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[Report No. 119–231]

To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2026 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 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.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 9, 2025

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama (for himself and Mr. SMITH of Washington) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

AUGUST 19, 2025

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on June 9, 2025]

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
 2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*This Act may be cited as the*
 5 *“Streamlining Procurement for Effective Execution and*
 6 *Delivery and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal*
 7 *Year 2026”.*

8 (b) *REFERENCE.*—*Any reference in this or any other*
 9 *Act to the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal*
 10 *Year 2026” shall be deemed to be a reference to the “Stream-*
 11 *lining Procurement for Effective Execution and Delivery*
 12 *and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
 13 *2026”.*

14 **SEC. 2. ORGANIZATION OF ACT INTO DIVISIONS; TABLE OF**
 15 **CONTENTS.**

16 (a) *DIVISIONS.*—*This Act is organized into four divi-*
 17 *sions as follows:*

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 19 *izations.*

20 (2) *Division B—Military Construction Author-*
 21 *izations.*

22 (3) *Division C—Department of Energy National*
 23 *Security Authorizations and Other Authorizations.*

24 (4) *Division D—Funding Tables.*

1 *(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for*
 2 *this Act is 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 101(a)(16)*
4 *of title 10, United States Code.*

5 ***DIVISION A—DEPARTMENT OF***
6 ***DEFENSE AUTHORIZATIONS***

7 ***TITLE I—PROCUREMENT***

8 ***Subtitle A—Authorization of***
9 ***Appropriations***

10 ***SEC. 101. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.***

11 *Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fis-*
12 *cal year 2026 for procurement for the Army, the Navy and*
13 *the Marine Corps, the Air Force and the Space Force, and*
14 *Defense-wide activities, as specified in the funding table in*
15 *section 4101.*

1 ***Subtitle B—Army Programs***

2 ***SEC. 111. MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY FOR UH-***
3 ***60 BLACKHAWK AIRCRAFT.***

4 *(a) AUTHORITY FOR MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT.—*
5 *Subject to section 3501 of title 10, United States Code, the*
6 *Secretary of the Army may enter into one or more*
7 *multiyear contracts, beginning with the fiscal year 2027*
8 *program year, for the procurement of UH–60 Blackhawk*
9 *aircraft.*

10 *(b) CONDITION FOR OUT-YEAR CONTRACT PAY-*
11 *MENTS.—A contract entered into under subsection (a) shall*
12 *provide that any obligation of the United States to make*
13 *a payment under the contract for a fiscal year after fiscal*
14 *year 2027 is subject to the availability of appropriations*
15 *or funds for that purpose for such later fiscal year.*

16 *(c) AUTHORITY FOR ADVANCE PROCUREMENT.—The*
17 *Secretary of the Army may enter into one or more con-*
18 *tracts, beginning in fiscal year 2026, for advance procure-*
19 *ment associated with the aircraft for which authorization*
20 *to enter into a multiyear procurement contract is provided*
21 *under subsection (a), which may include procurement of*
22 *economic order quantities of material and equipment for*
23 *such aircraft when cost savings are achievable.*

1 **SEC. 112. AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE EARLY PRODUC-**
2 **TION OF FUTURE LONG-RANGE ASSAULT AIR-**
3 **CRAFT.**

4 (a) *AUTHORIZATION.*—*The Secretary of the Army may*
5 *enter into contracts, in advance of full-rate production, for*
6 *the procurement of future long-range assault aircraft as*
7 *part of an accelerated low-rate early production effort.*

8 (b) *OBJECTIVES.*—*In carrying out the early produc-*
9 *tion effort described in subsection (a), the Secretary of the*
10 *Army shall pursue the following objectives:*

11 (1) *To expedite delivery of future long-range as-*
12 *sault aircraft operational capability to the warfighter.*

13 (2) *To maintain momentum and learning con-*
14 *tinuity between test article completion and full pro-*
15 *duction ramp-up.*

16 (3) *To stabilize and retain the specialized work-*
17 *force and industrial base supporting future long-*
18 *range assault aircraft, including critical suppliers*
19 *and production facilities in Texas, Kansas, and other*
20 *States.*

21 (4) *To mitigate cost escalation risks and improve*
22 *program affordability across the life cycle.*

23 (c) *CONSIDERATIONS.*—*In executing the authority pro-*
24 *vided by subsection (a), the Secretary shall—*

1 (1) *prioritize program continuity, cost-efficiency,*
2 *and workforce retention across the supply chain for*
3 *tiltrotor aircraft;*

4 (2) *ensure that aircraft procured as part of the*
5 *early production effort described in subsection (a) in-*
6 *corporate lessons learned from test article evaluations;*
7 *and*

8 (3) *maintain flexibility in design to accommo-*
9 *date future upgrades through the modular open sys-*
10 *tems architecture and digital backbone.*

11 (d) *BRIEFING TO CONGRESS.*—*Not later than 180 days*
12 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary*
13 *of the Army shall provide to the congressional defense com-*
14 *mittees a briefing detailing—*

15 (1) *the implementation plan and timeline for the*
16 *procurement and early production effort described in*
17 *subsection (a);*

18 (2) *the status of industrial base readiness and*
19 *supply chain coordination; and*

20 (3) *estimated long-term cost savings and oper-*
21 *ational benefits derived from such early production ef-*
22 *fort.*

1 **SEC. 113. LIMITATION ON REDUCTIONS TO ARMY**
2 **PREPOSITIONED STOCKS—AFLOAT PROGRAM**
3 **SEALIFT CAPABILITY.**

4 (a) *LIMITATION.*—*The Secretary of the Army may not*
5 *reduce, withdraw, or otherwise degrade the sealift capability*
6 *of the Army Prepositioned Stocks—Afloat program (re-*
7 *ferred to in this section as “APS–3”) until the date on*
8 *which the Secretary submits to the Committees on Armed*
9 *Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a*
10 *report that includes—*

11 (1) *a comprehensive plan for the Army*
12 *Prepositioned Stocks program through fiscal year*
13 *2030, addressing modernization, sustainment, and ca-*
14 *capacity objectives for all subprograms and capabilities,*
15 *including APS–3;*

16 (2) *estimated costs, schedule projections, and risk*
17 *assessments for executing the plan under paragraph*
18 *(1);*

19 (3) *a detailed description of any alternative so-*
20 *lution or capability that the Army envisions would*
21 *succeed or supplement APS–3, including operational*
22 *employment concepts, an acquisition strategy, and a*
23 *strategy for integration with joint and coalition logis-*
24 *tics forces;*

1 (4) *an assessment of the risks, costs, and benefits*
 2 *associated with a potential deactivation or reduction*
 3 *in APS–3 capabilities; and*

4 (5) *any legislative or regulatory authorities re-*
 5 *quired to implement—*

6 (A) *the plan under paragraph (1); and*

7 (B) *any alternative solution or capability*
 8 *identified under paragraph (3).*

9 (b) *DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “sealift ca-*
 10 *pability” means the vessels, associated equipment, and any*
 11 *port-of-embarkation and port-of-debarkation infrastructure*
 12 *dedicated to APS–3.*

13 ***Subtitle C—Navy Programs***

14 ***SEC. 121. CONTRACT AUTHORITY FOR FORD CLASS AIR-*** 15 ***CRAFT CARRIER PROGRAM.***

16 (a) *CONTRACT AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of the*
 17 *Navy may enter into one or more contracts for the procure-*
 18 *ment of not more than two Ford class aircraft carriers.*

19 (b) *AUTHORITY FOR ADVANCE PROCUREMENT AND*
 20 *ECONOMIC ORDER QUANTITY.—The Secretary of the Navy*
 21 *may enter into one or more contracts for advance procure-*
 22 *ment, advance construction, and material and equipment*
 23 *in economic order quantities associated with the procure-*
 24 *ment of the Ford class aircraft carriers for which contracts*
 25 *are authorized under subsection (a).*

1 (c) *USE OF INCREMENTAL FUNDING.*—*With respect to*
 2 *a contract entered into under subsection (a) or (b), the Sec-*
 3 *retary of the Navy may use incremental funding to make*
 4 *payments under the contract.*

5 (d) *LIABILITY.*—*Any contract entered into under sub-*
 6 *section (a) or (b) shall provide that—*

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

10 (2) *the total liability of the Federal Government*
 11 *for termination of any contract entered into shall be*
 12 *limited to the total amount of funding obligated to the*
 13 *contract at time of termination.*

14 **SEC. 122. CONTRACT AUTHORITY FOR COLUMBIA CLASS**
 15 **SUBMARINE PROGRAM.**

16 (a) *CONTRACT AUTHORITY.*—*The Secretary of the*
 17 *Navy may enter into a contract, beginning with fiscal year*
 18 *2026, for the procurement of up to five Columbia class sub-*
 19 *marines.*

20 (b) *INCREMENTAL FUNDING.*—*With respect to a con-*
 21 *tract entered into under subsection (a), the Secretary of the*
 22 *Navy may use incremental funding to make payments*
 23 *under the contract.*

24 (c) *FUNDING AND LIABILITY.*—*Any contract entered*
 25 *into under subsection (a) shall provide that—*

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

4 (2) *the total liability of the Federal Government*
 5 *for termination of any contract entered into shall be*
 6 *limited to the total amount of funding obligated to the*
 7 *contract at time of termination.*

8 **SEC. 123. AUTHORITY FOR ADVANCE PROCUREMENT OF**
 9 **CERTAIN COMPONENTS TO SUPPORT CON-**
 10 **TINUOUS PRODUCTION OF VIRGINIA CLASS**
 11 **SUBMARINES.**

12 (a) *IN GENERAL.*— *The Secretary of the Navy may*
 13 *enter into one or more contracts, prior to ship authoriza-*
 14 *tion, for the advance procurement of covered components*
 15 *for Virginia class submarines, including procurement of*
 16 *such components in economic order quantities when cost*
 17 *savings are achievable.*

18 (b) *FUNDING AND LIABILITY.*—*Any contract entered*
 19 *into under subsection (a) shall provide that—*

20 (1) *any obligation of the United States to make*
 21 *a payment under the contract is subject to the avail-*
 22 *ability of appropriations for that purpose; and*

23 (2) *the total liability to the Federal Government*
 24 *for termination of the contract shall be limited to the*

1 *total amount of funding obligated for the contract at*
2 *the time of termination.*

3 (c) *BUDGET REQUESTS.—In the budget justification*
4 *materials submitted in support of the budget of the Depart-*
5 *ment of Defense (as submitted with the budget of the Presi-*
6 *dent under section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code)*
7 *for fiscal year 2027 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Sec-*
8 *retary of the Navy shall include a separate budget display*
9 *identifying the amounts requested pursuant to this section*
10 *set forth by the specific program, project, or activity under*
11 *the Virginia class submarine program for which such funds*
12 *are requested.*

13 (d) *COVERED COMPONENTS DEFINED.—In this sec-*
14 *tion, the term “covered components” means the following*
15 *components for Virginia class submarines:*

- 16 (1) *Propulsion plant equipment.*
17 (2) *Diesel Systems and associated components.*
18 (3) *Castings, forgings, and tank structures.*
19 (4) *Air flasks.*
20 (5) *Payload tubes.*
21 (6) *Major Valves And Associated Components.*
22 (7) *Hatches.*
23 (8) *Steering and drive components.*
24 (9) *Major Pumps And Motors.*
25 (10) *Snorkel mast and components.*

1 (11) *Torpedo tubes.*

2 (12) *Atmosphere control equipment.*

3 **SEC. 124. AUTHORITY TO USE INCREMENTAL FUNDING TO**
4 **ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE CON-**
5 **STRUCTION OF A GUIDED MISSILE DE-**
6 **STROYER (DDG).**

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 2026*
10 *may be used by the Secretary of the Navy to enter into an*
11 *incrementally funded contract for the construction of one*
12 *Guided Missile Destroyer (DDG).*

13 (b) *AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.*—A contract entered into
14 *under subsection (a) shall provide that any obligation of*
15 *the United States to make a payment under the contract*
16 *is subject to the availability of appropriations for that pur-*
17 *pose, and that total liability to the Government for the ter-*
18 *mination of the contract shall be limited to the total amount*
19 *of funding obligated at time of termination.*

20 **SEC. 125. MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY FOR**
21 **YARD, REPAIR, BERTHING, AND MESSING**
22 **BARGES.**

23 (a) *AUTHORITY FOR MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT.*—
24 *Subject to section 3501 of title 10, United States Code, the*
25 *Secretary of the Navy may enter into one or more multiyear*

1 *contracts, beginning with the fiscal year 2026 program*
2 *year, for the procurement of Yard, Repair, Berthing, and*
3 *Messing Barges and associated material.*

4 *(b) AUTHORITY FOR ADVANCE PROCUREMENT.—The*
5 *Secretary of the Navy may enter into one or more contracts,*
6 *beginning in fiscal year 2026, for advance procurement as-*
7 *sociated with the barges for which authorization to enter*
8 *into a multiyear procurement contract is provided under*
9 *subsection (a), which may include procurement of economic*
10 *order quantities of material and equipment for such barges*
11 *when cost savings are achievable.*

12 *(b) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS AND TERMINATION LI-*
13 *ABILITY.—Any contract entered into under subsection (a)*
14 *shall provide that—*

15 *(1) any obligation of the United States to make*
16 *a payment under the contract is subject to the avail-*
17 *ability of appropriations for that purpose; and*

18 *(2) the total liability of the Federal Government*
19 *for termination of the contract shall be limited to the*
20 *total amount of funding obligated to the contract at*
21 *the time of termination.*

1 **SEC. 126. VESSEL CONSTRUCTION MANAGER FOR FOLLOW-**
 2 **ON SHIPS OF THE LANDING SHIP MEDIUM**
 3 **PROGRAM.**

4 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—After the construction of the lead
 5 ship of the Landing Ship Medium program has commenced,
 6 the Secretary of the Navy shall seek to enter into an agree-
 7 ment with an appropriate vessel construction manager pur-
 8 suant to which the vessel construction manager shall seek
 9 to enter into one or more contracts for the construction of
 10 not more than 8 additional landing ships under the pro-
 11 gram.

12 (b) *REQUIREMENTS FOR ADDITIONAL SHIPS.*—The ad-
 13 ditional landing ships authorized to be constructed under
 14 subsection (a), shall be nondevelopmental items constructed
 15 using a design that is—

- 16 (1) *the same as the design of the lead ship; or*
 17 (2) *derived from such design.*

18 (c) *LEAD SHIP DEFINED.*—In this section, the term
 19 “lead ship” means the first landing ship procured as a com-
 20 mercial or nondevelopmental item as authorized under sec-
 21 tion 128(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for
 22 Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159).

23 **SEC. 127. LIMITATION ON CONSTRUCTION OF MODULAR AT-**
 24 **TACK SURFACE CRAFT.**

25 *The Secretary of the Navy may not enter into a con-*
 26 *tract or other agreement that includes a scope of work, in-*

1 *cluding priced or unpriced options, for the construction, ad-*
 2 *vance procurement, or long-lead material of the lead ship*
 3 *of the Modular Attack Surface Craft program until the Sec-*
 4 *retary certifies to the congressional defense committees that*
 5 *such ship will be designed and constructed for the primary*
 6 *purpose of operating autonomously.*

7 **SEC. 128. INCLUSION OF AMPHIBIOUS WARFARE SHIP**
 8 **SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS AS A SEPARATE**
 9 **LINE ITEM IN NAVY BUDGET JUSTIFICATION**
 10 **MATERIALS.**

11 *(a) IN GENERAL.—In the budget justification mate-*
 12 *rials submitted to Congress in support of the Department*
 13 *of the Defense budget for fiscal year 2027 and each fiscal*
 14 *year thereafter (as submitted with the budget of the Presi-*
 15 *dent under section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code),*
 16 *the Secretary of the Navy shall include one or more dedi-*
 17 *cated line items for spare parts and repair parts for am-*
 18 *phibious warfare ships in the budget display for other pro-*
 19 *curement, Navy.*

20 *(b) AMPHIBIOUS WARFARE SHIP DEFINED.—In this*
 21 *section, the term “amphibious warfare ship” has the mean-*
 22 *ing given that term in section 8062(h) of title 10, United*
 23 *States Code.*

1 **SEC. 129. STRATEGY FOR NAVY INVESTMENT IN AND SUP-**
2 **PORT FOR THE MARITIME INDUSTRIAL BASE.**

3 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 180 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Navy
5 shall develop and implement a strategy for investing in and
6 supporting the maritime industrial base to address cost and
7 schedule challenges for surface and submarine shipbuilding
8 programs.

9 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—The strategy under subsection (a)
10 shall—

11 (1) *focus on ensuring reliable supplies of se-*
12 *quence critical components for submarine and surface*
13 *shipbuilding programs; and*

14 (2) *include measures—*

15 (A) *to identify key performance indicators*
16 *to measure return on investment;*

17 (B) *to centralize data collection to support*
18 *further analysis of maritime industrial base per-*
19 *formance; and*

20 (C) *to apply artificial intelligence to mon-*
21 *itor and predict potential supply chain chal-*
22 *lenges, including potential disruptions, material*
23 *shortages, delivery delays, and other such factors.*

24 (c) *REPORT.*—Following completion of the strategy re-
25 quired under subsection (a), but not later than 210 days
26 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary

1 *of the Navy shall submit to the congressional defense com-*
 2 *mittees a report on the strategy. The report shall include—*

3 *(1) a summary of the strategy;*

4 *(2) timelines for implementation of the strategy;*

5 *and*

6 *(3) an explanation of how the strategy is ex-*
 7 *pected to address cost and schedule challenges for sur-*
 8 *face and submarine shipbuilding programs.*

9 **SEC. 130. MODIFICATION TO REQUIREMENTS FOR RECAPI-**
 10 **TALIZATION OF TACTICAL FIGHTER AIR-**
 11 **CRAFT OF THE NAVY RESERVE.**

12 *Section 127 of the National Defense Authorization Act*
 13 *for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159) is amended by*
 14 *striking subsection (c) and inserting the following:*

15 *“(c) COVERED F–18 AIRCRAFT DEFINED.—In this sec-*
 16 *tion, the term ‘covered F–18 aircraft’ means—*

17 *“(1) the eight F/A–18E/F Super Hornet aircraft*
 18 *procured using funds authorized and appropriated for*
 19 *the Navy during fiscal year 2023; or*

20 *“(2) in lieu of an aircraft described in para-*
 21 *graph (1), any Block II or newer F/A–18E/F tactical*
 22 *fighter aircraft that—*

23 *“(A) has a minimum of 2,000 flight hours*
 24 *of service-life remaining airframe flight time*
 25 *prior to the need for a required high flight-hour*

1 *inspection and Service Life Modification process;*
 2 *and*

3 “(B) *is included in the Naval Aviation*
 4 *Master Aviation Plan and designated for the*
 5 *Navy Reserve.*

6 “(d) *MASTER AVIATION PLAN.—In conjunction with*
 7 *the activities required under this section, the Secretary of*
 8 *the Navy shall ensure that the Naval Aviation Master Avia-*
 9 *tion Plan remains up-to-date and relevant with respect to*
 10 *aviation units of the Navy Reserve.”.*

11 ***Subtitle D—Air Force Programs***

12 ***SEC. 141. MODIFICATION OF MINIMUM INVENTORY RE-*** 13 ***QUIREMENTS FOR AIR REFUELING TANKER*** 14 ***AIRCRAFT.***

15 (a) *MINIMUM INVENTORY REQUIREMENT.—Section*
 16 *9062(j) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—*

17 (1) *in paragraph (1), by striking “a total air-*
 18 *craft inventory of air refueling tanker aircraft of not*
 19 *less than 466 aircraft” and inserting “a total aircraft*
 20 *inventory of air refueling tanker aircraft—*

21 *“(A) of not less than 466 aircraft during*
 22 *the period ending on September 30, 2026;*

23 *“(B) of not less than 485 aircraft during*
 24 *the period beginning on October 1, 2026, and*
 25 *ending on September 30, 2027; and*

1 “(C) of not less than 504 aircraft beginning
2 on October 1, 2027.”; and

3 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “below 466”
4 and inserting “below the applicable level specified in
5 paragraph (1)”.

6 (b) *PROHIBITION ON REDUCTION OF KC-135 AIR-*
7 *CRAFT IN PMAI OF THE RESERVE COMPONENTS.—*

8 (1) *IN GENERAL.—None of the funds authorized*
9 *to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made*
10 *available for fiscal year 2026 for the Air Force may*
11 *be obligated or expended to reduce the number of KC-*
12 *135 aircraft designated as primary mission aircraft*
13 *inventory within the reserve components of the Air*
14 *Force.*

15 (2) *PRIMARY MISSION AIRCRAFT INVENTORY DE-*
16 *FINED.—In this subsection, the term “primary mis-*
17 *sion aircraft inventory” has the meaning given that*
18 *term in section 9062(i)(2)(B) of title 10, United*
19 *States Code.*

20 **SEC. 142. EXTENSION OF REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO C-**
21 **130 AIRCRAFT.**

22 (a) *EXTENSION OF MINIMUM INVENTORY REQUIRE-*
23 *MENT.—Section 146(a)(3)(B) of the James M. Inhofe Na-*
24 *tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Pub-*
25 *lic Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2455), as amended by section*

1 145(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal
 2 Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159), is amended by striking
 3 “2025” and inserting “2026”.

4 (b) *EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON REDUCTION OF C-*
 5 *130 AIRCRAFT ASSIGNED TO NATIONAL GUARD.*—Section
 6 146(b)(1) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Author-
 7 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136
 8 Stat. 2455), as amended by section 145(b) of the National
 9 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public
 10 Law 118–159), is amended by striking “2025” and insert-
 11 ing “2026”.

12 **SEC. 143. MODIFICATION TO MINIMUM INVENTORY RE-**
 13 **QUIREMENT FOR A–10 AIRCRAFT.**

14 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 134(d) of the National De-
 15 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law
 16 114–328; 130 Stat. 2038) is amended by striking “96 A–
 17 10 aircraft designated as primary mission aircraft inven-
 18 tory until a period of 90 days has elapsed following the
 19 date on which the Secretary submits to the congressional
 20 defense committees the report under subsection (e)(2)” and
 21 inserting “96 A–10 aircraft designated as primary mission
 22 aircraft inventory until October 1, 2026”.

23 (b) *PROHIBITION ON RETIREMENT.*—

1 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—During the period beginning
2 on October 1, 2025 and ending on September 30,
3 2026, the Secretary of the Air Force may not—

4 (A) retire an A–10 aircraft;

5 (B) reduce funding for unit personnel or
6 weapon system sustainment activities for A–10
7 aircraft in a manner that presumes future con-
8 gressional authority to divest such aircraft;

9 (C) keep an A–10 aircraft in a status con-
10 sidered excess to the requirements of the pos-
11 sessing command and awaiting disposition in-
12 structions (commonly referred to as “XJ” sta-
13 tus); or

14 (D) decrease the total aircraft inventory of
15 A–10 aircraft below 162 aircraft.

16 (2) *EXCEPTION.*—The prohibition under para-
17 graph (1) shall not apply to individual A–10 aircraft
18 that the Secretary of the Air Force determines, on a
19 case-by-case basis, to be no longer mission capable
20 and uneconomical to repair because of aircraft acci-
21 dents, mishaps, or excessive material degradation and
22 non-airworthiness status of certain aircraft.

23 (c) *BRIEFING REQUIRED.*—Not later than March 31,
24 2026, the Secretary of the Air Force shall provide to the
25 Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House

1 *of Representatives a briefing on the status of A–10 aircraft*
2 *inventory and the proposed plan for divesting all A–10 air-*
3 *craft prior to fiscal year 2029. The briefing shall cover, at*
4 *a minimum, the following:*

5 (1) *The number of A–10 Total Aircraft Inven-*
6 *tory aircraft disaggregated by Combat Coded Aircraft,*
7 *Primary Mission Aircraft Inventory, Backup Aircraft*
8 *Assigned, Attrition Reserve, tail number, and loca-*
9 *tion.*

10 (2) *The planned divestment date of each such*
11 *aircraft.*

12 (3) *The detailed plan for how and when the Sec-*
13 *retary proposes to proceed with divestment of aircraft*
14 *for each A–10 unit prior to fiscal year 2029.*

15 (4) *The aircraft transition plan for replacing A–*
16 *10 aircraft with new or existing replacement aircraft*
17 *in each unit that is divesting of the A–10 aircraft,*
18 *which shall include an explanation of—*

19 (A) *how the Secretary plans to minimize*
20 *adverse personnel impacts within such units, in-*
21 *cluding adverse impacts with respect to reten-*
22 *tion, currency, proficiency, qualifications, cer-*
23 *tifications, and training; and*

24 (B) *how the Secretary plans to minimize or*
25 *eliminate any scheduling gap that may occur*

1 *with respect to a unit divesting from the A-10*
 2 *aircraft and transitioning to a new or existing*
 3 *replacement aircraft.*

4 *(5) The information and content format that was*
 5 *provided in the briefing to the Committees on Armed*
 6 *Services of the Senate and the House of Representa-*
 7 *tives by the Headquarters Air Force, Deputy Chief of*
 8 *Staff for Plans and Programs (HAF/A8), on Feb-*
 9 *ruary 13, 2023, titled “A-10 Divestment Placemats”.*

10 *(6) Any other information the Secretary deter-*
 11 *mines releveant.*

12 **SEC. 144. PRESERVATION OF CERTAIN RETIRED KC-10 AIR-**
 13 **CRAFT.**

14 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsections (b) and (c),*
 15 *the Secretary of the Air Force shall preserve each KC-10*
 16 *aircraft that is retired by the Secretary during a period*
 17 *in which the total inventory of air refueling aircraft of the*
 18 *Air Force is less than 504.*

19 *(b) MANNER OF PRESERVATION.—The retired KC-10*
 20 *aircraft preserved under subsection (a) shall be preserved*
 21 *such that each aircraft—*

22 *(1) is stored in flyable condition;*

23 *(2) can be returned to service as an air refueling*
 24 *aircraft (which shall include retaining the air refuel-*
 25 *ing boom on the aircraft); and*

1 (3) *is not used to supply parts to other aircraft*
 2 *unless specifically authorized by the Secretary of De-*
 3 *fense upon a request by the Secretary of the Air*
 4 *Force.*

5 (c) *AUTHORITY TO DISPOSE OF PRESERVED AIR-*
 6 *CRAFT.—A KC–10 aircraft preserved under subsection (a)*
 7 *may be disposed of in accordance with chapter 5 of title*
 8 *40, United States Code.*

9 **SEC. 145. PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**
 10 **CONTRACT TERMINATION OR PRODUCTION**
 11 **LINE SHUTDOWN FOR E–7A WEDGETAIL AIR-**
 12 **CRAFT.**

13 *None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this*
 14 *Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2026 for the*
 15 *Department of Defense may be obligated or expended—*

16 (1) *to terminate the mid-tier acquisition rapid*
 17 *prototype contract for the E–7A aircraft; or*

18 (2) *to terminate the operations of, or to prepare*
 19 *to terminate the operations of, a production line for*
 20 *the E–7A aircraft.*

21 **SEC. 146. LIMITATION ON PROCUREMENT OF KC–46 AIR-**
 22 **CRAFT PENDING CERTIFICATION ON CORREC-**
 23 **TION OF DEFICIENCIES.**

24 (a) *LIMITATION.—The Secretary of Defense may not*
 25 *accept or take delivery of covered KC–46 aircraft in excess*

1 *of the maximum quantity specified in subsection (c) until*
2 *the Secretary—*

3 *(1) certifies to the congressional defense commit-*
4 *tees that the Secretary has developed and is imple-*
5 *menting a plan of corrective actions and milestones*
6 *to resolve all Category 1 deficiencies identified with*
7 *respect to KC-46 aircraft; and*

8 *(2) submits such plan to such committees, which*
9 *shall include—*

10 *(A) an estimate of the total amount of funds*
11 *required to complete implementation of the plan;*

12 *(B) realistic event-driven schedules to*
13 *achieve the objectives of the plan; and*

14 *(C) a schedule risk assessment to a min-*
15 *imum of 80 percent confidence level.*

16 *(b) FORM.—The plan described in subsection (a)(2)*
17 *shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may contain*
18 *a classified annex.*

19 *(c) MAXIMUM QUANTITY.—The maximum quantity of*
20 *covered KC-46 aircraft specified in this subsection is 183*
21 *aircraft.*

22 *(d) COVERED KC-46 AIRCRAFT DEFINED.—In this*
23 *section, the term “covered KC-46 aircraft” means new pro-*
24 *duction KC-46 aircraft the procurement of which is fully*
25 *funded by the United States.*

1 **SEC. 147. REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO EXECUTIVE AIR-**
2 **LIFT AIRCRAFT.**

3 (a) *ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVES.*—

4 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary of the Air*
5 *Force shall conduct an analysis of alternatives to*
6 *identify potential solutions for the recapitalization of*
7 *the executive airlift aircraft fleet of the Air Force. In*
8 *conducting such analysis, the Secretary shall seek to*
9 *identify aircraft solutions that have capabilities com-*
10 *parable to the capabilities of commercial passenger*
11 *aircraft in terms of range.*

12 (2) *TIMELINE.*—*The Secretary of the Air Force*
13 *shall—*

14 (A) *initiate the analysis of alternatives re-*
15 *quired under paragraph (1) not later than 30*
16 *days after the date of the enactment of this Act;*
17 *and*

18 (B) *complete such analysis not later than*
19 *April 1, 2026.*

20 (3) *REPORT.*—*Not later than 60 days after com-*
21 *pleting the analysis of alternatives required under*
22 *paragraph (1), the Secretary of the Air Force shall*
23 *submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the*
24 *Senate and the House of Representatives a report on*
25 *the results of the analysis.*

1 (b) *PRIORITIZATION STANDARDS.*—Not later than De-
2 cember 1, 2025, the Secretary of the Air Force shall establish
3 standards for prioritizing access to executive airlift aircraft
4 among authorized users of such aircraft within the Federal
5 Government.

6 (c) *PERSONNEL.*—

7 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than January 1,
8 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall assign a career
9 appointee (as that term is defined in section 3132(a)
10 of title 5, United States Code) in the Senior Executive
11 Service at the Department of Defense to coordinate—

12 (A) the efficient tasking of executive airlift
13 aircraft; and

14 (B) compliance with rules, regulations, poli-
15 cies and guidance relating to such aircraft, in-
16 cluding the prioritization standards developed
17 under subsection (b).

18 (2) *QUALIFICATIONS.*—The career appointee as-
19 signed under paragraph (1) shall, as determined by
20 the Secretary, have knowledge and experience relating
21 to executive airlift aircraft, including familiarity
22 with the executive airlift fleets of the Armed Forces
23 and knowledge of policies and procedures for the
24 prioritization of executive airlift users.

1 **SEC. 148. REPORT ON THE F-47 ADVANCED FIGHTER AIR-**
2 **CRAFT PROGRAM.**

3 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than March 1, 2027, the
4 Secretary of the Air Force shall submit to the congressional
5 defense committees a report on the F-47 advanced fighter
6 aircraft program.

7 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—The report required under subsection
8 (a) shall include following:

9 (1) A description of the F-47 aircraft program,
10 including system requirements, employment concepts,
11 and projected costs, schedule, and funding require-
12 ments over the period covered by the program objec-
13 tive memorandum process for fiscal years 2028
14 through 2034.

15 (2) The acquisition strategy for the F-47 pro-
16 gram of record, including consideration of imple-
17 menting a middle tier acquisition pathway or major
18 capability acquisition pathway (as such terms are de-
19 fined in Department of Defense Instruction 5000.85,
20 titled “Major Capability Acquisition” and issued on
21 August 6, 2020 (or a successor instruction)).

22 (3) A proposed fielding strategy for the F-47
23 aircraft, including—

24 (A) estimated force structure requirements;

25 (B) strategic basing considerations;

1 (C) an estimate of military construction re-
2 quirements;

3 (D) an estimate of personnel training re-
4 quirements; and

5 (E) an integrated total force fielding con-
6 cept, including an analysis of Air National
7 Guard and Air Force Reserve operational inte-
8 gration and associations.

9 (c) *FORM.*—The report required under subsection (a)
10 shall be submitted in unclassified form but may contain
11 a classified annex.

12 ***Subtitle E—Defense-wide, Joint,***
13 ***and Multiservice Matters***

14 ***SEC. 151. AMENDMENTS TO PROHIBITION ON OPERATION,***
15 ***PROCUREMENT, AND CONTRACTING RE-***
16 ***LATED TO FOREIGN-MADE LIGHT DETECTION***
17 ***AND RANGING.***

18 Section 164(a) of the National Defense Authorization
19 Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159) is amended
20 to read as follows:

21 “(a) *PROHIBITIONS.*—The Secretary of Defense may
22 not—

23 “(1) operate, enter into or renew a contract for,
24 the procurement of—

“(A) a covered light detection and ranging technology (referred to in this section as ‘LiDAR technology’) that—

“(i) is manufactured in a covered foreign country or by an entity domiciled in a covered foreign country;

“(ii) uses operating software developed in a covered foreign country or by an entity domiciled in a covered foreign country; or

“(iii) uses network connectivity or data storage located in or administered by an entity domiciled in a covered foreign country; or

“(B) a system or systems that incorporates, interfaces with, or otherwise uses LiDAR technology as described in subparagraph (A); or

“(2) enter into or renew a contract with an entity that operates a covered LiDAR technology to perform a Department of Defense contract.”.

SEC. 152. ANNUAL GAO REVIEWS OF THE F-35 AIRCRAFT PROGRAM.

(a) ANNUAL REVIEWS AND REPORTS.—Not later than March 1, 2026, and on an annual basis thereafter until the termination date specified in subsection (c), the Comptroller General of the United States shall—

1 (1) *complete a review of the F-35 aircraft pro-*
 2 *gram; and*

3 (2) *submit to the congressional defense commit-*
 4 *tees a report on the results of the review.*

5 (b) *ELEMENTS.—Each review and report under sub-*
 6 *section (a) shall include an assessment of—*

7 (1) *the cost, scope, and schedule of the F-35 air-*
 8 *craft program and its subprograms;*

9 (2) *the status of the efforts of the Department of*
 10 *Defense to modernize the F-35 aircraft; and*

11 (3) *such other matters relating to the F-35 air-*
 12 *craft program as the Comptroller General determines*
 13 *appropriate.*

14 (c) *TERMINATION DATE.—The requirements of this*
 15 *section shall terminate on the date on which all develop-*
 16 *ment, production, and fielding activities under the F-35*
 17 *aircraft acquisition program have ceased.*

18 ***TITLE II—RESEARCH, DEVELOP-***
 19 ***MENT, TEST, AND EVALUA-***
 20 ***TION***

21 ***Subtitle A—Authorization of***
 22 ***Appropriations***

23 ***SEC. 201. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.***

24 *Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fis-*
 25 *cal year 2026 for the use of the Department of Defense for*

1 research, development, test, and evaluation, as specified in
 2 the funding table in section 4201.

3 ***Subtitle B—Program Requirements,***
 4 ***Restrictions, and Limitations***

5 ***SEC. 211. MODIFICATION TO AUTHORITY TO AWARD PRIZES***
 6 ***FOR ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY ACHIEVE-***
 7 ***MENTS.***

8 (a) *SECRETARIAL AUTHORITY.*—Subsection (a) of sec-
 9 tion 4025 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by
 10 striking “, acting through the Under Secretary of Defense
 11 for Research and Engineering, the Under Secretary of De-
 12 fense for Acquisition and Sustainment, and the service ac-
 13 quisition executive for each military department,”.

14 (b) *MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF AWARD PRIZES.*—Sub-
 15 section (c) of such section is amended to read as follows:

16 “(c) *LIMITATION.*—No prize competition may result in
 17 the award of a prize with a fair market value of more than
 18 \$20,000,000 without the approval of the Secretary of De-
 19 fense.”.

20 (c) *CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION THRESHOLD.*—
 21 Subsection (g)(1) of such section is amended by striking
 22 “\$10,000,000” and inserting “the amount specified in sub-
 23 section (c)”.

1 **SEC. 212. MODIFICATION TO MECHANISMS TO PROVIDE**
 2 **FUNDS TO DEFENSE LABORATORIES AND**
 3 **OTHER ENTITIES FOR RESEARCH AND DEVEL-**
 4 **OPMENT OF TECHNOLOGIES FOR MILITARY**
 5 **MISSIONS.**

6 *Section 4123 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
 7 *ed—*

8 *(1) in the section heading, by inserting “**and***
 9 ***test organizations**” after “**defense labora-***
 10 ***tories**”;*

11 *(2) by inserting “or test organization” after*
 12 *“laboratory” each place it appears; and*

13 *(3) in subsection (a)(3), by inserting “or test or-*
 14 *ganizations” after “laboratories”.*

15 **SEC. 213. MODIFICATION TO AUTHORITY FOR ACQUISITION,**
 16 **CONSTRUCTION, OR FURNISHING OF TEST**
 17 **FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT.**

18 *(a) JOINTLY FUNDED PROJECTS.—Section 4174 of*
 19 *title 10, United States Code, is amended—*

20 *(1) in subsection (a), by striking “A contract of*
 21 *a military department” and inserting “A covered*
 22 *contract”;* and

23 *(2) by adding at the end the following new sub-*
 24 *sections:*

25 *“(d)(1) In a case in which research, developmental, or*
 26 *test facilities and equipment described in this section are*

1 *used to support multiple contracts or programs across dif-*
2 *ferent military departments, other Federal agencies outside*
3 *the Department of Defense, or eligible non-Federal entities,*
4 *a jointly funded project may be established.*

5 “(2) *Under a jointly funded project, the Secretary of*
6 *Defense (or the Secretary’s designee) shall enter into a writ-*
7 *ten agreement with each entity participating in the project.*
8 *Each such agreement shall, at a minimum, address the fol-*
9 *lowing:*

10 “(A) *Cost sharing arrangements, including the*
11 *proportion of total project costs to be borne by each*
12 *entity.*

13 “(B) *Allocation of access to the facilities and*
14 *equipment, including prioritization procedures in*
15 *cases of competing demands.*

16 “(C) *Management and oversight responsibilities,*
17 *including the designation of a lead agency.*

18 “(D) *Ownership and intellectual property rights*
19 *related to the facilities, equipment, and any resulting*
20 *data or inventions.*

21 “(E) *Dispute resolution mechanisms.*

22 “(3) *A non-Federal entity, including a private com-*
23 *pany, academic institution, or non-profit organization,*
24 *may participate in a jointly funded project under this sub-*
25 *section only if the Secretary of Defense determines such par-*

1 *ticipation is in the national security interest and consistent*
 2 *with applicable laws and regulations.*

3 “(4) *The Secretary of Defense shall issue regulations*
 4 *to implement this subsection. Such regulations shall include*
 5 *specific criteria for evaluating proposed jointly funded*
 6 *projects, standardized agreement templates, and procedures*
 7 *for ensuring the transparency and accountability of such*
 8 *projects.*

9 “(e) *In this section, the term ‘covered contract’*
 10 *means—*

11 “(1) *a contract of a military department; or*

12 “(2) *a contract for a jointly funded project as de-*
 13 *scribed subsection (c).”.*

14 (b) *REGULATIONS REQUIRED.—Not later than 180*
 15 *days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-*
 16 *retary of Defense shall issue or revise regulations (as nec-*
 17 *essary) to clarify that the authority for acquisition, con-*
 18 *struction, or furnishing of test facilities and equipment*
 19 *under section 4174 of title 10, United States Code, applies*
 20 *to contracts funded using funds appropriated or otherwise*
 21 *made available for—*

22 (1) *research, development, test, and evaluation,*
 23 *including science and technology funds designated as*
 24 *budget activity 1 (basic research), budget activity 2*
 25 *(applied research), and budget activity 3 (advanced*

1 *technology development) (as those budget activity clas-*
 2 *sifications are set forth in volume 2B, chapter 5 of the*
 3 *Department of Defense Financial Management Regu-*
 4 *lation (DOD 7000.14–R)); and*

5 *(2) operation and maintenance, to the extent*
 6 *that such funds are used to support activities author-*
 7 *ized under such section.*

8 **SEC. 214. EXTENSION OF LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF**
 9 **FUNDS FOR FUNDAMENTAL RESEARCH COL-**
 10 **LABORATION WITH CERTAIN ACADEMIC IN-**
 11 **STITUTIONS.**

12 *Section 238(a) of the National Defense Authorization*
 13 *Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 138 Stat.*
 14 *1842) is amended by inserting “or fiscal year 2026” after*
 15 *“fiscal year 2025”.*

16 **SEC. 215. MODIFICATION TO POLICIES FOR MANAGEMENT**
 17 **AND CERTIFICATION OF LINK 16 MILITARY**
 18 **TACTICAL DATA LINK NETWORK.**

19 *Section 228(b) of the National Defense Authorization*
 20 *Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 10 U.S.C.*
 21 *4571 note) is amended—*

22 *(1) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking “the Ne-*
 23 *vada Test and Training Range, Restricted Area 2508,*
 24 *Warning Area 151/470, Warning Area 386, and the*
 25 *Joint Pacific Alaska Range Complex” and inserting*

1 *“military special use airspace including all prohib-*
 2 *ited areas, restricted areas, warning areas, and mili-*
 3 *tary operational areas”;*

4 *(2) in paragraph (2), in the matter before sub-*
 5 *paragraph (A), by striking “training, and large-scale*
 6 *exercises.” and inserting “regular training, and large-*
 7 *scale exercises. Under such processes, approval of Link*
 8 *16 operations shall be presumed and denial of Link*
 9 *16 operations shall be accompanied with substan-*
 10 *tiated evidence demonstrating compromise of safety*
 11 *due to electromagnetic interference.”; and*

12 *(3) in paragraph (5), by inserting “regular” be-*
 13 *fore “training”.*

14 **SEC. 216. SUPPORT FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OF**
 15 **BIOINDUSTRIAL MANUFACTURING PROC-**
 16 **ESSES.**

17 *Section 215 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense*
 18 *Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–*
 19 *263; 10 U.S.C. 4841 note) is amended—*

20 *(1) by redesignating subsections (d) through (f)*
 21 *as subsections (e) through (g), respectively; and*

22 *(2) by inserting after subsection (c) the following*
 23 *new subsection:*

24 *“(d) APPLICABILITY OF FUNDING.—The activities de-*
 25 *scribed in subsection (c), including the design and construc-*

tion of facilities, are applicable to funds authorized to be appropriated for the Department of Defense for research, development, test, and evaluation.”.

**SEC. 217. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY FOR ASSIGNMENT TO
DEFENSE ADVANCED RESEARCH PROJECTS
AGENCY OF PRIVATE SECTOR PERSONNEL
WITH CRITICAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOP-
MENT EXPERTISE.**

(a) *EXTENSION*.—Subsection (e) of section 232 of the Carl Levin and Howard P. “Buck” McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Public Law 113–291; 10 U.S.C. note prec. 4091) is amended by striking “September 30, 2025” and inserting “September 30, 2030”.

(b) *TECHNICAL AMENDMENT*.—Subsection (f)(2) of such section is amended by striking “section 2302” and inserting “section 3014”.

SEC. 218. POST-EMPLOYMENT RESTRICTIONS FOR PARTICIPANTS IN CERTAIN DEFENSE RESEARCH.

(a) *PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATORS IN COVERED DEFENSE RESEARCH PROJECTS*.—Except as provided under subsection (c), as a condition of becoming or remaining a principal investigator of a covered defense research project, a person shall agree that during the 3-year period beginning on the last day the person is a principal investigator of such research, such person may not seek or accept employ-

1 *ment, or conduct any activity, for which a foreign entity*
2 *of concern provides financial compensation or in-kind bene-*
3 *fits.*

4 **(b) EMPLOYEES OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE LAB-**
5 *ORATORIES.—Except as provided under subsection (c), as*
6 *a condition of becoming or remaining an employee at a*
7 *laboratory of the Department of Defense, a person shall*
8 *agree that during the 3-year period beginning on the last*
9 *day the person is an employee at such laboratory, such per-*
10 *son may not seek or accept employment, or conduct any*
11 *activity, for which a foreign entity of concern provides fi-*
12 *nancial compensation or in-kind benefits.*

13 **(c) WAIVER AUTHORITY.—***The Secretary of Defense*
14 *may waive the restrictions under subsections (a) and (b)*
15 *with respect to a United States person if, not later than*
16 *30 days before issuing the waiver, the Secretary submits*
17 *to the congressional defense committees a notice of the waiv-*
18 *er that includes—*

19 **(1)** *an unclassified justification for the waiver;*
20 *and*

21 **(2)** *a description of any Department of Defense*
22 *funds provided to the person for which the waiver is*
23 *issued or to the research in which the person partici-*
24 *pated.*

1 (d) *CERTIFICATION*.—Not later than 270 days after the
2 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
3 shall establish a process, under the initiative established in
4 section 1286 of the John S. McCain National Defense Au-
5 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232;
6 10 U.S.C. 4001 note), to ensure that, when a person who
7 previously made an agreement in subsection (a) or (b) ap-
8 plies for funding to conduct a covered defense research
9 project in the future—

10 (1) the employer of such person can certify that
11 the person complied with the requirements in sub-
12 sections (a) and (b); and

13 (2) that a person whose employer cannot make
14 the certification in paragraph (1) is ineligible to par-
15 ticipate in the covered defense research project.

16 (e) *DETERMINATION OF CRITICAL AND EMERGING*
17 *TECHNOLOGY*.—Not later than 270 days after the date of
18 the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Sec-
19 retary of Defense shall—

20 (1) determine which technologies are critical or
21 emerging from among the technologies for which the
22 Department funds research; and

23 (2) shall make the results of such determination
24 publicly available.

1 (f) *APPLICABILITY.*—*This section shall apply with re-*
2 *spect to research that begins on or after the date that is*
3 *one year after the date of the enactment of this Act.*

4 (g) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

5 (1) *The term “foreign entity of concern” has the*
6 *meaning given that term in section 10612(a) of the*
7 *Research and Development, Competition, and Innova-*
8 *tion Act (42 U.S.C. 19221(a)) and includes a foreign*
9 *entity that is identified on the list published under*
10 *section 1286(c)(9)(A) of the John S. McCain National*
11 *Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub-*
12 *lic Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C. 4001 note).*

13 (2) *The term “covered defense research project”*
14 *means a research project that—*

15 (A) *is operated by an institution of higher*
16 *education or a subsidiary of an institution of*
17 *higher education;*

18 (B) *is funded, in whole or in part, by the*
19 *Department of Defense; and*

20 (C) *involves a critical or emerging tech-*
21 *nology.*

22 (3) *The term “critical or emerging technology”*
23 *means a technology that the Secretary determines to*
24 *be critical or emerging in accordance with subsection*
25 *(e).*

1 (4) *The term “institution of higher education”*
 2 *has the meaning given that term in section 102 of the*
 3 *Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002).*

4 **SEC. 219. NATIONAL SECURITY AND DEFENSE ARTIFICIAL**
 5 **INTELLIGENCE INSTITUTE.**

6 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary of Defense may es-*
 7 *tablish at least one National Security and Defense Artificial*
 8 *Intelligence Institute (referred to in this section as an “In-*
 9 *stitute”)* *at an eligible host institution.*

10 (b) *INSTITUTE DESCRIBED.*—*A National Security and*
 11 *Defense Artificial Intelligence Institute referred to in sub-*
 12 *section (a) is an artificial intelligence research institute*
 13 *that—*

14 (1) *is focused on a cross-cutting challenge or*
 15 *foundational science for artificial intelligence systems*
 16 *in the national security and defense sector;*

17 (2) *establishes partnerships among public and*
 18 *private organizations, including, as appropriate, Fed-*
 19 *eral agencies, institutions of higher education, includ-*
 20 *ing community colleges, nonprofit research organiza-*
 21 *tions, Federal laboratories, State, local, and Tribal*
 22 *governments, and industry, including the Defense In-*
 23 *dustrial Base and startup companies;*

24 (3) *has the potential to create an innovation eco-*
 25 *system, or enhance existing ecosystems, to translate*

1 *Institute research into applications and products used*
 2 *to enhance national security and defense capabilities;*

3 *(4) supports interdisciplinary research and de-*
 4 *velopment across multiple institutions of higher edu-*
 5 *cation and organizations; and*

6 *(5) supports workforce development in artificial*
 7 *intelligence related disciplines in the United States.*

8 *(c) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AUTHORIZED.—*

9 *(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense may*
 10 *award financial assistance to an eligible host institu-*
 11 *tion, or consortia thereof, to establish and support one*
 12 *or more Institutes.*

13 *(2) USE OF FUNDS.—Financial assistance*
 14 *awarded under paragraph (1) may be used by an In-*
 15 *stitute for—*

16 *(A) managing and making available to re-*
 17 *searchers accessible, curated, standardized, se-*
 18 *cure, and privacy protected data sets from the*
 19 *public and private sectors for the purposes of*
 20 *training and testing artificial intelligence sys-*
 21 *tems and for research using artificial intelligence*
 22 *systems with regard to national security and de-*
 23 *fense;*

24 *(B) developing and managing testbeds for*
 25 *artificial intelligence systems, including sector-*

1 *specific test beds, designed to enable users to*
2 *evaluate artificial intelligence systems prior to*
3 *deployment;*

4 *(C) conducting research and education ac-*
5 *tivities involving artificial intelligence systems*
6 *to solve challenges with national security impli-*
7 *cations;*

8 *(D) providing or brokering access to com-*
9 *puting resources, networking, and data facilities*
10 *for artificial intelligence research and develop-*
11 *ment relevant to the Institute's research goals;*

12 *(E) providing technical assistance to users,*
13 *including software engineering support, for arti-*
14 *ficial intelligence research and development rel-*
15 *evant to the Institute's research goals;*

16 *(F) engaging in outreach and engagement*
17 *to broaden participation in artificial intelligence*
18 *research and the artificial intelligence workforce;*
19 *and*

20 *(G) such other activities as may determined*
21 *by the Secretary of Defense.*

22 *(3) DURATION.—Financial assistance under*
23 *paragraph (1) shall be awarded for a five-year period,*
24 *and may be renewed for not more than one additional*
25 *five-year period.*

1 (4) *APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.*—

2 *A eligible host institution or consortia thereof seeking*
 3 *financial assistance under paragraph (1) shall submit*
 4 *to the Secretary of Defense an application at such*
 5 *time, in such manner, and containing such informa-*
 6 *tion as the Secretary may require.*

7 (5) *COMPETITIVE, MERIT REVIEW.*—*In awarding*
 8 *financial assistance under paragraph (1), the Sec-*
 9 *retary of Defense shall use a competitive, merit-based*
 10 *review process.*

11 (6) *COLLABORATION.*—*In awarding financial as-*
 12 *sistance under paragraph (1), the Secretary of De-*
 13 *fense may collaborate other departments and agencies*
 14 *of the Federal Government with missions that relate*
 15 *to or have the potential to be affected by the national*
 16 *security implications of artificial intelligence systems.*

17 (7) *LIMITATION.*—*No financial assistance au-*
 18 *thorized in this section shall be awarded to an entity*
 19 *outside of the United States. All recipients of finan-*
 20 *cial assistance under this section, including sub-*
 21 *grantees, shall be based in the United States and shall*
 22 *meet such other eligibility criteria as may be estab-*
 23 *lished by the Secretary of Defense.*

24 (d) *DEFINITION.*—*In this section, the term “eligible*
 25 *host institution” means an institution of higher education*

1 *in the United States that conducts research sponsored by*
2 *the Department of Defense.*

3 **SEC. 220. RESPONSIBLE DEVELOPMENT AND DEPLOYMENT**
4 **OF BIOTECHNOLOGY WITHIN THE DEPART-**
5 **MENT OF DEFENSE.**

6 *(a) REQUIREMENT.—*

7 *(1) POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.—The Secretary*
8 *of Defense shall issue policies and guidelines on the*
9 *responsible development and deployment of bio-*
10 *technology within the Department of Defense.*

11 *(2) EXECUTIVE AGENT.—The Secretary shall des-*
12 *ignate a senior civilian official within the Office of*
13 *the Secretary of Defense to serve as the executive*
14 *agent to develop the policies and guidelines under*
15 *paragraph (1).*

16 *(3) COORDINATION.—The Secretary shall ensure*
17 *that the policies and guidelines under paragraph (1)*
18 *are developed in consultation with—*

19 *(A) the Under Secretary of Defense for Re-*
20 *search and Engineering;*

21 *(B) the Under Secretary of Defense for Pol-*
22 *icy; and*

23 *(C) individuals representing industry, aca-*
24 *demia, and civil society.*

1 (4) *PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.*—*The Secretary shall*
2 *make the policies and guidelines under paragraph (1)*
3 *publicly available.*

4 (b) *MATTERS INCLUDED.*—*The policies and guidelines*
5 *under subsection (a)(1) shall include the following:*

6 (1) *Definitions related to the responsible develop-*
7 *ment and use of biotechnology.*

8 (2) *An assessment of whether, and to what ex-*
9 *tent, existing statutes, regulations, directives, manu-*
10 *als, or instructions limit the ability of the Depart-*
11 *ment of Defense to provide guidelines for the respon-*
12 *sible development of emerging biotechnology.*

13 (3) *Guidelines encouraging the safe use of bio-*
14 *technology products under appropriate regulatory and*
15 *other oversight processes.*

16 (4) *Policies relating to informed consent of mem-*
17 *bers of the Armed Forces participating in the develop-*
18 *ment of biotechnology products that have not received*
19 *regulatory approval.*

20 (5) *Policies relating to whether, and under which*
21 *conditions, irreversible or heritable treatments of po-*
22 *tential biotechnology applications are acceptable.*

23 (6) *Policies relating to the potential effects of*
24 *biotechnologies on the environment.*

1 (7) *Policies relating to the compliance by and*
2 *obligations of the Department of Defense with respect*
3 *to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Develop-*
4 *ment, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological*
5 *and Toxin Weapons and on their Destruction (com-*
6 *monly referred to as the “Biological Weapons Conven-*
7 *tion”).*

8 (8) *Such other matters as the Secretary of De-*
9 *fense determines relevant.*

10 (c) *REPORT.—*

11 (1) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after*
12 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of*
13 *Defense shall submit to the congressional defense com-*
14 *mittees a report on the policies and guidelines under*
15 *subsection (a)(1), including the methodologies used to*
16 *develop the policies and guidelines.*

17 (2) *FORM.—The report required under para-*
18 *graph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but*
19 *may include a classified annex.*

20 (3) *PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The Secretary of De-*
21 *fense shall make report required under paragraph (1)*
22 *publicly available, except such publicly available*
23 *version of the report may not include any classified*
24 *annex provided under paragraph (2).*

1 (d) *BRIEFING.*—During the two-year period beginning
 2 on the date that is one year after the date of the enactment
 3 of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the
 4 congressional defense committees an annual briefing on the
 5 implementation of the policies and guidelines under sub-
 6 section (a)(1), including a description of any needed re-
 7 sources for such implementation.

8 **SEC. 221. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BIOTECHNOLOGY**
 9 **WORKFORCE TRAINING.**

10 (a) *REQUIREMENT.*—Not later than one year after the
 11 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
 12 shall establish and carry out a training program—

13 (1) for members of the covered Armed Forces, ci-
 14 vilian employees of the Department of Defense, and
 15 contractors of such Department whose duties the Sec-
 16 retary determines include—

17 (A) creating or deploying novel biotech-
 18 nologies;

19 (B) analyzing, preparing for, or responding
 20 to biological threats; or

21 (C) planning, research and development, en-
 22 gineering, or testing and evaluation of systems
 23 (including quality control and assurance, pro-
 24 curement and contracting, logistics, and cost es-
 25 timating) regarding biotechnology; and

1 (2) *on biotechnology and other relevant critical*
2 *and emerging technologies.*

3 (b) *CONSULTATION.*—

4 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary shall consult*
5 *with leadership and workforce training managers in*
6 *the Department to develop and implement such train-*
7 *ing program and identify the individuals described in*
8 *subsection (a) based on—*

9 (A) *the needs and priorities of the Depart-*
10 *ment; and*

11 (B) *the relevance of the training to the indi-*
12 *viduals' positions.*

13 (2) *MATERIAL.*—*The material covered in the*
14 *training programs shall be customized by Department*
15 *leadership to align with specific needs and mission*
16 *requirements.*

17 (3) *SKILLS.*—*The Secretary shall define the es-*
18 *sential skills for biotechnology personnel to better un-*
19 *derstand what Federal personnel should undergo*
20 *training and how to customize training for groups.*

21 (c) *REQUIREMENTS.*—

22 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The training program estab-*
23 *lished under this section shall, at a minimum, include*
24 *information on—*

1 (A) the fundamental science underlying bio-
2 technology, artificial intelligence and other rel-
3 evant critical and emerging technologies;

4 (B) concepts relating to the technological
5 features of biotechnology systems;

6 (C) applications of biotechnology in defense,
7 health, agriculture, energy, environment, and
8 other relevant areas;

9 (D) the ways in which artificial intel-
10 ligence, quantum computing, and other tech-
11 nologies are leveraged to advance biotechnology;

12 (E) mechanisms by which the Federal Gov-
13 ernment supports, funds, purchases, and deploys
14 biotechnology and its applications;

15 (F) ways in which the Federal Government
16 can benefit from biotechnology;

17 (G) ethical, social, and legal aspects of bio-
18 technology including ways of incorporating a
19 wide range of stakeholder perspectives throughout
20 research and innovation cycles;

21 (H) ways to mitigate the risks described in
22 previous subparagraphs, including efforts to cre-
23 ate and identify biotechnologies that are reliable,
24 safe, and trustworthy; and

1 (I) *future trends in biotechnology, including*
2 *intersections with artificial intelligence, quan-*
3 *tum computing, autonomous systems, robotics,*
4 *advanced manufacturing, and other relevant*
5 *technologies, as well as trends for economic and*
6 *national security, and innovation.*

7 (2) *PARTICIPATION.*—*Any individual described*
8 *under subsection (b)(1) shall complete training under*
9 *this section annually.*

10 (3) *INTERACTIVE.*—*The Secretary shall ensure*
11 *interactive learning with scholars and experts from*
12 *private, public and nonprofit sectors is included*
13 *under the training programs. The Secretary shall*
14 *provide access to courses through institutions of pro-*
15 *fessional military education, such as the National De-*
16 *fense University.*

17 (4) *UPDATES.*—*The training programs estab-*
18 *lished under this section shall be updated each year*
19 *to review and cover advances in biotechnology and its*
20 *convergence with other critical and emerging tech-*
21 *nologies.*

22 (5) *CONTINUING EDUCATION.*—*The Secretary*
23 *shall update the training programs established under*
24 *this section to provide continuing technology edu-*
25 *cation for individuals described in subsection (a) and*

1 *include requirements for refresher training on the lat-*
2 *est advances in biotechnology science, laboratory*
3 *work, equipment and software.*

4 *(d) PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS.—The Secretary*
5 *shall establish mechanisms to measure participation in*
6 *training programs required under this section, and to re-*
7 *ceive and consider feedback from program participants to*
8 *improve training.*

9 *(e) REPORT.—Not later than six months after the date*
10 *of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to*
11 *the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House*
12 *of Representatives a report that includes a plan to establish*
13 *and implement the training programs required under this*
14 *section.*

15 *(f) SUNSET.—This section and the training programs*
16 *required to be carried out by this section shall terminate*
17 *on the date that is five years after such programs are estab-*
18 *lished under subsection (a).*

19 *(g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

20 *(1) The term “artificial intelligence” has the*
21 *meaning given that term in section 5002 of the Na-*
22 *tional Artificial Intelligence Initiative Act of 2020*
23 *(division E of Public Law 116–283).*

1 (2) *The term “covered Armed Force” means the*
 2 *Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Space*
 3 *Force.*

4 **SEC. 222. BIOTECHNOLOGY SUPPLY CHAIN RESILIENCY**
 5 **PROGRAM.**

6 (a) *AUTHORIZATION.—*

7 (1) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in*
 8 *coordination with the Secretaries of the military de-*
 9 *partments and the heads of relevant Defense Agencies,*
 10 *may establish and implement a program (referred to*
 11 *in this section as the “Program”) to develop, scale,*
 12 *and transition biotechnology research from the mili-*
 13 *tary service laboratories, including biotechnology-*
 14 *based chemicals, materials, fuels, and other products*
 15 *relevant to the mission of the Department of Defense*
 16 *that support the resilience, sustainability, and re-*
 17 *sponsiveness of the defense supply chain.*

18 (2) *ACTIVITIES.—Under the Program, the Sec-*
 19 *retary of Defense may carry out the following activi-*
 20 *ties:*

21 (A) *Conduct an assessment of supply chain*
 22 *vulnerabilities in the Department of Defense.*

23 (B) *Direct the military service laboratories*
 24 *to establish mechanisms to collaboratively—*

1 (i) conduct applied research, including
2 experimentation, advanced technological de-
3 velopment, advanced component develop-
4 ment, and rapid prototyping in
5 bioindustrials, biomanufacturing, and re-
6 lated disciplines to support defense mis-
7 sions;

8 (ii) develop, prototype, test, and tran-
9 sition biologically derived materials and
10 products to reduce reliance on foreign sup-
11 ply chains and vulnerable supply chains;

12 (iii) upgrade, expand, or construct
13 physical and digital infrastructure, includ-
14 ing laboratory facilities, of the Department
15 and its partners to support bioindustrial re-
16 search, development, testing, prototyping,
17 and production;

18 (iv) as needed, enter into contracts, co-
19 operative agreements, grants, or other trans-
20 actions with relevant Federal entities and
21 non-Federal entities such as commercial en-
22 tities, research institutions, and academic
23 organizations to execute the activities under
24 this paragraph; and

1 (v) support education, training, and
2 workforce development initiatives to build
3 and sustain a skilled bioindustrial and bio-
4 manufacturing workforce.

5 (C) Collaborate across the military depart-
6 ments, Defense Agencies, and other Federal enti-
7 ties to ensure alignment with national bioindus-
8 trial and supply chain strategies.

9 (D) Promote the development and utiliza-
10 tion of next-generation feedstocks and processes
11 in ways that support local economic growth.

12 (E) Modernize infrastructure through in-
13 vestment in facilities that enable rapid proto-
14 typing and advanced materials testing.

15 (F) Establish performance metrics and
16 benchmarks to measure progress toward oper-
17 ational integration and transition to programs
18 of record.

19 (3) OTHER CONSIDERATIONS.—In the event the
20 Secretary carries out the Program, the Secretary of
21 Defense shall—

22 (A) prioritize technologies and capabilities
23 that address critical defense supply chain
24 vulnerabilities and enhance military readiness,

1 *including technologies and capabilities necessary*
2 *to—*

3 *(i) reduce logistics through field-en-*
4 *abled manufacturing of materials such as*
5 *construction-grade bio-cement and*
6 *deployable infrastructure components;*

7 *(ii) enhance performance through de-*
8 *velopment of novel materials including pro-*
9 *TECTIVE coatings and biologically derived*
10 *composites; or*

11 *(iii) improve cost efficiency of manu-*
12 *facturing and reduce dependency on foreign*
13 *supply chains;*

14 *(B) consult with representatives of industry,*
15 *academia, and other Federal agencies with rel-*
16 *evant expertise, to accelerate development and*
17 *transitions; and*

18 *(C) ensure the Program supports the devel-*
19 *opment and fielding of emerging technologies*
20 *such as biotechnologies that provide operational*
21 *and strategic advantages to the Armed Forces,*
22 *including through—*

23 *(i) cross-service and public-private*
24 *partnerships; and*

1 (ii) *applied research, pilot-scale pro-*
2 *duction, and technology transition efforts*
3 *focused on biomanufacturing and materials*
4 *innovation.*

5 (b) *PLAN AND REPORTS.*—

6 (1) *INITIAL PLAN.*—*Not later than 90 days after*
7 *electing to commence the Program, the Secretary of*
8 *Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed*
9 *Services of the Senate and the House of Representa-*
10 *tives a plan for the allocation of appropriations to*
11 *fund the Program.*

12 (2) *ANNUAL REPORTS.*—*Not later than one year*
13 *after commencing the Program, and annually there-*
14 *after until the Program terminates under subsection*
15 *(c), the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Com-*
16 *mittees on Armed Services of the Senate and the*
17 *House of Representatives a report detailing all activi-*
18 *ties carried out under the program. Each report shall*
19 *include, to the extent applicable, the following:*

20 (A) *A summary of key research, develop-*
21 *ment, and prototyping efforts initiated or con-*
22 *tinued during the year covered by the report, in-*
23 *cluding technical objectives, anticipated defense*
24 *applications, and funding.*

1 (B) *A list of significant partnerships or*
2 *agreements executed with industry, academic in-*
3 *stitutions, and other Federal agencies, including*
4 *the purpose, national security nexus, and fund-*
5 *ing level of each such partnership or agreement.*

6 (C) *An assessment of infrastructure en-*
7 *hancements undertaken to support bioindustrial*
8 *development and scale-up, including facility*
9 *modernization and equipment acquisition.*

10 (D) *An evaluation of program performance*
11 *against established milestones or metrics, includ-*
12 *ing progress toward the transition of technologies*
13 *to operational use or acquisition programs.*

14 (E) *An identification of major technical,*
15 *logistical, or policy challenges encountered, and*
16 *actions taken to mitigate such challenges.*

17 (F) *Any recommendations for additional*
18 *authorities, funding mechanisms, or interagency*
19 *coordination necessary to enhance the effective-*
20 *ness of the Program.*

21 (3) *FORM.—Each report under this subsection*
22 *shall be submitted in unclassified form but may con-*
23 *tain a classified annex.*

24 (c) *SUNSET.—*

1 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Except as provided in para-*
 2 *graph (2), the authority to carry out the Program*
 3 *shall terminate on the date that is 10 years after the*
 4 *date of the enactment of this Act.*

5 (2) *EXTENSION.*—*The Program may be contin-*
 6 *ued after the termination date specified in paragraph*
 7 *(1) if, before such date, the President—*

8 (A) *determines that continuation of the Pro-*
 9 *gram is necessary to meet national economic or*
 10 *national security needs; and*

11 (B) *submits notice of such determination to*
 12 *the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate*
 13 *and the House of Representatives.*

14 **SEC. 223. REVIEW AND ALIGNMENT OF STANDARDS, GUID-**
 15 **ANCE, AND POLICIES RELATING TO DIGITAL**
 16 **ENGINEERING.**

17 (a) *REVIEW REQUIRED.*—

18 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 180 days after*
 19 *the date of the enactment of this Act, each Secretary*
 20 *of a military department, in coordination with the of-*
 21 *ficials specified in subsection (c), shall complete a*
 22 *comprehensive review of the standards, guidance, and*
 23 *policies relating to digital engineering within the cov-*
 24 *ered Armed Forces under the jurisdiction of that Sec-*
 25 *retary.*

1 (2) *ELEMENTS.*—*Each review under paragraph*
2 (1) *shall include, with respect to the covered Armed*
3 *Forces under the jurisdiction of the Secretary con-*
4 *cerned, the following:*

5 (A) *A review of the reference architectures,*
6 *standards, and best practices for the use of dig-*
7 *ital engineering tools (including digital twins*
8 *and digital threads) as in effect at the time of*
9 *the review, including standards for the use of*
10 *such tools at all stages of program design, devel-*
11 *opment, and testing.*

12 (B) *Identification of the current standards*
13 *guiding the use of such digital engineering tools,*
14 *at all stages of program design, development,*
15 *and testing.*

16 (C) *Assessment of—*

17 (i) *the extent to which the use of such*
18 *standards and related governance structures*
19 *is consistent across the covered Armed*
20 *Forces under the jurisdiction of the Sec-*
21 *retary concerned; and*

22 (ii) *the level of interoperability of such*
23 *standards across such Armed Forces.*

24 (D) *Identification of best practices for dig-*
25 *ital engineering within each such Armed Force.*

1 (E) *Recommendations for improvements to*
 2 *the use of digital engineering tools in each such*
 3 *Armed Force.*

4 (b) *DEVELOPMENT OF STANDARD REFERENCE ARCHI-*
 5 *TECTURE.—*

6 (1) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after*
 7 *the date on which the Secretary of a military depart-*
 8 *ment completes the review required under subsection*
 9 *(a), the Secretary shall develop and implement a*
 10 *standard reference architecture to guide the use of,*
 11 *and best practices for, digital engineering for pro-*
 12 *gram design, development, and testing within each*
 13 *covered Armed Force under the jurisdiction of that*
 14 *Secretary. Each reference architecture shall include—*

15 (A) *a framework and clear requirements for*
 16 *developing and deploying digital engineering*
 17 *tools across program lifecycles; and*

18 (B) *defined standards for data management*
 19 *and modeling.*

20 (2) *PERIODIC REVIEW.—Not less frequently than*
 21 *once every three years following implementation of the*
 22 *standard reference architecture required under para-*
 23 *graph (1), each Secretary of a military department*
 24 *shall—*

1 (A) conduct periodic reviews of the reference
 2 architecture to ensure it effectively addresses ad-
 3 vancements in technology and evolving oper-
 4 ational needs; and

5 (B) if necessary, modify the reference archi-
 6 tecture to address such advancements and needs.

7 (3) APPROVAL AND CERTIFICATION REQUIRED.—
 8 Before a reference architecture may be implemented
 9 under this subsection, the Under Secretary of Defense
 10 for Acquisition and Sustainment, in coordination
 11 with the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and
 12 Engineering and the Director of Operational Test and
 13 Evaluation, shall—

14 (A) review and approve the reference archi-
 15 tecture; and

16 (B) submit certification of such approval to
 17 the head of the covered Armed Force involved.

18 (4) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FURTHER STAND-
 19 ARDIZATION.—Based on the reviews conducted under
 20 paragraph (3), the Under Secretary of Defense for Ac-
 21 quisition and Sustainment, in coordination with the
 22 Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engi-
 23 neering and the Director of Operational Test and
 24 Evaluation, shall—

1 (A) *identify and develop recommendations*
2 *regarding areas in which further standardization*
3 *of reference architectures across the covered*
4 *Armed Forces may be feasible; and*

5 (B) *submit such recommendations to the*
6 *Secretaries of the military departments.*

7 (c) *OFFICIALS SPECIFIED.—The officials specified in*
8 *this subsection are the following—*

9 (1) *The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisi-*
10 *tion and Sustainment.*

11 (2) *The Under Secretary of Defense for Research*
12 *and Engineering.*

13 (3) *The Director of Operational Test and Eval-*
14 *uation.*

15 (d) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

16 (1) *The term “covered Armed Forces” means the*
17 *Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space*
18 *Force.*

19 (2) *The term “reference architecture” means an*
20 *authoritative source of information about a specific*
21 *subject area that guides and constrains the*
22 *instantiations of multiple architectures and solutions,*
23 *as described in the guidance of the Office of the As-*
24 *stant Secretary of Defense titled “Reference Archi-*

1 *ecture Description*”, dated June 2010, or any suc-
 2 *cessor to such guidance.*

3 **SEC. 224. APPLICATION OF SOFTWARE INNOVATION AND**
 4 **DATA MANAGEMENT PLANS TO MODERNIZE**
 5 **TEST AND EVALUATION INFRASTRUCTURE.**

6 *(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF DIGITAL TEST AND EVALUA-*
 7 *TION ENVIRONMENT.—*

8 *(1) PROGRAM.—The Director of the Test Re-*
 9 *source Management Center, in coordination with the*
 10 *officials specified in paragraph (4), shall establish*
 11 *and maintain a digital test and evaluation environ-*
 12 *ment for developmental and operational testing of*
 13 *warfighting capabilities.*

14 *(2) REQUIREMENTS.—The digital test and eval-*
 15 *uation environment required under paragraph (1)*
 16 *shall—*

17 *(A) incorporate commercially-derived data*
 18 *management, analysis, and operations software*
 19 *tools to enable rapid test and evaluation;*

20 *(B) enable real-time and iterative data col-*
 21 *lection, management, analysis, and feedback*
 22 *loops across the life cycle of tested systems;*

23 *(C) provide secure environments for testing*
 24 *systems with operational security sensitivities;*
 25 *and*

1 (D) use a modular open system approach
 2 (as defined in section 4401 of title 10, United
 3 States Code) to ensure the environment can be
 4 accessed by multiple vendors and is interoperable
 5 with multiple data sources, data formats, and
 6 digital tools.

7 (3) *USE OF SOFTWARE ACQUISITION PATHWAY.*—
 8 In procuring software and covered hardware (as de-
 9 fined in section 3603 of title 10, United States Code)
 10 for the digital test and evaluation environment re-
 11 quired under paragraph (1), the Director of the Test
 12 Resource Management center shall use a software ac-
 13 quisition pathway described in section 3603 of title
 14 10, United States Code.

15 (4) *OFFICIALS SPECIFIED.*—The officials speci-
 16 fied in this paragraph are—

17 (A) the Director of the Defense Innovation
 18 Unit;

19 (B) the Director of Operational Test and
 20 Evaluation; and

21 (C) each chief of a covered Armed Force.

22 (b) *DATA MANAGEMENT PLANS.*—

23 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Before a covered Armed Force
 24 may conduct a test and evaluation event, an appro-
 25 priate official from the Armed Force shall submit to

1 *the Director of Operational Test and Evaluation and*
 2 *the Director of the Test Resource Management Center*
 3 *a data management plan for the event. Such data*
 4 *management plan may be included as part of the Test*
 5 *and Evaluation Master plan submitted for the event*
 6 *pursuant to Department of Defense Directive*
 7 *5000.100.*

8 (2) *PLAN REQUIREMENTS.—The Director of*
 9 *Operational Test and Evaluation and the Director of*
 10 *the Test Resource Management Center shall jointly*
 11 *develop standard requirements for the data manage-*
 12 *ment plans required under paragraph (1). Each such*
 13 *data management plan shall include, with respect to*
 14 *the test and evaluation event covered by the plan—*

15 (A) *identification of relevant data to be col-*
 16 *lected during the event;*

17 (B) *methodologies for analyzing data after*
 18 *testing is complete; and*

19 (C) *any other information the Directors de-*
 20 *termine appropriate.*

21 (c) *PILOT PROGRAM TO ACCELERATE TEST.—*

22 (1) *IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Defense*
 23 *Innovation Unit and the Director of the Test Re-*
 24 *source Management Center, in coordination with the*
 25 *Director of Operational Test and Evaluation, shall*

1 *jointly carry out a pilot program to determine how*
2 *commercial software can be used to accelerate and im-*
3 *prove testing for priority mission areas—*

4 *(A) to accelerate continuous integration and*
5 *continuous testing of warfighting capabilities by*
6 *applying industry best practices and tooling for*
7 *scalability, advanced analysis, and data sharing*
8 *on identified priority use cases; and*

9 *(B) to enable continuous and iterative test-*
10 *ing throughout capability design, development,*
11 *engineering, and fielding.*

12 *(2) REPORTS REQUIRED.—The Director of the*
13 *Defense Innovation Unit and the Director of the Test*
14 *Resource Management Center, in coordination with*
15 *the Director of Operational Test and Evaluation,*
16 *shall—*

17 *(A) not later than 120 days after the date*
18 *of the enactment of this Act, submit to the con-*
19 *gressional defense committees an interim report*
20 *that includes an implementation plan for the*
21 *pilot program under paragraph (1); and*

22 *(B) following submittal of the report under*
23 *subparagraph (A), but not later than 270 days*
24 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, sub-*
25 *mit to the committees a report on the progress of*

1 the pilot program, which shall include a descrip-
2 tion of—

3 (i) the metrics used to measure the per-
4 formance of commercial software under the
5 program;

6 (ii) the initial findings of the program;
7 and

8 (iii) based on such findings, any iden-
9 tified roadblocks or limitations to using
10 commercial software and digital tools for
11 accelerated testing.

12 (3) *TERMINATION.*—The authority to carry out
13 the pilot program under this subsection shall termi-
14 nate five years after the date of the enactment of this
15 Act.

16 (d) *COVERED ARMED FORCE DEFINED.*—In this sec-
17 tion, the term “covered Armed Force” means the Army,
18 Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force.

19 **SEC. 225. DEMONSTRATION OF NEAR REAL-TIME MONI-**
20 **TORING CAPABILITIES TO ENHANCE WEAPON**
21 **SYSTEM PLATFORMS.**

22 (a) *PROGRAM ESTABLISHMENT.*—Subject to the avail-
23 ability of appropriations, the Secretary of Defense, in co-
24 ordination with the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisi-
25 tion and Sustainment and the chiefs of the Armed Forces,

1 *shall carry out a program to equip selected weapon system*
2 *platforms with onboard, near real-time, end-to-end serial*
3 *bus and radio frequency monitoring capabilities to ensure*
4 *continuous operational oversight and cybersecurity health*
5 *and resiliency.*

6 (b) *PHASES.—The Secretary of Defense shall imple-*
7 *ment the program under subsection (a) in phases as follows:*

8 (1) *Not later than 90 days after the date of the*
9 *enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall—*

10 (A) *select not fewer than 3 and not more*
11 *than 5 weapon system platform fleets for initial*
12 *participation in the program, prioritizing the*
13 *MH–60R and MQ–9 aircraft fleets; and*

14 (B) *complete the initial deployment of mon-*
15 *itoring capabilities to such platforms.*

16 (2) *Not later than one year after the date of the*
17 *enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall extend mon-*
18 *itoring capabilities to the complete fleets of selected*
19 *platforms and complete initial data collection and*
20 *analysis from all participating platforms.*

21 (3) *Not later than one year after the date of the*
22 *enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall, subject to*
23 *the availability of appropriations—*

24 (A) *select not fewer than 3 and not more*
25 *than 5 weapon system platform fleets, in addi-*

1 *tion to those selected under paragraph (1), for*
 2 *participation in the program, prioritizing plat-*
 3 *forms that demonstrate the highest potential for*
 4 *cybersecurity improvement and operational read-*
 5 *iness gains based on program data analysis; and*

6 *(B) complete initial deployment of moni-*
 7 *toring capabilities to such additional platforms.*

8 *(4) Not later than 18 months after the date of the*
 9 *enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall complete a*
 10 *comprehensive evaluation of the monitoring capabili-*
 11 *ties demonstrated under the program, including cy-*
 12 *bersecurity effectiveness, potential applicability of*
 13 *data to maintenance improvements, and development*
 14 *of scalability recommendations for potential Depart-*
 15 *ment-wide implementation.*

16 *(c) DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS.—*

17 *(1) CHIEFS OF THE ARMED FORCES REQUIRE-*
 18 *MENTS.—Each chief of an Armed Force with a weap-*
 19 *on system platform participating in the program*
 20 *under subsection (a) shall collect and provide to the*
 21 *Secretary of Defense data regarding the platform and*
 22 *the monitoring capabilities demonstrated under the*
 23 *program, including data on—*

24 *(A) cyber threat detection effectiveness;*

25 *(B) maintenance efficiency improvements;*

1 (C) *safety incident investigation and pre-*
2 *dictive maintenance accuracy;*

3 (D) *operational readiness and mission ca-*
4 *pable rates improvements; and*

5 (E) *interoperability and data sharing capa-*
6 *bilities across platforms and services.*

7 (2) *DEPARTMENTAL ANALYSIS.—The Secretary*
8 *shall analyze the data provided under paragraph (1)*
9 *to assess—*

10 (A) *integration challenges and suggestions*
11 *for overcoming such challenges in a future De-*
12 *partment-wide program;*

13 (B) *scalability requirements for broader De-*
14 *partment-wide implementation; and*

15 (C) *novel approaches for utilizing existing*
16 *resources in an austere fiscal environment to ex-*
17 *pand capabilities across the Department.*

18 (d) *BUDGET INTEGRATION.—In the budget justifica-*
19 *tion materials submitted to Congress in support of the De-*
20 *partment of Defense budget for fiscal year 2028 (as sub-*
21 *mitted with the budget of the President under section*
22 *1105(a) of title 31), the Secretary of Defense shall include*
23 *proposed funding levels for the program expansion author-*
24 *ized under subsection (b)(3).*

1 (e) *REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.*—Not later than 90
 2 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annu-
 3 ally thereafter for each of the following five years, the Sec-
 4 retary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense
 5 committees a report on the status of the program. Each re-
 6 port shall include, with respect to the period covered by the
 7 report—

8 (1) *implementation plans for the program;*

9 (2) *identification of the weapon system platforms*
 10 *selected for participation in the program; and*

11 (3) *analysis of any data collected under the pro-*
 12 *gram.*

13 **SEC. 226. WESTERN REGIONAL RANGE COMPLEX DEM-**
 14 **ONSTRATION.**

15 (a) *DEMONSTRATION REQUIRED.*—The Secretary of
 16 Defense shall carry out a demonstration of a joint multi-
 17 domain kinetic and non-kinetic testing and training envi-
 18 ronment across military departments by interconnecting ex-
 19 isting ranges and training sites in the western States to
 20 improve joint multi-domain training and further testing,
 21 research, and development.

