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 343 - Modifications to Contested Logistics Working Group of Department of Defense*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 355) that would expand the Contested Logistics Working Group to include representatives of the Defense Logistics Agency, the Strategic Capabilities Office, the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, and the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 344 - Matters relating to briefings on Shipyard Infrastructure Optimization Program of the Navy*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 344) that would modify an existing briefing requirement relating to the Shipyard Infrastructure Optimization Program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 345 - Foreign military sales exclusion in calculation for certain workload carryover of Department of the Army*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 343) that would authorize the Secretary of the Army to use a calculation for depot and arsenal workload carryover that excludes foreign military sale work.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 346 - Pilot program on optimization of aerial refueling and fuel management in contested logistics environments through use of artificial intelligence*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 345) that would direct the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer of the Department of Defense to commence a pilot program to optimize the logistics of aerial refueling and fuel management in the context of contested logistics environments through the

use of advanced digital technologies and artificial intelligence.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 347 - Limitation on availability of funds to expand leased facilities for Joint Military Information Support Operations Web Operations Center*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 354) that would limit the obligation and expenditure of funds authorized to be appropriated to expand leased facilities for the Joint Military Information Support Operations Web Operations Center until the Secretary of Defense and the Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command, submits a validated manpower estimate for each of the combatant commands utilizing such facilities, and an explanation of how such estimates are aligned with and support the priorities established by the 2022 National Defense Strategy.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 348 - Limitation on availability of funds pending submission of certain 30-year shipbuilding plan by the Secretary of the Navy*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 357) that would limit the use of certain funds made available to the Secretary of the Navy until the Secretary submits a 30-year shipbuilding plan that meets the statutory requirement to maintain 31 amphibious warships.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 349 - Plan regarding condition and maintenance of prepositioned stockpiles of the Army*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 348) that would require the Secretary of the Army to develop a plan to implement increased inspection procedures for the prepositioned stockpiles of the Army to identify deficiencies and conduct maintenance repairs to ensure the stockpiles are mission capable.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 350 - Strategy and assessment on use of automation and artificial intelligence for shipyard optimization*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 332) that would require the Secretary of the Navy to develop and implement a strategy to leverage commercial best practices used in shipyards to make operations more efficient.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 351 - Assessment and strategy relating to hardening of certain military installations against attack by Iran and Iranian-associated groups*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 368) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct an assessment of the threat posed by Iran against United States and partner military bases, an assessment of hardening air and missile defenses for United States military installations in the area of responsibility of U.S. Central Command, and a strategy for expediting the hardening of military installations located in the United States.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Commander of United States Central Command, to conduct the analysis.

*Sec. 352 - Semiannual briefings on operational status of amphibious warship fleet*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 346) that would require quarterly briefings on the operational status of amphibious warfare fleets of the Department of the Navy, and would fence certain funds pending submission of the first briefing.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 343).

The agreement includes the Senate provision with an amendment that would require the briefings to be provided semiannually, and would drop the fence.

## **SUBTITLE E—OTHER MATTERS**

*Sec. 361 - Review of notice of presumed risk issued by Military Aviation and Installation Assurance Clearinghouse*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 899D) that would require the Clearinghouse to ensure that a governor has at

least 120 days after the date on which the governor receives the notice of presumed risk to provide any such comments and shall provide detailed information and other information necessary to ensure that the governor can fully understand the nature of the presumed risk.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 362 - Modifications to military aviation and installation assurance clearinghouse for review of mission obstructions*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 359) that would make modifications to Military Aviation and Installation Assurance Clearinghouse for review of mission obstructions.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

The conferees note concern from the Air Force regarding the potential encroachment of tall structures in the vicinity of land-based intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) launch and control facilities. This provision provides for an expedited process under the Military Aviation and Installation Assurance Siting Clearinghouse for the Department of Defense to object under section 183a of title 10, United States Code, to certain new structures 200 feet and taller proposed within 2 nautical miles of such facilities. This provision applies to neither already operating and approved facilities nor to existing structures repowered with updated technology in the same location as previously approved. The conferees believe the uniqueness and uniformity of the ICBM mission in the five states in which ICBM launch and control facilities are located, justify this one-size-fits-all approach. However, the conferees do not believe a one-size-fits-all approach to setbacks applies for other military missions or installations. Potential impacts to radar, training routes and other airspace needs, vessel maneuverability and training, and other military missions require mission-specific, location-specific, and project-specific analysis to ensure protection for military operations and training, analysis which is facilitated through the Clearinghouse and conducted by the potentially affected installations and military services. As the Department itself explained in a March 2015 report to Congress, "Due to the wide variety of missions and the variability of impacts on different types of obstructions, it is not possible to apply a 'one-size-fits-all' standoff distance between DOD military readiness activities and development projects."

*Sec. 363 - Modification to Joint Safety Council*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 361) that would modify the Joint Safety Council by adding additional responsibilities.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 364 - Designation of official responsible for coordination of renegotiation of certain land leases owned by Department of Defense in Hawaii*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 317) that would require the Secretary of Defense to designate a senior official responsible for coordinating negotiations between the services and the State of Hawaii with regards to military land leases.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 365 - Continued designation of Secretary of the Navy as executive agent for Naval Small Craft Instruction and Technical Training School*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 351) that would require the Secretary of the Navy to continue, through fiscal year 2024, to perform the responsibilities of the Department of Defense executive agent for the Naval Small Craft Instruction and Technical Training School (NAVSCIATTS).

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

The conferees look forward to working with the Department of Defense to provide for the sustainment of NAVSCIATTS, including through funding for personnel, facilities and necessary repairs of such facilities, equipment, and maritime craft, in future fiscal years. The conferees note that the Senate report (S. Rept. 118-58) accompanying the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 adopted by the Senate Armed Services Committee requires the Secretary of Defense to develop a plan for the long-term operation of NAVSCIATTS, and the conferees look forward to reviewing the required plan upon completion.

*Sec. 366 - Establishment of Caisson Platoon and support for military and State funeral services at Arlington National Cemetery*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 365) that would prevent the Secretary of the Army from eliminating the Caisson Platoon of the 3rd Infantry Regiment of the Army, which

participates in full military honors funeral services at Arlington National Cemetery.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 356).

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 367 - Recovery of rare earth elements and other strategic and critical materials through end-of-life equipment recycling*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 369) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the electronic waste of the Department of Defense that contains rare earth elements and other critical minerals.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1511).

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on the electronic waste of the Department that contains rare earth elements and other critical minerals. The briefing shall include information on: (1) The types of electronic waste, such as shredded hard drives and other data storage devices, from which rare earth elements and other critical minerals could be extracted, and the types of technologies that could be used for extraction, including proven, commercial acid-free dissolution recycling technology and green chemistry technology; and (2) Whether and how rare earth elements and other critical minerals extracted from electronic waste, could be returned to the domestic supply chain or National Defense Stockpile of such elements and minerals.

**LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Air Force professional development education*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 302) that would authorize to be appropriated an additional \$2 million in the Operation and Maintenance, Air Force account for professional development education and detail offsetting reductions in other accounts.

The Senate bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The specific authorization of appropriations amounts can be found in the funding tables.

*Modifications to pilot program on use of sustainable aviation fuel*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 312) that would amend the sustainable aviation fuel pilot program from James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) to ensure the Greenhouse Gases, Regulated Emissions, and Energy Use in Transportation model is used to measure greenhouse gas emissions reductions under the program, promoting increased accuracy in measurements and preventing the categorical exclusion of domestic, agricultural biofuels from the program.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 313).

The conference agreement does not include either provision.

*Requirement for Secretary of Defense to develop plan for transition of Joint Task Force Red Hill*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 316) that would require the Department to report on the transition for community engagement and the plan for the removal of residual fuel at the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility prior to the termination of the Joint Task Force Red Hill.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The Secretary of Defense has since completed and released the defueling plan.

*Analysis of alternatives for battlefield storage and distribution of electric power*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 319) that would require the Army to conduct an analysis of energy alternatives for battlefield circulation of energy capabilities.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to conduct an analysis, not later than June 1, 2024, of potential alternatives to systems for the storage and distribution of electric power for use by the military services on the battlefield or in other austere environments. In conducting the analysis, the Secretary shall develop study guidance under which such analysis is required to include for consideration as such potential alternatives the full range of military and commercially available capabilities for the storage and

distribution of electric power. The Secretary shall ensure that such analysis includes a detailed evaluation of the cost and capabilities thereof, including with respect to the following: (1) The per-unit cost of the potential alternative; (2) The mobility of the potential alternative; (3) The capability of the potential alternative to store and distribute electric power necessary for the charging of soldier-worn devices on the battlefield; (4) The capability of the potential alternative to store electric power for, or distribute electric power to, multiple systems (including through a network or microgrid) to sustain tactical command posts; and (5) Any other capabilities the Secretary determines necessary to meet operational requirements.

Not later than 90 days after the date on which the Secretary completes the analysis, the Secretary shall brief the congressional defense committees on the results of the analysis and an assessment of the types of analyses the Secretary conducted to determine the costs and benefits associated with the prospective use by the military services of commercially available potential alternatives.

*Comptroller General report on acceleration and improvement of environmental cleanup of Vieques and Culebra, Puerto Rico*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 320) that would require the Comptroller General of the United States to submit a report containing the results of a study conducted by the Comptroller General on the status of the Federal cleanup and decontamination process in the island-municipalities of Vieques and Culebra, Puerto Rico.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees continue to recognize the importance of the Federal cleanup and decontamination process in the island-municipalities of Vieques and Culebra, Puerto Rico. The conferees encourage the pace of ongoing cleanup and environmental restoration efforts in the former military training sites in Vieques and Culebra to continue, including any potential alternatives to accelerate the completion of such efforts, and their associated costs. The conferees remain concerned about the effects on the public health and safety of island residents and encourage any steps that can be taken to mitigate risks.

*Limitation on availability of travel funds until submittal of plan for restoring data sharing on testing of water for perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substances*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 324) that would limit the availability of certain travel funds for the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment until the Under Secretary submits a plan to restore data sharing pertaining to the testing of water for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Improvements relating to exposures to perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 331) that would: (1) Require the Secretary of Defense to ensure that a servicemember's periodic health assessment includes an evaluation of whether the servicemember was based or stationed at a military installation with a known or suspected release of perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substances or exposed to these substances; (2) Amend section 1074f of title 10, United States Code, to require that predeployment medical examinations, postdeployment medical examinations, and postdeployment health reassessments include an assessment of whether the servicemember was based or stationed at a military installation with a known or suspected release of perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substances or exposed to these substances; (3) Require the Secretary to provide blood testing to a member when one of these evaluations results in a positive determination of potential exposure to these substances; and (4) Require the Secretary to establish a registry of servicemembers who may have been exposed to these substances.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

Section 744 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) required the Secretary of Defense, to conduct a capability assessment of potential improvements to activities of the Department of Defense (DOD) to reduce the effects of environmental exposures to servicemembers and to develop an action plan to implement such improvements.

This capability assessment of potential improvements revealed that: (1) Environmental and occupational exposures and airborne hazard exposure screening questions were added to the periodic health assessments in September 2020; (2) DOD has current and active questionnaire-based assessment programs that are intended to assess pre- and post-deployment pulmonary health among other health conditions and to establish fitness for deployment; (3) DOD and the Department of Veterans Affairs have

ongoing clinical training requirements on health effects of and documenting exposures; DOD leadership has implemented mandatory training requirements for DOD medical treatment facilities and health care providers on airborne hazards threats and the Airborne Hazards and Open Burn Pit Registry (AHOBPR); DOD provides guidance on medical exams; (4) DOD will continue to manage and improve educational assets that incorporate scientific tools and methods that align with evolving occupational and environmental health science and medicine; and (5) Current training assets will continue to provide health care providers with relevant training program options to improve the diagnosis and treatment of health conditions associated with environmental exposures.

*Restriction on Department of Defense acquisition of covered items containing or produced using certain substances*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 333) that would prohibit Department of Defense procurement, purchasing, or sale of certain items containing or produced using certain types of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Disaggregation of certain information in annual report relating to performance of depot-level maintenance*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 342) that would require the disaggregation of information in the annual report relating to performance of depot-level maintenance by depot location.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the underlying statute serves as one of the pillars of the organic industrial base that is vital to maintaining readiness during peace time and a source of technical knowledge and surge capacity that can be called upon during times of national need. The conferees are concerned that despite the statutory requirements that prohibits the Department of Defense from spending more than fifty percent of its annual depot-level maintenance funds on contracting with nonfederal entities in a given fiscal year, there remain some areas where the department is too reliant on contractor work.

The conferees direct the Secretary of the Army to submit a report to the congressional defense committees, not later than February 1, 2024, that includes the percentage of the funds covered under section 2466(a) of title 10, United States Code,

that was expended during the preceding fiscal year, and are projected to be expended during the current fiscal year and the ensuing fiscal year, for performance of depot-level maintenance and repair workloads by the public and private sectors broken out by individual Army depot location.

*Report on establishing sufficient stabling, pasture, and training area for the Old Guard Caisson Platoon equines*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 342) that would require the Secretary of the Army to submit a report on the feasibility and advisability of establishing sufficient stabling, pasture, and training area for the equines in the Caisson Platoon of the 3rd United States Infantry.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

The conferees direct the Secretary of the Army to conduct a study to address the feasibility and advisability of establishing sufficient stabling, pasture, and training area for the equines in the Caisson Platoon of the 3rd United States Infantry. The study shall include any recommendations determined necessary and appropriate by the Secretary to implement the plan required under section 391(b) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) and to ensure proper animal facility sanitation for the equines in the Caisson Platoon of the 3rd United States Infantry, including any plans for the housing and care of such equines. The study shall also include a review of all physical locations under consideration, such as stabling, pasture, or training areas, for any withdrawals or projects that would require individual military construction authorization. In considering locations for stabling, pasture, or training areas, the Secretary shall consider all viable options within a reasonable distance to Arlington National Cemetery. The study shall also include, for each location under consideration as stabling, pasture, or training areas: (1) A brief environmental assessment of the location; (2) Estimated costs for preparing the location for construction; (3) A narrative of how the location will be beneficial and conducive to the health of the equines in the Caisson Platoon of the 3rd United States Infantry; (4) A narrative of how, if necessary, the location can be expanded; and (5) A narrative of how the location will affect community access to outdoor recreation.

The conferees further direct the Secretary of the Army to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the

House of Representatives, not later than June 1, 2024, on the findings of the study.

*Briefing on plan for maintaining proficiency in emergency movement of munitions in Joint Region Marianas, Guam*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 344) that would require the Secretary of the Navy and the Secretary of the Air Force to provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, on a plan for maintaining the proficiency of the Navy and the Air Force in executing the emergency movement of munitions stored in weapons storage areas in Joint Region Marianas, Guam.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of the Navy and the Secretary of the Air Force to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on a plan for maintaining the proficiency of the Navy and the Air Force, respectively, in executing the emergency movement of munitions stored in weapons storage areas in Joint Region Marianas, Guam, onto aircraft and naval vessels, including plans to regularly exercise such capabilities.

*Limitation on availability of funds pending quarterly briefing on availability of amphibious warships*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 346) that would limit Navy Operation and Maintenance funding until a briefing on the operational status of amphibious ships.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that semiannual briefings on the operational status of the amphibious warship fleet is required elsewhere in this Act.

*Requirement for Secretary of Navy to complete common readiness models*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 347) that would require the Secretary of the Navy to complete common readiness models for existing maritime and aviation systems by December 31, 2025.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of the Navy to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on the metrics and models used by the Navy for determining the readiness of each maritime and aviation major weapon system of the Department of the Navy. The briefing shall include: (1) Detailed information on the metrics used by the Navy to assess the effect of variations in funding for the system (by dollar amount) on the readiness of the system to inform budgetary decisions; (2) The modeling capabilities that take into account and optimize predictive maintenance, supply, and manpower resources used by the Navy to inform decisions relating to the readiness of the system; and (3) An assessment of the extent to which such metrics and modeling capabilities account for the detailed requirements and design of the system, including by providing for, as appropriate, interface with the digital thread and digital twin of the system.

*Responsiveness testing of Defense Logistics Agency  
pharmaceutical contracts*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 349) that would require the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) to modify DLA Instructions 5025.03 and 3110.01 to require DLA Troop Support to coordinate annually with customers in the military departments to conduct responsiveness testing of the DLA's contingency contracts for pharmaceuticals and to include the results of that testing, as reported by customers in the military departments, in the annual reports of the Warstopper Program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees encourage the DLA to require DLA Troop Support to coordinate annually with customers in the military departments to conduct responsiveness testing of the DLA's contingency contracts for pharmaceuticals and to include the results of that testing, as reported by customers in the military departments, in the annual reports of the Warstopper Program.

*Certification and Comptroller General report relating to  
prepositioned stocks of Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 350) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a certification in writing that the prepositioned stocks of the Department of

Defense meet all operations plans that are in effect as of the date of the submission of the certification.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Comptroller General of the United States to review and submit to the congressional defense committees, not later than March 1, 2025, a report on the sufficiency of the prepositioned stocks of the Department of Defense to meet all operations plans, in both fill and readiness, that are in effect as of the date of the submission of the report. Such report shall include an assessment by the Comptroller General of the quantities of equipment included in such stocks, whether such equipment is sufficiently modernized, the state of readiness of such equipment, and the air and missile defense capabilities protecting such equipment, if any.

#### *Restriction on retirement of U-28 Aircraft*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 352) that would prohibit the retirement of U-28 aircraft by U.S. Special Operations Command until the Secretary of Defense certifies to the congressional defense committees that the future years defense program provides for intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance capacity and capability that is equal to or greater than such capacity and capability provided by the current fleet of U-28 aircraft.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

#### *Recognition of service of military working dogs*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 362) that would amend section 1125 of title 10, United States Code, to include recognition of service for military working dogs.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

#### *Report on regulations applicable to footwear of members of the Armed Forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 367) that would require the Secretary of Defense to report on regulations applicable to the footwear of the members of the Armed Forces and such regulations' compliance with the Barry Amendment.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the report accompanying S. 2226 (S. Rept. 118-58) of the National Defense Authorization for Fiscal Year 2024, as passed by the Senate, included a requirement for the Department of Defense to brief on Berry Amendment-compliant uniformed clothing, including footwear. That language is a more expansive requirement than section 367 of H.R. 2670, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024, as passed by the House of Representatives, and is due to be provided to the Senate Armed Services Committee by March 1, 2024. The conferees note that this briefing should also be provided to the House Armed Services Committee at the same time.

*Requirement for realistic training exercises under contested and austere conditions*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 370) that would require the Secretary of Defense to increase the use of theater-wide and component-level training exercises that stress operations conducted under contested and austere conditions.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on the potential for the development of new exercises or the expansion of existing exercises, and the potential use of theater-wide and component-level training exercises that stress operations conducted under contested and austere conditions. The briefing shall factor in contested and austere conditions to include limited command and control, contested logistics, the use of non-electronic dependent communications, the use of alternate positioning, navigation, and timing methods, and the conduct of operations in a highly degraded electromagnetic environment with widely dispersed forces. Additionally, the brief shall include an assessment of the infrastructure and associated resources required to carry out effective training exercises under contested and austere conditions at the Joint Pacific Alaska Range Complex.

*Department of Defense priority for domestically sourced bovine heparin*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 371) that would require the Secretary of Defense to prioritize Food and Drug Administration-approved domestic sources for acquisition of bovine heparin.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on costs associated with decommissioning of Tactical Air Control Party units*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 373) that required a report on the costs of terminating, decommissioning, or reducing Tactical Air Control Party units.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than March 1, 2024, to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the costs associated with the prospective decommissioning, reduction, or termination of any Tactical Air Control Party unit of the Air Force planned during the three fiscal years following the date of the enactment of this Act. Additionally, this briefing will include costs and benefits associated with recapitalizing Air National Guard Tactical Air Control Party units that are divesting to contingency response groups.

*Report by Department of Defense on alternatives to burn pits*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 5341) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to submit a report on incinerators and waste-to-energy waste disposal alternatives to burn pits.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, regarding current efforts, policies, and programs on incinerators and waste disposal alternatives to open air burn pits.

## **TITLE IV—MILITARY PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATIONS**

### **SUBTITLE A—ACTIVE FORCES**

*Sec. 401 - End strengths for active forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 401) that would authorize Active-Duty end strength as of September 30, 2024, as follows: Army, 452,000; Navy, 347,000; Marine Corps, 172,300; Air Force, 324,700; and Space Force, 9,400.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 401) that would authorize Active-Duty end strength as of September 30, 2024, as follows: Army, 452,000; Navy, 342,000; Marine Corps, 172,300; Air Force, 320,000; Space Force, 9,400.

The House recedes with an amendment that would authorize Active-Duty end strength as of September 30, 2024, as follows: Army, 445,000; Navy, 337,800; Marine Corps, 172,300; Air Force, 320,000; and Space Force, 9,400.

*Sec. 402 - End strength level matters*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 402) that would amend section 115 of title 10, United States Code, to increase the amount by which the Secretary of Defense and Secretaries of the military departments could vary certain authorized end strengths.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recedes.

## **SUBTITLE B—RESERVE FORCES**

*Sec. 411 - End strengths for Selected Reserve*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 411) that would authorize the following end strengths for Selected Reserve personnel, including the end strength for Reserves on Active Duty in support of the Reserves, as of September 30, 2024: Army National Guard, 325,000; Army Reserve, 174,800; Navy Reserve, 57,200; Marine Corps Reserve, 33,600; Air National Guard, 108,400; Air Force Reserve, 69,600; and Coast Guard Reserve, 7,000.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 411) that would authorize the following end strengths for Selected Reserve personnel for fiscal year 2024: Army National Guard, 325,000; Army Reserve, 174,800; Navy Reserve, 57,200; Marine Corps Reserve, 33,600; Air National Guard, 105,000; Air Force Reserve, 69,600; and Coast Guard Reserve, 7,000.

The House recedes with an amendment that would authorize the following end strengths for Selected Reserve personnel for fiscal year 2024: Army National Guard, 325,000; Army Reserve, 174,800; Navy Reserve, 57,200; Marine Corps Reserve, 32,000; Air National Guard, 105,000; Air Force Reserve, 69,600; and Coast Guard Reserve, 7,000.

*Sec. 412 - End strengths for Reserves on active duty in support of the Reserves*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 412) that would authorize the following end strengths for Reserves on Active Duty in support of the Reserves as of September 30, 2024: Army National Guard, 30,845; Army Reserve, 16,511; Navy Reserve, 10,327; Marine Corps Reserve, 2,355; Air National Guard, 25,713; and Air Force Reserve, 6,070; and DOD Total, 91,821.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 412) that would authorize the following full-time support end strengths for fiscal year 2024: Army National Guard, 30,845; Army Reserve, 16,511; Navy Reserve, 10,327; Marine Corps Reserve, 2,355; Air National Guard, 25,333; and Air Force Reserve, 6,003.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would authorize the following full-time support end strengths for fiscal year 2024: Army National Guard, 30,845; Army Reserve, 16,511; Navy Reserve, 10,327; Marine Corps Reserve, 2,355; Air National Guard, 25,333; Air Force Reserve, 6,070.

*Sec. 413 - End strengths for military technicians (dual status)*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 413) that would authorize the following end strengths for military technicians (dual status) as of September 30, 2024: Army National Guard, 22,294; Army Reserve, 7,990; Air National Guard, 9,830; and Air Force Reserve, 6,882.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 413) that would authorize the following military technician (dual status) end strengths for fiscal year 2024: Army National Guard, 22,294; Army Reserve, 7,990; Air National Guard, 10,994; and Air Force Reserve, 7,111.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would authorize the following military technician (dual status) end strengths for fiscal year 2024: Army National Guard, 22,294; Army Reserve, 7,990; Air National Guard, 10,994; and Air Force Reserve, 6,882.

The amendment would also limit the number of temporary military technicians (dual status) to 25 percent of the authorized end strength and prohibit a state from coercing military technicians into accepting an offer of realignment or conversion to any other military status, including as a member of the Active, Guard, and Reserve program of a reserve component.

*Sec. 414 - Maximum number of reserve personnel authorized to be on active duty for operational support*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 414) that would authorize, as required by section 115(b) of title 10, United States Code, the maximum number of Reserve Component personnel who may be on Active Duty or full-time National Guard duty during fiscal year 2024 to provide operational support.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 414).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

## **SUBTITLE C—AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS**

### *Sec. 421 - Military personnel*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 421) that would authorize appropriations for military personnel at the levels identified in the funding table in section 4401 of division D of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 421).

The House recesses.

### **LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

#### *Extension of additional authority to vary Space Force end strength*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 403) that would amend section 403(b) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) by extending the authority of the Secretary of the Air Force to vary the end strength of the U.S. Space Force by a greater degree than would otherwise be authorized to October 1, 2025.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note that Space Force end strength variances are addressed in the Space Force Personnel Management Act, included in title XVII of this Act.

## **TITLE V—MILITARY PERSONNEL POLICY**

### **SUBTITLE A—OFFICER POLICY**

#### *Sec. 501 - Authorized strength: general and flag officers on active duty*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 501) that would repeal section 526 of title 10, United States Code, and redesignate section 526a as section 526 of title 10, United States Code. The provision would amend section 526 of title 10, United States Code, as redesignated, to increase the authorized strengths of general and flag officers on Active Duty in the Army, Air Force, and Navy by one general or flag officer, and in the Marine Corps by two general officers. Finally, the provision would repeal section 506 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) that excluded officers serving as lead special trial counsel from the authorized strengths for general and flag officers.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees authorized the permanent increase in general and flag officer authorized strengths to accommodate the congressional requirement for a general or flag officer to serve as the lead special trial counsel, and an increase of an additional Marine Corps general officer to address safety needs in the Marine Corps.

*Sec. 502 - Extension of Active Duty term for Attending Physician at United States Capitol*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 504) that amend section 715 of title 10, United States Code, to require that an officer serving as Attending Physician to the Congress, while so serving, hold the grade of O-6.

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6080) that would require the incumbent Attending Physician at the United States Capitol to be continued on Active Duty until 10 years after the date of enactment of this Act.

The House recesses with an amendment that would require the incumbent Attending Physician at the United States Capitol to be continued on Active Duty until 6 years after the date of enactment of this Act.

*Sec. 503 - Updating authority to authorize promotion transfers between components of the same Armed Force or a different Armed Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 503) that would amend sections 578, 624, and 14308 of title 10, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of a military department to transfer the promotion selection of a regular officer or warrant officer to the reserve component and integrate the officer into

the corresponding promotion list based upon the officer's date of rank in his or her current grade.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 504).

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 504 - Flexibility in determining terms of appointment for certain senior officer positions*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 513) that would add a new section 602 to title 10, United States Code, to provide appointment flexibility to the Secretary of Defense for certain senior officer positions to ensure continuity of turnover.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 505 - Realignment of Navy spot-promotion quotas*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 510) that would amend section 605 of title 10, United States Code, to increase the maximum number of Navy spot-promotions to the grade of lieutenant commander from 325 to 425.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 506 - Authority to increase the number of medical and dental officers recommended for promotion to certain grades*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 511) that would amend section 616 of title 10, United States Code, to authorize promotion selection boards to recommend up to 100 percent of the officers in the promotion zone for promotion to grades below the grade of colonel or Navy captain when the promotion zone includes less than 50 officers.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would amend section 616 of title 10, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of the military department concerned to authorize promotion selection boards to recommend a greater number of medical and dental officers in the promotion zone for promotion to major or lieutenant commander when the Secretary determines that the increase is necessary to maintain or improve medical readiness.

*Sec. 507 - Prohibition on appointment or nomination of certain officers who are subject to special selection review boards*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 502) that would amend sections 628a and 14502a of title 10, United States Code, to prohibit the appointment or nomination of certain officers who are subject to special selection review boards convened under those sections.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 508 - Effect of failure of selection for promotion*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 505) that would amend section 632 of title 10, United States Code, to include captains and majors of the Space Force. The provision would also require separation of officers on the Active-Duty list in the grades of O-3 or O-4 who fail selection for promotion to the next higher grade for the second time, not later than the first day of the seventh calendar month beginning the month in which the President releases to the public the report of the board that considered the officer for the second time.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 509 - Improvements relating to service obligation for Marine Corps cyberspace operations officers*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1522) that would enable the United States Marine Corps to implement service obligations for Marine Corps Cyberspace Operations Officers, specifically in response to a Government Accountability Office report from December 21, 2022 titled, "Opportunities Exist to Improve Service Obligation Guidance and Data Tracking" (GAO-23-105423).

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 507).

The House recesses with technical amendments.

*Sec. 509A - Time in grade requirements*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 512) that would amend section 1305 of title 10, United States Code, to require that Marine Corps Marine Gunner warrant officers in the grade of CW05 be retired 60 days after the date on which an officer completes 33 years of total active service, consistent with the requirement for Navy warrant officers of that grade.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 509B - Establishment of Legislative Liaison of the Space Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 507) that would establish the position of Legislative Liaison of the Space Force.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 509C - Extension of authority to vary number of Space Force officers considered for promotion to major general*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 509) that would amend section 503 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81) to extend from December 31, 2022 to December 31, 2024, the authority for Space Force promotion boards to select for promotion to major general not more than 95 percent of the total number of brigadier generals eligible for consideration by the board, notwithstanding the limitation imposed by section 616(d) of title 10, United States Code.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 509D - Briefing on number of general officers of the Space Force on active duty*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 502) that would authorize a redistribution of general officer billets within the Department of Defense to increase the general officer billet allocation in the Space Force.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing regarding the number of general officers of the Space Force on active duty not later than March 1, 2024.

## **SUBTITLE B—RESERVE COMPONENT MANAGEMENT**

*Sec. 511 - Removal of active duty prohibition for members of the Air Force Reserve Policy Committee*

The House bill contained two provisions (secs. 512, 513) that would amend section 10305 of title 10, United States Code, to authorize members of the Air National Guard and the Air Force

Reserve who are on Active Duty to serve as members of the Air Force Reserve Policy Committee.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 508).

The House recesses.

*Sec. 512 - Grade of Vice Chief of the National Guard Bureau*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 514) that would amend section 10505 of title 10, United States code to require that the Vice Chief of the National Guard Bureau be appointed to serve in the grade of general, and that the Secretary of Defense designate this position as one of the general officer positions to be excluded from the limitations of section 526a of title 10, United States Code.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 525)

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 513 - Mobilization of Selected Reserve for preplanned missions in support of the combatant commands*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 523) that would amend section 12304b of title 10, United States Code, to authorize the Secretaries of the military departments to submit required manpower and associated costs and budget information in a notice separate from budget materials when the President's budget is delivered later than April 1st in the year prior to the year of mobilization for preplanned missions.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 514 - Alternative promotion authority for reserve officers in designated competitive categories*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 521) that would amend subtitle E of title 10, United States Code, to add a chapter to authorize alternative promotion authority for Reserve officers in designated competitive categories, similar to the alternative promotion authority for Active-Duty officers.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 515 - Authorization for FireGuard Program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 516) that would authorize the Secretary of Defense to use members of the

National Guard to carry out a program to aggregate, analyze, and assess multi-source remote sensing information for interagency partnerships in the detection and monitoring of wildfires, and to support any emergency response to such wildfires.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 516 - Designation of at least one general officer of the Marine Corps Reserve as a joint qualified officer*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 517) that would require the Secretary of Defense to ensure that at least one general officer in the Marine Corps Reserve is designated as a joint qualified officer.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

## **SUBTITLE C—GENERAL SERVICE AUTHORITIES AND PROHIBITIONS**

*Sec. 521 - Permanent authority to order retired members to active duty in high-demand, low-density appointments*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 506) that would amend section 688a of title 10, United States Code, to make permanent the temporary authority to order retired members to Active Duty on a voluntary basis for a duty assignment intended to alleviate a high-demand, low-density military capability or in any other specialty designated by the Secretary of the military department concerned as critical to meet wartime or peacetime requirements.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 522 - Prohibition on policy of the Department of Defense regarding identification of gender or personal pronouns in official correspondence*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 583) that would prohibit the Department of Defense from requiring members of the Armed Forces or Department of Defense civilian employees to list their gender or pronouns in official correspondence.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would clarify that the Department may neither require nor prohibit members of the armed forces or Department of Defense civilian employees

from listing their gender or pronouns in official correspondence.

*Sec. 523 - Prohibition on former members of the Armed Forces accepting post-service employment with certain foreign governments*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 582) that would amend chapter 49 of title 10, United States Code, to prohibit former servicemembers from accepting employment in positions related to China, Russia, Iran, North Korea, Cuba, and Syria.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an agreement that would authorize the Secretary of Defense to impose penalties for failure to comply with the terms of this provision.

*Sec. 524 - Verification of the financial independence of financial services counselors in the Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 505) that would require the Department of Defense to verify the financial independence of financial services counselors in the Department of Defense, and which would require a report on implementation of this requirement.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require a briefing on the implementation of the requirements made by this section.

*Sec. 525 - Modification of requirements for approval of foreign employment by retired and reserve members of uniformed services*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 631) that would amend section 908 of title 37, United States Code, to: (1) Authorize the Secretary of the military department concerned to delegate approval authority for foreign employment of retired and reserve members of the Armed Forces only to an official of the military department at or above the level of an Assistant Secretary or, in the event of a vacancy in the position of such an official, a civilian official performing the duties of that position; and (2) Require additional information in annual reports on approvals for retired general and flag officers.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 526 - Consideration of reinstatement of a member of the Armed Forces involuntarily separated on the basis of refusal to receive a vaccination against COVID-19*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 525) that would prohibit adverse action against a member of the Armed Forces solely on the basis that such member refuses to receive a COVID-19 vaccine. Additionally, this section would direct the Secretary of the military department to consider reinstating service members separated for failure to get vaccinated against COVID-19.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require the Secretary of the military department concerned to consider reinstating as a member of the Armed Forces former servicemembers who were involuntarily separated from the Armed Forces solely on the basis of refusing a vaccination against COVID-19, and who submitted a request for a religious, administrative, or medical exemption from a requirement to receive a vaccination against COVID-19. The provision would also require the Secretary concerned to treat the period of time between an involuntary separation and reinstatement as a period of inactivation from active service under section 710 of title 10, United States Code.

*Sec. 527 - Reviews of characterization of administrative discharges of certain members on the basis of failure to receive COVID-19 vaccine*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 526) that would require a board of review established under section 1553 of title 10, United States Code, to grant a request to review the characterization of a discharge or dismissal of a former servicemember if the discharge or dismissal was solely based on failure to obey a lawful order to receive a vaccine for COVID-19. The provision would also require the board to consider these requests before any other requests before the board.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would remove the requirement to prioritize these requests.

*Sec. 528 - Certain members discharged or dismissed on the sole basis of failure to obey a lawful order to receive a vaccine for COVID-19: communication strategy regarding reinstatement process*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 527) that would require the Secretary of Defense to communicate to certain

former servicemembers the established process by which a former servicemember separated for failure to obey a lawful order to receive the COVID-19 vaccination may be reinstated. This section would also require the Secretary of Defense to provide a report on the implementation of the communication strategy.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to communicate to certain former servicemembers the established process by which a former servicemember separated for failure to obey a lawful order to receive the COVID-19 vaccination may be reinstated.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on the implementation of the communication strategy required by this provision.

*Sec. 529 - Continuing military service for certain members eligible for chapter 61 retirement*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 530) that would require the Secretary of Defense, not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, to prescribe regulations that authorize certain members eligible for retirement under chapter 61 of title 10, United States Code, to continue to serve in the Armed Forces.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 529A - Threat-based security services and equipment for certain former or retired Department of Defense personnel*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1112) that would temporarily extend the authorized period of protection for former Department of Defense officials after separation from employment with the Department from 2 years post-service to 4 years.

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1047) that would amend section 714 of title 10, United States Code, to modify the authority of the Secretary of Defense to provide certain former and retired Department of Defense personnel with protection within the United States, including authority to reimburse such personnel for security services and equipment procured at personal expense, under circumstances where serious

and credible threats of harm arise from duties performed while employed by the Department.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees, by March 1, 2024, on the process for how credible threats are determined for former Department of Defense officials. The briefing shall also include information on current and estimated future costs of providing security services, the number of officials that have requested extended security services, the number of officials that are denied additional security services, and current threat risks against former officials.

*Sec. 529B - Limitation on establishment of new diversity, equity, and inclusion positions; hiring freezes*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 570F) that would eliminate every office within the Department of Defense established to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI).

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 928) that would prohibit the Secretary of Defense from establishing new positions with responsibility for matters relating to DEI, or from filling any such positions vacated after the date of enactment of this Act. The prohibitions in the Senate provision would expire upon delivery by the Comptroller General of the United States of a review of the Department of Defense DEI workforce.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 529C - Requirement to base military accessions and promotions on merit and performance*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 523) that would require the Secretary of Defense to prescribe regulations to ensure that recruitment efforts of the Armed Forces do not take into account the race or gender of the individual being recruited.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 534) that would require the Secretary of Defense to ensure that all promotions, assignments, and other personnel actions are based primarily on qualifications, performance, and merit.

The Senate amendment contained another similar provision (sec. 535) that would prohibit the Department of Defense (DOD) from directing or compelling any servicemember, dependent, or DOD civilian employee to personally affirm, adopt, or adhere to the tenet that any sex, race, ethnicity, religion, or national origin is inherently superior or inferior. The provision would

also specify that all DOD personnel actions be based exclusively on individual merit and demonstrated performance.

The House recedes with an amendment that would require that DOD accessions and promotions be based on individual merit and performance.

## **SUBTITLE D—MILITARY JUSTICE AND OTHER LEGAL MATTERS**

### *Sec. 531 - Technical and conforming amendments to the Uniform Code of Military Justice*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 532) that would amend Articles 16, 24a, 25, 118, 128b, and 130 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) (10 U.S.C. 816, 824a, 825, 918, 928b, and 930) to make various technical and conforming amendments to the UCMJ, effective immediately after the coming into effect of the amendments made by part 1 of subtitle D of title V of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81).

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 542).

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

### *Sec. 532 - Establishment of staggered terms for members of the Military Justice Review Panel*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 541) that would amend section 946(b) of title 10, United States Code, to establish staggered terms for members of the Military Justice Review Panel to preclude the termination of the terms of all members at the same time.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

### *Sec. 533 - Supreme Court review of certain actions of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 542) that would amend section 1259 of title 28, United States Code, and article 67a of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (10 U.S.C. 867a(a)) to authorize the Supreme Court of the United States to review, by a writ of certiorari, any action of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces in refusing to grant a petition for review.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would make this provision effective one year after the date of enactment of this Act, and would apply to any action of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces in granting or refusing to grant a petition for review submitted to such Court for the first time on or after such effective date.

*Sec. 534 - Additional requirements for initiative to enhance the capability of military criminal investigative organizations to prevent and combat child sexual exploitation*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 543) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives an annual report, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, on initiatives to enhance the capability of military criminal investigative organizations to prevent and combat child sexual exploitation.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would include a sunset of the provision after 2029, and require training be conducted on child sexual exploitation, regardless of staff turnover and relocations. The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 90 days following the enactment of this Act, and annually each year thereafter until 2030, to provide a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the progress of the initiative carried out under such section, outlining specific actions taken and future actions planned to detect, combat, and stop the use of the Department of Defense network to further online child sexual exploitation.

*Sec. 535 - Limitation on availability of funds for relocation of Army CID special agent training course*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 534) that would prohibit the Army from obligating or expending funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act to relocate an Army Criminal Investigation Division (CID) special agent training course until the requirements of section 548(a) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) have been met.

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 556) that would prohibit funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act for fiscal year 2024 for the U.S. Army to relocate an Army CID special agent training course from being obligated or expended until the Secretary of the Army submits to the Committees on

Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on any plans of the Secretary to relocate an Army CID special agent training course and to provide a briefing on the contents of the report.

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 536 - Study on requirement for unanimous votes for findings in general and special courts-martial and related milestones for implementation*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 535) that would amend article 52 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (10 U.S.C. 852) to require unanimous verdicts in courts-martial.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study to determine the feasibility and advisability of requiring unanimous votes for findings of guilty, not guilty, or not guilty by reason of lack of mental responsibility in general and special courts-martial.

*Sec. 537 - Study on removal of Sexual Assault Victim Advocates from the chain of command of victims*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 543) that would require the Secretary of Defense to assess the feasibility and advisability of removing sexual assault victim advocates outside the chain of command of the victim, and to assess the effect of such removal on the ability of the armed forces to implement sexual assault prevention and response programs.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

## **SUBTITLE E—ACCESSION STANDARDS AND RECRUITMENT**

*Sec. 541 - Increased access to potential recruits at secondary schools*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 592) that would amend section 503 of title 10, United States Code, to require secondary schools to provide military recruiters access to career fairs or similar events upon a request made by military recruiters.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 542 - Modification of limitation on enlistment and induction of persons whose score on the Armed Forces Qualification Test is below a prescribed level*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 531) that would amend section 520 of title 10, United States Code, to limit the number of enlistments of people who score between the tenth and thirty-first percentile of the Armed Forces Qualification Test to four percent of the total number of people who enlist in a fiscal year. The provision would authorize the Secretary of Defense to increase this limit to up to 20 percent of the total number of new recruits, upon the request of the Secretary of the military department concerned.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 543 - Increased access to potential recruits at institutions of higher education*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 593) that would amend section 983 of title 10, United States Code, to deny federal education funds to institutions of higher education that fail to provide certain information on students to military recruiters within 60 days of such recruiter's request.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 544 - Increase in accession bonus for nurse officer candidates*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 561) that would amend section 2130a of title 10, United States Code, to authorize an increase in the maximum accession bonuses for nurse officer candidates.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 545 - Improvements to medical standards for accession to certain Armed Forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 524) that would require the Secretary of Defense to review and revise medical standards and waivers for military accessions every 2 years, and to submit a report to the House Committee on Armed Services and the Senate Committee on Armed Services on findings and recommendations during the same period.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to, no later than one year after enactment, and once four years thereafter, conduct an assessment of military medical accession standards, to and make any updates to the standards as may be necessary, and to improve the waiver process for individuals who do not meet the prescribed standards. The provision would require the Secretary to submit a report on the findings from the required assessment along with any relevant legislative proposals to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

*Sec. 546 - Future servicemember preparatory course*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 551) that would require the Secretary of the military department concerned to establish a future servicemember preparation course if, during a fiscal year within an Armed Force, the number of enlisted recruits who score lower than a 31 on the Armed Forces Qualification Test exceeds 10 percent of the total number of recruits.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would establish a pilot program requiring the Secretaries of the military department to establish a future servicemember preparation course for certain military recruits with low Armed Forces Qualification Test scores.

*Sec. 547 - Pilot program on cardiac screenings for military accessions*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 528) that would require the Secretary of Defense, not later than September 30, 2024, to carry out a pilot program to provide an electrocardiogram to individuals who undergo military accessions screenings.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 548 - Community college Enlisted Training Corps demonstration program*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 554) that would require the Secretary of each military department to establish an Enlisted Training Corps demonstration program at a community or junior college.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 549 - Annual briefings on military recruitment practices in public secondary schools and community colleges*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 529) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit to the congressional defense committees an annual report on military recruitment practices in public secondary schools during calendar year 2023 and each subsequent calendar year.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than December 31, 2024 and annually thereafter until December 31, 2028, on military recruitment practices carried out in public secondary schools and community colleges during the preceding calendar year.

## **SUBTITLE F—JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS**

*Sec. 551 - Expansion of Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 571) that would amend section 2031 of title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense to establish and support not less than 3,400, and not more than 4,000 units of the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 552 - Requirement for memoranda of understanding addressing certain matters pertaining to units of the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 573) that would amend section 2031 of title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense to proscribe regulations establishing a standardized memorandum of understanding to be signed by the service secretary concerned and a participating Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps unit.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 553 - Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps administrator and instructor compensation*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 552) that would allow the Secretary of a military department to authorize an expansion of the individuals qualified to serve as administrators and instructors in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 574).

The House recedes with an amendment that would prohibit the Department of Defense from reducing the pay of any current Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps instructor as a result of the implementation of this provision.

*Sec. 554 - Prohibition of establishment or maintenance of a unit of the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps at an educational institution owned, operated, or controlled by the Chinese Communist Party*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 553) that would amend section 2031 of title 10, United States Code, to prohibit the establishment or maintenance of a unit of the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps at an educational institution owned, operated, or controlled by the Chinese Communist Party.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

*Sec. 555 - Enforcement of program requirements for the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 572) that would amend section 2031 of title 10, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Defense to suspend or place on probation a Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps unit that fails to comply with the terms of its memorandum of understanding with the parent armed force.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 556 - Annual report on allegations of sexual misconduct in Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps programs*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 575) that would amend section 2031 of title 10, United States Code, to require annual reports on allegations of sexual misconduct against Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps instructors.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

## **SUBTITLE G—MEMBER EDUCATION**

*Sec. 561 - Service Academies: numbers of nominations by Members of Congress and appointments by the Secretaries of the military departments*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 562) that would authorize an increase the number of nominations by Member of Congress and appointments by the Secretaries of the military departments.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would modify the increase of the numbers of appointments by the Secretaries of the military departments.

The conferees direct the Secretary concerned to provide a briefing, not later than December 31, 2024 and annually thereafter until December 31, 2026, to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the number of appointees in each appointment category, by relevant statutory subsection, for the classes of cadets and midshipmen who accepted appointments in the years 2024, 2025, and 2026.

*Sec. 562 - Increase in the number of nominees from Guam to the Service Academies*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 563) that would authorize one additional service academy nomination for the Delegate from the Territory of Guam.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

*Sec. 563 - Consideration of standardized test scores in military service academy application process*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 570E) that would require the Secretary of Defense to ensure that military service academies require the submission and consideration of standardized test scores as part of their application processes.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 560).

The conference agreement includes this provision with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 564 - Service Academy professional sports pathway report and legislative proposal required*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 553) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report that includes a legislative proposal that improves the legal construct currently in place governing the pathway for military service academy graduates to pursue professional sports careers. This legislative proposal must retain the existing requirement that all military service academy graduates serve at least 2 years on active duty before affiliating with the reserves in order to pursue professional sports. Further, the committee requires the Secretary of Defense to submit an annual report, starting March 1, 2024, that details the current participants in the professional sports pathway to include those deferred from active duty as defined in the November 8, 2019 DTM 19-011 "Military Service Academy Graduates Seeking to Participate in Professional Sports" or any subsequent policy directive of similar purpose.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 565 - Briefing on inclusion of advanced research programs at certain institutions of professional military education*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 554) that would require certain institutions of professional military education to establish advanced research programs to study the character of near-future operational-tactical warfighting at the high end of the conflict spectrum in East Asia.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require the leaders of certain institutions of professional military education to provide briefings to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than April 1, 2024, on certain aspects of activities conducted under existing advanced research programs and on the feasibility and advisability of establishing permanent advanced research programs at such institutions.

## **SUBTITLE H—MEMBER TRAINING AND TRANSITION**

*Sec. 571 - Amendments to pathways for counseling in the Transition Assistance Program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 571) that would amend section 1142 of title 10, United States Code, to expand pathways for counseling in the Transition Assistance Program to

account for a member's potential or confirmed disability and character of discharge.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 572 - Skillbridge: staffing; budgeting; outreach; report*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 573) that would amend section 1143 of title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretaries of the military departments to meet minimum staffing levels and develop funding plans to support the SkillBridge program. The provision would also require the Secretaries of the military departments to circulate information to servicemembers and reach out to potential employers about participation in the SkillBridge program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the Government Accountability Office to submit a report on the SkillBridge program to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives not later than July 1, 2024.

*Sec. 573 - Extension of Troops-to-Teachers program to the Job Corps*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 560A) that would amend section 1154 of title 10, United States Code, to extend eligibility for the Troops for Teachers program to members seeking follow-on employment at a Job Corps center as defined in section 147 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (Public Law 113-128).

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 574 - Troops-to-Teachers Program: expansion; extension*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 574) that would authorize expansion of the Department of Defense's Troops-to-Teachers program to include Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) instructors and administrators; require participants in the Troops-to-Teachers program who seek follow-on employment as JROTC instructors to meet the eligibility and training criteria in section 2031 of title 10, United States Code; and reauthorize the program for an additional 2 years.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would authorize expansion of the Department of Defense's Troops-to-Teachers program to include JROTC instructors and administrators and reauthorize the program for an additional 2 years.

*Sec. 575 - Language training centers for members of the Armed Forces and civilian employees of the Department of Defense*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 555) that would require the Secretary of Defense to carry out a program to establish language training centers at accredited universities, senior military colleges, or other similar institutions of higher education for the purposes of accelerating the development of foundational expertise in critical and strategic languages and regional area studies.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 576 - Prohibition on use of Federal funds to endorse critical race theory*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 566) that would prohibit the use of funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act to be used to promote critical race theory at a Service Academy, in military training, or in professional military education.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 577 - Increased fitness standards for Army close combat force military occupational specialties*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 567) that would require the Army to create sex-neutral fitness standards for certain military occupational specialties.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 557) that would require the Army to implement the Army Physical Fitness Test (APFT), as it existed on January 1, 2020, as the physical fitness test of record. Such provision would also authorize the Army to continue to administer the Army Combat Fitness Test as a supplemental tool of fitness and would place notice requirements on the Army for any further planned changes to the APFT.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the Army to implement higher minimum standards on the ACFT for certain servicemembers serving in combat arms occupational specialties.

*Sec. 578 - Publication of training materials of the Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 569) that would require the Secretary of Defense to publish all materials created by the Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute (DEOMI) for the purpose of DEOMI training members of the armed forces on its website by not later than September 30, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 579 - Prohibition on Federal funds for the Department of Defense Countering Extremism Work Group*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 598) that would prohibit funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act to be used for the Department of Defense Extremism Working Group.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would clarify the prohibition contained in this provision applies to the Department of Defense Countering Extremist Activity Working Group (CEAWG) established by Secretary of Defense memo dated April 9, 2021.

The conferees understand the CEAWG was established to examine and make recommendations on the Department's policies, vetting procedures, insider threat program, and education and training materials related to countering extremist activities. The CEAWG released its report in December 2021. The Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness and the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security will now oversee implementation of the group's recommendations.

## **SUBTITLE I—FAMILY PROGRAMS, CHILD CARE, AND DEPENDENT EDUCATION**

*Sec. 581 - Non-medical counseling services for military families*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 704) that would amend section 1781 of title 10, United States Code, to authorize licensed mental health professionals contracted or employed by the Department of Defense to provide non-medical counseling services to qualifying populations without regard for their geographic location.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 532).

The House recesses.

*Sec. 582 - Increase in the target funding level for military child care*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 641) that would increase the target funding level for military child care.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 583 - Modifications to assistance to local educational agencies that benefit dependents of members of the Armed Forces with enrollment changes due to base closures, force structure changes, or force relocations*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 563) that would amend section 575 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) to improve implementation of the authority.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 584 - Certain assistance to local educational agencies that benefit dependents of military and civilian personnel*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 652) that would authorize \$50.0 million for the purpose of providing assistance to local educational agencies with military dependent students and \$20.0 million for local educational agencies eligible to receive a payment for children with severe disabilities.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 562) that would authorize \$50.0 million for continuation of the Department of Defense (DOD) assistance program to local educational agencies impacted by enrollment of dependent children of military members and DOD civilian employees. The provision would also authorize \$10.0 million for impact aid payments for children with severe disabilities, using the formula set forth in section 363 of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (Public Law 106-398). Furthermore, the provision would authorize the Secretary of Defense to use an additional \$20.0 million for payments to local educational agencies determined by the Secretary to have higher concentrations of military children with severe disabilities.

The House recedes with an amendment that would reduce the additional payments to local educational agencies at the determination of the Secretary concerned to \$10.0 million.

*Sec. 585 - Outreach campaign relating to waiting lists for military child development centers; annual briefing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 645) that would require the Department of Defense to publish and maintain a website for waiting lists for child care services at military child development centers and report on the feasibility of the use of the Department of the Air Force Child and Youth Programs Business Management System across all the services.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require the Secretaries concerned to develop a campaign to conduct outreach at least every 6 months to inform affected military members and their families about childcare availability, sign up, wait times, fees, modalities, and policies. The provision would also require the Secretary of Defense to provide an annual briefing for 5 consecutive years, beginning 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, on the topic of child care availability and shortfalls.

*Sec. 586 - Briefings on pilot program on hiring of special needs inclusion coordinators for Department of Defense child development centers*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 627) that would amend section 576(d) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) relating to the pilot program on hiring of special needs inclusion coordinators for Department of Defense child development centers required by that section to include quarterly briefings on progress under the pilot program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require biannual briefings on implementation of the pilot program.

*Sec. 587 - Briefings on implementation of universal pre-kindergarten programs in schools operated by the Department of Defense Education Activity*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 656) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide quarterly briefings to the committee on various aspects of the development of

universal pre-kindergarten and its impact on co-located child development centers.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the briefings to continue until 2027.

*Sec. 588 - Report on mental health and wellness support for students enrolled in schools operated by the Department of Defense Education Activity*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 655) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish and implement a pilot program to provide routine mental health check-ups for students with parental consent in covered Department of Defense Education Activity (DODEA) schools. This section would also require the Secretary of Defense to enter into memoranda of understanding or other agreements with federally funded community behavioral health clinics for the purposes of establishing a comprehensive referral process.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than December 1, 2024, a report on programs and policies to support mental health and wellness among students in schools operated by DODEA.

*Sec. 589 - Rights of parents of children attending schools operated by the Department of Defense Education Activity*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 651) that would codify the rights of parents of children attending schools operated by the Department of Defense Education Activity (DODEA).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would clarify and refine the rights of parents of children attending schools operated by DODEA. The amendment would also require the Secretary of Defense to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than 30 days after the enactment of this Act, a report on parental rights specified in this provision.

The conferees note that section 579E of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Pub. L. 117-263) expressed the sense of Congress regarding the rights of parents of children attending DODEA schools. Such section required a report from the Director of DODEA on the

parental rights detailed therein, including an explanation of: (1) How and where parents may access information about their rights; (2) The accessibility of that information; (3) How schools inform parents of their rights and the means to access such rights; and (4) The uniformity of parental rights across such schools. By law, that report was due to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives not later than six months after the date of enactment of Public Law 117-263. Such law having been enacted on December 23, 2022, the report required by section 579E was due to the committees concerned not later than June 23, 2023. As of the December 1, 2023, the Director of DODEA has yet to submit this report, and the Department of Defense has provided no forecast for when the report will be delivered. As such, the Department currently stands in violation of the Public Laws of the United States. The conferees expect that the report required by this amendment will be delivered to the committees concerned not later than thirty days after the date of enactment of this Act. Furthermore, the conferees expect the Department of Defense to ensure all future reports to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives are delivered in accordance with the requirements of Federal law and regulations.

## **SUBTITLE J—DECORATIONS AND AWARDS AND OTHER PERSONNEL MATTERS, REPORTS, AND BRIEFINGS**

### *Sec. 591 - Armed Forces workplace surveys*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 591) that would amend section 481 of title 10, United States Code, to require workplace surveys conducted pursuant to that section to include indicators of sexual assault that give reason to believe that the victim was targeted or discriminated against for a status in a group.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

### *Sec. 592 - Due date for report on efforts to prevent and respond to deaths by suicide in the Navy*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 593) that would extend the statutory deadline for the Department of Defense Inspector General's office to conclude its report on the suicides that occurred in 2022 among servicemembers assigned to the aircraft carrier USS *George Washington*.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 593 - Extension of deadline for review of World War I valor medals*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 581) that would amend section 584 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116-92) to extend the deadline for review of World War I valor medals required by such section to December 31, 2028.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 594 - Digital ambassador program of the Navy: cessation; report; restart*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 599) that would require the Secretary of the Navy to cease all activities of the digital ambassador program of the Office of Information of the Department of the Navy and would prohibit the restart of the program until certain requirements are met.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

#### **LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Removal of exemption relating to Attending Physician to the Congress for certain distribution and grade limitations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 501) that would remove the exemption from the statutory limit on general and flag officers for the Attending Physician to Congress.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Exclusion of officers who are licensed behavioral health providers from limitations on Active-Duty commissioned officer end strengths*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 503) that would amend section 523(b) of title 10, United States Code to exclude licensed behavioral health providers from Active-Duty commissioned officer end strengths.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Retired grade for the Director of Admissions of a Service Academy*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 506) that would amend sections 7342, 8470a, and 9342 of title 10, United States Code, to authorize retirement in the grade of brigadier general or rear admiral (lower half) of a director of admissions of a service academy whose service in that position has been long and distinguished.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Chaplain endorsements*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 508) that would require the Department of Defense to make available on a publicly accessible database a report of the most recent list of chaplain endorsements submitted to the Armed Forces Chaplain Board (AFCB) by religious organizations, and the list of known endorsements used by AFCB to verify submissions.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Prohibitions on certain adverse actions regarding a cadet, midshipman, or applicant to a Service Academy, who refuses to receive a vaccination against COVID-19*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 509) that would prohibit taking any adverse actions against cadets or midshipmen based solely on the basis of such individual's refusal to receive a vaccination against COVID-19. The provision would also prohibit the refusal of enrollment at a Service Academy solely on such grounds.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that current Department of Defense (DOD) policy states, "No individuals currently serving in the Armed Forces shall be separated solely on the basis of their refusal to receive the COVID-19 vaccination if they sought an accommodation on religious, administrative, or medical grounds." DOD policy further states, "The Military Departments will update the records of such individuals to remove any adverse actions solely associated with the denials of such requests, including letters of reprimand." The conferees expect the Secretary of Defense to continue this policy for all service members to include affected military service academy cadets and midshipmen. The Secretary shall provide a briefing, not later than 180 days

after enactment of this Act, on the process implemented to review records and the status of the removal of all adverse actions solely associated with the denials of such requests, including the number of records reviewed, the type and number of any adverse action removed, and the number of records left to review.

*Increases to monthly rates of basic pay for certain enlisted members of the uniformed services*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 510) that would increase monthly rates of basic pay for certain enlisted members of the uniformed services.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees note that pay rates for enlisted members of the uniformed services are being examined by the Quality of Life Panel, a House of Representatives oversight body established by the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives. The Quality of Life panel will assess the adequacy of military pay in the forthcoming 14th Quadrennial Review of Military Compensation. The Personnel Subcommittee of the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate is also reviewing military pay and benefits. Additionally, the conferees note that elsewhere in the conference report accompanying this Act, the Secretary Defense is required to provide a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on the results of a review of the rates of basic pay for junior enlisted personnel in pay grades E-1 through E-4. Such report is required to include a comprehensive legislative proposal for the rates of basic pay for members of the Armed Forces.

*Grades of certain chiefs of reserve components*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 511) that would amend sections 7038, 8083, 8084, and 9038 of title 10, United States Code, to require the Chief of each military service Reserve Component to serve in the grade of lieutenant general or vice admiral.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Transfers of officers between the active and inactive National Guard*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 515) that would amend section 303 of title 32, United States Code, to require the Secretary of the military department concerned to prescribe regulations that provide for the transfer of officers between the active and inactive National Guard.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on foreign disclosure officer and foreign military sales officer billets*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 518) that would express the sense of Congress regarding a report on foreign disclosure officer and military sales officer billets.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the elements of this provision are addressed elsewhere in this Act.

*Sense of Congress relating to measures to address suicide among former National Guard and Reserve components*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 519) that would encourage the Department of Defense in collaboration with the Department of Veterans Affairs to monitor and ensure appropriate measures are available to reduce suicides among former members of the Guard and Reserve Components who were not activated for military service.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs have both devoted significant time and attention to preventing suicide among current and former members of the National Guard and Reserve Components, and that they continue to collaborate on ways to improve healthcare outcomes for such members as they transition from military service to civilian life.

*Requirement to classify certain persons as unaccounted for from World War II under certain conditions*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 521) that would require the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) to classify certain persons as unaccounted for from World War II if the identification demonstrated discrepancies.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note with concern that expanding DPAA's mission to recategorize already accounted for servicemembers, and disinterring remains to verify past identifications, could seriously impede a significant portion of the Agency's efforts to research, investigate, recover, and identify the remains of those who are still unaccounted for from past conflicts.

*Authority to designate certain separated members of the Air Force as honorary separated members of the Space Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 522) that would authorize certain separated members of the Air Force to be designated as honorary separated members of the Space Force.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Secretary of the Air Force already has the authority to designate persons as honorary Guardians.

*Alternating selection of officers of the National Guard and the Reserves as deputy commanders of certain combatant commands*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 524) that would amend section 164 of title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense to alternate appointments of deputy commanders for certain combatant commands between officers of the National Guard and the Reserves no less frequently than every two terms. The provision would authorize the Secretary of Defense to waive the requirements of this provision when in the national interest.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Inclusion of certain persons who served with the Canadian armed forces during part of World War II in definition of missing person*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 530A) that would amend section 1513 of title 10, United States Code, to include in the definition of "missing person" United States citizens serving with the Canadian Armed Forces between September 10, 1939, and December 7, 1941, with the effect of requiring the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) to account for, and if possible recover, such individuals.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that DPAA's backlog of unaccounted for individuals from World War II already exceeds 70,000 persons. Further, the conferees note that as the individuals described in this section were not part of the United States Armed Forces, the Department of Defense lacks the necessary records and resources to effectively account for them. The conferees urge the Department of Defense to work with the Canadian Armed Forces to share information where appropriate to account for these individuals.

*Prohibition on certain communications regarding courts-martial*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 531) that would amend section 837 of title 10, United States Code, to prohibit a convening authority or commanding officer from providing a briefing about a pending court-martial to any subordinate who may serve as a member of such court-martial.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than June 30, 2024, to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on all substantiated incidents of unlawful command influence directed at members of courts-martial panels during the period of June, 2018, to June, 2023.

*Treatment of certain records of criminal investigations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 533) that would require the Secretary of Defense to develop and implement guidance providing for the modification of titling and indexing systems to ensure that a record identifying a servicemember or former servicemember as the subject of a criminal investigation is removed from the system if that member or former member is cleared of wrongdoing.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that section 545 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283) required the Secretary of Defense to establish and implement a policy and process through which a person's name, personally identifying information, and other pertinent information could be expunged or otherwise removed from: (1) The subject or title block of a Department of Defense (DOD) law enforcement or criminal investigative report; (2) The Department of Defense Central Index of Investigations (DCII); and (3) Any other record maintained by the DOD in connection with such a report or DCII entry, under circumstances in which

probable cause did not or does not exist to determine that the offense for which the person was titled occurred or that the titled person actually committed the offense. This was implemented in Department of Defense Instruction 5505.07, Titling and Indexing by DOD Law Enforcement Activities, effective August 8, 2023.

The conferees are disappointed that this guidance was not implemented by October, 2021, as required by statute. The conferees direct the Secretary to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than February 15, 2024, on this new Instruction. In addition to the procedures prescribed in this Instruction, the briefing shall include a detailed discussion of titling procedures, indexing procedures, and the justification required for each.

Furthermore, the conferees direct the Secretary to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, on: (1) The number of servicemembers who had their titling or indexing information provided to a Federal agency for a background check or firearm permit (including permits to carry a concealed weapon) during the last five years, to the extent that this information is available in DOD records; and (2) The number of servicemembers and former servicemembers who were titled but not prosecuted for the offenses for which they were titled within the last five years.

*Primacy of needs of the service in determining individual duty assignments*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 533) that would codify the requirement for the Secretaries of the military departments to make duty assignments of individual members based primarily on the needs of the military services.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note that Department of Defense (DOD) policy states "the primary considerations in reassigning a servicemember will be the Servicemember's current qualifications and the ability to fill a valid requirement." While servicemembers have always had the ability to express general preferences regarding future duty stations, ultimately the DOD policy is clear, military requirements are the most important factor in assignment decisions.

*Tiger team for outreach to former members*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 536) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish a tiger team to build awareness among former members of the Armed Forces of the process established for the review of discharge characterizations by appropriate discharge boards. The provision would also require several reports to Congress on the status and success of such provisions.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Clarifications of procedure in investigations of personnel actions taken against members of the Armed Forces in retaliation for protected communications*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 541) that would amend section 1034 of title 10, United States Code, to modify the burden of proof required under that section to prove retaliation against protected communications of members of the armed forces.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, by not later than April 1, 2024, to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the number of reprisal allegations made over the past 5 years by service members under section 1034, and the substantiation rate of those allegations. The briefing should include summary descriptions of the allegations and any administrative or punitive action taken. Finally, the conferees invite the Secretary to offer observations about whether the protections afforded by section 1034 are adequate to protect service members from reprisal for protected communications, and what regulatory or statutory changes the Secretary would recommend to strengthen those protections and increase the efficiency of the military whistleblower program.

*Military education for special operations forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 551) that would authorize the Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command (USSOCOM), to use funds from Major Force Program 11 to fund joint special operations-peculiar education, leader preparation, and leader development at degree-granting institutions of higher military education.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note under section 167 of title 10, United States Code, the USSOCOM Commander, subject to the authority, direction, and control of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict (ASD SOLIC), is responsible for the training of assigned special operations forces (SOF) and conducting specialized courses of instruction for commissioned and noncommissioned officers. The conferees believe these responsibilities include special operations-peculiar education, leader preparation, and leader development that keeps pace with the security environment and enables SOF to fulfill their assigned tasks in support of the 2022 National Defense Strategy.

Therefore, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the conferees direct the ASD SOLIC and USSOCOM Commander to provide the congressional defense committees with a report that, at a minimum:

- (1) Defines the special operations-peculiar educational requirements of SOF;
- (2) Identifies any current gaps in authorities, funding, or other challenges that inhibits the provision of special operations-peculiar education by USSOCOM to SOF;
- (3) Makes recommendations, if any, for addressing these challenges; and
- (4) Any other matters deemed relevant by the ASD SOLIC and USSOCOM Commander.

*Determination of active duty service commitment for recipients of fellowships, grants, and scholarships*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 552) that would amend section 2603(b) of title 10, United States Code, to authorize the Secretaries of the military departments to establish the active duty service commitment for certain members of the Armed Forces who accept fellowships, scholarships, or grants funded by corporations, funds, foundations, or educational institutions organized and operated primarily for scientific, literary, or educational purposes.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Pilot program for enlisted members of the Army and the Navy to attend the Naval Postgraduate School*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 555) that would create pilot programs for the U.S. Army and the U.S. Navy to send enlisted servicemembers to receive advanced degrees at the Naval Postgraduate School.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note that section 555 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) removed certain barriers for admission of enlisted members at the Naval Postgraduate School. Such section also required the Secretary of Defense to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on efforts to increase enrollment of enlisted members at the Naval Postgraduate School. Last year's provision required a report on these efforts, which is expected six years after the provision goes into effect.

*Prohibition on availability of funds for elimination of units of the Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 556) that would prohibit funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024 for the Department of Defense to be obligated or expended to eliminate a unit of the Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps at an institution of higher education.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Opt-out sharing of information on members retiring or separating from the Armed Forces with community-based organizations and related entities*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 558) that would amend section 570F of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116-92) to change opt-in of sharing of information for members retiring or separating from the military with community-based organizations and related entities to opt-out of sharing such information.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

The conferees note that many servicemembers opt in to information sharing with community and state-based organizations that support veterans and their families, and the Department of Defense continues its outreach efforts with state and local organizations in support of separating servicemembers.

*Establishment of program to promote participation of foreign students in the Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 559) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish a program under the authority of section 2103 of title 10, United States Code, to promote the participation of foreign students in the Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (SROTC) program.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

The conferees note that section 2103 of title 10, United States Code, already permits the enrollment of foreign students in SROTC. The conferees encourage the Secretaries of the military departments to make full and judicious use of that authority. The conferees direct each Secretary of a military department to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than May 1, 2024, on foreign student participation in SROTC within their department over the past 10 years.

*Pilot program on recruitment and retention of employees for child development programs*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 561) that would authorize the Secretary of Defense to develop and implement a pilot program to assess the effectiveness of increasing compensation for employees of Department of Defense Child Development Centers in improving the ability to recruit and retain providers.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

The conferees are aware that the Department of Defense is in the process of completing a comprehensive assessment of Child Development Center employee recruitment and retention, to include compensation issues. The creation of a pilot program to increase compensation would be premature prior to the release of the Department's review. The conferees support increasing compensation where feasible and advisable to increase the Department's ability to recruit and retain high quality childcare providers. The shortage of childcare providers is a nation-wide issue, and the Department of Defense must compensate providers competitively to attract talent.

*Exemption of cadet or midshipman who refuses to receive a vaccination against COVID-19 from requirement to repay tuition at military service academy*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 564) that would exempt a cadet or midshipman from being required to repay tuition if such individual was not tendered an appointment as a

commissioned officer on the sole basis that the individual refused to receive a vaccination against COVID-19.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees understand that cadets or midshipmen who were separated solely on the basis of their refusal to receive the COVID-19 vaccination were not subjected to repayment provisions. The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to establish a process for the removal of adverse action for a cadet or midshipman who was separated solely on the basis of refusal to receive COVID-19 vaccination and subsequently returns to military service or reenters a military service academy.

#### *Training on the National Defense Strategy for members of certain Armed Forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 565) that would require annual National Defense Strategy awareness training for certain members of the Armed Forces.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

#### *Costs of training on critical race theory*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 568) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit an annual report to Congress detailing the training hours spent on, and total costs incurred by, the Department concerning training on critical race theory provided by the Secretary for the previous calendar year.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

#### *Funding for Skillbridge*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 570) that would authorize to be appropriated an additional \$5 million in the Operation and Maintenance, Defense-Wide account for SkillBridge and detail offsetting reductions in other accounts.

The Senate bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The specific authorization of appropriations amounts can be found in the funding tables.

The conferees expect the Department of Defense to adequately fund the SkillBridge program.

#### *Access to Army Training Requirements and Resources System on a personal internet-enabled device*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 570A) that would require the Secretary of the Army to ensure that a member of the reserve components of the Army may access the Army Training Requirements and Resources System using a personal internet-enabled device.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of the Army to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on the feasibility and advisability of ensuring that member of the reserve components of the Army can access the Army Training Requirements and Resources System using a personal internet-enabled device.

#### *Military vehicle operator training program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 570B) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish a standardized training curriculum for military vehicle operations, encompassing both classroom and practical training components.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that despite efforts to mitigate and prevent military tactical vehicle rollovers, rollover incidents continue to be an ongoing safety issue for the Marine Corps and the Army. Therefore, the conferees direct the Commandant of the Marine Corps and the Chief of Staff of the Army, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the following: (1) Safety training protocols, including the use of practical and classroom training components; (2) Risk management procedures by vehicle commanders and safety specialists; (3) Driver training programs; and (4) An update on efforts to collaborate between the services on efforts to mitigate and prevent rollovers.

#### *Military training and competency database*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 570C) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish: (1) A centralized database, to be known as the "Military Training and Competency Database," to record and maintain information relating to training performed by members of the Armed Forces; and (2) A process to make the information in the database

available to states and potential employers to assist in determining if the training provided to a member or former member of the Armed Forces satisfies civilian licensing and certification requirements.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Department of Defense already provides servicemembers with an individualized Verification of Military Experience and Training (VMET) document, which lists the unique military training and experiences of the member. This document is specifically designed to help servicemembers convey their military experiences to civilian employers upon separation from the military, and it is available to all servicemembers upon request. Additionally, the military services maintain an online database known as Credentialing Opportunities for Online Learning (COOL), which provides information to servicemembers to see how their particular military duties pertain to civilian credentials and reimburses servicemembers for costs of obtaining civilian credentials listed on the COOL database. Furthermore, the Department of Defense administers the United Services Military Apprenticeship Program (USMAP), the largest apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor. The USMAP program provides active-duty military members with an opportunity to use their military job skills while on active duty to obtain Department of Labor credentials recognized by civilian employers and labor unions.

#### *Outreach about military service academies and nomination process*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 570D) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish an outreach program to increase awareness of the benefits of military service academies and the nomination process, and would require the Secretary to make available resources to facilitate the program.

The Senate provision contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than April 30, 2024, a report on Department outreach to congressional districts.

The report shall include the following elements:

(1) The feasibility and advisability of establishing a program under which Department of Defense personnel provide outreach in each congressional district to increase awareness of the benefits of the military service academies and academy nomination process;

(2) Resources required to facilitate such a program;  
(3) A description of current efforts of the Secretary of Defense and the Secretaries of the military departments to perform such outreach;  
(4) Resources used to execute current efforts; and  
(5) Such other matters as the Secretary may deem appropriate.

*Prohibition on use of quotas based on race or ethnicity in service academy admissions*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 570G) that would prohibit fund authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for the military service academies for fiscal year 2024 to be used to discriminate or to use quotes in admissions on the basis of race or ethnicity.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Transition Assistance Program contents to include preparation for agriculture*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 572) that would amend section 1144 of title 10, United States Code, to add preparation for agriculture as a topic of instruction in certain training programs for transitioning servicemembers.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on the Transition Assistance Program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 575) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the Transition Assistance Program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing, not later than August 1, 2025, to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, on the effectiveness, timeliness, and execution of the Transition Assistance Program (TAP). This briefing will address the following issues:

(1) The average length of time before separation when an eligible member of an Armed Force begins pre-separation counseling under TAP, disaggregated by—

(a) Armed Force; and

(b) whether such member is an enlisted member or an officer;

(2) The timeline and plan of action to implement the recommendations in the Government Accountability Office report dated December 12, 2022, titled "Servicemembers Transitioning to Civilian Life" (GAO-23-104538);

(3) Steps the Secretary plans to take, and the related timeline for such steps, to address the finding in the report cited in paragraph (2) that approximately 70 percent of members did not begin pre-separation counseling under TAP at least one year before separation;

(4) The feasibility of ensuring that, by January 1, 2025, at least 75 percent of members eligible for TAP begin pre-separation counseling under TAP at least one year before separation;

(5) The feasibility of implementing a pilot program to provide grants to non-Federal entities that provide industry-recognized certifications, job placement assistance, and related employment services to members eligible for TAP and spouses of such members;

(6) The feasibility of implementing a pilot program that would require the military transition assistance teams of the Department of Defense to contact a veteran at least twice during each of the first three months after the veteran separates from an Armed Force, regarding—

(a) the veteran's transition to civilian life, including employment, access to benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, education, and family life; and

(b) the veteran's concerns regarding such transition;

(7) Recommendations of the Secretary (including legislation) to improve the long-term effectiveness of TAP and the well-being of veterans; and

(8) Other information the Secretary determines necessary to provide such committees with a comprehensive description of the participation of the members in TAP and any other program administered by the Secretary that assists in the transition of members of the Armed Forces to civilian life.

*Skillbridge: apprenticeship programs*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 576) that would require the Department of Defense to conduct a study on the availability of registered apprenticeship positions within the Skillbridge program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note the existence of the United States Military Apprenticeship Program, as discussed in the report entry accompanying House section 570C. The conferees further note the requirement for a report on the SkillBridge program included in another provision of this title.

*Comptroller General report on efforts to increase transparency and reporting on sexual violence in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps Program*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 576) that would require the Comptroller General of the United States to review and report on efforts within the military services to increase transparency on reporting on sexual violence in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps program.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a review on efforts to increase transparency and reporting on sexual violence in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps Program, and to submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than one year after the enactment of this Act, on the results of this review. The report should include the following elements: (1) The implementation of section 2031 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by this Act; (2) The adequacy of the Department of Defense's vetting process for Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps instructors; (3) The Department of Defense and the Department of Education's oversight of compliance of units with respect to title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.) and title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.); (4) Any changes in the numbers of sexual harassment, assault, or stalking incidents reported to institutions or law enforcement agencies; and (5) The sufficiency of military department unit inspections.

*Female members of certain Armed Forces and civilian employees of the Department of Defense in STEM*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 577) that would require the Department of Defense to conduct a study on how to increase the participation of women in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) positions in the Armed Forces.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that women are eligible for all military occupational specialties related to STEM, and many women in service work in STEM and STEM-related functions in today's military. Additionally, STEM internship opportunities in the SkillBridge program are already available to members of the Armed Forces transitioning from active duty to civilian life.

*Department of Defense report on third-party job search technology*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 578) that would require a report on potential partnership opportunities with companies that provide third-party job search digital solutions to assist members of the armed services transitioning off of active duty and recent veterans in their search for employment.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Notification by Secretary concerned to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs regarding a member with a history of opioid abuse*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 579) that would amend section 1142(d) of title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of a military department to notify the Secretary of Veterans Affairs of a servicemember's history of opioid abuse when the Secretary knows of such a history.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on separating members who have health care experience and Medical Reserve Corps*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 580) that would require the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of Health and Human Services, to submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, on the process by which members of the Armed Forces with health care experience transition to civilian life and the number such members who join the Medical Reserve Corps.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Provision of medical information regarding a separating member*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 580A) that would amend subsection section 1142 of title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretaries of the military departments to transmit to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs the medical records of all servicemembers separating or retiring from the Armed Forces.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Training and education for transitioning members through community colleges*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 580B) that would authorize the Secretary of Defense to conduct outreach and provide assistance to community colleges to provide training or internships to servicemembers under the Skillbridge program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Secretary of Defense is already authorized to conduct outreach to community colleges in order to enter into agreements under the SkillBridge program and other training programs of the Department of Defense. The conferees note that SkillBridge would be codified as a mandatory program of the Department of Defense by another provision in this bill.

*Authorization for Last Member Standing medal*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 581) that would amend Chapter 57 of title 10, United States Code, to authorize a medal for the last member standing of a unit as a result of a combat instance during a war or overseas emergency.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on the existing awards and decorations that honor servicemembers who serve on Active Duty, deploy during war or an overseas contingency operation, and as a result of a combat instance during such deployment are the last surviving member of a unit. The briefing shall also address the appropriateness of establishing an award for a servicemember who, as a result of a combat instance during a war or overseas emergency, was the last surviving member of a unit, having demonstrated extraordinary heroism during such combat instance.

*Authorization for award of the Medal of Honor to Marcelino Serna for acts of valor during World War I*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 582) that would waive the time limitations specified in section 7274 of title 10, United States Code, and authorize the award of the Medal of Honor to Marcelino Serna for acts of valor as a private in the Army during World War I.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees acknowledge and honor Marcelino Serna's heroism while serving as a private in the Army during World War I, for which he was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross.

*Award of certain decorations to certain members of the Armed Forces who served in Afghanistan*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 583) that would require the Secretaries of the military departments to award to a member of the Armed Forces who served in Afghanistan between July 14, 2021 and August 30, 2021 in support of Operation Allies Refuge: (1) The Afghanistan campaign medal; (2) The combat action ribbon; and (3) The humanitarian service medal.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that members of the Armed Forces who served in Afghanistan between July 14, 2021 and August 30, 2021 are already eligible for numerous medals and ribbons for such service. The conferees acknowledge and honor the service of those members who served in Afghanistan in support of Operation Allies Refuge.

*Eligibility of veterans of Operation End Sweep for Vietnam Service Medal*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 584) that would authorize the Secretary of the military department concerned to, upon the application of an individual who is a veteran who participated in Operation End Sweep, award that individual the Vietnam Service Medal.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees acknowledge the distinguished service of veterans who participated in Operation End Sweep from February 6, 1973, to July 18, 1973, in undertaking the harrowing work of clearing sea mines laid in Vietnamese waters. The conferees value the honorable performance of Operation End Sweep veterans

following the cessation of military combat operations in Vietnam.

*Authorization for award of Medal of Honor to E. Royce Williams for acts of valor during the Korean War*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 585) that would waive the time limitations specified in section 8298 of title 10, United States Code, and authorize the President to award the Medal of Honor to E. Royce Williams for the acts of valor described in subsection (b).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees acknowledge and honor Royce Williams's heroism while engaged in aerial combat over the Sea of Japan on 18 November 1952, for which he was awarded the Silver Star.

*Authorization for award of Medal of Honor to James Capers, Jr. for acts of valor as a member of the Marine Corps during the Vietnam War*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 586) that would waive the time limitations specified in section 8298 of title 10, United States Code, and authorize the President to award the Medal of Honor, to James Capers, Jr. for the acts of valor during the Vietnam conflict.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees recognize and honor the heroism and courage of James Capers, Jr., for his service in Vietnam during the period of March 31 through April 3, 1967, for which he was awarded the Silver star.

*Authorization for award of the Medal of Honor to Thomas H. Griffin for acts of valor as a member of the Army during the Vietnam War*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 587) that would waive the time limitations specified in section 7274 of title 10, United States Code, and authorize the President to award the Medal of Honor under section 7271 of title 10, United States Code, to Thomas Helmut Griffin for his acts of valor as a member of the Army during the Vietnam war.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees recognize and honor the heroism and courage of Thomas Helmut Griffin for his actions in Vietnam from March 1 through March 3, 1969, for which he was awarded the Silver Star.

*Short title*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 591) that would style this subtitle as the "Military Promotion Act of 2023."

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Electronic notarization for members of the Armed Forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 592) that would amend section 1044a of title 10, United States Code, to authorize electronic notarization for members of the Armed Forces.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the provision does not provide baseline security measures to address potential harms of remote on-line notarization, such as identity theft, fraudulent notarization, data breaches, and cyberattacks. The provision would also require States to recognize remote on-line notarizations as valid, even if the notarization does not meet State cybersecurity or privacy standards. The conferees encourage the Secretary of Defense to work with the Committees on Judiciary of the Senate and the House of Representatives to address these issues.

*Posting of promotional materials for the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline at military installations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 594) that would direct the Secretary of a military department to post promotional materials for the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline at each jurisdictional military installation.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the military services, in conjunction with the Department of Defense Suicide Prevention Office, are already taking robust measures to prevent suicide and improve crisis intervention throughout the force, including providing information to servicemembers, their families, and civilian employees about 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline intervention resources.

*Prohibition on drag shows and drag queen story hour*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 595) that would prohibit the Department of Defense from obligating or expending funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act for a drag show, drag queen story, or similar event.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that all planned drag shows on all military installations were cancelled after the Department of Defense (DOD) learned about them during a House Armed Services Committee hearing on March 29, 2023. DOD determined that permitting non-Federal entities to conduct drag show events at U.S. military installations or facilities is inconsistent with the longstanding criteria for providing this logistical support to non-federal entities, including DOD Instruction 1000.15, "Procedures and Support for Non-Federal Entities Authorized to Operate on DOD Installations" and the Joint Ethics Regulation (JER) section 3-211, "Logistical Support of Non-Federal Entity Events." The JER states that heads of DOD component organizations may provide, on a limited basis, logistical support (use of DOD facilities and equipment) to non-Federal entity events, but only if they determine seven factors to ensure that the support may be authorized as supporting legitimate DOD interests. The DOD Office of General Counsel determined that drag queen story hours did not serve a legitimate DOD public affairs interest nor was this an appropriate association for DOD.

*Defense Advisory Committee on Diversity and Inclusion: report; sunset*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 596) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, no later than 90 days after the enactment of this Act, on the process the Secretary used to appoint members to the Defense Advisory Commission on Diversity and Inclusion. The provision would also require the Secretary to terminate the Defense Advisory Commission on Diversity and Inclusion by September 19, 2024, in accordance with the requirements of section 1013 of title 5, United States Code.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, no later than May 1, 2024, on the

Defense Advisory Committee on Diversity and Inclusion (DACODAI). The report should contain the following items:

(1) An overview of the appointment process used to select individuals currently serving as members of the DACODAI, including the nominating source for each individual currently serving as a DACODAI member;

(2) An explanation of how the Department ensures individuals selected to serve as members of DACODAI comprise points of view that are "fairly balanced" as required by the Federal Advisory Committee Act;

(3) A complete listing of all recommendations made by the DACODAI since September 23, 2022;

(4) A complete listing of all studies initiated by the DACODAI since September 23, 2022; and

(5) The cost associated with operating the DACODAI since September 23, 2022.

#### *Report on Military OneSource*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 599A) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide annual reports to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the utilization of the Military OneSource program which currently serves as the Department of Defense's primary hub for connecting servicemembers with a range of quality-of-life services available to them.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, on the Military OneSource program of the Department of Defense. This briefing shall include the following elements:

(1) A history of the Military OneSource program, including its origin, development, and expansion;

(2) An accounting of costs to the Federal Government to operate the program during fiscal years 2019 through 2023;

(3) Use of the program during fiscal years 2019 through 2023, including:

(a) the total number of individuals who used the program, disaggregated by whether such use was through a phone call or the website;

(b) the number of members of the Armed Forces who have used the program, disaggregated by Armed Force, race, gender, age, marital status, and duty location; and

(c) the most commonly used services offered through the program;

(4) How records for such usage are kept and protected;

(5) A list of all services offered through the program;

(6) The cost of any service to a member;

(7) Services to be added to the program; and

(8) Criteria by which services offered through the program are added or discontinued.

*Study on service by neurodivergent individuals in the Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 599) that would direct the Secretary of Defense, through a federally funded research and development center, to study how current medical accession policies are impacting recruitment, assignment, and retention of neurodivergent populations.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing, not later than April 1, 2024, to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the topic of neurodiversity in the Armed Forces. Such briefing shall address potential opportunities for the Department to leverage the fundamental strengths that are common among members of the neurodivergent population, including problem-solving, pattern recognition, visualization, and other skills that benefit national security fields. Such briefing shall also address current barriers to the hiring and retention of neurodivergent individuals within the Department of Defense, both in military and civilian service, including an assessment of whether and under what conditions neurodivergence should be treated as a disability, and ways in which the Department can reduce such unnecessary barriers.

*Report on effects of ROTC on recruiting*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 599C) that would require the Secretary of Defense, not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report regarding the effects of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps on recruiting for the Armed Forces.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on college-level credits for military recruits*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 599D) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit to the congressional defense committees a report, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, on current enlistment standards, and whether it is necessary for all college-level credits earned by a military recruit to be placed on a transcript from an accredited, degree-granting institution.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, on current practices regarding recordkeeping and credit granted to military recruits who have college-level credits.

*Study and report on reforms to certain grace periods under Transition Assistance Program of the Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 599E) that would require the Undersecretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness to conduct a comprehensive study on military grace period reforms, specifically focusing on the impact of unit tasking during the Transition Assistance Program (TAP) on the ability of servicemembers to transition to civilian life.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that in another provision of this Conference Report, the Department of Defense is required to provide a briefing on the effectiveness, timeliness, and execution of the TAP.

*Sense of Congress regarding military service by individuals with amputations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 599F) that would express the sense of Congress regarding military service by individuals with amputations.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing, not later than April 1, 2024, to the Committees on

Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the Department of Defense assessment and retention standards regarding amputees, including those with a non-service-connected amputation.

*Feasibility study and report on portability of certain professional credentials held by servicemembers*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 599G) that would require the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, to conduct a study, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, on the feasibility of ensuring that an eligible professional credential held by a servicemember is considered valid in the jurisdiction of an applicable licensing authority for use at an appropriate scope of practice in the appropriate field after the date on which such servicemember is discharged or released from active military, naval, air, or space service under conditions other than dishonorable.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Defense-State Liaison Office of the Department of Defense works on an ongoing basis with state veterans agencies to ensure that relevant professional credentials held by servicemembers are considered valid by applicable state licensing authorities.

*Feasibility study regarding childcare for members of the reserve components performing inactive-duty training*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 648) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report, not later than September 30, 2024, regarding the feasibility of providing childcare: (1) Through the military child development center of a military installation; and (2) To a member of the reserve components while such member performs inactive-duty training at such military installation.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than May 1, 2024, on the feasibility and advisability of providing childcare through military child development centers of military installations to members of the reserve component while they are performing inactive-duty training.

## **TITLE VI—COMPENSATION AND OTHER PERSONNEL BENEFITS**

### **SUBTITLE A—BASIC PAY, RETIRED PAY, AND LEAVE**

*Sec. 601 - Parental leave parity for members of certain reserve components of the Armed Forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 601) that would amend section chapter 40 of title 10, United States Code, by adding a new section that would authorize expanded parental leave for members of certain reserve components of the Armed Forces.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 602 - Pay of members of reserve components for inactive-duty training to obtain or maintain an aeronautical rating or designation*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 601) that would amend chapter 3 of title 37, United States Code, to require the Secretaries of the military departments to pay certain members of the Reserve component who receive aviation incentive pay under section 334 of title 37, United States Code, such compensation for a number of periods of inactive-duty training each month sufficient for the member to obtain or maintain aeronautical rating or designation.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 603 - Expansion of authority to pay a member of the Armed Forces who is absent without leave or over leave for such absence*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 602) that would amend section 503 of title 37, United States Code, to authorize the Secretaries of the military departments to issue pay and allowances to certain members of the Armed Forces who are absent without leave.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would amend section 503 of title 37, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Defense to continue to issue pay and allowances to

certain members of the Armed Forces who are absent without leave.

## **SUBTITLE B—BONUS AND INCENTIVE PAYS**

### *Sec. 611 - Expansion of continuation pay eligibility*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 622) that would amend section 356 of title 37, United States Code, to expand eligibility of continuation pay for full Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) members of the uniformed services to authorize continuation pay for such members who have completed not less than 7 and not more than 12 years of service in a uniformed service.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

### *Sec. 612 - Modification of special and incentive pay authorities for members of reserve components*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 621) that would amend section 357 of title 37, United States Code, to require the Secretaries of the military departments to pay a member of the reserve component a special and incentive pay in the same monthly amount paid to a member in the regular component of such Armed Force when the special and incentive pay is made for the purpose of maintaining a skill certification or proficiency identical to a skill certification or proficiency required of the member in the regular component, or when such pay is made to compensate the member of the reserve component for exposure to hazards or risks identical to hazards or risks to which the member of the regular component was exposed. The provision would also amend section 602(d) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81) to require the Secretary concerned to evaluate each type or category of special and incentive pay separately in order assess the effect on an Armed Force of such special or incentive pay.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

### *Sec. 613 - One-year extension of certain expiring bonus and special pay authorities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 611) that would extend, through December 31, 2024, certain expiring bonus and special pay authorities relating to Reserve forces; health care

professionals; nuclear officers; consolidated special, incentive, and bonus authorities under title 37, United States Code; and temporary increases in rates of basic allowance for housing.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 623).

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 614 - Authorization of monthly bonus pay for a junior member of the uniformed services during calendar year 2024*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 612) that would authorize the Secretary of Defense to pay a bonus to servicemembers on Active duty, serving in a grade below E-6, if the Secretary concerned determines prevailing economic conditions may adversely affect an eligible member.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 615 - Determination of cold weather location for purposes of special duty pay*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 613) that would require the Secretary concerned to determine the locations that qualify for cold weather assignment or special duty pay.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the Secretary concerned to determine cold weather location pay based on expected low temperatures as published by the Department of Agriculture.

*Sec. 616 - Feasibility study regarding assignment incentive pay for members of the Air Force assigned to remotely piloted aircraft*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 614) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, on the feasibility of paying assignment incentive pay under section 307a of title 37, United States Code, to members of the Air Force assigned to Creech Air Force Base.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a

report, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, on the feasibility and advisability of paying assignment incentive pay under section 307a of title 37, United States Code, to members of the Air Force assigned to remotely piloted aircraft.

## **SUBTITLE C—ALLOWANCES**

*Sec. 621 - Modification of calculation of gross household income for basic needs allowance to address areas of demonstrated need*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 621) that would amend section 402b of title 37, United States Code, to modify the calculation of the Basic Needs Allowance authorized under such section by excluding any portion of Basic Allowance for Housing paid to a member under section 403 of title 37, United States Code, from the calculation of gross household income.

The Senate bill contained a similar provision (sec. 605) that would amend section 402b of title 37, United States Code, to authorize the Secretaries of the military departments to modify the calculation of gross household income by excluding any portion of the Basic Allowance for Housing paid to a servicemember under section 403 of title 37, United States Code, when the member has a demonstrated need for supplemental income to meet the member's household's basic needs.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 622 - Improved calculation of basic allowance for housing for junior enlisted members*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 622) that would provide for methodological parity among military pay grades and greater flexibility to adequately respond to the housing estimation challenges posed by rapidly changing housing market conditions across the United States.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 602).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 623 - Basic allowance for housing for members assigned to vessels undergoing maintenance*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 623) that would amend section 403 of title 37, United States Code, to authorize commanding officers to provide a Basic Allowance for Housing to junior servicemembers who are assigned to a naval vessel during

a shipyard availability or maintenance period under certain specified conditions.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 603).

The House recesses.

*Sec. 624 - Dual basic allowance for housing for training*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 624) that would amend section 403 of title 37, United States Code, to authorize receipt of dual Basic Allowance for Housing for certain reserve component members called or ordered to active duty to attend training for at least 140 days but fewer than 365 days.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 604).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 625 - Cost-of-living allowance in the continental United States: high cost areas*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 607) that would amend section 403b of title 37, United States Code, to reduce the threshold used to determine high cost-of-living areas for the purpose of providing a cost-of-living allowance to servicemembers assigned to locations in the continental United States.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 626 - Family separation allowance: increase; review*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 628) that would amend section 427 of title 37, United States Code, to increase the entitlement for family separation allowance to \$400 per month. The provision would also require a review of the family separation allowance in each quadrennial review of military compensation conducted under section 1008 of title 37, United States Code.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require that family separation allowance be no less than \$250 and no more than \$400.

*Sec. 627 - OCONUS cost-of-living allowance: adjustments*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 608) that would amend section 617 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense

Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) to prohibit the Secretary of Defense from adjusting the cost-of-living allowance for servicemembers living outside the continental United States (OCONUS) more than twice per year or in connection with a permanent change of station for such member. The provision would also limit reductions in the OCONUS cost-of-living allowance to no more than 10 percent of the amount of the pre-existing amount.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would limit reductions in the cost-of-living allowance for a member of the uniformed services assigned to a duty station located outside the continental United States not more than twice per year, with each reduction not exceeding 10 index points. These limitations would not apply to reductions related to foreign currency exchange rates. The provision would also require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives within 30 days of each instance a reduction or increase in the cost-of-living allowance is announced pursuant to this provision.

*Sec. 628 - Extension of one-time uniform allowance for officers who transfer to the Space Force*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 609) that would amend section 606(d)(1) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283) by extending the applicability of the one-time uniform allowance for officers who transfer to the Space Force to such officers who transfer to the Space Force by September 30, 2025.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

## **SUBTITLE D—FAMILY AND SURVIVOR BENEFITS**

*Sec. 631 - Modifications to transitional compensation for dependents of members separated for dependent abuse*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 631) that would amend section 1059 of title 10, United States Code, to modify the eligibility requirements for transitional compensation for dependents of members who are convicted of a dependent-abuse offense in a district court of the United States or a State court, or accused but not convicted of committing a dependent-abuse offense, and who are separated from active duty pursuant

to a sentence of court-martial or administratively separated for an offense other than a dependent-abuse offense.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 5631).

The House recesses.

The conferees note that under Article 58b of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, the convening authority of a court-martial may waive any or all of the automatic or adjudged forfeitures of pay and allowance required by such article for a period not to exceed six months. Requests for such waivers from servicemembers who are convicted of offenses at court-martial and have automatic or adjudged forfeitures are routinely granted for the benefit of the member's dependents.

*Sec. 632 - Lodging expenses for dependents of members separated for dependent abuse*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 632) that would amend section 1059 of title 10, United States Code, to entitle a dependent or former dependent to payment of lodging expenses for a period not longer than 30 days, if such dependent or former dependent is already entitled to payment of monthly transitional compensation under such section.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 633 - Access to commissary and exchange privileges for remarried surviving spouses*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 633) that would amend section 1062 of title 10, United States Code, to authorize certain remarried surviving spouses to use commissary stores and Morale, Welfare, and Recreation retail facilities of the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1049).

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 634 - Assistance for military spouses to obtain certifications as doulas and International Board Certified Lactation Consultants*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 705) that would amend section 1784a of title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense to provide assistance to the spouse of a member of the armed forces in obtaining a doula and International Board of Lactation Consultant Examiners

certification. The provision would also amend section 746 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283) to expand the Childbirth and Breastfeeding Support Demonstration to include beneficiaries located outside of the continental United States and at military medical treatment facilities.

The Senate amendment contained three similar provisions (secs. 564, 706, 5724).

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would amend section 1784a of title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense to provide assistance to the spouse of a member of the armed forces in obtaining a doula and International Board of Lactation Consultant Examiners certification.

The conferees note a majority of births under TRICARE occur under private sector care (65 percent in private sector care versus 35 percent in direct care at a military medical treatment facility). Implementing the Childbirth and Breastfeeding Support Demonstration in private sector care gave the Defense Health Agency a large population in which to study the demonstration hypotheses while minimizing, to the extent possible, the administrative complexity. Additionally, the demonstration program is novel in nature, adding providers that are not covered by any nationwide insurance or health benefit programs. This novelty has meant that TRICARE contractors have been required to expend substantial efforts to build provider networks, a process that is ongoing. Including the direct care births would add unnecessary complexity to the demonstration potentially undermining the Department's ability to determine if this benefit is administratively feasible in the future.

*Sec. 635 - Expansion of qualifying events for which a member of the uniformed services may be reimbursed for spousal relicensing or business costs due to the member's relocation*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 635) that would expand eligibility for reimbursement of qualified licensure, certification, and business relocation costs incurred by military spouses in certain cases.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 606).

The Senate recesses.

## **LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Report on modernized retirement system*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 603) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report regarding implementation of the modernized retirement system.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit a briefing to the Committees on Armed Service of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than September 30, 2024, regarding implementation of the modernized retirement system pursuant to amendments in part I of subtitle D of title VI of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law 114-92). Such report shall include the following elements:

(1) An analysis of data collected on the effects of financial literacy training modules, including quantifiable outcomes that assess the effect of financial security training for members of the uniformed services during fiscal years 2015 through 2023; and

(2) Recommendations of the Secretary regarding tools or resources needed for the Secretary to improve financial literacy training for our such members.

*Program to assist servicemembers at risk of suicide*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 604) that would require the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the Defense Health Agency, to develop and implement a centralized program to monitor and provide assistance to members of the Armed Forces at risk of suicide who have been recently discharged from health care, as outlined in Recommendation 6.29 of the final report issued by the Suicide Prevention and Response Independent Review Committee (SPRIRC).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note that, to the maximum extent practicable, the legislative recommendations of the SPRIRC should be implemented together to maximize the impact, effectiveness, and interoperability of statutory provisions related to suicide prevention.

*Elimination of cap on additional retired pay for extraordinary heroism for members of the Army and Air Force who served during the Vietnam Era*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 605) that would amend section 1402 of title 10, United States Code, to eliminate the cap on additional retired pay for extraordinary heroism for

certain members of the Army and Air Force who served during the Vietnam era.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than April 1, 2024, on the feasibility and advisability of eliminating the cap on additional retired pay for extraordinary heroism for members of the Army and Air Force who served during the Vietnam era.

#### *Review of rates of military basic pay*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 610) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a review of military pay rates, and to submit the results of the review along with a legislative proposal for a comprehensive military pay table reauthorization by March 1, 2024.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on the results of a review of the rates of monthly basic pay authorized for members of the uniformed services in order to determine if the current basic pay table adequately compensates junior enlisted personnel in pay grades E-1 through E-4. The report shall include a comprehensive legislative proposal for the rates of basic pay for members of the uniformed services.

The review of basic pay for junior members of the uniformed services shall include the following:

(1) An assessment of the adequacy of the rates of monthly basic pay for members of the uniformed services in light of current and predicted recruiting difficulties;

(2) An analysis of how such basic pay, when combined with other elements of regular compensation for members of the uniformed services, compares with private sector wages for potential recruits to the uniformed services;

(3) An assessment of how sustained periods of cost inflation affect pay for the uniformed services and comparable private sector wages; and

(4) A historical analysis of how percentage differences between junior enlisted basic pay, senior enlisted basic pay, junior officer basic pay, and senior officer basic pay, have changed since the rates of basic pay for members of the uniformed services were authorized by section 601 of the

John Warner National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007 (Public Law 109-364).

*Government Accountability Office study on process for determining cost-of-living allowances for members of the uniformed services assigned to the continental United States, Hawaii, Alaska, and overseas locations*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 611) that would require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on the process for determining cost-of-living allowances for members of the uniformed services stationed in the continental United States, Hawaii, Alaska, and at overseas locations.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recedes.

The conferees direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on the process for determining cost-of-living allowances for members of the uniformed services stationed in the continental United States, Hawaii, Alaska, and at overseas locations. In conducting this study, the Comptroller General shall assess:

(1) The fairness and equity of the process for determining cost-of-living allowances for the members described above, and the methods for improving that process;

(2) The advantages and disadvantages of averaging the results of continental United States Living Pattern Surveys and Retail Price Schedules without regard to the geographic concentration of members of the uniformed services within the continental United States when determining the baseline cost of living for the continental United States;

(3) Whether additional out-of-pocket expenses, including the costs for a member of the uniformed services to travel to and from the home of record of the member from the assigned duty station of the member, should be included in the calculations of the Department of Defense for determining overseas cost-of-living allowances to better equalize the true costs of living for members stationed outside the continental United States with such costs for members stationed inside the continental United States; and

(4) The process by which the Department of Defense conducts Living Pattern Surveys and develops Retail Price Schedules.

The conferees further direct the Comptroller General to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, a report setting forth the results of the study required above and making any recommendations the Comptroller General considers appropriate based on those results, including any recommendations for changes to section 403b or 405 of title 37, United States Code.

*Requirement to establish remote and austere condition assignment incentive pay program for Air Force*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 624) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to evaluate the Remote and Austere Condition Assignment Incentive Pay program of the Army and establish a similar program for the Air Force by October 1, 2025 unless the Secretary can certify to Congress that there are no critically manned units at any Air Force installation in Alaska.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Basic Allowance for Housing: pilot program to outsource rate calculation*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 625) that would establish a pilot program to change the method by which the Basic Allowance for Housing rate is calculated.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that section 662 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) required the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the accuracy of Basic Allowance for Housing. This report is still pending from the Secretary of Defense and is not due to the Committees concerned until one year after the date of enactment of such Act.

*Extension of travel allowance for members of the Armed Forces assigned to Alaska*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 625) that would amend section 603 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) by striking "December 31, 2023" and inserting "June 30, 2024."

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Independent assessment of housing for military personnel in Guam*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 626) that would require the Secretary of Defense to enter into an agreement with a federally funded research and development center for an independent assessment of housing of military personnel assigned to duty stations in Guam.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than December 1, 2024, on the housing of military personnel assigned to duty stations in Guam. The briefing shall include: (1) A survey of the housing needs for current and future military personnel to be stationed in Guam, accommodating the varying needs of single and married members of the Armed Forces at various stages of their careers; (2) Possible options for the Secretary to build new housing to accommodate future service members and resolve existing housing shortages; (3) Possible strategies for the Secretary to mitigate the impact of military personnel on the local housing supply in Guam.

*Briefing on calculation methodology of the Basic Allowance for Housing for Staten Island*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 629) that would express the sense of Congress that the Secretary of Defense should prescribe the same Basic Allowance for Housing under section 403(b) of title 37, United States Code, for the military housing area that includes Staten Island, New York, as the Basic Allowance for Housing prescribed for the military housing area that includes New York City, New York.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing, not later than April 1, 2024, to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, on the methodology for calculating Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) for all boroughs of New York City, including Staten Island; a breakdown of the military or veteran status of those receiving the Staten Island rate for BAH; an explanation of why such allowance might vary among boroughs; a calculation of Staten Island BAH without Bayonne, NJ as part of the Military Housing Area (MHA); the effect of the inclusion of Staten Island

in the New York City MHA; and any recommendations for improvement to calculating BAH for Staten Island or any other borough of New York City.

*Restrictions on retired and Reserve members of the Armed Forces receiving employment and compensation indirectly from foreign governments through private entities*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 632) that would amend section 908(a) of title 37, United States Code, to prohibit a retired or Reserve member of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Space Force from receiving employment and related compensation for work performed for a foreign government through a private entity unless approved by the Secretary of the military department concerned and the Secretary of State.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Authority for peer mentoring program for military dependents*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 634) that would amend chapter 88 of title 10, United States Code, to establish a peer mentoring program for dependents of servicemembers.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Grants to assist caregivers in military families*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 637) that would establish, subject to appropriations, a program to award grants to nonprofit organizations focusing on alleviating the burdens faced by caregivers in military families. Further, this section would spell out amounts, duration, and use of funds criteria.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees recognize that military families face unique challenges when also responsible to serve as caregivers for other family members who may have a health care condition, disability or functional limitation. The conferees note grant programs are seldom authorized in the National Defense Authorization Act but understand that in addition to support services that may be available at individual installations, Military One Source can help caregivers navigate the services available for those with special needs, elder care, wounded warrior care and more. In addition, Military OneSource can

assist in connecting caregivers with experts in education, the military health care system and special needs planning, as well as provide emotional support through counseling.

*MySTeP: provision online and in multiple languages*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 638) that would authorize the Secretary concerned to provide all services of the Military Spouse Transition Program (commonly referred to as "MySTeP") online and in English, Spanish, Tagalog, and the rest of the 10 most commonly spoken languages in the United States.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Secretary of Defense is already authorized to provide services of the Military Spouse Transition Program online and in languages other than English. MySTeP programming is currently available online. The Department of Defense will translate any resources provided in English into other languages for the benefit of non-English speaking dependents upon request and at no charge.

*Exceptional Family Member Program: modification of the responsibilities of the Office of Special Needs*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 639) that would amend section 1781c of title 10, United States Code, to modify the Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) by including health care and educational services as required areas of assessment within the scope of such program. The provision would also require the Office of Special Needs of the Department of Defense to assess market conditions for health care and educational support for military family needs enrolled in the EFMP.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Office of Special Needs already assesses health care and educational services and evaluates many aspects of market conditions related to special needs through the EFMP.

*Portability of professional licenses of servicemembers and their spouses: promotion; report*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 640) that would require the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Defense-State Liaison Office, to consult with licensing authorities of States to increase awareness of section 705A of the

Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (Public Law 117-333) not later than September 30, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees note that the Department of Justice is working on implementing the requirements of section 705A of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, and the Department of Defense continues to raise awareness of this statutory provision among servicemembers and their spouses.

*Guide for survivors to claim the personal effects of a deceased member of the Armed Forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 640A) that would require the Secretary of Defense, in consultation of the Secretaries of the military departments and not later than September 30, 2024, to publish and post on the website of Military OneSource a guide regarding how a survivor of a deceased member of the Armed Forces may: (1) Receive the personal effects of such member; and (2) File a claim with the Secretary of the military department concerned if the survivor believes such effects were disposed of incorrectly.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees note that this information is already provided to the next of kin of a deceased member of the Armed Forces.

*Implementation of Comptroller General recommendations relating to military foster and adoptive families*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 640B) that would require the Secretary of Defense to: (1) Provide a centralized location for, and promote awareness of, information about foster and adoption-related policies and available Department of Defense (DOD) support to better assist military foster and adoptive families, including by providing such information through Military OneSource, using a designated point person on an installation, or through an existing installation program office; (2) Ensure that the Secretary of the Air Force, in coordination with the Director of Defense Human Resource Activity, revises AFI 36-3026, Volume 1, in cooperation with other components of the Department of Defense, as appropriate, to make it consistent with DOD regulations on the required documents to enroll foster children in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS); and (3) Ensure that the Secretaries of the military departments identify opportunities

to regularly promote to all employees responsible for enrollment in DEERS awareness of accurate information and guidance, with respect to enrolling both foster and pre-adoptive children, including by coordinating with relevant offices to promote awareness of the guidance through annual trainings or other training mechanisms.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that DOD has already implemented the first and third requirements of this provision, which were recommendations of the Comptroller General from the Government Accountability Office's (GAO) August 19, 2021 report titled, "Military Families: Additional DOD Actions Could Better Support Military Foster and Adoptive Families" (GAO-21-438). Regarding the second requirement of this provision, as of August 2023, DOD provided documentation to the GAO that it had revised AFI 36-3026 to explain the process for enrolling foster children in DEERS. The Department is expected to continue to work on ensuring that the guidance in AFI 36-3026 is consistent with DEERS enrollment requirements.

*Prohibitions on provision of gender transition services through an Exceptional Family Member Program of the Armed Forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 640C) that would prohibit gender transition services through an Exceptional Family Member Program of the Armed Forces under section 1781c of title 10, United States Code.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) does not provide a medical benefit to servicemembers or their dependents.

*Recurring review and revision of pay for military childcare employees*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 642) that would amend section 1791 of title 10, United States Code, to establish a recurring review of pay for childcare employees not less than once every 5 years.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Secretary of Defense is required to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives any recommendations on the grading of childcare employees pursuant to a briefing

requirement in the Senate report accompanying S. 2226 (S. Rept. 118-58) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024.

*Discounted child care for child care employees of the Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 643) that would amend section 1793 of title 10, United States Code, to provide a 100 percent discount on military childcare for the first child and at least a 50 percent discount for the second child of a Department of Defense childcare employee.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees note that under section 1793 of title 10, United States Code, the Secretary of Defense already has the authority to set discount rates, including up to a 100 percent discount, on military childcare for the children of Department of Defense childcare employees. The conferees further note that the authority in this statute was first enacted in the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263), and the military departments are still in the process of establishing policies and implementing the childcare employee discount program.

*Expansion of pilot program to provide financial assistance to members of the Armed Forces for in-home child care*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 644) that would expand the in-home childcare pilot program authorized in section 589 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283) to military families stationed in remote areas where servicemembers are challenged to find suitable childcare providers and services due to shortages, including Fort Drum, New York; Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico; Naval Air Station Lemoore, California; and Marine Corps Base Twentynine Palms, California.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees note that the in-home childcare pilot program is still ongoing, and under this program, the Secretary of Defense is already authorized to expand the program. However, it would be imprudent to require alterations to the pilot program until the Department of Defense is able to assess the costs and benefits of the program and make a decision as to the viability of in-home childcare going forward. The conferees further note that the Secretary of Defense is required to submit

annual reports on such pilot program, which the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives have received, and will be required to submit a final report to the Committees upon the completion of the pilot program.

*Study on effects of childcare on readiness and retention*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 646) that would require the Secretary of Defense to enter into an agreement with a federally funded research and development center to conduct a study on the impact of accessible, affordable childcare on readiness and retention.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that federally funded research and development centers are not well situated to assess the effects of childcare on the readiness or retention of members of the Armed Forces.

*Provision of temporary childcare services*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 647) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide temporary childcare services at military child development centers for the children of members of the Armed Forces during a permanent change of station, temporary duty, or any other similar deployment.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on at-home child care programs of the Department of Defense; feasibility study*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 649) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report, not later than 9 months after the date of enactment of this Act, on at-home child care programs offered by each military department.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that several reports on the in-home child care pilot are already required by section 589 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283).

*Verification of reporting of eligible federally connected children for purposes of Federal impact aid programs*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 653) that would require verification of reporting of eligible federally connected children for purposes of Federal impact aid programs.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that section 579D of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Act (Public Law 117-263) required the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the feasibility and advisability of certifying the information on federal impact aid source forms. In this briefing, the Department of Defense reported that it is in the process of ensuring that the existing source check impact aid verification program is implemented Department-wide.

*Financial literacy education in schools operated by the Department of Defense Education Activity*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 654) that would require that each student of a high school operated by the Department of Defense Education Activity (DODEA) complete a dedicated course of instruction in financial literacy as a prerequisite to graduate from high school.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that DODEA is already in the process of implementing financial literacy education in its secondary schools.

*Study to review weighted student units for impact aid payments for eligible federally connected children with disabilities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 657) that would require the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of Education, to conduct a study to review the weighted student units used for the calculation of impact aid payments for eligible federally connected children with disabilities under section 7003 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7703).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the calculation of impact aid payments affects all payments for federally connected children

with disabilities, and not just those connected with the Department of Defense. It would be inappropriate for the Secretary of Defense to review or make recommendations on a policy under the jurisdiction of the Department of Education that would affect all federally connected children.

*Process to ensure interstate reciprocity in educational accommodations for military dependent students*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 658) that would require the Secretary of Education, in consultation with States and local educational agencies, to establish a process to ensure that a dependent of a member of the Armed Forces who receives educational accommodations while attending an elementary or secondary school in a State, and who then transfers to an elementary or secondary school in a different State due to the relocation of the member of the Armed Forces of whom the student is a dependent, has such educational accommodations recognized by the destination State without requiring the dependent to reapply for such accommodations.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Requirement to disclose curriculum of schools operated by the Department of Defense education activity*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 659) that would amend section 2164 of title 10, United States Code.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Prohibition on authorizing Federal funds for DODEA for race-based theories*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 660) that would prohibit the use of federal funds to be authorized for the Department of Defense Education Activity to promote certain race-based theories or to compel teachers or students to affirm, adhere to, adopt, or profess beliefs in a manner that violates title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Public Law 88-352).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Prohibition on availability of funds for certain books in schools operated by the Department of Defense Education Activity*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 661) that would not allow funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024 or any fiscal year thereafter for the Department of Defense Education Activity to be obligated or expended to purchase or maintain in a school library any book that contains pornographic material or espouses radical gender ideology.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Prohibition on sale of Chinese goods in commissary stores and military exchanges*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 662) that would require the Secretary of Defense to prohibit the sale, at a commissary store or military exchange, of goods manufactured in China, assembled in China, or imported into the United States from China.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on effect of phase-out of reduction of survivor benefit plan survivor annuities by amount of dependency and indemnity compensation*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 5632) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit to Congress a report on the effect of section 622 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116-92) and the amendments made by such section.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note that section 622 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116-92) required the Department of Defense to eliminate, over a five year period, the requirement that Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) payments be subject to reductions based on the amount a beneficiary receives from Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC). The provision also repealed the authority for the optional annuity for dependent children for Active Duty/line of duty survivors as of January 1, 2023, which means the annuity will revert payments to the eligible surviving spouses.

While the conferees remain supportive of the legislation eliminating the requirement that SBP payments and DIC payments be offset, the legislation may have resulted in some unintended outcomes for beneficiaries, particularly dependent children, in unusual guardianship arrangements. Therefore, the conferees

direct the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than May 1, 2024, that evaluates the effect of section 622 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116-92). The briefing shall contain at least the following:

(1) An evaluation of Department of Defense authority to continue to provide SBP payments to dependent beneficiaries if the Defense Finance Accounting Service cannot verify the eligibility status of a surviving spouse;

(2) An assessment of the process of the Department of Defense for determining legibility for survivor benefits under subchapter II of chapter 73 of title 10, United States Code, and dependency and indemnity compensation under chapter 13 of title 38, United States Code, and the coordination between the Department of Defense and Department of Veterans Affairs for such benefits; and

(3) Recommendations for legislative action to ensure the Department of Defense has necessary flexibility to make SBP payments to dependent children, who are eligible for such payments and under the guardianship of someone other than the surviving spouse.

#### *Fair Debt Collection Practices for Servicemembers*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 11001) that would establish a short title for the "Fair Debt Collection Practices for Servicemembers."

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

#### *Enhanced protection against debt collector harassment of servicemembers*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 11002) that would amend section 805 of the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (Public Law 95-109) to provide enhanced protections against debt collector harassment of servicemembers.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

#### *GAO study*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 11003) that would require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study and submit a report to Congress on the timely

delivery of information to a covered member of the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (Public Law 95-109), as amended elsewhere in this Act.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

## **TITLE VII—HEALTH CARE PROVISIONS**

### **SUBTITLE A—TRICARE AND OTHER HEALTH CARE BENEFITS**

*Sec. 701 - Waiver of cost-sharing for three mental health outpatient visits for certain beneficiaries under the TRICARE program*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 705) that would amend section 1075(c) of title 10, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Defense to waive cost-sharing requirements for the first three outpatient mental health visits each year for beneficiaries in the active-duty family member category and in the TRICARE Young Adult program. This authority would terminate five years after the date of enactment of this Act.

The House bill contained no similar provision  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 702 - Extension of period of eligibility for health benefits under TRICARE Reserve Select for survivors of a member of the Selected Reserve*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 702) that would amend section 1076d(c) of title 10, United States Code, to extend eligibility for TRICARE Reserve Select from 6 months to 3 years for survivors of deceased members of the reserve components who were enrolled in TRICARE Reserve Select at the time of their deaths.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 701).

The House recesses.

*Sec. 703 - Expansion of eligibility for hearing aids to include children of certain retired members of the uniformed services*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 5701) that would amend section 1077 of title 10, United States Code,

to authorize the Department of Defense to provide hearing aids to the dependents of retired members of the reserve components in certain circumstances.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 704 - Authority to provide dental care for dependents located at certain remote or isolated locations*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 702) that would amend section 1077 of title 10, United States Code, to authorize military dependents to receive space available dental care at military dental treatment facilities, on a reimbursable basis, when they are stationed at locations within the United States where the civilian dental care is inadequate or is not sufficiently available within a specified geographic area, as designated by the Secretary of Defense.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 705 - Clarification of applicability of required mental health self-initiated referral process for members of the Selected Reserve*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 703) that would amend section 1090b of title 10, United States Code, to clarify that the self-initiated referral process for mental health evaluations applies to servicemembers on Active Duty for a period of longer than 30 days or a member of the Selected Reserve.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would further clarify that the process applies to a member of the Selected Reserve in a duty status.

*Sec. 706 - Naloxone and fentanyl: regulations; briefing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 708) that would require the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretaries of the military departments, to prescribe regulations regarding naloxone and fentanyl on military installations to ensure that naloxone is available to servicemembers, and to establish a standardized tracking system for the distribution of naloxone and the illegal use of fentanyl and other controlled substances.

The House bill also contained a provision (sec. 761) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit to Congress

periodic reports on how the Department of Defense is ensuring adequate full TRICARE coverage of Narcan (naloxone) for servicemembers and their families.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretaries of the military departments, to prescribe regulations regarding naloxone and fentanyl on military installations to ensure that naloxone is available to servicemembers, and to establish a standardized tracking system for the distribution of naloxone and the illegal use of fentanyl and other controlled substances. The amendment would require the Secretary, not later than June 1, 2025, to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing regarding naloxone and fentanyl.

*Sec. 707 - Authority to expand the TRICARE Competitive Plans Demonstration Project*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 713) that would require the Secretary of Defense, to the extent practicable, to seek to expand the TRICARE Competitive Plans Demonstration Project to not fewer than 10 locations on or after October 1, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense, to the extent practicable, to seek to expand the TRICARE Competitive Plans Demonstration Project to not fewer than five locations not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act.

## **SUBTITLE B—HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION**

*Sec. 711 - Modification of requirement to transfer research and development and public health functions to the Defense Health Agency*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 5711) that would amend section 720 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) to extend until February 1, 2025 the authority for the Secretary of Defense to allow a military department to retain medical research and development, and public health organizations that address a need that is unique to a military department and is in direct support of operating forces.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would amend section 1073c of title 10, United States Code, to require the

establishment, no later than September 30, 2024, of the Defense Health Agency Research and Development and the Defense Health Agency Public Health. The provision would also authorize the Secretary of Defense to allow a military department to retain a function that would otherwise be transferred to the Defense Health Agency Research and Development, and Public Health if the Secretary determines that the function addresses a need that is unique to a military department and is in direct support of operating forces. Finally, the provision would require the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, by September 30, 2024, that includes a description of the research and public health functions that will be retained by a military department along with the rationale for each determination.

*Sec. 712 - Increase in stipend for participants in health professions scholarship and financial assistance programs*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 711) that would amend section 2121(d) of title 10, United States Code, to increase the maximum annual stipend from \$30,000 to \$50,000 for participants in the military departments' health professions scholarship and financial assistance programs.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 713 - Modification of administration of medical malpractice claims by members of the uniformed services*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 714) that would amend section 2733a of title 10, United States Code, to modify the administration by the Department of Defense of medical malpractice claims by members of the uniformed services.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would amend section 2733a of title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense to provide a claimant whose claim is denied with detailed reasoning justifying the denial, including copies of certain reports upon which the denial is based.

*Sec. 714 - Networks of the Defense Health Agency: delayed implementation; GAO study*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 724) that would amend section 712 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115-232) to

authorize more than two Defense Health Agency (DHA) regions in the continental United States (CONUS) and more than two regions outside of the CONUS.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study of the DHA management of military medical treatment facilities, and to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the preliminary findings of the study, not later than May 1, 2024. The amendment would prohibit the Secretary of Defense from advancing beyond phase one of the organizational advancement plan to establish nine networks of the DHA until completion of the Comptroller General study.

*Sec. 715 - Real-time data sharing agreement regarding medical care provided to members of the Coast Guard*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 723) that would amend chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code by adding a new section that would require the Secretary of Defense annually to provide to the Commandant of the Coast Guard specified data regarding medical care provided to Coast Guard members and their beneficiaries.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to enter into an agreement with the Secretary of Homeland Security with respect to policies, mechanisms, and processes that the Secretaries concerned shall establish to allow ongoing use by the Coast Guard for access to data, records, and information regarding access by members of the Coast Guard and beneficiaries of such members to military medical facilities or care provided through the TRICARE program that will enhance the ability to monitor, assess, and optimize healthcare services.