22 (b) *USE OF EXISTING RANGES AND CAPABILITIES.*—
 23 The demonstration carried out pursuant to subsection (a)
 24 shall use existing ranges and range capability, unless capa-

1 bility gaps are identified in the process of planning specific
 2 demonstration activities.

3 (c) *ACTIVITIES.*—*The demonstration carried out pur-*
 4 *suant to subsection (a) shall include the following:*

5 (1) *Electromagnetic spectrum operations.*

6 (2) *Electromagnetic warfare.*

7 (3) *Operations that blend kinetic and non-ki-*
 8 *netic effects.*

9 (4) *Operations in the information environment.*

10 (5) *Joint All Domain Command and Control*
 11 *(commonly known as “JADC2”).*

12 (6) *Information warfare, including the following:*

13 (A) *Intelligence, surveillance, and recon-*
 14 *naissance.*

15 (B) *Offensive and defensive cyber oper-*
 16 *ations.*

17 (C) *Electromagnetic warfare.*

18 (D) *Space operations.*

19 (E) *Psychological operations.*

20 (F) *Public affairs.*

21 (G) *Weather operations.*

22 (d) *TIMELINE FOR COMPLETION OF INITIAL DEM-*
 23 *ONSTRATION.*—*In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary*
 24 *shall seek to complete an initial demonstration, inter-*
 25 *connecting two or more ranges or testing sites of two or*

1 *more military departments in the western States, subject*
2 *to availability of appropriations, not later than one year*
3 *after the date of the enactment of this Act.*

4 *(e) BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days after the date*
5 *of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall provide the*
6 *congressional defense committees a briefing on—*

7 *(1) a phased implementation plan and design to*
8 *connect ranges and testing sites in the western States,*
9 *including the initial demonstration required by sub-*
10 *section (d);*

11 *(2) how the design architecture of the plan is in*
12 *alignment with recommendations of the 2020 Depart-*
13 *ment of Defense Electromagnetic Spectrum Superi-*
14 *ority Strategy; and*

15 *(3) how the design architecture will support*
16 *high-periodicity training, testing, research, and devel-*
17 *opment.*

18 *(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

19 *(1) The term “information environment” means*
20 *the aggregate of individuals, organizations, and sys-*
21 *tems that collect, process, and disseminate, or act on*
22 *information.*

23 *(2) The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of*
24 *Defense.*

1 (g) *TERMINATION.*—*This section shall terminate on*
2 *September 30, 2028.*

3 **SEC. 227. REIMBURSEMENT OF NATIONAL GUARD FOR RE-**
4 **SEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUA-**
5 **TION EXPENSES.**

6 (a) *AVAILABILITY.*—*Amounts authorized to be appro-*
7 *priated after the date of the enactment of this Act for the*
8 *Department of Defense for research, development, test, and*
9 *evaluation shall be available for reimbursement of pay, al-*
10 *lowances, and other expenses which would otherwise be in-*
11 *curred against appropriations for the reserve components*
12 *of the Armed Forces, including the National Guard, in cases*
13 *in which members of the such reserve components provide*
14 *support to research, development, test, and evaluation*
15 *projects in which their involvement furthers the project be-*
16 *cause of a member's or unit's availability, qualifications,*
17 *experience, or education.*

18 (b) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—*Nothing in this section*
19 *shall be construed—*

20 (1) *to authorize a deviation from established per-*
21 *sonnel and training procedures of the reserve compo-*
22 *nents of the Armed Forces, including the National*
23 *Guard; or*

24 (2) *to authorize the direct engagement of mem-*
25 *bers or units of such components to conduct inde-*

1 *pendent research, development, test and evaluation*
2 *projects.*

3 **SEC. 228. PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**
4 **ANIMAL RESEARCH IN COLLABORATION WITH**
5 **FOREIGN COUNTRIES OF CONCERN.**

6 *(a) PROHIBITION.—None of the funds authorized to be*
7 *appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for*
8 *fiscal year 2026 for the Department of Defense may be obli-*
9 *gated or expended—*

10 *(1) to carry out research, development, test, eval-*
11 *uation, or training activities involving animals—*

12 *(A) in collaboration with a foreign country*
13 *of concern; or*

14 *(B) at any facility located in, or owned or*
15 *controlled (directly or indirectly) by, a foreign*
16 *country of concern; or*

17 *(2) to enter into a contract or other agreement,*
18 *or make a grant, pursuant to which such activities*
19 *would be carried out.*

20 *(b) FOREIGN COUNTRY OF CONCERN DEFINED.—In*
21 *this section, the term “foreign country of concern” has the*
22 *meaning given that term in section 9901 of the William*
23 *M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act*
24 *for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 15 U.S.C.*
25 *4651).*

1 **SEC. 229. PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**
2 **GAIN OF FUNCTION RESEARCH.**

3 (a) *PROHIBITION.*—None of the funds authorized to be
4 appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for
5 fiscal year 2026 for the Department of Defense may be obli-
6 gated or expended—

7 (1) *to conduct gain-of-function research on any*
8 *potential pandemic pathogen at any facility operated*
9 *by or on behalf of the Department; or*

10 (2) *to award contracts, grants, cooperative agree-*
11 *ments, or any other form of financial assistance to*
12 *any institution of higher education, nonprofit organi-*
13 *zation, private entity, or other research institute that*
14 *is conducting gain-of-function research on potential*
15 *pandemic pathogens.*

16 (b) *WAIVER.*—

17 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—The Secretary of Defense may
18 waive the prohibition under subsection (a) on a case-
19 by-case basis, with respect to an individual research
20 project, grant, contract, or cooperative agreement, if
21 the Secretary determines that such a waiver is in the
22 national interests of the United States.

23 (2) *CONGRESSIONAL NOTICE.*—Not later than 30
24 days before the date on which an award is made, a
25 project is initiated, or an agreement entered into,
26 with respect to which a waiver is made under para-

1 *graph (1), the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the*
2 *Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the*
3 *House of Representatives notice of such waiver.*

4 *(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

5 *(1) The term “gain-of-function research” means*
6 *any research that may be reasonably anticipated to*
7 *confer an attribute to a pathogen such that the patho-*
8 *gen would have enhanced pathogenicity or trans-*
9 *missibility in mammals.*

10 *(2) The term “potential pandemic pathogen”*
11 *means a pathogen that, as a result of any gain-of-*
12 *function research—*

13 *(A) is likely more transmissible or likely ca-*
14 *pable of wide and uncontrollable spread in*
15 *human populations;*

16 *(B) is likely more virulent or likely to cause*
17 *modest or greater morbidity or mortality in hu-*
18 *mans; or*

19 *(C) is likely to pose a severe threat to public*
20 *health, the capacity of the public health systems*
21 *to function, or national security.*

1 **SEC. 230. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS PEND-**
2 **ING COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS RE-**
3 **LATING TO THE JOINT ENERGETICS TRANSI-**
4 **TION OFFICE.**

5 (a) *LIMITATION.*—Of the funds authorized to be appro-
6 priated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal
7 year 2026 for the Department of Defense and available for
8 the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition
9 and Sustainment for travel expenses, not more than 75 per-
10 cent may be obligated or expended until the date on which
11 the Secretary of Defense—

12 (1) *establishes a Joint Energetics Transition Of-*
13 *fice as required under section 148 of title 10, United*
14 *States Code; and*

15 (2) *submits to the congressional defense commit-*
16 *tees the reports required under subsections (b) and (c)*
17 *of section 241 of the National Defense Authorization*
18 *Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 136*
19 *Stat. 208).*

20 (b) *WAIVER AUTHORITY.*—The Secretary of Defense
21 may waive the prohibition under subsection (a) if the Sec-
22 retary—

23 (1) *determines that extenuating circumstances*
24 *justify such a waiver; and*

25 (2) *provides to the congressional defense commit-*
26 *tees a briefing on the reasons for such determination.*

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

3 ***SEC. 241. FEASIBILITY STUDY ON INCORPORATING MILI-***
4 ***TARILY-RELEVANT APPLICATIONS OF EMERG-***
5 ***ING BIOTECHNOLOGY INTO WARGAMING EX-***
6 ***ERCISES.***

7 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs*
8 *of Staff shall conduct a review to determine the feasibility*
9 *and advisability modifying the design of wargaming exer-*
10 *cises to ensure that such exercises incorporate militarily-*
11 *relevant applications of emerging biotechnology.*

12 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—*In conducting the review required*
13 *under subsection (a), the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of*
14 *Staff shall take into account—*

15 (1) *biotechnology-enabled enhancements that im-*
16 *prove the cognitive and physical performance of*
17 *warfighters;*

18 (2) *biotechnology-enabled chemicals and mate-*
19 *rials intended to provide a strategic advantage on the*
20 *battlefield;*

21 (3) *adversaries' use of biotechnology for military*
22 *purposes beyond traditional biological weapons; and*

23 (4) *any other militarily-relevant applications of*
24 *biotechnology determined appropriate by the Chair-*
25 *man.*

1 (c) *CONSULTATION.*—*In conducting the review under*
2 *subsection (a), the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff*
3 *shall consult with—*

4 (1) *the commanders of the combatant commands;*
5 *and*

6 (2) *other stakeholders within and outside the De-*
7 *partment of Defense, as necessary, to identify recent*
8 *militarily-relevant advancements in the field of bio-*
9 *technology that could potentially be incorporated into*
10 *exercises.*

11 (d) *REPORT.*—*Not later than 180 days after the date*
12 *of the enactment of this Act, the Chairman of the Joint*
13 *Chiefs of Staff shall submit to the Committees on Armed*
14 *Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a*
15 *report on the results of the review conducted under sub-*
16 *section (a). The report shall include—*

17 (1) *a detailed summary of any recommended*
18 *modifications to wargaming exercises; and*

19 (2) *if applicable, a plan for regularly updating*
20 *the design of such exercises to keep pace with ad-*
21 *vances in biotechnology.*

22 (e) *WARGAMING EXERCISE DEFINED.*—*In this section,*
23 *the term “wargaming exercise” means a military exercise*
24 *conducted to test or improve tactical expertise, and includes*
25 *the Globally Integrated Wargames.*

1 **SEC. 242. FEASIBILITY STUDY ON USE OF CLOUD LABORA-**
2 **TORIES.**

3 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary of Defense shall con-*
4 *duct a review to determine the feasibility and advisability*
5 *of using cloud laboratories at the Department of Defense*
6 *to provide authorized researchers with access to high-quality*
7 *experimental instrumentation and data collection for pur-*
8 *poses of generating high-quality data.*

9 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—*In conducting the review required*
10 *under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall take into*
11 *account—*

12 (1) *best practices for cloud computing methods to*
13 *safely store sensitive data, such as biological data;*

14 (2) *considerations related to cybersecurity, bio-*
15 *security, research security, and data privacy;*

16 (3) *estimated costs for the construction and*
17 *sustainment of cloud laboratories;*

18 (4) *estimated timelines for establishing cloud lab-*
19 *oratories; and*

20 (5) *consideration of how cloud laboratories can*
21 *improve the quality and quantity of data to improve*
22 *research and development of novel technologies.*

23 (c) *REPORT.*—*Not later than one year after the date*
24 *of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall*
25 *submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate*

1 *and the House of Representatives a report on the results*
2 *of the review conducted under subsection (a).*

3 (d) *CLOUD LABORATORY DEFINED.*—*In this section,*
4 *the term “cloud laboratory” means a physical laboratory*
5 *equipped with automation and data storage to conduct ex-*
6 *periments.*

7 **SEC. 243. QUARTERLY REPORTS ON TERMINATION OF CRIT-**
8 **ICAL TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH AWARDS.**

9 (a) *REPORTS REQUIRED.*—*Not later than 90 days*
10 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, and on a quar-*
11 *terly basis thereafter, the Secretary of Defense shall submit*
12 *to the congressional defense committees a report that in-*
13 *cludes the following:*

14 (1) *With respect to the quarter preceding the*
15 *date of the report, identification of each covered*
16 *award that was terminated by the Department of de-*
17 *fense on the basis that the award no longer effectuates*
18 *the programs goals or agency priorities as provided*
19 *under the Department of Defense Research and Devel-*
20 *opment General Terms and Conditions (dated March*
21 *2025), or any related or successor guidance.*

22 (2) *For each covered award identified under*
23 *paragraph (1)—*

1 (A) an explanation of whether or not that
 2 award was meeting relevant objectives and re-
 3 quirements; and

4 (B) a justification for the termination of the
 5 award.

6 (b) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

7 (1) *The term “covered award” means an award*
 8 *made by the Department of Defense relating to the re-*
 9 *search or development of any of the 14 critical tech-*
 10 *nology areas.*

11 (2) *The term “14 critical technology areas”*
 12 *means the critical technology areas described in the*
 13 *memorandum of the Under Secretary of Defense for*
 14 *Research and Engineering issued on February 1,*
 15 *2022, titled “USD(R&E) Technology Vision for an*
 16 *Era of Competition”, or any successor guidance.*

17 **SEC. 244. REPORT ON DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE MARKET**
 18 **RESEARCH OF CRITICAL TECHNOLOGY AND**
 19 **CAPABILITIES.**

20 (a) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the*
 21 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense,*
 22 *in coordination with the Under Secretary of Defense for Re-*
 23 *search and Engineering and the Under Secretary of Acqui-*
 24 *sition and Sustainment, shall submit to the congressional*
 25 *defense committees a report that—*

1 (1) *reviews and assesses the ability of the De-*
2 *partment of Defense to conduct effective and thorough*
3 *market research on critical existing and emerging de-*
4 *fense technologies; and*

5 (2) *makes recommendations for the improvement*
6 *of such market research capabilities.*

7 (b) *CONTENTS.—The report under subsection (a) shall*
8 *include the following:*

9 (1) *An assessment of the strategic market evalua-*
10 *tion practices across developmental innovation and*
11 *acquisition offices, including practices that are*
12 *aligned for purposes of investigating existing commer-*
13 *cial technology capabilities in critical technologies*
14 *and capabilities.*

15 (2) *Recommendations on ways to improve mar-*
16 *ket research and commercial sector due diligence*
17 *within key Department of Defense innovation and ac-*
18 *quisition offices, with a particular focus on deeper en-*
19 *gagement with existing private sector entities.*

20 (3) *An assessment of the current status of devel-*
21 *opment maturity and growth in critical technological*
22 *market areas.*

23 (4) *An assessment of regulatory, legal, and ad-*
24 *ministrative barriers in testing and evaluation of*

1 *such critical technologies that may delay their matu-*
2 *ration and development, such as—*

3 *(A) a lack of authority to operate new tech-*
4 *nologies domestically; and*

5 *(B) barriers to direct commercial sales and*
6 *foreign military sales for such critical tech-*
7 *nologies.*

8 *(5) An assessment of how the barriers described*
9 *in paragraph (4) may be addressed to direct addi-*
10 *tional investment and speed development.*

11 *(6) An assessment of current practices of accu-*
12 *mulating and storing market research data across the*
13 *Department of Defense enterprise, from early-stage re-*
14 *search and development efforts to mature commercial*
15 *solutions.*

16 *(7) Recommendations, with respect to each crit-*
17 *ical technology sector, for enhancing private sector*
18 *participation, lowering barriers to entry for commer-*
19 *cial sector entities, decreasing capital costs required*
20 *for development, and shortening internal Department*
21 *of Defense timelines for major acquisition decisions.*

22 *(8) Recommendations for the creation of stand-*
23 *ardized best practices for market research and com-*
24 *mercial sector due diligence within key innovation*

1 *and acquisition organizations in the Department of*
 2 *Defense.*

3 (c) *CONSULTATION.*—*In preparing the report under*
 4 *subsection (a) the Secretary shall seek input from relevant*
 5 *individuals and organizations in commercial industry and*
 6 *the venture capital sector.*

7 ***TITLE III—OPERATION AND***
 8 ***MAINTENANCE***

9 ***Subtitle A—Authorization of***
 10 ***Appropriations***

11 ***SEC. 301. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.***

12 *Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fis-*
 13 *cal year 2026 for the use of the Armed Forces and other*
 14 *activities and agencies of the Department of Defense for ex-*
 15 *penses, not otherwise provided for, for operation and main-*
 16 *tenance, as specified in the funding table in section 4301.*

17 ***Subtitle B—Energy and***
 18 ***Environment***

19 ***SEC. 311. INCLUSION OF NUCLEAR ENERGY AND NUCLEAR***
 20 ***TECHNOLOGIES IN ELIGIBLE INVESTMENTS***
 21 ***MADE BY OFFICE OF STRATEGIC CAPITAL.***

22 *Section 149(f)(2) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 23 *amended—*

1 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (U) through
 2 (GG) as subparagraphs (W) through (II), respectively;
 3 and

4 (2) by inserting after subparagraph (T) the fol-
 5 lowing new subparagraphs:

6 “(U) Nuclear energy.

7 “(V) Nuclear technologies.”.

8 **SEC. 312. INCLUSION OF INFORMATION ABOUT PFAS INVES-**
 9 **TIGATION AND REMEDIATION IN ANNUAL RE-**
 10 **PORT ON DEFENSE ENVIRONMENTAL PRO-**
 11 **GRAMS.**

12 Section 2711 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
 13 ed—

14 (1) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the
 15 following new paragraph:

16 “(6) Information on the costs associated with in-
 17 vestigating and remediating per- and polyfluoroalkyl
 18 substances contamination, including—

19 “(A) detailed information regarding the
 20 total potential total costs to the Department of
 21 investigating and remediating such contamina-
 22 tion at all locations where investigation and re-
 23 mediation is expected to be funded by the De-
 24 partment; and

1 “(B) the cost assumption analysis required
2 under subsection (d).”; and

3 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
4 section:

5 “(d) *PFAS COST ASSUMPTION ANALYSIS.*—*The Sec-*
6 *retary shall carry out an annual cost assumption analysis*
7 *with respect to the most important contributors to the costs*
8 *to the Department of investigating and remediating per-*
9 *and polyfluoroalkyl substances contamination that—*

10 “(1) includes—

11 “(A) an assessment of any changes in regu-
12 latory standards, treatment technologies, and site
13 prioritization that could affect future costs;

14 “(B) examples of how modifying assump-
15 tions about contamination extent, remediation
16 timelines, or emerging disposal methods could af-
17 fect projected costs; and

18 “(C) an identification of any funding short-
19 falls or other constraints that could affect the in-
20 vestigation and remediation of such contamina-
21 tion; and

22 “(2) incorporates a risk and uncertainty anal-
23 ysis with respect to the effects of potential changes in
24 the most important contributors to the costs to the De-
25 partment of investigating and remediating per- and

1 *polyfluoroalkyl substances contamination, includ-*
 2 *ing—*

3 *“(A) variability in the extent of such con-*
 4 *tamination based on ongoing site assessments,*
 5 *inspections, and investigations;*

6 *“(B) shifts in regulatory requirements that*
 7 *could alter investigation and remediation strate-*
 8 *gies; and*

9 *“(C) advances in technologies for the treat-*
 10 *ment and disposal such contamination that*
 11 *could reduce or increase long-term costs.”.*

12 **SEC. 313. MODIFICATION OF REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO**
 13 **REPLACEMENT OF FLUORINATED AQUEOUS**
 14 **FILM-FORMING FOAM.**

15 *Section 322 of the National Defense Authorization Act*
 16 *for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 10 U.S.C. 2661*
 17 *note prec.) is amended—*

18 *(1) in subsection (b)—*

19 *(A) by striking “October 1, 2023” and in-*
 20 *serting “October 1, 2026”; and*

21 *(B) by striking “in excess of one part per*
 22 *billion of” and inserting “detectable”;*

23 *(2) in subsection (c)(1), by striking “October 1,*
 24 *2024” and inserting “October 1, 2026”;*

1 (3) *by striking subsection (d) and inserting the*
 2 *following:*

3 “(d) *EXEMPTIONS.—Subsections (b) and (c) shall not*
 4 *apply to firefighting foam for use—*

5 *“(1) onboard oceangoing vessels, including use in*
 6 *pier-side inspection, testing, and maintenance;*

7 *“(2) that is necessary to conduct testing to meet*
 8 *military specification qualification requirements and*
 9 *ensure quality standards of the inventory of the De-*
 10 *partment;*

11 *“(3) during research, development, test, and eval-*
 12 *uation of fluorine-free fire-fighting agents;*

13 *“(4) on naval nuclear submarine propulsion*
 14 *plants; or*

15 *“(5) in tactical vehicles and equipment that is*
 16 *incompatible with fluorine-free fire-fighting agents.”;*
 17 *and*

18 (4) *in subsection (e)—*

19 (A) *in paragraph (1)—*

20 (i) *in the matter preceding subpara-*
 21 *graph (A), by inserting “the limitation*
 22 *under subsection (b) or” before “the prohibi-*
 23 *tion”; and*

24 (ii) *in subparagraph (B)—*

1 (I) in clause (ii), by inserting “or
2 to maintain military readiness” after
3 “safety”;

4 (II) by striking clause (iii) and
5 redesignating clauses (iv) and (v) as
6 clauses (iii) and (iv), respectively; and

7 (III) in clause (iii), as so redesign-
8 ated, by striking “and does not re-
9 quire revision”; and

10 (B) in paragraph (2)(C), by striking “Sec-
11 retary of Defense” and inserting “Under Sec-
12 retary of Defense for Acquisition and
13 Sustainment”.

14 **SEC. 314. PROVISION OF ALTERNATIVE DRINKING WATER**
15 **TO CERTAIN COMMUNITIES WITH PRIVATE**
16 **DRINKING WATER WELLS CONTAMINATED**
17 **WITH PERFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES OR**
18 **POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES.**

19 (a) *REQUIREMENT.*—Beginning on the date of the en-
20 actment of this Act, for each household that is located in
21 a community with a private drinking water well in which
22 contamination from a perfluoroalkyl substance,
23 polyfluoroalkyl substance, or mixture thereof resulting from
24 activities of the Department of Defense exceeds the max-
25 imum contaminant level for such substance or mixture, re-

1 *spectively, and that has not received a permanent safe*
 2 *drinking water solution described in subsection (b), the Sec-*
 3 *retary of Defense shall provide to such household an alter-*
 4 *native source of drinking water (which may include the*
 5 *provision of bottled water) until such time as—*

6 (1) *the degree of cleanup of such contamination*
 7 *has at least attained such respective maximum con-*
 8 *taminant level, consistent with section 121(d) of the*
 9 *Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensa-*
 10 *tion, and Liability Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9621(d));*
 11 *or*

12 (2) *the Secretary provides such household with a*
 13 *permanent safe drinking water solution described in*
 14 *subsection (b).*

15 (b) *PERMANENT SAFE DRINKING WATER SOLUTIONS*
 16 *DESCRIBED.—A permanent safe drinking water solution*
 17 *described in this subsection is the connection of a household*
 18 *to a public water system, installation at a household of an*
 19 *onsite filtration system capable of treating the contamina-*
 20 *tion specified in subsection (a), or provision to a household*
 21 *of another permanent alternative source of drinking water.*

22 (c) *COORDINATION WITH EXISTING AUTHORITIES.—*
 23 *The Secretary of Defense shall carry out this section in a*
 24 *manner consistent with the Comprehensive Environmental*
 25 *Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42*

1 *U.S.C. 9601 et seq.) and any other authority under environ-*
 2 *mental law, including by coordinating efforts under sub-*
 3 *section (a) with ongoing efforts to address contamination*
 4 *under such authorities.*

5 *(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

6 *(1) The terms “maximum contaminant level”*
 7 *and “public water system” have the meanings given*
 8 *those terms in section 1401 of the Safe Drinking*
 9 *Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300f).*

10 *(2) The term “private drinking water well”*
 11 *means a drinking water well that is not a public*
 12 *water system and is not connected to a public water*
 13 *system.*

14 **SEC. 315. RESPONSIBILITIES OF EXECUTIVE AGENT FOR IN-**
 15 **STALLATION AND OPERATIONAL NUCLEAR**
 16 **ENERGY.**

17 *(a) EXECUTIVE AGENT.—The Secretary of Defense, in*
 18 *coordination with the Secretary of the Army, the Under*
 19 *Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, the*
 20 *Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering,*
 21 *and the Director of the Strategic Capabilities Office of the*
 22 *Department of Defense, shall ensure that, not later than one*
 23 *year after the date of the enactment of this Act, there is*
 24 *designated an executive agent of the Department of Defense*
 25 *for installation and operational nuclear energy.*

1 **(b) RESPONSIBILITIES.**—*The responsibilities of the ex-*
2 *ecutive agent specified in subsection (a) shall include the*
3 *following:*

4 *(1) In coordination with the commanders of the*
5 *combatant commands and the Joint Chiefs of Staff,*
6 *assessing installation energy and operational energy*
7 *needs, and establishing and maintaining require-*
8 *ments for the use of nuclear energy to meet such*
9 *needs, for the purpose of furthering mission critical*
10 *activities of the Department of Defense and enhancing*
11 *national security.*

12 *(2) Consulting with project developers and other*
13 *experts from the commercial nuclear industry, poten-*
14 *tial private owners and operators of nuclear reactors*
15 *to be deployed at military installations, and other*
16 *persons determined appropriate by the executive*
17 *agent, to assess the technological capabilities, develop-*
18 *ment status, costs, timelines, risks, and potential need*
19 *for design evolution of nuclear reactors to meet the*
20 *needs of the Department of Defense referred to para-*
21 *graph (1).*

22 *(3) In coordination with the Secretary of En-*
23 *ergy, the Secretaries of the military departments, and*
24 *the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, assessing the*
25 *technology readiness, licensability, deployability,*

1 *operability, and maintainability of nuclear reactors*
2 *with respect to potential deployment at military in-*
3 *stallations.*

4 *(4) In coordination with the Secretary of Defense*
5 *and the Secretaries of the military departments, inte-*
6 *grating technical and project resources across the De-*
7 *partment of Defense for the use of nuclear reactors to*
8 *meet the needs of the Department of Defense referred*
9 *to in paragraph (1), including by developing a plan*
10 *to aggregate the demand for, and the acquisition and*
11 *deployment of, nuclear reactors across military in-*
12 *stallations and military departments.*

13 *(5) In coordination with the Secretary of Energy*
14 *and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission—*

15 *(A) evaluating the regulatory framework*
16 *and other requirements applicable to the use of*
17 *nuclear reactors to meet such needs; and*

18 *(B) establishing training programs and*
19 *plans relating to the acquisition and operation*
20 *of nuclear reactors to meet such needs.*

21 *(6) Identifying the timelines and resource re-*
22 *quirements necessary for the acquisition and oper-*
23 *ation of nuclear reactors to meet such needs, includ-*
24 *ing—*

1 (A) any support necessary from the na-
2 tional laboratories of the Department of Energy;
3 and

4 (B) any funding necessary to carry out in-
5 terim pilot programs for the limited deployment
6 of nuclear reactors until such timelines and re-
7 source requirements are met.

8 (7) Including resource requirements identified
9 pursuant to paragraph (6), and any other resource
10 requirements necessary to carry out this subsection, in
11 applicable planning, programming, budgeting, and
12 execution processes of the Department of Defense, in-
13 cluding by preparing, as applicable—

14 (A) a program objective memorandum for
15 any new resource so required; and

16 (B) a budget justification for any new re-
17 source so required for inclusion in the budget
18 materials submitted by the Secretary of Defense
19 to Congress in support of the President's annual
20 budget request (submitted to Congress pursuant
21 to section 1105 of title 31, United States Code).

22 (8) Providing technical support for programs of
23 the military departments relating to the deployment
24 of nuclear reactors for installation energy resilience.

1 (c) *ANNUAL REPORTS*.—Not later than September 30,
2 2026, and annually thereafter for a period of five years,
3 the executive agent specified in subsection (a) shall submit
4 to the Secretary of Defense and the congressional defense
5 committees a report describing the actions taken to imple-
6 ment this section during the one-year period ending on the
7 date of the submission of such report.

8 (d) *PLAN FOR PROGRAM OF RECORD*.—

9 (1) *SUBMISSION*.—Not later than one year after
10 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
11 Defense, in coordination with the executive agent
12 specified in subsection (a), shall submit to the con-
13 gressional defense committees a plan to establish a
14 program of record of the Department of Defense for
15 the use of nuclear energy to meet installation energy
16 and operational energy needs.

17 (2) *ELEMENTS*.—The plan under paragraph (1)
18 shall include the following:

19 (A) An identification of requirements nec-
20 essary for the establishment of the program of
21 record specified in such paragraph.

22 (B) A budget estimate for such program of
23 record through 2030 or through the conclusion of
24 the five-year period following the first date on

1 *which a nuclear reactor is deployed at a mili-*
2 *tary installation, whichever is later.*

3 *(C) A summary of actions taken to imple-*
4 *ment the responsibilities under subsection (b)*
5 *and information derived as a result of such ac-*
6 *tions.*

7 *(D) Use cases for nuclear reactors, developed*
8 *in coordination with the commanders of combat-*
9 *ant commands with respect to installation and*
10 *operational needs (including needs relating to*
11 *the electrification of operational energy, elimi-*
12 *nation of fuel supply vulnerabilities, military*
13 *installation resilience, sustainment of military*
14 *installations, enablement of multi-domain oper-*
15 *ations, and advanced weaponry).*

16 *(E) An identification of the minimum po-*
17 *tential number of military installations at which*
18 *nuclear reactors would be necessary to deploy in*
19 *order to establish a cost-effective program, and*
20 *projected dates by which such nuclear reactors*
21 *would achieve initial operational capability.*

22 *(F) An estimate of fuel requirements nec-*
23 *essary to support the deployment of various mod-*
24 *els of nuclear reactors at military installations,*
25 *to inform future acquisition planning.*

1 (e) *COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE DIRECTIVE.*—The
2 Secretary shall carry out this section in compliance with
3 Directive 5101.1.

4 (f) *SUPPORT WITHIN DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.*—In
5 accordance with Directive 5101.1, the Secretary shall ensure
6 that the military departments, the Defense Agencies, and
7 other elements of the Department of Defense provide the ex-
8 ecutive agent specified in subsection (a) with the appro-
9 priate support and resources needed to perform the roles,
10 responsibilities, and authorities of the executive agent.

11 (g) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section—

12 (1) The term “Directive 5101.1” means Depart-
13 ment of Defense Directive 5101.1, or any successor di-
14 rective relating to the responsibilities of an executive
15 agent of the Department of Defense.

16 (2) The terms “energy resilience” and “military
17 installation resilience” have the meanings given those
18 terms in section 101 of title 10, United States Code.

19 (3) The term “executive agent” has the meaning
20 given the term “DoD Executive Agent” in Directive
21 5101.1.

22 (4) The term “operational energy” has the mean-
23 ing given that term in section 2924 of title 10, United
24 States Code.

1 **SEC. 316. ESTABLISHMENT OF ADVANCED NUCLEAR TECH-**
2 **NOLOGIES TRANSITION WORKING GROUP.**

3 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—Not later than 180 days after
4 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of De-
5 fense shall establish a working group to be known as the
6 “Advanced Nuclear Technologies Transition Working
7 Group”.

8 (b) *MEMBERSHIP.*—The working group shall be com-
9 posed of the following members, or designees thereof:

10 (1) *The Secretary of Defense.*

11 (2) *The Secretaries of the military departments.*

12 (3) *The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.*

13 (4) *The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisi-*
14 *tion and Sustainment.*

15 (5) *The Under Secretary of Defense for Research*
16 *and Engineering.*

17 (6) *The Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.*

18 (7) *The Director of the Defense Innovation Unit.*

19 (8) *The Director of the Strategic Capabilities Of-*
20 *fice.*

21 (9) *The head of any other organizational entity*
22 *of the Department of Defense the Chairperson deter-*
23 *mines appropriate.*

24 (c) *CHAIRPERSON.*—The Secretary of Defense, or a
25 designee thereof, shall serve as the Chairperson of the work-
26 ing group.

1 (d) *DUTIES.*—*The duties of the working group shall*
2 *include the following:*

3 (1) *Developing and implementing a strategy to*
4 *accelerate the procurement and fielding of commer-*
5 *cially available advanced nuclear technologies using*
6 *available authorities.*

7 (2) *Identifying critical installation energy and*
8 *operational energy needs of military installations and*
9 *the combatant commands that may be addressed*
10 *through the use of advanced nuclear technologies, en-*
11 *sureing such needs are considered in relation to efforts*
12 *and planned efforts of the Department of Defense, and*
13 *developing an accelerated pathway to leverage ad-*
14 *vanced nuclear technologies to address any gap in*
15 *such needs.*

16 (3) *Coordinating efforts among the members of*
17 *the working group for the demonstration and transi-*
18 *tion of advanced nuclear technologies, including by*
19 *increasing opportunities for collaboration between the*
20 *Department of Defense and potential partners within*
21 *the commercial nuclear industry with respect to re-*
22 *search and development, testing and evaluation, and*
23 *procurement activities relating to such technologies.*

24 (4) *Coordinating with the heads of other relevant*
25 *Federal departments and agencies regarding the con-*

1 *duct of interagency activities and development of best*
2 *practices to address obstacles to the rapid fielding of*
3 *advanced nuclear technologies, including any such ob-*
4 *stacle relating to workforce development, regulatory*
5 *frameworks, licensing requirements, access to fuel*
6 *sources, safety or security standards, or decommis-*
7 *sioning.*

8 *(5) Establishing opportunities for engagement*
9 *with developers of advanced nuclear technologies with-*
10 *in the commercial nuclear industry to assess the*
11 *availability (including, as applicable, the timeline for*
12 *availability) of micro-reactor and small modular re-*
13 *actor capabilities for potential application to meet the*
14 *needs of the Department of Defense.*

15 *(e) MEETINGS.—The working group shall meet at the*
16 *call of the Chairperson and not less frequently than quar-*
17 *terly.*

18 *(f) BRIEFINGS AND REPORTS.—*

19 *(1) INITIAL BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days*
20 *after the date of enactment of this Act, the Chair-*
21 *person shall provide to the congressional defense com-*
22 *mittees a briefing on the organization, plans, mile-*
23 *stones, and activities of the working group.*

24 *(2) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than September*
25 *30, 2026, and annually thereafter until the date of*

1 *termination under subsection (g), the Chairperson*
2 *shall submit to the congressional defense committees a*
3 *report describing, with respect to the year preceding*
4 *the date of submission of the report, the plans, mile-*
5 *stones, and activities of the working group, including*
6 *a description of the status during such year of any*
7 *project relating to advanced nuclear technologies, any*
8 *funding or other requirement associated with such a*
9 *project, and any plan to transition a capability*
10 *under such a project.*

11 *(g) TERMINATION.—The working group shall termi-*
12 *nate on September 30, 2029.*

13 *(h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

14 *(1) The term “micro-reactor” means an ad-*
15 *vanced nuclear reactor, as such term is defined in sec-*
16 *tion 951(b)(1) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42*
17 *U.S.C. 16271(b)(1)), with a rated capacity of less*
18 *than 50 electrical megawatts.*

19 *(2) The term “operational energy” has the mean-*
20 *ing given that term in section 2924 of title 10, United*
21 *States Code.*

22 *(3) The term “small modular reactor” means an*
23 *advanced nuclear reactor, as such term is defined in*
24 *section 951(b)(1) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42*
25 *U.S.C. 16271(b)(1))—*

1 (A) with a rated capacity of less than 500
2 electrical megawatts; and

3 (B) that may be constructed and operated
4 in combination with similar reactors at a single
5 site.

6 (4) The term “working group” means the work-
7 ing group established under subsection (a).

8 **SEC. 317. DEPARTMENT OF AIR FORCE PROGRAM OF**
9 **RECORD FOR COMMERCIAL WEATHER DATA.**

10 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT*.—Not later than September 30,
11 2027, the Secretary of the Air Force shall establish a pro-
12 gram of record of the Department of the Air Force to—

13 (1) acquire and use commercial weather data
14 to—

15 (A) support operational weather forecasting;
16 and

17 (B) enhance mission planning and execu-
18 tion in data-sparse and contested environments;

19 (2) integrate such commercial weather data and
20 related systems into meteorological and decision sup-
21 port frameworks of the Air Force; and

22 (3) ensure resilience against adversarial ad-
23 vancements in space-based environmental monitoring.

24 (b) *SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS*.—Not later than March
25 1, 2026, the Secretary of the Air Force shall submit to the

1 congressional defense committees, with respect to the pro-
2 gram of record to be established under subsection (a), the
3 following:

4 (1) A transition plan for the adoption of such
5 program of record, including projected costs and
6 funding requirements over the period covered by the
7 program objective memorandum process for fiscal
8 years 2027 through 2031.

9 (2) An acquisition strategy for such program of
10 record, including an outline of potential middle tier
11 of acquisition pathways or major capability acquisi-
12 tion pathways (as such term is defined in Depart-
13 ment of Defense Instruction 5000.85, titled “Major
14 Capability Acquisition” and issued on August 6,
15 2020 (or successor instruction)).

16 (3) A budget justification for inclusion of such
17 program of record in the budget materials submitted
18 by the Secretary of Defense to Congress in support of
19 the President’s annual budget request (submitted to
20 Congress pursuant to section 1105 of title 31, United
21 States Code) for fiscal year 2027, to secure sustained
22 funding.

1 **SEC. 318. PILOT PROGRAM ON NAVY INSTALLATION NU-**
2 **CLEAR ENERGY.**

3 (a) *PILOT PROGRAM REQUIRED.*—Beginning not later
4 than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,
5 the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Energy, Installa-
6 tions, and Environment shall carry out a ten-year pilot
7 program at one or more naval installations for the purpose
8 of determining how small modular reactors or mobile reac-
9 tors could be used—

10 (1) *to meet the coastal installation energy needs*
11 *of the Navy during the ten-year period beginning on*
12 *the date of the enactment of this Act; and*

13 (2) *to inform the development of concepts for the*
14 *use of nuclear power facilities to support increased*
15 *energy security for Navy and Marine Corps installa-*
16 *tions.*

17 (b) *INSTALLATION PRIORITIZATION.*—In selecting
18 naval installations for the pilot program required by sub-
19 section (a), the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Energy,
20 Installations, and Environment shall prioritize an installa-
21 tion that—

22 (1) *has entered into, as of the date of the enact-*
23 *ment of this Act, a memorandum of agreement with*
24 *a private power provider to explore the use of a small*
25 *modular reactor or mobile reactor for installation en-*
26 *ergy requirements; and*

1 (2) *contributes support to naval operational*
2 *forces in the mid-Atlantic region.*

3 (c) *PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS.—*

4 (1) *AVAILABLE INFRASTRUCTURE.—The Assist-*
5 *ant Secretary of the Navy for Energy, Installations,*
6 *and Environment may carry out the pilot program*
7 *required by subsection (a) by assessing and making*
8 *recommendations regarding how to make available the*
9 *facilities of a Navy or Marine Corps program selected*
10 *for participation in the pilot program.*

11 (2) *DATA CENTERS.—As part of the pilot pro-*
12 *gram, the Assistant Secretary shall evaluate and*
13 *make recommendations regarding how to make avail-*
14 *able Navy or Marine Corps facilities to co-locate data*
15 *centers with the assessed, representative small mod-*
16 *ular reactors or mobile reactors.*

17 (3) *CONTRACTS.—The pilot program does not re-*
18 *quire the Secretary of the Navy to enter into any new*
19 *contract, such as an energy savings performance con-*
20 *tract.*

21 (d) *REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—*

22 (1) *ANNUAL REPORT.—In each report submitted*
23 *under section 2925 of title 10, United States Code,*
24 *during the period beginning on the date that is one*
25 *year after the date of enactment of this Act and end-*

1 *ing on September 30, 2032, the Secretary of the Navy*
2 *shall include, for the year covered by the report, each*
3 *of the following:*

4 *(A) A five-year funding plan for all Navy*
5 *nuclear shore and installation power programs*
6 *for the Navy, including nuclear efforts provided*
7 *for in the context of the Navy Shore Energy Pro-*
8 *gram and any identified funding shortfalls.*

9 *(B) An identification of authorities required*
10 *and remaining barriers to the provision of nu-*
11 *clear power from a military installation to civil-*
12 *ian energy grids.*

13 *(C) A review of lessons learned from related*
14 *efforts conducted by the other military depart-*
15 *ments, the Defense Innovation Unit, and any*
16 *other entities the Secretary considers relevant.*

17 *(D) An analysis of efforts taken by the*
18 *Navy to use nuclear power on Navy installations*
19 *to support data center power demands.*

20 *(E) Any other details the Secretary of the*
21 *Navy considers relevant.*

22 *(2) FINAL REPORT.—Upon conclusion of the*
23 *pilot program, the Secretary of the Navy shall submit*
24 *to the congressional defense committees a report that*
25 *includes, or include in the report required under sec-*

1 *tion 2925 of title 10, United States Code, for the fis-*
 2 *cal year during which the pilot program concludes,*
 3 *the following:*

4 (A) *An identification of the funding that*
 5 *would be required to convert the pilot program*
 6 *to a program of record.*

7 (B) *An identification of all available fund-*
 8 *ing provided in the budget of the Navy for the*
 9 *fiscal year during which the report is submitted*
 10 *for nuclear power at Navy and Marine Corps in-*
 11 *stallations.*

12 (e) *EARLY TERMINATION.*—*The Secretary of the Navy*
 13 *may terminate the pilot program before the expiration of*
 14 *the five-year period referred to in subsection (a) if the Sec-*
 15 *retary provides notice of such early termination to the con-*
 16 *gressional defense committees.*

17 **SEC. 319. PILOT PROGRAM TO INSTALL PROPANE-POWERED**
 18 **GENERATORS AT A DOMESTIC DEFENSE IN-**
 19 **DUSTRIAL BASE FACILITY.**

20 (a) *PROGRAM REQUIRED.*—*Not later than one year*
 21 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Assistant*
 22 *Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations and the En-*
 23 *vironment shall carry out a pilot program under which the*
 24 *Assistant Secretary shall install propane-powered genera-*

1 *tors at an organic industrial base facility. Under the pilot*
 2 *program, such generators shall—*

3 *(1) be used in tandem with an on-site microgrid*
 4 *in order to improve the resiliency and redundancy of*
 5 *power generation at the facility; and*

6 *(2) be powered by conventional or renewable pro-*
 7 *pane.*

8 *(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

9 *(1) The term “microgrid” has the meaning given*
 10 *such term in section 641(b)(6) of the United States*
 11 *Energy Storage Competitiveness Act of 2007 (42*
 12 *U.S.C. 17231(b)(6)).*

13 *(2) The term “propane” has the meaning given*
 14 *such term in section 3(6) of the Propane Education*
 15 *and Research Act of 1996 (15 U.S.C. 6402(6)).*

16 *(c) TERMINATION.—The authority to carry out the*
 17 *pilot program under this section shall terminate on the date*
 18 *that is five years after the date of the enactment of this*
 19 *Act.*

20 **SEC. 320. STRATEGY TO ACCELERATE REMEDIATION OF**
 21 **CONTAMINATION FROM PERFLUOROALKYL**
 22 **SUBSTANCES AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUB-**
 23 **STANCES.**

24 *(a) STRATEGY.—Not later than 180 days after the date*
 25 *of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall*

1 *submit to the congressional defense committees a strategy*
2 *to accelerate the remediation efforts of the Department of*
3 *Defense with respect to contamination from perfluoroalkyl*
4 *substances or polyfluoroalkyl substances, which shall in-*
5 *clude—*

6 (1) *criteria of the Department for the*
7 *prioritization of military installations and National*
8 *Guard facilities with respect to which such efforts are*
9 *planned or underway, based on relative risk to*
10 *human health, demonstrated environmental impact,*
11 *and proximity to any community affected, or at risk*
12 *of being affected, by such contamination;*

13 (2) *timelines for completing each phase of the*
14 *cleanup process under CERCLA with respect to such*
15 *contamination for each such military installation or*
16 *National Guard facility;*

17 (3) *a plan for deploying additional technologies,*
18 *personnel, or other resources to reduce delays to such*
19 *remediation efforts, including an identification of—*

20 (A) *the number of laboratories accredited by*
21 *the environmental laboratory accreditation pro-*
22 *gram of the Department to test for the presence*
23 *of perfluoroalkyl substances and polyfluoroalkyl*
24 *substances; and*

1 (B) the number of laboratories in the proc-
2 ess of being so accredited; and

3 (4) benchmarks for evaluating the performance of
4 each military department or Defense Agency with re-
5 spect to response efforts to address contamination
6 from perfluoroalkyl substances and polyfluoroalkyl
7 substances.

8 (b) *PUBLIC DASHBOARD*.—Not later than one year
9 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
10 shall publish on a publicly accessible website of the Depart-
11 ment an online dashboard that provides information on the
12 actions of the Department, including each military depart-
13 ment, relating to contamination from perfluoroalkyl sub-
14 stances and polyfluoroalkyl substances. The dashboard shall
15 be updated on a semiannual basis and shall include a sum-
16 mary of—

17 (1) funding levels and expenditures relating to
18 response efforts to address such contamination,
19 dissagregated by each military installation or Na-
20 tional Guard facility with respect to which such ef-
21 forts are planned or underway;

22 (2) the status of response efforts to address such
23 contamination under the applicable phase of the
24 cleanup process under CERCLA, including the status
25 of any interim removal actions, at each such site;

1 (3) *projected and actual timelines for the comple-*
 2 *tion of remediation with respect to such contamina-*
 3 *tion at each such site; and*

4 (4) *points of contact for community engagement.*

5 (c) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

6 (1) *The terms “CERCLA”, “National Guard fa-*
 7 *cility”, “removal”, and “response” have the meanings*
 8 *given those terms in section 2700 of title 10, United*
 9 *States Code.*

10 (2) *The term “Defense Agency” has the meaning*
 11 *given such term in section 101(a) of title 10, United*
 12 *States Code.*

13 ***Subtitle C—Logistics and***
 14 ***Sustainment***

15 ***SEC. 331. EXTENSION OF AUTHORIZATION OF DEPOT WORK-***
 16 ***ING CAPITAL FUNDS FOR UNSPECIFIED***
 17 ***MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.***

18 *Section 2208(u)(4) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 19 *amended by striking “September 30, 2025” and inserting*
 20 *“September 30, 2027”.*

1 **SEC. 332. DESIGNATION OF SENIOR OFFICIALS RESPON-**
2 **SIBLE FOR INTEGRATION OF GLOBAL CON-**
3 **TESTED LOGISTICS POSTURE MANAGEMENT.**

4 (a) *DESIGNATION OF SENIOR MILITARY DEPARTMENT*
5 *OFFICIALS.*—Chapter 131 of title 10, United States Code,
6 is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

7 **“§ 2229b. Responsibility for contested logistics posture**
8 **management**

9 “(a) *DESIGNATION OF RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL.*—The
10 *Chair of the Joint Chiefs of Staff shall designate the member*
11 *or employee of the Joint Staff with primary responsibility*
12 *for the core logistics capabilities of supply, maintenance op-*
13 *erations, prepositioned stocks, deployment and distribution,*
14 *health services support, engineering, logistics services, and*
15 *operational contract to serve as the official within the De-*
16 *partment with principal responsibility for the integration*
17 *of global contested logistics posture management across the*
18 *military departments. In carrying out such responsibility,*
19 *such official shall coordinate with the senior military de-*
20 *partment officials designated under subsection (c).*

21 “(b) *RESPONSIBILITIES.*—The official designated
22 under subsection (a) shall coordinate and deconflict the ac-
23 tivities of the military departments with respect to each of
24 the following:

1 “(1) *The locations of sites outside the continental*
2 *United States at which stocks of supplies and equip-*
3 *ment as well as the composition of those stocks.*

4 “(2) *The provision of adequate intra-theater sea*
5 *and air capability to move material and personnel*
6 *throughout the theater.*

7 “(3) *The monitoring and coordination of*
8 *resourcing decisions by the military departments in*
9 *support of operational plans and contingencies.*

10 “(4) *The identification of shortcomings in the*
11 *provision of resources identified in paragraphs (2)*
12 *and (3).*

13 “(c) *SENIOR MILITARY DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS.—(1)*
14 *Each secretary of a military department shall designate,*
15 *from among officials serving in the department, an official*
16 *to have principal responsibility for contested logistics pos-*
17 *ture management for that department.*

18 “(2) *Each senior official designated under paragraph*
19 *(1) shall be responsible for—*

20 “(A) *ensuring that the department concerned is*
21 *adequately prepared to provide coordinated logistics*
22 *support to the armed forces of that department in*
23 *contested environments outside the continental United*
24 *States, including by—*

1 “(i) establishing or arranging for access to
 2 locations through which supplies and equipment
 3 can be provided to such forces;

4 “(ii) developing any necessary infrastruc-
 5 ture; and

6 “(iii) to the extent feasible, prepositioning
 7 supplies and equipment at such locations; and

8 “(B) ensuring that the logistics capabilities de-
 9 scribed in subparagraph (A) meet the requirements of
 10 the operational and contingency plans of such forces.

11 “(3) Each senior official designated under paragraph
 12 (1) may designate an official of the military department
 13 concerned to serve as a deputy to assist the senior official
 14 in carrying out the responsibilities under this section.

15 “(d) *CONTESTED LOGISTICS POSTURE STRATEGY.*—
 16 (1) The official designated under subsection (a), in coordi-
 17 nation with each senior official designated under subsection
 18 (b) and any other Department official identified by the Sec-
 19 retary, shall develop and implement a strategy for carrying
 20 out the responsibilities described in subsection (c)(2).

21 “(2) The strategy required under paragraph (1) shall
 22 include each of the following:

23 “(A) A description of—

24 “(i) the locations of sites outside the conti-
 25 nental United States at which stocks of supplies

1 *and equipment are prepositioned as of the date*
2 *of the strategy;*

3 *“(ii) the status and disposition of such*
4 *prepositioned stocks; and*

5 *“(iii) the operational or contingency plan*
6 *such stocks are intended to support.*

7 *“(B) An identification of—*

8 *“(i) any shortcomings associated with the*
9 *sites and prepositioned stocks described in sub-*
10 *paragraph (A) that must be addressed to opti-*
11 *mally execute operational and contingency*
12 *plans; and*

13 *“(ii) any additional sites, infrastructure, or*
14 *equipment that may be needed to address such*
15 *shortcomings and support such plans.*

16 *“(C) A description of any additional funding or*
17 *other resources required—*

18 *“(i) to address the shortcomings identified*
19 *under subparagraph (B)(i); and*

20 *“(ii) to provide for the additional sites, in-*
21 *frastructure, and equipment identified under*
22 *subparagraph (B)(ii).*

23 *“(D) A prioritized list of investment rec-*
24 *ommendations for each item described in subpara-*
25 *graph (C).*

1 “(E) *An identification of each case in which the*
2 *military department concerned lacks the authority or*
3 *ability to access a location outside the United States*
4 *for purposes of providing logistics support as required*
5 *under operational and contingency plans, set forth*
6 *separately by location.*

7 “(F) *An assessment of any existing and projected*
8 *threats to sites outside the continental United States*
9 *that are expected to support such operational and*
10 *contingency plans.*

11 “(3) *The strategy required under paragraph (1) shall*
12 *cover the period of two years following the date of the strat-*
13 *egy and shall be updated on an biennial basis.”.*

14 (b) *DEADLINE FOR DESIGNATION.*—*Not later than 90*
15 *days after the date of the enactment of this Act, each Sec-*
16 *retary of a military department shall make the designation*
17 *required under section 2229b(b) of title 10, United States*
18 *Code, as added by subsection (a).*

19 (c) *DEADLINE; REPORTS.*—

20 (1) *DEADLINE.*—*The development of the strategy*
21 *required under subsection (d) of section 2229b of title*
22 *10, United States Code, as added by subsection (a),*
23 *shall be completed by not later than January 31,*
24 *2027.*

1 (2) *INITIAL REPORT.*—Not later than 180 days
2 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the official
3 designated under subsection (a) of such section 2229b
4 shall submit to the congressional defense committees a
5 report that includes—

6 (A) the names of the officials designated
7 under subsection (b) of such section; and

8 (B) a plan for the completion of the develop-
9 ment of the strategy required under subsection
10 (d) of such section.

11 (3) *BIENNIAL INTERIM REPORTS.*—During the
12 period beginning on the date of the submission of the
13 initial report under paragraph (2) and ending on the
14 date of the completion of the development of the strat-
15 egy required under subsection (d) of such section
16 2229b, the official designated under subsection (a) of
17 such section shall submit to the congressional defense
18 committees semi-annual reports each of which shall
19 include—

20 (A) an update on the progress made toward
21 the completion of the development of the strategy;
22 and

23 (B) an assessment of the progress of the offi-
24 cial with respect to the responsibilities of the offi-
25 cial under subsection (b) of such section.

1 **SEC. 333. MODIFICATION OF MINIMUM CAPITAL INVEST-**
 2 **MENT FOR CERTAIN DEPOTS OF DEPART-**
 3 **MENT OF DEFENSE.**

4 *Section 2476(a)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 5 *amended by striking “the preceding three fiscal years” and*
 6 *inserting “the preceding fiscal year, the current fiscal year,*
 7 *and the estimated amount for the following fiscal year”.*

8 **SEC. 335. MODIFICATION TO ANNUAL REPORT ON NAVY**
 9 **SHIPYARD INFRASTRUCTURE OPTIMIZATION**
 10 **PROGRAM.**

11 *Section 355(c)(2)(A) of the National Defense Author-*
 12 *ization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10*
 13 *U.S.C. 8013 note) is amended by inserting “and the incor-*
 14 *poration of digital infrastructure (including hardware, soft-*
 15 *ware, and cloud storage) and platforms” before “; and”.*

16 **SEC. 336. STRATEGY TO IMPROVE INFRASTRUCTURE OF**
 17 **CERTAIN DEPOTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF**
 18 **DEFENSE.**

19 *Section 359 of the National Defense Authorization Act*
 20 *for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 133 Stat. 1323;*
 21 *10 U.S.C. 2476 note) is amended—*

22 *(1) by striking subsection (c); and*

23 *(2) by redesignating subsections (d) and (e) as*
 24 *subsections (c) and (d), respectively.*

1 **SEC. 337. PILOT PROGRAM FOR ARSENAL WORKLOAD**
2 **SUSTAINMENT.**

3 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT OF PILOT PROGRAM.*—Not later
4 than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,
5 the Secretary of Defense shall establish a pilot program to
6 incentivize public-private partnerships at arsenals of the
7 Department of the Army, to be known as the “Arsenal
8 Workload Sustainment Pilot Program” (in this section re-
9 ferred to as the “pilot program”).

10 (b) *PRIORITIZATION.*—

11 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—In carrying out the pilot pro-
12 gram, the Secretary shall prioritize the award of a
13 contract to a non-public partner that will use a Gov-
14 ernment owned, Government controlled arsenal of the
15 Department of the Army.

16 (2) *SELECTION.*—The Secretary shall select to
17 participate in the pilot program non-public partners
18 that the Secretary determines demonstrate that the
19 performance of any work under the pilot program
20 shall be performed equally by employees of the De-
21 partment of Defense and the non-public partner.

22 (c) *REGULATIONS.*—Not later than 90 days after the
23 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall issue
24 regulations to implement subsection (b).

25 (d) *REPORT.*—

1 (1) *SUBMISSION*.—Not later than one year after
2 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
3 shall submit to the congressional defense committees a
4 report on the activities conducted under the pilot pro-
5 gram, including a description of any operational
6 challenges identified in the course of such conduct.

7 (2) *ELEMENTS*.—The report under paragraph
8 (1) shall include the following:

9 (A) A breakout, by relevant budget account,
10 of the workload achieved during the prior fiscal
11 year at each Government owned, Government
12 controlled arsenal of the Department of the Army
13 for which a contract was awarded under the
14 pilot program, whether directly or pursuant to
15 such contract.

16 (B) An assessment of relevant budget ac-
17 counts where any such arsenal may be used to
18 meet future procurement needs of the Depart-
19 ment of Defense, irrespective of cost.

20 (C) An outlook of expected workload at each
21 such arsenal during the period covered by the fu-
22 ture-years defense program submitted to Con-
23 gress under section 221 of title 10, United States
24 Code.

1 (D) *The capital investments required to be*
 2 *made at each such arsenal to ensure compliance*
 3 *and operational capacity.*

4 (e) *TERMINATION.*—*The authority to carry out the*
 5 *pilot program shall terminate on the date that is five years*
 6 *after the date of the establishment of the pilot program.*

7 (f) *NON-PUBLIC PARTNER DEFINED.*—*In this section,*
 8 *the term “non-public partner” means an entity, individual,*
 9 *university, or nonprofit organization that is not part of the*
 10 *United States Government.*

11 **SEC. 338. DEPOT-LEVEL MAINTENANCE COORDINATION IN**
 12 **MULTINATIONAL EXERCISES.**

13 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Each year, the Secretary of the Air*
 14 *Force shall incorporate in at least one multinational exer-*
 15 *cise conducted in the area of operations of the United States*
 16 *Indo-Pacific Command—*

17 (1) *depot-level maintenance, repair, and*
 18 *sustainment considerations, including binational or*
 19 *multinational planning sessions with covered nations*
 20 *on—*

21 (A) *identifying opportunities to cooperate*
 22 *on depot-level maintenance and repair in ways*
 23 *that minimize transportation requirements in*
 24 *such area of operations and determining the au-*

1 *thorities necessary to deliver the necessary joint*
2 *capabilities;*

3 *(B) facilitating real-time coordination be-*
4 *tween the United States and covered nations to*
5 *maintain munitions stock levels and resupply*
6 *routes in the such area of operations;*

7 *(C) mutual recognition of airworthiness and*
8 *maintenance certification between the United*
9 *States and covered nations; and*

10 *(D) emergency tabletop exercises, such as*
11 *when an aircraft of a covered nation breaks*
12 *down on United States territory, and vice versa,*
13 *in a contested logistics environment; and*

14 *(2) coordination with the Air Force Sustainment*
15 *Center, including the participation of representatives*
16 *of—*

17 *(A) the United States Indo-Pacific Com-*
18 *mand;*

19 *(B) United States Air Force Pacific;*

20 *(C) the United States Air Mobility Com-*
21 *mand; and*

22 *(D) the Air Force Sustainment Center.*

23 *(b) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date*
24 *of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force*
25 *shall submit to Congress a report summarizing the lessons*

1 *learned from carrying out an exercise in accordance with*
2 *subsection (a) with respect to the Republic of Korea and*
3 *the Commonwealth of Australia. Such report shall include*
4 *each of the following:*

5 (1) *A list of candidate systems for co-*
6 *sustainment with Korea and Australia.*

7 (2) *A list of depot-level repair workload opportu-*
8 *nities to undertake with Korea and Australia, includ-*
9 *ing testing equipment or line replaceable units.*

10 (3) *Opportunities to incorporate Korean and*
11 *Australian industry partners in depot-level mainte-*
12 *nance repair activities, including through public-pri-*
13 *vate partnerships.*

14 (4) *An identification of any potential logistical*
15 *challenges that could arise with the host country, in-*
16 *cluding with respect to workforce, housing, and loca-*
17 *tion of workload.*

18 (5) *An identification of any potential impedi-*
19 *ments involving intellectual property or data rights*
20 *between original equipment manufacturers and the*
21 *Department of the Air Force or between the Depart-*
22 *ment of the Air Force and named partner countries.*

23 (6) *An identification of any potential impedi-*
24 *ments related to the International Traffic in Arms*
25 *Regulations and related statutes.*

1 (7) *Any additional recommendations to Congress*
2 *that would ease the facilitation of depot-level mainte-*
3 *nance repair partnerships with Korea and Australia,*
4 *including changes to existing status of forces agree-*
5 *ments.*

6 (8) *An analysis of current maintenance and re-*
7 *pair capabilities and gaps in the organic industrial*
8 *base of Korea and Australia.*

9 (9) *An assessment of the types of maintenance*
10 *and repair activities (depot-level, preventative, correc-*
11 *tive) that may be most appropriate for partnership*
12 *with Korea and Australia.*

13 (10) *An assessment of how partnerships may*
14 *contribute to allied contingency operations, interoper-*
15 *ability, and regional posture resilience in the Indo-*
16 *Pacific region.*

17 (11) *A consideration of planning factors related*
18 *to the evolving force generation models, future-genera-*
19 *tion aircraft programs, deployment schedules, statu-*
20 *tory maintenance thresholds, and other relevant oper-*
21 *ational requirements of the Department of the Air*
22 *Force.*

23 (c) *COVERED NATION DEFINED.—In this section, the*
24 *term “covered nation” means any of the following:*

25 (1) *The Commonwealth of Australia.*

1 (2) *Canada.*

2 (3) *Japan.*

3 (4) *New Zealand.*

4 (5) *The Republic of Korea.*

5 (6) *The United Kingdom of Great Britain and*
6 *Northern Ireland.*

7 (7) *Any other nation designated a covered nation*
8 *for the purposes of this section by the Secretary of the*
9 *Air Force.*

10 **SEC. 339. MAINTENANCE INSPECTION CAPABILITIES AND**
11 **REQUIREMENTS.**

12 (a) *REQUIREMENT.*—*Subject to the requirements of*
13 *subsection (b), the Secretary of Defense shall ensure that*
14 *when the Department of Defense conducts maintenance of*
15 *aviation critical safety items and mission critical parts,*
16 *such maintenance—*

17 (1) *includes the use of a technical data require-*
18 *ment or organic or commercially available diagnostic*
19 *tool, if such a requirement or tool is required and*
20 *available; and*

21 (2) *is not conducted solely through visual inspec-*
22 *tion unless—*

23 (A) *no such requirement or tool is available;*

24 *or*

1 (B) only a visual inspection is required
2 under a technical data requirement.

3 (b) *SUSTAINMENT.*—The Secretary shall ensure that
4 the acquisition of appropriate technical data requirements
5 and diagnostic tools for the conduct of maintenance of avia-
6 tion critical safety items and mission critical parts are
7 planned as part of the sustainment of the systems con-
8 taining such items and parts.

9 (c) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

10 (1) The term “aviation critical safety item”
11 means any part, assembly, installation equipment,
12 launch equipment, recovery equipment, or support
13 equipment for an aircraft or aviation weapon system
14 the failure, malfunction, or absence of which could
15 cause—

16 (A) a catastrophic or critical failure result-
17 ing in the loss of or serious damage to the air-
18 craft or weapon system;

19 (B) an unacceptable risk of personal injury
20 or loss of life; or

21 (C) an uncommanded engine shutdown that
22 jeopardizes safety.

23 (2) The term “corrosion” means the deterioration
24 of a material or its properties, including non-metallic

1 *materials, due to a reaction of that material with the*
 2 *chemical environment.*

3 (3) *The term “diagnostic tool” means a non-de-*
 4 *structive inspection tool capable of—*

5 (A) *detecting corrosion, cracks, component*
 6 *damage, adhesion failure, and standard wear*
 7 *and tear; and*

8 (B) *leveraging artificial intelligence and*
 9 *machine learning to build a predictive mainte-*
 10 *nance database when necessary to improve main-*
 11 *tainability.*

12 **SEC. 340. JOINT STRIKE FIGHTER SUSTAINMENT.**

13 (a) *REQUIREMENTS.—By not later than September 30,*
 14 *2028, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Sec-*
 15 *retary of the Navy and the Secretary of the Air Force, shall*
 16 *ensure that—*

17 (1) *sufficient wartime spares, support equip-*
 18 *ment, and depot level capabilities are projected to be*
 19 *available for the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter to—*

20 (A) *sustain F-35 Joint Strike Fighter oper-*
 21 *ations for at least 90 days in the most stressing*
 22 *operational plan required of each such Secretary;*
 23 *and*

24 (B) *meet the fleet wide minimum readiness*
 25 *targets established by each such Secretary; and*

1 (2) *each F-35 Joint Strike Fighter contractor*
2 *has provided to the Secretary of the Navy or the Sec-*
3 *retary of the Air Force, as applicable, and such Sec-*
4 *retary has validated as accurate, all information that*
5 *is necessary for the Department of Defense to success-*
6 *fully complete the financial reporting and account-*
7 *ability requirements for F-35 property, including—*

8 (A) *the incorporation of information relat-*
9 *ing to the management and reporting of Govern-*
10 *ment property that has been provided for con-*
11 *tractor performance, as defined and agreed upon*
12 *in the contract entered into by the contractor;*
13 *and*

14 (B) *the remediation of all material weak-*
15 *nesses of the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter Program*
16 *identified in the Department of Defense Agency*
17 *Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2024 that are*
18 *within the control and responsibility of the con-*
19 *tractor.*

20 (b) *TREATMENT OF INDIVIDUAL CONTRACTS.—The in-*
21 *formation required under subsection (a)(2) may be provided*
22 *on an individual contract basis.*

23 (c) *WAIVER.—The Secretary may waive a requirement*
24 *under subsection (a) if the Secretary—*

1 (1) *determines that such waiver is in the na-*
2 *tional security interests of the United States; and*

3 (2) *provides to the congressional defense commit-*
4 *tees notice of such determination, which shall include*
5 *an identification of the concern of the Secretary, a re-*
6 *medial action plan, and a proposed timeline to meet*
7 *the requirements of such subsection.*

8 (d) *REPORT.*—*Not later than February 1, 2026, the*
9 *Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of*
10 *the Navy and the Secretary of the Air Force, shall submit*
11 *to the congressional defense committees a report on the F-*
12 *35 Joint Strike Fighter program that includes a description*
13 *of each of the following:*

14 (1) *The top scarce supply assets and plans to*
15 *reach sustainable supply positions by not later than*
16 *September 30, 2028.*

17 (2) *The readiness condition of afloat and deploy-*
18 *ment spares packages and efforts available to refresh*
19 *outdated supplies and spares.*

20 (3) *The fiscal programming, by fiscal year, nec-*
21 *essary to reduce deficient parts and depot capabilities*
22 *to meet the joint strike fighter planning targets by not*
23 *later than September 30, 2028.*

1 **SEC. 341. MODERNIZATION OF ARMY ARSENALS.**

2 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*In order to accelerate the mod-*
3 *ernization of the organic industrial base of the Army and*
4 *to expand capacity across the munitions industrial base to*
5 *meet the munitions requirements of the Army, the Secretary*
6 *of the Army shall—*

7 (1) *assess existing Army facilities, as well as ex-*
8 *isting environmental permits, security arrangements,*
9 *and personnel, to identify facilities that could be used*
10 *or modified for the production of munitions; and*

11 (2) *in identifying facilities under paragraph (1),*
12 *ensure that such facilities have enough property that*
13 *is available and suitable for future industrial or tech-*
14 *nical development.*

15 (b) *SENSE OF CONGRESS.*—*It is the sense of Congress*
16 *that the Secretary should expedite the use or modification*
17 *of Army facilities to the fullest extent possible in order to*
18 *increase the rate of production of munitions.*

19 **SEC. 342. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS TO REDUCE THE**
20 **NUMBER OF CIVILIAN PERSONNEL EM-**
21 **PLOYED AT PINE BLUFF ARSENAL, ARKAN-**
22 **SAS, AND RED RIVER ARMY DEPOT, TEXAS.**

23 *None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this*
24 *Act or otherwise made available for the Department of De-*
25 *fense for fiscal year 2026 may be used to reduce the number*
26 *of civilian personnel employed at the Pine Bluff Arsenal,*

1 *Arkansas, or Red River Army Depot, Texas, until the date*
2 *on which the Secretary of the Army—*

3 *(1) certifies to the congressional defense commit-*
4 *tees that such a reduction complies with—*

5 *(A) civilian personnel reduction limitations*
6 *required by section 2687 of title 10, United*
7 *States Code;*

8 *(B) the requirement under section 7532 of*
9 *title 10, United States Code, to have supplies*
10 *needed for the Department of the Army made in*
11 *factories or arsenals owned by the United States;*
12 *and*

13 *(C) overall limitations on depot-level main-*
14 *tenance and repair workload that may be per-*
15 *formed by non-Federal Government personnel*
16 *under a contract pursuant to section 2466 of*
17 *title 10, United States Code; and*

18 *(2) submits to the congressional defense commit-*
19 *tees a report that includes—*

20 *(A) a detailed cost analysis associated with*
21 *each of subparagraphs (A) through (C) of para-*
22 *graph (1);*

23 *(B) detailed estimates of the costs that will*
24 *be incurred if the Army moves the white phos-*
25 *phorus ammunition mission away from Pine*

1 *Bluff Arsenal, including the cost and time asso-*
 2 *ciated with acquiring the necessary environ-*
 3 *mental permits; and*

4 (C) *current capability gaps within the*
 5 *Army that could be filled through the Army or-*
 6 *ganic industrial base, including with respect to*
 7 *s-UAS, battery technology, and brushless motors.*

8 ***Subtitle D—Organizational Matters***

9 ***SEC. 351. ESTABLISHMENT OF ARMY MUSEUM SYSTEM.***

10 *Chapter 775 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
 11 *ed by adding at the end the following new section:*

12 ***“§ 7715. Army museum system***

13 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary of the Army shall*
 14 *support a system of official Army museums within the*
 15 *United States Army Center of Military History. Such sys-*
 16 *tem shall include the National Museum of the United States*
 17 *Army and may contain other museums honoring individual*
 18 *installations, units, and branches, as designated by the Sec-*
 19 *retary of the Army, that meet criteria established under sub-*
 20 *section (b).*

21 “(b) *CRITERIA FOR DESIGNATION.*—*The Secretary of*
 22 *the Army shall establish criteria for designating museums*
 23 *of subsection (a) for inclusion in the Army museum system.*
 24 *Such criteria shall include—*

1 “(1) *historical significance to Army operations,*
2 *technology, or personnel;*

3 “(2) *public accessibility and educational out-*
4 *reach programs; and*

5 “(3) *alignment with the mission of the Army to*
6 *preserve its heritage.*

7 “(c) *CRITERIA FOR CLOSURE.—The Secretary of the*
8 *Army shall establish criteria for closing museums within*
9 *the Army museum system. If the Secretary decides to close*
10 *a museum in such system, the Secretary shall submit to*
11 *Congress, not later than 90 days before the date on which*
12 *the museum closes, notice that includes—*

13 “(1) *a plan for the preservation, storage, or al-*
14 *ternate display of historical collections contained in*
15 *the museum;*

16 “(2) *how any issues relating to museum per-*
17 *sonnel will be resolved;*

18 “(3) *an identification of any efforts to maintain*
19 *museum operations through public-private partner-*
20 *ships; and*

21 “(4) *an analysis of the cost to transport, consoli-*
22 *date, and preserve the historical collections contained*
23 *in the museum.*

24 “(d) *FUNDING AND SUPPORT.—Consistent with appli-*
25 *cable law, the Secretary may enter into partnerships, in-*

1 *cluding with nonprofit organizations, to enhance the finan-*
 2 *cial sustainability and public engagement of the museums*
 3 *in the Army museum system.”.*

4 **SEC. 352. AUTHORIZATION TO MAINTAIN A LIBRARY IN THE**
 5 **DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY.**

6 *Chapter 803 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
 7 *ed by adding at the end the following new section:*

8 **“§ 8030. Library**

9 *“(a) AUTHORIZATION.—The Secretary of the Navy*
 10 *may maintain in the Department of the Navy a library*
 11 *as a centralized institution dedicated to preserving,*
 12 *curating, and providing access to historical records, tech-*
 13 *nical documents, and educational resources pertinent to the*
 14 *mission and heritage of the Navy.*

15 *“(b) MISSION.—The mission of a library maintained*
 16 *under this section shall include—*

17 *“(1) collecting and preserving naval historical*
 18 *records, manuscripts, artifacts, and publications;*

19 *“(2) supporting research, education, and train-*
 20 *ing for historians, the general public, and personnel*
 21 *of the Department of the Navy;*

22 *“(3) enhancing the institutional knowledge and*
 23 *operational readiness of the Navy through access to*
 24 *technical, strategic, and doctrinal resources; and*

1 “(4) promoting public understanding of the con-
 2 tributions of the Navy to national defense and mari-
 3 time history.”.

4 **SEC. 353. AUTHORIZATION TO MAINTAIN A NAVY ART GAL-**
 5 **LERY.**

6 Chapter 803 of title 10, United States Code, as amend-
 7 ed by section 352, is further amended by adding at the end
 8 the following new section:

9 **“§ 8030A. Art gallery**

10 “(a) *AUTHORIZATION.*—The Secretary of the Navy
 11 may maintain an art gallery to preserve, display, and pro-
 12 mote artwork related to the history, heritage, and operations
 13 of the United States Navy.

14 “(b) *MISSION.*—The mission of an art gallery main-
 15 tained under subsection (a) shall include—

16 “(1) to collect and exhibit artworks, including
 17 paintings, drawings, and sculptures, that depict
 18 naval operations, personnel, and significant historical
 19 events;

20 “(2) to enhance the morale and welfare of Navy
 21 personnel by celebrating their service through artistic
 22 representation; and

23 “(3) to educate the public and preserve the cul-
 24 tural legacy of the Navy for future generations.”.

1 **SEC. 354. ESTABLISHMENT OF UNITED STATES NAVY MU-**
 2 **SEUM SYSTEM.**

3 *Chapter 861 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
 4 *ed by inserting after section 8617 the following new section:*

5 **“§ 8617A. United States Navy Museum System**

6 *“(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Navy shall*
 7 *support a system of official Navy museums, which shall col-*
 8 *lectively be known as the ‘United States Navy Museum Sys-*
 9 *tem’. Such system shall include the following museums:*

10 *“(1) The National Museum of the United States*
 11 *Navy.*

12 *“(2) The United States Naval Academy Museum.*

13 *“(3) The Naval War College Museum.*

14 *“(4) The Submarine Force Museum.*

15 *“(5) The National Naval Aviation Museum.*

16 *“(6) The USS Constitution Museum.*

17 *“(7) The United States Navy Seabee Museum.*

18 *“(8) The Puget Sound Navy Museum.*

19 *“(9) The Naval Undersea Museum.*

20 *“(10) The National Museum of the American*
 21 *Sailor.*

22 *“(11) Such other museums as may be designated*
 23 *by the Secretary of the Navy that meet criteria estab-*
 24 *lished under subsection (b).*

25 *“(b) CRITERIA FOR DESIGNATION.—The Secretary of*
 26 *the Navy shall establish criteria for designating museums*

1 *other than museums identified in paragraphs (1) through*
 2 *(10) of subsection (a) for inclusion in the United States*
 3 *Navy Museum System. Such criteria shall include—*

4 *“(1) historical significance to naval operations,*
 5 *technology, or personnel;*

6 *“(2) public accessibility and educational out-*
 7 *reach programs; and*

8 *“(3) alignment with the mission of the Navy to*
 9 *preserve its heritage.*

10 *“(c) FUNDING AND SUPPORT.—Consistent with appli-*
 11 *cable law, the Secretary may enter into partnerships, in-*
 12 *cluding with nonprofit organizations, to enhance the finan-*
 13 *cial sustainability and public engagement of the museums*
 14 *in the United States Museum System.”.*

15 **SEC. 355. ESTABLISHMENT OF CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF**
 16 **THE NATIONAL GUARD.**

17 *(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Chapter 1 of title 32, United*
 18 *States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following*
 19 *new section:*

20 **“§ 116. Center for the Study of the National Guard**

21 *“(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Defense, in*
 22 *coordination with the Chief of the National Guard Bureau,*
 23 *shall establish a center, to be known as the ‘Center for the*
 24 *Study of the National Guard’ at an appropriate academic*
 25 *institution that—*

1 “(1) maintains an established relationship with
2 the National Guard Bureau;

3 “(2) possesses a strong academic program in
4 military history; and

5 “(3) is situated in proximity to a major Na-
6 tional Guard installation.

7 “(b) *RESPONSIBILITIES.*—The Center for the Study of
8 the National Guard shall—

9 “(1) serve as the principal repository for histor-
10 ical documents, oral histories, and other records re-
11 lated to the National Guard;

12 “(2) conduct research, analysis, and educational
13 programs related to the history, evolution, and oper-
14 ational contributions of the National Guard;

15 “(3) facilitate outreach efforts to increase public
16 awareness of the role of the National Guard in na-
17 tional defense and domestic response operations; and

18 “(4) support the Department of Defense in shap-
19 ing policy decisions and strategic planning related to
20 National Guard operations carried out under titles 10
21 and 32, United States Code.

22 “(c) *COLLABORATION AND SUPPORT.*—The Chief of the
23 National Guard Bureau may—

1 “(1) collaborate with the Center for the Study of
2 the National Guard in the collection, preservation,
3 and dissemination of National Guard history;

4 “(2) provide historical documents, records, and
5 resources to support the research and archival efforts
6 of the Center; and

7 “(3) facilitate joint initiatives between the Na-
8 tional Guard Bureau and the Center to enhance his-
9 torical preservation, education, and public awareness.

10 “(d) *PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP.*—The Secretary
11 of Defense shall seek to establish and maintain the Center
12 for the Study of the National Guard as a public-private
13 partnership to minimize costs to the Federal Government.”.

14 (b) *DEADLINE FOR ESTABLISHMENT.*—The Secretary
15 of Defense shall establish the Center for the Study of the
16 National Guard required under section 116 of title 32,
17 United States Code, as added by subsection (a), by not later
18 than the date that is 180 days after the date of the enact-
19 ment of this Act.

20 (c) *CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFING.*—Not later than one
21 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary
22 of Defense shall provide to the congressional defense commit-
23 tees a briefing that includes—

24 (1) a description of the selection of the academic
25 institution where the Center for the Study of the Na-

1 *tional Guard required under section 116 of title 32,*
 2 *United States Code, as added by subsection (a), is lo-*
 3 *cated;*

4 *(2) an identification of the status of the estab-*
 5 *lishment and initial operations of the Center;*

6 *(3) a description of any ongoing efforts between*
 7 *the National Guard Bureau and the Center; and*

8 *(4) the recommendations of the Secretary to en-*
 9 *hance the preservation and study of National Guard*
 10 *history.*

11 **SEC. 356. RECOGNITION OF CERTAIN ASPECTS OF THE NA-**
 12 **TIONAL NAVY UDT-SEAL MUSEUM IN FORT**
 13 **PIERCE, FLORIDA, AS A NATIONAL MEMORIAL,**
 14 **NATIONAL MEMORIAL GARDEN, AND NA-**
 15 **TIONAL K9 MEMORIAL.**

16 *The Secretary of the Navy shall recognize the National*
 17 *Navy SEAL Museum Memorial, the Memorial Garden and*
 18 *Living Beach, and the Naval Special Warfare K9 Memorial*
 19 *of the National Navy UDT-SEAL Museum, located at 3300*
 20 *North Highway A1A, North Hutchinson Island, in Fort*
 21 *Pierce, Florida, as a national memorial, national memorial*
 22 *garden, and national K9 memorial, respectively, of the*
 23 *Navy SEALs.*

1 ***Subtitle E—Studies, Reports, and***
2 ***Briefings***

3 ***SEC. 361. ASSESSMENTS AND PLAN FOR INCREASING AC-***
4 ***CESS TO NUTRITIOUS FOOD ON MILITARY IN-***
5 ***STALLATIONS.***

6 *(a) ASSESSMENTS.—*

7 *(1) REQUIREMENT.—Chapter 23 of title 10,*
8 *United States Code, is amended by inserting after sec-*
9 *tion 488 the following new section:*

10 ***“§489. Biennial assessments on nutrition standards***
11 ***of military departments***

12 *“On a biennial basis, the Secretary of Defense shall—*

13 *“(1) conduct an assessment of the nutrition*
14 *standards of each military department, including by*
15 *reviewing any nutrition program or related policy of*
16 *that military department, and the extent to which*
17 *such standards are reflected in the food options acces-*
18 *sible to members of the armed forces at the military*
19 *installations of that military department;*

20 *“(2) submit a report containing the results of*
21 *such assessment to the Committees on Armed Services*
22 *of the House of Representatives and the Senate; and*

23 *“(3) publish such report on a publicly available*
24 *website of the Department of Defense.”.*

1 (2) *FIRST REPORT*.—Not later than December 1,
2 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the
3 Committees on Armed Services of the House of Rep-
4 resentatives and the Senate, and publish on a pub-
5 licly available website of the Department of Defense,
6 the first report required under section 489 of title 10,
7 United States Code, as added by paragraph (1).

8 (b) *PLAN*.—

9 (1) *REQUIREMENT*.—Not later than 180 days
10 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under
11 Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness and
12 the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and
13 Sustainment, in coordination with the Assistant Sec-
14 retary of Defense for Manpower and Reserve Affairs
15 and such other entities as the Secretary of Defense de-
16 termines appropriate, shall jointly submit to the
17 Committees on Armed Services of the House of Rep-
18 resentatives and the Senate and publish on a publicly
19 available website of the Department of Defense a plan
20 to increase access to nutritious food on military in-
21 stallations, consistent with recommendations included
22 in the report of the Government Accountability Office
23 titled “DOD Food Program: Additional Actions Need-
24 ed to Implement, Oversee, and Evaluate Nutrition Ef-

1 *forts for Service Members”, and dated June 24, 2024*
 2 *(GAO–24–106155).*

3 (2) *ELEMENTS.—The plan under paragraph (1)*
 4 *shall include a strategy developed by the Assistant*
 5 *Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Reserve Af-*
 6 *fairs for increasing nutritious menu options at venues*
 7 *that are located on military installations, offer food*
 8 *services to members of the Armed Forces, and are not*
 9 *funded with appropriated amounts (referred to in the*
 10 *report specified in such paragraph as “non-*
 11 *appropriated fund food venues”).*

12 **SEC. 362. QUARTERLY REPORTS ON MUNITIONS RESPONSE**
 13 **PROJECTS AT SITES FORMERLY USED BY THE**
 14 **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

15 (a) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the*
 16 *last day of each fiscal quarter that begins after the date*
 17 *of the enactment of this Act, until the termination date*
 18 *specified in subsection (c), the Secretary of the Army, acting*
 19 *through the Commanding General of the United States*
 20 *Army Corps of Engineers, shall submit to the congressional*
 21 *defense committees a report on the status of munitions re-*
 22 *sponse projects at sites formerly used by the Department*
 23 *of Defense.*

1 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—Each report submitted under sub-
2 section (a) shall include, for the quarter covered by the re-
3 port, the following information:

4 (1) *The number of new task order awards for*
5 *munitions response projects at sites formerly used by*
6 *the Department of Defense issued and the total dollar*
7 *value of such awards.*

8 (2) *The number of optional tasks exercised as*
9 *part of such projects and the total dollar value of such*
10 *exercised tasks.*

11 (3) *The number of contract modifications or re-*
12 *quests for equitable adjustment issued as part of such*
13 *projects and the total dollar value of such modifica-*
14 *tions and adjustments.*

15 (4) *The number of task orders for such projects*
16 *with expiring funds and the total value of any associ-*
17 *ated deobligations.*

18 (5) *The number of active munitions response*
19 *projects at such sites and the contract phase of each*
20 *project, including whether the project is in the reme-*
21 *dial investigation, feasibility study, proposed plan, or*
22 *decision document or record of decision phase.*

23 (6) *The number of active such projects placed on*
24 *hold and, for each such project, a summary of the rea-*
25 *son for the hold, including delays related to regu-*

1 *latory agencies, rights-of-entry issues, Federal land*
2 *manager actions, or discrepancies in the number of*
3 *subsurface anomalies between the statement of work*
4 *and field conditions.*

5 *(c) TERMINATION DATE.—The termination date speci-*
6 *fied in this subsection is the date that is five years after*
7 *the date of the enactment of this Act.*

8 **SEC. 363. REPORT ON CAUSES AND EFFECTS OF DECLINING**
9 **AIRCRAFT READINESS RATES.**

10 *(a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than May 31,*
11 *2026, the Secretary of the Air Force shall submit to the*
12 *Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representa-*
13 *tives and the Senate a report on the declining rates of air-*
14 *craft readiness within the fleet of the Air Force (with an*
15 *emphasis on fighter aircraft within such fleet) and factors*
16 *contributing to that decline. Such report shall include, with*
17 *respect to such aircraft, the following:*

18 *(1) A review of mission capability rates over the*
19 *five fiscal years preceding the date of the submission*
20 *of the report, including an assessment of key factors*
21 *contributing to any decline in such rates, such as*
22 *maintenance backlogs, shortages in aircraft parts, or*
23 *depot capacity constraints.*

24 *(2) An analysis of the manner and extent to*
25 *which reductions to the flying hours program of the*

1 *Air Force or gaps in funding for weapon system*
2 *sustainment activities may have contributed to lower*
3 *sortie generation, increased aircraft downtime, and*
4 *declining rates of aircraft readiness in general.*

5 *(3) An assessment of how personnel and units of*
6 *the Air Force communicate aircraft status for oper-*
7 *ations and maintenance purposes, including any dis-*
8 *crepancies between pilot debriefs, maintenance write-*
9 *ups, and data recorded in the Defense Readiness Re-*
10 *porting System of the Department of Defense.*

11 *(4) An assessment of how high-tempo rotational*
12 *deployments strain the availability of aircraft, accel-*
13 *erate the degradation of aircraft, and affect the long-*
14 *term readiness of the fleet.*

15 *(5) An analysis of how low rates of aircraft*
16 *readiness negatively affect the training and readiness*
17 *of new fighter pilots, including by limiting training*
18 *opportunities, reducing instructor availability, and*
19 *generating operational shortfalls.*

20 *(6) Proposed actions to reverse the declining*
21 *rates of aircraft readiness, improve the effectiveness of*
22 *aircraft sustainment, and ensure more accurate readi-*
23 *ness reporting, including any recommendations for*
24 *relevant legislative actions.*

1 (b) *FORM.*—The report required by paragraph (1)
2 shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include
3 a classified annex.

4 **SEC. 364. DRIVER SIMULATORS IN MILITARY VEHICLES.**

5 (a) *FINDINGS.*—Congress makes the following findings:

6 (1) The report of the Government Accountability
7 Office titled “Military Vehicles: Army and Marine
8 Corps Should Take Additional Actions to Mitigate
9 and Prevent Training Accidents” (GAO-21-361) stat-
10 ed, “Driver inattentiveness, lapses in supervision, and
11 lack of training were among the most common causes
12 of these accidents, according to GAO analysis of
13 Army and Marine Corps data.”

14 (2) Such report further determined that the
15 Army and Marine Corps, “have not developed a well-
16 defined process with performance criteria and meas-
17 urable standards to train their tactical vehicle drivers
18 from basic qualifications to proficiency in diverse
19 driving conditions, such as driving at night or over
20 varied terrain.”

21 (b) *SENSE OF CONGRESS.*—It is the sense of Congress
22 that—

23 (1) acquisition program baseline budget requests
24 submitted in the budget submission of the President
25 for manned military ground vehicles should include

1 *funding specifically allocated to the development, pro-*
2 *curement, fielding, and sustainment of driver train-*
3 *ing simulators with sufficient fidelity to provide accu-*
4 *rate visual, auditory, haptic, tactile, and vestibular*
5 *stimulation to the trainee learning to operate the ve-*
6 *hicle; and*

7 *(2) driver training simulators should be—*

8 *(A) incorporated into the lifecycle support*
9 *for ground vehicles and should adequately simu-*
10 *late all of the environmental conditions in which*
11 *drivers will be required to operate military*
12 *ground vehicles in support of the tactical concept*
13 *of employment of those vehicles;*

14 *(B) available for both initial entry level*
15 *driver training and for periodic sustainment*
16 *training of military vehicle drivers; and*

17 *(C) available for each vehicle type in suffi-*
18 *cient enough numbers at each military installa-*
19 *tion to support driver training for the number of*
20 *licensed drivers at the installation until such ve-*
21 *hicle type is removed from service.*

22 *(c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than March 1,*
23 *2026, the Secretary of the Army and the Secretary of the*
24 *Navy shall jointly submit to the congressional defense com-*
25 *mittees a report containing an assessment of fielded mili-*

1 tary vehicle programs for which no driver simulator has
 2 been fielded to support the vehicle fleet. Such report shall
 3 include an updated cost analysis requirement document
 4 that includes necessary programming for driver simulators
 5 and a phasing plan for the procurement and fielding of
 6 driver simulators.

7 ***Subtitle F—Other Matters***

8 ***SEC. 371. AUTHORITY TO EVACUATE FAMILY PETS AND*** 9 ***CONTRACT WORKING DOGS DURING NON-*** 10 ***COMBATANT EVACUATIONS OF FOREIGN*** 11 ***COUNTRIES.***

12 *Section 2387 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
 13 *ed—*

14 *(1) in the section heading, by striking “: re-*
 15 ***quirement to transfer animals to 341st***
 16 ***Training Squadron after service life”;***

17 *(2) in the heading for subsection (a), by striking*
 18 *“IN GENERAL” and inserting “REQUIREMENT TO*
 19 *TRANSFER”;*

20 *(3) by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection*
 21 *(d); and*

22 *(4) by inserting after subsection (b) the following*
 23 *new subsection (c):*

24 *“(c) AUTHORITY TO EVACUATE.—(1) Subject to the*
 25 *limitations under paragraph (2), in the event of a situation*

1 *during which the Department of Defense evacuates non-*
 2 *combatants from a foreign country, the Secretary of Defense*
 3 *may enter into agreements with appropriate nonprofit enti-*
 4 *ties under which such entities provide for the evacuation*
 5 *of—*

6 “(A) *the family pets of citizens of the United*
 7 *States who are evacuated by the Department; and*

8 “(B) *contract working dogs located in such coun-*
 9 *try.*

10 “(2) *The limitations under this paragraph are as fol-*
 11 *lows:*

12 “(A) *The Department of Defense is not respon-*
 13 *sible for providing veterinary care for a family pet or*
 14 *contract working dog by reason of the evacuation of*
 15 *the pet or dog pursuant to paragraph (1).*

16 “(B) *The Secretary may not exercise the author-*
 17 *ity under paragraph (1) if the exercise of such au-*
 18 *thority would result in a reduction in the number of*
 19 *individuals who would otherwise be evacuated.”.*

20 **SEC. 372. MANNED ROTARY WING AIRCRAFT SAFETY.**

21 *Chapter 157 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
 22 *ed by adding at the end the following new section:*

1 **“§ 2653. Aircraft safety: requirements for highly traf-**
2 **ficked domestic airspace**

3 “(a) *LIMITATION ON OPERATION.*—Notwithstanding
4 *section 1046 of the John S. McCain National Defense Au-*
5 *thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232,*
6 *49 U.S.C. 40101 note), except as provided in subsection (b),*
7 *the Secretary of a military department may not authorize*
8 *any manned rotary wing aircraft of the Department of De-*
9 *fense to operate a training mission in a highly trafficked*
10 *domestic airspace unless such aircraft, while being operated,*
11 *is actively providing warning to nearby commercial air-*
12 *craft, in a manner compatible with the traffic alert and*
13 *collision avoidance system of such commercial aircraft, of*
14 *the proximity of the Department of Defense aircraft.*

15 “(b) *WAIVER AUTHORITY.*—The Secretary of a mili-
16 *tary department, with the concurrence of the Secretary of*
17 *Transportation, may waive the limitation under subsection*
18 *(a) with respect to the operation of an aircraft if the Sec-*
19 *retary determines that—*

20 “(1) *such waiver is in the national security in-*
21 *terests of the United States; and*

22 “(2) *a commercial aviation compatibility risk*
23 *assessment has been conducted with respect to the op-*
24 *eration of the aircraft pursuant to the waiver to miti-*
25 *gate the risk associated with such operation.*

1 “(c) *LIMITATION ON DELEGATION.*—*The Secretary of*
 2 *a military department may not delegate the waiver author-*
 3 *ity under subsection (b) to an official whose rank is below*
 4 *a general or flag officer.*

5 “(d) *DEFINITION OF HIGHLY TRAFFICKED DOMESTIC*
 6 *AIRSPACE.*—*The term ‘highly trafficked domestic airspace’*
 7 *means—*

8 “(1) *the Washington, DC Metropolitan Area Spe-*
 9 *cial Flight Rules Area, as such term is defined in sec-*
 10 *tion 93.335 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations,*
 11 *or any successor regulation; or*

12 “(2) *an area surrounding class B, C, or D air-*
 13 *space of a commercial service airport, as such term*
 14 *is defined in section 47102 of title 49.”.*

15 **SEC. 373. INCLUSION OF TERRITORIES IN CERTAIN INTER-**
 16 **GOVERNMENTAL SUPPORT AGREEMENTS FOR**
 17 **INSTALLATION-SUPPORT SERVICES.**

18 *Section 2679(f)(3) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 19 *amended—*

20 (1) *by striking “and” before “the United States*
 21 *Virgin Islands”;* and

22 (2) *by inserting “the State of Yap of the Fed-*
 23 *erated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of*
 24 *Palau,” after “Virgin Islands,”.*

1 **SEC. 374. TRANSPORTATION OF DOMESTIC ANIMALS BY**
2 **FOREIGN AIR CARRIER.**

3 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Notwithstanding subsections (a)
4 and (c) of section 40118 of title 49, United States Code,
5 the Secretary of Defense is authorized to pay for the trans-
6 portation by a foreign air carrier of Department of Defense
7 personnel and any in-cabin or accompanying checked bag-
8 gage or cargo if—

9 (1) no air carrier holding a certificate under sec-
10 tion 41102 of such title 49 is willing and able to
11 transport up to 3 domestic animals accompanying
12 such Federal personnel; and

13 (2) the transportation is from a place—

14 (A) outside the United States to a place in
15 the United States;

16 (B) in the United States to a place outside
17 the United States; or

18 (C) outside the United States to another
19 place outside the United States.

20 (b) *LIMITATION.*—An amount paid pursuant to sub-
21 section (a) for transportation by a foreign carrier may not
22 be greater than the amount that would otherwise have been
23 paid had the transportation been on an air carrier holding
24 a certificate under section 41102 had that carrier been will-
25 ing and able to provide such transportation. If the amount
26 that would otherwise have been paid to such an air carrier

1 *is less than the cost of transportation on the applicable for-*
 2 *eign carrier, the Department personnel may pay the dif-*
 3 *ference of such amount.*

4 *(c) DOMESTIC ANIMAL DEFINED.—In this section, the*
 5 *term “domestic animal” means a dog or a cat.*

6 **SEC. 375. ADJUSTMENT AND DIVERSIFICATION ASSISTANCE**
 7 **FOR STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AF-**
 8 **FECTED BY ARMY TRANSFORMATION INITIA-**
 9 **TIVE.**

10 *(a) PROVISION OF ASSISTANCE.—Beginning not later*
 11 *than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,*
 12 *subject to the availability of appropriations for such pur-*
 13 *pose, the Secretary of Defense may provide adjustment and*
 14 *diversification assistance, pursuant to section 2391(b) of*
 15 *title 10, United States Code, to State and local governments*
 16 *affected by the actions taken under the Army Trans-*
 17 *formation Initiative with respect to—*

18 *(1) Red River Army Depot, Texas;*

19 *(2) Pine Bluff Arsenal, Arkansas; and*

20 *(3) such other Army installations as are identi-*
 21 *fied by the Secretary.*

22 *(b) REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after the date*
 23 *of the enactment of the Act, the Secretary of Defense shall*
 24 *submit to the congressional defense committees a report that*
 25 *includes—*

1 (1) *an identification of the amount of adjust-*
 2 *ment and diversification assistance anticipated to be*
 3 *provided during fiscal year 2026 to State and local*
 4 *governments for each Army installation; and*

5 (2) *an identification of options to address any*
 6 *capability gaps of the Army that could be filled*
 7 *through the Army organic industrial base.*

8 **SEC. 376. AVAILABILITY OF MILK AT DINING FACILITIES ON**
 9 **MILITARY INSTALLATIONS.**

10 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary of Defense shall en-*
 11 *sure that milk is available to members of the Armed Forces*
 12 *at dining facilities on military installations.*

13 (b) *PROHIBITION.*—*The Secretary may not, to carry*
 14 *out this section, purchase milk from an entity owned or*
 15 *controlled by a foreign adversary, as determined by the Sec-*
 16 *retary of Commerce under section 7.4 of title 15, Code of*
 17 *Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation).*

18 (c) *DEFINITION OF MILK.*—*In this section, the term*
 19 *“milk” has the meaning given such term in section 133.3*
 20 *of title 21, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor*
 21 *regulation) and includes fluid or powdered milk.*

22 **SEC. 377. MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR MILITARY WORKING**
 23 **DOG KENNELS AND FACILITIES.**

24 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT OF MINIMUM STANDARDS.*—*Not*
 25 *later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this*

1 *Act, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Sec-*
2 *retary of each military department, veterinary experts, and*
3 *military working dog program managers, shall establish*
4 *and implement minimum standards for kennels and other*
5 *facilities used to house military working dogs. Such min-*
6 *imum standards shall include each of the following:*

7 (1) *Requirements for space and design to ensure*
8 *each military working dog has sufficient space to*
9 *stand, turn around, lie down comfortably, and engage*
10 *in natural behaviors.*

11 (2) *Standards for environmental conditions to*
12 *ensure adequate ventilation, temperature control, and*
13 *protection from extreme weather conditions.*

14 (3) *Standards for sanitation and hygiene to en-*
15 *sure kennels and other facilities can be easily cleaned*
16 *and disinfected.*

17 (4) *Requirements related to safety and security*
18 *to prevent military working dogs from escaping and*
19 *being injured and preventing access to kennels and*
20 *other facilities by unauthorized individuals.*

21 (5) *Standards for access to veterinary care to ad-*
22 *dress the routine and emergency medical care needs of*
23 *military working dogs, either at a military veteri-*
24 *nary treatment facility or through sufficient on-site*
25 *veterinary capabilities.*

1 (6) *Requirements related to daily access to exer-*
2 *cise areas.*

3 (7) *Required annual inspections to ensure com-*
4 *pliance with such standards.*

5 (8) *Such other standards and requirements as*
6 *the Secretary of Defense determines are appropriate.*

7 (b) *IMPLEMENTATION AND COMPLIANCE.—*

8 (1) *EXISTING FACILITIES.—*

9 (A) *ASSESSMENT.—Not later than one year*
10 *after the date of the establishment of the stand-*
11 *ards required under subsection (a), the Secretary*
12 *of Defense, acting through the Executive Agent*
13 *for the Department of Defense Military Working*
14 *Dog Program, shall ensure that each kennel and*
15 *other facility used to house military working*
16 *dogs under the jurisdiction of the Department of*
17 *Defense are assessed to determine the extent to*
18 *which such kennels and facilities are in compli-*
19 *ance with such standards.*

20 (B) *MODIFICATION.—Not later than three*
21 *years after the date of the enactment of this Act,*
22 *the Secretary, acting through the Executive*
23 *Agent, shall ensure that each such kennel and fa-*
24 *cility is modified to the extent required to com-*
25 *ply with such standards.*

1 (2) *NEW FACILITIES.*—*The Secretary, acting*
2 *through the Executive Agent, shall ensure that any*
3 *kennel or other facility used to house military work-*
4 *ing dogs under the jurisdiction of the Department*
5 *that is constructed or renovated after the date of en-*
6 *actment of this Act is in compliance with such stand-*
7 *ards before such kennel or facility is used to house*
8 *such a military working dog.*

9 (c) *WAIVER AUTHORITY.*—*The Secretary of Defense*
10 *may waive a specific requirement or standard developed*
11 *under subsection (a), on a case-by-case basis, if the Sec-*
12 *retary determines that such a waiver is required to provide*
13 *for a temporary deployment or exigent circumstances. The*
14 *Secretary may not issue a waiver under this subsection un-*
15 *less the Secretary—*

16 (1) *provides for the implementation of alter-*
17 *native measures to ensure the welfare of any dogs af-*
18 *ected by the waiver; and*

19 (2) *submits to the Committees on Armed Services*
20 *of the Senate and House of Representatives a report*
21 *containing notice of the waiver, a justification for*
22 *such waiver, and a description of the alternative*
23 *measures provided under paragraph (1).*

1 **SEC. 378. RESTROOM ACCESS AT MILITARY INSTALLATIONS**
2 **FOR CERTAIN TRANSPORTATION SERVICE**
3 **PROVIDERS.**

4 (a) *RESTROOM ACCESS.*—*The Secretary of Defense*
5 *shall take such steps as may be necessary to ensure that,*
6 *with respect to each covered location, there is a restroom—*

7 (1) *located at or in close proximity to the cov-*
8 *ered location;*

9 (2) *to which any covered driver, while providing*
10 *a transportation protective service involving the*
11 *transport of sensitive cargo to or from the covered lo-*
12 *cation on behalf of the Department of Defense, is au-*
13 *thorized access;*

14 (3) *that to the extent practicable, provides for*
15 *privacy, hand washing, accessibility, and gender-spe-*
16 *cific needs; and*

17 (4) *in the case of a portable restroom, that is*
18 *vented and equipped with adequate lighting (which*
19 *may be achieved through supplementation with a*
20 *temporary lighting source, as necessary).*

21 (b) *LOCATION.*—*The location of a restroom under sub-*
22 *section (a)(1) may not be a location to which access by the*
23 *covered driver would result in—*

24 (1) *a security risk, as determined by the Sec-*
25 *retary;*

1 (2) *a health or safety risk to the covered driver;*
2 *or*

3 (3) *a violation of any other regulation or policy*
4 *of the Department.*

5 (c) *NOTIFICATION OF NONCOMPLIANCE.—In carrying*
6 *out subsection (a), the Secretary shall—*

7 (1) *establish a process by which a covered driver*
8 *may provide to the Secretary timely notification of*
9 *any covered location with respect to which access to*
10 *a restroom is not provided consistent with such sub-*
11 *section; and*

12 (2) *upon receiving such a notification, coordi-*
13 *nate with the commander of the military installation*
14 *concerned or other appropriate officer or employee of*
15 *the Department to ensure such access is provided.*

16 (d) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

17 (1) *The terms “arms, ammunition, and explo-*
18 *sives”, “safe haven”, “secure holding area”, “secure*
19 *holding location”, and “transportation protective*
20 *service” have the meanings given those terms in the*
21 *publication of the Military Surface Deployment and*
22 *Distribution Command of the Department of Defense*
23 *issued October 4, 2024, and titled “Military Freight*
24 *Traffic Unified Rules Publication-1 (MFTURP-1)”,*
25 *or any successor thereto.*

1 (2) *The term “commercial motor vehicle” has the*
2 *meaning given that term in section 31101 of title 49,*
3 *United States Code.*

4 (3) *The term “covered driver” means an operator*
5 *of a commercial motor vehicle—*

6 *(A) authorized to provide a transportation*
7 *protective service on behalf of the Department of*
8 *Defense; and*

9 *(B) subject to requirements for qualifica-*
10 *tions and maximum hours of service under sec-*
11 *tion 31502(b) of title 49, United States Code.*

12 (4) *The term “covered location” means a safe*
13 *haven, secure holding area, or secure holding location*
14 *at a military installation or other facility of the De-*
15 *partment of Defense.*

16 (5) *The terms “facility” and “military installa-*
17 *tion” have the meanings given those terms in section*
18 *2801(c) of title 10, United States Code.*

19 (6) *The term “sensitive cargo” means—*

20 *(A) arms, ammunition, and explosives;*

21 *(B) classified material; or*

22 *(C) any other cargo, or category thereof, the*
23 *Secretary of Defense determines sensitive for pur-*
24 *poses of this section.*

1 **SEC. 379. REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO WEARING OP-**
2 **TIONAL COMBAT BOOTS.**

3 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than two years after the
4 date of the enactment of this section, the Secretary of De-
5 fense shall issue regulations to prohibit any member of the
6 Armed Forces from wearing optional combat boots as part
7 of a required uniform unless the optional combat boots are
8 entirely manufactured in the United States and entirely
9 made of—

10 (1) *materials grown, reprocessed, reused, or pro-*
11 *duced in the United States; and*

12 (2) *components that are manufactured entirely*
13 *in the United States and entirely made of materials*
14 *described in paragraph (1).*

15 (b) *WAIVER.*—The requirements of subsection (a) may
16 be waived if a member of the Armed Forces provides a med-
17 ical justification authorized by the commanding officer of
18 such member to wear optional combat boots as part of a
19 required uniform.

20 (c) *EXCEPTION.*—The requirements of subsection (a)
21 shall not apply to a member of the Armed Forces within
22 a combat arms military occupational specialty who is in
23 a deployed status.

24 (d) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

25 (1) *The term “optional combat boots”, with re-*
26 *spect to a member of the Armed Forces, means combat*

1 *boots not furnished to such member of the Armed*
2 *Forces by the Secretary of Defense.*

3 *(2) The term “required uniform” means a uni-*
4 *form a member of the Armed Forces is required to*
5 *wear as a member of the Armed Forces.*

6 **SEC. 380. INITIATIVE TO CONTROL SPREAD OF GREATER**
7 **BANDED HORNET IN GUAM.**

8 *(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall en-*
9 *hance efforts to manage, control, and interdict the greater*
10 *banded hornet on military installations in Guam.*

11 *(b) AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES.—The efforts required*
12 *under subsection (a) shall include the following:*

13 *(1) Carrying out science-based management and*
14 *control programs to reduce the effect of the greater*
15 *banded hornet on military installations and to pre-*
16 *vent the introduction or spread of the greater banded*
17 *hornet to areas where such hornet has not yet been es-*
18 *tablished.*

19 *(2) Providing support for interagency and inter-*
20 *governmental response efforts to control, interdict,*
21 *monitor, and eradicate the greater banded hornet on*
22 *military installations in Guam.*

23 *(3) Pursuing chemical, biological, and other con-*
24 *trol techniques, technology transfer, and best practices*
25 *to support management, control, interdiction and,*

1 *where possible, eradication of the greater banded hor-*
 2 *net in Guam.*

3 *(4) Establishing an early detection and rapid re-*
 4 *sponse mechanism to monitor and deploy coordinated*
 5 *efforts if the greater banded hornet, or an other newly*
 6 *detected invasive alien species, is detected at new sites*
 7 *on military installations in Guam.*

8 *(5) Carrying out such other activities as the Sec-*
 9 *retary determines appropriate to manage, control,*
 10 *and interdict the greater banded hornet on military*
 11 *installations in Guam.*

12 *(c) ANNUAL BRIEFINGS.—Not later than 180 days*
 13 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually*
 14 *thereafter for each of the next three years, the Assistant Sec-*
 15 *retary of the Navy for Energy, Installations, and Environ-*
 16 *ment shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services*
 17 *of the House of Representatives and the Senate a briefing*
 18 *on the implementation of this section, which shall include*
 19 *detailed information about the efforts of the Secretary to*
 20 *manage, control, and interdict the greater banded hornet*
 21 *on military installations in Guam.*

22 **SEC. 381. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR ARMY INITIAL**
 23 **ENTRY ROTARY WING TRAINING.**

24 *None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this*
 25 *Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2026 for the*

1 *Army may be obligated or expended for the Next Generation*
 2 *Initial Entry Rotary Wing training program (Flight*
 3 *School Next) at Fort Novosel, Alabama, until—*

4 *(1) the Secretary of the Army submits to the*
 5 *Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the*
 6 *House of Representatives a business case analysis that*
 7 *includes an analysis of the Army initial entry rotary*
 8 *wing training currently provided at Fort Novosel,*
 9 *Alabama, and options for changing such training in*
 10 *order to increase the quality of the training, reduce*
 11 *costs, and gain efficiencies; and*

12 *(2) the Secretary provides to the Committees on*
 13 *Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Rep-*
 14 *resentatives a briefing on the business case analysis*
 15 *submitted under paragraph (1).*

16 ***TITLE IV—MILITARY PERSONNEL***
 17 ***AUTHORIZATIONS***

18 ***Subtitle A—Active Forces***

19 ***SEC. 401. END STRENGTHS FOR ACTIVE FORCES.***

20 *The Armed Forces are authorized strengths for active*
 21 *duty personnel as of September 30, 2026, as follows:*

22 *(1) The Army, 454,000.*

23 *(2) The Navy, 344,600.*

24 *(3) The Marine Corps, 172,300.*

25 *(4) The Air Force, 321,500.*

1 (5) *The Space Force, 10,400.*

2 ***Subtitle B—Reserve Forces***

3 ***SEC. 411. END STRENGTHS FOR SELECTED RESERVE.***

4 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Armed Forces are authorized*
5 *strengths for Selected Reserve personnel of the reserve com-*
6 *ponents as of September 30, 2026, as follows:*

7 (1) *The Army National Guard of the United*
8 *States, 328,000.*

9 (2) *The Army Reserve, 172,000.*

10 (3) *The Navy Reserve, 57,500.*

11 (4) *The Marine Corps Reserve, 33,600.*

12 (5) *The Air National Guard of the United*
13 *States, 106,300.*

14 (6) *The Air Force Reserve, 67,500.*

15 (7) *The Coast Guard Reserve, 8,500.*

16 (b) *END STRENGTH REDUCTIONS.*—*The end strengths*
17 *prescribed by subsection (a) for the Selected Reserve of any*
18 *reserve component shall be proportionately reduced by—*

19 (1) *the total authorized strength of units orga-*
20 *nized to serve as units of the Selected Reserve of such*
21 *component which are on active duty (other than for*
22 *training) at the end of the fiscal year; and*

23 (2) *the total number of individual members not*
24 *in units organized to serve as units of the Selected*
25 *Reserve of such component who are on active duty*

1 *(other than for training or for unsatisfactory partici-*
 2 *pation in training) without their consent at the end*
 3 *of the fiscal year.*

4 *(c) END STRENGTH INCREASES.—Whenever units or*
 5 *individual members of the Selected Reserve of any reserve*
 6 *component are released from active duty during any fiscal*
 7 *year, the end strength prescribed for such fiscal year for*
 8 *the Selected Reserve of such reserve component shall be in-*
 9 *creased proportionately by the total authorized strengths of*
 10 *such units and by the total number of such individual mem-*
 11 *bers.*

12 **SEC. 412. END STRENGTHS FOR RESERVES ON ACTIVE**
 13 **DUTY IN SUPPORT OF THE RESERVES.**

14 *Within the end strengths prescribed in section 411(a),*
 15 *the reserve components of the Armed Forces are authorized,*
 16 *as of September 30, 2026, the following number of Reserves*
 17 *to be serving on full-time active duty or full-time duty, in*
 18 *the case of members of the National Guard, for the purpose*
 19 *of organizing, administering, recruiting, instructing, or*
 20 *training the reserve components:*

- 21 *(1) The Army National Guard of the United*
 22 *States, 30,845.*
- 23 *(2) The Army Reserve, 16,511.*
- 24 *(3) The Navy Reserve, 10,409.*
- 25 *(4) The Marine Corps Reserve, 2,400.*

1 (5) *The Air National Guard of the United*
2 *States, 25,171.*

3 (6) *The Air Force Reserve, 6,218.*

4 **SEC. 413. END STRENGTHS FOR MILITARY TECHNICIANS**
5 **(DUAL STATUS).**

6 *The minimum number of military technicians (dual*
7 *status) as of the last day of fiscal year 2026 for the reserve*
8 *components of the Army and the Air Force (notwith-*
9 *standing section 129 of title 10, United States Code) shall*
10 *be the following:*

11 (1) *For the Army National Guard of the United*
12 *States, 21,294.*

13 (2) *For the Army Reserve, 6,258.*

14 (3) *For the Air National Guard of the United*
15 *States, 10,405.*

16 (4) *For the Air Force Reserve, 6,455.*

17 **SEC. 414. MAXIMUM NUMBER OF RESERVE PERSONNEL AU-**
18 **THORIZED TO BE ON ACTIVE DUTY FOR**
19 **OPERATIONAL SUPPORT.**

20 *During fiscal year 2026, the maximum number of*
21 *members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces who*
22 *may be serving at any time on full-time operational sup-*
23 *port duty under section 115(b) of title 10, United States*
24 *Code, is the following:*

1 (1) *The Army National Guard of the United*
 2 *States, 17,000.*

3 (2) *The Army Reserve, 13,000.*

4 (3) *The Navy Reserve, 6,200.*

5 (4) *The Marine Corps Reserve, 3,000.*

6 (5) *The Air National Guard of the United*
 7 *States, 16,000.*

8 (6) *The Air Force Reserve, 14,000.*

9 **SEC. 415. EXCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD**
 10 **PERFORMING CERTAIN DUTY FROM COUNT-**
 11 **ING FOR ACTIVE-DUTY END STRENGTHS.**

12 *Section 115(i) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 13 *amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:*

14 “(14) *Members of the National Guard on active*
 15 *duty or full-time National Guard duty for the pur-*
 16 *pose of supporting military intelligence operations*
 17 *under section 12301(d) of this title.”.*

18 **Subtitle C—Authorization of**
 19 **Appropriations; Reports**

20 **SEC. 421. MILITARY PERSONNEL.**

21 (a) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds are*
 22 *hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2026*
 23 *for the use of the Armed Forces and other activities and*
 24 *agencies of the Department of Defense for expenses, not oth-*

erwise provided for, for military personnel, as specified in the funding table in section 4401.

(b) *CONSTRUCTION OF AUTHORIZATION.*—The authorization of appropriations in the subsection (a) supersedes any other authorization of appropriations (definite or indefinite) for such purpose for fiscal year 2026.

SEC. 422. STREAMLINING OF TOTAL FORCE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

(a) *REPEAL OF ANNUAL REPORT ON MILITARY TECHNICIANS.*—Section 115a of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking subsection (g).

(b) *INCORPORATION OF ANNUAL CIVILIAN PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT REPORT INTO ANNUAL DEFENSE MANPOWER PROFILE REPORT.*—

(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Such section is further amended—

(A) by redesignating subsections (d) through (f) as subsections (e) through (g), respectively; and

(B) by inserting after subsection (c) the following new subsection (d):

“(d)(1) The Secretary shall include in each report under subsection (a) a detailed discussion of the management of the civilian workforce of the Department of Defense.

1 *The discussion shall include the matter specified in para-*
 2 *graph (2) for the civilian workforce of—*

3 *“(A) the Office of the Secretary of Defense;*

4 *“(B) the Defense Agencies;*

5 *“(C) the Department of Defense Field Activities;*

6 *and*

7 *“(D) the military departments.”.*

8 *(2) TRANSFER.—Paragraph (2) of section 129(c)*
 9 *of such title—*

10 *(A) is amended, in the matter preceding*
 11 *subparagraph (A)—*

12 *(i) by striking “Each report under*
 13 *paragraph (1) shall contain” and inserting*
 14 *“The matter to be included in each discus-*
 15 *sion under paragraph (1)”;* and

16 *(ii) by striking “under the jurisdiction*
 17 *of the official submitting the report,” and*
 18 *inserting “of each element of the Depart-*
 19 *ment of Defense named in such paragraph,*
 20 *is”;* and

21 *(B) is transferred to section 115a and in-*
 22 *serted at the end of subsection (d) of such section,*
 23 *as added by paragraph (1) of this subsection.*

24 *(3) CONFORMING REPEAL OF REQUIREMENT FOR*
 25 *SEPARATE ANNUAL CIVILIAN PERSONNEL MANAGE-*

1 *MENT REPORT.—Section 129 of such title is amended*
 2 *by striking subsection (c).*

3 ***TITLE V—MILITARY PERSONNEL***
 4 ***POLICY***

5 ***Subtitle A—Officer Policy***

6 ***SEC. 501. TREATMENT OF SPACE FORCE OFFICERS FOR***
 7 ***PURPOSES OF LAWS RELATING TO AUTHOR-***
 8 ***IZED NUMBER AND DISTRIBUTION OF OFFI-***
 9 ***CERS IN GENERAL OFFICER GRADES.***

10 *(a) DISTRIBUTION OF COMMISSIONED OFFICERS ON*
 11 *ACTIVE DUTY IN GENERAL OFFICER GRADES.—Section*
 12 *525 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—*

13 *(1) in subsection (a)—*

14 *(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),*
 15 *by inserting “or the Space Force officer list”*
 16 *after “officer on the active duty list”;*

17 *(B) in paragraph (5)—*

18 *(i) in subparagraph (A), by striking*
 19 *“officers in the grade of general” and insert-*
 20 *ing “officers on sustained duty orders in the*
 21 *grade of general”;*

22 *(ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking*
 23 *“officers in a grade above” and inserting*
 24 *“officers on sustained duty orders in a*
 25 *grade above”; and*

1 (iii) in subparagraph (C), by striking
 2 “officers in the grade” and inserting “offi-
 3 cers on sustained duty orders in the grade”;
 4 and

5 (2) in subsection (h), by adding at the end the
 6 following new paragraph:

7 “(3)(A) The limitations of this section do not apply
 8 to a Space Force general officer serving in space force active
 9 status not on sustained duty orders, and who is on active
 10 duty for a period in excess of 365 days but not to exceed
 11 three years. Unless authorized by the Secretary of Defense,
 12 the number of Space Force general officers covered by this
 13 subsection and not serving in a joint duty assignment for
 14 purposes of chapter 38 of this title may not exceed five.

15 “(B) Not later than 30 days after authorizing a num-
 16 ber of Space Force general officers in excess of the number
 17 specified in subparagraph (A), the Secretary of Defense
 18 shall provide a notification as required in paragraph (2).”.

19 (b) *EXCLUSION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS FROM AU-*
 20 *THORIZED STRENGTH OF SPACE FORCE GENERAL OFFI-*
 21 *CERS ON ACTIVE DUTY.*—Section 526 of such title is
 22 amended—

23 (1) in subsection (c)—

1 (A) in the subsection heading, by inserting
 2 “AND OF THE SPACE FORCE” after “COMPO-
 3 NENTS”;

4 (B) in paragraph (1), by inserting “or of
 5 the Space Force” after “a reserve component”;

6 (C) in paragraph (2), by adding at the end
 7 the following new subparagraph:

8 “(D) The Secretary of the Air Force may author-
 9 ize not more than two of the general officers author-
 10 ized to serve in the Space Force under section 20110
 11 of this title to serve on active duty for a period of at
 12 least 180 days and not longer than 365 days.”; and

13 (D) in paragraph (3)(A), by inserting “(or
 14 a Space Force general officer in a space force ac-
 15 tive status on sustained duty)” after “a reserve
 16 component”; and
 17 (2) in subsection (d)—

18 (A) by striking “or” at the end of para-
 19 graph (1);

20 (B) by striking the period at the end of
 21 paragraph (2) and inserting “; or”; and

22 (C) by adding at the end the following new
 23 paragraph:

24 “(3) a Space Force officer in the grade of briga-
 25 dier general or above on orders to sustained duty dur-

1 *ing the 60-day period preceding the end of such or-*
 2 *ders.”.*

3 *(c) STRENGTH IN GRADE OF SPACE FORCE GENERAL*
 4 *OFFICERS IN SPACE FORCE ACTIVE STATUS NOT ON SUS-*
 5 *TAINED DUTY.—Chapter 2003 of such title is amended by*
 6 *adding at the end the following new section:*

7 **“§20110. Strength in grade: Space Force general offi-**
 8 **cers in Space Force active status not on**
 9 **sustained duty**

10 *“(a) AUTHORIZED STRENGTH.—The authorized*
 11 *strength of general officers in the Space Force serving in*
 12 *space force active status not on sustained duty is five.*

13 *“(b) EXCLUSIONS.—The following Space Force general*
 14 *officers shall not be counted for purposes of this section:*

15 *“(1) Those counted under section 526 of this*
 16 *title.*

17 *“(2) Those serving in a joint duty assignment*
 18 *for purposes of chapter 38 of this title, except that the*
 19 *number of officers who shall not be counted under this*
 20 *paragraph may not exceed two.*

21 *“(c) PERMANENT GRADE.—A Space Force general offi-*
 22 *cer may not be reduced in permanent grade because of a*
 23 *reduction in the number authorized under subsection (a).*

24 *“(d) TEMPORARY EXCLUSION.—The limitation of sub-*
 25 *section (a) does not apply to an officer released from a joint*

1 *duty assignment or other non-joint active duty assignment,*
 2 *but only during the 60-day period beginning on the date*
 3 *the officer departs the joint duty or other active duty assign-*
 4 *ment. The Secretary of Defense may authorize the Secretary*
 5 *of the Air Force to extend the 60-day period by an addi-*
 6 *tional 120 days, except that not more than three Space*
 7 *Force officers may be covered by an extension under this*
 8 *subsection at the same time.”.*

9 **SEC. 502. REDISTRIBUTION OF GENERAL OFFICERS ON AC-**
 10 **TIVE DUTY FROM THE AIR FORCE TO THE**
 11 **SPACE FORCE.**

12 *Section 526(a) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 13 *amended—*

14 *(1) in paragraph (3), by striking “171” and in-*
 15 *serting “168”; and*

16 *(2) in paragraph (5), by striking “21” and in-*
 17 *serting “24”.*

18 **SEC. 503. AUTHORITY TO WAIVE PROHIBITION ON OFFI-**
 19 **CERS SERVING ON SUCCESSIVE SELECTION**
 20 **BOARDS FOR BOARDS TO CONSIDER OFFI-**
 21 **CERS FOR PROMOTION TO MAJOR GENERAL**
 22 **OR REAR ADMIRAL.**

23 *Section 612(b) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 24 *amended—*

25 *(1) by inserting “(1)” after “(b)”;* *and*

1 (2) *by adding at the end the following new para-*
 2 *graph:*

3 “(2) *Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of*
 4 *Defense, the Secretary of a military department may waive*
 5 *the limitation in paragraph (1) in the case of a selection*
 6 *board that will consider officers for recommendation for*
 7 *promotion to the grade of major general or rear admiral*
 8 *if the Secretary of the military department determines that*
 9 *qualified officers on the active-duty list or Space Force offi-*
 10 *cer list or otherwise authorized to serve on the board are*
 11 *not available in sufficient number to comprise that selection*
 12 *board.”.*

13 **SEC. 504. CHAPLAINS: CAREER FLEXIBILITY; DETAIL AS**
 14 **STUDENTS AT SCHOOLS FOR EDUCATION RE-**
 15 **QUIRED FOR APPOINTMENT.**

16 (a) *CAREER FLEXIBILITY FOR CHAPLAINS.*—Sub-
 17 *section (a) of section 710 of title 10, United States Code,*
 18 *is amended—*

19 (1) *by inserting “(1)” before “Each Secretary”;*
 20 *and*

21 (2) *by adding at the end the following new para-*
 22 *graph:*

23 “(2) *If the Secretary of a military department carries*
 24 *out a program under paragraph (1), such Secretary shall,*
 25 *pursuant to this section, inactivate a member who completes*

1 *a detail under section 2004c of this title upon such comple-*
 2 *tion so such member may perform religious ministry that*
 3 *meets professional requirements for appointment as a chap-*
 4 *lain in the military department concerned.”.*

5 (b) *DETAIL AS STUDENTS AT SCHOOLS FOR EDU-*
 6 *CATION REQUIRED FOR APPOINTMENT AS A CHAPLAIN.—*
 7 *Chapter 101 of title 10, United States Code, is amended*
 8 *by inserting after section 2004b the following new section*
 9 *2004c:*

10 **“§2004c. Detail as students at schools for education**
 11 **required for appointment as a chaplain:**
 12 **commissioned officers; certain enlisted**
 13 **members**

14 *“(a) DETAIL AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of each*
 15 *military department may detail commissioned officers and*
 16 *enlisted members of the armed forces as students at accred-*
 17 *ited colleges, universities, and schools of theology, located*
 18 *in the United States, for a period of training leading to*
 19 *a graduate degree that meets the educational requirements*
 20 *for appointment as a chaplain in the armed forces. No more*
 21 *than twenty officers and enlisted members from each mili-*
 22 *tary department may commence such training in any sin-*
 23 *gle fiscal year.*

1 “(b) *ELIGIBILITY FOR DETAIL.*—To be eligible for de-
2 tail under subsection (a), an officer or enlisted member
3 must be a citizen of the United States and must—

4 “(1)(A) have served on active duty for a period
5 of not less than two years nor more than five years
6 and be an officer in the pay grade O–3 or below as
7 of the time the training is to begin; or

8 “(B) have served on active duty for a period of
9 not less than three years nor more than ten years and
10 be an enlisted member in the pay grade E–4 or above
11 as of the time the training is to begin;

12 “(2) in the case of an enlisted member, meet all
13 requirements for acceptance of a commission as a
14 commissioned officer in the armed forces; and

15 “(3) sign an agreement that unless sooner sepa-
16 rated the officer or enlisted member will—

17 “(A) complete the educational course of
18 chaplaincy training; and

19 “(B) if the Secretary of the military depart-
20 ment concerned carries out a program under sec-
21 tion 710 of this title—

22 “(i) agree to be inactivated for a pe-
23 riod of not less than two years nor more
24 than three years under subsection (a)(2) of

1 *such section title upon completion of a de-*
2 *tail under this section; and*

3 “(ii) *accept transfer or detail as a*
4 *chaplain in the military department con-*
5 *cerned upon completion of the period de-*
6 *scribed in clause (i).*

7 “(c) *SERVICE OBLIGATION.—The agreement of an offi-*
8 *cer or enlisted member under subsection (b) shall provide*
9 *that the officer or enlisted member shall serve on active duty*
10 *for two years for each year or part thereof of chaplaincy*
11 *training completed under subsection (a), except that the*
12 *agreement may authorize the officer or enlisted member to*
13 *serve a portion of such service obligation on active duty*
14 *and to complete the service obligation that remains upon*
15 *separation from active duty in the Selected Reserve, in*
16 *which case the officer or enlisted member shall serve three*
17 *years in the Selected Reserve for each year or part thereof*
18 *of the chaplaincy training of such officer or enlisted member*
19 *under subsection (a) for any service obligation that was not*
20 *completed before separation from active duty.*

21 “(d) *SELECTION OF OFFICERS AND ENLISTED MEM-*
22 *BERS FOR DETAIL.—Officers and enlisted members detailed*
23 *for chaplaincy training under subsection (a) shall be se-*
24 *lected on a competitive basis by the Secretary of the mili-*
25 *tary department concerned.*

1 “(e) *RELATION OF SERVICE OBLIGATIONS TO OTHER*
2 *SERVICE OBLIGATIONS.*—*Any service obligation incurred*
3 *by an officer or enlisted member under an agreement en-*
4 *tered into under subsection (b) shall be in addition to any*
5 *service obligation incurred by such officer or enlisted any*
6 *other provision of law or agreement.*

7 “(f) *EXPENSES.*—*Expenses incident to the detail of of-*
8 *ficers and enlisted members under this section shall be paid*
9 *from any funds appropriated for the military department*
10 *concerned.*

11 “(g) *FAILURE TO COMPLETE PROGRAM.*—*An officer or*
12 *enlisted member who is dropped from a program of chap-*
13 *laincy training to which detailed under subsection (a) for*
14 *deficiency in conduct or studies, or for other reasons, may*
15 *be required to—*

16 “(1) *perform active duty in an appropriate mili-*
17 *tary capacity in accordance with the active duty obli-*
18 *gation imposed by regulations issued by the Secretary*
19 *of Defense, except that in no case shall an officer or*
20 *enlisted member be required to serve on active duty*
21 *for any period in excess of one year for each year or*
22 *part thereof he participated in the program; or*

23 “(2) *repay the expenses incident to the detail of*
24 *such officer or enlisted member and paid under sub-*
25 *section (f).*

1 “(h) *LIMITATION ON DETAILS.*—No agreement detail-
 2 ing an officer or enlisted member of the armed forces to
 3 a chaplaincy school may be entered into during any period
 4 in which the President is authorized by law to induct per-
 5 sons into the armed forces involuntarily. Nothing in this
 6 subsection shall affect any agreement entered into during
 7 any period when the President is not authorized by law
 8 to so induct persons into the armed forces.”.

9 **SEC. 505. RANKS OF JUDGE ADVOCATES GENERAL.**

10 (a) *ARMY.*—Section 7037(a) of title 10, United States
 11 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following: “The
 12 Judge Advocate General, while so serving, has the grade of
 13 lieutenant general.”.

14 (b) *NAVY.*—Section 8088(b) of title 10, United States
 15 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following: “The
 16 Judge Advocate General, while so serving, has the grade of
 17 vice admiral or lieutenant general, as appropriate.”.

18 (c) *AIR FORCE.*—Section 9037(a) of title 10, United
 19 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:
 20 “The Judge Advocate General, while so serving, has the
 21 grade of lieutenant general.”.

22 **SEC. 506. PROCEDURES FOR SELECTION OF SPACE FORCE**
 23 **OFFICERS FOR PROMOTION TO MAJOR GEN-**
 24 **ERAL.**

25 (a) *SELECTION BOARDS.*—

1 (1) *BOARDS TO RECOMMEND FOR PROMOTION TO*
2 *MAJOR GENERAL OFFICERS WHO ARE EXCEPTIONALLY*
3 *WELL QUALIFIED.*—Subsection (a) of section 20215 of
4 *title 10, United States Code, is amended to read as*
5 *follows:*

6 “(a) *CRITERIA FOR RECOMMENDATION OF OFFICERS*
7 *FOR PROMOTION.*—(1) *A selection board convened under*
8 *section 20211 of this title to consider officers for promotion*
9 *to a grade below major general shall recommend for pro-*
10 *motion to the next higher grade those officers considered by*
11 *the board whom the board, giving due consideration to the*
12 *needs of the Space Force for officers with particular skills*
13 *(as noted in the guidelines or information furnished the*
14 *board under section 615(b) of this title), considers best*
15 *qualified for promotion within each competitive category*
16 *considered by the board.*

17 “(2) *A selection board convened under section 20211*
18 *of this title to consider officers for promotion to the grade*
19 *of major general shall recommend for promotion to such*
20 *grade those officers considered by the board whom the board*
21 *considers exceptionally well qualified for promotion.”.*

22 (2) *REQUIREMENT FOR MAJORITY ACTION BY*
23 *BOARD MEMBERS.*—Subsection (c)(3) of such section
24 *is amended by inserting after “best qualified for pro-*
25 *motion” the following: “(or, in the case of an officer*

1 *recommended for promotion to the grade of major*
 2 *general, that the officer is exceptionally well qualified*
 3 *for promotion)”.*

4 (3) *INAPPLICABILITY OF PROVISION RELATING TO*
 5 *PROMOTION LIST ORDER.*—*Subsection (g)(1) of such*
 6 *section is amended by adding at the end the following*
 7 *new sentence: “This subsection does not apply to a se-*
 8 *lection board convened to consider officer for rec-*
 9 *ommendation to the grade of major general.”.*

10 (4) *REPORTS OF SELECTION BOARDS.*—*Section*
 11 *20216(a)(2)) of such title is amended by inserting*
 12 *after “best qualified for promotion” the following:*
 13 *“(or, in the case of officers recommended for pro-*
 14 *motion to the grade of major general, that the officers*
 15 *are exceptionally well qualified for promotion)”.*

16 (5) *INAPPLICABILITY OF AUTHORITY TO ADJUST*
 17 *PLACEMENT OF OFFICERS IN BOARD REPORT.*—*Sec-*
 18 *tion 20217 of such title is amended—*

19 (A) *in subsection (a), by striking “or major*
 20 *general”;* and

21 (B) *in the section heading, by striking the*
 22 *last three words.*

23 (b) *PROMOTIONS TO MAJOR GENERAL.*—

24 (1) *PROMOTIONS TO FILL VACANCIES.*—*Section*
 25 *20239 of such title is amended—*

1 (A) in subsection (b)(3), by striking “*Ex-*
2 *cept as provided in subsections (e) and (f)*” and
3 inserting “*Except as provided in subsections (d),*
4 *(f), and (g)*”;

5 (B) by redesignating subsections (d), (e),
6 and (f) as subsections (e), (f), and (g), respec-
7 tively; and

8 (C) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-
9 lowing new subsection (d):

10 “(d) *PROMOTION TO MAJOR GENERAL.—*

11 “(1) *CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY FOR PRO-*
12 *MOTION.—When the Senate gives it advice and con-*
13 *sent to the promotion of an officer to the grade of*
14 *major general, the Secretary of the Air Force shall*
15 *issue to the officer a certificate of eligibility for pro-*
16 *motion, dated as of the date on which the Senate gave*
17 *its advice and consent.*

18 “(2) *PROMOTION TO FILL VACANCY.—Officers*
19 *who have a certificate of eligibility under paragraph*
20 *(1) shall be promoted to fill vacancies as they occur*
21 *in positions designated to carry the grade of major*
22 *general. Such promotions shall be made in accordance*
23 *with regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the*
24 *Air Force, based upon the needs of the service.*

1 “(3) *DURATION OF CERTIFICATE OF ELIGI-*
2 *BILITY.—A certificate of eligibility issued under para-*
3 *graph (1) expires at the end of the period beginning*
4 *on the date as of when the certificate of eligibility was*
5 *issued and ending on the first day of the eighteenth*
6 *month following the month during which the certifi-*
7 *cate was so issued.*”.

8 (2) *REMOVAL FROM PROMOTION LIST.—Section*
9 *20241 of such title is amended—*

10 (A) *by redesignating subsections (d), (e),*
11 *and (f) as subsections (e), (f), and (g), respec-*
12 *tively;*

13 (B) *by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-*
14 *lowing new subsection (d):*

15 “(d) *REMOVAL UPON EXPIRATION OF CERTIFICATE OF*
16 *ELIGIBILITY.—If an officer who has been issued a certifi-*
17 *cate of eligibility for promotion to the grade of major gen-*
18 *eral under 20239(d) of this title is not appointed to such*
19 *grade before the expiration of the certificate of eligibility*
20 *pursuant to such section, the officer’s name shall be removed*
21 *from the promotion list.*”; and

22 (C) *in paragraph (1) of subsection (f), as so*
23 *redesignated—*

1 (i) by striking “subsection (a), (b), or
2 (c)” and inserting “subsection (a), (b), (c),
3 or (d)”; and

4 (ii) by adding at the end the following
5 new sentence: “The authority of the Sec-
6 retary of the Air Force under the preceding
7 sentence does not apply in the case of such
8 an officer who is promoted to the grade of
9 major general following removal from a list
10 under subsection (d).”.

11 (c) *TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.*—

12 *Title 10, United States Code, is amended as follows:*

13 (1) Section 615(a)(1) is amended by striking “or
14 20211”.

15 (2) Section 20203 is amended by redesignating
16 the second subsection (b) and subsections (c), (d), (e),
17 and (f) as subsections (c), (d), (e), (f), and (g), respec-
18 tively.

19 (3) Section 20214 is amended by inserting before
20 the period at the end the following: “convened under
21 section 20211 of this title in the same manner as to
22 selection boards convened under section 611 of this
23 title”.

1 (4) *Section 20215(g)(1) is amended by striking*
 2 *“section 624(a)(1)” and inserting “section*
 3 *20239(a)(1)”.*

4 (5) *Section 20217(a) is amended by striking*
 5 *“section 20215” and inserting “section 20216”.*

6 (6) *Section 20231 is amended—*

7 (A) *in subsection (a)(1), by striking “sec-*
 8 *tion 14101(a)” and inserting “section 20211”;*
 9 *and*

10 (B) *in subsection (b)(1), by striking “sec-*
 11 *tion 20151” and inserting “section 20252”.*

12 (7) *Section 20239 is amended—*

13 (A) *in subsection (a)(1), by striking “modi-*
 14 *fied” and inserting “adjusted”;*

15 (B) *in subsection (c)(1), by striking “sub-*
 16 *section (f)” and inserting “subsection (g)”.*

17 (8) *Section 20241(c) is amended by striking*
 18 *“section 20238(a)” in paragraphs (1) and (3) and in-*
 19 *serting “section 20239(a)(1)”.*

20 (9) *Section 20251(a)(2) is amended by striking*
 21 *“section 14201” and inserting “section 14101”.*

22 **SEC. 507. ESTABLISHMENT OF BLAST SAFETY OFFICER PO-**
 23 **SITIONS.**

24 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*Not later than September 30,*
 25 *2026, the Secretary of Defense shall establish blast safety*

1 *officer positions in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air*
2 *Force, and Space Force.*

3 (b) *DUTIES.—Duties of a blast safety officer shall in-*
4 *clude the following, in accordance with standards estab-*
5 *lished pursuant to section 735 of the James M. Inhofe Na-*
6 *tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Pub-*
7 *lic Law 117–263; 10 U.S.C. 1071 note):*

8 (1) *Monitoring and mitigating blast and over-*
9 *pressure exposure to members of such Armed Forces*
10 *during live-fire or explosive exercises, including*
11 *breaching exercises. A blast safety officer may order*
12 *the cessation of such an exercise if exposure exceeds*
13 *safe thresholds.*

14 (2) *Briefing members of such Armed Forces, be-*
15 *fore an exercise, regarding the health risks of blast ex-*
16 *posure and mitigation protocols (including minimum*
17 *safe distances).*

18 (3) *Overseeing the use of personal protective*
19 *equipment and wearable sensors by such members*
20 *during such an exercise.*

21 (4) *Investigating blast overpressure incidents, re-*
22 *porting findings, and coordinating with health care*
23 *providers to address risks to the health of affected*
24 *members.*

1 (5) *Maintaining blast overpressure exposure logs*
 2 *to support future mitigation.*

3 (6) *Coordinating with range safety officers and*
 4 *personnel.*

5 (c) *ASSIGNMENTS.—The Secretary of a military de-*
 6 *partment concerned shall assign a blast safety officer to*
 7 *each special mission unit in each such Armed Force.*

8 (d) *TRAINING; CERTIFICATION.—A blast safety officer*
 9 *shall receive training and maintain a certification in blast*
 10 *safety.*

11 **SEC. 508. DESIGNATION OF AT LEAST ONE GENERAL OFFI-**
 12 **CER OF THE MARINE CORPS RESERVE AS A**
 13 **JOINT QUALIFIED OFFICER.**

14 *The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that at least one*
 15 *general officer of the Marine Corps Reserve is designated*
 16 *as a joint qualified officer.*

17 ***Subtitle B—Reserve Component***
 18 ***Management***

19 **SEC. 511. GRADES OF CERTAIN CHIEFS OF RESERVE COM-**
 20 **PONENTS.**

21 (a) *IN GENERAL.—*

22 (1) *CHIEF OF ARMY RESERVE.—Section 7038(b)*
 23 *of title 10, United States Code, is amended by strik-*
 24 *ing paragraph (4) and inserting the following new*
 25 *paragraph:*

1 “(4) *The Chief of Army Reserve, while so serving, holds*
2 *the grade of lieutenant general.*”.

3 (2) *CHIEF OF NAVY RESERVE.*—Section 8083(b)
4 *of such title is amended by striking paragraph (4)*
5 *and inserting the following new paragraph:*

6 “(4) *The Chief of Navy Reserve, while so serving, holds*
7 *the grade of vice admiral.*”.

8 (3) *COMMANDER, MARINE FORCES RESERVE.*—
9 *Section 8084(b) of such title is amended by striking*
10 *paragraph (4) and inserting the following new para-*
11 *graph:*

12 “(4) *The Commander, Marine Forces Reserve, while so*
13 *serving, holds the grade of lieutenant general.*”.

14 (4) *CHIEF OF AIR FORCE RESERVE.*—Section
15 *9038(b) of such title is amended by striking para-*
16 *graph (4) and inserting the following new paragraph:*

17 “(4) *The Chief of Air Force Reserve, while so serving,*
18 *holds the grade of lieutenant general.*”.

19 (b) *EFFECTIVE DATE.*—The amendments made by sub-
20 *section (a) shall take effect on the day that is one year after*
21 *the date of the enactment of this Act and shall apply to*
22 *appointments made on or after such day.*

1 **SEC. 512. PILOT AUTHORITY FOR EXTENDED LENGTH OF**
 2 **ORDERS TO ACTIVE DUTY FOR PREPLANNED**
 3 **MISSIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE COMBATANT**
 4 **COMMANDS.**

5 *Section 12304b of title 10, United States Code, is*
 6 *amended—*

7 *(1) by redesignating subsection (i) as subsection*
 8 *(j);*

9 *(2) by inserting after subsection (h) the following*
 10 *new subsection:*

11 *“(i) TEMPORARY AUTHORITY FOR EXTENDED ACTIVA-*
 12 *TION FOR MARINE CORPS.—(1) The Secretary of the Navy*
 13 *may exercise the authority under subsection (a) with respect*
 14 *to units of the Selected Reserve of the Marine Corps by sub-*
 15 *stituting ‘545 consecutive days’ for ‘365 consecutive days’.*

16 *“(2) In carrying out paragraph (1), the Secretary of*
 17 *the Navy may not order a unit to active duty in direct*
 18 *support of an operation for more than 365 consecutive days.*
 19 *For purposes of this paragraph, direct support does not in-*
 20 *clude training, exercises, or preparation activities prior to*
 21 *deployment to support an operation.*

22 *“(3) The authority under this subsection shall termi-*
 23 *nate on December 31, 2030.”; and*

24 *(3) in subsection (j), as redesignated by para-*
 25 *graph (1) of this section, by striking “section*
 26 *231(f)(2)” and inserting “section 231”.*

1 **SEC. 513. PROHIBITION ON CONSIDERATION OF AMOUNT**
 2 **OF TIME OF SERVICE IN ACTIVATION OF RE-**
 3 **SERVE MEMBERS.**

4 Chapter 1209 of title 10, United States Code, is
 5 amended by adding at the end the following new section:

6 **“§12324. Reserves: prohibition on consideration of**
 7 **amount of time of service in the armed**
 8 **forces for purposes of activation**

9 “(a) *PROHIBITION.*—In evaluating the suitability of a
 10 member of a reserve component to be ordered to active duty
 11 under any provision of law, the Secretary concerned may
 12 not consider—

13 “(1) *the amount of time of service in the armed*
 14 *forces of such member;*

15 “(2) *the amount of time of service on active duty*
 16 *of such member; or*

17 “(3) *the amount of time of service on active duty*
 18 *by such member that would result in such member be-*
 19 *coming eligible for retired pay or retainer pay under*
 20 *a purely military retirement system (other than the*
 21 *retirement system under chapter 1223 of this title).*

22 “(b) *INFORMATION AVAILABLE FOR CONSIDER-*
 23 *ATION.*—In carrying out this section, the Secretary con-
 24 cerned—

25 “(1) *shall ensure that no information regarding*
 26 *the amount of time of service in the armed forces of*

1 a member or the age of such member is made avail-
 2 able to any person evaluating such member for suit-
 3 ability for active duty; and

4 “(2) may provide that information on relevant
 5 experience of a member, including the amount of time
 6 a member has performed duties relevant to the duty
 7 for which such member is being considered, is made
 8 available to a person evaluating such member for
 9 suitability for active duty.”.

10 **SEC. 514. ACTIVE AND INACTIVE TRANSFERS OF OFFICERS**
 11 **OF THE ARMY NATIONAL GUARD AND AIR**
 12 **FORCE NATIONAL GUARD.**

13 Section 303 of title 32, United States Code, is amended
 14 by adding at the end the following new subsections:

15 “(d)(1) Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary
 16 of the Army, an officer of the Army National Guard—

17 “(A) who fills a vacancy in a federally recog-
 18 nized unit of the Army National Guard may be
 19 transferred from the active Army National Guard to
 20 the inactive Army National Guard; or

21 “(B) transferred pursuant to paragraph (1) may
 22 be transferred from the inactive Army National
 23 Guard to the active Army National Guard to fill a
 24 vacancy described in such paragraph.

1 “(2) Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of
2 the Air Force, an officer of the Air Force National Guard—

3 “(A) who fills a vacancy in a federally recog-
4 nized unit of the Air Force National Guard may be
5 transferred from the active Air Force National Guard
6 to the inactive Air Force National Guard; or

7 “(B) transferred pursuant to paragraph (1) may
8 be transferred from the inactive Air Force National
9 Guard to the active Air Force National Guard to fill
10 a vacancy described in such paragraph.”.

11 **SEC. 515. NATIONAL GUARD: ACTIVE GUARD AND RESERVE**

12 **DUTY IN RESPONSE TO A STATE DISASTER.**

13 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Chapter 3 of title 32, United States
14 Code, is amended by inserting after section 328 the fol-
15 lowing new section:

16 **“§328A. Active Guard and Reserve duty: State dis-
17 aster response duty**

18 “(a) *AUTHORITY.*—The chief executive of a State who
19 has declared a emergency in such State due to a disaster,
20 may, with the consent of the Secretary of Defense, order
21 a member of the National Guard of such State, who is per-
22 forming Active Guard and Reserve duty pursuant to section
23 328 of this title, to perform duties in response to, or in
24 preparation for, such disaster. Duty performed under this
25 section shall be referred to as ‘State disaster response duty’.

1 “(b) *REQUIREMENTS.*—*State disaster response duty*
2 *performed pursuant to this section—*

3 “(1) *shall be on a reimbursable basis, in accord-*
4 *ance with subsection (c);*

5 “(2) *may be performed to the extent that the per-*
6 *formance of such duty does not interfere with the per-*
7 *formance of the member’s primary Active Guard and*
8 *Reserve duties of organizing, administering, recruit-*
9 *ing, instructing, and training the reserve components;*
10 *and*

11 “(3) *shall not exceed a total of 14 days per mem-*
12 *ber per calendar year, except that the Secretary of De-*
13 *fense may, if the chief executive so requests before the*
14 *end of the 14th such day, authorize an extension of*
15 *the duration of such duty, not to exceed an addi-*
16 *tional—*

17 “(A) *7 days, if the Secretary determines*
18 *that such extension is appropriate; and*

19 “(B) *46 days if the Secretary determines*
20 *that such duty is in support of the response to*
21 *a catastrophic incident, as such term is defined*
22 *in section 501 of the Homeland Security Act of*
23 *2002 (6 U.S.C. 311).*

24 “(c) *REIMBURSEMENT.*—(1) *The Secretary of the mili-*
25 *tary department concerned shall charge a State for the fully*

1 *burdened costs of manpower for each day of State disaster*
2 *response duty performed pursuant to this section.*

3 “(2) *Such charges shall be paid from the funds of the*
4 *State of the requesting chief executive or from any other*
5 *non-Federal funds.*

6 “(3) *Any amounts received by a Secretary of a mili-*
7 *tary department under this section shall be credited, at the*
8 *discretion of the Secretary of Defense, to—*

9 “(A) *the appropriation, fund, or account used to*
10 *pay such costs; or*

11 “(B) *an appropriation, fund, or account avail-*
12 *able for the purposes for which such costs were in-*
13 *curred.*

14 “(4) *If the State of the requesting chief executive is*
15 *more than 90 days in arrears in reimbursing the Secretary*
16 *of the military department concerned for State disaster re-*
17 *sponse duty performed pursuant to this section, such duty*
18 *may not be performed—*

19 “(A) *unless authorized by the Secretary of De-*
20 *fense; and*

21 “(B) *after the requesting chief executive obligates*
22 *funds for the amount in arrears.*

23 “(d) *LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.—While performing*
24 *State disaster response duty under this section, a member*
25 *of the National Guard is not an instrumentality of the*

1 *United States with respect to any act or omission in car-*
 2 *rying out such duty. The United States shall not be respon-*
 3 *sible for any claim or judgment arising from the use of a*
 4 *member of the National Guard under this section.*

5 “(e) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

6 “(1) *The term ‘Active Guard and Reserve duty’*
 7 *has the meaning given such term in section 101 of*
 8 *title 10.*

9 “(2) *The term ‘State’ has the meaning given such*
 10 *term in section 901 of this title.’.*

11 (b) *REGULATIONS.—Not later than 180 days after the*
 12 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense*
 13 *shall prescribe regulations under section 328A of such title,*
 14 *as added by subsection (a).*

15 **SEC. 516. FIREGUARD PROGRAM: PROGRAM OF RECORD; AU-**
 16 **THORIZATION.**

17 *Section 510 of title 32, United States Code, is amend-*
 18 *ed—*

19 (1) *in subsection (a)—*

20 (A) *by inserting “(1)” before “The Sec-*
 21 *retary”;*

22 (B) *by inserting “of record” after “carry*
 23 *out a program”;* and

24 (C) *by adding at the end the following new*
 25 *paragraph:*

1 “(2) *The FireGuard Program is authorized through*
2 *December 31, 2031.*”.

3 (2) *by adding at the end the following new sub-*
4 *section:*

5 “(c) *ANNUAL BRIEFING.*—*Not later than one year after*
6 *the date of the enactment of the National Defense Authoriza-*
7 *tion Act for Fiscal Year 2026, the Secretary shall submit*
8 *to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and*
9 *House of Representatives the first of five annual briefings*
10 *regarding the FireGuard Program. Such a briefing shall*
11 *include, with regards to the year preceding the date of the*
12 *briefing, the following elements:*

13 “(1) *The States (as such term is defined in sec-*
14 *tion 901 of this title), counties, municipalities, and*
15 *Tribal governments that received information under*
16 *the FireGuard Program.*

17 “(2) *A comparative analysis of a map of—*

18 “(A) *each wildfire, initially provided to an*
19 *entity described in paragraph (1) through the*
20 *FireGuard Program; and*

21 “(B) *the perimeter of such wildfire after*
22 *containment.*

23 “(3) *An analysis of the time between the detec-*
24 *tion of a fire via raw satellite data and alerts being*
25 *sent to local responders.*

1 “(4) *A review of efforts undertaken to integrate*
 2 *emerging satellite and aerial surveillance technologies*
 3 *from qualified private, nonprofit, and public sector*
 4 *sources.*”.

5 ***Subtitle C—General Service***
 6 ***Authorities and Military Records***

7 ***SEC. 521. WOMEN’S INITIATIVE TEAMS.***

8 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 50 of title 10, United*
 9 *States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following*
 10 *new section:*

11 ***“§ 996. Establishment of women’s initiative teams***

12 *“(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary concerned shall*
 13 *establish a women’s initiative team in each of the Army,*
 14 *Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force to iden-*
 15 *tify and address barriers, if any, to the service, recruitment,*
 16 *retention, and advancement of women in those armed forces.*

17 *“(b) DUTIES.—Each women’s initiative team estab-*
 18 *lished under subsection (a) shall—*

19 *“(1) identify and address issues, if any, that*
 20 *hinder service by women in the armed force in which*
 21 *such team is established;*

22 *“(2) support the recruitment and retention of*
 23 *women in such armed force;*

24 *“(3) recommend policy changes that support the*
 25 *needs of women members of such armed force; and*

1 “(4) *foster a sense of community.*

2 “(c) *COMPOSITION.—Each women’s initiative team es-*
3 *tablished under subsection (a) shall be composed of members*
4 *of the armed force in which such team is established of a*
5 *variety of ranks, backgrounds, and occupational speciali-*
6 *ties.*

7 “(d) *COLLABORATION.—A women’s initiative team es-*
8 *tablished under subsection (a) shall work collaboratively*
9 *with the leadership of the armed force in which such team*
10 *is established and other stakeholders to carry out the duties*
11 *described in subsection (b).”.*

12 “(b) *REPORTS.—Not later than one year after the date*
13 *of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter until*
14 *the date that is five years after such date, the Secretary*
15 *of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense commit-*
16 *tees a report on the activities and progress of each women’s*
17 *initiative team established under section 996 of title 10,*
18 *United States Code, as added by subsection (a). Each report*
19 *shall include the following:*

20 “(1) *A description of the structure, membership,*
21 *and organizational alignment of each women’s initia-*
22 *tive team.*

23 “(2) *A summary of key activities and initiatives*
24 *undertaken by each team.*

1 (3) *An assessment of the impact of such activities*
 2 *on improving conditions for women, including meas-*
 3 *urable outcomes where available.*

4 (4) *Recommendations for legislative or policy*
 5 *changes to further support the success of the teams.*

6 **SEC. 522. INDIVIDUAL LONGITUDINAL EXPOSURE RECORD:**
 7 **CODIFICATION; EXPANSION.**

8 (a) *EXPANSION.*—Chapter 50 of title 10, United States
 9 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new
 10 section:

11 **“§ 996. Individual Longitudinal Exposure Record**

12 “(a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—The Secretary of Defense shall
 13 maintain a database that is a central portal for exposure-
 14 related data that compiles, collates, presents, and provides
 15 available occupational and environmental exposure infor-
 16 mation to support the needs of the Department of Defense
 17 and the Department of Veterans Affairs. Such database
 18 shall be referred to as the ‘Individual Longitudinal Expo-
 19 sure Record’.

20 “(b) *ELEMENTS.*—The Individual Longitudinal Expo-
 21 sure Record includes the following elements:

22 “(1) *Service records of members of the armed*
 23 *forces.*

24 “(2) *All non-classified data available to the Sec-*
 25 *retary regarding how, where, and when members of*

1 *the armed forces have been exposed to various occupa-*
2 *tional or environmental hazards.*

3 “(3) *Medical records of members relating to ex-*
4 *posures described in paragraph (2), including diag-*
5 *noses, treatment plans, and laboratory data.*

6 “(c) *SERVICE RECORDS.—If a member is a member*
7 *described in paragraph (2) of subsection (b), the Secretary*
8 *shall include the data described in such paragraph in the*
9 *service record of such member.*

10 “(d) *DATA SHARING.—The Secretary shall provide ac-*
11 *cess to information in the Individual Longitudinal Expo-*
12 *sure Record to the following:*

13 “(1) *The Secretary of Veterans Affairs.*

14 “(2) *The Director of the Defense Health Agency,*
15 *for use by health care providers, epidemiologists, and*
16 *researchers of the Department of Defense.*

17 “(3) *The Under Secretary for Health of the De-*
18 *partment of Veterans Affairs, for use by health care*
19 *providers, epidemiologists, and researchers of such de-*
20 *partment.*

21 “(4) *The Under Secretary for Benefits of the De-*
22 *partment of Veterans Affairs, for use by personnel of*
23 *such department regarding compensation and benefits*
24 *for service-connected disabilities or death.*

1 “(e) *ANNUAL REPORT.*—(1) *The Secretary of Defense*
2 *shall submit, to the committees specified in paragraph (2),*
3 *an annual report regarding the Individual Longitudinal*
4 *Exposure Record.*

5 “(2) *The committees specified in this paragraph are*
6 *the following:*

7 “(A) *The Committee on Armed Services of the*
8 *Senate.*

9 “(B) *The Committee on Armed Services of House*
10 *of Representatives.*

11 “(C) *The Committee on Veterans’ Affairs of the*
12 *Senate.*

13 “(D) *The Committee on Veterans’ Affairs of the*
14 *House of Representatives.*

15 “(E) *The Committee on Commerce, Science, and*
16 *Transportation of the Senate.*

17 “(F) *The Committee on Transportation and In-*
18 *frastructure of the House of Representatives.”.*

19 (b) *CONFORMING AMENDMENT.*—*Section 1171(b)(2) of*
20 *title 38, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:*

21 “(2) *The term ‘Individual Longitudinal Expo-*
22 *sure Record’ means the database maintained under*
23 *section 996 of title 10.”.*

1 **SEC. 523. CODIFICATION OF ADDITIONAL BASIC BRANCHES**
 2 **OF THE ARMY.**

3 *Section 7063(a) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 4 *amended—*

5 *(1) in paragraph (12), by striking “; and” and*
 6 *inserting a semicolon;*

7 *(2) by redesignating paragraph (13) as para-*
 8 *graph (24); and*

9 *(3) by inserting after paragraph (12) the fol-*
 10 *lowing new paragraphs:*

11 *“(13) Air Defense Artillery;*

12 *“(14) Aviation;*

13 *“(15) Cavalry Scout;*

14 *“(16) Psychological Operations;*

15 *“(17) Special Forces;*

16 *“(18) Civil Affairs;*

17 *“(19) Cyber;*

18 *“(20) Electronic Warfare;*

19 *“(21) Military Intelligence;*

20 *“(22) Public Affairs;*

21 *“(23) Army Music; and”.*

22 **SEC. 524. REQUIREMENT OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITY, RACIAL**
 23 **NEUTRALITY, AND EXCLUSIVE USE OF MERIT**
 24 **IN MILITARY PERSONNEL ACTIONS.**

25 *(a) MERIT REQUIREMENT.—All Department of De-*
 26 *fense military personnel actions, including accessions, pro-*

1 *motions, assignments, command selection, and military*
2 *and civil schooling selection and training, shall be based*
3 *exclusively on individual merit, fitness, capability, and per-*
4 *formance.*

5 (b) *CONSIDERATION OF RACE PROHIBITED.*—*Consid-*
6 *eration of an individual's race, ethnicity, or national origin*
7 *in any military personnel action is prohibited throughout*
8 *the Department of Defense.*

9 (c) *LIMITED EXCEPTION FOR TASKING OF SPECIFIC*
10 *MISSIONS.*—

11 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*This section shall not be con-*
12 *strued to prohibit tasking for specific, unconventional*
13 *missions in foreign countries, where the anticipated*
14 *ground operating environment of indigenous popu-*
15 *lations may justify consideration of race, ethnicity, or*
16 *national origin when tasking for the mission to opti-*
17 *mize mission success.*

18 (2) *COMBATANT COMMANDER APPROVAL RE-*
19 *QUIRED.*—*Any tasking pursuant to the exception de-*
20 *scribed in paragraph (1) shall require the approval of*
21 *the combatant commander concerned.*

22 (3) *REPORTING REQUIREMENT.*—*Not later than*
23 *60 days after a tasking pursuant to the exception de-*
24 *scribed in paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense*
25 *shall report the tasking to the Committees on Armed*

1 *Services of the Senate and the House of Representa-*
2 *tives. The report shall describe—*

3 *(A) the mission, including location and du-*
4 *ration;*

5 *(B) the staffing of the mission;*

6 *(C) the demographic factors warranting the*
7 *tasking;*

8 *(D) the number of personnel involved, in-*
9 *cluding their rank, position, and race, ethnicity,*
10 *and national origin; and*

11 *(E) the rationale for the tasking.*

12 **SEC. 525. PROHIBITION ON USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS FOR**
13 **DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION.**

14 *None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this*
15 *Act may be used for matters or programs relating to diver-*
16 *sity, equity, and inclusion.*

17 **SEC. 526. PROHIBITION OF NEW COVID-19 VACCINE MAN-**
18 **DATE FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

19 *The Secretary of Defense may not issue any COVID-*
20 *19 vaccine mandate as a replacement for the mandate re-*
21 *scinded under section 525 of the James M. Inhofe National*
22 *Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public*
23 *Law 117-263).*

***Subtitle D—Recruitment and
Accession***

***SEC. 531. RECRUITMENT: IMPROVEMENTS RELATING TO
SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND INSTITUTIONS OF
HIGHER EDUCATION.***

*(a) RECRUITING AT SECONDARY SCHOOLS.—Section
503(c)(1)(A) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—*

*(1) in clause (i), by striking “the same access to
secondary school students as is provided generally to
postsecondary educational institutions or to prospec-
tive employers of those students” and inserting
“meaningful access to secondary schools (including at
least four visits across each academic year, between
classes, when students are physically present, and in
a manner that does not interfere with class attend-
ance), and, after reasonable notice, in meeting spaces
including auditoriums, at athletic functions, and at
other group or social activities”; and*

(2) in clause (iii)—

*(A) by inserting “during the first 60 days
of the academic year, and not later than 30 days
after receiving such request during another pe-
riod of time” after “receiving such request”; and*

*(B) by inserting “academic grades, sexes,”
after “student names,”.*

1 (b) *RECRUITING AT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDU-*
2 *CATION.*—Section 983(b) of title 10, United States Code, is
3 *amended—*

4 (1) *in paragraph (1), by striking “in a manner*
5 *that is at least equal in quality and scope to the ac-*
6 *cess to campuses and to students that is provided to*
7 *any other employer” and inserting “(including at*
8 *least four visits across each academic year, between*
9 *classes, when students are physically present, and in*
10 *a manner that does not interfere with class attend-*
11 *ance), and, after reasonable notice, in meeting spaces*
12 *including auditoriums, at athletic functions, and at*
13 *other group or social activities”; and*

14 (2) *in paragraph (2)—*

15 (A) *in subparagraph (A)—*

16 (i) *by inserting “academic grades,*
17 *sexes,” after “names,”;*

18 (ii) *by striking “60th day following the*
19 *date of a request” and inserting “60 days*
20 *after receiving a request during the first 60*
21 *days of the academic year, and not later*
22 *than 30 days after the date of a request dur-*
23 *ing another period of time”; and*

24 (iii) *by striking “; and” and inserting*
25 *a semicolon;*

1 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking the
2 period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

3 (C) by adding at the end the following new
4 subparagraph:

5 “(C) whether the student submitted a Free
6 Application for Federal Student Aid described in
7 section 483 of the Higher Education Act of 1965
8 (20 U.S.C. 1090) (if collected by the institution);
9 and”;

10 (3) by adding at the end the following new para-
11 graph:

12 “(3) access by military recruiters for purposes of
13 military recruiting, with respect to students (who are
14 17 years of age or older) not returning to the institu-
15 tion after having been enrolled during the previous se-
16 mester—

17 “(A) the information required under para-
18 graph (2); and

19 “(B) the reason why such students did not
20 return, if collected by the institution.”.