*Sec. 716 - Establishment of military pharmaceutical and medical device vulnerability working group*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 726) that would require the Secretary of Defense, not later than one year after the date of enactment, to establish a military pharmaceutical and medical device vulnerability working group.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would modify the duties of the working group and require briefings to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

## **SUBTITLE C—STUDIES, BRIEFINGS, REPORTS, AND OTHER MATTERS**

### *Sec. 721 - Modification of partnership program for military trauma care and research*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 721) that would amend section 736 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) to include in the partnership program the provision of training and support for the treatment of individuals with post-traumatic stress disorder, extremity trauma, amputations, traumatic brain injuries, and any mental health conditions associated with post-traumatic stress disorder or traumatic brain injuries.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

### *Sec. 722 - Study on opioid alternatives*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 745) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study in military treatment facilities on the efficacy of opioid alternatives for pain management. The provision would also require the Secretary to submit a report on the results of the study to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives no later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to carry out a study in military treatment facilities on the efficacy of opioid alternatives for pain management. The provision would also require the Secretary to submit a report on the results of the study to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives no later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act.

### *Sec. 723 - Program of the Department of Defense to study treatment of certain conditions using certain psychedelic substances*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 744) that would require the Secretary of Defense to carry out a clinical study in military treatment facilities on the treatment of Active-Duty servicemembers for specified medical conditions using certain psychedelic substances.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require the Secretary to establish a process to fund eligible entities to conduct research on the treatment of eligible servicemembers with certain medical conditions using certain psychedelic substances. The Secretary would be required to submit a report, not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act and annually thereafter for three years, on the implementation of this provision.

*Sec. 724 - Annual report regarding overdoses by certain members of the Armed Forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 746) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit an annual report to the congressional defense committees, Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate, and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives on the number of overdoses among members of the Armed Forces.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 713).

The House recedes with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter for four years, on the number of overdoses among members of the Armed Forces.

*Sec. 725 - Study and report on health conditions of members of the Armed Forces on active duty developed after administration of COVID-19 vaccine*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 772) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study to assess and evaluate any health conditions arising in servicemembers one year after receiving the first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine. The Secretary would be required to submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act and each year thereafter for the subsequent four years, on the results of the study.

The House bill also contained a provision (sec. 773) that would require the Secretary to conduct a study to test the blood of servicemembers to assess efficacy relating to COVID-19 vaccines, as well as an accounting of adverse events.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study to assess and evaluate any health conditions and adverse events arising in servicemembers on Active Duty one year after receiving the first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine. The Secretary would be required to submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act and each year thereafter for the subsequent four years, on the results of the study.

*Sec. 726 - GAO study on health care available to certain individuals supporting the missions of United States Forces Japan and Joint Region Marianas*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 748) that would require the Commander, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command, to conduct a study on medical manning requirements and access to health care requirements in the U.S. Forces Japan and Joint Region Marianas areas of responsibilities.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct the study and to submit an interim briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act, with a final report to be submitted on a date agreed by the Comptroller General and such Committees.

### **LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*TRICARE dental plan for the Selected Reserve*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 701) that would amend section 1076a of title 10, United States Code, to establish a no-premium, no-copay dental plan for the Selected Reserve.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The importance of this issue was recognized in section 707 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) which authorized the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study on the feasibility, potential cost effects to the Department of Defense, changes in out-of-pocket costs to beneficiaries, and effects on other Federal programs of expanding eligibility for TRICARE Reserve Select and the TRICARE Dental Program to all members of the

Selected Reserve, their dependents, and non-dependent children under the age of 26.

The conferees are pleased that the Department has contracted a federally funded research and development center to develop the study's methodology and approach and are eagerly awaiting the findings and recommendations, which are due in December, 2024.

*Inclusion of assisted reproductive technology and artificial insemination as required primary and preventive health care services for members of the uniformed services and dependents*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 703) that would amend sections 1074d and 1077, of title 10, United States Code, to add assisted reproductive technology, including fertility testing and services, as an additional medical benefit for servicemembers and their dependents.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

The conferees encourage the Department of Defense to examine the possibility of adding assisted reproductive technology as a benefit for TRICARE beneficiaries.

*Program on treatment of members of the Armed Forces for post-traumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injuries, and co-occurring disorders related to military sexual trauma*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 704) that would amend chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense to establish an intensive outpatient treatment program to be carried out through partnerships with public, private, and non-profit health organizations. The program would benefit members of the Armed Forces suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injuries, and co-occurring disorders related to military sexual trauma.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than April 1, 2024, on the feasibility and advisability of establishing an intensive outpatient treatment program as proposed by this provision.

*Medical testing and related services for firefighters of Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 706) that would require the Department of Defense (DOD) to provide DOD firefighters with no-cost medical testing and related services to detect, document, and prevent certain cancers.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Joint Explanatory Statement accompanying the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) required the Secretary of Defense to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2023, on the availability of annual health assessments for firefighters serving on military installations to include civilian firefighters who may get their assessments in the private sector through the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program. The conferees are disappointed that the Secretary has not yet provided this required briefing, and direct the Secretary to provide the briefing expeditiously, but no later than February 1, 2024.

*Temporary requirement for contraception coverage parity under the TRICARE program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 707) that would prohibit cost-sharing for any eligible TRICARE beneficiary for any contraceptive on the uniform formulary provided through a retail pharmacy or mail-order pharmacy program of the TRICARE program for a period of one year.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sense of Congress on access to mental health services through TRICARE*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 707) that expresses a sense of Congress that the Secretary of Defense should take all necessary steps to ensure members of the National Guard and the members of their families who are enrolled in TRICARE have timely access to mental and behavioral health care services through the TRICARE program.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note that timely access to mental and behavioral health care services improves the readiness, availability, and morale of members of the National Guard and

encourage the Secretary of Defense to ensure that such members and their family members who are enrolled in TRICARE have timely access to such services.

*Rates of reimbursement for providers of applied behavior analysis*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 709) that would require the Secretary of Defense to ensure that reimbursement rates for applied behavioral analysis (ABA) providers under the Department of Defense Comprehensive Autism Care Demonstration (ACD), during the period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act and ending on December 31, 2024, are not less than such rates that were in effect on May 1, 2023.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

As noted in the Joint Explanatory Statement to accompany the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263), the conferees believe it is premature to enact legislation that would make changes to the ACD program before we receive the results from the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine's independent review. It also undermines the assessment of one of the major goals of the demonstration to determine whether the use of local prevailing rates for ABA services constitutes the appropriate reimbursement structure.

*Department of Defense pilot program on health effects of medical marijuana use by veterans*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 710) that would require the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, to implement a pilot program to address the health effects of medical marijuana use by covered beneficiaries.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Pilot program on cryopreservation and storage of gametes of certain members of the Armed Forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 711) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish a pilot program to reimburse certain servicemembers for expenses incurred in the testing, cryopreservation, shipping, and storage of gametes in a private storage facility.

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 726) that would require the Secretary of the Defense to conduct a study on the potential cost and recruiting and retention benefits of providing a cryopreservation benefit to Active-Duty military personnel.

The House and the Senate recede.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study on the feasibility and advisability of providing reimbursement to servicemembers for expenses incurred in the testing, cryopreservation, shipping, and storage of gametes in a private storage facility deemed appropriate by the Secretary. The study should focus on Active-Duty servicemembers on orders for assignments for which they will receive hazardous duty pay or will result in geographic separation lasting 180 days or longer. The study should also assess the impacts of such a program on the retention of servicemembers, including: (1) The number of members of the Armed Forces who elect to leave the Armed Forces for family planning reasons, disaggregated by gender, age, and military occupational specialty; (2) Whether the option of cryopreservation of gametes would lead to greater retention of members of the Armed Forces; (3) Methods for the Department of Defense to offer cryopreservation of gametes for the purposes of retention of members of the Armed Forces; (4) The cost to the Department of offering cryopreservation of gametes to active duty members of the Armed Forces; and (5) Such other matters relating to family planning and cryopreservation of gametes for members of the Armed Forces as the Secretary considers relevant.

Not later than April 1, 2024, the Secretary shall brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on this study.

*Psychological evaluations for certain members of the Armed Forces who served in Kabul*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 712) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide an initial psychological evaluation to each member of the Armed Forces who served at Hamid Karzai International Airport during the Afghanistan noncombatant evacuation between August 15 and August 29, 2021.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

As noted in the Joint Explanatory Statement to accompany the James. M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023, the conferees acknowledge that servicemembers engaged in military operations may experience certain stressors

that can lead to anxiety, depression, and post-traumatic stress disorder. The conferees encourage these servicemembers voluntarily to seek mental health care, without reservation, at the earliest possible time. The conferees are aware that servicemembers engaged in operations in Kabul, Afghanistan in August 2021 have received psychological health evaluations and treatment as needed.

*Financial relief for civilians treated in military medical treatment facilities*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 712) that would require the Secretary of Defense to issue an interim final rule to implement section 1079b, title 10, United States Code, relating to financial relief for civilians who receive medical care in a military medical facility. The provision would also require the Secretary to hold in abeyance any claim under this statute until the final rule is in effect.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Study on provider training gaps with respect to screening and treatment of maternal mental health conditions*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 714) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study to identify gaps in the training of providers with respect to the screening and treatment of maternal mental health conditions, and to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the findings of the study.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

In August 2022, the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives received a report from the Department of Defense in response to the Senate report accompanying S. 2792 (S. Rept. 117-39) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022, that demonstrated the consistent high quality of perinatal health care services provided in the direct care component of the military health system. According to the report, the pregnancy-related mortality ratio in such component was 2.91 deaths per 100,000 live births as compared to 23.80 deaths per 100,000 live births in civilian hospitals. Furthermore, the conferees note that the military health system collaborates with external organizations, such as the Leapfrog Group, to adopt leading practices to decrease maternal mortality further. The conferees commend the providers in the military health system for their efforts to prevent

pregnancy-related mortality, and encourage them to continue promotion of innovative practices to assess and treat maternal mental health conditions and to prevent maternal mortality.

*Expansion of wounded warrior service dog program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 715) that would amend section 745 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283) to expand the Wounded Warrior Service Dog Program by requiring the Secretary of Defense to award grants to nonprofit organizations with a primary mission of raising, training, and furnishing assistance dogs.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than June 1, 2024, on the feasibility and advisability of expanding the Wounded Warrior Service Dog Program by establishing a grant program for the benefit of nonprofit organizations with a primary mission of raising, training, and furnishing assistance dogs.

*Prohibition on payment and reimbursement by Department of Defense of expenses relating to abortion services*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 716) that would express the sense of Congress related to the prohibition in section 1093 of title 10, United States Code, on the availability of funds to the Department of Defense to perform abortions except where the life of the mother would be endangered if the fetus were carried to term or in a case where the pregnancy is the result of rape or incest. The provision would also repeal the Department of Defense memorandum entitled "Ensuring Access to Reproductive Health Care," dated October 10, 2022. The provision would further amend section 1093 of title 10, United States Code, by prohibiting the Secretary of Defense from reimbursing any fees or expenses, including travel expenses, relating to licensure of health care professionals if the purpose of obtaining the license would be for such professional to provide abortion services.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Prohibition on coverage of certain sex reassignment surgeries and related services under TRICARE program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 717) that would amend chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code, to prohibit certain sex reassignment surgeries and hormone treatments under the TRICARE program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Clarification of grade of Surgeon General of the Navy*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 721) that would amend section 8077 of title 10, United States Code, to require that the Surgeon General of the Navy hold the grade of O-9 while serving in that position.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees acknowledge current authority for the Navy Surgeon General to serve in the grade of O-9 if nominated and confirmed to serve in that grade.

*Clarification of responsibilities regarding the integrated disability evaluation system*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 722) that would amend section 1073c of title 10, United States Code, to enhance the operational and administrative control of servicemembers who are being considered by a medical evaluation board or are otherwise subject to the integrated disability evaluation system.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees are aware of concerns regarding accountability and due process for servicemembers in the integrated disability evaluation system (IDES) process. The disability evaluation process can be cumbersome, time intensive, and confusing for servicemembers. The conferees are troubled by the continued frustrations servicemembers have with the lack of transparency and accountability in the process. The Senate report accompanying S. 2226 (S. Rept. 118-58) required the Secretaries of the military departments to provide a briefing on several portions of the IDES process and submit that report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives no later than March 1, 2024. The conferees look forward to receiving and reviewing that report.

*Requirement that Department of Defense disclose expert reports with respect to medical malpractice claims by members of the uniformed services*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 722) that would amend section 2733a of title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense to disclose to medical malpractice claimants a copy of all written reports, other than medical quality assurance records, prepared by a medical expert with respect to the claimant's claim.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

*Comptroller General study on impact of perinatal mental health conditions of members of the Armed Forces and their dependents on military readiness and retention*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 723) that would require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on perinatal mental health conditions among members of the Armed Forces and their dependents. The provision would require the Comptroller General to submit a report on the findings of the study to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

The conferees note that the House report accompanying H.R. 2670 (H. Rept. 118-125) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 requires the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a review of, and render a report on, perinatal health in the Department of Defense. Such report also requires the Secretary of Defense to issue a report, not later than March 1, 2024, to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives, on the activities of the Department of Defense that address the mental health of pregnant and postpartum members of the Armed Forces and dependents of such members.

*Report on mental and behavioral health services provided by Department of Defense*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 724) that would require the Director of the Defense Health Agency to submit a report on wait times for mental and behavioral health services for members of the Armed Services not later than 90 days after the enactment of this Act.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note that section 737 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) requires the Secretary of Defense to issue a report on the behavioral health workforce in the Department of Defense, including demand for and capacity of Department of Defense mental and behavioral health resources. Such section also requires the Secretary of Defense to develop a plan to address any identified shortfalls in the behavioral health workforce.

*Mandatory training on health effects of perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substances*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 725) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide training to all Department of Defense medical providers on the health effects of perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substances.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on activities of Department of Defense to prevent, intervene, and treat perinatal mental health conditions of members of the Armed Forces and their dependents*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 725) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than 90 days after the enactment of this Act, on the activities of the Department of Defense to address the mental health of pregnant and postpartum members of the Armed Forces and their dependents.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note that the House report accompanying H.R. 2670 (H. Rept. 118-125) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 requires the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a review of, and render a report on, perinatal health in the Department of Defense. Such report also requires the Secretary of Defense to issue a report, not later than March 1, 2024, to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives, on the activities of the Department of Defense that address the mental health of pregnant and postpartum members of the Armed Forces and dependents of such members.

*Establishment of medical and surgical consumables standardization working group*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 727) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish a working group to standardize the medical and surgical consumable supplies procured and used within the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that section 724 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) required the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study on the feasibility of establishing within the Defense Health Agency a military health system (MHS) medical logistics directorate, which will include a discussion of medical and surgical supplies. The conferees understand the required study is ongoing, but is required to be completed by December 23, 2023.

In anticipation of the completion of the study on medical logistics, the conferees direct the Secretary of each military department to submit a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than May 1, 2024, containing an assessment of the study and any recommendations that would further standardize medical and surgical consumable supplies within the military health system.

*Pilot program on remote health monitoring technologies*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 728) that would require the Secretary of Defense to implement a pilot program to furnish certain members of the Armed Forces with technologies that can monitor health remotely.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Task force of Department of Defense on mental health*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 729) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish a task force to examine matters relating to the mental health of members of the Armed Forces and a plan to implement the recommendations of the task force.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Department of Defense already has established at least two bodies in support of mental health

of members of the Armed Forces: the Suicide Prevention and Response Independent Review Committee and, in conjunction with the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Health and Human Services, the Interagency Task Force on Military and Veterans Mental Health.

*Disclosures by entities receiving grants the Secretary of Defense for biomedical research*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 730) that would mandate transparency requirements for any entity receiving grants from the Department of Defense for biomedical research.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees note that current statutes already address these disclosure requirements for all federal research and development funding (section 6605 of title 42, United States Code), as well as specifically for Department of Defense funding (section 4027 of title 10, United States Code).

*Drop boxes on military installations for deposit of unused prescription drugs*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 731) that would require the Secretary of Defense, not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, to submit a report to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives on the effectiveness of the program established under Department of Defense Instruction

6025.25, titled the "Drug Take Back Program," or successor program. The provision would require such report to include recommendations on actions to improve or expand the program as the Secretary of Defense determines appropriate.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Individual acquisition for commercial leasing services*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 732) that would extend a requirement by 10 years for the Government Accountability Office to conduct biennial audits of the General Services Administration National Broker Contract.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Improvements to TRICARE provider directories*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 733) that would require a managed care support contractor that supports TRICARE and maintains a directory of health care providers to verify and update such directory every 90 days and to update its database not later than two days after receipt of information that affects such database, and would require the Defense Health Agency to review the directories at least once a year.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The conferees note that the Comptroller General of the United States is currently conducting an audit of TRICARE behavioral health directories as directed by section 705 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263), and the results of this audit should inform any future directive or change to the parameters for managing the directories. The conferees also note that the current managed care support contract requires monthly accuracy checks via random samples that are reported to the Defense Health Agency and a system refresh every 24 hours to ensure the publishing of new provider information.

The conferees continue to receive communications from beneficiaries expressing concern and frustration that providers are either not accepting new patients or are not accepting TRICARE. The conferees hope the recommendations resulting from the report directed by section 705 of the FY 2023 NDAA are implemented quickly and that their impact goes beyond mental health care providers.

*Waiver of certain requirements to facilitate urgent access to mental health care services by members of the Armed Forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 734) that would require the Director of the Defense Health Agency to waive any requirement for a member of the Armed Forces to undergo an intake screening from a provider of the Department of Defense at a military medical treatment facility prior to receiving a mental health care service from a TRICARE-authorized civilian provider if the Director determines: (1) Such service may not be provided at a military medical treatment facility during the 48-hour period following the time at which the member presents with the condition requiring such service; and (2) Urgent circumstances necessitate the rapid provision of such service.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Policy of Defense Health Agency on expanded recognition of board certifications for physicians*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 735) that would require the Director of the Defense Health Agency (DHA), not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to revise the policy of the DHA related to credentialing and privileging under the military health system to expand the recognition of board certification for physicians to a wide range of additional board certifications in medical specialties and subspecialties.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees are concerned that expanding the recognition of board certification for physicians to other boards would authorize inclusion of boards not accepted by various state boards. The conferees believe that the current DHA credentialing and privileging system works well, and that it instills beneficiary confidence in the quality of DHA medical providers.

*Prohibition of mask mandate to prevent the spread of COVID-19 on a military installation in the United States*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 736) that would prohibit the Secretary of Defense from requiring an individual to wear a mask on a military installation in the United States to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Amendments to report on behavioral health workforce of the Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 741) that would modify section 737 the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) by adding additional data points to a study on staffing medical treatment facilities with respect to behavioral health specialists.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Comprehensive strategy on force resilience of the Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 742) that would require the Secretary of Defense to publish a comprehensive strategy on force resilience that provides a proactive, intentional approach to holistic health within the Total Force Fitness framework.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, a report on force resilience. Such report shall cover the following matters:

(1) A proposal for a comprehensive strategy on force resilience that incorporates a holistic health perspective;

(2) Assessments of the effectiveness of current models of resilience, including the holistic health and fitness model and other models that are data-driven and evidence-based;

(3) A description of how force resilience is supported in all health domains;

(4) An assessment of operational requirements to ensure that embedded force resilience capabilities are adequately resourced;

(5) The role of the Department of Defense's integrated primary prevention workforce in supporting force resilience;

(6) Updates on the Department's current plan to embed force resilience personnel and resources in high-risk units; and

(7) An assessment of the feasibility and advisability of implementing the comprehensive strategy on force resilience described in paragraph (1).

*Study on non-clinical mental health services of the Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 743) that would require a study on non-clinical mental health providers and services.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretaries of the military departments, not later than December 1, 2024, to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing regarding the following: (1) How non-clinical mental health programs (including the Military and Family Life Counseling Program) are implemented throughout the Department of Defense, including distribution of non-clinical mental health professionals; (2) The differences in roles and responsibilities between non-clinical mental health professionals and clinical mental health professionals; (3) How the effectiveness of non-clinical mental health professionals and non-clinical mental

health programs are measured; (4) The processes by which non-clinical mental health professionals track the services they provide, refer and track such referrals to clinical mental health professionals, chaplains, and other service providers, and ease the transition for such a referral to ensure a treatment plan continues smoothly; (5) The costs to the United States of non-clinical mental health programs of the Department during the calendar years 2019 through 2023; (6) The outcomes of non-clinical mental health programs; and (7) Recommendations for the future of non-clinical mental health programs.

*Feasibility report regarding DHA employment of certain mental health providers awaiting licensure*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 747) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the feasibility of the utilization within the Defense Health Agency (DHA) of certain mental health providers awaiting licensure.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than September 30, 2024, to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on the feasibility of revising DHA policies regarding the supervision of the following mental health employees of the DHA, who have yet to be licensed in their profession by a State, in order to align with the policies set forth in VHA Directive 1027 of the Veterans Health Administration (dated October 23, 2019): psychologists, social workers, professional mental health counselors, and marriage and family therapists. In determining such feasibility, the Secretary shall consider issues including the following: (1) The need to employ these mental health employees in DHA; (2) The capacity of licensed mental health professionals employed in DHA to supervise these mental health employees; (3) The effects of such alignment on access by members of the Armed Forces to mental health care; (4) The potential risks and costs to the United States of such alignment; and (5) Any statutory or regulatory changes necessary for such alignment.

The conferees also encourage the Defense Health Agency to employ military spouses who are licensed in medical fields, including nursing, that have a staffing shortage.

*United States-Israel PTSD Collaborative Research*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 749) that would establish a grant program to increase collaborative research between the United States and Israel on post-traumatic stress disorder.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

As noted in the Joint Explanatory Statement to accompany the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263), the United States and Israel have cooperated in the field of medical research since 1978, to include post-traumatic stress disorder.

*Feasibility study on creation of centers of excellence in Ukraine for treatment of traumatic brain injuries and traumatic extremity injuries*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 750) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a feasibility study on a partnership with the Government of Ukraine to establish Centers of Excellence for the treatment of traumatic brain injury and traumatic extremity injury in Ukraine.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that support to Ukraine for the treatment of such injuries is dealt with elsewhere in this Act.

*Testosterone levels among members of special forces of the Army: study; report*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 751) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness to conduct a 5-year study on testosterone levels of members of the special forces of the Army.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*GAO report on TRICARE payments to behavioral health professionals*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 752) that would require the Comptroller General of the United States, not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on a study of TRICARE payments to TRICARE network behavioral health professionals.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Comptroller General of the United States to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives: (1) A briefing on a study of TRICARE payments to TRICARE network behavioral health professionals, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act; and (2) A report on the study on a date agreed to by the Comptroller General and the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

The study shall include a comprehensive analysis of the following elements: (1) The timeliness of such payments; (2) The accuracy of such payments; (3) The extent to which contractors comply with section 6.2.1 of the TRICARE Operations Manual; and (4) Areas of improvement that would enhance and improve the administrative process of such payments.

*Report on mental health provider readiness designations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 753) that would require the Secretary of Defense to update the registry and provider lists under subsection (b) of section 717 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law 114-92), and submit to the congressional defense committees a report containing: (1) The number of providers that have received a mental health provider readiness designation under such section 717, disaggregated by geographic region and provider specialty; and (2) Recommendations to incentivize, or otherwise increase the number of, providers with such designation.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Study on accessibility of mental health providers and services for active duty members of the Armed Forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 754) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study on the accessibility of mental health care providers and services for members of the Armed Forces serving on Active Duty, including an assessment of: (1) The accessibility of mental health care providers on military installations; (2) The accessibility of inpatient services for mental health care for such members; and (3) Steps that may be taken to improve such accessibility.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that section 737 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public

Law 117-263) requires a comprehensive review and report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the behavioral health workforce of the Department of Defense.

*Study and report on mental health care for pilots and aviators*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 755) that would require the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Health and Human Services to collaborate on a study on the barriers to mental health care for military pilots and aviators.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Medical research and development strategy for combined traumatic injuries sustained in combat operations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 756) that would require the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs (in coordination with the Surgeons General of the Armed Forces, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nuclear, Chemical, and Biological Defense Programs, the Joint Trauma Analysis and Prevention of Injury in Combat partnership, and the National Center for Medical Intelligence), not later than May 31, 2024, to develop a strategy to address medical research and development gaps essential to furnishing medical care to casualties experiencing combined traumatic injuries and injuries resulting from exposures across the chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear spectrum.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, in coordination with the Surgeons General of the Armed Forces, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nuclear, Chemical, and Biological Defense Programs, the Joint Trauma Analysis and Prevention of Injury in Combat partnership, and the National Center for Medical Intelligence, to provide a briefing on a strategy to address medical research and development gaps essential to furnishing medical care to casualties experiencing combined traumatic injuries and injuries resulting from exposures across the chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear spectrum. Such briefing shall be provided to the congressional defense committees not later than one year after the enactment of this Act, and shall include the following:

(1) An assessment of the investments made by the Secretary of Defense into supporting efforts related to such combined injuries;

(2) A review of the laboratory and medical product development capabilities of the Department of Defense to conduct research and development into, and support the transition and fielding of, treatments for such combined injuries;

(3) An identification of any clinical practice guidelines to treat such combined injuries, and recommendations to amend any such guidelines;

(4) Recommendations for increased investments in research and development to be made by the Secretary of Defense for the conduct of preclinical research, for the purpose of optimizing the treatment of such combined injuries, and protecting health care providers and other medical personnel furnishing such treatment; and

(5) A plan for the engagement between the Department of Defense and institutions of higher education with medical centers, and other similar entities, to support public-private partnerships to address such combined injuries.

*Report on plan for coverage of certain devices capable of preventing and treating migraines for military personnel*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 757) that would require the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the plan of the Assistant Secretary to cover non-pharmacological, neuromodulation migraine prevention and treatment devices approved by the Food and Drug Administration capable of preventing and treating migraines for military personnel.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than February 1, 2024, to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on the decision of the Secretary on whether to cover non-pharmacological, neuromodulation migraine prevention and treatment devices approved by the Food and Drug Administration capable of preventing and treating migraines for military personnel. The decision and the briefing shall be based on an evaluation of available reliable evidence regarding the safety and efficacy of these devices.

*Study on unintended consequences of reduction relating to 6th Medical Group at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Florida*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 758) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study on the unintended consequences of the determination by the Defense Health Agency to make reductions with respect to the 6th Medical Group at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Florida, pursuant to section 703 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114-328), as amended.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that section 741 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) prohibits the Secretary of Defense and the Secretaries of the military departments from reducing military medical end strength authorizations during a 5-year period and would prohibit the Secretary from implementing the plan for restructuring or realigning of military treatment facilities until the later of the date that is 1 year after the date of enactment of Fiscal Year 2023 National Defense Authorization Act or the date on which the Secretary completes a risk analysis for the realignment or restructuring of each military treatment facility.

*Epidemiological consultation regarding members assigned to Creech Air Force Base*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 759) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force, in coordination with the Director of the Defense Health Agency, to conduct a behavioral health epidemiological consultation on unique social and occupational stressors affecting members of the Air Force assigned to duty at Creech Air Force Base and dependents of such members.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Department of the Air Force continues to invest substantial resources in addressing the social and occupational stressors affecting members of the Air Force assigned to duty at Creech Air Force Base.

*Comptroller General report on Exceptional Family Member Program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 760) that would require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study, and submit to the Secretary of Defense and Congress a report, on how the Exceptional Family Member Program currently supports members of the Armed Forces and children with intellectual and developmental disabilities, including any

limitations in the resources available under such Program that affect the delivery of necessary services and information for such members and their children, how to improve Program outcomes, and how mental health and other support services could be further integrated in the delivery of care under the Program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Department of Defense Office of Inspector General has already conducted an audit of the Department of Defense Exceptional Family Member program. The audit includes the actions taken by the Department of Defense to address recommendations from two previous Government Accountability Office (GAO) reports.

#### *Report on TRICARE and CHAMPVA in-home and nursing care*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 762) that would require the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to submit to Congress a report on any discrepancies between in-home and nursing care provided under TRICARE and CHAMPVA.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on any discrepancies between in-home care and nursing care provided under the TRICARE and CHAMPVA programs.

#### *Study on effect of cancer drug shortages*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 763) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study on the effect of the cancer drug shortage on veterans and members of the Armed Forces.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

#### *Housing accommodations for military families on housing waitlists*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 764) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide to members of the Armed Forces and their dependents who, when undergoing a permanent change of station, are placed on a waitlist for on-base housing for a period of more than 10 days following the

date of arrival at the new location, temporary accommodations for the entire duration of such period appropriate for the total size and composition of the family of the member and at a rate not to exceed the basic allowance for housing calculated for such member under section 403 of title 37, United States Code.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than June 1, 2024, regarding: (1) Installation-specific data on the number of members of the Armed Forces and their dependents on military housing waitlists; (2) An identification of the time spent by each such member and their dependents awaiting appropriate housing accommodations; (3) An analysis of the factors that are creating the need for such waitlists; and (4) An assessment of the causes of waitlist durations that exceed 10 days.

*Report on access of TRICARE beneficiaries to network retail pharmacies*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 765) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to Congress evaluating beneficiary access to TRICARE network pharmacies under the TPharm5 contract and changes in beneficiary access versus the TPharm4 contract.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Senate report accompanying S. 2226 (S. Rept. 118-58) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 directs the Comptroller General of the United States to review the TRICARE Pharmacy Benefits Program, including changes in its most recently awarded nationwide pharmacy contract, with respect to its effect on TRICARE beneficiaries' ability to obtain the medications they need in a timely manner as prescribed by their physicians.

*Study and report on feasibility of lifting outpatient rehabilitation therapy maximums for certain members of the Armed Forces with traumatic brain injury*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 766) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study to analyze the feasibility of lifting outpatient rehabilitation therapy maximums for certain servicemembers.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Study on approval of non-governmental accreditation bodies for transitional and residential brain injury treatment programs*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 767) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study to analyze the feasibility of recognizing the approval of non-governmental accreditation bodies for transitional and residential brain injury treatment programs for servicemembers who sustained a brain injury while serving on active duty.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Strategy to sustain medical support during operations of Armed Forces in Arctic region*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 768) that would require the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs to develop a strategy to sustain medical support during operations in the Arctic region.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Study on use of routine neuroimaging modalities in diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of brain injury due to blast pressure exposure during combat and training*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 769) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study on the feasibility and effectiveness of the use of routine neuroimaging modalities in the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of brain injury among members of the Armed Forces due to one or more blast pressure exposures during combat and training.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees encourage the Secretary of Defense to use routine neuroimaging modalities in the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of brain injury among members of the Armed Forces who have been exposed to blast pressures during combat and training.

*Prohibition on availability of funds for closing Austin's Playrooms at certain military hospitals*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 770) that would prohibit the availability of funds for closing Austin's Playrooms at certain military hospitals.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that Austin's Playrooms have been replaced in some military hospitals with other resources that better address the needs of the patient populations.

*Sense of Congress on maintaining in-patient military medical treatment facilities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 771) that would express a sense of Congress on maintaining in-patient military medical treatment facilities.

The Senate bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that section 741 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act of 2023 (Public Law 117-263) prohibits the Department of Defense from reducing military medical end strength authorizations for a period of five years. Such section also prohibits the Department from restructuring or realigning military medical treatment facilities before the Department has conducted a comprehensive assessment of the capacity of TRICARE network providers in the areas that would be affected by such restructuring or realignment.

*Report on military mental health care referral policies*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 5721) that would require the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to submit to the congressional defense committees a report on military mental health care referral policies.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, detailing the mental health care referral policies of the Armed Forces and making any related legislative recommendations that the Secretary deems appropriate.

*Comptroller General study on biomedical research and development funded by Department of Defense*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 5722) that would require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on the management by the Department of

Defense of biomedical research and development funded by the Department.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note that the Comptroller General of the United States is already conducting a study requested by other members of Congress that largely aligns with this request. The conferees eagerly await the results of that work to help inform future efforts.

*Report on provision of mental health services via telehealth to members of the Armed Forces and their dependents*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 5723) that would require the Secretary of Defense submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the provision by the Department of Defense of mental health services via telehealth.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than March 31, 2024, to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the provision by the Department of Defense of mental health services via telehealth that includes the following: (1) A summary of relevant Federal and State laws and policies of the Department governing the provision of mental health services via telehealth to members of the Armed Forces and their dependents; (2) An explanation of any challenges experienced by members of the Armed Forces and their dependents in receiving continuing care from a provider when assigned to a new State or location outside the United States; (3) An assessment of the value of receiving continuing care from the same mental health provider for various mental health conditions; (4) A description of how the Department accommodates members of the Armed Forces who would benefit from receiving continuing care from a specific mental health provider; and (5) Such other matters as the Secretary considers relevant.

## **TITLE VIII—ACQUISITION POLICY, ACQUISITION MANAGEMENT, AND RELATED MATTERS**

### **SUBTITLE A—ACQUISITION POLICY AND MANAGEMENT**

*Sec. 801 - Commercial nature determination memo available to contractor*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 801) that would require the Department of Defense to share the determination of commerciality made by contracting officers upon the request of the contractor.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would have the Office of Defense Pricing and Contracting provide companies documentation about positive or negative commercial item determinations to increase transparency around those decisions.

*Sec. 802 - Modification of truthful cost or pricing data submissions and report*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 821) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to include within its annual report on offerors that have denied multiple requests for submission on other than certified cost or pricing data additional information on offerors that delay such requests by more than 200 days and make a public notation on such offerors.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 822).

The House recedes with an amendment that would direct the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to develop a framework for refining the parameters of what would constitute a denial of uncertified cost or pricing data under section 3705 of title 10, United States Code.

*Sec. 803 - Prohibition on the transfer of certain data on employees of the Department of Defense to third parties*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 802) that would prevent the sale, license, or transfer to a third party of individually-identifiable information on Department of Defense employees generated during the course of a Department of Defense contract.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 804 - Prohibition on contracting with persons that have fossil fuel operations with the Government of the Russian Federation or the Russian energy sector*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 807) that would prohibit the Department of Defense from contracting with any company that has business with the Putin regime or any natural gas, oil, and coal company operating in Russia.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 805 - Prohibition of the Department of Defense procurement related to entities identified as Chinese military companies operating in the United States*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 811) that would prohibit the Department of Defense procurement of certain goods, services, and technologies from certain entities listed as Chinese military companies.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 806 - Principal Technology Transition Advisor*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 803) that would require each military department to designate a senior civilian official to serve as an advisor to help transition technology from the science and technology ecosystem to programs of record within the services.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 807 - Senior contracting official for Strategic Capabilities Office*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 803) that would grant authority to conduct limited acquisition activities within the Strategic Capabilities Office.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that clarifies that the Strategic Capabilities Office shall have a head of contracting authority.

*Sec. 808 - Pilot program for the use of innovative intellectual property strategies*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 263) that would develop and implement an intellectual property strategy to enhance the ability of the Department of Defense to procure emerging capabilities and technologies.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 804) that would require the Secretary of each military department and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to establish a pilot program to designate one acquisition program for the use of innovative intellectual property strategies in order to acquire the necessary technical data rights required for the operations and maintenance of that system.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 809 - Pilot program for anything-as-a-service*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 805) that would create an anything-as-a-service pilot program to promote continuous competition and better business practices at the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would clarify the details for the pilot program execution, eliminate the elements for competitive multisourcing, and more explicitly tie the concepts in the pilot to consumption-based solutions, including the means to measure their outcomes.

*Sec. 810 - Updated guidance on planning for exportability features for future programs*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 211) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to ensure that program guidance is updated to integrate planning for exportability features for major defense acquisition programs, middle tier acquisition programs, and program protection plans.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 811 - Modernizing the Department of Defense requirements process*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 802) that would direct the Secretary of Defense to modernize the Department of Defense's requirements processes in order to improve alignment between modern warfare concepts, technologies, and system development and reduce the time to delivery of needed capabilities to Department users.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 812 - Preventing conflicts of interest for entities that provide certain consulting services to the Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 808) that would prohibit the Department of Defense from engaging in consulting contracts with firms that have in the last 5 years provided consulting services to the Chinese Government, the Chinese Communist Party, the People's Liberation Army, or other covered entities.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 819).

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment, including updated elements for the Conflict of Interest Mitigation Plan and additions to the list of covered entities.

*Sec. 813 - Focused commercial solutions openings opportunities*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 805) that would require the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the service acquisition executives of each military department, to create at least three new commercial solutions openings each year.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

**SUBTITLE B—AMENDMENTS TO GENERAL  
CONTRACTING AUTHORITIES, PROCEDURES, AND  
LIMITATIONS**

*Sec. 820 - Amendments to multiyear procurement authority*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 801) that would amend section 3501(a)(1) of title 10, United States Code, to modify the justification for the use of multiyear contracting authority to include industrial base stability, not just projected cost savings.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would strike the change in funding threshold for multiyear procurements.

*Sec. 821 - Modification of approval authority for certain follow-on production contracts or transactions*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 823) that would resolve an internal inconsistency for the approval of large

dollar Other Transaction Agreements (OTAs) for prototype projects and follow-on production OTAs or contracts under the authority of section 4022 of title 10, United States Code.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 814).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 822 - Clarification of other transaction authority for installation or facility prototyping*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 824) that would clarify the authority of the Department of Defense to carry out certain prototype projects.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2874).

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 823 - Extension and revisions to never contract with the enemy*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 812) that would extend and revise the authority of a head of contracting activity to terminate a contract with a person or company outside the United States engaging in certain activities that present a direct or indirect risk to United States or partner allied mission and forces.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 824 - Modification and extension of temporary authority to modify certain contracts and options based on the impacts of inflation*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 829) that would extend the Department of Defense's authority to modify certain contracts based on inflation impact.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 825 - Countering adversary logistics information technologies*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 866) that would prevent the Department of Defense or port authorities receiving Federal grant funding from using logistics software from the People's Republic of China, the Republic of Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the

Russian Federation, and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela under the regime of Nicolas Maduro Moros.

The Senate amendment included provisions (secs. 1371-1373) that would prevent the Department of Defense from using logistics software from the People's Republic of China.

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 826 - Modification of contracts and options to provide economic price adjustments*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 830) that would allow the Department of Defense to modify contract options for economic price adjustment.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would clarify that the Department of Defense may seek consideration when considering whether to modify contracts to include an economic price adjustment clause.

*Sec. 827 - Modifications to earned value management system requirements*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 815) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to update appropriate policies for earned value management (EVM) to increase contract value thresholds associated with requiring EVM on cost or incentive contracts from \$20.0 million to \$50.0 million, increase the contract value threshold for a contractor to use an EVM System from \$50.0 million to \$100.0 million, and exempt from the EVM requirement contracts and subcontracts primarily performing software effort.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

## **SUBTITLE C—DOMESTIC SOURCING REQUIREMENTS**

*Sec. 831 - Emergency acquisition authority for purposes of replenishing United States stockpiles*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 808) that would amend section 3601 of title 10, United States Code, to provide for emergency acquisition authority for the purposes of replenishing United States stockpiles of defense articles.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 832 - Requirement for full domestic production of flags of the United States acquired by the Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 841) that would require full domestic production of U.S. flags acquired by the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 833 - Amendment to requirement to buy certain metals from American sources*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 843) that would amend the requirement to buy certain metals from American sources.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 864).

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 834 - Acquisition of sensitive material prohibition exception amendment*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 825) that would amend the exception to acquisition of sensitive material prohibition.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 835 - Enhanced domestic content requirement for major defense acquisition programs*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 869) that would increase domestic content requirements to support the defense industrial base and secure supply chains, and enhances trusted allies by exempting countries with a reciprocal defense procurement agreement with the Department or are in the National Technology and Industrial Base.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

**SUBTITLE D—PROVISIONS RELATING TO PROGRAMS  
FOR ACCELERATING ACQUISITION**

*Sec. 841 - Pilot program to accelerate contracting and pricing processes*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 818) that would extend a pilot program for streamlined contracting and pricing processes.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 842 - Demonstration and prototyping program to advance international product support capabilities in a contested logistics environment*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 852) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish a contested logistics demonstration and prototyping program to identify, develop, demonstrate, and field capabilities for product support in order to reduce or mitigate the risks associated with operations in a contested logistics environment.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 843 - Special authority for rapid contracting for commanders of combatant commands*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 811) that would allow the commander of a combatant command, upon providing a written determination to a supporting head of contracting activity, to request emergency, rapid contracting response using special authorities prescribed in the provision.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

## **SUBTITLE E—INDUSTRIAL BASE MATTERS**

*Sec. 851 - Additional national security objectives for the national technology and industrial base*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 861) that would update section 4811(a) of title 10, United States Code, to identify defense services, supplies, or materials critical to meeting defense requirements in the event of a crisis or conflict where the Department of Defense relies on a potential adversary.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 852 - Department of Defense Mentor-Protege Program*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 842) that would clarify that a Department of Defense Mentor-Protégé Agreement may be a contract, cooperative agreement, or partnership intermediary agreement.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 853 - Modifications to the Procurement Technical Assistance Program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 864) that would modify section 4951 of title 10, United States Code, to clarify eligible entities and types of agreements for use in the procurement technical assistance program.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 847).

The House recesses.

*Sec. 854 - Modification of effective date for expansion on the prohibition on acquiring certain metal products*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 863) that would amend section 844(b) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 118-283) to change the effective date from 5 years to 6 years.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 855 - Extension of pilot program for distribution support and services for weapons systems contractors*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 862) that would extend a pilot program for distribution support and services for weapons systems contractors to 8 years.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 856 - Pilot program to analyze and monitor certain supply chains*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 867) that would require the Secretary of Defense to analyze and continuously monitor key U.S. Indo-Pacific Command system supply chains with a pilot program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment which would modify the pilot program to have the Department of Defense use a combination of government and commercial tools to analyze the supply chains of up to five key munitions identified as part of the Pacific Deterrence Initiative.

*Sec. 857 - Department of Defense notification of certain transactions*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 832) that would require notification and provision of information to the Department of Defense to review proposed mergers within the defense industrial base at the same time notification and information is provided to the Federal Trade Commission and Department of Justice.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that clarifies that the Department of Defense shall receive information on proposed mergers and acquisitions within the defense industrial base for which it will be asked to review and comment on such notifications, but at the same time as the Federal Trade Commission and Department of Justice, in order to facilitate that review in a timely manner.

## **SUBTITLE F—SMALL BUSINESS MATTERS**

*Sec. 860 - Amendments to defense research and development rapid innovation program*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 841) that would modify the Defense Research and Development Rapid Innovation Program.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment.

*Sec. 861 - Annual reports regarding the SBIR program of the Department of Defense*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 846) that would amend section 279(a) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283) to extend the reporting requirement for the Department of Defense's Small Business Innovation Research program through fiscal year 2028.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 862 - Payment of subcontractors*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 850) that would require a prime contractor to cooperate with a contracting officer regarding correcting and mitigating an unjustified failure to make a full or timely payment to a subcontractor once such contracting office determines that there was an unjustified failure by the prime contractor on a covered contract to make a full or timely payment to a subcontractor.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 863 - Increase in Governmentwide goal for participation in Federal contracts by small business concerns owned and controlled by service-disabled veterans*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 851) that would increase to 5 percent the Government-wide goal for participation in Federal contracts by small business concerns owned and controlled by service-disabled veterans.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 864 - Eliminating self-certification for service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 849) that would eliminate self-certification for service-disabled veteran owned small business.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 865 - Consideration of the past performance of affiliate companies of small businesses*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 884) that would require the Secretary of Defense to amend section 215.305 of the Department of Defense Supplement to the Federal Acquisition Regulation to require that, when evaluating a bid from a small business concern, the contracting officer shall consider the past performance information of affiliates of such concern as the past performance of such concern.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 843).

The House recedes.

## **SUBTITLE G—OTHER MATTERS**

### *Sec. 871 - Extension of mission management pilot program*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 908) that would extend the mission management pilot program, as authorized by section 871 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81), and update the requirements of the pilot program.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would sunset the extension on December 31, 2028.

### *Sec. 872 - Extension of pilot program to incentivize contracting with employee-owned businesses*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 891) that would extend the length of the employee-owned business contracting incentive pilot program by 3 years and increase the number of available contracts from 9 to 25.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 848).

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

### *Sec. 873 - Program and processes relating to foreign acquisition*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1076) that would improve the process of foreign acquisition of U.S. defense articles through: (1) A pilot program for combatant commands to hire acquisition specialists as advisors; (2) A foreign acquisition industry day; (3) A Department of Defense (DOD) senior-level industry advisory group; (4) Establishment of DOD points of contact for Foreign Military Sales; and (5) Establishment of combatant command needs for exportability.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would make various technical changes to each section of the Senate amendment.

### *Sec. 874 - Pilot program to incentivize progress payments*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 817) that would establish a pilot program to incentivize the progress payment rate that large businesses are eligible for by up to 10 additional percentage points.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would establish this as an opt-in pilot program to provide flexibility for industry to choose to participate or not, and to have the Department of Defense establish clear and measurable criteria for incentivizing the higher progress payment rate.

*Sec. 875 - Study on reducing barriers to acquisition of commercial products and services*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 806) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to conduct a feasibility study and provide recommendations on ways to improve the acquisition of commercial products and services.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

**LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Pilot program on payment of costs for denied Government Accountability Office bid protests*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 804) that would reestablish a loser pays pilot program to award reimbursement to the Department of Defense for costs incurred from contract award protests denied by the Government Accountability Office (GAO).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note that frivolous protests to Department contracting decisions have the potential to be a burden on the Department, slow acquisition of capabilities, impose additional costs on the taxpayer, and disadvantage small business contractors with less resources to bring or fight protests. While data from the GAO and the RAND Corporation found that bid protests were rare, and that there were no indications of abuse by medium or large contractors, the conferees continue to support efforts to improve the handling of bid protests to ensure they are fair, equitable, and they provide opportunities for recourse for industry and the government. Additionally, the conferees note the impact that bridge contracts may have on incumbent contractors to protest awards with GAO, at the agency level, or with the U.S. Court of Federal Claims (COFC). However, the committee recognizes that a GAO loser pays pilot could encourage losing bidders to pursue protests at the agency and COFC levels, which may result in a more time-intensive and costly protest process, and thus higher costs and delayed timelines for the government.

*Low-methane intensity natural gas pilot program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 806) that would authorize the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency to establish a pilot program to demonstrate the feasibility of Department of Defense installations using certified low-methane intensity natural gas.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on the feasibility and advisability of establishing a pilot program to demonstrate the use of certified low-methane intensity natural gas on military installations located within the continental United States. The report shall include a description of any potential uses and benefits of low-methane intensity natural gas to meet the energy requirements of military installations and operational energy requirements of the Department, the recommended number of military installations for the pilot program, and a proposed timeline for the use of low-methane intensity natural gas for the pilot program, if deemed feasible and advisable.

*Sense of the Senate on independent cost assessment*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 807) that would express the sense of the Senate on independent cost assessment.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note that the capabilities for performing timely, rigorous, and methodologically defensible cost assessments for the Department of Defense are a critical element of a sustainable modernization strategy for the United States. The demand for independent cost estimates has only grown in recent years. The conferees urge the Secretaries of Defense and of the military services to continue to provide robust support for cost estimation activities, including the Cost Assessment Data Enterprise, particularly to ensure there are sufficient personnel, adequately trained and equipped with the tools necessary to carry out such an important function.

*Research, development, testing, and evaluation contract cost sharing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 809) that would require that for any contract that is awarded under or pursuant to a provision of this Act using research, development, test and evaluation funding, not less than 25 percent of the cost of such activities under such contract must be provided by a non-Federal source.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Prohibition and report on contracts for online tutoring services*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 810) that would prohibit the Secretary of Defense from entering into, or renewing, a contract for online tutoring services from an entity owned or controlled by the Government of the People's Republic of China, unless a waiver is approved by the Secretary.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 821).

The conference agreement does not include either provision.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on the process used to reduce the risk of foreign influence in online tutoring and educational services. This briefing shall include:

(1) The results of the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS) review(s) for all online tutoring services used by the Department, if any;

(2) The mitigation plan(s) developed to address any risks identified in (1); and

(3) A determination about whether additional CFIUS reviews are warranted including criteria for when follow-on CFIUS reviews should occur.

Furthermore, the conferees note that there is a related reporting requirement in the committee report accompanying S. 2226 (S. Rept. 118-58), the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024, as passed by the Senate. The conferees encourage the Department to merge these requirements into a single response.

*Enhancement of Department of Defense capabilities to prevent contractor fraud*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 813) that would authorize the Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of a military department to withhold contractual payments pending the

resolution of allegations that the contractor offered or gave a gratuity to an officer, official, or employee of the United States Government to influence a contract.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

#### *Inventory of inflation and escalation indices*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 816) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to conduct an inventory of inflation and escalation indices currently used for contracting and pricing purposes across the Department, and to make this inventory available as a resource for all government and industry contracting and pricing professionals by September 30, 2024.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees are aware that the Department of Defense relies on a combination of inflation and price escalation indices from both commercial and government sources. The committee encourages the Department, to the extent practical, to rely on a standardized set of indices and make the identification of the specific indices available for the public and for industry. The conferees believe such a move will support transparent budgeting and cost data for more standardized comparison, for government and industry provided data.

#### *Competition requirements for purchases from Federal Prison Industries*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 822) that would amend competition requirements for federal prison industries.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

#### *Repeal of bonafide office rule for 8(a) contracts with the Department of Defense*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 823) that would repeal the bonafide office rule for 8(a) contracts with the Department of Defense.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

#### *Avoidance of use of lowest price technically acceptable source selection process for certain logistics services*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 828) that would require the Department of Defense to avoid Lowest Price Technically Acceptable (LPTA) source selection criteria to the maximum extent possible for fuel and fuel-related services, if such services are, or reasonably could be, controlled by an adversary.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note continued questions about failed delivery of fuel and fuel related services from vendors through LPTA source selection in Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO). The William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283) required an Inspector General briefing on the issue and the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81) required consideration of tradeoff processes for OCO fuel contracting. The conferees urge the Defense Logistics Agency to consider a broader tradeoff methodology for fuel and fuel related contracting that considers past performance, technical and quality abilities, cyber-preparedness, as well as price. Therefore, the conferees direct the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, in consultation with Director of the Defense Logistics Agency, to provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees, not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act, on a broader tradeoff methodology for fuel and fuel related service contracting in OCO that includes data on failed delivery from vendors from the past 5 years and an analysis of risk to such failed deliveries in the U.S. Central Command and U.S. Indo-Pacific Command areas of responsibility in the future.

*Pilot program on the use of acquisition authority for Office of Naval Research to aid in technology transition*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 831) that would delegate to the Chief of Naval Research acquisition authority to enter into contracts or other agreements for the commercialization of a prototype of the Department of the Navy.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Defense industrial base advanced capabilities pilot program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 853) that would establish a public-private partnership pilot program to accelerate the scaling, production, and acquisition of advanced capabilities for national security.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 831).

The conference agreement does not include either provision.

*Prohibition on computers or printers acquisitions involving entities owned or controlled by China*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 832) that would prohibit computers or printers acquisition involving entities controlled by China.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees note the Inspector General's audit of cybersecurity risks in government purchases from 2019 that highlighted certain purchases of printers and computers from companies that are owned or controlled by entities in the People's Republic of China. The conferees are aware of the Department's risk-based approach to information technology, that includes use of the authorities provided to the Federal Acquisition Security Council (FASC). However, the conferees remain concerned that all risks may not have been fully mitigated by the Department, and direct the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition & Sustainment to brief the congressional defense committees, not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act, on current approaches and efforts to mitigate risks of acquiring computers and printers from entities owned or controlled by entities in the People's Republic of China and the burden that would be placed on the Department by prohibiting acquisition of computers and printers from entities owned or controlled by entities in the People's Republic of China.

*Modifications to data, policy, and reporting on the use of other transactions*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 833) that would require the Government Accountability Office to report on the Department of Defense's use of other transaction authority contracts.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees direct the Comptroller General of the United States to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than February 1, 2025, a report on the use of transactions authorized under sections 4021 and 4022 of title 10, United States Code, including:

(1) The extent to which such transactions are used in accordance with policy and guidance related to the use of such transactions;

(2) The total number of transactions for each fiscal year made to nontraditional defense contractors (as defined in section 3014 of title 10, United States Code); and

(3) A summary of such transactions to which the Department of Defense is a participant for which performance has not been completed on the date of submission of such report, including—

(a) a description of the entity or agency responsible for any consortium;

(b) the number of members in each consortium, including the percentage of such members who are nontraditional defense contractors for each such consortium;

(c) the total amount awarded under such transactions to each consortium manager for fiscal years 2022 and 2023;

(d) the total amount awarded under such transactions to members who are nontraditional defense contractors for each such consortium for fiscal years 2022 and 2023; and

(e) a list of contractors who have been awarded more than \$20.0 million under such transactions, including a brief description of each such award, the number of awards made, and the total dollar amount awarded for fiscal years 2022 and 2023.

#### *Analyses of certain activities for action to address sourcing and industrial capacity*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 833) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct analysis and provide recommendations on sourcing restrictions for a number of covered items.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

#### *Strengthening truthful cost or pricing data requirements*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 834) that would amend Section 3702(a)(1) of title 10, United States Code, by striking "only expected to receive one bid shall be required" and inserting "only expected to have one offeror, or for which award of a cost-reimbursement contract is contemplated regardless of the number of offers received, shall be required", and by adding new exceptions for such requirement. Further, this

section would amend section 3503(a)(2) of title 41, United States Code, by inserting "based on adequate price competition that results in at least two responsive and responsible offers" after "commercial service".

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Pilot program on capital assistance to support defense investment in the industrial base*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 834) that would allow the Secretary of Defense to carry out a pilot program under this section to use certain financial instruments to support defense investment in the industrial base.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Requirement to buy certain satellite components from national technology and industrial base*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 835) that would require any contract that requires any traveling-wave tubes and traveling-wave tube amplifier (TWTA) to be included in the design of U.S. Government satellites used for national security, defense, or intelligence purposes to be sourced from a contractor in a country that is a member of the National Technology and Industrial Base (NTIB).

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees are aware that there are concerns with the resilience and robustness of the defense supply chain, including for space-qualified systems. In particular, the Department of Defense Industrial Capabilities Report to Congress 2020 Annual Report called out 119 essential space capabilities with supply chain risks, such as traveling wave tube amplifiers (TWTA). For that capability in particular, it was noted that there is a sole domestic supplier that competes with a single foreign provider that is able to provide more competitive products and pricing. The report further notes that "[h]aving a strong domestic source would reduce dependence on the foreign source and ensure availability of [National Security Space] specific TWTAs." The committee further notes that in some cases these TWTAs are used in critical hardware used for nuclear command, control, and communications to ensure the President has direct control of our nuclear deterrent and for which the supply of U.S. trusted electronics and parts is essential as well as certain national

security space systems for which a failure could range in billions of taxpayer dollars and years to recover from.

Therefore, the conferees direct the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to provide a briefing on the state of the TWTA industrial base to the congressional defense committees, not later than June 17, 2024. Such briefing shall include:

(1) Assessment of the current TWTA needs for national security space programs across the future years defense program (FYDP), including projected timelines, anticipated quantities, and identification of sensitive applications where additional domestic supply sources would be recommended by the Department;

(2) Assessment of the health and viability of the current supply base for TWTAs, including performance, capacity, and capability of current suppliers as well as any companies that might be induced to enter into this market;

(3) Identification of supply chain bottlenecks negatively impacting production lead times or costs;

(4) Identification of policy, regulatory, programmatic, funding, or other impediments affecting the ability of suppliers to meet projected production needs identified in (1);

(5) Recommendations for whether development or procurement of systems with TWTAs should require domestic content, how domestic sources of supply could be made more competitive, and an assessment of the estimated cost of implementing domestic content requirements; and

(6) Any suggested legislation that may be needed to ensure national security space TWTA requirements can be satisfied in the near-term across the FYDP, as well as in the longer-term in the 2034-time frame, including legislation that could bolster domestic production capability and capacity.

#### *Sense of Congress relating to rubber supply*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 846) that would express the sense of Congress regarding rubber supply.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 836).

The conference agreement does not include either provision.

The conferees encourage the Department of Defense to lessen dependence on adversarial nations for the procurement of strategic and critical materials, including natural rubber, as a stable source for tire manufacturing and production of other components.

*Inclusion of titanium powder in definition of specialty metals exempted from certain domestic sourcing requirements*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 842) that would add titanium powder in the definition of specialty metals exempted from certain domestic sourcing requirements.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than June 1, 2024, on the Department's efforts to identify and develop domestic or otherwise secure sources of supply for titanium powder for use in defense supply chains.

*Modification to miscellaneous limitations on the procurement of goods other than United States goods*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 844) that would require propulsion system components and power generation systems to be procured and manufactured within the National Technology Industrial Base.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Timely payments for Department of Defense small business subcontractors*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 844) that would improve the timeliness of payments made to Department of Defense small business subcontractors.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Procurement of covered hearing protection devices*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 845) that would allow the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the head of the Hearing Center of Excellence, to enter into one or more contracts to procure covered hearing protection devices for all members of the Armed Forces.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note of the importance of identifying and making available hearing protection devices for the Department of Defense community. The conferees are aware of commercially-available active hearing protection devices that have the

potential to prevent hearing injury while allowing servicemembers to remain cognizant of their operational environment; benefit from improved overall situational awareness; and increase mission effectiveness, safety, and survivability. Further, the conferees have been informed that the Army Program Executive Office (PEO) Soldier is the lead office for the procurement and testing of these devices, and has recently acquired some available systems for testing and evaluation. The conferees are aware that such testing is anticipated to begin in the second quarter of fiscal year 2024. The conferees look forward to receiving the results of such testing from the Army in order to better understand the suitability of these devices for issuance to servicemembers that may benefit from increased protection from hazardous and operational noise.

*Extension of pilot program for streamlined technology transition from the SBIR and STTR programs of the Department of Defense*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 845) that would extend a pilot program to support the transition of technologies developed through the Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer programs to production.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Pilot program for recurring awards for production, investment, and deployment through competitions*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 851) that would establish a pilot program to acquire, through repeated competition, attritable systems that solve urgent operational needs in order to incentivize sustainable production, rapid deployment, and iterative improvements.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Amendments to contracting authority for certain small business concerns*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 852) that would amend contracts for socially and economically disadvantaged small businesses, certain small businesses owned and controlled by women, HUBZone small businesses, and small businesses owned and controlled by service-disabled veterans.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Limitation on the availability of funds pending a plan for implementing the replacement for the Selection Acquisition Reporting system*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 861) that would limit the use of travel funds for the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment until that office provides a plan for how it intends to implement the requirements of section 809 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) for a replacement for the Selected Acquisition Reporting system.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Use of Industrial Base Fund for support for the workforce for large surface combatants*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 862) that would modify the use of the Industrial Base Fund to include supporting the large surface combatant industrial base.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note the effective use of the Industrial Base Analysis and Sustainment (IBAS) program to support the submarine industrial base. Given the importance of the shipbuilding industrial base as a whole, the Department of Defense should find ways to expand this model to support surface combatant production, as well as submarines.

*Redesignation of Industrial Base Fund as Industrial Base and Operational Infrastructure Fund; additional uses*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 863) that would redefine and expand the purposes of the Industrial Base Analysis and Sustainment Fund.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note the effective use of the Industrial Base Analysis and Sustainment (IBAS) program to support critical industries and supply chains within the defense industrial base. The conferees encourage the Department of Defense to expand the use of IBAS, where appropriate, to protect and develop domestic production of key supply chains.

*Modification to procurement requirements relating to rare earth elements and strategic and critical materials*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 865) that would modify procurement requirements relating to rare earth elements and strategic and critical materials.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Enhanced domestic content requirement for navy shipbuilding programs*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 866) that would include additional restrictions on purchasing non-domestic components for Navy shipbuilding programs.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Addition of Administrator of the Small Business Administration to the Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 867) that would amend section 1302(b)(1) of title 41, United States Code, by adding a new subparagraph to include the Small Business Administration as a representative on the Federal Acquisition Regulation Council.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Study and report on country of origin of end items and components procured by Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 868) that would require a study and report by the Comptroller General of the United States to identify the degree to which the Department of Defense is dependent on entities located in foreign countries for the procurement of certain end items and components.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the assurance of supply chains for critical components and items is essential for our national security. Therefore, the conferees direct the Comptroller General of the United States to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 31, 2024, on the degree to which the Department of Defense is dependent on entities located

in foreign countries for the procurement of certain end items and components. The briefing shall include:

(1) A description of the extent to which the procurement processes of the Department of Defense allow for the determination of the country of origin of the end items and components;

(2) Descriptions of the vulnerabilities in the supply chains for end items and components and the countries from which such end items and components are procured; and

(3) Recommendations for legislative or administrative action to address any identified supply chain, including plans for alternative supply chains or alternative countries from which to procure end items and components.

#### *Modifications to rights in technical data*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 868) that would modify rights in technical data.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

The conferees note intellectual property (IP), including technical data rights and rights to computer software, is critically important to the Department of Defense's ability to modernize capabilities and maintain technological superiority. As weapons systems are increasingly reliant on rapidly evolving technologies, commercial components, and software content, acquiring and licensing the appropriate IP is vital to ensuring that weapons systems and equipment remain functional, sustainable, and affordable over the system's lifecycle. IP and technical data rights are also important to industry to protect companies' corporate assets from disclosure or misuse.

However, the Department of Defense has unique IP needs due to combat logistics that includes battle damage repair and point of use manufacturing. The conferees note the importance of the Comptroller General study on requirements for data rights required by the Senate report accompanying S. 2226 (S. Rept. 118-58) to help clarifying these concerns. In addition to the elements specified in that report, the conferees direct the Comptroller General to also assess: (1) How the Department of Defense determines what are considered "core" logistics capabilities under section 2464 of Title 10, United States Code; (2) Depot source of repair activations and whether data rights requirements or data ordering contributed to significant challenges; and (3) The level of variation found in contracts for the same or similar mission systems or subsystems fielded on separate weapon platforms, including requirements approaches, data ordering, and validation of data delivery.

Furthermore, the conferees direct that this mandated review in the Senate report shall also be addressed to the House Armed Services Committee and include the additional elements specified above.

*Report on competition and equipment repair*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 870) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide a report on a plan for avoiding contract terms in procurement agreements that make it challenging for the Department of Defense to repair equipment.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on the United States defense and technological industrial base*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 871) that would require the Secretary of Defense to report on the ability of the defense and technological industrial base to meet the requirements for air and missile defense within the area of responsibility of the U.S. Central Command.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note the importance of air and missile defense capabilities as highlighted in both Ukraine and Israel. Therefore, the conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on the ability of the industrial base to meet the growing demand for air and missile defense systems. The briefing shall include:

(1) An assessment of the extent to which the inefficiencies and inadequacies of the defense and technological industrial base impede the timely production and delivery of air and missile defense components to the allies and partners of the United States;

(2) An assessment of the ongoing efforts of the Department of Defense to remedy inefficiencies and inadequacies described in paragraph (1); and

(3) A strategy for addressing the inefficiencies or inadequacies described in paragraph (1), including an evaluation of the benefits of procuring the components from, and industrial cooperation with, allies and partners of the United States.

The briefing shall be in an unclassified form but may contain a classified annex.

## *Report on defense industrial base competition*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 873) that would require the Government Accountability Office to report on consolidation and competition within the defense industrial base.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision. The House recedes.

The conferees are aware that consolidation within the defense industrial base is causing significant impacts on competition and the ability of the Department of Defense to monitor and oversee the dynamics within the industrial base. A report from the Government Accountability Office titled "Defense Industrial Base: DOD Needs Better Insight into Risks from Mergers and Acquisitions (GAO-24-106129, dated October 17, 2023) highlighted many of the problems. In particular, this report pointed out, "Most DOD assessments are initiated in response to antitrust reviews of large M&A [mergers and acquisitions] valued over a certain dollar threshold, currently \$111.4 million. Therefore, Industrial Base Policy's M&A office and DOD stakeholders focus on evaluating competition risks in their M&A assessments. While DOD policy directs Industrial Base Policy and DOD stakeholders to assess other types of risks, such as national security and innovation risks, they have not routinely done so. Moreover, DOD policy does not provide clear direction about which M&A DOD should prioritize for assessment, beyond those conducted in response to antitrust reviews. DOD officials noted that the M&A office—which is comprised of two to three staff—does not have the staff resources to initiate more assessments of smaller M&A that may also present risks...GAO found that DOD policy does not require Industrial Base Policy and DOD stakeholders to conduct monitoring. As a result, they cannot determine if risks occurred and whether further action is needed to mitigate them."

As a result, in the Senate report accompanying S. 2226 (S. Rept. 118-58), the Senate Armed Services Committee (SASC) directed the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy to develop a M&A impact model to provide an analytical framework for comprehensively assessing the defense M&A environment. In developing this M&A impact model, the SASC also directed the Department to include the following considerations:

(1) The competition goals the Department should pursue, linked to the tools the Department currently has to enhance competition, and what elements of M&A decision making would be most beneficial to link goals to those elements;

(2) The levers the Department has to achieve its strategic objectives, including an assessment of the resources needed for the workforce to meet those objectives;

(3) The data sources, internal to the DOD and available commercially, academically or publicly, that should be leveraged for decision making; and

(4) Recommendations for how the Department should assess the impacts of consolidation below the statutory thresholds to better understand the long-term effect on innovation and the supply base.

The conferees direct that such briefing in response to this requirement should also be provided to the House Armed Services Committee.

Furthermore, the conferees direct the Comptroller General of the United States to assess the framework being developed by the Department and provide a briefing on the results of that assessment to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives not later than 1 year after the enactment of this Act.

#### *Entrepreneurial Innovation Project designations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 881) that would require the Secretary of each military department to identify promising research programs of the Small Business Innovation Research Program or Small Business Technology Transfer Program for inclusion in the future budgets and plans of the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees note that a similar pilot program as proposed in section 881 was established for the intelligence community in section 6716 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263). The conferees believe that before expanding that program to other agencies, it is important to understand the results and potential effectiveness of the current pilot program.

#### *Extension and modification of domestic investment pilot program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 882) that would extend the domestic investment pilot program under the Small Business Innovation Research program until September 30, 2027.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Study and report on the expansion of the Strategic Funding Increase program of the Air Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 883) that would require the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps to jointly provide a report on the feasibility of establishing a program similar to the Air Force's Strategic Funding Increase (STRATFI) program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note the success of Air Force Venture's STRATFI program in maturing technologies from the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs and believe there could be value in scaling this type of program across the services. The conferees are concerned, however, that the SBIR/STTR programs of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps might not have the capital needed to successfully execute and sustain such a program. Therefore, the conferees direct the Service Acquisition Executives to individually provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than June 1, 2024, outlining the impact that establishing a program like the Air Force STRATFI program would have on each respective service's SBIR/STTR program. The briefing should include, but not be limited to: (1) The level of funding required to successfully execute and sustain such a program, (2) Any impact that such a program would have on the number of SBIR/STTR awards that could be made by the services, (3) Any analogous programs that currently exist within the services, and (4) Any positive or negative impacts such a program would have on the functioning of the services' SBIR/STTR program, including impact on timelines to make awards.

*Report on the Air Force First Look Program and the Army First Stop Program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 885) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report analyzing the initiatives of the Air Force First Look Program and the Army First Stop Program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on the Air Force First Look Program and the Army First Stop Program. Such a briefing shall include: (1) An analysis of the objectives of and results achieved by the Air Force First Look

Program and the Army First Stop Program; (2) A description of criteria for participation in such programs, including a description of contracts or other agreements relating to such participation; and (3) An analysis of the costs and benefits of participation in such programs for all relevant parties.

*Modification to pilot program to accelerate Department of Defense SBIR and STTR awards*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 886) that would require each Secretary of a military department to establish a pilot program to reduce the time for awards under the Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer programs.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Briefing on the implementation of category management memorandum*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 887) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment and the Director of the Office of Small Business Programs of the Department of Defense to provide a briefing on the implementation of the memorandum entitled "Achieving Small Business Goals through Category Management Practices."

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment and the Director of the Office of Small Business Programs of the Department of Defense to provide a briefing, not later than June 1, 2024, to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the implementation of the memorandum by the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment entitled "'Achieving Small Business Goals through Category Management Practices'" and dated January 27, 2023. The briefing shall include the following:

- (1) The effects of the implementation of the memorandum on contracting opportunities for small businesses;
- (2) The tools and data analysis that are being used to support small business concerns in procurement decisions to increase small business opportunities;
- (3) The strategic efforts that have been taken to achieve the small business participation goals of the Department of Defense through the use of existing and open market contracts

to reach a mix of new entrants, seasoned 8(a) companies, and other small disadvantaged businesses;

(4) The opportunities that have been identified to transition from bundled or consolidated contracts without small business participation to contracts with small business participation or to use small business set-aside competition;

(5) The metrics the Department of Defense has established to measure the effects of the implementation of the category management memorandum on opportunities for small businesses to contract with the Department;

(6) The success stories of small business participation with the Department of Defense that the Department has identified and is sharing in industry engagements;

(7) The sufficiency of the educational resources identified in the category management memorandum; and

(8) Any recommendations on additional steps the Department of Defense can take to maximize small business participation with the Department through category management practices.

*Pilot program on the use of budget transfer authority for Army research to aid in technology transition*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 892) that would create a pilot program to allow the Army to use acquisition authority to aid in the transition of technology from the science and technology ecosystem to acquisition activities and operational use.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Seaplane procurement and employment*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 893) that would require an analysis by the Secretary of Defense, not later than 270 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, on the feasibility and utility of the Department of Defense procuring seaplanes and amphibious aircraft.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees agree to direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 270 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to provide an analysis to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the feasibility and utility of the Department of Defense procuring seaplanes and amphibious aircraft.

*Limitation on availability of funds relating to contracts with contract managers and auditors*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 894) that would require the Secretary of Defense to annually review the value of contracts entered into with contract managers and auditors for the purpose of managing contracts of the Department of Defense for a specified fiscal year.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Inspector General report on Department of Defense acquisition and contract administration*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 895) that would require an Inspector General of the Department of Defense report on Department-wide acquisitions and contract management, including cost, price, and profit data.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note the importance of the Department of Defense's ability to obtain fair and reasonable costs in contracting. Therefore, not later than March 31, 2024, the Inspector General of the Department of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on the status and findings of the oversight, reviews, audits, and inspections the Inspector General has conducted regarding Department-wide acquisitions and contract management, including:

(1) Findings regarding the effectiveness of the Department in obtaining the best value for the lowest reasonable costs when acquiring goods and services, including by reducing contract costs and ensuring that the profit of contractors for the provision of such goods and services is reasonable;

(2) An assessment of allowable, allocable, and reasonable costs and pricing for contracts;

(3) The authorities and resources for contracting officers of the Department to obtain certified cost and pricing data from contractors of the Department; and

(4) The authorities and resources of the Comptroller of the Department of Defense, the Office of Defense Pricing and Contracting, the Defense Contract Audit Agency, and the Defense Contract Management Agency to determine allowable, allocable, and reasonable costs and pricing for contracts.

*Study on the electric vehicle supply chain*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 896) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study on the effects on the national security of the United States from the influence of the People's Republic of China on the electric vehicle supply chain.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the relevant Federal agencies, to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than June 1, 2024, on the impacts to Department of Defense readiness regarding the influence of the People's Republic of China on the electric vehicle supply chain. The briefing shall include: (1) An evaluation of the percentage of critical minerals and rare earths sourced from China that are necessary for construction of electric vehicles in the United States; (2) A list of countries that contribute to the electric vehicle supply chain of the United States and that are members of China's Belt and Road Initiative or any subsequent economic agreement; and (3) Potential vulnerabilities posed by an increased use of electric vehicles by the vehicle fleet of the Department of Defense.

#### *Joint light tactical vehicle funding increase*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 897) that would authorize to be appropriated an additional \$15.0 million for Army and Marine Corps procurement of vehicle safety data recorders with predictive logistics for weapons and vehicles and make offsetting reductions for administration and service-wide activities for the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The specific authorization of appropriations amounts can be found in the funding tables.

#### *Report on gallium and germanium*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 898) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on gallium and germanium.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to conduct an analysis regarding gallium and germanium, to include consultation with domestic producers of gallium and germanium, with respect to changes in supply chain dynamics, including

production capabilities and capacities, given the recent actions by the People's Republic of China. The analysis shall include an updated assessment of any shortfalls in the supply of gallium and germanium of the United States due to such decision and an update from the head of the Office of Manufacturing Capability Expansion and Investment Prioritization of the Department of Defense on the priority of projects involving gallium and germanium, as informed by any projections and changes in the supply of gallium and germanium as it relates to national security requirements. The Secretary of Defense shall brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than June 1, 2024, on the results of this analysis.

*Assessment of supply chain constraints impacting the defense industrial base and foreign military sales*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 899) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct an assessment on constraints and threats to the supply chain of Department of Defense contractors and subcontractors to produce any defense article for use by the Department of Defense or that is the subject of a foreign military sale and provide a report on such assessment.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recedes.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report, not later than June 1, 2024, on the constraints and threats to the supply chains to produce any defense articles that are the subject of Foreign Military Sales.

*Sense of Congress regarding explosion welding*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 899A) that would express the sense of Congress regarding explosion welding.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recedes.

The conferees note that explosion welding is a critical capability for ensuring the national security of the United States and its allies. A limited number of domestic companies produce explosion welded alloys that satisfy Department of Defense requirements. If domestic sources fail, it could create a supply chain vulnerability. As such, the Department should take appropriate steps to ensure that the United States has a reliable and secure source for explosion welding to support military needs.

*Prohibition on contracting with certain entities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 899C) that would prohibit the Department of Defense from entering into, renewing, or extending a contract for the procurement of goods or services with an entity that is engaged in a boycott of the State of Israel.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Competition of small business concerns for Department of Defense contracts*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 5841) that would require the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to issue guidance ensuring that covered small businesses are better able to compete for Department of Defense contracts.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Briefing on the redesignation of National Stock Number parts as proprietary*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 5851) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing identifying which National Stock Number parts in the Defense Logistics Agency system have had their designation changed to proprietary over the previous 5 years.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees, not later than March 1, 2024, identifying which National Stock Number parts in the Defense Logistics Agency system have had their designation changed to proprietary over the previous 5 years, including a description of which parts were, or continue to be, produced by small businesses before the proprietary designation was applied, and the justification for the changes in designation.

**TITLE IX—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ORGANIZATION  
AND MANAGEMENT**

## **SUBTITLE A—OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE AND RELATED MATTERS**

*Sec. 901 - Conforming amendments to carry out elimination of position of Chief Management Officer*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 903) that would strike references in statute to the Chief Management Officer position, which was eliminated by law in the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283).

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 909).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 902 - Modification of responsibilities of Director of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 903) that would amend section 139a of title 10, United States Code, to designate the Office of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation (CAPE) as the office responsible for standardizing analytical methodologies within the Department of Defense.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would modify the requirement for alternative analysis by the Program Evaluation Competitive Analysis Cell, require the inclusion of a risk assessment for any CAPE product affecting a recommendation changing a requirement by the Joint Requirements Oversight Council that might impact an operational plan or the ability to meet combatant commander demands, and establish quarterly briefings to the congressional defense committees to encourage transparency and dialogue on ongoing CAPE activities.

*Sec. 903 - Establishment of Office of Strategic Capital*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 872) that would require the Office of Strategic Capital in the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering to not invest in or guarantee or otherwise facilitate any investment in any entity incorporated under the laws of the People's Republic of China or of which more than 50 percent is owned, directly or indirectly, by the following:

- (1) Citizens of the People's Republic of China;
- (2) Entities incorporated under the laws of the People's Republic of China; or

(3) Any combination of the individuals and entities described in subparagraphs (1) and (2).

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 901) that would codify the Office of Strategic Capital.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 904 - Establishment and assignment of roles and responsibilities for combined joint all-domain command and control in support of integrated joint warfighting*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 904) that would establish roles and responsibilities for components of the Office of the Secretary of Defense for the Combined Joint All-Domain Command and Control (CJADC2) effort.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would provide discretion to the Secretary of Defense in the assignment of CJADC2 roles and responsibilities within the Office of the Secretary of Defense, and would shift the reporting requirement in subsection (e) of the Senate provision to the following statement of the managers.

The conferees direct that, not later than March 1, 2024, the Secretary of Defense, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes:

(1) A description of the organizational assignment of roles and responsibilities to implement CJADC2 described in this section;

(2) A plan and associated timelines for deploying and demonstrating a joint data integration layer prototype in the United States Indo-Pacific Command area of operations;

(3) A plan and associated timelines for transitioning such a prototype, upon its successful demonstration, to fielding as soon as practicable given the urgent need for a CJADC2 capability;

(4) A plan and associated timelines for reaching initial operational capability for a joint data integration layer within the United States Indo-Pacific Command area of operations;

(5) A plan and associated timelines for scaling that capability to future areas of operation across the combatant commands;

(6) An assessment of the required type and number of personnel at the United States Indo-Pacific Command to enable sustained growth in CJADC2 capabilities; and

(7) A plan and associated timelines for—  
(a) identifying specific critical effects chains necessary to overcome anti-access and area denial

capabilities and offensive military operations of foreign adversaries; and

(b) creating, demonstrating, deploying, and sustaining such chains.

The conferees note the progress the Department of Defense has made in focusing CJADC2 on operational problems through the Chief Data and Artificial Intelligence Officer, the Deputy Chief Technology Officer for Mission Capabilities of the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, and the Executive Director for Acquisition, Integration, and Interoperability of the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, among others. The conferees encourage the Department to establish roles and responsibilities among these organizations involved in CJADC2 in a timely manner.

*Sec. 905 - Principal Deputy Assistant Secretaries to support Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 905) that would authorize the Secretary of Defense to appoint two Principal Deputy Assistant Secretaries to support the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

## **SUBTITLE B—OTHER DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT MATTERS**

*Sec. 911 - Additional requirements under general policy for total force management*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 922) that would amend section 129a of title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense to develop data analytics to identify quantitative and qualitative metrics for the sizing and composition of the civilian workforce in the Department of Defense, and to require that planning, programming, and budgeting reviews consider all components of the total force, including active and reserve components, the civilian workforce, and contractor support.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would eliminate the requirement relating to the development of data analytics.

*Sec. 912 - Addition of College of International Security Affairs to National Defense University*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 934) that would amend Section 2165 of title 10, United States Code, to add the College of International Security Affairs as a component institution of the National Defense University.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 913 - Codification of the Defense Innovation Unit*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 925) that would codify the Defense Innovation Unit and establish nontraditional innovation fielding enterprises.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would make a number of technical and clarifying modifications.

*Sec. 914 - Repeal of authority to appoint a Naval Research Advisory Committee*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 927) that would repeal section 8024 of title 10, United States Code, the authority to appoint a Naval Research Advisory Committee.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 915 - Eligibility of members of Space Force for instruction at the Naval Postgraduate School*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 928) that would amend section 8545 of title 10, United States Code, to authorize members of the Space Force to attend the Naval Postgraduate School.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 916 - Membership of the Air Force Reserve Forces Policy Committee*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 929) that would amend section 10305(b) of title 10, United States Code to include as nonvoting members of the Air Force Reserve Forces Policy Committee the Chief Master Sergeants of the Air Force, the Air Force Reserve, the Air National Guard, and the Space Force.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 917 - Modification of cross-functional team to address emerging threat relating to anomalous health incidents*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 906) that would clarify the mandate of the Department of Defense's Anomalous Health Incidents Cross-Functional Team contained in section 910 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81) to include efforts related to "emerging directed energy capabilities, including such capabilities that could plausibly result in anomalous health incidents" as well as other clarifying changes.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 918 - Technology release and foreign disclosure reform initiative*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 922) that would require the Secretary of Defense to develop a transition plan and realign the Defense Technology Security Administration under the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would establish or utilize an existing reform initiative to provide continuous improvement recommendations on the technology release and foreign disclosure process for the Department of Defense, including development of managerial metric objectives, designation of points of contact for technology release in the Office of the Secretary of Defense and the military departments, and oversight reporting and briefing requirements.

*Sec. 919 - Software-based capability to facilitate scheduling between the Department of Defense and Congress*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 924) that would require the Secretary of Defense to ensure that the software used by the Department of Defense to schedule meetings, briefings, and hearings with the congressional defense committees is fully integrated and digitally interoperable with similar congressional software.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

The conferees direct the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs to deliver a briefing to the congressional defense committees, not later than March 1, 2024, detailing the Secretary's efforts to enable the automated transmission of scheduling data.

*Sec. 920 - Metrics to operationalize audit readiness*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 925) that would require the Secretary of Defense to develop a set of command audit metrics that link existing audit readiness goals and metrics for the financial management community with unit leadership goals and metrics to provide operationally relevant performance measures for use by unit commanders.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would clarify the development of metrics for the military departments to be used in the performance evaluation of military department senior executive service members, general officers, and flag officers.

*Sec. 921 - Next generation business health metrics*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 926) that would require the Secretary of Defense to develop an updated set of business health metrics to inform senior leader decision-making in the Department of Defense.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than January 30, 2025, on the development of the metrics required by this provision.

*Sec. 922 - Independent assessment of defense business enterprise architecture*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 927) that would require the Secretary of Defense to select a federally funded research and development center or a university affiliated research center to conduct an independent assessment of the Department of Defense Business Enterprise Architecture.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 923 - Future force design of the Department of the Air Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 933) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force, not later than August 31, 2024, to develop a force design for the Air Force and the Space Force projected through 2050, and would require the Secretary to provide a summary and briefing to the congressional defense committees, not later than 60 days after completion of the force design.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

The conferees direct the Secretary of the Air Force to provide a briefing, not later than April 1, 2024, to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the standup of the 3rd Power Projection Wing. The briefing shall include, at a minimum, the planned timeline for activation of the 3rd Power Projection Wing and the associated moves with respect to personnel, aircraft, and equipment.

*Sec. 924 - Feasibility study on the consolidation or transfer of space functions of the National Guard to the Space Force*

The House bill contained provisions (secs. 951, 952, 953, 954) that would establish a Space National Guard composed of National Guard forces in the various States and U.S. territories in which the Space Force operates.

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1803) that would require the Secretary of Defense to contract with a federally funded research and development center to conduct an independent comprehensive assessment of space-related assets within the Air National Guard.

The House recedes with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study to assess the feasibility and advisability of transferring space functions of the Air National Guard to the Space Force. The provision would also require the Secretary to submit a final report containing the results of the required study to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives by March 1, 2024.

## **LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Under Secretary of Defense for Science and Innovation Integration*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 901) that would rename the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering to the Under Secretary of Defense for Science and

Innovation Integration and expand the responsibilities for the position.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Repeal of position of Director of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 902) that would disestablish the Department of Defense's Office of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation (CAPE) and authorizes the Secretary of Defense to determine where to devolve CAPE's responsibilities.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that we begin to address cultural and transparency concerns with the CAPE elsewhere in this bill and plan to consider additional reforms in future National Defense Authorization Acts.

*Reinstatement of position of Chief Management Officer of Department of Defense*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 902) that would reinstate the position of the Department of Defense Chief Management Officer in chapter 4 of title 10, United States Code.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note the many ongoing management reform efforts within the Department to help improve their business operations, including several proposed by this Act such as the development of business health metrics, audit readiness metrics, and an independent review of the Department's business enterprise architecture, among others.

*Elimination of the Chief Diversity Officer of the Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 904) that would eliminate the Chief Diversity Officer of the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Pilot program on protecting access to critical assets*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 907) that would establish a pilot program within the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment with the authority to conduct assessments, support industrial base decision-making, and provide mitigation measures to counter adversarial capital flows into domestic and allied industrial entities intended to undermine or deny United States access to key industrial capabilities or access and placement needed for national security and military functions.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Modification of analysis required for reductions to civilian workforce under general policy for total force management*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 921) that would amend section 129a(b) of title 10, United States Code, to require that the civilian workforce analysis required by that section be documented in writing, and which would require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a review of such written analysis going forward.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Comptroller General to conduct a review of the most recent 10 years of analysis conducted pursuant to section 129a(b) relating to reductions in the civilian workforce of the Department of Defense. The review should include an assessment of whether the analysis prepared by the Secretary sufficiently considers the readiness needs of the Department. The conferees direct that the Comptroller General provide a report on the results of this review to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives by no later than January 31, 2025.

*Eligibility of Chief of the National Guard Bureau for appointment as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 923) that would amend section 152 of title 10, United States Code, to make the Chief of the National Guard Bureau eligible for appointment as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Coast Guard input to the Joint Requirements Oversight Council*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 924) that would require the Joint Requirements Oversight Council to seek and consider the views of the Commandant of the Coast Guard.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note that a provision elsewhere in this Act requires a review of the Department's requirements generation process, and the conferees recommend as part of such review that the Department consider the best means to solicit and consider input from the United States Coast Guard.

*Designation of Explosive Ordnance Disposal Corps as a basic branch of the Army*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 926) that would establish the Explosive Ordnance Disposal Corps as a basic branch of the United States Army.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Framework for classification of autonomous capabilities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 930) that would require the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer of the Department of Defense to establish a Department-wide classification framework for autonomous capabilities.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note that the matters described are addressed elsewhere in the bill.

*Enhancing Department of Defense coordination of geoeconomic affairs*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 932) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a review of the planning, resourcing, and contributions of the Department of Defense to interagency efforts with respect to geoeconomic affairs and to submit a report regarding such review.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note the importance of the Department of Defense's role in interagency efforts with respect to geoeconomic affairs and the progress made in contributing to such efforts by the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, the Office of Expanded Competition and the Global Investment and Economic Security Directorate, among other offices. Therefore,

the conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit a report, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to the congressional defense committees on the findings of a review on the planning, resourcing, and contributions of the Department on such interagency efforts. Such report shall include:

(1) An assessment of the Department of Defense's capabilities to contribute to and efforts to coordinate with the U.S. interagency to-

(a) assess geoeconomic competition between the United States and strategic competitors;

(b) identify methods to partner with governments and key commercial entities; and

(c) support United States national security interests related to geoeconomic affairs;

(2) An assessment of any gaps in-

(a) existing Department of Defense commercial due diligence and commercial partnership processes and procedures to enable sustainable cooperation with governmental and commercial entities within the United States and between the United States and allies and partners for national defense purposes;

(b) efforts by the combatant commands to develop and to coordinate regional expertise with interagency partners on how strategic competitors may use economic and supply chain strategies within the areas of responsibility of the combatant commands;

(c) the contributions of the Department to the coordinated use by the U.S. interagency of existing industrial base and supply chain tools, acquisition and budget authorities, industrial security oversight, technology transfer and export controls, cybersecurity standards and oversight, and mergers and acquisition reviews to enhance innovation and industrial cooperation and to protect the defense capabilities of the United States and its allies and partners; and

(d) the contributions of the Department to existing measures to safeguard the intellectual property and knowledge created from United States Government and private sector research and development funding while encouraging, when appropriate, the sharing of such knowledge with allies and partners;

(3) For each identified gap, an assessment of any legal authorities, budgeting and execution processes, or other issues the Secretary deems necessary to address the gap; and

(4) Any other information the Secretary considers appropriate.

For the purposes of this report, the term ``geoeconomics'' means the global interaction between competing national security and economic priorities comprising the various activities undertaken between governments, allies and partners, competitors, producers, and consumers, including:

(1) How economics, technological innovation, and geography affect the distribution of capabilities in the international system; and

(2) How states use economic and technological instruments in pursuit of their strategic interests.

## **TITLE X—GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### **SUBTITLE A—FINANCIAL MATTERS**

#### *Sec. 1001 - General transfer authority*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1001) that would allow the Secretary of Defense, with certain limitations, to make transfers between amounts authorized for fiscal year 2024 in division A of this Act. This provision would also limit the total amount transferred under this authority to \$6.0 billion.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1001).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

#### *Sec. 1002 - Annual report on budget prioritization by Secretary of Defense and military departments*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1002) that would require the Secretary of Defense to annually submit a report that includes organized tabulations of programs, projects, and activities for which the total obligational authority was reduced or eliminated in the current budget year proposal compared to the prior-year projection for the current year.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would make technical changes.

#### *Sec. 1003 - Additional reporting requirements related to unfunded priorities of armed forces and combatant commands*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1003) that amend section 222a(c)(1) of title 10, United States Code,

by adding additional reporting requirements related to unfunded priorities.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1004 - Audit requirement for Department of Defense components*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1005A) that would require each component of the Department of Defense to be subject to an independent audit.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1005 - Requirement for unqualified opinion on Department of Defense financial statements*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1089) that would require the Secretary of Defense to ensure that the Department of Defense has received an unqualified opinion on its financial statements.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment to change the date to December 31, 2028.

## **SUBTITLE B—COUNTERDRUG ACTIVITIES**

*Sec. 1010 - Enhanced support for counterdrug activities and activities to counter transnational organized crime*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1012) that would modify section 284(b) of title 10, United States Code, to add planning services to the types of support that may be provided.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1011 - Modification of support for counterdrug activities and activities to counter transnational organized crime: increase in cap for small scale construction projects*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1013) that would increase the cap on small scale construction support to foreign counterdrug partners from \$750,000 to \$1.5 million.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment to the amount of the cap on small scale construction support to foreign counterdrug partners.

*Sec. 1012 - Drug interdiction and counter-drug activities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1006) that would raise a \$5,000 spending cap to \$15,000 on counter-drug equipment procured or leased by the National Guard requiring advance approval from Secretary of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1013 - Disruption of fentanyl trafficking*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1009) that would require the Secretary of Defense to develop and submit a strategy to use existing authorities to target, disrupt, or degrade threats to the national security of the United States caused or exacerbated by fentanyl trafficking.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1011).

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would make various technical changes to the House provision.

The conferees note that fentanyl trafficking across the borders of the United States, and the consequences of that trafficking, constitute a nontraditional and long-term threat to the national security of the United States; that transnational criminal organizations have developed significant fentanyl production and trafficking infrastructure; and that combating fentanyl trafficking demands improved interagency command, control, communications, and intelligence sharing to enhance the effectiveness of the interdiction of fentanyl at the borders of the United States.

Further, the conferees note that it is in the national security interest of the United States for Federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies, the Department of Defense, the Department of State, the Department of Justice, other counter-drug agencies, and stakeholders to develop whole-of-government solutions to disrupt the fentanyl production, transshipment, and illicit importation process.

Finally, the conferees note that the United States must partner with Mexico and Canada to combat fentanyl trafficking through institution building, the dismantling of cartels, and interdiction of illicit drug flows.

Therefore, the conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit a report, not later than May 1, 2024, to the

Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on cooperative efforts with the Government of Mexico that includes:

(1) An assessment of the impact of efforts to enhance cooperation on targeting, disrupting, and degrading fentanyl trafficking;

(2) A description of limitations on such efforts, including limitations imposed by the Government of Mexico;

(3) Recommendations by the Secretary on actions to further improve cooperation with the Government of Mexico;

(4) Recommendations by the Secretary, in consultation with other relevant Federal Departments and Agencies, on actions of the Department of Defense that could further improve the capabilities of the Government of Mexico to target, disrupt, and degrade fentanyl trafficking; and

(5) Any other matter the Secretary considers relevant.

## **SUBTITLE C—NAVAL VESSELS AND SHIPYARDS**

### *Sec. 1015 - Modifications to annual naval vessel construction plan*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1011) that would provide for greater transparency and representation by the military services with regard to their views on the annual naval vessel construction plan. The provision would require, among other things, that the Secretary of the Navy ensure consistency among plans in the first 10 years if more than one shipbuilding plan is submitted.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would remove the requirement about consistency in the first 10 years of multiple shipbuilding plans

### *Sec. 1016 - Critical components of national sea-based deterrence vessels*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1012) that would modify the National Sea-Based Deterrence Fund to allow for continuous production of additional critical components.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

### *Sec. 1017 - Grants for improvement of Navy ship repair or alterations capability*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1013) that would authorize a grant program for the Navy for non-nuclear shipyards.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1018 - Repeal of obsolete provision of law regarding vessel nomenclature*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1014) that would repeal an obsolete subsection of United States Code relating to the naming of battleships.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1019 - Responsibility of Commandant of the Marine Corps with respect to naval battle force ship assessment and requirement reporting*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1015) that would provide the Commandant of the Marine Corps the responsibility for developing requirements related to all naval vessels with the primary mission of transporting Marines within the Naval Battle Force Ship Requirements and Assessment.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment to the provision's title.

The conferees agree that the Commandant of the Marine Corps has not been provided an adequate voice in the generation of requirements for naval vessels that support Marine Corps missions. Section 1025 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) provided that the Commandant of the Marine Corps would have responsibility for preparation of amphibious warfare ship requirements. The section did not deal with requirements for smaller vessels, such as the Landing Ship Medium (LSM). However, the Commandant called for a program of 35 LSMs to support operations of three Marine Littoral Regiments, with affordability and speed to delivery as key considerations. However, the Navy's program only includes 18 LSMs, a number insufficient to provide continuous support for two Marine Littoral Regiments.

*Sec. 1020 - Policy of the United States on shipbuilding defense industrial base*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1016) that would amend the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115-91) to state that it is the policy of the United States that the shipbuilding defense industrial base is fundamental for achieving the Navy's shipbuilding requirements and constitutes a unique national security imperative that requires sustainment and support by the Navy and Congress.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1021 - Prohibition on retirement of certain naval vessels*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1017) that would prohibit retirement or inactivation of the USS *Germantown* (LSD-42), USS *Gunston Hall* (LSD-44), and USS *Tortuga* (LSD-46), as well as the USS *Shiloh* (CG-67) and USS *Cowpens* (CG-63).

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1023) that would prohibit retirement or inactivation of the same amphibious ships and USS *Shiloh*, but would allow the retirement of the USS *Cowpens*.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1022 - Authority to use incremental funding to enter into a contract for the advance procurement and construction of a San Antonio-class amphibious ship*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1020) that would grant authority to use incremental funding to enter into a contract for the advance procurement and construction of a *San Antonio*-class amphibious ship.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1023 - Authority to use incremental funding to enter into a contract for the advance procurement and construction of a submarine tender*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1021) that would provide incremental funding authority for the Navy to enter into a contract for acquisition and construction of a submarine tender.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1024 - Biannual briefings on submarine readiness*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1024) that would require the Secretary of the Navy to provide quarterly briefings on submarine readiness.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

## **SUBTITLE D—COUNTERTERRORISM**

*Sec. 1031 - Extension of prohibition on use of funds for transfer or release of individuals detained at United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, to the United States*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1031) that would prohibit the use of any amounts authorized to be appropriated or otherwise made available for the Department of Defense during the period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act and ending on December 31, 2024, to transfer or release detainees at U.S. Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, to or within the United States, its territories, or possessions.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1032).

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1032 - Extension of prohibition on use of funds to construct or modify facilities in the United States to house detainees transferred from United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1032) that would prohibit the use of any amounts authorized to be appropriated or otherwise made available for the Department of Defense to be used during the period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act and ending on December 31, 2024, to construct or modify any facility in the United States, its territories, or possessions to house any detainee transferred from U.S. Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, for the purposes of detention or imprisonment in the custody or under the effective control of the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1033).

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1033 - Extension of prohibition on use of funds for transfer or release of individuals detained at United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, to certain countries*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1033) that would prohibit the use of funding authorized to be appropriated or otherwise made available for the Department of Defense during the period beginning on the date of the enactment of this act and ending on December 31, 2024, to transfer, release, or assist in the transfer or release of any individual detained at U.S. Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, to Libya, Somalia, Syria, Yemen, and Afghanistan.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1034).

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1034 - Extension of prohibition on use of funds to close or relinquish control of United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1034) that would prohibit the use of any amounts authorized to be appropriated or otherwise made available to the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2024 for the closure or abandonment of United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, the relinquishment of control of Guantanamo Bay to the Republic of Cuba, or the implementation of a material modification to the Treaty Between the United States of America and Cuba signed in the District of Columbia on May 29, 1934, that constructively closes United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1031).

The House recesses.

## **SUBTITLE E—MISCELLANEOUS AUTHORITIES AND LIMITATIONS**

*Sec. 1041 - Limitation on availability of certain funds until submission of Chairman's Risk Assessment; briefing requirement*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1073) that would limit certain funds from obligation or expenditure until the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Secretary of Defense submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives outstanding risk assessments. The provision would also amend section 153 of title 10, United States Code, to require an annual briefing on the assessments developed by the Joint Staff.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would limit the obligation and expenditure of not more than 80 percent of the funds authorized for travel for the Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Office of the Secretary of Defense until the 2024 Chairman's Risk Assessment (CRA), and, if applicable, the associated Risk Mitigation Plan (RMP) is delivered to Congress.

The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff is required to deliver the CRA annually to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives not later than February 15. A critical component of the risk assessment is to identify and assess force capabilities, as well as characterizing how risk varies over time due to budget priorities, tradeoffs, and fiscal constraints. Receiving the CRA in a timely manner is instrumental in the decision making processes of the congressional committees of jurisdiction as they evaluate the authorities and resources that may be necessary to implement the National Defense Strategy at various levels of risk. In fact, the CRA has not been submitted on time for the past several years.

The 2024 CRA will be the first assessment produced by the current Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The conferees note that the repeated delays in delivering previous CRAs predate the tenure of the current Chairman, and that he has acknowledged the importance of delivering the annual CRA in accordance with the statutory deadline. While the conferees are encouraged by the Chairman's assurances and commend him for making this issue a priority, the conferees believe that it is appropriate, and necessary, to limit certain funding to ensure the upcoming CRA is delivered on time as required by law.

*Sec. 1042 - Assistance in support of Department of Defense accounting for missing United States Government personnel*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1044) that would amend section 408 of title 10, United States Code, to authorize the provision of funds by the Department of Defense to foreign nations to assist in accounting for missing United States Government personnel. The provision would also modify the congressional reporting requirement in section 408 of title 10, United States Code, to require an annual report on the Department's use of the authorities provided by that section.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would modify the annual aggregate dollar limitation in section 408 from \$1 million to \$5 million, and which would authorize the Secretary

of Defense to waive such limitation upon proper notice and explanation to the congressional defense committees.

*Sec. 1043 - Implementation of arrangements to build transparency, confidence, and security*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1045) that would authorize the Secretary of Defense to use amounts authorized for operation and maintenance for travel, transportation, and subsistence expenses for meetings and demonstrations hosted by the Department of Defense in implementation of the Vienna Document 2011 on confidence and security-building measures.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1044 - Modification to definitions of Confucius Institute*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1041) that would update the definition of a ``Confucius Institute.``

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1045 - Termination of authority to issue waiver of limitation on use of funds to institutions of higher education hosting Confucius Institutes*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1042) that would discontinue the Secretary of Defense's waiver authority under section 1062(b) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283).

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1079).

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would extend the authority to provide a waiver until October 1, 2026.

*Sec. 1046 - Vetting procedures and monitoring requirements for allies and partners participating in education or training activities in the United States*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1043) that would provide an exemption from the vetting requirements of section 1090 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283) for international military students from North Atlantic Treaty Organization countries.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would provide the Secretary of Defense the authority to waive the vetting requirements of section 1090 of Public Law 116-283 for international military students:

(1) On a person-by-person basis, if the Secretary of Defense determines that the waiver is in the national security interests of the United States; or

(2) On a country-by-country basis, with respect to foreign nationals or other appropriate persons who hold a security clearance issued by that country, if the Secretary of Defense determines that the vetting procedures of the country are functionally equivalent to the vetting procedures of the United States for United States military personnel.

*Sec. 1047 - Authority to include funding requests for the chemical and biological defense program in budget accounts of military departments*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1098) that would amend section 1701(d)(2) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1994 (Public Law 103-160) by changing the budget authority from prohibitive to permissive.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1042).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 1048 - Limitation on availability of funds until delivery of report on next generation tactical communications*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1044) that would limit funds available for certain special operations tactical communications (STC) equipment until a report is submitted detailing issues and the plan for addressing those issues.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a clarifying amendment that would limit funds available for certain STC equipment until a report is submitted describing STC requirements, identified STC deficiencies, and a plan for addressing such deficiencies.

*Sec. 1049 - Establishment of procedure of the Department of Defense to determine certain complaints or requests regarding public displays or public expressions of religion on property of the Department*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1045) that would prohibit the Department of Defense from communicating with the Military Religious Freedom Foundation, or acting on complaints or claims by the Foundation or its leadership, without approval of the Secretary of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to prescribe regulations establishing a procedure for the timely determination of certain complaints or requests by private entities that concern a public display or public expression of religion on Department property.

*Sec. 1050 - Limitation on availability of funds for destruction of landmines*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1082) that would limit funding for the destruction of anti-personnel landmine munitions until the Secretary of Defense provides a report that describes current policy, projected inventories and associated costs, and a military assessment of inventory projections.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would adjust the funding limitation and modify the reporting requirements.

*Sec. 1051 - Limitation on availability of funds for travel expenses of Office of the Secretary of Defense until submission of certain plans*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1399G) that would limit the availability of funds for travel expenses of the Office of the Secretary of Defense until the Secretary of Defense submits the United States Indo-Pacific Command joint force headquarters implementation plan required by section 1087 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263), the strategic competition plans for United States Southern and Africa Commands required by section 1332(g)(2) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81), and the information operations strategy and posture review required by section 1631(g) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116-92).

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1052 - Prohibition on display of unapproved flags*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1048) that would prohibit a member of the Armed Forces or civilian employee of the Department of Defense from displaying a flag other than an approved flag in any work place, common access area, or public area of the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would further clarify the scope and extent of the flag policy and its applicability, and a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1053 - Collaboration with partner countries to develop and maintain military-wide transformational strategies for operational energy*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1392) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish a partnership program using existing authorities to collaborate with the military forces of partner countries in developing and maintaining military-wide transformational strategies for operational energy.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment to amend the existing framework of the Contested Logistics Working Group to accommodate a potential partnership program to develop and maintain military-wide transformational strategies for operational energy.

*Sec. 1054 - Student loan deferment for dislocated military spouses*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 636) that would amend section 1087e of title 20, United States Code, to authorize student loan deferment for certain dislocated military spouses.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

## **SUBTITLE F—STUDIES AND REPORTS**

*Sec. 1061 - Modifications of reporting requirements*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1054) that would modify certain reporting requirements.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would remove certain reports from this provision.

*Sec. 1062 - Extension of requirement to submit a report on Department of Defense support for Department of Homeland Security at the international borders of the United States*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1063) that would extend an annual report required by section 1014 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114-328) on Department of Defense support for Department of Homeland Security at the international borders of the United States.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recedes.

*Sec. 1063 - Briefing on Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency capabilities required to expand accounting for persons missing from designated past conflicts*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1061) that would require the Director of the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) to submit to the congressional defense committees an annual report on the unfunded priorities of DPAA.

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1048) that would require DPAA to annually post on a publicly-accessible website a list of capabilities required to execute DPAA's mission to account for missing persons from past conflicts. The Senate provision would also grant DPAA authority to enter into agreements with universities and research organizations to provide additional capabilities for specialized missions or research requirements.

The House recedes with an amendment that would require DPAA to provide the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives a briefing, not later than March 1, 2024, on the capabilities required to expand accounting for persons missing from designated past conflicts. The amendment would also include the authority to enter into agreements contained in the Senate provision.

*Sec. 1064 - Air Force plan for maintaining proficient aircrews in certain mission areas*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1064) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to provide a report on the Secretary's plan to maintain sufficient capability, capacity, and numbers of proficient aircrew to support geographical combatant commanders' requirements for close air support, forward air controller-airborne, and combat search and rescue missions during contingency operations. The provision

would also limit the retirement of A-10 aircraft pending submission of the required report.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would add the air battle management mission area to the reporting requirements in the House provision.

*Sec. 1065 - Independent study on naval mine warfare*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1067) that would require an independent study of the mine warfare capabilities of the Navy, and the provision of an unaltered report on the results of the study to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1066 - Annual report and briefing on implementation of Force Design 2030*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1069) that would require the Commandant of the Marine Corps to provide an annual briefing on the programmatic choices made to implement Force Design 2030, including new developmental and fielded capabilities and capacities and capacity divested to accelerate the implementation of Force Design 2030.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1051).

The House recesses with an amendment that would adjust report and briefing timelines, add an assessment related to the Navy's 30-year shipbuilding plan, and clarify that this provision would subsume the requirement to submit a briefing pursuant to section 1023 of the Joint Explanatory Statement accompanying the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) upon submission of the initial report.

*Sec. 1067 - Study and report on potential inclusion of black box data recorders in tactical vehicles*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1076) that would require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on equipping all tactical vehicles with black box data recorders and to provide a report to the congressional defense committees on the results of such study.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1068 - Plan on countering human trafficking*

The Senate amendment contained a provision that would require the Secretary of Defense, not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to submit a plan for coordinating with defense partners in North America and South America and supporting interagency departments and agencies in countering human trafficking operations.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1069 - Update to strategic plan on Department of Defense combating trafficking in persons program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1084) that would require the Secretary of Defense to update its strategic plan on the Department of Defense Combatting Trafficking in Persons Program, and to submit that plan to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment that would include other appropriate committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives as recipients of the plan required by this section.

*Sec. 1070 - Report on use of tactical fighter aircraft for deployments and homeland defense missions*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1053) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study on the use of tactical fighter aircraft and bomber aircraft for deployments and homeland defense missions.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would delete the requirement regarding bomber forces, and add a requirement that the Department provide a report on historical deployments of tactical fighter aircraft and their use in homeland defense missions for the past 15 years.

*Sec. 1071 - Report on equipping certain ground combat units with small unmanned aerial systems*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1055) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide to the congressional defense committees a report on equipping platoon-sized ground combat formations with certain small unmanned aerial systems.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1072 - Biannual briefings on homeland defense planning*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1058) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide briefings on efforts to bolster homeland defense.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment to the requirements of the briefings.

*Sec. 1073 - Report on effectiveness of current use of United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1062) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing on the use of Guantanamo Bay Naval Station in light of foreign military activity in Cuba.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would limit the provision to a report focused explicitly on intelligence collection, cyber, and information operation activities.

*Sec. 1074 - Holistic training range assessment*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 366) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct an assessment of the capacity of the Department of Defense to routinely train, test, evaluate, and qualify theater-level operations in support of the Pacific Deterrence Initiative using test or training areas located in the southeastern region of the United States. The House bill also contained a provision (sec. 1065) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report containing an assessment of the Department of Defense range capability and capacity in Florida.

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 223) that would require the Secretary of Defense to carry out a demonstration of a joint multi-domain non-kinetic testing and training environment across military departments by interconnecting existing ranges and training sites in the western States to improve joint multi-domain non-kinetic training and further testing, research, and development. The Senate amendment also contained a provision (sec. 1643) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering to conduct a comprehensive review of its electronic

warfare training ranges and future capabilities, and provide a briefing not later than March 31, 2024.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require the Department to carry out a comprehensive assessment of military training ranges with annual reports through 2032.

*Sec. 1075 - Special operations force structure*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 597) that would require the Secretaries of the military departments, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict, and the Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command to conduct a coordinated review of force structure and personnel requirements for special operations forces (SOF) under the jurisdiction of the Secretaries of the military departments and prohibit any reduction in force structure, personnel requirements, or staffing levels of SOF until such review is completed.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1059).

The House recedes with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to assess the optimal force structure for SOF and require a written notification to the congressional defense committees prior to announcing or implementing a reduction of SOF force structure by more than 1,000 personnel.

The conferees believe SOF have a vital and increasing role to play in strategic competition in addition to conducting counterterrorism and crisis response operations. The conferees also note the demand for special operations forces and related capabilities by geographic combatant commanders continues to exceed supply and reductions to SOF, including critical enablers, would dramatically and negatively impact their available options for carrying out assigned missions in support of the 2022 National Defense Strategy. Lastly, the conferees believe the Secretary of Defense should not consider any reductions to SOF force structure until after the completion of a comprehensive analysis of SOF force structure and a determination that any planned changes would not have a negative impact on the ability of geographic combatant commanders to support strategic competition, counterterrorism, and respond to crises.

*Sec. 1076 - Comprehensive assessment of Marine Corps Force Design 2030*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 913) that would require a review of Marine Corps force modernization efforts by

a federally funded research and development center (FFRDC) and an assessment by the Secretary of Defense on the results of the FFRDC review.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1056).

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1077 - Assessment and recommendations relating to infrastructure, capacity, resources, and personnel on Guam*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1075) that would require the Secretary of Defense to assess the capacity of existing infrastructure, resources, and personnel available in Guam to meet U.S. Indo-Pacific Command strategic objectives, and provide a report on such assessment.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1078 - Feasibility study on conversion of Joint Task Force North into Joint Interagency Task Force North*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1052) that would require that the Secretary of Defense submit a detailed plan for converting Joint Task Force North into a joint interagency task force.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment to require a feasibility study on the possible conversion of Joint Task Force North into a joint interagency task force.

## **SUBTITLE G—OTHER MATTERS**

*Sec. 1080 - Modification of definition of domestic source for title III of the Defense Production Act of 1950*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1080) that would amend section 702 of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (Public Law 81-774) to add Australia and the United Kingdom to the definition of domestic sources for the purposes of title III of such Act.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees believe it is critical for the United States to foster long-term, sustainable, and reliable supply chains for critical materials and technologies, and recognizes title III of the Defense Production Act as one way to accomplish this goal in

collaboration with our closest allies. The committee notes the unique contributions that Australia and the United Kingdom continue to make to U.S. national security and defense, including but not limited to cutting edge defense systems, dual-use technologies, and providing a secure pathway to acquiring critical and rare earth minerals. The trilateral security partnership among Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States, commonly known as the AUKUS partnership, is only the latest example of the deep ties between the three nations.

The conferees note that the reporting and certification requirements of this provision should not be used to inhibit the timely use of the authority in relation to Australia and the United Kingdom. The committee recognizes the AUKUS partnership as a critical step in joint capability development and interoperability and this provision complements related efforts to operationalize this agreement and help ensure the timely availability of essential resources to support the defense of the United States and its close partners.

*Sec. 1081 - Integrated and authenticated access to Department of Defense systems for certain congressional staff for oversight purposes*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 923) that would require the Secretary of Defense to integrate, to the extent feasible, access tokens granted to the congressional defense committees with Department of Defense Parking Management Office software.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1082 - Modification of compensation for members of the Afghanistan War Commission*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6073) that would modify the compensation for members of the Afghanistan War Commission.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would clarify procedures supporting overseas travel for certain commissions.

*Sec. 1083 - Senate National Security Working Group*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6083) that would reconstitute the Senate National Security Working Group, as previously reconstituted by section 21 of Senate Resolution 64 of the 113th Congress.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 1084 - Tribal liaisons at military installations*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 353) that would require the Secretary of Defense to ensure that each installation of the Department of Defense that has an Indian Tribe, Native Hawaiian Organization, or Tribal interests in the area surrounding the installation has a Tribal liaison located at the installation.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1085 - Commercial integration cell plan within certain combatant commands*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1082) that would require development of certain combatant command action plans on commercial integration cells to further public-private partnerships and rapidly deliver capabilities relevant to the combatant command area of operations.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1078).

The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1086 - Guidance for use of unmanned aircraft systems by National Guard*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1085) that would require the Secretary of Defense to update guidance for the use of unmanned aircraft systems by the National Guard, and provide a briefing to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives on that updated guidance. The briefing would be required to point out any changes that would make the guidance more restrictive, and the reasons for making that such changes.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would add the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate as a recipient of the briefing, and make other technical adjustments.

*Sec. 1087 - Public disclosure of Afghanistan war records*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1099C) that would require the Secretary of Defense to expeditiously disclose to the public all records relating to the war in Afghanistan.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1088 - Implementation plan for Joint Concept for Competing*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1072) that would require the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to provide a written update and accompanying briefing on the implementation of the Joint Concept for Competing.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1089 - Notification of safety and security concerns at certain Department of Defense laboratories*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1074) that would direct the Secretary of Defense to notify the congressional defense committees within 7 days after ceasing operations at any Department of Defense laboratory or facility rated at biosafety level 3 or higher for safety or security reasons.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1090 - Conduct of weather reconnaissance in the United States*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1090E) that would authorize the use of aircraft, personnel, and equipment for certain mission requirements in support of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) if such aircraft, personnel, and equipment are not otherwise needed for hurricane monitoring. The provision would also require reports from the Secretary of the Air Force and the Secretary of Commerce relating to requirements for supporting various weather reconnaissance operational requirements.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would expand the scope of potential weather reconnaissance support that may be provided by the Air Force to NOAA and make other technical changes.

*Sec. 1091 - Sense of Congress regarding authority of Secretary of Defense with respect to irregular warfare*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1071) that would affirm the authority of the Secretary of Defense to

conduct irregular warfare operations to defend the United States, allies of the United States, and interests of the United States.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would express the sense of congress that the Secretary of Defense has the authority to conduct irregular warfare operations to defend the United States, allies of the United States, and interests of the United States.

*Sec. 1092 - Red Hill health impacts*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6074) that would require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish a Red Hill incident exposure registry to collect data on health implications of petroleum contaminated water for impacted individuals on a voluntary basis. Such amendment would also require the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in consultation with other designated agencies, to review federal programs and services available to individuals exposed to petroleum and submit a report on impacted individuals from the Red Hill bulk fuel contamination. Additionally, such amendment would require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to assess the feasibility of an epidemiological study or studies to assess outcomes for individuals impacted by the Red Hill incident.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to review federal programs and services available to individuals exposed to petroleum and submit a report on impacted individuals from the Red Hill bulk fuel contamination. The amendment would also require the Secretary of Defense to assess the feasibility of an epidemiological study or studies to assess outcomes for individuals impacted by the Red Hill incident.

The conferees note that the Department of Defense is in the process of establishing a registry of those impacted by the Red Hill bulk fuel contamination.

**LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Requirement for a covered Armed Force to submit posture statements in support of congressional budget process*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1002) that would require the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of each military department, and the chief of each covered Armed Force

to submit a written posture statement in support of budget priorities prior to the annual budget hearings of the congressional defense committees for fiscal year 2025.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees expect the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of each military department, and the chief of each Armed Force—including the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Space Force—to submit to the congressional defense committees a written posture statement in support of budget priorities prior to the annual budget hearings of the congressional defense committees. The conferees additionally expect that such statements will comply with all committee rules and hearing requirements provided to witnesses by the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

*Establishment of a blockchain-distributed ledger technologies-smart contracts defense applications working group*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1003) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish a working group that would identify potential applications for blockchain technology, smart contracts, or distributed ledger technologies in the processes of the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Drug interdiction and counter-drug activities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1004) that would authorize to be appropriated in Drug Interdiction and Counter-Drug Activities, Defense the following amounts: \$5.0 million for Global Trader in the Office of Naval Intelligence Maritime Intelligence Support, \$5.0 million for the U.S. Northern Command Mexico Office of Defense Cooperation, and \$5.0 million for Advanced Analytics for Global Threat Network Disruption. The provision would also reduce the amount authorized to be appropriated in Operation and Maintenance, Defense-wide for the Office of the Secretary of Defense by \$15.0 million.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The specific authorization of appropriations amounts can be found in the funding tables.

*Sense of the Senate on need for emergency supplemental appropriations*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1004) that would express the sense of the Senate on need for emergency supplemental appropriations.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Report on progress and challenges to achieving an unqualified audit opinion*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1005) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the progress made by each component of the Department of Defense that has not yet received an unqualified audit opinion on the progress made and the challenges toward achieving an unqualified opinion.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note the robust statutory annual and semiannual reporting requirements pertaining to the annual Department of Defense-wide financial audit. The conferees also note the ongoing efforts of the Department of Defense to address shortfalls identified in recent reports by the Government Accountability Office (GAO), including the March 2023 report titled "DOD Needs to Improve System Oversight" (GAO-23-104539) and the May 2023 report titled "Additional Actions Needed to Achieve a Clean Audit Opinion on DOD's Financial Statements" (GAO-23-105784), and believe that such efforts are integral to retaining public trust during a lengthy and complicated process. The conferees appreciate the substantive, open, and frank engagement that has historically characterized the Department's audit-related reporting, including engagement above and beyond the statutory requirements, and emphasize the importance of sustaining this engagement into the future in order to maintain confidence and transparency regarding the Department's progress towards achievement of an unmodified audit opinion. Such clarity is particularly important given the large number of dependencies, in particular with regard to enterprise business systems modernization, information technology modernization, remediation of past records retention shortcomings, and related areas.

The conferees note that other matters related to the annual financial statements audit are contained elsewhere in this Act.

*Department of Defense spending reductions in absence of submitted financial statements or failure to achieve unqualified or qualified independent audit opinion*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1005B) that would reduce the discretionary budget authority available for the Department of Defense for each fiscal year by .5 percent if the Department of Defense has not submitted a financial statement for the previous fiscal year, or if such financial statement has not received either an unqualified or qualified audit opinion by an independent external auditor.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Threat analysis regarding fentanyl crisis*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1007) that would require a threat analysis of any potential threats the illicit fentanyl drug trade poses to the defense interests of the United States.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees recognize the importance of the Secretary of Defense's role in combating the illicit fentanyl drug trade. Therefore, the conferees direct the Secretary, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to submit a report that includes: (1) An analysis of the illicit fentanyl drug trade, new or emerging techniques or technologies that are likely to affect the evolution of the illicit fentanyl drug trade, and the adequacy of existing authorities that are likely affecting the evolution of the illicit fentanyl drug trade over the Southern border of the United States; (2) Any actions the Department of Defense has taken in response to such analysis; and (3) Any other matters the Secretary determines appropriate.

*Report on role of Department of Defense in supporting National Emergency Declaration combating fentanyl crisis*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1008) that would require a report on the role of the Department of Defense in supporting a national emergency declaration combating the fentanyl crisis.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees recognize the importance of Executive Order 14059, entitled "Imposing Sanctions on Foreign Persons Involved

in the Global Illicit Drug Trade," the declaration of a national emergency by the President to address the unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States posed by international drug trafficking, and note that it is an appropriate whole-of-Government response to the problems posed by drug trafficking and, in particular, fentanyl; that the counternarcotics activities of the Department of Defense encompass unique capabilities that are critical for the efforts of the United States Government to combat the trafficking of illegal drugs, including fentanyl; and that the Department of Defense support for drug interdiction capacity and capability should be leveraged by Federal, State, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies, as appropriate and as permitted by law, to gain intelligence and lessons learned, and to enhance collaboration and effectiveness.

Therefore, the conferees direct the Secretary, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to submit a report to the congressional defense committees that includes: (1) A description of Department of Defense activities in support of efforts to deal with the national emergency declared in Executive Order 14059 on December 15, 2021; and (2) An assessment of the resources and authorities required to fully leverage the capabilities of the Department of Defense to best support efforts to address the threat posed by illicit drugs, including fentanyl and other synthetic opioids, that necessitated the declaration of the national emergency in Executive Order 14059.

#### *Report on Iranian involvement in regional narcotics trade*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1010) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on Iranian involvement in the narcotics trade in the Middle East region.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees note that elements of this provision are addressed elsewhere in this Act.

#### *Building the capacity of armed forces of Mexico to counter the threat posed by transnational criminal organizations*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1014) that would establish a pilot program for assessing the feasibility and advisability of building the capacity of the armed forces of Mexico in the United States on goals, jointly agreed to by the

Governments of the United States and Mexico, to counter the threat posed by transnational criminal organizations.

The House bill did not contain a similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note that Mexican transnational criminal organizations represent a serious threat to the national security of the United States. The conferees understand that human trafficking operations by transnational criminal organizations present a serious human rights crisis in Central America and along our southern border. The conferees note with concern that over 70,000 Americans died from synthetic opioid overdoses in 2021 and that the rate of overdoses from illegal drugs trafficked into the United States by transnational criminal organizations continues to rise. The conferees believe that countering Mexican transnational criminal organizations is a national security priority, and that improving security cooperation with the Government of Mexico to address the illicit trafficking of synthetic opioids is an important aspect of any strategy to counter transnational criminal organizations.

#### *Expeditionary fast transport vessels*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1018) that would prohibit the Navy from shifting expeditionary fast transport vessels into a reduced operational status and would require the development of a new concept of operations for use in the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command area of responsibility.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees agree that the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) should:

(1) Develop, in consultation with the Commander of the Military Sealift Command, a strategy and concept of operations for the use of expeditionary fast transport vessels in support of operational plans in the area of operations of United States Indo-Pacific Command; and

(2) Provide a report to the congressional defense committees describing this strategy and concept of operations.

The conferees expect the CNO to complete the development of a strategy and concept of operations not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, and to provide the report to the congressional defense committees within 30 days thereafter.

#### *Guam shipyard assessment*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1019) that would require the Secretary of the Navy to submit an assessment of the ship building and repair capabilities located on Guam and the feasibility of reestablishing the former Ship Repair Facility, Guam.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of the Navy to conduct and complete an assessment, not later than June 1, 2024, regarding the ship building and repair capabilities located on Guam. The assessment shall include: (1) A description of the capabilities to conduct shipbuilding and ship repair activities in Guam; (2) A description of any planned improvements to shipbuilding and ship repair infrastructure in Guam; and (3) An evaluation of the feasibility and advisability of reestablishing a depot-level ship repair capability with dry-docking in Guam at the site of the former Ship Repair Facility, Guam, including an identification of options for operating the ship repair capability through a public-private partnership. The Secretary of the Navy shall brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives not later than 30 days after the completion of such analysis.