21 (c) *TYPES OF AFFILIATION FOR JROTC UNITS.*—

22 (1) *AUTHORIZATION.*—The Secretary of Defense
23 may establish, with regards to the Junior Reserve Of-
24 ficers’ Training Corps (hereinafter, “JROTC”) , the
25 following types of affiliation:

1 (A) *HOST UNIT*.—A host unit is a unit at
2 a secondary educational institution that has at
3 least one instructor for the unit and has entered
4 into a memorandum of understanding under sec-
5 tion 2031(b) of title 10, United States Code.

6 (B) *CROSS-TOWN UNIT*.—A cross-town unit
7 is a unit that operates without an instructor
8 pursuant to section 2035(b)(2)(B) of title 10,
9 United States Code, and has entered into an
10 agreement with a host unit to allow students of
11 the cross-town unit to participate in JROTC ac-
12 tivities at the campus of the host unit.

13 (2) *GUIDANCE*.—If the Secretary establishes the
14 types of affiliation under paragraph (1), the Sec-
15 retary shall prescribe guidance that clarifies the roles,
16 responsibilities, and requirements for each such type.

17 (3) *REPORT*.—Not later than 180 days after the
18 Secretary creates such types of affiliation, the Sec-
19 retary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Serv-
20 ices of the Senate and House of Representatives a re-
21 port on such affiliations. Such a report shall include
22 the following elements:

23 (A) *The number and locations of cross-town*
24 *units.*

1 (B) *Total enrollment numbers for each*
 2 *cross-town units.*

3 (C) *Recommendations for further improve-*
 4 *ments or changes to enhance the effectiveness of*
 5 *JROTC.*

6 (d) *REPORT ON HONOR SCHOOLS.—Not later than*
 7 *September 30, 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall submit*
 8 *to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and*
 9 *House of Representatives a report on schools designated as*
 10 *honor schools by the Secretaries of the Army, Navy, and*
 11 *Air Force. Such report shall include the following elements:*

12 (1) *The criteria for such designation.*

13 (2) *A list of schools so designated.*

14 (3) *The percentage of honor graduates of honor*
 15 *schools who, after nomination pursuant to subsection*
 16 *(b)(4) of section 7442, 8454, or 9442 of title 10,*
 17 *United States Code, enroll as cadets or midshipmen*
 18 *at a Service Academy (as such term is defined in sec-*
 19 *tion 347 of title 10, United States Code).*

20 **SEC. 532. ALTERNATIVE SERVICE IN THE DEFENSE INDUS-**
 21 **TRIAL BASE BY INDIVIDUALS DENIED ENLIST-**
 22 **MENT.**

23 (a) *IN GENERAL.—Section 504 of title 10, United*
 24 *States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following*
 25 *new subsection:*

1 “(c) *ALTERNATIVE SERVICE IN THE DEFENSE INDUS-*
2 *TRIAL BASE.*—(1) *The Secretary of Defense shall carry out*
3 *a program to provide to an individual described in para-*
4 *graph (2) information about with opportunities to work in*
5 *the defense industrial base.*

6 “(2) *An individual described in this paragraph is an*
7 *individual who seeks to originally enlist in an armed force*
8 *but is denied enlistment.*

9 “(3) *In carrying out the program, the Secretary*
10 *shall—*

11 “(A) *identify job opportunities in the defense in-*
12 *dustrial base;*

13 “(B) *provide available information about train-*
14 *ing or certification programs to obtain the skills nec-*
15 *essary for such a job; and*

16 “(C) *seek to enter into agreements with entities*
17 *in the defense industrial base.*

18 “(4) *The Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Com-*
19 *mittees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of*
20 *Representatives an annual report on the program under*
21 *this subsection. Such a report shall include, with respect*
22 *to the year preceding the date of the report, the following*
23 *elements:*

“(B) The number of individuals described in paragraph (2) provided information described in paragraph (3)(B).

7 “(C) The number of agreements described in
8 paragraph (3)(C) into which the Secretary entered.”.

9 (b) *REPORT.*—Not later than one year after the date
10 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall
11 submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate
12 and the House of Representatives a report regarding the
13 implementation of subsection (c) of such section, as added
14 by subsection (a).

15 *SEC. 533. MEDICAL ACCESSION STANDARDS FOR MEMBERS*
16 *OF THE ARMED FORCES.*

Chapter 37 of title 10, United States Code, is amended
by adding at the end the following new section:

19 “§658. *Medical accession standards for members of*
20 *the armed forces*

21 “(a) *ESTABLISHMENT OF STANDARDS.*—(1) *The Secre-*
22 *taries concerned shall establish uniform medical accession*
23 *standards for each armed force. Such standards shall—*

24 “(A) apply uniformly for all commissioned offi-
25 cers of an armed force; and

1 “(B) apply uniformly for all enlisted members of
2 an armed force across each occupational specialty.

3 “(2) The Secretary concerned shall make readily avail-
4 able and understandable to potential members of the armed
5 forces the standards established under paragraph (1), in-
6 cluding an explanation of the process established under sub-
7 section (c)(1) and the process for seeking approval under
8 subsection (c)(2).

9 “(b) *PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN MEDICAL DISQUALI-*
10 *FICATIONS.*—No person may be disqualified from serving
11 as a member of the armed forces on the sole basis of a past
12 diagnosis of a medical condition if—

13 “(1) the diagnosis occurred before such person
14 reached the age of 13 years old;

15 “(2) the condition did not require treatment dur-
16 ing the five-year period that ends on the date on
17 which such person seeks to become a member of the
18 armed forces;

19 “(3) a licensed medical professional provides a
20 current evaluation affirming that such person does
21 not meet diagnostic criteria for the condition and is
22 medically fit for service as a member of the armed
23 forces; and

24 “(4) the Secretary concerned determines such di-
25 agnosis is unlikely to impact the health and readiness

1 *of the armed force of which such person seeks to be-*
2 *come a member.*

3 “(c) *PROCESS FOR REVIEW OR WAIVER OF MEDICAL*
4 *DISQUALIFICATIONS.*—(1) *The Secretary concerned shall es-*
5 *tablish a process for the review of medical disqualifications*
6 *of persons seeking to become a member of the armed forces.*

7 “(2) *The Secretary concerned may approve the acces-*
8 *sion of a person into the armed forces without regard to*
9 *a disqualifying medical diagnosis if the Secretary con-*
10 *cerned determines that the accession of such person is in*
11 *the interests of national security.*

12 “(d) *REPORTS.*—(1) *The Secretary of Defense shall*
13 *submit to the congressional defense committees an annual*
14 *report identifying—*

15 “(A) *the number of persons disqualified from*
16 *service as a member of the armed forces during the*
17 *preceding calendar year due to medical history;*

18 “(B) *the number and type of approvals granted*
19 *under subsection (c)(2) during the preceding calendar*
20 *year; and*

21 “(C) *any updates to the medical standards for*
22 *accession established under subsection (a) or the proc-*
23 *ess established under subsection (c)(1) since the sub-*
24 *mission of the preceding report.*

1 “(2) *For any fiscal year in which the Secretary con-*
 2 *cerned approves the accession of a person into the Coast*
 3 *Guard under subsection (c)(2), the Secretary of the depart-*
 4 *ment in which the Coast Guard is operating shall submit,*
 5 *to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of*
 6 *the House of Representatives and the Committee on Com-*
 7 *merce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate, a report*
 8 *identifying the information required under paragraph*
 9 *(1)(B) with regards to such member.”.*

10 **SEC. 534. SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM: AUTOMATIC REG-**
 11 **ISTRATION.**

12 (a) *AUTOMATIC REGISTRATION.*—*The Military Selec-*
 13 *tive Service Act (50 U.S.C. 3801 et seq.) is amended by*
 14 *striking section 3 (50 U.S.C. 3802) and inserting the fol-*
 15 *lowing new section 3:*

16 “SEC. 3. (a)(1) *Except as otherwise provided in this*
 17 *title, every male citizen of the United States, and every*
 18 *other male person residing in the United States, between*
 19 *the ages of eighteen and twenty-six, shall be automatically*
 20 *registered under this Act by the Director of the Selective*
 21 *Service System.*

22 “(2) *This section shall not apply to any alien lawfully*
 23 *admitted to the United States as a nonimmigrant under*
 24 *section 101(a)(15) of the Immigration and Nationality Act*

1 (8 U.S.C. 1101) for so long as such alien continues to main-
2 tain a lawful nonimmigrant status in the United States.

3 “(b) Regulations prescribed pursuant to this section
4 (a) may require—

5 “(1) a person subject to registration under this
6 section to provide, to the Director, information (in-
7 cluding date of birth, address, social security account
8 number, phone number, and email address) regarding
9 such person;

10 “(2) a Federal entity to provide, to the Director,
11 information described in paragraph (1) that the Di-
12 rector determines necessary to identify or register a
13 person subject to registration under this section; and

14 “(3) the Director to provide, to a person reg-
15 istered under this section, written notification that—

16 “(A) such person has been so registered; and

17 “(B) if such person is not required to be so
18 registered, the procedure by which such person
19 may correct such registration.”.

20 (b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—
21 The Military Selective Service Act is further amended—

22 (1) in section 4 (50 U.S.C. 3803)—

23 (A) in subsection (a)—

1 (i) by striking “required to register”
 2 each place it appears and inserting “reg-
 3 istered”;

4 (ii) by striking “at the time fixed for
 5 his registration,”; and

6 (iii) by striking “who is required to
 7 register” and inserting “registered”;

8 (B) in subsection (k)(2), in the matter fol-
 9 lowing subparagraph(B), by striking “liable for
 10 registration” and inserting “registered”;

11 (2) in section 6(a) (50 U.S.C. 3806(a))—

12 (A) in paragraph (1)—

13 (i) by striking “required to be”;

14 (ii) by striking “subject to registra-
 15 tion” and inserting “registered”; and

16 (iii) by striking “liable for registration
 17 and training” and inserting “registered and
 18 liable for training”;

19 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “required
 20 to be” each place it appears;

21 (3) in section 10(b)(3) (50 U.S.C. 3809(b)(3)) by
 22 striking “registration,”;

23 (4) in section 12 (50 U.S.C. 3811)—

24 (A) in subsection (d)—

1 (i) by striking “, neglecting, or refus-
 2 ing to perform the duty of registering im-
 3 posed by” and inserting “registration
 4 under”; and

5 (ii) by striking “, or within five years
 6 next after the last day before such person
 7 does perform his duty to register, whichever
 8 shall first occur”;

9 (B) in subsection (e)—

10 (i) by striking “the Secretary of Health
 11 and Human Services” and inserting “Fed-
 12 eral agencies”;

13 (ii) by striking “by a proclamation of
 14 the President” and inserting “to be reg-
 15 istered”;

16 (iii) by striking “to present themselves
 17 for and submit to registration under such
 18 section”; and

19 (iv) by striking “by the Secretary”;
 20 and

21 (C) by striking subsection (g) (50 U.S.C.
 22 3811(g)); and

23 (5) in section 15(a) (50 U.S.C. 3813(a)), by
 24 striking “upon publication by the President of a proc-

3 (c) *EFFECTIVE DATE.*—*The amendments made by this*
4 *section shall take effect one year after the date of the enact-*
5 *ment of this Act.*

6 *Subtitle E—Member Training and*
7 *Education*

8 SEC. 541. TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR OCCUPATIONAL
9 SPECIALTIES WITH CIVILIAN EQUIVALENTS.

Chapter 101 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 2009 the following new section:

12 ***“§2010. Training requirements for occupational spe-***
13 ***cialties with civilian equivalents***

14 *“The Secretary concerned shall ensure that training*
15 *provided to a member of the armed forces with respect to*
16 *an occupational specialty in the armed forces for which*
17 *there is a similar civilian occupation includes all training*
18 *and appropriate certifications that will allow such member*
19 *to enter such civilian occupation following separation from*
20 *the armed forces without the need to satisfy any additional*
21 *training or certification requirements.”.*

1 **SEC. 542. INCLUSION OF SPACE FORCE EDUCATION PRO-**
 2 **GRAMS IN DEFINITIONS REGARDING PROFES-**
 3 **SIONAL MILITARY EDUCATION.**

4 (a) SENIOR AND INTERMEDIATE LEVEL SERVICE
 5 SCHOOLS.—Section 2151(b) of title 10, United States Code,
 6 is amended—

7 (1) by adding at the end of paragraph (1) the
 8 following new subparagraph:

9 “(E) The Space Force Senior Level Edu-
 10 cation Program.”; and

11 (2) by adding at the end of paragraph (2) the
 12 following new subparagraph:

13 “(E) The Space Force Intermediate Level
 14 Education Program.”.

15 (b) BUDGET REQUESTS FOR PROFESSIONAL MILITARY
 16 EDUCATION.—Section 2162(d) of such title is amended by
 17 adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

18 “(9) The Space Force Senior Level Education
 19 Program.

20 “(10) The Space Force Intermediate Level Edu-
 21 cation Program.”.

22 **SEC. 543. CENTER FOR STRATEGIC DETERRENCE AND**
 23 **WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION STUDIES.**

24 Chapter 108 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
 25 ed by inserting after section 2165 the following new section:

1 **“§2166. National Defense University: Center for Stra-**
2 **tegic Deterrence and Weapons of Mass De-**
3 **struction Studies**

4 “(a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*The Secretary of Defense shall*
5 *establish a Center for Strategic Deterrence and Weapons of*
6 *Mass Destruction Studies within the Institute for National*
7 *Strategic Studies of the National Defense University (in*
8 *this section referred to as the ‘Center’).*

9 “(b) *MISSION.*—*The Center established under sub-*
10 *section (a) shall—*

11 “(1) *prepare national security leaders to address*
12 *the challenges of strategic deterrence and weapons of*
13 *mass destruction through education, research, and*
14 *outreach activities throughout the Federal Govern-*
15 *ment;*

16 “(2) *develop leaders with an understanding of*
17 *strategic deterrence and the implications of weapons*
18 *of mass destruction;*

19 “(3) *in accordance with guidance provided by*
20 *the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, develop and*
21 *provide appropriate curricula, learning outcomes,*
22 *and educational tools relating to strategic deterrence*
23 *and weapons of mass destruction for use at institu-*
24 *tions that provide joint professional military edu-*
25 *cation;*

1 “(4) serve as the primary institution within the
2 Department for the study of strategic deterrence and
3 weapons of mass destruction education in joint pro-
4 fessional military education;

5 “(5) design, develop, and implement studies and
6 analyses to enhance understanding of—

7 “(A) strategic deterrence;

8 “(B) the threat of weapons of mass destruc-
9 tion to the security of the United States and
10 globally; and

11 “(C) responses to prevent, mitigate, or
12 eliminate the threat in accordance with Depart-
13 ment and national security policies and strate-
14 gies; and

15 “(6) provide expert support on strategic deter-
16 rence and weapons of mass destruction issues to the
17 Department of Defense and other Federal Government
18 leaders.”.

19 **SEC. 544. SERVICE ACADEMIES; APPOINTMENTS AND ADDI-**
20 **TIONAL APPOINTEES.**

21 (a) UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY.—

22 (1) APPOINTMENTS.—Section 7442 of title 10,
23 United States Code, is amended—

24 (A) in subsection (a)—

1 (i) by striking “subsection (j)” and in-
2 serting “subsection (k)”;

3 (ii) in paragraph (1), by striking “as
4 established by competitive examinations”
5 and inserting “as determined by candidate
6 composite score rank”; and

7 (iii) in the matter following paragraph
8 (10)—

9 (I) in the second sentence—

10 (aa) by inserting “(in which
11 event selection shall be in order of
12 merit as determined by candidate
13 composite score rank)” after “may
14 be submitted without ranking”;
15 and

16 (bb) by striking “9 ranked”
17 and inserting “14 ranked”;

18 (II) by inserting after the second
19 sentence the following “If alternates
20 are submitted unranked, any selection
21 from among such unranked alternates
22 shall be in order of merit as deter-
23 mined by candidate composite score
24 rank.”; and

1 (III) by striking “shall be consid-
2 ered qualified alternates for the pur-
3 pose of selection under other provisions
4 of this chapter” and inserting “shall be
5 eligible and considered for selection
6 under other provisions of this chapter,
7 including as qualified alternates and
8 additional appointees”;

9 (B) by redesignating subsections (b) through
10 (j) as subsections (c) through (k), respectively;

11 (C) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-
12 lowing new subsection:

13 “(b) There shall be appointed each year at the Acad-
14 emy 300 qualified alternates selected in order of merit as
15 determined by candidate composite score rank by the Sec-
16 retary of the Army from qualified candidates nominated
17 pursuant to paragraphs (3) through (10) of subsection (a)
18 and all other qualified, non-selected candidates holding
19 nominations from any other source pursuant to this chap-
20 ter.”;

21 (D) in subsection (c), as redesignated by
22 subparagraph (B)—

23 (i) in paragraph (1), by striking “one
24 hundred selected by the President” and in-
25 serting “up to one hundred qualified can-

1 *didates selected by the President in order of*
2 *merit as determined by candidate composite*
3 *score rank”;*

4 *(ii) in paragraph (2)—*

5 *(I) by striking “85” and inserting*
6 *“up to 85 qualified candidates”; and*

7 *(II) by inserting “, selected in*
8 *order of merit as determined by can-*
9 *didate composite score rank” before the*
10 *period at the end;*

11 *(iii) in paragraph (3)—*

12 *(I) by striking “85” and inserting*
13 *“up to 85 qualified candidates”; and*

14 *(II) by inserting “, selected in*
15 *order of merit as determined by can-*
16 *didate composite score rank” before the*
17 *period at the end;*

18 *(iv) in paragraph (4)—*

19 *(I) by striking “20” and inserting*
20 *“up to 20 qualified candidates”; and*

21 *(II) by inserting “, selected in*
22 *order of merit as determined by can-*
23 *didate composite score rank” before the*
24 *period at the end; and*

25 *(v) by striking paragraph (5);*

1 (E) in subsection (f), as redesignated by
2 subparagraph (B), by striking “subsection (b)”
3 and inserting “subsection (c)”;

4 (F) in subsection (h), as so redesignated—
5 (i) by striking “subsection (b)” each
6 place it appears and inserting “subsection
7 (c)”;

8 (ii) in paragraph (4), by striking
9 “subsection (e)” and inserting “subsection
10 (f)”;

11 (G) by adding at the end the following new
12 subsections:

13 “(l) Qualifications of candidates for admission shall
14 be determined by use of, among other metrics, a candidate
15 composite score uniformly calculated for each applicant.
16 The academic component of such composite score shall be
17 weighted at not less than 60 percent of the overall composite
18 score and shall include the candidate’s standardized test
19 scores, which shall be weighted at not less than 45 percent
20 of the overall composite score. The total of all subjective
21 components, if any, of the composite score shall be weighted
22 at not more than 10 percent of the overall composite score.
23 Any subjectively based adjustment of the candidate com-
24 posite score shall be limited to not more than 10 percent

1 *of the score before such adjustment. Candidates' composite*
2 *scores, only, shall be used to determine order of merit.*

3 “(m) *Not later than October 1 of each year, the Sec-*
4 *retary of the Army shall submit to the Committees on*
5 *Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representa-*
6 *tives a report, including—*

7 “(1) *with respect to the preceding admissions*
8 *cycle—*

9 “(A) *the established minimum candidate*
10 *composite score and college entrance examination*
11 *rank (CEER) score used in such cycle; and*

12 “(B) *the total number of waivers of such*
13 *minimum candidate composite score or CEER*
14 *score, including the candidate composite score*
15 *and CEER score of each cadet to whom a waiver*
16 *relates, a brief explanation of the reasons for*
17 *such waiver, and the category of appointment*
18 *under which each such cadet was appointed (and*
19 *if congressional, the type of slate that nominated*
20 *the waived appointee); and*

21 “(2) *for each cadet who, during the four-year pe-*
22 *riod preceding the date of the report, received a waiv-*
23 *er for the established minimum candidate composite*
24 *score or CEER score, the status of each such cadet,*
25 *including whether the cadet is still at the Academy,*

1 *the circumstances of such cadet's departure (if appli-*
 2 *cable), the cumulative academic GPA, cumulative*
 3 *military GPA, any major conduct or honor viola-*
 4 *tions, any remedial measures undertaken, and any*
 5 *other noteworthy information concerning such cadet.”.*

6 (2) *ADDITIONAL APPOINTEES.*—Section 7443 of
 7 *title 10, United States Code, is amended—*

8 (A) *in the section heading, by striking “ap-*
 9 *pointment” and inserting “additional ap-*
 10 *pointments”;*

11 (B) *in the first sentence—*

12 (i) *by inserting “(a)” before “If it is*
 13 *determined”;* and

14 (ii) *by striking “ who competed for*
 15 *nomination” and inserting “who were eligi-*
 16 *ble and competed unsuccessfully for nomi-*
 17 *nation under any other provision of law”;*

18 (C) *in the second sentence—*

19 (i) *by striking “(8)” and inserting*
 20 *“(10)”;* and

21 (ii) *by striking “holding competitive*
 22 *nominations” and inserting “who were eli-*
 23 *gible and competed unsuccessfully for nomi-*
 24 *nation”;* and

1 (D) by adding at the end the following: “All
 2 provisions relating to candidate composite score
 3 in section 7442 of this title shall apply to cal-
 4 culation and use of candidate composite score as
 5 that term is used in this section.

6 “(b) Not later than October 1 of each year, the Sec-
 7 retary of the Army shall submit to the congressional defense
 8 committees a report that includes, with respect to the pre-
 9 ceding admissions cycle—

10 “(1) the candidate composite scores and college
 11 entrance examination rank (CEER) scores of the ten
 12 candidates appointed under this section and under
 13 section 7442(e) of this title who had the lowest can-
 14 didate composite scores;

15 “(2) the total number of qualified and nomi-
 16 nated (by any source), but not selected, candidates;
 17 and

18 “(3) the candidate composite scores and CEER
 19 scores of the ten qualified and nominated candidates
 20 having the highest candidate composite scores and
 21 who were not selected for appointment.”.

22 (b) UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY.—

23 (1) APPOINTMENTS.—Section 8454 of title 10,
 24 United States Code, is amended—

25 (A) in subsection (a)—

1 (i) by striking “subsection (h)” and in-
2 serting “subsection (i)”;

3 (ii) in paragraph (1), by striking “as
4 established by competitive examination”
5 and inserting “as determined by candidate
6 composite score rank”; and

7 (iii) in the matter following paragraph
8 (10)—

9 (I) in the second sentence—

10 (aa) by inserting “(in which
11 event selection shall be in order of
12 merit as determined by candidate
13 composite score rank)” after “may
14 be submitted without ranking”;
15 and

16 (bb) by striking “9 ranked”
17 and inserting “14 ranked”;

18 (II) by inserting after the second
19 sentence the following “If alternates
20 are submitted unranked, any selection
21 from among such unranked alternates
22 shall be in order of merit as deter-
23 mined by candidate composite score
24 rank.”; and

1 (III) by striking “shall be consid-
2 ered qualified alternates for the pur-
3 pose of selection under other provisions
4 of this chapter” and inserting “shall be
5 eligible and considered for selection
6 under other provisions of this chapter,
7 including as qualified alternates and
8 additional appointees”;

9 (B) by redesignating subsections (b) through
10 (h) as subsections (c) through (i), respectively;

11 (C) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-
12 lowing new subsection:

13 “(b) There shall be appointed each year at the Acad-
14 emy 300 qualified alternates selected in order of merit as
15 determined by candidate composite score rank by the Sec-
16 retary of the Navy from qualified candidates nominated
17 pursuant to paragraphs (3) through (10) of subsection (a)
18 and all other qualified, non-selected candidates holding
19 nominations from any other source pursuant to this chap-
20 ter.”;

21 (D) in subsection (c), as redesignated by
22 subparagraph (B)—

23 (i) in paragraph (1), by striking “one
24 hundred selected by the President” and in-
25 serting “up to one hundred qualified can-

1 *didates selected by the President in order of*
2 *merit as determined by candidate composite*
3 *score rank”;*

4 *(ii) in paragraph (2)—*

5 *(I) by striking “85” and inserting*
6 *“up to 85 qualified candidates”; and*

7 *(II) by inserting “, selected in*
8 *order of merit as determined by can-*
9 *didate composite score rank” before the*
10 *period at the end;*

11 *(iii) in paragraph (3)—*

12 *(I) by striking “85” and inserting*
13 *“up to 85 qualified candidates”; and*

14 *(II) by inserting “, selected in*
15 *order of merit as determined by can-*
16 *didate composite score rank” before the*
17 *period at the end;*

18 *(iv) in paragraph (4)—*

19 *(I) by striking “20” and inserting*
20 *“up to 20 qualified candidates”; and*

21 *(II) by inserting “, selected in*
22 *order of merit as determined by can-*
23 *didate composite score rank” before the*
24 *period at the end; and*

25 *(v) by striking paragraph (5);*

1 (E) in subsection (f), as redesignated by
2 subparagraph (B), by striking “subsection (b)”
3 both places it appears and inserting “subsection
4 (c)”; and

5 (F) by adding at the end the following new
6 subsections:

7 “(j) Qualifications of candidates for admission shall
8 be determined by use of, among other metrics, a candidate
9 composite score uniformly calculated for each applicant.
10 The academic component of such composite score shall be
11 weighted at not less than 60 percent of the overall composite
12 score and shall include the candidate’s standardized test
13 scores, which shall be weighted at not less than 45 percent
14 of the overall composite score. The total of all subjective
15 components, if any, of the composite score shall be weighted
16 at not more than 10 percent of the overall composite score.
17 Any subjectively based adjustment of the candidate com-
18 posite score shall be limited to not more than 10 percent
19 of the score before such adjustment. Candidates’ composite
20 scores, only, shall be used to determine order of merit.

21 “(k) Not later than October 1 of each year, the Sec-
22 retary of the Navy shall submit to the Committees on Armed
23 Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a
24 report, including—

1 “(1) with respect to the preceding admissions
2 cycle—

3 “(A) the established minimum candidate
4 composite score and college entrance examination
5 rank (CEER) score used in such cycle; and

6 “(B) the total number of waivers of such
7 minimum candidate composite score or CEER
8 score, including the candidate composite score
9 and CEER score of each midshipman to whom
10 a waiver relates, a brief explanation of the rea-
11 sons for such waiver, and the category of ap-
12 pointment under which each such midshipman
13 was appointed (and if congressional, the type of
14 slate that nominated the waived appointee); and

15 “(2) for each midshipman who, during the four-
16 year period preceding the date of the report, received
17 a waiver for the established minimum candidate com-
18 posite score or CEER score, the status of each such
19 midshipman, including whether the midshipman is
20 still at the Academy, the circumstances of such mid-
21 shipman’s departure (if applicable), the cumulative
22 academic GPA, cumulative military GPA, any major
23 conduct or honor violations, any remedial measures
24 undertaken, and any other noteworthy information
25 concerning such midshipman.”.

1 (2) *ADDITIONAL APPOINTEES*.—Section 8456 of
2 *title 10, United States Code, is amended—*

3 (A) *in the section heading, by inserting “,*
4 ***additional appointments**” after “Mid-*
5 ***shipmen**”;* and

6 (B) *in subsection (b)—*

7 (i) *in the first sentence, by striking*
8 *“who competed for nomination” and insert-*
9 *ing “who were eligible and competed unsuc-*
10 *cessfully for nomination under any other*
11 *provision of law”;*

12 (ii) *in the second sentence—*

13 (I) *by striking “(8)” and insert-*
14 *ing “(10)”;* and

15 (II) *by striking “who competed*
16 *for appointment” and inserting “who*
17 *were eligible and competed unsucces-*
18 *fully for nomination”;* and

19 (iii) *by adding at the end the fol-*
20 *lowing: “All provisions relating to can-*
21 *didate composite score in section 8454 of*
22 *this title shall apply to calculation and use*
23 *of candidate composite score as that term is*
24 *used in this section.*

1 “(d) Not later than October 1 of each year, the Sec-
 2 retary of the Navy shall submit to the congressional defense
 3 committees a report that includes, with respect to the pre-
 4 ceding admissions cycle—

5 “(1) the candidate composite scores and college
 6 entrance examination rank (CEER) scores of the ten
 7 candidates appointed under this section and under
 8 section 8454(e) of this title who had the lowest can-
 9 didate composite scores;

10 “(2) the total number of qualified and nomi-
 11 nated (by any source), but not selected, candidates;
 12 and

13 “(3) the candidate composite scores and CEER
 14 scores of the ten qualified and nominated candidates
 15 having the highest candidate composite scores and
 16 who were not selected for appointment.”.

17 (c) UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY.—

18 (1) APPOINTMENTS.—Section 9442 of title 10,
 19 United States Code, is amended—

20 (A) in subsection (a)—

21 (i) by striking “subsection (j)” and in-
 22 serting “subsection (k)”;

23 (ii) in paragraph (1), by striking “as
 24 established by competitive examination”

1 *and inserting “as determined by candidate*
2 *composite score rank”;* and

3 *(iii) in the matter following paragraph*
4 *(10)—*

5 *(I) in the second sentence—*

6 *(aa) by inserting “(in which*
7 *event selection shall be in order of*
8 *merit as determined by candidate*
9 *composite score rank)” after “may*
10 *be submitted without ranking”;*
11 *and*

12 *(bb) by striking “9 ranked”*
13 *and inserting “14 ranked”;*

14 *(II) by inserting after the second*
15 *sentence the following “If alternates*
16 *are submitted unranked, any selection*
17 *from among such unranked alternates*
18 *shall be in order of merit as deter-*
19 *mined by candidate composite score*
20 *rank.”; and*

21 *(III) by striking “shall be consid-*
22 *ered qualified alternates for the pur-*
23 *pose of selection under other provisions*
24 *of this chapter” and inserting “shall be*
25 *eligible and considered for selection*

1 under other provisions of this chapter,
2 including as qualified alternates and
3 additional appointees”;

4 (B) by redesignating subsections (b) through
5 (j) as subsections (c) through (k), respectively;

6 (C) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-
7 lowing new subsection:

8 “(b) There shall be appointed each year at the Acad-
9 emy 300 qualified alternates selected in order of merit as
10 determined by candidate composite score rank by the Sec-
11 retary of the Air Force from qualified candidates nominated
12 pursuant to paragraphs (3) through (10) of subsection (a)
13 and all other qualified, non-selected candidates holding
14 nominations from any other source pursuant to this chap-
15 ter.”;

16 (D) in subsection (c), as redesignated by
17 subparagraph (B)—

18 (i) in paragraph (1), by striking “one
19 hundred selected by the President” and in-
20 serting “up to one hundred qualified can-
21 didates selected by the President in order of
22 merit as determined by candidate composite
23 score rank”;

24 (ii) in paragraph (2)—

1 (I) by striking “85” and inserting
2 “up to 85 qualified candidates”; and

3 (II) by inserting “, selected in
4 order of merit as determined by can-
5 didate composite score rank” before the
6 period at the end;

7 (iii) in paragraph (3)—

8 (I) by striking “85” and inserting
9 “up to 85 qualified candidates”; and

10 (II) by inserting “, selected in
11 order of merit as determined by can-
12 didate composite score rank” before the
13 period at the end;

14 (iv) in paragraph (4)—

15 (I) by striking “20” and inserting
16 “up to 20 qualified candidates”; and

17 (II) by inserting “, selected in
18 order of merit as determined by can-
19 didate composite score rank” before the
20 period at the end; and

21 (v) by striking paragraph (5);

22 (E) in subsection (f), as redesignated by
23 subparagraph (B), by striking “subsection (b)”
24 and inserting “subsection (c)”;

25 (F) in subsection (h), as so redesignated—

1 (i) in paragraph (2), by striking “sub-
2 section (b)” each place it appears and in-
3 serting “subsection (c)”;

4 (ii) in paragraph (3)—

5 (I) by striking “subsection (b)(5)”
6 and insert “subsection (b)”;

7 (II) in subparagraphs (A) through
8 (C), by striking “subsection (b)” each
9 place it appears and inserting “sub-
10 section (c)”;

11 (iii) in paragraph (4), by striking
12 “subsection (e)” and inserting “subsection
13 (f)”;

14 (G) by adding at the end the following new
15 subsections:

16 “(l) Qualifications of candidates for admission shall
17 be determined by use of, among other metrics, a candidate
18 composite score uniformly calculated for each applicant.
19 The academic component of such composite score shall be
20 weighted at not less than 60 percent of the overall composite
21 score and shall include the candidate’s standardized test
22 scores, which shall be weighted at not less than 45 percent
23 of the overall composite score. The total of all subjective
24 components, if any, of the composite score shall be weighted
25 at not more than 10 percent of the overall composite score.

1 *Any subjectively based adjustment of the candidate com-*
2 *posite score shall be limited to not more than 10 percent*
3 *of the score before such adjustment. Candidates' composite*
4 *scores, only, shall be used to determine order of merit.*

5 “(m) *Not later than October 1 of each year, the Sec-*
6 *retary of the Air Force shall submit to the Committees on*
7 *Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representa-*
8 *tives a report, including—*

9 “(1) *with respect to the preceding admissions*
10 *cycle—*

11 “(A) *the established minimum candidate*
12 *composite score and college entrance examination*
13 *rank (CEER) score used in such cycle; and*

14 “(B) *the total number of waivers of such*
15 *minimum candidate composite score or CEER*
16 *score, including the candidate composite score*
17 *and CEER score of each cadet to whom a waiver*
18 *relates, a brief explanation of the reasons for*
19 *such waiver, and the category of appointment*
20 *under which each such cadet was appointed (and*
21 *if congressional, the type of slate that nominated*
22 *the waived appointee); and*

23 “(2) *for each cadet who, during the four-year pe-*
24 *riod preceding the date of the report, received a waiv-*
25 *er for the established minimum candidate composite*

1 score or *CEER* score, the status of each such cadet,
 2 including whether the cadet is still at the Academy,
 3 the circumstances of such cadet’s departure (if appli-
 4 cable), the cumulative academic GPA, cumulative
 5 military GPA, any major conduct or honor viola-
 6 tions, any remedial measures undertaken, and any
 7 other noteworthy information concerning such cadet.”.

8 (2) *ADDITIONAL APPOINTEES*.—Section 9443 of
 9 title 10, United States Code, is amended—

10 (A) in the section heading, by striking “**ap-**
 11 **pointment**” and inserting “**additional ap-**
 12 **pointments**”;

13 (B) in the first sentence—

14 (i) by inserting “(a)” before “If it is
 15 determined”; and

16 (ii) by striking “who competed for
 17 nomination” and inserting “who were eligi-
 18 ble and competed unsuccessfully for nomi-
 19 nation under any other provision of law”;

20 (C) in the second sentence—

21 (i) by striking “(8)” and inserting
 22 “(10)”; and

23 (ii) by striking “holding competitive
 24 nominations” and inserting “who were eli-

1 gible and competed unsuccessfully for nomi-
2 nation”; and

3 (D) by adding at the end the following: “All
4 provisions relating to candidate composite score
5 in section 9442 of this title shall apply to cal-
6 culation and use of candidate composite score as
7 that term is used in this section.

8 “(b) Not later than October 1 of each year, the Sec-
9 retary of the Air Force shall submit to the congressional
10 defense committees a report that includes, with respect to
11 the preceding admissions cycle—

12 “(1) the candidate composite scores and college
13 entrance examination rank (CEER) scores of the ten
14 candidates appointed under this section and under
15 section 9442(e) of this title who had the lowest can-
16 didate composite scores;

17 “(2) the total number of qualified and nomi-
18 nated (by any source), but not selected, candidates;
19 and

20 “(3) the candidate composite scores and CEER
21 scores of the ten qualified and nominated candidates
22 having the highest candidate composite scores and
23 who were not selected for appointment.”.

1 **SEC. 545. MODIFICATIONS TO ALTERNATIVE OBLIGATION**
2 **FOR CADETS AND MIDSHIPMEN.**

3 (a) *UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY.*—Section
4 7448(b)(4) of title 10, United States Code, is amended in
5 the matter preceding subparagraph (A) by striking “three”
6 and inserting “five”.

7 (b) *UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY.*—Section
8 8459(b)(4) of title 10, United States Code, is amended in
9 the matter preceding subparagraph (A) by striking “three”
10 and inserting “five”.

11 (c) *UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY.*—Section
12 9448(b)(4) of title 10, United States Code, is amended in
13 the matter preceding subparagraph (A) by striking “three”
14 and inserting “five”.

15 **SEC. 546. MODIFICATION TO THE DESIGNATION OF MEM-**
16 **BERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**
17 **TO THE BOARDS OF VISITORS OF SERVICE**
18 **ACADEMIES.**

19 (a) *UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY.*—Section
20 7455(a)(8) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by
21 striking “one other member” and inserting “two other mem-
22 bers”.

23 (b) *UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY.*—Section
24 8468(a)(8) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by
25 striking “one other member” and inserting “two other mem-
26 bers”.

1 (c) *UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY.*—Section
 2 9455(a)(8) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by
 3 striking “one other member” and inserting “two other mem-
 4 bers”.

5 **SEC. 547. DETAIL OF MEMBERS OF THE SPACE FORCE AS IN-**
 6 **STRUCTORS AT AIR FORCE INSTITUTE OF**
 7 **TECHNOLOGY.**

8 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 9414 of title 10, United
 9 States Code, is amended—
 10 (1) by striking the heading and inserting the fol-
 11 lowing new heading:

12 **“§9414. United States Air Force Institute of Tech-**
 13 **nology: degree granting authority; faculty,**
 14 **reimbursement and tuition; acceptance of**
 15 **research grants”;**

16 (2) by redesignating subsections (e) and (f) as
 17 subsections (f) and (g), respectively; and

18 (3) by inserting after subsection (d) the following
 19 new subsection:

20 “(e) *SPACE FORCE FACULTY.*—(1) *The Secretary shall*
 21 *detail members of the Space Force as instructors at the*
 22 *United States Air Force Institute of Technology to provide*
 23 *instruction in areas that support the mission of the Space*
 24 *Force.*

1 “(2) *The number of members of the Space Force de-*
2 *tailed by the Secretary to the United States Air Force Insti-*
3 *tute of Technology as instructors during an academic year*
4 *shall be equal to or greater than the product of—*

5 “(A) *the total number of members of the Space*
6 *Force divided by the total number of members of the*
7 *Space Force and the Air Force; and*

8 “(B) *the total number of instructors at the*
9 *United States Air Force Institute of Technology.”.*

10 ***(b) REPORT.***—*Not later than two years after the date*
11 *of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force*
12 *shall submit to the congressional defense committees a re-*
13 *port on the implementation of subsection (e) of section 9414*
14 *of title 10, United States Code, as added by subsection (a)*
15 *of this section, including—*

16 ***(1)*** *an identification of the number, academic*
17 *specialties, and courses of instruction of the members*
18 *of the Space Force detailed as instructors at the*
19 *United States Air Force Institute of Technology; and*

20 ***(2)*** *an assessment of the contributions of those*
21 *instructors to Space Force objectives.*

1 **SEC. 548. REPEAL OF ANNUAL CERTIFICATIONS RELATED**
2 **TO THE READY, RELEVANT LEARNING INITIA-**
3 **TIVE OF THE NAVY.**

4 *Section 545 of the National Defense Authorization Act*
5 *for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91; 10 U.S.C. 8431*
6 *note prec.) is repealed.*

7 **SEC. 549. PILOT PROGRAM FOR GENERATIVE ARTIFICIAL**
8 **INTELLIGENCE AND SPATIAL COMPUTING**
9 **FOR PERFORMANCE TRAINING AND PRO-**
10 **FICIENCY ASSESSMENT.**

11 *(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 90 days after*
12 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the*
13 *Navy shall develop and implement pilot program to opti-*
14 *mize the use of generative artificial intelligence and spatial*
15 *computing for immersive training and assessment.*

16 *(b) ELEMENTS.—The pilot program required by sub-*
17 *section (a) shall include—*

18 *(1) the development of content with respect to not*
19 *less than 5 occupational specialties; and*

20 *(2) methods to assess the feasibility and effective-*
21 *ness of the use of generative artificial intelligence and*
22 *spatial computing training methods in comparison to*
23 *other training methods, particularly with respect to*
24 *cost and time required to achieve training goals.*

1 (c) *TERMINATION.*—*The pilot program required by*
 2 *subsection (a) shall terminate on the date that is one year*
 3 *after the date of the establishment of the program.*

4 (d) *REPORT.*—*Not later than 90 days after the termi-*
 5 *nation of the pilot program required by subsection (a), the*
 6 *Secretary of the Navy shall submit to the congressional de-*
 7 *fense committees a report describing the results of the pilot*
 8 *program, including an analysis of the effectiveness of the*
 9 *use of generative artificial intelligence and spatial com-*
 10 *puting for training and a description of any cost savings*
 11 *and savings in time required to achieve training goals.*

12 **SEC. 549A. PROHIBITION ON USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS TO**
 13 **ENDORSE CRITICAL RACE THEORY.**

14 (a) *PROHIBITION.*—*No funds authorized to be appro-*
 15 *priated by this Act may be used to endorse critical race*
 16 *theory—*

17 (1) *at an academic institution operated by the*
 18 *Department of Defense;*

19 (2) *in training provided to a member of the*
 20 *Armed Forces; or*

21 (3) *in professional military education.*

22 (b) *PROTECTION OF ACADEMIC FREEDOM.*—*Nothing*
 23 *in this section shall be construed to supersede the institu-*
 24 *tional autonomy or academic freedom of instructors in-*
 25 *volved in the selection of textbooks, supplemental materials,*

1 *or other classroom materials, or in the preparation or pres-*
 2 *entation of classroom instruction or lectures.*

3 (c) *CRITICAL RACE THEORY DEFINED.*—*In this sec-*
 4 *tion, the term “critical race theory” means the theory that*
 5 *individuals, by virtue of race, ethnicity, color, or national*
 6 *origin, bear collective guilt and are inherently responsible*
 7 *for actions committed in the past by other individuals of*
 8 *such race, ethnicity, color, or national origin.*

9 **SEC. 549B. PROHIBITION ON THE REDUCTION OF FUNDING**
 10 **FOR FOREIGN LANGUAGE TRAINING FOR**
 11 **MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

12 (a) *PROHIBITION.*—*None of the funds authorized to be*
 13 *appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for*
 14 *fiscal year 2026 may be obligated or expended by the De-*
 15 *partment of Defense to terminate, replace, reduce, or pre-*
 16 *pare to terminate, replace, or reduce a program of foreign*
 17 *language training or instruction until the Secretary of De-*
 18 *fense submits to the congressional defense committees a re-*
 19 *port on the planned termination, replacement, or reduction,*
 20 *including—*

21 (1) *an identification of the programs the Sec-*
 22 *retary is seeking to terminate, replace, or reduce;*

23 (2) *the intent, scope, and impact of any funding*
 24 *reductions to foreign language training or instruction*

1 *in relation to the national security interests of the*
2 *United States;*

3 *(3) the impact of the termination, replacement,*
4 *or reduction of the program on existing military lin-*
5 *guists and Foreign Area Officers; and*

6 *(4) a certification that any termination, replace-*
7 *ment, or reduction will not negatively impact the op-*
8 *erations and mission of the Defense Language Insti-*
9 *tute Foreign Language Center.*

10 *(b) PROGRAMS INCLUDED.—For purposes of subsection*
11 *(a), a program of foreign language training or instruction*
12 *includes—*

13 *(1) institutional language training programs*
14 *conducted by the Defense Language Institute Foreign*
15 *Language Center;*

16 *(2) unit-level or operational foreign language in-*
17 *struction and sustainment training;*

18 *(3) immersive or in-country language training*
19 *programs;*

20 *(4) associated curriculum development, instruc-*
21 *tional staffing, and digital language training sup-*
22 *port; and*

23 *(5) any other program or activity of the Depart-*
24 *ment of Defense that provides foreign language train-*
25 *ing or instruction to members of the Armed Forces.*

1 **SEC. 549C. LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY TO REORGANIZE**
2 **THE SENIOR RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING**
3 **CORPS OF THE ARMY.**

4 (a) *LIMITATION.*—*The Secretary of the Army may not*
5 *reorganize a unit of the program of the Army until 90 days*
6 *after the Secretary, acting through the Army Cadet Com-*
7 *mand, submits to the Committees on Armed Services of the*
8 *Senate and House of Representatives a briefing. Elements*
9 *of such a briefing shall specify the following, with regards*
10 *to such proposed reorganization:*

11 (1) *Each position to be eliminated.*

12 (2) *A risk analysis regarding Army officer acces-*
13 *sions that justifies such reorganization.*

14 (3) *Potential cost savings or expenses to the*
15 *United States.*

16 (4) *The number of members of the program af-*
17 *ected by the reorganization, including travel required*
18 *travel.*

19 (5) *Any change to a scholarship awarded under*
20 *section 2107 or 2107a of title 10, United States Code.*

21 (b) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

22 (1) *The terms “program” and “member of the*
23 *program” have the meanings given such terms in sec-*
24 *tion 2101 of title 10, United States Code.*

1 (2) *The term “reorganize”, with respect to a unit*
 2 *of the program, includes closing, restructuring, reclas-*
 3 *sifying, merging, or realigning.*

4 ***Subtitle F—Military Justice and***
 5 ***Other Legal Matters***

6 ***SEC. 551. ENSURING THE AVAILABILITY OF LEGAL ADVICE***
 7 ***TO COMMANDERS.***

8 *Section 162(a) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 9 *amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:*

10 *“(5) In all cases, forces assigned to a combatant com-*
 11 *mand or to the United States element of the North Amer-*
 12 *ican Aerospace Defense Command under this subsection*
 13 *shall include qualified judge advocates in numbers suffi-*
 14 *cient to provide legal advice to all commanders responsible*
 15 *for planning and organizing military operations and all*
 16 *commanders authorized to convene courts-martial under*
 17 *sections 822 through 824 of this title. The qualifications of*
 18 *judge advocates assigned under this paragraph shall in-*
 19 *clude—*

20 *“(A) the qualifications set forth in section 827 of*
 21 *this title; and*

22 *“(B) any additional education, expertise, or ex-*
 23 *perience determined to be necessary to fulfill the re-*
 24 *quirements of this paragraph by the Judge Advocate*
 25 *General of the armed force concerned, or in the case*

1 *of the Marine Corps, by the Staff Judge Advocate to*
2 *the Commandant of the Marine Corps.”.*

3 **SEC. 552. MODIFICATIONS TO OFFENSE OF WRONGFUL**
4 **BROADCAST OR DISTRIBUTION OF INTIMATE**
5 **VISUAL IMAGES UNDER THE UNIFORM CODE**
6 **OF MILITARY JUSTICE.**

7 *Section 917a of title 10, United States Code (article*
8 *117a of the Uniform Code of Military Justice) is amended*
9 *to read as follows:*

10 **“§917a. Art. 117a. Wrongful broadcast, distribution,**
11 **or publication of intimate visual images**

12 *“(a) PROHIBITION.—Any person subject to this chap-*
13 *ter—*

14 *“(1) who knowingly broadcasts, distributes, or*
15 *uses a communication service to publish an authentic*
16 *intimate visual depiction of an identifiable indi-*
17 *vidual who is not a minor if—*

18 *“(A) the intimate visual depiction was ob-*
19 *tained or created under circumstances in which*
20 *the person knew or reasonably should have*
21 *known the identifiable individual had a reason-*
22 *able expectation of privacy;*

23 *“(B) the authentic intimate visual depiction*
24 *was broadcast, distributed, or published without*
25 *the consent of the identifiable individual;*

1 “(B) what is depicted was not voluntarily
2 exposed by the identifiable individual in a public
3 or commercial setting;

4 “(C) what is depicted is not a matter of
5 public concern; and

6 “(D) the broadcast, distribution, or publica-
7 tion of the intimate visual depiction—

8 “(i) is intended to cause harm; or

9 “(ii) causes harm, including psycho-
10 logical, financial, or reputational harm, to
11 the identifiable individual;

12 “(2) who knowingly broadcasts, distributes, or
13 uses a communication service to publish an authentic
14 intimate visual depiction of an identifiable indi-
15 vidual who is a minor with intent to—

16 “(A) abuse, humiliate, harass, or degrade
17 the minor; or

18 “(B) arouse or gratify the sexual desire of
19 any person;

20 “(3) who knowingly broadcasts, distributes, or
21 uses a communication service to publish a digital for-
22 gery of an identifiable individual who is not a minor
23 if—

1 “(A) the digital forgery was broadcast, dis-
2 tributed, or published without the consent of the
3 identifiable individual;

4 “(B) what is depicted was not voluntarily
5 exposed by the identifiable individual in a public
6 or commercial setting;

7 “(C) what is depicted is not a matter of
8 public concern; and

9 “(D) the broadcast, distribution, or publica-
10 tion of the digital forgery—

11 “(i) is intended to cause harm; or

12 “(ii) causes harm, including psycho-
13 logical, financial, or reputational harm, to
14 the identifiable individual; or

15 “(4) who knowingly broadcasts, distributes, or
16 uses a communication service to publish a digital for-
17 gery of an identifiable individual who is a minor
18 with intent to—

19 “(A) abuse, humiliate, harass, or degrade
20 the minor; or

21 “(B) arouse or gratify the sexual desire of
22 any person,

23 is guilty of wrongful distribution of intimate visual images
24 or visual images of sexually explicit conduct and shall be
25 punished as a court-martial may direct.

1 “(b) *EXCEPTIONS.*—Subsection (a) shall not apply
2 *to—*

3 “(1) *a lawfully authorized investigative, protec-*
4 *tive, or intelligence activity of—*

5 “(A) *a law enforcement agency of the*
6 *United States, a State, or a political subdivision*
7 *of a State; or*

8 “(B) *an intelligence agency of the United*
9 *States;*

10 “(2) *a disclosure made reasonably and in good*
11 *faith—*

12 “(A) *to a law enforcement officer or agency;*

13 “(B) *as part of a document production or*
14 *filing associated with a legal proceeding;*

15 “(C) *as part of medical education, diag-*
16 *nosis, or treatment or for a legitimate medical,*
17 *scientific, or educational purpose;*

18 “(D) *in the reporting of unlawful content or*
19 *unsolicited or unwelcome conduct or in pursu-*
20 *ance of a legal, professional, or other lawful obli-*
21 *gation; or*

22 “(E) *to seek support or help with respect to*
23 *the receipt of an unsolicited intimate visual de-*
24 *piction;*

1 “(3) a disclosure reasonably intended to assist
2 the identifiable individual; or

3 “(4) a person who possesses or publishes an inti-
4 mate visual depiction of himself or herself engaged in
5 nudity or sexually explicit conduct.

6 “(c) CONSENT.—For the purposes of subsection (a)—

7 “(1) the fact that the depicted individual con-
8 sented to the creation of the intimate visual depiction
9 shall not establish that the person consented to its dis-
10 closure; and

11 “(2) the fact that the depicted individual dis-
12 closed the intimate visual depiction to another person
13 shall not establish that the depicted individual con-
14 sented to the further disclosure of the intimate visual
15 depiction.

16 “(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

17 “(1) CONSENT.—The term ‘consent’ means an af-
18 firmative, conscious, and voluntary authorization
19 made by an individual free from force, fraud, duress,
20 misrepresentation, or coercion.

21 “(2) DIGITAL FORGERY.—The term ‘digital for-
22 gery’ means any intimate visual depiction of an iden-
23 tifiable individual created through the use of software,
24 machine learning, artificial intelligence, or any other
25 computer-generated or technological means, including

1 *by adapting, modifying, manipulating, or altering an*
2 *authentic visual depiction, that, when viewed as a*
3 *whole by a reasonable person, is indistinguishable*
4 *from an authentic visual depiction of the individual.*

5 “(3) *IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUAL.*—*The term*
6 *‘identifiable individual’ means an individual—*

7 *“(A) who appears in whole or in part in an*
8 *intimate visual depiction; and*

9 *“(B) whose face, likeness, or other distin-*
10 *guishing characteristic (including a unique*
11 *birthmark or other recognizable feature) is dis-*
12 *played in connection with such intimate visual*
13 *depiction.*

14 “(4) *VISUAL DEPICTION.*—*The term ‘visual de-*
15 *scription’ includes undeveloped film and videotape,*
16 *data stored on computer disk or by electronic means*
17 *which is capable of conversion into a visual image,*
18 *and data which is capable of conversion into a visual*
19 *image that has been transmitted by any means,*
20 *whether or not stored in a permanent format.*

21 “(5) *INTIMATE VISUAL DEPICTION.*—*The term*
22 *‘intimate visual depiction’—*

23 *“(A) means a visual depiction that de-*
24 *picts—*

1 “(i) the uncovered genitals, pubic area,
2 anus, or female nipple of an identifiable in-
3 dividual; or

4 “(ii) the display or transfer of bodily
5 sexual fluids—

6 “(I) on to any part of the body of
7 an identifiable individual;

8 “(II) from the body of an identifi-
9 able individual; or

10 “(iii) an identifiable individual engag-
11 ing in sexually explicit conduct; and

12 “(B) includes any visual depictions de-
13 scribed in subparagraph (A) produced while the
14 identifiable individual was in a public place
15 only if the individual did not—

16 “(i) voluntarily display the content de-
17 picted; or

18 “(ii) consent to the sexual conduct de-
19 picted.

20 “(6) *SEXUALLY EXPLICIT CONDUCT*.—The term
21 ‘sexually explicit conduct’ means actual or simu-
22 lated—

23 “(A) sexual intercourse, including genital-
24 genital, oral-genital, anal-genital, or oral-anal,

1 *whether between persons of the same or opposite*
2 *sex;*

3 “(B) *bestiality;*

4 “(C) *masturbation;*

5 “(D) *sadistic or masochistic abuse; or*

6 “(E) *lascivious exhibition of the genitals or*
7 *pubic area of any person.*

8 “(7) *MINOR.*—*The term ‘minor’ means any indi-*
9 *vidual under the age of 18 years.*

10 “(8) *BROADCAST.*—*The term ‘broadcast’ means*
11 *to electronically transmit a visual image with the in-*
12 *tent that it be viewed by a person or persons.*

13 “(9) *DISTRIBUTE.*—*The term ‘distribute’ means*
14 *to deliver to the actual or constructive possession of*
15 *another person, including transmission by mail or*
16 *electronic means.*

17 “(10) *COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE.*—*The term*
18 *‘communications service’ means—*

19 “(A) *a service provided by a person that is*
20 *a common carrier;*

21 “(B) *an electronic communication service;*

22 “(C) *an information service; or*

23 “(D) *an interactive computer service.*

24 “(11) *COMMON CARRIER.*—*The term ‘common*
25 *carrier’ means any person engaged as a common car-*

1 rier for hire, in interstate or foreign communication
2 by wire or radio or interstate or foreign radio trans-
3 mission of energy, but a person engaged in radio
4 broadcasting shall not, insofar as such person is so
5 engaged, be deemed a common carrier.

6 “(12) *ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION SERVICE*.—
7 The term ‘electronic communication service’ means
8 any service which provides to users thereof the ability
9 to send or receive wire or electronic communications.

10 “(13) *INFORMATION SERVICE*.—The term ‘infor-
11 mation service’ means the offering of a capability for
12 generating, acquiring, storing, transforming, proc-
13 essing, retrieving, utilizing, or making available in-
14 formation via telecommunications, and includes elec-
15 tronic publishing, but does not include any use of any
16 such capability for the management, control, or oper-
17 ation of a telecommunications system or the manage-
18 ment of a telecommunications service.

19 “(14) *INTERACTIVE COMPUTER SERVICE*.—The
20 term ‘interactive computer service’ means any infor-
21 mation service, system, or access software provider
22 that provides or enables computer access by multiple
23 users to a computer server, including specifically a
24 service or system that provides access to the Internet

1 *and such systems operated or services offered by li-*
 2 *braries or educational institutions.”.*

3 **SEC. 553. PUNITIVE ARTICLE UNDER THE UNIFORM CODE**
 4 **OF MILITARY JUSTICE FOR OFFENSES RELAT-**
 5 **ING TO CHILD PORNOGRAPHY.**

6 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 47 of title 10, United*
 7 *States Code (the Uniform Code of Military Justice) is*
 8 *amended by inserting after section 917a (article 117a) the*
 9 *following new section (article):*

10 **“§917b. Art. 117b. Child pornography**

11 *“(a) PROHIBITION.—Any person subject to this chap-*
 12 *ter who knowingly and wrongfully—*

13 *“(1) possesses, receives, or views child pornog-*
 14 *raphy;*

15 *“(2) possesses child pornography with the intent*
 16 *to distribute;*

17 *“(3) distributes child pornography; or*

18 *“(4) produces child pornography,*

19 *shall be punished as a court-martial may direct, subject to*
 20 *the applicable limits specified in subsection (b).*

21 *“(b) MAXIMUM PUNISHMENTS.—*

22 *“(1) The maximum punishment for the offense of*
 23 *possessing, receiving, or viewing child pornography*
 24 *under subsection (a)(1) shall be dishonorable dis-*

1 *charge, forfeiture of all pay and allowances, and con-*
2 *finement for 10 years.*

3 *“(2) The maximum punishment for the offense of*
4 *possessing child pornography with intent to distribute*
5 *under subsection (a)(2) shall be dishonorable dis-*
6 *charge, forfeiture of all pay and allowances, and con-*
7 *finement for 15 years.*

8 *“(3) The maximum punishment for the offense of*
9 *distributing child pornography under subsection*
10 *(a)(3) shall be dishonorable discharge, forfeiture of all*
11 *pay and allowances, and confinement for 20 years.*

12 *“(4) The maximum punishment for the offense of*
13 *producing child pornography under subsection (a)(4)*
14 *shall be dishonorable discharge, forfeiture of all pay*
15 *and allowances, and confinement for 30 years.*

16 *“(c) TREATMENT OF PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE IN-*
17 *FORMATION.—On motion of the Government, in any pros-*
18 *ecution under this section, except for good cause shown, the*
19 *name, address, social security number, or other nonphysical*
20 *identifying information, other than the age or approximate*
21 *age, of any minor who is depicted in any child pornography*
22 *or visual depiction or copy thereof shall not be admissible*
23 *and may be redacted from any otherwise admissible evi-*
24 *dence, and the panel shall be instructed, upon request of*

1 *the Government, that it can draw no inference from the ab-*
2 *sence of such evidence.*

3 “(d) *DETERMINATION WRONGFULNESS.—Any facts or*
4 *circumstances that show that a visual depiction of child*
5 *pornography was unintentionally or inadvertently acquired*
6 *are relevant to wrongfulness, including, the method by*
7 *which the visual depiction was acquired, the length of time*
8 *the visual depiction was maintained, and whether the vis-*
9 *ual depiction was promptly, and in good faith, destroyed*
10 *or reported to law enforcement.*

11 “(e) *DETERMINATION OF KNOWING.—An accused may*
12 *not be convicted of an offense under subsection (a) if the*
13 *accused was not aware that the visual depiction involved*
14 *was of a minor or what appeared to be a minor, engaged*
15 *in sexually explicit conduct. Awareness may be inferred*
16 *from circumstantial evidence such as the name of a com-*
17 *puter file or folder, the name of the host website from which*
18 *a visual depiction was viewed or received, search terms*
19 *used, and the number of images possessed.*

20 “(f) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

21 “(1) *The term ‘child pornography’ means mate-*
22 *rial that contains either an obscene visual depiction*
23 *of a minor engaging in sexually explicit conduct or*
24 *a visual depiction of an actual minor engaging in*
25 *sexually explicit conduct.*

1 “(2) The term ‘distribute’ means to deliver to the
2 actual or constructive possession of another.

3 “(3) The term ‘minor’ means any person under
4 the age of 18 years.

5 “(4) The term ‘possess’ means to exercise control
6 of something. Possession may be direct physical cus-
7 tody like holding an item in one’s hand, or it may
8 be constructive, as in the case of a person who hides
9 something in a locker or a car to which that person
10 may return to retrieve it. Possession must be knowing
11 and conscious. Possession inherently includes the
12 power or authority to preclude control by others. It is
13 possible for more than one person to possess an item
14 simultaneously, as when several people share control
15 over an item.

16 “(5) The term ‘produce’—

17 “(A) means to create or manufacture child
18 pornography that did not previously exist; and

19 “(B) does not include reproducing or copy-
20 ing child pornography.

21 “(6) The term ‘sexually explicit conduct’ means
22 actual or simulated—

23 “(A) sexual intercourse or sodomy, includ-
24 ing genital to genital, oral to genital, anal to

1 *genital, or oral to anal, whether between persons*
 2 *of the same or opposite sex;*

3 “(B) *bestiality;*

4 “(C) *masturbation;*

5 “(D) *sadistic or masochistic abuse; or*

6 “(E) *lascivious exhibition of the genitals,*
 7 *anus, or pubic area of any person.*

8 “(7) *The term ‘visual depiction’ includes—*

9 “(A) *any developed or undeveloped photo-*
 10 *graph, picture, film, or video; any digital or*
 11 *computer image, picture, film, or video made by*
 12 *any means, including those transmitted by any*
 13 *means including streaming media, even if not*
 14 *stored in a permanent format; or*

15 “(B) *any digital or electronic data capable*
 16 *of conversion into a visual image.”.*

17 (b) *CONFORMING AMENDMENT TO DEFINITION OF COV-*
 18 *ERED OFFENSE.—Section 801(17)(A) of title 10, United*
 19 *States Code (article 1(17)(A) of the Uniform Code of Mili-*
 20 *tary Justice), is amended—*

21 (1) *by inserting “section 917b (article 117b),”*
 22 *after “section 917a (article 117a),”; and*

23 (2) *by striking “the standalone offense of child*
 24 *pornography punishable under section 934 (article*
 25 *134),”.*

1 **SEC. 554. AUTHORIZATION OF DEATH PENALTY FOR OF-**
 2 **FENSE OF RAPE OF A CHILD UNDER THE UNI-**
 3 **FORM CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE.**

4 *Section 920b(a) of title 10, United States Code (article*
 5 *120b(a) of the Uniform Code of Military Justice), is amend-*
 6 *ed by inserting “by death, or such other punishment” after*
 7 *“shall be punished”.*

8 **SEC. 555. INCREASE IN MAXIMUM SENTENCE FOR THE OF-**
 9 **FENSE OF VOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER**
 10 **UNDER THE UNIFORM CODE OF MILITARY**
 11 **JUSTICE.**

12 *(a) REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION.—Not later than*
 13 *180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the*
 14 *Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Joint Service*
 15 *Committee on Military Justice, shall review and rec-*
 16 *ommend to the President an increase for the maximum sen-*
 17 *tence for voluntary manslaughter under section 919(a) of*
 18 *title 10, United States Code (article 119(a) of the Uniform*
 19 *Code of Military Justice).*

20 *(b) IMPLEMENTATION.—Following receipt of the rec-*
 21 *ommendation under subsection (a) but not later than one*
 22 *year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Presi-*
 23 *dent shall prescribe regulations updating the maximum*
 24 *sentence for voluntary manslaughter under section 919(a)*
 25 *of title 10, United States Code (article 119(a) of the Uniform*

1 *Code of Military Justice*), in accordance with such rec-
2 ommendation.

3 **SEC. 556. ANALYSIS OF THE ADVISABILITY OF MODIFYING**
4 **THE DEFINITION OF ABUSIVE SEXUAL CON-**
5 **TACT UNDER THE UNIFORM CODE OF MILI-**
6 **TARY JUSTICE.**

7 (a) *ANALYSIS REQUIRED.*—The Secretary of Defense,
8 in coordination with the Joint Service Committee on Mili-
9 tary Justice, shall analyze the advisability of modifying the
10 definition of abusive sexual contact under section 920 of
11 title 10, United States Code (article 120 of the Uniform
12 Code of Military Justice), to address the full range of harm-
13 ful behaviors associated with sexual assault and to prevent
14 misapplication of the offense to acts that are not inherently
15 abusive.

16 (b) *REPORT.*—Not later than 180 days after the date
17 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall
18 submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate
19 and the House of Representatives a report detailing the re-
20 sults of the analysis under subsection (a) and any associ-
21 ated recommendations.

22 **SEC. 557. REVISION TO SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION AND**
23 **RESPONSE TRAINING GUIDANCE.**

24 (a) *REVISION REQUIREMENT.*—Not later than 180
25 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under

1 *Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, in co-*
2 *ordination with the Director of the Sexual Assault Preven-*
3 *tion and Response Office of the Department of Defense, shall*
4 *revise sexual assault prevention and response training guid-*
5 *ance to require that information on the resources of the De-*
6 *partment of Veterans Affairs to address experiences with*
7 *unwanted sexual behavior be included in the annual or*
8 *periodic sexual assault prevention and response training*
9 *that is administered to all members of the Armed Forces.*

10 (b) *IMPLEMENTATION OVERSIGHT.—The Secretary of*
11 *Defense shall ensure that each Secretary of a military de-*
12 *partment—*

13 (1) *incorporates the revised guidance under sub-*
14 *section (a) into the formal training curricula of the*
15 *military department concerned;*

16 (2) *provides documented confirmation to the*
17 *Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness that the revised training has been delivered to all*
18 *currently serving members of the Armed Forces with-*
19 *in one year of the approval of such revised guidance;*
20 *and*

22 (3) *establishes a mechanism to verify continued*
23 *compliance with the revised guidance.*

24 (c) *REPORTING.—Not later than one year after the*
25 *date on which the revised guidance is issued under sub-*

1 *section (a), the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the con-*
 2 *gressional defense committees a report that includes—*

3 *(1) an assessment of the extent to which each*
 4 *military department has implemented the guidance;*
 5 *and*

6 *(2) statistics on number of members of the*
 7 *Armed Forces trained under the revised guidance.*

8 *(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

9 *(1) The term “unwanted sexual behavior” means*
 10 *any sexual contact or interaction to which an indi-*
 11 *vidual does not or could not freely consent, including*
 12 *harassment, coercion, assault, or abuse.*

13 *(2) The term “sexual assault prevention and re-*
 14 *sponse training” means any training, instruction, or*
 15 *education provided pursuant to Department of De-*
 16 *fense Instruction 6495.02, Volume 2 or any successor*
 17 *guidance.*

18 **SEC. 558. REPORTS AND BRIEFINGS ON EFFORTS TO PRE-**
 19 **VENT AND RESPOND TO SEXUAL ASSAULT,**
 20 **SEXUAL HARASSMENT, AND INTIMATE-PART-**
 21 **NER VIOLENCE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF**
 22 **DEFENSE.**

23 *(a) QUARTERLY REPORTS.—*

24 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after*
 25 *the date of the enactment of this Act, and on a quar-*

1 *terly basis thereafter, the Secretary of Defense, acting*
2 *through the Executive Director of Force Resiliency,*
3 *shall submit to the committees on Armed Services of*
4 *the Senate and the House of Representatives a report*
5 *on the efforts of the Department of Defense to prevent*
6 *and respond to sexual assault, sexual harassment, and*
7 *intimate-partner violence.*

8 (2) *ELEMENTS.—Each report under paragraph*
9 *(1) shall include the following:*

10 (A) *An overview of the efforts of the Depart-*
11 *ment of Defense to prevent and respond to sexual*
12 *assault, sexual harassment, and intimate partner*
13 *violence.*

14 (B) *With respect to the period covered by*
15 *the report, the most recently available data on—*

16 (i) *reports of sexual assault;*

17 (ii) *reports of sexual harassment;*

18 (iii) *reports of intimate partner vio-*
19 *lence;*

20 (iv) *staffing of the primary prevention*
21 *workforce, including filled and unfilled po-*
22 *sitions disaggregated by the Army, Air*
23 *Force, Navy, and Marine Corps;*

24 (v) *staffing of the sexual assault and*
25 *harassment response workforce, including*

1 *filled and unfilled positions disaggregated*
2 *by the Army, Air Force, Navy, and Marine*
3 *Corps;*

4 *(vi) staffing of the family advocacy*
5 *program, including filled and unfilled posi-*
6 *tions disaggregated by the Army, Air Force,*
7 *Navy, and Marine Corps;*

8 *(vii) staffing of the offices of special*
9 *trial counsel, including filled and unfilled*
10 *positions disaggregated by the Army, Air*
11 *Force, Navy, and Marine Corps; and*

12 *(viii) staffing of the Army Criminal*
13 *Investigation Division, Air Force Office of*
14 *Special Investigations, and Naval Criminal*
15 *Investigative Service, including filled and*
16 *unfilled positions dedicated to covered of-*
17 *fenses under the jurisdiction of special trial*
18 *counsels.*

19 ***(b) SPECIAL TRIAL COUNSEL BRIEFINGS.***—*Not later*
20 *than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act,*
21 *and on an annual basis thereafter, the lead special trial*
22 *counsels of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps*
23 *shall jointly provide to the Committees on Armed Services*
24 *of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing*

1 *on the progress of special trial counsels in prosecuting cov-*
2 *ered offenses.*

3 (c) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section, the terms “covered*
4 *offense” and “special trial counsel” have the meanings*
5 *given those terms in section 801 of title 10, United States*
6 *Code (article 1 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice).*

7 **SEC. 559. STUDY AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING**
8 **MISCONDUCT PREVENTION IN OKINAWA,**
9 **JAPAN.**

10 (a) *STUDY.*—*Not later than 90 days after the date of*
11 *the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall seek*
12 *to enter into a contract or other agreement with a federally*
13 *funded research and development center pursuant to which*
14 *the center shall—*

15 (1) *conduct a study to evaluate the effectiveness*
16 *of programs, policies, and practices of the covered*
17 *Armed Forces to prevent criminal activity and other*
18 *misconduct by members stationed in Okinawa,*
19 *Japan; and*

20 (2) *develop evidence-based options and rec-*
21 *ommendations for changes to programs, policies, and*
22 *practices to prevent criminal activity and other mis-*
23 *conduct by members of the covered Armed Forces sta-*
24 *tioned in Okinawa, Japan.*

1 (b) *REPORT TO SECRETARIES.*—*The federally funded*
2 *research and development center that carries out the study*
3 *and analysis under subsection (a) shall submit to the Sec-*
4 *retary of Defense and the Secretaries of the military depart-*
5 *ments a report on the results of such study.*

6 (c) *REPORT TO CONGRESS.*—*Not later than 30 days*
7 *after receiving the report under subsection (b), the Secretary*
8 *of Defense shall submit an unaltered copy of the report to*
9 *the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the*
10 *House of Representatives.*

11 (d) *IMPROVEMENT PLANS FOR MILITARY DEPART-*
12 *MENTS.*—*Not later than 180 days after receiving the report*
13 *under subsection (b), each Secretary of a military depart-*
14 *ment shall—*

15 (1) *review the findings of the report and, based*
16 *on such findings, develop a plan to improve preven-*
17 *tion of criminal activity and other misconduct by*
18 *members of the covered Armed Forces under the juris-*
19 *diction of that Secretary who are stationed in Oki-*
20 *nawa, Japan; and*

21 (2) *provide to the Committees on Armed Services*
22 *of the Senate and the House of Representatives a*
23 *briefing on the plan.*

1 (e) *COVERED ARMED FORCES DEFINED.*—*In this sec-*
 2 *tion, the term “covered Armed Forces” means the Army,*
 3 *Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Space Force.*

4 ***Subtitle G—Career Transition***

5 ***SEC. 561. ESTABLISHMENT OF SEPARATION OATH FOR***
 6 ***MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.***

7 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT OF SEPARATION OATH.*—*Section*
 8 *502 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—*

9 (1) *in subsection (b), by striking “The oath” and*
 10 *inserting “An oath established by this section”;*

11 (2) *by redesignating subsection (b), as amended,*
 12 *as subsection (c); and*

13 (3) *by inserting after subsection (a) the following*
 14 *new subsection (b):*

15 “(b) *SEPARATION OATH.*—*Prior to retirement or other*
 16 *separation from the armed forces, other than separation*
 17 *pursuant to the sentence of a court-martial, a member of*
 18 *an armed force may take the following oath:*

19 “I, _____, recognizing that
 20 my oath to support and defend the Constitution of the
 21 United States against all enemies, foreign and domes-
 22 tic, has involved me and my fellow members in expe-
 23 riences that few persons, other than our peers, can
 24 understand, do solemnly swear (or affirm) to continue
 25 to be the keeper of my brothers- and sisters-in-arms

1 *and protector of the United States and the Constitu-*
 2 *tion; to preserve the values I have learned; to main-*
 3 *tain my body and my mind; to give help to, and seek*
 4 *help from, my fellow veterans; and to not bring harm*
 5 *to myself or others. I take this oath freely and without*
 6 *purpose of evasion, so help me God.’”.*

7 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—*The heading of section*
 8 *502 of title 10, United States Code, is amended to read as*
 9 *follows:*

10 **“§ 502. Enlistment oath and separation oath: who may**
 11 **administer”.**

12 **SEC. 562. PRESENTATION BY A VETERANS SERVICE ORGANI-**
 13 **ZATION IN TAP PRESEPARATION COUN-**
 14 **SELING.**

15 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Section 1142(b) of title 10, United*
 16 *States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following*
 17 *new paragraph:*

18 “(20) *A presentation that promotes the benefits*
 19 *available to veterans under laws administered by the*
 20 *Secretary of Veterans Affairs. Such presentation—*

21 “(A) *shall be standardized;*

22 “(B) *shall be previously reviewed and ap-*
 23 *proved by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs;*

24 “(C) *shall be submitted by the Secretary of*
 25 *Veterans Affairs to the Committees on Veterans’*

1 *Affairs of the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives for review at least 90 days before imple-*
3 *mentation;*

4 “(D) shall be presented by—

5 “(i) a national representative of a vet-

6 *erans service organization recognized under*

7 *section 5902 of title 38; or*

8 “(ii) if a national representative is un-

9 *available, a State or local representative of*

10 *such an organization authorized by the Sec-*

11 *retary concerned to so present;*

12 “(E) shall include information on how a

13 *veterans service organization may assist the*

14 *member in filing a claim described in paragraph*

15 *(19);*

16 “(F) may not encourage the member to join

17 *a particular veterans service organization; and*

18 “(G) may not exceed one hour in length.”.

19 (b) *ANNUAL REPORT.*—Not less than once each year

20 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary*

21 *of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Serv-*

22 *ices of the Senate and House of Representatives, and to the*

23 *Committees on Veterans’ Affairs of the Senate and House*

24 *of Representatives, a report—*

1 (1) *that identifies each veterans service organiza-*
 2 *tion that presented under paragraph (20) of section*
 3 *1142(b) of title 10, United States Code, as added by*
 4 *subsection (a);*

5 (2) *that contains the number of members of the*
 6 *Armed Forces who attended such presentations; and*

7 (3) *that includes any recommendations of the*
 8 *Secretary regarding changes to such presentation or*
 9 *to such paragraph.*

10 **SEC. 563. EXPANSION OF ELIGIBILITY OF VETERANS FOR**
 11 **CERTAIN MILITARY ADAPTIVE SPORTS PRO-**
 12 **GRAM.**

13 *Section 2564a of title 10, United States Code, is*
 14 *amended in subsection (a)(1)(B), in the matter preceding*
 15 *clause (i), by striking “, during the one-year period fol-*
 16 *lowing the veteran’s date of separation,”.*

17 **SEC. 564. TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM: DEPART-**
 18 **MENT OF LABOR EMPLOYMENT NAVIGATOR**
 19 **AND PARTNERSHIP PILOT PROGRAM.**

20 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*Not later than one year after*
 21 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Labor,*
 22 *in consultation with the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary*
 23 *of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating*
 24 *when it is not operating as a service in the Navy, and the*
 25 *Secretary of Veterans Affairs, shall carry out a pilot pro-*

1 gram to be known as the “Employment Navigator and
2 Partnership Pilot Program”. The pilot program shall sup-
3 plement the program under section 1144 of title 10, United
4 States Code.

5 (b) *ACTIVITIES.*—In carrying out the pilot program
6 under this section, the Secretary of Labor, in consultation
7 with the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of the depart-
8 ment in which the Coast Guard is operating when it is not
9 operating as a service in the Navy, and the Secretary of
10 Veterans Affairs, shall—

11 (1) seek to enter into contracts with public, pri-
12 vate, and nonprofit entities under which such entities
13 provide individualized employment counseling for
14 members of the Armed Forces and their spouses;

15 (2) prioritize entering into contracts with quali-
16 fied private entities that have experience providing
17 instruction to members of the Armed Forces eligible
18 for assistance under the pilot program carried out
19 under this section on—

20 (A) private sector culture, resume writing,
21 career networking, and training on job search
22 technologies;

23 (B) academic readiness and educational op-
24 portunities; or

1 (C) other relevant topics, as determined by
2 the Secretary;

3 (3) give a preference to any private entity that—

4 (A) has a national or international geo-
5 graphical area of service;

6 (B) provides multiple forms of career assist-
7 ance and placement services to—

8 (i) active duty members of the Armed
9 Forces;

10 (ii) spouses of active duty members of
11 the Armed Forces;

12 (iii) veterans; and

13 (iv) spouses of veterans;

14 (C) provides services to at least 1,000 indi-
15 viduals who are—

16 (i) active duty members of the Armed
17 Forces;

18 (ii) spouses of active duty members of
19 the Armed Forces;

20 (iii) veterans; or

21 (iv) spouses of veterans;

22 (D) has continuously, for at least the three-
23 year period immediately preceding the date of
24 the contract, provided services to individuals who
25 are—

1 (i) active duty members of the Armed
2 Forces;

3 (ii) spouses of active duty members of
4 the Armed Forces;

5 (iii) veterans; and

6 (iv) spouses of veterans; and

7 (E) has a demonstrated record of success in
8 providing assistance with employment services,
9 as indicated by—

10 (i) the average wages or earnings of
11 people who receive employment services pro-
12 vided by the entity;

13 (ii) prior completion of Federal grants
14 or contracts;

15 (iii) having at least 75 percent of its
16 participants find full-time employment
17 within six months of initially receiving em-
18 ployment services provided by the entity;
19 and

20 (iv) other employment performance in-
21 dicators, as determined by the Secretary;
22 and

23 (4) seek to enter into contracts with not fewer
24 than 10, but not more than 60, private entities under
25 which each such entity is compensated at a rate

1 *agreed upon between the Secretary and the entity for*
2 *each individual who receives employment services pro-*
3 *vided by the entity and is in unsubsidized employ-*
4 *ment during the second quarter after exit from the*
5 *program; and*

6 *(5) conduct such other activities as may be nec-*
7 *essary for the delivery of individualized employment*
8 *counseling and other employment services under this*
9 *section.*

10 *(c) REPORT.—Not later than October 1 of each year*
11 *during the term of the pilot program, the Secretary of*
12 *Labor, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense, the*
13 *Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is*
14 *operating when it is not operating as a service in the Navy,*
15 *and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, shall submit to the*
16 *Committees on Armed Services, the Committee on Trans-*
17 *portation and Infrastructure of the House of Representa-*
18 *tives, and the Committees on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate*
19 *and House of Representatives a report on the pilot program*
20 *under this section, including the employment outcomes for*
21 *members of the Armed Forces and their spouses who receive*
22 *employment services under the program on the following in-*
23 *dicators of performance—*

1 (1) *the percentage of program participants who*
 2 *are in unsubsidized employment during the second*
 3 *quarter after exit from the program;*

4 (2) *the percentage of program participants who*
 5 *are in unsubsidized employment during the fourth*
 6 *quarter after exit from the program; and*

7 (3) *the median earnings of program participants*
 8 *who are in unsubsidized employment during the sec-*
 9 *ond quarter after exit from the program.*

10 (d) *TERMINATION.*—*The pilot program shall terminate*
 11 *five years after the date on which the Secretary of Labor*
 12 *begins to carry out the pilot program.*

13 **SEC. 565. SKILLBRIDGE: APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS.**

14 (a) *STUDY.*—*Not later than September 30, 2026, the*
 15 *Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of*
 16 *the department in which the Coast Guard is operating when*
 17 *not operating as a service in the Department of the Navy,*
 18 *shall conduct a study to identify the private entities partici-*
 19 *pating in Skillbridge that offer positions in registered ap-*
 20 *prenticeship programs to covered members.*

21 (b) *RECRUITMENT.*—*The Secretary of Defense shall*
 22 *consult with officials and employees of the Department of*
 23 *Labor who have experience with registered apprenticeship*
 24 *programs to facilitate the Secretary entering into agree-*
 25 *ments with entities that offer positions described in sub-*

1 *section (a) in areas where the Secretary determines few such*
2 *positions are available to covered members.*

3 *(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

4 *(1) The term “covered member” means a member*
5 *of the Armed Forces eligible for Skillbridge.*

6 *(2) The term “registered apprenticeship pro-*
7 *gram” means an apprenticeship program registered*
8 *under the Act of August 16, 1937 (commonly known*
9 *as the “National Apprenticeship Act”; 50 Stat. 664,*
10 *chapter 663; 29 U.S.C. 50 et seq.).*

11 *(3) The term “Skillbridge” means an employ-*
12 *ment skills training program under section 1143(e) of*
13 *title 10, United States Code.*

14 **SEC. 566. FEMALE MEMBERS OF CERTAIN ARMED FORCES**
15 **AND CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPART-**
16 **MENT OF DEFENSE IN STEM.**

17 *(a) STUDY; REPORT.—Not later than September 30,*
18 *2025, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Commit-*
19 *tees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Rep-*
20 *resentatives a report containing the results of a study on*
21 *how to—*

22 *(1) increase participation of covered individuals*
23 *in positions in the covered Armed Forces or Depart-*
24 *ment of Defense and related to STEM; and*

1 (2) *change Skillbridge to help covered individ-*
 2 *uals eligible for Skillbridge find civilian employment*
 3 *in positions related to STEM.*

4 **(b) DEFINITIONS.—***In this section:*

5 (1) *The term “covered Armed Force” means the*
 6 *Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Space*
 7 *Force.*

8 (2) *The term “covered individual” means a fe-*
 9 *male—*

10 (A) *member of a covered Armed Force; or*

11 (B) *civilian employee of the Department of*
 12 *Defense.*

13 (3) *The term “Skillbridge” means an employ-*
 14 *ment skills training program under section 1143(e) of*
 15 *title 10, United States Code.*

16 (4) *The term “STEM” means science, technology,*
 17 *engineering, and mathematics.*

18 ***Subtitle H—Family Programs and***
 19 ***Child Care***

20 ***SEC. 571. NOTIFICATION OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE AT***
 21 ***PROVIDERS OF CHILD CARE SERVICES OR***
 22 ***YOUTH PROGRAMS.***

23 *Section 1794 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
 24 *ed by adding at the end the following new subsection:*

1 “(g) *NOTIFICATION OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE.*—

2 (1) *The Secretary of Defense shall prescribe a policy that*
3 *requires covered child and youth programs to—*

4 “(A) *not later than 24 hours after a program be-*
5 *comes aware of alleged or suspected abuse or neglect*
6 *of a child occurring in such program, notify the par-*
7 *ents and guardians of such child of such alleged or*
8 *suspected abuse or neglect; and*

9 “(B) *not later than 72 hours after a program be-*
10 *comes aware of alleged abuse or neglect of a child oc-*
11 *curring in such program, provide notice of such al-*
12 *leged abuse or neglect to—*

13 “(i) *the Committees on Armed Services of*
14 *the Senate and the House of Representatives;*

15 “(ii) *if the alleged abuse or neglect occurs in*
16 *one of the several States, the Senators that rep-*
17 *resent the State in which the alleged abuse or ne-*
18 *glect occurred; and*

19 “(iii) *if the alleged abuse or neglect occurs*
20 *in a location represented by a Member of, or Del-*
21 *egate or Resident Commissioner to, the House of*
22 *Representatives, the Member of, or Delegate or*
23 *Resident Commissioner to, the House of Rep-*
24 *resentatives that represents such location.*

1 “(2) *In this subsection, the term ‘covered child and*
 2 *youth program’ means a military child development center,*
 3 *a Department of Defense youth program, a family home*
 4 *day care, or a provider of child care services or youth pro-*
 5 *gram services that receives financial assistance under sec-*
 6 *tion 1798.”.*

7 **SEC. 572. PILOT PROGRAM TO INCREASE PAYMENTS FOR**
 8 **CHILD CARE SERVICES IN HIGH-COST AREAS.**

9 *Section 1798 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
 10 *ed by adding at the end the following new subsection:*

11 “(d) *PILOT PROGRAM FOR INCREASED PAYMENTS IN*
 12 *HIGH-COST AREAS.—(1) Beginning on January 1, 2027,*
 13 *the Secretary shall establish a pilot program to increase the*
 14 *maximum amount of financial assistance per month per*
 15 *child that the Secretary authorizes to be provided to eligible*
 16 *providers under this section as of December 31, 2026, by*
 17 *30 percent for services provided to children who are two*
 18 *years old or younger in accordance with this subsection.*

19 “(2) *The Secretary—*

20 “(A) *shall provide for an increased maximum*
 21 *amount of financial assistance under the pilot pro-*
 22 *gram established under this subsection in each area*
 23 *with high child care services costs, as determined by*
 24 *the Secretary; and*

1 “(B) may provide for such increased maximum
2 amount of financial assistance in other areas as the
3 Secretary considers appropriate.

4 “(3) Not later than one year after the establishment
5 of the pilot program under this subsection, and semiannu-
6 ally thereafter until the date of the termination of the pilot
7 program, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional de-
8 fense committees a report on the pilot program that in-
9 cludes—

10 “(A) the number of families with respect to
11 whom the Secretary has increased the maximum
12 amount of financial assistance per month per child
13 being provided under the pilot program,
14 disaggregated by location;

15 “(B) the total amount of financial assistance
16 provided under the pilot program with respect to such
17 families, disaggregated by location;

18 “(C) the total amount of financial assistance
19 that would have been provided with respect to such
20 families without the increase under the pilot program,
21 disaggregated by location;

22 “(D) the determination of the Secretary as to
23 whether additional funding under the pilot pro-
24 gram—

1 “(i) helped reduce child care costs for appli-
2 cable military families;

3 “(ii) increased child care provider partici-
4 pation in the financial assistance available
5 under this section; and

6 “(iii) increased access to infant and toddler
7 care for military families;

8 “(E) the determination of the Secretary with re-
9 spect to the feasibility of expanding the pilot program
10 to all communities;

11 “(F) any challenges identified by the Secretary
12 in carrying out the pilot program;

13 “(G) legislation or administrative action that the
14 Secretary determines necessary to make the pilot pro-
15 gram permanent; and

16 “(H) any other information the Secretary deter-
17 mines appropriate.

18 “(4) Not later than 90 days after the date of the termi-
19 nation of the pilot program, the Secretary shall submit to
20 the congressional defense committees a report that in-
21 cludes—

22 “(A) the elements specified in subparagraphs (A)
23 through (H) of paragraph (3); and

24 “(B) the recommendation of the Secretary as to
25 whether to make the pilot program permanent.

1 “(5) *The pilot program established under this sub-*
 2 *section shall terminate on the date that is five years after*
 3 *the date on which such program is established.*”.

4 **SEC. 573. PILOT PROGRAM TO INCREASE PAYMENTS FOR**
 5 **CHILD CARE SERVICES IN HIGH-COST AREAS.**

6 *Section 1798 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
 7 *ed—*

8 (1) *by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection*
 9 *(d); and*

10 (2) *by inserting after subsection (b) the following*
 11 *new subsection:*

12 “(c) *PILOT PROGRAM FOR GRANTS TO INCREASE IN-*
 13 *FANT AND TODDLER CAPACITY IN HIGH-COST AREAS.—(1)*
 14 *The Secretary of Defense may establish a pilot program to*
 15 *provide grants to eligible providers seeking to expand the*
 16 *capacity of such providers to provide care for infants and*
 17 *toddlers.*

18 “(2) *A grant awarded under the pilot program estab-*
 19 *lished under paragraph (1) shall—*

20 “(A) *be in an amount determined by the Sec-*
 21 *retary, but in no case more than 75 percent of the es-*
 22 *timated cost of the expansion for which the grant is*
 23 *provided; and*

24 “(B) *require the recipient of a grant to—*

1 “(i) make available not less than half of
2 any additional capacity for infants and toddlers
3 to children of members of the armed forces that
4 results from the expansion for which a grant is
5 awarded for the 10-year period that begins on
6 the date on which such expansion is completed;
7 and

8 “(ii) certify that the recipient will not dis-
9 place children enrolled on the date described in
10 clause (i) who are not children of members of the
11 armed forces to meet the requirement of clause
12 (i).

13 “(3) The Secretary—

14 “(A) shall award grants under the pilot program
15 established under paragraph (1) to not less than 10
16 eligible providers located in areas with high child care
17 services costs, as determined by the Secretary; and

18 “(B) may award grants under the pilot program
19 established under paragraph (1) to eligible providers
20 located in other areas as the Secretary considers ap-
21 propriate.

22 “(4) Not later than one year after the establishment
23 of the pilot program under this subsection, and semiannu-
24 ally thereafter until the date of the termination of the pilot
25 program, the Secretary shall submit to the appropriate con-

1 *gressional committees a report on the pilot program that*
2 *includes—*

3 “(A) *the number of eligible providers partici-*
4 *parting in the pilot program, disaggregated by loca-*
5 *tion;*

6 “(B) *the number of additional infant and tod-*
7 *dlers enrollments at eligible providers made available*
8 *under the pilot program, disaggregated by location;*

9 “(C) *the determination of the Secretary as to*
10 *whether grants provided under the pilot program—*

11 “(i) *helped reduce child care costs for appli-*
12 *cable military families;*

13 “(ii) *increased child care provider partici-*
14 *pation in the financial assistance available*
15 *under this section; and*

16 “(iii) *increased access to infant and toddler*
17 *care for military families;*

18 “(D) *the determination of the Secretary with re-*
19 *spect to the feasibility of expanding the pilot program*
20 *to all communities;*

21 “(E) *any challenges identified by the Secretary*
22 *in carrying out the pilot program;*

23 “(F) *legislation or administrative action that the*
24 *Secretary determines necessary to make the pilot pro-*
25 *gram permanent; and*

1 “(G) any other information the Secretary deter-
2 mines appropriate.

3 “(5) Not later than 90 days after the date of the termi-
4 nation of the pilot program, the Secretary shall submit to
5 the appropriate congressional committees a report that in-
6 cludes—

7 “(A) the elements specified in subparagraphs (A)
8 through (G) of paragraph (4); and

9 “(B) the recommendation of the Secretary as to
10 whether to make the pilot program permanent.

11 “(6) The pilot program established under this sub-
12 section shall terminate on the date that is five years after
13 the date on which such program is established.

14 “(7) In this subsection, the term ‘appropriate congres-
15 sional committees’ means—

16 “(A) the congressional defense committees;

17 “(B) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and
18 Transportation of the Senate; and

19 “(C) the Committee on Transportation and In-
20 frastructure of the House of Representatives.”.

21 **SEC. 574. EXTENSION OF PILOT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE FI-**
22 **NANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MEMBERS OF THE**
23 **ARMED FORCES FOR IN-HOME CHILD CARE.**

24 (a) *EXTENSION.*—Subsection (d) of section 589 of the
25 William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authoriza-

1 *tion Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (10 U.S.C. 1791 note) is*
 2 *amended by striking “five years after” and all that follows*
 3 *and inserting “on December 31, 2029.”.*

4 *(b) FINAL REPORT.—Subsection (c)(2) of such section*
 5 *is amended by striking “90 days after” and inserting “one*
 6 *year before”.*

7 **SEC. 575. MILITARY ONESOURCE: INFORMATION REGARD-**
 8 **ING MATERNAL HEALTH CARE.**

9 *Section 561 of the National Defense Authorization Act*
 10 *for Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111–84; 10 U.S.C. 1781*
 11 *note) is amended, in subsection (b)—*

12 *(1) by redesignating paragraphs (4) through (17)*
 13 *as paragraphs (5) through (18), respectively; and*

14 *(2) by striking paragraphs (2) and (3) and in-*
 15 *serting after paragraph (1) the following new para-*
 16 *graphs:*

17 *“(2) Health care.*

18 *“(3) Maternal health care, including the fol-*
 19 *lowing:*

20 *“(A) A list of maternal health services, in-*
 21 *cluding pre- and post-natal care.*

22 *“(B) A guide to continuity of such care*
 23 *through a permanent change of station.*

1 “(C) With regards to a pregnant member,
 2 relevant regulations, options for leave, and uni-
 3 form resources and requirements.

4 “(4) Death benefits and life insurance pro-
 5 grams.”.

6 **SEC. 576. PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**
 7 **TERMINATION OF DODEA AND CHILD CARE**
 8 **WORKERS.**

9 None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this
 10 Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2026 for the
 11 Department of Defense may be obligated or expended to ter-
 12 minate employees of Military Child Development Programs
 13 or employees of the Department of Defense Education Activ-
 14 ity, regardless of whether such positions are funded by ap-
 15 propriated or nonappropriated funds, unless the employee
 16 was documented as not performing or engaging in mis-
 17 conduct.

18 ***Subtitle I—Dependent Education***

19 **SEC. 581. ENSURING ACCESS TO DODEA SCHOOLS FOR CER-**
 20 **TAIN MEMBERS OF THE RESERVE COMPO-**
 21 **NENTS.**

22 Section 2164 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
 23 ed by adding at the end the following new subsection:

24 “(n) **ELIGIBILITY OF DEPENDENTS OF CERTAIN MEM-**
 25 **BERS OF THE RESERVE COMPONENTS.**—(1) A dependent

1 of a member described in paragraph (2) shall be eligible
 2 to attend a school established under this section at the mili-
 3 tary installation that is the permanent station of such
 4 member and such dependent shall automatically be granted
 5 enrollment at such school at the request of such member if
 6 there is sufficient space in the school to accommodate the
 7 dependent. In the event there is not sufficient space avail-
 8 able at such school at the time the dependent seeks to enroll,
 9 the dependent shall be place on a wait-list for enrollment
 10 in the school.

11 “(2) A member described in this paragraph is a mem-
 12 ber—

13 “(A) of a reserve component;

14 “(B) performing active service; and

15 “(C) pursuant to an order for accompanied per-
 16 manent change of station.”.

17 **SEC. 582. CERTAIN ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL EDUCATIONAL**
 18 **AGENCIES THAT BENEFIT DEPENDENTS OF**
 19 **MILITARY AND CIVILIAN PERSONNEL.**

20 (a) CONTINUATION OF AUTHORITY TO ASSIST LOCAL
 21 EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES THAT BENEFIT DEPENDENTS OF
 22 MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AND DEPARTMENT OF
 23 DEFENSE CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES.—

24 (1) ASSISTANCE TO SCHOOLS WITH SIGNIFICANT
 25 NUMBERS OF MILITARY DEPENDENT STUDENTS.—Of

1 *the amount authorized to be appropriated for fiscal*
 2 *year 2026 by section 301 and available for operation*
 3 *and maintenance for Defense-wide activities as speci-*
 4 *fied in the funding table in section 4301, \$35,000,000*
 5 *shall be available only for the purpose of providing*
 6 *assistance to local educational agencies under sub-*
 7 *section (a) of section 572 of the National Defense Au-*
 8 *thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006 (Public Law*
 9 *109–163; 20 U.S.C. 7703b).*

10 (2) *LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY DEFINED.—In*
 11 *this subsection, the term “local educational agency”*
 12 *has the meaning given that term in section 7013(9)*
 13 *of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of*
 14 *(20 U.S.C. 7713(9)).*

15 (b) *IMPACT AID FOR CHILDREN WITH SEVERE DIS-*
 16 *ABILITIES.—*

17 (1) *IN GENERAL.—Of the amount authorized to*
 18 *be appropriated for fiscal year 2026 pursuant to sec-*
 19 *tion 301 and available for operation and mainte-*
 20 *nance for Defense-wide activities as specified in the*
 21 *funding table in section 4301, \$5,000,000 shall be*
 22 *available for payments under section 363 of the Floyd*
 23 *D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for*
 24 *Fiscal Year 2001 (as enacted into law by Public Law*
 25 *106–398; 114 Stat. 1654A-77; 20 U.S.C. 7703a).*

1 (2) *ADDITIONAL AMOUNT.*—Of the amount au-
2 thorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2026 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, \$5,000,000 shall
6 be available for use by the Secretary of Defense to
7 make payments to local educational agencies deter-
8 mined by the Secretary to have higher concentrations
9 of military children with severe disabilities.

10 (3) *BRIEFING.*—Not later than March 31, 2026,
11 the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the Commit-
12 tees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House
13 of Representatives a briefing on the Department of
14 Defense’s evaluation of each local educational agency
15 with higher concentrations of military children with
16 severe disabilities and subsequent determination of the
17 amounts of impact aid each such agency shall receive.

18 **SEC. 583. VERIFICATION OF REPORTING OF ELIGIBLE FED-**
19 **ERALLY CONNECTED CHILDREN FOR PUR-**
20 **POSES OF FEDERAL IMPACT AID PROGRAMS.**

21 (a) *CERTIFICATION.*—On an annual basis, each com-
22 mander of a military installation under the jurisdiction of
23 the Secretary of a military department shall submit to such
24 Secretary a written certification verifying whether the com-
25 mander has confirmed the information contained in all im-

1 *pact aid source check forms received from local educational*
2 *agencies as of the date of such certification.*

3 (b) *REPORT.*—*Not later than June 30 of each year,*
4 *each Secretary of a military department shall submit to*
5 *the congressional defense committees a report, based on the*
6 *information received under subsection (a), that identifies—*

7 (1) *each military installation under the jurisdic-*
8 *tion of such Secretary that has confirmed the infor-*
9 *mation contained in all impact aid source check*
10 *forms received from local educational agencies as of*
11 *the date of the report; and*

12 (2) *each military installation that has not con-*
13 *firmed the information contained in such forms as of*
14 *such date.*

15 (c) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

16 (1) *The term “impact aid source check form”*
17 *means a form submitted to a military installation by*
18 *a local educational agency to confirm the number and*
19 *identity of children eligible to be counted for purposes*
20 *of the Federal impact aid program under section*
21 *7003(a) of the Elementary and Secondary Education*
22 *Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7703(a)).*

23 (2) *The term “local educational agency” has the*
24 *meaning given that term in section 8101 of the Ele-*

1 *mentary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20*
2 *U.S.C. 7801).*

3 ***Subtitle J—Decorations and***
4 ***Awards, Reports, and Other Mat-***
5 ***ters***

6 ***SEC. 591. AUTHORIZATION FOR AWARD OF MEDAL OF***
7 ***HONOR TO JAMES CAPERS, JR., FOR ACTS OF***
8 ***VALOR AS A MEMBER OF THE MARINE CORPS***
9 ***DURING THE VIETNAM WAR.***

10 *(a) AUTHORIZATION.—Notwithstanding the time limi-*
11 *tations specified in section 8298 of title 10, United States*
12 *Code, or any other time limitation with respect to the*
13 *awarding of certain medals to persons who served in the*
14 *Armed Forces, the President is authorized to award the*
15 *Medal of Honor, under section 8291 of such title, to James*
16 *Capers, Jr., for the acts of valor described in subsection (b).*

17 *(b) ACTS OF VALOR DESCRIBED.—The acts of valor*
18 *described in this subsection are the actions of James Capers,*
19 *Jr., as a member of the Marine Corps, during the period*
20 *of March 31 through April 3, 1967, during the Vietnam*
21 *War, for which he was previously awarded the Silver Star.*

1 **SEC. 592. AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD THE MEDAL OF**
 2 **HONOR TO RETIRED COLONEL PHILIP J.**
 3 **CONRAN FOR ACTS OF VALOR IN LAOS DUR-**
 4 **ING THE VIETNAM WAR.**

5 *Notwithstanding the time limitations specified in sec-*
 6 *tion 9274 of title 10, United States Code, or any other time*
 7 *limitation with respect to the awarding of certain medals*
 8 *to persons who served in the Armed Forces, the President*
 9 *is authorized to award the Medal of Honor, under section*
 10 *9271 of such title, to retired Colonel Philip J. Conran for*
 11 *the acts of valor in Laos during the Vietnam war, for which*
 12 *he was previously awarded the Air Force Cross.*

13 **TITLE VI—COMPENSATION AND**
 14 **OTHER PERSONNEL BENEFITS**
 15 **Subtitle A—Basic Pay and Retired**
 16 **Pay**

17 **SEC. 601. CODIFICATION OF APPLICABILITY TO SPACE**
 18 **FORCE OF CERTAIN PAY AND ALLOWANCE AU-**
 19 **THORITIES.**

20 *(a) DEFINITIONS.—Section 101 of title 37, United*
 21 *States Code, is amended—*

22 *(1) in paragraph (22), by inserting “, or for*
 23 *members of the Space Force in space force active sta-*
 24 *tus not on sustained duty,” after “reserve component”*
 25 *in subparagraphs (A) and (B); and*

1 (2) *by adding at the end the following new para-*
2 *graphs:*

3 “(27) *The term ‘space force active status’ has the*
4 *meaning given that term in section 101 of title 10.*

5 “(28) *The term ‘sustained duty’ has the meaning*
6 *given that term in section 101 of title 10.’.*”

7 (b) *BASIC PAY.*—Chapter 3 of such title is amended
8 *as follows:*

9 (1) *REFERENCES TO OFFICER GRADES.*—Section
10 *201(a) of such title is amended—*

11 (A) *by striking “(1) Subject to paragraph*
12 *(2), for the” and inserting “For the”;*

13 (B) *by striking “and Marine Corps” in the*
14 *heading of the second column of the table and in-*
15 *serting “Marine Corps, and Space Force”; and*

16 (C) *by striking paragraph (2).*

17 (2) *APPLICABLE PAY AND ALLOWANCES FOR CER-*
18 *TAIN SPACE FORCE MEMBERS WHO ARE PHYSICALLY*
19 *DISABLED OR INCUR LOSS OF EARNED INCOME WHEN*
20 *NOT ON SUSTAINED DUTY.*—Subsections (g)(1) and
21 (h)(1) of section 204 of such title are amended by in-
22 serting “, or a member of the Space Force in space
23 force active status not on sustained duty,” after “of
24 a reserve component of a uniformed service”.

1 (3) *SERVICE CREDITABLE FOR COMPUTATION.*—

2 *Section 205(a)(2) of such title is amended—*

3 (A) *by transferring subparagraph (F) to*
 4 *appear after subparagraph (A) and redesign-*
 5 *ating that subparagraph as subparagraph (B);*

6 (B) *by redesignating subparagraphs (D)*
 7 *and (E) as subparagraphs (E) and (F), respec-*
 8 *tively;*

9 (C) *by striking subparagraph (C) and re-*
 10 *designating the original subparagraph (B) as*
 11 *subparagraph (D); and*

12 (D) *by inserting after subparagraph (B), as*
 13 *transferred and redesignated by subparagraph*
 14 *(A) of this paragraph, the following new sub-*
 15 *paragraph (C):*

16 “*(C) the Space Force;*”.

17 (4) *INACTIVE-DUTY TRAINING PAY.*—*Section 206*
 18 *of such title is amended—*

19 (A) *in subsection (a), in the matter pre-*
 20 *ceding paragraph (1)—*

21 (i) *by striking “Guard or a” and in-*
 22 *serting “Guard, a”; and*

23 (ii) *by inserting “, or a member of the*
 24 *Space Force” after “uniformed service” the*
 25 *first place it appears;*

1 (B) in subsection (d)—

2 (i) in paragraph (1), by inserting “,
3 by a member of the Space Force,” after “re-
4 serve component”; and

5 (ii) in paragraph (2), by inserting “or
6 the Space Force,” after “Ready Reserve”;

7 (C) in subsection (e)—

8 (i) by striking “Guard or of a” and in-
9 serting “Guard, a”; and

10 (ii) by inserting “, or the Space Force”
11 after “uniformed services”; and

12 (D) in the section heading, by inserting “;
13 **MEMBERS OF THE SPACE FORCE**” before the
14 colon.

15 (5) *PARTICIPATION IN THRIFT SAVINGS PLAN.*—
16 Section 211(a)(2) of such title is amended by insert-
17 ing “or the Space Force” after “member of the Ready
18 Reserve”.

19 (c) *SPECIAL PAY, INCENTIVE PAY, AND BONUS AU-*
20 *THORITIES.*—Subchapter II of chapter 5 of such title is
21 amended as follows:

22 (1) *GENERAL BONUS AUTHORITY FOR ENLISTED*
23 *MEMBERS.*—Section 331 of such title is amended—

24 (A) in subsection (a)—

1 (i) by striking “or” at the end of para-
2 graph (4);

3 (ii) by striking the period at the end of
4 paragraph (5) and inserting “; or”; and

5 (iii) by adding at the end the following
6 new paragraph:

7 “(6) transfers from a regular component or re-
8 serve component of an armed force to the Space Force
9 or from the Space Force to a regular component or
10 reserve component of another armed force, subject to
11 the approval of the Secretary with jurisdiction over
12 the armed force to which the member is transfer-
13 ring.”; and

14 (B) in subsection (c)(1)—

15 (i) in subparagraph (B), by inserting
16 “, or in the Space Force on sustained duty
17 under section 20105 of title 10,” after “in
18 a regular component”;

19 (ii) in subparagraph (C), by inserting
20 “, or in the Space Force in space force ac-
21 tive status not on sustained duty under sec-
22 tion 20105 of title 10,” after “in a reserve
23 component”; and

1 (iii) in subparagraph (D), by striking
 2 “paragraph (4) or (5)” and inserting
 3 “paragraph (4), (5), or (6)”.

4 (2) *GENERAL BONUS AUTHORITY FOR OFFI-*
 5 *CERS.—Section 332 of such title is amended—*

6 (A) in subsection (a)—

7 (i) by striking “or” at the end of para-
 8 graph (4);

9 (ii) by striking the period at the end of
 10 paragraph (5) and inserting “; or”; and

11 (iii) by adding at the end the following
 12 new paragraph:

13 “(6) transfers from a regular component or re-
 14 serve component of a uniformed service to the Space
 15 Force or from the Space Force to a regular component
 16 or reserve component of another uniformed service,
 17 subject to the approval of the Secretary with jurisdic-
 18 tion over the uniformed service to which the member
 19 is transferring.”; and

20 (B) in subsection (c)(1)—

21 (i) in subparagraph (C), by inserting
 22 “, or in the Space Force on sustained duty
 23 under section 20105 of title 10,” after “in
 24 a regular component”;

1 (ii) in subparagraph (D), by inserting
 2 “, or in the Space Force in space force ac-
 3 tive status not on sustained duty under sec-
 4 tion 20105 of title 10,” after “in a reserve
 5 component” and

6 (iii) in subparagraph (E), by striking
 7 “paragraph (4) or (5)” and inserting
 8 “paragraph (4), (5), or (6)”.

9 (3) *SPECIAL AVIATION INCENTIVE PAY OR BONUS*
 10 *FOR OFFICERS.*—Section 334 of such title is amend-
 11 ed—

12 (A) by striking “in a regular or reserve
 13 component” in subsections (a)(1), (b), (h)(1),
 14 (h)(2), and (h)(3);

15 (B) in subsection (b)(3), by inserting “, or,
 16 in the case of an officer of the Space Force, to
 17 remain in space force active status,” after “in a
 18 reserve component”; and

19 (C) in subsection (e)—

20 (i) in the subsection heading, by strik-
 21 ing “*RESERVE COMPONENT*”; and

22 (ii) by striking “A reserve component
 23 officer” and inserting “An officer.”.

1 (4) *SPECIAL PAYS*.—Sections 351(a), 352(a),
 2 353(a), and 353(b) of such title are amended by strik-
 3 ing “of a regular or reserve component”.

4 (5) *RETENTION INCENTIVES FOR MEMBERS*
 5 *QUALIFIED IN CRITICAL MILITARY SKILLS OR AS-*
 6 *SIGNED TO HIGH PRIORITY UNITS*.—Section 355 of
 7 such title is amended—

8 (A) in subsection (a)—

9 (i) in the matter preceding paragraph
 10 (1)—

11 (I) by striking “An officer or en-
 12 listed member” and inserting “A mem-
 13 ber”; and

14 (II) by inserting “, or a member
 15 the Space Force who is serving in
 16 space force active status,” after “in a
 17 reserve component”; and

18 (ii) in paragraph (1), by inserting “or
 19 to remain in space force active status for at
 20 least one year” before the semicolon at the
 21 end;

22 (B) in subsection (d)(1), by inserting “or a
 23 member of the Space Force not on sustained
 24 duty” in the second sentence after “reserve com-
 25 ponent member”; and

1 (C) in subsection (e)—

2 (i) in paragraph (1), by striking “ac-
3 tive duty or service in an active status in
4 a reserve component” in subparagraph (A)
5 and the first place it appears in subpara-
6 graph (B) and inserting “a specified form
7 of service (or combination thereof)”;

8 (ii) in paragraphs (1)(B), (2), (3), and
9 (4), by striking “active duty or service in
10 an active status in a reserve component for
11 which” and inserting “service for which”;
12 and

13 (iii) by adding at the end the following
14 new paragraph:

15 “(5) In this subsection, the term ‘specified form
16 of service’ means—

17 “(A) service on active duty;

18 “(B) service in an active status in a reserve
19 component; or

20 “(C) service in the Space Force in space
21 force active status.”.

22 (6) CONTINUATION PAY FOR FULL TSP MEMBERS
23 WITH 7 TO 12 YEARS OF SERVICE.—Section 356(b) of
24 such title is amended—

1 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph

2 (1)—

3 (i) in the second sentence, by striking

4 “or a reserve component” and inserting “,

5 a member of the Space Force on sustained

6 duty, or a member of a reserve component”;

7 and

8 (ii) in the third sentence, by inserting

9 “or a member of the Space Force in space

10 force active status not on sustained duty”

11 after “(as so defined)”;

12 (B) in paragraph (1), by inserting “or a

13 member of the Space Force on sustained duty”

14 in the matter preceding subparagraph (A) after

15 “of a regular component”; and

16 (C) in paragraph (2)—

17 (i) by inserting “or a member of the

18 Space Force in space force active status and

19 not on sustained duty” in the matter pre-

20 ceding subparagraph (A) after “of a reserve

21 component”; and

22 (ii) by inserting “or a member of the

23 Space Force on sustained duty, respec-

24 tively,” in subparagraph (A) after “of a

25 regular component”.

1 (d) *ADMINISTRATION OF SPECIAL PAY, INCENTIVE*
 2 *PAY, AND BONUS AUTHORITIES.*—*Subchapter III of chap-*
 3 *ter 5 of such title is amended as follows:*

4 (1) *CONTINUATION OF PAY AND ALLOWANCES*
 5 *DURING CERTAIN HOSPITALIZATION AND REHABILITA-*
 6 *TION.*—*Section 372(a) of such title is amended by*
 7 *striking “of a regular or reserve component”.*

8 (2) *REPAYMENT OF UNEARNED PORTION OF*
 9 *BONUS OR SPECIAL OR INCENTIVE PAY.*—*Section*
 10 *373(d)(2)(A) of such title is amended by striking “in*
 11 *a regular or reserve component who remains on active*
 12 *duty or in an active status” and inserting “who re-*
 13 *mains on active duty, in an active status in a reserve*
 14 *component, or in space force active status”.*

15 (e) *ALLOWANCES OTHER THAN TRAVEL AND TRANS-*
 16 *PORTATION ALLOWANCES.*—*Section 416 of such title is*
 17 *amended by inserting “an officer of the Space Force not*
 18 *on sustained duty,” after “of component,”.*

19 (f) *LEAVE.*—*Section 501 of such title is amended—*

20 (1) *in subsection (a)—*

21 (A) *by inserting “, or of the Space Force,”*
 22 *in paragraphs (4) and (5) after “of a reserve*
 23 *component”; and*

1 (B) by inserting “, or from the Space
2 Force,” in paragraph (4) after “from the reserve
3 component”; and
4 (2) in subsection (b)(5)—

5 (A) in subparagraphs (A) and (D), by in-
6 serting “, or a member of the Space Force in
7 space force active status not on sustained duty,”
8 after “of a reserve component”; and

9 (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking “Reg-
10 ular” before “Space Force”.

11 (g) MISCELLANEOUS RIGHTS AND BENEFITS.—Chap-
12 ter 17 of such title is amended as follows:

13 (1) Section 908(a)(2) of such title is amended by
14 inserting “and members of the Space Force in space
15 force active status not on sustained duty” after “of
16 the armed forces”.

17 (2) Section 910 of such title is amended—

18 (A) by inserting “or of the Space Force”
19 after “of the armed forces” in subsection (a);

20 (B) by inserting “or the Space Force” after
21 “a reserve component” in subsections (b)(1),
22 (b)(2), (b)(3), and (e)(1); and

23 (C) in the heading of such section by insert-
24 ing “**AND MEMBERS OF THE SPACE FORCE**”
25 after “**RESERVE COMPONENT MEMBERS**”.

1 (h) *ADMINISTRATION*.—Section 1002 of such title is
2 amended—

3 (1) in subsection (a)—

4 (A) by striking “of the National Guard, or
5 of a reserve component of a uniformed service,”
6 and inserting “of a reserve component of a uni-
7 formed service, or of the Space Force”; and

8 (B) by striking “his consent” and inserting
9 “the member’s consent”; and

10 (C) in subsection (c), by inserting “or the
11 Space Force” after “of a reserve component”;
12 and

13 (2) in the heading, by striking “**AND MEMBERS**
14 **OF NATIONAL GUARD**” and inserting “; **MEMBERS**
15 **OF THE NATIONAL GUARD; MEMBERS OF THE**
16 **SPACE FORCE**”.

17 (i) *CONFORMING AMENDMENT TO REFLECT CHANGE*
18 *OF NAME OF SPACE AND MISSILE SYSTEMS CENTER TO*
19 *SPACE SYSTEMS COMMAND*.—Section 2273a(a) of title 10,
20 *United States Code*, is amended by striking “Air Force
21 *Space and Missile Systems Center*” and inserting “Space
22 *Force Space Systems Command*”.

1 ***Subtitle B—Bonus and Incentive***
2 ***Pays***

3 ***SEC. 611. ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF CERTAIN EXPIRING***
4 ***BONUS AND SPECIAL PAY AUTHORITIES.***

5 *(a) AUTHORITIES RELATING TO RESERVE FORCES.—*
6 *Section 910(g) of title 37, United States Code, relating to*
7 *income replacement payments for reserve component mem-*
8 *bers experiencing extended and frequent mobilization for ac-*
9 *tive duty service, is amended by striking “December 31,*
10 *2025” and inserting “December 31, 2026”.*

11 *(b) TITLE 10 AUTHORITIES RELATING TO HEALTH*
12 *CARE PROFESSIONALS.—The following sections of title 10,*
13 *United States Code, are amended by striking “December 31,*
14 *2025” and inserting “December 31, 2026”:*

15 *(1) Section 2130a(a)(1), relating to nurse officer*
16 *candidate accession program.*

17 *(2) Section 16302(d), relating to repayment of*
18 *education loans for certain health professionals who*
19 *serve in the Selected Reserve.*

20 *(c) AUTHORITIES RELATING TO NUCLEAR OFFI-*
21 *CERS.—Section 333(i) of title 37, United States Code, is*
22 *amended by striking “December 31, 2025” and inserting*
23 *“December 31, 2026”.*

24 *(d) AUTHORITIES RELATING TO TITLE 37 CONSOLI-*
25 *DATED SPECIAL PAY, INCENTIVE PAY, AND BONUS AU-*

1 *THORITIES.—The following sections of title 37, United*
2 *States Code, are amended by striking “December 31, 2025”*
3 *and inserting “December 31, 2026”:*

4 (1) *Section 331(h), relating to general bonus au-*
5 *thority for enlisted members.*

6 (2) *Section 332(g), relating to general bonus au-*
7 *thority for officers.*

8 (3) *Section 334(i), relating to special aviation*
9 *incentive pay and bonus authorities for officers.*

10 (4) *Section 335(k), relating to special bonus and*
11 *incentive pay authorities for officers in health profes-*
12 *sions.*

13 (5) *Section 336(g), relating to contracting bonus*
14 *for cadets and midshipmen enrolled in the Senior Re-*
15 *serve Officers’ Training Corps.*

16 (6) *Section 351(h), relating to hazardous duty*
17 *pay.*

18 (7) *Section 352(g), relating to assignment pay or*
19 *special duty pay.*

20 (8) *Section 353(i), relating to skill incentive pay*
21 *or proficiency bonus.*

22 (9) *Section 355(h), relating to retention incen-*
23 *tives for members qualified in critical military skills*
24 *or assigned to high priority units.*

1 (e) *AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE TEMPORARY INCREASE IN*
 2 *RATES OF BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR HOUSING.*—Section
 3 403(b) of title 37, United States Code, is amended—

4 (1) in paragraph (7)(E), relating to an area cov-
 5 ered by a major disaster declaration or containing an
 6 installation experiencing an influx of military per-
 7 sonnel, by striking “December 31, 2025” and insert-
 8 ing “December 31, 2026”; and

9 (2) in paragraph (8)(C), relating to an area
 10 where actual housing costs differ from current rates
 11 by more than 20 percent, by striking “December 31,
 12 2025” and inserting “December 31, 2026”.

13 **SEC. 612. INCENTIVE PAY: EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DIS-**
 14 **POSAL DUTY.**

15 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—Subchapter I of chapter 5 of
 16 title 37, United States Code, is amended by inserting after
 17 section 301e the following new section:

18 **“§ 301f. Incentive pay: explosive ordnance disposal**
 19 **duty.**

20 “(a) *ELIGIBILITY.*—(1) Subject to regulations pre-
 21 scribed by the Secretary of Defense, a regular member of
 22 a covered armed force is entitled to continuous monthly ex-
 23 plosive ordnance disposal duty incentive pay in the amount
 24 specified in subsection (b)(1) if the member—

25 “(A) is entitled to basic pay;

1 “(B) holds (or is in training leading to) an ex-
2 plosive ordnance disposal duty designator; and

3 “(C) is in and remains in explosive ordnance
4 disposal duty on a career basis.

5 “(2) Subject to regulations prescribed by the Secretary
6 of Defense, a member of a covered armed force who is enti-
7 tled to basic pay but is not entitled to continuous monthly
8 explosive ordnance disposal duty incentive pay under para-
9 graph (1) is entitled to explosive ordnance disposal duty
10 incentive pay in the amount prescribed pursuant to sub-
11 section (b)(2) for any period during which such member
12 performs explosive ordnance disposal duty under orders.

13 “(b) *RATES.*—(1) Continuous monthly explosive ord-
14 nance disposal duty incentive pay under subsection (a)(1)
15 shall be in the following amounts:

<i>“Years of explosive ordnance disposal duty (including training):</i>	<i>Monthly Rate</i>
<i>2 or fewer</i>	<i>\$125</i>
<i>Over 2</i>	<i>\$156</i>
<i>Over 3</i>	<i>\$188</i>
<i>Over 4</i>	<i>\$206</i>
<i>Over 6</i>	<i>\$650</i>
<i>Over 8</i>	<i>\$800</i>
<i>Over 10</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>
<i>Over 17</i>	<i>\$840</i>
<i>Over 22</i>	<i>\$585</i>
<i>Over 24</i>	<i>\$385</i>
<i>Over 25</i>	<i>\$250</i>

16 “(2) *Explosive ordnance disposal duty incentive pay*
17 *under subsection (a)(2)—*

1 “(A) shall be in amounts prescribed by the Sec-
2 retary of Defense;

3 “(B) may not, for any month, exceed the max-
4 imum amount specified in paragraph (1); and

5 “(C) may not be less per day than the amount
6 under subsection (d).

7 “(c) COMPUTATION OF YEARS.—Years of explosive ord-
8 nance disposal duty by a member shall be computed begin-
9 ning with the effective date of the initial order to such mem-
10 ber to perform explosive ordnance disposal duty.

11 “(d) APPLICABILITY TO CERTAIN DUTY IN THE RE-
12 SERVE COMPONENTS.—Under regulations prescribed by the
13 Secretary of Defense and to the extent provided for by ap-
14 propriations, for each day that a member of the reserve com-
15 ponent of a covered armed force who is entitled to com-
16 pensation under section 206 of this title performs, under
17 orders, explosive ordnance disposal duty, such member is
18 eligible for an increase in compensation equal to one-thir-
19 tieth of the continuous monthly incentive pay under sub-
20 section (b)(1) for a member of corresponding years of service
21 entitled to basic pay.

22 “(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

23 “(1) The term ‘covered armed force’ means the
24 Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Space
25 Force.

1 “(2) The term ‘explosive ordnance disposal’ has
2 the meaning given such term in section 2284 of title
3 10.

4 “(3) The term ‘explosive ordnance disposal duty’
5 means duty performed by a member of a covered
6 armed force, under regulations prescribed by the Sec-
7 retary of Defense, in explosive ordnance disposal.”.

8 (b) *EFFECTIVE DATE*.—Section 301f of title 37, United
9 States Code, added by this section, shall take effect on the
10 date that is 180 days after the date of the enactment of
11 this Act and apply to explosive ordnance disposal duty per-
12 formed on or after such date.

13 **SEC. 613. STANDARDIZATION OF CYBER ASSIGNMENT IN-**
14 **CENTIVE PAY FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED**
15 **FORCES.**

16 (a) *IN GENERAL*.—Subchapter III of chapter 5 of title
17 37, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end
18 the following new section:

19 **“§ 375. Standardization of cyber assignment incentive**
20 **pay**

21 “(a) *POLICY*.—The Secretary of Defense shall establish
22 and implement a standardized policy for cyber assignment
23 incentive pay applicable to all members of the Army, Navy,
24 Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force performing
25 qualifying cyber operations roles.

1 “(b) *ELEMENTS.*—*The policy under subsection (a)*
2 *shall—*

3 “(1) *define uniform eligibility criteria based on*
4 *work-role certification, mission assignment, and read-*
5 *iness requirements;*

6 “(2) *establish a tiered pay structure based on*
7 *proficiency levels and operational demands;*

8 “(3) *ensure parity in pay rates and qualifica-*
9 *tion standards throughout the armed forces specified*
10 *in subsection (a);*

11 “(4) *provide guidance for continuation of cyber*
12 *assignment incentive pay during moves relating to*
13 *changes of permanent station, subject to continued eli-*
14 *gibility; and*

15 “(5) *include procedures for periodic review and*
16 *adjustment of cyber assignment incentive pay rates to*
17 *reflect evolving mission needs and market competi-*
18 *tiveness.*

19 “(c) *CYBER ASSIGNMENT INCENTIVE PAY DEFINED.*—
20 *In this section, the term ‘cyber assignment incentive pay’*
21 *means special pay authorized under this chapter for mem-*
22 *bers of the armed forces assigned to designated cyber oper-*
23 *ations roles.’.*

24 (b) *BRIEFING.*—*Not later than 270 days after the date*
25 *of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall brief*

1 *the congressional defense committees on the implementation*
 2 *of section 375 of title 37, United States Code, as added by*
 3 *subsection (a) of this section, including any anticipated im-*
 4 *pacts on recruitment, retention, and readiness of cyber per-*
 5 *sonnel.*

6 ***Subtitle C—Allowances***

7 ***SEC. 621. BASIC NEEDS ALLOWANCE: EXCLUSION OF BASIC*** 8 ***ALLOWANCE FOR HOUSING FROM THE CAL-*** 9 ***CULATION OF GROSS HOUSEHOLD INCOME*** 10 ***OF AN ELIGIBLE MEMBER OF THE ARMED*** 11 ***FORCES.***

12 *Section 402b(k)(1)(B) of title 37, United States Code,*
 13 *is amended—*

14 *(1) by striking “in” and all that follows through*
 15 *“portion of”; and*

16 *(2) by striking “that the Secretary concerned*
 17 *elects to exclude” and inserting “paid to such mem-*
 18 *ber”.*

19 ***SEC. 622. FAMILY SEPARATION ALLOWANCE: INCREASE.***

20 *Section 427(a) of title 37, United States Code, is*
 21 *amended in paragraph (1), by striking “not less than \$250,*
 22 *and not more than \$400” and inserting “equal to \$400”.*

1 **SEC. 623. REPORT REGARDING THE BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR**
2 **SUBSISTENCE AND MILITARY FOOD PRO-**
3 **GRAMS.**

4 (a) *REPORT REQUIRED.*—Not later than September
5 30, 2026, and annually thereafter through 2030, the Sec-
6 retary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretaries of
7 the military departments, shall submit to the Committees
8 on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representa-
9 tives a report described in subsection (b).

10 (b) *REPORT DESCRIBED.*—A report described in this
11 subsection shall explain how, during the fiscal year in
12 which the Secretary submits such report—

13 (1) *the Secretary of Defense allocated funds for*
14 *the basic allowance for subsistence under section 402*
15 *of title 37, United States Code, to pay for food pro-*
16 *grams;*

17 (2) *subsistence in-kind is budgeted to pay for*
18 *food programs on military installations; and*

19 (3) *the Secretaries of the military departments*
20 *used budget authorities to fund the fully burdened cost*
21 *of feeding members—*

22 (A) *of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air*
23 *Force, and Space Force; and*

24 (B) *who were assigned to essential station*
25 *messing during such fiscal year.*

1 **SEC. 624. BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR HOUSING: STUDY TO**
2 **EVALUATE ALTERNATIVE RATE CALCULA-**
3 **TION.**

4 (a) *AUTHORITY.*—

5 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than September 30,
6 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall seek to enter into
7 an agreement with a covered entity to conduct a
8 study in which the covered entity shall calculate,
9 using industry-standard machine learning and an ar-
10 tificial intelligence algorithm, proposed monthly rates
11 of BAH described in subsection (b) for MHAs selected
12 under subsection (c).

13 (2) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—During such a
14 study, the Secretary shall pay BAH in MHAs selected
15 under subsection (c) at rates prescribed under section
16 403 of title 37, United States Code.

17 (b) *PROPOSED MONTHLY RATES.*—A proposed month-
18 ly rate of BAH described in this subsection—

19 (1) *accurately reflects housing prices in the*
20 *MHA subject to such rate; and*

21 (2) *is sufficient for military families who reside*
22 *in such MHA to procure adequate and affordable*
23 *housing.*

24 (c) *MHAs.*—The Secretary shall select not fewer than
25 15 MHAs to participate in such a study. To select an MHA,
26 the Secretary shall consider factors including the following:

1 (1) *Variety of geographic location.*

2 (2) *The ranks of members who reside in an*
3 *MHA.*

4 (3) *Whether members who reside in an MHA*
5 *have dependents.*

6 (4) *Economic factors including inflation, cost of*
7 *living, and the cost of private mortgage insurance.*

8 (d) *TERMINATION.*—*A study under this section shall*
9 *terminate on the day that is three years after the date on*
10 *which the Secretary enters into an agreement with a covered*
11 *entity.*

12 (e) *ANNUAL BRIEFINGS.*—*Not later than 180 days*
13 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, and on an an-*
14 *nual basis thereafter through the termination date under*
15 *subsection (d), the Secretary shall provide to the Committees*
16 *on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Rep-*
17 *resentatives a briefing on the status of a study under this*
18 *section.*

19 (f) *REPORT.*—*Not later than 120 days after the date*
20 *of the termination of such a study, the Secretary shall sub-*
21 *mit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and*
22 *House of Representatives a report regarding such study.*
23 *Such report shall include the following elements:*

1 (1) *An evaluation by the Secretary of the pro-*
 2 *posed monthly rates of BAH calculated by a covered*
 3 *entity pursuant to an agreement under subsection (a).*

4 (2) *Any recommendation of the Secretary re-*
 5 *garding legislation to improve the calculation of BAH*
 6 *process based on the study.*

7 (g) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

8 (1) *The term “BAH” means the basic allowance*
 9 *for housing for members of the uniformed services*
 10 *under section 403 of title 37, United States Code.*

11 (2) *The term “covered entity” means a nation-*
 12 *ally recognized entity in the field of single-family*
 13 *housing that has data on local rental rates in real es-*
 14 *tate markets across the United States.*

15 (3) *The term “MHA” means military housing*
 16 *area.*

17 ***Subtitle D—Leave***

18 ***SEC. 631. BEREAVEMENT LEAVE FOR A MEMBER OF THE*** 19 ***ARMED FORCES IN THE CASE OF A LOSS OF*** 20 ***PREGNANCY OR STILLBIRTH.***

21 *Subsection (l)(1)(A) of section 701 of title 10, United*
 22 *States Code, is amended—*

23 (1) *by striking “the death of an immediate fam-*
 24 *ily member.” and inserting an em dash; and*

1 (2) *by adding at the end the following new*
2 *clauses:*

3 “(i) *the death of an immediate family member;*
4 *or*
5 “(ii) *the loss of a pregnancy or a stillbirth by*
6 *such member or the spouse of such member.*”.

7 **SEC. 632. CONVALESCENT LEAVE FOR CADETS AND MID-**
8 **SHIPMEN.**

9 *Section 702 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
10 *ed—*

11 (1) *by redesignating subsections (c), (d), and (e)*
12 *as subsections (d), (e), and (f), respectively;*

13 (2) *by inserting after subsection (b) the following*
14 *new subsection:*

15 “(c) *CONVALESCENT LEAVE.—An academy cadet or*
16 *midshipman diagnosed with a medical condition is allowed*
17 *convalescent leave under section 701(m) of this title.*”; and

18 (3) *in subsection (d), as redesignated by para-*
19 *graph (1) of this section, by striking “Sections 701”*
20 *and inserting “Except as provided by subsection (c),*
21 *sections 701”.*

1 ***Subtitle E—Family and Survivor***
2 ***Benefits***

3 ***SEC. 641. ANNUAL REVIEW OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE LIM-***
4 ***ITS FOR CHILD CARE AND YOUTH PROGRAM***
5 ***SERVICES PROVIDERS.***

6 *Section 1798 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
7 *ed by adding at the end the following new subsection:*

8 “(d) *ANNUAL REVIEW OF AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE.—*
9 *The Secretary shall annually review the amount of finan-*
10 *cial assistance provided under this section, including the*
11 *maximum amount of financial assistance per month per*
12 *child that the Secretary authorizes to be provided to eligible*
13 *providers under this section.”.*

14 ***SEC. 642. WAIVER OF REQUIREMENTS FOR AIR TRANSPOR-***
15 ***TATION OF DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE***
16 ***ARMED FORCES WHEN NECESSARY TO MEET***
17 ***MISSION REQUIREMENTS.***

18 *Section 562(c) of the John Warner National Defense*
19 *Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007 (Public Law 109–*
20 *364; 10 U.S.C. 1482 note) is amended by adding at the*
21 *end the following new paragraph:*

22 “(4) *WAIVER.—The Secretary concerned may*
23 *waive the requirements of paragraphs (1) and (3) as*
24 *the Secretary considers necessary to meet mission re-*
25 *quirements during—*

1 “(A) a time of war;

2 “(B) a national emergency requiring the
3 use of significant personnel and aircraft;

4 “(C) a large-scale combat operation; or

5 “(D) a contingency operation.”.

6 ***Subtitle F—Defense Resale Matters***

7 ***SEC. 651. USE OF COMMISSARY STORES: CIVILIAN EMPLOY-***
8 ***EES OF MILITARY SEALIFT COMMAND.***

9 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 1066 of title 10, United
10 *States Code, is amended, in subsection (a)—*

11 (1) *by inserting “(1)” before “An individual”;*

12 *and*

13 (2) *by adding at the end the following new para-*
14 *graph:*

15 “(2) *A civil service mariner of the Military Sealift*
16 *Command may be permitted to use commissary stores and*
17 *MWR retail facilities on the same basis as members of the*
18 *armed forces on active duty.”.*

19 (b) *TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.*—
20 *Such section is further amended—*

21 (1) *in the section heading, by striking “**protec-***
22 ***tive services**” and inserting “**certain**”; and*

23 (2) *in the heading of subsection (a), by striking*
24 *“PROTECTIVE SERVICES” and inserting “CERTAIN”.*

1 **SEC. 652. MWR RETAIL FACILITIES: USE BY CIVILIAN EM-**
2 **PLOYEES OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

3 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Chapter 54 of title 10, United
4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following
5 new section:

6 **“§ 1067. MWR facilities: civilian employees**

7 “(a) *CURRENT EMPLOYEES.*—Subject to subsection (c)
8 of this section and section 1066 of this title, a civilian em-
9 ployee of the Department of Defense or department in which
10 the Coast Guard is operating shall be permitted to use
11 MWR retail facilities on the same basis as members of the
12 armed forces on active duty.

13 “(b) *RETIRED EMPLOYEES.*—Subject to subsection (c),
14 a retired civilian employee of the Department of Defense
15 or department in which the Coast Guard is operating shall
16 be permitted to use MWR retail facilities on the same basis
17 as members of the armed forces on active duty.

18 “(c) *LIMITATION.*—A civilian employee or retired ci-
19 vilian employee may not purchase tobacco or a military
20 uniform at MWR retail facilities.

21 “(d) *MWR RETAIL FACILITIES DEFINED.*—In this sec-
22 tion, the term ‘MWR retail facilities’ has the meaning given
23 such term in section 1063 of this title.”.

24 (b) *REGULATIONS.*—The Secretary of Defense shall
25 prescribe regulations under section 1067 of such title, as

1 *added by this section, not later than 30 days after the date*
 2 *of the enactment of this Act.*

3 **SEC. 653. SINGLE-USE SHOPPING BAGS IN COMMISSARY**
 4 **STORES.**

5 *Section 2485 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
 6 *ed by adding at the end the following new subsection:*

7 *“(j) SINGLE-USE SHOPPING BAGS.—The Defense Com-*
 8 *missary Agency may not prohibit the use of, or charge a*
 9 *fee for, single-use shopping bags in a commissary store.”.*

10 ***Subtitle G—Other Benefits, Reports,***
 11 ***and Briefings***

12 **SEC. 661. PROVISION OF INFORMATION REGARDING RELO-**
 13 **CATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS FOR MEM-**
 14 **BERS RECEIVING ORDERS FOR A CHANGE OF**
 15 **PERMANENT STATION.**

16 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1056 of title 10, United*
 17 *States Code, is amended—*

18 *(1) in subsection (b)(2)—*

19 *(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “and*
 20 *community orientation” and inserting “commu-*
 21 *nity orientation, education systems, school en-*
 22 *rollment procedures, and State-specific provi-*
 23 *sions under the Interstate Compact on Edu-*
 24 *cational Opportunity for Military Children”;*

1 (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking “and
2 community orientation” and inserting “commu-
3 nity orientation, and educational resources for
4 dependent children, including school transition
5 assistance, academic continuity, and special edu-
6 cation services”; and

7 (C) by adding at the end the following new
8 subparagraph:

9 “(E) Educational planning and support services
10 for dependent children with disabilities, including
11 procedures for transferring individualized education
12 programs and coordinating with the Exceptional
13 Family Member Program.”;

14 (2) by redesignating subsections (e) and (f) as
15 subsections (f) and (g), respectively; and

16 (3) by inserting after subsection (d) the following
17 new subsection:

18 “(e) *PROVISION OF INFORMATION ON PROGRAM.*—(1)
19 *The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that members of the*
20 *armed forces and the families of those members are provided*
21 *information regarding available assistance under this sec-*
22 *tion and any other assistance relating to a change of per-*
23 *manent station available under any other provision of law.*

24 “(2) *The Secretary shall ensure that information re-*
25 *quired to be provided under this subsection is provided to*

1 *a member of the armed forces and the family of that member*
2 *not later than 45 days before the date on which a change*
3 *of permanent station takes effect for that member.*

4 “(3) *The information provided under this subsection*
5 *shall include—*

6 “(A) *information on family assistance programs*
7 *authorized under section 1788 of this title, including*
8 *financial planning resources, spouse employment sup-*
9 *port, and community integration services;*

10 “(B) *guidance on available housing assistance,*
11 *including on-base housing options, rental protections,*
12 *and resources for off-base relocation;*

13 “(C) *mental health and well-being support serv-*
14 *ices, including those accessible during the period of*
15 *transition for a change of permanent station;*

16 “(D) *educational resources for dependent chil-*
17 *dren, including school transition assistance and spe-*
18 *cial education services;*

19 “(E) *information on available legal and finan-*
20 *cial counseling programs; and*

21 “(F) *any other assistance programs that support*
22 *members of the armed forces and their families during*
23 *relocation.*

24 “(4) *The Secretary of Defense shall—*

1 “(A) incorporate the information required to be
2 provided under this subsection into accessible mate-
3 rials and briefings provided to members of the armed
4 forces relating to a change of permanent station;

5 “(B) ensure that the program under this section
6 provides accessible materials and briefings at mili-
7 tary installations and through online resources;

8 “(C) develop a communication strategy, includ-
9 ing digital outreach and printed materials, to in-
10 crease awareness of the program under this section
11 and assistance available under other provisions of law
12 relating to a change of permanent station; and

13 “(D) assess the satisfaction of members of the
14 armed forces and their families with the information
15 provided under this subsection.”.

16 (b) *REPORT.*—Not later than one year after the date
17 of enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter for three
18 years, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the Commit-
19 tees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Rep-
20 resentatives a briefing on the implementation of the amend-
21 ments made by this section. Such briefing shall include—

22 (1) the status of efforts to integrate information
23 required to be provided by subsection (e) of section
24 1056 of title 10, United States Code, as added by sub-
25 section (a) of this section, into accessible materials

1 *and briefings provided to members of the armed forces*
 2 *and their families relating to a change of permanent*
 3 *station;*

4 *(2) an assessment of the awareness by members*
 5 *of the armed forces and their families of available*
 6 *programs in support of a change of permanent sta-*
 7 *tion; and*

8 *(3) any recommendations of the Secretary for*
 9 *improving the dissemination of information related to*
 10 *relocation and family assistance programs.*

11 **SEC. 662. EXPANSION OF PILOT PROGRAM TO INCREASE AC-**
 12 **CESS TO FOOD ON MILITARY INSTALLATIONS.**

13 *Section 654 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Im-*
 14 *provement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fis-*
 15 *cal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C. 1060a note)*
 16 *is amended—*

17 *(1) in subsection (a)—*

18 *(A) by striking “Secretary of the Army”*
 19 *and inserting “Secretary of a military depart-*
 20 *ment”; and*

21 *(B) by striking “installations of the Army*
 22 *for members of the Army” and inserting “instal-*
 23 *lations under the jurisdiction of the Secretary for*
 24 *members of the Armed Forces”;*

1 (2) *in subsection (b), by inserting “of the mili-*
2 *tary department concerned” after “Secretary”; and*

3 (3) *by striking subsection (d) and inserting the*
4 *following new subsection (d):*

5 “(d) *REPORTING.—*

6 “(1) *PROGRESS REPORTS.—At the end of each*
7 *calendar quarter until the pilot program terminates,*
8 *the Secretary of a military department shall submit*
9 *to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate*
10 *and House of Representatives a progress report re-*
11 *garding implementation of the pilot program.*

12 “(2) *FINAL REPORT.—Not later than 90 days*
13 *after the pilot program terminates, the Secretary of a*
14 *military department shall submit to the Committees*
15 *on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Rep-*
16 *resentatives a final report regarding the pilot pro-*
17 *gram. Such report shall include the following ele-*
18 *ments:*

19 “(A) *Lessons learned from the pilot pro-*
20 *gram.*

21 “(B) *The recommendation of the Secretary*
22 *whether to expand or make permanent the pilot*
23 *program.*

1 “(C) *If the Secretary recommends expansion,*
 2 *the military installations covered by such*
 3 *recommended expansion.*

4 “(D) *Limitations to the operation or expansion*
 5 *of the pilot program.*

6 “(E) *Any information the Secretary determines*
 7 *appropriate.”.*

8 **SEC. 663. CASUALTY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM: REVIEW; IM-**
 9 **PLEMENTATION PLAN.**

10 (a) *GAO REVIEW.*—*Not later than January 1, 2027,*
 11 *the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit*
 12 *to the Secretary of Defense a report containing the results*
 13 *of a review of operations of the casualty assistance program*
 14 *of the Department of Defense. Elements of such report shall*
 15 *include recommendations of the Comptroller General re-*
 16 *garding the feasibility and advisability of the following:*

17 (1) *Improving and standardizing across the*
 18 *Armed Forces—*

19 (A) *the selection and management (including*
 20 *lengths of assignments) of casualty assistance*
 21 *officers; and*

22 (B) *training of casualty assistance officers*
 23 *regarding the policies, procedures, entitlements,*
 24 *benefits, and financial obligations relevant to*
 25 *survivors of members of the Armed Forces.*

1 (2) *The implementation of a registry of the De-*
 2 *partment through which a survivor may elect to pro-*
 3 *vide their contact information to the Department to*
 4 *facilitate contact and outreach to such survivor.*

5 (3) *The development a long-term care program*
 6 *for such survivors, modeled on the Survivor Outreach*
 7 *Services of the Army, that provides information and*
 8 *access to survivor benefits, case managers, and coun-*
 9 *selors.*

10 (b) *IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.*—*Not later than 180 days*
 11 *after the Secretary receives the report under subsection (a),*
 12 *the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed*
 13 *Services of the Senate and House of Representatives—*

14 (1) *a copy of such report; and*

15 (2) *the plan of the Secretary to implement such*
 16 *recommendations of the Comptroller General.*

17 ***TITLE VII—HEALTH CARE***
 18 ***PROVISIONS***

19 ***Subtitle A—TRICARE and Other***
 20 ***Health Benefits***

21 ***SEC. 701. DENTAL READINESS.***

22 *Section 1076a of title 10, United States Code, is*
 23 *amended—*

24 (1) *in subsection (a)—*

25 (A) *in paragraph (1)—*

1 (i) in the header, by striking “SE-
2 LECTED RESERVE AND”; and

3 (ii) by striking “for members of the Se-
4 lected Reserve of the Ready Reserve and”;

5 (B) in paragraph (2), in the header, by in-
6 serting “INDIVIDUAL READY” after “OTHER”; and

7 (C) by adding at the end the following new
8 paragraph:

9 “(5) *PLAN FOR SELECTED RESERVE.*—A dental
10 benefits plan for members of the Selected Reserve of
11 the Ready Reserve.”;

12 (2) in subsection (d)—

13 (A) by redesignating paragraph (3) as
14 paragraph (4); and

15 (B) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-
16 lowing new paragraph:

17 “(3) *NO PREMIUM PLANS.*—(A) The dental in-
18 surance plan established under subsection (a)(5) is a
19 no premium plan.

20 “(B) Members enrolled in a no premium plan
21 may not be charged a premium for benefits provided
22 under the plan.”;

23 (3) in subsection (e)(2)(A), by striking “a mem-
24 ber of the Selected Reserve of the Ready Reserve or”;

1 (4) by redesignating subsections (f) through (l)
2 as subsections (g) through (m), respectively;

3 (5) by inserting after subsection (e) the following
4 new subsection (f):

5 “(f) *COPAYMENTS UNDER NO PREMIUM PLANS.*—A
6 member who receives dental care under a no premium plan
7 referred to in subsection (d)(3) shall pay no charge for any
8 care described in subsection (c).”; and

9 (6) in subsection (i), as redesignated by para-
10 graph (4), by striking “subsection (k)(2)” and insert-
11 ing “subsection (l)(2)”.

12 **SEC. 702. INCLUSION OF CERTAIN TESTS AS PART OF THE**
13 **PERIODIC HEALTH ASSESSMENT PROVIDED**
14 **TO MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

15 Chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code, is amended
16 by inserting after section 1074o the following new section:

17 **“§ 1074p. Periodic health assessments**

18 “Beginning in 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall en-
19 sure that periodic health assessments provided to a member
20 of the armed forces include the following:

21 “(1) On an annual basis—

22 “(A) a sports physical;

23 “(B) an electrocardiogram; and

24 “(C) blood work that includes—

1 “(i) a comprehensive metabolic panel
2 and complete blood count; and

3 “(ii) if necessary—

4 “(I) a thyroid stimulating hor-
5 mone test; and

6 “(II) a brain natriuretic peptide
7 test.

8 “(2) Any test or evaluation required by law with
9 respect to such member, including an evaluation re-
10 quired by section 704 of the National Defense Author-
11 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–
12 92; 10 U.S.C. 1074f note) and a test required by sec-
13 tion 707 of such Act (10 U.S.C. 1074 note).

14 “(3) Any other test or evaluation determined ap-
15 propriate by the Secretary.”.

16 **SEC. 703. FERTILITY TREATMENT FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS**
17 **OF THE ARMED FORCES AND DEPENDENTS.**

18 (a) *FERTILITY TREATMENT.*—Chapter 55 of title 10,
19 United States Code, is amended by inserting after section
20 1074o the following new section:

21 **“§ 1074p. Fertility treatment for certain active duty**
22 **members of the armed forces and depend-**
23 **ents**

24 “(a) *COVERAGE.*—The Secretary shall ensure that fer-
25 tility-related care for a covered member (or a dependent of

1 *such a member) shall be covered under TRICARE Prime*
2 *and TRICARE Select.*

3 “(b) *IN VITRO FERTILIZATION.*—*In the case of in vitro*
4 *fertilization treatment furnished to an individual pursuant*
5 *to subsection (a)—*

6 “(1) *three completed oocyte retrievals may be*
7 *furnished per calendar year; and*

8 “(2) *single embryo transfers shall be provided*
9 *unless otherwise medically indicated in accordance*
10 *with the guidelines of the American Society for Re-*
11 *productive Medicine.*

12 “(c) *COST SHARING AND OTHER LIMITATIONS.*—*The*
13 *Secretary shall ensure that cost-sharing amounts for an in-*
14 *dividual who receives fertility-related care under this sec-*
15 *tion are determined under section 1075, 1075a, or other ap-*
16 *plicable provision of this chapter in accordance with the*
17 *kind of care provided (such as an in-network inpatient*
18 *visit) and without regard to whether the care is fertility-*
19 *related care. The Secretary may not impose any waiting*
20 *periods or other limitations once the individual has received*
21 *a medical diagnosis of infertility.*

22 “(d) *PROHIBITIONS.*—*Funds available to the Depart-*
23 *ment of Defense may not be used for preimplantation ge-*
24 *netic screening, human cloning, international surrogacy, or*
25 *artificial womb technology.*

1 “(e) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

2 “(1) *The term ‘covered member’ means—*

3 “(A) *a member of the Army, Navy, Marine*
4 *Corps, Air Force, or Space Force, serving on ac-*
5 *tive duty; and*

6 “(B) *does not include a former member of*
7 *the armed forces.*

8 “(2) *The term ‘infertility’ means a disease, con-*
9 *dition, or status characterized by—*

10 “(A) *the failure to establish a pregnancy or*
11 *to carry a pregnancy to live birth after regular,*
12 *unprotected sexual intercourse in accordance*
13 *with the guidelines of the American Society for*
14 *Reproductive Medicine;*

15 “(B) *the inability of an individual to repro-*
16 *duce without medical intervention either as a*
17 *single individual or with the partner of the indi-*
18 *vidual; or*

19 “(C) *the findings of a licensed physician*
20 *based on the medical, sexual, and reproductive*
21 *history, age, physical findings, or diagnostic test-*
22 *ing, of the individual.*

23 “(3) *The term ‘fertility-related care’ means—*

24 “(A) *the diagnosis of infertility; and*

25 “(B) *fertility treatment.*

1 “(4) *The term ‘fertility treatment’ includes the*
2 *following:*

3 “(A) *In vitro fertilization or other treat-*
4 *ments or procedures in which human oocytes,*
5 *embryos, or sperm are handled when clinically*
6 *appropriate.*

7 “(B) *Sperm retrieval.*

8 “(C) *Egg retrieval.*

9 “(D) *Preservation of human oocytes, em-*
10 *bryos, or sperm.*

11 “(E) *Artificial insemination, including*
12 *intravaginal insemination, intracervical insemi-*
13 *nation, and intrauterine insemination.*

14 “(F) *Transfer of reproductive genetic mate-*
15 *rial.*

16 “(G) *Medications as prescribed or necessary*
17 *for fertility.*

18 “(H) *Fertility treatment coordination.*

19 “(I) *Such other information, referrals,*
20 *treatments, procedures, testing, medications, lab-*
21 *oratory services, technologies, and services facili-*
22 *tating reproduction as determined appropriate*
23 *by the Secretary of Defense.”.*

1 (b) *PROGRAM ON FERTILITY TREATMENT COORDINA-*
 2 *TION.—Chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code, is*
 3 *amended by adding at the end the following new section:*

4 **“§ 1110c. Program on fertility-related care coordina-**
 5 **tion**

6 “(a) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall es-*
 7 *tablish a program on the coordination of fertility-related*
 8 *care by the Secretary for purposes of ensuring patients re-*
 9 *ceive timely fertility-related care.*

10 “(b) *TRAINING AND SUPPORT.—In carrying out the*
 11 *program established under subsection (a), the Secretary*
 12 *shall provide to community health care providers training*
 13 *and support with respect to the unique needs of members*
 14 *of the armed forces and the dependents of such members.”.*

15 (c) *CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 1079(a) of*
 16 *title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the*
 17 *end the following new paragraph:*

18 “(21) *Fertility-related care shall be provided in*
 19 *accordance with section 1074p of this title.”.*

20 (d) *EXCLUSION FROM CONTRACTS FOR FORMER MEM-*
 21 *BERS AND THEIR DEPENDENTS.—Section 1086(a) of such*
 22 *title is amended by striking “eye examinations and” and*
 23 *inserting “eye examinations, fertility-related care pursuant*
 24 *to paragraph (21) of such section, and”.*

1 (e) *APPLICATION.*—*The amendments made by this sec-*
2 *tion shall apply with respect to services provided on or after*
3 *October 1, 2027.*

4 **SEC. 704. TRICARE COVERAGE FOR INCREASED SUPPLY**
5 **FOR CONTRACEPTION.**

6 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Beginning not less than 180 days*
7 *after the date of the enactment of the Act, contraceptive sup-*
8 *plies of up to 365 days shall be covered for any eligible*
9 *covered beneficiary to obtain, including in a single fill or*
10 *refill, at the option of such beneficiary, the total days of*
11 *supply (not to exceed a 365-day supply) for a contraceptive*
12 *on the uniform formulary provided through a military*
13 *treatment facility pharmacy, retail pharmacy described in*
14 *section 1074g(a)(2)(E)(ii) of such title, or through the na-*
15 *tional mail-order pharmacy program of the TRICARE Pro-*
16 *gram.*

17 (b) *OUTREACH.*—*Beginning not later than 90 days*
18 *after the implementation of coverage under subsection (a),*
19 *the Secretary shall conduct such outreach activities as are*
20 *necessary to inform health care providers and individuals*
21 *who are enrolled in the TRICARE program of such coverage*
22 *and the requirements to receive such coverage.*

23 (c) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

1 (1) *The term “covered Armed Force” means the*
 2 *Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Space*
 3 *Force.*

4 (2) *The term “eligible covered beneficiary”*
 5 *means an eligible covered beneficiary as such term is*
 6 *used in section 1074g of title 10, United States Code*
 7 *who is—*

8 (A) *a member of a covered Armed Force*
 9 *serving on active duty; or*

10 (B) *a dependent of a member described in*
 11 *subparagraph (A).*

12 (3) *The terms “TRICARE Program” and*
 13 *“TRICARE Prime” have the meaning given such*
 14 *terms in section 1072 of title 10, United States Code.*

15 **SEC. 705. PILOT PROGRAM ON ACCESS TO OBSTETRICAL**
 16 **AND GYNECOLOGICAL CARE UNDER TRICARE**
 17 **PRIME PROGRAM.**

18 (a) *PILOT PROGRAM.—Beginning not later than 180*
 19 *days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-*
 20 *retary of Defense shall carry out a pilot program under*
 21 *which—*

22 (1) *the referral requirement in section*
 23 *1095f(a)(1) of title 10, United States Code, does not*
 24 *apply with respect to obstetrical and gynecological*
 25 *care for covered participants; and*

1 (2) *covered participants may elect to designate*
2 *an obstetrical or gynecological care provider under*
3 *the TRICARE program as an additional designated*
4 *primary care manager under such section.*

5 (b) *DURATION.*—*The Secretary shall carry out the*
6 *pilot program for a period of five years.*

7 (c) *REPORT.*—*Not later than four years after the date*
8 *of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to*
9 *the congressional defense committees a report on the pilot*
10 *program that includes the following:*

11 (1) *An assessment of any increases or decreases*
12 *to TRICARE Prime enrollment during the period in*
13 *which the Secretary carries out the pilot program.*

14 (2) *An assessment of any changes in the associ-*
15 *ated costs of providing obstetrical and gynecological*
16 *care under TRICARE Prime.*

17 (3) *Any other matters the Secretary determines*
18 *appropriate.*

19 (d) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

20 (1) *The term “congressional defense committees”*
21 *has the meaning given that term in section*
22 *101(a)(16) of title 10, United States Code.*

23 (2) *The term “covered participant” means a fe-*
24 *male member of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine*
25 *Corps, or Space Force or a female dependent of a*

1 *member of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps,*
 2 *or Space Force, enrolled in TRICARE Prime who*
 3 *elects to participate in the pilot program.*

4 (3) *The terms “TRICARE Prime” and*
 5 *“TRICARE program” have the meaning given those*
 6 *terms in section 1072 of title 10, United States Code.*

7 **SEC. 706. PILOT PROGRAM TO MAKE MIDWIFE SERVICES**
 8 **AVAILABLE THROUGH TRICARE TO CERTAIN**
 9 **INDIVIDUALS.**

10 (a) *PILOT PROGRAM.*—*Not later than one year after*
 11 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of De-*
 12 *fense shall begin a five-year pilot program to provide serv-*
 13 *ices from covered midwives to covered individuals under the*
 14 *TRICARE program.*

15 (b) *AUTHORITY TO MAKE PERMANENT.*—*If the Sec-*
 16 *retary determines, after the termination of the pilot pro-*
 17 *gram that such pilot program was successful, the Secretary*
 18 *may prescribe such regulations to establish a permanent*
 19 *program to make services from covered midwives available*
 20 *to covered individuals as the Secretary determines appro-*
 21 *priate.*

22 (c) *REPORTS.*—

23 (1) *IMPLEMENTATION REPORT.*—*Not later than*
 24 *180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,*
 25 *the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on*

1 *Armed Services of the House of Representatives and*
2 *the Senate a plan to implement the pilot program*
3 *under subsection (a).*

4 (2) *ANNUAL REPORT.*—*Not later than one year*
5 *after the date on which the pilot program begins and*
6 *annually thereafter until the date that is 1 year after*
7 *the termination of the pilot program, the Secretary*
8 *shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of*
9 *the House of Representatives and the Senate a report*
10 *including:*

11 (A) *The total cost of the pilot program and*
12 *the cost per covered individual who received care*
13 *under the pilot program.*

14 (B) *The total number of covered individual*
15 *who received care under the pilot program.*

16 (C) *The race, ethnicity, age, sex, relation-*
17 *ship status, Armed Force, military occupation,*
18 *and rank, as applicable, of covered individual*
19 *who received care under the pilot program.*

20 (D) *An assessment of the effects of the pilot*
21 *program on quality of care, including—*

22 (i) *on maternal and fetal outcomes;*
23 *and*

24 (ii) *on the number of pre-term births,*
25 *low-weight births, and rates of caesarean*

1 section, and such other data points as the
2 Secretary determines appropriate.

3 (E) *An assessment of patient satisfaction of*
4 *covered individuals who received care through*
5 *the pilot program.*

6 (F) *An assessment of access to maternity*
7 *and labor and delivery care for covered individ-*
8 *uals, including average wait time for an initial*
9 *appointment and average travel time to the pro-*
10 *vider.*

11 (G) *An assessment of the effectiveness of the*
12 *pilot program.*

13 (H) *Recommendations for adjustments to*
14 *the pilot program.*

15 (I) *The estimated cost savings as a result of*
16 *improved maternal and fetal health outcomes due*
17 *to the pilot program.*

18 (J) *The Secretary of Defense's recommenda-*
19 *tions relating to changes to the pilot program,*
20 *an extension of the pilot program, and whether*
21 *the pilot program should be expanded made per-*
22 *manent.*

23 (d) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

24 (1) *The terms “covered individual” means a*
25 *member serving in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Ma-*

1 *rine Corps, or Space Force, or a dependent of such a*
 2 *member.*

3 *(2) The term “covered midwife” means a cer-*
 4 *tified professional midwife or certified midwife who*
 5 *meets—*

6 *(A) the international definition of a mid-*
 7 *wife, and global standards for midwifery edu-*
 8 *cation, established by the International Confed-*
 9 *eration of Midwives, and*

10 *(B) any professional credentialing require-*
 11 *ment required to practice midwifery under ap-*
 12 *plicable State law.*

13 *(3) The term “TRICARE program” has the*
 14 *meaning given such term in section 1072 of title 10,*
 15 *United States Code.*

16 **SEC. 707. PILOT PROGRAM TO TREAT PREGNANCY AS A**
 17 **QUALIFYING EVENT FOR ENROLLMENT IN**
 18 **TRICARE SELECT.**

19 *(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days after*
 20 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of De-*
 21 *fense shall commence a five-year pilot program under*
 22 *which—*

23 *(1) the Secretary shall treat pregnancy as a*
 24 *qualifying event under section 1099(b)(1)(B) of title*

1 10, *United States Code*, for enrollment in *TRICARE*
2 *Select* by an eligible beneficiary; and

3 (2) a member of the *Army, Navy, Marine Corps,*
4 *Air Force, or Space Force* on active duty may enroll
5 in *TRICARE Select* under paragraph (1) for a period
6 that ends not later than 180 days after the end of
7 pregnancy.

8 (b) *INITIAL BRIEFING*.—Not later than one year after
9 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall
10 provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the House
11 of Representatives and the Senate a briefing on the status
12 of the pilot program under subsection (a).

13 (c) *ANNUAL REPORT*.—Not later than one year after
14 the Secretary commences the pilot program under sub-
15 section (a), and annually thereafter for the next four years,
16 the Secretary shall provide to the Committees on Armed
17 Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate a
18 report on the pilot program. Each such report shall include
19 the number of covered enrollment changes, disaggregated
20 by—

21 (1) month, beginning with January 2026; and

22 (2) whether the eligible beneficiary made such
23 covered enrollment change—

24 (A) because the eligible beneficiary is a
25 member of the covered Armed Forces on active

1 *duty who may enroll in TRICARE Select under*
2 *the pilot program;*

3 *(B) because the eligible beneficiary is a*
4 *member of the covered Armed Forces who sepa-*
5 *rated from active duty;*

6 *(C) because the eligible beneficiary is a*
7 *member of the covered Armed Forces who re-*
8 *turned to active duty;*

9 *(D) because the eligible beneficiary is a de-*
10 *pendent of a member of the covered Armed*
11 *Forces who separated from active duty;*

12 *(E) because the eligible beneficiary is a de-*
13 *pendent of a member of the covered Armed*
14 *Forces who returned to active duty; or*

15 *(F) based on the treatment, under the pilot*
16 *program, of pregnancy as a qualifying event for*
17 *enrollment in TRICARE Select.*

18 *(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

19 *(1) The term “covered Armed Forces” means the*
20 *Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Space*
21 *Force.*

22 *(2) The term “covered enrollment change” means*
23 *a change to a previous election by an eligible bene-*
24 *ficiary under subsection (b)(1) of section 1099 of title*

1 10, United States Code, to enroll in a health care
2 plan designated under subsection (c) of such section.