*Modification of authority to purchase used vessels under the National Defense Sealift Fund*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1021) that would amend section 2218 of title 10, United States Code, to allow the Department of Defense to continue modernizing the Ready Reserve Force and the Military Sealift Command surge sealift fleet.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Plan for extended prohibition on retirement of ships*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1022) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide a plan to resource and retain any ships prevented from divestment by this Act through the end of fiscal year 2027 or the end of their expected service life.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees agree that, if the Secretary proposes to divest any of these vessels in the future, the Secretary should submit plan to resource and retain such ship or class of ships until:

- (1) The end of fiscal year 2027; or
- (2) The end of the expected service life of the ships.

*Amphibious warship force availability*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1022) that would amend section 8062 of title 10, United States Code, to direct the Navy to schedule maintenance and repair activities for amphibious warships in order to ensure that 24 such warships are available for worldwide deployment at any given time.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

Elsewhere in this Act, we have provided guidance to the Navy regarding quarterly reporting of amphibious ship availability.

*Congressional notification regarding pending retirement of naval vessels viable for artificial reefing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1023) that would require congressional notification of pending retirements of naval vessels that are viable candidates for artificial reefing.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees note that naval vessels set for decommissioning, dismantling, and disposal are identified within the 30-year shipbuilding plan that is delivered annually to the defense committees. However, the conferees are concerned with how the Department of the Navy interacts with States and territories on transferring vessels that may be viable for artificial reefing. Therefore, the conferees direct the Secretary of the Navy, not later than March 1, 2024, to submit to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the transfer of naval vessels that may be viable candidates for artificial reefing. The briefing shall include, at a minimum:

- (1) The Department of the Navy's process for transferring or selling vessels to states and territories for artificial reefing;
- (2) How the Navy determines what vessels are viable;
- and (3) The Department of the Navy's current procedures for interacting with States on this matter.

*Report on the potential for an Army and Navy joint effort for watercraft vessels*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1024) that would require the Secretary of the Navy, in coordination with the Secretary of the Army, to submit a report to the congressional defense committees, not later than February 29, 2024, on the feasibility of conducting a joint Army and Navy effort to develop and field a family of watercraft vessels to support the implementation of the Marine Corps' concept of Expeditionary Advanced Base Operations and Army's operations in maritime environments.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of the Navy, in coordination with the Secretary of the Army and not later than February 29, 2024, to submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the feasibility of conducting a joint Army and Navy effort to develop and field a family of watercraft vessels to support the implementation of the Marine Corps concept of expeditionary advanced base operations and Army operations in maritime environments. The report shall include an assessment of whether a shared base platform could meet requirements of the Department of the Navy and the Department of the Army, and, if so, an assessment of the benefits and challenges of procuring a technical data package to allow an acquisition strategy that could incorporate simultaneous construction of such platform by multiple builders and using block buy authorities.

The House report accompanying H.R. 2670 (H. Rept. 118-125) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 contained a similar reporting requirement titled "Study on Maneuver Support Vessel and Landing Ship Medium joint venture." The conferees intend the language above to supersede that reporting requirement.

*Sense of Congress regarding naming a naval vessel after William B. Gould*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1025) that would express the sense of Congress that a commissioned naval vessel should be named after William B. Gould.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Study on alternative vessel design for improved operations and shock impact mitigation on special operations personnel health and fatigue*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1026) that would require a performance study on alternative vessel types and hull designs for special operations surface craft.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sense of Congress regarding naming of naval vessel after Major James Capers, Jr*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1027) that would express the sense of Congress that a commissioned naval vessel should be named after Major James Capers, Jr.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Limitation on authority of Armed Forces to detain citizens of the United States*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1035) that would limit the authority of Armed Forces to detain citizens of the United States under section 1021 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 (Public Law 112-81).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Unfavorable security clearance eligibility determinations and appeals*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1043) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide the same administrative due process in cases of unfavorable security clearance eligibility determinations for members of the Armed Forces and Department of Defense (DOD) civilian employees that is currently provided for contractor personnel through the Defense Office of Hearings and Appeals (DOHA). The provision would be effective the earlier of September 30, 2024, or the date on which the DOD General Counsel certifies to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives that DOHA is prepared to execute its responsibilities under this section.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

The conferees encourage the Secretary to continue the Department's reforms of the security clearance eligibility appeal process, the first substantive changes having been announced earlier this year. The conferees strongly believe that the Department must work toward achieving comparable

administrative due process for military and civilian personnel subject to unfavorable security clearance eligibility determinations as is currently enjoyed by contractor personnel. The conferees direct the Department to provide quarterly briefings beginning March 2024 through March 2025 to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives, and to the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence and the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, on reform efforts in this field, including areas for future consideration.

*Prohibition on use of funds for advisory committees related to environmental, social, and governance aspects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1046) that would prohibit funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act to be used to establish an advisory committee related to environmental, social, and governance aspects, or for the Defense Advisory Committee on Diversity and Inclusion or successor committee.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recedes.

*Security clearance reinstatement for recently separated members of the Armed Forces and civilian employees of the Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1047) that would require the Secretary of Defense, during the 1-year period following the date of the separation of any covered individual from the Armed Forces or the Department of Defense to: (1) Waive the requirement for a reinstatement review prior to the commencement of post-service employment by such individual in a civilian position requiring an equivalent level of security clearance as the security clearance held by such individual as of the date of the separation; (2) Deem the security clearance of such individual valid and eligible for immediate use for post-service employment in such civilian position; and (3) During the 2-year period following the conclusion of the period specified, complete the reinstatement review for such individual by not later than 180 days after the date of the initiation of such review.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recedes.

The conferees encourage the Secretary of Defense to make every reasonable effort to improve outreach to inform departing servicemembers, whether Active Duty or Reserve, of the

availability of credentialing opportunities related to cyber security, including improving the searchability functions of online resources for career training related to cybersecurity, as well as ensuring that Skillbridge includes a notice for all military members interested in cybersecurity job opportunities.

The conferees note that section 1045 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) required the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Director of National Intelligence when acting as the Security Executive Agent (SecEA), to establish a process to ensure that eligible former members of the Armed Forces or former civilian employees of the Department of Defense are granted the expeditious reestablishment of trust for accessing classified information or occupying a sensitive position.

The conferees understand that the Department has implemented reestablishment of trust procedures for covered individuals as required by section 1045 and in accordance with the SecEA guidance for Trusted Workforce 2.0. The conferees are also aware that the Department is updating its Personnel Security Program policies to match these procedures so that the reestablishment of trust will be codified in policy and include associated timeframes pursuant to the SecEA's Performance Management Standards.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on specific updates to policies and procedures to ensure compliance with section 1045.

#### *Availability of excess Department of Defense controlled property for transfer to Federal and State agencies*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1049) that would require the Secretary of Defense to make available for transfer under section 2576a(e) of title 10, United States Code, all excess controlled property of the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

#### *Prohibition on use of funds to implement certain executive orders*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1050) that would prohibit the use of funds in the implementation of certain executive orders.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recedes.

*Briefing on commercial tools employed by the Department of Defense to assess foreign ownership, control, or influence*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1060) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on countering industrial espionage, including a description of commercial and organically developed tools employed by the Department of Defense to assess the risks of foreign ownership, control, or influence within the defense industrial base, and specific commercial solutions the Department is currently leveraging to assess and mitigate these risks.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on the processes and tools used by the Department of Defense to assess and mitigate the risks of foreign ownership, control, or influence within the defense industrial base. This briefing shall include: (1) A description of the Department's processes for identifying technologies and programs most at risk for industrial espionage; (2) A description of commercially available data, tools, and solutions the Department is using to identify, track, assess, and mitigate these risks; (3) How such solutions described in (2) are currently being used or planned to be used in the processes of the Department for mitigating foreign ownership, control, or influence; and (4) Any other matters the Secretary deems appropriate regarding mitigation of foreign ownership, control, or influence within the defense industrial base.

*Ensuring reliable supply of critical minerals*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1063) that would require the United States Trade Representative to submit a report on the work of the Trade Representative to address the national security threat posed by the People's Republic of China's control of nearly two-thirds of the global supply of critical minerals.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

*Report on defense of Department of Defense facilities and forces in European and Indo-Pacific regions from missile and air attack*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1066) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study related to protecting military facilities in Europe and the Indo-Pacific regions from missile and air attack.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit to the congressional defense committees, not later than June 30, 2024, a report assessing whether the Department of Defense has sufficient forces, systems, and capabilities to defend Department of Defense military facilities and deployed forces in the European and Indo-Pacific regions from hypersonic-, ballistic-, cruise-missile, and air attack, or to otherwise defeat such attacks. The report shall include a specific and detailed plan for ensuring the ability of the Department of Defense to defend Department of Defense military facilities and deployed forces in the European and Indo-Pacific regions from hypersonic-, ballistic-, cruise-missile, and air attack through 2030. The Secretary shall submit this report in unclassified form and may include a classified annex as appropriate.

*Report on establishment of joint force headquarters in Indo-Pacific region*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1068) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the progress of the implementation plan required under section 1087 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command, not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, to provide the congressional defense committees a briefing on the progress of the implementation plan required under section 1087 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-363). At a minimum, the required briefing shall include:

(1) A description of the personnel, supporting infrastructure, and operational chain of command relationships associated with the joint force headquarters that is required to be established by section 1087;

(2) An evaluation of the personnel, supporting infrastructure, and operational chain of command relationships that would be required to support the potential establishment of an additional, fully equipped and persistent

joint force headquarters that would be responsible for the operational employment of forces in the Western Pacific;

(3) An identification of the appropriate rank for the commander required to lead the efforts described in paragraphs (1) and (2) and the feasibility and advisability of using an existing component commander to lead these efforts;

(4) An analysis of how the Department's plan for Joint Task Force Micronesia aligns with the requirements described in paragraphs (1), (2), and (3), and in section 1087; and

(5) An analysis of the advisability of establishing an additional joint task force or joint force headquarters responsible for the operational employment of forces in the Western Pacific.

Further, the conferees note that elsewhere in this Act are provisions: (1) Requiring an independent study for the purpose of improving the current command structure and force posture of the U.S. Armed Forces in the area of responsibility of the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command; and (2) Withholding certain funding until the Secretary of Defense submits the implementation plan required under section 1087 of Public Law 117-363.

#### *Plan for Taiwan noncombatant evacuation operations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1070) that would require the Secretary of Defense to maintain a plan for a noncombatant evacuation operation or any other evacuation mission conducted by the Department of Defense from Taiwan.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to provide a briefing, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to the congressional defense committees, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives, regarding the Department of Defense's role in supporting potential noncombatant evacuation operations in the Indo-Pacific region.

#### *Feasibility study on establishment of Indo-Pacific Maritime Governance Center of Excellence*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1071) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a feasibility study on establishing an Indo-Pacific Maritime Governance Center of Excellence focused on building partner capacity for maritime governance.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees strongly support efforts by the Department of Defense to build partner capacity for maritime governance, including by utilizing authorities contained in chapter 16 of title 10, United States Code, and by acting through the Daniel K. Inouye Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies.

*Report on airborne intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance requirements within the area of operations of United States Africa Command*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1072) that would require the Commander, U.S. Africa Command (USAFRICOM) to submit a report that includes a description of the needs for airborne intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance (ISR) within the area of operations of USAFRICOM.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Commander, USAFRICOM to submit a report the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 31, 2024, regarding the needs for airborne intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance within the area of operations of USAFRICOM. The report shall include:

- (1) An accounting of the ISR requirements requested by USAFRICOM in the last 3 years;
- (2) An assessment of the rate at which such ISR requirements were fulfilled;
- (3) An assessment of the ISR shortfalls to meet current theater requirements;
- (4) An analysis of current commercial ISR capabilities and the feasibility and advisability of employing such capabilities to fill identified ISR shortfalls; and
- (5) Any other matters the Commander deems relevant.

*Report on institutions of higher education that host Confucius Institutes*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1073) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report identifying each institution of higher education that received funds from the Department of Defense in the period of one year preceding the date of the report and hosted a Confucius Institute at the same time such funds were received.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note the risk of Confucius Institutes operating in the United States, specifically at academic institutions that receive funding from the Department of Defense. The conferees further note that, according to the Department of Defense, no academic institutions receiving Department of Defense funding host a Confucius Institute, as of the summer of 2023. While there is one remaining Confucius Institute remaining in the United States, it is at an institution that does not receive any U.S. government funding.

*Public availability of information about cost of United States overseas military footprint*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1074) that would amend section 1090 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114-328) by making information about the cost of United States' overseas military footprint publicly available.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on food purchasing by the Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1075) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit and make publicly available on the website of the Department of Defense a report on food purchasing.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 6051).

The conference agreement does not include either provision.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on the total amount spent by the Department of Defense (DOD) on the following for each of fiscal years 2020, 2021, and 2022: (1) The total amount spent on food service operations worldwide for all military personnel, contractors, and families, including all food service provided at all facilities such as combat operations, military installations, medical facilities, all vessels, all entertainment and hosting operations such as officer's clubs and other such facilities, and other programs, such as the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)-DOD Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (the amount can be aggregated per each such category); (2) The amount, by dollar volume, of third party certified and verified foods (such as USDA Organic,

Equitable Food Initiative, Fair Trade Certified, and other categories determined to be appropriate by the Secretary); and (3) The amount, by dollar volume, of contracts for food service, food or food products, from women, minority, and veteran-owned businesses.

#### *Assessment of undersea cable repair contingencies*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1077) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide to Congress an assessment relating to the potential repair or replacement of cables damaged or cut by adversary action.

The Senate contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act and in coordination with the Federal Communications Commission and other relevant agencies, to submit to the congressional defense committees an assessment on the ability and preparedness of the USNS Zeus and the Cable Security Fleet to repair transoceanic submarine fiber optic cables that may be damaged or cut by adversaries.

The assessment shall include:

(1) A description of preparedness to address a situation in which the cables of partner nations in both the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans are damaged or severed at around the same time;

(2) A determination as to how long it would take for the Cable Security Fleet in coordination with partner nations to repair such cables; and

(3) The options available to provide connectivity in an emergency or crisis caused by or related to the damaging or severing of such cables.

#### *Technical and conforming amendments related to the Space Force*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1077) that would make technical and conforming amendments to titles 10 and 37, United States Code, related to the establishment of the Space Force.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

#### *Annual report on oversight of fraud, waste, and abuse*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1078) that would require the Inspector General of the Department of Defense

to submit an annual report on oversight of fraud, waste, and abuse.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

#### *Assessment of the effectiveness of low-cost anti-ship weapons in the Indo-Pacific*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1079) that would require the Commander of United States Indo-Pacific Command to conduct an assessment of the feasibility and effectiveness of developing low-cost anti-ship munitions, as well as the appropriate mix between existing long range, short range, and potential low-cost anti-ship weapons.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees agree that the Commander of United States Indo-Pacific Command should conduct an assessment of the feasibility and effectiveness of developing low-cost anti-ship munitions, as well as the appropriate mix between existing long range, short range, and potential low-cost anti-ship weapons. The Secretary of Defense should provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees within 180 days of enactment of this Act.

#### *Report on Pacific Islands security strategy*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1080) that would require the Secretary of Defense to develop a Pacific Islands security strategy.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to provide the congressional defense committees a report on the Department of Defense's strategy for engaging with the Pacific Islands, including an identification of any additional authorities or resources necessary to carry out the strategy.

#### *Public availability of reports*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1080A) that would amend section 122a(b)(2)(D) of title 10, United States Code, to require that the Secretary of Defense provide public notice and submit a determination if certain reports are withheld from public disclosure.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit to the congressional defense committees, not later than June 30, 2024, a report on departmental compliance with section 122a of title 10, United States Code. The report shall include a detailed description of the procedures and the criteria that are used by the Secretary to determine that a report, that would otherwise be a covered report, should not be made publicly available pursuant to subsection (b) (2) (D) of such section.

*Report on private military companies that are a concern to United States national security*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1080B) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on all private military companies the Secretary determines are a concern to the national security of the United States.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit to the congressional defense committees and the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence a report, not later than January 1, 2025, on all private military companies the Secretary determines are a concern to the national security of the United States. This report shall include following for each private military company covered by the report:

- (1) The number of personnel employed by the company;
- (2) Any country or region where the company is known to be operating;
- (3) An identification of any entity that has provided funding to the company and the amount of such funding;
- (4) Any illicit conduct in which the company is known to have engaged;
- (5) Any conflicts the company has had with the United States Armed Forces; and
- (6) Such other information as the Secretary determines appropriate.

The report required shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

*Study on certain grants awarded under defense community infrastructure pilot program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1080C) that would require the Secretary of Defense to carry out a study on grants awarded under the Defense Community Infrastructure Pilot

Program for supporting investments in child care options in areas in close proximity to military installations.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the issue of servicemember access to high quality childcare has been a persistent concern of the congressional defense committees. This concern has led to infrastructure investments being pulled forward as well as novel authorities to improve infrastructure and overall availability of childcare around military installations. Therefore, the conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than January 15, 2025, to provide a briefing on current efforts to alleviate childcare shortages at and around military installations. This briefing shall include: (1) A current list of child development centers in poor and failing condition; (2) A plan over the future years defense program to improve the condition or replace these facilities to include investments of facilities sustainment, restoration and maintenance funds, and military construction monies; and (3) An update on the implementation of other childcare authorities including the use of public-private partnerships.

#### *Report on recapitalization of Navy C-130 aircraft*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1080D) that would require the Secretary of the Navy, in coordination with the Chief of the Navy Reserve, to provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the recapitalization of Navy C-130 aircraft.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct, not later than February 1, 2024, the Secretary of the Navy, in coordination with the Chief of the Navy Reserve, submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on: (1) The status of recapitalization of C-130 aircraft by 2030, as stated in the 2022 Navigation Plan of the Chief of Naval Operations; and (2) The effects of such recapitalization on contested logistics and intra-theater airlift capacity.

#### *Assessment of suicide risk at military installations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1080E) that would require the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness and in collaboration with the Defense Suicide Prevention Office, to establish a procedure for assessing suicide risk at military

installations. This provision would also require the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the strategy and procedure for assessing suicide risk at military installations.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Secretary of Defense has already established the Suicide Prevention and Response Independent Review Committee (SPRIRC) to review and make recommendations regarding suicide prevention within the Department of Defense. The SPRIRC's final report, released on February 24, 2023, contained dozens of recommendations, which the Department is currently in the process of implementing.

#### *Annual reports on activities relating to unmanned aerial systems*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1080F) that would require annual reports on incidents involving unmanned aerial systems and related training exercises.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a report on incidents involving unmanned aerial systems and related training exercises, not later than one year of the date of enactment of this Act, to the congressional defense committees.

#### *GAO Review and Report on Biological Weapons Experiments on and in relation to ticks, tick-borne disease*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1080G) that would require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a review of research and submit a report on biological experiments on and in relation to ticks and tick-borne disease.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that similar provisions were addressed in prior National Defense Authorization Acts—specifically, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116-92), the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283), and the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81).

#### *Report on Basic Underwater Demolition/SEAL training program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1080H) that would require the Secretary of the Navy to submit a report on the Basic Underwater Demolition/SEAL (BUD/S) training program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision. The House recesses.

The conferees note the House report accompanying H.R.2670 (House Report 118-125) requires the Secretary of the Navy to provide a briefing to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives regarding the BUD/S training program not later than January 17, 2024. The conferees direct the Secretary of the Navy to provide the required briefing to the congressional defense committees not later than January 17, 2024. Furthermore, the conferees direct the Secretary of the Navy, as part of the required briefing, to provide a description of:

- (1) The standards, metrics, training doctrine, purposes, and administration of BUD/S;
- (2) The standards and practices governing medical care provide to candidates undergoing BUD/S training;
- (3) The standards and qualifications informing the selection of instructors for BUD/S;
- (4) The training pathway for candidates prior to induction for BUD/S;
- (5) Any changes governing training and screening for candidates prior to induction;
- (6) Any changes regarding the composition, qualifications, and conduct of the instructor cadre at BUD/S;
- (7) The policies regarding civilian participation in BUD/S, such as retired Navy personnel;
- (8) Any changes to policies regarding retired civilian personnel participating in BUD/S instruction;
- (9) Any corrective actions implemented after the death or serious injury of BUD/S candidates; and
- (10) Any other matters deemed relevant by the Secretary of the Navy.

*Report on unmanned traffic management systems at military bases and installations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1080I) that would require the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to provide to the appropriate congressional committees a report on the threat of unmanned aerial systems to national security and an assessment of whether current unmanned traffic management systems at military bases and installations are sufficient to detect and respond to hostile or unidentified unmanned aerial systems.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than June 1, 2024, regarding the threat of unmanned aerial systems to national security, and an assessment of whether current unmanned traffic management systems at military installations are sufficient to detect and respond to hostile or unidentified unmanned aerial systems.

*Briefing on joint exercises with Taiwan*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1080J) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing on the schedule of exercises between the U.S. Navy and Air Force and their Taiwanese counterparts.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to provide the congressional defense committees with a briefing on the planned exercises during fiscal year 2024 between the United States Armed Forces and the military forces of Taiwan.

*Report and transmission of documents on withdrawal of United States Armed Forces from Afghanistan*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1080K) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on certain Department of Defense actions during the withdrawal of the U.S. Armed Forces withdrawal from Afghanistan and the subsequent noncombatant evacuation operations.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Navy consideration of Coast Guard views on matters directly concerning Coast Guard capabilities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1081) that would add a requirement that the Secretary of the Navy ensure that the views of the Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard are given appropriate consideration before major decisions are made regarding Coast Guard capabilities in support of national defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees agree that open communications and close cooperation between the Navy and Coast Guard regarding future Coast Guard capabilities to support national defense is critical.

*Comprehensive strategy for talent development and management of Department of Defense computer programming workforce*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1081) that would require the Department of Defense to develop a strategy for the talent development and management of the Department's computer programming workforce.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees are strongly supportive of efforts to promote, expand, and, to the extent possible, standardize technical training for the computer programming and cyber workforce in the Department of Defense. We foresee such skills will be increasingly critical for emerging areas such as the adoption of artificial intelligence, machine learning, and automation for sophisticated command, control, and networking systems.

The conferees note that the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives directed the development of a Cyber Workforce Strategy Implementation Plan to address this issue, which was delivered earlier this year. This document comprehensively addresses military as well as civilian workforces, and across the four human capital pillars of identification of talent, recruitment, development of the individual, and retention. That plan has identified 38 initiatives the Department is pursuing, and based on anticipated timelines, action plans are just now being delivered to the Department of Defense Chief Information Officer (DOD CIO) for decision.

As activities are just starting to get underway, the conferees believe it is unadvisable at this time to add on additional requirements until such time as there is a better understanding of which of these initiatives is bearing fruit. The conferees are encouraged by the focus and effort placed on enhancing the military and civilian workforce in this space, including those in the computer programming and software fields, but is concerned that there may not be sufficient manpower within the DOD CIO office executing this work commensurate to the task. The conferees believe the Department should make sufficient resources available for this work, and also keep the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives regularly updated on progress with this effort.

*Requirement to update warfighting requirements for confronting Russia in Europe*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1083) that would require the Department of Defense to update warfighting requirements for confronting Russia in Europe.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than March 1, 2024, to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report describing the process by which the Department of Defense develops and updates operational plans and requirements in Europe, including:

- (1) When such plans were last updated; and
- (2) The timeline and mechanism for updates or adjustments to address the degradation of portions of the Russian conventional forces due to the war in Ukraine.

*Authorization of amounts to support initiatives for mobile mammography services for veterans*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1084) that would authorize to be appropriated to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs \$10,000,000 for the Office of Women's Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs under section 7310 of title 38, United States Code, to be used by the Secretary to expand access of women veterans to mobile mammography initiatives, advanced mammography equipment, and outreach activities to publicize those initiatives and equipment.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Protection of covered sectors*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1085) that would amend the Defense Production Act of 1950 (Public Law 81-774) to add new authorities to allow the Secretary of Treasury (in coordination with the Secretary of Commerce) to implement an outbound investment screening process to protect certain technology sectors and prevent U.S. investment from supporting adversarial technology development.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sense of Congress regarding defense presence in the Indo-Pacific region*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1086) that would express the sense of Congress regarding Department of Defense force posture and capabilities in the area of operations of U.S. Indo-Pacific Command.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees believe that the Department of Defense should maintain sufficient force posture and capabilities in the area of operations of the United States Indo-Pacific Command and that the Indo-Pacific is a joint theater of operations that requires joint coordination among all service branches in order to meet the challenges of the region.

#### *Compliance with GAO recommendations on artificial intelligence*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1087) that would require the Secretary of Defense, not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this act, to certify to the congressional defense committees that the Deputy Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Chief Digital and AI Officer and the Joint Artificial Intelligence Center, has finalized and issued guidance and agreements to improve collaboration to better manage fragmentation among entities involved in artificial intelligence across the Department, as recommended by the Government Accountability Office in its 2023 Annual Report: Additional Opportunities to Reduce Fragmentation, Overlap, and Duplication and Achieve Billions of Dollars in Financial Benefits (GAO-23-106089), including guidance and agreements that define the roles and responsibilities of the military departments and other organizations of the Department which collaborate on artificial intelligence activities.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note these recommendations are addressed elsewhere in this Act.

#### *Process for carrying out demilitarization and disposition of major end items*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1088) that would require the Secretary of Defense to certify to the congressional defense committees that the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment has established a process to review and reconcile inconsistent demilitarization codes and document changes in such codes and developed guidance for the Armed Forces for the disposition of major end items.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note the recommendation of the Government Accountability Office (GAO) that the Secretary of Defense ensure that the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, in coordination with the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency and the military services, establish a process to review and reconcile inconsistent demilitarization codes and document changes, including pending changes, in the Federal Logistics Information System to ensure that major end items' demilitarization codes are up to date and consistent across DOD and the military services. The conferees direct the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act, on the status of the implementation of the GAO's recommendation.

*Reauthorization of voluntary registry for firefighter cancer incidence*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1088) that would amend section 2(h) of the Firefighter Cancer Registry Act of 2018 (42 U.S.C. 280e-5(h)) to extend the program through fiscal year 2028.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Designation of single entity to oversee implementation of predictive maintenance procedures*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1089) that would require the Secretary of Defense to certify that the Secretary has designated a single entity within each of the Armed Forces to oversee the implementation of predictive maintenance procedures, and that the Secretary has provided such entity with sufficient authority and resources to carry out the responsibility.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note the recommendations of the Government Accountability Office (GAO) in the study published on December 8, 2022, titled "Military Readiness: Actions Needed to Further Implement Predictive Maintenance on Weapon Systems" (GAO-23-105556), that the military services should "designate a single entity with sufficient authority and resources necessary to support the implementation of predictive maintenance." The

conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on: (1) The status of the implementation of the GAO's recommendation; and (2) The feasibility of designating a single entity within each of the Armed Forces to oversee the implementation of predictive maintenance procedures.

*Declassification of certain reports of unidentified aerial phenomena*

The House bill contained an amendment (sec. 1090) that would require the Secretary of Defense to declassify any Department of Defense documents and other Department of Defense records relating to publicly known sightings of unidentified aerial phenomena that do not reveal sources, methods, or otherwise compromise the national security of the United States not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recedes.

*Briefing on Air National Guard active associations*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1090) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the effects of making all Air National Guard KC-135 units active associations.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recedes.

The conferees agree that the Secretary of the Air Force should investigate the potential increase in air refueling capacity and cost savings, including manpower, to be achieved if the Air Force were to change all Air National Guard KC-135 stand alone units into active association units. The Secretary should provide briefings to the congressional defense committees, not later than February 1, 2024, on the results of that investigation.

*Informing Consumers about Smart Devices Act*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1090A) that would require disclosure of a camera or recording capability in certain internet-connected devices.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recedes.

*Semiconductor program*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1090G) that would amend title XCIX of division H of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283) to streamline National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review requirements for semiconductor manufacturing projects related to the CHIPS and Science Act of 2022 (Public Law 117-167).

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Studies and reports on treatment of service of certain members of the Armed Forces who served in female cultural support teams*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1090I) that would require the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study and submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services and Veterans Affairs of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 31, 2024, on the treatment of service on female cultural support team for the purposes of eligibility for various benefits provided by the Department of Defense and Department of Veterans Affairs.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note that numerous women served with distinction alongside special operations forces and other combat units over the course of the conflicts in Afghanistan and Iraq. The conferees urge the Secretary of Defense and Secretary of Veterans Affairs to review the military records of the women who served in female cultural support teams, and similar units, in order to ensure that these servicemembers receive any benefits that they have earned.

*Readmission requirements for servicemembers*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1090K) that would amend section 484C of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1091c) to redefine "service in the uniformed forces" for purposes of readmission to colleges and universities.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Authorization to use nonelectric vehicles at Yuma Proving Ground*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1091) that would require the Secretary of Defense to ensure that members of the Armed Forces and civilian employees of the Department of Defense assigned to the Yuma Proving Ground are authorized to use nonelectric vehicles in the performance of their duties.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees are aware that members of the Armed Forces and civilian employees of the Department of Defense may use nonelectric vehicles in the performance of their duties.

*Sense of Congress regarding support for Energy Functional Specialist Civil Affairs Officer program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1092) that would express the sense of Congress that the establishment of Energy Functional Specialist Civil Affairs Officers in the Army is encouraging, and that the Secretary of Defense should continue to support and fully fund the existing Energy Functional Specialist Civil Affairs Officer program and its academic partnership, and assess opportunities to expand the program to other armed forces and across the combatant commands.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Smart sleepers and bassinets at military exchanges*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1093) that would amend chapter 147 of title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense to make sleepers and bassinets with up-to-date sleep technology available to buy or rent at military exchange stores.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sense of Congress regarding removal of priests from Walter Reed Medical Hospital*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1094) that would express the sense of Congress regarding the removal of priests from Walter Reed Medical Hospital.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sense of Congress on rare earth magnet supply chain*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1095) that would express the sense of Congress regarding the rare earth magnet supply chain.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees encourage the Secretary of Defense to continue supporting efforts that support secure sources of supply regarding manufacturing capabilities of the domestic supply chain as it relates to rare earth permanent magnets that are essential to defense applications.

*Sense of Congress regarding use of MQ-9 Reaper in area of operations of United States Indo-Pacific Command*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1096) that would express the sense of Congress regarding use of MQ-9 Reaper in the area of operations of the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees believe that the MQ-9 Reaper should be used to the greatest extent possible in the area of operations of the United States Indo-Pacific Command.

*Oversight requirements for Financial Improvement and Audit Remediation Plan*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1097) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) to provide a briefing on the status of the financial improvement and audit remediation plan.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note that section 240 of title 10, United States Code, contains robust recurring reporting requirements on the financial audit.

*Report on military requirements in the event of a Chinese attack of Taiwan*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1099) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on current and future military posture, logistics, maintenance, and sustainment requirements to bolster the capacity of the United States to resist force in the event of a Chinese attack and attempted invasion of Taiwan.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note that elsewhere in this Act, there are several reporting and briefing requirements related to the requirements and capacity of the United States Armed Forces to resist force in the event of a Chinese attack and attempted invasion of Taiwan.

*Report on obstacles to mission of Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1099A) that would require the Director of the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency to submit to Congress a report describing the most significant obstacles to the execution of DPAA's mission to recover and identify the remains of members of the Armed Forces, including such recommendations as the Director may have relating to legislative or administrative actions necessary to resolve these obstacles.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note that the subject matter covered by this report is functionally addressed elsewhere in this conference report.

*Protection of ideological freedom*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1099B) that would amend section 2001 of title 10, United States Code, to prohibit the Department of Defense from compelling members of the Armed Forces to believe or declare a belief in certain politically-based concepts. The provision would also prohibit the Department from promoting certain race-based or ideological concepts.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House.

*Claims relating to Manhattan Project waste*

The Senate amendment contained division A, title X, subtitle I, part I, that included amendments to the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (Public Law 101-426 as amended; 42 U.S.C. 2210 note).

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Short title [Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2023]*

The Senate amendment contained division A, title X, subtitle I, part II, that included the title "Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2023".

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

#### *References*

The Senate amendment contained division A, title X, subtitle I, part II, that included references as to amendments to the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (Public Law 101-426; 42 U.S.C. 2210 note)."

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

#### *Extension of fund*

The Senate amendment contained division A, title X, subtitle I, part II, that included references as to amendments to the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (Public Law 101-426; 42 U.S.C. 2210 note) to extend the compensation by 19 years.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

#### *Claims relating to atmospheric testing*

The Senate amendment contained division A, title X, subtitle I, part II, that included amendments to the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (Public Law 101-426; 42 U.S.C. 2210 note) to compensate for claims related to atmospheric testing.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

#### *Claims relating to uranium mining*

The Senate amendment contained division A, title X, subtitle I, part II, that included amendments to the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (Public Law 101-426; 42 U.S.C. 2210 note) to compensate for claims related to uranium mining.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House/Senate recesses.

#### *Expansion of use of affidavits in determination of claims; regulations*

The Senate amendment contained division A, title X, subtitle I, part II, that included amendments to the Radiation

Exposure Compensation Act (Public Law 101-426; 42 U.S.C. 2210 note) related to the use of affidavits in the determination of claims.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

#### *Limitation on claims*

The Senate amendment contained division A, title X, subtitle I, part II, that included amendments to the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (Public Law 101-426; 42 U.S.C. 2210 note) extending the time for filing of claims by 19 years.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

#### *Grant program on epidemiological impacts of uranium mining and milling*

The Senate amendment contained division A, title X, subtitle I, part II, that authorizes a grant program through the Department of Health and Human Services programs relating to the epidemiological impacts of uranium mining and milling.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

#### *Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1099JJ) that would amend section 3621(9) of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 73841(9)) to make various amendments to the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

#### *Crypto asset anti-money laundering examination standards*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1099AAA) that would require the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Conference of State Bank Supervisors and Federal functional regulators, as defined in section 1010.100 of title 31, Code of Federal Regulations, to establish a risk-focused examination and review process for financial institutions, as defined in that section, to assess the following relating to crypto assets, as determined by the Secretary: (1) The adequacy of reporting obligations and anti-money laundering programs under subsections (g) and (h) of

section 5318 of title 31, United States Code, respectively as applied to those institutions; and (2) Compliance of those institutions with anti-money laundering and countering the financing of terrorism requirements under subchapter II of chapter 53 of title 31, United States Code.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

### *Combating anonymous crypto asset transactions*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1099BBB) that would require the Secretary of the Treasury to submit a report and provide a briefing, as determined by the Secretary, to the Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Financial Services of the House of Representatives that assess the following issues: (1) Categories of anonymity-enhancing technologies or services used in connection with crypto assets, such as mixers and tumblers, in use as of the date on which the report is submitted; (2) As data are available, estimates of the magnitude of transactions related to the categories in paragraph (1) that are believed to be connected, directly or indirectly, to illicit finance, including crypto asset transaction volumes associated with sanctioned entities and entities subject to special measures pursuant to section 5318A of title 31, United States Code, and a description of any limitations applicable to the data used in such estimates; (3) Categories of privacy-enhancing technologies or services used in connection with crypto assets in use as of the date on which the report is submitted; (4) Legislative and regulatory approaches employed by other jurisdictions relating to the technologies and services described in paragraphs (1) and (3); and (5) Recommendations for legislation or regulation relating to the technologies and services described in paragraphs (1) and (3).

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

### *Combating Cartels on Social Media Act of 2023*

The Senate amendment contained provisions (secs. 1099AAAA through 1099FFFF) that included the Combating Cartels on Social Media Act of 2023.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Establishing a coordinator for countering Mexico's criminal cartels*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6031) that would require the President to designate an existing official within the executive branch to serve as senior-level coordinator to coordinate all defense, diplomatic, intelligence, financial, and legal efforts to counter the drug- and human-trafficking activities of Mexico's cartels.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Permanent authorization of Undetectable Firearms Act of 1988*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6075) that would permanently authorize the Undetectable Firearms Act of 1988 (Public Law 100-649).

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sense of Congress on the importance of non-governmental recognition of military enlistees to improve community support for military recruitment*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6076) that would express a sense of Congress on the importance of non-governmental recognition of military enlistees to improve community support for military recruitment.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Disclosures by directors, officers, and principal stockholders*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6081) that would amend section 16(a)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Public Law 73-291) to expand the disclosure requirements for directors, officers, and principal stockholders.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Report on artificial intelligence regulation in financial services industry*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6096) that would require each of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the National Credit Union Administration, and the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection to submit a report on its gap in knowledge relating to artificial intelligence.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

#### *Report on data sharing and coordination*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6099) that would require the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to submit to the congressional defense committees a report on ways to improve data sharing, interoperability, and quality, as may be appropriate, across the Department of Defense.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

The conferees note that enhancing data sharing, interoperability, and quality is critical to maintaining decision-making advantages on the battlefield. Therefore, the conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit to the congressional defense committees, not later than 180 days following the enactment of this Act, a report on ways to improve data sharing, interoperability, and quality. The report shall include the following: (1) A description of policies, practices, and cultural barriers that impede data sharing and interoperability, and lead to data quality issues, among components of the Department; (2) The impact a lack of appropriate levels of data sharing, interoperability, and quality has on Departmental collaboration, efficiency, interoperability, and joint-decision making; (3) A review of current efforts to promote appropriate data sharing, including to centralize data management, such as the ADVANA program; (4) A description of near-, mid-, and long-term efforts that the Office of the Secretary of Defense plans to implement to promote data sharing and interoperability, including efforts to improve data quality; (5) A detailed plan to implement a data sharing and interoperability strategy that supports effective development and employment of artificial intelligence-enabled military applications; (6) A detailed assessment of the implementation of the Department of Defense Data Strategy issued in 2020, as well as the use of data decrees to improve management rigor in the Department when it comes to data sharing and interoperability; and (7) Any recommendations for Congress with respect to assisting the Department in these efforts.

## **TITLE XI—CIVILIAN PERSONNEL MATTERS**

*Sec. 1101 - Diversity, equity, and inclusion personnel grade cap*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 364) that would prohibit the Secretary concerned from appointing or employing a military or civilian employee whose annual pay rate exceeds the equivalent of the rate payable for GS-10 to any position with duties related to diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) policy.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 537) that would limit application of this provision to those with duties solely related to DEI policy.

The House recedes with an amendment that would limit application of the cap to Department of Defense civilian employees whose primary duties are related to DEI.

*Sec. 1102 - Authorization to pay a living quarters allowance for Department of the Navy civilian employees assigned to permanent duty in Guam for performing work, or supporting work being performed, aboard or dockside, of U.S. naval vessels*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1102) that would authorize the Secretary of the Navy to pay certain civilian employees assigned to permanent duty in Guam a living quarters allowance for rent, heat, light, fuel, gas, electricity, and water, and, under certain conditions, reimbursement for initial repairs, alterations, and improvements to the privately leased residence in Guam.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1103 - Consolidation of direct hire authorities for candidates with specified degrees at science and technology reinvention laboratories*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1103) that would amend section 4091 of title 10, United States Code, to combine direct hire authorities for candidates with advanced degrees and candidates with bachelor's degrees seeking positions in the science and technology reinvention laboratories, and to permit allocations for such positions to be managed in an aggregate manner.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1206).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 1104 - Direct hire authority for certain personnel of the Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1104) that would amend section 9905 of title 5, United States Code, to include in the direct hire authority provided in that section certain positions in support of aircraft operations, public safety, law enforcement, and first responders.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1207) that would also include direct hire authority for the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense relating to oversight of the Ukraine conflict.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1105 - One-year extension of authority to waive annual limitation on premium pay and aggregate limitation on pay for Federal civilian employees working overseas*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1105) that would amend section 1101 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 110-417), as most recently amended by section 1102 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263), to extend for one year the authority of heads of executive agencies to waive the limitation on the aggregate of basic and premium pay of employees who perform work supporting certain military or contingency operations.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1201).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 1106 - Extension of authority to grant competitive status to employees of inspectors general for overseas contingency operations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1106) that would amend section 419 of title 5, United States Code, to reauthorize, until December 19, 2024, authority for certain persons employed by a lead Inspector General for an overseas contingency operation under that section to acquire competitive status under certain circumstances.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1212).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 1107 - Extension of direct hire authority for domestic industrial base facilities and Major Range and Test Facilities Base*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1107) that would amend section 1125 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114-328) to extend the expiration date of direct hire authority for domestic industrial base and major range and test facilities until the end of 2035.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1209) that would extend such authority through the end of 2028.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1108 - Exclusion of nonappropriated fund employees from limitations on dual pay*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1109) that would amend section 5531 of title 5, United States Code, to exempt individuals employed by non-appropriated fund instrumentalities from the limitation on receiving basic pay from more than one position.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1203).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 1109 - One-year extension of temporary authority to grant allowances, benefits, and gratuities to civilian personnel on official duty in a combat zone*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1110) that would extend for one year the discretionary authority of the head of a Federal agency to provide allowances, benefits, and gratuities comparable to those provided to members of the Foreign Service to the agency's civilian employees on official duty in a combat zone.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1202).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 1110 - Modification to shore leave accrual for crews of vessels to support crew rotations and improve retention of civilian mariners*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1114) that would modify the amount of shore leave that Department of Defense civilian mariners earn while serving aboard an oceangoing vessel on an extended voyage.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would amend section 6305 of title 5, United States Code, to affect the change contained in the underlying House provision.

*Sec. 1111 - Assessments of staffing in Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1115) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct an assessment of staffing within the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness and to provide a briefing and final report on such assessment to the congressional defense committees.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1112 - Military Spouse Employment Act*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1116) that would amend section 3330d of title 5, United States Code, to expand the benefits under that statute to include telework and remote work. The provision would also require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study and publish a report regarding the use of remote work by Federal agencies.

The Senate amendment contained a series of similar provisions (sections 11331-11333).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1113 - Amendments to the John S. McCain Strategic Defense Fellows Program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1117) that would amend section 932 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115-232) to make various technical amendments to the John S. McCain Strategic Defense Fellows Program to improve program function and execution.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1215).

The House recesses with an amendment that would clarify total program participation may not exceed 60 individuals.

*Sec. 1114 - Including military service in determining family and medical leave eligibility for Federal employees*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1118) that would amend section 6381 of title 5, United States Code, to clarify that certain military service meets the definition of service under the Family and Medical Leave Act (Public Law 103-

3), and would count toward satisfaction of the 12-month probationary period for receipt of benefits under that Act applicable to Federal employees.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1115 - Exception to limitation on number of Senior Executive Service positions for the Department of Defense*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1204) that would amend section 1109 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114-328) to clarify that the limitation on Senior Executive Service positions within the Department of Defense (DOD) contained in that section does not apply to positions funded through amounts appropriated to an agency other than DOD.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 1116 - Extension of direct hire authority for the Department of Defense for post-secondary students and recent graduates*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1208) that would amend section 1106 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 117-328) by extending direct hire authority for the Department of Defense to recruit and appoint qualified recent graduates and current post-secondary students to competitive service positions in professional and administrative occupations until September 30, 2030.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 1117 - Authority to employ civilian faculty members at Space Force schools*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1210) that would amend section 9371 of title 10, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of the Air Force to employ civilian faculty at Space Delta 13, the professional military education institution of the United States Space Force.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 1118 - Report and sunset relating to inapplicability of certification of executive qualifications by qualification review boards of Office of Personnel Management*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1211) that would amend section 1109 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115-232) by extending, until September 30, 2025, the authority for the Secretary of Defense to appoint individuals for service in the Senior Executive Service of the Department of Defense without such individuals being subject to the certification of executive qualifications by a qualification review board of the Office of Personnel Management. The provision would require the Secretary to provide a report to the appropriate congressional committees and the Comptroller General of the United States, not later than December 1, 2024, on the Department's use of this authority and assessment of its utility.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1119 - Expansion of noncompetitive appointment eligibility to spouses of Department of Defense civilians*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1213) that would amend section 3330d of title 5, United States Code, to add spouses of Department of Defense civilian employees to the noncompetitive appointment authority under that section in the case of civilian employees who are transferred by the Department from one official station to another for permanent duty within the Department. The provision would require the Department to submit annual reports on its use of the authority provided by this section to the Director, Office of Personnel Management. Finally, the provision would sunset the authority under this section on December 31, 2028.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1120 - Elimination of Government Accountability Office review requirement relating to Department of Defense personnel authorities*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1214) that would amend section 9902 of title 5, United States Code, to repeal a requirement for the Comptroller General of the United States to receive, review, and issue a report that evaluates Department of Defense reports related to the implementation of

any civilian performance management and workforce incentive system.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

### **LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

#### *Authority to establish excepted service positions for army law enforcement activities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1101) that would authorize the Secretary of Defense to establish excepted service positions for Department of the Army law enforcement activities.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees strongly encourage the Department of the Army to pursue the necessary authority through the Office of Personnel Management using existing mechanisms.

#### *Waiver of limitation on appointment of recently retired members of armed forces to DOD competitive service positions*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1108) that would amend section 3326 of title 5, United States Code, to waive the limitation on the appointment of recently retired members of the Armed Forces to Department of Defense competitive service positions contained in that section.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than June 1, 2024, on the use of the direct hire authority contained in section 9905(a)(7) of title 5, United States Code, relating to medical personnel, over the past 5 years.

#### *Support United States Strategic Command and United States Space Command enterprises*

The House bill contained a provision (sec.1111) that would extend authority based on section 1762 of title 10, United States Code, to allow recruitment and retention of highly skilled personnel with expertise in space and nuclear deterrence matters.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*GAO report on civilian support positions at remote military installations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1113) that would require the Comptroller General of the United States to assess and submit a report on civilian support positions at remote military installations.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note that this reporting requirement was mandated in the Joint Explanatory Statement (H. Prt. 117-70) accompanying the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023.

*Assessments of staffing in Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1119) that would require an assessment and validation of civil service positions within the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering is currently undergoing a restructure making the workforce assessment required by the House provision premature.

*Assessments of staffing in DOD Office for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1120) that would require an assessment validating each civil service position in the Office for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Comptroller General of the United States is required to perform a comprehensive review of the Department of Defense DEI workforce pursuant to the report of the Committee on Armed Services of the United States Senate to accompany S. 2226, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (S. Rep. 118-58).

*Expand Department of Defense civilian employment*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1121) that would require the Secretary of Defense to ensure that each commercial position within the Department of Defense is filled by a civilian employee or performed by a contractor of the Department.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*National digital reserve corps*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1122) that would establish within the General Services Administration the National Digital Reserve Corps to assist in addressing the digital and cybersecurity needs of executive agencies.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Removal of Washington Headquarters Services direct support from personnel limitation on the Office of the Secretary of Defense*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1205) that would amend section 143(b) of title 10, United States Code, to modify the definition of "personnel" within the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) contained in that subsection, and to which the personnel limitation contained in section 143 applies, to no longer include military and civilian personnel assigned to, or employed by, direct support activities of the OSD or the Washington Headquarters Services (WHS).

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to conduct a workforce analysis of WHS to ensure the office is sufficiently staffed to execute its assigned missions, accounting for mission changes within WHS that may be driving additional workforce requirements. The conferees direct the Secretary to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than May 1, 2024, on the results of this analysis.

**TITLE XII—MATTERS RELATING TO FOREIGN  
NATIONS**

**SUBTITLE A—ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING**

*Sec. 1201 - Modification of support of special operations for irregular warfare*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1201) that would codify section 1202 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115-91), as amended.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1393).

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1202 - Modification of combatant commander initiative fund*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1202) that would amend section 166a of title 10, United States Code, to include incremental expenses related to security cooperation activities of the Department of Defense to the authorized activities under the Joint Chiefs of Staff Combatant Commander Initiative Fund. Additionally, this section would authorize funding for U.S. Africa Command and U.S. Southern Command for certain purposes under the Combatant Commander Initiative Fund.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1203 - Increase in small-scale construction limit and modification of authority to build capacity*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1203) that would amend section 333 of title 10, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Defense to treat as stocks of the Department of Defense equipment procured under such section that has not yet been transferred to a foreign country or that has been returned by a foreign country to the United States. The House bill also contained a provision (sec. 1210) that would amend section 333(a) of title 10, United States Code, to include counter-illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing operations.

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1303) that would modify the definitions under chapter 16 of title 10, United States Code, to increase the threshold limitation for small-scale construction projects to \$2.0 million, and would modify section 333 of title 10, United States Code to include counter-illicit trafficking operations and foreign internal defense; increase the monetary threshold for congressional notification regarding small-scale construction projects requiring additional documentation; treat as stocks of the Department of Defense equipment procured under such section that has not yet been transferred to a foreign country or that has been returned by a foreign country to the United States; and

authorize the Secretary of Defense to allow a foreign country to provide sole-source direction for assistance in support of programs carried out pursuant to section 333 and enter into an agreement with a foreign country to provide such sole-source direction.

The House recedes with an amendment that would strike the modification of section 333 to include counter-illicit trafficking operations and foreign internal defense, remove the increase in threshold for small-scale construction projects requiring additional documentation, and make other technical changes.

*Sec. 1204 - Modifications to security cooperation workforce development program and establishment of defense security cooperation university*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1205) that would modify section 384 of title 10, United States Code, regarding the Security Cooperation Workforce Development Program, and would establish the Defense Security Cooperation University structure.

The Senate amendment contained similar provisions (secs. 1309 and 1399J).

The House recedes with an amendment that makes a number of technical and clarifying modifications.

*Sec. 1205 - Extension and modification of authority for reimbursement of certain coalition nations for support provided to United States military operations*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1305) that would extend and modify the authority for reimbursement of certain coalition nations for support provided to U.S. military operations.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 1206 - Extension of cross-servicing agreements for loan of personnel protection and personnel survivability equipment in coalition operations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1211) that would extend the duration of section 1207 of the Carl Levin and Howard P. ``Buck'' McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Public Law 113-291) by an additional 5 years.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1307).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1207 - Modification of authority to provide support to certain governments for border security operations*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1310) that would amend section 1226(a)(1) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law 114-92) by adding the Governments of Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, and Turkmenistan.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 1208 - Extension of legal institutional capacity building initiative for foreign defense institutions*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1304) that would extend the legal institutional capacity building initiative for foreign defense institutions to December 31, 2028.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 1209 - Report on ex gratia payments*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1212) that would modify ex-gratia reporting requirements to require additional information, including when a request was made and the steps the Department of Defense has taken to respond to the request.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1396).

The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1210 - Authority to provide mission training through distributed simulation*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1204) that would modify section 346 of title 10, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Defense to utilize mission training through distributed simulation activities with friendly foreign forces.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1302).

The House recesses with an amendment that would prohibit the authority granted by this provision from taking effect until the Secretary of Defense submits a report on the anticipated use

of mission training through distributed simulation by military personnel of friendly foreign countries.

*Sec. 1211 - Requirement for military exercises*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1206) that would require U.S. Central Command to engage in regular exercises with international partners to practice and simulate coalition strike, refueling, and other missions.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a clarifying amendment.

**SUBTITLE B—MATTERS RELATING TO OTHER  
AUTHORITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

*Sec. 1221 - Modification of authority for expenditure of funds for clandestine activities that support operational preparation of the environment and non-conventional assisted recovery capabilities*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1394) that would modify section 127f of title 10, United States Code, relating to the expenditure of funds for clandestine activities that support operational preparation of the environment.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would allow for the expenditure of funds under section 127f for the establishment, development, and maintenance of non-conventional assisted recovery capabilities.

*Sec. 1222 - Modification to the American, British, Canadian, and Australian armies' program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1306) that would amend section 1274 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013 (Public Law 112-239) to include the Air Force program known as the Five Eyes Air Force Interoperability Council.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1399D).

The Senate recedes.

*Sec. 1223 - First modification of initiative to support protection of national security academic researchers from undue influence and other security threats*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1308) that would limit the availability of funds for research, development, test and evaluation to an academic institution that maintains a contract with an entity that is identified on the list developed under 1286(c)(8)(A) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115-232).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would have the Inspector General of the Department of Defense conduct a review of the implementation of section 1286 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115-232) and National Security Presidential Memorandum-33 (NSPM-33).

*Sec. 1224 - Second modification of initiative to support protection of national security academic researchers from undue influence and other security threats*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1395) that would amend section 1286 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115-232) to support the protection of academic institutions and researchers from undue influence and other security threats.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would establish a deadline of June 1, 2024 for implementing the policies required by section 1286(c) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115-232).

*Sec. 1225 - Extension of authority for Department of Defense support for stabilization activities in national security interest of the United States*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1306) that would extend the authority for Department of Defense support for stabilization activities to December 31, 2025.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 1226 - Modification of Defense Operational Resilience International Cooperation Pilot Program*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1311) that would modify the Defense Operational Resilience International Cooperation pilot program.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1227 - Extension of prohibition on in-flight refueling to non-United States aircraft that engage in hostilities in the ongoing civil war in Yemen*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1399A) that would extend the prohibition on in-flight refueling to non-United States aircraft that engage in hostilities in the ongoing civil war in Yemen.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 1228 - Limitation on availability of funds for International Security Cooperation Program*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1308) that would limit the obligation of funds for the International Security Cooperation Program of the Defense Security Cooperation Agency to not more than 75 percent of the funds authorized for fiscal year 2024 until the Secretary of Defense submits the security cooperation strategy required by section 1206 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81).

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1229 - Protection and legal preparedness for members of the Armed Forces abroad*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1242) that would require the Secretary of Defense to seek to ensure that members of the Armed Forces stationed in a foreign country with which the United States maintains a Status of Forces Agreement are afforded certain rights, and would require the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, to review local legal systems of certain foreign countries and to brief specified congressional committees on the findings of the review.

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 13990) that would require the Secretary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, to review local legal systems of certain foreign countries and to brief specified congressional committees on the findings of the review.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the Secretary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, to review the legal protections afforded by bilateral

agreements between the United States and specified foreign countries and how the rights and privileges afforded under these agreements may differ from United States law. The amendment would require the Secretary to brief appropriate congressional committees on the findings of the review not later than December 31, 2024.

*Sec. 1230 - Report on hostilities involving United States Armed Forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1241) that would require the President to transmit a report to the congressional defense committees, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives within 48 hours of any incident in which U.S. Armed Forces are involved in an attack or hostilities, whether in an offensive or defensive capacity, except in specified circumstances.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with technical amendments.

*Sec. 1231 - Congressional notification regarding the Global Engagement Center*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1243) that would prohibit funding for the Global Engagement Center.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to notify the congressional defense committees not later than 30 days after making funds or personnel available to the Global Engagement Center.

## **SUBTITLE C—MATTERS RELATING TO UKRAINE, RUSSIA, AND NATO**

*Sec. 1241 - Extension of Ukraine Security Assistance Initiative*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1223) that would extend the Ukraine Security Assistance Initiative through calendar year 2025 and authorize \$300 million for fiscal year 2024.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1331).

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would extend the authority until December 31, 2026 and authorize \$300 million for fiscal year 2024 and \$300 million for fiscal year 2025.

*Sec. 1242 - Extension and modification of certain temporary authorizations related to munitions replacement*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1334) that would amend section 1244 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) to modify and extend temporary authorities relating to the acquiring of defense stocks to replenish stocks sent to Ukraine. This section also adds additional munitions authorized for multi-year procurement.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment which extends the ability of the Department of Defense to use the temporary authorities relating to replenishing defense stocks to any stocks sent to Taiwan or Israel.

*Sec. 1243 - Report relating to allied and partner support to Ukraine*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1225) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a plan and subsequent reports relating to allied and partner support to Ukraine.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the submission of quarterly reports on the military contributions to Ukraine made by allied and partner countries. The reporting requirement would sunset on January 1, 2025.

*Sec. 1244 - Extension of prohibition on availability of funds relating to sovereignty of the Russian Federation over internationally recognized territory of Ukraine*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1333) that would extend, through fiscal year 2024, the prohibition on availability of funds relating to sovereignty of the Russian Federation over internationally recognized territory of Ukraine.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1245 - Study and report on lessons learned regarding information operations and deterrence*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1535) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report containing an assessment of the information operations capabilities of Russia, including attributable, non-attributable, and deliberately misleading sources in and related to Ukraine, as well as an assessment of the efforts taken by the Secretary of Defense, and by the information operations components of the armed forces of partners and allies of the United States, to target and otherwise coordinate efforts against Russian military information operations.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1336).

The House recesses with an amendment that would modify the assessment elements.

*Sec. 1246 - Prohibition on New START treaty information sharing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1234) that would prohibit information sharing related to the New START Treaty and provide a waiver.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment to the waiver requiring Secretary of Defense concurrence with the Secretary of State that the Russian Federation is providing similar information to the United States as required by the New START Treaty; or it is in the national security interest of the United States to unilaterally provide such notifications to the Russian Federation.

*Sec. 1247 - Black Sea security and development strategy*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6231) that included the Black Sea Security Act of 2023.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would streamline the elements of the strategy required.

*Sec. 1248 - Revival of authority for participation of NATO naval personnel in submarine safety programs*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1237) that would remove a sunset from an existing authorization to relating to participation of NATO naval personnel in submarine vessel safety and rescue systems and procedures.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1249 - Extension and modification of training for Eastern European national security forces in the course of multilateral exercises*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1332) that would extend training for Eastern European national security forces in the course of multilateral exercises and modify such training to include the Republic of Kosovo.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1250 - U.S. basing, training, and exercises in North Atlantic Treaty Organization member countries*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1335) that would require the Secretary of Defense to prioritize North Atlantic Treaty Organization member countries that have achieved defense spending of not less than 2 percent of their gross domestic product by 2024 when considering decisions related to United States military basing, training, and exercises.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to include host nation defense spending levels among the factors when making decisions related to United States military basing, training, and exercises.

*Sec. 1250A - Limitation on withdrawal from the North Atlantic Treaty Organization*

The Senate amendment contained provisions (secs. 1399AA through 1399HH) that would limit the withdrawal from the North Atlantic Treaty except by and with the advice and consent of the Senate or pursuant to an Act of Congress.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment to remove the authorization of legal counsel to represent Congress.

*Sec. 1250B - Oversight of programs and operations funded with amounts appropriated by the United States for Ukraine*

The House bill contained provisions (secs. 1222, 1227, 1228, and 1229) that would amend the direct hire authority for certain personnel of the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense, establish the Office of the Special Inspector General for Ukraine Assistance, require the Inspector General of the Department of Defense to submit a report reconciling all United States assistance to Ukraine, require the

Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of State to provide a briefing on the status of weapons the United States has committed to sending to Ukraine and to other regional allies and partners who are providing weapons to Ukraine, and require the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense to submit a report on detailed oversight of United States assistance to Ukraine.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would designate the Lead Inspector General for Operation Atlantic Resolve as the Special Inspector General for Operation Atlantic Resolve, require quarterly reports on all oversight activities and findings of the Special Inspector General, authorize \$8 million for the Special Inspector to carry out the assigned duties, and require the publication of unclassified amounts appropriated by the United States for Ukraine every 90 days.

The conferees note that the Inspectors General of the Department of Defense (DOD), Department of State, and U.S. Agency for International Development have led a comprehensive interagency oversight effort regarding U.S. assistance to Ukraine. The conferees recognize the important work performed by these Inspectors General and other entities involved in Ukraine oversight. The conferees further note that the DOD Inspector General was designated the Lead Inspector General (Lead IG) for Operation ATLANTIC RESOLVE, a role which covers oversight of U.S. assistance to Ukraine, and began serving in that capacity on October 18, 2023. The conferees recognize that the "Lead IG model" for conducting oversight of named Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO) has proved effective for past and ongoing OCOs. The amendment to designate the Lead Inspector General for Operation Atlantic Resolve as the Special Inspector General for Operation Atlantic Resolve should not in any way be construed to reflect any dissatisfaction with the performance of the Inspectors General or the Lead Inspector General model. The conferees note that the amendment includes a rule of construction and other elements to ensure that the Special Inspector General carries out oversight duties in accordance with the Lead Inspector General statute.

## **SUBTITLE D—MATTERS RELATING TO ISRAEL**

### *Sec. 1251 - Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training Program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1217) that would direct the Secretary of Defense to produce a plan for enabling Israel to gain observer status in the Euro-North Atlantic Treaty Organization Joint Jet Pilot Training Program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1252 - Extension of United States-Israel anti-tunnel cooperation*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1216) that would extend section 1279(f) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law 114-92), as most recently amended by section 1279 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116-92), from December 31, 2024 to December 31, 2026.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1399B).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1253 - Improvements relating to United States-Israel cooperation to counter unmanned aerial systems*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1220G) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the status of cooperation between the United States and Israel on countering unmanned aerial systems and the threat to the United States and Israel posed by unmanned aerial systems from Iran and associated proxies of Iran.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, to provide the congressional defense committees, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives, a report, in an unclassified form with a classified annex if necessary, on the current status of cooperation between the United States and Israel on countering unmanned aerial systems, including an assessment of: (1) Capabilities to counter unmanned aerial systems under research and development; (2) Capabilities to counter unmanned aerial systems that have been fielded to the Armed Forces of the United States or Israel pursuant to this section; (3) Proposed changes to authorizations, appropriations, or other provisions of law that would result in more effective capabilities to counter unmanned aerial systems and expedite the provision to the Armed Forces of the United States and Israel of capabilities to counter unmanned aerial systems; and (4) The extent to which the United States-Israel Operations-Technology Working Group or any successor working group, is being used to carry out such activities. The conferees further direct that the

report includes: (1) An assessment of the threat to the United States and Israel posed by unmanned aerial systems from Iran and Iranian-linked groups, including an assessment of deployed or otherwise available anti-unmanned aircraft capabilities of the United States and Israel and the adequacy of such capabilities to offset such threat; and (2) The threat posed by unmanned aerial systems to the United States and Israel as a result of cooperation between Iran and Russia on the deployment of unmanned aerial systems in Ukraine, including the expanded manufacturing as a result of such cooperation.

*Sec. 1254 - Modification of authority for cooperation on directed energy capabilities*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1397) that would modify an existing authority to co-develop directed energy missile defense technologies with the Government of Israel, authorize an additional \$25.0 million for such activities, and specify offsetting reductions.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would strike the additional funding and offset clauses since they are provided in the funding tables of the bill.

*Sec. 1255 - Ensuring peace through strength in Israel*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1220C) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct an assessment with respect to the quantity of precision-guided munitions and other munitions for use by Israel.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1399I).

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1256 - Assistance to Israel for aerial refueling*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 12010C) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to make available such resources as are necessary to train pilots and ground crews of the Israeli Air Force on the KC-46 aircraft prior to delivery of KC-46 aircraft to Israel. The provision would further require the Secretary to take certain actions with respect to the personnel exchange program relating to Israeli Air Force KC-46 personnel, provide a report on related matters, and rotationally deploy one or more U.S. Air Force KC-46 aircraft to Israel until either 5 years after the date of enactment of this Act, or

Israel achieves full combat capability with their KC-46 aircraft.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1312).

The House recedes with an amendment that would remove the requirement to deploy KC-46 aircraft to Israel. Instead, the conferees agree to require the Secretary of Defense to: (1) Provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, on the costs and benefits of forward deployment of United States KC-46 aircraft to Israel; and (2) In consultation with the Secretary of State, consult with the Government of Israel to determine whether the Government of Israel desires to host rotational deployments of United States KC-46 aircraft in Israel.

*Sec. 1257 - Rules governing transfer of aerial refueling tankers to Israel*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1220A) that would allow the President to transfer to Israel one or more retired United States aerial refueling tankers, any United States aerial refueling tanker that the Secretary of Defense plans to retire during the 2-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act, or any other United States aerial refueling tanker the President considers appropriate.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

*Sec. 1258 - Report*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1249) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on whether any products sold at commissary or exchange stores in fiscal years 2022 or 2023 were produced by companies that have participated in a boycott action against Israel.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a clarifying amendment.

**SUBTITLE E—MATTERS RELATING TO SYRIA, IRAQ,  
IRAN, AND AFGHANISTAN**

*Sec. 1261 - Middle East integrated maritime domain awareness and interdiction capability*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1301) that would direct the Secretary of Defense to develop a strategy for improved integrated maritime domain awareness and interdiction capabilities to counter seaborne threats in the Middle East. The provision would also direct the Secretary of Defense to undertake a cost feasibility study for such purposes.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1262 - Modification of establishment of coordinator for detained ISIS members and relevant populations in Syria*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1325) that would modify the establishment of coordinator for detained Islamic State in Iraq and Syria members and relevant populations in Syria.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1263 - Extension and modification of authority to provide assistance to counter the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1214) that would extend and modify existing authority under section 1236 of the Carl Levin and Howard P. ``Buck'' McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Public Law 113-291), to provide support to partner forces in Iraq for countering the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS).

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1323) which would also modify this authority to provide equipment and training to the Iraqi Security Forces, including Kurdish Regional Guard Brigades, in order to increase their capabilities to counter attacks from unmanned aerial systems (UAS). The Senate amendment would also extend and modify the national security waiver on the costs of construction and repair through 2024, to ease providing such assistance.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment which would increase the caps on per project construction and repair projects to \$6 million. The provision would also delegate authority from the President to the Secretary of Defense to issue subsequent waivers with regards to limitations on construction and repair if certain conditions are met.

*Sec. 1264 - Extension and modification of authority to provide assistance to vetted Syrian groups and individuals*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1213) that would extend and modify existing authority under section 1209 of the Carl Levin and Howard P. ``Buck`` McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Public Law 113-291), to provide assistance to vetted Syrian groups for countering the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS).

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1321) which would also extend and modify the national security waiver on the costs of construction and repair through 2024, to ease providing such assistance.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment which would increase the caps on per project construction and repair projects to \$6 million. The provision would also delegate authority from the President to the Secretary of Defense to issue subsequent waivers with regards to limitations on construction and repair if certain conditions are met.

*Sec. 1265 - Extension of authority to support operations and activities of the Office of Security Cooperation in Iraq*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1322) that would extend the authority to support operations and activities of the Office of Security Cooperation in Iraq.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees note that the long stated goal of the Department of Defense is to transition the Office of Security Cooperation in Iraq to conduct activities in a manner that is similar to other regional security cooperation offices. The conferees further note that while progress toward that goal has been made, frustration remains regarding its delayed implementation.

*Sec. 1266 - Plan of action to equip and train Iraqi security forces and Kurdish Peshmerga forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1215) that would require a plan of action for Kurdish and Iraqi air defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

*Sec. 1267 - Prohibition on transfers to the Badr Organization*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1220D) that would prohibit the Department of Defense to make any amounts appropriated available, directly or indirectly, to the Badr Organization.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1268 - Extension and modification of annual report on military power of Iran*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1218) that would amend the annual reporting requirement for the Department of Defense on Iran's military power to add more capabilities and forces.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment.

The conferees note that elements of other Iranian provisions from elsewhere in this Act are addressed in this provision.

*Sec. 1269 - Modification and update to report on military capabilities of Iran and related activities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1220F) that would require the Director of National Intelligence to submit an updated report on the military capabilities of Iran.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1270 - Prohibition on funds to Iran*

The House bill contained provisions (secs. 1220B and 1220I) that would prohibit Department of Defense funds to be made available to the Government of Iran and other Iranian entities.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1271 - Prohibition on transporting currency to the Taliban and the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1219) that would prohibit any funds authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Defense being made available for the operation of any Department of Defense aircraft to transport currency or other items of value to the Taliban.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1272 - Prohibition on funding for the Taliban*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1220K) that would prohibit the use of Department of Defense funds to be used to provide support to the Taliban or any Taliban affiliate.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment that would allow the Secretary of Defense to waive the prohibition of funding if it is determined to be in the national security interests of the United States or health and safety of the Afghan people.

**LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Report on end-use monitoring*

The House bill contained a provision (section 1207) that would direct the Comptroller General of the United States to submit to specified congressional committees a report on Department of Defense and Department of State procedures related to investigating alleged violations of United States requirements on the use, transfer, and security of defense articles and services provided to foreign countries under specified provisions of U.S. law.

The Senate bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Comptroller General of the United States to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate a report, not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, on Department of Defense and Department of State procedures related to alleged violations of relevant end-use monitoring requirements pursuant to applicable provisions under section 333 of title 10, United States Code, or any other authority of the Department of Defense to provide defense items to a foreign country, and Foreign Military Sales pursuant to section 36 of the Arms Export Control Act (Public Law 94-329). The report shall address the following:

(1) The extent to which the Department of Defense and the Department of State coordinate to track, report, and investigate allegations of violations on requirements related to the use, transfer, and security of defense articles and services provided to foreign countries;

(2) Findings of Department of Defense or Department of State investigations of such allegations, and actions taken in response to such findings;

(3) The extent to which the Department of Defense and the Department of State have identified lessons learned or designated areas for increased monitoring as a result of such investigations;

(4) The extent to which the Department of Defense and the Department of State have established expectations in policy and in transfer agreements regarding what would constitute such violations;

(5) Any lessons learned on end-use monitoring with respect to the conflict in Ukraine and the feasibility to apply such lessons to other regions affected by conflict; and

(6) Any other matters determined to be appropriate by the Comptroller General.

*Report on enhanced end-use monitoring*

The House bill contained a provision (section 1208) that would direct the Comptroller General of the United States to submit to specified congressional committees a report on enhanced end-use monitoring of defense items provided to foreign countries pursuant to specified authorities.

The Senate bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees direct the Comptroller General of the United States to submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, on enhanced end-use monitoring of defense items provided to foreign countries pursuant to section 333 of title 10, United States Code, or any other authority of the Department of Defense to provide defense items to a foreign country, and Foreign Military Sales under section 36 of the Arms Export Control Act (Public Law 94-329). The report shall address the following:

(1) A description of the Department of Defense procedures for determining the items subject to enhanced end-use monitoring and the factors the Department considers in designating items for such monitoring;

(2) The extent to which, and how, the Department of Defense coordinates with the Department of State in designating items for such monitoring;

(3) The extent to which the Department of Defense considers changing conditions in a country or region in designating items for such monitoring;

(4) The extent to which security cooperation organizations at United States diplomatic missions overseas completed such monitoring as required by Department of Defense policy in each of the fiscal years 2018 through 2022;

(5) Any lessons learned on such monitoring with respect to the conflict in Ukraine and the feasibility to apply such lessons to other regions affected by conflict; and

(6) Any other matters determined to be appropriate by the Comptroller General.

*Report on partner country forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1209) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report that specifies partner countries whose military forces have participated in security cooperation or security assistance programs and subsequently engaged in a coup, insurrection, or action to overthrow a democratically elected government.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, on support to partner country forces. Such briefing shall:

(1) Identify the processes undertaken by the Department to vet the units of partner countries whose military forces have participated in security cooperation training or equipping programs pursuant to chapter 16 of title 10, United States Code;

(2) Identify steps undertaken by the Department to strengthen observance and respect for the law of armed conflict, human rights and fundamental freedoms, the rule of law, and civilian control of the military by recipient units;

(3) Identify, to the extent practicable, instances where units of foreign countries whose militaries received such security cooperation training and equipping have subsequently violated relevant agreements of such assistance, and a description of any corrective actions taken by the Department; and

(4) Include any other matters deemed relevant by the Secretary.

*General Thaddeus Kosciuszko memorial exchange program for Polish-American defense cooperation*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1210A) that would require the Commander, U.S. Army Special Operations Command, to seek to carry out a training program pursuant to section 322 of title 10, United States Code, between special operations forces under the jurisdiction of the Commander and the special operations forces of the Polish Army.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Report on coordination in the State Partnership Program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1210B) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the feasibility of coordinating with private entities and State governments to provide resources and personnel to support technical exchanges under the Department of Defense State Partnership Program.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1313).

The House and Senate recess.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act, on the advisability and feasibility of coordinating with private entities and State governments to provide resources and personnel to support technical exchanges under the Department of Defense State Partnership Program, established under section 341 of title 10, United States Code. The briefing shall address the following:

(1) An analysis of the gaps in implementation of the State Partnership Program, if any, that could be addressed through coordination with private entities and State governments;

(2) The types of personnel and expertise that could be helpful to partner country participants in the State Partnership Program;

(3) Any barriers to leveraging such expertise from private entities and State governments, as applicable;

(4) Recommendations for modifications to statute or regulation to address removing such barriers; and,

(5) Any other matters the Secretary deems appropriate.

*Modifications to the Office of the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1220) that would amend the authority of the Office of the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sense of Congress regarding Israel*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1220E) that would express the sense of Congress regarding the importance of the bilateral relationship between the United States and Israel and the need to continue offering security assistance and related support.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees strongly condemn the horrific October 7, 2023 attack on Israel by Hamas terrorists. The conferees affirm that since 1948, Israel has been one of the strongest friends and allies of the United States. The conferees further affirm that Israel is a stable, democratic country in a region historically and currently marred by turmoil. The conferees further affirm that for these reasons it is essential to the strategic interest of the United States to continue to provide full security assistance and related support to Israel. The conferees further affirm that such assistance and support is especially vital as Israel confronts a number of present and potential challenges, including threats from Hamas terrorists, Iran, and Iranian-linked groups.

*Report on Middle East regional exercises*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1220H) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report describing efforts to expand the frequency of bilateral and multilateral exercises involving Israel and United States regional partners and allies in the Middle East and otherwise promote and participate in such exercises.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, to provide the congressional defense committees, in an unclassified form with a classified annex if necessary, a report describing efforts, if any, to expand the frequency of bilateral and

multilateral exercises involving Israel and the United States and regional partners and allies in the Middle East, and otherwise promote or participate in such exercises.

*Report on United States force capabilities in the CENTCOM area of responsibility*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1220J) that would require the Commander, United States Central Command to submit a report on United States military capabilities in the United States Central Command area of responsibility.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Commander of United States Central Command, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, to provide the congressional defense committees a report which includes an assessment of United States military capabilities in the United States Central Command area of responsibility, an identification of any gaps in capabilities, and recommendations for addressing any such gaps in capabilities.

*Report on agreements made by the United States with the Taliban*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1220L) that would require the Secretary of State to submit any agreement made and entered into by the United States and the Taliban and any agreement made and entered into by third parties and the Taliban or notice of any such agreement.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on provision of funding and other assistance to Iraqi Popular Mobilization Forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1220M) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on provision of funding and assistance to Iraqi Popular Mobilization Forces.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, to provide to the congressional defense committees, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives, the Select Committee on

Intelligence of the Senate, and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives, a report which includes: (1) An assessment of whether United States assistance was provided or benefited the Iraqi Popular Mobilization Forces for military training or professional military education, including through assistance provided to the Ministry of Defense of Iraq; (2) An assessment of whether United States assistance has been provided to, or has benefitted, any person who is a member of any organization designated a foreign terrorist organization by the Secretary of State under section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (Public Law 82-414); or (3) A person determined by the Secretary of the Treasury to be a specially designated national. The conferees further direct that the report provides a description of how the government of Iraq and the Federal budget of the Iraqi government provides direct funding to the Iraqi Popular Mobilization Forces; and an assessment of how the relationship and interactions between the Ministry of Defense of Iraq and the Iraqi Popular Mobilization Forces affect the Strategic Framework Agreement for a Relationship of Friendship and Cooperation between the United States and the Republic of Iraq, concluded in Baghdad, Iraq on November 17, 2008, and entered into force January 1, 2009.

*Direct hire authority for certain personnel of the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision that would provide direct hire authority for the Department of Defense Inspector General, the United States Agency for International Development, and the Department of State concerning oversight of certain matters involving Ukraine.

The Senate bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Extension of lend-lease authority to Ukraine*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1224) that would extend the Ukraine Democracy Defense Lend-Lease Act of 2022 (Public Law 117-118) through fiscal year 2024 and include a requirement for the Secretary of Defense to provide a report to the congressional defense committees, the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives, and Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate with a description of the defense articles lent or leased not later than 60 days following the exercise of the authority.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on war in Ukraine*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1226) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the ongoing conflict in Ukraine that includes information on casualties, wounded, and materials or equipment losses for both sides of the conflict.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency to provide a report to the congressional defense committees, not later than March 1, 2024, describing the ongoing conflict in Ukraine that includes information on casualties, wounded, and materials or equipment losses for Russia and Ukraine since the full-scale invasion in February 2022.

*Report on allied contributions to the common defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1230) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on allied contributions to the common defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note the importance of continued investment by allies and partners to build, maintain, and modernize defense capabilities in order to enhance military readiness to support collective defense and credible deterrence. The conferees encourage continued progress on such capability and capacity development to meet shared global challenges.

*Statement of policy relating to NATO-Russia Founding Act*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1231) that would state as the policy of the United States that the NATO-Russia Founding Act does not prohibit the United States from establishing a permanent troop presence in Eastern Europe.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees affirm that it is the sense of Congress that NATO-Russia Founding Act does not prohibit the establishment of a permanent presence of the United States Armed Forces in Europe or constrain the deployment of United States Armed Forces or North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) forces.

*Strategy to delay, disrupt, and degrade Rosatom's proliferation activities and other revenue streams*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1232) that would require the Secretary of Defense to develop a strategy to combat Russia's aid to the People's Republic of China's (PRC) nuclear weapons program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note:

(1) Russia's state-owned nuclear energy corporation, Rosatom, is providing the PRC highly enriched uranium for Chinese Communist Party fast-breeder reactors;

(2) The Department of Defense's 2022 Report to Congress on the Military and Security Developments Involving the People's Republic of China noted that increased weapons-grade plutonium production is key to the PRC's nuclear program, stating: "The PRC is also supporting this expansion by increasing its capacity to produce and separate plutonium by constructing fast breeder reactors and reprocessing facilities." The report also cites the CFR-600 reactors and notes that each reactor will be capable of producing "enough plutonium for dozens of nuclear warheads annually." This buildup puts the PRC in violation of Article VI of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, requiring states to make good-faith efforts to cease an arms race and to engage in good-faith arms control negotiations;

(3) There are also credible reports that "Russia's state nuclear power conglomerate has been working to supply the Russian arms industry with components, technology and raw materials for missile(s)." Specifically, a letter from a Rosatom department chief, dated October 2022, shows Rosatom offering to provide goods to Russian military units and to Russian weapons manufacturers that are under sanctions;

(4) The United States Government has taken steps against Rosatom, such as sanctioning three Rosatom subsidiaries on February 24, 2023, and speaking out publicly against Rosatom's behavior; and

(5) Assistant Secretary of Defense for Space Policy, Dr. John F. Plumb, testified before the House Armed Services Subcommittee on Strategic Forces on March 8, 2023, that "It's very troubling to see Russia and China cooperating on this . . . They may have talking points around it, but there's no getting around the fact that breeder reactors are plutonium, and plutonium is for weapons. So, I think the [Defense] Department is concerned. And of course, it matches our concerns about

China's increased expansion of its nuclear forces as well because you need more plutonium for more weapons."

Therefore, the conferees direct that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Secretary of Energy, with the assistance of the Director of National Intelligence, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees, no later than March 31, 2024, a report for a strategy to delay, disrupt, and degrade Rosatom's and other Russian state-owned entities' proliferation activities and other revenue streams that directly fund Russia's military forces.

Further, the term "appropriate congressional committees" means: (1) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the Committee on Financial Services, and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives; and (2) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate.

#### *Baltic Security Initiative*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1233) that would express the sense of Congress regarding the Baltic States and require a report setting forth a strategy of the Department of Defense to deepen security cooperation with the Baltic States.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1337).

The conference agreement does not include either provision.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to provide the congressional defense committees, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives, with a report, not later than June 1, 2024, on the progress made in the implementation of the multi-year strategy and spending plan set forth in the June 2021 report of the Department of Defense entitled "Report on the Baltic Security Initiative" submitted pursuant to the Explanatory Statement for the Department of Defense Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2021. The report shall include the following:

(1) An identification of any significant change to the goals, objectives, and milestones identified in the June 2021 report, in light of the radically changed security

environment in the Baltic region after the full-scale invasion of Ukraine by the Russian Federation on February 24, 2022, and with consideration to enhancing the deterrence and defense posture of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization in the Baltic region, including through the implementation of the regional defense plans of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization;

(2) An update on the Department of Defense funding allocated for such strategy and spending plan for fiscal years 2022 and 2023 and projected funding requirements for fiscal years 2024, 2025, and 2026 for each goal identified in such report;

(3) An update on the host country funding allocated and planned for each such goal;

(4) An assessment of the progress made in the implementation of the recommendations set forth in the fiscal year 2020 Baltic Defense Assessment, and reaffirmed in the June 2021 report, that each Baltic country should—

(a) increase its defense budget;

(b) focus on and budget for sustainment of capabilities in defense planning; and

(c) consider combined units for expensive capabilities such as air defense, rocket artillery, and engineer assets.

(5) A description of any other steps taken to deepen Department of Defense security cooperation with the Baltic countries in order to—

(a) achieve United States national security strategy objectives;

(b) enhance regional planning and cooperation among the Baltic countries, particularly with respect to long-term regional capability projects; and

(c) enhance the Baltic countries' defenses and resiliency.

#### *Sense of Congress on defense by NATO member states*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1235) that would express the sense of Congress on defense by North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) member states.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1338).

The conference agreement does not include these provisions. The conferees affirm that the success of NATO is critical to advancing United States national security objectives

in Europe, the Indo-Pacific region, and around the world. NATO remains the strongest and most successful military alliance in the world, founded on a commitment by its members to uphold the principles of democracy, individual liberty, and the rule of law, and the United States is steadfast in its ironclad commitment to NATO as the foundation of transatlantic security and to upholding its obligations under the North Atlantic Treaty, including Article 5.

The conferees note that the unprovoked and illegal invasion of Ukraine by the Russian Federation has upended security in Europe and requires the full attention of the transatlantic alliance. Welcoming Finland as the 31st member of the NATO has made the alliance stronger and the conferees urge the remaining NATO member countries to swiftly ratify the accession protocols of Sweden so as to bolster the collective security of the alliance by increasing the security and stability of the Baltic Sea region and Northern Europe.

The conferees note the NATO Strategic Concept, agreed to at the Madrid Summit in 2022, outlined the focus of the alliance for the upcoming decade. Allies took further important steps at the 2023 Vilnius Summit by agreeing to a set of regional defense plans with assigned forces, capabilities, and high levels of readiness. Allies should continue to support these efforts, as well as making efforts to address the challenges posed by the coercive policies of the People's Republic of China that undermine the interests, security, and shared values of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Alliance.

The conferees commend the affirmation at the Vilnius Summit that defense spending of "at least 2 percent of Gross Domestic Product (GDP)" be seen as a minimum investment to continue to ensure military readiness across the alliance. The conferees urge NATO member countries that have not yet met the 2 percent defense spending pledge to endeavor to meet the timeline as expeditiously as possible, and to continue to allocate at least 20 percent of their defense budgets on major equipment, including research and development.

The conferees further affirm that United States and NATO allies and partners should continue efforts to deliver needed assistance to Ukraine as Ukraine fights against the illegal and unjust war of the Russian Federation. U.S. investments under the European Deterrence Initiative remain critically important and have demonstrated their strategic value during the current Russian Federation-created war against Ukraine.

The conferees encourage the Department of Defense to pursue efforts consistent with the comprehensive, multilateral Baltic Defense Assessment. The Department should continue to prioritize robust support to the Baltic countries to accomplish

United States strategic objectives, including security cooperation often referred to as the Baltic Security Initiative pursuant to sections 332 and 333 of title 10, United States Code.

The conferees further note the updated U.S.-Greece Mutual Defense Cooperation Agreement signed last year is a reflection of our nations' shared commitment to peace and security and U.S. basing in the Hellenic Republic enables strategic access to exercise and operate in the region.

*Report on the security relationship between the United States and the Hellenic Republic*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1236) that would require the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of State to submit a report on the security relationship between the United States and the Hellenic Republic.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Determination of location for McCain Irregular Warfare Center*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1244) that would require the Secretary of Defense to select a permanent location for the ``John S. McCain III Center for Security Studies in Irregular Warfare Center'' based on specified criteria.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Designation of priority theaters of operation and combatant commands; priority for sales of defense articles and services*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1245) that would require that the Secretary of Defense designate theaters of operation and combatant commands that are to be considered priority combatant commands for each fiscal year. This provision would also require the President and the Secretary of State to give priority to sales to countries located in theaters of operation and under the responsibility of combatant commands identified in such designation.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses. The conferees direct that the Secretary of Defense and Secretary of State provide a briefing, not later March 1, 2024, on the feasibility and advisability of prioritizing Foreign Military Sales under existing law and

regulation and the mechanisms that could be used to effect such prioritization, including deferral of U.S. production.

*Report on how to protect United States defense technology sold to foreign partners*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1246) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report that outlines how the Secretary of Defense will prevent unauthorized users of United States defense technology sold or transferred to foreign partners and allies of the United States under the foreign military sales program or any other authority available to the United States from accessing sensitive information about the technical capabilities and limitations of the technology.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Inclusion of special operations forces in planning and strategy relating to the Arctic region*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1247) that would require the Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command, to develop and submit a Special Operations Forces Arctic Security Strategy.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that issues relating to the U.S. Arctic Strategy, including the role for Special Operations Forces, are dealt with elsewhere in this Act.

*Briefing on nuclear capability of Iran*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1324) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing on threats to global security posed by the nuclear weapon capability of Iran and progress made by Iran in enriching uranium at levels proximate to or exceeding weapons grade.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to provide the congressional defense committees a briefing describing threats to global security posed by the nuclear weapon capability of Iran, progress made by Iran in enriching uranium at levels proximate to or exceeding weapons grade, and recommendations for actions the United States may take to ensure that Iran does not acquire a nuclear weapon capability.

*Sense of the Senate on Defence Innovation Accelerator for the North Atlantic (DIANA) in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1339) that would express the sense of the Senate regarding the Defence Innovation Accelerator for the North Atlantic in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sense of the Senate regarding the arming of Ukraine*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1340) that would express the sense of the Senate that Ukraine would derive military benefit from the provision of munitions such as the dual-purpose improved conventional munition (DPICM). The provision would also express the sense of the Senate that the Department of Defense, in close coordination with the State Department, should assess the feasibility and advisability of providing such munitions.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note that the United States began providing DPICM to Ukraine in the 42nd Presidential Drawdown Authority package of security assistance announced on July 7, 2023. The conferees also note that Ukraine committed to measures to minimize the risks associated with employment of DPICM.

*Extension and modification of certain temporary authorizations*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1347) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a plan for enhancing U.S. security cooperation with Japan and add the Government of Taiwan to the temporary authorization established in section 1244 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263).

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note that this matter is addressed elsewhere in this Act.

*Report on Department of Defense roles and responsibilities in support of National Strategy for the Arctic Region*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1381) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on Department of Defense roles and responsibilities in support of the National Strategy for the Arctic Region.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than June 1, 2024, to submit to the congressional defense committees a report on Department of Defense roles and responsibilities in support of the National Strategy for the Arctic Region which includes: (1) An identification of the Department's lines of effort to support the implementation of the National Strategy for the Arctic Region, including the implementation plan for each applicable military department and the Office of Special Operations and Low-Intensity Conflict; (2) A plan for the execution of, and a projected timeline and the resource requirements for, each line of effort; and (3) Any other matter the Secretary considers relevant.

#### *Modification of Arctic Security Initiative*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1398) that would modify the Arctic Security Initiative.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees recognize the growing strategic importance of the Arctic in light of increased activity and investment in the region, including the increasing Russian and Chinese presence and cooperation there. The conferees recognize that the Department of Defense's mission requirements in the U.S. Arctic region are expected to grow, and urge the Department to implement a strategy to fulfill those requirements.

#### *Termination of authorization of non-conventional assisted recovery capabilities*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1399) that would terminate the authority contained in section 943 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 110-417), as amended, for non-conventional assisted recovery capabilities on December 31, 2023.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

#### *Prohibition on delegation of authority to designate foreign partner forces as eligible for the provision of collective self-defense support by United States Armed Forces*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1399C) that would prohibit the Secretary of Defense from delegating the authority to designate foreign partner forces as eligible for the provision of collective self-defense support.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Cooperation with allies and partners in Middle East on development of integrated regional cybersecurity architecture*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1399E) that would require the Secretary of Defense to seek to cooperate with allies and partners in the Middle East with respect to developing an integrated regional cybersecurity architecture and deepening military cybersecurity partnerships to defend military networks, infrastructure, and systems against hostile cyber activity.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note the importance of continuing to bolster regional cooperation on cybersecurity between the United States and Middle Eastern allies and partners to improve capabilities to defend against common threats. The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, to provide the congressional defense committees, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, and the Committee on Foreign affairs of the House of Representatives, a report on the current status of regional cybersecurity cooperation between the United States and its Middle Eastern allies and partners, including Abraham Accords countries, on additional activities that could be undertaken cooperatively including national capabilities that could be leveraged to undertake such activities and the feasibility of moving forward with such an arrangement.

*Foreign Advance Acquisition Account*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1399F) that would create a subaccount within the Special Defense Acquisition Fund to be used to accelerate the production of United States-produced end items in reasonable anticipation of the sale of such end items through the Foreign Military Sales or direct commercial sales processes. Such funds could come from contributions from covered countries, including Australia, the United Kingdom, or a member country of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees remain interested in the potential for the Special Defense Acquisition Fund (SDAF) to anticipate Foreign Military Sales (FMS) in order to improve production lead times in the defense industrial base. Therefore, the conferees direct the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of State to provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees, not later than April 1, 2024, on potential steps to understand anticipated sales as a means to better utilize the SDAF to improve production lead times, including the creation of a knowledge pathway of anticipated sales for FMS customers, an increase in the working balances of the SDAF, or other options proposed by the Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of State, including potential legislative proposals.

*Modification of Foreign Military Sales processing*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1399k) that would establish certain requirements relating to Foreign Military Sales processing, including requiring the Secretary of Defense to seek to ensure that specific response times are met as part of that process. The provision would also allow the Secretary to prioritize Foreign Military Sales within the Defense Priorities Allocation System.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sharing of information with respect to suspected violations of intellectual property rights*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1399M) that would amend section 628A of the Tariff Act of 1930 (Public Law 71-361).

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*International Children with Disabilities Protection Act of 2023*

The Senate amendment contained provisions (secs. 1399AAAA through 1399GGGG) that included the International Children with Disabilities Protection Act of 2023.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Western Hemisphere Partnership Act of 2023*

The Senate amendment contained subtitle K (secs. 1399AAAAA through 1399JJJJJ) that would include the Western Hemisphere Partnership Act of 2023.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sense of the Senate on digital trade and the digital economy*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6291) that would express a sense of the Senate on digital trade and the digital economy.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Assessment of certain United States-origin technology used by foreign adversaries*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6292) that would require the Director of National Intelligence to conduct an assessment to evaluate the top five technologies that originate in the United States and are not currently subject to export controls as prioritized by the Director of National Intelligence, in order to identify and assess the risk from those specified technologies that could be or are being used by foreign adversaries in foreign espionage programs targeting the United States.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees are concerned by the ability of our adversaries to overtly and illicitly acquire advanced U.S.-developed commercial- and government-funded technologies and apply those technologies to enhance their espionage and defense capabilities. Therefore the conferees direct that the Secretary of State, in coordination with Director of National Intelligence and with such other heads of the elements of the intelligence community as the Director considers appropriate, conduct an assessment to evaluate the top five technologies that originate in the United States and are not currently subject to export controls as prioritized by the Director of National Intelligence, in order to identify and assess the risk from those specified technologies that could be or are being used by foreign adversaries in foreign espionage programs targeting the United States. The Secretary of State shall provide a copy of the assessment and any recommendations, not later than one year after the date of enactment of the Act, to the Committee on Armed Services, the Foreign Relations Committee and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate and the Committee on

Armed Services, the Foreign Affairs Committee and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives.

*Virginia class submarine transfer certification*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6293) that would require the President of the United States to certify to the appropriate congressional committees prior to the transfer of one or more *Virginia*-class submarines that: (1) Such submarine will be used to support joint security interests of the United States and Australia; (2) That Submarine Rotational Forces-West has achieved full operational capability and can support four rotationally deployed *Virginia*-class submarines and one *Astute*-class submarine; and (3) That the Government of Australia has demonstrated the domestic capacity to fully perform a range of activities necessary for the ownership and operation of nuclear-powered submarines.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees have dealt with *Virginia*-class submarine transfers elsewhere in this Act.

**TITLE XIII—OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO  
FOREIGN NATIONS**

**SUBTITLE A—MATTERS RELATING TO THE INDO-  
PACIFIC REGION**

*Sec. 1301 - Sense of Congress on defense alliances and  
partnerships in the Indo-Pacific region*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1303) that would express the sense of Congress on South Korea.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision that would express the sense of the Senate on defense alliances and partnerships in the Indo-Pacific region (sec. 1368).

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1302 - Extension of Pacific Deterrence Initiative and  
report, briefings, and plan under the Initiative*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1301) that would extend section 1251 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283) related to the Pacific Deterrence Initiative (PDI) and the independent assessment of the Commander of United States Indo-Pacific Command (USINDOPACOM).

The House bill also contained a provision (sec. 1302) that would require the Secretary of Defense to enter into an agreement with a federally funded research and development center, or another appropriate independent entity, to conduct an assessment of Department of Defense activities carried out pursuant to PDI.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1344) that would extend PDI and the independent assessment of the Commander of USINDOPACOM.

The agreement includes a provision that would extend PDI through fiscal year 2024 and extend the independent assessment of the Commander of USINDOPACOM through fiscal year 2026.

The conferees strongly support PDI as means to prioritize Department of Defense efforts in support of enhancing U.S. deterrence and defense posture, reassuring allies and partners, and increasing readiness and capability in the Indo-Pacific region, primarily west of the International Date Line. The budgetary display below captures investments included in this Act that support the objectives of the PDI.

Additionally, the conferees direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a review of PDI. At a minimum, the review shall include:

(1) A description of the Department of Defense process for building its budget request for PDI, including how the Department:

(a) defines PDI categories;

(b) evaluates PDI requests by the military services to determine whether requested funding is or is not included as part of the PDI budget request;

(2) An identification of any differences between Department of Defense budgeting process, execution, and oversight of PDI and the European Deterrence Initiative;

(3) Recommendations, if any, for improvements to the Department's budgeting process, execution, and oversight of PDI; and

(4) Any other matters deemed relevant by the Comptroller General.

The conferees further direct the Comptroller General to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the results of the review, not later than September 1, 2024, and issue a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of

Representatives to follow at a time agreed to at the time of the briefing.

## PACIFIC DETERRENCE INITIATIVE AUTHORIZATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024

(In Thousands of Dollars)

Line	Program	FY 2022 Authorized	FY 2023 Authorized	FY 2024 Authorized
<b>IMPROVE POSTURE AND PRESENCE</b>				
<b>Missile Procurement, Army</b>				
0214401A	Patriot Mods .....		6,700	67,526
0604319A	Indirect Fire Protection Capability .....			46,360
0208082A	Lower Tier Air Missile Defense Sensor .....			65,000
0208030A	PrecisionStrike Missile (PrSM) .....			58,000
0605456A	MSE Missile .....			67,000
<b>Other Procurement, Army</b>				
152	Theater MSV-L ships .....	76,660	104,676	
B00010	USARPAC MDTF M-Drive .....	2,500		
0214400A	IAMD Battle Command System .....		69,000	15,000
0211700A	Night Vision Devices .....		9,298	
0214400A	Sentinel Mods .....		91,000	
0216300A	Army Watercraft Esp .....		30,113	19,459
0804734A	Multi-Domain Intel .....			6,600
0219900A	Training Devices, Nonsystem .....			12,300
020700A	Synthetic Training Environment .....			4,000
<b>Procurement, Defense Wide</b>				
0208902C	Guam Defense System .....	40,000	26,514	169,627
<b>Operation and Maintenance, Army</b>				
111,087	GFMAP Directed Missions .....	97,700	122,574	
121,034	USARPAC Processing, Exploitation, and Dissemination .....			39,236
121,018	USARPAC MDTF Cloud Services .....	3,500	3,951	
0203803A	Force Readiness Operations Support .....		939	1,403
0202218A	Force Readiness Operations Support .....		5,927	21,127
0202218A	Force Readiness Operations Support .....			6,086
0605040A	Cyberspace Activities—Cyberspace Operations			1,500
0202116A	Maneuver Units .....			96,000
240	INDOPACOM UFR—Theater Campaigning .....		18,790	360,000
0804734A	Training & Recruiting/Specialized Skills Training			2,100
0202614A	Operating Forces/Tactical SIGINT/PED Enhancements .....			46,000
0202218A	Operating Forces/Force ReadinessOps Support ..			430
<b>Operation and Maintenance, Navy</b>				
1CCS	INDOPACOM MISO .....	8,984		
1CCS	INDOPACOM UFR—MISO .....	28,000		
1CCH	Service Support to INDOPACOM .....	30,003	28,813	
1CCM	Service Support to INDOPACOM (Sub-Reg Campaign Plan) .....	53,398	50,304	
1CCM	Service Support to INDOPACOM (Other Core Missions) .....	12,593	12,695	
0201490N	Combatant Commanders Core Operations .....		5,613	1,200
0201160N	Combatant Commanders Direct Mission Support			62,851
0201114N	Cyberspace Activities .....			2,484
0305251M	Operational Forces .....			500
0201490N	Combatant Commanders Core Operations .....			13,809
0201114N	Combatant Commanders Direct Mission Support			10,000
0201204N	Combatant Commanders Direct Mission Support			12,812
0303103N	Combatant Commanders Direct Mission Support			4,138
0204282N	Cyberspace Activities .....			1,500
1CCM	MPE: Service Support to Other Nations			
	INDOPACOM .....	16,194	16,518	
1CCM	INDOPACOM UFR—Critical Manpower Positions	4,600		
1CCM	INDOPACOM UFR—Enhanced ISR Augmentation	41,000		
1D4D	Missile Defense, Navy Area .....	88,817	120,567	
1A1A	Unit Deployment Program .....	135,653	134,625	
1A1A	Marine Expeditionary Unit .....	35,334	35,065	
1A1A	III MEF Operating Budget .....		298,430	

## PACIFIC DETERRENCE INITIATIVE AUTHORIZATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024—Continued

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Line	Program	FY 2022 Authorized	FY 2023 Authorized	FY 2024 Authorized
MISC	Mission and Other Flight Operations .....		468,120	524,946
MISC	Weapons Maintenance .....		153	361
1CCM	INDOPACOM UFR—Theater Campaigning .....		18,067	36,000
0203498N	Combat Support Forces .....			93
<b>Operation and Maintenance, Marine Corps</b>				
1A1A	III MEF Operating Budget .....		298,430	
1A1A	Operational Forces: Marine Rotational Force- Darwin .....	45,000	46,350	
1A1A	Unit Deployment Program .....	48,000	56,932	
1A1A	Marine Expeditionary Unit .....	4,526	3,755	
BSS1	Base Operating Support .....		110,335	
1A1A	INDOPACOM UFR—Theater Campaigning .....		14,093	8,000
0202056M	Base Operating Support .....			2,861
0202057M	Base Operating Support .....			1,027
0206479M	Base Operating Support .....			70,782
0208212M	Base Operating Support .....			4,022
0208532M	Base Operating Support .....			2,511
0208534M	Base Operating Support .....			3,596
0208538M	Base Operating Support .....			240
0208540M	Base Operating Support .....			4,181
0208541M	Base Operating Support .....			1,983
0208550M	Base Operating Support .....			26
0208553M	Base Operating Support .....			843
0208853M	Base Operating Support .....			955
0208854M	Base Operating Support .....			866
0360111M	Base Operating Support .....			3,061
0390110M	Base Operating Support .....			7
0701111M	Base Operating Support .....			707
0708542M	Base Operating Support .....			5,151
0808519M	Base Operating Support .....			14,163
0808520M	Base Operating Support .....			8,064
0808530M	Base Operating Support .....			18,836
0901212M	Base Operating Support .....			2,043
0202150M	Operational Forces .....			61,233
0206126M	Operational Forces .....			22,001
0206211M	Operational Forces .....			95,617
0206312M	Operational Forces .....			210,835
0206315M	Operational Forces .....			17,965
<b>Operation and Maintenance, Air Force</b>				
011A	Improve Posture and Presence .....	130,970	149,482	137,361
011C	Improve Posture and Presence .....	146,597	154,439	93,360
011M	Improve Posture and Presence .....	291,000	395,393	422,334
011W	Improve Posture and Presence .....	1,076,000	1,224,185	1,329,927
011Y	Improve Posture and Presence .....	819,655	798,902	777,034
011Z	Improve Posture and Presence .....	534,646	584,742	387,804
012C	Improve Posture and Presence .....	88,192	89,956	56,539
012D	Improve Posture and Presence .....			1,704
012F	Improve Posture and Presence .....	862	880	1,793
042A	Improve Posture and Presence .....	2,186	2,229	521
042B	Improve Posture and Presence .....			276
021A	INDOPACOM UFR—Theater Campaigning .....		18,917	104,000
0208064F	Cyberspace Activities .....			1,500
0207969F	Primary Combat Forces .....			96,000
<b>Operation and Maintenance, Defense-Wide</b>				
011A	MDA: Guam THAAD Battery & AN/TPY-2 Radar .....	12,800	12,536	12,464
011A	MDA: USFK THAAD Battery & AN/TPY-2 Radar ..	13,000	8,728	14,141
011A	MDA: Japan FBM TPY-2 (Radar 1 and 2) .....	24,900	29,476	24,483
1PLR	SOPAC/SOCKOR Operations and Support .....	37,027	45,685	31,094
1GTM	INDOPACOM UFR—Information Operations .....		27,500	
1PLR	INDOPACOM UFR—Theater Campaigning .....		9,034	
0208085JCY	Cyberspace Operations .....			10,800

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Line	Program	FY 2022 Authorized	FY 2023 Authorized	FY 2024 Authorized
0305251CY	Cyberspace Operations .....			4,500
0306250CY	Cyberspace Operations .....			21,520
<b>Research and Development, Army</b>				
0604114A	Lower Tier Air Missile Defense (LTAMD) Sensor			383,688
0604759A	Major T&E Investment .....		3,109	3,197
0604820A	Radar Development .....			15,066
0605457A	Army Integrated Air and Missile Defense (AIAMD) .....		80,000	37,826
0605235A	Strategic Mid-Range Capability .....		5,016	40,177
0606002A	Ronald Reagan Ballistic Missile Defense Test Site .....			22,382
0607865A	Patriot Product Improvement .....			46,545
0604741A	Air Defense Command, Control and Intelligence			1,004
060504A	Cyber Space Activities .....			1,500
0604037A	Classified Programs .....			10,000
0605235A	System Dev, Demo/Strategic MRC .....			395,000
0605231A	System Dev, Demo/PrSM .....			196,000
<b>Research and Development, Navy</b>				
0604601N	INDOPACOM UFR—Sea Urchin powered quickstrike mines .....		10,000	
0604601N	INDOPACOM UFR—Hammerhead .....		47,500	
<b>Research and Development, Air Force</b>				
0102417F	Talon TACMOR Palau .....	42,300		5,111
0207325F	INDOPACOM UFR—JASSM software update .....		12,000	
0207142F	F-35 Squadrons .....			42,361
0401218F	KC-135s .....			23,894
<b>Research and Development, Defense-Wide</b>				
0604102C	INDOPACOM UFR—Guam Defense System .....	60,000		147,000
0604102C	INDOPACOM UFR—Joint Fires Network .....			174,000
0604250D8Z	INDOPACOM UFR—Sea Urchin powered quickstrike mines .....		30,000	
0604102C	Guam Defense Development .....		383,486	385,132
0603892C	AEGIS BMD .....		45,000	80,400
0604878C	Aegis BMD Test .....			42,062
0603896C	Ballistic Missile Defense Command & Control, Battle Management & Comm. ....		20,000	38,490
0604879C	Ballistic Missile Defense Sensor Test .....			17,452
0603915C	Ballistic Missile Defense Targets .....			53,029
0603914C	Ballistic Missile Defense Test .....		7,000	15,044
0603890C	BMD Enabling Programs .....		18,000	441
02080591CY	CYBERCOM Activities .....			21,680
0306250CY	Cyber Operations Technology Support .....			7,480
	<b>Subtotal, IMPROVE POSTURE AND PRESENCE ...</b>	<b>4,091,597</b>	<b>6,460,542</b>	<b>8,072,140</b>
<b>EXERCISES, TRAINING, EXPERIMENTATION</b>				
<b>Other Procurement, Army</b>				
0219900A	Training Devices .....			16,300
<b>Other Procurement, Navy</b>				
0204571N	Weapons Range Support Equipment .....			30,000
0204571N	Training and Education Equipment .....			31,500
0208550N	Training and Education Equipment .....			28,960
0201490N	Operating Forces Ipe .....		2,800	3,000
<b>Procurement, Marine Corps</b>				
0206335M	Common Aviation Command and Control Sys- tem .....			2,000

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Line	Program	FY 2022 Authorized	FY 2023 Authorized	FY 2024 Authorized
0360110M	Marine Corps Enterprise Network (MCEN) .....			6,600
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Army</b>			
115	Land Forces Operations Support .....	4,419	4,722	
115012	Exportable Combat Training Center Rotations ...	234,661		
114	Theater Level Assets for Exercises .....	195,827	214,000	
0305169A	Servicewide Communications .....		9,583	9,645
0202158A	Echelons Above Brigade .....		13,538	7,520
0202214A	Force Readiness Operations Support .....		25,580	105,908
0202218A	Force Readiness Operations Support .....		4,851	3,114
0202117A	Maneuver Units .....		397,574	24,953
0202212A	Force Readiness Operations Support .....			11,850
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Navy</b>			
1CCM	Pacific Multi-Domain Training and Experimentation Capability .....		66,519	
1CCM	INDOPACOM UFR—Pacific Multi-Domain Training and Experimentation Capability .....	59,410	19,000	
1CCM	INDOPACOM UFR—Wargaming Analytical Tools .....	88,000	22,000	
0201114N	Planning, Engineering, and Program Support ...			1,400
0204140N	Combat Support Forces .....			1,510
0201114N	Combatant Commanders Direct Mission Support .....			58,324
0204571N	Warfare Tactics .....		9,000	45,720
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Marine Corps</b>			
1A1A	MARFORPAC Training Exercise Employment Plan .....	44,071	46,593	
0201204M	Base Operating Support .....			500
0208212M	Base Operating Support .....			28,810
0206335M	Field Logistics .....			500
0206312M	Operational Forces .....		43,593	34,950
0206315M	Operational Forces .....			19,200
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Air Force</b>			
011D/044A	Exercises, Training, and Experimentation .....	6,998	6,210	177,747
012D	Exercises, Training, and Experimentation .....	197	202	
011R	Exercises, Training, and Experimentation .....			13,300
011Z	Exercises, Training, and Experimentation .....			300
012A	Exercises, Training, and Experimentation .....			1,000
032C	Exercises, Training, and Experimentation .....	588	762	794
033C	Exercises, Training, and Experimentation .....	3,713	3,787	5,102
033D	Exercises, Training, and Experimentation .....	460	469	
0207603F	Air Operations Training .....			74,000
0207701F	Air Operations Training .....			66,192
0207500F	Base Support .....			300
0202176F	Facilities Sustainment, Restoration & Modernization .....			13,300
0305114F	Global C3I and Early Warning .....			1,000
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Defense-Wide</b>			
0804768J	Joint Chiefs of Staff—JTEEP .....		173,000	173,000
8PL1	INDOPACOM UFR—Joint Exercise Program .....	35,100		
1PLR	SOCPAC/SOCKOR Exercises .....	22,573	18,386	19,164
	<b>Research and Development, Navy</b>			
0605853N	Management, Technical, International Support ..		15,819	20,336
	<b>Research and Development, Army</b>			
0532545A	Systems Dev & Demo/Theater level assets .....			2,700
0607312A	Operational Systems Development .....			1,500
0604121A	AdvComponent Dev & Prototype/Synthetic Training Environment .....			2,500
	<b>Research and Development, Defense-wide</b>			
0604250D8Z	Advanced Innovative Technologies .....		906,858	970,526

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Line	Program	FY 2022 Authorized	FY 2023 Authorized	FY 2024 Authorized
0603941D8Z	Test & Evaluation Science & Technology .....			10,000
	<b>Subtotal, EXERCISES, TRAINING, EXPERIMENTATION .....</b>	<b>696,017</b>	<b>2,004,846</b>	<b>2,025,025</b>
	<b>INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS</b>			
	<b>Military Construction, Navy</b>			
	Guam P-519 X-Ray Wharf Berth 2 .....	51,900		
	Guam Joint Communication Upgrade (INC) .....	84,000		31,330
	Japan Yokuska Pier 5 (Berths 2 and 3) (INC) ..	15,292		
	Japan Yokuska Ship Handling & Combat Training Facilities .....	49,000		
	INDOPACOM UFR: PDI Planning and Design .....	68,000	50,000	
	Australia Aircraft Parking Apron (INC) .....		72,446	134,624
	Hawaii Missile Magazines .....		10,000	
	Guam Brown Tree Snake Exclusion Barrier South .....		14,497	
	Guam Ground Combat Element Inf Btn 1 & 2 Fac .....		69,314	
	Guam 9th Engineer Support Battalion Ops. Fac. ....		35,188	
	Guam 9th Eng Supp Battalion Equip & Main Fac .....		41,590	
	Japan Kadena Marine Corps Barracks Complex .....		31,300	
	Japan Kadena Marine Corps Bachelor Enlisted Quarters .....		29,100	
	Planning & Design .....		59,700	25,849
	Planning & Design .....			62,195
	INDOPACOM UFR: Planning & Design .....			69,000
	Guam 9th ESB Training Complex .....			27,536
	Guam Artillery Battery Facilities .....			137,550
	Guam Consolidated MEB HQ/NCIS PHIL .....			19,740
	Guam Joint Consol. Comm. Center (INC) .....			107,000
	Guam Missile Integration Test Facility .....			56,140
	Guam Satellite Communications Facility (INC) ..			56,159
	Guam Training Center .....			89,640
	<b>Military Construction, Air Force</b>			
	RAAF Darwin Sq Ops Facility .....	7,400		
	RAAF Tindal Aircraft Maint Spt Fac .....	6,200		
	RAAF Tindal Sq Ops Facility .....	8,200		
	Guam LRM Anderson Airfield Dmg Repair Warehouse .....	30,000		
	Guam LRM Anderson Hayman Munitions Storage Igloos MSA 2 .....	9,824		
	Guam LRM Anderson Munitions Storage Igloos IV .....	55,000		
	Alaska JB Elmendorf-Richardson Extend Runway (Inc.) .....	79,000		107,500
	Japan Kadena Airfield Damage Repair Storage Facility .....	38,000		
	Japan Kadena Helicopter Rescue Ops Maintenance Hangar .....	35,000	71,000	
	Japan Kadena Replace Munitions Structures .....	26,100		
	Japan Misawa Airfield Damage Repair Facility ..	25,000		
	Japan Yokota Construct CATM Facility .....	25,000		
	Japan Yokota C-130J Corrosion Control Hangar ..	67,000	10,000	
	Planning and Design .....	27,200	12,424	
	INDOPACOM Add—Planning and Design .....	20,000		
	Japan Kadena Theater A/C Corrosion Control Ctr (INC) .....		17,000	
	Mariana Islands Tinian Fuel Tanks w/Pipeln & Hydrant Sys (INC) .....		92,000	21,000

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Line	Program	FY 2022 Authorized	FY 2023 Authorized	FY 2024 Authorized
	Mariana Islands Tinian Airfield Development Phase 1 (INC) .....		58,000	26,000
	Mariana Islands Tinian Parking Apron (INC) .....		41,000	32,000
	RAAF Tindal Aircraft Maintenance Support Facility .....			17,500
	RAAF Darwin Squadron Operations Facility .....			26,000
	RAAF Tindal Squadron Operations Facility .....			20,000
	RAAF Tindal Bomber Apron .....			93,000
	Japan Kadena Helo Rescue Ops Maintenance Hangar Inc 3 .....			46,000
	Guan North Aircraft Parking Ramp (Inc) .....			109,000
	Japan Kadena Theater A/C Corrosion Control Ctr, Inc .....			42,000
	Philippines Cesar Basa Transient Aircraft Parking Apron .....			35,000
	<b>Military Construction, Army</b>			
	Hawaii Ammunition Storage .....	51,000		
	Japan Vehicle Maintenance Shop .....		80,000	
0901211A	Guam National Guard Readiness Center Addition Planning & Design .....	34,000	11,000	11,000
	<b>Military Construction, Defense-Wide</b>			
	Hawaii JBPHH Primary Electrical Distribution .....		25,000	
	Japan Iwakuni Fuel Pier .....	57,700		
	Japan Kadena Truck Unload Facilities .....	22,300		
	Japan Kadena Operations Support Facility .....	24,000		
	Japan Misawa Additive Injection Pump and Storage Sys .....	6,000		
	Japan Yokota Hangar/AMU .....	33,100		
	Japan Iwakuni Bulk Storage Tanks PH 1 .....		85,000	
	Japan Yokota Bulk Storage Tanks PH 1 (INC) .....		44,000	
	Japan Yokota Operations and Warehouse Facilities .....		72,154	
	Guam Electrical Distribution System .....		34,360	
	MDA: Planning & Design .....		39,000	1,035
	MDA: Planning & Design .....		33,360	
0804768J	INDOPACOM Add—Unspecified Minor MILCON ... Exercise Related Minor Construction .....		16,130	7,659
	SOF Maintenance Hangar .....			88,900
	SOF Composite Maintenance Facility .....			11,400
	INDOPACOM Add—Military Construction Pilot Program .....			150,000
	INDOPACOM Add—Unspecified Minor MILCON ...			62,000
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Army</b>			
0202021A	Land Forces Systems Readiness .....			50
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Air Force</b>			
0202176F	Infrastructure Improvements .....	404,265	412,350	256,049
0204424F	Facilities Sustainment, Restoration & Modernization .....			199,907
	Other Combat Ops Spt Programs .....			1,009
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Marine Corps</b>			
BSM1	Facilities Sustainment, Restoration, and Modernization .....	112,136	127,167	
0202176M	Facilities Sustainment, Restoration, and Modernization .....			4,101
0202178M	Facilities Sustainment, Restoration, and Modernization .....			93,744
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Navy</b>			

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Line	Program	FY 2022 Authorized	FY 2023 Authorized	FY 2024 Authorized
0201114N	Planning, Engineering, and Program Support ....		63,660	66,320
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Defense Wide</b>			
1PLV	SOPAC/SOKCOR Equipment Support, Operations, & Sustainment .....	5,085	2,294	915
	<b>Subtotal, INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS .....</b>	<b>1,476,702</b>	<b>1,760,034</b>	<b>2,345,852</b>
	<b>LOGISTICS AND PREPOSITIONING OF EQUIPMENT</b>			
	<b>Other Procurement, Army</b>			
151	Army Watercraft .....	26,687	47,889	
0216300A	Maneuver Support Vessel (MSV) .....		104,676	91,043
0216300A	Distribution Systems, Petroleum & Water .....			7,800
	<b>Aircraft Procurement, Air Force</b>			
0202834F	Aircraft Replacement Support Equipment .....			17,877
	<b>Other Procurement, Air Force</b>			
0305114F	Air Traffic Control & Landing Sys .....			21,000
0207429F	Combat Training Ranges .....			47,800
0207604F	Combat Training Ranges .....			241,660
0204424F	Engineering and EOD Equipment .....			140
0208028F	Engineering and EOD Equipment .....			9,543
0208031F	Fuels Support Equipment (FSE) .....			186,818
0401135F	Mobility Equipment .....			105,655
0207430F	Base Maintenance Support Vehicles .....			4,074
0208028F	Base Maintenance Support Vehicles .....			141,589
0208028F	Cargo and Utility Vehicles .....			4,655
0901279F	Fire Fighting/Crash Rescue Vehicles .....			13,260
0702831F	Joint Light Tactical Vehicle .....			39,543
0208028F	Materials Handling Vehicles .....			8,399
0208028F	Runway Equipment .....			2,110
0208028F	Special Purpose Vehicles .....			51
0702831F	Special Purpose Vehicles .....			72,396
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Army</b>			
0208031A	Army Prepositioned Stocks .....	63,457	52,652	54,148
0406030A	Army Prepositioned Stocks .....		1,587	1,635
0406029A	Strategic Mobility .....		8,092	16,248
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Navy</b>			
1CCH	Movement Coordination Center .....		4,200	
1CCH	INDOPACOM UFR—Movement Coordination Center .....	500	2,400	
1CCY	Logistics Support Activities .....	7,033	8,520	
1D4D	Logistics Support Activities .....	53,355	49,754	
0201490N	Combatant Commanders Core Operations .....			4,200
0201114N	Combatant Commanders Direct Mission Support .....			8,100
0702898N	Weapons Maintenance .....			1
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Marine Corps</b>			
1B1B	MARFORPAC Maritime Prepositioning Force—MARCORLOGCOM .....	2,206	2,568	
0208034M	Maritime Prepositioning .....			2,295
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Air Force</b>			
011D	Improved Logistics and Prepositioning of Equipment .....			93,475
012A	Improved Logistics and Prepositioning of Equipment .....	103,785	109,684	65,739

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Line	Program	FY 2022 Authorized	FY 2023 Authorized	FY 2024 Authorized
012C	Improved Logistics and Prepositioning of Equipment .....			164,451
021A	Improved Logistics and Prepositioning of Equipment .....	26,662	30,131	24,848
021D	Improved Logistics and Prepositioning of Equipment .....	5,501	7,665	2,924
041A	Improved Logistics and Prepositioning of Equipment .....	60,126	57,966	1,009
042G	Improved Logistics and Prepositioning of Equipment .....	10,572	12,284	25,447
	<b>Subtotal, LOGISTICS AND PREPOSITIONING OF EQUIPMENT .....</b>	<b>359,884</b>	<b>500,068</b>	<b>1,479,933</b>
	<b>DEFENSE AND SECURITY CAPABILITIES OF ALLIES AND PARTNERS</b>			
	<b>Other Procurement, Army</b>			
02010300A	CBRN Defense .....		1,272	1,580
9,999	Classified Programs .....			2,148
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Air Force</b>			
834010/012F/1CCM	MPE/Bices .....	15,050	17,120	
012A	Building Defense and Security Capabilities of Allies and Partners .....			4,357
043A	Building Defense and Security Capabilities of Allies and Partners .....	405	548	548
044A	Building Defense and Security Capabilities of Allies and Partners .....	1,518	3,128	3,240
0303150F	Global C3I and Early Warning .....		30,000	
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Army</b>			
111,087	SFAB/MDTF Deployments .....	48,000	110,000	24,953
0202219A	Force Readiness Operations Support .....		5,000	
0202614A	Force Readiness Operations Support .....			39,236
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Army National Guard</b>			
0509399A	Admin and Servicewide Activities .....			7,000
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Navy</b>			
1CCM	Mission Partner Environment .....		36,268	
1CCM	INDOPACOM UFR—Mission Partner Environment .....	50,170		
1CCM	INDOPACOM UFR—Future Fusion Centers .....	3,300		
1CCM	INDOPACOM UFR—Joint Training Team .....			28,000
0201490N	Combatant Commander Core Operations .....		19,000	19,500
0201492N	Combatant Commander Core Operations .....			5,170
1CCH	INDOPACOM UFR—Asia Pacific Regional Initiative .....		8,000	
0201114N	Combatant Commanders Direct Mission Support .....		19,750	44,750
1001004N	Combatant Commanders Direct Mission Support .....		16,518	33,696
0204217N	Weapons Maintenance .....		40,299	43,575
	<b>Operation and Maintenance, Defense-Wide</b>			
1002200T	DSCA Sec. 333/332/MSI .....	370,095	416,393	515,707
1150491BB	Special Operations Command Theater Forces .....		9,523	10,144
	<b>Subtotal, DEFENSE AND SECURITY CAPABILITIES OF ALLIES AND PARTNERS .....</b>	<b>488,538</b>	<b>732,819</b>	<b>783,604</b>
	<b>Total .....</b>	<b>7,112,738</b>	<b>11,458,309</b>	<b>14,706,554</b>

*Sec. 1303 - Modification of pilot program to develop young civilian defense leaders in the Indo-Pacific region*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1310B) that would modify a pilot program to develop young civilian defense leaders in the Indo-Pacific region.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1304 - Indo-Pacific campaigning initiative*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1341) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish an Indo-Pacific Campaigning Initiative.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

The conferees note the budget request included \$786.2 million for campaigning activities in the United States Indo-Pacific Command (USINDOPACOM) area of responsibility, including \$96.0 million for the Army, \$96.0 million for the Air Force, \$72.0 million for the Marine Corps, and \$12.0 million for the Navy. The conferees note that authorizations included elsewhere in this Act add an additional \$508.0 million for USINDOPACOM campaigning activities, including an additional \$360.0 million for the Army, \$104.0 million for the Air Force, \$8.0 million for the Marine Corps, and \$36.0 million for the Navy.