3 (3) The term “eligible beneficiary” means an in-
4 dividual—

5 (A) eligible to enroll in *TRICARE Select*
6 under section 1075(b) of title 10, United States
7 Code, by reason of being a member or former
8 member of the covered Armed Forces, or a de-
9 pendent of such a member or former member; or

10 (B) a member of the covered Armed Forces
11 on active duty.

12 (4) The terms “*TRICARE program*” and
13 “*TRICARE Select*” have the meanings given such
14 terms in section 1072 of title 10, United States Code.

15 **SEC. 708. PILOT PROGRAM TO ASSIST CERTAIN MEMBERS**
16 **OF THE ARMED FORCES AND DEPENDENTS**
17 **WITH ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL COV-**
18 **ERAGE RELATING TO CANCER.**

19 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT*.—Not later than September 30,
20 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall establish a pilot pro-
21 gram under which a covered individual may obtain supple-
22 mental insurance for noncovered expenses under a fixed in-
23 demnity supplemental benefit plan described in subsection
24 (b)(1).

25 (b) *AGREEMENT*.—

1 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*In carrying out the pilot pro-*
2 *gram under subsection (a), the Secretary shall enter*
3 *into an agreement with not more than two companies*
4 *to each offer one or more fixed indemnity supple-*
5 *mental benefit plans that—*

6 *(A) meet the requirements for a supple-*
7 *mental insurance plan under section 199.2 of*
8 *title 32, Code of Federal Regulations, and the ex-*
9 *ception in section 199.8(b)(4) of such title, as in*
10 *effect on the date of the enactment of this Act;*

11 *(B) are provided under a separate policy,*
12 *certificate, or contract;*

13 *(C) provide no coordination with any other*
14 *health benefit plan; and*

15 *(D) are designed to help participants pay*
16 *noncovered expenses.*

17 (2) *DURATION.*—*An agreement entered into*
18 *under paragraph (1) shall be for a period of at least*
19 *three years.*

20 (3) *REQUIREMENTS.*—*In entering an agreement*
21 *under paragraph (1) with a company, the Sec-*
22 *retary—*

23 *(A) may not select the company unless the*
24 *company is licensed in each State;*

1 (B) shall award the contract based on the
2 expertise of the company;

3 (C) shall negotiate the terms and conditions
4 of the fixed indemnity supplemental benefit plan
5 provided under the contract, including with re-
6 spect to the ability of the company to commu-
7 nicate with individuals not enrolled in the plan
8 and whether such communication may include
9 information on other insurance products;

10 (D) shall negotiate the cost of coverage with
11 the company that will cover the participants who
12 elect to enroll in such plan;

13 (E) shall provide a method for verification
14 of the eligibility of applicants and procedures for
15 determination of eligibility; and

16 (F) shall provide a method for payroll de-
17 duction of premiums.

18 (4) *PROVISION OF INFORMATION.*—The Secretary
19 shall provide information to covered individuals re-
20 garding the pilot program under subsection (a) by
21 making available on the online portal of the
22 TRICARE program the following information:

23 (A) A notice of availability of a fixed in-
24 demnity supplemental benefit plan provided
25 under the pilot program.

1 (B) *A description of how to enroll in such*
2 *plan.*

3 (C) *A description and explanation of the*
4 *benefits provided under such plan.*

5 (D) *A description of the costs to the indi-*
6 *vidual through premiums and remittances to a*
7 *company providing such plan.*

8 (c) *ELECTION TO ENROLL.—A covered individual may*
9 *elect to enroll in a fixed indemnity supplemental benefit*
10 *plan provided under the pilot program under subsection*
11 *(a).*

12 (d) *LIMITATIONS ON AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIA-*
13 *TIONS.—None of the amounts authorized to be appropriated*
14 *by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2026*
15 *or any fiscal year thereafter to carry out the pilot program*
16 *may be used to subsidize the cost of a fixed indemnity sup-*
17 *plemental benefit plan provided under the pilot program*
18 *under subsection (a).*

19 (e) *TREATMENT OF COMPANIES.—For purposes of the*
20 *pilot program under subsection (a), companies selected to*
21 *carry out the activities in subsection (b) shall not be consid-*
22 *ered contractors of the Federal Government.*

23 (f) *PREEMPTION.—The provisions of this section shall*
24 *supersede the laws of any State except with respect to State*

1 *laws relating to licensing of an insurance company or plan*
2 *solvency of such a company.*

3 (g) *REPORT.*—*Not later than three years after the date*
4 *on which the pilot program under subsection (a) com-*
5 *mences, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on*
6 *Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representa-*
7 *tives a report regarding such pilot program, including the*
8 *following:*

9 (1) *A description of the insurance products pro-*
10 *vided through a fixed indemnity supplemental benefit*
11 *plan provided under the pilot program under sub-*
12 *section (a).*

13 (2) *The number of covered individuals who en-*
14 *rolled in such a plan.*

15 (3) *Feedback and examples of use cases by such*
16 *individuals.*

17 (4) *A determination by the Secretary with re-*
18 *spect to whether such pilot program should be made*
19 *permanent.*

20 (h) *SUNSET.*—*Unless the Secretary makes a deter-*
21 *mination under subsection (g)(4) to make the pilot program*
22 *under subsection (a) permanent, the pilot program under*
23 *subsection (a) shall terminate on the day that is five years*
24 *after the date of the enactment of this Act.*

25 (i) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

1 (1) *The term “covered individual” means the fol-*
 2 *lowing:*

3 (A) *A member of the Army, Navy, Marine*
 4 *Corps, Air Force, or Space Force.*

5 (B) *A dependent (as defined in section 1072*
 6 *of title 10, United States Code) of such a member*
 7 *who is enrolled in the TRICARE program.*

8 (2) *The term “noncovered expense” means, with*
 9 *respect to a covered individual, any expenses relating*
 10 *to the screening for and diagnosis and treatment of*
 11 *cancer that are not otherwise covered by the health*
 12 *care benefits the individuals receives under chapter 55*
 13 *of title 10, United States Code.*

14 (3) *The term “State” has the meaning given such*
 15 *term in section 901 of title 32, United States Code.*

16 (4) *The term “TRICARE program” has the*
 17 *meaning given that term in section 1072 of title 10,*
 18 *United States Code.*

19 **SEC. 709. MEDICAL TESTING AND RELATED SERVICES FOR**
 20 **FIREFIGHTERS OF DEPARTMENT OF DE-**
 21 **FENSE.**

22 (a) *PROVISION OF SERVICES.*—*During the annual*
 23 *periodic health assessment of each firefighter of the Depart-*
 24 *ment of Defense, or at such other intervals as may be indi-*
 25 *cated in this subsection, the Secretary shall provide to the*

1 *firefighter (at no cost to the firefighter) appropriate medical*
2 *testing and related services to detect, document the presence*
3 *or absence of, and prevent, certain cancers. Such services*
4 *shall meet, at a minimum, the following criteria:*

5 (1) *BREAST CANCER.—With respect to the breast*
6 *cancer screening, if the firefighter is a female fire-*
7 *fighter—*

8 (A) *such services shall include the provision*
9 *of a mammogram to the firefighter—*

10 (i) *on at least a biannual basis if the*
11 *firefighter is 40 years old to 49 years old*
12 *(inclusive);*

13 (ii) *on at least an annual basis if the*
14 *firefighter is at least 50 years old; and*

15 (iii) *as clinically indicated (without*
16 *regard to age); and*

17 (B) *in connection with such provision, a li-*
18 *censed radiologist shall review the most recent*
19 *mammogram provided to the firefighter, as com-*
20 *pared to prior mammograms so provided, and*
21 *provide to the firefighter the results of such re-*
22 *view.*

23 (2) *COLON CANCER.—With respect to colon can-*
24 *cer screening—*

1 (A) if the firefighter is at least 40 years old,
2 and as otherwise clinically indicated, such serv-
3 ices shall include the communication to the fire-
4 fighter of the risks and benefits of stool-based
5 blood testing;

6 (B) if the firefighter is at least 45 years old,
7 and as clinically indicated (without regard to
8 age), such services shall include the provision, at
9 regular intervals, of visual examinations (such
10 as a colonoscopy, CT colonoscopy, or flexible
11 sigmoidoscopy) or stool-based blood testing; and

12 (C) in connection with such provision, a li-
13 censed physician shall review and provide to the
14 firefighter the results of such examination or test-
15 ing, as the case may be.

16 (3) *PROSTATE CANCER.*—With respect to prostate
17 cancer screening, if the firefighter is a male fire-
18 fighter, the communication to the firefighter of the
19 risks and benefits of prostate cancer screenings and
20 the provision to the firefighter of a prostate-specific
21 antigen test—

22 (A) on an annual basis, if the firefighter is
23 at least 50 years old;

1 (B) on an annual basis, if the firefighter is
2 at least 40 years old and is a high-risk indi-
3 vidual; and

4 (C) as clinically indicated (without regard
5 to age).

6 (4) *OTHER CANCERS.*—Such services shall in-
7 clude routine screenings for any other cancer the risk
8 or occurrence of which the Director of the Centers for
9 Disease Control and Prevention has identified as
10 higher among firefighters than among the general
11 public, the provision of which shall be carried out
12 during the annual periodic health assessment of the
13 firefighter.

14 (b) *OPTIONAL NATURE.*—A firefighter of the Depart-
15 ment of Defense may opt out of the receipt of a medical
16 testing or related service provided under subsection (a).

17 (c) *USE OF CONSENSUS TECHNICAL STANDARDS.*—In
18 providing medical testing and related services under sub-
19 section (a), the Secretary shall use consensus technical
20 standards in accordance with section 12(d) of the National
21 Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995 (15
22 U.S.C. 272 note).

23 (d) *DOCUMENTATION.*—

1 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*In providing medical testing*
2 *and related services under subsection (a), the Sec-*
3 *retary—*

4 (A) *shall document the acceptance rates of*
5 *such tests offered and the rates of such tests per-*
6 *formed;*

7 (B) *shall document tests results, to identify*
8 *trends in the rates of cancer occurrences among*
9 *firefighters; and*

10 (C) *may collect and maintain additional*
11 *information from the recipients of such tests and*
12 *other services, to allow for appropriate scientific*
13 *analysis.*

14 (2) *PRIVACY.*—*In analyzing any information of*
15 *an individual documented, collected, or maintained*
16 *under paragraph (1), in addition to complying with*
17 *other applicable privacy laws, the Secretary shall en-*
18 *sure the name, and any other personally identifiable*
19 *information, of the individual is removed from such*
20 *information prior to the analysis.*

21 (3) *SHARING WITH CENTERS FOR DISEASE CON-*
22 *TROL AND PREVENTION.*—*The Secretary may share*
23 *data from any tests performed under subsection (a)*
24 *with the Director of the Centers for Disease Control*
25 *and Prevention, as appropriate, to increase the*

1 *knowledge and understanding of cancer occurrences*
 2 *among firefighters.*

3 *(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

4 *(1) The term “firefighter” has the meaning given*
 5 *that term in section 707 of the National Defense Au-*
 6 *thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law*
 7 *116–92; 133 Stat. 1441; 10 U.S.C. 1074m note).*

8 *(2) The term “high-risk individual” means an*
 9 *individual who—*

10 *(A) is African American;*

11 *(B) has at least one first-degree relative who*
 12 *has been diagnosed with prostate cancer at an*
 13 *early age; or*

14 *(C) is otherwise determined by the Sec-*
 15 *retary to be high risk with respect to prostate*
 16 *cancer.*

17 ***Subtitle B—Health Care***
 18 ***Administration***

19 ***SEC. 721. MILITARY-CIVILIAN MEDICAL SURGE PROGRAM.***

20 *(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Section 1096 of title 10,*
 21 *United States Code, is amended—*

22 *(1) in the section heading, by adding at the end*
 23 *the following: “; **medical surge program**”; and*

24 *(2) by adding at the end the following new sub-*
 25 *section:*

1 “(e) *MEDICAL SURGE PROGRAM.*—(1) *The Secretary*
2 *shall carry out a program of record known as the Military-*
3 *Civilian Medical Surge Program to—*

4 “(A) *support locations that the Secretary selects*
5 *under paragraph (3); and*

6 “(B) *enhance the interoperability and medical*
7 *surge capability and capacity of the National Dis-*
8 *aster Medical System in response to a declaration or*
9 *other action described in subparagraphs (A) through*
10 *(E) of paragraph (4).*

11 “(2)(A) *The Secretary, acting through the National*
12 *Center for Disaster Medicine and Public Health at the Uni-*
13 *formed Services University of the Health Sciences (or such*
14 *successor center), shall oversee the operation, staffing, and*
15 *deployment of the Program.*

16 “(B) *In carrying out the Program, the Secretary shall*
17 *maintain requirements for staffing, specialized training, re-*
18 *search, and education, regarding patient regulation, move-*
19 *ment, definitive care, and other matters the Secretary deter-*
20 *mines critical to sustaining the health of members of the*
21 *armed forces.*

22 “(3)(A) *In carrying out the Program, the Secretary*
23 *shall establish partnerships at locations selected under sub-*
24 *paragraph (B) with public, private, and nonprofit health*
25 *care organizations, health care institutions, health care en-*

1 *tities, academic medical centers of institutions of higher*
2 *education, and hospitals that the Secretary determines—*

3 *“(i) are critical in mobilizing a civilian medical*
4 *response in support of a wartime contingency or other*
5 *catastrophic event in the United States; and*

6 *“(ii) have demonstrated technical proficiency in*
7 *critical national security domains, including high-*
8 *consequence infectious disease and special pathogen*
9 *preparedness, and matters relating to defense, con-*
10 *tainment, management, care, and transportation.*

11 *“(B) The Secretary shall select not fewer than eight*
12 *locations that are operationally relevant to the missions of*
13 *the Department of Defense under the National Disaster*
14 *Medical System and are aeromedical or other transport*
15 *hubs or logistics centers in the United States for partner-*
16 *ships under subparagraph (A). The Secretary may select*
17 *more than eight locations, including locations outside of the*
18 *continental United States, if the Secretary determines such*
19 *additional locations cover areas of strategic and operational*
20 *relevance to the Defense Department.*

21 *“(4) The Secretary shall ensure that the partnerships*
22 *under paragraph (3)(A) allow for civilian medical per-*
23 *sonnel to quickly and effectively mobilize direct support to*
24 *military medical treatment facilities and provide support*

1 *to other requirements of the military health system pursu-*
2 *ant to the following:*

3 “(A) *A declaration of a national emergency*
4 *under the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1621*
5 *et seq.).*

6 “(B) *A public health emergency declared under*
7 *section 319 of the Public Health Service Act (42*
8 *U.S.C. 247d).*

9 “(C) *A declaration of war by Congress.*

10 “(D) *The President’s exercise of executive powers*
11 *under the War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1541 et*
12 *seq.).*

13 “(E) *Any other emergency or major disaster as*
14 *declared by the President.*

15 “(5)(A) *The Secretary of Defense shall carry out the*
16 *Program in collaboration with the Secretary of Veterans Af-*
17 *fairs, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Sec-*
18 *retary of Transportation, and the Administrator of the Fed-*
19 *eral Emergency Management Agency.*

20 “(B) *Each official specified in subparagraph (A) shall*
21 *prescribe regulations necessary to carry out the Program.*

22 “(C) *Not later than December 31, 2026, the officials*
23 *specified in subparagraph (A) shall jointly issue an inter-*
24 *agency operations plan for the Program.*

1 “(D) *Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to*
2 *authorize the Secretary of Defense to control, direct, limit,*
3 *or otherwise affect the authorities of the Secretary of Vet-*
4 *erans Affairs, the Secretary of Health and Human Services,*
5 *the Secretary of Transportation, and the Administrator of*
6 *the Federal Emergency Management Agency with respect*
7 *to medical preparedness and response, staffing levels, or re-*
8 *source allocation.*

9 “(6) *Beginning July 1, 2026, and annually thereafter,*
10 *the Secretary, in coordination with the Secretary of Vet-*
11 *erans Affairs, the Secretary of Health and Human Services,*
12 *the Secretary of Transportation, and the Administrator of*
13 *the Federal Emergency Management Agency, shall submit*
14 *to the appropriate congressional committees a report on the*
15 *status, readiness, and operational capabilities of the Pro-*
16 *gram. Each report shall include an assessment of personnel*
17 *readiness, resource availability, interagency coordination*
18 *efforts, and recommendations for continued improvements*
19 *to the Program.*

20 “(7) *In this subsection:*

21 “(A) *The term ‘appropriate congressional com-*
22 *mittees’ means the following:*

23 “(i) *The Committee on Armed Services, the*
24 *Committee on Transportation and Infrastruc-*
25 *ture, the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, and the*

1 *Committee on Energy and Commerce of the*
2 *House of Representatives.*

3 “(ii) *The Committee on Armed Services, the*
4 *Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-*
5 *tation, the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, the*
6 *Committee on Homeland Security and Govern-*
7 *mental Affairs, and the Committee on Health,*
8 *Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate.*

9 “(B) *The term ‘institution of higher education’*
10 *means a four-year institution of higher education (as*
11 *defined in section 101(a) of the Higher Education Act*
12 *of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001(a)).*

13 “(C) *The term ‘National Disaster Medical Sys-*
14 *tem’ means the system established under section 2812*
15 *of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300hh–*
16 *11).*

17 “(D) *The term ‘Program’ means the Military-Ci-*
18 *vilian Medical Surge Program established under*
19 *paragraph (1).”.*

20 (b) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Of the*
21 *amounts authorized to be appropriated by section 1405, as*
22 *specified in the funding table in section 4501, there is au-*
23 *thorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Defense*
24 *\$20,000,000 for fiscal year 2026 to carry out subsection (e)*

1 of section 1097 of title 10, United States Code, as added
2 by subsection (a).

3 **SEC. 722. REIMBURSEMENT FOR TRAVEL EXPENSES RELAT-**
4 **ING TO SPECIALTY CARE FOR CERTAIN MEM-**
5 **BERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AND DEPEND-**
6 **ENTS.**

7 Section 1074i of title 10, United States Code, is
8 amended—

9 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “In any case”
10 and inserting “Except as provided by subsection (b),
11 in any case”; and

12 (2) in subsection (b)—

13 (A) by striking the heading and inserting
14 “SPECIAL RULES FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS AND
15 DEPENDENTS.—”;

16 (B) by striking “The Secretary of Defense”
17 and inserting “(1) The Secretary of Defense”;
18 and

19 (C) by inserting after paragraph (1), as
20 designated by subparagraph (B) of this para-
21 graph, the following new paragraph:

22 “(2) With respect to members of the armed forces on
23 active duty and their dependents, the Secretary shall ad-
24 minister subsection (a) by substituting ‘50 miles’ for ‘100
25 miles’.”.

1 **SEC. 723. PAYMENT ADJUSTMENTS FOR OUTPATIENT SERV-**
2 **ICES FOR CERTAIN CHILDREN'S HOSPITALS.**

3 (a) *REQUIREMENT.*—Section 1079(i) of title 10,
4 *United States Code*, is amended—

5 (1) *by redesignating paragraph (4) as para-*
6 *graph (5); and*

7 (2) *by inserting after paragraph (3) the fol-*
8 *lowing new paragraph (4):*

9 “(4)(A) *In addition to amounts paid under paragraph*
10 *(2), the Secretary shall pay an annual payment adjustment*
11 *to a children’s hospital for outpatient services if the Sec-*
12 *retary determines that, with respect to the year covered by*
13 *the payment adjustment, the hospital meets one or more of*
14 *the following criteria:*

15 “(i) *10 percent or more of the revenue of the hos-*
16 *pital comes from services provided to covered individ-*
17 *uals under the TRICARE program.*

18 “(ii) *The hospital received not fewer than 10,000*
19 *visits by covered individuals that were paid under*
20 *paragraph (2).*

21 “(iii) *The hospital has been determined by the*
22 *Secretary to be essential for operations of the*
23 *TRICARE program.*

24 “(B) *The amount of the annual payment adjustment*
25 *paid to a children’s hospital under subparagraph (A) shall*
26 *be the amount that is 30 percent of payments made under*

1 *the Outpatient Prospective Payment System (or successor*
2 *system) to the children’s hospital under paragraph (2) dur-*
3 *ing the year covered by the annual payment adjustment for*
4 *outpatient services provided to covered individuals.*

5 “(C) *In this paragraph:*

6 “(i) *The term ‘children’s hospital’ means a pro-*
7 *vider of services provided under a plan covered by*
8 *this section that is a children’s hospital.*

9 “(ii) *The term ‘covered individual’ means a*
10 *member of the armed forces serving on active duty or*
11 *a dependent of such a member.”.*

12 (b) *METHODOLOGY AND REGULATIONS.—The Sec-*
13 *retary of Defense shall—*

14 (1) *develop a payment methodology to determine*
15 *the amounts required to be paid under paragraph (4)*
16 *of section 1079(i) of title 10, United States Code, as*
17 *added by subsection (a); and*

18 (2) *prescribe joint regulations to carry out such*
19 *payments that are separate from the regulations con-*
20 *cerning outpatient prospective payments pursuant to*
21 *paragraph (2) of such section.*

1 **SEC. 724. VERIFICATION OF LICENSURE OF HEALTH-CARE**
2 **PROFESSIONALS OF THE MILITARY DEPART-**
3 **MENTS.**

4 *Subsection (b) of section 1094 of title 10, United States*
5 *Code, is amended to read as follows:*

6 “(b)(1) *The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that each*
7 *individual who provides health care independently as a*
8 *health-care professional at a health care facility of the De-*
9 *partment of Defense meets the requirement of subsection (a).*

10 “(2) *In carrying out paragraph (1), the Secretary*
11 *shall establish a centralized credential system that allows*
12 *the commanding officer of a health care facility of the De-*
13 *partment to verify the licensure of a health-care profes-*
14 *sional, regardless of the location of the facility or the armed*
15 *force in which the health-care professional serves. The Sec-*
16 *retary shall ensure that not less than 90 percent of such*
17 *verifications are completed within seven days of the date*
18 *on which the commanding officer requests such verification*
19 *if the request does not relate to a health-care professional*
20 *with an adverse record.”.*

21 **SEC. 725. EXPANSION OF HEALTH CARE LICENSE PORT-**
22 **ABILITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL**
23 **GUARD PERFORMING TRAINING OR DUTY.**

24 *Section 1094(d)(3)(B) of title 10, United States Code,*
25 *is amended by striking “under section 502(f) of title 32 in*

1 *response to an actual or potential disaster” and inserting*
 2 *“under title 32”.*

3 **SEC. 726. LICENSURE REQUIREMENT FOR HEALTH-CARE**
 4 **PROFESSIONALS OF PARTNER COUNTRIES.**

5 *Section 1094(e) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 6 *amended—*

7 *(1) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking “; and” and*
 8 *inserting “, or the official agency of the government*
 9 *of a partner country; and”; and*

10 *(2) by inserting at the end the following:*

11 *“(3) The term ‘partner country’ means any of*
 12 *the following:*

13 *“(A) Australia.*

14 *“(B) Canada.*

15 *“(C) New Zealand.*

16 *“(D) United Kingdom.*

17 *“(E) Any other country designated as a*
 18 *partner country by the Secretary of Defense for*
 19 *the purposes of this section.”.*

20 **SEC. 727. MODIFICATION OF LIMITATION ON REDUCTION**
 21 **OF MILITARY MEDICAL MANNING END**
 22 **STRENGTH.**

23 *Section 741 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense*
 24 *Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–*
 25 *263; 136 Stat. 2395; 10 U.S.C. 129c note) is amended—*

1 (1) *in subsection (a), by striking “five-year pe-*
 2 *riod” both places it appears and inserting “10-year*
 3 *period”; and*

4 (2) *in subsection (c)—*

5 (A) *in paragraph (2), by striking “Not later*
 6 *than two years after the date of the enactment of*
 7 *this Act,” and inserting “During each of 2024*
 8 *and 2029,”; and*

9 (B) *in paragraphs (3) and (4), by striking*
 10 *“three years after the date of the enactment of*
 11 *this Act,” both places it appears and inserting*
 12 *“December 31, 2030,”.*

13 **SEC. 728. PROHIBITION ON PAINFUL RESEARCH ON DOMES-**
 14 **TIC CATS AND DOGS.**

15 (a) *PROHIBITION.—Except as provided by subsection*
 16 *(b) or (c), the Secretary of Defense may not conduct, or*
 17 *support the conduct of, painful research on a domestic cat*
 18 *(Felis catus) or a domestic dog (Canis familiaris).*

19 (b) *EXCEPTION.—The prohibition in subsection (a)*
 20 *shall not apply with respect to any physical exam, training*
 21 *program, or study relating to service animals or military*
 22 *animals.*

23 (c) *WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may waive the*
 24 *prohibition in subsection (a) on a case-by-case basis if the*
 25 *Secretary—*

1 (1) *determines that the waiver is in the national*
2 *security interests of the United States; and*

3 (2) *not later than 30 days after the date on*
4 *which the Secretary makes the waiver, submits to the*
5 *congressional defense committees a detailed justifica-*
6 *tion for the waiver, including—*

7 (A) *an identification of the Department of*
8 *Defense account from which funds would be obli-*
9 *gated or expended to conduct, or support the con-*
10 *duct of, the proposed research covered by the*
11 *waiver;*

12 (B) *an identification of the amount of such*
13 *funds;*

14 (C) *an identification of the intended pur-*
15 *pose of such funds;*

16 (D) *an identification of the recipient or*
17 *prospective recipient of such funds (including*
18 *any nongovernmental recipient, as applicable);*

19 (E) *an explanation for how the waiver is in*
20 *the national security interests of the United*
21 *States; and*

22 (F) *any other information the Secretary de-*
23 *termines appropriate.*

24 (d) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

1 (1) *The term “military animal” has the mean-*
 2 *ing given the term in section 2583(i)(1) of title 10,*
 3 *United States Code.*

4 (2) *The term “painful research” includes any re-*
 5 *search, biomedical training, experimentation, or bio-*
 6 *logical testing, classified in pain category D or E by*
 7 *the Department of Agriculture.*

8 (3) *The term “service animal” has the meaning*
 9 *given the term in section 37.3 of title 49, Code of Fed-*
 10 *eral Regulations, or such successor regulation.*

11 **SEC. 729. PILOT PROGRAM TO TEST STANDALONE TECH-**
 12 **NOLOGY TO IMPROVE EFFICIENCIES IN SUP-**
 13 **PLY-CHAIN MANAGEMENT, MEDICAL READI-**
 14 **NESS, AND MEDICAL PROCESSES.**

15 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*Not later than 90 days after*
 16 *the date of the enactment of the Act, the Secretary of De-*
 17 *fense, acting through the Director of the Defense Health*
 18 *Agency, shall carry out a pilot program to test and evaluate*
 19 *existing standalone technologies to assess whether such tech-*
 20 *nologies accomplish the following:*

21 (1) *Improving efficiencies in medical supply-*
 22 *chain management and in military medical readi-*
 23 *ness.*

24 (2) *Streamlining medical processes.*

25 (3) *Improving recordation accuracy.*

1 (4) *Reducing rates of needlestick injury.*

2 (5) *Enhancing retention rates of military health*
3 *care providers.*

4 (b) *DURATION.*—*The Secretary shall carry out the*
5 *pilot program for a five-year period.*

6 **SEC. 730. AVAILABILITY OF SEXUAL ASSAULT NURSE EXAM-**
7 **INER SERVICES AT MILITARY MEDICAL**
8 **TREATMENT FACILITIES.**

9 (a) *REQUIREMENT.*—*Not later than one year after the*
10 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense*
11 *shall ensure that each military medical treatment facility*
12 *maintains, at all times, the continuous availability of at*
13 *least one qualified sexual assault nurse examiner to provide*
14 *forensic medical examinations and related care to sexual*
15 *assault survivors.*

16 (b) *USE OF CONTRACTS TO MEET REQUIREMENT.*—
17 *The Secretary may satisfy the requirement in subsection (a)*
18 *with respect to a military medical treatment facility if the*
19 *Secretary enters into a contract or other agreement with*
20 *a private provider under which the provider ensures the*
21 *continuous availability of a qualified sexual assault nurse*
22 *examiner to provide services at that facility. In entering*
23 *into such a contract or other agreement, the Secretary shall*
24 *ensure the following:*

1 (1) *A qualified sexual assault nurse examiner is*
2 *on call 24 hours per day and will arrive at the facil-*
3 *ity not later than two hours after being called.*

4 (2) *The qualified sexual assault nurse examiners*
5 *are located—*

6 (A) *not more than 25 miles by road from*
7 *the facility; or*

8 (B) *within a 30-minute emergency response*
9 *travel time under normal conditions from the fa-*
10 *cility.*

11 (3) *The qualified sexual assault nurse examiners*
12 *meet or exceed all credentialing, training, and certifi-*
13 *cation standards that the Secretary would otherwise*
14 *apply to a sexual assault nurse examiner employed*
15 *directly by the Department of Defense.*

16 (c) *INFORMATION.—Not later than one year after the*
17 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall—*

18 (1) *issue updated policy guidance of the Depart-*
19 *ment implementing the requirements of subsections*
20 *(a) and (b), including standard language for con-*
21 *tracts or other agreements under subsection (b); and*

22 (2) *submit to the Committees on Armed Services*
23 *of the House of Representatives and the Senate a re-*
24 *port detailing—*

1 (A) the status of sexual assault nurse exam-
2 iner staffing at each military medical treatment
3 facility;

4 (B) any contracts or other agreements en-
5 tered into under subsection (b), including the
6 names and locations of providers;

7 (C) the average response times for sexual as-
8 sault nurse examiners and any gaps in coverage
9 experienced during the one-year period preceding
10 the report; and

11 (D) plans to address any identified short-
12 falls in service availability.

13 (d) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

14 (1) The term “military medical treatment facil-
15 ity” has the meaning given that term in section
16 1073c of title 10, United States Code.

17 (2) The term “sexual assault nurse examiner”
18 means a registered nurse who has received specialized
19 training and certification in the forensic examination
20 of sexual assault survivors and the collection of foren-
21 sic evidence, in accordance with standards established
22 by the International Association of Forensic Nurses or
23 an equivalent certifying body.

1 **SEC. 731. UNIFORM PROTOCOLS ON SCREENING FOR UN-**
2 **WANTED SEXUAL BEHAVIOR.**

3 (a) *GUIDANCE.*—Not later than 180 days after the date
4 of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Defense
5 Health Agency, in coordination with the Assistant Sec-
6 retary of Defense for Health Affairs and the Under Sec-
7 retary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, shall develop
8 comprehensive written guidance establishing uniform proto-
9 cols for providing a screening for unwanted sexual behavior
10 to patients at military medical treatment facilities.

11 (b) *REPORT.*—Not later than one year after the date
12 on which the Director issues the guidance under subsection
13 (a), the Director shall submit to the congressional defense
14 committees a report containing the following:

15 (1) *An assessment of the extent to which each*
16 *military medical treatment facility has implemented*
17 *the guidance.*

18 (2) *Aggregate, de-identified data on screening*
19 *rates, positive-screen rates, and referral follow-*
20 *through.*

21 (3) *Any planned revisions to the guidance.*

22 (c) *SCREENING FOR UNWANTED SEXUAL BEHAVIOR*
23 *DEFINED.*—In this section, the term “screening for un-
24 wanted sexual behavior” means the use of standardized, evi-
25 dence-based questions or instruments to detect whether an
26 individual has been subject to any sexual contact or inter-

1 *action to which the individual did not or could not freely*
 2 *consent, including harassment, coercion, assault, or abuse.*

3 **SEC. 732. ACCESS TO SEXUAL ASSAULT FORENSIC EXAMI-**
 4 **NATIONS FOR CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND**
 5 **CONTRACTORS.**

6 *Section 1725(b) of the National Defense Authorization*
 7 *Act for Fiscal Year 2014 (Public Law 113–66; 10 U.S.C.*
 8 *1561 note) is amended—*

9 *(1) in paragraph (2)—*

10 *(A) by inserting “(or other individual cov-*
 11 *ered under paragraph (3))” after “patient of the*
 12 *facility”; and*

13 *(B) by inserting “(or other such individ-*
 14 *ual’s need)” after “patient’s need”; and*

15 *(2) by adding at the end the following:*

16 *“(3) ACCESS TO SEXUAL ASSAULT FORENSIC EX-*
 17 *AMINERS.—In addition to furnishing sexual assault*
 18 *forensic examinations to patients of military medical*
 19 *treatment facilities, the Secretary of Defense shall en-*
 20 *sure that civilian employees and contractors of the*
 21 *Department of Defense are furnished sexual assault*
 22 *forensic examinations at military medical treatment*
 23 *facilities (including such facilities located outside the*
 24 *United States) following an allegation of sexual as-*
 25 *sault, regardless of whether the employee or contractor*

1 *is otherwise eligible for health care under chapter 55*
 2 *of title 10, United States Code.”.*

3 **SEC. 733. MANDATORY TRAINING ON HEALTH EFFECTS OF**
 4 **PERFLUOROALKYL OR POLYFLUOROALKYL**
 5 **SUBSTANCES.**

6 *The Secretary of Defense shall provide to each health*
 7 *care provider of the Department of Defense mandatory*
 8 *training regarding the potential health effects of*
 9 *perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substances.*

10 ***Subtitle C—Studies, Briefings,***
 11 ***Reports, and Other Matters***

12 **SEC. 741. MILITARY MEDICAL COOPERATION ARRANGE-**
 13 **MENTS AMONG FIVE EYES COUNTRIES.**

14 *Subchapter II of chapter 138 of title 10, United States*
 15 *Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new*
 16 *section:*

17 **“§ 2350t. Military medical cooperation arrangements**
 18 **among Five Eyes countries**

19 *“(a) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense may enter*
 20 *into a bilateral or multilateral memorandum of under-*
 21 *standing or other formal agreement with one or more gov-*
 22 *ernments of the Five Eyes countries to support military*
 23 *medical cooperation or improve operational medical inter-*
 24 *operability.*

25 *“(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

1 “(1) *The term ‘Five Eyes countries’ means the*
2 *following:*

3 “(A) *Australia.*

4 “(B) *Canada.*

5 “(C) *New Zealand.*

6 “(D) *The United Kingdom.*

7 “(2) *The term ‘military medical cooperation’*
8 *means any of the following:*

9 “(A) *Information exchange.*

10 “(B) *Medical interoperability, including*
11 *credentialing of health care personnel.*

12 “(C) *Medical education, training, exercises,*
13 *and evaluation.*

14 “(D) *Medical research, development, trials,*
15 *and evaluation.*

16 “(E) *Biodefense, including with respect to*
17 *prevention, preparation, response, and investiga-*
18 *tion.*

19 “(F) *Medical logistics, including the rec-*
20 *ognition of MedCM, drugs and medical equip-*
21 *ment.*

22 “(G) *Patient movement.*

23 “(H) *Any other areas for cooperation des-*
24 *ignated by the Secretary of Defense.*

1 “(3) *The term ‘military medicine’ means any of*
2 *the following:*

3 “(A) *Combat casualty care including trau-*
4 *ma,*

5 “(B) *Military infectious disease.*

6 “(C) *Chemical, biological, radiological, and*
7 *nuclear medical support.*

8 “(D) *Deployed health care delivery.*

9 “(E) *Public health, health readiness, and*
10 *force health protection.*

11 “(F) *Mental health.*

12 “(G) *Humanitarian response.*

13 “(H) *Anomalous health incidents.*

14 “(I) *Mass casualty management.*

15 “(J) *Any other areas of military medicine*
16 *designated by the Secretary of Defense.”.*

17 **SEC. 742. STRATEGY FOR TREATING TRAUMATIC BRAIN IN-**
18 **JURIES THROUGH DIGITAL HEALTH TECH-**
19 **NOLOGIES.**

20 *Section 735 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense*
21 *Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–*
22 *263; 10 U.S.C. 1071 note) is amended—*

23 (1) *by redesignating subsections (e) and (f) as*
24 *subsections (f) and (g), respectively; and*

1 (2) *by inserting after subsection (d) the following*
2 *new subsection:*

3 “(e) *DIGITAL HEALTH TECHNOLOGIES.*—

4 “(1) *WORKING GROUP.*—*As part of the Initia-*
5 *tive, the Secretary shall establish a working group to*
6 *develop a strategy for treating traumatic brain inju-*
7 *ries through digital health technologies.*

8 “(2) *MEMBERSHIP.*—*The working group shall be*
9 *composed of members of the Armed Forces, civilian*
10 *employees of the Department of Defense, and individ-*
11 *uals not employed by the Federal Government, who*
12 *have expertise in traumatic brain injury clinical*
13 *care, biomedical informatics, engineering, or imple-*
14 *mentation science.*

15 “(3) *ELEMENTS.*—*The strategy developed under*
16 *paragraph (1) shall include the following:*

17 “(A) *Identification of capability gaps in the*
18 *treatment of traumatic brain injuries that could*
19 *be addressed through artificial intelligence and*
20 *digital health technologies.*

21 “(B) *An analysis of existing research, devel-*
22 *opment, and acquisition efforts leveraging artifi-*
23 *cial intelligence-based capabilities and digital*
24 *health technologies, including any applicable*
25 *commercial off-the-shelf solutions being used by*

1 *the Secretary to support the treatment of trau-*
 2 *matic brain injuries.*

3 “(C) *Recommendations with respect to ad-*
 4 *vances required to—*

5 *“(i) address gaps identified under sub-*
 6 *paragraph (A); and*

7 *“(ii) significantly improve the treat-*
 8 *ment of traumatic brain injuries using arti-*
 9 *ficial intelligence and digital health tech-*
 10 *nologies.*

11 “(D) *A recommended investment plan to*
 12 *advance technology and knowledge readiness lev-*
 13 *els to field digital health technologies to treat*
 14 *traumatic brain injuries.*

15 “(4) *BRIEFING.—Not later than one year after*
 16 *the date of the enactment of the National Defense Au-*
 17 *thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026, the Secretary*
 18 *shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of*
 19 *the House of Representatives and the Senate a brief-*
 20 *ing on the strategy developed under paragraph (1).”.*

21 **SEC. 743. REPORT ON TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURIES AMONG**
 22 **CERTAIN PILOTS SERVING ON ACTIVE DUTY.**

23 “(a) *REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date*
 24 *of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall*
 25 *submit to the congressional defense committees a report that*

1 *contains a study determining whether, and to what extent,*
2 *members of the Armed Forces serving on active duty as pi-*
3 *lots suffer from traumatic brain injury resulting from the*
4 *cumulative effects of high-speed maneuvers, catapult*
5 *launches, and other repetitive actions potentially harmful*
6 *to brain health as a result of such service.*

7 (b) *MATTERS INCLUDED.*—*The report under subsection*
8 *(a) shall include the following:*

9 (1) *The results of the study under subsection (a).*

10 (2) *A summary of existing policies and proce-*
11 *dures of the Department of Defense, as of the date of*
12 *the report, for identifying, documenting, and treating*
13 *mild, moderate, and severe traumatic brain injury*
14 *among pilots.*

15 (3) *A strategy to better identify, document, and*
16 *treat mild, moderate, and severe traumatic brain in-*
17 *jury among pilots.*

18 (4) *Recommendations of the Secretary with re-*
19 *spect to potential regulatory and legislative actions to*
20 *address challenges in identifying, documenting, and*
21 *treating mild, moderate, and severe traumatic brain*
22 *injury among pilots.*

1 **SEC. 744. STUDY ON PREVALENCE AND MORTALITY OF CAN-**
2 **CER AMONG MILITARY ROTARY-WING PILOTS**
3 **AND AVIATION SUPPORT PERSONNEL.**

4 (a) *STUDY REQUIRED.*—*The Director of the Defense*
5 *Health Agency, in coordination with the Directors of the*
6 *National Institutes of Health and the National Cancer In-*
7 *stitute, shall conduct a study among covered individuals in*
8 *two phases as provided by this section.*

9 (b) *INITIAL PHASE OF STUDY.*—

10 (1) *GOAL OF INITIAL PHASE.*—*Under the initial*
11 *phase of the study under subsection (a), the Director*
12 *of the Defense Health Agency shall determine, for each*
13 *cancer specified in paragraph (2), whether there is an*
14 *increased prevalence of, or increased rate of mortality*
15 *caused by, such cancer for covered individuals as*
16 *compared to similarly aged individuals in the general*
17 *population (or, in the case of the cancer specified in*
18 *paragraph (2)(B), for female covered individuals as*
19 *compared to similarly aged women in the general*
20 *population).*

21 (2) *CANCERS SPECIFIED.*—*The cancers specified*
22 *in this paragraph are the following:*

23 (A) *Brain cancer.*

24 (B) *Breast cancer.*

25 (C) *Colon and rectal cancer.*

26 (D) *Kidney cancer.*

1 (E) *Lung cancer.*

2 (F) *Melanoma.*

3 (G) *Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.*

4 (H) *Ovarian cancer.*

5 (I) *Pancreatic cancer.*

6 (J) *Prostate cancer.*

7 (K) *Testicular cancer.*

8 (L) *Urinary bladder cancer.*

9 (3) *REPORT ON INITIAL PHASE.—Not later than*
10 *one year after the date of the enactment of this Act,*
11 *the Director of the Defense Health Agency shall sub-*
12 *mit to the appropriate congressional committees a re-*
13 *port on the findings of the phase of the study under*
14 *this subsection.*

15 (c) *SECOND PHASE OF STUDY.—*

16 (1) *GOAL OF SECOND PHASE.—If, pursuant to*
17 *the phase of the study under subsection (b), the Direc-*
18 *tor of the Defense Health Agency determines there is*
19 *an increased prevalence of, or increased mortality*
20 *rate caused by, any cancer specified in subsection*
21 *(b)(2) among covered individuals (or, with respect to*
22 *the cancer specified in subsection (b)(2)(B), among fe-*
23 *male covered individuals), the Director shall conduct*
24 *a second phase of the study to—*

1 (A) identify any carcinogenic toxin or other
2 hazardous material associated with the operation
3 of military rotary-wing aircraft, such as fumes,
4 fuels, or other liquids;

5 (B) identify any operating environment, in-
6 cluding frequencies or electromagnetic fields, in
7 which covered individuals may have received ex-
8 cess exposure to non-ionizing radiation in the
9 course of such operation, including non-ionizing
10 radiation associated with airborne, ground, or
11 shipboard radars; and

12 (C) identify potential exposures as a result
13 of military service by covered individuals to car-
14 cinogenic toxins or other hazardous materials
15 not associated with the operation of military ro-
16 tary-wing aircraft (such as exposure to burn
17 pits, toxins in contaminated water, or toxins em-
18 bedded in soils), including by determining—

19 (i) the locations of such service; and

20 (ii) any duties of covered individuals
21 unrelated to such operation and associated
22 with an increased prevalence of, or in-
23 creased mortality rate caused by, cancer.

24 (2) REPORT ON SECOND PHASE.—If the Director
25 of the Defense Health Agency conducts the phase of

1 *the study under this subsection, not later than one*
2 *year after the date on which the Director submits the*
3 *report under subsection (b)(3), the Director shall sub-*
4 *mit to the appropriate congressional committees a re-*
5 *port on the findings of such phase.*

6 (3) *DATA FORMAT.—The Director of the Defense*
7 *Health Agency shall format any data resulting from*
8 *the phase of the study under this subsection consistent*
9 *with the formatting of data under the Surveillance,*
10 *Epidemiology, and End Results program, including*
11 *by disaggregating such data by race, gender, and age.*

12 (d) *SOURCES OF DATA.—In conducting the study*
13 *under this section, the Director of the Defense Health Agen-*
14 *cy shall use data from—*

15 (1) *the database of the Surveillance, Epidemi-*
16 *ology, and End Results program;*

17 (2) *the study conducted under section 750 of the*
18 *National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
19 *2021 (Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat. 3716); and*

20 (3) *any other study previously conducted by the*
21 *Secretary of a military department that the Director*
22 *determines relevant for purposes of this section.*

23 (e) *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 Veterans' Affairs of the House*
3 *of Representatives; and*

4 (B) *the Committee on Armed Services and*
5 *the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate.*

6 (2) *The term "covered Armed Force" means the*
7 *Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Space*
8 *Force.*

9 (3) *The term "covered individual" means any*
10 *individual who—*

11 (A) *served in a covered Armed Force on or*
12 *after February 28, 1961, as an aircrew member*
13 *of a rotary-wing aircraft (including as a pilot or*
14 *aviation support personnel), without regard to*
15 *the status, position, rank, or grade of the indi-*
16 *vidual within such crew; and*

17 (B) *receives health care benefits under chap-*
18 *ter 55 of title 10, United States Code.*

19 (4) *The term "Surveillance, Epidemiology, and*
20 *End Results program" means the program of the Na-*
21 *tional Cancer Institute referred to in section*
22 *399B(d)(1) of the Public Health Service Act (40*
23 *U.S.C. 280e(d)(1)), or any successor program.*

1 **SEC. 745. STUDY ON EFFECTS OF SERVICE IN THE SPECIAL**
2 **OPERATIONS FORCES TO HEALTH OF MEM-**
3 **BERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

4 (a) *STUDY.*—Not later than 180 days after the date
5 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall
6 conduct a five-year longitudinal study on the evaluation
7 and treatment of traumatic brain injuries and other inju-
8 ries to provide analyses, findings, and recommendations
9 with respect to extending the health span of members of spe-
10 cial operations forces.

11 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—The study under subsection (a) shall
12 include the following:

13 (1) *An evaluation of various exposure factors, in-*
14 *cluding environmental, injury, and disease, to iden-*
15 *tify and quantify the relationship of such exposure to*
16 *long-term health.*

17 (2) *An identification of sensitive and rapid bio-*
18 *markers related to injury and outcomes at the acute,*
19 *subacute, and chronic level that translate to practical*
20 *injury mitigation.*

21 (3) *The characterizing and analysis of the fac-*
22 *tors associated with mitigating initial injury, en-*
23 *hancing force resilience, and optimizing long-term*
24 *outcomes.*

1 (4) *An identification of the critical pre-service*
2 *and post-service related issues that affect long-term*
3 *health span.*

4 (5) *An identification of the factors associated*
5 *with early aging at the patient facing and cellular*
6 *level to identify targets for potential therapeutics and*
7 *interventions.*

8 (6) *Any other elements as determined appro-*
9 *priate by the Secretary.*

10 (c) *PROGRESS REPORTS.—Not later than 90 days*
11 *after the date on which the Secretary commences the study*
12 *under subsection (a), and annually thereafter during the*
13 *duration of the study, the Secretary shall submit to the*
14 *Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representa-*
15 *tives and the Senate a progress report of activities con-*
16 *ducted under the study during the period covered by the*
17 *report.*

18 (d) *FINAL REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the*
19 *date on which the Secretary completes the study under sub-*
20 *section (a), the Secretary shall submit to the Committees*
21 *on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the*
22 *Senate a report containing the findings of the study and*
23 *recommendations based on the study, including information*
24 *regarding—*

1 (1) *identification of health trajectories associated*
2 *with a career serving as a member of the special oper-*
3 *ations forces;*

4 (2) *modifiable and nonmodifiable factors, includ-*
5 *ing biomarkers, disease processes, and social deter-*
6 *minants of health, associated with life-span trajec-*
7 *tories and an increase in force readiness;*

8 (3) *any recommendations to alter health trajec-*
9 *tories and improve force resilience and long-term*
10 *health span in active and retired members of the spe-*
11 *cial operations forces; and*

12 (4) *processes to integrate factors that affect the*
13 *health of an individual before serving in the special*
14 *operations forces, including with respect to the expo-*
15 *sure history and health trajectory of the individual,*
16 *into simple scores that can be use to improve the care*
17 *of active and retired members of the special oper-*
18 *ations forces.*

19 (e) *SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES DEFINED.—In this*
20 *section, the term “special operations forces” means the*
21 *forces described in section 167(j) of title 10, United States*
22 *Code.*

1 **SEC. 746. PILOT PROGRAM ON USE OF FISH SKIN REGEN-**
2 **ERATION PRODUCTS IN TREATING BURN AND**
3 **BLAST INJURIES.**

4 (a) *PILOT PROGRAM.*—*The Secretary of Defense may*
5 *carry out a pilot program to—*

6 (1) *evaluate the efficacy of fish skin regeneration*
7 *products in treating burn and blast injuries of mem-*
8 *bers of the Armed Forces; and*

9 (2) *with respect to such products, assess the clin-*
10 *ical outcomes, cost-effectiveness, and potential benefits*
11 *for long-term recovery and military readiness.*

12 (b) *LOCATION.*—*If the Secretary carries out the pilot*
13 *program under subsection (a), the Secretary shall carry out*
14 *the pilot program at the Walter Reed National Military*
15 *Medical Center.*

16 (c) *DURATION.*—*If the Secretary carries out the pilot*
17 *program under subsection (a), the Secretary shall carry out*
18 *the pilot program for three years.*

19 (d) *REPORTS.*—*Not later than one year after the date*
20 *on which the Secretary commences the pilot program under*
21 *subsection (a), and annually thereafter during the life of*
22 *the pilot program, the Secretary shall submit to the Com-*
23 *mittees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives*
24 *and the Senate a report on the pilot program.*

1 **SEC. 747. PILOT PROGRAM ON REMOTE BLOOD PRESSURE**
2 **MONITORING FOR CERTAIN PREGNANT AND**
3 **POST-PARTUM TRICARE BENEFICIARIES.**

4 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—

5 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 180 days after
6 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of De-
7 fense, acting through the Defense Health Agency, shall
8 establish a pilot program on blood pressure moni-
9 toring for at-risk pregnant and postpartum
10 TRICARE beneficiaries in order to increase the rate
11 of early detection of hypertensive disorder related to
12 pregnancy and postpartum.

13 (2) *MODEL.*—The Secretary may model the pilot
14 program on a pilot program for blood pressure self-
15 monitoring of the Healthy Start Program operated by
16 the Health Resources and Services Administration of
17 the Department of Health and Human Services.

18 (b) *SITES.*—The Secretary shall select sites for the
19 pilot program in accordance with the following:

20 (1) The pilot program shall operate at not fewer
21 than two military medical treatment facilities of each
22 of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and
23 Space Force.

24 (2) Sites shall be geographically diverse, includ-
25 ing locations in rural and urban areas.

1 (3) *The Secretary shall give priority to a mili-*
2 *tary medical treatment facility that has a large num-*
3 *ber of obstetric patients or a history of maternal*
4 *health programs.*

5 (c) *PARTICIPANTS.*—

6 (1) *ELIGIBILITY.*—*An eligible participant for the*
7 *pilot program, is an individual—*

8 (A) *who is enrolled in TRICARE;*

9 (B) *who is pregnant or postpartum;*

10 (C) *who receives health care through a mili-*
11 *tary medical treatment facility selected under*
12 *subsection (b); and*

13 (D) *whom the Secretary determines is at*
14 *risk (based on evidence and current medical*
15 *standards and recommendations) of a hyper-*
16 *tensive disorder of pregnancy or negative health*
17 *outcomes as a result of a hypertensive disorder*
18 *of pregnancy.*

19 (2) *VOLUNTARY.*—*Participation in the pilot pro-*
20 *gram shall be voluntary.*

21 (d) *EQUIPMENT.*—*A participant in the pilot program*
22 *shall receive—*

23 (1) *a device approved by the Food and Drug Ad-*
24 *ministration for the digital monitoring of blood pres-*
25 *sure, validated by the Food and Drug Administration*

1 *for use during pregnancy, capable of remote moni-*
2 *toring and data transmission, has adjustable or alter-*
3 *native cuff sizes; and*

4 (2) *educational materials and instructions on*
5 *the use of such device from a health care provider of*
6 *the Department of Defense.*

7 (e) *PROVIDERS.*—*In carrying out the pilot program,*
8 *the Secretary shall use primary care and obstetric care pro-*
9 *viders of eligible participants, to the extent practicable.*

10 (f) *MATERIALS.*—*The Secretary shall develop sup-*
11 *porting materials for health care providers who facilitate*
12 *the pilot program, including the following:*

13 (1) *Guidance on how to identify eligible partici-*
14 *pants for the pilot program.*

15 (2) *Evidence-based educational materials regard-*
16 *ing maternal health best practices for eligible partici-*
17 *pants.*

18 (g) *TERM.*—*The pilot program shall terminate five*
19 *years after the date on which the Secretary establishes such*
20 *pilot program.*

21 (h) *REPORT.*—*Not later than 180 days after the termi-*
22 *nation of the pilot program, the Secretary shall submit to*
23 *the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Rep-*
24 *resentatives and Senate a report on the pilot program, and*
25 *publish such report on the website of the Department of De-*

1 *fense. The report shall include the following elements,*
2 *disaggregated by the Armed Force, sex, age, race, and eth-*
3 *nicity of participants:*

4 (1) *The number of participants in the pilot pro-*
5 *gram.*

6 (2) *The percentage of such participants who used*
7 *the monitors as prescribed.*

8 (3) *A summary of barriers or challenges partici-*
9 *pants experienced using the monitors and if they re-*
10 *sulted in underutilization.*

11 (4) *The percentage of participants who had blood*
12 *pressure readings of concern.*

13 (5) *The percentage of participants described in*
14 *paragraph (4) who received medical attention based*
15 *on such readings.*

16 (6) *A summary of provider and participant feed-*
17 *back, including percentages of—*

18 (A) *providers that found the program influ-*
19 *enced patient care; and*

20 (B) *participants who found the program*
21 *was helpful in managing their own care.*

22 (7) *Recommendations of the Secretary whether*
23 *the pilot program should be altered, expanded, or*
24 *made permanent.*

1 **SEC. 748. PILOT PROGRAM TO HELP CERTAIN MEMBERS OF**
2 **THE ARMED FORCES STOP SMOKING.**

3 (a) *AUTHORITY.*—Not later than 180 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
5 may carry out a one-year pilot program to furnish, to cov-
6 ered members, the alternatives to smoking specified in sub-
7 section (b) in order—

8 (1) *to help such covered members stop smoking;*
9 *and*

10 (2) *to improve the health of such covered mem-*
11 *bers.*

12 (b) *ALTERNATIVES TO SMOKING.*—The alternatives to
13 smoking specified in this subsection are:

14 (1) *Counseling.*

15 (2) *Nicotine gum.*

16 (3) *Nicotine patches.*

17 (4) *Electric nicotine delivery systems.*

18 (c) *PARTICIPATION.*—If the Secretary carries out such
19 a pilot program, the pilot program shall operate—

20 (1) *in not less than one covered Armed Force;*
21 *and*

22 (2) *at not less than one military installation at*
23 *which covered members serve in numbers that exceed*
24 *the national average for each of the following:*

25 (A) *Smoking cigarettes or other combustible*
26 *tobacco products.*

1 (B) *Population of Black Americans.*

2 (C) *Population of Asian and Pacific Is-*
3 *lander Americans.*

4 (D) *Population of Hispanic Americans.*

5 (E) *Population of Appalachian Americans.*

6 (d) *REPORT.*—*Not later than one year after the termi-*
7 *nation of such a pilot program, the Secretary shall submit*
8 *to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and*
9 *House of Representatives, a report regarding the results of*
10 *the pilot program. Elements of such report shall include the*
11 *determination of the Secretary regarding—*

12 (1) *whether the pilot program helped covered*
13 *members stop smoking;*

14 (2) *the alternatives specified in subsection (b)*
15 *that are most effective in helping covered members to*
16 *stop smoking;*

17 (3) *gaps in health care services available to cov-*
18 *ered members who belong to the populations described*
19 *in subsection (c)(2); and*

20 (4) *the recommendation of the Secretary whether*
21 *to expand, extend, or make permanent the pilot pro-*
22 *gram.*

23 (e) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

1 (1) *The term “covered Armed Force” means the*
 2 *Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Space*
 3 *Force.*

4 (2) *The term “covered member” means a member*
 5 *of a covered Armed Force—*

6 *(A) serving on active duty; and*

7 *(B) who smokes at least one cigarette (or*
 8 *other combustible tobacco product) per week.*

9 **SEC. 749. PILOT PROGRAM ON SECURE, MOBILE PERSONAL**
 10 **HEALTH RECORD FOR MEMBERS OF THE**
 11 **ARMED FORCES PARTICIPATING IN THE**
 12 **TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.**

13 (a) *PILOT PROGRAM.—Not later than 180 days after*
 14 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of De-*
 15 *fense shall commence carrying out a pilot program under*
 16 *which members of the Armed Forces who are serving on ac-*
 17 *tive duty and receiving benefits or services under the Tran-*
 18 *sition Assistance Program are able to use a covered health*
 19 *record platform to collect their medical records before sepa-*
 20 *rating from active duty.*

21 (b) *SELECTION OF ARMED FORCES.—The Secretary*
 22 *shall select not less than one Armed Force in which to carry*
 23 *out the pilot program under subsection (a).*

24 (c) *CONTRACT AUTHORITY.—*

1 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary shall seek to*
2 *enter into a contract using competitive procedures*
3 *with an appropriate entity, as determined by the Sec-*
4 *retary, for the provision of the covered health record*
5 *platform under the pilot program under subsection*
6 *(a).*

7 (2) *NOTICE OF COMPETITION.*—*Not later than 60*
8 *days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the*
9 *Secretary shall issue a request for proposals for the*
10 *contract described in paragraph (1). Such request*
11 *shall be full and open to any contractor that has an*
12 *existing covered health record platform.*

13 (3) *SELECTION.*—*Not later than 120 days after*
14 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary*
15 *shall award a contract to an appropriate entity pur-*
16 *suant to the request for proposals under paragraph*
17 *(2) if at least one acceptable offer from such an entity*
18 *is submitted.*

19 (d) *DURATION OF PILOT PROGRAM.*—

20 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary shall carry out*
21 *the pilot program under subsection (a) for a period*
22 *of not less than one year.*

23 (2) *TERMINATION OR EXTENSION OF PRO-*
24 *GRAM.*—*At the end of the one-year period specified in*
25 *paragraph (1), the Secretary may—*

1 (A) terminate the pilot program under sub-
2 section (a);

3 (B) continue the pilot program;

4 (C) expand the pilot program; or

5 (D) implement the use of a covered health
6 record platform in the Transition Assistance
7 Program throughout the Armed Forces.

8 (e) *PROHIBITION ON NEW APPROPRIATIONS.*—No ad-
9 ditional funds are authorized to be appropriated to carry
10 out the requirements of this section. Such requirements shall
11 be carried out using amounts otherwise authorized to be ap-
12 propriated for the Department of Defense.

13 (f) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

14 (1) The term “covered health record platform”
15 means a secure personal health record platform that
16 meets the following requirements:

17 (A) Has web-based and native mobile phone
18 app capabilities.

19 (B) Has the capability to store and share
20 records with the Department of Veterans Affairs
21 or any other designated care provider.

22 (C) Has the capability to store records in
23 the cloud.

24 (D) Does not have a requirement for inte-
25 gration to receive or share records.

1 (E) *Has the capability to instantly share*
2 *data based on a combination of access key and*
3 *personal identifier.*

4 (F) *Has the capability to provide secure*
5 *data storage and records transfer upon separa-*
6 *tion of a member of the Armed Forces from ac-*
7 *tive duty.*

8 (G) *Does not require a business associate*
9 *agreement with any parties.*

10 (H) *Has secure data isolation with access*
11 *controls.*

12 (I) *Has, at a minimum, data security that*
13 *would require separate encryption for each docu-*
14 *ment, relying on AES256 or better algorithm*
15 *with keys encryption using RSA2048 or better*
16 *algorithm, or any successor similar algorithm.*

17 (2) *The term “Transition Assistance Program”*
18 *means the program of the Department of Defense for*
19 *preparation counseling, employment assistance, and*
20 *other transitional services provided under sections*
21 *1142 and 1144 of title 10, United States Code.*

1 **SEC. 750. REPORT ON TRANSITIONING OF MAIL-ORDER**
2 **PHARMACY PROGRAM OF TRICARE PROGRAM**
3 **TO AN IN-HOUSE MAIL ORDER SERVICE.**

4 (a) *REPORT.*—Not later than 180 days after the date
5 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall
6 submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate
7 and the House of Representatives a report on the feasibility
8 and advisability of transitioning the contractor-operated
9 mail-order pharmacy program of the TRICARE program
10 to a service provided directly by the Department of Defense.

11 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—The report under subsection (a) shall
12 include an analysis of the following with respect to the tran-
13 sition described in such subsection:

14 (1) *Costs, including administrative costs, dis-*
15 *persing fees, and administrative overhead.*

16 (2) *Structure and staffing.*

17 (3) *The effect on beneficiaries under the*
18 *TRICARE program, including regarding delivery*
19 *times and quality.*

20 (4) *The feasibility and advisability of combining*
21 *the mail-order pharmacy functions under the*
22 *TRICARE program with the mail-order pharmacy*
23 *functions of the Veterans Health Administration of*
24 *the Department of Veterans Affairs.*

1 (c) *TRICARE PROGRAM DEFINED.*—*In this section,*
 2 *the term “TRICARE program” has the meaning given that*
 3 *term in section 1072 of title 10, United States Code.*

4 **SEC. 751. STRATEGIC PLAN TO ADDRESS MENTAL HEALTH**
 5 **OF MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

6 (a) *PLAN.*—*The Secretary of Defense, in coordination*
 7 *with each Secretary of a military department and the Di-*
 8 *rector of the Defense Health Agency, shall develop a stra-*
 9 *tegic plan to address suicide by members of the Armed*
 10 *Forces and the mental health services provided to members.*

11 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—*The plan under subsection (a) shall*
 12 *include the following:*

13 (1) *Developing and enforcing uniform protocols*
 14 *with respect to—*

15 (A) *the regulations prescribed for the self-*
 16 *initiated referral process under section 1090b(e)*
 17 *of title 10, United States Code, for members of*
 18 *the Armed Forces seeking mental health evalua-*
 19 *tions;*

20 (B) *the provision of information, including*
 21 *through workplace posters, flyers, and advertise-*
 22 *ments, to ensure members are aware of such re-*
 23 *ferral process.*

24 (2) *Standardized mental health training for*
 25 *members of the Armed Forces, including—*

1 (A) specialized training for commanders,
 2 senior enlisted leaders, and medical personnel on
 3 identifying and addressing mental health con-
 4 cerns;

5 (B) the development of a certification proc-
 6 ess based on completion of training with docu-
 7 mented proof of compliance;

8 (C) how to respond when a member initi-
 9 ates the referral process under section 1090b(e) of
 10 title 10, United States Code; and

11 (D) how to recognize signs indicating men-
 12 tal health distress.

13 **TITLE VIII—ACQUISITION POL-**
 14 **ICY, ACQUISITION MANAGE-**
 15 **MENT, AND RELATED MAT-**
 16 **TERS**

17 **Subtitle A—Acquisition Policy and**
 18 **Management**

19 **SEC. 801. MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY FOR COV-**
 20 **ERED WEAPON SYSTEMS.**

21 (a) **AUTHORITY FOR MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT.**—
 22 Subject to section 3501 of title 10, United States Code, the
 23 Secretary of the Defense shall enter into one or more
 24 multiyear contracts for the procurement of a covered weap-
 25 on system if—

1 (1) *a decision has been made to move such cov-*
2 *ered weapon system to full-rate production; and*

3 (2) *such covered weapon system is projected to*
4 *maintain full-rate production for a period of five or*
5 *more consecutive years after entering into such a con-*
6 *tract.*

7 (b) *WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may waive the*
8 *requirements of subsection (a) if the Secretary determines*
9 *that the projected threat environment in which the covered*
10 *weapon system is to be fielded has changed in a manner*
11 *such that the procurement of such system is no longer nec-*
12 *essary.*

13 (c) *APPLICABILITY.—This section and the require-*
14 *ments of this section shall apply with respect to a multiyear*
15 *contract for the procurement of a covered weapon system*
16 *entered into on or after the date of the enactment of this*
17 *Act.*

18 (d) *COVERED WEAPON SYSTEM DEFINED.—In this*
19 *section, the term “covered weapon system” means a major*
20 *weapon system (as defined in section 3455 of title 10,*
21 *United States Code)—*

22 (1) *for which the budget justification documents*
23 *submitted by the Secretary in accordance with section*
24 *4205 of title 10, United States Code, state that the*
25 *planned procurement schedule, conducted at the most*

1 *effective production rate (as defined in such section),*
2 *will require 36 months or more to obtain the total*
3 *quantity of units to be procured until procurement is*
4 *complete; and*

5 *(2) that is estimated by the Secretary of Defense*
6 *to require an eventual total expenditure for procure-*
7 *ment, including all planned increments or spirals, of*
8 *more than \$1,000,000,000 (based on fiscal year 2025*
9 *constant dollars).*

10 **SEC. 802. ELIMINATION OF LATE COST AND PRICING DATA**
11 **SUBMISSION DEFENSE.**

12 *Section 3706(c) of title 10, United States Code, is*
13 *amended—*

14 *(1) in paragraph (3) by striking “or” at the end;*

15 *(2) in paragraph (4) by striking the period and*
16 *inserting “; or”; and*

17 *(3) by adding at the end the following:*

18 *“(5) updates to cost or pricing data submitted by*
19 *the prime contractor or subcontractor after the date of*
20 *agreement on the price of the contract (or price of the*
21 *modification) or, if applicable and if consistent with*
22 *subsection (a)(2), such other date agreed upon between*
23 *the parties, were based on data that was more than*
24 *30 days old.”.*

1 **SEC. 803. REPORTING OF PRICE INCREASES.**

2 Chapter 271 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
3 ed by adding at the end the following new section:

4 **“§ 3709. Reporting of increases above specified prices**

5 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—An offeror shall be required to sub-
6 mit to the relevant contracting officer a report, not later
7 than 30 days after the offeror becomes aware that the price
8 of a product or service under a covered contract reaches or
9 exceeds an amount equal to—

10 “(1) 25 percent more than the price specified in
11 the covered contract bid;

12 “(2) 25 percent more than the price the Govern-
13 ment paid for such product or service during the cal-
14 endar year immediately preceding the date on which
15 the covered contract is entered into; or

16 “(3) 50 percent more than the price the Govern-
17 ment paid for such product or service at any time be-
18 fore the 5-year period preceding the date on which the
19 covered contract is entered into.

20 “(b) *NONCOMPLIANCE.*—With respect to an offeror who
21 fails to submit the report required under this section, the
22 Director of the Defense Contract Audit Agency or the rel-
23 evant service acquisition executive shall include in the Fed-
24 eral Awardee Performance and Integrity Information Sys-
25 tem (or any successor system) the following information:

1 “(1) *An identification of such offeror and the*
 2 *specific product or service to which such report should*
 3 *relate.*

4 “(2) *The National Stock Number of such product*
 5 *or service and the order quantity, unit cost, total cost,*
 6 *purchasing or reimbursing entity, and date of the*
 7 *order for such product or service.*

8 “(c) *COVERED CONTRACT DEFINED.—In this section,*
 9 *the term ‘covered contract’ means a contract awarded using*
 10 *procedures other than competitive procedures under section*
 11 *3204 of this title or pursuant to section 6.302 of the Federal*
 12 *Acquisition Regulation.”.*

13 **SEC. 804. ASSUMPTION OF UNINSURABLE RISK ON CERTAIN**
 14 **CONTRACTS.**

15 “(a) *IN GENERAL.—Chapter 281 of title 10, United*
 16 *States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following*
 17 *new section:*

18 **“§ 3864. Assumption of uninsurable risk on certain**
 19 **contracts**

20 “(a) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall en-*
 21 *sure that a contractor is not required to assume the risk*
 22 *of loss for work in process under a covered contract if, due*
 23 *to classified nature of the performance of such contractor*
 24 *under such covered contract—*

1 “(1) such contractor is unable to obtain insur-
 2 ance for such risk of loss from a commercial provider;
 3 or

4 “(2) a commercial provider is unable to process
 5 a claim of such contractor for loss of work in process
 6 under such covered contract.

7 “(b) *LIMITATIONS.*—Subsection (a) shall not apply
 8 with respect to a loss of work in process under a covered
 9 contract to the extent that such loss—

10 “(1) occurs outside the period of performance for
 11 such work in process under such covered contract; or

12 “(2) results from gross misconduct by the con-
 13 tractor.

14 “(c) *REGULATIONS.*—Not later than 120 days after the
 15 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
 16 shall revise the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation
 17 Supplement to carry out this section.

18 “(d) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

19 “(1) The term ‘classified contract’ means a con-
 20 tract the performance of which requires a contractor
 21 performing under such contract, or an employee of
 22 such contractor, to have access to classified informa-
 23 tion.

24 “(2) The term ‘covered contract’ means a classi-
 25 fied, fixed-price type contract for the acquisition of a

1 *product entered into by the Department of Defense*
2 *after the enactment of this Act.*

3 “(3) *The term ‘work in process’, with respect to*
4 *a contract, means a product to be delivered under*
5 *such contract—*

6 “(A) *that is at any stage of production or*
7 *manufacture; and*

8 “(B) *the delivery of which has not been ac-*
9 *cepted by the Government.”.*

10 (b) *REGULATIONS.—Not later than 120 days after the*
11 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense*
12 *shall revise the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation*
13 *Supplement to carry out section 3864 of title 10, United*
14 *States Code, as added by subsection (a).*

15 **SEC. 805. CHANGES TO REFERENCE DOCUMENTS.**

16 (a) *IN GENERAL.—Chapter 361 of title 10, United*
17 *States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following*
18 *new section:*

19 **“§ 4604. Changes to reference documents**

20 “(a) *IN GENERAL.—Each contract or other agreement*
21 *for the acquisition of any good or service entered into by*
22 *the Department of Defense shall include for each external*
23 *document referred to in such contract or other agreement*
24 *a notation that—*

1 “(1) provides the version of such external docu-
2 ment that is applicable to such contract or other
3 agreement; and

4 “(2) indicates whether any changes have been
5 made to such external document after the issuance of
6 the solicitation pursuant to which such contract or
7 other agreement was entered into.

8 “(b) *UNNOTATED DOCUMENTS*.—If a contract or other
9 agreement described in subsection (a) does not include the
10 notation required under such subsection for an external doc-
11 ument referred to in such contract or other agreement, the
12 version of the external document that shall apply with re-
13 spect to such contract or other agreement is the version in
14 effect at the time of the issuance of the solicitation pursuant
15 to which such contract or other agreement was entered into.

16 “(c) *EXTERNAL DOCUMENT DEFINED*.—In this sec-
17 tion, the term ‘external document’, with respect to a con-
18 tract or other agreement, means a document to which such
19 contract or other agreement refers that—

20 “(1) is external to such contract or other agree-
21 ment; and

22 “(2) either—

23 “(A) contains or affects any material term
24 of such contract or other agreement; or

1 “(B) otherwise modifies the performance re-
2 quired under such contract or other agreement.”.

3 (b) *APPLICABILITY.*—*The amendment made by sub-*
4 *section (a) shall apply only with respect to contracts and*
5 *other agreements entered into after the date of the enactment*
6 *of this Act.*

7 **SEC. 806. MAJOR SYSTEM COST GROWTH OVERSIGHT.**

8 (a) *SHORTEN NUNN-McCURDY BREACH REPORT*
9 *TIMELINE.*—*Section 4374 of title 10, United States Code,*
10 *is amended—*

11 (1) *in subsection (a), by striking “When a unit*
12 *cost report” and inserting “Not later than 30 days*
13 *after a unit cost report”;*

14 (2) *in subsection (b), by striking “When a unit*
15 *cost report” and inserting “Not later than 30 days*
16 *after a unit cost report”; and*

17 (3) *in subsection (c), by amending paragraph*
18 *(2) to read as follows:*

19 “(2) *TIME FOR SUBMISSION OF NOTIFICATION TO*
20 *CONGRESS.*—*In the case of a determination based on*
21 *a quarterly report submitted in accordance with sec-*
22 *tion 4372 of this title or a report submitted in accord-*
23 *ance with section 4373 of this title, the Secretary*
24 *shall submit the notification to Congress within 30*

1 *days after the date on which the determination was*
2 *made.”.*

3 **(b) END ITEM MAJOR SUBPROGRAM DESIGNATION.**—
4 *Section 4203(a)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is*
5 *amended by adding at the end the following new subpara-*
6 *graph:*

7 *“(C) If the Secretary of Defense determines*
8 *that a major defense acquisition program re-*
9 *quires the delivery of two or more end items that*
10 *are each estimated to require an eventual total*
11 *expenditure for research, development, test, eval-*
12 *uation, operation, and support of more than*
13 *\$500,000,000, the Secretary shall designate each*
14 *such end item as a major subprogram for the*
15 *purposes of acquisition reporting under this sub-*
16 *part.”.*

17 **(c) OPERATIONS AND SUPPORT COST INCLUSION.**—
18 *Section 4214(a)(2) of title 10, United States Code, is*
19 *amended by inserting “for the life cycle of such major de-*
20 *fense acquisition program or designated major subpro-*
21 *gram” before the period at the end.*

22 **(d) CRITICAL COST GROWTH TERMINATION.**—*Section*
23 *4376 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—*

24 *(1) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the*
25 *following new paragraphs:*

1 “(4) *DELEGATION.*—*The Secretary may not dele-*
2 *gate the submission of a written certification under*
3 *paragraph (1).*”; and

4 (2) *in subsection (c)*—

5 (A) *in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at*
6 *the end;*

7 (B) *in paragraph (3), by striking the period*
8 *at the end and inserting “; and”; and*

9 (C) *by adding at the end the following new*
10 *paragraph:*

11 “(4) *consideration of termination plans that*
12 *maximize value, including—*

13 (A) *immediate termination of the program*
14 *with no further action;*

15 (B) *termination of the program after com-*
16 *pletion of the end items in production and for*
17 *which funds have been obligated or expended*
18 *under the program as of the date that is the last*
19 *day of the applicable 60-day period described in*
20 *subsection (b)(1) for the program;*

21 (C) *termination of the program after com-*
22 *pletion of the end items described in subpara-*
23 *graph (B) for which the resale value exceeds the*
24 *cost of completing such end items; and*

1 “(D) any other course of action to maximize
 2 the value to the Government of the funds that
 3 have been obligated or expended under the pro-
 4 gram as of the date that is the last day of the
 5 applicable 60-day period described in subsection
 6 (b)(1) for the program.”.

7 **SEC. 807. CONTESTED LOGISTICS EXERCISE REQUIREMENT.**

8 Section 842 of the National Defense Authorization Act
 9 for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 10 U.S.C. 2341
 10 note) is amended—

11 (1) by redesignating subsection (h) as subsection
 12 (i); and

13 (2) by inserting after subsection (g) the following
 14 new subsection:

15 “(h) **CONTESTED LOGISTICS EXERCISE REQUIRE-**
 16 **MENT.**—

17 “(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of Defense
 18 shall direct the Secretaries of the Navy and the Air
 19 Force to incorporate the requirements of the Program
 20 into the execution of the Return of Forces to the Pa-
 21 cific exercise of the Air Force and the Rim of the Pa-
 22 cific exercise of the Navy.

23 “(2) **EXECUTION.**—In carrying out paragraph
 24 (1) with respect to an exercise described in such para-
 25 graph, the Secretary concerned shall, in consultation

1 *with any covered nation participating in such exer-*
2 *cise, evaluate the following:*

3 “(A) Operational scenarios that require
4 greater collaboration amongst national militaries
5 to support logistics requirements and which shall
6 leverage contracting processes and operational
7 contract support, acquisitions and cross serv-
8 icing agreements, and prepositioned assets to as-
9 sess how participating nations can maximize de-
10 terrence value and readiness of military forces.

11 “(B) Barriers that may prevent and oppor-
12 tunities to expand the joint sustainment of weap-
13 ons systems by nations that commonly operate
14 such weapon systems, including—

15 “(i) the use of agreements related to
16 maintenance and the sharing of parts; and

17 “(ii) how participating nations can ex-
18 pand tactical maintenance and supply
19 interoperability.

20 “(C) Conducting maintenance of weapons
21 systems in austere environments and the associ-
22 ated transportation requirements.

23 “(D) Existing policies, statutes, and tech-
24 nical requirements that prevent further integra-

1 tion of sustainment of weapon systems amongst
2 participating nations.

3 “(3) *TERMINATION.*—*This subsection shall termi-*
4 *nate on the date described in subsection (g).*”.

5 ***Subtitle B—Amendments to General***
6 ***Contracting Authorities, Proce-***
7 ***dures, and Limitations***

8 ***SEC. 811. ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS RELATED TO***
9 ***UNDEFINITIZED CONTRACTUAL ACTIONS.***

10 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—

11 (1) *ADDITIONAL ALLOWED PROFITS.*—*Section*
12 *3374(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—*

13 (A) *in the heading, by striking “CERTAIN*
14 *REDUCED”;*

15 (B) *in paragraph (1), by striking “and” at*
16 *the end;*

17 (C) *in paragraph (2), by striking the period*
18 *at the end and inserting a semicolon; and*

19 (D) *by adding at the end the following new*
20 *paragraphs:*

21 “(3) *the increased cost risk of the contractor with*
22 *respect to any costs incurred prior to the award of the*
23 *undefinitized contractual action when such costs—*

1 “(A) would have been directly chargeable to
2 the contract if incurred after the award of the
3 contract; and

4 “(B) were incurred to meet an anticipated
5 contract delivery schedule or anticipated contract
6 price targets of the Government under an acqui-
7 sition strategy required under section 4211 of
8 this title; and

9 “(4) the increased cost risk of the contractor with
10 respect to negotiations continuing for more than 180
11 days beginning on the date on which the contractor
12 submitted the qualifying proposal to definitize such
13 undefinitized contractual action.”.

14 (2) CONTRACT FINANCING PROGRESS PAYMENT
15 INCREASE.—Section 3804 of title 10, United States
16 Code, is amended—

17 (A) by striking subsection (b);

18 (B) by redesignating subsection (c) as sub-
19 section (b); and

20 (C) by adding at the end the following new
21 subsection:

22 “(c) ADJUSTMENT TO THE RATE OF CONTRACT FI-
23 NANCING.—If an undefinitized contractual action has not
24 been definitized within 180 days after the contractor sub-
25 mitted a qualifying proposal to definitize such

1 *undefinitized contractual action, the contracting officer*
 2 *shall increase the rate of any applicable payments under*
 3 *section 3801 of this title on such undefinitized contractual*
 4 *action by 5 percent without requiring any additional con-*
 5 *sideration from such contractor.”.*

6 (b) *REGULATIONS.*—*Not later than 120 days after the*
 7 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense*
 8 *shall revise the Department of Defense Supplement to the*
 9 *Federal Acquisition Regulation to carry out sections*
 10 *3374(a) and 3804 of title 10, United States Code, as amend-*
 11 *ed by subsection (a).*

12 **SEC. 812. MODIFICATION TO AWARD AMOUNT FOR PRO-**
 13 **GRAM TO ACCELERATE THE PROCUREMENT**
 14 **AND FIELDING OF INNOVATIVE TECH-**
 15 **NOLOGIES.**

16 *Section 3604(c) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 17 *amended—*

18 (1) *in the subsection heading, by striking “MAX-*
 19 *IMUM”;* and

20 (2) *by inserting “shall be greater than or equal*
 21 *to \$10,000,000 and” before “shall not exceed”.*

22 **SEC. 813. OTHER TRANSACTION AUTHORITY REPORTING.**

23 *Section 4021 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
 24 *ed by adding at the end the following new subsection:*

1 “(j) *REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.*—With respect to
 2 each use of the authority under this section, the Secretary
 3 of Defense shall ensure that such use—

4 “(1) is reported in the same manner as other
 5 similar expenditures of the Department of Defense;
 6 and

7 “(2) is included in the searchable website estab-
 8 lished under the Federal Funding Accountability and
 9 Transparency Act of 2006 (Public Law 109–282; 31
 10 U.S.C. 6101 note).”.

11 **SEC. 814. AMENDMENT TO PROCUREMENT OF SERVICES**

12 **DATA ANALYSIS AND REQUIREMENTS VALI-**
 13 **DATION.**

14 Section 4506 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
 15 ed—

16 (1) by repealing subsection (e); and

17 (2) in subsection (f)—

18 (A) by striking paragraphs (1) and (2); and

19 (B) by redesignating paragraphs (3) and

20 (4) as paragraphs (1) and (2), respectively.

21 **SEC. 815. ACQUISITION THRESHOLDS FOR CERTAIN MATE-**

22 **RIALS.**

23 (a) *STRATEGIC MATERIALS.*—Section 4863 of title 10,
 24 United States Code, is amended by amending subsection (f)
 25 to read as follows:

1 “(f) *EXCEPTION FOR SMALL PURCHASES.*—(1) Sub-
 2 section (a) does not apply to acquisitions in amounts not
 3 greater than \$250,000.

4 “(2) A proposed acquisition of an item subject to sub-
 5 section (a) in an amount greater than \$250,000 may not
 6 be divided into several purchases or contracts for lesser
 7 amounts in order to meet the exception under paragraph
 8 (1).

9 “(3) On October 1 of each year that is evenly divisible
 10 by five, the Secretary of Defense may adjust the dollar
 11 threshold in this subsection based on changes in the Con-
 12 sumer Price Index. Any such adjustment shall take effect
 13 on the date on which the Secretary publishes notice of such
 14 adjustment in the Federal Register.”.

15 (b) *SENSITIVE MATERIALS FROM NON-ALLIED FOR-*
 16 *EIGN NATIONS.*—Section 4872 of title 10, United States
 17 Code, as amended by section 816 of this Act, is further
 18 amended by inserting after subsection (f) (as added by such
 19 section) the following new subsection:

20 “(g) *EXCEPTION FOR SMALL PURCHASES.*—

21 “(1) Subsection (a)(1) does not apply to procure-
 22 ments in amounts not greater than \$250,000.

23 “(2) A proposed procurement of a material or
 24 item subject to subsection (a) in an amount greater
 25 than \$250,000 may not be divided into several pur-

1 *chases or contracts for lesser amounts in order to meet*
 2 *the exception under paragraph (1).*

3 *“(3) On October 1 of each year that is evenly di-*
 4 *visible by five, the Secretary of Defense may adjust*
 5 *the dollar threshold in this subsection based on*
 6 *changes in the Consumer Price Index. Any such ad-*
 7 *justment shall take effect on the date on which the*
 8 *Secretary publishes notice of such adjustment in the*
 9 *Federal Register.”.*

10 *(c) PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARDS.—Section 4873 of title*
 11 *10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end*
 12 *the following new subsection:*

13 *“(g) EXCEPTION FOR SMALL PURCHASES.—*

14 *“(1) Subsection (a)(1) does not apply to acquisi-*
 15 *tions in amounts not greater than \$10,000.*

16 *“(2) A proposed acquisition of an item subject to*
 17 *subsection (a)(1) in an amount greater than \$10,000*
 18 *may not be divided into several purchases or con-*
 19 *tracts for lesser amounts in order to meet the excep-*
 20 *tion under paragraph (1).*

21 *“(3) On October 1 of each year that is evenly di-*
 22 *visible by five, the Secretary of Defense may adjust*
 23 *the dollar threshold in this subsection based on*
 24 *changes in the Consumer Price Index. Any such ad-*
 25 *justment shall take effect on the date on which the*

1 *Secretary publishes notice of such adjustment in the*
2 *Federal Register.”.*

3 **SEC. 816. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS PROHIBITED FROM NON-**
4 **ALLIED FOREIGN NATIONS.**

5 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4872 of title 10, United*
6 *States Code, is amended—*

7 *(1) by redesignating subsection (f) as subsection*
8 *(h);*

9 *(2) by inserting after subsection (e) the following*
10 *new subsection:*

11 *“(f) COVERED MATERIAL DESIGNATION.—*

12 *“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense*
13 *shall submit to the congressional defense committees a*
14 *notice of a designation under subsection (h)(1)(F) not*
15 *later than 30 days prior to the date on which such*
16 *designation is published in the Federal Register.*

17 *“(2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The designation of a*
18 *mineral, material, substrate, metal, or alloy as a cov-*
19 *ered material under subsection (h)(1)(F)—*

20 *“(A) shall take effect on the date that is one*
21 *year after the date on which the Secretary of De-*
22 *fense publishes a notice of such designation in*
23 *the Federal Register and submits to the congres-*
24 *sional defense committees the notice required*

1 *under paragraph (1) with respect to such notice;*
 2 *and*

3 *“(B) shall apply only with respect to con-*
 4 *tracts or other agreements entered into after the*
 5 *date on which such designation takes effect under*
 6 *subparagraph (A).”;* and

7 *(3) in subsection (h), as so redesignated—*

8 *(A) in subparagraph (D), by striking “and”*
 9 *at the end;*

10 *(B) in subparagraph (E), by striking the*
 11 *period at the end and inserting “; and”; and*

12 *(C) by adding at the end the following new*
 13 *subparagraph:*

14 *“(F) any other mineral, material, substrate,*
 15 *metal, or alloy designated by the Secretary of*
 16 *Defense pursuant to a determination by the Sec-*
 17 *retary of Defense that such designation is in the*
 18 *interest of national security.”.*

19 **SEC. 817. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY FOR PILOT PROGRAM**
 20 **FOR DEVELOPMENT OF TECHNOLOGY-EN-**
 21 **HANCED CAPABILITIES WITH PARTNERSHIP**
 22 **INTERMEDIARIES.**

23 *Section 851(e) of the National Defense Authorization*
 24 *Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (10 U.S.C. 4901 note) is amended*

1 *by striking “September 30, 2025” and inserting “September*
 2 *30, 2028”.*

3 **SEC. 818. GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE BID PRO-**
 4 **TEST PROCESS ENHANCEMENT.**

5 *(a) REVISE REGULATIONS.—*

6 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after*
 7 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of*
 8 *Defense shall revise the Defense Supplement to the*
 9 *Federal Acquisition Regulation to establish proce-*
 10 *dures for a contracting officer of the Department of*
 11 *Defense to file a claim against a contractor that files*
 12 *a covered bid protest.*

13 *(2) CLAIMS PROCEDURES.—The procedures re-*
 14 *quired by paragraph (1) shall ensure the following:*

15 *(A) A claim described in paragraph (1)*
 16 *shall be filed in accordance with chapter 71 of*
 17 *title 41, United States Code.*

18 *(B) Any remedy shall be limited to the*
 19 *disgorgement of any profits and fees earned by*
 20 *the incumbent contractor in the performance of*
 21 *a covered contract during the disgorgement pe-*
 22 *riod.*

23 *(3) TREATMENT OF AMOUNTS RECEIVED.—*
 24 *Amounts received as result of a claim described in*
 25 *paragraph (1) shall be credited to the fund or account*

1 that was used to cover the costs of the covered con-
 2 tract, or, if the period of availability of obligations
 3 for the appropriation from which such costs were
 4 paid has expired, to the appropriations of a fund or
 5 account that is currently available to the Secretary
 6 for the same purpose. Amounts so credited shall be
 7 merged with amounts in such fund or account and
 8 shall be available for the same purposes, and subject
 9 to the same conditions and limitations, as amounts in
 10 such fund or account.

11 (4) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this subsection:*

12 (A) The term “covered bid protest” means a
 13 bid protest—

14 (i) that was filed with the Comptroller
 15 General of the United States by an incum-
 16 bent contractor;

17 (ii) that was dismissed by the Comp-
 18 troller General based a lack of any reason-
 19 able legal or factual basis; and

20 (iii) for which such dismissal was fi-
 21 nally determined.

22 (B) The term “covered contract” means a
 23 contract with the Department of Defense entered
 24 into with the incumbent contractor for the acqui-
 25 sition of goods or services by the Department

1 *during the disgorgement period that are the same*
2 *or substantially similar to goods or services to be*
3 *acquired by the Department under the contract*
4 *previously awarded to the incumbent contractor.*

5 *(C) The term “disgorgement period” means*
6 *the period of performance under a contract that*
7 *was awarded or extended because the Depart-*
8 *ment of Defense received notice of a protest by*
9 *the incumbent contractor and was prohibited*
10 *from awarding a new contract during the pend-*
11 *ency of such bid protest under section 3553(c) of*
12 *title 31, United States Code.*

13 *(D) The term “finally determined”, with re-*
14 *spect to the dismissal of a bid protest, means dis-*
15 *missal—*

16 *(i) was not appealed and is no longer*
17 *appealable because the time for taking an*
18 *appeal has expired; or*

19 *(ii) was appealed and the appeals*
20 *process for which is completed.*

21 *(E) The term “incumbent contractor”*
22 *means a contractor under a contract with the*
23 *Department of Defense for the acquisition of*
24 *goods or services by the Department that are the*
25 *same or substantially similar to goods or services*

1 to be acquired by the Department under a new
2 or follow-on contract that is the subject of a cov-
3 ered bid protest.

4 (b) *CONTINUED PERFORMANCE TO FACILITATE NA-*
5 *TIONAL DEFENSE.*—Section 3553 of title 31, United States
6 Code, is amended—

7 (1) by amending subsection (c)(3) to read as fol-
8 lows:

9 “(3) For the purposes of the written finding under
10 paragraph (2)(A) with respect to a contract for a procure-
11 ment by a component of the Department of Defense, the
12 head of the procuring activity may make the finding under
13 such paragraph for such contract if such head of the pro-
14 curing activity determines that the performance of such
15 contract would facilitate the national defense.”; and

16 (2) in subsection (d)(3), by adding at the end the
17 following new subparagraph:

18 “(D) For the purposes of the determination under
19 paragraph (2)(B) with respect to a contract for a procure-
20 ment by a component of the Department of Defense, a con-
21 tracting officer may not determine that immediate perform-
22 ance of such contract is not in the best interests of the
23 United States if the contracting officer determines that per-
24 formance of the contract would facilitate the national de-
25 fense.”.

1 **SEC. 819. REPORT ON THE USE OF OTHER TRANSACTION**
2 **AUTHORITY.**

3 *Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment*
4 *of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the con-*
5 *gressional defense committees a report on the use of follow-*
6 *on production contracts or transactions under section 4022*
7 *of title 10, United States Code, during the period beginning*
8 *on October 1, 2020, and ending on October 1, 2025. Such*
9 *report shall include—*

10 *(1) the number of transactions for a prototype*
11 *project awarded under the authority provided by such*
12 *section 4022 during the period covered by the report;*

13 *(2) the number of transactions for a prototype*
14 *project for which an option for a follow-on production*
15 *contract or transaction was awarded during such pe-*
16 *riod;*

17 *(3) for each follow-on production contract or*
18 *transaction described in paragraph (2), a summary*
19 *of current status of such contract or transaction, in-*
20 *cluding overall performance of the contractor in exe-*
21 *cution of such contract or transaction and the total*
22 *value of the award;*

23 *(4) an assessment of any trends or lessons*
24 *learned that may be limit or prevent the use of follow-*
25 *on production contracts or transactions under such*
26 *section 4022; and*

1 (5) any recommendations the Secretary may
 2 have to improve the use of follow-on production con-
 3 tracts or transactions under such section 4022 and to
 4 increase the number of prototype projects that success-
 5 fully transition to production through such use.

6 **SEC. 820. APPLICATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTATION AND**
 7 **OVERSIGHT REQUIREMENTS TO CERTAIN**
 8 **PROJECTS PERFORMED THROUGH OTHER**
 9 **TRANSACTION AUTHORITY.**

10 With respect to each project performed through a trans-
 11 action (other than contracts, cooperative agreements, and
 12 grants) entered into pursuant to section 4021 or 4022 of
 13 title 10, United States Code, that meets the definition of
 14 a major defense acquisition program (as defined in section
 15 4201 of such title 10), the requirements of section 4204(e)
 16 of such title 10 shall apply to such project.

17 **Subtitle C—Provisions Relating to**
 18 **Workforce Development**

19 **SEC. 831. IMPROVEMENTS TO PUBLIC-PRIVATE TALENT EX-**
 20 **CHANGE.**

21 Section 1599g(f) of title 10, United States Code, is
 22 amended—

23 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) through
 24 (F) of paragraph (2) as clauses (i) through (vi), re-
 25 spectively;

1 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (1) through (5)
2 as subparagraphs (A) through (E), respectively;

3 (3) by inserting “(1)” before “An employee”;

4 (4) in subparagraph (B)(ii), as so redesignated,
5 by striking “207,”;

6 (5) in subparagraph (D), as so redesignated, by
7 inserting “, unless specifically directed to perform
8 such work by written request of the Secretary” after
9 “inherently governmental in nature”; and

10 (6) by adding at the end the following new para-
11 graph:

12 “(2) An employee described under paragraph (1) that
13 is directed to perform work that is considered inherently
14 governmental in nature under subparagraph (D) of such
15 paragraph shall be deemed to be an employee of the Depart-
16 ment of Defense for purposes of section 207 of title 18,
17 United States Code.”.

18 **SEC. 832. MODIFICATION TO ASSIGNMENT PERIOD FOR**
19 **CRITICAL ACQUISITION POSITIONS.**

20 Section 1734 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
21 ed—

22 (1) in subsection (a)—

23 (A) in the subsection heading, by striking
24 “THREE-YEAR”;

25 (B) in paragraph (1)—

1 (i) by striking “paragraph (3)” and
 2 inserting “paragraph (4)”; and

3 (ii) by inserting “(or with respect to a
 4 program executive officer, six-year period)”
 5 after “three-year period”;

6 (C) in paragraph (2), by striking “A per-
 7 son” inserting “Except as provided in para-
 8 graph (3), a person”;

9 (D) by redesignating paragraph (3) as
 10 paragraph (4); and

11 (E) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-
 12 lowing new paragraph:

13 “(3) An individual may not be assigned as a program
 14 executive officer (as described in section 1732 of this title)
 15 unless the individual executes a written agreement to re-
 16 main on active duty (in the case of a member of the armed
 17 forces) or to remain in Federal service (in the case of an
 18 employee) in that position for a period of at least six years.
 19 The service obligation contained in such a written agree-
 20 ment shall remain in effect unless and until waived by the
 21 Secretary concerned under subsection (b).”;

22 (2) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the
 23 following new paragraph:

24 “(4) The Secretary of Defense shall require that—

1 “(A) a program executive officer be assigned in
2 that position for a period of at least six years; and

3 “(B) the Under Secretary of Defense for Per-
4 sonnel and Readiness and the Under Secretary of De-
5 fense for Acquisition and Sustainment jointly ensure
6 that the requirement in subparagraph (A) does not
7 negatively affect the consideration of an individual
8 for promotion or otherwise impede the advancement of
9 an individual to a position of higher responsibility.”;

10 (3) in subsection (d), by striking “subsection
11 (a)(2) or (b)(2)” and inserting “in subsection (a)(2),
12 (b)(2), or (b)(3)”; and

13 (4) in subsection (e), by inserting “(except for an
14 individual assigned as a program executive officer)”
15 after “serving in critical acquisition positions”.

16 **SEC. 833. DEVELOPMENT OF THE ADVANCED MANUFAC-**
17 **TURING WORKFORCE.**

18 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 180 days after the
19 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
20 shall establish in the Defense Industrial Resilience Consor-
21 tium established under section 1842 of this Act a working
22 group to identify opportunities to address workforce short-
23 ages in advanced manufacturing career fields in the defense
24 industrial base.

1 (b) *MEMBERSHIP.*—*The working group shall consist of*
2 *members of the Defense Industrial Resilience Consortium*
3 *with an interest in addressing workforce shortages in ad-*
4 *vanced manufacturing career fields in the defense industrial*
5 *base.*

6 (c) *RESPONSIBILITIES.*—*The working group shall—*

7 (1) *identify estimated workforce shortages in ad-*
8 *vanced manufacturing career fields in the defense in-*
9 *dustrial base, including such workforce shortages in*
10 *the Department of Defense organic industrial base;*

11 (2) *identify career fields in advanced manufac-*
12 *turing and the associated skills and abilities that are*
13 *required for such fields; and*

14 (3) *develop recommendations for—*

15 (A) *training, education, and career develop-*
16 *ment programs, including mid-career programs,*
17 *apprenticeships, internships, and summer*
18 *camps, to prepare individuals for careers in ad-*
19 *vanced manufacturing;*

20 (B) *the establishment of public-private part-*
21 *nerships to provide workforce development activi-*
22 *ties, including identifying incentives for such*
23 *partnerships for success in recruiting, training,*
24 *and retaining individuals in careers in ad-*
25 *vanced manufacturing; and*

1 (C) any policy changes needed to further the
 2 participation of individuals in the advanced
 3 manufacturing workforce of the defense indus-
 4 trial base.

5 (d) *REPORT*.—Not later than one year after the date
 6 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall
 7 submit to Congress a report containing—

8 (1) any recommendations developed by the work-
 9 ing group under subsection (c)(3); and

10 (2) a recommendation whether to continue or
 11 terminate the working group.

12 (e) *ADVANCED MANUFACTURING DEFINED*.—In this
 13 section, the term “advanced manufacturing” means the
 14 manufacturing of products or the application and use of
 15 advanced technologies (including artificial intelligence, ro-
 16 botics, automation, 3D printing, and cyber-physical sys-
 17 tems).

18 **SEC. 834. COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION LEADERSHIP AP-**
 19 **POINTMENTS.**

20 (a) *IN GENERAL*.—The Secretary of Defense shall en-
 21 sure that the eligibility for an acquisition leadership posi-
 22 tion associated with a joint research and development activ-
 23 ity or a joint acquisition program is not limited by—

24 (1) the affiliation of an individual with a spe-
 25 cific Armed Force; or

1 (2) *whether an individual is a civilian employee*
 2 *of the Department of Defense or a member of the mili-*
 3 *tary.*

4 (b) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section*
 5 *shall be construed as impairing or otherwise affecting the*
 6 *authority of any component, element, or activity of the De-*
 7 *partment of Defense from considering the level of represen-*
 8 *tation of an Armed Force, Federal agency, or organization*
 9 *of the Department in an acquisition program when deter-*
 10 *mining whom to appoint to an acquisition leadership posi-*
 11 *tion under such acquisition program.*

12 (c) *ACQUISITION LEADERSHIP POSITION DEFINED.—*
 13 *In this section, the term “acquisition leadership position”*
 14 *means an acquisition position within the Department of*
 15 *Defense, as designated pursuant to section 1721(a) of title*
 16 *10, United States Code, that is under an acquisition pro-*
 17 *gram of the Department and classified at or above grade*
 18 *O-5 (or equivalent).*

19 **SEC. 835. DEVELOPMENT AND EMPLOYMENT OF MEMBERS**
 20 **OF THE DEFENSE CIVILIAN TRAINING CORPS.**

21 (a) *REVIEW REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days*
 22 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Sec-*
 23 *retary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, in col-*
 24 *laboration with the Secretaries of the military departments,*
 25 *shall identify career and developmental programs of the De-*

1 *partment of Defense, including programs in which the De-*
2 *partment participates, that—*

3 *(1) serve as recruitment and placement tools*
4 *used to attract highly qualified individuals to and re-*
5 *tain such individuals in careers as Federal employees*
6 *in the civil service; and*

7 *(2) develop individuals into employees of the ac-*
8 *quisition workforce who have strong professional, tech-*
9 *nical, managerial, and administrative competencies*
10 *that meet the current and future mission needs of the*
11 *acquisition system of the Department.*

12 *(b) MEMBER PLACEMENT.—*

13 *(1) EXISTING PROGRAMS.—*

14 *(A) IN GENERAL.—The Under Secretary*
15 *may, to the extent practicable, appoint members*
16 *and Corps graduates to acquisition positions in*
17 *the Department of Defense under the programs*
18 *identified under subsection (a) to carry out the*
19 *purpose of the Defense Civilian Training Corps*
20 *described in section 2200g(b) of title 10, United*
21 *States Code.*

22 *(B) APPOINTMENTS.—The Under Secretary*
23 *shall make appointments under subparagraph*
24 *(A) using the authorities of and in accordance*
25 *with the requirements of the program under*

1 *which the Under Secretary is making such ap-*
2 *pointment.*

3 (2) *NEW PROGRAM.*—

4 (A) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 180 days*
5 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, the*
6 *Under Secretary shall establish a new program*
7 *under which the Under Secretary may appoint*
8 *Corps graduates to acquisition positions in the*
9 *Department of Defense to carry out the purpose*
10 *of the Defense Civilian Training Corps described*
11 *in section 2200g(b) of title 10, United States*
12 *Code, to the extent that the Under Secretary de-*
13 *termines that the authority to make appoint-*
14 *ments under paragraph (1) is insufficient to*
15 *make the appointments necessary to carry out*
16 *such purposes.*

17 (B) *APPOINTMENT TERM.*—*An appointment*
18 *under subparagraph (A) shall be a one-year ap-*
19 *pointment to a position in the civil service in a*
20 *component of the Department of Defense partici-*
21 *pating in the program established under such*
22 *subparagraph, which may be renewed for one*
23 *year not more than once.*

24 (C) *NONCOMPETITIVE APPOINTMENTS.*—

1 (i) *INITIAL APPOINTMENT.*—*The Under*
2 *Secretary may make appointments under*
3 *the program established under subpara-*
4 *graph (A) to positions in the competitive*
5 *service without regard to sections 3309*
6 *through 3318, 3327, and 3330 of title 5,*
7 *United States.*

8 (ii) *SUBSEQUENT APPOINTMENT.*—*An*
9 *individual appointed to a position under*
10 *the program established under subpara-*
11 *graph (A) may be appointed to another po-*
12 *sition in the competitive service without re-*
13 *gard to sections 3309 through 3318, 3327,*
14 *and 3330 of title 5, United States, if—*

15 (I) *such individual has completed*
16 *the term of the appointment of such in-*
17 *dividual under such program;*

18 (II) *such individual has not been*
19 *involuntarily separated from service in*
20 *the Federal Government for cause on*
21 *charges of misconduct or delinquency;*

22 (III) *such individual has not been*
23 *appointed to a position in the Federal*
24 *Government after completing the term*

1 of the appointment of such individual
2 under such program; and

3 (IV) the date on which such indi-
4 vidual completed the term of the ap-
5 pointment of such individual under
6 such program is not more than one
7 year prior to the date of the appoint-
8 ment under this clause.

9 (3) *SALARY.*—

10 (A) *IN GENERAL.*—The Under Secretary
11 shall pay the basic pay of individuals appointed
12 to positions under paragraph (1) or under the
13 program established under paragraph (2)(A)
14 from the Defense Acquisition Workforce Develop-
15 ment Account (section 1705 of title 10, United
16 States Code) during the period described in sub-
17 paragraph (B).

18 (B) *PAYMENT PERIOD.*—The period de-
19 scribed in this subparagraph is—

20 (i) with respect to an individual ap-
21 pointed to a position under paragraph (1),
22 the period beginning on the date such ap-
23 pointment starts and ending on the earlier
24 of the date that is one year after the date
25 on which such appointment started or the

1 *date on which such individual ceases to hold*
2 *such position pursuant to such appoint-*
3 *ment; and*

4 *(ii) with respect to an individual ap-*
5 *pointed to a position under the program es-*
6 *tablished under paragraph (2)(A), the pe-*
7 *riod beginning on the date such appoint-*
8 *ment starts and ending on the earlier of the*
9 *date on which such appointment ends or the*
10 *date on which such individual ceases to hold*
11 *such position pursuant to such appoint-*
12 *ment.*

13 *(c) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date*
14 *of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall*
15 *submit to the congressional defense committees, the Com-*
16 *mittee on Oversight and Government Reform of the House*
17 *of Representatives, and the Committee on Homeland Secu-*
18 *rity and Governmental Affairs of the Senate a report—*

19 *(1) describing the programs identified under sub-*
20 *section (a);*

21 *(2) describing the program established under*
22 *subsection (b)(2)(A);*

23 *(3) with an estimate of the funding necessary to*
24 *fulfill the requirements of this section, for each fiscal*
25 *year through fiscal year 2030;*

1 (4) *providing recommendations for any changes*
2 *in policy or regulation necessary to enable the pro-*
3 *grams identified under subsection (a) and the pro-*
4 *gram that may be established under subsection*
5 *(b)(2)(A) to develop members and Corps graduates*
6 *into employees of the acquisition workforce who have*
7 *strong professional, technical, managerial, and ad-*
8 *ministrative competencies that meet the current and*
9 *future mission needs of the acquisition system of the*
10 *Department; and*

11 (5) *any other recommendations of the Secretary*
12 *for strengthening or improving the program estab-*
13 *lished under subsection (b)(2)(A).*

14 (d) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

15 (1) *The term “acquisition position” means a po-*
16 *sition designated as an acquisition positions by the*
17 *Secretary of Defense pursuant to section 1721(a) of*
18 *title 10, United States Code.*

19 (2) *The terms “acquisition workforce” and*
20 *“military departments” have the meanings given such*
21 *terms, respectively, in section 101(a) of title 10,*
22 *United States Code.*

23 (3) *The term “Corps graduate” means an indi-*
24 *vidual who successfully graduated from the Defense*
25 *Civilian Training Corps.*

1 (4) *The term “Defense Civilian Training Corps”*
2 *means the Defense Civilian Training Corps program*
3 *established under section 2200g of title 10, United*
4 *States Code.*

5 (5) *The term “member” means a student at an*
6 *accredited civilian educational institution who is en-*
7 *rolled in the Defense Civilian Training Corps.*

8 (6) *The term “Under Secretary” means the*
9 *Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and*
10 *Sustainment.*

11 **SEC. 836. REFORM OF CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE INFOR-**
12 **MATION REQUIREMENTS.**

13 (a) *REVISION TO DFARS.—The Secretary of Defense*
14 *shall revise part 242.15 of the Department of Defense Sup-*
15 *plement to the Federal Acquisition Regulation to establish*
16 *an objective, fact-based, and simplified system for reporting*
17 *contractor performance. The revised system shall—*

18 (1) *focus exclusively on negative performance*
19 *events that are measurable to reduce subjectivity and*
20 *inconsistency in evaluations;*

21 (2) *create a level playing field for commercial*
22 *entities, subcontractors, and new entrants that do not*
23 *have extensive past performance records to compete*
24 *for Department of Defense contracts;*

1 (3) *reduce the administrative burden on con-*
 2 *tracting officers by limiting reporting to significant*
 3 *failures or poor performance;*

4 (4) *establish standardized templates for reporting*
 5 *negative performance events and calculating com-*
 6 *posite scores; and*

7 (5) *ensure the Government can identify and*
 8 *avoid contractors with a history of poor performance*
 9 *or bad actions.*

10 (b) *REVISION OF CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE INFOR-*
 11 *MATION REQUIREMENTS.—*

12 (1) *ELIMINATION OF SUBJECTIVE PERFORMANCE*
 13 *RATINGS.—The Secretary of Defense shall revise part*
 14 *242.15 of the Department of Defense Supplement to*
 15 *the Federal Acquisition Regulation and related guid-*
 16 *ance, including the Contractor Performance Assess-*
 17 *ment Reporting System (or a successor system) (in*
 18 *this section referred to as “CPARS”), to eliminate*
 19 *subjective performance ratings for contracts subject to*
 20 *such part.*

21 (2) *SCOPE OF REPORTING.—A contracting officer*
 22 *shall only include negative performance events that*
 23 *have a material impact on contract performance or*
 24 *Government interests in CPARS and shall exclude*
 25 *positive or neutral performance assessments, except as*

1 *necessary to provide context for an included negative*
2 *performance event. A contracting officer shall report*
3 *in CPARS negative performance events within 30*
4 *days after verifying the event.*

5 (3) *CATEGORIZATION OF NEGATIVE PERFORM-*
6 *ANCE EVENTS.—A contracting officer shall categorize*
7 *negative performance events reported under para-*
8 *graph (2) in one of the following areas:*

9 (A) *Failures related to innovation, technical*
10 *development, or prototype delivery.*

11 (B) *Failures related to manufacturing,*
12 *quality control, or delivery of products.*

13 (C) *Failures related to maintenance, logis-*
14 *tics, or support services.*

15 (D) *Failures related to professional, admin-*
16 *istrative, or operational services.*

17 (E) *Failures related to software, hardware,*
18 *cybersecurity, or information technology systems.*

19 (4) *PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS.—A con-*
20 *tracting officer is not required to conduct an annual*
21 *or periodic performance evaluation of a contractor*
22 *unless the contracting officer has verified a negative*
23 *performance event of such contractor.*

24 (5) *USE IN SOURCE SELECTION.—The Secretary*
25 *of Defense shall consider a negative performance event*

1 *and the score associated with such event (as cal-*
 2 *culated under subsection (f)) in source selection eval-*
 3 *uations to assess contractor risk and responsi-*
 4 *bility. The absence of negative performance events for*
 5 *an offeror, including an offer that is a nontraditional*
 6 *defense contractor or a new entrant, shall not be con-*
 7 *sidered a deficiency in past performance evaluations.*
 8 *Such offerors shall be evaluated based on technical ca-*
 9 *pability, price, and other relevant factors.*

10 *(c) SCORING MECHANISM FOR NEGATIVE PERFORM-*
 11 *ANCE EVENTS.—*

12 *(1) CALCULATION.—The Secretary of Defense*
 13 *shall establish a standardized scoring mechanism to*
 14 *normalize negative performance events of a contractor*
 15 *based on the number of transactions and the dollar*
 16 *value of contracts performed by the contractor.*

17 *(2) APPLICATION OF SCORES.—The Secretary*
 18 *shall ensure that—*

19 *(A) a composite score for each contractor is*
 20 *included in CPARS, along with any negative*
 21 *performance events used in source selection to as-*
 22 *sess past performance risk; and*

23 *(B) CPARS is programmed to automati-*
 24 *cally calculate scores based on data entered by*
 25 *contracting officers, including the number of*

1 *transactions and the dollar value of contracts*
2 *performed by the contractor.*

3 (4) *TRANSPARENCY.—The Secretary shall ensure*
4 *that contractors—*

5 (A) *have access to composite scores and the*
6 *underlying data through CPARS; and*

7 (B) *may submit comments or rebuttals to*
8 *reported negative performance events or scores,*
9 *which shall be maintained in CPARS for consid-*
10 *eration in source selection.*

11 (d) *MANDATORY REPORTING.—A contracting officer*
12 *shall report the following negative performance events:*

13 (1) *Delivery of products failing to meet contract*
14 *requirements, as verified by Government inspection*
15 *reports, quality assurance records, or testing results.*

16 (2) *Failure to meet contract delivery schedules,*
17 *as documented in contract milestones, delivery orders,*
18 *or Government records.*

19 (3) *Incorrect or unauthorized markings on tech-*
20 *nical data or software, or improper assertions of re-*
21 *strictive rights, as verified by Government review or*
22 *legal findings.*

23 (4) *Submission of inaccurate, incomplete, or*
24 *misleading cost or pricing data, as identified through*

1 *audits by the Defense Contract Audit Agency or other*
2 *Government authorities.*

3 (5) *Failure to include mandatory contract*
4 *clauses in subcontracts, as verified by contract re-*
5 *views or audits.*

6 (6) *Submission of false claims, fraudulent in-*
7 *voices, or misrepresentations, as substantiated by in-*
8 *vestigations, legal findings, or Government records.*

9 (7) *Failure to comply with safety, environ-*
10 *mental, or other regulatory requirements, as docu-*
11 *mented by Government inspections or citations.*

12 (8) *Failure to meet cybersecurity requirements or*
13 *significant breaches caused by contractor negligence,*
14 *as verified by Government records.*

15 (9) *Any other negative performance event, as de-*
16 *termined by the Secretary of Defense, that is based on*
17 *verifiable data or objective evaluations and for which*
18 *the Secretary publishes criteria in the Department of*
19 *Defense Supplement to the Federal Acquisition Regu-*
20 *lation.*

21 (e) *IMPLEMENTATION.—*

22 (1) *TRAINING AND GUIDANCE.—The Secretary of*
23 *Defense shall develop and provide training for con-*
24 *tracting officers on the following:*

1 (A) *Identifying, verifying, and reporting*
2 *negative performance events.*

3 (B) *The use of objective evidence and the ex-*
4 *clusion of subjective judgments in reporting neg-*
5 *ative performance events.*

6 (C) *Entering data for creating a score in*
7 *CPARS.*

8 (2) *SYSTEM MODIFICATIONS.—Not later than one*
9 *year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the*
10 *Secretary of Defense shall modify CPARS to include*
11 *the following functions:*

12 (A) *The categorization of negative perform-*
13 *ance events.*

14 (B) *Elimination of fields for subjective rat-*
15 *ings.*

16 (C) *Automatically calculate composite*
17 *scores based on reported data.*

18 (D) *A mechanism for contractors to review*
19 *and respond to reported events and scores.*

20 (3) *TRANSITION PERIOD.—With respect to a con-*
21 *tract awarded before the effective date of the revision*
22 *to the Department of Defense Supplement to the Fed-*
23 *eral Acquisition Regulation required by subsection*
24 *(a), a contracting officer for such contract may com-*

1 *plete CPARS evaluations under the prior system*
2 *until the contract is closed or terminated.*

3 *(f) REPORT AND OVERSIGHT.—*

4 *(1) REPORT.—Not later than January 15, 2026,*
5 *the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Committees*
6 *on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Rep-*
7 *resentatives a report on the implementation of this*
8 *section.*

9 *(2) GAO REVIEW.—Not later than three years*
10 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comp-*
11 *troller General of the United States shall conduct a*
12 *review of the revised CPARS that includes the fol-*
13 *lowing:*

14 *(A) The effectiveness of CPARS to carry out*
15 *the requirements of this section.*

16 *(B) The accuracy and fairness of the scor-*
17 *ing mechanism developed under subsection (d).*

18 *(C) The effect of the modifications made by*
19 *this section on competition and participation of*
20 *nontraditional defense contractors in contracts of*
21 *the Department of Defense.*

22 *(g) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section and the require-*
23 *ments of this section shall take effect 180 days after the date*
24 *of the enactment of this Act.*

25 *(h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

1 (1) The term “negative performance event”
 2 means a verifiable instance of contractor failure or
 3 poor performance as described in subsection (e).

4 (2) The term “nontraditional defense contractor”
 5 has the meaning given in section 3014 of title 10,
 6 United States Code.

7 (3) The term “verifiable data” means objective
 8 evidence documented in contract records, inspection
 9 reports, audits, correspondence, or other Government
 10 records that substantiate a negative performance
 11 event.

12 **SEC. 837. RESTRUCTURING OF PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**
 13 **METRICS FOR THE ACQUISITION WORK-**
 14 **FORCE.**

15 (a) **ESTABLISHMENT OF ACQUISITION WORKFORCE**
 16 **KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS.**—Not later than 180 days
 17 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
 18 of Defense shall implement mandatory key performance in-
 19 dicators (in this section referred to as “KPIs”) for evalu-
 20 ating members of the acquisition workforce (as defined in
 21 10 USC 101). Such KPIs shall be used to assess the degree
 22 of alignment between activities of such members and stra-
 23 tegic priorities of the Department of Defense, including—
 24 (1) use of commercial acquisition methods, in-
 25 cluding the use of fixed-price contracts under terms

1 *and conditions similar to those used for commercial*
2 *contracts;*

3 *(2) use of innovative acquisition authorities;*

4 *(3) demonstrated preference for commercial solu-*
5 *tions;*

6 *(4) integration of small business concerns (as de-*
7 *finied under section 3 of the Small Business Act (15*
8 *U.S.C. 632)) and nontraditional defense contractors*
9 *(as defined in section 3014 of title 10, United States*
10 *Code) into the defense industrial base;*

11 *(5) demonstrated cost and schedule efficiencies;*

12 *(6) use of milestone-based, modular open system*
13 *approaches (as defined in section 4401 of title 10,*
14 *United States Code, as amended by section 1833 of*
15 *this Act) and capabilities-based pricing; and*

16 *(7) use of the authorities under chapter 253 of*
17 *title 10, United States Code, and similar tools aimed*
18 *at streamlining and improving the acquisition proc-*
19 *ess for the Department of Defense.*

20 ***(b) INTEGRATION WITH PERSONNEL SYSTEMS AND***
21 ***PROMOTION BOARDS.—The KPIs described in subsection***
22 ***(a) shall be integrated into—***

23 *(1) annual performance appraisals for members*
24 *of the acquisition workforce;*

1 (2) *promotion, bonus, and assignment consider-*
2 *ation for acquisition positions; and*

3 (3) *requirements for certification, training, and*
4 *continuing education under chapter 87 of title 10,*
5 *United States Code.*

6 (c) *PUBLIC REPORTING AND OVERSIGHT.—Beginning*
7 *not later than 365 days after the date of the enactment of*
8 *this Act, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and*
9 *Sustainment shall submit to the congressional defense com-*
10 *mittees a semiannual report on—*

11 (1) *progress in implementing KPIs required by*
12 *this section;*

13 (2) *compliance rates by each element of the De-*
14 *partment of Defense;*

15 (3) *any barriers to implementation; and*

16 (4) *recommendations for additional legislative*
17 *authorities to carry out the requirements of this sec-*
18 *tion.*

19 (d) *DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:*

20 (1) *The term “commercial solutions” means any*
21 *method for procurement of a commercial product or*
22 *commercial service as described in part 12 of the Fed-*
23 *eral Acquisition Regulation, subparts 212.2 and*
24 *212.70 of the Department of Defense Supplement to*
25 *the Federal Acquisition Regulation, or any product,*

1 *service, or other solution developed by a private entity*
2 *and funded by private investment that meets the*
3 *needs of the Department of Defense.*

4 (2) *The term “innovative acquisition authori-*
5 *ties” means—*

6 (A) *the authority under section 4021 and*
7 *4022 of title 10, United States Code;*

8 (B) *authority to use commercial solutions*
9 *opening contracts pursuant to section 3458 of*
10 *such title 10;*

11 (C) *application of policies of a rapid capa-*
12 *bilities office of a military department; or*

13 (D) *any other streamlined acquisition au-*
14 *thority.*

15 (e) *SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress*
16 *that fostering a risk-tolerant, innovation-forward culture in*
17 *the defense acquisition workforce is essential to maintaining*
18 *the United States technological and military advantage. Ac-*
19 *cordingly, the Department of Defense shall prioritize the*
20 *cultivation of acquisition professionals who can effectively*
21 *leverage commercial technology, deliver digital capabilities*
22 *at speed, and expand the industrial base beyond traditional*
23 *vendors.*

1 **SEC. 838. ENSURING DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CON-**
2 **TRACTOR COMPLIANCE WITH DISABILITY**
3 **HIRING GOALS.**

4 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—For each of fiscal years 2026
5 through 2029, the Secretary of Defense shall conduct an
6 audit of the compliance of the contractors of the Department
7 of Defense with the 7-percent utilization goal for employ-
8 ment of qualified individuals with disabilities by contrac-
9 tors established by the Office of Federal Contract Compli-
10 ance Programs of the Department of Labor under section
11 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 793).

12 (b) *REPORTS.*—Not later than 5 months after the end
13 of a fiscal year for which the Secretary of Defense was re-
14 quired to conduct an audit under subsection (a), the Sec-
15 retary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed
16 Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate a
17 report on the findings of such audit.

18 **SEC. 839. COMPTROLLER GENERAL REVIEW OF MATTERS**
19 **RELATING TO INDIVIDUALS ASSIGNED TO A**
20 **CRITICAL ACQUISITION POSITION.**

21 (a) *REVIEW REQUIRED.*—The Comptroller General of
22 the United States shall—

23 (1) *conduct a review of the education, training,*
24 *and career development programs offered by the Sec-*
25 *retary of Defense for members of the acquisition work-*
26 *force; and*

1 (2) *conduct an assessment of the efficacy of the*
2 *career development policies established by section*
3 *1734 of title 10, United States Code.*

4 **(b) MATTERS FOR REVIEW.**—*In conducting the review*
5 *required by this section, the Comptroller General shall—*

6 (1) *review the compliance of the Secretary with*
7 *the requirements of section 1734 of title 10, United*
8 *States Code; and*

9 (2) *conduct an assessment of the efficacy of the*
10 *career development policies and minimum periods of*
11 *assignment established by such section 1734 in—*

12 (A) *improving the ability of the acquisition*
13 *workforce to expeditiously provide the Armed*
14 *Forces with the capabilities necessary to operate*
15 *effectively, to address evolving threats, and to*
16 *maintain the military advantage of the United*
17 *States in the most cost-effective manner prac-*
18 *ticable;*

19 (B) *enhancing the knowledge and experience*
20 *of the acquisition workforce;*

21 (C) *enabling competitive career progression*
22 *of members of the acquisition workforce com-*
23 *pared to other members of the civilian and mili-*
24 *tary workforce of the Department of Defense that*

1 are not subject to the minimum periods of as-
2 signment established by such section 1734; and

3 (D) the retention rates of members of the ac-
4 quisition workforce assigned to a critical acquisi-
5 tion position, particularly key leadership posi-
6 tions (as defined by the Under Secretary of De-
7 fense for Acquisition and Sustainment), com-
8 pared with the retention rates for other members
9 of the civilian and military workforce of the De-
10 partment of Defense that are not subject to the
11 minimum periods of assignment established by
12 such section 1734; and

13 (3) conduct an assessment of any benefits, in-
14 cluding enhanced accountability in leadership and de-
15 cisionmaking by individuals in key leadership posi-
16 tions, of a minimum period of assignment of at least
17 four years to a critical acquisition position.

18 (c) *REPORT REQUIRED*.—Not later than July 1, 2026,
19 the Comptroller General shall submit to the congressional
20 defense committees recommendations on—

21 (1) improvements to education, training, and ca-
22 reer development programs offered by the Secretary of
23 Defense for members of the acquisition workforce; and

24 (2) minimum periods of assignment for an indi-
25 vidual assigned as a program executive officer.

1 **SEC. 840. COMPTROLLER GENERAL REVIEW OF THE MAN-**
2 **AGEMENT, TRAINING, AND DEVELOPMENT OF**
3 **THE ACQUISITION WORKFORCE.**

4 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Comptroller General of the*
5 *United States shall conduct a review of the management,*
6 *training, and development of the acquisition workforce to*
7 *enable the acquisition workforce to expeditiously provide the*
8 *Armed Forces with the capabilities necessary to operate ef-*
9 *fectively, to address evolving threats, and to maintain the*
10 *military advantage of the United States in the most cost-*
11 *effective manner practicable.*

12 (b) *REVIEW CONTENTS.*—*In conducting the review re-*
13 *quired by subsection (a), the Comptroller General shall*
14 *evaluate the following:*

15 (1) *The current organization and staffing of the*
16 *acquisition workforce, including the total number of*
17 *positions in the acquisition workforce, a list of such*
18 *positions disaggregated by the skills and experience*
19 *required, and the number of such positions that are*
20 *vacant or are filled by an individual whose skills and*
21 *experience do not meet the required skills and experi-*
22 *ence for such position.*

23 (2) *The sufficiency of the processes and authori-*
24 *ties of the Department of Defense for recruiting and*
25 *retaining the acquisition workforce, and the use of*

1 *such authorities to maintain an acquisition workforce*
 2 *that is optimized to meet mission requirements.*

3 (3) *Trends in acquisition workforce hiring and*
 4 *retention over the preceding five years.*

5 (4) *The impediments to members of the acquisi-*
 6 *tion workforce receiving training and education, in-*
 7 *cluding any lack of funding, unavailability of re-*
 8 *quired or desired training, and excessive workload de-*
 9 *mands that preclude such members from being able to*
 10 *attend such training.*

11 (c) *REPORT.—Not later than April 1, 2026, the Comp-*
 12 *troller General shall submit to the congressional defense*
 13 *committees a report on the findings of the review required*
 14 *by subsection (a), including any recommendations to im-*
 15 *prove the management, training, and development of the*
 16 *acquisition workforce.*

17 (d) *ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEFINED.—In this sec-*
 18 *tion, the term “acquisition workforce” has the meaning*
 19 *given such term in section 101(a) of title 10, United States*
 20 *Code.*

21 **SEC. 841. REPORT ON STRENGTHENING THE DEFENSE AC-**
 22 **QUISITION UNIVERSITY.**

23 (a) *ASSESSMENT REQUIRED.—The Secretary of De-*
 24 *fense, acting through the Director of the Acquisition Innova-*
 25 *tion Research Center, shall conduct a comprehensive assess-*

1 *ment of the Defense Acquisition University (in this section*
2 *referred to as “DAU”) to strengthen the ability of the DAU*
3 *to train and develop members of the acquisition workforce*
4 *to meet future needs of the Department of Defense. The as-*
5 *essment shall include the following:*

6 *(1) An evaluation of the mission of the DAU and*
7 *the alignment of such mission with the objectives of*
8 *the defense acquisition system established pursuant to*
9 *section 3102 of title 10, United States Code (as added*
10 *by this Act).*

11 *(2) An evaluation of the effectiveness of training*
12 *and development provided by DAU to members of the*
13 *acquisition workforce to enable such members to effec-*
14 *tively implement the objectives of the defense acquisi-*
15 *tion system.*

16 *(b) ELEMENTS.—The assessment in paragraph (1)*
17 *shall evaluate the following:*

18 *(1) The organization and structure of DAU.*

19 *(2) The curriculum and educational offerings of*
20 *DAU.*

21 *(3) The composition of the staff and faculty of*
22 *DAU, including an assessment of the diversity of*
23 *skills, abilities, and professional backgrounds of such*
24 *staff and faculty.*

1 (4) *The sufficiency of resource and funding*
2 *mechanisms supporting DAU operations.*

3 (5) *The extent to which DAU uses external ex-*
4 *perts and academic institutions to inform and en-*
5 *hance its programs.*

6 (c) *RECOMMENDATIONS.—The Director of the Acquisi-*
7 *tion Innovation Research Center shall use the assessment*
8 *required under this section and the objectives of the defense*
9 *acquisition system to provide to the Secretary of Defense*
10 *recommendations to strengthen the ability of the DAU to*
11 *train and develop members of the acquisition workforce to*
12 *meet future needs of the Department of Defense.*

13 (d) *REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than one year*
14 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary*
15 *of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense commit-*
16 *tees a report containing—*

17 (1) *the findings of the assessment conducted*
18 *under subsection (a) and the recommendations pro-*
19 *vided under subsection (c);*

20 (2) *any actions necessary to ensure that DAU*
21 *fulfills its mission and provides training and develop-*
22 *ment to members of the acquisition workforce that*
23 *aligns with the objectives of the defense acquisition*
24 *system.*

25 (e) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

1 (1) *The term “Acquisition Innovation Research*
 2 *Center” means the acquisition research organization*
 3 *within a civilian college or university that is de-*
 4 *scribed under section 4142(a) of title 10, United*
 5 *States Code.*

6 (2) *The term “acquisition workforce” has the*
 7 *meaning given in section 101 of title 10, United*
 8 *States Code.*

9 ***Subtitle D—Provisions Relating to***
 10 ***Supply Chains and Domestic***
 11 ***Sourcing***

12 ***SEC. 851. REPEAL OF EXCEPTION FOR SMALL PURCHASES***
 13 ***UNDER THE BERRY AMENDMENT.***

14 *Section 4862 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
 15 *ed—*

16 (1) *in subsection (a), by striking “subsections (c)*
 17 *through (h)” and inserting “subsections (c) through*
 18 *(g)”;* *and*

19 (2) *by amending subsection (h) to read as fol-*
 20 *lows:*

21 “(h) *OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.—The Secretary of De-*
 22 *fense shall establish a committee to—*

23 “(1) *provide oversight of the implementation of*
 24 *the requirements of this section; and*

1 “(2) ensure compliance with the requirements of
2 this section.”.

3 **SEC. 852. SUPPLY CHAIN ILLUMINATION INCENTIVES.**

4 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 849 of the Servicemember
5 *Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Author-*
6 *ization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118-159; 10*
7 *U.S.C. 3241 note prec.) is amended—*

8 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “to assess and
9 monitor” and all that follows and inserting the fol-
10 lowing: “to implement and use supply chain illu-
11 mination meeting the minimum qualifying criteria
12 determined by the Secretary under subsection (c).”;
13 and

14 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
15 sections:

16 “(c) *SUPPLY CHAIN ILLUMINATION MINIMUM QUALI-*
17 *FYING CRITERIA.*—

18 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—The Secretary of Defense
19 shall establish minimum qualifying criteria for sup-
20 ply chain illumination for contractors of the Depart-
21 ment of Defense.

22 “(2) *PUBLIC NOTICE.*—Not later than April 1,
23 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall publish in the
24 *Federal Register* a notice of the minimum qualifying
25 criteria established under paragraph (1).

1 “(d) *EXPEDITED ACCEPTANCE PROCEDURES.*—If a
2 contractor discloses to the relevant contracting officer that
3 a covered end item was or will be provided by such con-
4 tractor to the Department of Defense under a contract or
5 other agreement, such contracting officer may continue to
6 accept and pay for delivery of such covered end item until
7 a waiver authorized under each applicable covered statute
8 with respect to such covered end item is granted or denied
9 if—

10 “(1) such contractor has supply chain illumina-
11 tion that meets the minimum qualifying criteria es-
12 tablished by the Secretary of Defense under subsection
13 (c); and

14 “(2) such contracting officer determines that
15 such covered end item—

16 “(A) other than a prohibition on acquisi-
17 tion under a covered statute applying to such
18 covered end item, satisfies the requirements of the
19 contract or other agreement; and

20 “(B) does not pose a risk to security or safe-
21 ty.

22 “(e) *CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY.*—

23 “(1) *IMMEDIATE CORRECTIVE ACTION.*—A con-
24 tractor of the Department of Defense shall, upon iden-
25 tifying a nonconforming item in a covered end item

1 *that was or will be provided by such contractor to the*
 2 *Department under a contract or other agreement, im-*
 3 *mediately begin taking corrective action with respect*
 4 *to the inclusion of such nonconforming item in such*
 5 *covered end item in accordance with such contract or*
 6 *other agreement and the relevant procedures of the*
 7 *Department.*

8 “(2) *ALTERNATIVE SUPPLIERS.—The corrective*
 9 *action described in paragraph (1) with respect to a*
 10 *nonconforming item in a covered end item shall in-*
 11 *clude the contractor using reasonably expedient means*
 12 *to identify, and if necessary, qualify an alternative*
 13 *supplier to provide materials or goods to use in place*
 14 *of such non-conforming item in such end item.*

15 “(f) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

16 “(1) *The term ‘covered statute’ means—*

17 “(A) *section 4863 of this title;*

18 “(B) *section 4872 of this title;*

19 “(C) *section 805 of the National Defense*
 20 *Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public*
 21 *Law 118-31; 10 U.S.C. 4651 note prec.); or*

22 “(D) *section 1211 of the National Defense*
 23 *Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006 (Public*
 24 *Law 109-163; 10 U.S.C. 4651 note prec.).*

1 “(2) The term ‘covered end item’ means an end
2 item the acquisition of which is prohibited under a
3 covered statute based on a nonconforming item that
4 is contained in or a component of such end item, ex-
5 cept that such term does not include an end item that
6 is a non-conforming item.

7 “(3) The term ‘end item’ has the meaning given
8 such term in section 4863(m) of this title.

9 “(4) The term ‘nonconforming item’ means a
10 material or good the inclusion of which in an end
11 item causes the acquisition of such end item to be pro-
12 hibited under a covered statute.

13 “(5) The term ‘supply chain illumination’ means
14 policies, procedures, and tools, including analytical
15 tools that leverage large data and machine learning,
16 enabling such contractor to assess and monitor the en-
17 tire supply chain of such contractor to identify poten-
18 tial vulnerabilities and security and noncompliance
19 risks with respect to goods and services provided to
20 the Department of Defense.”.

21 (b) *REPORTING*.—Not later than one year after the
22 date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter
23 until the date that is five years after the date of the enact-
24 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to
25 the congressional defense committees a report describing

1 *each use of the authority under section 849(d) of the Serv-*
 2 *icemember Quality of Life Improvement and National De-*
 3 *fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law*
 4 *118–159; 10 U.S.C. 3241 note prec.), as added by subsection*
 5 *(a).*

6 **SEC. 853. MODIFICATION TO ENHANCED DOMESTIC CON-**
 7 **TENT REQUIREMENT FOR MAJOR DEFENSE**
 8 **ACQUISITION PROGRAMS.**

9 *Section 835(c) of the National Defense Authorization*
 10 *Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31) is amended*
 11 *to read as follows:*

12 *“(c) MAJOR DEFENSE ACQUISITION PROGRAM.—In*
 13 *this section, the term ‘major defense acquisition program’*
 14 *has the meaning given in section 4201 of title 10, United*
 15 *States Code, except that such term includes any program*
 16 *that meets the meaning given in such section as in effect*
 17 *on January 1, 2025.”.*

18 **SEC. 854. STRATEGY TO ELIMINATE SOURCING OF OPTICAL**
 19 **GLASS FROM CERTAIN NATIONS.**

20 *(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall de-*
 21 *velop and implement a strategy to eliminate the reliance*
 22 *of the Department of Defense on any covered nation to ac-*
 23 *quire optical glass or optical systems by January 1, 2030.*

24 *(b) STRATEGY REQUIREMENTS.—The strategy re-*
 25 *quired by subsection (a) shall—*

1 (1) *identify the current requirements of the De-*
2 *partment of Defense for optical glass and optical sys-*
3 *tems and estimate the projected requirements of the*
4 *Department for optical glass and optical systems*
5 *through the year 2040;*

6 (2) *identify the sources of optical glass or optical*
7 *systems used to meet the current requirements of the*
8 *Department described in paragraph (1), including*
9 *any sources of optical glass or optical glass systems*
10 *produced in a covered nation; and*

11 (3) *identify actions to be taken by the Secretary*
12 *of Defense to ensure the defense industrial base is able*
13 *to meet the needs of the Department for optical glass*
14 *and optical systems without any reliance on a covered*
15 *nation not later January 1, 2030.*

16 (c) *IMPLEMENTATION.*—*Not later than 270 days after*
17 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense*
18 *shall begin implementing the strategy required by sub-*
19 *section (a).*

20 (d) *BRIEFING AND REPORT.*—

21 (1) *BRIEFING.*—*Not later than 180 days after*
22 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of*
23 *Defense shall submit to the congressional defense com-*
24 *mittees a briefing on the strategy required by sub-*
25 *section (a), including an identification of any*

1 *changes to funding or policy required to eliminate the*
2 *reliance of the Department of Defense on any covered*
3 *to acquire optical glass or optical systems by January*
4 *1, 2030.*

5 (2) *INTERIM REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION.*—*Not*
6 *later than March 15, 2027, the Secretary of Defense*
7 *shall submit to the congressional defense committees a*
8 *report on the progress of the implementation of the*
9 *strategy required by subsection (a), including an*
10 *identification of any risk to the ability of the Sec-*
11 *retary to eliminate the reliance of the Department of*
12 *Defense on any covered nation to acquire optical glass*
13 *or optical systems by January 1, 2030.*

14 (e) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

15 (1) *The term “covered nation” means—*

16 (A) *the Democratic People’s Republic of*
17 *North Korea;*

18 (B) *the People’s Republic of China;*

19 (C) *the Russian Federation;*

20 (D) *the Republic of Belarus; and*

21 (E) *the Islamic Republic of Iran.*

22 (2) *The term “optical glass” means glass used in*
23 *optical lenses, prisms, or mirrors.*

24 (3) *The term “optical system” means an ar-*
25 *rangement of optical components, including optical*

1 *glass, that manipulates light to produce a specific*
2 *outcome.*

3 **SEC. 855. VOLUNTARY REGISTRATION OF COMPLIANCE**
4 **WITH COVERED SOURCING REQUIREMENTS**
5 **FOR COVERED PRODUCTS.**

6 *(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall es-*
7 *tablish and maintain a publicly available online repository*
8 *of information provided by an offeror related to the con-*
9 *formance of a covered product with covered sourcing re-*
10 *quirements.*

11 *(b) REGISTRATION AND ATTESTATION PROCESS.—Not*
12 *later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this*
13 *Act, the Secretary of Defense shall establish a process under*
14 *which an offeror may voluntarily submit to the Secretary*
15 *an attestation relating to the compliance of a covered prod-*
16 *uct with a covered sourcing requirement. Such process*
17 *shall—*

18 *(1) be accessible online;*

19 *(2) require an offeror to acknowledge liability for*
20 *making a false attestation in accordance with section*
21 *3729 of title 31, United States Code; and*

22 *(3) enable an offeror to register a covered prod-*
23 *uct with the Secretary of Defense by providing—*

1 (A) a unique product identifier sufficient to
 2 distinguish the covered product to be registered
 3 from a similar covered product;

4 (B) a national stock number (if available),
 5 a description of the covered product, or other in-
 6 formation related to the form, fit, or function of
 7 the covered product; and

8 (C) an attestation, including relevant docu-
 9 mentation, of the compliance of a covered prod-
 10 uct with one or more covered sourcing require-
 11 ments.

12 (c) *PROOF OF REGISTRATION.*—The Secretary shall
 13 issue to an offeror that registers a covered product in ac-
 14 cordance with the process established under subsection
 15 (b)(3) a proof of registration associated with a the unique
 16 product identifier of the covered product. The proof of reg-
 17 istration may be used—

18 (1) by the offeror in sales and marketing mate-
 19 rials associated with the registered covered product; or

20 (2) by a prime contractor that uses such reg-
 21 istered covered product as a part or component of an
 22 end item.

23 (d) *AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION.*—

24 (1) *COMPLIANCE INFORMATION.*—The Secretary
 25 shall make available the information necessary to en-

1 *able offerors to assess the compliance of a covered*
2 *product with a covered sourcing requirement.*

3 (2) *RESOURCES.—The Secretary shall ensure*
4 *that an eligible entity has adequate resources to train*
5 *offerors about the requirements of this section and to*
6 *assist an offeror with the registration and attestation*
7 *process established under subsection (b).*

8 (e) *ENCOURAGING REGISTRATION OF PRODUCTS.—The*
9 *Secretary shall establish policies and procedures to encour-*
10 *age offerors to register covered products. These policies and*
11 *procedures shall ensure that—*

12 (1) *offerors are incentivized to disclose any non-*
13 *compliance with the requirements of this section;*

14 (2) *with respect to any disclosure made under*
15 *paragraph (1), that such offeror is provided with in-*
16 *formation and assistance to determine the actions re-*
17 *quired to remedy such noncompliance in order to*
18 *meet the criteria to register the product concerned;*
19 *and*

20 (3) *an offeror making such a disclosure will re-*
21 *ceive a referral to the appropriate programs or offices*
22 *of the Department of Defense that are responsible for*
23 *strengthening the defense industrial base, promoting*
24 *domestic industry, and accelerating private invest-*

1 *ment in supply chain technologies that are critical for*
2 *national security.*

3 *(f) USE OF SUPPLY CHAIN ILLUMINATION.—The Sec-*
4 *retary shall encourage an offeror to implement and use sup-*
5 *ply chain illumination (as defined in section 849 of the*
6 *National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025,*
7 *as amended by section 852 of this Act) to assist in meeting*
8 *the registration and attestation requirements established*
9 *under subsection (b).*

10 *(g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

11 *(1) The term “covered product” means—*

12 *(A) a good offered for purchase to the Sec-*
13 *retary of Defense; and*

14 *(B) subject to a covered sourcing require-*
15 *ment.*

16 *(2) The term “covered sourcing requirement”*
17 *means a requirement under any of the following:*

18 *(A) Section 4872 of title 10 United States*
19 *Code.*

20 *(B) Section 4863 of title 10, United States*
21 *Code.*

22 *(C) Section 4862 of title 10, United States*
23 *Code.*

24 *(D) Section 4864 of title 10, United States*
25 *Code.*

1 (E) Chapter 83 of title 41, United States
2 Code.

3 (F) Section 846 of the National Defense Au-
4 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011 (10 U.S.C.
5 4864 note).

6 (G) Section 1211 of the National Defense
7 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006 (10
8 U.S.C. 4651 note prec.).

9 (H) Section 225.7004-5 of the Department
10 of Defense Supplement to the Federal Acquisition
11 Regulation (relating to restrictions on procure-
12 ment of welded shipboard anchor and mooring
13 chain).

14 (I) Section 225.7011 of the Department of
15 Defense Supplement to the Federal Acquisition
16 Regulation (relating to restrictions on procure-
17 ment of carbon, alloy, or armor steel plates).

18 (J) Section 225.7012 of the Department of
19 Defense Supplement to the Federal Acquisition
20 Regulation (relating to restrictions on procure-
21 ment of supercomputers).

22 (3) The term “eligible entity” means an eligible
23 entity carrying out activities pursuant to a procure-
24 ment technical assistance program funded under
25 chapter 388 of title 10, United States Code.

1 **SEC. 856. ACCELERATION OF QUALIFICATION OF COMPLI-**
2 **ANT SOURCES.**

3 *(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—*

4 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after*
5 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of*
6 *Defense shall establish in the Defense Industrial Resil-*
7 *ience Consortium established under section 1842 a*
8 *working group for the exchange of information about*
9 *compliant materials and to accelerate the qualifica-*
10 *tion of such materials for use by the Department of*
11 *Defense and the integration of such materials into the*
12 *supply chains of contractors of the Department of De-*
13 *fense.*

14 *(2) MEMBERSHIP.—*

15 *(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in*
16 *subparagraph (B), the working group shall con-*
17 *sist of members of the Defense Industrial Resil-*
18 *ience Consortium with expertise or interest in—*

19 *(i) the qualification and acceptance of*
20 *materials, parts, components and end items*
21 *by the Department of Defense;*

22 *(ii) supply chain management; or*

23 *(iii) supply chain illumination.*

24 *(B) EXCLUSION.—The Secretary may ex-*
25 *clude from participation in such working group*
26 *any individual or entity that—*

1 (i) is headquartered within, owned or
2 controlled by, or subject to the influence of
3 a covered nation;

4 (ii) is functioning as the agent of any
5 foreign State; or

6 (iii) is otherwise determined by the
7 Secretary to be a significant threat to the
8 national security interests of the United
9 States.

10 (3) *RESPONSIBILITIES.*—The working group
11 shall—

12 (A) establish processes for exchange of infor-
13 mation about compliant materials among con-
14 sortium members, procurement agents of the De-
15 partment of Defense, and contractors of the de-
16 fense industrial base, while maintaining appro-
17 priate safeguards of commercially proprietary
18 information;

19 (B) develop processes and procedures to
20 streamline identification, testing, and qualifica-
21 tion of compliant sources and compliant mate-
22 rials;

23 (C) seek to reduce the unnecessary applica-
24 tion of requirements that specific to a single
25 Armed Force for identification, testing, and

1 *qualification of compliant sources and compliant*
2 *material;*

3 *(D) provide a forum for the Army, Navy,*
4 *Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force and*
5 *other elements of the Department of Defense to*
6 *share technical and supply chain data related to*
7 *requirements for covered materials;*

8 *(E) identify compliant sources at each step*
9 *of the supply chain, to the extent that such sup-*
10 *ply chains are subject to subchapter III of chap-*
11 *ter 385 of title 10, United States Code;*

12 *(F) at least once a quarter, publish for the*
13 *members of the consortium and for the Under*
14 *Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and*
15 *Sustainment, a list of compliant sources for each*
16 *critical material, including a general description*
17 *of what step of the supply chain in which each*
18 *compliant source is participating, if any;*

19 *(G) develop and recommend processes to en-*
20 *able the Department of Defense to rapidly iden-*
21 *tify, qualify, and integrate compliant materials*
22 *into programs of the Department at scale;*

23 *(H) seek to reduce future requirements for*
24 *critical materials in defense systems by encour-*
25 *aging contractors of the Department of Defense*

1 to design and develop systems that use commer-
2 cially available critical materials, when such
3 materials are capable of meeting mission needs;

4 (I) seek input from small and nontradi-
5 tional contractors and ensure the working group
6 considers the unique attributes of such businesses
7 in carrying out the responsibilities of this sub-
8 section;

9 (J) develop and provide recommendations to
10 reduce impediments or disincentives for a sup-
11 plier of an end item to the Department of De-
12 fense to revise a supply chain agreement or other
13 arrangement, to eliminate the reliance of the
14 supplier on noncompliant sources;

15 (K) any other matters assigned to the work-
16 ing group by the Secretary; and

17 (L) provide the Secretary with timely rec-
18 ommendations developed pursuant to this sec-
19 tion.

20 (b) *REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING NONCOMPLIANT*
21 *PARTS.—*

22 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 180 days after
23 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall
24 develop and implement guidance to ensure that crit-
25 ical materials from noncompliant sources that are

1 *present in covered systems of the Department of De-*
2 *fense are identified and replaced as rapidly as prac-*
3 *ticable with compliant materials.*

4 (2) *REQUIREMENTS.—The guidance required by*
5 (1) *shall—*

6 (A) *ensure that a supplier of an end item*
7 *is actively managing the supply chain, and shall*
8 *address impediments or disincentives for the sup-*
9 *plier to revise a supply chain agreement or other*
10 *arrangement to eliminate the supplier's reliance*
11 *on noncompliant sources;*

12 (B) *require the use of compliant sources in-*
13 *cluded on the list required by paragraph*
14 (a)(3)(F), *where appropriate;*

15 (C) *require use of commercial qualification*
16 *processes to the maximum extent practicable in*
17 *determining whether a new supplier is capable of*
18 *meeting defense requirements;*

19 (D) *minimize the number of qualification*
20 *events required, including minimizing the use of*
21 *real-world testing, when replacing components or*
22 *raw materials with functionally identical com-*
23 *mercial offerings;*

24 (E) *provide for waiver of defense-unique*
25 *qualification requirements, including operational*

1 *test and evaluation processes, unless compliance*
2 *with such requirements is determined to be essen-*
3 *tial by the head of the contracting activity: and*

4 (F) *prohibit additional testing of the end*
5 *item if a component or subcomponent has shown*
6 *to have substantially similar or identical per-*
7 *formance after replacement of a noncompliant*
8 *critical material with a compliant critical mate-*
9 *rial, except where the service acquisition execu-*
10 *tive determines otherwise.*

11 (3) *SAFE HARBOR.—The Secretary of Defense*
12 *shall deem that any acquisition of a critical material,*
13 *by the Department, a contractor to the Department,*
14 *or a subcontractor at any tier, from a supplier of*
15 *critical materials that is included on the list required*
16 *by paragraph (a)(3)(F), is in compliance with the re-*
17 *quirements of subchapter III of chapter 385 of this*
18 *title, if—*

19 (A) *the supplier of a critical material was*
20 *on the most recent such list of compliant sources*
21 *for such critical material at the time the acquisi-*
22 *tion contract or other agreement was entered*
23 *into;*

24 (B) *the supplier is included on such a list*
25 *not less frequently than once every two years*

1 *during the period beginning on the date on*
2 *which such contract or other agreement is en-*
3 *tered into and ending on the date on which such*
4 *contract or other agreement expires or termi-*
5 *nates; and*

6 *(C) it would have created an unreasonable*
7 *hardship, including an interruption of needed*
8 *supplies or significantly different cost, for the ac-*
9 *quiring entity to switch suppliers to a compliant*
10 *source during the time between the signing of the*
11 *contract or other agreement and the time of de-*
12 *livery under such contract or other agreement.*

13 *(4) RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUAL.—The service ac-*
14 *quisition executive for each service or agency shall, for*
15 *each program under supervision of such service acqui-*
16 *sition executive, identify the individual responsible*
17 *for establishing the statement of work and qualifica-*
18 *tion requirements associated with the replacement of*
19 *components or raw materials critical materials from*
20 *noncompliant sources in covered systems as required*
21 *by this section.*

22 *(5) COMMERCIAL ITEMS.—The Secretary shall*
23 *ensure that the guidance required by this subsection*
24 *applies to commercial products and commercial off-*
25 *the-shelf items to the extent that the requirements of*

1 chapter 385 of title 10, United States Code, apply to
2 commercial products and commercial off-the-shelf
3 items.

4 (c) *ACCESS TO MATERIALS*.—Notwithstanding section
5 4872(a) of title 10, United States Code, the Department of
6 Defense is authorized to procure a covered material stock-
7 piled in an allied or partner nation if such covered material
8 has been under uninterrupted control by an entity in such
9 allied or partner nation since 2000.

10 (d) *FUNDING ESTIMATES*.—Not later than five days
11 after the date on which the Secretary of Defense submits
12 to Congress the materials in support of the budget submitted
13 by the President to Congress under section 1105 of title 31,
14 United States Code, for a fiscal year, the Under Secretary
15 of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, in collabora-
16 tion with the service acquisition executives of the military
17 departments, shall submit to the congressional defense com-
18 mittees a comprehensive estimate of the funds necessary to
19 provide for the qualification and integration of compliant
20 sources into the covered systems of each military depart-
21 ment.

22 (e) *DEFINITIONS*.—In this section:

23 (1) The term “compliant country” means a
24 country that is not a covered nation.

1 (2) *The term “compliant source” means an enti-*
2 *ty engaged in the production, manufacture, or dis-*
3 *tribution of a critical material that is compliant with*
4 *the requirements of subchapter III of chapter 385 of*
5 *title 10, United States Code.*

6 (3) *The term “compliant material” means crit-*
7 *ical material that is sourced from a compliant source.*

8 (4) *The term “covered nation” has the meaning*
9 *given such term in section 4872(h) of title 10, United*
10 *States Code (as redesignated by this Act).*

11 (5) *The term “covered system” means an end*
12 *item that is currently in production or has been de-*
13 *livered to the Department of Defense.*

14 (6) *The term “critical material” means a mate-*
15 *rial subject to sourcing restrictions under subchapter*
16 *III of chapter 385 of title 10, United States Code.*

17 (7) *The term “end item” has the meaning given*
18 *such term in section 4863 of title 10, United States*
19 *Code.*

20 (8) *The term “service acquisition executive” has*
21 *the meaning given such term in section 101(a) of title*
22 *10, United States Code.*

23 (9) *The term “working group” means the work-*
24 *ing group established under subsection (a).*

1 **SEC. 857. ENHANCED SECURITY STRATEGY FOR PRIVATE**
2 **FIFTH GENERATION INFORMATION AND COM-**
3 **MUNICATIONS CAPABILITIES.**

4 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 90 days after the
5 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
6 shall require a contractor for a procurement related to fifth-
7 generation wireless technology for private networks on mili-
8 tary installations to provide the information described in
9 subsection (b) to promote enhanced wireless network secu-
10 rity requirements, including supply chain risk manage-
11 ment.

12 (b) *INFORMATION DESCRIBED.*—The information de-
13 scribed in this subsection is as follows:

14 (1) *A hardware bill of materials for a procure-*
15 *ment described in subsection (a).*

16 (2) *A description of the implementation and*
17 *operational use of zero trust principles and capabili-*
18 *ties for such procurement.*

19 (c) *PRIORITIZATION.*—With respect to a procurement
20 described in subsection (a), the Secretary shall prioritize
21 the use of private networks that employ Open-RAN ap-
22 proaches, including cloud-native capabilities.

23 (d) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

24 (1) *The term “military installation” has the*
25 *meaning given in section 2801 of title 10, United*
26 *States Code.*

1 (2) *The term “Open-RAN” means section 9202*
2 *of title XCII of the National Defense Authorization*
3 *Act for Fiscal Year 2021.*

4 **SEC. 858. PREFERENCE FOR DOMESTIC PROCUREMENT OF**
5 **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.**

6 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 180 days after the*
7 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense*
8 *shall revise the Department of Defense Supplement to the*
9 *Federal Acquisition Regulation—*

10 (1) *to require, to the maximum extent prac-*
11 *ticable and consistent with the interests of national*
12 *security, preference for procurement of professional*
13 *services from offerors that are United States compa-*
14 *nies; and*

15 (2) *to allow the Secretary discretion to waive the*
16 *requirements of paragraph (1) if the Secretary deter-*
17 *mines that—*

18 (A) *compliance with such requirements*
19 *would result in the Department of Defense fail-*
20 *ing to meet an urgent operational requirement;*
21 *or*

22 (B) *no United States company or quali-*
23 *fying joint venture is capable of fulfilling the re-*
24 *quirements of the contract in a timely or cost-ef-*
25 *fective manner.*

1 (b) *WAIVER REQUIREMENTS.*—A waiver described in
2 subsection (a)(2) shall be issued in writing, shall include
3 a justification for such issuance, and shall be submitted to
4 the congressional defense committees not later than 30 days
5 after such issuance.

6 (c) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

7 (1) The term “United States company” means
8 an entity that—

9 (A) is organized under the laws of a State,
10 territory, or possession of the United States or
11 the District of Columbia;

12 (B) has its principal place of business in
13 the United States; and

14 (C) is not directly or indirectly owned or
15 controlled by a foreign entity

16 (2) The term “professional services” includes
17 services in the fields of engineering, architecture, de-
18 sign, environmental consulting, financial consulting,
19 program management, legal advisory, and other ex-
20 pert services as defined in the Federal Acquisition
21 Regulation.

22 (3) The term “qualifying joint venture” means a
23 joint venture in which a United States company
24 holds an ownership interest greater than 50 percent.

1 ***Subtitle E—Prohibitions and***
2 ***Limitations on Procurement***

3 ***SEC. 861. REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO LONG-TERM CON-***
4 ***CESSIONS AGREEMENTS WITH CERTAIN RE-***
5 ***TAILERS.***

6 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Chapter 363 of title 10, United
7 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following
8 new section:

9 ***“§ 4664. Requirements relating to long-term conces-***
10 ***sions agreements with certain retailers***

11 “(a) *PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH CERTAIN*
12 *RETAILERS.*—(1) *The Secretary of Defense may not renew,*
13 *extend, or enter into a long-term concessions agreement with*
14 *a retailer that is controlled by a covered nation to permit*
15 *such retailer to operate or conduct business through a phys-*
16 *ical location on a covered military installation.*

17 “(2) *The Secretary may waive the requirements of*
18 *paragraph (1) if the Secretary determines that—*

19 “(A) *the goods or services to be provided by the*
20 *retailer are vital for the welfare and morale of mem-*
21 *bers of the Armed Forces and no reasonable alter-*
22 *natives exist;*

23 “(B) *the Secretary has implemented adequate*
24 *measures to mitigate any potential national security*
25 *risks of the retailer; and*

1 “(C) *the retailer has received a determination*
2 *from the Committee on Foreign Investment in the*
3 *United States (in this section referred to as the ‘Com-*
4 *mittee’)* *that there are no unresolved national security*
5 *concerns with respect to the retailer in connection to*
6 *a matter submitted to the Committee and which the*
7 *Committee concluded all action pursuant to section*
8 *721 of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C.*
9 *4565).*

10 “(3) *Not later than 30 days after each use of the waiver*
11 *authority under paragraph (2), the Secretary shall submit*
12 *to the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Rep-*
13 *resentatives and Senate a report including a justification*
14 *for the use of such authority and a description of any risk*
15 *mitigation strategies described in paragraph (2)(B).*

16 “(4) *With respect to a retailer that has misrepresented*
17 *the ownership and control of such retailer for the award*
18 *of a long-term concessions agreement, the Secretary of De-*
19 *fense may terminate such agreement.*

20 “(5) *Paragraph (1) shall apply with respect to a long-*
21 *term concessions agreement entered into on or after the date*
22 *of the enactment of this section.*

23 “(b) *COVERED RETAILERS.—(1) The Secretary of De-*
24 *fense may not permit a covered retailer controlled by a cov-*
25 *ered nation to operate or conduct business through a phys-*

1 ical location on a covered military installation, unless such
2 covered retailer has received an approval determination
3 under paragraph (4).

4 “(2) Not later than 30 days after the date of the enact-
5 ment of this section, a covered retailer—

6 “(A) shall submit to the Committee a notice that
7 includes any direct or indirect relationships between
8 the covered retailer (including any subsidiaries or
9 parent companies of such covered retailer) and any
10 covered nation; and

11 “(B) may not operate or conduct business
12 through a physical location on a covered military in-
13 stallation unless the Committee submits a determina-
14 tion approving such notice in accordance with para-
15 graph (3).

16 “(3) The Committee shall conduct an investigation of
17 the effects of a notice submitted under paragraph (2) on
18 the national security of the United States, including an as-
19 sessment of any direct or indirect relationships between the
20 covered retailer (including any subsidiaries or parent com-
21 panies of such covered retailer) and any covered nation.

22 “(4) Not later than 180 days after completing an in-
23 vestigation under paragraph (3), the Committee shall sub-
24 mit to the Secretary of Defense a determination approving
25 or disapproving the notice submitted under paragraph (2).

1 “(5)(A) *A covered retailer that receives an approval*
2 *under paragraph (4) shall submit annually to the Com-*
3 *mittee disclosures regarding any change in the ownership*
4 *structure that may affect whether or not the covered retailer*
5 *is controlled by a covered nation.*

6 “(B) *The Secretary of Defense shall immediately ter-*
7 *minate a long-term concession agreement with a covered re-*
8 *tailer if the Secretary determines such covered retailer has*
9 *failed to comply with the requirements of this subsection.*

10 “(c) *ASSESSMENT OF COVERED RETAILERS.—(1) Not*
11 *later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this*
12 *section, the Secretary of Defense shall review each long-term*
13 *concessions agreement with a covered retailer that permits*
14 *the covered retailer to operate or conduct business through*
15 *a physical location on a covered military installation to*
16 *assess any direct or indirect relationships between the re-*
17 *tailer (including any subsidiaries or parent companies of*
18 *such covered retailer) and any covered nation.*

19 “(2) *Not later than 30 days after making a determina-*
20 *tion that a covered retailer is controlled by a covered nation*
21 *based on an assessment described in subsection (a) or a de-*
22 *termination made under subsection (b), the Secretary of De-*
23 *fense shall terminate any long-term concessions agreement*
24 *with the covered retailer.*

25 “(d) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

1 “(1) The term ‘controlled by a covered nation’
2 *means, with respect to a retailer—*

3 “(A) *that the retailer is organized under the*
4 *laws of a covered nation or any jurisdiction*
5 *within a covered nation;*

6 “(B) *that a covered nation owns 20 percent*
7 *or more of the shares of the retailer; or*

8 “(C) *that the retailer is subject to the direct*
9 *or control of a covered nation.*

10 “(2) The term ‘covered military installation’
11 *means a military installation (as defined in section*
12 *2801 of this title) located in the United States.*

13 “(3) The term ‘covered nation’ *has the meaning*
14 *given in section 4872 of this title.*

15 “(4) The term ‘covered retailer’ *means a retailer*
16 *that is performing a long-term concessions agreement*
17 *on or before the date of the enactment of this Act.*

18 “(5) The term ‘long-term concessions agreement’
19 *means a contract, subcontract (at any tier), or other*
20 *agreement, including a lease agreement or licensing*
21 *agreement, to operate a business through a physical*
22 *location on a covered military installation entered*
23 *into by—*

1 “(A) the Secretary of Defense or a Secretary
2 of a military department and a person, includ-
3 ing a nonappropriated fund instrumentality; or

4 “(B) a person and a nonappropriated fund
5 instrumentality.

6 “(6) The term ‘retailer’ means—

7 “(A) a nonappropriated fund instrumen-
8 tality that operates or seeks to operate a business
9 through a physical location on a covered mili-
10 tary installation;

11 “(B) any other person that operates or seeks
12 to operate a business on a covered military in-
13 stallation under a contract, subcontract (at any
14 tier), or other agreement, including a lease agree-
15 ment or licensing agreement, with—

16 “(i) a nonappropriated fund instru-
17 mentality;

18 “(ii) the Secretary of Defense; or

19 “(iii) a Secretary of a military depart-
20 ment.”.

21 (b) ASSESSMENT OF COVERED RETAILERS.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after
23 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
24 Defense shall review each long-term concessions agree-
25 ment with a covered retailer that permits the covered

1 retailer to operate or conduct business through a
 2 physical location on a covered military installation to
 3 assess any direct or indirect relationships between the
 4 retailer (including any subsidiaries or parent compa-
 5 nies of such covered retailer) and any covered nation.

6 (2) *TERMINATION.*—Not later than one year
 7 after making a determination that a covered retailer
 8 is controlled by a covered nation based on an assess-
 9 ment described in subsection (a), the Secretary of De-
 10 fense shall terminate any long-term concessions agree-
 11 ment with the covered retailer.