*Sec. 1305 - Indo-Pacific Maritime Domain Awareness Initiative*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1343) that would require the Secretary of Defense to seek to establish an initiative with allies and partners of the United States, including Australia, Japan, and India, to be known as the "Indo-Pacific Maritime Domain Awareness Initiative," to bolster maritime domain awareness in the Indo-Pacific region.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than March 1, 2024, to submit a report to the congressional defense committees that outlines ongoing and planned activities of the Indo-Pacific Maritime Domain Awareness Initiative and the resources needed to carry out such activities for fiscal year 2025.

*Sec. 1306 - Limitation on availability of funds pending feasibility study regarding delivery of harpoon missiles to foreign security partners*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1250) that would prohibit more than 90 percent of funds available for the Office of the Secretary of Defense to be obligated or expended until the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment submits a report on a plan to provide covered Harpoon missiles to security partners pursuant to the authority provided under section 506 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (Public Law 87-195).

The House bill also contained a provision (sec. 1829) that would require the Secretary of Defense and Secretary of State to submit a report on measures that the Department of Defense is taking to address systematic contracting delays related to key weapons procurement programs to Taiwan and lessons learned from the provision of the Harpoon Coastal Defense System to Ukraine that may be applicable to Taiwan and other allies and partners of the United States.

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1399H) that would require the Assistant Secretary of the Navy to develop plans to prepare Navy Harpoon block 1C missiles for rapid transfer to allies and partners if so ordered, and enable rapid transfer of additional enhanced coastal defense capabilities. The provision would further require the plans to be provided to the congressional defense committees not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would prohibit obligation of more than 85 percent of the funds available for the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development, and Acquisition pending submission of a plan to provide covered Harpoon missiles to security partners and would require a briefing on the status of United States-provided security assistance to Taiwan.

#### *Sec. 1307 - Sense of Congress on Taiwan defense relations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1304) that would express the sense of Congress on Taiwan defense relations.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a clarifying amendment.

#### *Sec. 1308 - Oversight of Taiwan Enhanced Resilience Act*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1310L) that would amend oversight of Taiwan security assistance programs and the regional contingency stockpile for Taiwan.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

*Sec. 1309 - Training, advising, and institutional capacity-building program for military forces of Taiwan*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1342) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish a comprehensive training, advising, and institutional capacity-building program for the military forces of Taiwan.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

The conferees believe that the comprehensive training, advising, and institutional capacity-building program for the military forces of Taiwan authorized by this provision should be established for the purposes of:

(1) Enabling a layered defense of Taiwan by the military forces of Taiwan, including in support of the use of an asymmetric defense strategy;

(2) Enhancing interoperability between the United States Armed Forces and the military forces of Taiwan;

(3) Encouraging information sharing between the United States Armed Forces and the military forces of Taiwan;

(4) Promoting joint force employment; and

(5) Improving professional military education and the civilian control of the military.

Furthermore, the conferees believe that, at a minimum, the comprehensive training, advising, and institutional capacity-building program for the military forces of Taiwan authorized by this provision should include efforts to improve the:

(1) Tactical proficiency of the military forces of Taiwan;

(2) Operational employment of the military forces of Taiwan to conduct a layered defense of Taiwan, including in support of an asymmetric defense strategy;

(3) Employment of joint military capabilities by the military forces of Taiwan, including through joint military training, exercises, and planning;

(4) Reform and integration of the reserve military forces of Taiwan;

(5) Use of defense articles and services transferred from the United States to Taiwan;

(6) Integration of the military forces of Taiwan with relevant civilian agencies, including the All-Out Defense Mobilization Agency;

(7) Ability of Taiwan to participate in bilateral and multilateral military exercises, as appropriate; and

(8) Defensive cyber capabilities and practices of the Ministry of National Defense of Taiwan.

In carrying out activities pursuant to this section, the conferees expect the Secretary of Defense to deconflict, coordinate, consult, or seek the concurrence, as appropriate, of the Secretary of State and the heads of other relevant departments and agencies in accordance with the requirements of the authorities provided in chapter 16 of title 10, United States Code, and other applicable statutory authorities available to the Secretary of Defense.

*Sec. 1310 - Prohibition on use of funds to support entertainment projects with ties to the Government of the People's Republic of China*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1248) that would place restrictions on support to films by the Department of Defense and other departments and agencies of the United States Government that may be subject to conditions on content or altered for screening in the People's Republic of China or at the request of the Chinese Communist Party.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1361).

The House recedes with an amendment that would prohibit funds authorized by this Act for the Department of Defense from being used to knowingly provide active and direct support to any film, television, or other entertainment project if the Secretary of Defense has demonstrable evidence that the project has complied or is likely to comply with a demand from the Government of the People's Republic of China, the Chinese Communist Party, or an entity under the direction of the People's Republic of China or the Chinese Communist Party, to censor the content of the project in a material manner to advance the national interest of the People's Republic of China. The amendment would also authorize the Secretary of Defense to waive the prohibition if the Secretary submits a written certification to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives that such a waiver is in the national interest of the United States.

*Sec. 1311 - Determination on involvement of the People's Republic of China in the Mexican fentanyl trade*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1316) that would require the Secretary of Defense to certify whether Chinese Government officials assisted or were aware of the transportation of fentanyl precursors to Mexican drug cartels.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment requiring the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence, to determine if information available to the Department of Defense indicates that the Government of the People's Republic of China assisted in, or approved of, the transportation of pill presses, fentanyl products, or fentanyl precursors to one or more Mexican drug cartels, and if so, to issue that determination to the congressional defense committees.

*Sec. 1312 - Analysis of certain biotechnology entities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1880) that would prohibit the head of an executive agency from contracting with certain biotechnology providers.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the Department of Defense to conduct an assessment of biotechnology companies headquartered in China to determine if they should be identified as Chinese military companies operating in the United States in accordance with section 1260H of the William M. Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283).

*Sec. 1313 - Studies on defense budget transparency of the People's Republic of China and the United States*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1315) that would require an independent study of the defense budget of the People's Republic of China.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1357).

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

Not later than March 1, 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees on: (1) The current number of Department of Defense personnel specifically tasked with the mission of analyzing the Chinese military budget; (2) The total number of Department of Defense personnel needed to complete the study as described in subsection (a) of this section; and (3) Any additional authorities, to include hiring-related authorities or other resources-related support, necessary to complete such study.

*Sec. 1314 - Extension of authority to transfer funds for Bien Hoa dioxin cleanup*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1345) that would extend the authority to transfer funds for Bien Hoa dioxin cleanup through fiscal year 2024.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 1315 - Extension and modification of pilot program to improve cyber cooperation with foreign military partners in Southeast Asia*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1346) that would modify the pilot program to improve cyber cooperation with foreign military partners in Southeast Asia and extend the program until December 31, 2029.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would extend the pilot program until December 31, 2027.

*Sec. 1316 - Enhancing major defense partnership with India*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1351) that would require the Secretary of Defense to seek to ensure that India is appropriately considered for security cooperation benefits consistent with the status of India as a major defense partner of the United States.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State and the head of any other relevant Federal department or agency, not later than March 1, 2024, to provide the congressional defense committees, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives with a briefing on the status of cooperative defense activities with India, including the lines of effort specified in the provision.

*Sec. 1317 - Report on enhanced security cooperation with Japan*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1348) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a plan for enhancing United States security cooperation with Japan.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1318 - Report and notification relating to transfer of operational control on Korean Peninsula*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1354) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report that describes the conditions under which the military forces of the Republic of Korea would be prepared to assume wartime operational control of the United States and Republic of Korea Combined Forces Command and would require a notification not later than 30 days prior to wartime operational control of the United States and Republic of Korea Combined Forces Command being transferred to the Republic of Korea.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1319 - Study and report on command structure and force posture of United States Armed Forces in the Indo-Pacific region*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1356) that would require the Secretary of Defense to seek to enter into an agreement with a federally funded research and development center to conduct an independent study for the purpose of improving the current command structure and force posture of the United States Armed Forces in the area of responsibility of the United States Indo-Pacific Command.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

## **SUBTITLE B—MATTERS RELATING TO THE AUKUS PARTNERSHIP**

*Secs. 1321 - 1354 - Matters relating to the AUKUS partnership*

The agreement includes provisions (Subtitle B - Matters Relating to the AUKUS Partnership) relating to the trilateral security partnership between Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States known as "AUKUS".

### **LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Briefing on multi-year plan to fulfill defensive requirements of military forces of Taiwan*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1305) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing on the status of the efforts to develop and implement the joint multi-year plan to fulfill defensive requirements of military forces of Taiwan required under section 5506 of the James M.

Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to provide the congressional defense committees, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives, a briefing on the status of efforts to develop and implement the joint multi-year plan to fulfill defensive requirements of military forces of Taiwan.

*Modifications to initiative to support protection of national security academic researchers from undue influence and other security threats*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1307) that would establish research security metrics to evaluate whether or not an institution is properly securing research being performed under Department of Defense grants or direction.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Expansion of international technology focused partnerships and experimentation activities in the Indo-Pacific*

The House bill contained provisions (secs. 1309 and 1310) that would require the Secretary of Defense to develop a plan and roadmap to expand international technology-focused partnerships, agreements, and experimentation activities in the Indo-Pacific region and express the sense of Congress on emerging technology in the U.S. Indo-Pacific Strategy.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees believe the United States should continue efforts that strengthen United States defense alliances and partnerships in the Indo-Pacific region, including by prioritizing critical and emerging technology partnerships and bolstering innovation for dual-use technologies to ensure the United States military can operate in rapidly evolving digital threat environments and emerging-technology areas. Therefore, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide the congressional defense committees with a briefing on efforts

to expand international technology-focused partnerships, agreements, and experimentation activities in the Indo-Pacific region, including those that are intended to:

(1) Accelerate the creation and fielding of new capabilities and critical technologies as outlined in the National Defense Science and Technology Strategy, as directed by section 211 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81), consistent with the strategic plans of the Department of Defense with respect to the activities of Indo-Pacific Command;

(2) Leverage the technological and manufacturing capabilities of private sector and government organizations in the United States and international partners;

(3) Identify opportunities for cost sharing and financial and non-financial contributions by partner countries for activities to develop and deploy new operational capabilities;

(4) Enhance coordination with partner countries and their agencies that are currently involved, or could become involved, in co-production of capabilities;

(5) Advance capabilities, including unmanned capabilities, to respond to gray zone activity and enhance Indo-Pacific partner capacity to protect national resources; and

(6) Identify and accelerate the fielding of new capabilities and critical technologies that would improve the defensive capabilities of allies and partners in the Indo-Pacific region.

*Report on reestablishment of civic action teams in Pacific Island countries*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1310A) that would direct the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Indo-Pacific Security Affairs, in coordination with the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command, to submit a report to the congressional defense committees on the feasibility and advisability of reestablishing civic action teams in the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Federated States of Micronesia and on the benefits and challenges associated with establishing civic action teams in various Pacific island locations.

The Senate bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees recognize the value of constructive departmental engagement in the Indo-Pacific region. Therefore, not later than June 30, 2024, the conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the congressional defense

committees on: (1) The feasibility and advisability of reestablishing civic action teams in the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Federated States of Micronesia, as authorized under the Compact of Free Association Act of 1985 (Public Law 99-239), the Palau Compact of Free Association Act (Public Law 99-658 and Public Law 101-219), and the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-188); and (2) The potential benefits and challenges of establishing civic action teams in: the Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Nauru, Niue, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, the Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu. The briefing should include assessments of the estimated costs and activities of mutual interest to the Department of Defense and each potential host country.

### *Sense of Congress*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1310C) that would express the sense of Congress that the United States and Taiwan should explore all measures to expand Taiwan's source of energy and harden Taiwan's facilities.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees believe the Department of Defense, in collaboration with other departments and agencies of the United States Government, should explore all measures to expand Taiwan's source of energy and harden Taiwan's facilities, as appropriate.

### *United States-Taiwan Combined Planning Group Study and Report*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1310D) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study of the feasibility and advisability of establishing the United States-Taiwan Combined Planning Group or an alternative mechanism.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees note that section 5506 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) directs the Secretaries of Defense and State to engage with appropriate officials of Taiwan for the purposes of establishing a joint consultative mechanism to develop and implement a multi-year plan to provide for the acquisition of appropriate defensive capabilities by Taiwan and to engage with Taiwan in a series of combined training, exercises, and planning activities consistent with the Taiwan Relations Act (Public Law 96-8).

### *Sense of Congress on liaisons with Taiwan*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1310E) that would express the sense of Congress on liaisons with Taiwan.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees believe that building trust and familiarity between the United States and Taiwan is an important component of helping Taiwan to improve its self-defense capabilities and strengthening working-level communication and coordination would enhance the effectiveness of the United States' provision of defense articles to Taiwan, joint military exercises with Taiwan, and other efforts to improve Taiwan's self-defense capabilities. Additionally, the conferees believe the Secretary of Defense should utilize existing authorities for the purposes of: maximizing the deterrent effects of the United States' provision of defense articles to Taiwan; enhancing Taiwan's domestic defense procurements and investments; conducting exercises that involve complex challenges in multiple warfare domains; developing concepts of operation and tactics, techniques, and procedures to improve Taiwan's self-defense capabilities; and helping Taiwan to meet its needs relating to energy security, cyber defense of its critical infrastructure, resilience of its communications systems, defense against malign influence and information operations, and stockpiling of critical munitions and other appropriate defense articles.

### *Invitation to Taiwan to the Rim of the Pacific Exercise*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1310F) that would require the Secretary of Defense to extend an invitation to the naval forces of Taiwan to fully participate in the Rim of the Pacific exercise conducted in 2024.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note section 1264 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) expressed the sense of Congress that the commander of United States Indo-Pacific Command possesses the authority to carry out joint military exercises with Taiwan and that the naval forces of Taiwan should be invited to participate in the Rim of the Pacific exercise, as appropriate, conducted in 2024.

### *Report on feasibility of providing assistance to Taiwan in developing an asymmetric naval self-defense capability*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1310G) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the feasibility of providing assistance to Taiwan in developing an asymmetric naval self-defense capability.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

#### *Study on determination of defense needs of Taiwan*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1310H) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study on the defense needs of Taiwan and the potential loan and lease of defense articles to the Government of Taiwan.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that section 5506 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) requires a multi-year plan to fulfill defensive requirements of military forces of Taiwan.

#### *Limitation on certain maps*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1310I) that would prohibit funds to be used to create, procure, or display any map that depicts Taiwan, Kinmen, Matsu, Penghu, Wuciou, Green Island, or Orchid Island as part of the territory of the People's Republic of China.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

#### *Limitation on funds*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1310J) that would prohibit funds to be used to promote a "one country, two systems" solution for Taiwan.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

#### *Limitation on use of funds with respect to Taiwan military officers*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1310K) that would prohibit the use of funds to forbid Active-Duty military officers of Taiwan from wearing their uniforms during visits to the United States.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sense of Congress on defense intelligence sharing between the Republic of Korea, Japan, and Taiwan*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1310M) that would express the sense of Congress that defense intelligence sharing between the United States and the Republic of Korea, Japan, and Taiwan, is crucial for identifying and countering the malign activities of the People's Republic of China and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea that threaten the interests of the United States, our allies, and partners.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision. The House recesses.

The conferees believe that defense intelligence sharing between the United States and the Republic of Korea, Japan, Taiwan, and other Indo-Pacific allies and partners is crucial for identifying and countering the malign activities of the People's Republic of China and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea that threaten the interests of the United States, our allies, and partners in the Indo-Pacific region.

*Report on defense support for Taiwan*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1310N) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report containing an evaluation of the Foreign Military Sales processes across all military services for the provision of defense articles, defense services, and training to Taiwan pursuant to the Taiwan Relations Act (Public Law 96-8).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision. The House recesses.

The conferees note that the reporting requirements in this provision are addressed elsewhere in this Act. The conferees also note that the Taiwan Enhanced Resilience Act contained in sections 5501 through 5512 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) includes authorities and reporting requirements intended to expedite evaluation of Foreign Military Sales for the provision of defense articles, defense services, and training to Taiwan pursuant to the Taiwan Relations Act (Public Law 96-8).

*Modifications to public reporting of Chinese military companies operating in the United States*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1311) that would require the Secretary of Defense to consider information related to Chinese military companies that is provided jointly

by the chair and ranking member of any of the congressional defense committees.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees expect the Secretary of Defense to consider information provided jointly by the chairperson and ranking member of a congressional defense committee in making determinations related to Chinese military companies operating directly or indirectly in the United States or any of its territories and possessions.

*Modification to annual report on military and security developments involving the People's Republic of China*

The House bill contained provisions (secs. 1312, 1317, and 1318) that would modify the annual report on Military and Security Developments Involving the People's Republic of China to include among its report elements lessons learned by China from Russia, a component on emerging technology developments involving China, and developments on the burgeoning relationship between China and Iran.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees believe future iterations of the Department of Defense's annual report on Military and Security Developments Involving the People's Republic of China required by section 1202 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000 (Public Law 106-65), as amended, should include, to the extent feasible, an analysis of any Chinese support for Russia's invasion of Ukraine; an analysis of any lessons learned by the People's Republic of China from Russia with respect to security and military matters; an identification and assessment of critical or emerging technologies in which the People's Liberation Army is invested, or for which there are Military-Civil Fusion Development Strategy programs of the People's Republic of China; and relevant developments with respect to the relationship between the People's Republic of China and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

*Prohibition on use of funds for work performed by EcoHealth Alliance, Inc. in China on research supported by the Government of China*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1313) that would prohibit use of funds for work by the EcoHealth Alliance, Inc., in China on research supported by the Chinese Government.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Study and report on implementation of naval blockades of shipments of fossil fuels to China in event of armed conflict*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1314) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to Congress that contains the findings of a study on the feasibility of implementing naval blockades of shipments of fossil fuels to China in the event of an armed conflict between the United States and China.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees regarding the reliance of the Chinese People's Liberation Army (PLA) on imported fossil fuels for energy. The required briefing shall include:

- (1) An overview of the PLA's energy sources;
- (2) A description of the means by which the PLA imports fossil fuels for energy, including an identification of the ground and sea lines of communication used by the PLA to import fossil fuels;
- (3) An assessment of the extent to which a disruption to the supply of imported fossil fuels would impact the readiness of the PLA; and
- (4) Any other matters deemed relevant by the Secretary.

*Report on military activities of the Russian Federation and the People's Republic of China in the Arctic region*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1319) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on military activities of the Russian Federation and the People's Republic of China in the Arctic region.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note that issues pertaining to global Russian and Chinese military activities are covered in detail in annual Military Power Reports.

*Report on activity of the People's Liberation Army, the Chinese Communist Party and Government of the People's Republic of China in Cambodia*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1320) that would require the President to submit a report on activity of the People's Liberation Army, the Chinese Communist Party, and Government of the People's Republic of China in Cambodia.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees direct the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees, the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate, the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives regarding activities of the Chinese People's Liberation Army (PLA) in Cambodia. At a minimum, the required briefing shall address:

(1) The involvement of the PLA in upgrading existing facilities or constructing new facilities at Ream Naval Base and Dara Sakor Airport in Cambodia;

(2) Any potential benefits, including any enhancement of the power projection capabilities of the PLA, that the PLA may accrue as a result of such upgrades or construction;

(3) The impact that the presence of the PLA in Cambodia may have on the interests, allies, and partners of the United States in the region; and

(4) Any other matters deemed relevant by the Director.

*Report on Chinese presence in Africa*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1321) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the threat posed by the People's Republic of China with respect to China's commercial sea lines of communication, increasing Chinese military presence on the African continent, displacing United States influence in the Southern Atlantic, and China's influence along strategic maritime routes.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that issues pertaining to Chinese military activities on the continent of Africa, as well as the potential threats posed by China to strategic maritime routes are covered in detail in the annual China Military Power Report.

*Plan for improvements to certain operating locations in Indo-Pacific region*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1349) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a classified survey to identify each United States operating location within the area of responsibility of the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to provide the congressional defense committees a briefing regarding operating locations used by the United States Armed Forces within the area of responsibility of the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command that may be used to respond militarily to aggression by the People's Republic of China. At a minimum, the required briefing shall include:

(1) An assessment of whether such operating locations are capable of mitigating damage to aircraft of the United States Armed Forces in the event of a missile, aerial drone, or other form of attack by the People's Republic of China;

(2) An identification of improvements designed to increase the survivability of aircraft of the United States Armed Forces in the event of a missile, aerial drone, or other form of attack by the People's Republic of China; and

(3) A description of other means for increasing survivability of such aircraft in the event of such an attack, including dispersal and deception.

*Report on range of consequences of war with the People's Republic of China*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1355) that would require the Director of the Office of Net Assessment to submit a report on the range of geopolitical and economic

consequences of a United States-People's Republic of China conflict in 2030.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

The conferees direct the Director of the Office of Net Assessment, not later than December 1, 2024, to submit a report to the congressional defense committees, the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate, the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives, on the range of geopolitical and economic consequences of a United States-People's Republic of China conflict in 2030. The required report shall, at a minimum:

(1) Account for potential-

(a) attacks on the United States and the People's Republic of China, including cyber threats and the potential disruption of critical infrastructure;

(b) impacts on the United States Armed Forces and the military forces of United States allies and partners, including loss of life, capabilities, United States force posture, and United States alliances in the Indo-Pacific region;

(c) impacts on the military forces of the People's Republic of China, including loss of life and capabilities;

(d) impacts on the civilian populations of Japan, Taiwan, Australia, and other countries in the Indo-Pacific region;

(e) disruption of the global economy; and

(f) any other matter the Director of the Office of Net Assessment considers relevant; and

(2) Include a review of previous attempts in history to forecast the consequences and costs of war.

Furthermore, the conferees direct that the required report be submitted in unclassified form free of handling restrictions, but may include a classified annex, if necessary. Lastly, the conferees direct the Director of the Office of Net Assessment to provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees, the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate, the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives on the conclusions of the required report not less than 14 days prior to the date on which the required report is submitted.

*Briefing on provision of security assistance by the People's Republic of China and summary of Department of Defense mitigation activities*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1358) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing that describes the provision of security assistance and training by the People's Republic of China to foreign military forces for the purpose of achieving the national objectives of the People's Republic of China.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to provide the Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives a briefing that describes the provision of security assistance and training by the People's Republic of China to foreign military forces for the purpose of achieving the national objectives of the People's Republic of China. Furthermore, the conferees expect that future reports submitted under section 1206(c)(2) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81) will include a summary of Department of Defense activities designed to mitigate the provision of security assistance and training by the People's Republic of China to foreign military forces for the purpose of achieving the national objectives of the People's Republic of China.

*Semiannual briefings on bilateral agreements supporting United States military posture in the Indo-Pacific region*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1359) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing on bilateral agreements supporting the United States military posture in the Indo-Pacific region.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of State, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to jointly provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services, Appropriations, and Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committees on Armed Services, Appropriations, and Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives regarding bilateral agreements supporting the

United States military posture in the Indo-Pacific region. At a minimum, the required briefing shall include:

(1) An update on notable changes to elements described in section 1262(b) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263); and

(2) An assessment of the impact on United States military operations if any individual or combination of allies and partners were to deny continued access, basing, or overflight rights, including with respect to—

- (a) forward presence;
- (b) agile basing;
- (c) pre-positioned materials; or
- (d) fueling and resupply.

*Semiannual briefings on military of the People's Republic of China*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1360) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing on the military activities of the People's Republic of China with respect to Taiwan and the South China Sea, efforts by the Department of Defense to engage with the People's Liberation Army, and United States' efforts to enable the defense of Taiwan and bolster maritime security in the South China Sea.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note that there are a number of other reporting and briefing requirements found elsewhere in this Act and in the Taiwan Enhanced Resilience Act (subtitle A of title LV of Public Law 117-263).

*Prohibition on use of funds for the Wuhan Institute of Virology*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1362) that would prohibit funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act from being made available for the Wuhan Institute of Virology.

The House bill contained related language.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note that other provisions pertaining to this matter are contained elsewhere in this Act.

*Assessment Relating to Contingency Operational Plan of United States Indo-Pacific Command*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1365) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct an assessment, based on the contingency operational plan for a major conflict in the area of operations of the United States Indo-Pacific Command, to identify and characterize the dependencies of such plan on specific critical infrastructure facilities, capabilities, and services for the successful mobilization, deployment, and sustainment of forces.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees regarding the dependence of the Department of Defense on critical infrastructure facilities, capabilities, and services for the successful mobilization, deployment, and sustainment of forces in support of a contingency in the United States Indo-Pacific Command area of operations.

*Assessment of absorptive capacity of military forces of Taiwan*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1366) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the absorptive capacity of the military forces of Taiwan for military capabilities provided and approved by the United States for delivery to Taiwan in the last 10 years, including the date of projected or achieved initial and full operational capabilities.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to provide the Committees on Armed Services, Appropriations, and Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committees on Armed Services, Appropriations, and Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives a briefing on the absorptive capacity of the military forces of Taiwan for military capabilities provided and approved by the United States for delivery to Taiwan in the last 10 years, including the date of projected or achieved initial and full operational capabilities.

*Analysis of risks and implications of potential sustained military blockade of Taiwan by the People's Republic of China*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1367) that would require the Secretary of Defense and the Chairman of

the Joint Chiefs of Staff to complete a comprehensive analysis of the risks and implications of a sustained military blockade of Taiwan by the People's Republic of China.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, in coordination with the Director of National Intelligence, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to submit a report to the congressional defense committees, the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives, and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate, containing a comprehensive analysis of the risks and implications of a sustained military blockade of Taiwan by the People's Republic of China. At a minimum, the analysis and report shall include:

(1) An assessment of the means by which the People's Republic of China could execute a sustained military blockade of Taiwan, including the most likely courses of action through which the People's Republic of China could attempt to impose such a blockade;

(2) An identification of indications and warnings of a potential sustained military blockade of Taiwan by the People's Republic of China, and the likely timelines associated with such indications and warnings;

(3) An identification of other coercive actions that the People's Republic of China may potentially take in connection with such a blockade, including the seizure of outlying islands;

(4) An assessment of the impact of such a blockade on the ability of Taiwan to sustain its self-defense capabilities, economy, and population;

(5) An assessment of the potential negative impacts on the United States of such a blockade;

(6) An assessment of key military problems presented by such a blockade;

(7) An assessment of the military capabilities necessary to address the problems identified under subparagraph (6);

(8) An assessment of the potential challenges to risk mitigation and escalation management presented by such a blockade;

(9) An assessment of the extent to which the potential for such a blockade is addressed by the Joint Warfighting Concept and Joint Concept for Competing;

(10) An identification of any necessary changes to the United States Armed Forces' force design, doctrine, or

tactics, techniques, and procedures for responding to, or mitigating the impact of, such a blockade; and

(11) An assessment of the potential roles of partners and allies in addressing the challenges posed by such a blockade.

Lastly, in producing the required analysis and report, the conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to engage with the head of each appropriate Federal department or agency regarding the challenges posed by a potential sustained military blockade of Taiwan by the People's Republic of China.

*Extension of export prohibition on munitions items to the Hong Kong Police Force*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1370) that would extend the export prohibition on munitions items to the Hong Kong Police.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sense of Congress on the renewal of the Compacts of Free Association with the Republic of Palau, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of the Marshall Islands*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6241) that would express the sense of Congress on the renewal of the compacts of Free Association with the Republic of Palau, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Eligibility of Taiwan for the strategic trade authorization exception to certain export control licensing requirements*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6242) that would require the President to take steps so that Taiwan may be treated as if it were included in the list of countries eligible for the strategic trade authorization exception under section 740.20(c)(1) of the Export Administration Regulations to the requirement for a license for the export, re-export, or in-country transfer of an item subject to controls under the Export Administration Regulations.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

## **TITLE XIV—OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS**

### **SUBTITLE A—MILITARY PROGRAMS**

#### *Sec. 1401 - Working capital funds*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1401) that would authorize appropriations for Defense working capital funds at the levels identified in section 4501 of division D of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1501).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

#### *Sec. 1402 - Chemical agents and munitions destruction, defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1402) that would authorize appropriations for Chemical Agents and Munitions Destruction, Defense at the levels identified in section 4501 of division D of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1502).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

#### *Sec. 1403 - Drug interdiction and counter-drug activities, defense-wide*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1403) that would authorize appropriations for Drug Interdiction and Counter-Drug Activities, Defense-wide at the levels identified in section 4501 of division D of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1503).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

#### *Sec. 1404 - Defense Inspector General*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1404) that would authorize appropriations for the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense at the levels identified in section 4501 of division D of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1504).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

#### *Sec. 1405 - Defense Health Program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1405) that would authorize appropriations for the Defense Health Program at the levels identified in section 4501 of division D of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1505).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

## **SUBTITLE B—NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE**

### *Sec. 1411 - Improvements to Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1512) that would amend sections of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98a) to provide additional flexibilities and authorities.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with technical amendments.

### *Sec. 1412 - Authority to dispose of materials from the National Defense Stockpile*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1513) that would authorize the National Defense Stockpile to dispose of certain materials that have been determined to be excess to Stockpile requirements.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

### *Sec. 1413 - Beginning balances of the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund for audit purposes*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1514) that would define the beginning balances of the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund for audit purposes.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

### *Sec. 1414 - Critical mineral independence*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1415) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to submit a strategy to develop supply chains for the Department of Defense that are not dependent on mining or processing of critical minerals in or by covered countries.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1057).

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

## **SUBTITLE C—OTHER MATTERS**

### *Sec. 1421 - Modification of leasing authority of Armed Forces Retirement Home*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1523) that would amend section 1511(i) of the Armed Forces Retirement Home Act of 1991 (24 U.S.C. 411(i)) to: (1) Authorize the Chief Operating Officer to enter into agreements with potential lessees to provide for a period of exclusivity, access, and study in exchange for payment to the Armed Forces Retirement Home trust fund, and (2) Provide that fund will remain available for obligation and expenditure to finance expenses of the Retirement Home related to the formation and administration of such agreements and leases.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would terminate this provision on September 30, 2026.

### *Sec. 1422 - Authority for transfer of funds to joint Department of Defense-Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund for Captain James A. Lovell Health Care Center, Illinois*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1413) that would authorize the transfer of \$172.0 million to the Joint Department of Defense-Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund for operations of the Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1521).

The Senate recesses.

### *Sec. 1423 - Authorization of appropriations for Armed Forces Retirement Home*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1414) that would authorize an appropriation of \$77.0 million from the Armed Forces Retirement Home Trust Fund for fiscal year 2024 for the operation of the Armed Forces Retirement Home.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1522).

The Senate recesses.

## **LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Expansion of National Defense Stockpile requirements for era of great power competition*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1411) that would expand National Defense Stockpile requirements.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Membership of Coast Guard on Strategic Materials Protection Board*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1412) that would amend the membership of the Strategic Materials Protection Board to include the Coast Guard.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

## **TITLE XV—CYBERSPACE—RELATED MATTERS**

### **SUBTITLE A—CYBER OPERATIONS**

*Sec. 1501 - Performance metrics for pilot program on sharing cyber capabilities and related information with foreign operational partners*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1703) that would amend section 398 of title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense to track the results of sharing cyber capabilities and related information with foreign operational partners.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would make technical corrections.

*Sec. 1502 - Harmonization and clarification of Strategic Cybersecurity Program and related matters*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1501) that would align and harmonize efforts and requirements for matters related to operational technologies found in Department of Defense networks, weapon systems, and base infrastructure. The originating legislative mandates are found across seven separate

National Defense Authorization Acts, with the earliest requirement established in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law 114-92).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would expand the membership of the "Strategic Cybersecurity Program" and clarify the responsibilities of the program office.

*Sec. 1503 - Modification of authority to use operation and maintenance funds for cyber operations-peculiar capability development projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1682) that would amend section 1640 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116-92) by extending the authority to 2028 and increasing the limit to \$16.0 million.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1504 - Quarterly briefings on joint all domain command and control effort*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1062) that would amend 1076(a) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283) to require the Deputy Secretary of Defense, the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer of the Department of Defense, the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense, and a senior military service representative for each of the Armed Forces to provide to the congressional defense committees quarterly briefings on the progress of the Joint All Domain Command and Control (JADC2) effort of the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require participation by multiple combatant commands in the first quarterly briefing of each calendar year, provision of funding tables for JADC2 efforts by components of the Office of the Secretary of Defense and the military services, and a summary of lessons learned from large-scale exercises and experiments relevant to JADC2.

*Sec. 1505 - Authority for countering illegal trafficking by Mexican transnational criminal organizations in cyberspace*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1706) that would authorize the Secretary of Defense, in coordination

with other relevant Federal departments and agencies, and in consultation with the Government of Mexico as appropriate, to conduct detection, monitoring, and other operations in cyberspace to counter Mexican transnational criminal organizations that are engaged in smuggling of illegal drugs, controlled substances, or precursors thereof; human or weapons trafficking; or other illegal activities. The provision also would require the development and submission to appropriate committees of Congress a strategy for conducting cyber operations to counter these transnational criminal organizations, and quarterly briefings on such operations.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would eliminate the requirement for the development and submission to Congress of a strategy for conducting cyber operations to counter these transnational criminal organizations, and quarterly briefings on such operations. The amendment would also make clarifying changes.

*Sec. 1506 - Development of cyber support mechanisms for geographic combatant commands*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1714) that would require the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Commander, United States Cyber Command, and each commander of a geographic combatant command, to develop a regional cybersecurity strategy to support the operations of each geographic combatant command.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would clarify the scope of the regional strategies required.

*Sec. 1507 - Review and plan relating to cyber red teams of Department of Defense*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1704) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy to direct the appropriate Assistant Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Principal Cyber Advisors of the military departments, to oversee the development and submission of a plan to modernize cyber red teams, establish joint service standards, and expand partnerships with the Department of Defense to increase the cyber talent workforce, among other things.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that aligns the provision with the Department of Defense's response to section 1660 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116-92).

## **SUBTITLE B—CYBERSECURITY**

*Sec. 1511 - Responsibility for cybersecurity and critical infrastructure protection of defense industrial base*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1524) that would amend section 1724 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283) by requiring the Secretary of Defense to designate a principal staff assistant from within the Office of the Secretary of Defense to serve as the coordinating authority for cybersecurity issues relating to the defense industrial base.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

*Sec. 1512 - Cybersecurity enhancements for nuclear command, control, and communications network*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1717) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish a cross-functional team to implement security enhancements for the nuclear command, control, and communications network.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1513 - Pilot program relating to semiconductor supply chain and Cybersecurity Collaboration Center*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1707) that would establish a pilot program to assess the feasibility and advisability of improving the cybersecurity of the semiconductor manufacturing supply chain by enabling the National Security Agency Cybersecurity Collaboration Center to collaborate with semiconductor manufacturers in the United States.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would make clarifying edits.

*Sec. 1514 - Transfer of data and technology developed under MOSAICS program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 227) that would authorize the Secretary of Defense to transfer data and technology developed under the More Situational Awareness for Industrial Control Systems Joint Capabilities Technology Demonstration program to eligible private sector entities to enhance cyber threat detection and protection of critical industrial control system assets.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would add a notification requirement when a decision is made to transfer data or technology under this authority.

*Sec. 1515 - Modernization program for network boundary and cross-domain defense*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1712) that would require the Secretary of Defense to carry out a modernization program for network boundary and cross-domain defense against cyberattacks.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit an implementation plan regarding the modernization program required by this section.

*Sec. 1516 - Establishment of certain identity, credential, and access management activities as program of record*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1719) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish the Identity, Credential, and Access Management (ICAM) initiative as a program of record subject to milestone reviews, compliance with requirements, and operational testing.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that grants the Secretary of Defense waiver authority over the establishment of a program of record for the Identity, Credential, and Access Management initiative under certain conditions.

*Sec. 1517 - Pilot program on assuring critical infrastructure support for military contingencies*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 331) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a pilot

program, known as the "Assuring Critical Infrastructure Support for Military Contingencies Pilot Program," under which military installations that play key roles in the mobilization, deployment, and sustainment of military forces in major contingency operations would be selected for analysis of dependencies on regional critical infrastructure and for prioritization and processes for restoration of services. The provision would require the Secretary of Defense to provide a report, not later than one year after the enactment of this Act, to other executive branch officials and the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1518 - Military cybersecurity cooperation with Taiwan*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1505) that would require the Secretary of Defense to seek to cooperate with the Ministry of Defense of Taiwan on defensive military cybersecurity activities.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1352).

The Senate recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1519 - Guidance regarding securing laboratories of the Armed Forces*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1718) that would require the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Chief Information Officer, the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, and the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security, to issue Department-wide guidance regarding methods and processes to secure laboratories of the Armed Forces.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

## **SUBTITLE C—INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND DATA MANAGEMENT**

*Sec. 1521 - Control and management of Department of Defense data; establishment of Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer Governing Council*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1725) that would require the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer of the Department of Defense to maintain the authority, but not the requirement, to access and control, on behalf of the Secretary of Defense, of all data collected, acquired, accessed, or utilized by Department of Defense components consistent with section 1513 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263).

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1522 - Modification to Department of Defense enterprise-wide procurement of cyber data products and services*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1503) that would amend subsection (a) of section 1521 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81) to include a new paragraph that requires the evaluation of emerging cyber technologies for efficacy and applicability to the requirements of the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1523 - Management of data assets by Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1705) that would require the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, to enhance the management of data assets and data analytical tools.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would make clarifying edits regarding congressional intent that this provision applies to foreign data collection and acquisitions, and that data acquisition activities and plans are undertaken in cooperation and in coordination with the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency to ensure that any data collection, procurement, acquisition, use, or retention measure conducted pursuant to this section is in full compliance with applicable laws and regulations, including standards pertaining to data related to U.S. persons or any persons in the United States.

*Sec. 1524 - Course of education and pilot program on authentication of digital content provenance for certain Department of Defense media content*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1722) that would require, not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director of the Defense Media Activity (DMA) to provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on developing a course of education at the Defense Information School (DINFOS) to teach the practical concepts and skills needed by Department of Defense (DOD) public affairs, audiovisual, visual information, and records management specialists, on the following: (1) The expertise and qualifications of the DOD personnel who will be responsible for teaching the proposed course of education; (2) The list of sources that will be consulted and used to develop the curriculum for the proposed course of education; (3) A description of the industry open technical standards that may be used to authenticate the digital content provenance of applicable DOD media content; and (4) The status of the implementation of the proposed course of education. The provision also would require that the Director of DMA establish, not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, a course of education at DINFOS to teach the specialists to understand digital content provenance for applicable DOD media content; the challenges posed to Department missions and operations by digital content forgeries; how existing industry open technical standards may be used to authenticate the provenance of such content; hands-on techniques for capturing secure and authenticated digital content for documenting and communicating DOD themes and messages; and techniques and methods for completing post-production tasks of DOD content. The provision would also require the Director, not later than one year after the establishment of the required course, to provide a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the status of the development of the course curriculum, the course implementation plan, and the resources available and needed to carry out the requirements of the provision. In addition, the provision would require the Director, not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, to commence a pilot program to assess the feasibility and advisability of implementing industry open technical standards for DOD digital content provenance, and report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than January 1, 2026 on the results of the pilot program.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would direct the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Director of DMA to establish the required course.

The conferees direct the DMA Director to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than 90 days after the enactment of this Act, on developing a course of education at the Defense Information School (DINFOS) to teach the practical concepts and skills needed by Department of Defense (DOD) public affairs, audiovisual, visual information, and records management specialists, on the following: (1) The expertise and qualifications of the DOD personnel who will be responsible for teaching the proposed course of education; (2) The list of sources that will be consulted and used to develop the curriculum for the proposed course of education; (3) A description of the industry open technical standards that may be used to authenticate the digital content provenance of applicable DOD media content; and (4) The status of the implementation of the proposed course of education.

*Sec. 1525 - Prize competitions for business systems modernization*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 221) that would authorize the Secretary of Defense and the Secretaries of the military departments to conduct one or more prize competitions under section 4025 of title 10, United States Code, in order to support the business systems modernization goals of the Department of Defense.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would make conforming changes, including adding a briefing requirement and a date by which the prize competition or competitions should commence.

*Sec. 1526 - Requirements for deployment of fifth generation information and communications capabilities to military installations and other Department facilities*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec.1711) that would require the Secretary of Defense to develop and implement a strategy for the deployment of private networks, based on fifth generation information and communications capabilities and Open Radio Access Network architecture, to military bases and facilities. The provision also would require the Secretary to streamline and ensure consistency in the process of providing access to military bases and facilities to commercial wireless service providers.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with technical and clarifying edits.

*Sec. 1527 - Required policies to establish datalink strategy of Department of Defense*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 142) that would direct the Secretary of Defense to develop and implement policies that establish a unified datalink strategy and provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees on these policies.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would include the congressional intelligence committees as recipients of the briefing.

## **SUBTITLE D—PERSONNEL**

*Sec. 1531 - Office for academic engagement relating to cyber activities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1502) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish a central program office, under the authority of the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense, to establish, maintain, and oversee the activities of the Department of Defense in its relationship with academia, to include those entities involved in primary, secondary, and post-secondary education, with respect to cyber-related matters.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would make technical edits.

*Sec. 1532 - Selected Reserve order to active duty to respond to a significant cyber incident*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 522) that would amend section 12304 of title 10, United States Code, to: (1) Authorize the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating to order units and members of the Selected Reserve or Individual Ready Reserve, without the consent of the members, to Active Duty to respond to a significant cyber incident; and (2) Remove the requirement that an order to Active Duty to augment the active forces be for a named operational mission.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would authorize the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of the Department in

which the Coast Guard is operating to order units and members of the Selected Reserve, without the consent of the members, to Active Duty to respond to a significant cyber incident.

*Sec. 1533 - Post-graduate employment of Department of Defense Cyber Service Academy scholarship recipients in intelligence community*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1723) that would amend section 1535 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) to authorize post-graduate employment of graduates of the Department of Defense Cyber and Digital Service Academy in non-Department of Defense intelligence community agencies, on a reimbursable basis. The provision would also rename the program authorized by that section as the Cyber Service Academy.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1534 - Minimum number of scholarships to be awarded annually through Department of Defense Cyber Service Academy*

The Senate amendment contained a provision that would amend section 1535 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) to require the Secretary of Defense to award no fewer than 1,000 scholarships per year under the Department of Defense Cyber and Digital Service Academy scholarship program. The provision would authorize the Secretary to award fewer than 1,000 scholarships in a fiscal year if the Secretary determines that fewer scholarships are needed to meet workforce needs, and provides notification to Congress of such determination.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 1535 - Pilot program and other measures to enhance readiness and effectiveness of the Cyber Mission Force*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1701) that would require the Secretary of Defense to implement measures to enhance the readiness and effectiveness of the cyber mission force.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would make clarifying edits.

*Sec. 1536 - Authority to conduct pilot program on Civilian Cybersecurity Reserve*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1521) that would provide the legal authority for the military services to accept voluntary and uncompensated services from civilian cybersecurity experts to train servicemembers on technical matters. It would solidify the legal basis for the United States Marine Corps Cyber Auxiliary program, as well as enable the other military services to establish their own Cyber Auxiliary programs. This section builds on committee report language titled "Cyber Auxiliary Utilization," which accompanied the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263).

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1216) that would require the Secretary of Army to carry out a pilot project to establish a Civilian Cybersecurity Reserve. This Reserve would enable the Army to provide manpower to United States Cyber Command to support the Command's operations in cyberspace.

The House recedes with an amendment that would permit, but not require, the Secretary of the Army to carry out a pilot program for a Civilian Cybersecurity Reserve in support of United States Cyber Command.

The conferees note the importance of the Department of Defense creatively leveraging robust cyber talent across the country. Moreover, the conferees remark that this provision is the twelfth piece of legislation since 2013 concerning how the Department of Defense can optimize and leverage robust American cyber talent in the National Guard, Reserve, or other mechanism for support to military cyber operations.

*Sec. 1537 - Requirements for implementation of user activity monitoring for certain personnel*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1721) that would direct the Secretary of Defense to require each head of a component of the Department of Defense to fully implement directives, policies, and program requirements for user activity monitoring (UAM) and least privilege access controls for Federal Government and contractor personnel granted access to classified information and classified networks. The provision also would require periodic testing and reporting of the effectiveness of UAM systems, triggers, and controls using threat-realistic behavior models.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would require compliance with directives from the Committee on National Security Systems and the Secretary of Defense on user activity monitoring.

*Sec. 1538 - Study on occupational resiliency of Cyber Mission Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1534) that would require the Principal Cyber Advisor of the Department of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, in coordination with the principal cyber advisors of the military departments and the Commander of United States Cyber Command, to conduct a study on the personnel and resources required to enhance and support the occupational resiliency of the Cyber Mission Force.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recedes.

## **SUBTITLE E—ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE**

*Sec. 1541 - Modification to acquisition authority of senior official with principal responsibility for artificial intelligence and machine learning*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 826) that would modify the acquisition authority of the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Office of the Department of Defense and require a demonstration of operational capability delivered with this authority.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1542 - Artificial intelligence bug bounty programs*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6097) that would require the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer of the Department of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to develop a bug bounty program for foundational artificial intelligence models being integrated into Department of Defense missions and operations.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recedes.

*Sec. 1543 - Prize competition for technology that detects and watermarks use of generative artificial intelligence*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 218) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish and carry out a prize competition under section 4025 of title 10, United States Code, to evaluate technology, including applications, tools, and models, for the detection and watermarking of generative artificial intelligence.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1544 - Plans, strategies, and other matters relating to artificial intelligence*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 220) that would direct the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, to develop and implement a process to assess and report whether artificial technologies are developed and function responsibly.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 222)

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment that integrates some reporting elements into the requirements of the Senate provision.

*Sec. 1545 - Study to analyze vulnerability for artificial intelligence-enabled military applications*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6098) that would require the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer (CDAO) of the Department of Defense to complete a study analyzing the vulnerabilities to the privacy, security, accuracy of, and capacity to assess, artificial intelligence-enabled military applications, as well as research and development needs for such applications.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

The conferees note that in conducting this study, the expectation is the Department will coordinate the assessment, to the maximum extent practicable, with a range of organizations within the Department, across the federal government, and with academia and industry to ensure broad-based input and consensus.

**SUBTITLE F—REPORTS AND OTHER MATTERS**

*Sec. 1551 - Limitation on availability of funds for travel for Office of Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness pending strategy relating to Defense Travel System*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 363) that would require the Secretary of Defense to terminate and replace the "Defense Travel System" with a new system for end-to-end travel management of the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 227).

The House recedes with an amendment that would reduce the scope for the limitation, but require a strategy for modernizing or replacing the Defense Travel Systems, and a certification from the Department of Defense Chief Information Officer that such strategy meets the validated requirements of the Department.

*Sec. 1552 - Management by Department of Defense of mobile applications*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1716) that would require the Secretary of Defense to evaluate and implement, to the maximum practicable extent, the recommendations of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense February 9, 2023 report entitled "Management Advisory: The DoD's Use of Mobile Applications" (Report No. DODIG-2023-041) with respect to managing mobile applications.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 1553 - Report on Department of Defense Enterprise capabilities for cybersecurity*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 143) that would require the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense to submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the decision to exercise options on an existing contract to use cybersecurity capabilities to protect assets and networks across the Department of Defense.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would make technical edits. The conferees also direct the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense to notify the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives of any future plans to alter the Department's current policy of utilizing third-party vendors to independently scan the

Department of Defense Information Network for both internal and external cyber vulnerabilities.

*Sec. 1554 - Report on technology modernization for Army Human Resources Command 2030 Transformation Plan*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1537) that would require the Secretary of the Army, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the Human Resources Command 2030 Transformation Plan of the Army that includes: (1) An estimated timeline for the completion of the implementation milestones of the Plan; and (2) An identification of future resource needs relating to the modernization of legacy information technology systems.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1555 - Certification requirement regarding contracting for military recruiting*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1532) that would prohibit the Department of Defense from contracting with any advertising or marketing agency that censors news sources based on subjective criteria.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment which would require the Secretary of Defense to certify, prior to contracting with any entities for the purpose of placing advertisements for military recruiting, that the entity does not provide such services as a result of certain biases.

## **LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Authority to establish program of United States Cyber Command on dark web and deep web analysis tools*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1504) that would permit the Commander of United States Cyber Command to establish or augment a program for the purpose of analysis of information from "dark web" and "deep web" sources.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Updated strategy of Department of Defense relating to information environment*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1506) that would require the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Commander of the United States Strategic Command and the Commander of the United States Cyber Command, to develop a strategy that updates the strategy contained in the document of the Department of Defense dated July 25, 2018, "Joint Concept for Operating in the Information Environment."

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Department of Defense published the "Strategy for Operations in the Information Environment" in July 2023 which provides the Department guidance to plan, resource, and apply informational power in concert with the 2022 National Defense Strategy. The conferees look forward to the publication of the "Department of Defense Operations in the Information Environment Implementation Plan" which will further clarify responsibilities while providing updated policies and guidance that we hope will improve our force posture to conduct such operations in the future. The conferees further note that, despite the strategic importance of these defining documents, past iterations of this strategy and supporting documents have had a disappointing lack of impact within the Department, the military services, or on global operations in this domain. The conferees look forward to working with the Department of Defense to strengthen the Department's capabilities in the information environment in order to execute an effective strategy.

*Modifications to rates of pay for certain cyber-related positions of Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1523) that would grant a new authority to the Secretary of Defense to grant pay cap waivers to civilians in critical areas. Other components of the Department of Defense have this authority, which creates artificial competition between the Department components.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Oversight for Command Post Computing Environment contract award*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1531) that would require the Secretary of the Army to inform the congressional defense committees within 14 days with a written

notification of an award associated with the Command Post Computing Environment, as well as the criteria used in the selection, and any other information determined as necessary by the Secretary.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*GAO review of cyberspace operations management*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1533) that would require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a comprehensive review and assessment of the Department of Defense's management of matters related to the execution of, and preparation for, cyberspace operations. This section would direct the Comptroller General to consider as part of the review the number of command staffs, secretariats, organizations, units, and personnel (including rank and grade levels) with any responsibility or management of budgetary, personnel, policy, or training matters affecting cyberspace operations across the Department of Defense, as well as other related issues.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees acknowledge the complexity of the Department's cyberspace operations organization and management and the need to better understand this structure. We direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study of the Department of Defense's cyberspace operations management and structure. At the discretion of the Comptroller General, this study may be published in two separate publications, with those portions able to be assessed promptly to be contained in a first report to be released no later than 150 days after enactment. Any subjects of the study which are not able to be comprehensively evaluated in time for the first report, shall be published in a second report to be published at the earliest date possible.

The aforementioned study shall include an evaluation and assessment by the Comptroller General of the following:

(1) The number of commands, organizations, units, and personnel (including an identification of the rank and grade thereof) responsible for conducting cyberspace operations across the Department of Defense;

(2) The command and control relationships associated with such commands, organizations, units, and personnel;

(3) The number of command staff, secretariats, organizations, units, and personnel (including an identification of the rank and grade thereof) with any responsibility for

budgetary, personnel, policy, or training matters, including the management of such matters, affecting cyberspace operations across the Department of Defense;

(4) The ratio of personnel specified in paragraph (1) determined to be fully trained and qualified, as defined by the Commander of the United States Cyber Command, relative to the total number of such personnel assigned to operational billets;

(5) The ratio of personnel specified in paragraph (3), relative to the total number of personnel assigned to billets within the Cyber Mission Force of the United States Cyber Command;

(6) An assessment of potential redundancy in effort or cost between the various entities specified in paragraph (3) with any responsibility for budgetary, personnel, policy, or training matters, including the management of such matters, affecting cyberspace operations across the Department of Defense;

(7) An evaluation of the sufficiency of authorities currently assigned to the position of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Cyber Policy to ensure that the Department of Defense has an effective and efficient force structure, and has trained and ready forces, necessary to conduct cyberspace operations at all echelons (including strategic, operational, and tactical echelons); and

(8) Any other matters the Comptroller General determines appropriate.

In addition to the elements described above, the Comptroller General shall take into consideration, at a minimum, the following:

(1) Office of the Department of Defense Principal Cyber Advisor;

(2) Office of the Department of Defense Chief Information Officer;

(3) Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Cyber Policy;

(4) Office of the Deputy Director for Global Operations, J-39, Joint Staff;

(5) Office of the Director, Command, Control, Communications and Computers/Cyber and Chief Information Officer, J-6, Joint Staff;

(6) Office of the Department of the Army Principal Cyber Advisor;

(7) Office of the Army Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7;

(8) Office of the Army Deputy Chief of Staff, G-2;

(9) Office of the Army Deputy Chief of Staff, G-6;

(10) United States Army Training & Doctrine Command;  
(11) United States Army Cyber Command;  
(12) Office of the Department of the Navy Principal  
Cyber Advisor;  
(13) Office of the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations  
for Information Warfare, N2/N6;  
(14) United States Fleet Forces Command;  
(15) Naval Information Forces;  
(16) United States Fleet Cyber Command;  
(17) Office of the Department of the Air Force  
Principal Cyber Advisor;  
(18) Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for  
Intelligence, Surveillance, Reconnaissance, and Cyber Effects  
Operations, A2/6, Air Staff;  
(19) Air Combat Command;  
(20) 16th Air Force;  
(21) Office of the United States Marine Corps Deputy  
Commandant for Information;  
(22) Marine Corps Forces Cyberspace Command; and  
(23) Office of the Deputy Chief of Space Operations  
for Operations, Cyber, and Nuclear, Space Staff.

We direct the Comptroller General to provide to the congressional defense committees interim briefings on the study every 45 days after the date of enactment of this Act until the second and final report is published.

#### *Report on State National Guard cyber units*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1536) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the feasibility of establishing a cyber unit in every National Guard of a State to ensure the ability of a State to quickly respond to cyber-attacks in such State.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recedes.

#### *Assessment of innovative data analysis and information technology solutions*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1538) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide a report containing the results of an assessment of the implementation by the Department of Defense of innovative data analysis and information technology solutions that could improve risk management, agility, and capabilities for strategic defense purposes.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Report on modernized multilevel security system*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1539) that would require the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence and in coordination with the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command and the commanders of such other combatant commands as the Secretary may determine appropriate, to submit to the congressional defense committees, not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act, a report on migrating the classified networks of the Department of Defense and the intelligence community, respectively, into a modernized multilevel security system.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees are aware of the Department's efforts to modernize its classified networks to provide for more secure tools to monitor and control access to the systems, while rapidly disseminating information. Therefore, the conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, on the status of its classified networks modernization efforts.

*Cyber intelligence center*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1702) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish a dedicated cyber intelligence capability to support the requirements of United States Cyber Command, the other combatant commands, the military departments, defense agencies, the Joint Staff, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense for foundational, scientific and technical, and all-source intelligence on cyber technology development, capabilities, concepts of operations, operations, and plans and intentions of cyber threat actors.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

The conferees agree that intelligence support to the planning and execution of cyber operations conducted below the level of armed conflict, for preparation of the operational environment, and at each level of operational art - strategic, operational, and tactical - must be substantially improved. The conferees believe that the causes of, and solutions to, this requirement are complex.

As a still-maturing combatant command in a new warfighting domain, Cyber Command itself must improve its ability to define and articulate its requirements for intelligence support at each level and phase of engagement with adversaries, as well as to actively engage the intelligence enterprise to fulfill them. It is likely that Cyber Command will continue to need assistance in maturing its requirements development process, and that the Secretary of Defense will need to ensure that such assistance is provided by the Defense Intelligence Agency, the National Security Agency (NSA), and the intelligence components of the military departments. In addition, the other combatant commands need assistance and oversight in developing practical requirements for cyber operational support from Cyber Command.

At the strategic and operational level, there is a clear need for improved foundational intelligence. The conferees are concerned that the Department of Defense will continue to fail to address this persistent shortfall without a legislative mandate and the creation of an organizational element dedicated to the task. The conferees are not prepared at this time to dictate a specific organizational solution, but expect the Secretary of Defense to generate and implement one.

Equally problematic is the inability to produce fine-grained target systems analysis, and detailed network and systems engineering analysis at the necessary pace and scale. The Cyber Mission Forces do not possess sufficient deep technical expertise nor adequate access to the data required to generate the required level of analysis organically. A significant portion of the target systems analysis support that is currently lacking could be provided under a decentralized, federated model based on cooperative teaming among the existing service intelligence centers (and the Department's foreign material acquisition and human intelligence components). This would obviate the need to establish a new, separate center dedicated to the cyber domain, but making a coalition work effectively on a sustained basis could prove to be very challenging without a committed leadership entity. The conferees urge the Secretary to devise an effective and sustainable organizational solution.

The conferees conclude that the remaining, vital network and systems engineering analysis support for Cyber Command is likely to be achievable only via partnership with NSA. The NSA enterprise is best able to provide the required information and the analysis itself would need to be conducted under signals intelligence production authorities and oversight.

As the Department of Defense cannot burden the national intelligence mission and budget of NSA for this level of tailored support for military cyber operations, the conferees

believe that the Secretary of Defense should provide, separate from the national intelligence budget, the funding necessary for Cyber Command to acquire and sustain the required technical analytical capability and capacity. The conferees urge the Secretary to pursue this objective in stages, starting with a small-scale pilot deployment to develop a practical model that can be replicated. In addition, the conferees note the challenges in recruiting and retaining additional personnel with the necessary technical aptitude and experience in the same locales as the current NSA enterprise and urge the Secretary to adopt a more geographically distributed approach to this solution.

The executive branch recently completed another positive review of the dual-hat arrangement for the Commander of Cyber Command/Director of NSA. The foregoing assessment suggests that this partnership should be extended, with DOD's independent funding responsibilities clearly delineated.

Accordingly, the conferees urge the Secretary of Defense to develop an organization, and provide funding, personnel, and a management plan for the intelligence collection and analysis necessary to support the missions of Cyber Command and the other combatant commands in the disciplines of foundational intelligence, target systems analysis, and network and systems engineering analysis.

*Independent evaluation regarding potential establishment of United States Cyber Force and further evolution of current model for management and execution of cyber mission*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1708) that would require the Secretary of Defense to enter into an agreement with the National Academy of Public Administration to conduct an evaluation regarding the advisability of establishing a separate armed force dedicated to operations in the cyber domain, or refining and further evolving the current organizational approach for U.S. Cyber Command, which is based on the U.S. Special Operations Command model.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Policy and guidance on memory-safe software programming*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1713) that would require the Secretary of Defense to develop Department of Defense-wide policy and guidance to implement the recommendations of the National Security Agency's (NSA) Software

Memory Safety Cybersecurity Information Sheet published in November 2022.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

### *Cyber incident reporting*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1715) that would require the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense, the Commander, United States Cyber Command, and the Commander, Joint Force Headquarters Department of Defense Information Network, to establish a cyber incident reporting process within the Department.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The agreement does not include this provision.

The conferees note that Department of Defense systems continue to be the target of and susceptible to cyberattacks. We are concerned about the findings in the November 14, 2022 Government Accountability Office (GAO) report titled, "DOD Cybersecurity: Enhanced Attention Needed to Ensure Cyber Incidents Are Appropriately Reported and Shared" (GAO-23-105084), which determined that: (1) DOD has not fully implemented its processes for managing cyber incidents; (2) DOD does not have complete data on cyber incidents that are reported by DOD personnel; and (3) DOD does not document whether it notifies individuals' whose personal data is compromised in a cyber incident.

We therefore direct the Department to conduct a briefing to the congressional defense committees, not later than 180 days following the enactment of this Act, regarding how it is addressing the issues identified by the GAO to improve the Department's cybersecurity posture.

### *Strategy on cybersecurity resiliency of Department of Defense space enterprise*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1720) that would require the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense, the Commander, United States Cyber Command, the Secretary of the Air Force, and the Commander, United States Space Command, to develop and commence implementation of a Department-wide strategy regarding cyber protection activities for the Department of Defense space enterprise.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Requirement to support for cyber education and workforce development at institutions of higher learning*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1726) that would require the Secretary of Defense to support the development of foundational expertise in critical cyber operational skills at institutions of higher learning for current and future members of the Armed Forces and civilian employees of the Department of Defense.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Improvements relating to cyber protection support for Department of Defense personnel in positions highly vulnerable to cyber attack*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1727) that would amend section 1645 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114-328; 10 U.S.C. 2224 note).

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

The conferees are aware of the need to provide additional cyber protection support for certain senior Department of Defense personnel who, due to their positions, may be uniquely vulnerable or subject to cyber attacks and adversary information collection activities. Section 1645 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114-328) provided the Secretary of Defense with the authority to provide such support for personal technology devices of personnel deemed highly vulnerable to cyber attacks and hostile information collection activities. The conferees are concerned that the authority established for by section 1645 may not be sufficient to keep pace with the current threat environment, in particular with regard to personal accounts and networks used by such personnel outside of the scope of their employment with the Department of Defense.

Therefore, the conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees, not later than May 1, 2024, that contains: (1) An update on the implementation of and current status of the authorities granted under section 1645 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114-328); (2) An update on the frequency and nature of cyber threats faced by vulnerable

personnel; (3) An analysis of whether it is advisable to expand current authorities as established by the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114-328) to include personal networks, personal accounts, and other potential avenues of vulnerability in order to ensure adequate cyber protection support of relevant personnel; and (4) Such other information as the Secretary deems appropriate.

*Comptroller General report on efforts to protect personal information of Department of Defense personnel from exploitation by foreign adversaries*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1728) that would require the Comptroller General of the United States, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to brief the appropriate congressional committees on Department of Defense efforts to protect personal information of its personnel from exploitation by foreign adversaries.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

The conferees agree with the concerns and tasking reflected in the Senate provision. The conferees direct that, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate, and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives on Department of Defense (DOD) efforts to protect personal information of its personnel from exploitation by foreign adversaries.

The briefing should provide:

(1) An assessment of DOD efforts to protect the personal information, including location data generated by smart phones, of members of the Armed Forces, civilian employees of the Department of Defense, veterans, and their families from exploitation by foreign adversaries;

(2) An assessment of the threat posed to DOD by adversary acquisition of comprehensive data on DOD military and civilian personnel, obtained through commercial sources, that can be used for information operations, to target cyber attacks, and to acquire indications and warning of preparations for military deployments and operations; and

(3) Recommendations to improve Department of Defense policies and programs to meaningfully address these threats.

The conferees further direct that the Comptroller General provide a report, in both classified and unclassified form, to

the previously specified committees at a time mutually agreed upon between the committees and the Comptroller General.

## **TITLE XVI—SPACE ACTIVITIES, STRATEGIC PROGRAMS, AND INTELLIGENCE MATTERS**

### **SUBTITLE A—SPACE ACTIVITIES**

*Sec. 1601 - Delegation of certain authority of explosive safety board*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1608) that would establish an interim equivalency determination for trinitrotoluene (TNT) applied to launch vehicles and components that use methane during test and operations on or from a Federally owned or licensed facility and a process for TNT equivalency determinations to be assessed for launch vehicles while in flight.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would strike the findings, amend section 172 of title 10 of the United States Code, to have the Secretary of the Air Force delegate to the Commanders of the Space Launch Deltas the subject matter responsibility for explosives used by space launch vehicles; develop through the Secretaries of Defense, Transportation, and the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, a scientifically-valid yield determination for space launch vehicles while in flight; and require within 90 days of the completion of the Liquid Oxygen (LOX)-Methane Assessment working group process, the submission of a report to the appropriate congressional committees that includes a description of the effects of the LOX-Methane Assessment on existing and future maximum credible event analysis and any resulting effects on commercial space launch, civil space activities, and national security.

*Sec. 1602 - Classification review of space major defense acquisition programs*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1601) that would require review of classification guidance to ensure that it remains appropriate before milestone B approval of space major defense acquisition programs.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

*Sec. 1603 - Enhanced authority to increase space launch capacity through space launch support services*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1602) that would authorize the Secretary of the Air Force to increase space launch capacity on Department of Defense ranges for space launch support services and to collect indirect costs from commercial entities.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1606) that would authorize the Secretary of a military department to enter into agreements and receive cost reimbursement for all costs, both direct and indirect, associated with the provision of goods and services to commercial entities conducting space launch activities.

The Senate recedes with an amendment requiring the development of regulations with respect to contracts or other transactions, as well as direct and indirect reimbursement costs, for launch equipment and services provided to commercial entities.

*Sec. 1604 - Principal Military Deputy for Space Acquisition and Integration*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1604) that would require the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Space Acquisition and Integration to have a Principal Military Deputy for Space Acquisition and Integration, who would be an Active Duty officer in the Space Force.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 1605 - Modification to updates of space policy review*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1606) that would limit the availability of 10 percent of the funds for the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Space Policy for travel until the Secretary of Defense submits to the congressional defense committees the reports required by sections 1609 and 1611 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that removes the findings, sense of Congress, and limitation on funding as such conditions were met.

*Sec. 1606 - Authorization for establishment of the National Space Intelligence Center as a field operating agency*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1604) that would authorize the Secretary of the Air Force to establish the National Space Intelligence Center as a field operating agency of the Space Force.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would strike language in the House provision referring to "notwithstanding any other provision of law prohibiting the establishment of a field operating agency."

*Sec. 1607 - Initial operational capability for Advanced Tracking and Launch Analysis System and requirements for system-level review*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1602) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to report to the congressional defense committees a date when the Advanced Tracking and Launch Analysis System (ATLAS) will be operational, and if it is not operational by that date, whether it should be cancelled and how it should be replaced.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment clarifying the review elements and the briefing requirement.

*Sec. 1608 - Use of middle tier acquisition program for proliferated warfighter space architecture of the Space Development Agency*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1605) that would require the Director of the Space Development Agency to use middle tier acquisition authority for the rapid fielding of satellites and associated systems for Tranche 1, Tranche 2, and Tranche 3 of the Proliferated Warfighter Space Architecture of the Space Development Agency.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would require the Space Acquisition Council to review each tranche and determine whether the use of middle tier acquisition is warranted.

*Sec. 1609 - Process and plan for Space Force space situational awareness*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1611) that would require the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Space Acquisition and Integration, in consultation with the Chief of Space Operations, to establish a process to identify and evaluate commercial space situational awareness capabilities. It

would also require them to develop and implement a plan to integrate the unified data library into Space Force operational systems.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1610 - Plan to improve threat-sharing arrangements with commercial space operators*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1609) that would require a plan for threat sharing with commercial space operators.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would remove the sense of Congress and make technical and conforming changes.

*Sec. 1611 - Plan for an integrated and resilient satellite communications architecture for the Space Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1610) that would require a plan from the Secretary of the Air Force, in coordination with the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Space Acquisition and Integration and the Chief of Space Operations, for an integrated and resilient satellite communications architecture for the Space Force.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

## **SUBTITLE B—DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AND INTELLIGENCE-RELATED ACTIVITIES**

*Sec. 1621 - Military intelligence collection and analysis partnerships*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1391) that would allow the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency to accept and expend foreign partner funds in order for the foreign partner or partners to share with the Defense Intelligence Agency the expenses of joint and combined military intelligence collection and analysis activities.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

## **SUBTITLE C—NUCLEAR FORCES**

*Sec. 1631 - Establishment of major force program for nuclear command, control, and communications programs*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1631) that would require the Department of Defense to establish a major force program for nuclear command, control, and communications (NC3) programs to aggregate and better track sustainment and modernization efforts across the NC3 enterprise.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note that the Systems Engineering and Integration (SE&I) Division of the Nuclear Command, Control and Communications (NC3) Enterprise Center (NEC), which reports to the Commander of U.S. Strategic Command, serves as the principal systems engineering and technical integration staff for the Department's National Leadership Command Capability (NLCC). As part of this function, the SE&I Division authors the NLCC Program Tracking Report for each fiscal year, and which serves to provide much of the data collected in this provision. Prior to the creation of the NEC, this annual report was produced by the Defense Information System Agency.

Therefore, the conferees direct the Director of the NEC, acting through the Commander of the U.S. Strategic Command, to deliver to the congressional defense committees the annual Program Tracking Report, not later than March 31st of each calendar year, to supplement the report described in paragraph (b) (1) of this provision.

*Sec. 1632 - Technical amendment to additional report matters on strategic delivery systems*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1621) that would to extend the requirement for the President to report to Congress if the plans to modernize or replace strategic delivery vehicles are not fully funded until the expiration of the Treaty between the United States of America and the Russian Federation on Measures for the Further Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1633 - Amendment to annual report on the plan for the nuclear weapons stockpile, nuclear weapons complex, nuclear weapons delivery systems, and nuclear weapons command and control systems*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1620) that would require an independent assessment by the Commander of U.S. Strategic Command on the plan for the nuclear weapons stockpile, nuclear weapons complex, nuclear weapons delivery systems, and nuclear weapons command and control systems.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 1634 - Matters relating to the acquisition and deployment of the Sentinel intercontinental ballistic missile weapon system*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1613) that would authorize the use of multi-year procurement authority for the Sentinel intercontinental ballistic missile program. The provision would also amend section 1638 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) to ensure that the Intercontinental Ballistic Missile Site Activation Task Force reports directly to the Commander of the Air Force Global Strike Command, and would make technical and conforming amendments to the weapon system definition.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would require a report assessing acquisition authorities, including multi-year procurement authority, necessary to ensure the Sentinel program meets current timelines.

*Sec. 1635 - Tasking and oversight authority with respect to intercontinental ballistic missile site activation task force for Sentinel Program*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1615) that would require the Secretary of Defense to delegate tasking and oversight authorities with respect to other components of the Department of Defense participating in the Sentinel Site Activation Task Force to the Commander of Air Force Global Strike Command.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 1636 - Study of weapons programs that allow Armed Forces to address hard and deeply buried targets*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1639) that would prohibit the deactivation, dismantlement, or retirement of more than 25 percent of the B83-1 nuclear gravity bombs that were in the active stockpile as of September 30, 2022, until 90

days after the Secretary of Defense submits to the congressional defense committees a study on options to hold at risk hard and deeply buried targets required by section 1674 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263).

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1622).

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would extend the existing prohibition related to deactivation, dismantlement, or retirement of the B83-1 nuclear gravity bombs, and would also authorize activities necessary to field near-term capabilities to address hard and deeply buried targets.

*Sec. 1637 - Repeal of requirement for review of nuclear deterrence postures*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1632) that would eliminate a duplicative reporting requirement contained in section 1753 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116-92).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recedes.

*Sec. 1638 - Retention of capability to redeploy multiple independently targetable reentry vehicles*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1633) that would extend a requirement of the current Minuteman III intercontinental ballistic missile to be capable of deploying multiple independently targeted reentry vehicles to the next-generation Sentinel intercontinental ballistic missile.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recedes.

*Sec. 1639 - Authorization to establish technology transition program for strategic nuclear deterrence*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 229) that would authorize the Commander of Air Force Global Strike Command, through the use of a partnership intermediary, to establish a technology transition program supporting the Air Force nuclear enterprise.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1640 - Matters relating to the nuclear-armed, sea-launched cruise missile*

The House bill contained provisions (sec. 1641 and 1642) that would require the establishment of a program of record for the development of a nuclear-armed, sea-launched cruise missile; the Administrator for Nuclear Security to initiate the development of an accompanying warhead variant; and quarterly reports from both the Department of the Navy and the National Nuclear Security Administration related to their development of the nuclear-armed, sea-launched cruise missile and its associated warhead.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1618).

The House recedes with an amendment that would require, not later than 180 days after enactment of this act, an assessment by the Secretary of the Navy on the courses of action developed by the Joint Staff in response to the report by the Secretary of Defense in subsection 1642(a) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263), to effectively deploy a nuclear-armed, sea-launched cruise missile from a *Virginia*-class submarine or other platforms that the Secretary considers appropriate. The amendment would further limit fiscal year 2024 funding for the travel by the Secretary of the Navy to not more than 90 percent made available until the report required in section 1642(b) (2) of the above has been submitted to the congressional defense committees.

*Sec. 1641 - Requirements relating to operational silos for the Sentinel intercontinental ballistic missile*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1612) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to ensure the LGM-35A Sentinel intercontinental ballistic missile program refurbishes and makes operable no fewer than 150 silos for intercontinental ballistic missiles each at F.E. Warren Air Force Base, Malmstrom Air Force Base, and Minot Air Force Base.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1642 - Long-term sustainment of Sentinel ICBM guidance system*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1616) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to certify that there is a long-term capability in place to maintain and modernize the guidance system of the LGM-35A Sentinel Intercontinental Ballistic Missile (ICBM) over the full life cycle of the program.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 1643 - Integrated master schedule for the Sentinel missile program of the Air Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1635) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to provide an integrated master schedule for the Sentinel missile program, as well as quarterly briefings on the program's progress.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would increase the quarterly briefings to monthly briefings, and require the integrated master schedule to adhere to the Government Accountability Office's best practices for project scheduling.

*Sec. 1644 - Operational timeline for Strategic Automated Command and Control System*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1619) that would require the full replacement of the Strategic Automated Command and Control System with the initial operating capability of the Sentinel LGM-35A weapon system.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 1645 - Pilot program on development of reentry vehicles and related systems*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1634) that would authorize the Air Force to establish a pilot program related to the development of reentry vehicles.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require competition for grants and contracts.

*Sec. 1646 - Prohibition on reduction of the intercontinental ballistic missiles of the United States*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1638) that would prohibit the Department of Defense from reducing, or preparing to reduce, the responsiveness or alert level of the intercontinental ballistic missiles of the United States.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1611).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1647 - Limitation on availability of funds pending compliance with information requests from the Government Accountability Office*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1623) that would limit use of 50 percent of fiscal year 2024 funds authorized in the Operation and Maintenance, Defense-wide account and available for the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, until the Comptroller General of the United States notifies the congressional defense committees that the Department of Defense has fully complied with Government Accountability Office (GAO) information requests.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would amend the limitation to the use of 35 percent of fiscal year 2024 funds authorized in the Operation and Maintenance, Defense-wide account and available for the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, until the Comptroller General of the United States notifies the congressional defense committees that the Department of Defense has fully complied with GAO information requests.

The conferees reaffirm the understanding that the GAO's statutory right of access encompasses the information required for congressionally-directed studies, including the information, guidance, and other documentation related to nuclear planning, targeting, capabilities, and operations required to conduct this study. Accordingly, the conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than March 1, 2024, to provide the congressional defense committees with a report on how the Department of Defense plans to comply with the Comptroller General's information requests pursuant to the conduct of the study required by section 1652 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81).

The conferees further direct the Inspector General of the Department of Defense to review the processes and procedures by which the Department evaluates, responds to, complies with, or denies Government Accountability Office information requests and the consistency of such processes and procedures with the authorities granted the Comptroller General of the United States under section 716 of title 31, United States Code.

*Sec. 1648 - Congressional notification of decision to delay strategic delivery system test event*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1637) that would require congressional notification of a decision to delay a strategic delivery system test event.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recedes with technical and clarifying amendments.

*Sec. 1649 - Congressional notification of nuclear cooperation between Russia and China*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1643) that would require congressional notification in the event of certain cooperative activities involving China and Russia.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1650 - Plan for decreasing the time to upload additional warheads to the intercontinental ballistic missile fleet*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1614) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force, in coordination with the Commander of U.S. Strategic Command, to develop a plan to decrease the amount of time required to upload additional warheads to the intercontinental ballistic missile force.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would require additional coordination with the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Space Policy, and that the exercise of such a plan would occur in the event that Presidential guidance is given. The amendment would further require an explanation of additional policy guidance that might be required to execute such a plan, including associated costs and limitations, as well as making clarifying and technical changes.

## **SUBTITLE D—MISSILE DEFENSE PROGRAMS**

*Sec. 1661 - Deputy Director of Office of Missile Defense Agency*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1661) that would require the Director of the Missile Defense Agency to be a military officer.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1632) that would require the Director of the Missile Defense Agency to be a military officer appointed by the President for a period of six years.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would add a requirement for a Deputy Director of the Missile Defense Agency to be a military officer.

*Sec. 1662 - Modification of program accountability matrices requirements for next generation interceptors for missile defense*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1635) that would extend program accountability matrices requirements to the product development phase of the next generation interceptors for missile defense of the United States homeland.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1663 - National missile defense policy*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1662) that would update the U.S. national missile defense policy.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1638).

The Senate recesses with an amendment to section that would state the U.S. will rely on nuclear deterrence to address more sophisticated and larger quantity near-peer intercontinental missile threats to the homeland.

*Sec. 1664 - Modification of requirement for Comptroller General to review and assess missile defense acquisition programs*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1633) that would amend the requirement for the Comptroller General of the United States to review and assess missile defense acquisition programs by extending the date of the requirement to 2030 and broadening the definition of the subject matter.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1665 - Iron Dome short-range rocket defense system and Israeli cooperative missile defense program co-development and co-production*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1634) that would authorize funding for the procurement of the Iron Dome short-range rocket defense system, David's Sling Weapon System, and Arrow 3 Upper Tier Interceptor Program as outlined under the Memorandum of Agreement between the United States and

the Government of Israel for cooperative missile defense programs.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1666 - Programs to achieve initial and full operational capabilities for the Glide Phase Interceptor program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1663) that would authorize the Missile Defense Agency to develop a Glide Phase Interceptor for hypersonic defense.

The Senate bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1667 - Rescission of memorandum on missile defense governance*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1668) that would require the rescission of the Directive-type Memorandum 20-002 relating to "Missile Defense System Policies and Governance."

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would further qualify that, consistent with section 205(b) of title 10, United States Code, any such replacement shall provide the Missile Defense Agency with greater flexibility and agility with regards to milestone A (or equivalent) acquisition decisions while continuing the need for oversight with respect to ensuring integration of the joint force air and missile defense capabilities.

The conferees recognize the value of flexible acquisition authorities for the development of missile capabilities given the need to pace rapidly evolving and expanding threats. However, such flexibility should also include rigorous, effective oversight, particularly for programs requiring investments commensurate to those of major defense acquisition programs. Accordingly, the conferees expect the Department of Defense to ensure that replacement policy guidance for Directive-type Memorandum 20-002 includes mechanisms to enable robust acquisition oversight for any missile defense programs that are expected to reach the expenditure thresholds for a major defense acquisition program outlined by section 4201 of title 10, United States Code, and provides for regularized reporting to Congress as described by section 4351 of title 10, United States Code.

*Sec. 1668 - Limitation on availability of funds for Office of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation until submission of report on missile defense roles and responsibilities*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1636) that would limit the amount obligated or expended by the Office of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation to not more than 50 percent of the amount authorized by this Act for operation and maintenance, Defense-wide, and available for the Office of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation, until the Secretary of Defense provides the report required by section 1675(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81).

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1669 - Strategy for integrated air and missile defense of Hawaii and the Indo-Pacific region*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1666) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide a report on the integrated air and missile defense sensor architecture of the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command and specific programs of record which support additional sensor coverage for the State of Hawaii.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1637) that would require the Commander of U.S. Indo-Pacific Command in coordination with the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, the Commander of U.S. Northern Command, the Director of the Missile Defense Agency, and the Director of the Joint Integrated Air and Missile Defense Organization, to develop a comprehensive strategy for developing, acquiring, and operationally establishing an integrated air and missile defense architecture for the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command area of responsibility. The provision would also require the submission of an annual report outlining: (1) The activities conducted and progress made in developing and implementing the strategy over the previous year; (2) The planned activities for developing and implementing the strategy in the upcoming year; and (3) A description of likely risks and impediments to the successful implementation of the strategy.

The House recedes with an amendment that would consolidate the requirements into a single provision and make other clarifying changes.

*Sec. 1670 - Report on potential enhancements to integrated air and missile defense capabilities in Europe*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1669) that would establish a policy and require the Secretary of Defense to provide a report to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Conference of National Armaments Directors for Ballistic Missile Defense on options to improve the existing air and missile defense capabilities in Europe.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require a report, not later than 240 days after the date of enactment of this Act, by the Secretary of Defense on NATO's Integrated Air and Missile Defense using a 360 degree approach tailored to address threats emanating from all strategic directions, including efforts and challenges to such an integrated air and missile defense capability, an assessment of operational and technical feasibility, the funding profile, and such other information the Secretary of Defense considers appropriate.

*Sec. 1671 - Independent analysis of space-based missile defense capability*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1670) that would require the Secretary of Defense to enter into an agreement with a federally funded research and development center to update a prior study related to the feasibility and advisability of developing a space-based missile defense capability.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

## **SUBTITLE E—OTHER MATTERS**

*Sec. 1681 - Extension of authorization for protection of certain facilities and assets from unmanned aircraft*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1644) that would amend section 130i(i) of title 10, United States Code, to provide an extension of the authorization for protection of certain facilities and assets from unmanned aircraft.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 1682 - Electromagnetic warfare*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1641) that would amend part I of subtitle A of title 10, United States

Code, by adding a new chapter to consolidate and update electronic warfare (EW) provisions and ensure proper oversight of the EW implementation plan.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

#### *Sec. 1683 - Cooperative threat reduction funds*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1683) that would allocate specific funding amounts for each program under the Department of Defense Cooperative Threat Reduction Program from within the overall \$350.9 million that the committee would authorize for the Cooperative Threat Reduction Program. The allocation reflects the amount of the budget request for fiscal year 2024. This provision would specify that funds authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Defense for the Cooperative Threat Reduction Program, established under the Department of Defense Cooperative Threat Reduction Act (50 U.S.C. 3711), would be available for obligation for fiscal years 2024 through 2026.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1401).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

#### *Sec. 1684 - Matters relating to space-based ground and airborne moving target indication systems*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1685) that would establish a working group within the Department of Defense to address joint service requirements for replacing the Joint Surveillance Target Attack Radar System with future moving target indicator systems.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1603) that would designate the Department of the Air Force as responsible for the mission of space-based ground and airborne moving target indication and the presenter of such a capability to the combatant commands. In addition, the provision would enable the Secretary of the Air Force, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence, to serve as the decision authority for milestone A approval for space-related acquisition programs for ground and airborne moving target indication that are funded by the Military Intelligence Program.

The House recesses with an amendment that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to be responsible for presenting space-based ground and airborne moving target indication systems to the combatant commands, strikes the clause associated with final authority for such tasking, and includes elements of the

House provision while removing the Space Force from the Moving Target Indication Working Group membership since it is a co-chair of the group.

*Sec. 1685 - Positioning, navigation, and timing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1684) that would require the Chairs of the Positioning, Navigation, and Timing Oversight Council to provide quarterly briefings to the congressional defense committees on the status of Military code (M-Code) implementation, including the status of Military Global Positioning System User Equipment Increments 1 and 2, with details on expected dates of M-Code compliance for all sea-, air-, and land-based terminals across the services' platforms.

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1607) that would require Program Element 0604201F to be an acquisition category (ACAT) 1D program.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that strikes the findings of the House provision and requires the program to be a ACAT 1D program.

*Sec. 1686 - Actions to address serious deficiencies in electronic protection of systems that operate in the radio frequency spectrum*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1645) that would require the Secretary of Defense to address deficiencies in the electronic protection of systems that operate in the federal radio frequency (RF) spectrum. Recent exercises and assessments reveal that a broad array of military systems that transmit and receive in the federal RF spectrum, including radars and signals intelligence sensors, navigation systems, data links, and other communications systems, lack sufficient protection against adversary jamming and spoofing, as well as against interference from systems operated by friendly forces within that federal spectrum.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 1687 - Limitation on use of funds for certain unreported programs*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1646) that would prohibit the obligation or expenditure of funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024 on any classified program

involving unidentified anomalous phenomena that has not been briefed to the appropriate committees of Congress, congressional leadership, and the Director of the All-domain Anomaly Resolution Office.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would: (1) Remove the direction to provide information to the All-domain Anomaly Resolution Office; and (2) Summarize the prohibition on spending for any unreported activities involving unidentified anomalous phenomena (UAP) protected under any form of special access or restricted access limitations.

The conferees agree that this prohibition on spending on unreported UAP programs could cover:

(1) Recruiting, employing, training, equipping, and operations of, and providing security for, Government or contractor personnel with a primary, secondary, or contingency mission of capturing, recovering, and securing unidentified anomalous phenomena craft or pieces and components of such craft;

(2) Analyzing such craft, or pieces or components thereof, including for the purpose of determining properties, material composition, method of manufacture, origin, characteristics, usage and application, performance, operational modalities, or reverse engineering of such craft or component technology;

(3) Managing and providing security for protecting activities and information relating to unidentified anomalous phenomena from disclosure or compromise;

(4) Actions relating to reverse engineering or replicating unidentified anomalous phenomena technology or performance based on analysis of materials or sensor and observational information associated with unidentified anomalous phenomena;

(5) The development of propulsion technology, or aerospace craft that uses propulsion technology, systems, or subsystems that is based on or derived from or inspired by inspection, analysis, or reverse engineering of recovered unidentified anomalous phenomena craft or materials; and

(6) Any aerospace craft that uses propulsion technology other than chemical propellants, solar power, and electric ion thrust.

#### *Sec. 1688 - Indo-Pacific missile strategy*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1688) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit to the

congressional defense committees a strategy for ground-based theater-range conventional missiles in the Indo-Pacific region.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1350).

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would expand the strategy requirement also to cover shorter-range missile systems and to make other technical adjustments.

*Sec. 1689 - Study on the future of the Integrated Tactical Warning Attack Assessment System*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1642) that would require the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to enter into an agreement with a federally funded research and development center to conduct a study on the future of the Integrated Tactical Warning/Attack Assessment System.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1690 - Research and analysis on multipolar deterrence and escalation dynamics*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1664) that would direct the Secretary of Defense to seek to enter into an agreement with a university affiliated research center to study the evolving nuclear environment and tripolar nuclear deterrence dynamics.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

**LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Modification to prohibition on foreign commercial satellite services*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1603) that would modify the prohibition on foreign commercial satellite services for ground stations.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees recognize the utility of operating satellite ground control from polar regions, which enable low-latency communications due to frequent satellite revisit rates, and the U.S. Government's increased reliance on these sites commensurate with increased reliance on commercial communications capabilities. Many polar areas already in use, and with potential for growth for this purpose, are governed by special

treaties that allow multiple countries to use the territory—Svalbard, Norway and potentially Antarctica are notable examples.

Due to the growing importance and recognized vulnerability of critical data downloads to satellite ground stations located on Svalbard Island, the conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to brief the congressional defense committees, not later than March 1, 2024, assessing the feasibility and efficacy of an additional ground station location on U.S. soil, and to begin the process of creating security, resiliency, and redundancy for some of the nation's most critical national security data and infrastructure.

#### *Limitation on use of funds for WGS-12 satellite*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1605) that would prohibit the Secretary of the Air Force from issuing a contract for the procurement of WGS-12 satellites until the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Space Acquisitions and Integration certifies that the requirements cannot be met by commercial providers.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees are concerned that the funding for WGS-12, like its predecessor WGS-11, was not requested by the U.S. Space Force in its budget request and that the service, enabled by Congress, continues to rely on only purpose-built systems instead of working to bring more commercial capabilities into the satellite communications (SATCOM) architecture.

The conferees believe that going forward the U.S. Space Force should work with other service components to develop hybrid terminals that will enable the use of a resilient-by-design architecture that takes advantage of commercial broadband services while also allowing access to on-orbit WGS.

The conferees direct the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Space Acquisitions and Integration in consultation with the Joint Staff to submit a report the congressional defense committees, not later than March 1, 2024, on how the follow-on system for wideband communications will incorporate commercial SATCOM including budget profile and acquisition strategy. The report should also address how the other services plan to upgrade terminals on their platforms.

#### *National security space launch program phase three acquisition*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1607) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to maximize competition in the acquisition strategy for the National Security Space Launch Program, provide opportunities for emerging launch providers while assuring access to proven launch capabilities for low-risk tolerant payloads, and establish certain requirements for the two-lane acquisition approach.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1601).

The conference agreement does not include either provision.

*Briefing on classification practices and foreign disclosure policies required for combined space operations*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1608) that would require the Secretary of Defense and the Director of National Intelligence to provide a briefing on the classification practices and foreign disclosure policies required to enable the development and conduct of combined space operations.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence, to brief the congressional defense committees, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, and the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, not later than March 1, 2024, on the classification practices and foreign disclosure policies required to enable the development and conduct of combined space operations among the following countries:

- (1) Australia;
- (2) Canada;
- (3) France;
- (4) Germany;
- (5) New Zealand;
- (6) The United Kingdom;
- (7) The United States; and
- (8) Any other ally or partner country, as determined

by the Secretary of Defense or the Director of National Intelligence.

The briefing shall include the following elements:

(1) The military and national intelligence information required to be shared with the countries listed above so as to enable the development and conduct combined space operations;

(2) The policy, organizational, or other barriers that currently prevent such information sharing for combined space operations;

(3) The actions being taken by the Department of Defense and the intelligence community (as defined in section 3 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003)) to remove the barriers to such information sharing, and the timeline for implementation of such actions;

(4) Any statutory changes required to remove such barriers; and

(5) Any other matter, as determined by the Secretary of Defense or the Director of National Intelligence.

The conferees also direct the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence, to provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, and the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, not later than April 31, 2024, on the implementation of the actions described in (3).

#### *Report on national security space vehicle processing capabilities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1612) that would require a report from the Secretary of the Air Force on projected needs for national security space vehicle processing capabilities and potential for public-private partnerships.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of the Air Force to submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, and the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, not later than April 1, 2024, a report on: (1) The projected needs for national security space vehicle processing capabilities; and (2) The potential for public-private partnerships to enable new projected payload processing providers to add processing capabilities.

#### *Report on Space Force use of nuclear thermal propulsion and nuclear electric propulsion space vehicles*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1613) that would require the Chief of Space Operations to report on the use by the Space Force of nuclear thermal propulsion and nuclear electric propulsion space vehicles.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Chief of Space Operations to submit to congressional defense committees, not later than March 31, 2024, a report on the use by the Space Force of nuclear thermal propulsion and nuclear electric propulsion space vehicles. Such report shall include: (1) A description of how the Space Force uses such vehicles; (2) A description of how the Space Force plans to use such vehicles in the future; and (3) An identification of any potential benefits that such vehicles can provide to bolster the national security of the United States.

*Report on space activities of certain foreign adversary nations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1614) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide a report on the space activities of certain foreign nations.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the congressional defense committees; the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, Transportation; and the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, not later than March 31, 2024, that evaluates the potential national security risks posed by the space-related activities of the Russian Federation and the People's Republic of China, including activities involving satellites, space stations, moon exploration, and the acquisition of minerals from the moon. The report should be submitted in classified form, but may include an unclassified summary.

*Sense of Senate on Polaris Sales Agreement*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1617) that would express the sense of the Senate recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Polaris Sales Agreement between the United States and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

The conferees note the following:

(1) On December 21, 1962, President John F. Kennedy and Prime Minister of the United Kingdom Harold Macmillan met in Nassau, Bahamas, and issued a joint statement (commonly referred to as the "Statement on Nuclear Defense Systems"), agreeing that the United States would make Polaris missiles available on a continuing basis to the United Kingdom for use in submarines;

(2) On April 6, 1963, Secretary of State Dean Rusk and Her Majesty's Ambassador to the United States David Ormsby-

Gore signed the Polaris Sales Agreement, reaffirming the Statement on Nuclear Defense Systems and agreeing that the United States Government shall provide and the Government of the United Kingdom shall purchase from the United States Government Polaris missiles, equipment, and supporting services;

(3) The HMS Resolution launched the first Polaris missile of the United Kingdom on February 15, 1968, and, in 1969, commenced the first strategic deterrent patrol for the United Kingdom, initiating a continuous at-sea deterrent posture for the United Kingdom that remains in effect;

(4) The Polaris Sales Agreement was amended to include the Trident II (D5) strategic weapon system on October 19, 1982, in Washington, D.C., through an exchange of notes between Secretary of State Jonathan Howe and Her Majesty's Ambassador to the United States Oliver Wright; and

(5) Through an exchange of letters in 2008 between the Secretary of Defense the Honorable Robert Gates and the Secretary of State for Defence of the United Kingdom the Right Honorable Desmond Browne and under the auspices of the Polaris Sales Agreement, the United States Government and the Government of the United Kingdom agreed to continue cooperation to design a common missile compartment for the follow-on ballistic missile submarines of each nation.

Therefore, the conferees:

(1) Recognize the 60th anniversary of the Polaris Sales Agreement between the United States and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland;

(2) Congratulate the Royal Navy for steadfastly maintaining the Continuous At-Sea Deterrent;

(3) Recognize the important contribution of the Continuous At-Sea Deterrent to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization;

(4) Reaffirm that the United Kingdom is a valued and special ally of the United States; and

(5) Look forward to continuing and strengthening the shared commitment of the United States and the United Kingdom to sustain submarine-based strategic deterrents well into the future.

*Designation of official responsible for missile defense of Guam*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1631) that would amend section 1660(b) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) to designate the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment as the senior official of the Department of

Defense who shall be responsible for the missile defense of Guam.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Report on acceleration of nuclear modernization priorities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1644) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to submit a report related to the ability of the Department of Defense to accelerate nuclear modernization programs.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees recognize steps taken to prioritize and expedite nuclear modernization programs, including the utilization of DX category ratings and Defense Production Act authorities. However, the conferees believe further steps will be necessary to speed the development and delivery of these capabilities in order to decrease operational risk for the warfighter, offset schedule disruptions within the programs, and mitigate macroeconomic perturbations.

Therefore, the conferees direct the Under Secretary for Acquisition and Sustainment to provide a report, not later than April 1, 2024, to the congressional defense committees that identifies additional options to accelerate the current schedule for nuclear modernization programs, as well as any additional authorities or reforms necessary.

*Assessment of the ability of the United States to detect low-yield nuclear weapon tests*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1645) that would require the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, in coordination with the Director of National Intelligence, to provide a report on the ability of the United States to detect and monitor supercritical nuclear weapon tests conducted at very low yields.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Administrator for Nuclear Security, to submit a report to the congressional defense committees, not later than April 30, 2024, on the ability of the Department of Defense (DOD) and National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) platforms to unilaterally detect and monitor supercritical nuclear weapon tests conducted at very low yields.

The report shall include specific DOD and NNSA planned investments to detect and monitor low-yield nuclear weapon tests conducted at the Novaya Zemlya nuclear test site of the Russian Federation and the Lop Nor nuclear test site of the People's Republic of China, as well as globally. The report may be submitted in classified form, but if so submitted shall include an unclassified summary.

*Limitation on use of funds pending submission of report on missile defense interceptor site*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1665) that would limit certain funds until the submission of a report required by section 1665 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees note that on June 29, 2023, the Missile Defense Agency submitted the report required by section 1665 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263). The conferees direct the Director of the Missile Defense Agency to provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees, not later than February 1, 2024, on the report. This briefing shall include a description of the methodology used to develop the report, a description of construction costs broken out by facility, and a phased plan for construction activities.

Additionally, as added in the funding table in section 4601 of division D of this Act, up to \$20 million is authorized to be appropriated for Missile Defense Agency military construction to begin planning and design activities for an east coast missile defense interceptor site.

*Report on potential enhancements to Aegis Ashore sites in Poland and Romania*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1667) that would require the Director of the Missile Defense Agency to provide a report on potential enhancements to the Aegis Ashore missile defense sites in Poland and Romania.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees direct that, no later than April 30, 2024, the Director of the Missile Defense Agency shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on potential enhancements to Aegis Ashore sites in Poland and Romania. This report shall include the following elements:

(1) An assessment of the feasibility and advisability of—

(a) enhancing associated sensor systems to detect a broader array of missile threats;

(b) fielding a mixed fleet of defensive interceptor systems; and

(c) physical hardening of the facilities;

(2) A funding profile, by year, detailing the complete costs associated with any options assessed under paragraph (1); and

(3) Such other information as the Director considers appropriate.

This report shall be in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

*Strategy on production capacity and schedule for the Precision Strike Missile*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1671) that would express the Sense of Congress relating to the Precision Strike Missile and require an assessment of projected production capacity for the missile and capacity increases, and a strategy for increasing production capacity.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees direct the Secretary of the Army to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than February 29, 2024, on an assessment of the Precision Strike Missile (PrSM) program to include: (1) An analysis of the capacity of the industrial base to meet steady-state and wartime surge requirements for production of PrSM munitions within the next 5 years; (2) Options for accelerating the production of PrSM munitions beyond current future years defense program projections; (3) Funding profile and technology risk assessment of accelerating PrSM increment 2 initial operating capability to fiscal year 2027; and (4) An investment plan to reach procurement of 400 PrSM munitions per year in the shortest amount of time.

*Inclusion of Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives as recipient of quarterly information operations briefings*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1681) that would amend section 1631(d)(1) of the National Defense

Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116-92) to include the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives as a recipient of the Quarterly Information Operations Briefing.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Reporting mechanism on use of consultants, informants, and other human sources to acquire intelligence information*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1686) that would require the Secretary of Defense to establish a mechanism for documenting and reporting to the congressional defense committees regarding the use of consultants, informants, or other human sources by any element of the Department of Defense, including any military department, to acquire intelligence information.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on concept of operations for offensive hypersonic systems*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1687) that would require the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to provide a report related to the development and implementation of a concept of operations for offensive hypersonic systems.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to submit a report to the congressional defense committees, not later than March 1, 2024, describing concepts of operations and total munitions requirements for offensive hypersonic systems. The report shall include the following: (1) A description of efforts to develop concepts of operations for offensive hypersonic systems currently in development; (2) An assessment of how the use of hypersonic weapons will be considered with regard to strategic deterrence and stability; (3) A description of scenarios and simulations modeling the use of offensive hypersonic systems in defined environments; (4) Criteria to be used for validation of the military requirements for the use of offensive hypersonic systems; (5) Identification of existing operational authorities governing the employment of offensive hypersonic systems; (6) A description of how hypersonic capabilities are incorporated into force development and design; (7) A munitions requirement for each offensive hypersonic

weapons program currently in development, including requirements provided by each military department and combatant command; and (8) Identification of any operational gaps which additional offensive hypersonic weapon capabilities would address.

*Exclusive means for the Secretary of Defense to acquire location information, web browsing history, internet search history, and Fourth Amendment-protected information*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1689) that would require a specific judicial process to obtain certain information for use by the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than December 31, 2024, on the Department's policies regarding the procurement, collection, or acquisition of data that includes personally identifiable information of United States persons or persons inside the United States from third party sources, including sources that sell or provide commercially available data, for cybersecurity, intelligence, counter-intelligence, law enforcement, or any other purpose, in situations wherein the individuals concerned have not consented to such data procurement, collection, or acquisition by a government entity.

*Annual report on development of long-range stand-off weapon*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6511) that would require the Administrator for Nuclear Security, in coordination with the Secretary of the Air Force and the Chairman of the Nuclear Weapons Council, to provide a report on the joint development of the long-range stand-off weapon, including the missile developed by the Air Force and the W80-4 warhead life extension program conducted by the National Nuclear Security Administration.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Chairman of the Nuclear Weapons Council, in coordination with the Secretary of the Air Force and the Administrator for Nuclear Security, to submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the joint development of the long-range stand-off weapon, including the missile developed by the Air Force and the W80-4 warhead life extension program conducted by the National Nuclear Security

Administration, not later than March 1, 2024. The report shall include the following elements:

(1) An estimate of the date on which the long-range stand-off weapon will reach initial operational capability;

(2) A description of any development milestones for the missile developed by the Air Force or the warhead developed by the National Nuclear Security Administration that depend on corresponding progress at the other agency;

(3) A description of coordination efforts between the Air Force and the National Nuclear Security Administration during the period covered by the report;

(4) A description of any schedule delays projected by the Air Force or the National Nuclear Security Administration and the anticipated effect such delays would have on the schedule of work of the other agency;

(5) Plans to mitigate the effects of any delays described in paragraph (4);

(6) A description of any ways, including through the availability of additional funding or authorities, in which the development milestones described in paragraph (2) or the estimated date of initial operational capability referred to in paragraph (1), could be achieved more quickly; and

(7) An estimate of the acquisition costs for the long-range stand-off weapon and the W80-4 warhead life extension program.

The report required shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

## **TITLE XVII—SPACE FORCE PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT**

### *Sec. 1701 - Short title*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1701) that would cite the short title of this title as the "Space Force Personnel Management Act."

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1801).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

## **SUBTITLE A—SPACE FORCE MILITARY PERSONNEL SYSTEM WITHOUT COMPONENT**

### *Sec. 1711 - Establishment of military personnel management system for the Space Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1711) that would add a new subtitle to title 10, United States Code, to establish a single military personnel management system for the United States Space Force.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1811).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1712 - Composition of the Space Force without component*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1712) that would amend section 9081 of title 10, United States Code, to change the composition of the Space Force by striking references to components of the Space Force that would no longer exist upon the activation of the Space Force Personnel System authorized by this title.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1812).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 1713 - Definitions for single personnel management system for the Space Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1713) that would amend section 101 of title 10, United States Code, to add new definitions related to the establishment of the Space Force personnel system created by this title.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1813).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1714 - Basic policies relating to service in the Space Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1714) that would amend chapter 2001 of title 10, United States Code, by adding new sections to establish basic policies relating to service in the Space Force.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1814)

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1715 - Status and participation*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1715) that would amend subtitle F of title 10, United States Code, as added

by section 1711 to establish requirements related to status and participation of members of the Space Force.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1815).

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would apply certain existing laws related to status and participation of members of the reserve components to members of the Space Force and make other conforming amendments.

#### *Sec. 1716 - Officers*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1716) that would further amend subtitle F of title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 1715 of this Act, to establish laws related to the appointment, advancement, and removal of officers of the Space Force.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1816).

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would apply certain existing statutory requirements for officers of the Armed Forces to officers of the Space Force, and make other conforming amendments.

#### *Sec. 1717 - Enlisted members*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1717) that would amend subtitle F of title 10, United States Code, to establish personnel requirements for enlisted members of the Space Force.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1817).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

#### *Sec. 1718 - Retention and separation generally*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1718) that would further amend subtitle F of title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 1717 of this Act, to establish additional requirements for retention and separation of members of the Space Force.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1818).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

#### *Sec. 1719 - Separation of officers for substandard performance of duty or for certain other reasons*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1719) that would further amend subtitle F of title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 1718 of this Act, to establish procedures for separating officers of the Space Force from military service due to substandard performance of duty and other reasons.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1819).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

#### *Sec. 1719A - Retirement*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1720) that would further amend subtitle F of title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 1719 of this Act, to establish procedures and requirements for the retirement of members of the Space Force.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1820).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

## **SUBTITLE B—CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATED TO SPACE FORCE MILITARY PERSONNEL SYSTEM**

#### *Sec. 1721 - Amendments to Department of the Air Force provisions of title 10, United States Code*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1731) that would amend part II, subtitle D of title 10, United States Code, to make technical and conforming amendments to Department of the Air Force personnel provisions of title 10, United States Code.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1831).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

#### *Sec. 1722 - Amendments to subtitle A of title 10, United States Code*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1732) that would make technical and conforming amendments related to the Space Force to subtitle A of title 10, United States Code.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1832).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

#### *Sec. 1723 - Title 38, United States Code (Veterans' Benefits)*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1733) that would make technical and conforming amendments to section 101 of title 38, United States Code, related to veterans' benefits for members of the Space Force.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1833).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

## **SUBTITLE C—TRANSITION PROVISIONS**

### *Sec. 1731 - Transition period*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1741) that would define the transition period for establishment of the Space Force personnel system.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1841).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

### *Sec. 1732 - Change of duty status of members of the Space Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1742) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to change the duty status of each member of the Regular Space Force to Space Force active status and, at the same time, order the member to sustained duty under section 20105 of title 10, United States Code, as added by section 1715 of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1842).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

### *Sec. 1733 - Transfer to the Space Force of members of the reserve components of the Air Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1743) that would authorize the transfer of certain personnel from the reserve components of the Armed Forces to the Space Force.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1843).

The House recesses with technical and conforming amendments.

### *Sec. 1734 - Placement of officers on the Space Force officer list*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1744) that would require the placement of officers who transfer into the Space Force on the Space Force officer list.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1844).

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

#### *Sec. 1735 - Disestablishment of Regular Space Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1745) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to disestablish the Regular Space Force, not later than the end of the transition period, once there are no longer any members remaining in the Regular Space Force.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1845).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

#### *Sec. 1736 - End strength flexibility*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1746) that would authorize the Secretary of the Air Force to vary the end strength authorized by Congress for a fiscal year upon a determination by the Secretary that such action would enhance manning and readiness in essential units or in critical specialties.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1846).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

#### *Sec. 1737 - Promotion authority flexibility*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1747) that would allow the Secretary of the Air Force, during the transition period, to convene selection boards to consider officers on the Space Force officer list for promotion, and to promote Space Force officers selected by such boards.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 1847).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

## **SUBTITLE D—OTHER AMENDMENTS RELATED TO THE SPACE FORCE**

#### *Sec. 1741 - Title 10, United States Code*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1751) that would make technical and conforming amendments to title 10, United States Code, related to the designation of grades, promotions, and other matters pertaining to officers of the Space Force.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1851).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1742 - Other provisions of law*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1752) that would make technical and conforming amendments to titles 19, 28, and 50, United States Code, to include the Space Force in certain statutory provisions providing benefits and protections to members of the Armed Forces.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1852).

The Senate recesses.

**LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Space Force Personnel Management Act transition plan*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1802) that would establish certain predicates to the transition of the Regular Space Force to the Space Force.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

**TITLE XVIII—OTHER DEFENSE MATTERS**

**SUBTITLE A—OTHER DEFENSE MATTERS**

*Sec. 1801 - Technical and conforming amendments*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1851) that would make technical and conforming amendments to current law.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 1802 - Extension of authority to engage in certain commercial activities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1801) that would extend the authority to engage in certain commercial activities.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1647).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 1803 - Modification to requirements relating to combating military reliance on Russian energy*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1803) that would modify section 1086 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) to expand the assessment to include energy plans for all operating bases within U.S. European Command.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would require the Department to provide to the congressional defense committees, not later than June 1, 2024, a list of all operating bases in the region.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than April 1, 2024, on the resources required to complete the assessment and plans required by section 1086 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) and the resources required to include the additional bases identified in the provision in future assessment and energy plans.

*Sec. 1804 - U.S. Hostage and Wrongful Detainee Day Act of 2023*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1090C) that would amend chapter 1 of title 36, United States Code, to designate 9 March as U.S. Hostage and Wrongful Detainee Day each year. The provision would also amend chapter 9 of title 36, United States Code, to establish a U.S. Hostage and Wrongful Detainee Flag, as well as prescribe the manner in which this flag should be displayed.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1805 - Improvements to Department of Veterans Affairs-  
Department of Defense Joint Executive Committee*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6071) that would amend section 320 of title 38, United States Code, to

modify the membership and structure of the Department of Veterans Affairs-Department of Defense Joint Executive Committee.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 1806 - Access to and use of military post offices by United States citizens employed overseas by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization who perform functions in support of military operations of the Armed Forces*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1046) that would amend section 406 of title 39, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense to authorize the use of military post office boxes by United States citizens employed overseas by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization who perform functions in support of military operations of the Armed Forces. The provision would also require a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on the status of the revision of applicable regulations, and any legal or financial hurdles to implementation.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 1807 - Extension of admission to Guam or the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands for certain non-immigrant H-2B workers*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1041) that would amend section 6(b)(1)(B) of the Joint Resolution titled ``A Joint Resolution to approve the 'Covenant to Establish a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in Political Union with the United States of America', and for other purposes'' (48 U.S.C. 1806(b)(1)(B)), approved March 24, 1976, by extending the deadline for certain nonimmigrant H-2B workers.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sec. 1808 - Support for execution of bilateral agreements concerning illicit transnational maritime activity in Africa*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1804) that would enable the Secretary of Defense to provide assistance to the Coast Guard in executing existing maritime laws agreed upon

between the United States and friendly African countries for the purposes of combatting transnational organized illegal activity.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, not later than March 1, 2024, a list of countries with which the United States has maritime law enforcement agreements to combat transnational organized illegal maritime activity, including illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing.

*Sec. 1809 - National Cold War Center designation*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1852) that would authorize the museum located at Blytheville Air Force Base in Blytheville, Arkansas as the "National Cold War Center."

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1090F).

The House recesses.

*Sec. 1810 - Revision of requirement for transfer of certain aircraft to State of California for wildfire suppression purposes*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1854) that would transfer certain HC-130H aircraft to California for wildfire suppression.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 6079).

The agreement includes the House provision with an amendment that would include: (1) A requirement for demilitarizing the aircraft before transfer; (2) A provision that California would be required to use the Department of Defense excess personal property program to dispose of the aircraft and materials when the State is finished with them; and (3) A stipulation that any costs incurred after the transfer would be the responsibility of the State of California.

*Sec. 1811 - Limitation on funds for Wuhan Institute of Virology and EcoHealth Alliance, Inc.*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1882) that would prohibit funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act

from being made available for the Wuhan Institute of Virology and for EcoHealth Alliance, Inc. or any of its affiliates.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1364) that would prohibit funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act to be made available for EcoHealth Alliance Inc. or any of its affiliates.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that prohibits Department of Defense funding for fiscal year 2024 for any work performed in China by EcoHealth Alliance, Inc., including by any subsidiary of EcoHealth Alliance Inc., any organization that is directly controlled by EcoHealth Alliance Inc., or any organization or individual that is a subgrantee or subcontractor of EcoHealth Alliance Inc. for such work, including to provide any grants for such purpose.

## **SUBTITLE B—DRONE SECURITY**

*Secs. 1821 - 1833 - American Security Drone Act of 2023*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 827) that would expand the prohibition on Department of Defense (DOD) contractors operating certain unmanned aircraft systems regardless of whether specific operations are in support of a DOD contract.

The Senate amendment contained similar provisions (sec. 1091-1099D) prohibiting: (1) The purchase or use of certain unmanned aircraft systems by most agencies of the Federal Government following two years after enactment of this Act, except in certain limited circumstances; (2) Immediately the use of a Government-issued purchase cards to procure any covered unmanned aircraft system from a covered foreign entity; and (3) Any other entity from using Federal funds for such purchase or use.

The House recedes with an amendment that would: (1) Add the Department of State to the list of agencies that may operate covered unmanned aircraft under certain circumstances; and (2) Exempt the intelligence community from any reporting on managing or reporting about current inventories of covered unmanned systems.

The conferees are concerned with the Department of Defense's delay in issuing implementation guidance regarding section 817 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263). Implementing guidance was initially scheduled to be released in March, 2023, and was then delayed to December, 2023. Given our concerns about potential national security risks associated with continued use of drones from covered countries by the defense

industrial base, we believe it is important for the Department to provide clear, timely implementation guidance, no later than the October 1, 2024 deadline, when signing any such contracts will be banned. Additionally, the conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing, not later than 90 days after the enactment of this Act. That briefing should include the results of an evaluation of the impact that continued use of prohibited drones for non-defense applications by defense contractors may have on the security of the Department and its contractors.

## **SUBTITLE C—UNIDENTIFIED ANOMALOUS PHENOMENA**

### *Secs. 1841 - 1843 - Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena*

The Senate amendment contained a set of provisions (sections 9001 - 9015) under Division G that constituted the Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena Disclosure Act of 2023. Closely modeled on the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992, this Act would establish under the National Archives a government-wide collection of Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) records and a mandate to declassify and publicly release these records; grounds for postponement of disclosure; a government-wide records Review Board, composed of qualified and impartial citizens nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate, with the authority to review and approve, or postpone, the public release of records; a process and structure for supporting the Review Board with competent staff under an Executive Director; a requirement for the Review Board to develop a Controlled Disclosure Campaign plan for records the release of which have been postponed, wherein the President retains ultimate authority over the disclosure of records; and a mandate that the Federal Government exercise eminent domain over any and all recovered UAP physical and biological material that may be held by private persons or entities.

The House bill contained no similar provisions.

The House recedes with an amendment.

The conference agreement includes only the requirements to establish a government-wide UAP records collection; to transfer records to the collection; and to review the records for disclosure decisions under a set of authorized grounds for postponing disclosure. The agreement does not include the provisions that would establish an independent Review Board, a Review Board staff, eminent domain authority, or a controlled disclosure process.

The conferees note that lack of sufficient reciprocal access between Department of Defense and intelligence community personnel has led to operational inefficiencies and unnecessary risk of disclosures of protected information. Therefore, the conferees direct the Deputy Secretary of Defense and the Director of National Intelligence to brief the congressional defense committees, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, and congressional leadership on options to improve reciprocal access and coordination on similar issues.

## **SUBTITLE D—WORLD TRADE CENTER HEALTH PROGRAM**

### *Secs. 1851 - 1853 - World Trade Center Health Program*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1087) that would amend title XXXIII of the Public Health Service Act (Public Law 78-410) to make changes to the World Trade Center Health Program.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment.

### **LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

#### *Report on national security threats of foreign-owned agricultural land near military installments*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1868) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on foreign-owned agricultural land located within 50 miles of a U.S. military installation.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1086).

The conference agreement does not include either provision.

#### *Modification of defense sensitive support notification requirement*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1802) that would modify the requirement for notifications to Congress regarding Defense Sensitive Support (DSS) provided to non-Department of Defense Federal departments or agencies pursuant to section 1055(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114-328).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note that information submitted pursuant to section 1055(b)(3) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114-328) involving the provision of DSS is important to fulfilling the oversight responsibilities of the defense committees. The conferees are supportive of working with the Department of Defense to ensure that the notifications provided under this requirement are scoped to prioritize sensitive operational support and minimize the administrative burden associated with providing information on routine administrative or logistical support, while maintaining robust and timely oversight of the DSS process.

*Clarification of waiver authority for organizational and consultant conflicts of interest under the Federal Acquisition Regulation*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1805) that would elevate waiver decisions for conflict of interest waivers. The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Genealogy collection of family members of servicemembers killed at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1806) that would authorize the Secretary of Defense to contract with entities to conduct genealogical research of deceased servicemembers of the USS *Arizona*, identify family members of such servicemembers, and solicit genetic samples from family members and servicemembers.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Director, Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency, to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than April 1, 2024, on the Department's ability to collect family reference samples for servicemembers of the USS *Arizona* (including efforts by military service casualty offices), and any obstacles to such collection. The briefing should include: (1) Resource constraints for the DPAA and the military departments; (2) Technology challenges; (3) Any improvements that can be made to the sample collection process; (4) Challenges the Department and the military services face gathering family reference sample collection in other cases; and (5) Any other matters deemed relevant.

*Limitation on display of cut flowers or greens not produced in the United States*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1807) that would prohibit a cut flower or a cut green from being officially displayed in any public area of a building of the Executive Office of the President, the Department of State, or the Department of Defense unless such cut green or cut flower is produced in the United States.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Limitation on funds*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1809) that would prohibit funds from being used by a Federal department or agency to refer to Taiwan as anything other than "Taiwan" in a publication or on a departmental or agency website.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on China benefitting from United States taxpayer-funded research*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1810) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the extent to which China has benefitted from United States taxpayer-funded research.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on increasing national cemetery capacity*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1821) that would require the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, to jointly submit to Congress a report that contains a proposal to increase national cemetery capacity through the expansion or modification of a national cemetery that has, or will have, the capacity to provide full military honors.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the report accompanying H.R. 4350 (H. Rept. 117-118) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 required the Secretary of Defense to submit a

report to the congressional defense committees on potential locations for future national cemeteries.

*Study and report on damage to infrastructure in Guam resulting from Typhoon Mawar*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1823) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study on damage to infrastructure in Guam resulting from Typhoon Mawar.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision. The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to conduct a damage assessment for defense infrastructure in Guam resulting from Typhoon Mawar, not later than March 1, 2024, and brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than June 1, 2024, regarding the findings of such damage assessment. The briefing shall include: (1) A list of damaged defense infrastructure in Guam damaged by Typhoon Mawar and the extent to which such damage impairs military readiness in Guam; (2) An analysis of existing authorities the Secretary could use to support recovery from such damage in Guam; and (3) A description of any efforts by the Secretary to coordinate with local governments in Guam to support such recovery.

*Report on Iranian military assistance to Bolivia, Brazil, and Venezuela*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1824) that would require the President to submit a report on Iranian military assistance to Bolivia, Brazil, and Venezuela.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision. The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, to provide the congressional defense committees a report in an unclassified form with a classified annex if necessary, on Iranian military assistance to Bolivia, Brazil and Venezuela, which includes: (1) An assessment of the size of Iran's Revolutionary Guard Corps, Ministry of Information and Security, and Iranian military presence in Bolivia, Brazil, and Venezuela, including the number of personnel, trainers, bases, and military advisors registered as embassy attaches; (2) An assessment of the amount and nature of any military aid or equipment provided, and any benefits that may have been given to Iran or Iranian personnel in return by Bolivia, Brazil, and Venezuela, such as

passports, diplomatic benefits, access to facilities or the establishment of facilities; and (3) A description of known supply routes of military equipment to these countries from Iran.

*Report on Iran-Russia nuclear-related cooperation*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1825) that would require the President to submit a report on Iran-Russia nuclear-related cooperation.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, to provide the congressional defense committees, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives in an unclassified form with a classified annex if necessary, a report on nuclear related cooperation between Iran and Russia including: (1) An assessment of the trade in covered goods, services, and technology between the two countries, including the involvement of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps and any other military entity of Iran; (2) A description of the extent to which Russia is providing diplomatic support to Iran at the International Atomic Energy Agency's Board of Governors and the resulting impact on efforts to refer Iran's noncompliance with its nuclear safeguards obligations to the United Nations Security Council; (3) An assessment of the economic value and importance to the nuclear industry of the trade described; (4) An assessment of the extent to which Russia is supporting Iran's research and development activities related to delivery systems or dual use technology relevant to weaponization; and (5) An assessment of whether covered goods, services, and technology described could be used in a nuclear, chemical, biological, radiological, ballistic missile, or conventional weapons program and the resulting impact on the security of the United States and its partners and allies.

*Report on expediting fighter aircraft sales to Israel*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1826) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on expediting fighter aircraft sales to Israel.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that maintaining Israel's defense capabilities, including through upgrades and sales of F-15 and F-35 fighter aircraft to Israel, is a priority for national security interests of the United States. The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, to provide to the congressional defense committees, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives, a report in an unclassified form with a classified annex if necessary, which includes the current state of, and delivery schedule for, the sale or transfer of F-15s and F-35s to Israel; and a review of measures that could increase the overall production rate of these aircraft as appropriate or expedite the delivery schedule.

*Report on system dependencies, uptime, and key factors of electronic health record system*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1827) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, on the electronic health record system and other system dependencies, uptime, and key factors that affect the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Director of the Federal Electronic Health Record Modernization (FEHRM) to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act, on the electronic health record system and other system dependencies and key factors that affect the Department of Defense and its coordination with the Department of Veterans Affairs.

*Report on regime stability in Russia*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1828) that would require the Secretary of Defense and Secretary of State to submit a report including the manner and extent to which regime instability in Russia would affect United States national security, the security of North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) allies, and the geopolitical aftershocks throughout Eurasia, an assessment of the stability of the Putin regime, and

clarity on the command and control structure of Russia's nuclear arsenal in different contexts.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that an unstable Russia presents varied, serious, and complex security challenges and threats to the United States and its allies, partners, and interests. We also note that the challenge to the Russian state by personnel of the Wagner private military company in June 2023 suggests that Russian command-and-control of state- and state-directed forces may have serious deficiencies with important ramifications for United States and allied assessments of Russian policy, doctrine, strategy, tactics, and intentions.

Therefore, the conferees direct the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency to conduct an assessment of the stability of Russian defense forces. The assessment should include:

(1) An overview of Russian command-and-control of its national defense forces, the Wagner Group, and other private military companies under the direction of or aligned with the Russian state;

(2) The manner and extent to which any deficiencies in Russian command-and-control affect United States national security or the security of NATO allies and partners, including assumptions about Russian intent, indications and warning of threats to the United States, its allies, partners, or interests, and Russian defense forces ability or willingness to obey orders from political leadership;

(3) A description of Russian nuclear forces, including their command-and-control structure, an analysis of the strengths and weaknesses of that structure, and the relationship between Russian nuclear forces and Russian-controlled or directed private military companies; and

(4) Any other matter the Director deems relevant.

The assessment shall be submitted to Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, and the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, not later than March 1, 2024.

*Report on efforts to dissuade allies from purchasing weapons from the Russian Federation and the People's Republic of China*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1830) that would require the Secretary of State to submit a report on efforts to dissuade allies from purchasing weapons from the Russian Federation and the People's Republic of China.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Exemption under Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 for certain activities that may result in incidental take of Rice's whale*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1853) that would require the Secretary of Commerce, Secretary of the Interior, and the Secretary of Defense to provide exemptions to training and testing activities conducted by the Secretary of the Air Force on the Eglin Gulf Test and Training Range, located at Eglin Air Force Base, that may result in incidental take of the Rice's whale.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Restrictive housing reform*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1855) that would place limitations on restrictive housing in military prisons.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees are interested in the Department of Defense's (DOD) use and monitoring of restrictive housing in military correctional and confinement facilities. The conferees are aware of concerns related to restrictive housing in the United States prison system. Some of those concerns include variations in confinement conditions for confined individuals and the forms of restrictive confinement. A prisoner's experience with restrictive confinement can vary considerably depending on certain external factors, such as the length of stay, conditions of confinement, and degree of social isolation, as well as factors specific to each confined person, such as age and psychological resiliency. Moreover, according to interviews conducted by The Stanford Lab, confined individuals located in restrictive housing broadly express severe psychological disturbances with lasting detrimental consequences as a result of their experience in restrictive housing.

Given the potentially pronounced and enduring effects of long-term isolation, the Committee directs the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a review of restrictive housing confinement conditions for military correctional and confinement facilities, to include minimum security confinement facilities. The review should include the following elements:

- (1) Policies and processes related to placement into restrictive housing, including reasons or purposes for placement or retention of confined individuals in restrictive housing,

restrictions on placement or retention, and processes that exist to review placement or retention decisions; (2) Processes to return confined individuals from restrictive housing to less restrictive conditions (including ultimately to the general population); (3) Policies and processes regarding the time confined individuals in restrictive housing may spend outside cells and options for outside and in-cell enrichment, such as for educational opportunities, recreation, medical or behavioral health treatment, social interactions, and skill building; (4) Policies and processes related to correctional staff, including training on use of force and restrictive housing policies, how compliance with training requirements is tracked, and how alleged violations of use of force are addressed; (5) The extent to which DOD collects data regarding the total number of confined individuals in restrictive housing, broken down by the length of time they remain in such housing, and the number of individuals in disciplinary segregation, administrative detention, and other restrictive housing; (6) The extent that DOD's policies, processes, and practices are similar to or differ from those of the Federal Bureau of Prisons or other relevant standards; and (7) Any other areas that the Comptroller General considers relevant to the review.

The Committee directs the Comptroller General to provide preliminary observations to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives by March 15, 2025, with a report to follow on an agreed upon date.

*Sense of Congress regarding unmanned aerial, surface, and underwater vehicles*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1856) that would express the sense of Congress regarding unmanned vehicles.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees recognize that unmanned systems will play an increasingly important role in modern warfare, particularly in bolstering deterrent capability for the Indo-Pacific region. The conferees believe that continued investment in research, development, and fielding of such systems will advance national security goals, and that encouragement and coordination of allied and partner investments for unmanned aerial, surface, and underwater vessels should be factored into decision-making processes.

*Sense of Congress regarding naming of vessel for Battle of Dai Do*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1857) that would express the sense of Congress that the Secretary of the Navy should name an amphibious or expeditionary vessel after the Battle of Dai Do.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Risk framework for foreign phone applications of concern*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1858) that would require the Secretary of Defense to create categorical definitions of foreign phone applications of concern with respect to personnel or operations of the Department of Defense, distinguishing among categories such as applications for shopping, social media, entertainment, or health; and create a risk framework with respect to Department personnel or operations that assesses each foreign phone application (or, if appropriate, grouping of similar such applications) that is from a country of concern for any potential impact on Departmental personnel and Departmental operations.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Sense of Congress supporting Project Pele*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1859) that would support Project Pele which seeks to develop, demonstrate, and deploy an advanced portable nuclear microreactor at Idaho National Laboratory by 2025.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees believe Project Pele has the potential to bolster the national security of the United States by providing reliable, resilient, and clean baseload energy for military bases and operations domestically and abroad. The conferees note a \$5.0 million increase for Project Pele in the funding authorization tables of this bill, over and above the program funding contained in the President's Budget Request, and note that this level of support is consistent with that contained in past National Defense Authorization Acts.

*National strategy for utilizing microreactors to assist with natural disaster response efforts*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1860) that would require the President to develop a national strategy to utilize microreactors to assist with natural disaster response efforts.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

#### *Waiver process for certain humanitarian aid*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1861) that would amend the waiver process for certain humanitarian aid.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note the Department of Defense provides important support to interagency humanitarian assistance efforts through a variety of means, including the Denton Program and humanitarian assistance, disaster relief, and humanitarian mine action funded by Overseas Humanitarian, Disaster, and Civic Aid funds. Further, the Department of Defense support for humanitarian assistance can play an important role to meet the needs of the Pacific Islands. The conferees commend these efforts and encourage further efforts to facilitate assistance to the region.

#### *Report*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1862) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the status of the formulation of policies by the Director of the Defense Security Cooperation Agency to record and track alleged incidents of misuse of United States-provided equipment in El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note the importance of end-use monitoring (EUM) of U.S. security assistance for providing assurances that transferred defense articles and services are being used by recipient countries for their intended purposes. The conferees further note that the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81) and the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) contained multiple provisions to address the monitoring of United States-provided equipment to El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras. Section 1336 of Public Law 117-81 required the Secretary of Defense to submit a report that included: (1) A description of any ongoing or planned security cooperation activities between the United States and the

Northern Triangle countries focused on protection of human rights and adherence to the rule of law; and (2) a description of efforts to investigate credible information on gross violations of human rights by the military or national security forces of the governments of Northern Triangle countries since January 1, 2017, including the possible use in committing such violations of defense articles provided by the United States.

In response to a separate requirement in section 1336, the Government Accountability Office reviewed the EUM procedures in producing a November 2022 report entitled, ``Northern Triangle: DOD and State Need Improved Policies to Address Equipment Misuse'' (GAO-23-105856). Subsequently, Public Law 117-263 required the Comptroller General to provide a briefing on the findings and recommendations of that report and any additional recommendations regarding the use of EUM procedures to ensure that U.S. security assistance is used for its intended purposes. The briefing led to provisions included elsewhere in this Act to require the Comptroller General to submit additional reports regarding EUM and enhanced EUM.

Finally, section 1336 required the Secretary of Defense to enter into an agreement with a federally funded research and development center to complete an evaluation, not later than June 30, 2024, of Department of Defense security cooperation programs in United States Southern Command area of responsibility that includes: (1) How such programs in general and in Northern Triangle countries in particular advance U.S. Southern Command's Theater Campaign Plan; (2) How such programs in general and in Northern Triangle countries in particular promote the rule of law and human rights in the United States Southern Command area of responsibility; and (3) How such programs in general and in Northern Triangle countries in particular advance the objectives of the 2022 National Defense Strategy.

*Expanded eligibility for bereavement leave for members of the Armed Forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1863) that would amend section 701 of title 10, United States Code, to expand eligibility for bereavement leave under such statute.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision. The House recedes.

The conferees note that the section 622 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81) created bereavement leave as a codified benefit for members of the Armed Services to ensure that no member could be denied paid time off following the death of a child or spouse. This

benefit was a compromise borne out of a separate legislative proposal, section 622 of H.R. 4350, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022, as passed by the House of Representatives, that would have guaranteed paid leave time for parents who lose a child if the servicemember's parental leave had already been approved but not yet fully used. But that proposal would not have provided any guaranteed paid leave for parents who had already used their parental leave, and it would not have provided any guaranteed leave for members following the death of a child after the child's first year of life, as parental leave was required to be used within a year of the birth or adoption of such child. Section 622 would also not have provided any guaranteed time off for members upon the death of a spouse.

The conferees note that bereavement leave was never intended to create an entirely novel statutory entitlement to cover any loss that a servicemember might face, but rather to ensure that members who face the most difficult loss, the death of a child or spouse, could not be denied leave time to grieve such death. The annual leave policy under section 701 of title 10, United States Code, provides a generous benefit for members to take leave for personal reasons, including personal loss. Such statutory entitlement is bolstered by standing Department of Defense policies that provide for emergency leave, advance leave, compassionate reassignment, and many other policies supportive of servicemembers when in need. Bereavement leave is one additional backstop to ensure that no member could be denied a period of paid time off from work following the death of a child or spouse. Because of this, bereavement leave was made non-chargeable if affected servicemembers had fewer than 30 days of leave so that none could be denied such leave on the grounds that they had already used their accumulated paid leave.

The conferees expect that servicemembers who experience the loss of a close family member are afforded as much time off as possible, including via bereavement leave or emergency leave; alternate duties as required; and other accommodations as situationally appropriate.

#### *Sense of Congress on cooperation over space exploration*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1864) that would express a sense of Congress in support of United States-Israel space cooperation.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that:

(1) United States-Israel space cooperation and collaboration is in the best interest of the United States and can expand economic, national security, and social benefits for the American people; and

(2) Joint United States-Israel cooperation in the space arena should be supported in areas of research, development, test, and evaluation, including:

(a) between the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and the Israel Space Agency; and

(b) between the United States Air Force, United States Space Force, and the Israeli Air Force.

*Annual review and update of online information relating to suicide prevention*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1866) that would require the Secretaries of the military departments to annually review suicide prevention policies and update contact information provided online to members, and to submit to the congressional defense committees an annual certification that such review and update was performed.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to review any information relating to suicide prevention or behavioral health, including any contact information for related resources, that is published by the Department of Defense and the military departments; to make any updates to such information as may be necessary; and to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than June 1, 2025, indicating that this review and update were completed.

*Prohibition on certain exports*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1867) that would require the Secretary of Energy to prohibit the export or sale of petroleum products drawn down from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve to certain countries.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 3143).

The conference agreement does not include either provision.

*GAO study of availability of affordable housing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1869) that would require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study to identify and assess the availability of affordable housing in areas having high housing costs and military or defense-related facilities or operations and the effects that limited availability of affordable housing in such areas has on defense production and readiness.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that this provision largely duplicates a requirement in the Joint Explanatory Statement (H. Prt. 117-13) accompanying the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022. The Government Accountability Office is in the process of conducting that review and expects to publish its report by summer 2024.

*Implementation of the advanced capabilities pillar of the trilateral security partnership between Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1870) that would require the Secretary of State to submit a report on efforts of the Department of State to implement the advanced capabilities pillar of the Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States partnership known as "AUKUS".

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on Taiwan and Ukraine relating to certain weapons systems*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1871) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on Taiwan and Ukraine relating to certain weapons systems.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Improving outreach related to cybersecurity job preparation*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1872) that would require the Secretary of Defense to make every reasonable effort to improve outreach to inform departing servicemembers, whether Active Duty or Reserve, of the availability of credentialing opportunities related to cyber security, including improving the searchability functions of online resources for career training related to cybersecurity, as well as ensuring that Skillbridge includes a notice for all military members interested in cybersecurity job opportunities.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees encourage the Secretary of Defense to make every reasonable effort to improve outreach to inform departing servicemembers, whether Active Duty or Reserve, of the availability of credentialing opportunities related to cyber security, including improving the searchability functions of online resources for career training related to cybersecurity, as well as ensuring that Skillbridge includes a notice for all military members interested in cybersecurity job opportunities.

*Report on Port Authority of Guam capacity*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1873) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the reliability and capacity of the Port Authority of Guam to support Department of Defense operations in Guam.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Report on utility requirements in Guam*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1874) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the utility requirements in Guam that are necessary to support Department of Defense missions.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on the utility requirements in Guam that are necessary to support Department of Defense missions. The briefing shall include an assessment of: (1) The reliability of power utility poles in Guam with respect to military readiness and mission considerations and the extent to which such utility poles can sustain damage from extreme weather conditions; (2) The feasibility and advisability of costs associated with the construction of underground power supplies in support of the Department of Defense; (3) The reliability of water and wastewater infrastructure in Guam with respect to military readiness and mission considerations; and (4) The feasibility and advisability of costs associated with investing to improve such infrastructure in support of the Department of Defense.

*Disclosure requirements for persons performing research or development projects for Department of Defense*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1875) that would require persons performing research or development projects for the Department of Defense to disclose the percentage of the total costs of the program or project financed with Federal funding, the dollar amount of Federal funds obligated for the project or program, or the percentage and dollar amount of the total costs of the project or program that will be financed from nongovernmental sources.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

#### *Promoting the MilTax program and tax preparation services*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1876) that would require the Secretary of Defense to ensure that each servicemember receives, not later than March 1 of each year, an annual written notice by mail, email, in-person notice, or other electronic notification of the availability of the MilTax program and other tax preparation assistance programs furnished by the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees encourage the military services to ensure that servicemembers receive adequate and timely information regarding tax preparation programs provided by the Department.

#### *Study on construction of child development centers*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1877) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a recommendation for a strategy for military construction projects for a sufficient number of child development centers as necessary to eliminate wait lists for members of the Armed Forces seeking childcare at such child development centers.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees strongly encourage the Secretary of Defense to request military construction projects for a sufficient number of child development centers (as defined in section 2871 of title 10, United States Code) as necessary to eliminate wait lists for members of the Armed Forces seeking childcare at such child development centers.

#### *Geosynthetics performance testing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1878) that would increase PE 62144A by \$3.3 million to carry out the

development, testing, and certification phase of the Geosynthetics Reinforced Performance pavement test, with a corresponding decrease to operation and maintenance, Defense-wide, for administration and service-wide activities, Office of the Secretary of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The specific authorization of appropriations amounts can be found in the funding tables.

#### *Prohibition on funding research in China*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1879) that would prohibit the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the Secretary of Energy, the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, the Secretary of the Interior, the Secretary of Transportation, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, or any other Federal agency from directly or indirectly conducting or supporting, through grants, subgrants, contracts, cooperative agreements or other funding vehicles, research that will be conducted with the government of the People's Republic of China or the Chinese Communist Party.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

#### *Limitation on use of funds*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1881) that would prohibit funds from being used to engage in direct, bilateral cooperation with the Government of the People's Republic of China or China-affiliated organizations on biomedical research programs without explicit authorization from the Federal Bureau of Investigation and unless such activities are specifically authorized by a law enacted after the date of the enactment of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

#### *Prohibition on use of funds*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1883) that would prohibit funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act to be used to further any nuclear agreement with Iran that has not received explicit Congressional approval.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Authority for remembrance of Congressman Don Young with a memorial marker or niche cover and ceremony in Arlington National Cemetery*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1885) that would require that the memory of Congressman Don Young be honored with a memorial marker or niche cover and ceremony in Arlington National Cemetery, notwithstanding section 2409 of title 38, United States Code.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

The conferees acknowledge that section 2409 of title 38, United States Code, provides a pathway to honor Congressman Don Young's service in Arlington National Cemetery.

## **DIVISION B—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZATIONS**

*Sec. 2001 - Short title*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2001) that would cite division B of this Act as the "Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024".

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2001).

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2002 - Expiration of authorizations and amounts required to be specified by law*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2002) that would ensure that the authorizations provided in titles XXI through XXVII of this Act expire on October 1, 2026, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal year 2027, whichever is later.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 2002).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 2003 - Effective date*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2003) that would provide that titles XXI through XXVII of this Act would take effect on October 1, 2023, or the date of the enactment of this Act, whichever is later.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 2003).

The agreement includes this provision.

## **TITLE XXI—ARMY MILITARY CONSTRUCTION**

### *Sec. 2101 - Authorized Army construction and land acquisition projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2101) that would contain a list of authorized Army construction projects for fiscal year 2024. The authorized amounts are listed on an installation-by-installation basis.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2101).

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

### *Sec. 2102 - Family housing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2102) that would authorize new construction, improvements, and planning and design of family housing units for the Army for fiscal year 2024.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2102).

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

### *Sec. 2103 - Authorization of appropriations, Army*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2103) that would authorize appropriations for Army military construction levels identified in section 4601 of division D of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 2103).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

### *Sec. 2104 - Extension of authority to use cash payments in special account from land conveyance, Natick Soldier Systems Center, Massachusetts*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2104) that would extend the authority to use cash payments related to the conveyance of the Natick Soldier Systems Center in Massachusetts until October 1, 2027.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2104).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 2105 - Extension of authority to carry out fiscal year 2018 project at Kunsan Air Base, Korea*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2105) that would extend the authorization of certain fiscal year 2018 projects until October 1, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2105).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 2106 - Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2019 Army military construction projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2106) that would extend the authorization of certain fiscal year 2019 projects until October 1, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2106).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 2107 - Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2021 Army military construction projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2107) that would extend the authorization of certain fiscal year 2021 projects until October 1, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2107).

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

## **TITLE XXII—NAVY MILITARY CONSTRUCTION**

*Sec. 2201 - Authorized Navy construction and land acquisition projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2201) that would contain a list of authorized Department of the Navy construction projects for fiscal year 2024. The authorized amounts are listed on an installation-by-installation basis.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2201).

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2202 - Family housing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2202) that would authorize new construction, improvements, and planning and design of family housing units for the Department of the Navy for fiscal year 2024.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2202).

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2203 - Authorization of appropriations, Navy*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2203) that would authorize appropriations for Department of Navy military construction levels identified in section 4601 of division D of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 2203).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 2204 - Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2019 Navy military construction projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2204) that would extend the authorization of certain fiscal year 2019 projects until October 1, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2204).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 2205 - Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2021 Navy military construction projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2205) that would extend the authorization of certain fiscal year 2021 projects until October 1, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2205).

The Senate recesses.

## **TITLE XXIII—AIR FORCE MILITARY CONSTRUCTION**

*Sec. 2301 - Authorized Air Force construction and land acquisition projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2301) that would contain a list of authorized Air Force construction

projects for fiscal year 2024. The authorized amounts are listed on an installation-by-installation basis.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2301).

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2302 - Family housing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2302) that would authorize new construction, improvements, and planning and design of family housing units for the Department of the Air Force for fiscal year 2024.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2302).

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2303 - Authorization of appropriations, Air Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2303) that would authorize appropriations for Air Force military construction levels identified in section 4601 of division D of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 2303).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 2304 - Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2017 Air Force military construction projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2304) that would extend the authorization of certain fiscal year 2017 projects until October 1, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2304).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 2305 - Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2018 Air Force military construction projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2305) that would extend the authorization of certain fiscal year 2018 projects until October 1, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2305).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 2306 - Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2019 Air Force military construction projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2306) that would extend the authorization of certain fiscal year 2019 projects until October 1, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2306).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 2307 - Extension of authority to carry out fiscal year 2021 Air Force military construction projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2307) that would extend the authorization of certain fiscal year 2021 projects until October 1, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2307).

The Senate recesses.

## **TITLE XXIV—DEFENSE AGENCIES MILITARY CONSTRUCTION**

*Sec. 2401 - Authorized Defense Agencies construction and land acquisition projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2401) that would contain a list of authorized defense agencies construction projects for fiscal year 2024. The authorized amounts are listed on an installation-by-installation basis.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2401).

The House recesses.

*Sec. 2402 - Authorized Energy Resilience and Conservation Investment Program projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2402) that would contain a list of authorized energy resilience and conservation investment projects for fiscal year 2024. The authorized amounts are listed on an installation-by-installation basis.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2402).

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2403 - Authorization of appropriations, Defense Agencies*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2403) that would authorize appropriations for Defense Agencies' military construction at the levels identified in section 4601 of division D of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 2403).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 2404 - Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2018 Defense Agencies military construction projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2404) that would extend the authorization of certain fiscal year 2018 projects until October 1, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2404).

The Senate recesses with an amendment.

*Sec. 2405 - Extension and modification of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2019 Defense Agencies military construction projects*

The House bill contained provisions (secs. 2405 and 2406) that would extend the authorization of certain fiscal year 2019 projects until October 1, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2405).

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2406 - Extension of authority to carry out fiscal year 2021 project at Defense Fuel Support Point Tsurumi, Japan*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2407) that would extend the authorization of certain fiscal year 2021 project until October 1, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2406).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 2407 - Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2021 Energy Resilience and Conservation Investment projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2408) that would extend the authorization of certain fiscal year 2021

Energy Resilience and Conservation Investment Program projects until October 1, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 2408 - Authority to carry out military construction projects to improve certain fiscal year 2022 utility systems*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2409) that would provide the Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of a military department with authority to contract with the conveyee of a utility system for certain fiscal year 2022 utility system improvement projects.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2407).

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2409 - Additional authority to carry out certain military construction projects to improve certain fiscal year 2023 utility systems*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2410) that would provide the Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of a military department with authority to contract with the conveyee of a utility system for certain fiscal year 2023 utility system improvement projects.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2408).

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

## **TITLE XXV—INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS**

### **SUBTITLE A—NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION SECURITY INVESTMENT**

*Sec. 2501 - Authorized NATO construction and land acquisition projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2501) that would authorize the Secretary of Defense to make contributions to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program in an amount not to exceed the sum of the amount specifically authorized in section 2502 of this Act and the amount collected from the North Atlantic Treaty Organization as

a result of construction previously financed by the United States.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 2501).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 2502 - Authorization of appropriations, NATO*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2502) that would authorize appropriations for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program at the levels identified in section 4601 of division D of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 2502).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

**SUBTITLE B—HOST COUNTRY IN-KIND  
CONTRIBUTIONS**

*Sec. 2511 - Republic of Korea funded construction projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2511) that would authorize the Secretary of Defense to accept military construction projects totaling \$456.6 million pursuant to agreement with the Republic of Korea for required in-kind contributions.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2511).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 2512 - Republic of Poland funded construction projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2512) that would authorize the Secretary of Defense to accept seven military construction projects totaling \$284.5 million pursuant to agreement with the Republic of Poland for required in-kind contributions.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2512).

The Senate recesses.

**TITLE XXVI—GUARD AND RESERVE FORCES  
FACILITIES**

*Sec. 2601 - Authorized Army National Guard construction and land acquisition projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2601) that would contain the list of authorized Army National Guard construction projects for fiscal year 2024. The authorized amounts are listed on an installation-by-installation basis.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2601).

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2602 - Authorized Army Reserve construction and land acquisition projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2602) that would contain the list of authorized Army Reserve construction projects for fiscal year 2024. The authorized amounts are listed on an installation-by-installation basis.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2602).

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2603 - Authorized Navy Reserve and Marine Corps Reserve construction and land acquisition projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2603) that would contain the list of authorized Navy Reserve and Marine Corps Reserve construction projects for fiscal year 2024. The authorized amounts are listed on an installation-by-installation basis.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2603).

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2604 - Authorized Air National Guard construction and land acquisition projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2604) that would contain the list of authorized Air National Guard construction projects for fiscal year 2024. The authorized amounts are listed on an installation-by-installation basis.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2604).

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2605 - Authorized Air Force Reserve construction and land acquisition projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2605) that would contain the list of authorized Air Force Reserve construction projects for fiscal year 2024. The authorized amounts are listed on an installation-by-installation basis.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2605).

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2606 - Authorization of appropriations, National Guard and Reserve*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2606) that would authorize appropriations for National Guard and Reserve military construction at the levels identified in section 4601 of division D of this Act.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 2606).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 2607 - Extension of authority to carry out fiscal year 2018 project at Hulman Regional Airport, Indiana*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2607) that would extend the authorization of a certain fiscal year 2018 project until October 1, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 2607).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 2608 - Extension of authority to carry out fiscal year 2019 project at Francis S. Gabreski Airport, New York*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2608) that would extend the authorization of a certain fiscal year 2019 project until October 1, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 2608).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 2609 - Extension of authority to carry out certain fiscal year 2021 National Guard and Reserve military construction projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2609) that would extend the authorization of certain fiscal year 2021 projects until October 1, 2024.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2609).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 2610 - Modification of authority to carry out fiscal year 2023 project at Camp Pendleton, California*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2610) that would modify the authorization of a fiscal year 2023 project.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2611).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 2611 - Authority to conduct restoration and modernization projects at the First City Troop Readiness Center in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2612) that would authorize the Army National Guard to repair the roof of the South 23rd Street Readiness Center in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania if certain conditions are met.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

**LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Modification of authority to carry out fiscal year 2022 project at Nickell Memorial Armory, Kansas*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2610) that would modify the authorization contained in section 2606 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81) for the construction of a sensitive compartmented information facility project at Nickell Memorial Armory, Kansas.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

**TITLE XXVII—BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE  
ACTIVITIES**

*Sec. 2701 - Authorization of appropriations for base realignment and closure activities funded through Department of Defense Base Closure Account*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2701) that would authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2024 for ongoing activities that are required to implement the decisions of the 1988, 1991, 1993, 1995, and 2005 base realignment and closure rounds.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 2701).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 2702 - Prohibition on conducting additional base realignment and closure (BRAC) round*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2702) that would prohibit the Department of Defense from conducting another base realignment and closure round.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

## **TITLE XXVIII—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### **SUBTITLE A—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS**

*Sec. 2801 - Modifications to Defense Community Infrastructure Program*

The House bill contained provisions (secs. 2801 and 2861) that would eliminate the sunset clause for the Defense Community Infrastructure Program and make insular territories eligible for a reduced cost sharing community funding requirement under the Defense Community Infrastructure Program.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2814).

The Senate recesses with an amendment that includes one of the House provisions.

*Sec. 2802 - Modification to authority for unspecified minor construction*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2802) that would increase the unspecified minor military construction authority limit from \$6.0 million to \$9.0 million and for projects with high area construction costs the authority limit is increased from \$10.0 million to \$14.0 million. This provision

would also add demolition projects to the definition of an unspecified minor military construction project.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2812).

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2803 - Application of dollar limitations for unspecified minor military construction projects to locations outside the United States*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2803) that would amend section 2805(f) of title 10, United States Code, to address widely varying unspecified minor military construction costs due to variations in labor, materials, equipment, and design requirements.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2804 - Increase to amount of certain funds for military installation resilience projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2806) that would amend section 2815 of title 10, United States Code, to increase the maximum annual amount the Secretary of Defense can spend on military installation resilience projects to \$200.0 million.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would modify the maximum annual amount to \$125.0 million.

*Sec. 2805 - Authority for certain construction projects in friendly foreign countries*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2808) that would allow the Secretary of Defense to use operations and maintenance funds for planning and design, as well as construction of projects, necessary to support U.S. military requirements related to strategic laydown opportunities at an air port of debarkation, sea port of debarkation, or rail or other logistics support location.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment.

*Sec. 2806 - Temporary expansion of authority for use of one-step turn-key procedures for repair projects*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2811) that would amend section 2862 of title 10, United States Code, to temporarily modify the authority for use of one-step turn-key selection procedures for repair projects.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would cap the authority at \$8.0 million.

*Sec. 2807 - Authorization of cost-plus incentive-fee contracting for military construction projects to mitigate risk to the Sentinel program schedule and cost*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1636) that would provide the Secretary of Defense authority to authorize cost-plus incentive-fee contracting for military construction projects associated with the Sentinel intercontinental ballistic missile program for not more than the first two low-rate initial production lots.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2804).

The House recesses with a technical amendment that would adopt the single lot, low-rate initial production at each location and strike the briefing requirement as that will be required elsewhere in this Act.

*Sec. 2808 - Inclusion on Department of Defense Form 1391 of information on consideration of certain methods of construction for certain military construction projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2807) that would require a covered official to certify that they have considered all relevant construction methods and materials in the Unified Facilities Criteria before advancement of a construction project beyond the design phase.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2877).

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2809 - Incorporation of cybersecurity supply chain risk management tools and methods*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2876) that would amend section 2911 of title 10, United States Code, by adding a new paragraph.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment that would instead amend section 2914 of title 10, United States Code, and

strike the reporting requirements. The conferees note the reporting requirement from the original House provision is contained in the Senate report accompanying S. 2226 (S. Rept. 118-58) for the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024.

*Sec. 2810 - Authority for Indo-Pacific posture unspecified minor military construction projects*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2801) that would temporarily grant military construction authority, limited to \$15.0 million per project, to the Commander, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command, through March 31, 2029.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2811 - Authority to conduct energy resilience and conservation projects at installations at which certain energy projects have occurred*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2871) that would clarify that the Department of Defense has the authority to pair Energy Resilience Conservation Investment Program projects with area wide contracts.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

## **SUBTITLE B—MILITARY HOUSING REFORMS**

*Sec. 2821 - Establishment of the Military Family Readiness Working Group for Military Housing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2822) that would establish the Department of Defense Military Housing Readiness Council to review and make recommendations to the Department of Defense regarding policies for privatized military housing.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2851).

The House recedes with an amendment that would create a Housing Working Group under the Military Family Readiness Council.

*Sec. 2822 - Improvements to privatized military housing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2823) that would amend section 2878(f)(2) of title 10, United States Code, by adding an assessment by the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment of the extent to which the lessor complied with the Military Housing Privatization Initiative Tenant Bill of Rights.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2841).

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2823 - Notification relating to legal counsel for nondisclosure agreements*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2843) that would amend section 2890(f)(1) of title 10, United States Code, by allowing the military services to inform members of the Armed Forces of the possible consequences of entering into a nondisclosure agreement with respect to privatized military housing and encourage members to seek legal counsel before entering into such an agreement if they have questions about specific contractual terms.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2824 - Inclusion of questions regarding military housing for members of the Armed Forces in status of forces survey*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2852) that would require the Secretary of Defense to include specific questions in the annual Status of Forces Survey specifically related to how housing conditions influence retention.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2825 - Implementation of Comptroller General recommendations relating to strengthening oversight of privatized military housing*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2842) that would direct the Secretary of Defense to implement the recommendations of the Government Accountability Office (GAO) report, published April 6, 2023, titled, "DOD Can Further Strengthen Oversight of Its Privatized Housing Program," (GAO-23-105377) within 1 year of enactment or report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives explaining why the Secretary has not implemented those recommendations.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recedes with an amendment.

## **SUBTITLE C—COVERED MILITARY UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING REFORMS**

*Sec. 2831 - Design standards for covered military unaccompanied housing*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2827) that would amend section 2856 of title 10, United States Code, by establishing uniform standards for floor space, number of members allowed, and habitability of military unaccompanied housing.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2832 - Establishment of standards for habitability of covered military unaccompanied housing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2826) that would require the Department of Defense to develop health and safety standards for barracks, including standards on fire and electrical safety.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2824).

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 2833 - Modification of procedures for issuance of waivers of covered privacy and configuration standards; temporary biannual briefing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2825) that would mandate the Secretary of each service approve any waivers for on-base housing that does not meet that service's minimum standards.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2828).

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2834 - Certification of habitability of covered military unaccompanied housing*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2822) that would require the Secretary of Defense to include with the President's annual budget submission a certification from the

Secretary of each military department that the construction costs for all needed repairs and improvements for each unaccompanied housing facility under the respective service Secretary is below 20 percent of the replacement cost of such facility, as mandated by Department of Defense Manual 4165.63, "DOD Housing Management."

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2835 - Pilot program for military construction projects to replace certain covered military unaccompanied housing facilities*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2813) that would temporarily grant the Secretary of a military department the authority to replace substandard enlisted barracks using operation and maintenance or unspecified minor military construction funding for 5 years.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2836 - Establishment of civilian employees for oversight of covered military unaccompanied housing*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2825) that would require the Secretary of Defense, within 30 days of enactment of this Act, to prescribe regulations to require the establishment of civilian oversight through the installation housing office to oversee military unaccompanied housing.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2837 - Maintenance work order management process for covered military unaccompanied housing*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2823) that would require the Secretary of each military department to establish and administer a clearly defined work order system to be used for military unaccompanied housing.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2838 - Uniform index for evaluating the condition of covered military unaccompanied housing facilities*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2821) that would require the Secretary of Defense to prescribe

regulations to complete and issue a uniform facility condition index for military unaccompanied housing, not later than October 1, 2024.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2839 - Annual reports on the condition of covered military unaccompanied housing*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2830) that would establish, for the next 5 years, an annual report on military unaccompanied housing for establishing a baseline document of necessary repair costs for barracks throughout the Department of Defense.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2840 - Submission of temporary housing support certification to Members of Congress*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1884) that would require the Secretary of Defense to provide notification before the Department of Defense uses, creates, or repurposes a military base to house migrants.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2841 - Elimination of flexibilities for construction standards for covered military unaccompanied housing*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2826) that would require the Secretary of Defense to modify all Department of Defense directives granting the flexibility for any adequacy or construction standard for military unaccompanied housing.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recedes with a technical amendment.

## **SUBTITLE D—REAL PROPERTY AND FACILITIES ADMINISTRATION**

*Sec. 2851 - Guidance on Department of Defense-wide standards for access to military installations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2831) that would standardize base installation access across the Department of Defense.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2879).

The House recesses.

*Sec. 2852 - Authority to make grants for security and fire protection for former Army and Navy General Hospital, Hot Springs National Park, Hot Springs, Arkansas; briefing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2834) that would allow the Secretary of the Army to convey the Army and Navy General Hospital at Hot Springs, Arkansas to the State of Arkansas.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment that would strike the conveyance portion and leave intact the reporting requirement and provide authorization for security services and fire protection at the covered property.

*Sec. 2853 - Plan and report on critical infrastructure systems at military installations*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 341) that would require the Secretary of Defense to develop a plan to implement a standardized system to measure and report on the condition and performance of non-privatized critical infrastructure systems located on military installations.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2854 - Closure and disposal of the Pueblo Chemical Depot, Pueblo County, Colorado*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2849) that would require the Secretary of the Army to close Pueblo Chemical Depot in Pueblo County, Colorado not later than 1 year after the completion of the chemical demilitarization mission in such location in accordance with the Chemical Weapons Convention Treaty.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2703).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 2855 - Limitation on authority to modify or restrict public access to Greenbury Point Conservation Area at Naval Support Activity Annapolis, Maryland*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2872) that would prevent the Navy from using land within the minimum safe distance of live fire training conducted by cadets at the Naval Academy to construct a golf course on that land.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2856 - Authorization for the Secretary of the Navy to resolve the electrical utility operations at Former Naval Air Station Barbers Point, Hawaii*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2873) that would authorize the Navy to divest of its electrical utility operations at former Naval Air Station Barbers Point in Hawaii.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2857 - Inclusion of military installation resilience in real property management and installation master planning of Department*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2875) that would implement the recommendations of the Department of Defense Inspector General report, published March 30, 2023, titled, "Audit of Military Department Climate Change Assessment and Adaptation Plans in the Southeastern Continental United States," (DODIG-2023-61) within 1 year of enactment of this Act.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would require the Department of Defense to certify implementation of the recommendations through prior National Defense Authorization Act requirements.

*Sec. 2858 - Modification of authority to relocate Joint Spectrum Center to Fort Meade, Maryland*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2810) that would move the offices of the Joint Spectrum Center to the headquarters of the Defense Information Systems Agency at Fort Meade, Maryland, or another appropriate location chosen by the Secretary of Defense.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

## **SUBTITLE E—LAND CONVEYANCES**

*Sec. 2861 - Extension of sunset for land conveyance, Sharpe Army Depot, Lathrop, California*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2841) that would extend the timeline for the conveyance of the Sharpe Army Depot in Lathrop, California.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 2862 - Clarification of authority of Department of Defense to conduct certain military activities at Nevada test and training range*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2844) that would clarify the authority of the Department of Defense to conduct certain military activities at Nevada Test and Training Range.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment and notes that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service continues to have primary jurisdiction for management of the majority of the Joint-Use Area and is entitled to adequate access to its primary jurisdiction lands for its management activities. The conferees recognize the importance of carefully balancing the Air Force's training needs with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's conservation mission in the Joint-Use Area. The conferees expect the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Air Force to continue using the Interagency Committee to facilitate coordination and minimize potential conflict with respect to the Joint-Use Area. The conferees also expect the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Air Force to continue to use the Intergovernmental Executive Committee as a means to engage the public and solicit their feedback on the management of natural and cultural resources in the Joint-Use Area.

*Sec. 2863 - Extensions, additions, and revisions to the Military Lands Withdrawal Act of 1999 relating to the Barry M. Goldwater Range, Arizona*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1865) that would extend and amend the existing military land withdrawal for the Barry M. Goldwater Range, Arizona.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2805).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 2864 - Land acquisition, Westmoreland State Park, Virginia*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2843) that would authorize the Department of the Navy to purchase or lease, from the Commonwealth of Virginia, land at Westmoreland State Park for national security purposes.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2809).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 2865 - Land conveyance, Naval Weapons Station Earle, New Jersey*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2848) that would authorize the Secretary of the Navy to convey land to Colts Neck Township, New Jersey.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with an amendment that would include a fair market valuation clause.

*Sec. 2866 - Land conveyance, Paine Field Air National Guard Station, Everett, Snohomish County, Washington*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2846) that would authorize the Secretary of the Air Force to convey land to the City of Everett, Washington.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 2867 - Land conveyance, Wetzel County Memorial Army Reserve Center, New Martinsville, West Virginia*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2862) that would grant permissive authority to the Secretary of the Army to convey to the City of New Martinsville, West Virginia, approximately 2.96 acres, known as the former Wetzel County Memorial Army Reserve Center, for the purpose of providing emergency management response or law enforcement services.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 2868 - Land conveyance, BG J Sumner Jones Army Reserve Center, Wheeling, West Virginia*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2861) that would grant the Secretary of the Army permissive authority to convey to the City of Wheeling, West Virginia approximately 3.33 acres known as the former BG J Sumner Jones Army Reserve Center, located within the city, for the purpose of providing emergency management response or law enforcement services.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

## **SUBTITLE F—PILOT PROGRAMS AND REPORTS**

*Sec. 2871 - Modification of pilot program on increased use of sustainable building materials in military construction*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2815) that would modify the existing sustainable materials pilot program authorized in section 2861 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81) as amended by extending the pilot program by one calendar year from its original sunset date and requiring each military department to construct at least one project from mass timber and one project from low carbon concrete.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2872 - Modification of pilot program on establishment of account for reimbursement for use of testing facilities at installations of the Department of the Air Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2851) that would clarify language in the pilot program created under section 2862 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81) to allow facilities covered by the pilot program to use funds allocated to Facility Sustainment, Restoration, and Modernization as well as user fees collected from customers.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 7882).

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2873 - Pilot program to provide air purification technology in covered military housing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2852) that would direct the Secretary of Defense to carry out a pilot

program to provide air purification technology in privatized military housing.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would make the pilot program permissive.

*Sec. 2874 - Joint Housing Requirements and Market Analysis for certain military installations in Hawaii*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2855) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a joint Housing Requirements and Market Analysis for each military installation in Hawaii.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2875 - Quarterly briefings on military construction related to the Sentinel intercontinental ballistic missile weapon system program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2853) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to provide quarterly briefings on the contracts for construction projects related to the Sentinel intercontinental ballistic missile weapon system program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a clarifying amendment.

## **SUBTITLE G—OTHER MATTERS**

*Sec. 2881 - Increase of limitation on fee for architectural and engineering services procured by military departments*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2876) that would amend sections 7540(b), 8612(b), and 9540(b) of title 10, United States Code, to increase the cap for architectural and engineering services for the Departments of the Army, Navy, and Air Force, respectively, from 6 percent to 10 percent.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 2882 - Development and operation of Marine Corps Heritage Center and National Museum of the Marine Corps*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2862) that would codify authority to provide for the development and

operation of the Marine Corps Heritage Center and National Museum of the Marine Corps at Marine Corps Base, Quantico, Virginia.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2808).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 2883 - Technical corrections*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2881) that would make technical corrections to section 2902(c) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263).

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 2884 - Modification of authority of Secretary of the Army to enter into cooperative agreements relating to access and management of Air Force Memorial*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2807) that would amend section 2863 of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (Public Law 106-398) to revise the access and management fund for the Air Force Memorial to reflect the Air Force as the responsible agency.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 2885 - Designation of National Museum of the Mighty Eighth Air Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2864) that would designate the National Museum of the Mighty Eighth Air Force located in Pooler, Georgia as the official National Museum of the Mighty Eighth Air Force of the United States.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 6078).

The House recesses.

*Sec. 2886 - Continuing education curriculum on use of innovative products for military construction projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2870) that would require the establishment of a continuing education curriculum for contracting officers and program managers at Navy Facilities Command and the Army Corps of Engineers responsible

for managing military construction and planning and design projects.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2878).

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 2887 - Guidance on encroachment that affects covered sites*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2869) that would require the Secretaries of the military departments to develop and implement guidance on identifying, mitigating, and reporting potentially harmful encroachment on military installations.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

*Sec. 2888 - Extension and modification of annual updates to master plans and investment strategies for Army ammunition plants*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 114) that would extend and modify the annual updates to master plans for Army Ammunition Plants.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 2889 - Limitation on use of funds for United States Space Command headquarters*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2866) that would limit the use of funds to construct or modify facilities for temporary or permanent use by United States Space Command for headquarter operations until the Secretary of the Air Force delivers a report on the selection of a permanent location to the congressional defense committees. The section would also limit the availability of funds made available to the Secretary of the Air Force for travel expenditures until delivery of the report.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 1609).

The House recedes with an amendment that none of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024 for the Department of Defense may be obligated or expended to acquire, construct, plan, or design a new headquarters building for the United States Space Command until June 30, 2024, when the Inspector General of the Department of Defense and the Comptroller General of the United

States shall complete reviews of the selection announced in July of 2023.

*Sec. 2890 - Plan for use of excess construction materials on Southwest border*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2854) that would direct the Secretary of Defense to submit a proposal to utilize, transfer, or donate unused border wall materials to states on the southern border.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 2880).

The House recesses with a technical amendment.

**LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Ordering authority for maintenance, repair, and construction of facilities of Department of Defense*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2802) that would allow the head of a department or organization within the Department of Defense to place an order, on a reimbursable basis, with any other such department or organization for a project for the maintenance and repair of a facility of the Department of Defense or for a minor military construction project.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Modification of authority to carry out Defense Laboratory Modernization Program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2803) that would make research, development, test, and evaluation facilities involved in the development, production, and sustainment of combat capabilities eligible for the Defense Laboratory Modernization Program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that development and engineering center facilities require appropriate investments to perform their critical functions. These facilities are important for capability development and sustainment functions but may not be considered traditional defense laboratories based on the internal Department of Defense definitions. The conferees believe that existing authorities may be helpful for addressing infrastructure requirements, and therefore direct the Secretary

of Defense to submit a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on how Defense Laboratory Modernization Program authorities may be used to meet potential infrastructure requirements for development and engineering centers.

*Expansion of maximum amount of funds available for certain Defense Laboratory Improvement Program projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2804) that would increase the maximum amount of funds available for Defense Laboratory Improvement Program projects to \$200.0 million.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note the continued importance of laboratory modernization and recommend the Department of Defense use existing defense laboratory modernization authorities to meet its facility and infrastructure requirements.

*Prioritization of certain military construction projects to improve infrastructure at certain facilities determined to be critical to national security*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2805) that would direct the Secretary of Defense to prioritize projects when considering military resilience projects under section 2815 of title 10, United States Code.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Authority to lease land parcel for hospital and medical campus, Barrigada Transmitter Site, Guam*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2806) that would authorize the Secretary of the Navy to lease to the Government of Guam parcels of land to construct medical facilities.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Reporting requirements and congressional notification for certain military construction projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2809) that would clarify reporting requirements and require notifications

to Members of Congress on certain military construction projects in their district.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the military departments are inconsistent in the methods by which they notify Member offices on military construction awards with some relying on passive postings of awards, and others proactive reaching out to interested Members of Congress. The conferees encourage the military departments to be proactive in their communication to maximize transparency of these awards.

*Authority to operate certain transient housing of the Department of Defense transferred to Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2821) that would transfer the jurisdiction for the administration of military transient lodging to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) required the Secretary of the Navy and the Secretary of the Air Force to provide a briefing by December 1, 2023 as to the anticipated steady state cost avoidance that could be anticipated if a lodging privatization effort were adopted, any barriers to implementing, and any impact to traveling servicemembers. The conferees further note that the Government Accountability Office's (GAO) report published on June 9, 2021, titled "Military Lodging: DOD Should Provide Congress with More Information on Army's Privatization and Better Guidance to the Military Services" (GAO-21-214), noted that the Army may be overstating its cost avoidance due to the methodology it uses to calculate said cost avoidance, which was why the required briefing was asked to consider GAO's concerns over the existing Army program.

The conferees finally note that chapter 169 of title 10, United States Code, provides authority to the Secretaries concerned to privatize lodging facilities should they choose and that congressional action is not necessary for the privatization of transient lodging to take place. The conferees expect that should a service Secretary deem it appropriate to transition to a privatized model, any such implementation should take into consideration any organizational changes such as those laid out in the House provision. Therefore, the conferees direct the

Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment and the respective Assistant Secretaries for Energy, Installations, and Environment for each military department to provide a briefing on the feasibility of assuming responsibility for transient housing matters to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives by May 1, 2024.

*Establishing additional requirements for a military housing complaint database*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2824) that would require the Department of Defense to modify tools that allow service members and their families to identify housing-related complaints.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on capacity of Department of Defense to provide survivors of natural disasters with emergency short-term housing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2827) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the capacity of the Department of Defense to provide survivors of natural disasters with emergency short-term housing.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) required the Secretary of Defense to submit a report analyzing the capacity of the Department of Defense to provide survivors of natural disasters with emergency short-term housing. The conferees direct the Secretary to coordinate with the Federal Emergency Management Agency on the required report and in addition to the congressional defense committees, submit the required report to the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee and the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. The conferees eagerly await this report as it will help inform the conferees' understanding of the Department of Defense's ability to support the Federal Emergency Management Agency in the event of a natural disaster.

*Requirement for security cameras in common areas and entry points of military unaccompanied housing*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 2829) that would require the Secretary of Defense to ensure all

renovations of military unaccompanied housing that exceed 20 percent of the replacement cost include security cameras in common areas and entry points.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

The conferees note that outstanding reporting requirements remain related to the potential use of security cameras in military housing.

#### *Real property usage in the National Capital Region*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2832) that would require the Department of Defense to report usage data for all real property assets within the National Capital Region.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing, not later than April 1, 2024, to the congressional defense committees on the use of organic Department of Defense facilities and facilities leased by the Department. The briefing shall include the following: (1) Daily access rates by individuals at facilities with a capacity of 3,500 personnel or greater, disaggregated by government and contractor personnel; (2) Workforce capacity at facilities with a capacity of 3,500 personnel or greater; (3) Current telework guidance for individuals working at organic Department of Defense facilities and facilities leased by the Department; and (4) Existing lease agreements for facilities.

#### *Revision to Unified Facilities Criteria on use of life safety accessibility hardware for covered doors*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2833) that would require the Department of Defense to include life safety accessibility hardware in the construction, renovation, replacement, or other retrofit of sensitive compartmented information facilities.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note the received reporting requirement from the Department of Defense related to this provision. The conferees encourage the Secretary of Defense to continue to revise, as appropriate, applicable specifications, guidance, and technical documentation relating to the construction, renovation, replacement, or retrofit of doors in sensitive compartmented information facilities to ensure that life safety

accessibility hardware is used for such construction, renovation, replacement, or retrofit.

*Land conveyance, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2842) that would provide the Secretary of the Air Force with authority to convey approximately 80 acres located adjacent to Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, for the purpose of independent-living and assisted-living apartments for veterans.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees encourage the Air Force to pursue a conveyance under the existing authorization.

*Removal of prohibition on use of certain areas in Culebra, Puerto Rico*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2845) that would remove the prohibition on the use of certain areas in Culebra, Puerto Rico.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on the feasibility and advisability of amending the Military Construction Act, 1974, in order to authorize the decontamination or limited removal of restriction for certain portions of the former bombardment area on the island of Culebra, Puerto Rico.

*Nonapplicability of certain Navy instruction to Johnson Valley, San Bernardino County, California*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2847) that would prohibit the applicability of instruction number 11011.47D of the Secretary of the Navy to apply to Johnson Valley, San Bernardino County, California.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

*Report relating to the Child Development Center at Scott Air Force Base in St. Clair County, Illinois*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2856) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the Child Development Center at Scott Air Force Base.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the information requested by this provision is otherwise readily available.

*Report on aging infrastructure in support of aircraft operations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2857) that would require the Secretary of the Air Force to submit a report on aging infrastructure in support of aircraft operations.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of the Air Force to brief the congressional defense committees, not later than March 1, 2024, with an assessment of aging infrastructure in direct support of mobility aircraft operations, as determined by the Secretary, including aging runways, ramps, and control towers. The briefing shall include a plan to remediate such infrastructure, prioritized by military installation.

*Report on environmental risks that threaten to endanger military installations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2858) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report assessing the risks relating to flooding and other natural weather phenomenon, that threaten to endanger military installations.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit an assessment to the congressional defense committees, not later than March 1, 2024, regarding the risks relating of flooding and other extreme weather effects that threaten military installations. The assessment shall include potential mitigation strategies for such extreme weather risks, including an assessment of military installations within the Mississippi Delta.

*Survey of certain counties for placement of facilities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2859) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit the results of a survey of certain counties to assess potential placement of

operational, training, or other facilities for use by the military departments in such counties.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Prohibition on joint use of Homestead Air Reserve Base with civil aviation*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2863) that would permanently prohibit the joint use of Homestead Air Reserve Base with civil aviation.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that section 2874 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) prohibits the joint use of Homestead Air Reserve Base (HARB) by civil aviation on or before September 30, 2026. The conferees also note that the May 2023 report on "Assessment of Impacts of Civil Aviation to Military Readiness and Military Activity at Homestead Air Reserve Base" outlines several concerns about how potential civilian joint use agreements could adversely impact military operations at HARB. The conferees direct the Secretary of the Air Force to provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on the long-term strategy for Homestead Air Reserve Base to include how it will be utilized in future Air Force strategic basing decisions.

*Recognition of Memorial, Memorial Garden, and K9 Memorial of the National Navy UDT-SEAL Museum in Fort Pierce, Florida, as a national memorial, memorial garden, and K9 memorial, respectively, of Navy SEALs and their predecessors*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2865) that would recognize the U.S. Navy SEAL Museum in Fort Pierce, Florida as a national memorial.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Limitation on use of funds for closure of combat readiness training centers*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2867) that would restrict the use of funds for the closure of Department of the Air Force Combat Readiness Training Centers.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees recognize the importance of the Air Force Combat Readiness Training Centers and encourage the Department of the Air Force to keep the congressional defense committees apprised of any potential changes to the scope or mission of the Combat Readiness Training Centers.

*Limitation on availability of certain funds until submission of certain report on military housing*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2868) that would restrict the use of authorized funds for certain Department of Defense officials until the report on military housing required under section 3041 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116-92) is submitted.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Report on easements for energy infrastructure*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2871) that would require the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the policies and procedures of the Department of Defense regarding the consideration and approval of easements for energy infrastructure that could provide military installations with access to hydrogen pipelines and support United States energy distribution and export.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to submit to the congressional defense committees, the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Energy Natural Resources of the Senate, not later than June 1, 2024, a report on the policies and procedures of the Department of Defense regarding the consideration and approval of easements for energy infrastructure that could provide military installations with access to hydrogen pipelines and support domestic energy distribution and export.

*Sense of Congress relating to feasibility study for Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant, Richmond, Kentucky*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2872) that would express the sense of Congress regarding a feasibility

study for Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant at Richmond, Kentucky.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees appreciate the Department of the Army delivering its feasibility study as required by the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) assessing potential missions for growth of the organic industrial base (OIB) mission the Blue Grass Army Depot (BGAD) in Richmond, Kentucky as the Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant (BGCAPP) concludes operations. The conferees note that the feasibility study identifies three opportunities—production of critical chemicals, production of metal components for 155mm artillery munitions, and production of metal shipping containers—assessed to have high readiness impact and high feasibility while aligning with the stated mission of the OIB. Accordingly, the conferees direct the Secretary of the Army, in coordination with the Commanding General, Army Materiel Command and the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology to provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees, not later than February 1, 2024, on the costs, estimated funding profile as it relates to the OIB modernization strategy, and facility efforts required to support the three potential opportunities for OIB augmentation at BGAD identified in the feasibility study. The briefing should include, but not limited to, estimated military construction facility needs, estimated costs and potential timelines on construction to include initial operational capability, ability to use existing conversion authorities to include industrial facilities modernization funding, and workforce estimates to help inform and better assess the transition of BGAD capability to address these opportunities and any others the Department determines a priority.

*Study and report on certain easements and leases owned by the Department of Defense in Hawaii*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2873) that would require the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to carry out a study on covered property interests and submit a report on such covered property.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to carry out a study and submit to the congressional defense committees, not later than June 1, 2024, a briefing on: (1) The location, size, and expiration date of each covered property interest; (2) The

ways in which the Secretary of Defense uses and intends to use each covered property interest; (3) The major milestones and expected timeline for renegotiation and renewal of each covered property interest; (4) Any renegotiation and renewal actions with respect to each covered property interest during fiscal years 2019 through 2023; (5) Any such renegotiation and renewal actions planned to occur during fiscal years 2024 through 2030; (6) Each law or policy governing the extension of each covered property interest; (7) Relevant coordination efforts among the Secretaries of the military departments and the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command; (8) Relevant coordination efforts among the Secretaries of the military departments, the Governor of Hawaii, the heads of the appropriate county governments in Hawaii, and communities in areas in proximity to a covered property interest; (9) Risks to renewing each covered property interest; and (10) Recommendations of the Secretary of Defense with respect to necessary legislative actions to ensure the renewal of covered property interests, including such legislative actions to provide Hawaii with financial assistance to aid administrative processes of Hawaii relating to such covered property interests.

*Requirement to maintain access to category 3 subterranean training facility*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2874) that would require the Secretary of Defense to ensure that the Department of Defense maintains access to a covered category 3 subterranean training facility on a continuing basis.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Limitation on use of funds for preparation for renewal of certain project of the Department of the Air Force*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 2875) that would limit the use of funds authorized to be appropriated for the renewal of the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning chiller replacement standardization project of the Department of the Air Force until the Secretary of the Air Force submits a certification relating to the competition methodology and metrics for performance have been established.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Report on plan to replace houses at Fort Leonard Wood*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 7851) that would require the Secretary of the Army to submit a report on the plan of the Army to replace all of the houses at Fort Leonard Wood that the Army has designated as being in need of repair.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

*Study on impact on members of the Armed Forces and dependents of construction projects that affect quality of life*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 7881) that would require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study on the correlation between military construction projects and facilities sustainment, restoration, and modernization projects at installations of the Department of Defense that affect the quality of life of members of the Armed Forces and their dependents.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

The conferees note the impact that failing facilities have on retention of servicemembers as individual as well as how families are impacted by degrading conditions. With hundreds of billions of dollars in maintenance backlog, the services must make their facilities a priority as a failure to do will continue to have a negative impact on both readiness and morale.

## **DIVISION C—DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY NATIONAL SECURITY AUTHORIZATIONS AND OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS**

### **TITLE XXXI—DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY NATIONAL SECURITY PROGRAMS**

#### **SUBTITLE A—NATIONAL SECURITY PROGRAMS AND AUTHORIZATIONS**

*Sec. 3101 - National Nuclear Security Administration*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3101) that would authorize the appropriation of funds for the activities of the National Nuclear Security Administration.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 3101).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 3102 - Defense environmental cleanup*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3102) that would authorize the appropriation of funds for the Department of Energy's defense environmental cleanup activities.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 3102).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 3103 - Other defense activities*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3103) that would authorize the appropriation of funds for the Department of Energy's other defense activities.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 3103).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

*Sec. 3104 - Nuclear energy*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3104) that would authorize the appropriation of funds for the Department of Energy's nuclear energy activities.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 3104).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

**SUBTITLE B—PROGRAM AUTHORIZATIONS,  
RESTRICTIONS, AND LIMITATIONS**

*Sec. 3111 - Transfer of cybersecurity responsibilities to  
Administrator for Nuclear Security*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 3122) that would transfer cybersecurity responsibilities from the Department of Energy's National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) Office of Defense Nuclear Security to the NNSA Administrator.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 3112 - Redesignating duties related to departmental radiological and nuclear incident responses*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3122) that would amend the National Nuclear Security Administration Act by adding "To lead the technical nuclear forensics efforts of the United States" to the list of Administration's responsibilities.

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 3123) that would redesignate the duties associated with departmental radiological and nuclear response from the Office of Defense Programs to the Administrator who has delegated this responsibility to the Office of Counterterrorism and Counterproliferation.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 3113 - Cybersecurity Risk Inventory, Assessment, and Mitigation Working Group*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3113) that would establish a working group within the National Nuclear Security Administration related to cybersecurity and require the working group to develop a comprehensive strategy to assess and mitigate certain cybersecurity risks.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses with a technical amendment designating the Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs as Chairperson, unless the Administrator designates another member of the working group to serve as Chairperson in lieu of the Deputy Administrator.

*Sec. 3114 - Modification of authority to establish certain contracting, program management, scientific, engineering, and technical positions*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3121) that would increase the authorized number of certain personnel within the National Nuclear Security Administration.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 3124).

The House recesses.

The conferees recognize the National Nuclear Security Administration's expanding workload, especially related to weapon modernization programs. The conferees support the corresponding increase in excepted service personnel to help meet these growing demands. However, the conferees believe it is important that the additional personnel authorized under this section be assigned in a manner that is responsive to, and

reflective of, mission requirements. Accordingly, the conferees direct the Administrator for Nuclear Security to provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees, not later than August 1, 2024, detailing the allocation of additional excepted service personnel.

*Sec. 3115 - Criminal penalties for interference with the transport of special nuclear materials, nuclear weapons components, or restricted data*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3116) that would make it a Federal crime for whoever knowingly obstructs, resists or interferes with a nuclear materials courier engaged in the transport of any atomic weapons, special nuclear material, nuclear weapons components, or Restricted Data.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment revising the standard to whoever knowingly and willfully impedes the passage of a vehicle of a nuclear materials courier engaged in the transport of any atomic weapons, special nuclear material, atomic weapons components, or Restricted Data.

*Sec. 3116 - Prohibition on expansion of Advanced Recovery and Integrated Extraction System pending achievement of 30 pit-per-year base capability*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 3112) that would prohibit an expansion of the Advanced Recovery and Integrated Extraction System (ARIES) process in Los Alamos National Laboratory's (LANL) Plutonium Facility (PF-4) before LANL reaches the capacity to produce 30 plutonium pits per year.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would limit expansion of ARIES while allowing continued operations until the Administrator certifies the base capability to produce 30 war reserve plutonium pits per year.

*Sec. 3117 - Plutonium Modernization Program management*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 3113) that would amend section 4219 of the Atomic Energy Defense Act (50 U.S.C. 2538a) to require the Administrator of the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) to manage the Plutonium Modernization Program under the provisions of Defense Programs Program Execution Instruction (PEI), Enhanced Management Category A.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment.

The conferees note that the Comptroller General of the United States has reported on serious deficiencies in the National Nuclear Security Administration's (NNSA) management and oversight of the plutonium modernization program. Best practices for program schedule development and cost estimating are identified in two Government Accountability Office (GAO) guides, "GAO Schedule Assessment Guide: Best Practices for Project Schedules" (GAO-16-89G) and "Cost Estimating and Assessment Guide: Best Practices for Developing and Managing Program Costs" (GAO-20-195G). However, a recent GAO report dated January 12, 2023 titled, "Nuclear Weapons: NNSA Does Not Have a Comprehensive Schedule or Cost Estimate for Pit Production Capability" (GAO-23-104661) found that, when assessed against best practices, the plutonium modernization program's integrated master schedule was not comprehensive and that the program lacked a life cycle cost estimate.

The conferees also note that NNSA Policy 413.2 "Program Management Policy" permits program management requirements to be tailored based on risk and complexity in certain instances. The conferees are aware that the plutonium modernization program is currently managed under NNSA guidance—specifically the Enhanced Management B category of the Program Execution Instruction—that permits the program to tailor aspects of the program's integrated master schedule and cost estimates. The conferees are concerned, however, that such tailoring does not impose sufficient management and oversight rigor for a program of this cost and importance, and may impede congressional oversight.

Therefore, the conferees direct NNSA to develop and manage the plutonium modernization program, or any subsequently developed program, using an integrated master schedule and a life cycle cost estimate that fully meets GAO best practices for both schedule development and cost estimating.

*Sec. 3118 - Modification of certain requirements and authorities relating to the removal or security of fissile materials, radiological materials, and related equipment at vulnerable sites worldwide*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3112) that would indefinitely extend the Department of Energy's ability to accept external contributions related to its work to mitigate the threats posed by high-risk, proliferation-attractive fissile materials, radiological materials, and related equipment, technologies, and knowledge.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 3116), as well as additional provisions (sec. 3117 and sec.

3125) that would make further technical and conforming changes to section 4306B of the Atomic Energy Defense Act (Public Law 83-703).

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would make technical and conforming changes.

*Sec. 3119 - Extension of briefing and reporting requirements for certain National Nuclear Security Administration contracts*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 3126) that would amend section 4807(f)(1) of the Atomic Energy Defense Act (50 U.S.C. 2787(f)(1)) to extend the period for briefing requirements to 2032.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 3120 - Modification of minor construction threshold for plant projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3114) that would strike the sunset in section 4701(2) of the Atomic Energy Defense Act (Public Law 107-314) regarding minor construction threshold for plant projects.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 3121 - Modifications relating to unfunded priorities of the National Nuclear Security Administration*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3115) that would amend existing law regarding the submission of unfunded priorities of the National Nuclear Security Administration to include projects that mitigate risk.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 3122 - Limitation on establishing an enduring bioassurance program within the National Nuclear Security Administration*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 3115) that would limit the establishment of an enduring bioassurance program within the National Nuclear Security Administration.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 3123 - Modification of reporting requirements for uranium capabilities replacement project*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 3127) that would repeal the reporting requirements for the Uranium Capabilities Replacement Project.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with an amendment that would require the Administrator for Nuclear Security to submit an annual report on the technological maturity, scope, cost and schedule of the project. The amendment would also require the Comptroller General to assess the report and brief the congressional defense committees within 180 days of its submission.

*Sec. 3124 - Prohibition on availability of funds for naval nuclear fuel systems based on low-enriched uranium*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 1640) that would prohibit funds from being used for research and development of a naval nuclear fuel system based on low-enriched uranium.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 3111).

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 3125 - Prohibition on availability of funds to reconvert or retire W76-2 warheads*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3119) that would prohibit the National Nuclear Security Administration from reconverting or retiring W76-2 warheads. It would provide a waiver if the Administrator for Nuclear Security, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, certifies to the congressional defense committees that Russia and China do not possess similar capabilities and that the Department of Defense does not have a valid military requirement for the W76-2 warhead.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Sec. 3126 - Limitation on availability of funds pending submittal of spend plan for development of sea-launched cruise missile warhead*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 3118) that would limit the availability of funds for the Office of the Administrator for Nuclear Security until the spend plan required by subsection (d) of section 1642 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public

Law 117-263) is provided to the congressional defense committees.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 3127 - Deadlines for commencement of operations of certain atomic energy replacement projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3117) that would codify the National Nuclear Security Administration's (NNSA) plans with respect to constructing new facilities related to high explosives production at the Pantex Plant, Amarillo, Texas, and tritium activities at the Savannah River Site, Aiken, South Carolina.

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 3114) that would require the NNSA to establish a conventional high explosives production capability with sufficient capacity to support full rate production of the main explosives used for the W87-1 warhead, once the W87-1 modification program enters into phase 6.5 of the joint nuclear weapons life cycle process, as defined in section 4220 of the Atomic Energy Defense Act (50 U.S.C. 2521). The provision would also require the Administrator for Nuclear Security to provide an annual briefing to the congressional defense committees on NNSA's progress in establishing such a program on the day after the President's budget is submitted, starting in fiscal year 2025, which would end once the capability has been achieved.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would adjust the requirements to more closely align with anticipated schedules.

*Sec. 3128 - Integrated schedule for future-years nuclear security program*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3118) that would require the Administrator for Nuclear Security to develop an integrated master schedule related to nuclear warhead development.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would require, beginning in fiscal year 2025, the future years nuclear security program to include a high-level milestone schedule document that aligns schedules for major production infrastructure activities and weapons modernization programs.

## **SUBTITLE C—OTHER MATTERS**

*Sec. 3131 - U.S. nuclear fuel security initiative*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 3144) that would direct the Secretary of Energy to: (1) Establish a program, to be known as the "Nuclear Fuel Security Program," to increase the quantity of low-enriched uranium (LEU) and high-assay low-enriched uranium (HALEU) produced by U.S. nuclear energy companies; (2) Expand the American Assured Fuel Supply Program of the Department of Energy to ensure the availability of domestically produced, converted, enriched, deconverted, and reduced uranium in the event of a supply disruption; and (3) Establish a program, to be known as the "HALEU for Advanced Nuclear Reactor Demonstration Projects Program."

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 3132 - Updated financial integration policy*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 3131) that would direct the National Nuclear Security Administration to issue an updated financial integration policy.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

*Sec. 3133 - Plan for domestic enrichment capability to satisfy Department of Defense uranium requirements*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3132) that would direct the Administrator of the National Nuclear Security Administration to develop and submit to the congressional defense committees a strategy to establish a uranium enrichment capability dedicated to satisfying Department of Defense requirements.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 3134 - Briefings on implementation of enhanced mission delivery initiative*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 3118) that would require the Administrator for Nuclear Security to provide a briefing on the status of implementing the 18 principal recommendations and associated sub-elements of the report entitled "'Evolving the Nuclear Security Enterprise: A Report of the Enhanced Mission Delivery Initiative,'" published by the National Nuclear Security Administration in September 2022.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses with a technical amendment.

### **LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

#### *Limitation on use of funds pending submission of certain National Nuclear Security Administration reports*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3120) that would limit the availability of funds for the Administrator for Nuclear Security for travel until a briefing required in the committee report accompanying the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (H. Rept. 117-397) and a report required in the committee report accompanying the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (H. Rept. 117-118) are provided.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

The conferees note that the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) has submitted the necessary material referred to in the House provision. However, the conferees remain concerned that NNSA's management and operating (M&O) contract construct is not optimized to meet mission requirements and recognize the relevant findings of the report entitled "Evolving the Nuclear Security Enterprise: A Report of the Enhanced Mission Delivery Initiative," published by NNSA in September 2022. The conferees appreciate NNSA's willingness to explore changes to the current contract model and note its decision to extend the maximum performance period for the Pantex Plant M&O contract of up to 20 years in an effort to enhance performance and provide greater stability. The conferees expect the Administration for Nuclear Security to keep the congressional defense committees fully informed about the Pantex Plant M&O contract, as well as any further steps to evolve and improve the broader M&O contracting process. Additionally, the conferees note the Comptroller General's related review of NNSA's acquisition planning process and encourage NNSA to work closely with the Government Accountability Office in this effort.

#### *Analyses of nuclear programs of foreign countries*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 3120) that would improve the ability of the Department of Energy to conduct comprehensive, integrated analyses of the nuclear programs of foreign countries.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Enhancing National Nuclear Security Administration supply chain reliability*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 3121) that would require the National Nuclear Security Administration to establish a supply chain reliability assurance program that would facilitate collaboration with the Department of Defense and industrial partners to maintain a reliable domestic supplier base for critical materials and improve coordination with the Infrastructure and Operations Program and the Programmatic Recapitalization Working Group to improve planning for material requirements and potential disruptions to commercial or contractor supply chains.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Biennial detailed report on nuclear weapons stockpile stewardship, management, and responsiveness plan*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3131) that would modify the requirement for a plan for sustaining the nuclear weapons stockpile.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Independent assessment of plutonium pit aging milestones and progress*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3133) that would require an independent assessment related to plutonium aging.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees remain interested in progress made by the National Nuclear Security Administration to evaluate plutonium pit aging and encourage the Administrator for Nuclear Security to enter into an agreement with the scientific advisory group JASON, as directed by section 3124 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) as soon as possible, but no later than December 31, 2030, as required by subsection (b) (2).

*Sense of Congress regarding use of advanced nuclear reactors by the Armed Forces*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3134) that would express the sense of the House regarding the use of advanced nuclear reactors by the Armed Forces.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision. The House recesses.

The conferees note that:

(1) Aspects of the Armed Forces have intentions to use advanced nuclear reactors at United States military bases, both domestically and internationally, because of advanced nuclear technologies' potential ability to generate clean electricity consistently and reliably;

(2) The Armed Forces currently rely on fossil fuel, which presents potential safety risks and national security risks associated with such reliance;

(3) Advanced nuclear reactors can provide clean, uninterrupted electricity to power a wide array of domestic and international military operations;

(4) The Armed Forces have grown accustomed to an operational energy supply chain in times of peace, but the United States also needs to prepare for the logistical challenges arising from the battles of tomorrow; and

(5) Energy use on the battlefield will increase significantly over the next decade, and advanced nuclear reactors will be an important solution to providing a secure, dense, and firm energy supply.

#### *Military department use of advanced nuclear reactors*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3135) that would require the Secretary of each of the military departments to submit a statement that, if the military department concerned certifies in such statement that it is interested in potentially using advanced nuclear technology, an identification of what the individual branch would need in regards to enhancing regulatory certainty relating to deploying advanced nuclear reactors for military operations and logistical support.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees direct the Secretary of Defense to brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, not later than March 1, 2024, on each of the military departments' current efforts regarding advanced nuclear technology, including an identification of what the individual branch would need in regards to potential obstacles related to deploying advanced nuclear reactors for military operations and logistical support.

*Integration of technical expertise of Department of Energy into policymaking*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 3141) that would require the Secretary of Energy to improve the integration of the scientific and technical expertise of the Department of Energy, especially the expertise of the national laboratories, into policymaking.

The House bill contained no such provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Accelerating Deployment of Versatile, Advanced Nuclear for Clean Energy*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 8141) that includes the Accelerating Deployment of Versatile, Advanced Nuclear for Clean Energy Act of 2023.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

**TITLE XXXII—DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES  
SAFETY BOARD**

*Sec. 3201 - Authorization*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3201) that would authorize \$47,230,000 for the operation of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.

The Senate amendment contained an identical provision (sec. 3201).

The conference agreement includes this provision.

**TITLE XXXIV—NAVAL PETROLEUM RESERVES**

*Sec. 3401 - Authorization of appropriations*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3401) that would authorize \$13.0 million for fiscal year 2024 for operation and maintenance of the Naval Petroleum Reserves.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

**TITLE XXXV—MARITIME ADMINISTRATION**

## **SUBTITLE A—MARITIME ADMINISTRATION**

*Sec. 3501 - Authorization of appropriations for Maritime Administration*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3501) that would authorize funds for the Maritime Administration.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 3501).

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would, among other changes: (1) Increase the authorization for port infrastructure development and Student Incentive Payment programs; (2) Incorporate authorization of appropriation for developing a national maritime strategy; and (3) Authorize additional funding for National Defense Reserve Fleet vessel design.

## **SUBTITLE B—MARITIME INFRASTRUCTURE**

*Sec. 3511 - Port infrastructure development program eligible projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3511) that would amend the types of projects eligible for certain grants under the Port Infrastructure Development Program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 3512 - Assistance for small inland river and coastal ports and terminals*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3512) that would clarify the criteria for determining the eligibility of small inland river and coastal ports for assistance under the Port Infrastructure Development Program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would clarify the circumstances under which the Secretary of Transportation could use independent audit data in determining whether a port qualifies as a small inland river or coastal port under the section 54301 of title 46, United States Code.

*Sec. 3513 - Port infrastructure development program: eligibility of shore power projects; selection criteria*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3513) that would define additional projects that would be eligible to receive grants under the Port Infrastructure Development Program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would waive consideration of the cost effectiveness as a criterion in making grants for shore power projects for noncontiguous States or territories under section 54310 of title 46, United States Code.

*Sec. 3514 - Codification of existing language; technical amendments*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3514) that would codify language from previous National Defense Authorization Acts related to the Port Infrastructure Development Program and Maritime Administration navigation and inspection laws. This section would also make technical amendments to the Deepwater Port Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-627) and other sections of title 46, United States Code.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with technical amendments.

## **SUBTITLE C—REPORTS**

*Sec. 3521 - Reports on maritime industry, policies, and programs*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3521) that would amend chapter 553 of title 46, United States Code, to require the Administrator of the Maritime Administration to report annually to Congress on the compliance of all federal agencies with cargo preference laws. The House bill also contained a provision (sec. 3523) that would require the Administrator of the Maritime Administration to submit a report on port preferences for U.S.-flag vessels.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would combine the two House provisions and would additionally require: (1) The Secretary of Transportation to submit a report annually for the next five years on a survey of United States shipbuilding and repair facilities in accordance with sections 50102 and 50103 of title 46, United States Code, and section 502(f) of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936 (Public Law 74-835); (2) The Administrator of the Maritime Administration to submit a report on increasing effectiveness of marine highways; and (3) The Comptroller General to submit the findings of a study on the availability of Federal student aid for mariner training.

*Sec. 3522 - Reports on availability of used sealift vessels and the scrapping and recycling of imported vessels*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3522) that would require the Commander of U.S. Transportation Command to submit a report on the expected availability of used commercial sealift vessels over the next 5 years.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would: (1) Add the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate as a recipient of the used vessel report; and (2) Require the Administrator of the Maritime Administration and the Deputy Under Secretary for International Affairs of the Department of Labor to conduct a study of domestic United States ship scrapping capacity and capability to handle scrapping and recycling of imported vessels.

*Sec. 3523 - Study on foreign ownership and control of marine terminals*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3523) that would require the Maritime Administrator to submit a report to Congress on any preference afforded by port authorities and marine terminal operators to certain vessels documented under the laws of the United States.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would shift the original House port preference report to another section in this Act, and require the Secretary of Transportation to enter into an agreement with a federally funded research and development center under which the center would evaluate how foreign state-owned enterprises with leases, long-term concessions, partial ownership, or ownership of marine terminals (including marine terminal operators) at the 15 largest United States container ports affect, or could affect, United States national and economic security.

*Sec. 3524 - Reports to Congress*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3524) that would require the Secretary of Defense to report to Congress on the implementation of changes in cargo preference legislation made to section 2631 of title 10, United States Code, by section 1024 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes.

## **SUBTITLE D—OTHER MATTERS**

### *Sec. 3531 - Cargoes procured, furnished, or financed by the United States Government*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3531) that would amend section 55305 of title 46, United States Code, to designate the Maritime Administration as the authority to determine non-availability of qualified United States flag capacity at a fair and reasonable rate for commercial vessels to support a waiver of requirements under section 55305 or section 55314 of title 46, United States Code. The section would also set the duration of any such waivers and require congressional notifications for waivers issued.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would modify the conditions for documenting a vessel under the laws of the United States, and permit a port captain to waive the requirements of inspection for small passenger vessels, specifically overnight fishing charters.

### *Sec. 3532 - Recapitalization of National Defense Reserve Fleet*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3532) that would amend section 3546 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263) regarding a plan for recapitalizing the National Defense Reserve Fleet (NDRF), provide limitations on certain Navy expenditures until a report is submitted containing a detailed description of the acquisition strategy for a domestic new build sealift program for recapitalizing the NDRF, and eliminate a provision that would make a requirement to complete of a design of a roll-on, roll-off cargo vessel subject to the availability of appropriations.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would make the requirement to complete the cargo vessel design subject to the availability of appropriations made specifically available to the Navy for reimbursements to the Ready Reserve Force (RRF), a subset of the NDRF.

The conferees believe that the Department of Defense needs a modernized RRF to support potential wartime demands for hauling equipment and cargo, and that a new build sealift program for the RRF, based on a possible design by the Department of Transportation, could help in that effort.

*Sec. 3533 - United States Merchant Marine Academy and Coast Guard Academy matters; Maritime Administration requirements.*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3533) that would prohibit any expenditure of funds by the Maritime Administration for travel expenses in fiscal year 2024 until the date on which the Secretary of Transportation submits the reports required by section 3515(a) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263). The reports were to describe implementation of the recommendations of a National Academy of Public Administration panel report on the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy. The section would make certain exceptions to this prohibition for travels expenses related to the administration of grants under the Port Infrastructure Development Program, Small Shipyards Grant program, Maritime Environmental and Technical Assistance Program, or the Marine Highways Transportation program.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would: (1) Remove the limitation of travel funds for the Maritime Administration; (2) Require quarterly updates during fiscal year 2024 on the status of any outstanding reports required by section 3515 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263); (3) Require the Secretary of Transportation to develop a training course on the workings of Congress, offer that training course at least once each year, prescribe the content required in that training course, and identify the officials required to complete the course; (4) Direct the Comptroller General to conduct an assessment of Maritime Administration staffing requirements; and (5) Direct the Commandant of the Coast Guard to provide a briefing plan to improve Coast Guard Academy student housing and facilities.

*Sec. 3534 - Maritime workforce working group*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3534) that would require the Maritime Administrator to convene a working group to examine and assess the size of the pool of credentialed mariners necessary to support the United States flag fleet.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The Senate recedes with an amendment that would: (1) Expand participation in the working group; (2) Increase the range of topics to be covered by the working group; and (3)

Provide a temporary change in credentialing requirements for able seaman.

*Sec. 3535 - Consideration of life-cycle cost estimates for acquisition and procurement of vessels*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3535) that would require the Secretary of Transportation to consider the life-cycle cost estimates of new National Defense Reserve Fleet vessels during design and evaluation.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 3536 - Loans for retrofitting to qualify as a vessel of the United States*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3538) that would expand the coverage of loan guarantee authority for retrofitting or similar activities conducted on a vessel to qualify that vessels as a United States vessel.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recedes.

*Sec. 3537 - Accountability for National Maritime Strategy*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3539) that would require the Administrator of the Maritime Administration to provide to the appropriate congressional committees biannual briefings on the status of establishing a national maritime strategy and detail required elements of such briefings.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recedes with a technical amendment.

**LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Update to categorical exclusions used by Maritime Administration in reviewing environmental impacts of transportation projects*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3515) that would require the Secretary of Transportation to survey the Maritime Administration on the use of categorical exclusions in the review of transportation projects since 2013 and publish the results of that survey in the Federal Register along with any new categorical exclusions relevant to maritime projects or projects sponsored by the Maritime Administration. The provision would also require the Secretary of Transportation to begin a rulemaking process for the new categorical exclusions

identified, as well as develop a process for considering new categorical exclusions in the future.

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

#### *Source restrictions on auxiliary ship components*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3536) that would require the Secretary of Defense to finalize the rule from the Federal Register on September 29, 2020, titled "Source Restrictions on Auxiliary Ship Components."

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees note that the Secretary published the final rule in the Federal Register earlier this year since the House bill was passed.

#### *Authorization of appropriations for national maritime strategy*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 3537) that would authorize \$2.0 million for the Maritime Administration to implement the development of a national maritime strategy, as required by section 3542 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263).

The Senate amendment contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

The conferees recommendation for this authorization in included elsewhere in this Act.

## **DIVISION D—FUNDING TABLES**

#### *Sec. 4001 - Authorization of amounts in funding tables*

The House bill contained a provision (sec. 4001) that would provide for the allocation of funds among programs, projects, and activities in accordance with the tables in division D of this Act, subject to reprogramming guidance in accordance with established procedures.

The Senate amendment contained a similar provision (sec. 4001).

The House recesses.

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	FY 2024 Request	Conference Change	Conference Authorized
<b>DISCRETIONARY AUTHORIZATIONS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE</b>			
<b>National Defense Funding, Base Budget Request</b>			
<b>Function 051, Department of Defense-Military</b>			
<b>Division A: Department of Defense Authorizations</b>			
<b>Title I—Procurement</b>			
Aircraft Procurement, Army .....	3,012,440	300,770	3,313,210
Missile Procurement, Army .....	4,962,017	–16,750	4,945,267
Weapons & Tracked Combat Vehicles, Army .....	3,765,521	939,096	4,704,617
Procurement of Ammunition, Army .....	2,967,578	30,611	2,998,189
Other Procurement, Army .....	8,672,979	52,774	8,725,753
Aircraft Procurement, Navy .....	17,336,760	672,149	18,008,909
Weapons Procurement, Navy .....	6,876,385	–122,072	6,754,313
Procurement of Ammunition, Navy & Marine Corps .....	1,293,273	27,008	1,320,281
Shipbuilding & Conversion, Navy .....	32,848,950	74,424	32,923,374
Other Procurement, Navy .....	14,535,257	4,279	14,539,536
Procurement, Marine Corps .....	3,979,212	–60,872	3,918,340
Aircraft Procurement, Air Force .....	20,315,204	–665,390	19,649,814
Missile Procurement, Air Force .....	5,530,446		5,530,446
Procurement of Ammunition, Air Force .....	703,158	–32,056	671,102
Other Procurement, Air Force .....	30,417,892	279,153	30,697,045
Procurement, Space Force .....	4,714,294	–528,100	4,186,194
Procurement, Defense-Wide .....	6,056,975	126,100	6,183,075
National Guard & Reserve Equipment .....		100,000	100,000
<b>Subtotal, Title I—Procurement .....</b>	<b>167,988,341</b>	<b>1,181,124</b>	<b>169,169,465</b>
<b>Title II—Research, Development, Test and Evaluation</b>			
Research, Development, Test & Evaluation, Army .....	15,775,381	190,771	15,966,152
Research, Development, Test & Evaluation, Navy .....	26,922,225	–199,668	26,722,557
Research, Development, Test & Evaluation, Air Force .....	46,565,356	–272,748	46,292,608
Research, Development, Test & Evaluation, Space Force .....	19,199,340	502,576	19,701,916
Research, Development, Test & Evaluation, Defense- Wide .....	36,185,834	744,163	36,929,997
Operational Test & Evaluation, Defense .....	331,489		331,489
<b>Subtotal, Title II—Research, Development, Test and Evaluation .....</b>	<b>144,979,625</b>	<b>965,094</b>	<b>145,944,719</b>
<b>Title III—Operation and Maintenance</b>			
Operation & Maintenance, Army .....	59,554,553	268,327	59,822,880
Operation & Maintenance, Army Reserve .....	3,630,948	–16,300	3,614,648
Operation & Maintenance, Army National Guard .....	8,683,104	–70,500	8,612,604
Counter-ISIS Train and Equip Fund .....	397,950		397,950
Operation & Maintenance, Navy .....	72,244,533	–149,876	72,094,657
Operation & Maintenance, Marine Corps .....	10,281,913	–58,009	10,223,904
Operation & Maintenance, Navy Reserve .....	1,380,810	–8,100	1,372,710
Operation & Maintenance, Marine Corps Reserve .....	329,395	–4,900	324,495

## SUMMARY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024—Continued

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	FY 2024 Request	Conference Change	Conference Authorized
Operation & Maintenance, Air Force .....	62,750,095	-766,744	61,983,351
Operation & Maintenance, Space Force .....	5,017,468	-54,027	4,963,441
Operation & Maintenance, Air Force Reserve .....	4,116,256	-70,500	4,045,756
Operation & Maintenance, Air National Guard .....	7,253,694	-84,200	7,169,494
Operation & Maintenance, Defense-Wide .....	52,767,563	-233,835	52,533,728
United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces	16,620		16,620
DOD Acquisition Workforce Development Fund .....	54,977		54,977
Overseas Humanitarian, Disaster, and Civic Aid .....	114,900		114,900
Cooperative Threat Reduction Account .....	350,999		350,999
Environmental Restoration, Army .....	198,760		198,760
Environmental Restoration, Navy .....	335,240		335,240
Environmental Restoration, Air Force .....	349,744		349,744
Environmental Restoration, Defense .....	8,965		8,965
Environmental Restoration, Formerly Used Sites .....	232,806		232,806
<b>Subtotal, Title III—Operation and Maintenance .....</b>	<b>290,071,293</b>	<b>-1,248,664</b>	<b>288,822,629</b>
<b>Title IV—Military Personnel</b>			
Military Personnel Appropriations .....	168,320,510	-2,108,861	166,211,649
Medicare-Eligible Retiree Health Fund Contributions ...	10,553,456		10,553,456
<b>Subtotal, Title IV—Military Personnel .....</b>	<b>178,873,966</b>	<b>-2,108,861</b>	<b>176,765,105</b>
<b>Title XIV—Other Authorizations</b>			
National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund .....	7,629		7,629
Working Capital Fund, Army .....	29,213		29,213
Working Capital Fund, Air Force .....	83,587		83,587
Working Capital Fund, Defense-Wide .....	114,667		114,667
Working Capital Fund, DECA .....	1,447,612		1,447,612
Chemical Agents & Munitions Destruction .....	1,091,844		1,091,844
Drug Interdiction and Counter Drug Activities .....	886,426	32,500	918,926
Office of the Inspector General .....	525,365		525,365
Defense Health Program .....	38,413,960	-110,658	38,303,302
<b>Subtotal, Title XIV—Other Authorizations .....</b>	<b>42,600,303</b>	<b>-78,158</b>	<b>42,522,145</b>
<b>Total, Division A: Department of Defense Authoriza- tions .....</b>	<b>824,513,528</b>	<b>-1,289,465</b>	<b>823,224,063</b>
<b>Division B: Military Construction Authorizations</b>			
<b>Military Construction</b>			
Army .....	1,470,555	441,734	1,912,289
Navy .....	6,022,187	-718,147	5,304,040
Air Force .....	2,605,314	552,700	3,158,014
Defense-Wide .....	2,984,682	213,889	3,198,571
NATO Security Investment Program .....	293,434	50,000	343,434
Army National Guard .....	340,186	391,892	732,078
Army Reserve .....	107,076	127,000	234,076
Navy and Marine Corps Reserve .....	51,291	15,000	66,291
Air National Guard .....	178,722	182,543	361,265
Air Force Reserve .....	291,572	55,000	346,572
Unaccompanied Housing Improvement Fund .....	496		496

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	FY 2024 Request	Conference Change	Conference Authorized
<b>Subtotal, Military Construction</b> .....	<b>14,345,515</b>	<b>1,311,611</b>	<b>15,657,126</b>
<b>Family Housing</b>			
Construction, Army .....	304,895	11,389	316,284
Operation & Maintenance, Army .....	385,485		385,485
Construction, Navy and Marine Corps .....	277,142		277,142
Operation & Maintenance, Navy and Marine Corps .....	363,854		363,854
Construction, Air Force .....	237,097	27,000	264,097
Operation & Maintenance, Air Force .....	314,386		314,386
Operation & Maintenance, Defense-Wide .....	50,785		50,785
Improvement Fund .....	6,611		6,611
<b>Subtotal, Family Housing</b> .....	<b>1,940,255</b>	<b>38,389</b>	<b>1,978,644</b>
<b>Base Realignment and Closure</b>			
Base Realignment and Closure—Army .....	150,640	50,000	200,640
Base Realignment and Closure—Navy .....	108,818	50,000	158,818
Base Realignment and Closure—Air Force .....	123,990	50,000	173,990
Base Realignment and Closure—Defense-wide .....	5,726		5,726
<b>Subtotal, Base Realignment and Closure</b> .....	<b>389,174</b>	<b>150,000</b>	<b>539,174</b>
<b>Total, Division B: Military Construction Authoriza- tions</b> .....	<b>16,674,944</b>	<b>1,500,000</b>	<b>18,174,944</b>
<b>Total, 051, Department of Defense-Military</b> .....	<b>841,188,472</b>	<b>210,535</b>	<b>841,399,007</b>
<b>Division C: Department of Energy National Security Authorization and Other Authorizations</b>			
<b>Function 053, Atomic Energy Defense Activities</b>			
<b>Environmental and Other Defense Activities</b>			
Nuclear Energy .....	177,733	-17,733	160,000
Weapons Activities .....	18,832,947	288,729	19,121,676
Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation .....	2,508,959	-64,707	2,444,252
Naval Reactors .....	1,964,100		1,964,100
Federal Salaries and Expenses .....	538,994	-20,000	518,994
Defense Environmental Cleanup .....	7,073,587	-29,824	7,043,763
Defense Uranium Enrichment D&D .....	427,000	-427,000	0
Other Defense Activities .....	1,075,197		1,075,197
<b>Subtotal, Environmental and Other Defense Activi- ties</b> .....	<b>32,598,517</b>	<b>-270,535</b>	<b>32,327,982</b>
<b>Independent Federal Agency Authorization</b>			
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board .....	47,230		47,230
<b>Subtotal, Independent Federal Agency Authorization</b> .....	<b>47,230</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>47,230</b>
<b>Subtotal, 053, Atomic Energy Defense Activities</b> .....	<b>32,645,747</b>	<b>-270,535</b>	<b>32,375,212</b>

**Function 054, Defense-Related Activities****Other Agency Authorizations**

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	FY 2024 Request	Conference Change	Conference Authorized
Maritime Security Program .....	318,000		318,000
Tanker Security Program (previously authorized) .....	60,000	60,000	120,000
<b>Subtotal, Other Agency Authorizations .....</b>	<b>378,000</b>	<b>60,000</b>	<b>438,000</b>
<b>Subtotal, 054, Defense-Related Activities .....</b>	<b>378,000</b>	<b>60,000</b>	<b>438,000</b>
<b>Subtotal, Division C: Department of Energy National Security Authorization and Other Authorizations ..</b>	<b>33,023,747</b>	<b>-210,535</b>	<b>32,813,212</b>
<b>Total, National Defense .....</b>	<b>874,212,219</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>874,212,219</b>
<b>MEMORANDUM: NON-DEFENSE AUTHORIZATIONS .....</b>	<b>692,224</b>	<b>431,280</b>	<b>1,123,504</b>
Title XIV—Armed Forces Retirement Home (Function 700) .....	77,000		77,000
Title XXXIV—Naval Petroleum and Oil Shale Reserves (Function 270) .....	13,010		13,010
Title XXXV—Maritime Administration (Function 400) ..	602,214	431,280	1,033,494
<b>MEMORANDUM: TRANSFER AUTHORITIES (NON-ADD)</b>			
Title X—General Transfer Authority .....	[8,000,000]	[-2,000,000]	[6,000,000]
<b>MEMORANDUM: DEFENSE AUTHORIZATIONS NOT UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE ARMED SERVICES COM- MITTEE (NON-ADD)</b>			
Defense Production Act .....	968,605		968,605

## NATIONAL DEFENSE BUDGET AUTHORITY IMPLICATION

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	FY 2024 Request	Conference Change	Conference Authorized
<b>Summary, Discretionary Authorizations Within the Jurisdiction of the Armed Services Committee</b>			
<b>SUBTOTAL, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (051)</b> .....	<b>841,188,472</b>	<b>210,535</b>	<b>841,399,007</b>
<b>SUBTOTAL, ATOMIC ENERGY DEFENSE PROGRAMS (053)</b> .....	<b>32,645,747</b>	<b>-270,535</b>	<b>32,375,212</b>
<b>SUBTOTAL, DEFENSE-RELATED ACTIVITIES (054)</b> .....	<b>378,000</b>	<b>60,000</b>	<b>438,000</b>
<b>TOTAL, NATIONAL DEFENSE</b> .....	<b>874,212,219</b>		<b>874,212,219</b>
<b>Scoring adjustments</b>			
Transfers to non-Defense budget functions (051) .....	-187,000		-187,000
Defense Production Act, Negative subsidies (051) .....	-9,000		-9,000
<b>Subtotal, Scoring Adjustments</b> .....	<b>-196,000</b>		<b>-196,000</b>
<b>National Defense Discretionary Programs not In the Jurisdiction of the Armed Services Committee or Do Not Require Additional Authorization (CBO Estimates)</b>			
Defense Production Act Purchases .....	968,605		968,605
Indefinite Account: Disposal of DOD Real Property .....	7,000		7,000
Indefinite Account: Lease of DOD Real Property .....	32,000		32,000
<b>Subtotal, Budget Sub-Function 051</b> .....	<b>1,007,605</b>		<b>1,007,605</b>
Corps of Engineers—Civil Works, Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program .....	200,000		200,000
<b>Subtotal, Budget Sub-Function 053</b> .....	<b>200,000</b>		<b>200,000</b>
Other Discretionary Programs .....	11,125,000		11,125,000
<b>Subtotal, Budget Sub-Function 054</b> .....	<b>11,125,000</b>		<b>11,125,000</b>
<b>Total Defense Discretionary Adjustments (050)</b> .....	<b>12,136,605</b>		<b>12,136,605</b>
<b>Budget Authority Implication, National Defense Discretionary</b>			
Department of Defense--Military (051) .....	842,000,077	210,535	842,210,612
Atomic Energy Defense Activities (053) .....	32,845,747	-270,535	32,575,212
Defense-Related Activities (054) .....	11,503,000	60,000	11,563,000
<b>Total BA Implication, National Defense Discretionary</b> .....	<b>886,348,824</b>		<b>886,348,824</b>
<b>National Defense Mandatory Programs, Current Law (CBO Baseline)</b>			
Concurrent receipt accrual payments to the Military Retirement Fund .....	19,704,000		19,704,000
Revolving, trust and other DOD Mandatory .....	2,104,000		2,104,000
TID for CHIPS Act (Defense) .....	400,000		400,000
Offsetting receipts .....	-2,001,000		-2,001,000
<b>Subtotal, Budget Sub-Function 051</b> .....	<b>20,207,000</b>		<b>20,207,000</b>
Energy employees occupational illness compensation programs and other .....	2,339,000		2,339,000
DOE Defense environmental cleanup and Weapons activities .....	37,000		37,000
CDC-Wide Activities and Program Support .....	56,000		56,000
<b>Subtotal, Budget Sub-Function 053</b> .....	<b>2,432,000</b>		<b>2,432,000</b>
Payment to CIA retirement fund .....	514,000		514,000
Radiation exposure compensation .....	26,000		26,000
<b>Subtotal, Budget Sub-Function 054</b> .....	<b>540,000</b>		<b>540,000</b>

**NATIONAL DEFENSE BUDGET AUTHORITY IMPLICATION—Continued**

(In Thousands of Dollars)

	<b>FY 2024 Request</b>	<b>Conference Change</b>	<b>Conference Authorized</b>
<b>Total National Defense Mandatory (050)</b> .....	<b>23,179,000</b>		<b>23,179,000</b>
<b>Budget Authority Implication, National Defense Discretionary and Mandatory</b>			
Department of Defense--Military (051) .....	862,207,077	210,535	862,417,612
Atomic Energy Defense Activities (053) .....	35,277,747	-270,535	35,007,212
Defense-Related Activities (054) .....	12,043,000	60,000	12,103,000
<b>Total BA Implication, National Defense Discretionary and Mandatory</b> .....	<b>909,527,824</b>		<b>909,527,824</b>

# TITLE XLI—PROCUREMENT

## SEC. 4101. PROCUREMENT.

### SEC. 4101. PROCUREMENT (In Thousands of Dollars)

Line	Item	FY 2024 Request		House Authorized		Senate Authorized		Conference Change		Conference Authorized	
		Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost
<b>AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, ARMY</b>											
<b>FIXED WING</b>											
003	FUTURE UAS FAMILY .....		53,453		53,453		53,453				53,453
005	SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS .....		20,769		20,769		20,769				20,769
<b>ROTARY</b>											
006	AH-64 APACHE BLOCK IIIA REMAN .....	42	718,578	42	718,578	42	718,578			42	718,578
007	AH-64 APACHE BLOCK IIIA REMAN AP .....		110,360		110,360		110,360				110,360
008	UH-60 BLACKHAWK M MODEL (MYP) .....	24	668,238	24	668,238	24	668,238			24	668,238
009	UH-60 BLACKHAWK M MODEL (MYP) AP .....		92,494		92,494		92,494				92,494
010	UH-60 BLACK HAWK L AND V MODELS .....	26	153,196	26	153,196	26	153,196			26	153,196
011	CH-47 HELICOPTER .....	6	202,487	10	379,987	6	202,487	4	177,500	10	379,987
	Four Additional Aircraft .....			(4)	(177,500)			(4)	(177,500)		
012	CH-47 HELICOPTER AP .....		18,936		18,936		18,936				18,936
	CH-47F Block II—Adv Procurement .....			2	(22,500)				(22,500)		
012A	UH-72B LAKOTA HELICOPTER .....			2	20,000						20,000
	Two aircraft .....			(2)	(20,000)						(20,000)
<b>MODIFICATION OF AIRCRAFT</b>											
013	MQ-1 PAYLOAD .....		13,650		13,650		13,650				13,650
014	GRAY EAGLE MODS2 .....		14,959		14,959		14,959				14,959
	Program increase .....				(25,000)						(68,000)
016	AH-64 MODS .....		113,127		113,127		113,127				113,127
017	CH-47 CARGO HELICOPTER MODS (MYP) .....		20,689		20,689		20,689				20,689
022	UTILITY HELICOPTER MODS .....		35,879		35,879		35,879				35,879
	Black Hawk Mods—60kVA Generators .....				(15,000)						(15,000)
	Litter Basket Stabilization Systems .....				(15,000)						(3,000)
023	NETWORK AND MISSION PLAN .....		32,418		32,418		32,418				32,418



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<b>MODIFICATIONS</b>												
021	PATRIOT MODS .....		212,247		212,247		212,247					212,247
022	STINGER MODS .....		36,484		36,484		36,484					36,484
023	AVENGER MODS .....		22,274		22,274		22,274					22,274
025	MLRS MODS .....		168,198		168,198		168,198					168,198
026	HIMARS MODIFICATIONS .....		76,266		76,266		76,266					76,266
027	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....		6,573		6,573		6,573					6,573
028	SUPPORT EQUIPMENT & FACILITIES .....		11,701		11,701		11,701					11,701
	AIR DEFENSE TARGETS .....	8,064	4,962,017	8,064	4,951,517	8,064	4,962,017		-16,750	8,064	4,945,267	
	TOTAL MISSILE PROCUREMENT, ARMY .....											
<b>PROCUREMENT OF WEAPONS AND TRACKED COMBAT VEHICLES, ARMY</b>												
<b>TRACKED COMBAT VEHICLES</b>												
001	ARMORED MULTI PURPOSE VEHICLE (AMPV) .....	91	554,777	91	552,277	91	554,777		-2,500	91	552,277	
	Program decrease .....				[-2,500]							
003	MOBILE PROTECTED FIREPOWER .....	33	394,635	33	386,235	33	394,635		-8,000	33	386,635	
	Excessive growth—systems, technical support .....				[-8,400]							
<b>MODIFICATION OF TRACKED COMBAT VEHICLES</b>												
004	STRYKER UPGRADE .....	85	614,282	105	756,682	85	614,282		135,400	132	749,682	
	Excessive growth—fleet modifications .....				[-4,600]							
	Program increase .....			[20]	[147,000]					[47]		
005	BRADLEY FIRE SUPPORT TEAM (BFST) VEHICLE .....	128	5,232	128	5,232	128	5,232			128	5,232	
006	BRADLEY PROGRAM (MOD) .....		158,274		252,774		158,274		58,796		217,070	
	Program increase .....				[94,500]				[65,000]			
	Unjustified growth: modification 7 installation .....								[-6,204]			
007	M109 FOV MODIFICATIONS .....	24	469,152	30	579,152	24	469,152		205,000	35	674,152	
008	PALADIN INTEGRATED MANAGEMENT (PIM) .....			[6]	[110,000]				[205,000]			
	Program increase .....											
009	IMPROVED RECOVERY VEHICLE (M88 HERCULES) .....	24	41,058	24	41,058	24	41,058			24	41,058	
012	JOINT ASSAULT BRIDGE .....	24	159,804	24	159,804	24	159,804			24	159,804	
013	ABRAMS UPGRADE PROGRAM .....	34	697,883	47	974,383	34	697,883		542,400	87	1,240,283	



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	Excess to need .....										
008	CTG, 30MM, ALL TYPES .....		107,805		107,805		107,805				107,805
009	CTG, 40MM, ALL TYPES .....		148,970		148,970		148,970				148,970
010	CTG, 50MM, ALL TYPES .....		28,000		28,000		28,000				28,000
	<b>MORTAR AMMUNITION</b>										
011	60MM MORTAR, ALL TYPES .....		35,160		35,160		35,160				35,160
012	81MM MORTAR, ALL TYPES .....		40,562		40,562		40,562				40,562
013	120MM MORTAR, ALL TYPES .....		106,784		106,784		106,784				106,784
	<b>TANK AMMUNITION</b>										
014	CARTRIDGES, TANK, 105MM AND 120MM, ALL TYPES .....		300,368		300,368		300,368				300,368
	<b>ARTILLERY AMMUNITION</b>										
015	ARTILLERY CARTRIDGES, 75MM & 105MM, ALL TYPES .....		21,298		21,298		21,298				21,298
016	ARTILLERY PROJECTILE, 155MM, ALL TYPES .....		150,839		150,839		150,839				150,839
018	PRECISION ARTILLERY MUNITIONS .....		96,406		96,406		96,406				96,406
019	ARTILLERY PROPELLANTS, FUZES AND PRIMERS, ALL .....		172,947		172,947		172,947				172,947
	<b>MINES</b>										
020	MINES & CLEARING CHARGES, ALL TYPES .....		71,182		71,182		71,182				71,182
021	CLOSE TERRAIN SHAPING OBSTACLE .....		55,374		55,374		55,374				55,374
	<b>ROCKETS</b>										
022	SHOULDER LAUNCHED MUNITIONS, ALL TYPES .....		18,630		18,630		18,630				18,630
023	ROCKET, HYDRA 70, ALL TYPES .....		87,293		87,293		87,293				87,293
	<b>OTHER AMMUNITION</b>										
024	CAD/PAD, ALL TYPES .....		6,564		6,564		6,564				6,564
025	DEMOLITION MUNITIONS, ALL TYPES .....		24,238		24,238		24,238				24,238
026	GRENADES, ALL TYPES .....		48,374		48,374		48,374				48,374
027	SIGNALS, ALL TYPES .....		23,252		23,252		23,252				23,252
028	SIMULATORS, ALL TYPES .....		11,309		11,309		11,309				11,309
	<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>										
030	AMMO COMPONENTS, ALL TYPES .....		3,976		3,976		3,976				3,976
031	NON-LETHAL AMMUNITION, ALL TYPES .....		3,281		3,281		3,281				3,281
032	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION (AMMO) .....		17,436		17,436		17,436				17,436
033	AMMUNITION PECULIAR EQUIPMENT .....		13,133		13,133		13,133				13,133
034	FIRST DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION (AMMO) .....		18,068		18,068		18,068				18,068

035	CLOSEOUT LIABILITIES .....	102	102	102		
	<b>PRODUCTION BASE SUPPORT</b>					
036	INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES .....	726,135	726,135	726,135		726,135
037	CONVENTIONAL MUNITIONS DEMILITARIZATION .....	80,602	183,752	183,752		183,752
	Unjustified growth—EP1800 Conventional Ammunition Demilitarization	[-98,450]				
	Unjustified growth—EP1803 Non Army Missile Demilitarization	[-4,700]				
038	ARMS INITIATIVE .....	4,057	4,057	4,057		4,057
	<b>TOTAL PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, ARMY .....</b>	<b>2,951,388</b>	<b>2,957,578</b>	<b>30,611</b>	<b>30,611</b>	<b>2,986,189</b>
	<b>OTHER PROCUREMENT, ARMY</b>					
	<b>TACTICAL VEHICLES</b>					
001	SEMITRAILERS, FLATBED: .....	22,751	22,751	22,751		22,751
002	SEMITRAILERS, TANKERS .....	40,359	40,359	40,359		40,359
003	HI MOB MULTI-PURP WHLD VEH (HMMWV) .....	25,904	25,904	25,904		25,904
004	GROUND MOBILITY VEHICLES (GMV) .....	36,223	36,223	36,223		36,223
	Program increase	[25,000]				
006	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE FAMILY OF VEHICL .....	839,413	839,413	839,413		839,413
	Unit cost increases	[14,000]				
	Vehicle safety data recorders with predictive logistics for weapons and vehicles.					
007	TRUCK, DUMP, 20T (CCE) .....	20,075	20,075	20,075		20,075
	Program increase	[30,000]				
008	FAMILY OF MEDIUM TACTICAL VEH (FMIV) .....	110,734	110,734	110,734		110,734
009	FAMILY OF COLD WEATHER ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE .....	28,745	28,745	28,745		28,745
010	FIRETRUCKS & ASSOCIATED FIGHTING EQUIP .....	55,340	55,340	55,340		55,340
011	FAMILY OF HEAVY TACTICAL VEHICLES (FHTV) .....	66,428	66,428	66,428		66,428
	Incomplete development goals	[-14,993]				
	Program increase	[50,000]				
012	PLS ESP .....	51,868	51,868	51,868		51,868
014	TACTICAL WHEELED VEHICLE PROTECTION MTS .....	3,792	3,792	3,792		3,792
015	MODIFICATION OF IN SVC EQUIP .....	80,326	80,326	80,326		80,326
	HMMWV ABS/FESC	[70,000]				
	<b>NON-TACTICAL VEHICLES</b>					
016	PASSENGER CARRYING VEHICLES .....	2,203	2,203	2,203		2,203
017	NON-TACTICAL VEHICLES, OTHER .....	8,246	8,246	8,246		8,246
	<b>COMM—JOINT COMMUNICATIONS</b>					
018	SIGNAL MODERNIZATION PROGRAM .....	151,185	151,585	151,185		151,185
	Program decrease	[-10,400]				

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019	TACTICAL NETWORK TECHNOLOGY MOD IN SVC .....		358,646		376,646		358,646		-2,503			356,143
	On-the-Move Satellite Communications Terminals .....				[18,000]				[9,500]			
	SATCOM obsolescence previously funded .....								[-12,003]			
020	DISASTER INCIDENT RESPONSE COMMS TERMINAL (DI) .....		254		254		254					254
021	JCSE EQUIPMENT (USRDECOM) .....		5,097		5,097		5,097					5,097
	<b>COMM—SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS</b>											
024	DEFENSE ENTERPRISE WIDEBAND SATCOM SYSTEMS .....		101,181		101,181		101,181					101,181
025	TRANSPORTABLE TACTICAL COMMAND COMMUNICATIONS .....		54,849		54,849		54,849					54,849
026	SHF TERM .....		41,634		41,634		41,634					41,634
027	ASSURED POSITIONING, NAVIGATION AND TIMING .....		202,370		202,370		202,370					202,370
028	EHF SATELLITE COMMUNICATION .....		19,122		19,122		19,122					19,122
030	GLOBAL BRODCST SVC—GBS .....		531		531		531					531
	<b>COMM—C3 SYSTEM</b>											
031	COE TACTICAL SERVER INFRASTRUCTURE (TSI) .....		77,999		77,999		77,999					77,999
	<b>COMM—COMBAT COMMUNICATIONS</b>											
032	HANDHELD MANPACK SMALL FORM FIT (HMS) .....		765,109		760,066		765,109		-5,043			760,066
	Excess to need .....				[-5,043]				[-5,043]			
033	ARMY LINK 16 SYSTEMS .....		60,767		60,767		60,767					60,767
035	UNIFIED COMMAND SUITE .....		18,999		18,999		18,999					18,999
036	COTS COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT .....		492,001		484,901		492,001		-7,100			484,901
	Program decrease .....				[-7,100]				[-7,100]			
037	FAMILY OF MED COMM FOR COMBAT CASUALTY CARE .....		1,374		1,374		1,374					1,374
038	ARMY COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONICS .....		52,485		52,485		52,485					52,485
	<b>COMM—INTELLIGENCE COMM</b>											
039	CI AUTOMATION ARCHITECTURE-INTEL .....		16,767		16,767		16,767					16,767
041	MULTI-DOMAIN INTELLIGENCE .....		119,989		119,989		119,989					119,989
	<b>INFORMATION SECURITY</b>											
042	INFORMATION SYSTEM SECURITY PROGRAM-ISSP .....		701		701		701					701
043	COMMUNICATIONS SECURITY (COMSEC) .....		159,712		159,712		159,712					159,712
044	DEFENSIVE CYBER OPERATIONS .....		13,848		13,848		13,848					13,848
045	INSIDER THREAT PROGRAM—UNIT ACTIVITY MONIT .....		1,502		1,502		1,502					1,502
047	BIOMETRIC ENABLING CAPABILITY (BEC) .....		453		453		453					453
	<b>COMM—LONG HAUL COMMUNICATIONS</b>											



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	<b>ELECT EQUIP—TACTICAL C2 SYSTEMS</b>										
083	ARMY COMMAND POST INTEGRATED INFRASTRUCTURE .....		78,512		78,512		78,512				78,512
084	FIRE SUPPORT C2 FAMILY .....		10,052		10,052		10,052				10,052
085	AIR & INSL DEFENSE PLANNING & CONTROL SYS .....		68,892		68,892		68,892				68,892
086	IAMD BATTLE COMMAND SYSTEM .....		412,556		412,556		412,556				395,456
	Excess Interim Contractor Support .....				[-17,100]						[-17,100]
087	LIFE CYCLE SOFTWARE SUPPORT (LSS) .....		4,270		4,270		4,270				4,270
088	NETWORK MANAGEMENT INITIALIZATION AND SERVICE .....		37,194		37,194		37,194				37,194
089	GLOBAL COMBAT SUPPORT SYSTEM-ARMY (GCSS-A) .....		1,987		1,987		1,987				1,987
090	INTEGRATED PERSONNEL AND PAY SYSTEM-ARMY (IPP) .....		5,318		5,318		5,318				5,318
091	MOD OF IN-SVC EQUIPMENT (ENFRE) .....		4,997		4,997		4,997				4,997
	<b>ELECT EQUIP—AUTOMATION</b>										
092	ARMY TRAINING MODERNIZATION .....		10,130		10,130		10,130				10,130
093	AUTOMATED DATA PROCESSING EQUIP .....		61,489		61,489		61,489				61,489
094	ACCESSIONS INFORMATION ENVIRONMENT (AIE) .....		4,198		4,198		4,198				4,198
096	HIGH PERF COMPUTING MOD PGM (HPCMP) .....		76,053		76,053		76,053				76,053
097	CONTRACT WRITING SYSTEM .....		6,061		6,061		6,061				6,061
098	CSS COMMUNICATIONS .....		56,804		56,804		56,804				56,804
	<b>CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS</b>										
151A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....		1,781		1,781		1,781				1,781
	<b>CHEMICAL DEFENSIVE EQUIPMENT</b>										
102	BASE DEFENSE SYSTEMS (BDS) .....		70,781		70,781		70,781				70,781
103	CBRN DEFENSE .....		63,198		63,198		63,198				63,198
	<b>BRIDGING EQUIPMENT</b>										
104	TACTICAL BRIDGING .....		1,157		1,157		1,157				1,157
105	TACTICAL BRIDGE, FLOAT-RIBBON .....		82,228		82,228		82,228				82,228
106	BRIDGE SUPPLEMENTAL SET .....		4,414		4,414		4,414				4,414
	<b>ENGINEER (NON-CONSTRUCTION) EQUIPMENT</b>										
110	ROBOTICS AND APPLIQUE SYSTEMS .....		68,893		68,893		68,893				68,893
112	FAMILY OF BOATS AND MOTORS .....		4,785		4,785		4,785				4,785
	<b>COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>										
113	HEATERS AND ECUS .....		7,617		7,617		7,617				7,617
115	PERSONNEL RECOVERY SUPPORT SYSTEM (PRSS) .....		5,356		5,356		5,356				5,356

116	GROUND SOLDIER SYSTEM .....	167,129	148,324	167,129	-12,867	154,262
	Excess to need .....	[-18,805]				
117	MOBILE SOLDIER POWER .....	15,967	15,967	15,967		15,967
118	FORCE PROVIDER .....	34,200	34,200	34,200		34,200
120	CARGO AERIAL DEL. & PERSONNEL PARACHUTE SYSTEM .....	45,792	45,792	45,792		45,792
121	FAMILY OF ENGR COMBAT AND CONSTRUCTION SETS .....	12,118	12,118	12,118		12,118
	<b>PETROLEUM EQUIPMENT</b> .....					
123	QUALITY SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT .....	2,507	2,507	2,507		2,507
124	DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS, PETROLEUM & WATER .....	40,989	40,989	40,989		40,989
	<b>MEDICAL EQUIPMENT</b> .....					
125	COMBAT SUPPORT MEDICAL .....	86,829	86,829	86,829		86,829
	<b>MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT</b> .....					
126	MOBILE MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT SYSTEMS .....	17,287	17,287	17,287		17,287
	<b>CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT</b> .....					
128	TRACTOR, FULL TRACKED .....	29,878	29,878	29,878		29,878
129	ALL TERRAIN CRANES .....	27,725	30,725	27,725	3,000	30,725
	FOATC Type I Cranes .....	[3,000]			[3,000]	
131	FAMILY OF DIVER SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	1,811	1,811	1,811		1,811
132	CONST EQUIP ESP .....	8,898	8,898	8,898		8,898
	<b>RAIL FLOAT CONTAINERIZATION EQUIPMENT</b> .....					
133	ARMY WATERCRAFT ESP .....	30,592	30,592	30,592		30,592
134	MANEUVER SUPPORT VESSEL (MSV) .....	149,449	191,476	149,449	42,027	191,476
	One additional vessel .....	[42,027]			[42,027]	
	<b>GENERATORS</b> .....					
136	GENERATORS AND ASSOCIATED EQUIP .....	78,364	78,364	78,364		78,364
137	TACTICAL ELECTRIC POWER RECAPITALIZATION .....	11,088	11,088	11,088		11,088
	<b>MATERIAL HANDLING EQUIPMENT</b> .....					
138	FAMILY OF FORKLIFTS .....	12,982	12,982	12,982		12,982
	<b>TRAINING EQUIPMENT</b> .....					
139	COMBAT TRAINING CENTERS SUPPORT .....	56,619	56,619	56,619		56,619
140	TRAINING DEVICES, NONSYSTEM .....	226,379	226,379	226,379		226,379
141	SYNTHETIC TRAINING ENVIRONMENT (STE) .....	234,965	[9,534]	234,965		234,965
	Excess to need—RVCT .....	[-9,534]				
	Excess to need—STE Live .....	[-7,226]				
	STE Live Training System .....	[-5,000]				
142	GAMING TECHNOLOGY IN SUPPORT OF ARMY TRAINING .....	9,698	9,698	9,698		9,698
	<b>TEST MEASURE AND DIG EQUIPMENT (TMD)</b> .....					
143	INTEGRATED FAMILY OF TEST EQUIPMENT (IFTE) .....	36,149	36,149	36,149		36,149
144	TEST EQUIPMENT MODERNIZATION (TEMOD) .....	32,623	32,623	32,623		32,623
	<b>OTHER SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b> .....					

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145	PHYSICAL SECURITY SYSTEMS (OPA3)		132,739		132,739		132,739				132,739
146	BASE LEVEL COMMON EQUIPMENT		34,460		34,460		34,460				34,460
147	MODIFICATION OF IN-SVC EQUIPMENT (OPA-3)		35,239		35,239		35,239				35,239
148	BUILDING, PRE-FAB, RELOCATABLE		31,011		31,011		31,011				31,011
149	SPECIAL EQUIPMENT FOR TEST AND EVALUATION		52,481		52,481		52,481				52,481
	<b>OPA2</b>										
151	INITIAL SPARES—C&E		9,169		9,169		9,169				9,169
	<b>TOTAL OTHER PROCUREMENT, ARMY</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8,672,979</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8,742,030</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8,672,979</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>52,774</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8,725,753</b>
	<b>AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, NAVY</b>										
	<b>COMBAT AIRCRAFT</b>										
001	F/A-18E/F (FIGHTER) HORNET	19	41,329	19	41,329	19	41,329			19	41,329
002	JOINT STRIKE FIGHTER CV		2,382,069		2,382,069		2,410,569		-28,500		2,382,069
	Flyaway unit cost growth				[-28,500]						
003	JOINT STRIKE FIGHTER CV AP		189,425		189,425		189,425				189,425
004	JSF STOVL	16	2,126,317	16	2,036,717	16	2,126,317		-42,666	16	2,083,651
	Flyaway unit cost growth				[-89,600]						
005	JSF STOVL AP		193,125		193,125		193,125				193,125
006	CH-53K (HEAVY LIFT)	15	1,698,050	15	1,698,050	15	1,698,050			15	1,698,050
007	CH-53K (HEAVY LIFT) AP		456,567		456,567		456,567				456,567
008	V-22 (MEDIUM LIFT)		27,216		27,216		27,216			1	162,216
	Program increase—one additional CVW-22 aircraft								135,000	1	135,000
009	H-1 UPGRADES (UH-1Y/AH-1Z)		4,292		4,292		4,292			[1]	[135,000]
010	P-8A POSEIDON	2	391,257	2	391,257	2	391,257			2	4,292
	Two additional aircraft			[2]	[360,000]					2	391,257
011	E-20 ADV HAWKEYE		182,817		182,817		182,817			2	620,817
	Two additional aircraft									[2]	[438,000]
013	<b>TRAINER AIRCRAFT</b>										
	MULTI-ENGINE TRAINING SYSTEM (METS)	26	289,141	26	289,141	26	289,141			26	289,141
	<b>OTHER AIRCRAFT</b>										
015	KC-130J	2	241,291	2	241,291	2	241,291			2	241,291
017	MQ-4 TRITON	2	416,010	2	416,010	2	416,010			2	416,010
019	MQ-8 UAV		1,546		1,546		1,546				1,546



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051	ID SYSTEMS .....		13,085		13,085		13,085				13,085
052	P-8 SERIES .....		316,168		316,168		316,168				316,168
053	MAGTF EW FOR AVIATION .....		24,901		24,901		24,901				24,901
054	MQ-8 SERIES .....		14,700		14,700		14,700				14,700
055	V-22 (TILT/ROTOR ACFT) OSPREY .....		215,997		215,997		215,997				215,997
	V-22 Nacelle Improvement .....		(10,890)		(10,890)		(10,890)				(10,890)
056	NEXT GENERATION JAMMER (NGJ) .....		426,396		426,396		426,396				426,396
	Contract savings .....										(-2,520)
057	F-35 STOVL SERIES .....		311,921		311,921		311,921				311,921
058	F-35 CV SERIES .....		166,909		166,909		166,909				166,909
059	QRC .....		28,206		28,206		28,206				28,206
060	MQ-4 SERIES .....		93,951		93,951		93,951				93,951
	OSIP (003-23) previously funded .....										(-3,788)
	OSIP (003-23) previously funded .....										(-3,788)
062	AIRCRAFT SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....		2,451,244		2,451,244		2,451,244				2,451,244
	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....										
063	AIRCRAFT SUPPORT EQUIP & FACILITIES .....		566,156		566,156		566,156				566,156
	COMMON GROUND EQUIPMENT .....										
	Program decrease .....		(-5,000)		(-5,000)		(-5,000)				(-5,000)
064	AIRCRAFT INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES .....		133,815		133,815		133,815				133,815
065	WAR CONSUMABLES .....		44,632		44,632		44,632				44,632
066	OTHER PRODUCTION CHARGES .....		49,907		49,907		49,907				49,907
067	SPECIAL SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....		404,178		404,178		404,178				404,178
	Flyaway unit cost growth .....		(-19,400)		(-19,400)		(-19,400)				(-19,400)
	<b>TOTAL AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, NAVY .....</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>17,336,760</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>17,409,650</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>17,336,760</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>672,149</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>18,008,909</b>
	<b>WEAPONS PROCUREMENT, NAVY</b>										
001	<b>BALLISTIC MISSILES</b>										
	CONVENTIONAL PROMPT STRIKE .....	8	341,434	8	341,434	8	341,434			8	256,076
	Early to need .....										(-85,358)
	Early to need .....										(-85,358)
002	<b>MODIFICATION OF MISSILES</b>										
	TRIDENT II MODS .....		1,284,705		1,284,705		1,284,705				1,284,705
003	<b>SUPPORT EQUIPMENT &amp; FACILITIES</b>										
	MISSILE INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES .....		7,954		7,954		7,954				7,954



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	<b>SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>											
032	TORPEDO SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....		133,187		133,187		133,187					133,187
033	ASW RANGE SUPPORT .....		4,146		4,146		4,146					4,146
	<b>DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION</b>											
034	FIRST DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION .....		5,811		5,811		5,811					5,811
	<b>GUNS AND GUN MOUNTS</b>											
035	SMALL ARMS AND WEAPONS .....		14,165		14,165		14,165					14,165
	<b>MODIFICATION OF GUNS AND GUN MOUNTS</b>											
036	CIVS MODS .....		4,088		4,088		4,088					4,088
037	COAST GUARD WEAPONS .....		55,172		55,172		55,172					55,172
038	GUN MOUNT MODS .....		82,682		82,682		82,682					82,682
039	LGS MODULE WEAPONS .....	18	3,264	18	3,264	18	3,264			18		3,264
040	AIRBORNE MINE NEUTRALIZATION SYSTEMS .....		14,357		14,357		14,357					14,357
	<b>SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS</b>											
042	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....	1,758	177,819	1,758	177,819	1,758	177,819					177,819
	<b>TOTAL WEAPONS PROCUREMENT, NAVY</b>	<b>1,758</b>	<b>6,876,385</b>	<b>1,758</b>	<b>7,024,277</b>	<b>1,758</b>	<b>6,876,385</b>		<b>-122,072</b>	<b>1,758</b>		<b>6,754,313</b>
	<b>PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS</b>											
	<b>NAVY AMMUNITION</b>											
001	GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS .....		43,519		43,519		43,519					38,893
002	02181 laser guided bombs contract award delay .....											[-4,626]
003	JDAM .....	1,464	73,689	1,464	73,689	1,464	73,689			1,464		73,689
	<b>AIRBORNE ROCKETS, ALL TYPES</b>											
004	1M 66 rocket motor unit cost growth .....		67,423		67,423		67,423					62,228
005	MACHINE GUN AMMUNITION .....		11,862		11,862		11,862					11,862
	<b>PRACTICE BOMBS</b>											
006	01050 BLU-109 contract award delay .....		52,481		52,481		52,481					46,325
007	CARTRIDGES & CART ACTUATED DEVICES .....		72,426		72,426		72,426					72,426
008	AIR EXPENDABLE COUNTERMEASURES .....		104,529		104,529		104,529					104,529
009	JATOS .....		7,433		7,433		7,433					7,433
	<b>5 INCH/54 GUN AMMUNITION</b>											
010	Insufficient justification .....		30,871		30,871		30,871					25,841
	<b>INTERMEDIATE CALIBER GUN AMMUNITION</b>											
	Insufficient justification .....		41,261		41,261		41,261					41,261

011	OTHER SHIP GUN AMMUNITION .....	44,044	44,044	44,044	44,044				
012	SMALL ARMS & LANDING PARTY AMMO .....	48,478	48,478	48,478	48,478				
013	PYROTECHNIC AND DEMOLITION .....	9,521	9,521	9,521	9,521				
014	AMMUNITION LESS THAN \$5 MILLION .....	1,679	1,679	1,679	1,679				
015	EXPEDITIONARY LOITERING MUNITIONS .....	249,575	249,575	249,575	249,575				
	Goalkeeper .....	[75,000]							
	<b>MARINE CORPS AMMUNITION</b>								
016	MORTARS .....	61,274	61,274	61,274	61,274				
017	DIRECT SUPPORT MUNITIONS .....	73,338	73,338	73,338	73,338				
018	INFANTRY WEAPONS AMMUNITION .....	178,240	178,240	178,240	178,240				
	AB39, CTG. 7.62 millimeter MK 316 mod contract award delay.								
	Excess to need: Cartridge, caliber 50 4 API M81 API-T M20 linked.								
	Excess to need: Cartridge, Caliber 50 Linked MK322 Mod 1/Ball (1000m cap).								
019	COMBAT SUPPORT MUNITIONS .....	15,897	15,897	15,897	15,897				
020	AMMO MODERNIZATION .....	17,941	17,941	17,941	17,941				
021	ARTILLERY MUNITIONS .....	82,452	82,452	82,452	82,452				
022	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION .....	5,340	5,340	5,340	5,340				
	<b>TOTAL PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS.</b>	<b>1,464</b>	<b>1,293,273</b>	<b>1,464</b>	<b>1,293,273</b>	<b>1,464</b>	<b>1,293,273</b>	<b>1,464</b>	<b>1,320,281</b>
	<b>SHIPBUILDING AND CONVERSION, NAVY</b>								
	<b>FLEET BALLISTIC MISSILE SHIPS</b>								
001	OHIO REPLACEMENT SUBMARINE .....	1	2,443,598	1	2,443,598			1	2,443,598
	Submarine industrial base		[88,000]						
002	OHIO REPLACEMENT SUBMARINE AP .....		3,390,734		3,390,734				3,390,734
	<b>OTHER WARSHIPS</b>								
003	CARRIER REPLACEMENT PROGRAM .....		1,115,296		1,115,296				1,115,296
	Navy UPL—CVN 75 and CVN 80 SEWIP BLK III .....		[160,000]						
004	CVN-81 .....		800,492		800,492				800,492
005	VIRGINIA CLASS SUBMARINE .....	2	7,129,965	2	7,129,965			2	7,129,965
006	VIRGINIA CLASS SUBMARINE AP .....		3,215,539		3,215,539				3,215,539
	Early to need .....		[325,100]						
008	CVN REFUELING OVERHAULS AP .....		817,646		817,646				802,988
	Excess growth .....								[14,658]
009	DDG 1000 .....		410,400		410,400				410,400
010	DDG-51 .....	2	4,199,179	2	4,199,179			2	4,199,179
011	DDG-51 AP .....		284,035		284,035				284,035

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	Explosion welding .....				[5,000]						
	Program increase .....				[150,000]						
013	FFG-FRIGATE .....	2	2,173,698	2	2,163,698	2	2,173,698		(500,000)	2	2,163,698
	Insufficient justification .....				[-10,000]						
	<b>AMPHIBIOUS SHIPS</b>										
014	LPD FLIGHT II .....			1	1,863,000	[1]	[1,863,000]		1,000,000		1,000,000
	Program increase for LPD-33—USMC UFR .....				750,000				[1,000,000]		
016	LPD-17 .....			[1]	[750,000]						
018	LHA REPLACEMENT .....		1,830,149		1,830,149		1,830,149				1,830,149
020	EXPEDITIONARY FAST TRANSPORT (EFF) .....				5,000						
	Expeditionary Medical Ship long-lead time material (LLTM) .....				[5,000]						
	<b>AUXILIARIES, CRAFT AND PRIOR YR PROGRAM COST</b>										
021	AS SUBMARINE TENDER .....	1	1,733,234	1	248,000	1	1,733,234		-1,485,234	1	248,000
	Late contract award .....				[-1,485,234]						
022	TAO FLEET OILER .....	1	815,420	1	815,420	1	815,420			1	815,420
025	LCU 1700 .....	2	62,532	2	62,532	2	62,532			2	62,532
026	OUTFITTING .....		557,365		557,365		557,365		-17,684		539,681
	Outfitting early to need .....								[-17,684]		
028	SERVICE CRAFT .....		63,815		93,815		63,815		30,000		93,815
	Yard, Repair, Berthing, and Messing Barge .....			1	[30,000]				[30,000]		
029	AUXILIARY PERSONNEL LIGHTER .....			1	72,000		72,000		72,000		72,000
	Additional AP-67 class berthing barge .....					[1]	[72,000]				
	Auxiliary Personnel Lighter .....										
030	LCAC SLEP .....	1	15,286	1	15,286	1	15,286			1	15,286
031	AUXILIARY VESSELS (USED SEALIFT) .....	2	142,008	2	142,008	2	142,008			2	142,008
032	COMPLETION OF PY SHIPBUILDING PROGRAMS .....		1,648,559		1,648,559		1,648,559				1,648,559
	<b>TOTAL SHIPBUILDING AND CONVERSION, NAVY</b> .....	<b>14</b>	<b>32,848,950</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>32,288,616</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>34,783,950</b>		<b>74,424</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>32,923,374</b>
	<b>OTHER PROCUREMENT, NAVY</b>										
001	SHIP PROPULSION EQUIPMENT .....		14,003		14,003		14,003				14,003
	SURFACE POWER EQUIPMENT .....										



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030	LCS COMMON MISSION MODULES EQUIPMENT .....		49,060		19,060		49,060					49,060	
	Excess to need .....		[-30,000]										
031	LCS MCM MISSION MODULES .....		93,961		58,961		93,961					79,670	
	Excess to need .....				[-35,000]							[-14,291]	
033	LCS SUW MISSION MODULES .....		12,102		12,102		12,102					12,102	
034	LCS IN-SERVICE MODERNIZATION .....		171,704		146,704		171,704					154,674	
	Excessive cost growth .....				[-25,000]							[-17,030]	
035	SMALL & MEDIUM UUV .....		61,951		51,951		61,951					61,951	
	Late contract award—Razorback .....				[-5,000]								
	Late execution—Viperfish .....				[-5,000]								
	<b>LOGISTIC SUPPORT</b>												
036	LSD MIDLIFE & MODERNIZATION .....		7,594		7,594		7,594					7,594	
	<b>SHIP SONARS</b>												
037	SPQ-9B RADAR .....		7,267		7,267		7,267					7,267	
038	AN/SQQ-89 SURF ASW COMBAT SYSTEM .....		138,065		138,065		138,065					138,065	
039	SSN ACOUSTIC EQUIPMENT .....		463,577		463,577		463,577					463,577	
	Excessive cost growth .....				[-10,000]								
040	UNDERSEA WARFARE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....		23,452		23,452		23,452					23,452	
	<b>ASW ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT</b>												
041	SUBMARINE ACOUSTIC WARFARE SYSTEM .....		46,726		46,726		46,726					46,726	
042	SSD .....		14,560		14,560		14,560					14,560	
043	FIXED SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM .....		420,069		420,069		420,069					420,069	
044	SURTASS .....		33,910		33,910		33,910					33,910	
	<b>ELECTRONIC WARFARE EQUIPMENT</b>												
045	AN/SIQ-32 .....		329,513		329,513		329,513					329,513	
	<b>RECONNAISSANCE EQUIPMENT</b>												
046	SHIPBOARD IW EXPLOIT .....		379,230		354,230		379,230					362,305	
	Excessive cost growth .....				[-15,000]							[-16,925]	
	Program decrease .....				[-10,000]								
047	AUTOMATED IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (AIS) .....		4,082		4,082		4,082					4,082	
	<b>OTHER SHIP ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT</b>												
048	COOPERATIVE ENGAGEMENT CAPABILITY .....		37,677		37,677		37,677					37,677	
049	NAVAL TACTICAL COMMAND SUPPORT SYSTEM (NTCSS) .....		15,374		15,374		15,374					15,374	

050	ATDLS .....	50,148	50,148	50,148	50,148
051	NAVY COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM (NCCS) .....	3,918	3,918	3,918	3,918
052	MINESKEEPING SYSTEM REPLACEMENT .....	16,814	16,814	16,814	16,814
054	NAVSTAR GPS RECEIVERS (SPACE) .....	37,319	37,319	37,319	37,319
055	AMERICAN FORCES RADIO AND TV SERVICE .....	2,750	2,750	2,750	2,750
056	STRATEGIC PLATFORM SUPPORT EQUIP .....	6,437	6,437	6,437	6,437
	<b>AVIATION ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT</b>				
057	ASHORE ATC EQUIPMENT .....	89,237	89,237	89,237	89,237
058	AFLOAT ATC EQUIPMENT .....	90,487	90,487	90,487	90,487
	Excessive cost growth .....			-2,118	
				[-2,118]	
059	ID SYSTEMS .....	59,234	59,234	59,234	59,234
060	JOINT PRECISION APPROACH AND LANDING SYSTEM .....	3,343	3,343	3,343	3,343
061	NAVAL MISSION PLANNING SYSTEMS .....	39,180	39,180	39,180	39,180
	<b>OTHER SHORE ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT</b>				
062	MARITIME INTEGRATED BROADCAST SYSTEM .....	6,994	6,994	6,994	6,994
063	TACTICAL/MOBILE C4I SYSTEMS .....	52,026	52,026	52,026	52,026
064	DCGS-N .....	16,579	16,579	16,579	16,579
065	CANES .....	467,587	467,587	467,587	467,587
	Program increase .....	15,000]			
066	RADIAC .....	16,475	16,475	16,475	16,475
067	CANES-INTELL .....	48,207	48,207	48,207	48,207
068	GPETE .....	25,761	25,761	25,761	25,761
069	IMAF .....	16,475	16,475	16,475	16,475
070	INTEG COMBAT SYSTEM TEST FACILITY .....	6,345	6,345	6,345	6,345
071	EMI CONTROL INSTRUMENTATION .....	4,282	4,282	4,282	4,282
073	IN-SERVICE RADARS AND SENSORS .....	255,256	255,256	255,256	255,256
	Insufficient justification .....			-15,000	
				[-15,000]	
	<b>SHIPBOARD COMMUNICATIONS</b>				
074	BATTLE FORCE TACTICAL NETWORK .....	74,180	74,180	74,180	74,180
075	SHIPBOARD TACTICAL COMMUNICATIONS .....	29,776	29,776	29,776	29,776
076	SHIP COMMUNICATIONS AUTOMATION .....	96,916	96,916	96,916	96,916
077	COMMUNICATIONS ITEMS UNDER \$5M .....	14,107	14,107	14,107	14,107
	<b>SUBMARINE COMMUNICATIONS</b>				
078	SUBMARINE BROADCAST SUPPORT .....	73,791	73,791	73,791	73,791
	Navy UPL—VIOLET .....				
079	SUBMARINE COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT .....	83,178	83,178	83,178	83,178
	<b>SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS</b>				
080	SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS .....	72,871	72,871	72,871	72,871
081	NAVY MULTIBAND TERMINAL (NMT) .....	37,921	37,921	37,921	37,921
	<b>SHORE COMMUNICATIONS</b>				

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082	JOINT COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT ELEMENT (JCSE) .....		5,065		5,065		5,065				5,065	
	<b>CRYPTOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT</b>											
083	INFO SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM (ISSP) .....		154,890		154,890		154,890				154,890	
084	MID INTEL EXPLOITATION TEAM .....		1,079		1,079		1,079				1,079	
	<b>CRYPTOLOGIC EQUIPMENT</b>											
085	CRYPTOLOGIC COMMUNICATIONS EQUIP .....		17,483		17,483		17,483				17,483	
	<b>OTHER ELECTRONIC SUPPORT</b>											
086	COAST GUARD EQUIPMENT .....		77,458		77,458		77,458				77,458	
	<b>SONOBUOYS</b>											
088	SONOBUOYS—ALL TYPES .....		311,177		321,177		311,177				311,177	
	Increase industrial capacity .....				[10,000]							
	<b>AIRCRAFT SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>											
089	MINOTAUR .....		5,396		5,396		5,396				5,396	
090	WEAPONS RANGE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....		147,556		147,556		147,556				147,556	
091	AIRCRAFT SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....		162,273		162,273		162,273				162,273	
092	ADVANCED ARRESTING GEAR (AAG) .....		11,930		11,930		11,930				11,930	
093	ELECTROMAGNETIC AIRCRAFT LAUNCH SYSTEM (EMALS) .....		17,836		17,836		17,836				17,836	
094	METEOROLOGICAL EQUIPMENT .....		19,703		19,703		19,703				19,703	
095	LEGACY AIRBORNE MCM .....		12,202		12,202		12,202				12,202	
097	AVIATION SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....		82,115		82,115		82,115				82,115	
098	UMCS-JUNIMAN CARRIER AVIATION/COMMISSION CNTRL .....		152,687		152,687		152,687				152,687	
099	ARCHITECT & CAP FOR AUTONOMY IN NAV ENTER .....		1,612		1,612		1,612				1,612	
	<b>SHIP GUN SYSTEM EQUIPMENT</b>											
100	SHIP GUN SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT .....		6,404		6,404		6,404				6,404	
	<b>SHIP MISSILE SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT</b>											
101	HARPOON SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....		227		227		227				227	
102	SHIP MISSILE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....		294,511		294,511		294,511				294,511	
103	TOMAHAWK SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....		92,432		92,432		92,432				92,432	
	<b>FBM SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>											
104	STRATEGIC MISSILE SYSTEMS EQUIP .....		325,318		325,318		325,318				325,318	
	<b>ASW SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>											
105	SSN COMBAT CONTROL SYSTEMS .....		133,063		133,063		133,063				133,063	
106	ASW SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....		27,469		27,469		27,469				27,469	

107	<b>OTHER ORDNANCE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>	27,864	27,864	27,864	27,864
108	EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL EQUIP .....	6,171	6,171	6,171	6,171
	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION .....				
109	<b>OTHER EXPENDABLE ORDNANCE</b>	56,630	56,630	56,630	56,630
	ANTI-SHIP MISSILE DECOY SYSTEM .....	61,130	61,130	61,130	61,130
	CONUS-Based Repair, Refurbishment and Production of	[4,500]	[4,500]	[4,500]	[4,500]
	NULKA Decoy Canisters.				
110	SUBMARINE TRAINING DEVICE MODS .....	76,954	76,954	76,954	76,954
111	SURFACE TRAINING EQUIPMENT .....	209,487	209,487	209,487	209,487
	<b>CIVIL ENGINEERING SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>				
112	PASSENGER CARRYING VEHICLES .....	3,827	3,827	3,827	3,827
113	GENERAL PURPOSE TRUCKS .....	4,570	4,570	4,570	4,570
114	CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE EQUIP .....	56,829	56,829	56,829	56,829
115	FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT .....	16,583	16,583	16,583	16,583
116	TACTICAL VEHICLES .....	24,236	24,236	24,236	24,236
117	AMPHIBIOUS EQUIPMENT .....	4,504	4,504	4,504	4,504
118	POLLUTION CONTROL EQUIPMENT .....	3,898	3,898	3,898	3,898
119	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION .....	67,286	67,286	67,286	67,286
120	PHYSICAL SECURITY VEHICLES .....	1,286	1,286	1,286	1,286
	<b>SUPPLY SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>				
121	SUPPLY EQUIPMENT .....	33,258	33,258	33,258	33,258
122	FIRST DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION .....	6,977	6,977	6,977	6,977
123	SPECIAL PURPOSE SUPPLY SYSTEMS .....	659,529	659,529	659,529	659,529
	Program decrease .....	[-3,666]	[-3,666]	[-3,666]	[-3,666]
	<b>TRAINING DEVICES</b>				
124	TRAINING SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	2,083	2,083	2,083	2,083
125	TRAINING AND EDUCATION EQUIPMENT .....	106,542	106,542	106,542	106,542
	Excessive cost growth .....				
	Program decrease .....	[-25,000]	[-25,000]	[-25,000]	[-25,000]
	<b>COMMAND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>				
126	COMMAND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	44,448	44,448	44,448	44,448
	AFRICOM UPL—Somalia Persistent Presence	[36,900]	[36,900]	[36,900]	[36,900]
127	MEDICAL SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	12,529	12,529	12,529	12,529
129	NAVAL MIP SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	5,408	5,408	5,408	5,408
130	OPERATING FORCES SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	12,105	12,105	12,105	12,105
131	CAISR EQUIPMENT .....	7,670	7,670	7,670	7,670
132	ENVIRONMENTAL SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	52,597	52,597	52,597	52,597
	Excessive cost growth .....	[-10,000]	[-10,000]	[-10,000]	[-10,000]
133	PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIPMENT .....	108,901	108,901	108,901	108,901
134	ENTERPRISE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY .....	42,154	42,154	42,154	42,154

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	<b>OTHER</b>										
139	NEXT GENERATION ENTERPRISE SERVICE .....		177,585		177,585		177,585				177,585
140	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES .....		23,176		23,176		23,176				23,176
	<b>CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS</b>										
143A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....		16,290		27,790		16,290		1,700		17,990
	Program increase .....				[11,500]				[1,700]		
	<b>SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS</b>										
142	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....		645,900		625,900		645,900				645,900
	Program decrease .....				[-20,000]						
143	VIRGINIA CLASS (VACL) SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....		470,000		470,000		470,000				470,000
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>										
144	UNDISTRIBUTED .....				-26,000						
	Decommission CG-69 USS Vicksburg .....				[-56,000]						
	Restore CG-63 USS Cowpens .....				[30,000]						
	<b>TOTAL OTHER PROCUREMENT, NAVY</b> .....		<b>14,535,257</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>14,433,591</b>		<b>14,535,257</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4,279</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>14,539,536</b>
	<b>PROCUREMENT, MARINE CORPS</b>										
	<b>TRACKED COMBAT VEHICLES</b>										
001	AAV7A1 PIP .....		3,353		3,353		3,353				3,353
002	AMPHIBIOUS COMBAT VEHICLE FAMILY OF VEHICLES .....	80	557,564	80	552,464	80	557,564		-3,500	80	554,064
	Unjustified growth—Program Management .....				[-5,100]				[-3,500]		
003	LAV PIP .....		42,052		42,052		42,052				42,052
	<b>ARTILLERY AND OTHER WEAPONS</b>										
004	155MM LIGHTWEIGHT TOWED HOWITZER .....		489		489		489				489
005	ARTILLERY WEAPONS SYSTEM .....		165,268		165,268		165,268				165,268
006	WEAPONS AND COMBAT VEHICLES UNDER \$5 MILLION .....		14,004		14,004		14,004				14,004
	<b>GUIDED MISSILES</b>										
007	TOMAHAWK .....	34	105,192	34	105,192	34	105,192			34	105,192
008	NAVAL STRIKE MISSILE (NSM) .....	90	169,726	90	169,726	90	169,726			90	169,726
009	NAVAL STRIKE MISSILE (NSM) AP .....		39,244		39,244		39,244				39,244
010	GROUND BASED AIR DEFENSE .....		249,103		249,103		249,103		4,500		253,603
	Program increase .....								[4,500]		
011	ANTI-ARMOR MISSILE-JAVELIN .....		54,883		54,883		54,883				54,883



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	<b>CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS</b>										
057A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....		2,799		2,799		2,799				2,799
	<b>ADMINISTRATIVE VEHICLES</b>										
043	ADMINISTRATIVE VEHICLES .....		34,169		34,169		34,169				34,169
	<b>TACTICAL VEHICLES</b>										
044	MOTOR TRANSPORT MODIFICATIONS .....		17,299		17,299		17,299				17,299
045	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE .....	396	232,501	396	232,501	396	232,501			396	232,501
	Vehicle safety data recorders with predictive logistics for weapons and vehicles.		[1,000]								
046	TRAILERS .....		2,034		2,034		2,034				2,034
	<b>ENGINEER AND OTHER EQUIPMENT</b>										
047	TACTICAL FUEL SYSTEMS .....		12,956		12,956		12,956				12,956
048	POWER EQUIPMENT ASSORTED .....		28,889		28,889		28,889				28,889
049	AMPHIBIOUS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....		15,691		15,691		15,691				15,691
050	EOD SYSTEMS .....		41,200		41,200		41,200				41,200
	<b>MATERIALS HANDLING EQUIPMENT</b>										
051	PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIPMENT .....		53,949		53,949		53,949				53,949
	<b>GENERAL PROPERTY</b>										
052	FIELD MEDICAL EQUIPMENT .....		5,457		5,457		5,457				5,457
053	TRAINING DEVICES .....		96,577		96,577		96,577				96,577
054	FAMILY OF CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT .....		29,883		29,883		29,883				29,883
055	ULTRA-LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE (ULTV) .....		17,034		17,034		17,034				17,034
	<b>OTHER SUPPORT</b>										
056	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION .....		27,691		27,691		27,691				27,691
	<b>SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS</b>										
057	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....		35,657		35,657		35,657				35,657
	<b>TOTAL PROCUREMENT, MARINE CORPS</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>3,978,212</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>3,978,312</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>3,983,712</b>		<b>-60,872</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>3,918,340</b>
	<b>AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE</b>										
001	STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE .....		1,617,093		1,617,093		1,617,093				1,617,093
002	B-21 RAIDER AP .....		708,000		708,000		708,000				708,000
	<b>TACTICAL FORCES</b>										

003	F-35	48	4,752,321	48	4,877,121	48	4,773,381
	Flyaway unit cost growth		[-124,800]		402,000		402,000
004	F-35 AP	24	2,469,591	24	2,469,591	24	2,442,861
	DAF requested realignment of funds		[-200,448]		228,000		228,000
	Other support costs unjustified growth		350,600				
	Technical realignment		[92,000]				
006	F-15EX AP	24	2,670,039	24	2,670,039	24	2,642,861
	FY25 6 additional aircraft		[30,600]				
	Program increase						
	<b>TACTICAL AIRLIFT</b>						
007	KC-46A MDAP	15	2,882,590	15	2,882,590	15	2,835,019
	Commodities activation excess to need						
	Cost overestimation: Other government costs						
	<b>OTHER AIRLIFT</b>						
008	C-130	7	228,807	7	228,807	7	228,807
	<b>HELICOPTERS</b>						
011	MH-139A	2	97,216	2	97,216	2	379,749
012	COMBAT RESCUE HELICOPTER	2	282,533	2	282,533	2	282,533
	Obsolescence ahead of need						
	Program increase—two aircraft						
	<b>MISSION SUPPORT AIRCRAFT</b>						
013	CIVIL AIR PATROL A/C	3,013	11,900	3,013	3,013	3,013	11,900
	Program increase		[8,887]				[8,887]
	<b>OTHER AIRCRAFT</b>						
015	TARGET DRONES	20	42,226	20	42,226	20	42,226
017	E-11 BACN/HAG	1	67,367	1	67,367	1	67,367
	<b>STRATEGIC AIRCRAFT</b>						
019	B-2A	107,980	107,980	107,980	107,980	107,980	104,380
	Excess to need: IFF transponder						
020	B-1B	12,757	9,782	9,782	9,782	9,782	9,782
	DAF requested realignment of funds		[-2,975]		[-2,975]		[-2,975]
	Technical realignment						
021	B-52	65,815	51,798	51,798	51,798	51,798	48,599
	Cost overestimation: Tactical data links program sup-						
	part.						
	DAF requested realignment of funds		[-14,017]		[-14,017]		[-14,017]
	Technical realignment						
022	LARGE AIRCRAFT INFRARED COUNTERMEASURES	21,723	21,723	21,723	21,723	21,723	21,723
	<b>TACTICAL AIRCRAFT</b>						

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024	E-11 BACNHAG .....		58,923		58,923		58,923					58,923
025	F-15 .....		34,830		155,278		155,278		120,448			155,278
	DAF requested realignment of funds .....						[120,448]					
	Technical realignment .....								[120,448]			
026	F-16 .....		297,342		397,342		297,342		63,401			360,743
	Comms suite upgrade installation delays .....								[5,454]			
	Comms suite upgrade kits previously funded .....								[5,705]			
	IVEWS restoration .....								[100,000]			
	SLRP costs previously funded .....								[25,440]			
027	F-22A .....		794,676		794,676		794,676		434,997			359,679
	Sensor enhancement delays .....								[434,997]			
028	F-35 MODIFICATIONS .....		451,798		451,798		451,798					451,798
029	F-15 EPAW .....		280,658		280,658		280,658		15,681			264,977
	SEPM unjustified growth .....								[15,681]			
	<b>AIRLIFT AIRCRAFT</b>											
031	C-5 .....		24,377		24,377		24,377					24,377
032	C-17A .....		140,560		140,560		140,560					140,560
033	C-32A .....		19,060		19,060		19,060					19,060
034	C-37A .....		13,454		13,454		13,454					13,454
	<b>TRAINER AIRCRAFT</b>											
035	GLIDER MODS .....		5,270		5,270		5,270					5,270
036	T-6 .....		2,942		2,942		2,942					2,942
037	T-1 .....		10,950		10,950		10,950					10,950
038	T-38 .....		125,340		125,340		125,340					125,340
	<b>OTHER AIRCRAFT</b>											
040	U-2 MODS .....		54,727		54,727		54,727					54,727
042	C-12 .....		446		446		446					446
044	VC-25A MOD .....		29,707		29,707		29,707					29,707
045	C-40 .....		8,921		8,921		8,921					8,921
046	C-130 .....		71,177		93,177		71,177		20,000			91,177
	IMAFFS .....								[20,000]			
047	C-130J MODS .....		121,258		121,258		121,258					121,258
048	C-135 .....		153,595		153,595		153,595					153,595

049	COMPASS CALL .....	144,686	144,686	50,000	194,686
	SABER integration on EC-37B aircraft .....	(50,000)	(50,000)		
050	COMBAT FLIGHT INSPECTION—CFIN .....	446	446		446
051	RC-135 .....	220,138	240,138		220,138
	RC-135 alternate PMU upgrades .....	1,350	(20,000)		
052	E-3 .....	300,000	1,350		1,350
052A	E-7A AP .....	(300,000)			
	USAF UPL .....				
053	E-4 .....	13,055	13,055		13,055
056	H-1 .....	816	816		816
057	H-60 .....	4,207	4,207		4,207
060	HC/MC-130 MODIFICATIONS .....	101,055	101,055		101,055
061	OTHER AIRCRAFT .....	73,403	73,403	19,269	73,403
	DAF requested realignment of funds .....	(11,619)	(11,619)		
	DAF requested realignment of funds for SIPA-A .....	(7,650)	(7,650)		
	Technical realignment .....				
	Technical realignment—Sentinel Aircraft Procurement .....				
062	MQ-9 MODS .....	98,063	98,063		98,063
064	SENIOR LEADER C3 SYSTEM—AIRCRAFT .....	24,847	24,847		24,847
065	CV-22 MODS .....	153,006	153,006		153,006
	<b>AIRCRAFT SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS</b> .....				
066	INITIAL SPARES/REPAIR PARTS .....	772,877	772,877	-8,644	772,877
	DAF requested realignment of funds .....				
	DAF requested realignment of funds .....				
	Technical realignment .....				
	Technical realignment .....				
	<b>COMMON SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b> .....				
067	AIRCRAFT REPLACEMENT SUPPORT EQUIP .....	157,664	157,664		157,664
	<b>POST PRODUCTION SUPPORT</b> .....				
068	B-2A .....	1,838	1,838		1,838
069	B-2B .....	15,207	15,207		15,207
072	MC-130J .....	10,117	10,117		10,117
074	F-16 .....	1,075	1,075		1,075
075	F-22A .....	38,418	38,418		38,418
	<b>INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS</b> .....				
079	INDUSTRIAL RESPONSIVENESS .....	18,874	18,874		18,874
	<b>WAR CONSUMABLES</b> .....				
080	WAR CONSUMABLES .....	27,482	27,482		27,482
	<b>OTHER PRODUCTION CHARGES</b> .....				
081	OTHER PRODUCTION CHARGES .....	1,513,644	1,558,044	-183,009	1,295,035
	Classified adjustment .....	(190,000)			
	DAF requested realignment of funds .....	(80,000)			

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	Excess to need .....				[-229,400]						[-229,400]
	Program decrease .....				[-5,000]						[-5,000]
	T-7A depot activation ahead of need .....										[-33,609]
	Technical realignment .....				[80,000]						
	<b>CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS</b>										
083A	TOTAL AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE .....	115	17,165	115	20,743,124	115	17,165	115	20,328,837	2	-665,390
			20,315,204								17,165
											19,649,814
	<b>MISSILE PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE</b>										
	<b>MISSILE REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT—BALLISTIC</b>										
001	MISSILE REPLACEMENT EQ-BALLISTIC .....		69,319		69,319		69,319		69,319		69,319
003	BALLISTIC MISSILES		539,300		539,300		539,300		539,300		539,300
	GROUND BASED STRATEGIC DETERRENT AP .....										
004	STRATEGIC		66,816		66,816		66,816		66,816		66,816
	LONG RANGE STAND-OFF WEAPON .....										
	<b>TACTICAL</b>										
005	REPLAC EQUIP & WAR CONSUMABLES .....		37,318		37,318		37,318		37,318		37,318
006	JOINT AIR-SURFACE STANDOFF MISSILE .....	550	915,996	550	915,996	550	915,996		915,996	550	915,996
007	JOINT AIR-SURFACE STANDOFF MISSILE AP .....		769,672		769,672		769,672		769,672		769,672
008	JOINT STRIKE MISSILE .....	48	161,011	48	161,011	48	161,011		161,011	48	161,011
009	LRASMO .....	27	87,796	27	87,796	27	87,796		87,796	27	87,796
010	LRASMO AP .....		99,871		99,871		99,871		99,871		99,871
011	SIDEWINDER (AIM-9X) .....	192	95,643	192	95,643	192	95,643		95,643	192	95,643
012	AMRAAM .....	457	489,049	457	489,049	457	489,049		489,049	457	489,049
013	AMRAAM AP .....		212,410		212,410		212,410		212,410		212,410
014	PREDATOR HELIFRE MISSILE .....		1,049		1,049		1,049		1,049		1,049
015	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB .....	874	48,734	874	48,734	874	48,734		48,734	874	48,734
016	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB II .....	920	291,553	920	291,553	920	291,553		291,553	920	291,553
017	STAND-IN ATTACK WEAPON (SAIW) .....	14	41,947	14	41,947	14	41,947		41,947	14	41,947
	<b>INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES</b>										
018	INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS/POL PREVENTION .....		793		793		793		793		793
	<b>CLASS IV</b>										
019	ICBM FUZE MOD .....		115,745		115,745		115,745		115,745		115,745

020	ICBM FUZE MOD AP .....	43,044	43,044	43,044	43,044	43,044	
021	MM III MODIFICATIONS .....	48,639	48,639	48,639	48,639	48,639	
022	AIR LAUNCH CRUISE MISSILE (ALCM) .....	41,494	41,494	41,494	41,494	41,494	
023	MISSILE SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....	6,840	6,840	6,840	6,840	6,840	
024	MSL SPRS/REPAIR PARTS (INITIAL) .....	75,191	75,191	75,191	75,191	75,191	
	MSL SPRS/REPAIR PARTS (REPLEN) .....						
029	SPECIAL PROGRAMS .....	419,498	419,498	419,498	419,498	419,498	
	SPECIAL UPDATE PROGRAMS .....						
029A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	851,718	851,718	851,718	851,718	851,718	
	TOTAL MISSILE PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE .....	3,082	3,082	3,082	3,082	3,082	
	5,530,446	5,530,446	5,530,446	5,530,446	5,530,446	5,530,446	
	PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, AIR FORCE						
	ROCKETS						
001	ROCKETS .....	18,483	18,483	18,483	18,483	18,483	
002	CARTRIDGES .....	101,104	101,104	101,104	101,104	101,104	
	Small cal/ground munitions—(A143) 7.62MM ball						
	linked unit cost adjustment.						
	BOMBS						
004	GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS .....	142,118	142,118	142,118	142,118	142,118	
	Previously funded items .....						
005	MASSIVE ORDNANCE PENETRATOR (MOP) .....	14,074	14,074	14,074	14,074	14,074	
	Unjustified request .....						
006	JOINT DIRECT ATTACK MUNITION .....	132,364	132,364	132,364	132,364	132,364	
	FSC other government costs unjustified growth .....	1,772	1,772	1,772	1,772	1,772	
007	B-61 .....	68	68	68	68	68	
008	B61-12 TRAINER .....	10,100	10,100	10,100	10,100	10,100	
	OTHER ITEMS						
009	CAD/PAD .....	51,487	51,487	51,487	51,487	51,487	
010	EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL (EOD) .....	6,707	6,707	6,707	6,707	6,707	
011	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....	585	585	585	585	585	
013	FIRST DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION .....	2,299	2,299	2,299	2,299	2,299	
014	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5,000,000 .....	5,115	5,115	5,115	5,115	5,115	
	FLARES						
015	EXPENDABLE COUNTERMEASURES .....	79,786	79,786	79,786	79,786	79,786	
	FUZES						
016	FUZES .....	109,562	109,562	109,562	109,562	109,562	
	SMALL ARMS						
017	SMALL ARMS .....	29,306	29,306	29,306	29,306	29,306	

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		Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	
TOTAL PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, AIR FORCE		1,772	703,158	1,772	703,158	1,772	703,158	1,772	-32,056	1,772	671,102	
PROCUREMENT, SPACE FORCE												
SPACE PROCUREMENT, SF												
001	AF SATELLITE COMM SYSTEM .....		64,345		64,345		64,345					64,345
003	COUNTERSPACE SYSTEMS .....		52,665		52,665		52,665					52,665
004	FAMILY OF BEYOND LINE-OF-SIGHT TERMINALS .....		25,057		25,057		25,057					25,057
005	FABT FORCE ELEMENT TERMINAL .....		121,634		121,634		121,634					121,634
007	GENERAL INFORMATION TECH—SPACE .....		3,451		3,451		3,451					3,451
008	GPSIII FOLLOW ON .....		119,700		119,700		119,700		-49,300		70,400	70,400
	Request for Equitable Adjustment .....				[-49,300]							
009	GPS III SPACE SEGMENT .....		121,770		121,770		121,770		-18,100		103,670	103,670
	Unjustified growth SV 03-10 production .....				[-18,100]							
010	GLOBAL POSITIONING (SPACE) .....		893		893		893					893
011	HERITAGE TRANSITION .....		6,110		6,110		6,110					6,110
012	JOINT TACTICAL GROUND STATIONS .....		580		580		580					580
013	SPACEBORNE EQUIP (COMSEC) .....		83,168		83,168		83,168					83,168
014	MILSATCOM .....		44,672		44,672		44,672					44,672
015	SBIR HIGH (SPACE) .....		39,438		39,438		39,438					39,438
016	SPECIAL SPACE ACTIVITIES .....		840,913		380,213		380,213		-460,700		380,213	380,213
	Classified overrun .....				[-497,000]							
	Space Force realignment of funds .....											
	Space Force Unfunded Priorities List Classified Program A .....				[-497,000]							
	USSF UPL—Classified program A .....				[36,300]							
017	MOBILE USER OBJECTIVE SYSTEM .....		101,147		101,147		101,147					101,147
018	NATIONAL SECURITY SPACE LAUNCH .....	10	2,142,846	10	2,142,846	10	2,142,846	10		10	2,142,846	2,142,846
020	PTES HUB .....	12	56,482	12	56,482	12	56,482	12		12	56,482	56,482
021	ROCKET SYSTEMS LAUNCH PROGRAM .....		74,848		74,848		74,848					74,848
022	SPACE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY LAUNCH .....	5	529,468	5	529,468	5	529,468	5		5	529,468	529,468
023	SPACE MODS .....		166,596		166,596		166,596					166,596
024	SPACE/LIFT RANGE SYSTEM SPACE .....		114,505		114,505		114,505					114,505
SPARES												

025	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....	906	906						
026	SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	3,100	3,100						
027	UNDISTRIBUTED .....								
	UNDISTRIBUTED .....								
	WGS-12 delayed contract award .....		-434,000						
	WGS-12 delayed contract award .....		[-434,000]						
	<b>TOTAL PROCUREMENT, SPACE FORCE .....</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>4,714,294</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>4,253,594</b>	<b>-528,100</b>	<b>4,186,194</b>		
	<b>OTHER PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE</b>								
001	PASSENGER CARRYING VEHICLES .....	6,123	6,123						
002	CARGO AND UTILITY VEHICLES .....	3,961	3,961						
003	MEDIUM TACTICAL VEHICLE .....	1,027	1,027						
004	CARGO AND UTILITY VEHICLES .....	45,036	47,338			2,302	47,338		
	DAF requested realignment of funds .....						[328]		
	DAF requested realignment of funds from OMAF SAG .....						[1,974]		
	11R .....								
	Technical realignment .....		[2,302]			[2,302]			
005	<b>SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLES</b>								
	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE .....	57,780	57,780						
006	Utility unjustified unit cost growth .....	390	390						
007	SECURITY AND TACTICAL VEHICLES .....	79,023	82,803			3,780	82,803		
	SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLES .....						[340]		
	DAF requested realignment of funds .....						[3,440]		
	DAF requested realignment of funds from OMAF SAG .....								
	11R .....								
	Technical realignment .....		[3,780]			[3,780]			
008	<b>FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT</b>								
	FIRE FIGHTING/CRASH RESCUE VEHICLES .....	70,252	70,252						
009	<b>MATERIALS HANDLING EQUIPMENT</b>								
	MATERIALS HANDLING VEHICLES .....	73,805	75,895			2,090	75,895		
	DAF requested realignment of funds from OMAF SAG .....						[1,805]		
	11R .....								
	DAF requested realignment of funds from OPAF line 11 .....						[285]		
	Technical realignment .....		[2,090]			[2,090]			
010	<b>BASE MAINTENANCE SUPPORT</b>								
	RUNWAY SNOW REMOV AND CLEANING EOU .....	22,030	22,030						
011	BASE MAINTENANCE SUPPORT VEHICLES .....	223,354	240,634			17,280	240,634		
	DAF requested realignment of funds .....						[-953]		

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		Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost
	DAF requested realignment of funds from OMAF SAG 11R. [18,233]										
	Technical realignment [17,280]										
013	COMM SECURITY EQUIPMENT(COMSEC)		98,600		98,600		98,600		[17,280]		98,600
	COMSEC EQUIPMENT		98,600		98,600		98,600		[17,280]		98,600
015	INTELLIGENCE PROGRAMS		5,393		5,393		5,393				5,393
016	INTERNATIONAL INTEL TECH & ARCHITECTURES		5,393		5,393		5,393				5,393
017	INTELLIGENCE TRAINING EQUIPMENT		5,012		5,012		5,012				5,012
	INTELLIGENCE COMM EQUIPMENT		40,042		40,042		40,042				40,042
	ELECTRONICS PROGRAMS		67,581		67,581		67,581				67,581
018	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL & LANDING SYS		67,581		67,581		67,581				67,581
019	NATIONAL AIRSPACE SYSTEM		3,841		3,841		3,841				3,841
020	BATTLE CONTROL SYSTEM—FIXED		1,867		1,867		1,867				1,867
022	3D EXPEDITIONARY LONG-RANGE RADAR		83,735		83,735		83,735				83,735
023	WEATHER OBSERVATION FORECAST		28,530		28,530		28,530				28,530
024	STRATEGIC COMMAND AND CONTROL		73,593		73,593		73,593				73,593
025	CHEYENNE MOUNTAIN COMPLEX		8,221		8,221		8,221				8,221
026	MISSION PLANNING SYSTEMS		17,078		17,078		17,078				17,078
029	STRATEGIC MISSION PLANNING & EXECUTION SYSTEM		3,861		3,861		3,861				3,861
	SPCL COMM-ELECTRONICS PROJECTS		206,142		212,093		237,093		5,951		212,093
030	GENERAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY		206,142		212,093		237,093		5,951		212,093
	DAF requested realignment of funds				[-25,000]		[30,951]		[-25,000]		[30,951]
	Insufficient justification				[30,951]				[30,951]		
	Technical realignment		2,582		2,582		2,582				2,582
031	AF GLOBAL COMMAND & CONTROL SYS		2,582		2,582		2,582				2,582
032	BATTLEFIELD AIRBORNE CONTROL NODE (BACN)		30		30		30				30
033	MOBILITY COMMAND AND CONTROL		3,768		3,768		3,768				3,768
034	AIR FORCE PHYSICAL SECURITY SYSTEM		208,704		208,704		208,704				208,704
035	COMBAT TRAINING RANGES		346,340		346,340		346,340				343,250
	Unit cost growth: P6CTS										[-3,050]
036	MINIMUM ESSENTIAL EMERGENCY COMM N		84,102		84,102		84,102				84,102
037	WIDE AREA SURVEILLANCE (WAS)		11,594		11,594		11,594				11,594
038	C3 COUNTERMEASURES		148,818		148,818		148,818				148,818

044	AIR & SPACE OPERATIONS CENTER (AOC) .....	5,032	5,032	5,032	5,032		
046	<b>AIR FORCE COMMUNICATIONS</b> BASE INFORMATION TRANSPORT INFRASTR (BITI) WIRED .....	108,532	322,704	322,704	322,704	214,172	322,704
	DAF requested realignment of funds .....						
	Technical realignment .....						
047	AFNET .....	154,911	154,911	154,911	154,911	[214,172]	152,618
	Insufficient justification .....						
048	JOINT COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT ELEMENT (JCSE) .....	5,381	5,381	5,381	5,381		5,381
049	USCENTCOM .....	18,025	18,025	18,025	18,025		18,025
050	USSTRATCOM .....	4,436	4,436	4,436	4,436		4,436
051	USSPACECOM .....	27,073	27,073	27,073	27,073		27,073
	<b>ORGANIZATION AND BASE</b>						
052	TACTICAL C-E EQUIPMENT .....	226,819	226,819	226,819	226,819		226,819
053	RADIO EQUIPMENT .....	30,407	30,407	30,407	30,407		30,407
054	BASE COMM INFRASTRUCTURE .....	113,563	113,563	113,563	113,563		113,563
	<b>MODIFICATIONS</b>						
055	COMM ELECT MODS .....	98,224	98,224	98,224	98,224	17,000	115,224
	NORTHCOM UPL—Over the Horizon Radar Acceleration .....					[17,000]	
	<b>PERSONAL SAFETY &amp; RESCUE EQUIP</b>						
056	PERSONAL SAFETY AND RESCUE EQUIPMENT .....	60,473	60,473	60,473	60,473		60,473
057	<b>DEPOT PLANT+MTRLS HANDLING EQ</b>						
058	POWER CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT .....	9,235	9,235	9,235	9,235		9,235
	MECHANIZED MATERIAL HANDLING EQUIP .....	15,662	15,662	15,662	15,662		15,662
	<b>BASE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT</b>						
059	BASE PROCURED EQUIPMENT .....	77,875	77,875	77,875	77,875		77,875
060	ENGINEERING AND EOD EQUIPMENT .....	288,968	288,968	288,968	288,968		288,968
	DAF requested realignment of funds .....						
	DAF requested realignment of funds from OMAF SAG .....						
	11R .....						
	Recovery of Air Bases Denied by Ordnance Program .....						
	Technical realignment .....						
061	MOBILITY EQUIPMENT .....	207,071	232,271	232,271	232,271	25,200	232,271
	DAF requested realignment of funds from OMAF SAG .....						
	11R .....						
	Technical realignment .....						
062	FUELS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT (FSE) .....	218,790	218,790	218,790	218,790	[25,200]	208,336
	All Terrain Berm Storage System schedule discrepan-						
	cies .....						
	Fuel storage bladder unjustified unit cost growth .....						
063	BASE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT .....	51,914	51,914	51,914	51,914	[−3,239]	51,914

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		Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost
	Technical realignment .....				[5,950]						
	<b>SPECIAL SUPPORT PROJECTS</b>										
065	DARP RC135 .....		28,882		28,882		28,882		28,882		28,882
066	DCGS-AF .....		129,655		129,655		129,655		129,655		129,655
070	SPECIAL UPDATE PROGRAM .....		1,042,833		1,042,833		1,042,833		1,042,833		1,042,833
	<b>CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS</b>										
072A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....		25,456,490		25,456,490		25,456,490		25,456,490		25,456,490
	<b>SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS</b>										
071	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS (CYBER) .....		1,032		1,032		1,032		1,032		1,032
072	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS .....		12,628		12,628		12,628		12,628		12,628
	<b>TOTAL OTHER PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE</b>		<b>30,417,892</b>		<b>30,417,901</b>		<b>30,417,901</b>		<b>279,153</b>		<b>30,697,045</b>
	<b>PROCUREMENT, DEFENSE-WIDE</b>										
	<b>MAJOR EQUIPMENT, SDA</b>										
001	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DPAA .....	10	516	10	516	10	516		516	10	516
002	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, OSD .....		186,006		186,006		186,006		186,006		186,006
	<b>MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DISA</b>										
011	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY .....		12,275		12,275		12,275		12,275		12,275
012	TELEPORT PROGRAM .....		42,399		42,399		42,399		42,399		42,399
014	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION .....		47,538		47,538		47,538		47,538		47,538
015	DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEM NETWORK .....		39,472		39,472		39,472		39,472		39,472
016	WHITE HOUSE COMMUNICATION AGENCY .....		118,523		118,523		118,523		118,523		118,523
017	SENIOR LEADERSHIP ENTERPRISE .....		94,591		94,591		94,591		94,591		94,591
018	JOINT REGIONAL SECURITY STACKS (JRSS) .....		22,714		22,714		15,714		15,714		22,714
	Program decrease .....										
	Program reduction .....										
019	JOINT SERVICE PROVIDER .....		107,637		97,637		107,637		97,637		97,637
	Insufficient justification .....										
020	FOURTH ESTATE NETWORK OPTIMIZATION (4ENO) .....		33,047		33,047		33,047		33,047		33,047
	<b>MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DLA</b>										
028	MAJOR EQUIPMENT .....		30,355		30,355		30,355		30,355		30,355
	<b>MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DCSA</b>										
029	MAJOR EQUIPMENT .....		2,135		2,135		2,135		2,135		2,135



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		Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost
	Commercial-off-the-Shelf (COTS) Miniaturized Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) Ground Control Stations.				[2,500]						
059	NON-STANDARD AVIATION		25,782		25,782		25,782		-4,000		21,782
	Theater Basing Initiatives excess to need								[-4,000]		
060	U-28		7,198		7,198		7,198				7,198
061	MH-47 CHINOOK		149,883		149,883		149,883				149,883
062	CV-22 MODIFICATION		75,981		75,981		75,981				75,981
063	MQ-9 UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE		17,684		17,684		17,684				17,684
064	PRECISION STRIKE PACKAGE		108,497		108,497		108,497				108,497
065	AC/MC-130J		319,754		319,754		319,754				319,754
066	C-130 MODIFICATIONS		18,796		18,796		18,796				18,796
	<b>SHIPBUILDING</b>										
067	UNDERWATER SYSTEMS		66,111		73,111		78,171		7,000		73,111
	Deep Submergence Collective Propulsion Seal Delivery Vehicle (SDV) Sonar Payload for Subsea Seabed Acceleration.				[7,000]		[12,060]		[7,000]		
	<b>AMMUNITION PROGRAMS</b>										
068	ORDNANCE ITEMS <\$5M		147,831		147,831		147,831				147,831
	<b>OTHER PROCUREMENT PROGRAMS</b>										
069	INTELLIGENCE SYSTEMS		203,400		203,400		203,400				203,400
070	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS		5,718		5,718		5,718				5,718
071	OTHER ITEMS <\$5M		106,816		106,316		106,816		-2,500		106,316
	Program decrease				[-2,500]				[-2,500]		
072	COMBATANT CRAFT SYSTEMS		55,064		58,730		55,064				55,064
	Combat Craft Assault for Naval Special Warfare—one craft.				[3,666]						
073	SPECIAL PROGRAMS		20,412		20,412		20,412				20,412
074	TACTICAL VEHICLES		56,561		56,561		56,561				56,561
075	WARRIOR SYSTEMS <\$5M		329,837		379,824		344,637		40,600		370,437
	Counter Uncrewed Aerial Systems (CUAS) Group 3 Defeat Acceleration.				[14,800]						

	USSOCOM UPL—Counter Uncrewed Aerial Systems (CUAS) Group 3 Defeat Acceleration.				[49,987]		[40,600]		
076	COMBAT MISSION REQUIREMENTS .....	4,987	4,987		4,987				4,987
077	OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS INTELLIGENCE .....	23,639	23,639		23,639				23,639
078	OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS .....	322,341	322,341		322,341				322,341
	<b>CBOP</b>								
079	CHEMICAL BIOLOGICAL SITUATIONAL AWARENESS .....	159,884	159,884		159,884				159,884
080	CB PROTECTION & HAZARD MITIGATION .....	231,826	231,826		231,826				231,826
	Chemical nerve agent countermeasures .....				(5,000)				
	<b>TOTAL PROCUREMENT, DEFENSE-WIDE .....</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>6,056,975</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>6,232,414</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>6,112,835</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6,183,075</b>
	<b>NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVE EQUIPMENT</b>								
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>								
006	UNDISTRIBUTED .....		100,000		100,000		100,000		100,000
	Program increase .....		(100,000)		(100,000)		(100,000)		
	<b>TOTAL NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVE EQUIPMENT</b>		<b>100,000</b>		<b>100,000</b>		<b>100,000</b>		<b>100,000</b>
	<b>TOTAL PROCUREMENT .....</b>	<b>17,863</b>	<b>167,986,341</b>	<b>17,928</b>	<b>168,612,352</b>	<b>17,865</b>	<b>169,840,643</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>169,169,465</b>

## TITLE XLII—RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION

### SEC. 4201. RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION.

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<b>RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, ARMY</b>							
<b>BASIC RESEARCH</b>							
001	0601102A	DEFENSE RESEARCH SCIENCES .....	296,670	301,670	296,670	5,000	301,670
		AI-Enhanced Quantum Computing .....		[5,000]		[5,000]	
002	0601103A	UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INITIATIVES .....	75,672	75,672	75,672		75,672
003	0601104A	UNIVERSITY AND INDUSTRY RESEARCH CENTERS .....	108,946	112,946	108,946	2,000	110,946
		Biotechnology research .....		[2,000]			
		Hypervelocity research and testing .....		[2,000]		[2,000]	
004	0601121A	CYBER COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH ALLIANCE .....	5,459	5,459	5,459		5,459
005	0601601A	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING BASIC RESEARCH.	10,708	10,708	10,708		10,708
		<b>SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH</b> .....	<b>497,455</b>	<b>506,455</b>	<b>497,455</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>504,455</b>
<b>APPLIED RESEARCH</b>							
006	0602002A	ARMY AGILE INNOVATION AND DEVELOPMENT-APPLIED RESEARCH.	5,613	5,613	5,613		5,613
008	0602134A	COUNTER IMPROVISED-THREAT ADVANCED STUDIES .....	6,242	6,242	6,242		6,242
009	0602141A	LETHALITY TECHNOLOGY .....	85,578	100,578	85,578	10,000	95,578
		Armaments technology for unmanned systems .....		[2,500]		[2,500]	

010	0602142A	Convergent Advanced Manufacturing for Extreme Environments.	34,572	15,000	34,572	20,500	2,500	34,572	2,500
011	0602143A	Critical energetic materials chemistries	104,470	2,500	114,470	8,000	2,500	124,970	2,500
		Overmatching the Speed of Battle		2,500		2,500			
		Universal Nanocrystalline Alloys Lethality		2,500		2,500			
		ARMY APPLIED RESEARCH	34,572	34,572					
		SOLDIER LETHALITY TECHNOLOGY	104,470	1,16,970					
		Airborne Pathfinder							
		Body armor research		2,500		2,500			
		Digital night vision technology		5,000		5,000			
		Pathfinder program		2,500		2,500			
		Wafer-Level Vacuum Packaging (WLVP) of Microbolometers		2,500		2,500			
012	0602144A	GROUND TECHNOLOGY	60,005	74,905	80,005	25,500	2,500	85,505	2,500
		Cold weather research		2,500					
		Critical hybrid advanced materials processing			7,000				
		Engineered repair materials for roadways			3,000				
		Engineered Repair Materials for Roadways to Support Effective Maneuver of Military Assets.		1,500					
		Geosynthetics Performance Testing		3,300					
		HMMAR Production		2,500					
		Polar proving ground and training program		2,500					
		Research and development of smart concrete materials		2,600					
		Titanium metal powder production technology							
013	0602145A	NEXT GENERATION COMBAT VEHICLE TECHNOLOGY	166,500	167,000	181,500	14,000	10,000	180,500	14,000
		Fuel cells for next generation combat vehicles							
		High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle (HMMWV - Humvee)		500					
		Gunner Restraint System (GRS)							
		Hydrogen fuel source research and development							
014	0602146A	NETWORK C3I TECHNOLOGY	81,618	91,618	81,618	5,000	10,000	86,618	5,000
		Intelligent Resilience of Communications Signals		2,500					
		Man-portable doppler radar		5,000					
		Secure Microelectronic Interposer Technology		2,500					

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015	0602147A	LONG RANGE PRECISION FIRES TECHNOLOGY .....	34,683	37,183	34,683	2,500	37,183
		Additive manufacturing for low-cost missile applications		[2,500]		[2,500]	
016	0602148A	FUTURE VERTICLE LIFT TECHNOLOGY .....	73,844	76,344	73,844	2,500	76,344
		eVTOL power source development .....		[2,500]		[2,500]	
017	0602150A	AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY .....	33,301	60,801	38,301	27,500	60,801
		Counter UAS research .....		[5,000]			
		Counter-Unmanned Aircraft Systems technology .....		[2,500]	[5,000]	[5,000]	
		High energy laser enabling and support technology .....		[20,000]		[2,500]	
		High energy Laser in a Box .....		24,142	24,142	[20,000]	24,142
018	0602180A	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES.	24,142	24,142	24,142		24,142
019	0602181A	ALL DOMAIN CONVERGENCE APPLIED RESEARCH .....	14,297	14,297	14,297		14,297
020	0602182A	C3I APPLIED RESEARCH .....	30,659	30,659	30,659		30,659
021	0602183A	AIR PLATFORM APPLIED RESEARCH .....	48,163	53,163	48,163	1,500	49,663
		Unmanned aerial and ground sensor network .....		[2,500]		[1,500]	
		Vision-Based Navigation for Small Unmanned Aerial Systems.		[2,500]			
022	0602184A	SOLDIER APPLIED RESEARCH .....	18,986	18,986	18,986		18,986
023	0602213A	C3I APPLIED CYBER .....	22,714	22,714	22,714		22,714
024	0602386A	BIOTECHNOLOGY FOR MATERIALS—APPLIED RESEARCH .....	16,736	16,736	16,736		16,736
025	0602785A	MANPOWER/PERSONNEL/TRAINING TECHNOLOGY .....	19,969	19,969	19,969		19,969
026	0602787A	MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY .....	66,266	76,166	71,266	9,900	76,166
		Precision Medicine for Bone Injuries .....		[4,900]		[4,900]	
		Preventing trauma-related stress disorder .....		[5,000]	[5,000]	[5,000]	
		WRAIR Mitochondria TBI program .....		[5,000]			
		<b>SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH .....</b>	<b>948,358</b>	<b>1,048,658</b>	<b>1,003,358</b>	<b>118,900</b>	<b>1,067,258</b>

Code	Description	027	028	029	030	031	032	033	034	036	037	038	039	040	041	042
<b>ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT</b>																
027	MEDICAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	4,147	12,147	4,147	12,147	4,147	12,147	4,147	12,147	8,000	12,147	8,000	12,147	8,000	12,147	8,000
028	Hearing Protections Communications .....	16,316	[8,000]	16,316	[8,000]	16,316	16,316	16,316	16,316	[8,000]	16,316	[8,000]	16,316	16,316	16,316	16,316
029	ARMY AGILE INNOVATION AND DEMONSTRATION .....	23,156	23,156	23,156	23,156	23,156	23,156	23,156	23,156	5,000	23,156	5,000	23,156	5,000	23,156	5,000
030	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING AD- VANCED TECHNOLOGIES.	13,187	13,187	13,187	13,187	13,187	13,187	13,187	13,187	[5,000]	13,187	[5,000]	13,187	[5,000]	13,187	[5,000]
031	Tactical artificial intelligence and machine learning .....	33,332	33,332	33,332	33,332	33,332	33,332	33,332	33,332	[5,000]	33,332	[5,000]	33,332	[5,000]	33,332	[5,000]
032	ALL DOMAIN CONVERGENCE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	19,225	19,225	19,225	19,225	19,225	19,225	19,225	19,225	19,225	19,225	19,225	19,225	19,225	19,225	19,225
033	AIR PLATFORM ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	14,165	14,165	14,165	14,165	14,165	14,165	14,165	14,165	1,214	14,165	1,214	14,165	1,214	14,165	1,214
034	SOLDIER ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	1,214	20,582	1,214	20,582	1,214	20,582	1,214	20,582
036	LETHALITY ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	20,582	30,582	20,582	30,582	20,582	30,582	20,582	30,582	[-2,827]	20,582	[-2,827]	20,582	[-2,827]	20,582	[-2,827]
037	Battlefield Armaments and Ammunition Supply Chain .....	136,280	[10,000]	136,280	[10,000]	136,280	[10,000]	136,280	[10,000]	136,280	136,280	136,280	136,280	136,280	136,280	136,280
038	Energetics Materials and Manufacturing Technology .....	102,778	[2,500]	102,778	[2,500]	102,778	[2,500]	102,778	[2,500]	102,778	102,778	102,778	102,778	102,778	102,778	102,778
039	Program decrease .....	40,597	[-5,000]	40,597	[-5,000]	40,597	[-5,000]	40,597	[-5,000]	40,597	40,597	40,597	40,597	40,597	40,597	40,597
040	Systems materials and hardened structures .....	21,672	[2,500]	21,672	[2,500]	21,672	[2,500]	21,672	[2,500]	21,672	21,672	21,672	21,672	21,672	21,672	21,672
041	ARMY ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....	59,871	136,280	59,871	136,280	59,871	136,280	59,871	136,280	59,871	59,871	59,871	59,871	59,871	59,871	59,871
042	SOLDIER LETHALITY ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	28,847	109,278	28,847	109,278	28,847	109,278	28,847	109,278	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847
	Autonomous Long Range Resupply .....	45,597	[2,500]	45,597	[2,500]	45,597	[2,500]	45,597	[2,500]	45,597	45,597	45,597	45,597	45,597	45,597	45,597
	Paratrooper and Powered Paragliders Autopilot System (PAPPAS).	48,097	[4,000]	48,097	[4,000]	48,097	[4,000]	48,097	[4,000]	48,097	48,097	48,097	48,097	48,097	48,097	48,097
	GROUND ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	21,672	45,597	21,672	45,597	21,672	45,597	21,672	45,597	21,672	21,672	21,672	21,672	21,672	21,672	21,672
	3D Printed Cold Weather Structures .....	59,871	[2,500]	59,871	[2,500]	59,871	[2,500]	59,871	[2,500]	59,871	59,871	59,871	59,871	59,871	59,871	59,871
	Advanced composites and multi-material protective sys- tems.	28,847	[5,000]	28,847	[5,000]	28,847	[5,000]	28,847	[5,000]	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847
	Research supporting rapid entry in Arctic conditions .....	21,672	[2,500]	21,672	[2,500]	21,672	[2,500]	21,672	[2,500]	21,672	21,672	21,672	21,672	21,672	21,672	21,672
	COUNTER IMPROVISED-THREAT SIMULATION .....	59,871	21,672	59,871	21,672	59,871	21,672	59,871	21,672	59,871	59,871	59,871	59,871	59,871	59,871	59,871
	BIOTECHNOLOGY FOR MATERIALS—ADVANCED RESEARCH	28,847	59,871	28,847	59,871	28,847	59,871	28,847	59,871	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847
	C3I CYBER ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT .....	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847	28,847

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043	0603461A	HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING MODERNIZATION PROGRAM. Excessive cost growth .....	255,772	250,772	265,772		255,772
		High Performance Computing Modernization Program increase.		[-5,000]	[10,000]		
044	0603462A	NEXT GENERATION COMBAT VEHICLE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY. Advanced Manufacturing Center of Excellence .....	217,394	227,394	224,394	17,500	234,894
		Next Generation Combat Vehicle Advanced Technology (Silent Watch Hydrogen Fuel Cell).		[10,000]	[7,000]	[12,500]	
045	0603463A	NETWORK C3I ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	105,549	105,549	105,549		105,549
046	0603464A	LONG RANGE PRECISION FIRES ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	153,024	225,024	158,024	35,000	188,024
		AI-Li solid rocket motors .....		[10,000]			
		Aluminum-Lithium Alloy Solid Rocket Motor .....		[10,000]	[5,000]	[5,000]	
		Assured Munition Position, Navigation, Timing, and Navigational Warfare.					
		ERAMS Advanced Technology .....		18,000			
		Maneuvering Submunitions for Precision Strike Missile .....		[9,000]		[5,000]	
		Missile Virtual Interactive Testbeds And Labs .....		[15,000]		[5,000]	
		XM1155 Glide Flight Projectile .....		[20,000]		[20,000]	
047	0603465A	FUTURE VERTICAL LIFT ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	158,795	178,795	158,795	15,000	173,795
		Additive manufacturing .....		[10,000]		[10,000]	
		Army Aviation Cybersecurity and Electromagnetic Activity (CEMA).		[5,000]			
		Next Generation Vertical Takeoff and Landing Concepts for Unmanned Aircraft.		[5,000]		[5,000]	
048	0603466A	AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	21,015	34,315	26,015	2,500	23,515

049	0603920A	Armaments Based Counter Small Unmanned Aerial Systems. Rapid Assurance Modernization Program-Test SHORAD S&T Engineering and Integration (SSEI) Lab HUMANITARIAN DEMINING Program increase	[7,000] [6,300] 23,000 [13,932]	[5,000] 9,068 1,492,986	[2,500] 13,932 [13,932] 104,105	23,000 1,560,091
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>1,609,718</b>	<b>1,492,986</b>	<b>104,105</b>	<b>1,560,091</b>
051	0603305A	<b>ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT &amp; PROTOTYPES</b> ARMY MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEMS INTEGRATION Artificial Intelligence Decision Aids for All Domain Operations. Capability for Advanced Protective Technologies Assessment and Integration (CAPTAIN). Integrated Environmental Control and Power Pulsed Laser for Hypersonic Defense Resilient Position, Navigation, and Timing Development (PNT).	43,904 [6,000] [8,000] [5,000] [5,000] [7,000]	12,904 12,904	20,000 [5,000] [8,000] [5,000] [2,000]	32,904
052	0603308A	ARMY SPACE SYSTEMS INTEGRATION Essential Multi-Function Multi-Mission Payload Development.	24,120 [5,000]	19,120	5,000 [5,000]	24,120
054	0603619A	LANDMINE WARFARE AND BARRIER—ADV DEV	47,537	47,537		47,537
055	0603639A	TANK AND MEDIUM CALIBER AMMUNITION	91,323	91,323		91,323
056	0603645A	ARMORED SYSTEM MODERNIZATION—ADV DEV Slow expenditure—Ground Combat Platform	29,926 [-13,100]	43,026		43,026
057	0603747A	SOLDIER SUPPORT AND SURVIVABILITY	3,550	3,550		3,550
058	0603766A	TACTICAL ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM—ADV DEV	65,567	65,567		65,567
059	0603774A	NIGHT VISION SYSTEMS ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT	73,675	73,675		73,675
060	0603779A	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TECHNOLOGY—DEMVAL Program decrease	36,720 [5,000]	31,720	2,500 [-2,500]	34,220
061	0603790A	Underwater Cut and Capture Demonstration NATO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT	4,143	4,143	[5,000]	4,143

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062	0603801A	AVIATION—ADV DEV .....	1,502,160	1,464,160	1,502,160	-1,356	1,500,804
		FARA—Excess to need .....		[-50,000]		[-13,356]	
		Modular Communication, Command, and Control Suite (MC3—Suite) .....		[12,000]		[12,000]	
063	0603804A	LOGISTICS AND ENGINEER EQUIPMENT—ADV DEV .....	7,604	7,604	7,604		7,604
064	0603807A	MEDICAL SYSTEMS—ADV DEV .....	1,602	1,602	1,602		1,602
065	0603827A	SOLDIER SYSTEMS—ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT .....	27,681	25,825	27,681	-1,856	25,825
		Excessive growth—Program management .....		[-1,333]		[-1,333]	
		Slow expenditure rate—Advance Development .....		[-523]		[-523]	
066	0604017A	ROBOTICS DEVELOPMENT .....	3,024	3,024	3,024		3,024
067	0604019A	EXPANDED MISSION AREA MISSILE (EMAM) .....	97,018	97,018	97,018		97,018
068	0604020A	CROSS FUNCTIONAL TEAM (CFT) ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT & PROTOTYPING .....	117,557	117,557	117,557		117,557
069	0604035A	LOW EARTH ORBIT (LEO) SATELLITE CAPABILITY .....	38,851	38,851	38,851		38,851
070	0604036A	MULTI-DOMAIN SENSING SYSTEM (MDSS) ADV DEV .....	191,394	191,394	191,394		191,394
071	0604037A	TACTICAL INTEL TARGETING ACCESS NODE (TITAN) ADV DEV .....	10,626	10,626	10,626		10,626
072	0604100A	ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVES .....	11,095	11,095	11,095		11,095
073	0604101A	SMALL UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE (SUAV) (6.4) .....	5,144	5,144	5,144		5,144
074	0604103A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT TOOL (EWPMT) .....	2,260	2,260	2,260		2,260
075	0604113A	FUTURE TACTICAL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM (FTUAS) .....	53,143	24,096	53,143		53,143
		Slow expenditure rate .....		[-29,047]			
076	0604114A	LOWER TIER AIR MISSILE DEFENSE (LTAMD) SENSOR .....	816,663	816,663	816,663		816,663
077	0604115A	TECHNOLOGY MATURATION INITIATIVES .....	281,314	281,314	281,314		281,314
078	0604117A	MANEUVER—SHORT RANGE AIR DEFENSE (M-SHORAD) .....	281,239	240,065	281,239	-7,245	273,994
		Delayed expenditure—contract award delay .....		[-41,174]		[-7,245]	

079	0604119A	ARMY ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT & PROTO-TYPING.	204,914	204,914	204,914	204,914	204,914
080	0604120A	ASSURED POSITIONING, NAVIGATION AND TIMING (PNT) .....	40,930	40,930	40,930	40,930	40,930
		Slow expenditure rate—ALINAV .....			33,090	[-5,236]	
		Slow expenditure rate—Mounted APNT .....			[-2,604]		
081	0604121A	SYNTHETIC TRAINING ENVIRONMENT REFINEMENT & PROTOTYPING.	109,714	109,714	78,686	109,714	109,714
		Slow expenditure rate—Reconfig Virtual Collective Trainer			[-3,524]		
		Slow expenditure rate—STE Live .....			[-25,451]		
		Slow expenditure rate—SVI .....			[-2,053]		
082	0604134A	COUNTER IMPROVISED-THREAT DEMONSTRATION, PROTO-TYPE DEVELOPMENT, AND TESTING.	16,426	16,426	16,426	16,426	16,426
083	0604135A	STRATEGIC MID-RANGE FIRES .....	31,559	31,559	31,559	31,559	31,559
084	0604182A	HYPERSONICS .....	43,435	43,435	43,435	43,435	43,435
085	0604403A	FUTURE INTERCEPTOR .....	8,040	8,040	8,040	8,040	8,040
086	0604531A	COUNTER—SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT.	64,242	64,242	64,242	64,242	64,242
087	0604541A	UNIFIED NETWORK TRANSPORT .....	40,915	40,915	40,915	40,915	40,915
9999	99999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	19,200	19,200	29,200	19,200	19,200
		Pilot program .....			[10,000]		
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT &amp; PROTOTYPES.</b>	<b>4,420,315</b>	<b>4,420,315</b>	<b>4,309,270</b>	<b>17,043</b>	<b>4,437,358</b>
<b>SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION</b>							
091	0604201A	AIRCRAFT AVIONICS .....	13,673	13,673	13,673	13,673	13,673
092	0604270A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT .....	12,789	12,789	12,789	12,789	12,789
093	0604601A	INFANTRY SUPPORT WEAPONS .....	64,076	64,076	62,732	64,076	64,076
		Slow expenditure .....			[-1,344]		
094	0604604A	MEDIUM TACTICAL VEHICLES .....	28,226	28,226	3,226	28,226	3,226
		Incomplete development goals .....					
		Program decrease .....			[-25,000]		
095	0604611A	JAVELIN .....	7,827	7,827	7,827	7,827	7,827

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096	0604622A	FAMILY OF HEAVY TACTICAL VEHICLES .....	44,197	44,197	44,197		44,197
097	0604633A	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL .....	1,134	11,134	1,134	10,000	11,134
		Integrated Mission Planning & Airspace Control Tools (IM-PACT).		[10,000]		[10,000]	
098	0604641A	TACTICAL UNMANNED GROUND VEHICLE (TUGV) .....	142,125	142,125	142,125		142,125
099	0604642A	LIGHT TACTICAL WHEELED VEHICLES .....	53,564	9,671	53,564	-43,893	9,671
		Incomplete development goals .....		[-43,893]		[-43,893]	
100	0604645A	ARMORED SYSTEMS MODERNIZATION (ASM)—ENG DEV .....	102,201	102,201	102,201		102,201
101	0604710A	NIGHT VISION SYSTEMS—ENG DEV .....	48,720	133,143	56,220	34,109	82,829
		Enhanced Night Vision Goggle—Binocular capability enhancements.			[7,500]		
		Repurchase from Procurement for IVAS 1.2 development .....		[89,451]		[39,137]	
		Slow expenditure—Joint Effects Targeting System (JETS)		[-5,028]		[-5,028]	
102	0604713A	COMBAT FEEDING, CLOTHING, AND EQUIPMENT .....	2,223	2,223	2,223		2,223
103	0604715A	NON-SYSTEM TRAINING DEVICES—ENG DEV .....	21,441	21,441	21,441		21,441
104	0604741A	AIR DEFENSE COMMAND, CONTROL AND INTELLIGENCE—ENG DEV.	74,738	84,738	74,738	10,000	84,738
		Software Integration Digital Eco-system .....		[10,000]		[10,000]	
105	0604742A	CONSTRUCTIVE SIMULATION SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....	30,985	30,985	30,985		30,985
106	0604746A	AUTOMATIC TEST EQUIPMENT DEVELOPMENT .....	13,626	13,626	13,626		13,626
107	0604760A	DISTRIBUTIVE INTERACTIVE SIMULATIONS (DIS)—ENG DEV	8,802	8,802	8,802		8,802
108	0604798A	BRIGADE ANALYSIS, INTEGRATION AND EVALUATION .....	20,828	20,828	20,828		20,828
109	0604802A	WEAPONS AND MUNITIONS—ENG DEV .....	243,851	258,851	243,851	10,000	253,851
		Long Range Precision Guidance Kit .....		[15,000]		[10,000]	
110	0604804A	LOGISTICS AND ENGINEER EQUIPMENT—ENG DEV .....	37,420	37,420	42,420	5,000	42,420
		Ultra-Lightweight Camouflage Net System .....			[5,000]	[5,000]	

111	0604805A	COMMAND, CONTROL, COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS—ENG DEV.	34,214	34,214	34,214	34,214
112	0604807A	MEDICAL MATERIEL/MEDICAL BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE EQUIPMENT—ENG DEV.	6,496	6,496	6,496	6,496
113	0604808A	LANDMINE WARFARE/BARRIER—ENG DEV	13,581	13,581	13,581	13,581
114	0604818A	ARMY TACTICAL COMMAND & CONTROL HARDWARE & SOFTWARE.	168,574	160,778	168,574	168,574
		Slow expenditure rate—Expeditionary Army Command Post		[-5,049]		
		Slow expenditure rate—Sustainment Transport System		[-2,747]		
115	0604820A	RADAR DEVELOPMENT	94,944	94,944	94,944	94,944
116	0604822A	GENERAL FUND ENTERPRISE BUSINESS SYSTEM (GFEBBS)	2,965	2,965	2,965	2,965
117	0604827A	SOLDIER SYSTEMS—WARRIOR DEMVAL	11,333	11,333	11,333	11,333
118	0604852A	SUITE OF SURVIVABILITY ENHANCEMENT SYSTEMS—EMD	79,250	79,250	79,250	78,050
		Maintain program management level of effort				[-1,200]
119	0604854A	ARTILLERY SYSTEMS—EMD	42,490	42,490	42,490	42,490
120	0605013A	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	104,024	104,024	104,024	104,024
121	0605018A	INTEGRATED PERSONNEL AND PAY SYSTEM-ARMY (PPS-A)	102,084	102,084	102,084	102,084
123	0605030A	JOINT TACTICAL NETWORK CENTER (JTNC)	18,662	18,662	18,662	18,662
124	0605031A	JOINT TACTICAL NETWORK (JTN)	30,328	30,328	30,328	30,328
125	0605035A	COMMON INFRARED COUNTERMEASURES (CIRCM)	11,509	11,509	11,509	11,509
126	0605036A	COMBATING WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION (CWMD)	1,050	1,050	1,050	1,050
128	0605041A	DEFENSIVE CYBER TOOL DEVELOPMENT	27,714	27,714	27,714	27,714
129	0605042A	TACTICAL NETWORK RADIO SYSTEMS (LOW-TIER)	4,318	4,318	4,318	4,318
130	0605047A	CONTRACT WRITING SYSTEM	16,355	16,355	16,355	16,355
131	0605049A	MISSILE WARNING SYSTEM MODERNIZATION (MWSM)	27,571	27,571	27,571	27,571
132	0605051A	AIRCRAFT SURVIVABILITY DEVELOPMENT	24,900	24,900	24,900	24,900
133	0605052A	INDIRECT FIRE PROTECTION CAPABILITY INC 2—BLOCK 1	196,248	196,248	196,248	196,248
134	0605053A	GROUND ROBOTICS	35,319	35,319	35,319	35,319
135	0605054A	EMERGING TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVES	201,274	149,834	201,274	149,834
		Program decrease		[-2,500]		
		Prototype delay		[-48,940]		
137	0605144A	NEXT GENERATION LOAD DEVICE—MEDIUM	36,970	25,559	36,970	36,970

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139	0605148A	Unjustified cost growth		[-11,411]			
140	0605203A	TACTICAL INTEL TARGETING ACCESS NODE (TITAN) EMD	132,136	132,136	132,136		132,136
141	0605205A	ARMY SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT & DEMONSTRATION	81,657	81,657	81,657		81,657
		SMALL UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE (SUAV) (6.5)	31,284	31,284	31,284		27,361
		Unjustified growth				[-3,923]	
142	0605206A	CI AND HUMINT EQUIPMENT PROGRAM-ARMY (CIHEP-A)	2,170	2,170	2,170		2,170
143	0605216A	JOINT TARGETING INTEGRATED COMMAND AND COORDINATION SUITE (JTIC2S)	9,290	9,290	9,290		9,290
144	0605224A	MULTI-DOMAIN INTELLIGENCE	41,003	41,003	41,003		41,003
146	0605231A	PRECISION STRIKE MISSILE (PRSM)	272,786	272,786	272,786		272,786
147	0605232A	HYPERSONICS EMD	900,920	900,920	900,920		900,920
148	0605233A	ACCESSIONS INFORMATION ENVIRONMENT (AIE)	27,361	27,361	27,361		27,361
149	0605235A	STRATEGIC MID-RANGE CAPABILITY	348,855	348,855	348,855		348,855
150	0605236A	INTEGRATED TACTICAL COMMUNICATIONS	22,901	22,901	22,901		22,901
151	0605450A	JOINT AIR-TO-GROUND MISSILE (JAGM)	3,014	3,014	3,014		3,014
152	0605457A	ARMY INTEGRATED AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE (AIAMD)	284,095	273,195	284,095		284,095
		Capability development excess growth		[-10,900]			
153	0605531A	COUNTER—SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS SYS DEV & DEMONSTRATION	36,016	36,016	36,016		36,016
154	0605625A	MANNED GROUND VEHICLE	996,653	875,753	996,653		875,753
		OMFV slow expenditure		[-120,900]			
155	0605766A	NATIONAL CAPABILITIES INTEGRATION (MIP)	15,129	15,129	15,129		15,129
156	0605812A	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE (JLTV) ENGINEERING AND MANUFACTURING DEVELOPMENT PH.	27,243	26,143	27,243		26,143
		Slow expenditure		[-1,100]			
157	0605830A	AVIATION GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	1,167	1,167	1,167		1,167
158	0303032A	TROJAN—RH12	3,879	3,879	3,879		3,879

159	0304270A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT .....	137,186	137,186	137,186	137,186
		<b>SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION .....</b>	<b>5,639,364</b>	<b>5,485,003</b>	<b>5,651,864</b>	<b>5,461,017</b>
		<b>MANAGEMENT SUPPORT</b>				-178,347
160	0604256A	THREAT SIMULATOR DEVELOPMENT .....	38,492	38,492	38,492	38,492
161	0604258A	TARGET SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....	11,873	26,873	11,873	21,873
		Program Increase .....		[5,000]		[5,000]
		U.S. Replacement for Foreign Engines for Aerial Targets ...		[10,000]		[5,000]
162	0604759A	MAJOR T&E INVESTMENT .....	76,167	76,167	76,167	76,167
163	0605103A	RAND ARROYO CENTER .....	37,078	37,078	37,078	37,078
164	0605301A	ARMY KWAJALEIN ATOLL .....	314,872	314,872	314,872	314,872
165	0605326A	CONCEPTS EXPERIMENTATION PROGRAM .....	95,551	95,551	95,551	95,551
167	0605601A	ARMY TEST RANGES AND FACILITIES .....	439,118	439,118	449,118	439,118
		Radar Range Replacement Program .....			[10,000]	
168	0605602A	ARMY TECHNICAL TEST INSTRUMENTATION AND TARGETS ..	42,220	72,220	42,220	47,220
		Rapid Assurance Modernization Program .....		[30,000]		[5,000]
169	0605604A	SURVIVABILITY/LETHALITY ANALYSIS .....	37,518	37,518	37,518	37,518
170	0605606A	AIRCRAFT CERTIFICATION .....	2,718	2,718	2,718	2,718
172	0605706A	MATERIEL SYSTEMS ANALYSIS .....	26,902	26,902	26,902	26,902
173	0605709A	EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN ITEMS .....	7,805	7,805	7,805	7,805
174	0605712A	SUPPORT OF OPERATIONAL TESTING .....	75,133	75,133	75,133	75,133
175	0605716A	ARMY EVALUATION CENTER .....	71,118	71,118	71,118	71,118
176	0605718A	ARMY MODELING & SIM X-CMD COLLABORATION & INTEG	11,204	11,204	11,204	11,204
177	0605801A	PROGRAMWIDE ACTIVITIES .....	93,895	93,895	93,895	93,895
178	0605803A	TECHNICAL INFORMATION ACTIVITIES .....	31,327	36,227	31,327	31,327
		Modeling & Simulation—Infrastructure .....		[4,900]		
179	0605805A	MUNITIONS STANDARDIZATION, EFFECTIVENESS AND SAFE-	50,409	50,409	50,409	50,409
		TY .....				
180	0605857A	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TECHNOLOGY MGMT SUPPORT ...	1,629	1,629	1,629	1,629
181	0605898A	ARMY DIRECT REPORT HEADQUARTERS—R&D - MHA .....	55,843	55,843	55,843	55,843
182	0606002A	RONALD REAGAN BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TEST SITE ..	91,340	95,340	91,340	91,340
		Mission Control Center Modernization .....		[4,000]		

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183	0606003A	COUNTERINTEL AND HUMAN INTEL MODERNIZATION .....	6,348	6,348	6,348		6,348
185	0606942A	ASSESSMENTS AND EVALUATIONS CYBER VULNERABILITIES .....	6,025	6,025	6,025		6,025
		<b>SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT .....</b>	<b>1,624,585</b>	<b>1,678,485</b>	<b>1,634,585</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>1,639,585</b>
<b>OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT</b>							
187	0603778A	MLRS PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM .....	14,465	14,465	14,465		14,465
188	0605024A	ANTI-TAMPER TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT .....	7,472	7,472	7,472		7,472
189	0607131A	WEAPONS AND MUNITIONS PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PRO-GRAMS. ....	8,425	8,425	8,425		8,425
190	0607136A	BLACKHAWK PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM .....	1,507	1,507	11,507	21,500	23,007
		Program increase .....			[10,000]	[21,500]	
191	0607137A	CHINOOK PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM .....	9,265	24,265	19,265	12,500	21,765
		714C Engine Enhancement .....		[15,000]		[7,500]	
		Program increase .....			[10,000]	[5,000]	
192	0607139A	IMPROVED TURBINE ENGINE PROGRAM .....	201,247	191,062	201,247	-10,185	191,062
		Excessive growth—Government Planning .....		[-1,721]		[-1,721]	
		Slow expenditure rate .....		[-8,464]		[-8,464]	
193	0607142A	AVIATION ROCKET SYSTEM PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT. ....	3,014	3,014	3,014		3,014
194	0607143A	UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM UNIVERSAL PRODUCTS .....	25,393	25,393	25,393		25,393
195	0607145A	APACHE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT .....	10,547	35,547	20,547	7,500	18,047
		Apache future development program increase .....			[10,000]	[7,500]	
		Apache modernization .....		[25,000]			
196	0607148A	AN/TPQ-53 COUNTERFIRE TARGET ACQUISITION RADAR SYSTEM. ....	54,167	54,167	54,167		54,167
197	0607150A	INTEL CYBER DEVELOPMENT .....	4,345	4,345	4,345		4,345
198	0607312A	ARMY OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....	19,000	19,000	19,000		19,000

199	0607313A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT .....	6,389	6,389	6,389	6,389	6,389
200	0607315A	ENDURING TURBINE ENGINES AND POWER SYSTEMS .....	2,411	2,411	2,411	2,411	2,411
201	0607665A	FAMILY OF BIOMETRICS .....	797	797	797	797	797
202	0607865A	PATRIOT PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT .....	177,197	177,197	177,197	177,197	177,197
203	0203728A	JOINT AUTOMATED DEEP OPERATION COORDINATION SYSTEM (JADOCs) .....	42,177	42,177	42,177	42,177	42,177
204	0203735A	COMBAT VEHICLE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS .....	146,635	149,935	146,635	146,635	224,490
		Abrams Modernization Program .....		[15,000]			[88,300]
		Slow expenditure—Stryker Combat Vehicle Improvement Program .....		[-11,700]			[-10,445]
205	0203743A	155MM SELF-PROPELLED HOWITZER IMPROVEMENTS .....	122,902	110,802	122,902	122,902	110,802
		Excess growth—ERCA range prototype build .....		[-5,900]			[-5,900]
		Slow expenditure—Extended Range Cannon Artillery .....		[-6,200]			[-6,200]
207	0203752A	AIRCRAFT ENGINE COMPONENT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM .....	146	146	146	146	146
208	0203758A	DIGITIZATION .....	1,515	1,515	1,515	1,515	1,515
209	0203801A	MISSILE/AIR DEFENSE PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM .....	4,520	4,520	4,520	4,520	4,520
210	0203802A	OTHER MISSILE PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS .....	10,044	10,044	10,044	10,044	10,044
211	0205412A	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TECHNOLOGY—OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEV. ....	281	281	281	281	281
212	0205778A	GUIDED MULTIPLE-LAUNCH ROCKET SYSTEM (GMLRS) .....	75,952	75,952	75,952	75,952	75,952
213	0208053A	JOINT TACTICAL GROUND SYSTEM .....	203	203	203	203	203
216	0303028A	SECURITY AND INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES .....	301	301	301	301	301
217	0303140A	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM .....	15,323	15,323	15,323	15,323	15,323
218	0303141A	GLOBAL COMBAT SUPPORT SYSTEM .....	13,082	13,082	13,082	13,082	13,082
219	0303142A	SATCOM GROUND ENVIRONMENT (SPACE) .....	26,838	26,838	26,838	26,838	26,838
222	0305179A	INTEGRATED BROADCAST SERVICE (IBS) .....	9,456	9,456	9,456	9,456	9,456
225	0305219A	MQ-1C GRAY EAGLE UAS .....	6,629	6,629	6,629	6,629	6,629
227	0708045A	END ITEM INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES .....	75,317	85,317	75,317	75,317	85,317
		Additive manufacturing expansion .....		[10,000]			[10,000]
9999	99999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	8,786	6,286	8,786	8,786	8,786
		Program decrease .....		[-2,500]			
		<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....</b>	<b>1,105,748</b>	<b>1,134,263</b>	<b>1,135,748</b>	<b>1,135,748</b>	<b>1,212,818</b>
				<b>107,070</b>			

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228	0608041A	<b>SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS</b>				
		DEFENSIVE CYBER—SOFTWARE PROTOTYPE DEVELOPMENT	83,570	83,570	83,570	83,570
		<b>SUBTOTAL SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS.</b>	<b>83,570</b>	<b>83,570</b>	<b>83,570</b>	<b>83,570</b>
		<b>TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, ARMY .....</b>	<b>15,775,381</b>	<b>80,041</b>	<b>144,500</b>	<b>15,966,152</b>
		<b>RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, NAVY</b>				
		<b>BASIC RESEARCH</b>				
001	0601103N	UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INITIATIVES .....	96,355	101,355	96,355	106,355
		Defense University Research Instrumentation Program (DURIP).		[5,000]		[10,000]
002	0601153N	DEFENSE RESEARCH SCIENCES .....	540,908	543,908	540,908	543,908
		Hypersonic research initiatives .....		[3,000]		[3,000]
		<b>SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH .....</b>	<b>637,263</b>	<b>645,263</b>	<b>637,263</b>	<b>650,263</b>
		<b>APPLIED RESEARCH</b>				
003	0602114N	POWER PROJECTION APPLIED RESEARCH .....	23,982	23,982	23,982	23,982
004	0602123N	FORCE PROTECTION APPLIED RESEARCH .....	142,148	144,648	142,148	144,648
		Cavitation erosion research .....		[2,500]		[2,500]
005	0602131M	MARINE CORPS LANDING FORCE TECHNOLOGY .....	59,208	66,708	59,208	68,708
		Next Generation Lithium Ion Batteries .....		[5,000]		[9,500]
		Unmanned logistics solutions .....		[2,500]		[9,500]
006	0602235N	COMMON PICTURE APPLIED RESEARCH .....	52,090	52,090	52,090	52,090
007	0602236N	WARFIGHTER SUSTAINMENT APPLIED RESEARCH .....	74,722	74,722	82,722	77,722
		Research on foreign malign influence operations .....		[8,000]		[3,000]

008	0602271N	ELECTROMAGNETIC SYSTEMS APPLIED RESEARCH .....	92,473	92,473	92,473	92,473	92,473	92,473
009	0602435N	OCEAN WARFIGHTING ENVIRONMENT APPLIED RESEARCH ..	80,806	90,806	87,806	90,806	89,806	89,806
		Continuous distributed sensing systems .....		[10,000]			[4,000]	
		Intelligent Autonomous Systems for Seabed Warfare .....			[7,000]		[5,000]	
010	0602651M	JOINT NON-LETHAL WEAPONS APPLIED RESEARCH .....	7,419	7,419	7,419	7,419	7,419	7,419
011	0602747N	UNDERSEA WARFARE APPLIED RESEARCH .....	61,503	69,003	61,503	61,503	12,500	74,003
		Academic Partnerships for Submarine & Undersea Vehicle		[5,000]			[10,000]	
		Research & Manufacturing.						
		Undersea Sensing and Communications .....		[2,500]			[2,500]	
012	0602750N	FUTURE NAVAL CAPABILITIES APPLIED RESEARCH .....	182,662	185,162	182,662	182,662		182,662
		Long endurance mobile autonomous passive acoustic		[2,500]				
		sensing research.						
013	0602782N	MINE AND EXPEDITIONARY WARFARE APPLIED RESEARCH ..	30,435	30,435	30,435	30,435	30,435	30,435
014	0602792N	INNOVATIVE NAVAL PROTOTYPES (INP) APPLIED RESEARCH ..	133,828	133,828	133,828	133,828	133,828	133,828
015	0602861N	SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT—ONR FIELD	85,063	80,063	85,063	85,063	85,063	85,063
		ACTIVITIES.						
		Early to need .....		[−5,000]				
		<b>SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH .....</b>	<b>1,026,339</b>	<b>1,051,339</b>	<b>1,041,339</b>	<b>1,041,339</b>	<b>36,500</b>	<b>1,062,839</b>
		<b>ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT</b>						
016	0603123N	FORCE PROTECTION ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	29,512	29,512	29,512	29,512	29,512	29,512
017	0603271N	ELECTROMAGNETIC SYSTEMS ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	8,418	8,418	8,418	8,418	8,418	8,418
018	0603273N	SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FOR NUCLEAR RE-ENTRY SYS-	112,329	112,329	112,329	112,329	112,329	112,329
		TEMS.						
019	0603640M	USMC ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATION (ATD) .....	308,217	320,717	323,217	323,217	23,000	331,217
		Adaptive Future Force .....		[−5,000]		[5,000]	[5,000]	
		Early to need .....						
		Hardware in the Loop capabilities .....						
		Hybrid electrical VTOL UAS development .....		[2,500]			[8,000]	
		Long Range Maneuvering Projectile .....		[15,000]			[10,000]	
		Next generation unmanned aerial system distribution plat-						
		form.						

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020	0603651M	JOINT NON-LETHAL WEAPONS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	15,556	15,556	15,556		15,556
021	0603673N	FUTURE NAVAL CAPABILITIES ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	264,700	267,200	264,700	2,500	267,200
		Automated acoustic signal classifier .....		[2,500]		[2,500]	
022	0603680N	MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM .....	61,843	61,843	61,843		61,843
023	0603729N	WARFIGHTER PROTECTION ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	5,100	5,100	9,100	1,500	6,600
		Balloon catheter hemorrhage control device .....			[4,000]	[1,500]	
024	0603758N	NAVY WARFIGHTING EXPERIMENTS AND DEMONSTRATIONS	75,898	75,898	75,898		75,898
025	0603782N	MINE AND EXPEDITIONARY WARFARE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY.	2,048	2,048	2,048		2,048
026	0603801N	INNOVATIVE NAVAL PROTOTYPES (INP) ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	132,931	142,931	132,931	1,500	134,431
		HEL weapon system .....		[10,000]		[1,500]	
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....</b>	<b>1,016,552</b>	<b>1,041,552</b>	<b>1,035,552</b>	<b>28,500</b>	<b>1,045,052</b>
		<b>ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT &amp; PROTOTYPES</b>					
027	0603128N	UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEM .....	108,225	108,225	108,225		105,053
		ILS support previously funded .....					
028	0603178N	LARGE UNMANNED SURFACE VEHICLES (LUSV) .....	117,400	117,400	117,400		117,400
029	0603207N	AIR/OCEAN TACTICAL APPLICATIONS .....	40,653	45,653	40,653	3,000	43,653
		Autonomous surface and underwater dual-modality vehicles.		[5,000]		[3,000]	
030	0603216N	AVIATION SURVIVABILITY .....	20,874	20,874	20,874		20,874
031	0603239N	NAVAL CONSTRUCTION FORCES .....	7,821	7,821	7,821		7,821
032	0603254N	ASW SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....	17,090	17,090	17,090		17,090
033	0603261N	TACTICAL AIRBORNE RECONNAISSANCE .....	3,721	3,721	3,721		3,721
034	0603382N	ADVANCED COMBAT SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY .....	6,216	16,216	6,216	3,000	9,216

035	0603502N	Tier 2.5 LO Inspection Technology .....	34,690	[10,000]	34,690	[3,000]	34,690
036	0603506N	SURFACE AND SHALLOW WATER MINE COUNTERMEASURES	730	730	730		730
037	0603512N	SURFACE SHIP TORPEDO DEFENSE .....	6,095	6,095	6,095		6,095
038	0603525N	CARRIER SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....	916,208	916,208	916,208		916,208
039	0603527N	PILOT FISH .....	7,545	7,545	7,545		7,545
040	0603536N	RETRACT LARCH .....	271,109	271,109	271,109		271,109
041	0603542N	RETRACT JUMPER .....	811	811	811		811
042	0603553N	RADIOLOGICAL CONTROL .....	1,189	1,189	1,189		1,189
043	0603561N	SURFACE ASW .....	88,415	88,415	88,415		88,415
044	0603562N	ADVANCED SUBMARINE SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT .....	15,119	15,119	15,119		15,119
045	0603563N	SUBMARINE TACTICAL WARFARE SYSTEMS .....	89,939	89,939	89,939	7,000	96,939
046	0603564N	SHIP CONCEPT ADVANCED DESIGN .....	121,402	[5,000]	121,402	[7,000]	126,402
047	0603570N	Support for Additive Manufacturing .....	319,656	319,656	319,656	5,000	319,656
048	0603573N	SHIP PRELIMINARY DESIGN & FEASIBILITY STUDIES .....	133,911	133,911	133,911	[5,000]	138,911
049	0603576N	Ship Concept Advanced Design .....	116,078	116,078	116,078		116,078
050	0603581N	ADVANCED NUCLEAR POWER SYSTEMS .....	32,615	32,615	32,615		32,615
051	0603582N	ADVANCED SURFACE MACHINERY SYSTEMS .....	18,610	18,610	18,610		18,610
052	0603595N	Support Shipboard Distribution of High-Power Energy .....	257,076	257,076	262,076	10,000	267,076
053	0603596N	CHALK EAGLE .....	31,464	[10,000]	31,464	[10,000]	31,464
054	0603597N	LITTORAL COMBAT SHIP (LCS) .....	10,809	10,809	10,809		10,809
055	0603599N	COMBAT SYSTEM INTEGRATION .....	112,972	112,972	112,972		112,972
056	0603609N	OHIO REPLACEMENT .....	9,030	9,030	9,030		9,030
057	0603635M	Advanced composites for wet submarine applications .....	128,782	[17,800]	128,782		119,189
		Rapid composites .....	31,464	[15,000]	31,464		31,464
		LCS MISSION MODULES .....	16,464	16,464	16,464		16,464
		Insufficient justification .....					
		AUTOMATED TEST AND RE-TEST (ATRT) .....	10,809	10,809	10,809		10,809
		FRIGATE DEVELOPMENT .....	112,972	112,972	112,972		112,972
		Live fire test and evaluation early to need .....					
		CONVENTIONAL MUNITIONS .....	9,030	9,030	9,030		9,030
		MARINE CORPS GROUND COMBAT/SUPPORT SYSTEM .....	128,782	110,982	128,782		119,189
		Slow expenditure .....					

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058	0603654N	JOINT SERVICE EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DEVELOPMENT .....	44,766	44,766	44,766		44,766
059	0603713N	OCEAN ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....	10,751	10,751	10,751		10,751
060	0603721N	ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION .....	24,457	24,457	24,457		24,457
061	0603724N	NAVY ENERGY PROGRAM .....	72,214	77,214	72,214	5,000	77,214
		Marine Energy Systems for Sensors and Microgrids .....		[5,000]		[5,000]	
062	0603725N	FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT .....	10,149	10,149	10,149		10,149
063	0603734N	CHALK CORAL .....	687,841	522,841	687,841	-165,000	522,841
		Program decrease .....		[-165,000]		[-165,000]	
064	0603739N	NAVY LOGISTIC PRODUCTIVITY .....	4,712	2,712	4,712		4,712
		Program decrease .....		[-2,000]			
065	0603746N	RETRACT MAPLE .....	420,455	420,455	420,455		420,455
066	0603748N	LINK PLUMERIA .....	2,100,474	1,000,174	2,100,474	-50,000	2,050,474
		Project 2937: Unjustified requirements .....		[-1,100,300]		[-50,000]	
067	0603751N	RETRACT ELM .....	88,036	88,036	88,036		88,036
068	0603764M	LINK EVERGREEN .....	547,005	547,005	547,005		547,005
069	0603790N	NATO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT .....	6,265	6,265	6,265		6,265
070	0603795N	LAND ATTACK TECHNOLOGY .....	1,624	4,124	1,624		1,624
		Hypervelocity Projectile—Seeker Integration .....		[2,500]			
071	0603851M	JOINT NON-LETHAL WEAPONS TESTING .....	31,058	31,058	31,058		31,058
072	0603860N	JOINT PRECISION APPROACH AND LANDING SYSTEMS— DEMVAL .....	22,590	22,590	22,590		22,590
073	0603925N	DIRECTED ENERGY AND ELECTRIC WEAPON SYSTEMS .....	52,129	52,129	52,129		52,129
074	0604014N	F/A -18 INFRARED SEARCH AND TRACK (IRST) .....	32,127	32,127	32,127		32,127
075	0604027N	DIGITAL WARFARE OFFICE .....	181,001	181,001	181,001		181,001
076	0604028N	SMALL AND MEDIUM UNMANNED UNDERSEA VEHICLES .....	110,506	105,506	110,506	-16,515	93,991
		Late execution—MEDUSA .....		[-5,000]			
		Medusa unexecutable contract award date .....					

077	0604029N	UNMANNED UNDERSEA VEHICLE CORE TECHNOLOGIES .....	71,156	71,156	71,156	71,156	71,156
078	0604030N	RAPID PROTOTYPING, EXPERIMENTATION AND DEMONSTRATION.	214,100	214,100	214,100	214,100	214,100
079	0604031N	LARGE UNMANNED UNDERSEA VEHICLES .....	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900
080	0604112N	GERALD R. FORD CLASS NUCLEAR AIRCRAFT CARRIER (CVN 78—80).	118,182	118,182	118,182	118,182	118,182
082	0604127N	SURFACE MINE COUNTERMEASURES .....	16,127	16,127	16,127	16,127	16,127
083	0604272N	TACTICAL AIR DIRECTIONAL INFRARED COUNTERMEASURES (TADIRCM).	34,684	34,684	34,684	34,684	34,684
084	0604289M	NEXT GENERATION LOGISTICS .....	5,991	5,991	5,991	5,991	5,991
085	0604292N	FUTURE VERTICAL LIFT (MARITIME STRIKE) .....	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100
086	0604320M	RAPID TECHNOLOGY CAPABILITY PROTOTYPE .....	131,763	131,763	131,763	131,763	131,763
087	0604454N	LX (R) .....	21,319	21,319	21,319	21,319	21,319
088	0604536N	ADVANCED UNDERSEA PROTOTYPING .....	104,328	104,328	104,328	104,328	82,603
		Program delays .....					-21,725
		COUNTER UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (C-UAS) .....	11,567	11,567	11,567	11,567	[-21,725]
089	0604636N	PRECISION STRIKE WEAPONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM .....	5,976	5,976	195,976	195,976	190,000
090	0604659N	Nuclear-armed sea-launched cruise missile .....					
		SLCM-N .....					[190,000]
091	0604707N	SPACE AND ELECTRONIC WARFARE (SEW) ARCHITECTURE/ENGINEERING SUPPORT.	9,993	9,993	9,993	9,993	9,993
092	0604786N	OFFENSIVE ANTI-SURFACE WARFARE WEAPON DEVELOPMENT.	237,655	237,655	237,655	237,655	237,655
093	0605512N	MEDIUM UNMANNED SURFACE VEHICLES (MUSVS)) .....	85,800	85,800	85,800	85,800	74,248
		Program delays .....					-11,552
094	0605513N	UNMANNED SURFACE VEHICLE ENABLING CAPABILITIES .....	176,261	176,261	176,261	176,261	[-11,552]
		Prior year underexecution .....					-4,281
095	0605514M	GROUND BASED ANTI-SHIP MISSILE .....	36,383	36,383	36,383	36,383	[-4,281]
096	0605516M	LONG RANGE FIRES .....	36,763	36,763	36,763	36,763	36,383
097	0605518N	CONVENTIONAL PROMPT STRIKE (CPS) .....	901,064	921,064	901,064	901,064	36,763
		Mach-1B .....					901,064
098	0303354N	ASW SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT—MIP .....	10,167	10,167	10,167	10,167	10,167
							[20,000]

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099	0304240M	ADVANCED TACTICAL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM .....	539	9,439	539	8,900
		KAMAN KARGO .....		[8,900]		[8,900]
100	0304270N	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT—MIP .....	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT &amp; PRO-</b>	<b>9,734,483</b>	<b>8,695,783</b>	<b>9,929,483</b>	<b>-47,738</b>
		<b>TOTYPES.</b>				<b>9,686,745</b>
<b>SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION</b>						
101	0603208N	TRAINING SYSTEM AIRCRAFT .....	44,120	44,120	44,120	44,120
102	0604038N	MARITIME TARGETING CELL .....	30,922	30,922	30,922	30,922
103	0604212M	OTHER HELO DEVELOPMENT .....	101,209	101,209	101,209	83,614
		Project 3406 insufficient justification .....				[-17,595]
104	0604212N	OTHER HELO DEVELOPMENT .....	2,604	2,604	2,604	2,604
105	0604214M	AV-8B AIRCRAFT—ENG DEV .....	8,263	8,263	8,263	8,263
106	0604215N	STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT .....	4,039	4,039	4,039	4,039
107	0604216N	MULTI-MISSION HELICOPTER UPGRADE DEVELOPMENT .....	62,350	62,350	62,350	62,350
108	0604221N	P-3 MODERNIZATION PROGRAM .....	771	771	771	771
109	0604230N	WARFARE SUPPORT SYSTEM .....	109,485	109,485	109,485	109,485
110	0604231N	COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEMS .....	87,457	87,457	87,457	87,457
111	0604234N	ADVANCED HAWKEYE .....	399,919	449,219	399,919	20,000
		Navy UPL—E-2D Theater Combat ID and HECTR .....		[49,300]		[20,000]
112	0604245M	H-1 UPGRADES .....	29,766	29,766	29,766	29,766
113	0604261N	ACOUSTIC SEARCH SENSORS .....	51,531	51,531	51,531	51,531
114	0604262N	V-22A .....	137,597	137,597	137,597	137,597
115	0604264N	AIR CREW SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....	42,155	42,155	42,155	42,155
116	0604269N	EA-18 .....	172,507	172,507	172,507	172,507
117	0604270N	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT .....	171,384	171,384	171,384	-3,034
		Prior year underexecution .....				[-3,034]

118	0604273M	EXECUTIVE HELO DEVELOPMENT .....	35,376	35,376	35,376	35,376	35,376	35,376
119	0604274N	NEXT GENERATION JAMMER (NG) .....	40,477	40,477	40,477	40,477	40,477	40,477
120	0604280N	JOINT TACTICAL RADIO SYSTEM—NAVY (JTRS-NAVY) .....	451,397	466,397	451,397	451,397	451,397	461,397
		Navy Multiband Terminal .....	[5,000]	[5,000]	[5,000]	[5,000]	[5,000]	10,000
121	0604282N	Satellite Terminal (transportable) Non-Geostationary .....	[10,000]	[10,000]	[10,000]	[10,000]	[10,000]	[5,000]
		NEXT GENERATION JAMMER (NG) INCREMENT II .....	199,645	199,645	199,645	199,645	199,645	199,645
		Next Generation Jammer—Low Band .....	[−50,932]	[−50,932]	[−50,932]	[−50,932]	[−50,932]	[−50,932]
122	0604307N	SURFACE COMBATANT COMBAT SYSTEM ENGINEERING .....	453,311	453,311	453,311	453,311	453,311	438,061
		Aegis capability package 2024 delays .....						[−15,250]
		Software SW factory insufficient justification .....						[−5,500]
124	0604329N	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB (SDB) .....	52,211	52,211	52,211	52,211	52,211	[−9,750]
125	0604366N	STANDARD MISSILE IMPROVEMENTS .....	418,187	493,187	418,187	418,187	418,187	−29,376
		Prior year underexecution .....						[−29,376]
		Program increase .....	[75,000]	[75,000]	[75,000]	[75,000]	[75,000]	
126	0604373N	AIRBORNE MCM .....	11,368	11,368	11,368	11,368	11,368	11,368
127	0604378N	NAVAL INTEGRATED FIRE CONTROL—COUNTER AIR SYS- TEMS ENGINEERING.	66,445	66,445	66,445	66,445	66,445	68,945
		Stratospheric Balloon Research .....						[2,500]
128	0604419N	ADVANCED SENSORS APPLICATION PROGRAM (ASAP) .....						10,000
		Program increase .....						[10,000]
129	0604501N	ADVANCED ABOVE WATER SENSORS .....	115,396	115,396	115,396	115,396	115,396	115,396
130	0604503N	SSN—688 AND TRIDENT MODERNIZATION .....	93,435	93,435	93,435	93,435	93,435	93,435
131	0604504N	AIR CONTROL .....	42,656	42,656	42,656	42,656	42,656	42,656
132	0604512N	SHIPBOARD AVIATION SYSTEMS .....	10,442	10,442	10,442	10,442	10,442	10,442
133	0604518N	COMBAT INFORMATION CENTER CONVERSION .....	11,359	11,359	11,359	11,359	11,359	11,359
134	0604522N	AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE RADAR (AMDR) SYSTEM .....	90,307	90,307	90,307	90,307	90,307	90,307
135	0604530N	ADVANCED ARRESTING GEAR (AAG) .....	10,658	10,658	10,658	10,658	10,658	10,658
136	0604558N	NEW DESIGN SSN .....	234,356	234,356	234,356	234,356	234,356	241,356
		Precision Maneuvering Unit .....	[7,000]	[7,000]	[7,000]	[7,000]	[7,000]	[7,000]
137	0604562N	SUBMARINE TACTICAL WARFARE SYSTEM .....	71,516	71,516	71,516	71,516	71,516	71,516
138	0604567N	SHIP CONTRACT DESIGN/ LIVE FIRE T&E .....	22,462	22,462	22,462	22,462	22,462	22,462
139	0604574N	NAVY TACTICAL COMPUTER RESOURCES .....	4,279	4,279	4,279	4,279	4,279	4,279

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140	0604601N	MINE DEVELOPMENT .....	104,731	99,731	104,731	104,731
		Program decrease .....		[-5,000]		
141	0604610N	LIGHTWEIGHT TORPEDO DEVELOPMENT .....	229,668	229,668	229,668	221,168
		Project 3418 testing ahead of need .....				[-8,500]
142	0604654N	JOINT SERVICE EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DEVELOPMENT .....	9,064	9,064	9,064	9,064
143	0604657M	USMC GROUND COMBAT/SUPPORTING ARMS SYSTEMS— ENG DEV.	62,329	62,329	62,329	42,148
		OPF-M termination .....				[-20,181]
144	0604703N	PERSONNEL, TRAINING, SIMULATION, AND HUMAN FACTORS .....	9,319	9,319	9,319	9,319
145	0604727N	JOINT STANDOFF WEAPON SYSTEMS .....	1,964	1,964	1,964	1,964
146	0604755N	SHIP SELF DEFENSE (DETECT & CONTROL) .....	158,426	158,426	158,426	158,426
147	0604756N	SHIP SELF DEFENSE (ENGAGE: HARD KILL) .....	47,492	52,492	47,492	47,492
		Ship Self Defense (Soft Kill) .....		[5,000]		
148	0604757N	SHIP SELF DEFENSE (ENGAGE: SOFT KILL/EW) .....	125,206	125,206	125,206	125,206
149	0604761N	INTELLIGENCE ENGINEERING .....	19,969	19,969	19,969	19,969
150	0604771N	MEDICAL DEVELOPMENT .....	6,061	6,061	6,061	6,061
151	0604777N	NAVIGATION/ID SYSTEM .....	45,262	45,262	45,262	45,262
154	0604850N	SSN(X) .....	361,582	361,582	361,582	321,828
		Unjustified growth—management and support costs .....				[-39,754]
		Unjustified growth—NSWC studies .....				[-7,950]
		Unjustified growth—shipbuilder studies .....				[-13,804]
155	0605013M	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....	22,663	22,663	22,663	22,663
156	0605013N	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....	282,138	283,138	282,138	283,138
		Cyber supply chain risk management .....		[1,000]		[1,000]
157	0605024N	ANTI-TAMPER TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT .....	8,340	8,340	8,340	8,340
158	0605180N	TACAMO MODERNIZATION .....	213,743	213,743	213,743	213,743
159	0605212M	CH-53K RDTE .....	222,288	222,288	222,288	222,288

160	0605215N	MISSION PLANNING .....	86,448	86,448	86,448	86,448	200,001	86,448
161	0605217N	COMMON AVIONICS .....	81,076	81,076	81,076	81,076	71	81,076
162	0605220N	SHIP TO SHORE CONNECTOR (SSC) .....	1,343	1,343	1,343	1,343	220,404	1,343
163	0605327N	T-AO 205 CLASS .....	71	71	71	71	71	71
164	0605414N	UNMANNED CARRIER AVIATION (UCA) .....	220,404	220,404	220,404	220,404	220,404	200,001
		Test excess to need due to EDM delays .....					[-20,403]	
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165	0605450M	JOINT AIR-TO-GROUND MISSILE (JAGM) .....	384	384	384	384	384	384
166	0605500N	MULTI-MISSION MARITIME AIRCRAFT (MMA) .....	36,027	36,027	36,027	36,027	36,027	36,027
167	0605504N	MULTI-MISSION MARITIME (MMA) INCREMENT III .....	132,449	132,449	132,449	132,449	132,449	132,449
168	0605611M	MARINE CORPS ASSAULT VEHICLES SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT & DEMONSTRATION.	103,236	103,236	103,236	103,236	103,236	103,236
169	0605813M	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE (JLV) SYSTEM DEVELOP- MENT & DEMONSTRATION.	2,609	2,609	2,609	2,609	2,609	2,609
170	0204202N	DDG-1000 .....	231,778	231,778	231,778	231,778	231,778	223,444
		Prior year underexecution .....						[-8,334]
171	0301377N	COUNTERING ADVANCED CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS (CACW)	17,531	17,531	17,531	17,531	17,531	17,531
172	0304785N	ISR & INFO OPERATIONS .....	174,271	174,271	174,271	174,271	174,271	174,271
173	0306250M	CYBER OPERATIONS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....	2,068	2,068	2,068	2,068	2,068	2,068
		<b>SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION .....</b>	<b>6,962,234</b>	<b>7,061,102</b>	<b>7,061,102</b>	<b>6,975,234</b>	<b>6,975,234</b>	<b>6,799,375</b>
		<b>MANAGEMENT SUPPORT</b>						
174	0604256N	THREAT SIMULATOR DEVELOPMENT .....	22,918	22,918	22,918	22,918	22,918	22,918
175	0604258N	TARGET SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....	18,623	18,623	18,623	18,623	18,623	18,623
176	0604759N	MAJOR T&E INVESTMENT .....	74,221	74,221	74,221	74,221	74,221	74,221
177	0605152N	STUDIES AND ANALYSIS SUPPORT—NAVY .....	3,229	3,229	3,229	3,229	3,229	3,229
178	0605154N	CENTER FOR NAVAL ANALYSES .....	45,672	45,672	45,672	45,672	45,672	45,672
180	0605804N	TECHNICAL INFORMATION SERVICES .....	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
181	0605853N	MANAGEMENT, TECHNICAL & INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT .....	124,328	131,828	131,828	124,328	124,328	124,328
		Program increase .....		[7,500]				
182	0605856N	STRATEGIC TECHNICAL SUPPORT .....	4,053	4,053	4,053	4,053	4,053	4,053
183	0605863N	RDT&E SHIP AND AIRCRAFT SUPPORT .....	203,447	203,447	203,447	203,447	203,447	203,447
184	0605864N	TEST AND EVALUATION SUPPORT .....	481,975	481,975	481,975	481,975	481,975	481,975

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		Atlantic Undersea Test and Evaluation Center improvements.			[3,000]	
185	0605865N	OPERATIONAL TEST AND EVALUATION CAPABILITY .....	29,399	29,399	29,399	29,399
186	0605866N	NAVY SPACE AND ELECTRONIC WARFARE (SEW) SUPPORT .....	27,504	27,504	27,504	27,504
187	0605867N	SEW SURVEILLANCE/RECONNAISSANCE SUPPORT .....	9,183	9,183	9,183	9,183
188	0605873M	MARINE CORPS PROGRAM WIDE SUPPORT .....	34,976	34,976	34,976	34,976
189	0605898N	MANAGEMENT HQ—R&D .....	41,331	41,331	41,331	41,331
190	0606355N	WARFARE INNOVATION MANAGEMENT .....	37,340	37,340	37,340	37,340
191	0305327N	INSIDER THREAT .....	2,246	2,246	2,246	2,246
192	0902498N	MANAGEMENT HEADQUARTERS (DEPARTMENTAL SUPPORT ACTIVITIES).	2,168	2,168	2,168	2,168
		<b>SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT .....</b>	<b>1,163,613</b>	<b>1,171,113</b>	<b>1,166,613</b>	<b>1,163,613</b>
		<b>OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT</b>				
196	0604840M	F-35 C2D2 .....	544,625	507,125	544,625	-35,503
		TR-3/B4 Unplanned cost growth .....		[-37,500]		[-35,503]
197	0604840N	F-35 C2D2 .....	543,834	506,334	543,834	-31,568
		TR-3/B4 Unplanned cost growth .....		[-37,500]		[-31,568]
198	0605520M	MARINE CORPS AIR DEFENSE WEAPONS SYSTEMS .....	99,860	89,360	99,860	-10,500
		Slow expenditure .....		[-10,500]		[-10,500]
199	0607658N	COOPERATIVE ENGAGEMENT CAPABILITY (CEC) .....	153,440	153,440	153,440	153,440
200	0101221N	STRATEGIC SUB & WEAPONS SYSTEM SUPPORT .....	321,648	321,648	331,648	321,648
		Fleet Ballistic Missile Strategic Weapon System .....			[10,000]	
201	0101224N	SSBN SECURITY TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM .....	62,694	62,694	62,694	62,694
202	0101226N	SUBMARINE ACOUSTIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT .....	92,869	92,869	92,869	92,869
203	0101402N	NAVY STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS .....	51,919	72,319	51,919	51,919
		Navy UPL—VIOLET - Navy Strategic Communications .....		[20,400]		

204	0204136N	F/A-18 SQUADRONS ..... Next generation naval mission planning system insufficient justification.	333,783	333,783	-12,000 [-12,000]	321,783
205	0204228N	SURFACE SUPPORT .....	8,619	8,619		8,619
206	0204229N	TOMAHAWK AND TOMAHAWK MISSION PLANNING CENTER (TMPC).	122,834	122,834		122,834
207	0204311N	INTEGRATED SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM .....	76,279	76,279		76,279
208	0204313N	SHIP-TOWED ARRAY SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS .....	1,103	1,103		1,103
209	0204413N	AMPHIBIOUS TACTICAL SUPPORT UNITS (DISPLACEMENT CRAFT).	1,991	1,991		1,991
210	0204460M	GROUND/AIR TASK ORIENTED RADAR (G/ATOR) .....	92,674	77,574 [-15,100]	-8,600 [-8,600]	84,074
211	0204571N	Slow expenditure .....	115,894	115,894		115,894
212	0204575N	CONSOLIDATED TRAINING SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....	61,677	61,677		61,677
213	0205601N	ELECTRONIC WARFARE (EW) READINESS SUPPORT .....	59,555	59,555		59,555
214	0205620N	ANTI-RADIATION MISSILE IMPROVEMENT .....	29,973	29,973		29,973
215	0205632N	SURFACE ASW COMBAT SYSTEM INTEGRATION .....	213,165	213,165		213,165
216	0205633N	MK-48 ADCAP .....	143,277	143,277		143,277
217	0205675N	AVIATION IMPROVEMENTS .....	152,546	152,546		152,546
218	0206313M	OPERATIONAL NUCLEAR POWER SYSTEMS .....	192,625	183,725 [-7,200]	-8,900 [-7,200]	183,725
219	0206335M	MARINE CORPS COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS .....	12,565	12,565		12,565
220	0206623M	Marine Electromagnetic Warfare Ground Family of Systems Tactical Communication Modernization .....	83,900	83,900		83,900
221	0206624M	COMMON AVIATION COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM (CAC2S).	27,794	27,794		27,794
222	0206625M	MARINE CORPS GROUND COMBAT/SUPPORTING ARMS SYSTEMS.	47,762	47,762		47,762
223	0206629M	MARINE CORPS COMBAT SERVICES SUPPORT .....	373	373		373
224	0207161N	USMC INTELLIGENCE/ELECTRONIC WARFARE SYSTEMS (MIP).	36,439	36,439		36,439
225	0207163N	AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT VEHICLE .....	29,198	29,198		29,198
		TACTICAL AIM MISSILES .....				
		ADVANCED MEDIUM RANGE AIR-TO-AIR MISSILE (AMRAAM)				

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226	0208043N	PLANNING AND DECISION AID SYSTEM (PDAS)	3,565	3,565	3,565		3,565
230	0303138N	AFLOAT NETWORKS	49,995	49,995	49,995		49,995
231	0303140N	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM	33,390	33,390	33,390		33,390
232	0305192N	MILITARY INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM (MIP) ACTIVITIES	7,304	7,304	7,304		7,304
233	0305204N	TACTICAL UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES	11,235	11,235	11,235		11,235
234	0305205N	UAS INTEGRATION AND INTEROPERABILITY	16,409	16,409	16,409		16,409
235	0305208M	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS	51,192	43,992	51,192		51,192
		Distributed Common Ground System Marine Corps (DCGS- MC).		[-7,200]			
236	0305220N	MQ-4C TRITON	12,094	12,094	12,094		12,094
237	0305231N	MQ-8 UAV	29,700	29,700	29,700		29,700
238	0305232M	RQ-11 UAV	2,107	2,107	2,107		2,107
239	0305234N	SMALL (LEVEL 0) TACTICAL UAS (STUASLO)	2,999	2,999	2,999		2,999
240	0305241N	MULTI-INTELLIGENCE SENSOR DEVELOPMENT	49,460	49,460	49,460		49,460
241	0305242M	UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS (UAS) PAYLOADS (MIP)	13,005	13,005	13,005		13,005
242	0305251N	CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS FORCES AND FORCE SUPPORT	2,000	2,000	2,000		2,000
243	0305421N	RQ-4 MODERNIZATION	300,378	300,378	300,378		300,378
244	0307577N	INTELLIGENCE MISSION DATA (IMD)	788	788	788		788
245	0308601N	MODELING AND SIMULATION SUPPORT	10,994	10,994	10,994		10,994
246	0702207N	DEPOT MAINTENANCE (NON-IF)	23,248	23,248	23,248		23,248
247	0708730N	MARITIME TECHNOLOGY (MARTECH)	3,284	3,284	3,284		3,284
9999	99999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	2,021,376	2,061,376	2,021,376	40,000	2,061,376
		INDOPACOM UPL		[40,000]		[40,000]	
		<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>6,359,438</b>	<b>6,303,138</b>	<b>6,369,438</b>	<b>-67,071</b>	<b>6,292,367</b>

**SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS**

249	0608013N	RISK MANAGEMENT INFORMATION—SOFTWARE PILOT PROGRAM.	11,748	11,748	11,748	11,748		
250	060823IN	MARITIME TACTICAL COMMAND AND CONTROL (MTC2)—SOFTWARE PILOT PROGRAM.	10,555	10,555	10,555	10,555		
		<b>SUBTOTAL SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS.</b>	<b>22,303</b>	<b>22,303</b>	<b>22,303</b>	<b>22,303</b>		
		<b>TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, NAVY .....</b>	<b>26,922,225</b>	<b>-930,632</b>	<b>255,000</b>	<b>-199,668</b>	<b>26,722,557</b>	
		<b>RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, AF BASIC RESEARCH</b>						
001	0601102F	DEFENSE RESEARCH SCIENCES .....	401,486	401,486	401,486		401,486	
002	0601103F	UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INITIATIVES .....	182,372	186,872	182,372	[2,000]	182,372	
		UARC Advanced Research on Strategic Deterrence—TriPolar Game Theory.						
		University Consortium for Space Technology .....		[2,500]				
		<b>SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH .....</b>	<b>583,858</b>	<b>588,358</b>	<b>583,858</b>		<b>583,858</b>	
		<b>APPLIED RESEARCH</b>						
003	0602020F	FUTURE AF CAPABILITIES APPLIED RESEARCH .....	90,713	88,213	90,713		90,713	
		University Consortium for Space Technology .....		[-2,500]				
004	0602022F	UNIVERSITY AFFILIATED RESEARCH CENTER (UARC)—TACTICAL AUTONOMY.	8,018	8,018	8,018		8,018	
005	0602102F	MATERIALS .....	142,325	147,325	151,325	20,500	162,825	
		Advanced materials science for manufacturing research ...			[9,000]		[9,000]	
		High energy synchrotron x-ray research .....		[2,500]			[9,000]	
		Materials development for high mach capabilities .....		[2,500]			[2,500]	
006	0602201F	AEROSPACE VEHICLE TECHNOLOGIES .....	161,268	163,768	161,268	2,500	163,768	
007	0602202F	Aerospace engineering systems security integration .....	146,921	[2,500]	146,921	[2,500]	146,921	
		HUMAN EFFECTIVENESS APPLIED RESEARCH .....		144,421				
		Program decrease .....		[-2,500]				
008	0602203F	AEROSPACE PROPULSION .....	184,867	189,867	184,867	5,000	189,867	

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009	0602204F	High mach turbine engine .....		[5,000]		[5,000]
011	0602298F	AEROSPACE SENSORS .....	216,269	216,269	216,269	216,269
		SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT— MAJOR HEADQUARTERS ACTIVITIES.	10,303	10,303	10,303	10,303
012	0602602F	CONVENTIONAL MUNITIONS .....	160,599	160,599	160,599	160,599
013	0602605F	DIRECTED ENERGY TECHNOLOGY .....	129,961	129,961	118,452	118,452
		DAF requested realignment of funds to 6601SF .....			[-11,509]	[-11,509]
014	0602788F	DOMINANT INFORMATION SCIENCES AND METHODS .....	182,076	178,567	220,076	230,076
		Distributed quantum information sciences networking testbed.			[5,000]	[5,000]
		Future Flag experimentation testbed .....			[15,000]	[25,000]
		Ion trapped quantum information sciences computer .....			[8,000]	[8,000]
		JADC2 Operational Testbed .....		[5,000]		
		Multi-domain radio frequency spectrum testing environment.			[5,000]	[5,000]
		Secure Interference Avoiding Connectivity of Autonomous AI Machines.		[3,000]		
		Secure interference-avoiding connectivity of autonomous artificially intelligent machines.			[5,000]	[5,000]
		Technical realignment .....		[-11,509]		
		<b>SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH .....</b>	<b>1,433,320</b>	<b>1,437,311</b>	<b>1,468,811</b>	<b>1,497,811</b>
		<b>ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT</b>				
015	0603032F	FUTURE AF INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGY DEMOS .....	255,855	230,855	213,655	213,655
		Program reduction .....			[-42,200]	[-42,200]
		Rocket Cargo early to need .....		[-25,000]		
016	0603112F	ADVANCED MATERIALS FOR WEAPON SYSTEMS .....	30,372	32,872	30,372	30,372



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033	0603790F	NATO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT .....	2,208	2,208	2,208		2,208
034	0603851F	INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE—DEMOVAL .....	45,319	45,319	75,319		45,319
		Enhanced ICBM guidance capability and testing .....			[30,000]		
035	0604001F	NC3 ADVANCED CONCEPTS .....	10,011	10,011	10,011		10,011
037	0604003F	ADVANCED BATTLE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (ABMS) .....	500,575	500,575	500,575		500,575
038	0604004F	ADVANCED ENGINE DEVELOPMENT .....	595,352	595,352	595,352		595,352
039	0604005F	NC3 COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT & PROTOTYPING .....	78,799	78,799	78,799		78,799
040	0604006F	DEPT OF THE AIR FORCE TECH ARCHITECTURE .....	2,620			-2,620	
		DAF requested realignment of funds to 64858F .....					
		Technical realignment .....					
		E-7 .....					
041	0604007F	Rapid Prototyping .....	681,039	718,239	681,039		681,039
		AFWERX PRIME .....					
042	0604009F	Agility Prime .....	83,336	88,336	83,336		88,336
		LONG RANGE STRIKE—BOMBER .....					
043	0604015F	RAPID DEFENSE EXPERIMENTATION RESERVE (RDER) .....	2,984,143	2,984,143	2,984,143		2,984,143
044	0604025F	DIRECTED ENERGY PROTOTYPING .....	154,300	154,300	154,300		154,300
045	0604032F	HYPERSONICS PROTOTYPING .....	1,246	1,246	1,246		1,246
046	0604033F	Air-Launched Rapid Response Weapon (ARRW) .....	150,340			-150,340	
		Air-Launched Rapid Response Weapon reduction .....					
047	0604183F	HYPERSONICS PROTOTYPING—HYPERSONIC ATTACK CRUISE MISSILE (HAGM) .....	381,528	401,528	381,528		381,528
		HACM Production and Tooling Investment .....					
048	0604201F	PNT RESILIENCY, MODS, AND IMPROVEMENTS .....	18,041	18,041	18,041		18,041
049	0604257F	ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY AND SENSORS .....	27,650	27,650	27,650		25,180
		Imaging and targeting support excess growth .....					
050	0604288F	SURVIVABLE AIRBORNE OPERATIONS CENTER (SAOC) .....	888,829	888,829	888,829		790,537



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073	0808737F	INTEGRATED PRIMARY PREVENTION .....	9,364	9,364	9,364		9,364
074	0901410F	CONTRACTING INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM .....	28,294	28,294	28,294		28,294
075	1206415F	U.S. SPACE COMMAND RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT.	14,892	14,892	14,892		14,892
075A	0605057F	NEXT GENERATION AIR-REFUELING SYSTEM .....		7,928		7,928	7,928
		Technical realignment .....		[7,928]		[7,928]	
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT &amp; PRO- TOTYPES.</b>	<b>9,859,030</b>	<b>9,202,217</b>	<b>9,742,927</b>	<b>-69,577</b>	<b>9,789,453</b>
<b>SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION</b>							
076	0604200F	FUTURE ADVANCED WEAPON ANALYSIS & PROGRAMS .....	9,757	34,757	9,757	8,000	17,757
		RAACM .....		[15,000]		[5,000]	
		Stand-Off Attack Weapon Technology .....		[10,000]		[3,000]	
077	0604201F	PNT RESILIENCY, MODS, AND IMPROVEMENTS .....	163,156	163,156	163,156		163,156
078	0604222F	NUCLEAR WEAPONS SUPPORT .....	45,884	45,884	45,884		45,884
079	0604270F	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT .....	13,804	13,804	13,804		13,804
080	0604281F	TACTICAL DATA NETWORKS ENTERPRISE .....	74,023	79,023	79,023	5,000	79,023
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....			[5,000]	[5,000]	
		Technical realignment .....		[5,000]			
081	0604287F	PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIPMENT .....	10,605	10,605	10,605		10,605
082	0604602F	ARMAMENT/ORDNANCE DEVELOPMENT .....	5,918	5,918	5,918		5,918
083	0604604F	SUBMUNITIONS .....	3,345	3,345	3,345		3,345
084	0604617F	AGILE COMBAT SUPPORT .....	21,967	21,967	21,967		21,967
085	0604706F	LIFE SUPPORT SYSTEMS .....	39,301	39,301	39,301		39,301
086	0604735F	COMBAT TRAINING RANGES .....	152,569	152,569	152,569		152,569
087	0604932F	LONG RANGE STANDOFF WEAPON .....	911,406	891,406	891,406	-20,000	891,406
		DAF realignment of funds .....			[-20,000]	[-20,000]	



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106	0804772F	TRAINING DEVELOPMENTS .....	1,922	1,922	1,922	1,922
106A	0102417F	OVER-THE-HORIZON BACKSCATTER RADAR .....		428,754		428,754
		Technical realignment .....		[428,754]		[428,754]
		<b>SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION .....</b>	<b>6,481,731</b>	<b>6,846,307</b>	<b>6,439,081</b>	<b>305,805</b>
		<b>MANAGEMENT SUPPORT</b>				
107	0604256F	THREAT SIMULATOR DEVELOPMENT .....	16,626	16,626	16,626	16,626
108	0604759F	MAJOR T&E INVESTMENT .....	31,143	31,143	31,143	31,143
109	0605101F	RAND PROJECT AIR FORCE .....	38,398	38,398	38,398	38,398
110	0605502F	SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH .....	1,466	1,466	1,466	1,466
111	0605712F	INITIAL OPERATIONAL TEST & EVALUATION .....	13,736	13,736	13,736	13,736
112	0605807F	TEST AND EVALUATION SUPPORT .....	913,213	946,026	946,026	32,813
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[32,813]		[32,813]
		Technical realignment .....		[32,813]		[32,813]
113	0605827F	ACQ WORKFORCE- GLOBAL VIG & COMBAT SYS .....	317,901	317,901	317,901	317,901
114	0605828F	ACQ WORKFORCE- GLOBAL REACH .....	541,677	545,677	541,677	541,677
		Aircraft Cannon Digital Modeling .....		[4,000]		[4,000]
115	0605829F	ACQ WORKFORCE- CYBER, NETWORK, & BUS SYS .....	551,213	546,513	536,513	-14,700
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[10,000]		[10,000]
		Department of Defense software factories .....		[10,000]		[10,000]
		Technical realignment .....		[10,000]		[10,000]
117	0605831F	ACQ WORKFORCE- CAPABILITY INTEGRATION .....	243,780	273,780	273,780	30,000
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[30,000]		[30,000]
		Technical realignment .....		[30,000]		[30,000]
118	0605832F	ACQ WORKFORCE- ADVANCED PRGM TECHNOLOGY .....	109,030	77,030	77,030	-32,000
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[32,000]		[32,000]
		Technical realignment .....		[32,000]		[32,000]

119	0605833F	ACQ WORKFORCE- NUCLEAR SYSTEMS .....	336,788	336,788	336,788	336,788	336,788	336,788	336,788
120	0605898F	MANAGEMENT HQ—R&D .....	5,005	6,705	6,705	6,705	1,700	6,705	6,705
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....			[1,700]	[1,700]			
		Technical realignment .....							
121	0605976F	FACILITIES RESTORATION AND MODERNIZATION—TEST AND EVALUATION SUPPORT .....	87,889	87,889	87,889	87,889	87,889	87,889	87,889
122	0605978F	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT—TEST AND EVALUATION SUP- PORT .....	35,065	35,065	35,065	35,065	35,065	35,065	35,065
123	0606017F	REQUIREMENTS ANALYSIS AND MATURATION .....	89,956	89,956	89,956	89,956	89,956	89,956	89,956
124	0606398F	MANAGEMENT HQ—T&E .....	7,453	7,453	7,453	7,453	7,453	7,453	7,453
126	0303255F	COMMAND, CONTROL, COMMUNICATION, AND COMPUTERS (C4)—STRATCOM .....	20,871	30,871	30,871	30,871	25,000	45,871	45,871
		NC3 network sensor demonstration .....			[10,000]	[10,000]			
		NC3 Rapid Engineering Architecture Collaboration Hub (REACH) .....			[10,000]	[10,000]			
127	0308602F	NC3 STRATCOM .....	100,357	100,357	100,357	100,357	100,357	100,357	100,357
128	0702806F	ENTERPRISE INFORMATION SERVICES (EIS) .....	20,478	20,478	20,478	20,478	20,478	20,478	20,478
129	0804731F	ACQUISITION AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT .....	796	796	796	796	796	796	796
		GENERAL SKILL TRAINING .....							
		Security Work Readiness for Duty .....							
132	1001004F	INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES .....	3,917	3,917	3,917	3,917	3,917	3,917	3,917
		<b>SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT .....</b>	<b>3,486,758</b>	<b>3,528,571</b>	<b>3,530,571</b>	<b>3,530,571</b>	<b>42,813</b>	<b>3,529,571</b>	<b>3,529,571</b>
134	0604233F	<b>OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT</b> .....	41,464	41,464	41,464	41,464	-1,182	40,282	40,282
135	0604283F	SPECIALIZED UNDERGRADUATE FLIGHT TRAINING .....	40,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	[-1,182]	40,000	40,000
		T-6 avionics replacement program delay .....							
		BATTLE MGMT COM & CTRL SENSOR DEVELOPMENT .....							
		ARSR-4 Replacement Hawai'i Radar .....							
136	0604445F	WIDE AREA SURVEILLANCE .....	8,018	8,018	8,018	8,018	8,018	8,018	8,018
137	0604617F	AGILE COMBAT SUPPORT .....	5,645	5,645	5,645	5,645	5,645	5,645	5,645
139	0604840F	F-35 C2D2 .....	1,275,268	1,185,268	1,185,268	1,185,268	-6,993	1,268,275	1,268,275
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....					[-5,000]		

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		Program decrease .....		[-10,000]		[-1,993]
		Technical realignment .....		[-5,000]		
		TR-3/B4 Unplanned cost growth .....		[-75,000]		
140	0605018F	AF INTEGRATED PERSONNEL AND PAY SYSTEM (AF-IPPS) ...	40,203	40,203	40,203	40,203
141	0605024F	ANTI-TAMPER TECHNOLOGY EXECUTIVE AGENCY .....	49,613	49,613	49,613	49,613
142	0605117F	FOREIGN MATERIEL ACQUISITION AND EXPLOITATION .....	93,881	93,881	93,881	93,881
143	0605278F	HC/MC-130 RECAP RDT&E .....	36,536	11,536	36,536	11,536
		Excess to need .....		[-5,000]		[-25,000]
		Program decrease .....		[-20,000]		[-5,000]
144	0606018F	NC3 INTEGRATION .....	22,910	22,910	22,910	22,910
145	0101113F	B-52 SQUADRONS .....	950,815	921,832	964,832	944,193
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....			[14,017]	
		Scheduling delays .....		[-43,000]		[-20,639]
		Technical realignment .....		[14,017]		
146	0101122F	AIR-LAUNCHED CRUISE MISSILE (ALCM) .....	290	290	290	290
147	0101126F	B-1B SQUADRONS .....	12,619	12,619	12,619	12,619
148	0101127F	B-2 SQUADRONS .....	87,623	87,623	87,623	87,623
149	0101213F	MINUTEMAN SQUADRONS .....	33,237	43,237	33,237	43,237
		Legacy Weapons Software Translation/Modernization .....		[5,000]		10,000
		Multi-Domain Command and Control Tool .....		[5,000]		[5,000]
150	0101316F	WORLDWIDE JOINT STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS .....	24,653	24,653	24,653	24,653
151	0101318F	SERVICE SUPPORT TO STRATCOM—GLOBAL STRIKE .....	7,562	7,562	7,562	7,562
153	0101328F	ICBM REENTRY VEHICLES .....	475,415	475,415	475,415	475,415
155	0102110F	MH-139A .....	25,737	25,737	25,737	25,737
156	0102326F	REGION/SECTOR OPERATION CONTROL CENTER MOD-ERNIZATION PROGRAM .....	831	831	831	831
157	0102412F	NORTH WARNING SYSTEM (NWS) .....	102	102	102	102

158	0102417F	OVER-THE-HORIZON BACKSCATTER RADAR .....	428,754	35,000	428,754	-393,754	35,000
		NORTHCOM UPL—Over the Horizon Radar Acceleration .....		[35,000]		[35,000]	
		Technical realignment .....		[-428,754]		[-428,754]	
159	0202834F	VEHICLES AND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT—GENERAL .....	15,498	19,498	19,498	4,000	19,498
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....			[4,000]	[4,000]	
		Technical realignment .....		[4,000]			
160	0205219F	MQ-9 UAV .....	81,123	81,123	81,123		81,123
161	0205671F	JOINT COUNTER RCIED ELECTRONIC WARFARE .....	2,303	2,303	2,303		2,303
162	0207040F	MULTI-PLATFORM ELECTRONIC WARFARE EQUIPMENT .....	7,312	7,312	7,312		7,312
164	0207133F	F-16 SQUADRONS .....	98,633	139,233	98,633	40,600	139,233
		NEWS restoration .....		[40,600]		[40,600]	
165	0207134F	F-15E SQUADRONS .....	50,965	50,965	50,965		50,965
166	0207136F	MANNED DESTRUCTIVE SUPPRESSION .....	16,543	16,543	16,543		16,543
167	0207138F	F-22A SQUADRONS .....	725,889	740,889	725,889	15,000	740,889
		Cyber Resiliency .....		[15,000]		[15,000]	
168	0207142F	F-35 SQUADRONS .....	97,231	107,231	97,231		97,231
		Operational Test Data Sharing .....		[10,000]		[10,000]	
169	0207146F	F-15EX .....	100,006	100,006	100,006		100,006
170	0207161F	TACTICAL AIM MISSILES .....	41,958	41,958	41,958		41,958
171	0207163F	ADVANCED MEDIUM RANGE AIR-TO-AIR MISSILE (AMRAAM) .....	53,679	53,679	53,679		53,679
172	0207227F	COMBAT RESCUE—PARARESCUE .....	726	726	726		726
173	0207238F	E-11A .....	64,888	64,888	64,888		64,888
174	0207247F	AF TENCAP .....	25,749	25,749	25,749		25,749
175	0207249F	PRECISION ATTACK SYSTEMS PROCUREMENT .....	11,872	11,872	11,872		11,872
176	0207253F	COMPASS CALL .....	66,932	66,932	66,932		66,932
177	0207268F	AIRCRAFT ENGINE COMPONENT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM ..	55,223	65,223	55,223	5,000	60,223
		Additive manufacturing expansion .....		[10,000]		[5,000]	
178	0207325F	JOINT AIR-TO-SURFACE STANDOFF MISSILE (JASSM) .....	132,937	132,937	132,937		132,937
179	0207327F	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB (SDB) .....	37,518	49,518	37,518	3,000	40,518
		GLSDB Maritime Seeker .....		[12,000]		[3,000]	
180	0207410F	AIR & SPACE OPERATIONS CENTER (AOC) .....	72,059	72,059	72,059		72,059
181	0207412F	CONTROL AND REPORTING CENTER (CRC) .....	17,498	17,498	17,498		17,498

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183	0207418F	AFSPECWAR—TACP .....	2,106	2,106	2,106		2,106
185	0207431F	COMBAT AIR INTELLIGENCE SYSTEM ACTIVITIES .....	72,010	72,010	72,010		72,010
186	0207438F	THEATER BATTLE MANAGEMENT (TBM) C4I .....	6,467	6,467	6,467		6,467
187	0207439F	ELECTRONIC WARFARE INTEGRATED REPROGRAMMING (EWIR) .....	10,388	10,388	10,388		10,388
188	0207444F	TACTICAL AIR CONTROL PARTY-MOD .....	10,060	10,060	10,060		10,060
189	0207452F	DCAPES .....	8,233	8,233	8,233		8,233
190	0207521F	AIR FORCE CALIBRATION PROGRAMS .....	2,172	2,172	2,172		2,172
192	0207573F	NATIONAL TECHNICAL NUCLEAR FORENSICS .....	2,049	2,049	2,049		2,049
193	0207590F	SEEK EAGLE .....	33,478	33,478	33,478		33,478
195	0207605F	WARGAMING AND SIMULATION CENTERS .....	11,894	11,894	11,894		11,894
197	0207697F	DISTRIBUTED TRAINING AND EXERCISES .....	3,811	3,811	3,811		3,811
198	0208006F	MISSION PLANNING SYSTEMS .....	96,272	96,272	96,272		96,272
199	0208007F	TACTICAL DECEPTION .....	26,533	26,533	26,533		26,533
201	0208087F	DISTRIBUTED CYBER WARFARE OPERATIONS .....	50,122	50,122	50,122		50,122
202	0208088F	AF DEFENSIVE CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS .....	113,064	113,064	113,064		113,064
208	0208288F	INTEL DATA APPLICATIONS .....	967	967	967		967
209	0301025F	GEObASE .....	1,514	1,514	1,514		1,514
211	0301113F	CYBER SECURITY INTELLIGENCE SUPPORT .....	8,476	8,476	8,476		8,476
218	0301401F	AF MULTI-DOMAIN NON-TRADITIONAL ISR BATTLESPACE AWARENESS .....	2,890	2,890	3,390		2,890
		Military Cyber Cooperation Activities with the Kingdom of Jordan .....			[500]		
219	0302015F	E-4B NATIONAL AIRBORNE OPERATIONS CENTER (NAOC) ..	39,868	39,868	39,868		39,868
220	0303004F	EIT CONNECT .....	32,900	32,900	32,900		32,900
221	0303089F	CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS SYSTEMS .....	4,881	4,881	4,881		4,881

222	0303131F	MINIMUM ESSENTIAL EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS NET- WORK (MEECN).	33,567	33,567	33,567	33,567
223	0303133F	HIGH FREQUENCY RADIO SYSTEMS .....	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
		Program support costs unjustified request .....			-5,000	
224	0303140F	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM .....	95,523	95,523	95,523	95,523
226	0303248F	ALL DOMAIN COMMON PLATFORM .....	71,296	71,296	71,296	71,296
		Insufficient justification .....			[-15,000]	
227	0303260F	JOINT MILITARY DECEPTION INITIATIVE .....	4,682	4,682	4,682	4,682
228	0304100F	STRATEGIC MISSION PLANNING & EXECUTION SYSTEM (SMPE).	64,944	64,944	64,944	64,944
230	0304260F	AIRBORNE SIGINT ENTERPRISE .....	108,947	108,947	108,947	108,947
		Underexecution .....			-2,202	
231	0304310F	COMMERCIAL ECONOMIC ANALYSIS .....	4,635	4,635	4,635	4,635
234	0305015F	C2 AIR OPERATIONS SUITE—C2 INFO SERVICES .....	13,751	13,751	13,751	13,751
235	0305020F	CCMD INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY .....	1,660	1,660	1,660	1,660
236	0305022F	ISR MODERNIZATION & AUTOMATION DVMT (IMAD) .....	18,680	18,680	18,680	13,570
		Unjustified growth .....			-5,110	
237	0305099F	GLOBAL AIR TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT (GATM) .....	5,031	5,031	5,031	5,031
238	0305103F	CYBER SECURITY INITIATIVE .....	301	301	301	301
239	0305111F	WEATHER SERVICE .....	26,329	26,329	26,329	35,329
		Weather service data migration .....			9,000	
240	0305114F	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL, APPROACH, AND LANDING SYSTEM (ATCAL).	8,751	8,751	8,751	8,751
241	0305116F	AERIAL TARGETS .....	6,915	6,915	6,915	6,915
244	0305128F	SECURITY AND INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITIES .....	352	352	352	352
245	0305146F	DEFENSE JOINT COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES .....	6,930	6,930	6,930	6,930
246	0305179F	INTEGRATED BROADCAST SERVICE (IBS) .....	21,588	21,588	21,588	21,588
247	0305202F	DRAGON U-2 .....	16,842	16,842	16,842	16,842
248	0305206F	AIRBORNE RECONNAISSANCE SYSTEMS .....	43,158	43,158	43,158	43,158
249	0305207F	MANNED RECONNAISSANCE SYSTEMS .....	14,330	14,330	14,330	14,330
250	0305208F	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS .....	88,854	88,854	88,854	88,854
251	0305220F	RQ-4 UAV .....	1,242	1,242	1,242	1,242

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252	0305221F	NETWORK-CENTRIC COLLABORATIVE TARGETING .....	12,496	12,496	12,496		12,496
253	0305238F	NATO AGS .....	2	2	2		2
254	0305240F	SUPPORT TO DCGS ENTERPRISE .....	31,589	31,589	31,589		31,589
255	0305600F	INTERNATIONAL INTELLIGENCE TECHNOLOGY AND ARCHITECTURES. ....	15,322	15,322	15,322		15,322
256	0305881F	RAPID CYBER ACQUISITION .....	8,830	8,830	8,830		8,830
257	0305984F	PERSONNEL RECOVERY COMMAND & CTRL (PRC2) .....	2,764	2,764	2,764		2,764
258	0307577F	INTELLIGENCE MISSION DATA (IMD) .....	7,090	7,090	7,090		7,090
259	0401115F	C-130 AIRLIFT SQUADRON .....	5,427	23,427	5,427		5,427
260	0401119F	C-130H Link-16 MIDS-JTR Terminal .....		[18,000]			
		C-5 AIRLIFT SQUADRONS (IF) .....	29,502	29,502	29,502	-1,216	28,286
		SIL early to need .....				[-1,216]	
261	0401130F	C-17 AIRCRAFT (IF) .....	2,753	48,753	2,753		2,753
		C-17A Modernized High Frequency Radio .....		[16,000]			
		C-17A Tactical Data Link .....		[30,000]			
262	0401132F	C-130J PROGRAM .....	19,100	69,400	19,100		19,100
		C-130J Global Secure Data and Voice Comm .....		[26,700]			
		C-130J Tactical Data Link/BLOS Secure Data .....		[18,600]			
		Test and evaluate load alleviation components .....		[5,000]			
263	0401134F	LARGE AIRCRAFT IR COUNTERMEASURES (LAIRCIM) .....	5,982	5,982	5,982		5,982
264	0401218F	KC-135S .....	51,105	51,105	51,105	-1,583	49,522
		Comm 2 early to need .....				[-1,583]	
265	0401318F	CV-22 .....	18,127	18,127	18,127		18,127
266	0408011F	SPECIAL TACTICS / COMBAT CONTROL .....	9,198	9,198	9,198		9,198
268	0708610F	LOGISTICS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (LOGIT) .....	17,520	17,520	17,520		17,520
269	0801380F	AF LVC OPERATIONAL TRAINING (LVC-OT) .....	25,144	25,144	25,144		25,144
270	0804743F	OTHER FLIGHT TRAINING .....	2,265	2,265	2,265		2,265

272	0901202F	JOINT PERSONNEL RECOVERY AGENCY .....	2,266	2,266	2,266	2,266	2,266	
273	0901218F	CIVILIAN COMPENSATION PROGRAM .....	4,006	4,006	4,006	4,006	4,006	
274	0901220F	PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION .....	3,078	3,078	3,078	3,078	3,078	
275	0901226F	AIR FORCE STUDIES AND ANALYSIS AGENCY .....	5,309	5,309	5,309	5,309	5,309	
		Modeling and simulation development excess growth .....						-3,000
276	0901538F	FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....	4,279	4,279	4,279	4,279	4,279	[-3,000]
277	0901554F	DEFENSE ENTERPRISE ACNTING AND MGT SYS (DEAMS) .....	45,925	45,925	45,925	45,925	45,925	
278	1202140F	SERVICE SUPPORT TO SPACECOM ACTIVITIES .....	9,778	9,778	9,778	9,778	9,778	
9999	99999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	16,814,245	16,799,508	16,814,245	16,814,245	16,587,427	-226,818
		Classified adjustment .....						[-212,081]
		Program justification review .....						[-14,737]
		<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....</b>	<b>23,829,283</b>	<b>23,442,709</b>	<b>23,851,800</b>	<b>23,851,800</b>	<b>23,237,403</b>	<b>-591,880</b>
		<b>TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, AF .....</b>	<b>46,565,356</b>	<b>-647,507</b>	<b>-84,132</b>	<b>-84,132</b>	<b>46,292,608</b>	<b>-272,748</b>
		<b>RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, SF</b>						
		<b>APPLIED RESEARCH</b>						
004	1206601SF	SPACE TECHNOLOGY .....	206,196	286,584	350,663	350,663	292,584	86,388
		Advanced analog microelectronics .....		[5,000]	[8,600]	[8,600]	[3,000]	[3,000]
		Advanced isotope power systems .....			[5,000]	[5,000]	[3,000]	[3,000]
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....			[84,397]	[84,397]	[72,888]	[72,888]
		Ground-based interferometry .....			[16,000]	[16,000]		
		Lunar surface-based domain awareness .....			[5,000]	[5,000]		
		Solar cruiser .....			[10,000]	[10,000]		
		Space modeling, simulation, and analysis hub .....						[7,500]
		Technical realignment .....		[72,888]				
		University Consortium for Space Technology .....		[2,500]				
		<b>SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH .....</b>	<b>206,196</b>	<b>286,584</b>	<b>350,663</b>	<b>350,663</b>	<b>292,584</b>	<b>86,388</b>
		<b>ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT</b>						

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005	1206310SF	SPACE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT. Defense In Depth as Mission Assurance Spacecraft— Multilevel Security. Human performance optimization .....	472,493	494,002	477,493	465,022
		Prior year carryover .....		[10,000]	[5,000]	[3,000]
		Technical realignment .....		[11,509]		[-21,980]
006	1206616SF	SPACE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT/DEMO .....	110,033	150,033	158,033	158,033
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[40,000]	[40,000]	[40,000]
		Modular multi-mode propulsion system .....		[8,000]	[8,000]	[8,000]
		Technical realignment .....		[40,000]		
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....</b>	<b>582,526</b>	<b>644,035</b>	<b>635,526</b>	<b>623,055</b>
		<b>ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT &amp; PROTOTYPES</b>				
007	0604002SF	SPACE FORCE WEATHER SERVICES RESEARCH .....	849	849	849	849
008	1203010SF	SPACE FORCE IT, DATA ANALYTICS, DIGITAL SOLUTIONS .... Program decrease .....	61,723	51,723	61,723	51,723
		NAVSTAR GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM (USER EQUIPMENT) (SPACE). Program decrease .....	353,807	[-10,000]	353,807	[-10,000]
010	1203622SF	SPACE WARFIGHTING ANALYSIS .....	95,541	95,541	95,541	95,541
011	1203710SF	EO/IR WEATHER SYSTEMS .....	95,615	95,615	112,115	95,615
		Weather satellite risk reduction .....		[16,500]	[16,500]	
013	1206410SF	SPACE TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPING .... Inadequate justification—other activities .....	2,081,307	2,081,307	2,081,307	2,056,307
		SPACE SYSTEMS PROTOTYPE TRANSITIONS (SSPT) .....	145,948	105,948	105,948	[-25,000]
016	1206427SF	DAF requested realignment of funds to 6616SF .....		[-40,000]	[-40,000]	[-49,473]
		Technical realignment .....				[-40,000]

017	1206438SF	Underexecution .....	58,374	58,374	58,374	58,374	58,374	58,374	
018	1206458SF	SPACE CONTROL TECHNOLOGY .....	164,649	164,649	179,649	164,649	164,649	164,649	
		TECH TRANSITION (SPACE) .....			[15,000]				
		Encouraging the establishment of the outernet .....							
019	1206730SF	SPACE SECURITY AND DEFENSE PROGRAM .....	59,784	59,784	59,784	59,784	59,784	59,784	
020	1206760SF	PROTECTED TACTICAL ENTERPRISE SERVICE (PTES) .....	76,554	76,554	76,554	76,554	76,554	76,554	
021	1206761SF	PROTECTED TACTICAL SERVICE (PTS) .....	360,126	360,126	360,126	360,126	360,126	355,826	
		Unjustified request—management services .....						-4,300	
		EVOLVED STRATEGIC SATCOM (ESS) .....	632,833	632,833	632,833	632,833	632,833	632,833	
022	1206855SF	SPACE RAPID CAPABILITIES OFFICE .....	12,036	12,036	12,036	12,036	12,036	12,036	
023	1206857SF	Machine Learning Techniques for Radio Frequency (RF) Signal Monitoring and Interference Detection. ....			[10,000]				
024	1206862SF	TACTICALLY RESPONSE SPACE .....	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	
		Program increase .....			[20,000]			20,000	
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT &amp; PRO-</b>	<b>4,229,146</b>	<b>4,209,146</b>	<b>4,220,646</b>	<b>4,209,146</b>	<b>4,220,646</b>	<b>4,160,373</b>	
		<b>TOTYPES.</b>						<b>-68,773</b>	
<b>SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION</b>									
025	1203269SF	GPS III FOLLOW-ON (GPS III F) .....	308,999	308,999	308,999	308,999	308,999	308,999	
027	1206421SF	COUNTERSPACE SYSTEMS .....	36,537	36,537	36,537	36,537	36,537	36,537	
028	1206422SF	WEATHER SYSTEM FOLLOW-ON .....	79,727	79,727	79,727	79,727	79,727	78,127	
		Unjustified increase—management services .....						-1,600	
029	1206425SF	SPACE SITUATION AWARENESS SYSTEMS .....	372,827	372,827	372,827	372,827	372,827	372,827	
030	1206431SF	ADVANCED EHF MILSATCOM (SPACE) .....	4,068	4,068	4,068	4,068	4,068	4,068	
031	1206432SF	POLAR MILSATCOM (SPACE) .....	73,757	73,757	73,757	73,757	73,757	73,757	
032	1206433SF	WIDEBAND GLOBAL SATCOM (SPACE) .....	49,445	49,445	49,445	49,445	49,445	47,245	
		Underexecution .....						-2,200	
033	1206440SF	NEXT-GEN OPIR—GROUND .....	661,367	661,367	661,367	661,367	661,367	638,267	
		Underexecution .....						-23,100	
034	1206442SF	NEXT GENERATION OPIR .....	222,178	222,178	222,178	222,178	222,178	217,178	
		Underexecution .....						-5,000	
035	1206443SF	NEXT-GEN OPIR—GEO .....	719,731	719,731	719,731	719,731	719,731	715,466	

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036	1206444SF	Unjustified increase—management services .....				
		NEXT-GEN OPIR—POLAR .....	1,013,478	1,013,478	1,013,478	[-4,265]
		Unjustified increase—management services .....				-3,265
		Unjustified increase—management services .....				[-3,265]
037	1206445SF	COMMERCIAL SATCOM (COMSATCOM) INTEGRATION .....	73,501	73,501	73,501	
038	1206446SF	RESILIENT MISSILE WARNING MISSILE TRACKING—LOW EARTH ORBIT (LEO). .....	1,266,437	1,519,222	1,519,222	252,785
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....				[252,785]
		Technical realignment .....		[252,785]		
039	1206447SF	RESILIENT MISSILE WARNING MISSILE TRACKING—MEDIUM EARTH ORBIT (MEO). .....	538,208	790,992	790,992	252,784
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....				[252,784]
		Technical realignment .....				-505,569
040	1206448SF	RESILIENT MISSILE WARNING MISSILE TRACKING—INTEGRATED GROUND SEGMENT. .....	505,569			
		DAF requested realignment of funds to 6446SF .....				[-252,785]
		DAF requested realignment of funds to 6447SF .....				[-252,784]
		Technical realignment .....				
041	1206853SF	NATIONAL SECURITY SPACE LAUNCH PROGRAM (SPACE)—EMD. ....	82,188	92,188	82,188	10,000
		Launch capability development .....				[10,000]
		<b>SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION .....</b>	<b>6,008,017</b>	<b>6,018,017</b>	<b>6,008,017</b>	<b>-29,430</b>
		<b>MANAGEMENT SUPPORT</b> .....				
043	1203622SF	SPACE WARFIGHTING ANALYSIS .....	3,568	3,568	3,568	
046	1206392SF	ACQ WORKFORCE—SPACE & MISSILE SYSTEMS .....	258,969	276,500	276,500	17,531
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....				[17,531]
		Technical realignment .....				

047	1206398SF	SPACE & MISSILE SYSTEMS CENTER—MHA .....	13,694	15,053	15,053	1,359	15,053	15,053
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[1,359]	[1,359]	[1,359]		
		Technical realignment .....						
048	1206601SF	SPACE TECHNOLOGY .....	91,778			-91,778		
		DAF requested realignment of funds .....						
		Technical realignment .....						
049	1206759SF	MAJOR T&E INVESTMENT—SPACE .....	146,797					146,797
050	1206860SF	ROCKET SYSTEMS LAUNCH PROGRAM (SPACE) .....	18,023					18,023
052	1206864SF	SPACE TEST PROGRAM (STP) .....	30,192					30,192
		<b>SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT .....</b>	<b>563,021</b>	<b>490,133</b>	<b>490,133</b>	<b>-72,888</b>		<b>490,133</b>
		<b>OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT</b>						
055	1203001SF	FAMILY OF ADVANCED BLOS TERMINALS (FAB-T) .....	91,369					91,369
056	1203040SF	DCO-SPACE .....	76,003					76,003
057	1203109SF	NARROWBAND SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS .....	230,785					221,335
		Inadequate justification—management services .....						
058	1203110SF	SATELLITE CONTROL NETWORK (SPACE) .....	86,465					84,365
		Underexecution .....						
059	1203154SF	LONG RANGE KILL CHAINS .....	243,036					243,036
061	1203173SF	SPACE AND MISSILE TEST AND EVALUATION CENTER .....	22,039					22,039
062	1203174SF	SPACE INNOVATION, INTEGRATION AND RAPID TECH- NOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	41,483					43,483
		Accelerating Space Operators Education and Experiential Learning.						
063	1203182SF	SPACELIFT RANGE SYSTEM (SPACE) .....	11,175					11,175
065	1203330SF	SPACE SUPERIORITY ISR .....	28,730					28,730
067	1203873SF	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE RADARS .....	20,752					28,752
		Perimeter Acquisition Radar Attack Characterization Sys- tem (PARCS) radar.						
068	1203906SF	NCMC—TW/AA SYSTEM .....	25,545					25,545
069	1203913SF	NUDET DETECTION SYSTEM (SPACE) .....	93,391					93,391
070	1203940SF	SPACE SITUATION AWARENESS OPERATIONS .....	264,966					264,966

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071	1206423SF	GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM III—OPERATIONAL CONTROL SEGMENT.	317,309	271,909	317,309	-45,400	271,909
		Excess to need .....		[-45,400]			
075	1206770SF	ENTERPRISE GROUND SERVICES .....	155,825	155,825	155,825		155,825
076	1208053SF	JOINT TACTICAL GROUND SYSTEM .....	14,568	14,568	14,568		14,568
9999	99999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	5,764,667	6,100,667	6,225,367	593,700	6,358,367
		DCO-S .....		[43,000]		[43,000]	
		Space Force realignment of funds for classified program			[270,000]	[270,000]	
		Space Force Unfunded Priorities List Classified Program B			[83,000]	[83,000]	
		Space Force Unfunded Priorities List Classified Program C			[53,000]	[53,000]	
		Space Force Unfunded Priorities List Classified Program D			[54,700]	[54,700]	
		USSF UPL—Classified program B .....		[83,000]			
		USSF UPL—Classified program C .....		[53,000]			
		USSF UPL—Classified program D .....		[67,000]			
		USSF UPL—Classified program F .....		[90,000]		[90,000]	
		<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....</b>	<b>7,488,108</b>	<b>7,781,208</b>	<b>7,956,808</b>	<b>546,750</b>	<b>8,034,858</b>
		<b>SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS</b>					
078	1208248SF	SPACE COMMAND & CONTROL—SOFTWARE PILOT PROGRAM.	122,326	122,326	122,326		122,326
		<b>SUBTOTAL SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS.</b>	<b>122,326</b>	<b>122,326</b>	<b>122,326</b>		<b>122,326</b>
		<b>TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, SF .....</b>	<b>19,199,340</b>	<b>352,109</b>	<b>584,779</b>	<b>502,576</b>	<b>19,701,916</b>
		<b>RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST &amp; EVAL, DW</b>					
		<b>BASIC RESEARCH</b>					

001	0601000BR	DTRA BASIC RESEARCH .....	14,761	14,761	14,761	14,761
002	0601101E	DEFENSE RESEARCH SCIENCES .....	311,531	311,531	311,531	311,531
		Research Security Consortium .....	[5,000]			
003	060110808Z	HIGH ENERGY LASER RESEARCH INITIATIVES .....	16,329	16,329	16,329	16,329
004	060111008Z	BASIC RESEARCH INITIATIVES .....	71,783	96,783	91,783	91,783
		Defense Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (DEPSCoR) .....		[25,000]	20,000	[20,000]
005	0601117E	BASIC OPERATIONAL MEDICAL RESEARCH SCIENCE .....	50,430	50,430	50,430	50,430
006	060112008Z	NATIONAL DEFENSE EDUCATION PROGRAM .....	159,549	169,549	162,549	162,549
		Enhanced civics education program .....		[10,000]	3,000	
007	060122808Z	HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES/MI- NORITY INSTITUTIONS .....	100,467	100,467	100,467	100,467
		Program increase .....		[5,000]	[3,000]	
		CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM .....		125,467	49,533	
		Program increase .....		[25,000]	[49,533]	
008	0601384BP	<b>SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH .....</b>	<b>36,235</b>	<b>36,235</b>	<b>36,235</b>	<b>36,235</b>
			<b>761,085</b>	<b>796,085</b>	<b>72,533</b>	<b>833,618</b>
<b>APPLIED RESEARCH</b>						
009	060200008Z	JOINT MUNITIONS TECHNOLOGY .....	19,157	19,157	19,157	19,157
010	0602115E	BIOMEDICAL TECHNOLOGY .....	141,081	141,081	141,081	141,081
		Program decrease .....		[-10,000]	-10,000	
011	060212808Z	PROMOTION AND PROTECTION STRATEGIES .....	3,219	3,219	3,219	3,219
012	060223008Z	DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION .....	55,160	55,160	55,160	55,160
		Realignment .....		[-15,000]	-15,000	
013	060223408Z	LINCOLN LABORATORY RESEARCH PROGRAM .....	46,858	46,858	46,858	46,858
014	0602251D8Z	APPLIED RESEARCH FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF S&T PRI- ORITIES .....	66,866	66,866	66,866	66,866
015	0602303E	INFORMATION & COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY .....	333,029	333,029	333,029	333,029
017	0602384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM .....	240,610	240,610	240,610	240,610
018	060266808Z	CYBER SECURITY RESEARCH .....	17,437	20,437	20,437	20,437
		Pacific Intelligence and Innovation Initiative .....		19,937	8,000	
		Semiconductor industry cybersecurity research .....		[2,500]	[5,000]	
				[3,000]	[3,000]	

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019	0602675D8Z	SOCIAL SCIENCES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY .....	4,718	4,718	4,718	4,718
020	0602702E	TACTICAL TECHNOLOGY .....	234,549	214,549	234,549	214,549
		Program decrease .....		[-20,000]		[-20,000]
021	0602715E	MATERIALS AND BIOLOGICAL TECHNOLOGY .....	344,986	344,986	344,986	344,986
022	0602716E	ELECTRONICS TECHNOLOGY .....	572,662	572,662	572,662	572,662
023	06027188R	COUNTER WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION APPLIED RE- SEARCH.	208,870	193,870	208,870	208,870
		Program decrease .....		[-15,000]		
024	0602751D8Z	SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INSTITUTE (SEI) APPLIED RE- SEARCH.	11,168	11,168	11,168	11,168
025	0602890D8Z	HIGH ENERGY LASER RESEARCH .....	48,804	48,804	48,804	48,804
026	0602891D8Z	FSRM MODELLING .....	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
027	1160401BB	SOF TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....	52,287	52,287	52,287	52,287
		<b>SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH .....</b>	<b>2,403,461</b>	<b>2,345,961</b>	<b>2,406,461</b>	<b>2,366,461</b>
		<b>ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT</b>				
028	0603000D8Z	JOINT MUNITIONS ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY .....	37,706	52,706	37,706	42,706
		Advanced Process Technology for Energetics .....		[5,000]		[5,000]
		Explosive Energetics Expansion .....		[10,000]		
029	0603021D8Z	NATIONAL SECURITY INNOVATION CAPITAL .....	15,085	15,085	15,085	15,085
030	0603121D8Z	SO/LIC ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT .....	30,102	30,102	30,102	30,102
031	0603122D8Z	COMBATING TERRORISM TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT .....	75,593	130,593	105,593	123,093
		Joint R&D with Israel .....		[50,000]		[47,500]
		Loitering munition development .....				
		ROC-X VTOL Loitering Munition .....		[5,000]		
		U.S.-Israel defense collaboration on emerging technologies				
032	0603133D8Z	FOREIGN COMPARATIVE TESTING .....	27,078	27,078	27,078	27,078

033	06031608R	COUNTER WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	400,947	403,447	405,947	8,500	409,447
		Advanced manufacturing of energetic materials .....		[2,500]	[5,000]	[8,500]	
034	06031768R	Advanced Manufacturing of Energetics .....	7,990	7,990	7,990		7,990
035	0603176C	ADVANCED CONCEPTS AND PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT ...	17,825	17,825	17,825		17,825
036	0603180C	ADVANCED RESEARCH .....	21,461	29,461	21,461	7,000	28,461
		Radiation Hardened Microelectronics—Facility and Workforce Development.		[5,000]		[5,000]	
037	0603183D8Z	Testbed for Advanced Digital Low Latency Networks .....	52,292	[3,000]	52,292	[2,000]	54,292
		JOINT HYPERSONIC TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT &TRANSITION.		57,292		2,000	
038	0603225D8Z	Common Hypersonic Glide Body Development .....	19,567	[5,000]	19,567	[2,000]	19,567
039	06032608R	JOINT DOD-DOE MUNITIONS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT ...	10,000	10,000	10,000		10,000
040	0603286E	INTELLIGENCE ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT .....	331,753	321,753	331,753	-10,000	321,753
		ADVANCED AEROSPACE SYSTEMS .....		[-10,000]		[-10,000]	
		Program decrease .....	134,809	134,809	134,809	-12,500	122,309
041	0603287E	SPACE PROGRAMS AND TECHNOLOGY .....	24,328	24,328	24,328		24,328
		Excess growth .....	55,626	55,626	55,626		55,626
042	0603288D8Z	ANALYTIC ASSESSMENTS .....	75,000	75,000	75,000		75,000
043	0603289D8Z	ADVANCED INNOVATIVE ANALYSIS AND CONCEPTS .....	104,729	127,229	104,729	5,000	109,729
044	0603330D8Z	QUANTUM APPLICATION .....		[10,000]			
046	0603342D8Z	DEFENSE INNOVATION UNIT (DIU) .....		[10,000]			
		Electric Boats .....	123,837	123,837	123,837	[2,500]	123,837
		Nuclear Advanced Propulsion and power .....	11,000	11,000	11,000		11,000
		Program increase .....	267,073	227,073	292,073	-32,419	234,654
047	0603375D8Z	TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION .....		[2,500]			
048	0603379D8Z	ADVANCED TECHNICAL INTEGRATION .....		123,837			
049	0603384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM—ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT.					
		Generative Unconstrained Intelligent Drug Engineering-Enhanced Biodefense.		[25,000]		[3,000]	

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050	0603527D8Z	Program decrease		[-40,000]		[-35,419]
		RETRACT LARCH	57,401	57,401	57,401	57,401
051	0603618D8Z	JOINT ELECTRONIC ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	19,793	19,793	19,793	19,793
053	0603662D8Z	NETWORKED COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITIES	11,197	11,197	11,197	11,197
054	0603680D8Z	DEFENSE-WIDE MANUFACTURING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM	252,965	275,465	264,965	112,500
		Additive manufacturing at scale		[7,000]		[5,000]
		Bioindustrial Manufacturing Infrastructure		[20,000]		[100,000]
		Digital manufacturing modernization		[5,000]		[5,000]
		Hypersonic Advanced Composites Manufacturing		[2,500]		[2,500]
055	0603680S	MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM	46,404	51,404	46,404	5,000
		Program increase		[5,000]		[5,000]
056	0603712S	GENERIC LOGISTICS R&D TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATIONS	16,580	16,580	16,580	16,580
057	0603716D8Z	STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH PROGRAM	60,387	60,387	60,387	60,387
058	0603720S	MICROELECTRONICS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT AND SUPPORT	144,707	144,707	144,707	144,707
059	0603727D8Z	JOINT WARFIGHTING PROGRAM	2,749	2,749	2,749	2,749
060	0603739E	ADVANCED ELECTRONICS TECHNOLOGIES	254,033	244,033	254,033	-10,000
		Program decrease		[-10,000]		[-10,000]
		Reduce carryover—next generation microelectronics manufacturing.				
061	0603760E	COMMAND, CONTROL AND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS	321,591	321,591	321,591	321,591
062	0603766E	NETWORK-CENTRIC WARFARE TECHNOLOGY	885,425	885,425	885,425	885,425
063	0603767E	SENSOR TECHNOLOGY	358,580	353,330	358,580	-5,250
		Program decrease		[-5,250]		[-5,250]
065	0603781D8Z	SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INSTITUTE	16,699	16,699	16,699	16,699
066	0603838D8Z	DEFENSE INNOVATION ACCELERATION (DIA)	257,110	262,810	257,110	257,110

067	0603324D8Z	Autonomous resupply for contested logistics .....	[2,500]	111,799	111,799	111,799	111,799
068	0603941D8Z	High energy Laser Weapon System Procurement .....	[3,200]	111,799	111,799	111,799	111,799
069	0603945D8Z	HIGH ENERGY LASER ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM ..	345,384	345,384	345,384	345,384	345,384
070	0603950D8Z	TEST & EVALUATION SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY .....	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
071	0604055D8Z	AUKUS INNOVATION INITIATIVES .....	21,575	21,575	28,575	28,575	28,575
		NATIONAL SECURITY INNOVATION NETWORK .....			7,000		
		National Security Innovation Network .....			[7,000]		
		OPERATIONAL ENERGY CAPABILITY IMPROVEMENT .....	181,668	181,668	181,668	181,668	186,033
		Excess growth .....			[-5,635]		
		HELCAP Thermal Energy Storage .....	[10,000]				
		Increase for tristructural-isotrophic fuel .....			[10,000]		
072	1160402BB	SOF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....	156,097	156,097	156,097	156,097	156,097
		Jam Resistant Military Communications .....			[2,500]		
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....</b>	<b>5,380,945</b>	<b>5,469,395</b>	<b>5,469,945</b>	<b>143,696</b>	<b>5,524,641</b>
		<b>ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT &amp; PROTOTYPES</b>					
074	0603161D8Z	NUCLEAR AND CONVENTIONAL PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIP- MENT RDT&E ADC&P .....	76,764	76,764	76,764	76,764	76,764
075	0603600D8Z	WALKOFF .....	143,486	143,486	143,486	143,486	143,486
076	0603851D8Z	ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY TECHNICAL CERTIFICATION PROGRAM .....	117,196	88,596	123,196	-27,600	89,596
		Development and acquisition of hybrid energy systems .....					
		Program decrease .....					
		Sustainable Technology Evaluation and Demonstration program increase .....					
077	0603881C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TERMINAL DEFENSE SEGMENT INDOPACOM UPL—Enhanced THAAD Mission Support Ele- ment Integration (eIMI) .....	220,311	310,311	220,311	90,000	310,311
078	0603882C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE MIDCOURSE DEFENSE SEG- MENT .....	903,633	903,633	903,633	903,633	903,633
079	0603884BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM—DEM/ VAL .....	316,853	316,853	316,853	-24,847	292,006

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080	0603884C	Excess growth .....				[-24,847]	
		BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE SENSORS .....	239,159	239,159	239,159		239,159
081	0603890C	BMD ENABLING PROGRAMS .....	597,720	610,094	597,720	-807	596,913
		MDA UPL—Electronic Attack/Electronic Protection .....		[12,374]			
		Poor justification .....				[-807]	
082	0603891C	SPECIAL PROGRAMS—MDA .....	552,888	703,280	552,888	82,392	635,280
		Enhanced Battlespace Awareness for Space Warfare .....		[68,000]			
		MDA UPL—Classified increase .....		[22,892]		[22,892]	
		MDA UPL—Electronic Warfare for Missile Defense .....		[27,300]		[27,300]	
		MDA UPL—Left Through Right of Launch Integration .....		[32,200]		[32,200]	
083	0603892C	AEGIS BMD .....	693,727	709,727	693,727	-4,000	689,727
		PAC-3 MSE/AEGIS Weapon System Integration .....		[20,000]			
		Program decrease .....		[-4,000]		[-4,000]	
084	0603896C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE COMMAND AND CONTROL, BATTLE MANAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATI.	554,201	554,201	554,201		554,201
085	0603898C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE JOINT WARRIOR SUPPORT	48,248	48,248	48,248		48,248
086	0603904C	MISSILE DEFENSE INTEGRATION & OPERATIONS CENTER (MIDIOC).	50,549	50,549	50,549		50,549
087	0603906C	REGARDING TRENCH .....	12,564	27,564	27,564	15,000	27,564
		MDA UPL—Classified increase .....		[15,000]		[15,000]	
		Program increase—MDA UFR .....			[15,000]		
088	0603907C	SEA BASED X-BAND RADAR (SBX) .....	177,868	177,868	177,868		177,868
089	0603913C	ISRAELI COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS .....	300,000	300,000	325,000		300,000
		U.S.-Israel cooperation on directed energy capabilities .....			[25,000]		
090	0603914C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TEST .....	360,455	360,455	360,455		360,455
091	0603915C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TARGETS .....	570,258	600,258	580,258	27,000	597,258

092	060392308Z	Advanced Hypersonic Thermal Protection System Proto- types.	[5,000]	[10,000]	[10,000]	12,103	12,103	3,185	3,185	12,103
093	0604011D8Z	Advanced Reactive Target Simulation .....	[15,000]	[2,000]	[10,000]	12,103	12,103	3,185	3,185	12,103
		Hypersonic Maneuvering Extended Range (HMER) Target System.	[5,000]	[5,000]	[5,000]	179,278	179,278	397,578	397,578	179,278
		Hypersonic Target for MDA Advanced Target Front End Configuration 3 (ATFE C3).	[5,000]	[5,000]	[5,000]					
094	0604016D8Z	Hypersonic Targets and Countermeasures Program .....			[10,000]					
095	0604102C	COALITION WARFARE .....	12,103	12,103	[10,000]	12,103	12,103	3,185	3,185	12,103
096	0604115C	INDOPACOM UPL—Guam Defense System, INDOPACOM .....	179,278	179,278	[10,000]	179,278	179,278	397,578	397,578	179,278
097	0604124D8Z	TECHNOLOGY MATURATION INITIATIVES .....			[147,000]					
		Program decrease .....	[-5,000]		[147,000]					
098	0604181C	DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CORROSION PROGRAM .....	3,185	3,185	147,000	3,185	3,185	3,185	3,185	3,185
099	0604250D8Z	GUAM DEFENSE DEVELOPMENT .....	497,578	497,578	147,000	497,578	497,578	397,578	397,578	544,578
		Diode-Pumped Alkali Laser (DPAL) for Missile Defense .....	[100,000]		[147,000]					
100	0604294D8Z	CHIEF DIGITAL AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE OFFICER (CDAO)—MIP.	34,350	34,350	[6,000]	34,350	34,350	34,350	34,350	34,350
		Mobile micromuclear reactors .....	433,997	433,997	225,000	433,997	433,997	208,997	208,997	433,997
		TRUSTED & ASSURED MICROELECTRONICS .....	[225,000]		[225,000]					
		Radiation-Hardened Fully-Depleted Silicon-on-Insulator Microelectronics.	1,090,826	1,090,826	[-23,600]	1,090,826	1,090,826	1,085,826	1,085,826	1,062,226
		Classified adjustment .....			[-28,600]					
		Strategic Rad Hard Chiplet Design Acceleration .....	[2,500]		[2,500]					
101	0604331D8Z	Unjustified growth .....	110,291	110,291	[2,500]	110,291	110,291	110,291	110,291	110,291
102	0604331J	RAPID PROTOTYPING PROGRAM .....	9,880	9,880	[-63,299]	9,880	9,880	9,880	9,880	9,880
103	0604341D8Z	RAPID PROTOTYPING PROGRAM .....	15,000	15,000		15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
		DEFENSE INNOVATION UNIT (DIU) PROTOTYPING .....								

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104	0604400D8Z	Realignment ..... DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DOD) UNMANNED SYSTEM COMMON DEVELOPMENT.	2,643	[15,000] 2,643	2,643	2,643
105	0604551BR	CATAPULT INFORMATION SYSTEM .....	8,328	8,328	8,328	8,328
106	0604555D8Z	OPERATIONAL ENERGY CAPABILITY IMPROVEMENT—NON S&T.	53,726	60,726	53,726	7,000
108	0604682D8Z	High Energy Laser Power Beaming ..... WARGAMING AND SUPPORT FOR STRATEGIC ANALYSIS (SSA).	3,206	[7,000] 3,206	3,206	[7,000] 3,206
109	0604790D8Z	RAPID DEFENSE EXPERIMENTATION RESERVE (RDER) .....	79,773	79,773	79,773	79,773
110	0604826J	JOINT C5 CAPABILITY DEVELOPMENT, INTEGRATION AND INTEROPERABILITY ASSESSMENTS.	28,517	28,517	28,517	28,517
111	0604873C	LONG RANGE DISCRIMINATION RADAR (LRDR) .....	103,517	103,517	103,517	103,517
112	0604874C	IMPROVED HOMELAND DEFENSE INTERCEPTORS .....	2,130,838	2,130,838	2,130,838	2,130,838
113	0604876C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TERMINAL DEFENSE SEGMENT TEST.	47,577	47,577	47,577	47,577
114	0604878C	AEGIS BMD TEST .....	193,484	193,484	193,484	188,435
115	0604879C	Excess growth .....				[-5,049]
116	0604880C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE SENSOR TEST .....	111,049	111,049	111,049	111,049
117	0604887C	LAND-BASED SM-3 (LBSM3) .....	22,163	22,163	22,163	22,163
118	0202057C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE MIDCOURSE SEGMENT TEST ..	41,824	41,824	41,824	41,824
119	0208059IC	SAFETY PROGRAM MANAGEMENT .....	2,484	2,484	2,484	2,484
120	0208085IC	CYBERCOM ACTIVITIES .....	65,484	65,484	65,484	65,484
121	0208086IC	ROBUST INFRASTRUCTURE AND ACCESS .....	170,182	170,182	170,182	135,535
122	0300206R	Unjustified growth .....				[-34,647]
		CYBER TRAINING ENVIRONMENT (CTE) .....	114,980	114,980	114,980	114,980
		ENTERPRISE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS .....	2,156	2,156	2,156	2,156

123	0305103C	CYBER SECURITY INITIATIVE .....	2,760	3,760	2,760	2,760	2,760
		Program increase—classified algorithm study .....		[1,000]			
124	0305245D8Z	INTELLIGENCE CAPABILITIES AND INNOVATION INVEST- MENTS.	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
125	0305251JCY	CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS FORCES AND FORCE SUPPORT	2,669	2,669	2,669	2,669	2,669
126	0901579D8Z	OFFICE OF STRATEGIC CAPITAL (OSC) .....	99,000	99,000	99,000	99,000	99,000
129	1206895C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEM SPACE PROGRAMS ...	109,483	109,483	109,483	109,483	109,483
		<b>SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT &amp; PRO- TOTYPES.</b>	<b>12,187,050</b>	<b>12,831,216</b>	<b>12,243,050</b>	<b>420,543</b>	<b>12,607,593</b>
<b>SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION</b>							
130	0604123D8Z	CHIEF DIGITAL AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE OFFICER (CDAO)—DEM/VAL ACTIVITIES.	615,246	570,246	615,246	-32,900	582,346
		Insufficient justification .....		[-40,000]			
		Program decrease .....		[-5,000]			
130A	999999	JADC2 .....				174,000	174,000
		Program increase—Joint Fires Network (JFN) .....				[174,000]	
131	0604161D8Z	NUCLEAR AND CONVENTIONAL PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIP- MENT RDT&E SDD.	6,229	6,229	6,229		6,229
132	0604384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM—EMD ...	382,977	382,977	382,977	-20,597	362,380
		Execution risk .....				[-20,597]	
133	0604771D8Z	JOINT TACTICAL INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM (JTIDS).	9,775	9,775	9,775		9,775
134	0605000BR	COUNTER WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION SYSTEMS DE- VELOPMENT.	14,414	14,414	14,414		14,414
135	0605013BL	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT .....	6,953	6,953	6,953		6,953
136	0605021SE	HOMELAND PERSONNEL SECURITY INITIATIVE .....	9,292	9,292	9,292		9,292
137	0605022D8Z	DEFENSE EXPORTABILITY PROGRAM .....	18,981	18,981	18,981		18,981
138	0605027D8Z	OUSD(C) IT DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES .....	5,456	5,456	5,456		5,456
140	0605080S	DEFENSE AGENCY INITIATIVES (DAI)—FINANCIAL SYSTEM ...	32,629	32,629	32,629		32,629
141	0605141BR	MISSION ASSURANCE RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (MARMS).	9,316	9,316	9,316		9,316

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142	060521008Z	DEFENSE-WIDE ELECTRONIC PROCUREMENT CAPABILITIES	6,899	6,899	6,899		6,899
143	060529408Z	TRUSTED & ASSURED MICROELECTRONICS .....	297,586	276,586	297,586	-21,000	276,586
		Program decrease .....		[-21,000]		[-21,000]	
145	060577208Z	NUCLEAR COMMAND, CONTROL, & COMMUNICATIONS .....	4,110	4,110	4,110		4,110
146	030530408Z	DOD ENTERPRISE ENERGY INFORMATION MANAGEMENT (E2IM).	8,159	8,159	8,159		8,159
147	030531008Z	CWMD SYSTEMS: SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION.	14,471	14,471	14,471		14,471
148	050516708Z	DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS AGAINST WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION.	3,770	3,770	3,770		3,770
		<b>SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT &amp; DEMONSTRATION .....</b>	<b>1,446,263</b>	<b>1,380,263</b>	<b>1,446,263</b>	<b>99,503</b>	<b>1,545,766</b>
		<b>MANAGEMENT SUPPORT</b>					
149	0603829J	JOINT CAPABILITY EXPERIMENTATION .....	12,402	12,402	12,402		12,402
150	060477408Z	DEFENSE READINESS REPORTING SYSTEM (DRRS) .....	12,746	12,746	12,746		12,746
151	060487508Z	JOINT SYSTEMS ARCHITECTURE DEVELOPMENT .....	8,426	8,426	8,426		8,426
152	060494008Z	CENTRAL TEST AND EVALUATION INVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT (CTEIP).	833,792	838,792	833,792	2,500	836,292
		Hypersonic Telemetry SATCOM Relay .....		[2,500]			
		Reusable Hypersonic Testbed .....		[2,500]			
153	060494208Z	ASSESSMENTS AND EVALUATIONS .....	5,810	5,810	5,810		5,810
154	0605001E	MISSION SUPPORT .....	99,090	99,090	99,090		99,090
155	060510008Z	JOINT MISSION ENVIRONMENT TEST CAPABILITY (JMETC) .....	187,421	187,421	187,421		187,421
156	0605126J	JOINT INTEGRATED AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE ORGANIZATION (JIAMDO).	61,477	61,477	61,477		61,477
158	060514208Z	SYSTEMS ENGINEERING .....	39,949	39,949	39,949		39,949
159	060515108Z	STUDIES AND ANALYSIS SUPPORT—OSD .....	6,292	6,292	6,292		6,292

160	0605161D8Z	NUCLEAR MATTERS-PHYSICAL SECURITY .....	21,043	21,043	21,043	21,043	21,043
161	0605170D8Z	SUPPORT TO NETWORKS AND INFORMATION INTEGRATION	10,504	10,504	10,504	10,504	10,504
162	0605200D8Z	GENERAL SUPPORT TO OUSD(INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY).	2,980	2,980	2,980	2,980	2,980
163	0605384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM .....	74,382	74,382	74,382	74,382	74,382
170	0605790D8Z	SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH (SBIR)/ SMALL BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER.	3,831	3,831	3,831	3,831	3,831
171	0605797D8Z	MAINTAINING TECHNOLOGY ADVANTAGE .....	38,923	38,923	38,923	38,923	38,923
172	0605798D8Z	DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY ANALYSIS .....	60,404	60,404	60,404	60,404	60,404
173	0605801KA	DEFENSE TECHNICAL INFORMATION CENTER (DTIC) .....	65,715	65,715	65,715	65,715	65,715
174	0605803SE	Information Analysis Centers reduction .....	[-5,000]	[-5,000]	[-5,000]	[-5,000]	[-5,000]
175	0605804D8Z	R&D IN SUPPORT OF DOD ENLISTMENT, TESTING AND EVALUATION.	26,037	26,037	26,037	26,037	26,037
176	0605898E	DEVELOPMENT TEST AND EVALUATION .....	37,353	37,353	37,353	37,353	37,353
177	0605998KA	MANAGEMENT HQ—R&D .....	14,833	14,833	14,833	14,833	14,833
178	0606005D8Z	MANAGEMENT HQ—DEFENSE TECHNICAL INFORMATION CENTER (DTIC).	3,752	3,752	3,752	3,752	3,752
179	0606100D8Z	SPECIAL ACTIVITIES .....	18,088	18,088	18,088	18,088	18,088
180	0606114D8Z	BUDGET AND PROGRAM ASSESSMENTS .....	14,427	14,427	14,427	14,427	14,427
181	0606135D8Z	ANALYSIS WORKING GROUP (AWG) SUPPORT .....	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200
182	0606225D8Z	CHIEF DIGITAL AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE OFFICER (CDAO) ACTIVITIES.	17,247	17,247	17,247	17,247	17,247
183	0606300D8Z	ODNA TECHNOLOGY AND RESOURCE ANALYSIS .....	3,386	3,386	3,386	3,386	3,386
184	0606301D8Z	DEFENSE SCIENCE BOARD .....	2,352	2,352	2,352	2,352	2,352
186	0606771D8Z	AVIATION SAFETY TECHNOLOGIES .....	213	213	213	213	213
187	0606853BR	CYBER RESILIENCY AND CYBERSECURITY POLICY .....	45,194	45,194	45,194	45,194	45,194
188	0203345D8Z	MANAGEMENT, TECHNICAL & INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT .....	11,919	11,919	11,919	11,919	11,919
189	0204571J	DEFENSE OPERATIONS SECURITY INITIATIVE (DOSI) .....	3,112	3,112	3,112	3,112	3,112
190	0208045K	JOINT STAFF ANALYTICAL SUPPORT .....	4,916	4,916	4,916	4,916	4,916
195	0305172K	C4I INTEROPERABILITY .....	66,152	66,152	66,152	66,152	66,152
197	0305208K	COMBINED ADVANCED APPLICATIONS .....	5,366	5,366	5,366	5,366	5,366
		DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS .....	3,069	3,069	3,069	3,069	3,069

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199	0804768J	COCOM EXERCISE ENGAGEMENT AND TRAINING TRANS- FORMATION (CE2T2)—NON-MHA. No JLVC acquisition strategy .....	101,319	101,319	101,319	95,019
		DEFENSE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE (DEOMI) .....	740	740	740	740
201	0901598C	MANAGEMENT HQ—MDA .....	28,363	28,363	28,363	28,363
202	0903235K	JOINT SERVICE PROVIDER (JSP) .....	5,177	5,177	5,177	5,177
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	36,315	36,315	63,315	36,315
		All Domain Anomaly Resolution Office .....			[27,000]	
		<b>SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT .....</b>	<b>1,998,717</b>	<b>2,003,717</b>	<b>2,020,717</b>	<b>1,994,917</b>
		<b>OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT</b>				
203	0604130V	ENTERPRISE SECURITY SYSTEM (ESS) .....	42,482	42,482	42,482	42,482
205	0607210D8Z	INDUSTRIAL BASE ANALYSIS AND SUSTAINMENT SUPPORT Additive Manufacturing for shipbuilding .....	1,017,141	1,065,141	1,045,141	1,025,141
		Domestic advanced microelectronics packaging .....		[10,000]	[5,000]	
		Integrated Substrates .....		[3,000]		
		Large Surface Combatant workforce .....		[35,000]		
		Rapid Innovation Program .....			[20,000]	
		Shipbuilding and ship repair workforce development .....			[3,000]	
206	0607310D8Z	COUNTERPROLIFERATION SPECIAL PROJECTS: OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....	12,713	12,713	12,713	12,713
207	0607327T	GLOBAL THEATER SECURITY COOPERATION MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS (G-TSCMIS) .....	8,503	8,503	8,503	8,503
208	0607384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE (OPERATIONAL SYS- TEMS DEVELOPMENT) .....	80,495	80,495	80,495	80,495
209	0208097CY	CYBER COMMAND AND CONTROL (CYBER C2) .....	95,733	95,733	95,733	95,733

210	02080991CY	DATA AND UNIFIED PLATFORM (D&UP) .....	138,558	138,558	138,558	138,558	138,558
214	0302019K	DEFENSE INFO INFRASTRUCTURE ENGINEERING AND INTE- GRATION.	19,299	19,299	19,299	19,299	19,299
215	0303126K	LONG-HAUL COMMUNICATIONS—DCS .....	37,726	37,726	37,726	37,726	37,726
216	0303131K	MINIMUM ESSENTIAL EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS NET- WORK (MEECN).	5,037	5,037	5,037	5,037	5,037
218	0303140D8Z	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM .....	97,171	97,171	97,171	97,171	97,171
		DoD Cyber Scholarship Program .....	[10,000]	[10,000]	[10,000]	[10,000]	[10,000]
		Program decrease .....	[-6,000]	[-6,000]	[-6,000]	[-6,000]	[-6,000]
		Scholarship funding alignment .....	[14,400]	[14,400]	[14,400]	[14,400]	[14,400]
220	0303140K	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM .....	8,351	8,351	8,351	8,351	8,351
222	0303153K	DEFENSE SPECTRUM ORGANIZATION .....	35,995	35,995	35,995	35,995	35,995
223	0303171K	JOINT PLANNING AND EXECUTION SERVICES .....	5,677	5,677	5,677	5,677	5,677
224	0303228K	JOINT REGIONAL SECURITY STACKS (JRSS) .....	3,196	3,196	3,196	3,196	3,196
228	0305104D8Z	DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE (DIB) CYBER SECURITY INITIA- TIVE.	25,655	25,655	25,655	25,655	25,655
232	0305133V	INDUSTRIAL SECURITY ACTIVITIES .....	2,134	2,134	2,134	2,134	2,134
235	0305146V	DEFENSE JOINT COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES .....	2,295	2,295	2,295	2,295	2,295
236	0305172D8Z	COMBINED ADVANCED APPLICATIONS .....	52,736	52,736	52,736	52,736	52,736
239	0305186D8Z	POLICY R&D PROGRAMS .....	6,263	6,263	6,263	6,263	6,263
240	0305199D8Z	NET CENTRICITY .....	23,275	23,275	23,275	23,275	23,275
		Prior year underexecution .....				-1,312	-1,312
						[-1,312]	[-1,312]
242	0305208BB	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS .....	6,214	6,214	6,214	6,214	6,214
249	0305327V	INSIDER THREAT .....	2,971	2,971	2,971	2,971	2,971
250	0305387D8Z	HOMELAND DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PROGRAM ...	1,879	1,879	1,879	1,879	1,879
257	03062501CY	CYBER OPERATIONS TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT .....	489,385	489,385	489,385	489,385	489,385
		INDOPACOM UPL—Offensive cyber .....				7,000	7,000
		Locked Shield Exercise .....					
		Modernization of Department of Defense Internet Gateway Cyber Defense.				[4,000]	[4,000]
						[7,000]	[7,000]
261	0505167D8Z	DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS AGAINST WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION.	1,760	1,760	1,760	1,760	1,760

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262	0708012K	LOGISTICS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES .....	1,420	1,420	1,420		1,420
263	0708012S	PACIFIC DISASTER CENTERS .....	1,905	1,905	1,905		1,905
264	0708047S	DEFENSE PROPERTY ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM .....	3,249	3,249	3,249		3,249
265	11052198B	MQ-9 UAV .....	37,188	52,188	37,188	30,000	67,188
		Adaptive Airborne Enterprise (A2E) .....		[15,000]		[30,000]	
267	11604038B	AVIATION SYSTEMS .....	216,174	226,174	216,174	6,000	222,174
		Alternative Domestic Source AC-130J IRSS .....		[10,000]		[6,000]	
268	11604058B	INTELLIGENCE SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....	86,737	86,737	86,737		86,737
269	11604088B	OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS .....	216,135	214,635	216,135		216,135
		Program decrease .....		[-1,500]			
270	11604318B	WARRIOR SYSTEMS .....	263,374	264,874	280,514	5,000	268,374
		Counter Uncrewed Aerial Systems (CUAS) Group 3 Defeat Acceleration.			[11,250]	[5,000]	
		Female Body Armor Development and Modernization .....					
		Next-Generation Blue Force Tracker .....					
271	11604328B	SPECIAL PROGRAMS .....	529	529	[5,890]		529
272	11604348B	UNMANNED ISR .....	6,727	6,727	6,727		6,727
273	11604808B	SOF TACTICAL VEHICLES .....	9,335	9,335	9,335		9,335
274	11604838B	MARITIME SYSTEMS .....	158,231	158,231	158,231		158,231
275	11604908B	OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS INTELLIGENCE .....	15,749	15,749	15,749		15,749
9999	99999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	8,463,742	8,463,742	8,463,742		8,463,742
		<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT .....</b>	<b>11,683,139</b>	<b>11,794,539</b>	<b>11,739,279</b>	<b>48,688</b>	<b>11,731,827</b>
		<b>SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS</b>					
278	06086480Z	ACQUISITION VISIBILITY—SOFTWARE PILOT PROGRAM .....	21,355	21,355	21,355		21,355
279	0303150K	GLOBAL COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM .....	33,166	33,166	33,166		33,166
9999	99999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	270,653	270,653	270,653		270,653



## TITLE XLIII—OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

### SEC. 4301. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE.

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<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY</b>						
<b>OPERATING FORCES</b>						
010	MANEUVER UNITS .....	3,943,409	3,943,409	3,943,409	260,000 [360,000] [-100,000]	4,203,409
	Program increase: Expanding INDOPACOM campaigning activities .....					
	Unjustified growth .....					
020	MODULAR SUPPORT BRIGADES .....	225,238	225,238	225,238	-14,000	225,238
030	ECHELONS ABOVE BRIGADE .....	947,395	927,395	947,395	[-14,000]	933,395
	Underexecution .....		[-20,000]			
040	THEATER LEVEL ASSETS .....	2,449,141	2,324,141	2,449,141	-10,000	2,439,141
	Underexecution .....		[-125,000]			
050	LAND FORCES OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	1,233,070	1,198,070	1,233,070	-14,000	1,219,070
	Underexecution .....		[-35,000]			
060	AVIATION ASSETS .....	2,046,144	2,046,144	2,046,144	-40,000	2,006,144
	Unjustified growth .....					
070	FORCE READINESS OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	7,149,427	7,149,427	7,149,427	-54,000	7,095,427
	Unjustified growth .....					
080	LAND FORCES SYSTEMS READINESS .....	475,435	455,435	475,435	[-20,000]	475,435
	Underexecution .....		[-20,000]			
090	LAND FORCES DEPOT MAINTENANCE .....	1,423,560	1,423,560	1,423,560		1,423,560
100	MEDICAL READINESS .....	951,499	951,499	951,499		951,499
110	BASE OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	9,943,031	9,966,031	9,943,031	-12,669	9,930,362
	CUAS National Security Installation Pilot Program .....		[8,000]			



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330	TRAINING SUPPORT .....	682,896	682,896	682,896		682,896
340	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING .....	690,280	690,280	833,336	90,000	780,280
	Army Enlisted Training Corps .....			[5,000]		
	Recruiting and advertising increase .....			[138,056]	[90,000]	
350	EXAMINING .....	195,009	195,009	195,009		195,009
360	OFF-DUTY AND VOLUNTARY EDUCATION .....	260,235	260,235	260,235		260,235
370	CIVILIAN EDUCATION AND TRAINING .....	250,252	250,252	250,252		250,252
380	JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS .....	204,895	204,895	204,895		204,895
	<b>SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING .....</b>	<b>5,953,094</b>	<b>5,953,094</b>	<b>6,096,150</b>	<b>75,000</b>	<b>6,028,094</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>						
400	SERVICEMIDE TRANSPORTATION .....	718,323	718,323	718,323		718,323
410	CENTRAL SUPPLY ACTIVITIES .....	900,624	900,624	900,624	-25,000	875,624
	Unjustified growth .....				[-25,000]	
420	LOGISTIC SUPPORT ACTIVITIES .....	828,059	828,059	828,059		828,059
430	AMMUNITION MANAGEMENT .....	464,029	464,029	464,029		464,029
440	ADMINISTRATION .....	537,837	537,837	537,837		537,837
450	SERVICEMIDE COMMUNICATIONS .....	1,962,059	1,937,059	1,962,059	-25,000	1,937,059
	Insufficient justification .....		[-25,000]		[-25,000]	
460	MANPOWER MANAGEMENT .....	361,553	361,553	361,553	-3,000	358,553
	Unjustified growth .....				[-3,000]	
470	OTHER PERSONNEL SUPPORT .....	829,248	789,248	829,248		829,248
	Underexecution .....		[-40,000]			
480	OTHER SERVICE SUPPORT .....	2,370,107	2,370,107	2,370,107	-5,000	2,365,107
	Unjustified growth .....				[-5,000]	
490	ARMY CLAIMS ACTIVITIES .....	203,323	203,323	203,323		203,323
500	REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT .....	286,682	286,682	286,682		286,682

510	FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT READINESS .....	455,928	455,928	455,928	455,928	
520	DEF ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT .....	39,867	39,867	39,867	39,867	
530	INTERNATIONAL MILITARY HEADQUARTERS .....	610,201	610,201	610,201	610,201	
540	MISC. SUPPORT OF OTHER NATIONS .....	38,948	38,948	38,948	38,948	
590A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	2,291,229	2,291,229	2,291,229	2,291,229	
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>12,898,017</b>	<b>12,833,017</b>	<b>12,898,017</b>	<b>12,898,017</b>	<b>-58,000</b>
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>					
600	UNDISTRIBUTED .....			-337,600	-337,600	
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....			[-208,000]	[-208,000]	
	Unobligated balances .....			[-129,600]	[-129,600]	
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED .....</b>			<b>-337,600</b>	<b>-337,600</b>	
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY .....</b>	<b>59,554,553</b>	<b>59,576,188</b>	<b>59,360,009</b>	<b>59,822,880</b>	<b>268,327</b>
	<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY RESERVE</b>					
	<b>OPERATING FORCES</b>					
010	MODULAR SUPPORT BRIGADES .....	15,208	15,208	15,208	15,208	
020	ECHELONS ABOVE BRIGADE .....	720,802	720,802	720,802	720,802	
030	THEATER LEVEL ASSETS .....	143,400	143,400	143,400	143,400	
040	LAND FORCES OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	707,654	707,654	707,654	707,654	
050	AVIATION ASSETS .....	134,346	134,346	134,346	134,346	
060	FORCE READINESS OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	451,178	451,178	451,178	451,178	
070	LAND FORCES SYSTEMS READINESS .....	97,564	97,564	97,564	97,564	
080	LAND FORCES DEPOT MAINTENANCE .....	45,711	45,711	45,711	45,711	
090	BASE OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	608,079	608,079	608,079	608,079	
	Unjustified growth .....					-2,000
100	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION .....	495,435	495,435	495,435	495,435	
110	MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONAL HEADQUARTERS .....	28,783	28,783	28,783	28,783	
120	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS .....	3,153	3,153	3,153	3,153	
130	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSECURITY .....	19,591	19,591	19,591	19,591	
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES .....</b>	<b>3,470,904</b>	<b>3,470,904</b>	<b>3,470,904</b>	<b>3,470,904</b>	<b>-2,000</b>

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<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>						
140	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION .....	19,155	19,155	19,155		19,155
150	ADMINISTRATION .....	21,668	21,668	21,668		21,668
160	SERVICEWIDE COMMUNICATIONS .....	44,118	44,118	44,118		44,118
170	MANPOWER MANAGEMENT .....	7,127	7,127	7,127		7,127
180	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING .....	67,976	67,976	74,651		67,976
	Recruiting and advertising increase .....			[6,675]		
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>160,044</b>	<b>160,044</b>	<b>166,719</b>		<b>160,044</b>
<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>						
210	UNDISTRIBUTED .....			-14,300	-14,300	-14,300
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....			[-10,900]	[-10,900]	
	Unobligated balances .....			[-3,400]	[-3,400]	
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED .....</b>			<b>-14,300</b>	<b>-14,300</b>	<b>-14,300</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY RESERVE .....</b>	<b>3,630,948</b>	<b>3,630,948</b>	<b>3,623,323</b>	<b>-16,300</b>	<b>3,614,648</b>
<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD</b>						
<b>OPERATING FORCES</b>						
010	MANEUVER UNITS .....	925,071	925,071	925,071		925,071
020	MODULAR SUPPORT BRIGADES .....	201,781	201,781	201,781		201,781
030	ECHELONS ABOVE BRIGADE .....	840,373	840,373	840,373		833,373
	Unjustified growth .....				-7,000	
040	THEATER LEVEL ASSETS .....	107,392	107,392	107,392		105,392
	Unjustified growth .....				-2,000	
050	LAND FORCES OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	62,908	62,908	62,908		62,908
	Unjustified growth .....				[-2,000]	

060	AVIATION ASSETS .....	1,113,908	1,113,908	1,113,908	1,102,908
	Unjustified growth .....				[-11,000]
070	FORCE READINESS OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	832,946	836,946	832,946	831,446
	Training Exercise Support .....		[4,000]		[3,500]
	Unjustified growth .....				[-5,000]
080	LAND FORCES SYSTEMS READINESS .....	50,696	50,696	50,696	50,696
090	LAND FORCES DEPOT MAINTENANCE .....	231,784	231,784	231,784	231,784
100	BASE OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	1,249,066	1,249,066	1,249,066	1,249,066
110	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION .....	1,081,561	1,081,561	1,081,561	1,081,561
120	MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONAL HEADQUARTERS .....	1,468,857	1,468,857	1,468,857	1,468,857
130	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS .....	9,566	9,566	9,566	9,566
140	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSECURITY .....	15,710	15,710	15,710	15,710
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES .....</b>	<b>8,191,619</b>	<b>8,195,619</b>	<b>8,191,619</b>	<b>-21,500</b>
	<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>				
150	SERVICEMANAGEMENT AND TRANSPORTATION .....	7,251	7,251	7,251	7,251
160	ADMINISTRATION .....	66,025	66,025	66,025	66,025
170	SERVICEMANAGEMENT COMMUNICATIONS .....	113,366	113,366	113,366	113,366
180	MANPOWER MANAGEMENT .....	8,663	8,663	8,663	8,663
190	OTHER PERSONNEL SUPPORT .....	292,426	292,426	343,146	292,426
	Recruiting and advertising increase .....		[50,720]		
200	REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT .....	3,754	3,754	3,754	3,754
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>491,485</b>	<b>491,485</b>	<b>542,205</b>	<b>491,485</b>
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>				
230	UNDISTRIBUTED .....		-23,400	-52,400	-49,000
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....			[-29,000]	
	Unobligated balances .....		[-23,400]	[-23,400]	
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED .....</b>		<b>-23,400</b>	<b>-52,400</b>	<b>-49,000</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD .....</b>	<b>8,683,104</b>	<b>8,663,704</b>	<b>8,661,424</b>	<b>-70,500</b>
					<b>8,612,604</b>

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<b>COUNTER-ISLAMIC STATE OF IRAQ AND SYRIA TRAIN AND EQUIP</b>						
<b>COUNTER ISIS TRAIN AND EQUIP FUND (CTEF)</b>						
010	IRAQ .....	241,950	241,950	241,950		241,950
020	SYRIA .....	156,000	156,000	156,000		156,000
	<b>SUBTOTAL COUNTER ISIS TRAIN AND EQUIP FUND (CTEF) .....</b>	<b>397,950</b>	<b>397,950</b>	<b>397,950</b>		<b>397,950</b>
	<b>TOTAL COUNTER-ISLAMIC STATE OF IRAQ AND SYRIA TRAIN AND EQUIP .....</b>	<b>397,950</b>	<b>397,950</b>	<b>397,950</b>		<b>397,950</b>
<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY</b>						
<b>OPERATING FORCES</b>						
010	MISSION AND OTHER FLIGHT OPERATIONS .....	7,882,504	7,882,504	7,882,504		7,882,504
020	FLEET AIR TRAINING .....	2,773,957	2,773,957	2,773,957		2,773,957
030	AVIATION TECHNICAL DATA & ENGINEERING SERVICES .....	73,047	73,047	73,047		73,047
040	AIR OPERATIONS AND SAFETY SUPPORT .....	213,862	213,862	213,862		213,862
050	AIR SYSTEMS SUPPORT .....	1,155,463	1,155,463	1,158,463		1,155,463
	Advanced nucleated foam engine performance and restoration program .....			[3,000]		
060	AIRCRAFT DEPOT MAINTENANCE .....	1,857,021	1,857,021	1,857,021		1,857,021
070	AIRCRAFT DEPOT OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	66,822	66,822	66,822		66,822
080	AVIATION LOGISTICS .....	1,871,670	1,871,670	1,871,670		1,871,670
090	MISSION AND OTHER SHIP OPERATIONS .....	7,015,796	7,005,796	7,015,796	-10,000	7,005,796
	Underexecution .....		[-10,000]			[-10,000]
100	SHIP OPERATIONS SUPPORT & TRAINING .....	1,301,108	1,296,108	1,301,108		1,301,108
	Underexecution .....		[-5,000]			
110	SHIP DEPOT MAINTENANCE .....	11,164,249	11,164,249	11,164,249		11,164,249
120	SHIP DEPOT OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	2,728,712	2,728,712	2,728,712		2,728,712
	Decommission CG-69 USS Vicksburg .....		[-8,000]			
	Restore CG-63 USS Cowpens .....		[8,000]			

130	COMBAT COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONIC WARFARE .....	1,776,881	1,803,381	1,776,881	26,500	1,803,381
	AFRICOM UPL—Somalia Persistent Presence .....		[26,500]		[26,500]	
140	SPACE SYSTEMS AND SURVEILLANCE .....	389,915	389,915	389,915		389,915
150	WARFARE TACTICS .....	1,005,998	1,005,998	1,005,998		1,005,998
160	OPERATIONAL METEOROLOGY AND OCEANOGRAPHY .....	455,330	455,330	455,330		455,330
170	COMBAT SUPPORT FORCES .....	2,350,089	2,436,689	2,356,089	-14,000	2,336,089
	AFRICOM UPL—Somalia Persistent Presence .....		[86,600]		[6,000]	
	Naval Small Craft Instruction and Technical Training School .....			[6,000]	[6,000]	
	Unjustified growth .....					
180	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND DEPOT OPERATIONS SUPPORT .....	189,044	189,044	189,044		189,044
200	COMBATANT COMMANDERS CORE OPERATIONS .....	92,504	92,504	92,504		92,504
210	COMBATANT COMMANDERS DIRECT MISSION SUPPORT .....	352,980	352,980	352,980		416,980
	INDOPACOM campaigning .....				64,000	
	Joint Training Team .....				[36,000]	
230	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES .....	522,180	522,180	522,180		522,180
240	FLEET BALLISTIC MISSILE .....	1,763,238	1,763,238	1,763,238		1,763,238
250	WEAPONS MAINTENANCE .....	1,640,642	1,615,642	1,640,642	-25,000	1,615,642
	Underexecution .....					
260	OTHER WEAPON SYSTEMS SUPPORT .....	696,653	686,653	696,653		696,653
	Underexecution .....					
270	ENTERPRISE INFORMATION .....	1,780,645	1,755,645	1,780,645	-18,000	1,762,645
	Insufficient justification .....					
280	SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION AND MODERNIZATION .....	4,406,192	4,714,316	4,406,192		4,714,316
	Dry Dock Repairs at PSNS Investment Restoration and Modernization .....				308,124	
	Hangar resilience and repair .....				[200,000]	
	Program increase .....				[20,000]	
290	BASE OPERATING SUPPORT .....	6,223,827	6,223,827	6,271,827		6,221,627
	Navy divestment of electrical utility operations at former Naval Air Station Barbers Point .....				[88,124]	
	Unjustified growth .....			[48,000]	[18,000]	
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES .....</b>	<b>61,750,329</b>	<b>62,096,553</b>	<b>61,807,329</b>	<b>329,424</b>	<b>62,079,753</b>

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<b>MOBILIZATION</b>						
300	SHIP PREPOSITIONING AND SURGE .....	475,255	475,255	475,255		475,255
310	READY RESERVE FORCE .....	701,060	701,060	701,060		701,060
320	SHIP ACTIVATIONS/INACTIVATIONS .....	302,930	302,930	302,930		302,930
330	EXPEDITIONARY HEALTH SERVICES SYSTEMS .....	151,966	151,966	151,966		151,966
340	COAST GUARD SUPPORT .....	21,464	21,464	21,464		21,464
	<b>SUBTOTAL MOBILIZATION .....</b>	<b>1,652,675</b>	<b>1,652,675</b>	<b>1,652,675</b>		<b>1,652,675</b>
<b>TRAINING AND RECRUITING</b>						
350	OFFICER ACQUISITION .....	201,555	201,555	201,555		201,555
360	RECRUIT TRAINING .....	16,521	20,821	16,521		16,521
	Sea Cadets .....		[4,300]			
370	RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS .....	175,171	175,171	175,171		175,171
380	SPECIALIZED SKILL TRAINING .....	1,238,894	1,238,894	1,238,894	-5,000	1,233,894
	Unjustified growth .....				[-5,000]	
390	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION .....	335,603	335,603	335,603		335,603
400	TRAINING SUPPORT .....	390,931	390,931	390,931		390,931
410	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING .....	269,483	350,328	355,328		269,483
	Navy Enlisted Training Corps .....		[5,000]			
	Recruiting and advertising increase .....		[80,845]			
420	OFF-DUTY AND VOLUNTARY EDUCATION .....	90,452	90,452	90,452		90,452
430	CIVILIAN EDUCATION AND TRAINING .....	73,406	73,406	73,406		73,406
440	JUNIOR ROTC .....	58,970	58,970	58,970		58,970
	<b>SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING .....</b>	<b>2,850,986</b>	<b>2,936,131</b>	<b>2,936,831</b>	<b>-5,000</b>	<b>2,845,986</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>						
450	ADMINISTRATION .....	1,350,449	1,338,449	1,350,449	-12,000	1,338,449

460	Program decrease .....								
470	CIVILIAN MANPOWER AND PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT .....	242,760	242,760	242,760	242,760	242,760	242,760	242,760	242,760
490	MILITARY MANPOWER AND PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT .....	745,666	745,666	745,666	745,666	745,666	745,666	745,666	745,666
	MEDICAL ACTIVITIES .....	323,978	323,978	293,978	323,978	323,978	323,978	323,978	323,978
	Underexecution .....			[-30,000]					
500	DEF ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT .....	67,357	67,357	67,357	67,357	67,357	67,357	67,357	67,357
510	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION .....	248,822	248,822	248,822	248,822	248,822	248,822	248,822	248,822
530	PLANNING, ENGINEERING, AND PROGRAM SUPPORT .....	616,816	616,816	556,816	616,816	616,816	616,816	616,816	616,816
	Underexecution .....			[-60,000]					
540	ACQUISITION, LOGISTICS, AND OVERSIGHT .....	850,906	850,906	835,906	850,906	850,906	850,906	850,906	850,906
	Underexecution .....			[-15,000]					
550	INVESTIGATIVE AND SECURITY SERVICES .....	888,508	888,508	888,508	888,508	888,508	888,508	888,508	888,508
730A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	655,281	655,281	655,281	655,281	655,281	655,281	655,281	655,281
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>5,990,543</b>	<b>5,990,543</b>	<b>5,873,543</b>	<b>5,990,543</b>	<b>5,990,543</b>	<b>5,990,543</b>	<b>5,978,543</b>	<b>5,978,543</b>
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>								
740	UNDISTRIBUTED .....								
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....		-498,400						
	Unobligated balances .....		[-236,300]						
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED .....</b>		<b>-498,400</b>						
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY .....</b>	<b>72,244,533</b>	<b>71,868,978</b>	<b>72,558,902</b>	<b>72,558,902</b>	<b>72,558,902</b>	<b>72,558,902</b>	<b>72,094,657</b>	<b>72,094,657</b>
	<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, MARINE CORPS</b>								
	<b>OPERATING FORCES</b>								
010	OPERATIONAL FORCES .....	1,799,964	1,799,964	1,799,964	1,799,964	1,799,964	1,799,964	1,799,964	1,799,964
	INDOPACOM campaigning .....								
	Unjustified growth .....								
020	FIELD LOGISTICS .....	1,878,228	1,878,228	1,878,228	1,878,228	1,878,228	1,878,228	1,878,228	1,878,228
	Unjustified growth .....								
030	DEPOT MAINTENANCE .....	211,460	211,460	211,460	211,460	211,460	211,460	211,460	211,460
040	MARITIME PREPOSITIONING .....	137,831	137,831	137,831	137,831	137,831	137,831	137,831	137,831

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060	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES .....	205,449	205,449	205,449		205,449
070	SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION .....	1,211,183	1,235,407	1,211,183	24,224	1,235,407
	Program increase .....		[24,224]		[24,224]	
080	BASE OPERATING SUPPORT .....	3,124,551	3,127,551	3,124,551	-39,750	3,084,801
	Unjustified growth .....				[-42,750]	
	USMC Nucleated Foam Engine Wash .....		[3,000]		[3,000]	
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES .....</b>	<b>8,568,666</b>	<b>8,595,890</b>	<b>8,568,666</b>	<b>-46,526</b>	<b>8,522,140</b>
<b>TRAINING AND RECRUITING</b>						
090	RECRUIT TRAINING .....	26,284	26,284	26,284		26,284
100	OFFICER ACQUISITION .....	1,316	1,316	1,316		1,316
110	SPECIALIZED SKILL TRAINING .....	133,176	133,176	133,176		133,176
120	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION .....	66,213	66,213	66,213		66,213
130	TRAINING SUPPORT .....	570,152	570,152	570,152		570,152
140	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING .....	246,586	246,586	300,903	54,317	300,903
	Marine Corps Enlisted Training Corps .....			[5,000]	[5,000]	
	Recruiting and advertising increase .....			[49,317]	[49,317]	
150	OFF-DUTY AND VOLUNTARY EDUCATION .....	55,230	55,230	55,230		55,230
160	JUNIOR ROTC .....	29,616	29,616	29,616		29,616
	<b>SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING .....</b>	<b>1,128,573</b>	<b>1,128,573</b>	<b>1,182,890</b>	<b>54,317</b>	<b>1,182,890</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>						
180	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION .....	90,366	90,366	90,366		90,366
190	ADMINISTRATION .....	428,650	428,650	428,650		428,650
220A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	65,658	65,658	65,658		65,658
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>584,674</b>	<b>584,674</b>	<b>584,674</b>		<b>584,674</b>



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	Unobligated balances .....			[-4,200]	[-4,200]	
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED</b> .....			<b>-8,100</b>	<b>-8,100</b>	<b>-8,100</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY RESERVE</b> .....	<b>1,380,810</b>	<b>1,380,810</b>	<b>1,372,710</b>	<b>-8,100</b>	<b>1,372,710</b>
	<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, MARINE CORPS RESERVE</b>					
	<b>OPERATING FORCES</b>					
010	OPERATING FORCES .....	128,468	128,468	128,468		128,468
020	DEPOT MAINTENANCE .....	20,967	20,967	20,967		20,967
030	SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION AND MODERNIZATION .....	46,589	46,589	46,589		46,589
040	BASE OPERATING SUPPORT .....	120,808	120,808	120,808		120,808
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES</b> .....	<b>316,832</b>	<b>316,832</b>	<b>316,832</b>		<b>316,832</b>
	<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>					
050	ADMINISTRATION .....	12,563	12,563	12,563		12,563
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b> .....	<b>12,563</b>	<b>12,563</b>	<b>12,563</b>		<b>12,563</b>
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>					
060	UNDISTRIBUTED .....			-4,900	-4,900	-4,900
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....			[-3,900]	[-3,900]	
	Unobligated balances .....			[-1,000]	[-1,000]	
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED</b> .....			<b>-4,900</b>	<b>-4,900</b>	<b>-4,900</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, MARINE CORPS RESERVE</b> .....	<b>329,395</b>	<b>329,395</b>	<b>324,495</b>	<b>-4,900</b>	<b>324,495</b>
	<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE</b>					
	<b>OPERATING FORCES</b>					

010	PRIMARY COMBAT FORCES	980,788	966,068	966,068	966,068	-44,700	936,068
	DAF requested realignment of funds					[-14,700]	
	Technical realignment					[-30,000]	
	Unjustified growth					[104,000]	2,733,924
020	COMBAT ENHANCEMENT FORCES	2,665,924	2,665,924	2,665,924	2,665,924	[-36,000]	
	INDOPACOM Campaigning					[-19,000]	1,611,552
	Unjustified growth					[11,350]	4,644,043
030	AIR OPERATIONS TRAINING (OJT, MAINTAIN SKILLS)	1,630,552	1,630,552	1,630,552	1,630,552		
	Unjustified growth						
040	DEPOT PURCHASE EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	4,632,693	4,632,693	4,632,693	4,632,693		
	F-22 Block 20 buy-back costs						
050	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION	4,252,815	4,279,719	4,194,663	4,194,663	[-58,152]	4,279,719
	DAF requested realignment of funds					[85,056]	
	Program increase						
	Technical realignment						
060	CYBERSPACE SUSTAINMENT	229,440	229,440	229,440	229,440		229,440
070	CONTRACTOR LOGISTICS SUPPORT AND SYSTEM SUPPORT	9,537,192	9,497,192	9,497,192	9,537,192		9,679,142
	F-22 Block 20 buy-back costs						
	Underexecution						
080	FLYING HOUR PROGRAM	6,697,549	6,582,549	6,582,549	6,697,549		6,600,149
	F-22 Block 20 buy-back costs						
	Underexecution						
090	BASE SUPPORT	11,633,510	11,310,018	11,310,018	11,425,018		11,310,018
	DAF requested realignment of funds					[-223,192]	
	DAF requested realignment of funds from SAG 11A					[14,700]	
	Technical realignment						
	Underexecution						
100	GLOBAL C3I AND EARLY WARNING	1,350,827	1,319,876	1,319,876	1,319,876		1,301,476
	DAF requested realignment of funds					[-30,951]	
	Technical realignment					[-18,400]	
	Unjustified request						
110	OTHER COMBAT OPS SPT PROGRAMS	1,817,941	1,742,941	1,742,941	1,817,941		1,804,941

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	Underexecution .....		[-75,000]			
	Unjustified growth .....				[-13,000]	807,966
120	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES .....	807,966	777,966	807,966		807,966
	Program decrease .....		[-30,000]			
130	TACTICAL INTEL AND OTHER SPECIAL ACTIVITIES .....	267,615	267,615	267,615		267,615
160	US NORTHCOM/NORAD .....	245,263	245,263	245,263		245,263
170	US STRATCOM .....	541,720	526,720	541,720		541,720
	Underexecution .....		[-15,000]			
190	US CENTCOM .....	335,220	335,220	329,220	-6,000	329,220
	Office of Security Cooperation-Iraq reduction .....			[-6,000]	[-6,000]	
200	US SOCOM .....	27,511	27,511	27,511		27,511
210	US TRANSCOM .....	607	607	607		607
220	CENTCOM CYBERSPACE SUSTAINMENT .....	1,415	1,415	1,415		1,415
230	USSPACECOM .....	373,989	373,989	373,989		373,989
240	MEDICAL READINESS .....	564,880	562,596	562,596	-2,284	562,596
	DAF requested realignment of funds .....			[-2,284]		
	Technical realignment .....		[-2,284]		[-2,284]	
480A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	1,465,926	1,465,926	1,465,926		1,465,926
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES .....</b>	<b>50,061,323</b>	<b>49,441,800</b>	<b>49,740,744</b>	<b>-307,023</b>	<b>49,754,300</b>
	<b>MOBILIZATION</b>					
260	AIRLIFT OPERATIONS .....	3,012,287	3,012,287	3,012,287		3,012,287
270	MOBILIZATION PREPAREDNESS .....	241,918	241,918	241,918		241,918
	<b>SUBTOTAL MOBILIZATION .....</b>	<b>3,254,205</b>	<b>3,254,205</b>	<b>3,254,205</b>		<b>3,254,205</b>
	<b>TRAINING AND RECRUITING</b>					
280	OFFICER ACQUISITION .....	202,769	202,769	202,769		202,769

290	RECRUIT TRAINING .....	28,892	28,892	28,892	28,892
300	RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS (ROTC) .....	137,647	137,647	137,647	137,647
310	SPECIALIZED SKILL TRAINING .....	588,131	588,131	588,131	588,131
320	FLIGHT TRAINING .....	850,230	850,230	875,230	862,989
	Underexecution .....		[-25,000]		[-12,241]
330	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION .....	301,262	303,262	301,262	303,262
	Program increase .....		[2,000]		2,000
340	TRAINING SUPPORT .....	194,609	195,609	194,609	194,609
	Training Exercise Support .....		[1,000]		[2,000]
350	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING .....	204,318	245,182	250,182	204,318
	Air Force Enlisted Training Corps .....		[40,864]		[5,000]
	Recruiting and advertising increase .....		7,775		7,775
360	EXAMINING .....	7,775	7,775	7,775	7,775
370	OFF-DUTY AND VOLUNTARY EDUCATION .....	263,421	263,421	263,421	263,421
380	CIVILIAN EDUCATION AND TRAINING .....	343,039	343,039	343,039	343,039
390	JUNIOR ROTC .....	75,666	75,666	75,666	75,666
	<b>SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING .....</b>	<b>3,222,759</b>	<b>3,241,623</b>	<b>3,268,623</b>	<b>3,212,518</b>
					<b>-10,241</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>					
400	LOGISTICS OPERATIONS .....	1,062,199	1,062,199	1,062,199	1,062,199
410	TECHNICAL SUPPORT ACTIVITIES .....	162,919	162,919	162,919	162,919
420	ADMINISTRATION .....	1,409,015	1,409,015	1,409,015	1,408,515
	Program decrease—contract support .....				[-500]
430	SERVICEWIDE COMMUNICATIONS .....	30,268	30,268	30,268	30,268
440	OTHER SERVICEWIDE ACTIVITIES .....	1,851,856	1,811,376	1,856,376	1,811,376
	DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[4,520]		[-500]
	Technical realignment .....		[-45,000]		[4,520]
	Underexecution .....				[-45,000]
450	CIVIL AIR PATROL .....	30,901	30,901	30,901	30,901
460	DEF ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT .....	42,759	42,759	42,759	42,759
480	INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT .....	115,267	95,267	115,267	115,267
	Underexecution .....		[-20,000]		

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490A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	1,506,624	1,506,624	1,506,624		1,506,624
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>6,211,808</b>	<b>6,151,328</b>	<b>6,216,328</b>	<b>-40,980</b>	<b>6,170,828</b>
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>					
500	UNDISTRIBUTED .....			-442,200	-408,500	-408,500
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....			[-208,500]	[-208,500]	
	Unobligated balances .....			[-233,700]	[-200,000]	
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED .....</b>			<b>-442,200</b>	<b>-408,500</b>	<b>-408,500</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE .....</b>	<b>62,750,095</b>	<b>62,088,956</b>	<b>62,037,700</b>	<b>-766,744</b>	<b>61,983,351</b>
	<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, SPACE FORCE</b>					
	<b>OPERATING FORCES</b>					
010	GLOBAL C31 & EARLY WARNING .....	642,201	642,201	642,201	-25,000	617,201
	Unjustified growth .....				[-25,000]	
020	SPACE LAUNCH OPERATIONS .....	356,162	356,162	356,162		356,162
030	SPACE OPERATIONS .....	866,547	869,047	866,547	-2,500	864,047
	Systems Tool Kit Digital Operations .....		[2,500]			
	Unjustified growth .....				[-2,500]	
040	EDUCATION & TRAINING .....	199,181	217,353	217,353	13,172	212,353
	DAF requested realignment of funds .....					
	Technical realignment .....		[18,172]		[18,172]	
	Unjustified growth .....				[-5,000]	
050	SPECIAL PROGRAMS .....	383,233	383,233	383,233		383,233
060	DEPOT MAINTENANCE .....	67,757	67,757	67,757		67,757
070	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION .....	678,648	692,221	678,648	13,573	692,221
	Program increase .....		[13,573]		[13,573]	

080	CONTRACTOR LOGISTICS AND SYSTEM SUPPORT .....	1,380,350	1,380,350	1,380,350	-2,000	1,378,350
	Unjustified growth .....				[-2,000]	
090	SPACE OPERATIONS -BOS .....	188,760	188,760	188,760		188,760
110A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	71,475	71,475	71,475		71,475
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES .....</b>	<b>4,834,314</b>	<b>4,868,559</b>	<b>4,852,486</b>	<b>-2,755</b>	<b>4,831,559</b>
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>					
120	UNDISTRIBUTED .....		-87,100	-87,100	-33,100	-33,100
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....		[-14,100]	[-14,100]		
	Unobligated balances .....		[-73,000]	[-73,000]		
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED .....</b>		<b>-87,100</b>	<b>-87,100</b>	<b>-33,100</b>	<b>-33,100</b>
	<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>					
100	LOGISTICS OPERATIONS .....	34,046	34,046	34,046		34,046
110	ADMINISTRATION .....	149,108	130,936	130,936	-18,172	130,936
	DAF requested realignment of funds .....		[-18,172]	[-18,172]		
	Technical realignment .....				[-18,172]	
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>183,154</b>	<b>164,982</b>	<b>164,982</b>	<b>-18,172</b>	<b>164,982</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, SPACE FORCE .....</b>	<b>5,017,468</b>	<b>5,033,541</b>	<b>4,930,368</b>	<b>-54,027</b>	<b>4,963,441</b>
	<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE RESERVE</b>					
	<b>OPERATING FORCES</b>					
010	PRIMARY COMBAT FORCES .....	2,088,949	2,088,949	2,116,429	-30,000	2,058,949
	Military technician (dual status) end strength .....			[27,480]		
	Unjustified growth .....				[-30,000]	
020	MISSION SUPPORT OPERATIONS .....	198,213	198,213	198,213		198,213
030	DEPOT PURCHASE EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE .....	647,758	647,758	647,758		647,758
040	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION .....	122,314	122,314	122,314		122,314
050	CONTRACTOR LOGISTICS SUPPORT AND SYSTEM SUPPORT .....	374,442	374,442	374,442		374,442
060	BASE SUPPORT .....	543,962	543,962	543,962		543,962
070	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES .....	1,742	1,742	1,742		1,742

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	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES</b>	<b>3,977,380</b>	<b>3,977,380</b>	<b>4,004,860</b>	<b>-30,000</b>	<b>3,947,380</b>
	<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>					
080	ADMINISTRATION	107,281	107,281	107,281		107,281
090	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING	9,373	9,373	11,248		9,373
	Recruiting and advertising increase			(1,875)		
100	MILITARY MANPOWER AND PERS MGMT (ARPC)	15,563	15,563	15,563		15,563
110	OTHER PERS SUPPORT (DISABILITY COMP)	6,174	6,174	6,174		6,174
120	AUDIOVISUAL	485	485	485		485
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>138,876</b>	<b>138,876</b>	<b>140,751</b>		<b>138,876</b>
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>					
130	UNDISTRIBUTED			-46,700		-40,500
	Foreign currency fluctuations			(12,500)		(12,500)
	Unobligated balances			(34,200)		(28,000)
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED</b>			<b>-46,700</b>		<b>-40,500</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE RESERVE</b>	<b>4,116,256</b>	<b>4,116,256</b>	<b>4,098,911</b>	<b>-70,500</b>	<b>4,045,756</b>
	<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR NATIONAL GUARD</b>					
	<b>OPERATING FORCES</b>					
010	AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS	2,498,675	2,498,675	2,498,675		2,478,675
	Unjustified growth					(20,000)
020	MISSION SUPPORT OPERATIONS	656,714	656,714	796,394		656,714
	Military technician (dual status) end strength			(139,680)		
030	DEPOT PURCHASE EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	1,171,901	1,171,901	1,171,901		1,171,901
040	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION	370,188	370,188	370,188		370,188

050	CONTRACTOR LOGISTICS SUPPORT AND SYSTEM SUPPORT .....	1,280,003	1,280,003	1,280,003	1,280,003	-18,000	1,262,003
	Unjustified growth .....					[-18,000]	
060	BASE SUPPORT .....	1,089,579	1,089,579	1,089,579	1,089,579		1,089,579
070	CYBERSPACE SUSTAINMENT .....	19,708	19,708	19,708	19,708		19,708
080	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES .....	49,476	49,476	49,476	49,476		49,476
	Cyberspace activities .....		[2,500]				
	Insufficient justification .....		[-22,000]				
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES .....</b>	<b>7,136,244</b>	<b>7,116,744</b>	<b>7,275,924</b>	<b>7,098,244</b>	<b>-38,000</b>	<b>7,098,244</b>
	<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>						
090	ADMINISTRATION .....	68,417	68,417	68,417	68,417		68,417
100	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING .....	49,033	49,033	72,433	49,033		49,033
	Recruiting and advertising increase .....			[23,400]			
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>117,450</b>	<b>117,450</b>	<b>140,850</b>	<b>117,450</b>		<b>117,450</b>
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>						
110	UNDISTRIBUTED .....		-21,900	-46,200	-46,200		-46,200
	Foreign currency fluctuations .....			[-24,300]			
	Unobligated balances .....		[-21,900]	[-21,900]			
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED .....</b>		<b>-21,900</b>	<b>-46,200</b>	<b>-46,200</b>		<b>-46,200</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR NATIONAL GUARD .....</b>	<b>7,253,694</b>	<b>7,212,294</b>	<b>7,370,574</b>	<b>7,169,494</b>	<b>-84,200</b>	<b>7,169,494</b>
	<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, DEFENSE-WIDE OPERATING FORCES</b>						
010	JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF .....	461,370	471,370	457,770	467,770	6,400	467,770
	Combatant Commander's Initiative Fund (CCIF)—AFRICOM and SOUTHCOM .....		[10,000]			[10,000]	
	Unobligated balances .....			[-3,600]		[-3,600]	
020	JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF—JTEP .....	701,081	701,081	701,081	698,081	-3,000	698,081
	Unjustified growth .....					[-3,000]	
030	JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF—CYBER .....	8,210	8,210	8,210	8,210		8,210
040	OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE—MISO .....	252,480	271,110	252,480	252,480		252,480

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	INDOPACOM MISO .....		[11,300]			
	SOUTHCOM MISO .....		[7,330]			
060	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND COMBAT DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES .....	2,012,953	2,012,953	2,012,953		2,012,953
070	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND MAINTENANCE .....	1,210,930	1,186,630	1,206,930	-28,300	1,182,630
	MQ-9 Unmanned Aerial Vehicle unjustified increase .....			[-4,000]		
	Program decrease .....		[-24,300]			
080	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND MANAGEMENT/OPERATIONAL HEADQUARTERS .....	202,574	195,244	202,574	-2,606	199,968
	Program decrease .....		[-7,330]			
090	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND THEATER FORCES .....	3,346,004	3,334,004	3,351,004	-8,726	3,337,278
	Program decrease .....		[-12,000]			
	Special Operations Forces cyber training .....			[5,000]		
100	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES .....	49,757	49,757	49,757		49,757
110	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND INTELLIGENCE .....	1,391,402	1,401,402	1,391,402	14,000	1,405,402
	Program decrease .....		[-15,000]			
	Special Operations Command Intelligence increase in Non-Traditional ISR (SOF Digital Ecosystem POR) .....				[20,000]	
120	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND OPERATIONAL SUPPORT .....	1,438,967	1,376,980	1,438,967	-18,992	1,419,975
	Program decrease .....		[-61,987]			
130	CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS .....	1,318,614	1,353,614	1,328,614	5,000	1,323,614
	Additional resourcing .....		[10,000]			
	Internet Operations Management .....		[5,000]			
	JFHQ-DODIN Resourcing .....		[20,000]			
	Modernization of Department of Defense Internet Gateway Cyber Defense .....			[10,000]		
140	USCYBERCOM HEADQUARTERS .....	332,690	332,690	332,690		332,690
	<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES .....</b>	<b>12,727,032</b>	<b>12,695,045</b>	<b>12,734,432</b>	<b>-36,224</b>	<b>12,690,808</b>
	<b>TRAINING AND RECRUITING</b>					

150	DEFENSE ACQUISITION UNIVERSITY .....	183,342	183,342	183,342	183,342		183,342
160	JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF .....	118,172	118,172	118,172	118,172		118,172
170	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND/PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION .....	33,855	33,855	33,855	33,855		33,855
	<b>SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING .....</b>	<b>335,369</b>	<b>335,369</b>	<b>335,369</b>	<b>335,369</b>		<b>335,369</b>
	<b>ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES</b>						
180	CIVIL MILITARY PROGRAMS .....	142,240	273,240	139,740	133,500		275,740
	National Guard Youth Challenge .....		[83,500]		[83,500]		
	Program decrease .....		[-2,500]				
	STARBASE .....		[50,000]		[50,000]		
	Unobligated balances .....			[-2,500]			
190	DEFENSE CONTRACT AUDIT AGENCY—CYBER .....	4,870	4,870	4,870	4,870		4,870
200	DEFENSE CONTRACT AUDIT AGENCY .....	667,943	667,943	665,243	665,243		667,943
	Unobligated balances .....			[-2,700]			
210	DEFENSE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT AGENCY .....	1,567,119	1,567,119	1,551,619	-3,000		1,564,119
	Unobligated balances .....			[-15,500]			
220	DEFENSE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT AGENCY—CYBER .....	30,279	25,279	20,279	[-3,000]		30,279
	Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification program reduction .....			[-10,000]			
	Early to need .....						
230	DEFENSE COUNTERINTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY AGENCY .....	1,062,123	1,062,123	1,062,123	-35,000		1,027,123
	Insider Threat – DITMAC, Resiliency and Suicide Prevention Program for the Warfighter .....						
	Program decrease—Facilities and Physical Security .....		[5,000]				
	Unjustified growth .....		[-5,000]				
250	DEFENSE COUNTERINTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY AGENCY—CYBER .....	9,835	9,835	9,835			9,835
260	DEFENSE HUMAN RESOURCES ACTIVITY—CYBER .....	27,517	27,517	27,517			27,517
270	DEFENSE HUMAN RESOURCES ACTIVITY .....	1,033,789	988,789	1,033,789	-45,000		988,789
	Underexecution .....		[-45,000]				
300	DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEMS AGENCY .....	2,567,698	2,542,698	2,557,798	-34,900		2,532,798
	Program decrease .....		[-25,000]				
	Unobligated balances .....			[-9,900]			
310	DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEMS AGENCY—CYBER .....	526,893	526,893	526,893			526,893

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320	DEFENSE LEGAL SERVICES AGENCY .....	241,779	206,779	219,379	-2,000	239,779
	Historical unobligated balances .....					
	Underexecution .....		[-35,000]		[-2,000]	
	Unobligated balances .....			[-22,400]		
330	DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY .....	446,731	446,731	446,731		446,731
340	DEFENSE MEDIA ACTIVITY .....	246,840	251,840	246,840		246,840
	Public Web program .....		[5,000]			
360	DEFENSE POW/MIA OFFICE .....	195,959	198,959	195,959		195,959
	DPAA Identification Programs .....		[3,000]			
370	DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY .....	2,379,100	2,379,100	2,389,100	-120,000	2,259,100
	Baltic Security Initiative .....		[210,000]			
	Irregular Warfare Functional Center .....			[10,000]		
	Offset for Baltic Security Initiative .....					
	Program decrease—Border Security .....				[-120,000]	
380	DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY SECURITY ADMINISTRATION .....	41,722	41,722	41,722		41,722
390	DEFENSE THREAT REDUCTION AGENCY .....	984,272	974,272	984,272	-10,000	974,272
	Program decrease .....		[-10,000]		[-10,000]	
410	DEFENSE THREAT REDUCTION AGENCY—CYBER .....	70,548	70,548	70,548		70,548
420	DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY .....	3,451,625	3,521,625	3,531,625	63,000	3,514,625
	Historical unobligated balances .....				[-7,000]	
	Impact Aid .....		[50,000]	[50,000]	[50,000]	
	Impact Aid for children with severe disabilities .....			[30,000]		
	Impact Aid Students with Disabilities .....		[20,000]		[20,000]	
430	MISSILE DEFENSE AGENCY .....	564,078	559,078	564,078		564,078
	Program decrease .....		[-5,000]			
440	OFFICE OF THE LOCAL DEFENSE COMMUNITY COOPERATION .....	118,216	108,216	138,216		118,216
	Defense Manufacturing Community Support Program .....			[20,000]		

480	Underexecution .....								
	OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE—CYBER .....	92,176	[−10,000]	92,176	92,176				92,176
	Central program office .....		87,776						
	Scholarship funding alignment .....		[10,000]						
490	OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE .....	2,676,416	[−14,400]	2,718,116	2,628,173	−48,243			
	Bien Hoa dioxin cleanup .....		2,371,716	[15,000]		[15,000]			
	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Nation-wide human health assessment .....			[5,000]					
	Chief Digital and AI Office Senior Leadership Training Courses .....		[2,750]						
	Eliminate Office of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation (CAPE) .....		[−78,000]						
	Legacy Resource Management Program .....		[2,000]						
	Program decrease .....		[−239,450]						
	Readiness and Environmental Protection Initiative .....		[3,000]						
	Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration program .....			[20,200]					
	Skillbridge program .....		[5,000]						
530	WASHINGTON HEADQUARTERS SERVICES .....	440,947	430,947	[1,500]	430,947				430,947
	Program decrease .....		[−10,000]						
530A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS .....	20,114,447	20,124,447	20,114,447	20,043,479	−70,968			
	Classified increase .....		[10,000]						
	Classified adjustment .....								
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>39,705,162</b>	<b>39,470,062</b>	<b>39,793,862</b>	<b>39,522,551</b>	<b>−182,611</b>			
	<b>UNDISTRIBUTED</b>								
540	UNDISTRIBUTED .....								
	Historical unobligated balances .....		−300,000	−66,000	−15,000				−15,000
	Program reduction—USSOCOM .....		[−300,000]	[−51,000]	[−15,000]				
	Unobligated balances .....								
	<b>SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED .....</b>		<b>−300,000</b>	<b>−66,000</b>	<b>−15,000</b>				<b>−15,000</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, DEFENSE-WIDE .....</b>	<b>52,767,563</b>	<b>52,200,476</b>	<b>52,797,663</b>	<b>52,533,728</b>	<b>−233,835</b>			

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<b>UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES</b>						
<b>ADMINISTRATION AND ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES</b>						
010	US COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES, DEFENSE .....	16,620	16,620	16,620		16,620
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES .....</b>	<b>16,620</b>	<b>16,620</b>	<b>16,620</b>		<b>16,620</b>
	<b>TOTAL UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES .....</b>	<b>16,620</b>	<b>16,620</b>	<b>16,620</b>		<b>16,620</b>
<b>DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FUND</b>						
<b>ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT</b>						
010	ACQ WORKFORCE DEV FD .....	54,977	54,977	54,977		54,977
	<b>SUBTOTAL ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT .....</b>	<b>54,977</b>	<b>54,977</b>	<b>54,977</b>		<b>54,977</b>
	<b>TOTAL DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FUND .....</b>	<b>54,977</b>	<b>54,977</b>	<b>54,977</b>		<b>54,977</b>
<b>OVERSEAS HUMANITARIAN, DISASTER, AND CIVIC AID</b>						
<b>HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE</b>						
010	OVERSEAS HUMANITARIAN, DISASTER AND CIVIC AID .....	114,900	114,900	114,900		114,900
	<b>SUBTOTAL HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE .....</b>	<b>114,900</b>	<b>114,900</b>	<b>114,900</b>		<b>114,900</b>
	<b>TOTAL OVERSEAS HUMANITARIAN, DISASTER, AND CIVIC AID .....</b>	<b>114,900</b>	<b>114,900</b>	<b>114,900</b>		<b>114,900</b>
<b>COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION ACCOUNT</b>						
010	COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION .....	350,999	335,999	350,999		350,999
	Program decrease .....		[-25,000]			
	Program increase .....		[10,000]			
	<b>SUBTOTAL COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION .....</b>	<b>350,999</b>	<b>335,999</b>	<b>350,999</b>		<b>350,999</b>

	TOTAL COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION ACCOUNT .....	350,999	335,999	350,999	350,999
	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, ARMY				
	DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY				
	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, ARMY .....	198,760	198,760	198,760	198,760
	SUBTOTAL DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY .....	198,760	198,760	198,760	198,760
	TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, ARMY .....	198,760	198,760	198,760	198,760
	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, NAVY				
	DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY				
	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, NAVY .....	335,240	335,240	335,240	335,240
	SUBTOTAL DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY .....	335,240	335,240	335,240	335,240
	TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, NAVY .....	335,240	335,240	335,240	335,240
	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, AIR FORCE				
	DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE				
	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, AIR FORCE .....	349,744	349,744	349,744	349,744
	SUBTOTAL DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE .....	349,744	349,744	349,744	349,744
	TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, AIR FORCE .....	349,744	349,744	349,744	349,744
	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, DEFENSE				
	DEFENSE-WIDE				
	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, DEFENSE .....	8,965	8,965	8,965	8,965
	SUBTOTAL DEFENSE-WIDE .....	8,965	8,965	8,965	8,965
	TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, DEFENSE .....	8,965	8,965	8,965	8,965
	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, FORMERLY USED DEFENSE SITES				

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<b>DEFENSE-WIDE</b>						
090	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION FORMERLY USED SITES .....	232,806	232,806	232,806		232,806
	<b>SUBTOTAL DEFENSE-WIDE .....</b>	<b>232,806</b>	<b>232,806</b>	<b>232,806</b>		<b>232,806</b>
	<b>TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, FORMERLY USED DEFENSE SITES .....</b>	<b>232,806</b>	<b>232,806</b>	<b>232,806</b>		<b>232,806</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION &amp; MAINTENANCE .....</b>	<b>290,071,293</b>	<b>289,146,588</b>	<b>288,774,446</b>	<b>-1,248,664</b>	<b>288,822,629</b>

**TITLE XLIV—MILITARY PERSONNEL**

**SEC. 4401. MILITARY PERSONNEL.**

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Item	FY 2024 Request	House Authorized	Senate Authorized	Conference Change	Conference Authorized
Military Personnel Appropriations .....	168,320,510	-242,200	-1,540,840	-2,108,861	166,211,649
BAH Absorption Restoration (1%) .....		[244,000]			
Historical unobligated balances .....		[-600,000]			
Remove BAH from BNA Calculation (150%) .....		[113,800]			
Air Force end strength underexecution .....			[-564,000]	[-564,000]	
Air National Guard AGR end strength underexecution .....			[-45,600]	[-33,000]	
Air National Reserve AGR end strength underexecution .....			[-8,040]		
Army, Underexecution of strength .....				[-787,901]	
Marine Corps Reserve, Underexecution of strength .....				[-24,315]	
Navy end strength underexecution .....			[-600,000]	[-600,000]	
Navy Reserve, Projected underexecution .....				[-10,000]	
Unobligated balances .....			[-323,200]	[-89,645]	
Medicare-Eligible Retiree Health Care Fund Contributions .....	10,553,456				10,553,456
<b>TOTAL, Military Personnel .....</b>	<b>178,873,966</b>	<b>-242,200</b>	<b>-1,540,840</b>	<b>-2,108,861</b>	<b>176,765,105</b>

## TITLE XLV—OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS

### SEC. 4501. OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS.

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<b>NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUND</b>					
DEFENSE STOCKPILE .....	7,629	7,629	7,629		7,629
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUND .....</b>	<b>7,629</b>	<b>7,629</b>	<b>7,629</b>		<b>7,629</b>
<b>WORKING CAPITAL FUND, ARMY</b>					
ARMY ARSENALS INITIATIVE .....	27,551	27,551	27,551		27,551
ARMY SUPPLY MANAGEMENT .....	1,662	1,662	1,662		1,662
<b>TOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, ARMY .....</b>	<b>29,213</b>	<b>29,213</b>	<b>29,213</b>		<b>29,213</b>
<b>WORKING CAPITAL FUND, AIR FORCE</b>					
TRANSPORTATION .....					
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS .....	83,587	83,587	83,587		83,587
<b>TOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, AIR FORCE .....</b>	<b>83,587</b>	<b>83,587</b>	<b>83,587</b>		<b>83,587</b>
<b>WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DEFENSE-WIDE</b>					
DEFENSE AUTOMATION & PRODUCTION SERVICES .....	4	4	4		4
ENERGY MANAGEMENT—DEFENSE .....	114,663	114,663	114,663		114,663
<b>TOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DEFENSE-WIDE .....</b>	<b>114,667</b>	<b>114,667</b>	<b>114,667</b>		<b>114,667</b>
<b>WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DEFENSE COMMISSARY AGENCY</b>					
WORKING CAPITAL FUND—DECA .....	1,447,612	1,447,612	1,447,612		1,447,612

<b>TOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DEFENSE COMMISSARY AGENCY .....</b>	<b>1,447,612</b>	<b>1,447,612</b>	<b>1,447,612</b>	<b>1,447,612</b>
<b>CHEMICAL AGENTS AND MUNITIONS DESTRUCTION, DEFENSE</b>				
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE .....	89,284	89,284	89,284	89,284
RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION .....	1,002,560	1,002,560	1,002,560	1,002,560
<b>TOTAL CHEMICAL AGENTS AND MUNITIONS DESTRUCTION, DEFENSE .....</b>	<b>1,091,844</b>	<b>1,091,844</b>	<b>1,091,844</b>	<b>1,091,844</b>
<b>DRUG INTERDICTION AND COUNTER-DRUG ACTIVITIES, DEFENSE</b>				
COUNTER-NARCOTICS SUPPORT .....	643,848	643,848	643,848	648,848
Advanced Analytics for Global Threat Network Disruption .....	[5,000]	[5,000]	[5,000]	5,000
Counter Strategic Competitors in the Western Hemisphere .....	[15,000]	[15,000]	[15,000]	[5,000]
Global Trader in the Office of Naval Intelligence Maritime Intelligence Support .....	[5,000]	[5,000]	[5,000]	[5,000]
U.S. Northern Command Mexico Office of Defense Cooperation .....	[5,000]	[5,000]	[5,000]	[5,000]
<b>DRUG DEMAND REDUCTION PROGRAM .....</b>	<b>134,313</b>	<b>134,313</b>	<b>134,313</b>	<b>136,813</b>
Young Marines Program .....	[2,500]	[2,500]	[2,500]	[2,500]
<b>NATIONAL GUARD COUNTER-DRUG PROGRAM .....</b>	<b>102,272</b>	<b>102,272</b>	<b>102,272</b>	<b>122,272</b>
Program increase .....	[20,000]	[20,000]	[20,000]	[20,000]
<b>NATIONAL GUARD COUNTER-DRUG SCHOOLS .....</b>	<b>5,993</b>	<b>5,993</b>	<b>5,993</b>	<b>10,993</b>
Program increase .....	[5,000]	[5,000]	[5,000]	[5,000]
<b>TOTAL DRUG INTERDICTION AND COUNTER-DRUG ACTIVITIES, DEFENSE .....</b>	<b>886,426</b>	<b>886,426</b>	<b>886,426</b>	<b>918,926</b>
<b>OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL</b>				
OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL—O&M .....	518,919	518,919	518,919	518,919
Special Inspector General for Ukraine Assistance .....	[20,000]	[20,000]	[20,000]	[20,000]
<b>OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL—CYBER .....</b>	<b>1,948</b>	<b>1,948</b>	<b>1,948</b>	<b>1,948</b>
<b>OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL—RD&amp;E .....</b>	<b>3,400</b>	<b>3,400</b>	<b>3,400</b>	<b>3,400</b>
<b>OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL—PROCUREMENT .....</b>	<b>1,098</b>	<b>1,098</b>	<b>1,098</b>	<b>1,098</b>
<b>TOTAL OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL .....</b>	<b>525,365</b>	<b>525,365</b>	<b>525,365</b>	<b>525,365</b>
<b>DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM</b>				
IN-HOUSE CARE .....	10,044,342	10,044,342	10,044,342	9,950,353
Baseline adjustment .....				-93,989
				[-93,989]

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Program Title	FY 2024 Request	House Authorized	Senate Authorized	Conference Change	Conference Authorized
TRICARE Reserve Select Extension .....		[5,000]			
PRIVATE SECTOR CARE .....	19,893,028	19,893,028	19,893,028	-25,151	19,867,877
Unjustified growth .....				[-25,151]	
CONSOLIDATED HEALTH SUPPORT .....	2,007,012	1,818,512	2,007,012	-6,018	2,000,994
Historical underexecution .....		[-186,000]		[-6,018]	
Program decrease .....		[-2,500]			
INFORMATION MANAGEMENT .....	2,327,816	2,327,816	2,327,816		2,327,816
MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES .....	347,446	343,446	347,446		347,446
Historical underexecution .....		[-4,000]			
EDUCATION AND TRAINING .....	336,111	323,111	336,111	7,000	343,111
Historical underexecution .....		[-20,000]			
TriService Nursing Research Program .....		[7,000]		[7,000]	
BASE OPERATIONS/COMMUNICATIONS .....	2,144,551	2,142,051	2,144,551	-2,500	2,142,051
Historical underexecution .....		[-2,500]		[-2,500]	
R&D RESEARCH .....	40,311	40,311	40,311	10,000	50,311
Clinical study on treatment with psychedelic substances .....				[10,000]	
R&D EXPLORATORY DEVELOPMENT .....	178,892	178,892	178,892		178,892
R&D ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT .....	327,040	344,540	327,040		327,040
Antibiotic Susceptibility Test Development .....		[2,500]			
Peptide Research and Development .....		[5,000]			
Platelet Development and Platelet Hemostatic Products .....		[10,000]			
R&D DEMONSTRATION/VALIDATION .....	172,351	172,351	172,351		172,351
R&D ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT .....	107,753	107,753	107,753		107,753
R&D MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT .....	87,096	87,096	87,096		87,096
R&D CAPABILITIES ENHANCEMENT .....	18,330	18,330	18,330		18,330
PROC INITIAL OUTFITTING .....	22,344	22,344	22,344		22,344
PROC REPLACEMENT & MODERNIZATION .....	238,435	238,435	238,435		238,435

PROC JOINT OPERATIONAL MEDICINE INFORMATION SYSTEM .....	29,537	29,537	29,537	29,537	29,537
PROC MILITARY HEALTH SYSTEM—DESKTOP TO DATACENTER .....	74,055	74,055	74,055	74,055	74,055
PROC DOD HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM MODERNIZATION .....	17,510	17,510	17,510	17,510	17,510
<b>TOTAL DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM .....</b>	<b>38,413,960</b>	<b>38,228,460</b>	<b>38,413,960</b>	<b>38,413,960</b>	<b>38,303,302</b>
<b>TOTAL OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS .....</b>	<b>42,600,303</b>	<b>42,492,303</b>	<b>42,600,303</b>	<b>42,600,303</b>	<b>42,522,145</b>

**TITLE XLVI—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION**

**SEC. 4601. MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.**

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<b>MILITARY CONSTRUCTION</b>								
<b>ARMY</b>								
Army	Alabama	Anniston Army Depot	ACCESS CONTROL POINT (P&D)	0	5,500	0	5,500	5,500
Army	Alabama	Anniston Army Depot	COMPONENT REBUILD SHOP (P&D)	0	8,100	0	8,100	8,100
Army	Alabama	Anniston Army Depot	OPEN STORAGE (P&D)	0	0	270	270	270
Army	Alabama	Anniston Army Depot	VEHICLE PAINT SHOP (P&D)	0	2,900	0	2,900	2,900
Army	Alabama	Fort Novosel	COST TO COMPLETE: ADV INDIVIDUAL TRAINING BARRACKS COMPLEX	0	0	0	41,200	41,200
Army	Alabama	Redstone Arsenal	SUBSTATION	50,000	50,000	50,000	0	50,000
Army	Alaska	Fort Wainwright	COST TO COMPLETE: ENLISTED UNACCOMPANIED PERS HSG	34,000	34,000	34,000	0	34,000
Army	Alaska	Fort Wainwright	SOLDIER PERFORMANCE READINESS CENTER (P&D)	0	0	7,900	7,900	7,900
Army	Florida	Camp Bull Simons	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	0	17,000	0	0	0
Army	Georgia	Fort Eisenhower	CYBER INSTRUCTIONAL FACILITY (CLASSROOMS)	163,000	80,000	73,000	-90,000	73,000
Army	Georgia	Fort Moore	CAMP MERRILL AST BARRACKS (P&D)	0	0	0	1,320	1,320
Army	Georgia	Fort Stewart/Hunter Army Airfield	COMBAT AVIATION BRIGADE GSAB HANGAR (P&D)	0	0	0	6,400	6,400
Army	Georgia	Fort Stewart/Hunter Army Airfield	MILITARY INTELLIGENCE BATTALION HANGAR (P&D)	0	0	0	2,220	2,220
Army	Germany	Grafenwoehr	AUTOMATED MULTIPURPOSE MACHINE GUN RANGE	10,400	10,400	10,400	0	10,400
Army	Germany	Hohenfels	SIMULATIONS CENTER	56,000	56,000	56,000	0	56,000
Army	Hawaii	Aliamanu Military Reservation	WATER STORAGE TANK	20,000	20,000	20,000	0	20,000
Army	Hawaii	Fort Shafter	CLEARWELL AND BOOSTER PUMP	0	0	23,000	23,000	23,000

Agency	State	Location	Activity	0	33,000	33,000	33,000	33,000
Army	Hawaii	Helemano Military Reservation	WELLS AND STORAGE TANKS	0	0	0	0	33,000
Army	Hawaii	Schofield Barracks	ELEVATED TANK AND DISTRIBUTION LINES	0	0	21,000	21,000	16,000
Army	Hawaii	Schofield Barracks	WATER STORAGE TANK	0	0	16,000	16,000	21,000
Army	Hawaii	Wheeler Army Airfield	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER (P&D)	0	5,400	5,400	5,400	5,400
Army	Indiana	Crane Army Ammunition Plant	EARTH COVERED MAGAZINES (P&D)	0	0	1,195	1,195	1,195
Army	Kansas	Fort Riley	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER (P&D)	0	0	1,600	1,600	1,600
Army	Kansas	Fort Riley	AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGER	105,000	105,000	105,000	0	105,000
Army	Kansas	Fort Riley	BOB DOLE INTERMODAL RAILYARD IMPROVEMENTS (P&D)	0	0	0	1,110	1,110
Army	Kentucky	Blue Grass Army Depot	SMALL ARMS MODERNIZATION (P&D)	0	0	3,300	3,300	3,300
Army	Kentucky	Fort Campbell	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER (P&D)	0	0	2,500	2,500	2,500
Army	Kentucky	Fort Campbell	MULTIPURPOSE TRAINING RANGE	38,000	38,000	38,000	1,000	39,000
Army	Kwajalein	Kwajalein Atoll	COST TO COMPLETE: PIER	0	0	15,000	0	0
Army	Louisiana	Fort Johnson	MULTIPURPOSE ATHLETIC FIELD	0	13,400	13,400	13,400	13,400
Army	Massachusetts	Soldier Systems Center	BARRACKS ADDITION	18,500	18,500	18,500	0	18,500
Army	Michigan	Detroit Arsenal	GROUND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT BUILDING	72,000	72,000	72,000	0	72,000
Army	Michigan	Detroit Arsenal	MANNED/UNMANNED TACTICAL VEHICLE LAB (P&D)	0	0	0	2,400	2,400
Army	New Mexico	White Sands Missile Range	J-DETC DIRECTED ENERGY FACILITY (P&D)	0	0	5,500	5,500	5,500
Army	New York	Watervliet Arsenal	TANK FARM (P&D)	0	0	160	160	160
Army	North Carolina	Fort Liberty	AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR	0	61,000	61,000	61,000	61,000
Army	North Carolina	Fort Liberty	AUTOMATED RECORD FIRE RANGE	19,500	19,500	19,500	1,500	21,000
Army	North Carolina	Fort Liberty	BARRACKS	50,000	50,000	50,000	0	50,000
Army	North Carolina	Fort Liberty	BARRACKS (FACILITY PROTOTYPING)	85,000	85,000	85,000	0	85,000
Army	North Carolina	Fort Liberty	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	0	36,000	36,000	36,000	36,000
Army	Oklahoma	McAlester Army Ammunition Plant	WATER TREATMENT PLANT (P&D)	0	0	1,194	1,194	1,194
Army	Pennsylvania	Letterkenny Army Depot	ANECHOIC CHAMBER (P&D)	0	0	275	275	275
Army	Pennsylvania	Letterkenny Army Depot	GUIDED MISSILE MAINTENANCE BUILDING	89,000	89,000	89,000	0	89,000
Army	Pennsylvania	Tobyhanna Army Depot	HELIPAD (P&D)	0	0	311	311	311
Army	Pennsylvania	Tobyhanna Army Depot	RADAR MAINTENANCE SHOP (P&D)	0	0	259	259	259
Army	Poland	Various Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN	0	0	25,710	25,710	25,710

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Army	South Carolina	Fort Jackson	COST TO COMPLETE: RECEPTION BARRACKS COM- PLEX, PHASE 2	0	0	66,000	66,000	66,000
Army	Texas	Fort Bliss	COLLECTIVE TRAINING BARRACKS (P&D)	0	8,000	0	8,000	8,000
Army	Texas	Fort Bliss	RAIL YARD	74,000	74,000	74,000	0	74,000
Army	Texas	Fort Cavazos	BARRACKS (P&D)	0	19,800	20,000	20,000	20,000
Army	Texas	Fort Cavazos	TACTICAL EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE FACILITIES (P&D)	0	0	5,800	5,800	5,800
Army	Texas	Red River Army Depot	COMPONENT REBUILD SHOP	113,000	70,000	46,400	-66,600	46,400
Army	Texas	Red River Army Depot	NON-DESTRUCTIVE TESTING FACILITY (P&D)	0	0	280	280	280
Army	Texas	Red River Army Depot	STANDBY GENERATOR (P&D)	0	0	270	270	270
Army	Virginia	Fort Belvoir	EQUINE TRAINING FACILITY (P&D)	0	0	4,000	4,000	4,000
Army	Washington	Joint Base Lewis-McChord	BARRACKS	100,000	100,000	100,000	0	100,000
Army	Washington	Joint Base Lewis-McChord	BARRACKS (P&D)	0	0	0	7,900	7,900
Army	Washington	Joint Base Lewis-McChord	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP (P&D)	0	0	7,500	7,500	7,500
Army	Washington	Yakima Training Center	AUTOMATED INFANTRY PLATOON BATTLE COURSE (P&D)	0	0	0	960	960
Army	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	BARRACKS REPLACEMENT FUND (P&D)	0	50,000	50,000	65,000	65,000
Army	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER PLANNING & DESIGN	0	20,000	0	20,000	20,000
Army	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	COST TO COMPLETE ARMY	0	122,210	0	0	0
Army	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	HOST NATION SUPPORT	26,000	26,000	26,000	0	26,000
Army	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	LAB INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING & DESIGN	0	30,000	0	30,000	30,000
Army	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	ORGANIC INDUSTRIAL BASE PLANNING & DESIGN	0	5,000	0	5,000	5,000
Army	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	PLANNING & DESIGN	270,875	300,175	270,875	0	270,875

Agency	Location	Activity	76,280	86,280	76,280	10,000	86,280
Army	Worldwide Un-specified	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION	76,280	86,280	76,280	10,000	86,280
Army	Worldwide Un-specified	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION DEMOLITION	0	15,000	0	15,000	15,000
	<b>Subtotal Military Construction, Army</b>		<b>1,470,555</b>	<b>1,803,165</b>	<b>1,644,779</b>	<b>441,734</b>	<b>1,912,289</b>
<b>NAVY</b>							
Navy	Arizona	Marine Corps Air Station Yuma	0	0	0	8,900	8,900
Navy	Australia	Royal Australian Air Force Base Darwin	134,624	134,624	134,624	0	134,624
Navy	California	Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center	42,100	42,100	42,100	0	42,100
Navy	California	Twentynine Palms	0	2,683	0	2,683	2,683
Navy	California	Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton	0	0	0	6,200	6,200
Navy	California	Naval Base Coronado	0	0	0	5,600	5,600
Navy	California	Naval Base San Diego	110,000	15,000	15,000	-40,000	70,000
Navy	California	Port Hueneume	0	0	0	0	0
Navy	Connecticut	Naval Submarine Base New London	112,518	42,518	36,718	-75,800	36,718
Navy	Connecticut	Naval Submarine Base New London	219,200	29,200	19,200	-200,000	19,200
Navy	District of Columbia	Marine Barracks Washington (8th Street and I)	131,800	31,800	16,800	-115,000	16,800
Navy	District of Columbia	Naval Support Activity	0	40,000	0	40,000	40,000
Navy	Djibouti	Camp Lemonnier	0	106,600	20,000	25,000	25,000
Navy	Florida	Naval Air Station Whiting Field	0	100,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Navy	Georgia	Marine Corps Logistics Base Albany	0	63,970	0	64,000	64,000
Navy	Guam	Andersen Air Force Base	105,220	105,220	55,220	-50,000	55,220
Navy	Guam	Andersen Air Force Base	107,000	107,000	107,000	0	107,000

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Navy	Guam	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: JOINT COMMUNICATION UPGRADE (INC)	292,830	50,000	31,330	-261,500	31,330
Navy	Guam	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: MISSILE INTEGRATION TEST FACILITY	174,540	74,540	44,540	-118,400	56,140
Navy	Guam	Naval Base Guam	PDI: 9TH ESB TRAINING COMPLEX	23,380	23,380	23,380	4,156	27,536
Navy	Guam	Naval Base Guam	PDI: ARTILLERY BATTERY FACILITIES	137,550	72,550	67,550	0	137,550
Navy	Guam	Naval Base Guam	PDI: CONSOLIDATED MEB HQ/NCIS PHI	19,740	19,740	19,740	0	19,740
Navy	Guam	Naval Base Guam	PDI: RECREATION CENTER	34,740	34,740	34,740	0	34,740
Navy	Guam	Naval Base Guam	PDI: RELIGIOUS MINISTRY SERVICES FACILITY	46,350	46,350	46,350	0	46,350
Navy	Guam	Naval Base Guam	PDI: SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY (INC)	166,159	100,000	56,159	-110,000	56,159
Navy	Guam	Naval Base Guam	PDI: TRAINING CENTER	89,640	89,640	89,640	0	89,640
Navy	Hawaii	Joint Base Pearl Harbor- Hickam	DRY DOCK 3 REPLACEMENT (INC)	1,318,711	1,398,035	1,318,711	0	1,318,711
Navy	Hawaii	Joint Base Pearl Harbor- Hickam	WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT	0	0	0	15,000	15,000
Navy	Hawaii	Joint Base Pearl Harbor- Hickam	WATERFRONT PRODUCTION FACILITY (P&D)	0	0	60,000	60,000	60,000
Navy	Hawaii	Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay	WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY COMPLIANCE UP- GRADE	0	50,000	40,000	134,505	134,505
Navy	Italy	Naval Air Station Sigonella	EDI: ORDNANCE MAGAZINES	77,072	77,072	77,072	0	77,072
Navy	Maine	Portsmouth Naval Ship- yard	MULTI-MISSION DRYDOCK #1 EXTENSION (INC)	544,808	544,808	544,808	0	544,808
Navy	Maryland	Fort Meade	CYBERSECURITY OPERATIONS FACILITY	186,480	80,000	60,580	-125,900	60,580
Navy	Maryland	Naval Air Station Patux- ent River	AIRCRAFT DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE FACILI- TIES	141,700	80,000	62,000	-83,700	58,000
Navy	Maryland	Naval Support Activity Bethesda	CONSTRUCT JOINT NAVY/DHA FIRE STATION (P&D)	0	0	0	3,000	3,000
Navy	North Carolina	Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point	2D LAAD MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS FACILI- TIES	0	65,000	50,000	45,000	45,000
Navy	North Carolina	Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point	AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR (INC)	19,529	19,529	19,529	0	19,529

Navy	North Carolina	Marine Corps Air Station Chery Point	MAINTENANCE FACILITY & MARINE AIR GROUP HQS	125,150	35,150	40,150	-90,000	35,150
Navy	North Carolina	Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune	10TH MARINES MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS COM- PLEX	0	66,270	20,000	66,270	66,270
Navy	North Carolina	Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune	AMPHIBIOUS COMBAT VEHICLE SHELTERS	0	32,890	0	32,890	32,890
Navy	North Carolina	Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune	CORROSION REPAIR FACILITY REPLACEMENT	0	45,000	20,000	45,000	45,000
Navy	Pennsylvania	Naval Surface Warfare Center Philadelphia	AI MACHINERY CONTROL DEVELOPMENT CENTER	0	88,200	88,200	65,200	65,200
Navy	Virginia	Dam Neck Annex	MARITIME SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM FACILITY	109,680	23,680	109,680	-86,000	23,680
Navy	Virginia	Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek—Fort Story	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	35,000	35,000	35,000	22,000	57,000
Navy	Virginia	Marine Corps Base Quantico	WATER TREATMENT PLANT	127,120	37,120	37,120	-90,000	37,120
Navy	Virginia	Naval Station Norfolk	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	43,600	43,600	43,600	3,600	47,200
Navy	Virginia	Naval Station Norfolk	MQ-25 AIRCRAFT LAYDOWN FACILITIES	114,495	8,495	11,495	-103,000	11,495
Navy	Virginia	Naval Station Norfolk	SUBMARINE PIER 3 (INC)	99,077	99,077	99,077	0	99,077
Navy	Virginia	Naval Weapons Station Yorktown	WEAPONS MAGAZINES	221,920	51,000	46,920	-175,000	46,920
Navy	Virginia	Norfolk Naval Shipyard	DRY DOCK SALTWATER SYSTEM FOR CWN-78 (INC)	81,082	81,082	81,082	0	81,082
Navy	Washington	Naval Air Station Whidbey Island	E/A-18G AIRCRAFT REGIONAL SERVICE FACILITY (P&D)	0	0	0	11,100	11,100
Navy	Washington	Naval Base Kitsap	ALTERNATE POWER TRANSMISSION LINE	0	19,000	19,000	19,000	19,000
Navy	Washington	Naval Base Kitsap	ARMORED FIGHTING VEHICLE SUPPORT FACILITY	0	31,000	31,000	31,000	31,000
Navy	Washington	Naval Base Kitsap	SHIPYARD ELECTRICAL BACKBONE	195,000	60,000	15,000	-180,000	15,000
Navy	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	BARRACKS REPLACEMENT FUND (P&D)	0	50,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
Navy	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	INDOPACOM PLANNING & DESIGN	0	69,000	69,000	69,000	69,000
Navy	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	SIOP (P&D)	0	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Navy	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER PLANNING & DESIGN	0	20,000	0	20,000	20,000
Navy	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	LAB INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING & DESIGN	0	30,000	0	30,000	30,000

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Navy	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	NAVY SHORE UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE (P&D)	0	85,000	0	85,000	85,000
Navy	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	PLANNING & DESIGN	599,942	599,942	599,942	0	599,942
Navy	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION	34,430	44,430	34,430	10,000	44,430
Navy	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION DEM- OLITION	0	15,000	0	15,000	15,000
Navy	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	USMC MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PLANNING & DE- SIGN	0	48,749	0	48,749	48,749
Navy	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION	0	30,000	0	30,000	30,000
<b>Subtotal Military Construction, Navy</b>				<b>6,022,187</b>	<b>5,412,514</b>	<b>4,668,487</b>	<b>-711,447</b>	<b>5,310,740</b>
<b>AIR FORCE</b>								
Air Force	Alaska	Eielson Air Force Base	COAL THAW SHED ADDITION (P&D)	0	0	0	1,500	1,500
Air Force	Alaska	Eielson Air Force Base	CONSOLIDATED MUNITIONS COMPLEX (P&D)	0	0	1,200	1,200	1,200
Air Force	Alaska	Eielson Air Force Base	FIRE STATION (P&D)	0	0	0	1,700	1,700
Air Force	Alaska	Eielson Air Force Base	JOINT MOBILITY CENTER EXPANSION (P&D)	0	0	0	3,000	3,000
Air Force	Alaska	Eielson Air Force Base	JOINT PACIFIC ALASKA RANGE COMPLEX (JPARC) OPS FACILITY (P&D)	0	0	1,100	1,400	1,400
Air Force	Alaska	Eielson Air Force Base	PERMANENT PARTY DORM (P&D)	0	0	0	9,500	9,500
Air Force	Alaska	Joint Base Elmendorf- Richardson	COMBAT ALERT CELL (P&D)	0	0	0	18,100	18,100
Air Force	Alaska	Joint Base Elmendorf- Richardson	EXTEND RUNWAY 16/34 (INC 3)	107,500	107,500	107,500	0	107,500
Air Force	Alaska	Joint Base Elmendorf- Richardson	PRECISION GUIDED MISSILE COMPLEX (P&D)	0	0	6,100	6,100	6,100
Air Force	Arizona	Luke Air Force Base	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER (P&D)	0	0	0	2,700	2,700
Air Force	Arizona	Luke Air Force Base	GILA BEND (P&D)	0	0	2,600	2,600	2,600

Air Force	Australia	Royal Australian Air Force Base Darwin	PDI: SQUADRON OPERATIONS FACILITY	26,000	26,000	0	26,000	0	26,000
Air Force	Australia	Royal Australian Air Force Base Tindal	PDI: AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE SUPPORT FACILITY	17,500	17,500	0	17,500	0	17,500
Air Force	Australia	Royal Australian Air Force Base Tindal	PDI: SQUADRON OPERATIONS FACILITY	20,000	20,000	0	20,000	0	20,000
Air Force	Australia	Royal Australian Air Force Base Tindal	PDI: BOMBER APRON	93,000	93,000	0	93,000	0	93,000
Air Force	Florida	Eglin Air Force Base	LRSD HARDWARE SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT & TEST FACILITY	0	14,600	0	15,500	15,500	15,500
Air Force	Florida	MacDill Air Force Base	KC-46A ADAL AIRCRAFT CORROSION CONTROL	25,000	25,000	0	25,000	0	25,000
Air Force	Florida	MacDill Air Force Base	KC-46A ADAL AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR	27,000	27,000	0	27,000	0	27,000
Air Force	Florida	MacDill Air Force Base	KC-46A ADAL APRON & HYDRANT FUELING PITS	61,000	61,000	0	61,000	0	61,000
Air Force	Florida	MacDill Air Force Base	KC-46A ADAL FUEL SYSTEM MAINTENANCE DOCK	18,000	18,000	0	18,000	0	18,000
Air Force	Florida	Patrick Space Force Base	COMMERCIAL VEHICLE INSPECTION	15,000	15,000	0	15,000	0	15,000
Air Force	Florida	Patrick Space Force Base	COST TO COMPLETE: CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS CENTER	15,000	15,000	0	15,000	0	15,000
Air Force	Florida	Patrick Space Force Base	FINAL DENIAL BARRIERS, SOUTH GATE	12,000	12,000	0	12,000	0	12,000
Air Force	Florida	Tyndall Air Force Base	NATURAL DISASTER RECOVERY	252,000	252,000	0	252,000	252,000	252,000
Air Force	Georgia	Robins Air Force Base	BATTLE MANAGEMENT COMBINED OPERATIONS COMPLEX	115,000	35,000	0	115,000	-80,000	35,000
Air Force	Guam	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: NORTH AIRCRAFT PARKING RAMP (INC)	109,000	109,000	0	109,000	0	109,000
Air Force	Japan	Kadena Air Base	PDI: HELO RESCUE OPS MAINTENANCE HANGAR (INC 3)	46,000	46,000	0	46,000	0	46,000
Air Force	Japan	Kadena Air Base	PDI: THEATER A/C CORROSION CONTROL CTR (INC)	42,000	42,000	0	42,000	0	42,000
Air Force	Louisiana	Barksdale Air Force Base	CHLD DEVELOPMENT CENTER (P&D)	0	0	0	2,000	2,000	2,000
Air Force	Louisiana	Barksdale Air Force Base	DORMITORY (P&D)	0	0	0	7,000	7,000	7,000
Air Force	Louisiana	Barksdale Air Force Base	WEAPONS GENERATION FACILITY (INC 3)	112,000	112,000	0	112,000	0	112,000
Air Force	Mariana Islands	Tinian	PDI: AIRFIELD DEVELOPMENT, PHASE 1 (INC 3)	26,000	26,000	0	26,000	0	26,000
Air Force	Mariana Islands	Tinian	PDI: FUEL TANKS W/PIPELINE & HYDRANT (INC 3)	20,000	20,000	0	20,000	1,000	21,000
Air Force	Mariana Islands	Tinian	PDI: PARKING APRON (INC 3)	32,000	32,000	0	32,000	0	32,000
Air Force	Massachusetts	Hanscom Air Force Base	CHLD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	37,000	37,000	0	37,000	0	37,000
Air Force	Massachusetts	Hanscom Air Force Base	MIT-LINCOLN LAB (WEST LAB CSJ/MIF) (INC 4)	70,000	70,000	0	70,000	0	70,000
Air Force	Mississippi	Columbus Air Force Base	T-7A GROUND BASED TRAINING SYSTEM FACILITY	30,000	30,000	0	30,000	0	30,000
Air Force	Mississippi	Columbus Air Force Base	T-7A UNIT MAINTENANCE TRAINING FACILITY	9,500	9,500	0	9,500	0	9,500
Air Force	Mississippi	Keesler Air Force Base	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER (P&D)	0	0	0	2,000	2,000	2,000

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Air Force	Montana	Malmstrom Air Force Base	FIRE STATION BAY/STORAGE AREA	0	10,300	0	10,300	10,300
Air Force	Nebraska	Offutt Air Force Base	55 CES MAINTENANCE/WAREHOUSE (P&D)	0	0	4,500	4,500	4,500
Air Force	Nebraska	Offutt Air Force Base	BASE OPERATIONS/MOBILITY CENTER (P&D)	0	0	5,000	5,000	5,000
Air Force	Nebraska	Offutt Air Force Base	LOGISTICS READINESS SQUADRON TRANSPORTATION FACILITY (P&D)	0	0	3,500	3,500	3,500
Air Force	Nevada	Nellis Air Force Base	DORMITORY (P&D)	0	0	0	7,500	7,500
Air Force	Nevada	Nellis Air Force Base	F-35 COALITION HANGAR (P&D)	0	0	5,500	5,500	5,500
Air Force	Nevada	Nellis Air Force Base	F-35 DATA LAB SUPPORT FACILITY (P&D)	0	0	700	700	700
Air Force	New Mexico	Cannon Air Force Base	SATELLITE FIRE STATION (P&D)	0	0	5,000	5,000	5,000
Air Force	New Mexico	Kirtland Air Force Base	COST TO COMPLETE: WYOMING GATE UPGRADE FOR ANTITERRORISM COMPLIANCE	0	0	24,400	0	0
Air Force	Norway	Rygge Air Station	EDI: DABS-FEV STORAGE	88,000	88,000	88,000	8,000	96,000
Air Force	Norway	Rygge Air Station	EDI: MUNITIONS STORAGE AREA	31,000	31,000	31,000	9,000	40,000
Air Force	Ohio	Wright-Patterson Air Force Base	ACQUISITION MANAGEMENT COMPLEX PHASE V (P&D)	0	9,900	19,500	19,500	19,500
Air Force	Oklahoma	Tinker Air Force Base	F-35 AIRCRAFT OXYGEN SHOP (P&D)	0	5,800	0	5,800	5,800
Air Force	Oklahoma	Tinker Air Force Base	KC-46 3-BAY DEPOT MAINTENANCE HANGAR (INC 3)	78,000	78,000	78,000	-20,000	58,000
Air Force	Oklahoma	Vance Air Force Base	CONSOLIDATED UNDERGRADUATE PILOT TRAINING CENTER (P&D)	0	0	8,400	8,400	8,400
Air Force	Philippines	Cesar Basa Air Base	PDI: TRANSIENT AIRCRAFT PARKING APRON	35,000	35,000	35,000	0	35,000
Air Force	South Dakota	Ellsworth Air Force Base	B-21 FUEL SYSTEM MAINTENANCE DOCK	75,000	75,000	75,000	0	75,000
Air Force	South Dakota	Ellsworth Air Force Base	B-21 PHASE HANGAR	160,000	34,000	160,000	-126,000	34,000
Air Force	South Dakota	Ellsworth Air Force Base	B-21 WEAPONS GENERATION FACILITY (INC)	160,000	160,000	160,000	0	160,000
Air Force	Spain	Moron Air Base	EDI: MUNITIONS STORAGE	26,000	26,000	26,000	8,000	34,000
Air Force	Texas	Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland	91 CYBER OPERATIONS CENTER	0	48,000	0	48,000	48,000
Air Force	Texas	Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland	BMT - CHAPEL FOR AMERICA'S AIRMEN	0	90,000	0	90,000	90,000

Air Force	Texas	Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	20,000	20,000	0	20,000	0	20,000
Air Force	United Kingdom	Royal Air Force Fairford	COST TO COMPLETE: EDI DABS-FEY STORAGE	0	0	28,000	28,000	28,000	28,000
Air Force	United Kingdom	Royal Air Force Fairford	COST TO COMPLETE: EDI MUNITIONS HOLDING AREA	0	0	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Air Force	United Kingdom	Royal Air Force Fairford	EDI: RADR STORAGE FACILITY	47,000	47,000	0	47,000	47,000	47,000
Air Force	United Kingdom	Royal Air Force	EDI: RADR STORAGE FACILITY	28,000	28,000	0	28,000	28,000	28,000
Air Force	United Kingdom	Lakenheath	SURETY DORMITORY	50,000	50,000	0	50,000	50,000	50,000
Air Force	Utah	Hill Air Force Base	F-35 T-7A EAST CAMPUS INFRASTRUCTURE	82,000	82,000	0	82,000	82,000	82,000
Air Force	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	BARRACKS REPLACEMENT FUND (P&D)	0	50,000	65,000	50,000	65,000	65,000
Air Force	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER PLANNING & DESIGN	0	20,000	0	20,000	20,000	20,000
Air Force	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	COST TO COMPLETE	0	90,400	0	0	0	0
Air Force	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	EDI: PLANNING & DESIGN	5,648	5,648	0	5,648	5,648	5,648
Air Force	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	LAB INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING & DESIGN	0	30,000	0	30,000	30,000	30,000
Air Force	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN	429,266	429,266	0	429,266	429,266	429,266
Air Force	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION	64,900	74,900	10,000	64,900	74,900	74,900
Air Force	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION DEMOLITION	0	15,000	0	15,000	15,000	15,000
Air Force	Wyoming	F.E. Warren Air Force Base	COST TO COMPLETE: CONSOLIDATED HELO/TRF OPS/AMU AND ALERT FACILITY	0	0	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000
Air Force	Wyoming	F.E. Warren Air Force Base	GBSD INTEGRATED COMMAND CENTER (INC 2)	27,000	27,000	0	27,000	27,000	27,000
Air Force	Wyoming	F.E. Warren Air Force Base	GBSD INTEGRATED TRAINING CENTER	85,000	85,000	0	85,000	85,000	85,000
Air Force	Wyoming	F.E. Warren Air Force Base	GBSD MISSILE HANDLING COMPLEX (INC 2)	28,000	28,000	0	28,000	28,000	28,000
<b>Subtotal Military Construction, Air Force</b>				<b>2,605,314</b>	<b>3,045,314</b>	<b>546,000</b>	<b>3,071,814</b>	<b>546,000</b>	<b>3,151,314</b>

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<b>DEFENSE-WIDE</b>								
Defense-Wide	Alabama	Redstone Arsenal	GROUND TEST FACILITY INFRASTRUCTURE	147,975	67,975	77,975	-80,000	67,975
Defense-Wide	California	Marine Corps Air Station Miramar	AMBULATORY CARE CENTER—DENTAL CLINIC ADD// ALT	103,000	28,000	20,600	-82,400	20,600
Defense-Wide	California	Marine Corps Air Station Miramar	ELECTRICAL INFRASTRUCTURE, ON-SITE GENERA- TION, AND MICROGRID IMPROVEMENTS	0	30,550	30,550	30,550	30,550
Defense-Wide	California	Monterey	COST TO COMPLETE: COGEN PLANT AT B236	0	0	5,460	5,460	5,460
Defense-Wide	California	Naval Base Coronado	COST TO COMPLETE: SOF ATC OPERATIONS SUP- PORT FACILITY	0	11,400	11,400	11,400	11,400
Defense-Wide	California	Naval Base Coronado	SOF NAVAL SPECIAL WARFARE COMMAND OPER- ATIONS SUPPORT FACILITY PHASE 2	0	51,000	51,000	51,000	51,000
Defense-Wide	California	Naval Base San Diego	AMBULATORY CARE CENTER—DENTAL CLINIC REPLIMT	101,644	31,644	22,184	-79,460	22,184
Defense-Wide	California	Naval Base San Diego	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER	0	6,300	6,300	6,300	6,300
Defense-Wide	California	Naval Base Ventura County	COST TO COMPLETE: GROUND MOUNTED SOLAR PV	0	0	16,840	16,840	16,840
Defense-Wide	California	Vandenberg Space Force Base	MICROGRID WITH BACKUP POWER	0	57,000	57,000	57,000	57,000
Defense-Wide	Colorado	Buckley Space Force Base	REDUNDANT ELECTRICAL SUPPLY	0	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000
Defense-Wide	Colorado	Buckley Space Force Base	REPLACEMENT WATER WELL	0	5,700	5,700	5,700	5,700
Defense-Wide	Cuba	Naval Station Guanta- namo Bay	AMBULATORY CARE CENTER (INC 1)	60,000	60,000	60,000	0	60,000
Defense-Wide	Delaware	Dover Air Force Base	WHOLE BLOOD PROCESSING LABORATORY REPLACE- MENT	0	0	30,500	30,500	30,500
Defense-Wide	Djibouti	Camp Lemonnier	COST TO COMPLETE: ENHANCE ENERGY SECURITY AND CONTROL SYSTEMS	0	0	5,200	5,200	5,200
Defense-Wide	Georgia	Fort Moore	DEXTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (P&D)	0	0	0	500	500
Defense-Wide	Georgia	Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay	ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION IM- PROVEMENTS, PHASE 2	0	49,500	49,500	49,500	49,500
Defense-Wide	Germany	Baumholder	HUMAN PERFORMANCE TRAINING CENTER	0	16,700	16,700	16,700	16,700

Defense-Wide	Germany	Baumholder	SOF COMPANY OPERATIONS FACILITY	41,000	41,000	41,000	0	41,000
Defense-Wide	Germany	Baumholder	SOF JOINT PARACHUTE RIGGING FACILITY	23,000	23,000	23,000	0	23,000
Defense-Wide	Germany	Kaiserslautern Air Base	KAISERSLAUTERN MIDDLE SCHOOL	21,275	21,275	21,275	0	21,275
Defense-Wide	Germany	Ramstein Air Base	RANSTEIN MIDDLE SCHOOL	181,764	181,764	181,764	0	181,764
Defense-Wide	Germany	Rhine Ordnance Barracks	MEDICAL CENTER REPLACEMENT (INC 11)	77,210	77,210	77,210	0	77,210
Defense-Wide	Germany	Stuttgart	ROBINSON BARRACKS ELEM SCHOOL REPLACEMENT	8,000	8,000	8,000	0	8,000
Defense-Wide	Hawaii	Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam	COST TO COMPLETE: FY20 500 KW PV COVERED PARKING EV CHARGING STATION	0	0	7,476	7,476	7,476
Defense-Wide	Hawaii	Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam	COST TO COMPLETE: PRIMARY ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION	0	0	13,040	13,040	13,040
Defense-Wide	Honduras	Soto Cano Air Base	FUEL FACILITIES	41,300	41,300	41,300	0	41,300
Defense-Wide	Italy	Naples	COST TO COMPLETE: SMART GRID	0	0	7,610	7,610	7,610
Defense-Wide	Japan	Fleet Activities Yokosuka	KINNICK HIGH SCHOOL (INC)	70,000	70,000	70,000	0	70,000
Defense-Wide	Japan	Kadena Air Base	PDI SOF MAINTENANCE HANGAR	88,900	88,900	88,900	0	88,900
Defense-Wide	Japan	Kadena Air Base	PDI: SOF COMPOSITE MAINTENANCE FACILITY	11,400	11,400	11,400	0	11,400
Defense-Wide	Kansas	Forbes Field	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER	0	5,850	5,850	5,850	5,850
Defense-Wide	Kansas	Fort Riley	COST TO COMPLETE: POWER GENERATION AND MICROGRID	0	0	15,468	15,468	15,468
Defense-Wide	Kentucky	Fort Knox	MIDDLE SCHOOL ADDITION (P&D)	0	0	6,600	6,600	6,600
Defense-Wide	Korea	K-16 Air Base	K-16 EMERGENCY BACKUP POWER	0	5,650	5,650	5,650	5,650
Defense-Wide	Kuwait	Camp Arifjan	COST TO COMPLETE: POWER GENERATION AND MICROGRID	0	0	8,197	8,197	8,197
Defense-Wide	Kuwait	Camp Buehring	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER	0	18,850	18,850	18,850	18,850
Defense-Wide	Louisiana	Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base New Orleans	COST TO COMPLETE: DISTRIBUTION SWITCHGEAR	0	0	6,453	6,453	6,453
Defense-Wide	Maryland	Bethesda Naval Hospital	MEDICAL CENTER ADDITIONAL ALTERATION (INC 7)	101,816	101,816	101,816	0	101,816
Defense-Wide	Maryland	Fort Meade	NSAW MISSION OPS AND RECORDS CENTER (INC)	105,000	105,000	105,000	0	105,000
Defense-Wide	Maryland	Fort Meade	NSAW RECAP BUILDING 4 (INC)	315,000	315,000	315,000	0	315,000
Defense-Wide	Maryland	Fort Meade	NSAW RECAP BUILDING 5 (ECB 5) (INC)	65,000	65,000	65,000	0	65,000
Defense-Wide	Maryland	Joint Base Andrews	HYDRANT FUELING SYSTEM	38,300	38,300	38,300	0	38,300
Defense-Wide	Missouri	Lake City Army Ammunition Plant	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER	0	80,100	80,100	80,100	80,100
Defense-Wide	Montana	Great Falls International Airport	FUEL FACILITIES	30,000	30,000	30,000	0	30,000

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Defense-Wide	Nebraska	Offutt Air Force Base	DEFENSE POW/MIA ACCOUNTABILITY AGENCY LAB-ORATORY (P&D)	0	0	5,000	5,000	5,000
Defense-Wide	Nebraska	Offutt Air Force Base	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER	0	41,000	41,000	41,000	41,000
Defense-Wide	North Carolina	Fort Liberty (Camp Mackall)	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER	0	10,500	10,500	10,500	10,500
Defense-Wide	North Carolina	Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune	MARINE RAIDER BATTALION OPERATIONS FACILITY	0	70,000	70,000	70,000	70,000
Defense-Wide	Oklahoma	Fort Sill	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER	0	76,650	76,650	76,650	76,650
Defense-Wide	Pennsylvania	Fort Indiantown Gap	COST TO COMPLETE: GEOTHERMAL AND SOLAR PV	0	0	9,250	9,250	9,250
Defense-Wide	Puerto Rico	Fort Buchanan	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER	0	56,000	56,000	56,000	56,000
Defense-Wide	Puerto Rico	Juana Diaz	COST TO COMPLETE: MICROGRID CONTROLS, 690 KW PV, 275KW GEN, 570 KWH BESS	0	0	7,680	7,680	7,680
Defense-Wide	Puerto Rico	Ramey	COST TO COMPLETE: MICROGRID CONTROL SYSTEM, 460 KW PV, 275KW GEN, 660 KWH BESS	0	0	6,360	6,360	6,360
Defense-Wide	Spain	Naval Station Rota	BULK TANK FARM; PHASE 1	80,000	80,000	80,000	0	80,000
Defense-Wide	Texas	Fort Cavazos	COST TO COMPLETE: POWER GENERATION AND MICROGRID	0	0	18,900	18,900	18,900
Defense-Wide	Texas	Fort Cavazos	MICROGRID AND BACKUP POWER	0	18,250	18,250	18,250	18,250
Defense-Wide	Utah	Hill Air Force Base	OPEN STORAGE	14,200	14,200	14,200	0	14,200
Defense-Wide	Virginia	Fort Belvoir	DIA HEADQUARTERS ANNEX	185,000	25,000	25,000	-160,000	25,000
Defense-Wide	Virginia	Fort Belvoir (NGA Campus East)	COST TO COMPLETE: CHILLED WATER REDUNDANCY	0	0	550	550	550
Defense-Wide	Virginia	Hampton Roads	COST TO COMPLETE: BACKUP POWER GENERATION	0	0	1,200	1,200	1,200
Defense-Wide	Virginia	Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek—Fort Story	SOF SDVT2 OPERATIONS SUPPORT FACILITY	61,000	61,000	61,000	0	61,000
Defense-Wide	Virginia	Pentagon	HVAC EFFICIENCY UPGRADES	0	2,250	2,250	2,250	2,250
Defense-Wide	Virginia	Pentagon	SEC OPS AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS FACS	30,600	30,600	30,600	0	30,600
Defense-Wide	Washington	Joint Base Lewis-McChord	POWER GENERATION AND MICROGRID	0	49,850	49,850	49,850	49,850
Defense-Wide	Washington	Joint Base Lewis-McChord	SOF CONSOLIDATED RIGGING FACILITY	62,000	62,000	62,000	0	62,000
Defense-Wide	Washington	Manchester	BULK STORAGE TANKS, PHASE 2	71,000	71,000	71,000	0	71,000

Defense-Wide	Washington	Naval Undersea Warfare Center Keyport	SOF COLD WATER TRAINING AUSTERE ENVIRONMENT FACILITY	0	0	37,000	37,000	37,000	37,000
Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PILOT PROGRAM	0	0	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000
Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION	0	62,000	62,000	62,000	62,000	62,000
Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	ENERGY RESILIENCE AND CONSERV. INVEST. PROG.	548,000	0	0	-548,000	0	0
Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	ERCIP PLANNING & DESIGN	86,250	101,250	86,250	15,000	101,250	101,250
Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	EXERCISE RELATED MINOR CONSTRUCTION	11,107	21,472	11,107	10,365	21,472	21,472
Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (CYBERCOM)	30,215	30,215	30,215	0	30,215	30,215
Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (DEFENSE-WIDE)	32,579	32,579	32,579	0	32,579	32,579
Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (DHA)	49,610	49,610	49,610	0	49,610	49,610
Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (DLA)	24,000	24,000	24,000	0	24,000	24,000
Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (DODEA)	8,568	8,568	8,568	0	8,568	8,568
Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (MDA)	1,035	21,035	1,035	20,000	21,035	21,035
Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (NSA)	3,068	3,068	3,068	0	3,068	3,068
Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (SOCOM)	25,130	25,130	25,130	0	25,130	25,130
Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (TJS)	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	2,000	2,000
Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN (WHS)	590	590	590	0	590	590
Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION (DEFENSE-WIDE)	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	3,000	3,000

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Defense-Wide	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION (DLA)	4,875	4,875	4,875	0	4,875
Defense-Wide	Wyoming	F.E. Warren Air Force Base	MICROGRID AND BATTERY STORAGE	0	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
<b>Subtotal Military Construction, Defense-Wide</b>				<b>2,984,682</b>	<b>2,856,147</b>	<b>3,162,705</b>	<b>213,889</b>	<b>3,198,571</b>
<b>ARMY NATIONAL GUARD</b>								
Army National Guard	Alabama	Fort McClellan	COST TO COMPLETE: ENLISTED BARRACKS, IT	0	0	7,000	7,000	7,000
Army National Guard	Alabama	Huntsville	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	4,650	4,650	4,650
Army National Guard	Arizona	Surprise Readiness Center	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	15,000	15,000	15,000	0	15,000
Army National Guard	Arkansas	Fort Chaffee	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	610	610	610
Army National Guard	California	Bakersfield	COST TO COMPLETE: VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP	0	0	1,000	1,000	1,000
Army National Guard	California	Camp Roberts	COST TO COMPLETE: AUTOMATED MULTIPURPOSE MACHINE GUN (MPMG) RANGE	0	0	5,000	5,000	5,000
Army National Guard	Colorado	Peterson Space Force Base	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	3,000	3,000	3,000
Army National Guard	Connecticut	Putnam	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	6,125	6,125	6,125
Army National Guard	Florida	Camp Blanding	MULTIPURPOSE MACHINE GUN RANGE	0	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000
Army National Guard	Florida	Camp Blanding	TRAINING AIDS CENTER (P&D)	0	1,200	0	1,200	1,200

Army National Guard	Florida	Camp Blanding	WEDGE INFANTRY SQUAD BATTLE COURSE (P&D)	0	840	0	840	0	840	840
Army National Guard	Guam	Barrigada	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	6,900	6,900	0	6,900	6,900
Army National Guard	Idaho	Jerome County Regional Site	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	1,250	1,250	0	1,250	1,250
Army National Guard	Idaho	Jerome County Regional Site	NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP	17,000	17,000	17,000	0	0	17,000	17,000
Army National Guard	Illinois	Bloomington	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP	0	0	5,250	5,250	0	5,250	5,250
Army National Guard	Illinois	Chicago, Jones Armory	GENERAL JONES NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER ALTERATION (P&D)	0	0	0	5,000	0	5,000	5,000
Army National Guard	Illinois	North Riverside Armory	NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP	24,000	24,000	24,000	0	0	24,000	24,000
Army National Guard	Illinois	Peoria	READINESS CENTER (P&D)	0	0	0	2,400	0	2,400	2,400
Army National Guard	Indiana	Shelbyville	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER ADD/ALT	0	0	5,000	5,000	0	5,000	5,000
Army National Guard	Kansas	Topeka	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD/RESERVE CENTER BUILDING	0	0	5,856	5,856	0	5,856	5,856
Army National Guard	Kentucky	Burlington	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP	0	16,400	16,400	16,400	0	16,400	16,400
Army National Guard	Kentucky	Frankfort	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD/RESERVE CENTER BUILDING	0	0	2,000	2,000	0	2,000	2,000
Army National Guard	Louisiana	Camp Beauregard	COLLECTIVE TRAINING UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING OPEN-BAY (P&D)	0	0	2,400	2,400	0	2,400	2,400
Army National Guard	Louisiana	Camp Beauregard	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	2,000	2,000	0	2,000	2,000
Army National Guard	Louisiana	Camp Minden	COST TO COMPLETE: COLLECTIVE TRAINING UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING, OPEN BAY	0	0	3,718	3,718	0	3,718	3,718
Army National Guard	Maine	Northern Maine Range Complex	AUTOMATED MULTIPURPOSE MACHINE GUN RANGE (P&D)	0	0	2,800	2,800	0	2,800	2,800
Army National Guard	Maine	Saco	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP	0	0	7,420	7,420	0	7,420	7,420

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Army National Guard	Massachusetts	Camp Edwards	COST TO COMPLETE: AUTOMATED MULTIPURPOSE MACHINE GUN (MPMG) RANGE	0	0	3,000	0	0
Army National Guard	Minnesota	Camp Ripley	ACCESS CONTROL FACILITY (P&D)	0	0	0	1,530	1,530
Army National Guard	Mississippi	Camp Shelby	CAMP SHELBY JFC RAILHEAD EXPANSION (P&D)	0	0	2,200	2,200	2,200
Army National Guard	Mississippi	Camp Shelby	COST TO COMPLETE: MANEUVER AREA TRAINING EQUIPMENT SITE ADDITION	0	0	5,425	5,425	5,425
Army National Guard	Mississippi	Meridian	ARMY AVIATION SUPPORT FACILITY 3 (P&D)	0	0	0	2,160	2,160
Army National Guard	Mississippi	Southaven Readiness Center	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	22,000	33,000	33,000
Army National Guard	Missouri	Bellefontaine	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	28,000	28,000	28,000	0	28,000
Army National Guard	Nebraska	Bellevue	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	9,090	9,090	9,090
Army National Guard	Nebraska	Greenleaf Training Site	COLLECTIVE TRAINING UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING OPEN-BAY (P&D)	0	0	1,200	1,200	1,200
Army National Guard	Nebraska	Mead Training Site	COST TO COMPLETE: COLLECTIVE TRAINING UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING, OPEN BAY	0	0	1,913	1,913	1,913
Army National Guard	Nebraska	North Platte	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP	0	0	400	400	400
Army National Guard	Nevada	Floyd Edsall Training Center	COMBINED SUPPORT MAINTENANCE SHOP (P&D)	0	0	0	2,700	2,700
Army National Guard	Nevada	Floyd Edsall Training Center	GENERAL INSTRUCTION FACILITY (P&D)	0	0	0	5,490	5,490
Army National Guard	Nevada	Harry Reid Training Center	READY BUILDING (P&D)	0	0	0	590	590
Army National Guard	New Hampshire	Concord	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	200	200	200

Army National Guard	New Hampshire	Littleton	NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP ADDITION	23,000	23,000	23,000	0	23,000
Army National Guard	New Jersey	Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	605	605	605
Army National Guard	New Jersey	Newark	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER (P&D)	0	0	0	1,900	1,900
Army National Guard	New Mexico	Rio Rancho Training Site	NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP ADDITION	11,000	11,000	11,000	0	11,000
Army National Guard	New York	Lexington Avenue Armory	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER ADDITIONAL-TERATION	0	45,000	70,000	70,000	70,000
Army National Guard	North Carolina	Salisbury	ARMY AVIATION SUPPORT FACILITIES (P&D)	0	0	2,200	2,200	2,200
Army National Guard	North Dakota	Camp Grafton	INSTITUTIONAL POST-INITIAL MILITARY TRAINING, UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING (P&D)	0	0	1,950	1,950	1,950
Army National Guard	North Dakota	Dickinson	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	5,425	5,425	5,425
Army National Guard	Ohio	Camp Perry Joint Training Center	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	19,200	19,200	19,200	0	19,200
Army National Guard	Ohio	Columbus	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	4,000	4,000	4,000
Army National Guard	Oklahoma	Ardmore	COST TO COMPLETE: VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP	0	0	400	400	400
Army National Guard	Oklahoma	Shawnee Readiness Center	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER (P&D)	0	1,800	0	1,800	1,800
Army National Guard	Oregon	Washington County Readiness Center	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	26,000	26,000	26,000	0	26,000
Army National Guard	Pennsylvania	Fort Indiantown Gap	AUTOMATED MULTIPURPOSE MACHINE GUN RANGE (P&D)	0	1,550	0	1,550	1,550
Army National Guard	Pennsylvania	Heritage Readiness Center	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	13,600	13,600	13,600	0	13,600
Army National Guard	Pennsylvania	Moon Township	COST TO COMPLETE: COMBINED SUPPORT MAINTENANCE SHOP	0	0	3,100	3,100	3,100
Army National Guard	Puerto Rico	Fort Allen	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	3,677	3,677	3,677

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Army National Guard	Rhode Island	Camp Fogarty Training Site	COLLECTIVE TRAINING UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING OPEN-BAY (P&D)	0	0	1,990	1,990	1,990	
Army National Guard	Rhode Island	Quonset Point	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	30,000	41,000	41,000	
Army National Guard	South Carolina	Aiken County Readiness Center	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	20,000	20,000	20,000	0	20,000	
Army National Guard	South Carolina	Joint Base Charleston	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	4,373	4,373	4,373	
Army National Guard	South Carolina	McCrary Training Center	AUTOMATED MULTIPURPOSE MACHINE GUN RANGE	7,900	7,900	7,900	0	7,900	
Army National Guard	South Dakota	Sioux Falls	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	5,250	5,250	5,250	
Army National Guard	Tennessee	Campbell Army Air Field	ARMY AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWERS (P&D)	0	0	2,500	2,500	2,500	
Army National Guard	Tennessee	McMinnville	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	500	500	500	
Army National Guard	Texas	Fort Cavazos	GENERAL PURPOSE INSTRUCTION BUILDING (P&D)	0	2,685	2,685	2,685	2,685	
Army National Guard	Texas	Fort Worth	COST TO COMPLETE: AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR ADD/ALT	0	0	6,489	6,489	6,489	
Army National Guard	Texas	Fort Worth	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP	0	0	381	381	381	
Army National Guard	Utah	Camp Williams	COLLECTIVE TRAINING UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING, SENIOR NCO AND OFFICER (P&D)	0	0	2,875	2,875	2,875	
Army National Guard	Vermont	Bennington	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	0	3,415	3,415	3,415	
Army National Guard	Virgin Islands	St. Croix	COST TO COMPLETE: ARMY AVIATION SUPPORT FACILITY	0	0	4,200	4,200	4,200	
Army National Guard	Virgin Islands	St. Croix	COST TO COMPLETE: READY BUILDING	0	0	1,710	1,710	1,710	

Agency	Location	Activity	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Army National Guard	Virginia	AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR	20,000	20,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20,000
Army National Guard	Virginia	COST TO COMPLETE: COMBINED SUPPORT MAINTENANCE SHOP ADDITION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,415
Army National Guard	Virginia	COST TO COMPLETE: NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER ADDITION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,135
Army National Guard	Washington	NATIONAL GUARD/RESERVE CENTER (P&D)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,600
Army National Guard	West Virginia	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER (P&D)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,950
Army National Guard	West Virginia	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER (P&D)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,800
Army National Guard	West Virginia	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER (P&D)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,300
Army National Guard	Wisconsin	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	18,200	18,200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18,200
Army National Guard	Worldwide Unspecified	COST TO COMPLETE: ARMY NATIONAL GUARD	0	134,881	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Army National Guard	Worldwide Unspecified	PLANNING & DESIGN	34,286	44,686	34,286	34,286	34,286	34,286	34,286	34,286	34,286	34,286
Army National Guard	Worldwide Unspecified	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION	63,000	73,000	63,000	63,000	63,000	63,000	63,000	63,000	63,000	73,000
Army National Guard	Worldwide Unspecified	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION DEMOLITION	0	15,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15,000
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>Army National Guard</b>		<b>340,186</b>	<b>590,942</b>	<b>650,568</b>	<b>391,892</b>	<b>732,078</b>					
<b>ARMY RESERVE</b>												
Army Reserve	Alabama	ARMY RESERVE CENTER/AMSA/LAND	57,000	57,000	57,000	57,000	57,000	57,000	57,000	57,000	57,000	57,000
Army Reserve	Arizona	AREA MAINTENANCE SUPPORT ACTIVITY	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	17,000
Army Reserve	California	COST TO COMPLETE: AREA MAINTENANCE SUPPORT ACTIVITY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,000
Army Reserve	California	NETWORK ENTERPRISE CENTER	0	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Army Reserve	Florida	COST TO COMPLETE: ARMY RESERVE CENTER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,000
Army Reserve	Georgia	ARMY RESERVE CENTER	0	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Army Reserve	North Carolina	COST TO COMPLETE: ARMY RESERVE CENTER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12,000

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Army Reserve	Ohio	Wright Patterson Air Force Base	COST TO COMPLETE: ARMY RESERVE CENTER	0	0	5,000	5,000	5,000	
Army Reserve	Virginia	Richmond	ARMY RESERVE CENTER (P&D)	0	0	0	4,000	4,000	
Army Reserve	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	COST TO COMPLETE ARMY RESERVE	0	23,000	0	0	0	
Army Reserve	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN	23,389	23,389	23,389	0	23,389	
Army Reserve	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION	14,687	24,687	14,687	10,000	24,687	
Army Reserve	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION DEMOLITION	0	5,000	0	5,000	5,000	
<b>Subtotal Military Construction, Army Reserve</b>				<b>107,076</b>	<b>225,076</b>	<b>170,076</b>	<b>127,000</b>	<b>234,076</b>	
<b>Navy Reserve &amp; Marine Corps Reserve</b>									
Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve	Michigan	Naval Reserve Center Battle Creek	ORGANIC SUPPLY FACILITIES	24,549	24,549	24,549	0	24,549	
Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve	Virginia	Marine Forces Reserve Dam Neck Virginia Beach	GATOR SUPPORT FACILITIES	12,400	12,400	12,400	0	12,400	
Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MCNR PLANNING & DESIGN	6,495	6,495	6,495	0	6,495	
Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MCNR UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION	7,847	17,847	7,847	10,000	17,847	
Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION DEMOLITION	0	5,000	0	5,000	5,000	
<b>Subtotal Military Construction, Navy Reserve &amp; Marine Corps Reserve</b>				<b>51,291</b>	<b>66,291</b>	<b>51,291</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>66,291</b>	



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Air National Guard	New Jersey	Atlantic City International Airport	CONSOLIDATED DINING, SERVICES, AND FITNESS CENTER (P&D)	0	0	0	2,000	2,000	
Air National Guard	New Jersey	Atlantic City International Airport	F-16 MISSION TRAINING CENTER (P&D)	0	0	0	1,100	1,100	
Air National Guard	Oregon	Portland International Airport	SPECIAL TACTICS COMPLEX, PHASE 1	22,000	22,000	22,000	1,000	23,000	
Air National Guard	Oregon	Portland International Airport	SPECIAL TACTICS COMPLEX, PHASE 2	18,500	18,500	18,500	2,500	21,000	
Air National Guard	Oregon	Portland International Airport	SPECIAL TACTICS COMPLEX, PHASE 3	0	20,000	20,000	24,000	24,000	
Air National Guard	Oregon	Portland International Airport	SPECIAL TACTICS COMPLEX, PHASE 4	0	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	
Air National Guard	Pennsylvania	Harrisburg International Airport	ENTRY CONTROL FACILITY	0	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	
Air National Guard	Wisconsin	Truax Field	F-35: MM&I FAC, B701	0	5,200	5,200	5,200	5,200	
Air National Guard	Wisconsin	Volk Air National Guard Base	FIRE/CRASH RESCUE STATION (P&D)	0	0	670	0	0	
Air National Guard	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN	35,600	35,600	35,600	0	35,600	
Air National Guard	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION	63,122	73,122	63,122	10,000	73,122	
Air National Guard	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION DEMOLITION	0	15,000	0	15,000	15,000	
<b>Subtotal Military Construction, Air National Guard</b>				<b>178,722</b>	<b>331,064</b>	<b>322,292</b>	<b>182,543</b>	<b>361,265</b>	
<b>AIR FORCE RESERVE</b>									
Air Force Reserve	Arizona	Davis-Monthan Air Force Base	GUARDIAN ANGEL POTFF FACILITY	0	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500	

Air Force Reserve	California	March Air Reserve Base	KC-46 ADD/ALTER B1244 FUT/CARGO PALLET STORAGE	17,000	17,000	0	17,000
Air Force Reserve	California	March Air Reserve Base	KC-46 ADD/ALTER B6000 SIMULATOR FACILITY	8,500	8,500	0	8,500
Air Force Reserve	California	March Air Reserve Base	KC-46 TWO BAY MAINTENANCE/FUEL HANGAR	201,000	201,000	0	201,000
Air Force Reserve	Georgia	Dobbins Air Reserve Base	SECURITY FORCES FACILITY	0	0	22,000	22,000
Air Force Reserve	Guam	Joint Region Marianas	AERIAL PORT FACILITY	27,000	27,000	0	27,000
Air Force Reserve	Louisiana	Barksdale Air Force Base	307 BW MEDICAL FACILITY ADDITION	0	7,000	7,000	7,000
Air Force Reserve	Ohio	Youngstown Air Reserve Station	FIRE STATION (P&D)	0	2,500	2,500	2,500
Air Force Reserve	Texas	Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort Worth	LRS WAREHOUSE	16,000	16,000	0	16,000
Air Force Reserve	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PLANNING & DESIGN	12,146	12,146	0	12,146
Air Force Reserve	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION	9,926	9,926	10,000	19,926
Air Force Reserve	Worldwide Unspecified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION DEMOLITION	0	0	5,000	5,000
<b>Subtotal Military Construction, Air Force Reserve</b>				<b>291,572</b>	<b>309,572</b>	<b>55,000</b>	<b>346,572</b>
<b>NATO SECURITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM</b>							
NATO	Worldwide Unspecified	NATO Security Investment Program	NATO SECURITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM	293,434	293,434	50,000	343,434
<b>Subtotal NATO Security Investment Program</b>				<b>293,434</b>	<b>293,434</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>343,434</b>
<b>TOTAL MILITARY CONSTRUCTION</b>				<b>14,968,019</b>	<b>14,345,019</b>	<b>1,311,611</b>	<b>15,656,630</b>
<b>FAMILY HOUSING</b>							
<b>FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, ARMY</b>							
Fam Hsg Con, Army	Georgia	Fort Eisenhower	FORT EISENHOWER WHPI EQUITY INVESTMENT	50,000	50,000	0	50,000
Fam Hsg Con, Army	Germany	Baumholder	FAMILY HOUSING NEW CONSTRUCTION	78,746	78,746	11,389	90,135
Fam Hsg Con, Army	Kwajalein	Kwajalein Atoll	FAMILY HOUSING REPLACEMENT CONSTRUCTION	98,600	98,600	0	98,600

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Fam Hsg Con, Army	Missouri	Fort Leonard Wood	FORT LEONARD WOOD MHPI EQUITY INVESTMENT	50,000	50,000	50,000	0	50,000	
Fam Hsg Con, Army	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	FAMILY HOUSING P&D	27,549	27,549	27,549	0	27,549	
<b>Subtotal Family Housing Construction, Army</b>				<b>304,895</b>	<b>304,895</b>	<b>304,895</b>	<b>11,389</b>	<b>316,284</b>	
<b>FAMILY HOUSING O&amp;M, ARMY</b>									
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	FURNISHINGS	12,121	12,121	12,121	0	12,121	
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	HOUSING PRIVATIZATION SUPPORT	86,019	86,019	86,019	0	86,019	
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	LEASING	112,976	112,976	112,976	0	112,976	
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	MAINTENANCE	86,706	86,706	86,706	0	86,706	
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	MANAGEMENT	41,121	41,121	41,121	0	41,121	
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	MISCELLANEOUS	554	554	554	0	554	
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	SERVICES	7,037	7,037	7,037	0	7,037	
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	UTILITIES	38,951	38,951	38,951	0	38,951	
<b>Subtotal Family Housing Operation And Maintenance, Army</b>				<b>385,485</b>	<b>385,485</b>	<b>385,485</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>385,485</b>	
<b>FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, NAVY &amp; MARINE CORPS</b>									
Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Guam	Joint Region Marianas	REPLACE ANDERSEN HOUSING (AF), PHASE 7	83,126	83,126	83,126	0	83,126	

Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Guam	Joint Region Marianas	REPLACE ANDERSEN HOUSING, PHASE 8	121,906	121,906	121,906	0	121,906
Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	DESIGN, WASHINGTON DC	4,782	4,782	4,782	0	4,782
Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	IMPROVEMENTS, WASHINGTON DC	57,740	57,740	57,740	0	57,740
Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	USMC DPR/GUAM PLANNING & DESIGN	9,588	9,588	9,588	0	9,588
<b>Subtotal Family Housing Construction, Navy &amp; Marine Corps</b>				<b>277,142</b>	<b>277,142</b>	<b>277,142</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>277,142</b>
<b>FAMILY HOUSING O&amp;M, NAVY &amp; MARINE CORPS</b>								
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	FURNISHINGS	17,744	17,744	17,744	0	17,744
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	HOUSING PRIVATIZATION SUPPORT	65,655	65,655	65,655	0	65,655
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	LEASING	60,214	60,214	60,214	0	60,214
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	MAINTENANCE	101,356	101,356	101,356	0	101,356
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	MANAGEMENT	61,896	61,896	61,896	0	61,896
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	MISCELLANEOUS	419	419	419	0	419

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Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	SERVICES	13,250	13,250	13,250	0	13,250	
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	UTILITIES	43,320	43,320	43,320	0	43,320	
<b>Subtotal Family Housing Operation &amp; Maintenance, Navy &amp; Marine Corps</b>				<b>363,854</b>	<b>363,854</b>	<b>363,854</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>363,854</b>	
<b>FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE</b>									
Fam Hsg Con, Air Force	Alabama	Maxwell Air Force Base	MHPI RESTRUCTURE-AETC GROUP II	65,000	65,000	65,000	0	65,000	
Fam Hsg Con, Air Force	Colorado	U.S. Air Force Academy	CONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENT—CARLTON HOUSE	9,282	9,282	9,282	0	9,282	
Fam Hsg Con, Air Force	Hawaii	Joint Base Pearl Harbor- Hickam	MHPI RESTRUCTURE-JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR- HICKAM	75,000	75,000	75,000	0	75,000	
Fam Hsg Con, Air Force	Japan	Yokota Air Base	IMPROVE FAMILY HOUSING PAIP 9, PHASE 1 (24 UNITS)	0	27,000	0	27,000	27,000	
Fam Hsg Con, Air Force	Mississippi	Keesler Air Force Base	MHPI RESTRUCTURE-SOUTHERN GROUP	80,000	80,000	80,000	0	80,000	
Fam Hsg Con, Air Force	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	PLANNING & DESIGN	7,815	7,815	7,815	0	7,815	
<b>Subtotal Family Housing Construction, Air Force</b>				<b>237,097</b>	<b>264,097</b>	<b>237,097</b>	<b>27,000</b>	<b>264,097</b>	
<b>FAMILY HOUSING O&amp;M, AIR FORCE</b>									
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	FURNISHINGS	12,884	12,884	23,884	11,000	23,884	
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	HOUSING PRIVATIZATION SUPPORT	31,803	31,803	31,803	0	31,803	
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	LEASING	5,143	5,143	5,143	0	5,143	

Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MAINTENANCE	135,410	124,410	-11,000	124,410
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MANAGEMENT	68,023	68,023	0	68,023
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MISCELLANEOUS	2,377	2,377	0	2,377
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	SERVICES	10,692	10,692	0	10,692
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UTILITIES	48,054	48,054	0	48,054
<b>Subtotal Family Housing Operation And Maintenance, Air Force</b>				<b>314,386</b>	<b>314,386</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>314,386</b>
<b>FAMILY HOUSING O&amp;M, DEFENSE-WIDE</b>							
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FURNISHINGS	673	673	0	673
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FURNISHINGS	89	89	0	89
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	LEASING	32,042	32,042	0	32,042
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	LEASING	13,658	13,658	0	13,658
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MAINTENANCE	35	35	0	35
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UTILITIES	4,273	4,273	0	4,273
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UTILITIES	15	15	0	15
<b>Subtotal Family Housing Operation And Maintenance, Defense-Wide</b>				<b>50,785</b>	<b>50,785</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>50,785</b>
<b>FAMILY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND</b>							
Family Housing Improvement Fund	Worldwide Un-specified	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES—FHIF	6,611	6,611	0	6,611
<b>Subtotal Family Housing Improvement Fund</b>				<b>6,611</b>	<b>6,611</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6,611</b>
<b>UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND</b>							

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Unaccompanied Housing Im- provement Fund	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES—UHIF	496	496	496	0	496
Subtotal Unaccompanied Housing Improvement Fund .....				496	496	496	0	496
<b>TOTAL FAMILY HOUSING .....</b>				<b>1,940,751</b>	<b>1,967,751</b>	<b>1,940,751</b>	<b>38,389</b>	<b>1,979,140</b>
<b>DEFENSE BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE</b>								
<b>BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE, ARMY</b>								
BRAC, Army	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	BASE REALIGNMENT & CLOSURE	150,640	200,640	150,640	50,000	200,640
Subtotal Base Realignment and Closure—Army .....				150,640	200,640	150,640	50,000	200,640
<b>BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE, NAVY</b>								
BRAC, Navy	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	BASE REALIGNMENT & CLOSURE	108,818	158,818	108,818	50,000	158,818
Subtotal Base Realignment and Closure—Navy .....				108,818	158,818	108,818	50,000	158,818
<b>BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE, AIR FORCE</b>								
BRAC, Air Force	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	BASE REALIGNMENT & CLOSURE	123,990	173,990	123,990	50,000	173,990
Subtotal Base Realignment and Closure—Air Force .....				123,990	173,990	123,990	50,000	173,990
<b>BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE, DEFENSE-WIDE</b>								
BRAC, Defense- Wide	Worldwide Un- specified	Unspecified Worldwide Lo- cations	INT-4: DIA ACTIVITIES	5,726	5,726	5,726	0	5,726
Subtotal Base Realignment and Closure—Defense-Wide .....				5,726	5,726	5,726	0	5,726
<b>TOTAL DEFENSE BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE .....</b>				<b>389,174</b>	<b>539,174</b>	<b>389,174</b>	<b>150,000</b>	<b>539,174</b>

TOTAL MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, FAMILY HOUSING, AND BRAC ..... 18,174,944

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## TITLE XLVII—DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY NATIONAL SECURITY PROGRAMS

### SEC. 4701. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY NATIONAL SECURITY PROGRAMS.

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<b>Discretionary Summary by Appropriation</b>					
<b>Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies</b>					
<b>Appropriation Summary:</b>					
<b>Energy Programs</b>					
Nuclear Energy .....	177,733	-17,733	0	-17,733	160,000
<b>Atomic Energy Defense Activities</b>					
<b>National Nuclear Security Administration:</b>					
Weapons Activities .....	18,832,947	119,729	276,000	288,729	19,121,676
Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation .....	2,508,959	-81,000	-25,000	-64,707	2,444,252
Naval Reactors .....	1,964,100	-15,000	0	0	1,964,100
Federal Salaries and Expenses .....	538,994	0	0	-20,000	518,994
<b>Total, National Nuclear Security Administration .....</b>	<b>23,845,000</b>	<b>23,729</b>	<b>251,000</b>	<b>204,022</b>	<b>24,049,022</b>
Defense Environmental Cleanup .....	7,073,587	35,000	0	-29,824	7,043,763
Defense Uranium Enrichment D&D .....	427,000	-427,000	-427,000	-427,000	0
Other Defense Activities .....	1,075,197	0	0	0	1,075,197



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<b>Total. Stockpile management .....</b>	<b>5,256,899</b>	<b>40,500</b>	<b>75,000</b>	<b>70,000</b>	<b>5,326,899</b>	
<b>Production Modernization</b>						
<b>Primary Capability Modernization</b>						
<b>Plutonium Modernization</b>						
<b>Los Alamos Plutonium Modernization</b>						
Los Alamos Plutonium Operations .....	833,100	0	0	0	833,100	
21-D-512 Plutonium Pit Production Project, LANL .....	670,000	0	0	0	670,000	
15-D-302 TA-55 Reinvestments Project, Phase 3, LANL .....	30,000	0	0	0	30,000	
07-D-220-04 Transuranic Liquid Waste Facility, LANL .....	0	0	0	0	0	
04-D-125 Chemistry and Metallurgy Research Replacement Project, LANL .....	227,122	0	0	0	227,122	
<b>Subtotal, Los Alamos Plutonium Modernization .....</b>	<b>1,760,222</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,760,222</b>	
<b>Savannah River Plutonium Modernization</b>						
Savannah River Plutonium Operations .....	62,764	0	0	0	62,764	
21-D-511 Savannah River Plutonium Processing Facility, SRS .....	858,235	142,000	0	142,000	1,000,235	
Program increase .....		[142,000]		[142,000]		
<b>Subtotal, Savannah River Plutonium Modernization .....</b>	<b>920,999</b>	<b>142,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>142,000</b>	<b>1,062,999</b>	
Enterprise Plutonium Support .....	87,779	0	0	0	87,779	
<b>Total. Plutonium Modernization .....</b>	<b>2,769,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>142,000</b>	<b>2,911,000</b>	
<b>High Explosives &amp; Energetics</b>						
High Explosives & Energetics .....	93,558	0	0	0	93,558	
23-D-516 Energetic Materials Characterization Facility, LANL .....	0	0	19,000	0	0	
Restore project .....			[19,000]			
21-D-510 HE Synthesis, Formulation, and Production, PX .....	0	83,000	110,000	80,000	80,000	
Restore project .....			[110,000]			
Program increase .....		[83,000]		[80,000]		
15-D-301 HE Science & Engineering Facility, PX .....	101,356		0	0	101,356	

Subtotal, High Explosives & Energetics .....	194,914	83,000	129,000	80,000	274,914
<b>Total, Primary Capability Modernization .....</b>	<b>2,963,914</b>	<b>225,000</b>	<b>129,000</b>	<b>222,000</b>	<b>3,185,914</b>
<b>Secondary Capability Modernization</b>					
Secondary Capability Modernization .....	666,914	0	0	0	666,914
18-D-690 Lithium Processing Facility, Y-12 .....	210,770	0	0	0	210,770
06-D-141 Uranium Processing Facility, Y-12 .....	760,000	0	0	0	760,000
<b>Total, Secondary Capability Modernization .....</b>	<b>1,637,684</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,637,684</b>
<b>Tritium and Domestic Uranium Enrichment</b>					
Tritium and Domestic Uranium Enrichment .....	592,992	0	0	0	592,992
18-D-650 Tritium Finishing Facility, SRS .....	0	37,000	0	37,000	37,000
Program increase .....		[37,000]			
<b>Total, Tritium and Domestic Uranium Enrichment .....</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>37,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>37,000</b>	<b>629,992</b>
<b>Non-Nuclear Capability Modernization</b>					
Non-Nuclear Capability Modernization .....	166,990	0	0	0	166,990
22-D-513 Power Sources Capability, SNL .....	37,886	0	0	0	37,886
<b>Total, Non-Nuclear Capability Modernization .....</b>	<b>204,876</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>204,876</b>
Capability Based Investments .....	156,462	0	0	0	156,462
<b>Total, Production Modernization .....</b>	<b>5,555,928</b>	<b>262,000</b>	<b>129,000</b>	<b>259,000</b>	<b>5,814,928</b>
<b>Stockpile research, technology, and engineering</b>					
<b>Assessment Science</b>					
Assessment Science .....	917,751	-20,000	9,000	0	917,751
Program increase for Krypton Fluoride laser .....			[9,000]		
Program decrease .....		[-20,000]			
17-D-640 U1a Complex Enhancements Project, NMSS .....	126,570	0	0	0	126,570
<b>Total, Assessment Science .....</b>	<b>1,044,321</b>	<b>-20,000</b>	<b>9,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,044,321</b>
Engineering and integrated assessments .....	440,456	-30,000	0	0	440,456
Program decrease .....		[-30,000]			
Inertial confinement fusion .....	601,650	0	40,000	40,000	641,650
Program increase .....			[40,000]	[40,000]	
Advanced simulation and computing .....	782,472	-50,000	10,000	0	782,472
Program increase .....			[10,000]		

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Program decrease .....		[-50,000]				
Weapon technology and manufacturing maturation .....	327,745	-20,000	0	-20,000	307,745	
Program decrease .....		[-20,000]		[-20,000]		
Academic programs .....	152,271	-40,271	0	-40,271	112,000	
Community Capacity Building Program .....		[-30,000]		[-30,000]		
Program decrease .....		[-10,271]		[-10,271]		
<b>Total, Stockpile research, technology, and engineering .....</b>	<b>3,348,915</b>	<b>-160,271</b>	<b>59,000</b>	<b>-20,271</b>	<b>3,328,644</b>	
<b>Infrastructure and operations</b>						
<b>Operating</b>						
Operations of facilities .....	1,053,000	0	0	0	1,053,000	
Safety and Environmental Operations .....	139,114	0	0	0	139,114	
Maintenance and Repair of Facilities .....	718,000	0	0	-18,000	700,000	
Program decrease .....				[-18,000]		
<b>Recapitalization</b>						
Infrastructure and Safety .....	650,012	-22,500	0	-12,000	638,012	
Program decrease .....		[-22,500]		[-12,000]		
<b>Subtotal, Recapitalization .....</b>	<b>650,012</b>	<b>-22,500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-12,000</b>	<b>638,012</b>	
<b>Total, Operating .....</b>	<b>2,560,126</b>	<b>-22,500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-30,000</b>	<b>2,530,126</b>	
<b>Mission enabling construction:</b>						
22-D-510 Analytic Gas Laboratory, PX .....	35,000	0	0	0	35,000	
22-D-511 Plutonium Production Building, LANL .....	48,500	0	0	0	48,500	
22-D-512 TA-46 Protective Force Facility, LANL .....	48,500	0	0	0	48,500	
22-D-517 Electrical Power Capacity Upgrade, LANL .....	75,000	0	0	0	75,000	
22-D-518 Plutonium Modernization Ops & Waste Mngmt Office Bldg, LANL .....	0	0	0	0	0	
23-D-519 Special Material Facility, Y-12 .....	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Total, Mission enabling construction .....</b>	<b>207,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>207,000</b>	

<b>Total, Infrastructure and operations</b> .....	2,767,126	-22,500	0	-30,000	2,737,126
<b>Secure transportation asset</b>					
Operations and equipment .....	239,008	0	0	0	239,008
Program direction .....	118,056	0	0	0	118,056
<b>Total, Secure transportation asset</b> .....	<b>357,064</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>357,064</b>
<b>Defense nuclear security</b>					
Operations and maintenance .....	988,756	0	3,000	0	988,756
Program increase .....			[3,000]		
<b>Construction:</b>					
17-D-710 West End Protected Area Reduction Project, Y-12 .....	28,000	0	10,000	10,000	38,000
Program increase .....			[10,000]	[10,000]	
<b>Subtotal, Construction</b> .....	<b>28,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>38,000</b>
<b>Total, Defense nuclear security</b> .....	<b>1,016,756</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13,000</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>1,026,756</b>
<b>Information technology and cybersecurity</b> .....	<b>578,379</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>578,379</b>
<b>Legacy contractor pensions</b> .....	<b>65,452</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>65,452</b>
<b>Total, Weapons Activities</b> .....	<b>18,946,519</b>	<b>119,729</b>	<b>276,000</b>	<b>288,729</b>	<b>19,235,248</b>
<b>Adjustments</b>					
Use of prior year balances .....	-113,572	0	0	0	-113,572
<b>Total, Adjustments</b> .....	<b>-113,572</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-133,572</b>
<b>Total, Weapons Activities</b> .....	<b>18,832,947</b>	<b>119,729</b>	<b>276,000</b>	<b>288,729</b>	<b>19,121,676</b>
<b>Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation</b>					
<b>Material Management and Minimization</b>					
Conversion (formerly HEU Reactor Conversion) .....	116,675	0	0	0	116,675
Nuclear material removal .....	47,100	0	0	0	47,100
Material disposition .....	282,250	0	0	0	282,250
<b>Total, Material Management and Minimization</b> .....	<b>446,025</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>446,025</b>

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<b>Global Material Security</b>					
International nuclear security .....	84,707	-10,000	0	-9,707	75,000
Program decrease .....		[-10,000]		[-9,707]	
Radiological security .....	258,033	0	0	0	258,033
Nuclear smuggling detection and deterrence .....	181,308	0	0	0	181,308
<b>Total, Global Material Security .....</b>	<b>524,048</b>	<b>-10,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-9,707</b>	<b>514,341</b>
Nonproliferation and Arms Control .....	212,358	-20,000	0	-20,000	192,358
Program decrease .....		[-20,000]		[-20,000]	
<b>Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation R&amp;D</b>					
Proliferation detection .....	290,388	-20,000	0	-10,000	280,388
Program decrease .....		[-20,000]		[-10,000]	
Nonproliferation stewardship program .....	107,437	-6,000	0	0	107,437
Program decrease .....		[-6,000]			
Nuclear detonation detection .....	285,603	0	0	0	285,603
Forensics R&D .....	44,759	0	0	0	44,759
Nonproliferation fuels development .....	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total, Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation R&amp;D .....</b>	<b>728,187</b>	<b>-26,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-10,000</b>	<b>718,187</b>
<b>Nonproliferation Construction:</b>					
18-D-150 Surplus Plutonium Disposition Project, SRS .....	77,211	0	0	0	77,211
<b>Total, Nonproliferation Construction .....</b>	<b>77,211</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>77,211</b>
NNSA Bioassurance Program .....	25,000	-25,000	-25,000	-25,000	0
Program reduction .....		[-25,000]	[-25,000]		
Program decrease .....				[-25,000]	
Legacy contractor pensions .....	22,587	0	0	0	22,587
<b>Nuclear Counterterrorism and Incident Response Program</b>					
Emergency Operations .....	19,123	0	0	0	19,123
Counterterrorism and Counterproliferation .....	474,420	0	0	0	474,420

Total, Nuclear Counterterrorism and Incident Response Program .....	493,543	0	0	0	493,543
Subtotal, Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation .....	2,528,959	-81,000	-25,000	-64,707	2,464,252
<b>Adjustments</b>					
Use of prior year balances .....	-20,000	0	0	0	-20,000
<b>Total, Adjustments</b> .....	-20,000	0	0	0	-20,000
<b>Total, Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation</b> .....	2,508,959	-81,000	-25,000	-64,707	2,444,252
<b>Naval Reactors</b>					
Naval reactors development .....	838,340	0	0	0	838,340
Columbia-Class reactor systems development .....	52,900	0	0	0	52,900
S8G Prototype refueling .....	0	0	0	0	0
Naval reactors operations and infrastructure .....	712,036	0	0	0	712,036
Program direction .....	61,540	0	0	0	61,540
<b>Construction:</b>					
22-D-533 BL Component Test Complex .....	0	0	0	0	0
22-D-531 KL Chemistry & Radiological Health Building .....	10,400	0	0	0	10,400
21-D-530 KL Steam and Condensate Upgrade .....	53,000	0	0	0	53,000
14-D-901 Spent Fuel Handling Recapitalization Project, NRF .....	199,300	-15,000	0	0	199,300
Program decrease .....		[-15,000]			
24-D-530 NRF Medical Science Complex .....	36,584	0	0	0	36,584
<b>Total, Construction</b> .....	299,284	-15,000	0	0	299,284
<b>Total, Naval Reactors</b> .....	1,964,100	-15,000	0	0	1,964,100
<b>Federal Salaries and Expenses</b>					
Program direction .....	538,994	0	0	-20,000	518,994
Use of prior year balances .....	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total, Federal Salaries and Expenses</b> .....	538,994	0	0	-20,000	518,994

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<b>TOTAL, National Nuclear Security Administration</b>	<b>23,845,000</b>	<b>23,729</b>	<b>878,000</b>	<b>204,022</b>	<b>24,049,022</b>	
<b>Defense Environmental Cleanup</b>						
Closure sites administration	3,023	0	0	0	3,023	
<b>Richland</b>						
River corridor and other cleanup operations	180,000	0	0	0	180,000	
Central plateau remediation	684,289	0	0	0	684,289	
Richland community and regulatory support	10,100	0	0	0	10,100	
18-D-404 Modification of Waste Encapsulation and Storage Facility	0	0	0	0	0	
22-D-401 L-888 Eastern Plateau Fire Station	7,000	0	0	0	7,000	
23-D-402 L-897 200 Area Water Treatment Facility	11,200	0	0	0	11,200	
23-D-404 181D Export Water System Reconfiguration and Upgrade	27,149	0	0	0	27,149	
23-D-405 181B Export Water System Reconfiguration and Upgrade	462	0	0	0	462	
24-D-401 Environmental Restoration Disposal Facility Supercell 11 Expans Proj	1,000	0	0	0	1,000	
<b>Total, Richland</b>	<b>921,200</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>921,200</b>	
<b>Office of River Protection:</b>						
Waste Treatment Immobilization Plant Commissioning	466,000	0	0	-36,000	430,000	
Program decrease				[-36,000]		
Rad liquid tank waste stabilization and disposition	813,625	0	0	0	813,625	
<b>Construction:</b>						
23-D-403 Hanford 200 West Area Tank Farms Risk Management Project	15,309	0	0	0	15,309	
15-D-409 Low Activity Waste Pretreatment System	60,000	0	0	0	60,000	
18-D-16 Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant—LBL/Direct feed LAW	0	0	0	0	0	
01-D-16D High-Level Waste Facility	600,000	0	0	0	600,000	
01-D-16E Pretreatment Facility	20,000	0	0	0	20,000	
<b>Subtotal, Construction</b>	<b>695,309</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>695,309</b>	

ORP Low-level waste offsite disposal .....	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total, Office of River Protection .....</b>	<b>1,974,934</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-36,000</b>	<b>1,938,934</b>
<b>Idaho National Laboratory:</b>						
Idaho cleanup and waste disposition .....	377,623	0	0	0	0	377,623
Idaho community and regulatory support .....	2,759	0	0	0	0	2,759
<b>Construction:</b>						
22-D-403 Idaho Spent Nuclear Fuel Staging Facility .....	10,159	0	0	0	0	10,159
22-D-404 Addl IGDF Landfill Disposal Cell and Evaporation Ponds Project .....	46,500	0	0	0	0	46,500
22-D-402 Calcine Construction .....	10,000	0	0	0	0	10,000
<b>Subtotal, Construction .....</b>	<b>66,659</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>66,659</b>
<b>Total, Idaho National Laboratory .....</b>	<b>447,041</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>447,041</b>
<b>NNSA sites and Nevada off-sites</b>						
Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory .....	1,879	0	0	0	0	1,879
LLNL Excess Facilities D&D .....	20,195	0	0	0	0	20,195
Separations Processing Research Unit .....	15,300	0	0	0	0	15,300
Nevada Test Site .....	61,952	0	0	0	0	61,952
Sandia National Laboratory .....	2,264	0	0	0	0	2,264
Los Alamos National Laboratory .....	273,831	0	0	0	0	273,831
Los Alamos Excess Facilities D&D .....	13,648	0	0	0	0	13,648
<b>Total, NNSA sites and Nevada off-sites .....</b>	<b>389,069</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>389,069</b>
<b>Oak Ridge Reservation:</b>						
OR Nuclear Facility D&D .....	335,000	0	0	0	0	335,000
U233 Disposition Program .....	55,000	0	0	0	0	55,000
OR cleanup and waste disposition .....	72,000	0	0	0	0	72,000
<b>Construction:</b>						
14-D-403 Outfall 200 Mercury Treatment Facility .....	10,000	0	0	0	0	10,000
17-D-401 On-site Waste Disposal Facility .....	24,500	0	0	0	0	24,500
<b>Subtotal, Construction .....</b>	<b>34,500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>34,500</b>
OR community & regulatory support .....	5,500	0	0	0	0	5,500

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OR technology development and deployment .....	3,000	0	0	0	3,000
<b>Total, Oak Ridge Reservation .....</b>	<b>505,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>505,000</b>
<b>Savannah River Site:</b>					
Savannah River risk management operations .....	453,109	15,000	0	7,132	460,241
Program increase .....		[15,000]		[7,132]	
Savannah River legacy pensions .....	65,898	0	0	0	65,898
Savannah River community and regulatory support .....	12,389	0	0	0	12,389
Savannah River National Laboratory O&M .....	42,000	0	0	0	42,000
<b>Construction:</b>					
20-D-401 Saltstone Disposal Unit #10, 11, 12 .....	56,250	0	0	0	56,250
19-D-701 SR Security Systems Replacement .....	0	0	0	0	0
18-D-401 Saltstone Disposal Unit #8, 9 .....	31,250	0	0	0	31,250
18-D-402 Emergency Operations Center Replacement, SR .....	34,733	0	0	0	34,733
<b>Subtotal, Construction .....</b>	<b>122,233</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>122,233</b>
Radioactive liquid tank waste stabilization .....	880,323	20,000	0	20,000	900,323
Program increase .....		[20,000]		[20,000]	
<b>Total, Savannah River Site .....</b>	<b>1,575,952</b>	<b>35,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>27,132</b>	<b>1,603,084</b>
<b>Waste Isolation Pilot Plant</b>					
Waste Isolation Pilot Plant .....	369,961	0	0	0	369,961
<b>Construction:</b>					
15-D-411 Safety Significant Confinement Ventilation System, WIPP .....	44,365	0	0	0	44,365
15-D-412 Utility Shaft, WIPP .....	50,000	0	0	0	50,000
<b>Total, Construction .....</b>	<b>94,365</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>94,365</b>
<b>Total, Waste Isolation Pilot Plant .....</b>	<b>464,326</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>464,326</b>

Program direction—Defense Environmental Cleanup .....	326,893	0	0	0	326,893
Program support—Defense Environmental Cleanup .....	103,504	0	0	-20,956	82,548
Program decrease .....				[-20,956]	
Safeguards and Security—Defense Environmental Cleanup .....	332,645	0	0	0	332,645
Technology development and deployment .....	30,000	0	0	0	30,000
<b>Subtotal, Defense Environmental Cleanup .....</b>	<b>7,073,587</b>	<b>35,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-29,824</b>	<b>7,043,763</b>
<b>TOTAL, Defense Environmental Cleanup .....</b>	<b>7,073,587</b>	<b>35,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-29,824</b>	<b>7,043,763</b>
<b>Defense Uranium Enrichment D&amp;D .....</b>	<b>427,000</b>	<b>-427,000</b>	<b>-427,000</b>	<b>-427,000</b>	<b>0</b>
Program reduction .....				[-427,000]	
Program decrease .....				[-427,000]	
<b>Other Defense Activities</b>					
<b>Environment, health, safety and security</b>					
Environment, health, safety and security mission support .....	144,705	0	0	0	144,705
Program direction .....	86,558	0	0	0	86,558
<b>Total, Environment, health, safety and security .....</b>	<b>231,263</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>231,263</b>
<b>Office of Enterprise Assessments</b>					
Enterprise assessments .....	30,022	0	0	0	30,022
Program direction .....	64,132	0	0	0	64,132
<b>Total, Office of Enterprise Assessments .....</b>	<b>94,154</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>94,154</b>
Specialized security activities .....	345,330	0	0	0	345,330
<b>Legacy Management</b>					
Legacy Management Activities—Defense .....	173,681	0	0	0	173,681
Program Direction .....	22,621	0	0	0	22,621
<b>Total, Legacy Management .....</b>	<b>196,302</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>196,302</b>
Defense-Related Administrative Support .....	203,649	0	0	0	203,649

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Office of Hearings and Appeals .....	4,499	0	0	0	4,499	
<b>Subtotal, Other Defense Activities .....</b>	<b>1,075,197</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,075,197</b>	
Use of prior year balances .....	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Total, Other Defense Activities .....</b>	<b>1,075,197</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,075,197</b>	

# **DIVISION E—OTHER MATTERS**

## **TITLE L—VETERANS AFFAIRS MATTERS**

*Sec. 5001 - Adjustment of threshold amount for minor medical facility projects of Department of Veterans Affairs*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6077) that would amend the threshold amount for minor medical facility projects of the Department of Veterans Affairs to \$30.0 million.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 5002 - Grave markers at Santa Fe National Cemetery, New Mexico*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6072) that would repeal section 612 of the Veterans Millennium Health Care and Benefits Act (Public Law 106-117) and require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on the cost to replace the flat grave markers that were provided under such section at the Santa Fe National Cemetery, New Mexico, with upright grave markers.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Bill, to submit to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the cost of replacing flat grave markers at the Santa Fe National Cemetery, New Mexico, with upright grave markers.

*Sec. 5003 - Improving processing by Department of Veterans Affairs of disability claims for post-traumatic stress disorder through improved training*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1090B) that would require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, acting through the Under Secretary for Benefits to establish a formal process to analyze the training needs of employees of the Department who review claims for disability compensation for service-connected post-traumatic stress disorder, based on identified processing error trends, on an annual basis.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes.

## **TITLE LI—JUDICIARY MATTERS**

### *Sec. 5101 - Prohibition of demand for bribe*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1090H) that would amend section 201 of title 18, United States Code, to make it unlawful for any foreign official or person selected to be a foreign official to corruptly demand, seek, receive, accept, or agree to receive or accept a bribe in return for being influenced in the performance of an official act, being induced to do any act in violation of an official duty, or conferring an improper advantage to any person.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would improve legibility, close potential loopholes, and align with other laws.

### *Sec. 5102 - Preventing child sex abuse*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6082) that would amend sections 2423 and 2427 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify that the prohibition on child sexual abuse does not require interpersonal, physical contact.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

### *Sec. 5103 - Recognition as corporation and grant of Federal charter for National American Indian Veterans, Incorporated*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6084) that would amend Part B of subtitle II of title 36, United States Code, to grant a federal charter to The National American Indian Veterans, Incorporated, a nonprofit corporation.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

### *Sec. 5104 - Visa availability for government employee immigrant visa program*

The Senate amendment contained provisions (sec. 6091, 6092, and 6093) that would require that visas be made available to certain special immigrants who are United States Government employees, or former employees, if a visa is not immediately available under another provision of law.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a clarifying amendment.

## **TITLE LII—OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY MATTERS**

*Sec. 5201 - Establishment of higher rates of regularly scheduled overtime pay for United States Border Patrol agents classified at GS-12*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 11133) that would establish higher rates of regularly scheduled overtime pay for United States Border Patrol Agents Classified at GS-12.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

## **TITLE LIII—FEDERAL DATA AND INFORMATION SECURITY**

*Secs. 5301 - 5302 - Federal Data Center Enhancement Act of 2023*

The Senate amendment contained provisions (secs. 11001 and 11002) that would establish new requirements for federal data centers.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses.

## **TITLE LIV—FOREIGN AFFAIRS MATTERS**

### **SUBTITLE A—COMBATING GLOBAL CORRUPTION**

*Secs. 5401 - 5406 - Combating Global Corruption Act*

The Senate amendment contained provision (secs. 1399AAA through 1399FFF) that included the Combating Global Corruption Act.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

### **SUBTITLE B—OTHER MATTERS**

*Sec. 5411 - Global cooperative framework to end human rights abuses in sourcing critical minerals*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1090J) that would require the Secretary of State to convene a meeting of foreign leaders to establish a multilateral framework to end human rights abuses, including the exploitation of forced labor and child labor, related to the mining and sourcing of critical minerals.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

*Sec. 5412 - Connecting Oceania's Nations with Vanguard Exercises and National Empowerment*

The Senate amendment contained provisions (secs. 1101-1103) that included the Connecting Oceania's Nations with Vanguard Exercises and National Empowerment (CONVENE) Act of 2023.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 5413 - Ending China's developing national status*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1399L) that included the Ending China's Developing Nation Status Act.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

*Sec. 5414 - Permitting for international bridges*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 6711) that would amend the International Bridge Act of 1972 (33 U.S.C. 535 3 et seq.).

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with amendment.

## **TITLE LV—EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE MATTERS**

*Sec. 5501 - Amendments to the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 3142) that includes the Beryllium Testing Fairness Act.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

## **TITLE LVI—TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE MATTERS**

*Sec. 5601 - Extension of prohibition on provision of airport improvement grant funds to certain entities that have violated intellectual property rights of United States entities*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1090D) that would prohibit the use of airport improvement grant funds to contract for the procurement of infrastructure or equipment for a passenger boarding bridge at an airport with certain entities with ties to the People's Republic of China or that have misappropriated U.S. intellectual property.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with an amendment that would extend the sunset date on a similar prohibition included in section 10003 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283).

*Sec. 5602 - Nogales wastewater improvement*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1083) that would provide the International Boundary and Water Commission the full ownership and control of the International Outfall Interceptor in Nogales, Arizona.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

*Sec. 5603 - International Port Security Enforcement Act*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1399N) that would make modifications to the authority of the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating to recognize assessments conducted by foreign governments of antiterrorism measures at certain port facilities.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recedes with a technical amendment.

## **TITLE LVII—ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL APPOINTMENT ACT OF 2023**

*Secs. 5701 - 5704 - Architect of the Capitol Appointment Act of 2023*

The Senate amendment contained provisions (secs. 10001-10004) that would establish a congressional commission for the appointment and removal of the Architect of the Capitol.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses.

## **TITLE LVIII—FINANCIAL SERVICES MATTERS**

*Sec. 5801 - Assessment of gifts and grants to United States institutions of higher education from entities on the Non-SDN Chinese Military-Industrial Complex Companies List*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 1369) that would require the Secretary of the Treasury, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, to submit to the appropriate congressional committees an assessment of gifts and grants to United States institutions of higher education from entities on the Non-SDN Chinese Military-Industrial Complex Companies List maintained by the Office of Foreign Assets Control.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The House recesses with a clarifying amendment.

## **LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS NOT ADOPTED**

*Fend Off Fentanyl Act*

The Senate amendment contained title LXVIII that included the Fentanyl Eradication and Narcotics Deterrence Off Fentanyl Act.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2023*

The Senate amendment contained division J that included the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2023.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

*Fort Belknap Indian Community Water Rights Settlement Act of 2023*

The Senate amendment contained division K that included the Fort Belknap Indian Community Water Rights Settlement Act of 2023.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

#### *Stemming the Flow of Illicit Narcotics*

The Senate amendment contained provisions (secs. 11101 through 11132 and 11134-11142) that would include the Enhancing DHS Drug Seizures Act.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

#### *Improving lobbying disclosure requirements*

The Senate amendment contained provisions (sec. 11201, 11202, 11211, and 11212) that would amend the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-65) to improve lobbying disclosure requirements.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

#### *Government-wide study*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 11301) that would require the Administrator of General Services to carry out a Government-wide study examining options to assist agencies to produce a security assessment process for high-security leased adjacent space before entering into a lease or novation agreement with a covered entity for the purposes of accommodating a Federal tenant located in a high-security leased space.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

#### *Intergovernmental Critical Minerals Task Force Act*

The Senate amendment contained provisions (secs. 11311 through 11313) that would include the Intergovernmental Critical Minerals Task Force Act.

The House bill contained no similar provision.  
The Senate recesses.

#### *CTPAT Pilot Program Act of 2023*

The Senate amendment contained provisions (sec. 11321-11325), referred to as the Customs Trade Partnership Against Terrorism Pilot Program Act of 2023, that would allow the Secretary of Homeland Security to carry out a pilot program to assess whether eligible entities would enhance port security, combat terrorism, or prevent supply chain security breaches, as well as report on the effectiveness of this pilot program.

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

#### *Military Spouse Employment Act*

The Senate amendment contained provisions (secs. 11331-11333) that would establish a "Military Spouse Employment Act."

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

#### *Designation of additional port of entry for the importation and exportation of wildlife and wildlife products by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service*

The Senate amendment contained a provision (sec. 11341) that would require the Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to select an additional port as a "port of entry designated for the importation and exportation of wildlife and wildlife products."

The House bill contained no similar provision.

The Senate recesses.

## **DIVISION F—DEPARTMENT OF STATE AUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2023**

*Secs. 6001 - 6710 - Department of State Authorization Act of 2023*

The Senate amendment contained Division F that included the Department of State Authorization Act of 2023.

The House bill contained no similar division or provision.

The House recesses with technical, clarifying and other amendments.

# **DIVISION G—INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024**

*Secs. 7001 - 7902 - Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024*

The Senate amendment contained Division M that included the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024.

The Senate amendment also contained a provision (sec. 1624) that would require the Director of National Intelligence to submit an assessment after the Director of National Intelligence assesses that Iran has produced or possesses any amount of uranium-235 enriched to greater than 60 percent purity or has engaged in significant enrichment activity.

The House bill contained no similar division or provision.

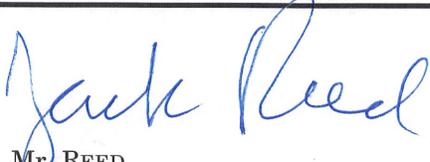
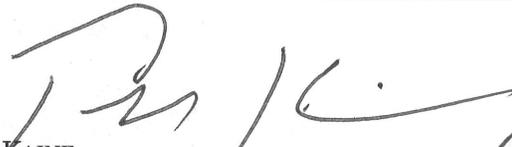
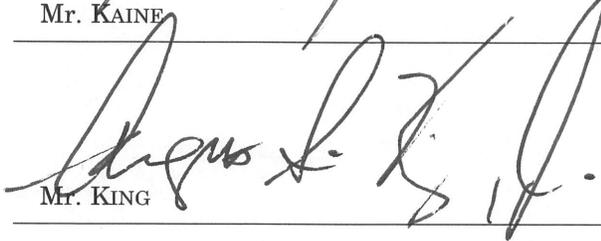
The House recesses with an amendment that contains the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024, including an extension of title VII of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (Public Law 95-511), as amended through April 10, 2024, and a provision requiring the Director of National Intelligence to submit an assessment after the Director of National Intelligence assesses that Iran has produced or possesses any amount of uranium-235 enriched to greater than 60 percent purity or has engaged in significant enrichment activity.

**COMPLIANCE WITH HOUSE RULE XXI**  
(Community Project Funding Items)

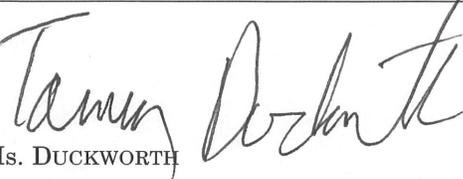
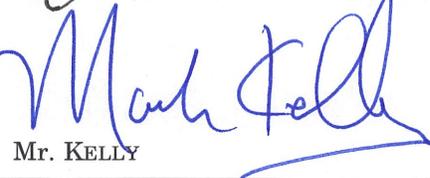
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4601	Army	Vehicle Paint Shop (P&D)	Anniston Army Depot, AL	2,900	Rogers, Mike (AL)
4601	Army	Access Control Point (P&D)	Anniston Army Depot, AL	5,500	Rogers, Mike (AL)
4601	Army	Component Rebuild Shop (P&D)	Anniston Army Depot, AL	8,100	Rogers, Mike (AL)
4601	Army	Air Traffic Control Tower (P&D)	Wheeler Army Airfield, HI	5,400	Case, Ed (HI)
4601	Army	Child Development Center	Fort Liberty, NC	36,000	Hudson, Richard (NC)
4601	Army	Aircraft Maintenance Hangar	Fort Liberty, NC	61,000	Hudson, Richard (NC)
4601	Army	Collective Training Barracks (P&D)	Fort Bliss, TX	8,000	Escobar, Veronica (TX)
4601	Army	Barracks (P&D)	Fort Cavazos, TX	20,000	Carter, John R. (TX)
4601	Navy	Fire/Emergency Response Station (53 Area) Replacement (P&D)	Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, CA	2,683	Levin, Mike (CA)
4601	Navy	Advanced Helicopter Training System Hangar	Naval Air Station Whiting Field, FL	50,000	Gaetz, Matt (FL)
4601	Navy	Water Reclamation Facility Compliance Upgrade	Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay, HI	160,305	Tokuda, Jill N. (HI)
4601	Air Force	LRSO Hardware Software Development & Test Facility	Eglin Air Force Base, FL	15,500	Waltz, Michael (FL)
4601	Air Force	Acquisition Management Complex Phase V (P&D)	Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, OH	19,500	Turner, Michael R. (OH)
4601	Air Force	F-35 Aircraft Oxygen Shop (P&D)	Tinker Air Force Base, OK	5,800	Bice, Stephanie I. (OK); Cole, Tom (OK)
4601	Army National Guard	Wedge Infantry Squad Battle Course (P&D)	Camp Blanding, FL	840	Waltz, Michael (FL)
4601	Army National Guard	Training Aids Center (P&D)	Camp Blanding, FL	1,200	Waltz, Michael (FL)
4601	Army National Guard	Multipurpose Machine Gun Range	Camp Blanding, FL	11,000	Waltz, Michael (FL)
4601	Army National Guard	National Guard Readiness Center Addition/Alteration	Lexington Avenue Armory, NY	70,000	Nadler, Jerrold (NY)

4601	Army National Guard	National Guard Readiness Center (P&D)	Shawnee Readiness Center, OK	1,800	Bice, Stephanie I. (OK)
4601	Army National Guard	Automated Multipurpose Machine Gun Range (P&D)	Fort Indiantown Gap, PA	1,550	Meuser, Daniel (PA)
4601	Army National Guard	General Purpose Instruction Building (P&D)	Fort Cavazos, TX	2,685	Carter, John R. (TX)
4601	Air National Guard	F-35 Munitions Storage Area Admin (P&D)	Jacksonville International Airport, FL	600	Waltz, Michael (FL)
4601	Army Reserve	Network Enterprise Center	Fort Hunter Liggett, CA	40,000	Lofgren, Zoe (CA)
4601	Air Force Reserve	Security Forces Facility	Dobbins Air Reserve Base, GA	22,000	Loudermilk, Barry (GA)
4601	Air Force Reserve	307 BW Medical Facility Addition	Barksdale Air Force Base, LA	7,000	Johnson, Mike (LA)

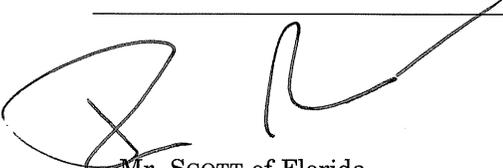
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 Mrs. SHAHEEN	
 Mrs. GILLIBRAND	
 Mr. BLUMENTHAL	
 Ms. HIRONO	
 Mr. KAINE	
 Mr. KING	
 Ms. WARREN	

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 Mr. PETERS	
 Mr. MANCHIN	
 Ms. DUCKWORTH	
 Ms. ROSEN	
 Mr. KELLY	
 Mr. WICKER	
 Mrs. FISCHER	
 Mr. COTTON	

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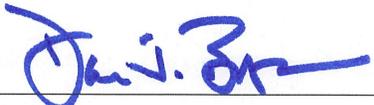
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 Mr. ROUNDS	
 Ms. ERNST 	
 Mr. CRAMER	
 Mr. SCOTT of Florida	
	
 Mr. MULLIN	
 Mr. BUDD	



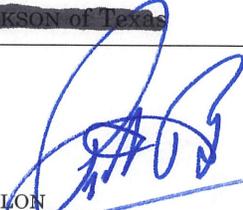
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	From the Committee on Armed Services, for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:
	 Mr. ROGERS of Alabama
	 Mr. WILSON of South Carolina
	 Mr. LAMBORN
	 Mr. WITTMAN
	 Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia
	 Ms. STEFANIK
	 Mr. DESJARLAIS

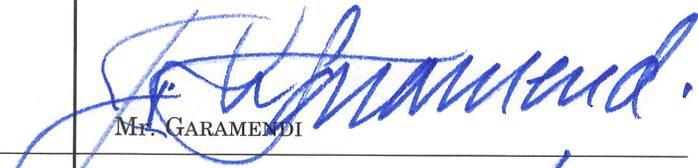
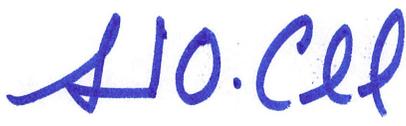
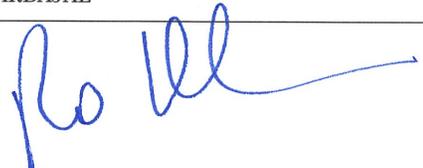
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	<del>Mr. GARDNER</del>
	Mr. BACON 
	Mr. BANKS 
	Mr. BERGMAN 
	<del>Mr. WATSON</del>
	<del>Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana</del>

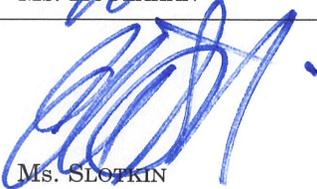
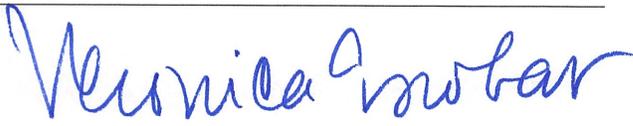
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	 Mrs. McCLAIN
	<del>Mr. JACKSON of Texas</del>
	 Mr. FALLON
	 Mr. GIMENEZ
	 Ms. MACE
	<del>Mr. CRIPPER of Georgia</del>
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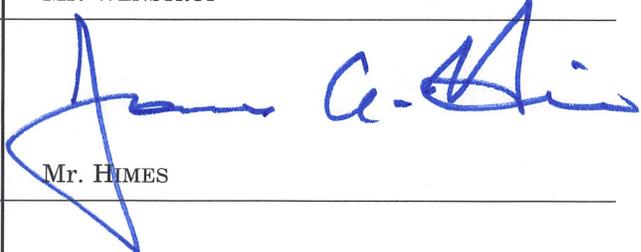
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	 Mr. SMITH of Washington
	 Mr. COURTNEY
	 Mr. GARAMENDI
	 Mr. NORCROSS
	 Mr. GALLEGO
	 Mr. MOULTON
	 Mr. CARBAJAL
	 Mr. KHANNA

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	 Mr. KEATING
	 Mr. KIM of New Jersey
	 Ms. HOLLAHAN
	 Ms. SLOTKIN
	 Ms. SHERRILL
	 Ms. ESCOBAR

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<i>Managers on the part of the SENATE</i>	<i>Managers on the part of the HOUSE</i>
	From the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, for consideration of matters within the jurisdiction of that committee under clause 11 of rule X:
	 Mr. TURNER
	 Mr. WENSTRUP
	 Mr. HIMES

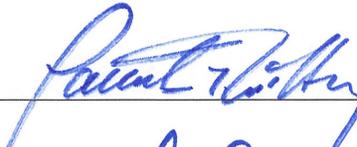
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<i>Managers on the part of the SENATE</i>	<i>Managers on the part of the HOUSE</i>
	From the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for consideration of secs. 636, 651-55, 658-61, 1041, and 1042 of the House bill and secs. 303, 563, 592, 593, 1079, 1090K, 1099JJ, 1726, and 3142 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference:
	 Ms. FOXX
	 Mr. OWENS
	 Mr. SCOTT of Virginia

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	From the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for consideration of secs. 224, 749, and 3121 of the House bill, and secs. 314, 712 of division A, 1087, 1088, 1090A, 1090G, 1099II, 3122-24, 3143, 3144, 6074, 8141, and sec. 11009 of division J of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference:
	 Mr. CARTER of Georgia
	<del>Mr. DAWSON</del>
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	From the Committee on Financial Services, for consideration of subtitle J of Title X of Division A, secs. 1085 and 1086, title LXVIII of Division E, Division I, and Division J of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:
	Mr. MCHENRY 
	Mr. LUETKEMEYER 
	<del>Mr. WATERS</del>

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<i>Managers on the part of the SENATE</i>	<i>Managers on the part of the HOUSE</i>
	From the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for consideration of secs. 217, 1009, 1080K, 1210, 1211, 1213, 1214, 1216, 1220, 1220A, 1220C, 1220G, 1220K, 1220L, 1221-24, 1234, 1245, 1250, 1310L, 1505, and 1883 of the House bill, and secs. 212, 1085, 1302, 1397, 1399B, 1399D, 1399E, 1399F, 1399I, 1399J, 1399K, 1399L, subtitles H-K of title XIII of division A, secs. 1634, 6031, 6242, 6293, division F, and secs. 11104 and 11105 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference:
	 Mr. McCAUL
	 Mr. McCORMICK
	 Mr. MEEKS

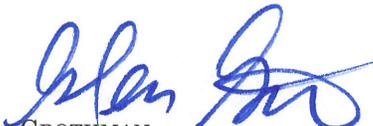
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	<p>From the Committee on the Judiciary, for consideration of secs. 542, 822, 1049, 1689, and 3116 of the House bill, and secs. 1041, 1090H, subtitles I and K of title X of division A, subtitle I of title XIII of division A, secs. 6031, 6075, 6082, 6084, subtitle H of title LX of division E, secs. 6813, 6816, 6821, 6831 of division E, secs. 9007, 9011, 9012, 9014, and title LXXI of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference:</p>
	<p>Mr. ISSA </p>
	<p><del>Ms. Issa of Florida</del></p>
	<p><del>Mr. NADLER</del></p>

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	From the Committee on Natural Resources, for consideration of secs. 261, 510, 1853, 1865, 2843, 2844, 2847, and 3515 of the House bill, and secs. 312, 1041, 1090G, 2805, 6711, 11002 of division J, division K, and sec. 11341 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference:
	 Mr. CARL
	<del>Mr. HERRIN</del>
	<del>Mr. GUDALVA</del>

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	<p>From the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, for consideration of secs. 364, 834, 891, 899C, 921, 922, 1047, 1101-10, 1116-18, 1122, 1221, 1222, 1521, 1523, 1805, and 1880 of the House bill, and secs. 537, 867, subtitle H of title X of division A, secs. 1201-03, 1206-09, 1211-13, 1215, 1512, 11133, 6101, 6202, 6203, 6607, sec. 6831 of division E, 8141, 9005, 11331-33, and secs. 601, 603, 605, 703, 704, 715-18, 802, and 1001 of division M, and secs. 11001 and 11002 of division L of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference:</p>
	 Mr. GROTHMAN
	
	

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	From the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, for consideration of secs. 886, 1608, 1875, and 1879 of the House bill, and secs. 308, 845, 1090E, 1090G, 3144, 5204, and title X of division M of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:
	<del>Mr. MIKE GARCIA of California</del>
	Mr. COLLINS 
	<del>Ms. LOREN</del>

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	From the Committee on Small Business, for consideration of secs. 223, 853, 881, 882, 884, and 886 of the House bill, and secs. 141, 823, 831, 841-45, 849-52, and 5841 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:
	 Mr. MOLINARO
	 Mr. ALFORD
	<del>Ms. VELAZQUEZ</del>

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<i>Managers on the part of the SENATE</i>	<i>Managers on the part of the HOUSE</i>
	From the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for consideration of secs. 315, 707, 723, 866, 1602, 1608, 1804, 1854, 3501, 3511-13, 3515, 3531, and 3533 of the House bill, and secs. 314, 1083, 1090D, 1399N, 1606, 1644, 2814, title XXXV of division C, secs. 6079, 6226, 8141, and division H of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:
	 Mr. GRAVES of Missouri
	 Mr. WEBSTER of Florida
	 Mr. LARSEN of Washington

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	From the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for consideration of secs. 571, 572, 579, 1118, 1413, 1733, and 1885 of the House bill, and secs. 1084, 1090B, 1521, 1833, 1852, 6071, 6077, and 11020 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:
	 Mr. BOST
	 Mr. LUTTRELL
	