12 (3) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section, the terms
 13 “covered nation”, “covered retailer”, and “long-term
 14 concessions agreement” have the meanings given, re-
 15 spectively, in section 4664 of title 10, United States
 16 Code, as added by this section.

17 **SEC. 862. PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH ENTITIES**
 18 **WITH SEGREGATED FACILITIES.**

19 Chapter 363 of title 10, United States Code, as amend-
 20 ed by section 861 of this Act, is further amended by adding
 21 at the end the following new section:

22 **“§4665. Prohibition on contracting with entities with**
 23 **segregated facilities**

24 “Each contract, including a subcontract (at any tier)
 25 under such a contract, entered into by the Secretary of De-

1 *fense on or after the date of the enactment of this section*
 2 *shall include a provision requiring that each contractor fol-*
 3 *low all Federal laws, including title II of the Civil Rights*
 4 *Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000a et seq.), which prohibit seg-*
 5 *regated facilities.”.*

6 **SEC. 863. REQUIREMENT FOR CONTRACTORS TO PROVIDE**
 7 **REASONABLE ACCESS TO REPAIR MATERIALS.**

8 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Chapter 363 of title 10, United
 9 States Code, as amended by section 862 of this Act, is fur-
 10 ther amended by adding at the end the following new sec-
 11 tion:

12 **“§4666. Requirement for contractors to provide rea-**
 13 **sonable access to repair materials**

14 “(a) *REQUIREMENT.*—An agency may not enter into
 15 a contract for the procurement of reparable goods or repair
 16 services in support of major weapon systems unless the con-
 17 tractor agrees in writing to provide the Department of De-
 18 fense fair and reasonable access to all the repair materials,
 19 including parts, tools, and information, used by the manu-
 20 facturer or provider or their authorized repair providers to
 21 diagnose, analyze, maintain, or repair the good or service.

22 “(b) *WAIVER.*—The Secretary of Defense, or the head
 23 of the procuring agency in the case of a delegated authority,
 24 may waive the requirements of this section with respect to
 25 a particular contract or class of contracts upon a written

1 *determination that application of those requirements would*
 2 *have a negative impact on cost, schedule, or technical per-*
 3 *formance.*

4 “(c) *PROTECTION FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY,*
 5 *PROPRIETARY, AND TRADE SECRET INFORMATION.*—*Noth-*
 6 *ing in this section shall be construed to permit the unau-*
 7 *thorized disclosure or release of intellectual property, com-*
 8 *mercially confidential information, or trade secrets. The*
 9 *Secretary of Defense shall take all necessary steps to protect*
 10 *such information from disclosure to the extent otherwise*
 11 *protected by law.*

12 “(d) *FAIR AND REASONABLE ACCESS DEFINED.*—*In*
 13 *this section, the term ‘fair and reasonable access’ means,*
 14 *as applicable—*

15 “(1) *prices, terms, and conditions that allow the*
 16 *Department of Defense the rights to provide the repair*
 17 *materials to an authorized contractor consistent with*
 18 *section 3771 of title 10, United States Code, and the*
 19 *Government’s product support strategy;*

20 “(2) *provision at prices, terms, and conditions*
 21 *that are equivalent to the most favorable prices,*
 22 *terms, and conditions under which the manufacturer*
 23 *or an authorized reseller or distributor offers the re-*
 24 *pair material to an authorized repair provider, ac-*
 25 *counting for any discount, rebate, convenient and*

1 *timely means of delivery, means of enabling fully re-*
2 *stored and updated functionality, rights of use, or*
3 *other incentive or preference the manufacturer or an*
4 *authorized reseller or distributor offers to an author-*
5 *ized repair provider;*

6 *“(3) if a manufacturer does not offer, directly or*
7 *through an authorized reseller or distributor, the re-*
8 *pair material to any authorized repair provider, then*
9 *provision of such repair material at prices, terms,*
10 *and conditions that are otherwise determined by the*
11 *United States Government to be fair and reasonable*
12 *in accordance with this title and subject to the dis-*
13 *pute resolution process outlined in chapter 71 of title*
14 *41, United States Code; and*

15 *“(4) if the United States Government did not*
16 *previously fund the development of the intellectual*
17 *property of the manufacturer or an authorized reseller*
18 *or distributor, the Government would pay a fair and*
19 *reasonable licensing fee to obtain access.”.*

20 *(b) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date*
21 *of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the*
22 *United States shall submit to the congressional defense com-*
23 *mittees a report on the implementation of this section.*

1 (c) *LIMITATIONS.*—Nothing in this section shall be
 2 construed as altering the requirements in section 2464 and
 3 2466 of title 10, United States Code.

4 **SEC. 864. PROHIBITION ON ACQUISITION OF ADVANCED**
 5 **BATTERIES FROM CERTAIN FOREIGN**
 6 **SOURCES.**

7 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subchapter II of chapter 385 of
 8 title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the
 9 end the following new section:

10 **“§4865. Prohibition on acquisition of advanced bat-**
 11 **teries composed of materials from certain**
 12 **foreign sources**

13 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—Beginning on January 1, 2027,
 14 and except as provided by subsection (b), the Secretary of
 15 Defense may acquire an advanced battery for use at instal-
 16 lations of the Department of Defense or in systems of the
 17 Department, or obtain any equipment, system, or service
 18 that uses covered battery equipment or services as a sub-
 19 stantial or essential component of any system or as critical
 20 technology as part of any system, only if—

21 “(1) more than 95 percent of the electrode active
 22 material in each battery cell comprising such ad-
 23 vanced battery is composed of materials from sources
 24 other than sources that are, or are in geographic

1 *areas that are, owned by, controlled by, or subject to*
2 *the jurisdiction of foreign entities of concern;*

3 *“(2) such advanced battery is not a battery de-*
4 *scribed in section 154(a) of the National Defense Au-*
5 *thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law*
6 *118–31; 10 U.S.C. 4651 note prec.); and*

7 *“(3) each such battery cell is manufactured with-*
8 *out technology licensed from a foreign entity of con-*
9 *cern or any subsidiary, successor, or affiliate of a for-*
10 *ign entity of concern under a licensing agreement*
11 *that—*

12 *“(A) limits the duration of the use of such*
13 *technology; or*

14 *“(B) requires—*

15 *“(i) any ownership of the manufac-*
16 *turer of such battery cell by a foreign entity*
17 *of concern or any subsidiary, successor, or*
18 *affiliate of a foreign entity of concern; or*

19 *“(ii) any partnership or technology*
20 *transfer between such manufacturer and a*
21 *foreign entity of concern or any subsidiary,*
22 *successor, or affiliate of a foreign entity of*
23 *concern.*

24 *“(b) EXCEPTIONS.—*

25 *“(1) WAIVER.—*

1 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary of a*
2 *military department may waive subsection (a)*
3 *with respect to an acquisition of an advanced*
4 *battery if the Secretary—*

5 “(i) *determines in writing that such*
6 *acquisition is necessary to the national se-*
7 *curity interest of the United States; and*

8 “(ii) *implements a strategy to elimi-*
9 *nate such necessity.*

10 “(B) *DELEGATION.*—*The Secretary of a*
11 *military department may delegate the written*
12 *determination required under subparagraph*
13 *(A)(i) only as follows:*

14 “(i) *To the head of a contracting activ-*
15 *ity for the relevant component for a waiver*
16 *for a single acquisition program.*

17 “(ii) *To the senior acquisition execu-*
18 *tive of a military department for a waiver*
19 *for multiple programs within such military*
20 *department.*

21 “(iii) *To the Undersecretary of Defense*
22 *for Acquisition and Sustainment for a*
23 *waiver for more than one military depart-*
24 *ment.*

1 “(C) *CONTENTS.*—*The written determina-*
 2 *tion required under subparagraph (A)(i) with re-*
 3 *spect to a waiver for the acquisition of an ad-*
 4 *vanced battery shall include—*

5 “*(i) the reason such waiver is required;*

6 “*(ii) a list of each weapon system or*
 7 *end item for which such advanced battery is*
 8 *being acquired under such waiver;*

9 “*(iii) the duration of such wavier; and*

10 “*(iv) a timeline for implementing the*
 11 *strategy described in subparagraph (A)(ii).*

12 “(2) *PERSONAL ELECTRONICS.*—*Subsection (a)*
 13 *does not apply with respect to the acquisition of an*
 14 *advanced battery for use in personal electronics, in-*
 15 *cluding cell phones and laptops, intended for office or*
 16 *administrative purposes.*

17 “(3) *TESTING AND EVALUATION.*—*Subsection (a)*
 18 *does not apply with respect to the acquisition of an*
 19 *advanced battery for which testing and evaluation*
 20 *under a program of record of the Department of De-*
 21 *fense begins prior to January 1, 2027.*

22 “(c) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

23 “*(1) The terms ‘advanced battery’ and ‘foreign*
 24 *entity of concern’ have the meanings given such*
 25 *terms, respectively, under section 40207(a) of the In-*

1 *frastructure Investment and Jobs Act (42 U.S.C.*
 2 *18741(a)).*

3 *“(2) The term ‘battery cell’ means the smallest*
 4 *individual component of a battery capable of con-*
 5 *verting chemical energy into electrical energy.*

6 *“(3) The term ‘electrode active materials’ means*
 7 *cathode materials, anode materials, anode foils, and*
 8 *other electrochemically active materials including sol-*
 9 *vents, additives, and electrolyte salts that contribute*
 10 *to the electrochemical processes necessary for energy*
 11 *storage in a battery.”.*

12 *(b) APPLICABILITY.—Section 4865 of title 10, United*
 13 *States Code, as added by subsection (a), shall apply only*
 14 *with respect to contracts or other agreements entered into*
 15 *after the date of the enactment of this Act.*

16 **SEC. 865. PROHIBITION ON ACQUISITION OF MOLYBDENUM**
 17 **FROM NON-ALLIED FOREIGN NATIONS.**

18 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4872(h)(1) of title 10,*
 19 *United States Code, as redesignated and amended by this*
 20 *Act, is further amended—*

21 *(1) in subparagraph (D), by striking “and” at*
 22 *the end;*

23 *(2) in subparagraph (E), by striking the period*
 24 *at the end and inserting “; and”; and*

1 (3) *by adding at the end the following new sub-*
 2 *paragraph:*

3 “(F) *molybdenum.*”.

4 (b) *EXISTING CONTRACT.*—*The amendments made by*
 5 *subsection (a) shall apply only with respect to contracts and*
 6 *other agreements entered into after the date of the enactment*
 7 *of this Act.*

8 **SEC. 866. REQUIREMENT TO BUY DISPOSABLE FOOD SERV-**
 9 **ICE PRODUCTS FROM AMERICAN SOURCES;**
 10 **EXCEPTIONS.**

11 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Subchapter II of chapter 385 of*
 12 *title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 864*
 13 *of this Act, is further amended by adding at the end the*
 14 *following new section:*

15 **“§4866. Requirement to buy disposable food service**
 16 **products from American sources; excep-**
 17 **tions**

18 “(a) *REQUIREMENT.*—*The Secretary of Defense may*
 19 *only procure disposable food service products that—*

20 “(1) *are American-made;*

21 “(2) *contain no added perfluoroalkyl substances*
 22 *or polyfluoroalkyl substances; and*

23 “(3) *improve operational readiness (as defined*
 24 *in section 4322 of this title).*

1 “(b) *WAIVER.—(1) The Secretary of Defense may*
2 *waive the requirement under subsection (a) if the Sec-*
3 *retary—*

4 “(A) *determines that the waiver is in the*
5 *best interest of the national security of the*
6 *United States; and*

7 “(B) *submits to the congressional defense*
8 *committees a written justification for issuing*
9 *such waiver.*

10 “(2) *The Secretary may not delegate the authority to*
11 *issue a waiver under this subsection to an official below*
12 *the level of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition*
13 *and Sustainment.*

14 “(c) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

15 “(1) *The term ‘American-made’ means, with re-*
16 *spect to a disposable food service product, that such*
17 *product is manufactured or produced in the United*
18 *States—*

19 “(A) *by an entity that is incorporated and*
20 *headquartered in the United States; and*

21 “(B) *substantially all from articles, mate-*
22 *rials, or supplies produced or manufactured in*
23 *the United States.*

24 “(2) *The term ‘disposable food service products’*
25 *means—*

1 “(A) *single-use products for serving or*
 2 *transporting ready-to-consume food or beverages;*
 3 *and*

4 “(B) *excludes—*

5 “(i) *plastic food wrappers or other*
 6 *plastic packaging for food; and*

7 “(ii) *operational rations, including*
 8 *meals ready-to-eat or unitized group ra-*
 9 *tions.*

10 “(3) *The terms ‘perfluoroalkyl substance’ and*
 11 *‘polyfluoroalkyl substance’ have the meanings given,*
 12 *respectively, in section 2714 of this title.”.*

13 (b) *MODIFICATION OF REGULATIONS.—Not later than*
 14 *90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-*
 15 *retary of Defense shall revise the Department of Defense*
 16 *Supplement to the Federal Acquisition Regulation to imple-*
 17 *ment the requirements of section 4866 of title 10, United*
 18 *States Code, as added by this section.*

19 **SEC. 867. PROHIBITION ON DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**
 20 **CONTRACTS WITH CERTAIN FOREIGN-OWNED**
 21 **ONLINE TUTORING SERVICES.**

22 *Section 854 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Im-*
 23 *provement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fis-*
 24 *cal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C. 4651 note*
 25 *prec.) is amended—*

1 (1) *by striking “The Secretary” and inserting*
 2 *“(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary”;*

3 (2) *by striking “the People’s Republic of China”*
 4 *and inserting “a country of concern”; and*

5 (3) *by adding at the end the following new sub-*
 6 *section:*

7 “(b) *COUNTRY OF CONCERN DEFINED.—In this sec-*
 8 *tion, the term ‘country of concern’ means any of the fol-*
 9 *lowing:*

10 “(1) *China.*

11 “(2) *Russia.*

12 “(3) *Iran.*

13 “(4) *North Korea.”.*

14 **SEC. 868. MODIFICATIONS TO CERTAIN PROCUREMENTS**
 15 **FROM CERTAIN CHINESE ENTITIES.**

16 (a) *MODIFICATION OF PROHIBITION ON DEPARTMENT*
 17 *OF DEFENSE PROCUREMENT RELATED TO ENTITIES IDEN-*
 18 *TIFIED AS CHINESE MILITARY COMPANIES OPERATING IN*
 19 *THE UNITED STATES.—*

20 (1) *PROHIBITION ON USE OF LOAN OR GRANT*
 21 *FUNDS.—*

22 (A) *IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a)(1) of sec-*
 23 *tion 805 of the National Defense Authorization*
 24 *Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31;*
 25 *10 U.S.C. 4651 note prec.) is amended—*

1 (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking “;
2 or” and inserting a semicolon;

3 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
4 the period at the end and inserting “; or”;
5 and

6 (iii) by adding at the end the following
7 new subparagraph:

8 “(C) obligate or expend loan or grant funds
9 to procure or obtain goods and services produced
10 or developed by an entity described in paragraph
11 (2).”.

12 (B) *APPLICABILITY.*—The requirements of
13 subparagraph (C) of section 805(a)(1) of the Na-
14 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year
15 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 10 U.S.C. 4651 note
16 prec.), as added by this paragraph, shall apply
17 with respect to loan or grant funds obligated or
18 expended on or after the date of the enactment of
19 this Act.

20 (2) *EXPANSION OF ENTITIES COVERED.*—Sub-
21 section (a)(2) of such section is amended—

22 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “; or”
23 and inserting a semicolon;

24 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking the
25 period at the end and inserting “; or”; and

1 (C) by adding at the end the following new
2 subparagraph:

3 “(C) any entity for which the Secretary has
4 submitted a certification to the congressional de-
5 fense committees for inclusion in this paragraph
6 for national security reasons.”.

7 (3) *WAIVER REPORTING.*—Subsection (c) of such
8 section is amended by adding at the end the following
9 new paragraph:

10 “(4) *REPORTING.*—The Secretary of Defense
11 shall submit to the congressional defense committees
12 an annual report on waivers granted under this sub-
13 section, including the justifications for such waivers.”.

14 (4) *RULEMAKING.*—Not later than one year after
15 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
16 Defense shall amend the Department of Defense Sup-
17 plement to the Federal Acquisition Regulation to im-
18 plement the prohibitions in section 805 of the Na-
19 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024
20 (Public Law 118–31; 10 U.S.C. 4651 note prec.), as
21 amended by this subsection.

22 (b) *DESIGNATION OF CERTAIN BIOTECHNOLOGY ENTI-*
23 *TIES AS CHINESE MILITARY COMPANIES.*—

24 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 180 days after
25 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of De-

1 *fense shall update the list maintained by the Depart-*
2 *ment of Defense in accordance with section 1260H(b)*
3 *of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal*
4 *Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 113 note)*
5 *to include biotechnology entities (including any sub-*
6 *sidary, parent, affiliate, or successor of such an enti-*
7 *ty) engaged in DNA and RNA assembly, synthesis,*
8 *and manufacturing.*

9 (2) *DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:*

10 (A) *The term “DNA and RNA assembly,*
11 *synthesis, and manufacturing” means the chem-*
12 *ical or biological production of RNA and DNA*
13 *molecules through enzymatic methods or chem-*
14 *ical synthesis and involving the construction of*
15 *longer sequences or entire genomes from smaller*
16 *DNA or RNA fragments, commonly used in med-*
17 *ical research, synthetic biology, gene therapy,*
18 *and vaccine development.*

19 (B) *The term “biotechnology entity” has the*
20 *meaning given in section 1312(b) of the National*
21 *Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024*
22 *(Public Law 118–31).*

23 (c) *MODIFICATION OF PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY*
24 *OF FUNDS FOR PROCUREMENT OF CERTAIN BATTERIES.—*
25 *Subsection (b) of section 154 of the National Defense Au-*

1 *thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31;*
 2 *10 U.S.C. note preceding section 44651) is amended—*

3 *(1) by redesignating paragraphs (2) through (7)*
 4 *as paragraphs (3) through (8), respectively;*

5 *(2) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-*
 6 *lowing:*

7 *“(2) Ampere Technology Limited (also known*
 8 *as ‘ATL’).”;* and

9 *(3) by amending paragraph (8) as redesignated*
 10 *by striking “paragraphs (1) through (6)” and insert-*
 11 *ing “paragraphs (1) through (7)”.*

12 **SEC. 869. PROHIBITION ON THE PURCHASE OF PHOTO-**
 13 **VOLTAIC MODULES FROM FOREIGN ENTITIES**
 14 **OF CONCERN.**

15 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided by subsection*
 16 *(b), none of the funds made available by this Act may be*
 17 *used to acquire a photovoltaic module or photovoltaic cells*
 18 *manufactured by a foreign entity of concern (as defined in*
 19 *section 9901 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National*
 20 *Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (15 U.S.C.*
 21 *4651).*

22 *(b) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may waive*
 23 *subsection (a) with respect to an acquisition of a photo-*
 24 *voltaic module or photovoltaic cell manufactured by for for-*
 25 *foreign entity of concern if the Secretary—*

1 (1) *determines that a sufficient quantity and*
2 *satisfactory qualify of such photovoltaic module or*
3 *photovoltaic cell, as applicable, manufactured by enti-*
4 *ties other than foreign entities of concern is not avail-*
5 *able as and when needed at United States market*
6 *prices;*

7 (2) *determines that the use of such photovoltaic*
8 *module or photovoltaic cell, as applicable, does not*
9 *pose any risk to national security; and*

10 (3) *submits to the appropriate congressional*
11 *committees a certification of the determinations under*
12 *paragraphs (1) and (2) not later than the date that*
13 *is 30 days prior to the date on which the Secretary*
14 *of Defense enters into a contract or other agreement*
15 *for such acquisition.*

16 (c) *APPLICABILITY.*—Subsection (a) *shall apply only*
17 *with respect to contracts or other agreements for the acquisi-*
18 *tion of photovoltaic modules or photovoltaic cells directly*
19 *by the Department of Defense that do not involve any third*
20 *party financing arrangements, including energy savings*
21 *contracts and contracts or other agreements involving*
22 *privatized military housing.*

23 (d) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

24 (1) *The term “photovoltaic cell” means the*
25 *smallest semiconductor element of a photovoltaic mod-*

1 *ule that performs the immediate conversion of light*
 2 *into electricity.*

3 (2) *The term “photovoltaic module” means an*
 4 *end item (as such term is defined in section 4863 of*
 5 *title 10, United States Code) comprised of connected*
 6 *and laminated photovoltaic cells in an environ-*
 7 *mentally protected assembly that is suitable to gen-*
 8 *erate electricity when exposed to sunlight.*

9 **SEC. 870. PROHIBITION ON COMPUTERS OR PRINTERS AC-**
 10 **QUISITIONS INVOLVING ENTITIES OWNED OR**
 11 **CONTROLLED BY CHINA.**

12 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary of Defense may not*
 13 *acquire any computer or printer if the manufacturer, bid-*
 14 *der, or offeror is a covered Chinese entity.*

15 (b) *APPLICABILITY.*—*This section shall apply with re-*
 16 *spect to contracts or other agreements entered into, renewed,*
 17 *or extended after the date of the enactment of this Act.*

18 (c) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

19 (1) *The term “computer”—*

20 (A) *means an electronic, magnetic, optical,*
 21 *electrochemical, or other high speed data proc-*
 22 *essing device performing logical, arithmetic, or*
 23 *storage functions, and includes any data storage*
 24 *facility or communications facility directly re-*

1 *lated to or operating in conjunction with such*
2 *device; and*

3 *(B) does not include an automated type-*
4 *writer or typesetter, a portable handheld calcu-*
5 *lator, or other similar device.*

6 *(2) The term “covered Chinese entity” means an*
7 *entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation*
8 *with the Director of the National Intelligence or the*
9 *Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, deter-*
10 *mines to be an entity owned, controlled, directed, or*
11 *subcontracted by, affiliated with, or otherwise con-*
12 *necting to, the Government of the People’s Republic of*
13 *China.*

14 *(3) The term “manufacturer” means—*

15 *(A) the entity that transforms raw mate-*
16 *rials, miscellaneous parts, or components into*
17 *the end item;*

18 *(B) an entity that subcontracts with the en-*
19 *tity described in subparagraph (A) for purposes*
20 *of assisting the entity described in such subpara-*
21 *graph in transforming raw materials, miscella-*
22 *neous parts, or components into the end item;*

23 *(C) an entity that otherwise directs the enti-*
24 *ty described in subparagraph (A) to transform*

1 *raw materials, miscellaneous parts, or compo-*
2 *nents into the end item; or*

3 *(D) any parent company, subsidiary, or af-*
4 *filiate of the entity described in subparagraph*
5 *(A).*

6 *(4) The term “printer”—*

7 *(A) means desktop printers, multifunction*
8 *printer copiers, and printer and fax combina-*
9 *tions taken out of service that may or may not*
10 *be designed to reside on a work surface;*

11 *(B) includes devices that use various print*
12 *technologies, including laser and LED (electro-*
13 *graphic), ink jet, dot matrix, thermal, and dig-*
14 *ital sublimation;*

15 *(C) includes multi-function or “all-in-one”*
16 *devices that perform different tasks, including*
17 *copying, scanning, faxing, and printing;*

18 *(D) includes floor-standing printers, print-*
19 *ers with an optional floor stand, or household*
20 *printers; and*

21 *(E) does not include point-of-sale receipt*
22 *printers, calculators with printing capabilities,*
23 *label makers, or non-standalone printers that are*
24 *embedded into products that are not described in*
25 *subparagraphs (A) through (D).*

1 ***Subtitle F—Industrial Base Matters***

2 ***SEC. 871. MODIFICATION TO DEMONSTRATION AND PROTO-***
 3 ***TYPING PROGRAM TO ADVANCE INTER-***
 4 ***NATIONAL PRODUCT SUPPORT CAPABILITIES***
 5 ***IN A CONTESTED LOGISTICS ENVIRONMENT.***

6 *Section 842 of the National Defense Authorization Act*
 7 *for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 10 U.S.C. 2341*
 8 *note) is amended—*

9 *(1) in subsection (b)(2)—*

10 *(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “and”*
 11 *at the end;*

12 *(B) by redesignating subparagraph (B) as*
 13 *subparagraph (C); and*

14 *(C) by inserting after subparagraph (A) the*
 15 *following new subparagraph:*

16 *“(B) commercial advanced or additive man-*
 17 *ufacturing facilities for rapid, distributed pro-*
 18 *duction of parts closer to the point of use; and”;*
 19 *and*

20 *(2) in subsection (g), by striking “on the date”*
 21 *and all that follows and inserting “December 31,*
 22 *2030.”.*

1 **SEC. 872. MODIFICATION TO PROCUREMENT REQUIRE-**
2 **MENTS RELATING TO RARE EARTH ELE-**
3 **MENTS AND STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MATE-**
4 **RIALS.**

5 *(a) MODIFICATION REGARDING ADVANCED BATTERIES*
6 *IN DISCLOSURES CONCERNING RARE EARTH ELEMENTS*
7 *AND STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MATERIALS BY CONTRAC-*
8 *TORS OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.—Section 857 of the*
9 *James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for*
10 *Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2727;*
11 *10 U.S.C. 4811 note) is amended—*

12 *(1) in subsection (a)—*

13 *(A) in paragraph (1)(A)—*

14 *(i) by striking “permanent magnet”*
15 *and inserting “permanent magnet, or an*
16 *advanced battery or advanced battery com-*
17 *ponent (as those terms are defined, respec-*
18 *tively, in section 40207(a) of the Infrastruc-*
19 *ture Investment and Jobs Act (42 U.S.C.*
20 *18741(a))),”; and*

21 *(ii) by striking “of the magnet” and*
22 *inserting “of the magnet, the advanced bat-*
23 *ttery, or the advanced battery component (as*
24 *applicable)”; and*

25 *(B) by amending paragraph (2) to read as*
26 *follows:*

1 “(2) *ELEMENTS*.—A disclosure under paragraph
2 (1) with respect to a system described in that para-
3 graph shall include—

4 “(A) if the system includes a permanent
5 magnet, an identification of the country or coun-
6 tries in which—

7 “(i) any rare earth elements and stra-
8 tegic and critical materials used in the
9 magnet were mined;

10 “(ii) such elements and materials were
11 refined into oxides;

12 “(iii) such elements and materials were
13 made into metals and alloys; and

14 “(iv) the magnet was sintered or bond-
15 ed and magnetized; and

16 “(B) if the system includes an advanced
17 battery or an advanced battery component, an
18 identification of the country or countries in
19 which—

20 “(i) any strategic and critical mate-
21 rials that are covered minerals used in the
22 battery or component were refined, proc-
23 essed, or reprocessed;

24 “(ii) any strategic and critical mate-
25 rials that are covered minerals and that

1 *were manufactured into the battery or com-*
2 *ponent; and*

3 *“(iii) the battery cell, module, and*
4 *pack of the battery or component were man-*
5 *ufactured and assembled.”; and*

6 *(2) by amending subsection (d) to read as fol-*
7 *lows:*

8 *“(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

9 *“(1) The term ‘strategic and critical materials’*
10 *means materials designated as strategic and critical*
11 *under section 3(a) of the Strategic and Critical Mate-*
12 *rials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98b(a)).*

13 *“(2) The term ‘covered minerals’ means lithium,*
14 *nickel, cobalt, manganese, and graphite.”.*

15 *(b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—Subsection (a) of such*
16 *section 857 is further amended—*

17 *(1) in paragraph (3), by striking “provides the*
18 *system” and inserting “provides the system as de-*
19 *scribed in paragraph (1)”;* and

20 *(2) in paragraph (4)(C), by striking “a senior*
21 *acquisition executive” and inserting “a service acqui-*
22 *sition executive”.*

1 **SEC. 873. APPLICABILITY OF THE PROHIBITION ON ACQUIR-**
2 **ING CERTAIN METAL PRODUCTS.**

3 *Section 844(b) of the National Defense Authorization*
4 *Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283) is amend-*
5 *ed—*

6 *(1) in the subsection heading, by inserting “; AP-*
7 *PLICABILITY” after “DATE”; and*

8 *(2) by inserting “, and shall apply with respect*
9 *to contracts entered into on or after,” after “take ef-*
10 *fect on”.*

11 **SEC. 874. RECYCLING CRITICAL MINERAL.**

12 *Section 848(b) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry*
13 *National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021*
14 *(Public Law 116-283; 10 U.S.C. 4811 note) is amended—*

15 *(1) in paragraph (1)—*

16 *(A) in subparagraph (B), by inserting*
17 *“under the guidance described in paragraph (3)”*
18 *after “recycled or reused minerals or metals”;*
19 *and*

20 *(B) in subparagraph (C), by inserting*
21 *“under the guidance described in paragraph (3)”*
22 *after “recycled or reused minerals or metals”;*
23 *and*

24 *(2) by adding at the end the following new para-*
25 *graph:*

1 “(3) *GUIDANCE.*—*The Under Secretary of De-*
2 *fense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall issue*
3 *guidance to use the lessons learned from the program*
4 *of the Defense Logistics Agency for recycling optical-*
5 *grade germanium used in weapons systems and night*
6 *vision equipment to expand and scale the use of the*
7 *authority of the Secretary of Defense under the Stra-*
8 *tegic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50*
9 *U.S.C. 98 et seq.) to recycle, reuse, or otherwise re-*
10 *cover materials determined to be strategic and critical*
11 *materials under section 3(a) of the Strategic and*
12 *Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C.*
13 *98b(a)).”.*

14 **SEC. 875. ORGANIC SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM**
15 **MANUFACTURING CAPACITY.**

16 *(a) IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 120 days after the*
17 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense*
18 *shall establish in the Defense Industrial Resilience Consor-*
19 *tium established under section 1842 a working group, to*
20 *be called the “SkyFoundry Working Group”, to develop rec-*
21 *ommendations—*

- 22 *(1) for improving the domestic manufacturing*
23 *capacity for small unmanned aircraft systems; and*
24 *(2) to enable rapid development, testing, and*
25 *scalable manufacturing of small drones.*

1 (b) *MEMBERSHIP.*—*The membership of the working*
2 *group shall include representatives from the Government,*
3 *including representatives from the Army Materiel Com-*
4 *mand and the United States Special Operations Command,*
5 *industry, and academia with expertise in the manufac-*
6 *turing, engineering, or testing and evaluation of small UAS*
7 *manufacturing, including expertise in modular manufac-*
8 *turing processes for small UAS, or commercial best prac-*
9 *tices and business models for manufacturing small UAS.*

10 (c) *RESPONSIBILITIES.*—*The working group estab-*
11 *lished under subsection (a) shall—*

12 (1) *identify existing infrastructure of the De-*
13 *partment of Defense, including depots and military*
14 *installations, that may be modified to operate as an*
15 *innovation center and production facility for small*
16 *UAS manufacturing that is capable of mass pro-*
17 *ducing small UAS;*

18 (2) *assess how the infrastructure identified under*
19 *paragraph (1) could be operated using a hybrid busi-*
20 *ness model, including—*

21 (A) *a Government Owned, Contractor Oper-*
22 *ated model; and*

23 (B) *a Government Owned, Government Op-*
24 *erated model;*

1 (3) *identify additional authorities that could be*
2 *used to streamline and expedite the establishment of*
3 *an organic small UAS innovation and production fa-*
4 *cility, including rapid acquisition authorities that*
5 *could be used to accelerate contacting, production,*
6 *testing, and delivery of small UAS to the Department*
7 *of Defense;*

8 (4) *identify any changes to policy and proce-*
9 *dures of the Department that are required for the De-*
10 *partment to establish the innovation center and pro-*
11 *duction facility for sUAS manufacturing at an exist-*
12 *ing depot or military installation;*

13 (5) *identify any funding required for the*
14 *sustainment, restoration, and modernization of facili-*
15 *ties to establish an innovation center and production*
16 *facility for small UAS manufacturing; and*

17 (6) *develop and submit to the Secretary of De-*
18 *fense recommendations for—*

19 (A) *establishing an innovation center and*
20 *production facility for small UAS manufac-*
21 *turing;*

22 (B) *workforce training to enhance the*
23 *knowledge and experience of the workforce of the*
24 *Department of Defense in small UAS design,*

1 *manufacturing, and testing best practices and*
2 *procedures; and*

3 (C) *expanding the concept of a innovation*
4 *center and production facility to expand the ac-*
5 *cess of the Department of Defense to required*
6 *products, including energetics and autonomous*
7 *systems.*

8 (d) *REPORT.*—*Not later than 270 days after the date*
9 *of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall*
10 *submit to Congress—*

11 (1) *a summary of the recommendations sub-*
12 *mitted to the Secretary under subsection (c)(6);*

13 (2) *an explanation of the actions taken by the*
14 *Secretary to better enable the Department of Defense*
15 *to rapidly develop, test, and manufacture small UAS;*
16 *and*

17 (3) *the recommendations of the Secretary to en-*
18 *able the Department to expand domestic manufac-*
19 *turing capacity for small unmanned aircraft systems*
20 *and to enable rapid development, testing, and scalable*
21 *manufacturing of small drones, including any rec-*
22 *ommendations for any additional relevant statutory*
23 *authorities.*

24 (e) *SUNSET.*—

1 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The requirements under this*
2 *section shall expire on the date that is one year after*
3 *the date of this Act.*

4 (2) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—*Paragraph (1)*
5 *shall not be construed as terminating the authority of*
6 *the Secretary to continue the operating the working*
7 *group established under subsection (a) after the expi-*
8 *ration date established under such paragraph.*

9 (f) *PRESERVATION OF AUTHORITY.*—*The establish-*
10 *ment or findings of the working group established under*
11 *subsection (a) shall not be construed as restricting, delay-*
12 *ing, or otherwise limiting the Secretary of the Army from*
13 *exercising any of the authorities of the Secretary referred*
14 *to in this section, including the performance of any action*
15 *under any authority of the Secretary that may be the sub-*
16 *ject of a review by or recommendation of such working*
17 *group.*

18 (g) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

19 (1) *The term “small unmanned aircraft system”*
20 *mean a small unmanned aircraft and associated ele-*
21 *ments (including communication links and the com-*
22 *ponents that control the unmanned aircraft) that are*
23 *required for the operator to operate safely and effi-*
24 *ciently in the national airspace system.*

1 (2) *The term “small unmanned aircraft” means*
 2 *an unmanned aircraft weighing less than 55 pounds,*
 3 *including the weight of anything attached to or car-*
 4 *ried by the aircraft.*

5 **SEC. 876. PROTECTING AI AND CLOUD COMPETITION IN DE-**
 6 **FENSE CONTRACTS.**

7 (a) *CLOUD, DATA INFRASTRUCTURE, AND FOUNDA-*
 8 *TION MODEL PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS.—The Sec-*
 9 *retary of Defense shall, when entering into a contract for*
 10 *cloud computing, data infrastructure, and artificial intel-*
 11 *ligence capabilities—*

12 (1) *promote security, resiliency, and competition*
 13 *in the procurement of such capabilities by requiring*
 14 *the use of competitive procedures under section 3012*
 15 *of title 10, United States Code;*

16 (2) *ensure that the Government retains exclusive*
 17 *access to and use of all Government-furnished data;*

18 (3) *ensure that such competitive procedures—*

19 (A) *prioritize appropriate Government roles*
 20 *in intellectual property, data rights, security,*
 21 *interoperability, and auditability;*

22 (B) *incorporate modular open systems ap-*
 23 *proaches (as defined in section 4401 of title 10,*
 24 *United States Code (as amended by section 1833*
 25 *of this Act)) and technical boundaries;*

1 (C) use best practices in streamlined pro-
2 curement as set forth in the *Federal Acquisition*
3 *Streamlining Act of 1994 (Public Law 103–355)*
4 and section 808 of the *National Defense Author-*
5 *ization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law*
6 *116– 283; 10 U.S.C. 4001 note)*;

7 (D) encourages participation by small busi-
8 ness concerns (as defined under section 3 of the
9 *Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632)*) and non-
10 traditional defense contractors (as defined in sec-
11 tion 3014 of title 10, *United States Code*);

12 (E) uses all appropriate acquisition au-
13 thorities, including authorities under sections
14 4021 and 4022 of title 10, *United States Code*,
15 and commercial solutions opening contracts en-
16 tered into pursuant to section 3458 of title 10,
17 *United States Code*.

18 (b) *DATA TRAINING AND USE PROTECTION.*—The Sec-
19 retary of Defense, acting through the Director of the Chief
20 Digital and Artificial Intelligence Office of the Department
21 of Defense, shall revise the Department of Defense Supple-
22 ment to the *Federal Acquisition Regulation* to ensure that—

23 (1) Government-furnished data provided for the
24 development or operation of AI capabilities may not
25 be used by a covered provider to train or improve

1 *commercial products without express written author-*
2 *ization from the Secretary of Defense;*

3 *(2) such Government-furnished data, when stored*
4 *on covered provider systems, is protected and treated*
5 *in accordance with covered data principles, or, to the*
6 *maximum extent practicable, under commercial AI*
7 *terms protective of Government interests;*

8 *(3) a service acquisition executive (as defined in*
9 *section 101 of title 10, United States Code) may*
10 *waive the requirements of this subsection only if—*

11 *(A) such waiver is determined to be nec-*
12 *essary for national security; and*

13 *(B) the Director is notified of the specific*
14 *waiver, the covered provider and a description*
15 *and the value of the contract to which the waiver*
16 *applies, the data subject to the waiver, and the*
17 *justification for such waiver.*

18 *(c) REPORT.—*

19 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January 15,*
20 *2027, and annually thereafter for four years, the*
21 *Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, in coordination*
22 *with the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition*
23 *and Sustainment, shall submit to the congressional*
24 *defense committees a report on—*

1 (A) competition and innovation among pro-
2 viders of AI technologies or cloud computing ca-
3 pabilities for the Department of Defense;

4 (B) barriers to the award of a contract with
5 the Department of Defense faced by providers of
6 commercial AI technologies and emerging tech-
7 nology companies; and

8 (C) legislative and administrative rec-
9 ommendations to enhance innovation, competi-
10 tion, and secure data practices in Department of
11 Defense AI and cloud acquisitions.

12 (2) PUBLICATION.—The Secretary of Defense
13 shall ensure that the report is made available to the
14 public by—

15 (A) posting a publicly releasable version of
16 the report on a website of the Department of De-
17 fense; and

18 (B) upon request, transmitting the report
19 by other means, as long as such transmission is
20 at no cost to the Department.

21 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

22 (1) The terms “artificial intelligence” and “AI”
23 have the meaning given the term “artificial intel-
24 ligence” in section 5002 of the National Artificial In-
25 telligence Initiative Act of 2020 (15 U.S.C. 9401).

1 (2) *The term “cloud computing” has the mean-*
2 *ing given the term in Special Publication 800–145 of*
3 *the National Institute of Standards and Technology,*
4 *or any successor document.*

5 (3) *The term “cloud provider” means an entity*
6 *engaged in the provision, sale, or licensing of cloud*
7 *computing.*

8 (4) *The term “covered data principles” means—*

9 (A) *“DoD data decrees” as described in the*
10 *memorandum of the Department of Defense titled*
11 *“Creating Data Advantage” issued May 5, 2021;*
12 *and*

13 (B) *Creating Data Advantage (Open*
14 *DAGIR) principles, as defined by the Director of*
15 *the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Of-*
16 *fice*

17 (5) *The term “covered provider” means any*
18 *cloud provider, data infrastructure provider, or artifi-*
19 *cial provider that has entered into one or more con-*
20 *tracts with an aggregate total value of greater than*
21 *or equal to \$50,000,000 during the period of five fis-*
22 *cal years preceding the fiscal year in which a con-*
23 *tract described in subsection (a) is entered into.*

24 (6) *The term “data infrastructure” means the*
25 *underlying computer, network, and software systems*

1 that enable the collection, storage, processing, and
2 analysis of data, including the ability to record,
3 transmit, transform, categorize, integrate, and other-
4 wise process data generated by digital data systems.

5 **SEC. 877. BIOINDUSTRIAL COMMERCIALIZATION PROGRAM.**

6 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than one year after the
7 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
8 may establish a program to support the expansion of the
9 domestic capacity for bioindustrial manufacturing of crit-
10 ical biomanufactured products at a commercial level
11 through awards to eligible entities for establishing, upgrad-
12 ing, and retooling of eligible bioindustrial manufacturing
13 facilities.

14 (b) *AWARDS.*—

15 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—An entity seeking an award
16 under the program shall submit to the Secretary an
17 application at such time, in such manner, and con-
18 taining such information as the Secretary determines
19 appropriate.

20 (2) *COMPETITIVE AWARDS.*—The Secretary shall
21 make each award under the program to an eligible
22 entity in a competitive manner.

23 (3) *AWARD CRITERIA.*—In selecting eligible enti-
24 ties to receive awards under the program, the Sec-
25 retary shall consider the following criteria:

1 (A) *The potential of the technology of such*
2 *eligible entity to improve domestic resilience and*
3 *protect critical supply chains for critical bio-*
4 *manufactured products.*

5 (B) *How the technology of such eligible enti-*
6 *ty could help meet the demand for the capabili-*
7 *ties required by the next generation of*
8 *warfighters.*

9 (C) *The ability of the eligible bioindustrial*
10 *manufacturing facility with respect to which*
11 *such eligible entity is seeking such award to be*
12 *repurposed and the range of products that such*
13 *eligible bioindustrial manufacturing facilities is*
14 *capable of producing.*

15 (D) *Whether the eligible bioindustrial man-*
16 *ufacturing facility with respect to which such el-*
17 *igible entity is seeking such award supports the*
18 *goal of wide geographic distribution of bioindus-*
19 *trial manufacturing facility across the United*
20 *States.*

21 (E) *Whether the eligible bioindustrial man-*
22 *ufacturing facility with respect to which such el-*
23 *igible entity is seeking such award is located in*
24 *geographic proximity to sources of input mate-*
25 *rials for the production of critical biomanufac-*

1 *tured products or areas with established*
2 *biomanufacturing capabilities; and*

3 *(F) Such additional considerations that the*
4 *Secretary deems appropriate.*

5 *(4) USE OF AWARD FUNDS.—A recipient of an*
6 *award under the program may use funds received*
7 *under such award for the establishment, upgrading,*
8 *or retooling of one or more eligible bioindustrial man-*
9 *ufacturing facilities to produce critical biomanufac-*
10 *tured products, including the development of business*
11 *or technical plans related to such establishment, up-*
12 *grading, or retooling.*

13 *(c) OVERSIGHT.—If the Secretary establishes the pro-*
14 *gram, the Secretary shall establish reporting requirements*
15 *for recipients of awards under the program which shall in-*
16 *clude requirements for period reports on the following:*

17 *(1) The progress of the recipient in establishing,*
18 *upgrading, or retooling the eligible bioindustrial*
19 *manufacturing facility with respect to which such re-*
20 *cipient received such award.*

21 *(2) The estimated timeline and funding require-*
22 *ments for the recipient to begin biomanufacturing at*
23 *the eligible bioindustrial manufacturing facility de-*
24 *scribed in paragraph (1).*

1 (3) *The products, including the critical biomanu-*
2 *factured products, that are or will be produced at the*
3 *eligible bioindustrial manufacturing facility described*
4 *in paragraph (1).*

5 (4) *The progress of the recipient in entering into*
6 *an agreement with the Department of Defense or an*
7 *element thereof to provide critical biomanufactured*
8 *products, that are or will be produced at the eligible*
9 *bioindustrial manufacturing facility described in*
10 *paragraph (1) once such eligible bioindustrial manu-*
11 *facturing facility begins biomanufacturing.*

12 (d) *REPORTS TO CONGRESS.—*

13 (1) *INITIAL REPORT.—Not later than 90 days*
14 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-*
15 *retary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Serv-*
16 *ices of the House of Representatives and Senate a re-*
17 *port on the plan of the Secretary for allocating*
18 *amounts appropriated to the Department of Defense*
19 *to fund the program.*

20 (2) *ANNUAL REPORTS.—Not later than one year*
21 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annu-*
22 *ally thereafter, the Secretary shall submit to the Com-*
23 *mittees on Armed Services of the House of Represent-*
24 *atives and Senate a report on the activities under the*
25 *program, including—*

1 (A) a list of the awards made under the
2 program as of the date on which the report is
3 submitted, including, for each such award—

4 (i) the name of the entity that received
5 the award;

6 (ii) the location of the eligible bio-
7 industrial manufacturing facility with re-
8 spect to which such entity received the
9 award;

10 (iii) the amount of the award,
11 disaggregated by the initial amount of the
12 award and any additional amounts pro-
13 vided under the award;

14 (iv) an explanation of the criteria sup-
15 porting making the award to such entity,
16 including a description of any notable tech-
17 nologies of such entity relevant to the
18 award;

19 (v) if applicable, an explanation of the
20 rational for providing additional amounts
21 under the award; and

22 (vi) to the extent practicable, and ex-
23 planation of the effects of the award;

24 (B) an identification of amounts available
25 to the Department of Defense for making awards

1 *under the program as of the date on which the*
2 *report is submitted and an explanation of any*
3 *plans for the use of such amounts;*

4 *(C) an explanation of the communication*
5 *between the Secretary and eligible entities seek-*
6 *ing an award under the program regarding re-*
7 *quirements and timelines for such awards; and*

8 *(D) an explanation of how the establish-*
9 *ment, upgrading, or retooling of the eligible bio-*
10 *industrial manufacturing facility for which*
11 *awards were made under the program aligns*
12 *with priorities and needs of the Department of*
13 *Defense and national security.*

14 *(e) SUNSET.—*

15 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided by para-*
16 *graph (2), this section shall terminate on the date*
17 *that is 10 years after the date of the enactment of this*
18 *Act.*

19 *(2) EXTENSION.—The Secretary may change the*
20 *date on which this section terminates to a date that*
21 *is later than the date on which this section would ter-*
22 *minate under paragraph (1) if the President deter-*
23 *mines that the continuation of the program is nec-*
24 *essary to meet national economic and national secu-*
25 *rity needs.*

1 (f) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

2 (1) *The term “biomanufacturing” means the uti-*
3 *lization of biological systems to develop new and ad-*
4 *vance existing products, tools, and processes at com-*
5 *mercial scale.*

6 (2) *The term “critical biomanufactured product”*
7 *means a chemical, material, and other product that*
8 *is manufactured using biomanufacturing and is rel-*
9 *evant to the Department of Defense.*

10 (3) *The term “eligible bioindustrial manufac-*
11 *turing facility” means a bioindustrial manufacturing*
12 *facility that—*

13 (A) *is or, if not yet established, will be lo-*
14 *cated in the United States; and*

15 (B) *is or, pursuant to an award under the*
16 *program, will produce critical biomanufactured*
17 *products.*

18 (4) *The term “eligible entity” means an entity*
19 *that—*

20 (A) *is a private entity;*

21 (B) *applied for an award under the pro-*
22 *gram in accordance with subsection (b)(1); and*

23 (C) *meets such other criteria for eligibility*
24 *for an award under the program as determined*
25 *by the Secretary.*

1 (5) *The term “program” means the program es-*
2 *tablished under subsection (a).*

3 (6) *The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of*
4 *Defense.*

5 **SEC. 878. COMMON REPOSITORY FOR SUPPLIER INFORMA-**
6 **TION.**

7 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 90 days after the*
8 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary*
9 *of Defense for Industrial Base Policy shall establish a repos-*
10 *itory of information commonly required for the initial vet-*
11 *ting by the Department of Defense of contractors applying*
12 *to be qualified to supply products or services to the Depart-*
13 *ment.*

14 (b) *COORDINATED EFFORTS.*—*The Assistant Secretary*
15 *of Defense for Industrial Base Policy shall develop the re-*
16 *pository required under subsection (a) in conjunction with*
17 *or as part of other efforts of an Office of Small Business*
18 *Programs of the Department of Defense to provide market*
19 *research, supply chain resiliency, cybersecurity, and secure*
20 *cloud tools to entities furnishing procurement technical as-*
21 *sistance under chapter 388 of title 10, United States Code,*
22 *and small manufacturers.*

23 (c) *COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT.*—*The Assistant Sec-*
24 *retary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy may enter into*
25 *a public-private partnership or cooperative agreement with*

1 *one or more contractors of the Department of Defense in*
2 *establishing the repository required by (a) if the Assistant*
3 *Secretary determines that such repository—*

4 *(1) would reduce duplicative efforts or reduce the*
5 *time spent by potential suppliers in providing simi-*
6 *lar information to multiple prime contractors; or*

7 *(2) would streamline or reduce the cost of a*
8 *prime contractor qualifying a supplier for products*
9 *or services to be provided to the Department.*

10 **SEC. 879. CIVIL RESERVE MANUFACTURING NETWORK.**

11 *(a) WORKING GROUP.—*

12 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after*
13 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of*
14 *Defense shall establish in the Defense Industrial Resil-*
15 *ience Consortium established under section 1842 a*
16 *working group to support the establishment of the*
17 *Civil Reserve Manufacturing Network to preserve the*
18 *military advantage and bolster the defense of the*
19 *United States and broaden the domestic industrial*
20 *base.*

21 *(2) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The working group es-*
22 *tablished under paragraph (1) shall—*

23 *(A) identify issues with respect to the*
24 *CRMN;*

1 (B) develop recommendations for establish-
2 ment and operation of the CRMN, including rec-
3 ommendations for—

4 (i) resolving the issues identified under
5 subparagraph (A); and

6 (ii) incentives to encourage participa-
7 tion in the CRMN;

8 (C) submit to the Secretary the issues iden-
9 tified under subparagraph (A) and the rec-
10 ommendations developed under subparagraph
11 (B).

12 (3) COLLABORATION.—In carrying out the re-
13 sponsibilities of the working group established under
14 paragraph (1), the working group shall collaborate
15 with relevant entities, including government, indus-
16 try, and academia.

17 (b) INITIAL PLAN.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after
19 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall
20 submit to the congressional defense committees a plan
21 for the establishment of the CRMN program that in-
22 cludes—

23 (A) a plan to develop a CRMN comprised
24 of commercial advanced or adaptive manufac-
25 turing capabilities or facilities that can rapidly

1 *transition from the production of commercial*
2 *products for commercial customers to the produc-*
3 *tion of products required by the Department of*
4 *Defense; and*

5 *(B) an identification of any statutory or*
6 *regulatory constraints on the establishment or ef-*
7 *fectiveness of the CRMN and recommendations to*
8 *streamline the establishment of the CRMN, in-*
9 *cluding any changes to existing authorities re-*
10 *lated to the use of public-private partnerships.*

11 *(2) CONSIDERATIONS.—In developing the plan*
12 *required under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall, to*
13 *the extent practicable, incorporate the recommenda-*
14 *tions of the working group established under sub-*
15 *section (a) submitted to the Secretary under para-*
16 *graph (2) of such subsection.*

17 *(c) INTERIM REPORT.—Not later than 270 days after*
18 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense*
19 *shall submit to the congressional defense committees a re-*
20 *port on progress of the CRMN, including—*

21 *(1) an assessment of the benefits a factory-as-a-*
22 *service model with respect to accelerating the*
23 *timelines for the establishment of the CRMN, reducing*
24 *the costs to the Government of operating the CRMN,*
25 *minimizing obsolescence of commercial advanced or*

1 *adaptive manufacturing capabilities or facilities that*
2 *are part of the CRMN, and enabling the rapid scaling*
3 *of the CRMN;*

4 *(2) an analysis of improvements in efficiency*
5 *and cost reduction the Department of Defense may*
6 *achieve without sacrificing performance, reliability,*
7 *quality, or safety from the use of advanced or adapt-*
8 *ive manufacturing and application value engineering*
9 *techniques under part 48 of the Federal Acquisition*
10 *Regulation;*

11 *(3) an assessment of potential to improve supply*
12 *chain resiliency through the acquisition by the Gov-*
13 *ernment of advanced or adaptive manufacturing*
14 *hardware structures for use by system integrators;*

15 *(4) an identification of any statutory or regu-*
16 *latory constraints and recommendations to streamline*
17 *the establishment of the CRMN, including any*
18 *amendments to exiting authorities for public-private*
19 *partnerships;*

20 *(5) an explanation of the progress on developing*
21 *an incentive structure that would enable the success*
22 *of the CRMN by sufficiently addressing the risk to*
23 *commercial customers of CRMN participants of loss*
24 *of production if such participants are required to*
25 *shift production to meet the needs of the Department;*

1 (6) *a list of existing programs of the Department*
 2 *that are delayed or have cost overruns resulting from*
 3 *a lack of components due to shortages of required*
 4 *casting and forging capabilities of manufacturers, in-*
 5 *cluding—*

6 (A) *the name of the program or contract;*

7 (B) *the components that are delayed or con-*
 8 *tributing to such cost overruns; and*

9 (C) *whether such components could be pro-*
 10 *duced through alternative means, including ad-*
 11 *vanced or adaptive manufacturing; and*

12 (7) *a strategy to transition existing production*
 13 *approaches for the programs identified under para-*
 14 *graph (6) to advanced or adaptive manufacturing.*

15 (d) *CIVIL RESERVE MANUFACTURING NETWORK PRO-*
 16 *GRAM.—*

17 (1) *IN GENERAL.—After the submission of the*
 18 *plan required under subsection (b)(1), the Secretary*
 19 *shall establish the CRMN program under which—*

20 (A) *the Secretary shall establish the CRMN;*
 21 *and*

22 (B) *advanced or adaptive manufacturers*
 23 *participate in the CRMN.*

24 (2) *PARTICIPANT REQUIREMENTS.—Each partic-*
 25 *ipant shall enter into an agreement with the Sec-*

1 *retary under which such participant shall, upon such*
2 *terms and conditions as agreed to by the Secretary*
3 *and the participant, rapidly transition the produc-*
4 *tion facilities of such participant to begin production*
5 *of products for the Department of Defense.*

6 (3) *SOLICITATION OF PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS.—*

7 *Not later than one year after the date of enactment*
8 *of this Act, the Secretary shall seek to enter into*
9 *agreements with one or more advanced or adaptive*
10 *manufacturers to participate in the CRMN under the*
11 *program.*

12 (4) *PARTICIPATION BENEFITS.—*

13 (A) *EXPEDITED QUALIFICATION.—The Sec-*
14 *retary shall establish expedited procedures for*
15 *qualifying participants to be eligible to supply*
16 *products or services to the Department of De-*
17 *fense.*

18 (B) *FUNDING.—Subject to the availability*
19 *of appropriations, the Secretary shall award*
20 *funding to participants for—*

21 (i) *expedited qualification and testing*
22 *of products manufactured by the partici-*
23 *part for use by the Department of Defense;*
24 *and*

1 (ii) non-recurring engineering costs as-
2 sociated with the conversion of specifica-
3 tions of a traditionally manufactured prod-
4 uct into an appropriate format for ad-
5 vanced or adaptive manufacturing.

6 (e) *BRIEFINGS*.—Not later than March 1, 2027, and
7 annually thereafter for five years, the Secretary of Defense
8 shall provide to the congressional defense committees a
9 briefing on the progress of the establishment of the CRMN
10 under the program.

11 (f) *DEFINITIONS*.—In this section:

12 (1) The term “advanced or adaptive manufac-
13 turer” means a manufacturer that uses advanced or
14 adaptive manufacturing.

15 (2) The term “advanced or adaptive manufac-
16 turing” means manufacturing through the use of
17 interconnected, advanced technologies throughout the
18 design and manufacturing process that enables mod-
19 ular, adaptable, and efficient manufacturing, includ-
20 ing software-controlled subtractive manufacturing,
21 additive manufacturing, and powder bed fusion man-
22 ufacturing.

23 (3) The term “advanced or adaptive manufac-
24 turing hardware structure” means hardware used in
25 advanced or adaptive manufacturing for the posi-

1 *tioning, mounting, or bracing of a product in the*
2 *manufacturing process.*

3 (4) *The term “CRMN” means a network of man-*
4 *ufacturers that have entered into an agreement with*
5 *the Secretary under which the manufacturer agrees to*
6 *rapidly transition the manufacturing facilities of*
7 *such manufacturers that produce commercial products*
8 *for purchasers other than the Department of Defense*
9 *to the production of products for the Department of*
10 *Defense.*

11 (5) *The term “factory-as-a-service” means a*
12 *business model and technological framework that pro-*
13 *vides access to scalable and flexible manufacturing re-*
14 *sources as service, enables rapid reconfiguration of*
15 *production lines, and real-time collaboration across*
16 *geographically dispersed facilities.*

17 (6) *The term “participant” means an advanced*
18 *or adaptive manufacturer that is participating in the*
19 *CRMN under the program.*

20 (7) *The term “program” means the program es-*
21 *tablished under subsection (d)(1).*

22 (8) *The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of*
23 *Defense.*

24 (g) *CONFIRMING AMENDMENT.—Section 3243 of title*
25 *10, United States Code, is amended—*

1 (1) by redesignating subsections (e), (f), and (g)
2 as subsections (f), (g), and (h), respectively; and

3 (2) by inserting after subsection (d) the following
4 new subsection:

5 “(e) *ADVANCED OR ADAPTIVE MANUFACTURING*
6 *QUALIFICATIONS.*—The head of the agency shall establish
7 a process to streamline qualification of sources who use ad-
8 vanced manufacturing techniques, including those using a
9 digital adaptive production system. Once a source is quali-
10 fied, the head of the agency shall not require additional
11 qualification for sources or products produced unless mate-
12 rial changes have been made to the manufacturing proc-
13 ess.”.

14 ***Subtitle G—Small Business Matters***

15 ***SEC. 881. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CONTRACTING GOALS***
16 ***FOR SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS OWNED***
17 ***AND CONTROLLED BY VETERANS.***

18 Chapter 387 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
19 ed by adding at the end the following new section:

20 ***“§4903. Small business concerns owned and con-***
21 ***trolled by veterans: contracting goals***

22 “(a) *CONTRACTING GOALS.*—In order to increase con-
23 tracting opportunities for small business concerns owned
24 and controlled by veterans, the Secretary shall establish a
25 goal for each fiscal year for participation in Department

1 *contracts (including subcontracts) by small business con-*
2 *cerns owned and controlled by veterans that is not less than*
3 *the Governmentwide goal for that fiscal year for participa-*
4 *tion by small business concerns owned and controlled by*
5 *service-disabled veterans under section 15(g)(1) of the Small*
6 *Business Act (15 U.S.C. 644(g)(1)).*

7 “(b) *SOLE SOURCE CONTRACTS FOR CONTRACTS*
8 *ABOVE SIMPLIFIED ACQUISITION THRESHOLD.*—*For pur-*
9 *poses of meeting the goals under subsection (a), a con-*
10 *tracting officer may award a contract to a small business*
11 *concern owned and controlled by veterans using procedures*
12 *other than competitive procedures if—*

13 “(1) *such concern is determined to be a respon-*
14 *sible source with respect to performance of such con-*
15 *tract;*

16 “(2) *the anticipated award price of the contract*
17 *(including options) will not exceed the amounts estab-*
18 *lished in section 36(c)(2) of the Small Business Act*
19 *(15 U.S.C. 657f(c)(2)); and*

20 “(3) *in the estimation of the contracting officer,*
21 *the contract award can be made at a fair and reason-*
22 *able price that offers best value to the United States.*

23 “(c) *USE OF RESTRICTED COMPETITION.*—*Except as*
24 *provided in subsection (b), for purposes of meeting the goals*
25 *under subsection (a) and in accordance with this section,*

1 *a contracting officer may award contracts on the basis of*
 2 *competition restricted to small business concerns owned and*
 3 *controlled by veterans if the contracting officer has a rea-*
 4 *sonable expectation that two or more small business con-*
 5 *cerns owned and controlled by veterans will submit offers*
 6 *and that the award can be made at a fair and reasonable*
 7 *price that offers best value to the United States.*

8 “(d) *ELIGIBILITY OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS.—*
 9 *A small business concern may be awarded a contract under*
 10 *this section only if the small business concern and the vet-*
 11 *eran owner of the small business concern are listed in the*
 12 *database described in section 36(f)(1) of the Small Business*
 13 *Act (15 U.S.C. 657f(f)(1)).*

14 “(e) *SMALL BUSINESS ACT DEFINITIONS.—In this sec-*
 15 *tion, the terms ‘small business concern’, ‘small business con-*
 16 *cern owned and controlled by veterans’, and ‘small business*
 17 *concern owned and controlled by service-disabled veterans’*
 18 *have the meanings given, respectively, under section 3 of*
 19 *the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632).”.*

20 **SEC. 882. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF PHASE FLEXIBILITY**
 21 **AND INCLUSION OF SMALL BUSINESS TECH-**
 22 **NOLOGY TRANSFER PROGRAM.**

23 *Section 9(cc) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.*
 24 *638(cc)) is amended—*

1 (1) by striking “During fiscal years 2012
2 through 2025, the” and inserting “The”; and

3 (2) by inserting “or STTR program” after
4 “SBIR program” each place it appears.

5 **SEC. 883. AUTHORITY TO MAKE ADDITIONAL SEQUENTIAL**
6 **PHASE II AWARDS UNDER THE SMALL BUSI-**
7 **NESS INNOVATION RESEARCH PROGRAM OR**
8 **SMALL BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER**
9 **PROGRAM.**

10 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Notwithstanding paragraph (1) of
11 section 9(ff) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.
12 638(ff)(1)), during each of fiscal years 2026 through 2029,
13 the Secretary of Defense may award one additional sequen-
14 tial Phase II SBIR award or one additional sequential
15 Phase II STTR award during each such fiscal year to a
16 small business concern that received an additional Phase
17 II award under such paragraph (1) for continued work on
18 the project for which the small business concern received
19 such award.

20 (b) *LIMITATIONS.*—In carrying out this section, the
21 Secretary of Defense—

22 (1) may use not more than 3 percent of the funds
23 allocated to the SBIR program or STTR program of
24 the Department, as applicable;

1 (2) *shall minimize, to the maximum extent pos-*
 2 *sible, the number of awards made using the authority*
 3 *under this section; and*

4 (3) *shall notify the Administrator of the Small*
 5 *Business Administration of the use of the authority*
 6 *under this section before making an award under this*
 7 *section that includes an explanation of why the Sec-*
 8 *retary elected to use the authority under this para-*
 9 *graph instead of seeking a Phase III award for such*
 10 *project.*

11 (c) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms “SBIR”,*
 12 *“STTR”, and “Phase II” have the meanings given, respec-*
 13 *tively, in section 9 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.*
 14 *638).*

15 **SEC. 884. CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**
 16 **FOR SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS FOR ANY**
 17 **SIGNIFICANT CONTRACT TERMINATION.**

18 *Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment*
 19 *of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall revise section*
 20 *249.7001 of the Department of Defense Supplement to the*
 21 *Federal Acquisition Regulation (or any successor regula-*
 22 *tion) to extend the congressional notification requirements*
 23 *for any significant contract termination to include con-*
 24 *tracts awarded to a small business concern (as defined*
 25 *under section 3 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632)).*

Subtitle H—Other Matters

SEC. 891. SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND URGENT INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES AND CAPABILITIES PILOT PROGRAM.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Commander of the United States Special Operations Command shall carry out a pilot program to be known as the “USSOCOM Urgent Innovative Technologies and Capabilities Pilot Program” (in this section referred to as the “Program”) to accelerate the research, development, testing, procurement, and initial sustainment of innovative technologies and equipment that enhance the operational capabilities of Special Operations Forces to meet emerging mission requirements.

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—The Commander shall—

(1) establish procedures for component special operations units to submit requests to the Commander for the inclusion of innovative technologies and equipment in the Program; and

(2) use authorities under section 167(e)(4) of title 10, United States Code, to carry out the Program.

(c) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this section, and annually thereafter for the duration of the Program, the

1 *Commander of the United States Special Operations*
2 *Command shall submit to the congressional defense*
3 *committees a report on the implementation and effec-*
4 *tiveness of the Program.*

5 (2) *CONTENTS.—Each report shall include the*
6 *following:*

7 (A) *A summary of activities carried out*
8 *under the Program along with documentation of*
9 *planned expenditures.*

10 (B) *An assessment of the effect of innovative*
11 *technologies and equipment included in the Pro-*
12 *gram on the operational capabilities of the*
13 *United States Special Operations Command.*

14 (C) *Recommendations for the continuation,*
15 *expansion, or modification of the Program.*

16 (D) *A description of any challenges encoun-*
17 *tered and lessons learned.*

18 (E) *A description of any action using estab-*
19 *lished procedures for a reprogramming of funds*
20 *in an amount greater than the approved amount*
21 *for such reprogramming, as established by Con-*
22 *gress, to carry out the Program.*

23 (d) *SUNSET.—The authority to carry out the Program*
24 *under this section shall terminate on the date that is five*
25 *years after the date of the enactment of this Act.*

1 **SEC. 892. INVENTORY OF TECHNICAL DATA RIGHTS FOR**
2 **WEAPON SYSTEM SUSTAINMENT.**

3 (a) *INVENTORY REQUIRED.*—Not later than 90 days
4 after the date of the enactment of this Act, each service ac-
5 quisition executive shall initiate a process to establish an
6 inventory of the required covered data related to procured
7 covered systems. Such inventory shall be made available for
8 use by employees of the Department of Defense or depot
9 maintenance support contractors.

10 (b) *REVIEW OF REQUIREMENTS.*—In conducting the
11 inventory required by subsection (a), each service acqui-
12 sition executive shall review requirements for covered data
13 identified during the design, development, and procurement
14 of a covered system including, as applicable—

15 (1) *the planning for sustainment and the devel-*
16 *opment of a life cycle cost estimate for the covered*
17 *system required by paragraphs (4) and (6) of section*
18 *4251(b) of title 10, United States Code;*

19 (2) *the life-cycle sustainment planning required*
20 *by paragraph (10) of section 4252(b) of title 10,*
21 *United States Code;*

22 (3) *the estimate of requirements for core logistics*
23 *capabilities required by paragraph (11) of such sec-*
24 *tion 4252(b);*

25 (4) *the actions planned to acquire technical data*
26 *required by paragraph (13) of such section 4252(b);*

1 (5) *the assessment of the long-term technical data*
2 *needs required by subsection (a)(1)(A) of section 3774*
3 *of title 10, United States Code;*

4 (6) *the acquisition strategy to provide for tech-*
5 *nical data rights required by subsection (a)(1)(B) of*
6 *such section 3774;*

7 (7) *the assessment and strategy related to inclu-*
8 *sion of a priced contract option required by sub-*
9 *section (b)(2) of such section 3774;*

10 (8) *the assessment and strategy related to the po-*
11 *tential for changes in the sustainment plan over the*
12 *life cycle of the covered system required by subsection*
13 *(b)(3) of such section 3774;*

14 (9) *the product support strategy developed by the*
15 *product support manager under section 4324(b)(1)(A)*
16 *of title 10, United States Code, as in effect on the day*
17 *before the date of the enactment of this Act;*

18 (10) *requirements related to rights in technical*
19 *data as described in section 3772 of title 10, United*
20 *States Code.*

21 (11) *requirements related to acquisition or li-*
22 *censing of intellectual property required by section*
23 *3791 of title 10, United States Code, as it pertains*
24 *to the covered system;*

1 (12) the intellectual property management plan
2 for product support required by section 4324(b)(1)(G)
3 of title 10, United States Code, as in effect on the day
4 before the date of the enactment of this Act; and

5 (13) the identification of major maintenance and
6 overhaul requirements that will be required during
7 the life cycle of the covered system required by section
8 4324(b)(1)(J) of title 10, United States Code, as in ef-
9 fect on the day before the date of the enactment of this
10 Act.

11 (c) *IDENTIFICATION AND ASSESSMENT.*—After com-
12 pleting the inventory required by subsection (a), the service
13 acquisition executive shall publish an assessment of covered
14 data related to procured covered systems. In conducting this
15 assessment, the service acquisition executive shall, for each
16 requirement identified in subsection (b)—

17 (1) confirm that the service acquisition executive
18 has, or has access to, the covered data described in the
19 requirement;

20 (2) describe the physical or electronic storage lo-
21 cation of the covered data that is in the possession of
22 the service acquisition executive concerned, or the
23 method of access to the covered data, as applicable;
24 and

1 (3) describe the category of rights, including cus-
2 tomized commercial licenses or specially negotiated li-
3 censes, associated with the covered data.

4 (d) *IDENTIFICATION OF INSUFFICIENCY.*—Based on the
5 review of requirements in subsection (b) and the assessment
6 required by subsection (c), the service acquisition executive
7 shall specifically identify any insufficiency in the posses-
8 sion of, or access to, covered data that negatively affects the
9 ability of a Secretary of a military department to effectively
10 operate the procured covered system and maintain it in a
11 cost-effective manner.

12 (e) *COST ESTIMATE.*—For each procured covered sys-
13 tem, the service acquisition executive shall—

14 (1) work with any contractor for such procured
15 covered system to—

16 (A) determine the best approach to remedy
17 an insufficiency identified pursuant to sub-
18 section (d) in the most cost-effective manner
19 practicable; and

20 (B) develop a cost estimate associated such
21 remedy; and

22 (2) provide to the Secretary of Defense and chiefs
23 of the Armed Forces the cost estimate described in
24 paragraph (1)(B) and a recommended plan of action,

1 including the funding required to provide such rem-
2 edy.

3 (f) *QUARTERLY UPDATES TO CONGRESS.*—Not later
4 than April 1, 2026, and every 90 days thereafter until the
5 inventory required by subsection (a) is complete, each serv-
6 ice acquisition executive shall provide to the congressional
7 defense committees a briefing on—

8 (1) progress made toward completing the inven-
9 tory;

10 (2) a summary of findings from the inventory;

11 (3) efforts to remedy an insufficiency in covered
12 data, including a summary of actions to fund such
13 remedy;

14 (4) a description of the method used in negoti-
15 ating with any relevant contractor to access covered
16 data, including use of customized commercial licenses
17 or specially negotiated licenses, associated with the
18 covered data; and

19 (5) any lessons learned to plan for and acquire
20 covered data related to procured covered systems.

21 (g) *ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE.*—The cadre of intellec-
22 tual property experts established under section 1707 of title
23 10, United States Code, shall provide advice, assistance,
24 and resources to a service acquisition executive in con-
25 ducting an inventory required by this section.

1 (i) *DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:*

2 (1) *The term “service acquisition executive” has*
3 *the meaning given in section 101 of title 10, United*
4 *States Code.*

5 (2) *The term “covered system” means—*

6 (A) *a major defense acquisition program as*
7 *defined in section 4201 of title 10, United States*
8 *Code; or*

9 (B) *an acquisition program or project that*
10 *is carried out using the rapid prototyping or*
11 *rapid fielding acquisition pathway under section*
12 *3602 of such title that is estimated by the Sec-*
13 *retary of Defense to require an eventual total ex-*
14 *penditure described in section 4201(a)(2) of such*
15 *title.*

16 (3) *The term “covered data” means technical*
17 *data and computer software.*

18 (4) *The term “depot maintenance support con-*
19 *tractor” means a contractor performing a contract*
20 *under the direction and control of the Secretary of*
21 *Defense in support of depot-level maintenance and re-*
22 *pair (as defined in section 2460 of title 10, United*
23 *States Code).*

24 (5) *The term “procured covered system” means a*
25 *covered system for which the Secretary of Defense has*

1 *taken delivery of, has access to, or has negotiated*
2 *terms to enable guaranteed access or delivery at a fu-*
3 *ture date, for use by employees of the Department of*
4 *Defense or depot maintenance support contractors.*

5 **SEC. 893. ESTABLISHING BIOBASED PRODUCT MERIT GUID-**
6 **ANCE.**

7 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the*
8 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary of*
9 *Defense for Research and Engineering, in coordination with*
10 *the Secretaries of the military departments, shall develop*
11 *and make public available guidance for private entities on*
12 *how such entities can effectively prove that a biobased prod-*
13 *uct of such entity provides capabilities meeting the require-*
14 *ments of the Department of Defense.*

15 *(b) ANALYSIS.—*

16 *(1) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of*
17 *the United States shall conduct an analysis of the*
18 *process of the Department of Defense for developing*
19 *requirements to determine if such processes inten-*
20 *tionally or unintentionally exclude biobased products.*

21 *(2) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the*
22 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller*
23 *General of the United States shall submit to the con-*
24 *gressional defense committees a report on the findings*
25 *of the analysis conducted under paragraph (1) and,*

1 *if Comptroller General determines through such anal-*
2 *ysis that the processes described in such paragraph*
3 *exclude biobased products, containing recommenda-*
4 *tions of the Comptroller General to reduce such exclu-*
5 *sion.*

6 *(c) BIOBASED PRODUCT DEFINED.—In this section,*
7 *the term “biobased product” means a product manufac-*
8 *tured, produced, or developed through the application living*
9 *organisms to alter living or non-living materials.*

10 **SEC. 894. COMPTROLLER GENERAL ASSESSMENT OF COM-**
11 **PETITIVE EFFECTS OF MERGERS AND ACQUI-**
12 **SITIONS OF DEFENSE CONTRACTORS.**

13 *The Comptroller General of the United States shall*
14 *conduct an assessment and submit to the congressional de-*
15 *fense committees a report on the competitive effects of merg-*
16 *ers and acquisitions of defense contractors during the ten-*
17 *year period preceding the date of the enactment of this Act*
18 *that includes—*

19 *(1) the effectiveness of any remedy relating to a*
20 *merger or acquisition of defense contractors on defense*
21 *industry competition and defense industrial base sus-*
22 *tainability;*

23 *(2) the effectiveness of information sharing be-*
24 *tween the Attorney General, the Federal Trade Com-*

mission, and the Secretary of Defense in the merger and acquisition review process;

(3) an analysis of the processes used by the Secretary of Defense for measuring the effect of vertical integration of defense contractors on competition, including data collection and the ability to access information from defense contractors that are parties to the merger or acquisition to assess anticompetitive practices among defense contractors; and

(4) implementation of previous recommendations of the Comptroller General, the Secretary of Defense, or the Defense Science Board to enhance competition among defense contractors.

TITLE IX—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT

Subtitle A—Office of the Secretary of Defense and Related Matters

SEC. 901. PROHIBITION OF DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION PROGRAMS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

(a) REPEAL OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS ON DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION.—Section 113 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (c)—

1 (A) by striking paragraph (2); and

2 (B) by redesignating paragraphs (3) and

3 (4) as paragraphs (2) and (3), respectively;

4 (2) in subsection (g)(1)(B)—

5 (A) by striking clause (vii); and

6 (B) by redesignating clauses (viii), (ix), and

7 (x) as clauses (vii), (viii), and (ix), respectively;

8 and

9 (3) by striking subsections (l) and (m) and by

10 redesignating subsections (n) and (o) as subsections

11 (l) and (m), respectively.

12 (b) *REPEAL OF CHIEF DIVERSITY OFFICER.*—Section

13 147 of title 10, United States Code, is repealed.

14 (c) *REPEAL OF PROGRAM ON DIVERSITY IN MILITARY*

15 *LEADERSHIP.*—Section 656 of title 10, United States Code,

16 is repealed.

17 (d) *PROHIBITED DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION*

18 *PRACTICES.*—

19 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Except as provided in para-

20 graph (2), the Secretary of Defense may not—

21 (A) maintain an office relating to diversity,

22 equity, inclusion, or accessibility or any substan-

23 tially similar office;

24 (B) maintain or employ a chief diversity of-

25 ficer or a substantially similar officer;

1 (C) develop, implement, distribute, or pub-
2 lish—

3 (i) plans, strategic plans, reports, or
4 surveys relating to diversity, equity, inclu-
5 sion, and accessibility;

6 (ii) action plans, reports, or surveys
7 relating to equity or substantially similar
8 plans, reports, or surveys;

9 (D) develop, implement, or maintain an
10 employee resource group or an affinity group
11 based on race, color, ethnicity, religion, national
12 origin, sexual orientation, or gender identity;

13 (E) develop, implement, or maintain an
14 agency equity team or a substantially similar
15 team;

16 (F) develop, implement, distribute, publish,
17 establish, or purchase—

18 (i) a training course relating to—

19 (I) diversity;

20 (II) equity;

21 (III) inclusion;

22 (IV) a critical theory relating to
23 race, gender, or otherwise; or

24 (V) intersectionality; or

1 (ii) a training course substantiality
2 similar to a training course described in
3 clause (i);

4 (G) develop, implement, or maintain a di-
5 versity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility data
6 dashboard or a substantially similar data dash-
7 board; or

8 (H) maintain or employ a position relating
9 to diversity, equity, inclusion, or accessibility.

10 (2) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—Nothing in para-
11 graph (1) shall be construed to prevent the Secretary
12 of Defense from maintaining or operating—

13 (A) *Equal Employment Opportunity offices*
14 *as historically organized and operated within the*
15 *Department of Defense; or*

16 (B) *an office enforcing the Americans with*
17 *Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.)*
18 *or similar programs or offices as historically or-*
19 *ganized and operated within the Department of*
20 *Defense.*

21 **SEC. 902. MODIFICATION TO AUTHORITIES OF THE UNDER**
22 **SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR RESEARCH**
23 **AND ENGINEERING.**

24 Section 133a(b) of title 10, United States Code, is
25 amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at the
2 end;

3 (2) in paragraph (3), by striking the period at
4 the end and inserting a semicolon; and

5 (3) by adding at the end the following new para-
6 graphs:

7 “(4) having the authority to direct the Secre-
8 taries of the military departments and the heads of
9 other elements of the Department with regard to mat-
10 ters for which the Under Secretary has responsibility;
11 and

12 “(5) conducting developmental prototyping, de-
13 signing and executing experiments of prototypes in
14 the field to demonstrate operational relevance to ad-
15 dress joint force capability gaps, and encouraging
16 and supporting the rapid transition of technology
17 from the research and development phase into oper-
18 ational use within the Department.”.

19 **SEC. 903. MODIFICATION TO AUTHORITIES OF THE DIREC-**
20 **TOR OF OPERATIONAL TEST AND EVALUA-**
21 **TION.**

22 Section 139 of title 10, United States Code, as amend-
23 ed by section 1801 of this Act, is further amended—

24 (1) in subsection (b)—

1 (A) in paragraph (6), by striking “and” at
2 the end;

3 (B) in paragraph (7), by striking the period
4 at the end and inserting “; and”; and

5 (C) by adding at the end the following new
6 paragraph:

7 “(8) coordinate with operational test and evalua-
8 tion organizations of the armed forces to review their
9 service-approved test and evaluation master plans.”;

10 (2) in subsection (k), by inserting “, and shall
11 not be subject to any limitation that does not allow
12 for sufficient staffing to fulfill the duties and respon-
13 sibilities assigned by this section” before the period at
14 the end; and

15 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
16 section:

17 “(l)(1) The Director may enter into contracts with one
18 or more federally funded research and development centers
19 pursuant to which personnel of such centers may assist the
20 Director with program oversight, including through—

21 “(A) test planning, preparation and moni-
22 toring;

23 “(B) data collection;

24 “(C) data analysis;

25 “(D) drafting and reviewing test reports;

1 “(E) providing technical expertise and sup-
2 port to program offices; and

3 “(F) performing such other duties as the
4 Director determines appropriate.

5 “(2) The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that the Di-
6 rector has sufficient funding to enter into the contracts for
7 which authorization is provided under paragraph (1).”.

8 **SEC. 904. ADDITIONAL AUTHORITIES FOR THE OFFICE OF**
9 **STRATEGIC CAPITAL.**

10 Section 149(e) of title 10, United States Code, is
11 amended—

12 (1) in paragraph (3)(A)(ii)(VI), by striking
13 “Secretary” and inserting “Director”;

14 (2) by amending clause (ii) of paragraph (5)(A)
15 to read as follows:

16 “(ii) The Department of Defense Credit
17 Program Account shall be credited with
18 amounts appropriated pursuant to the au-
19 thorization of appropriations and fees and
20 payments received under paragraph (6).”;

21 (3) by redesignating paragraphs (6) through (9)
22 as paragraphs (7) through (10), respectively; and

23 (4) by inserting after paragraph (5) the fol-
24 lowing new paragraph:

1 “(6)(A) *The Director may charge and collect fees*
2 *and collect payments to reimburse costs incurred by*
3 *the Office in connection with an application for, or*
4 *as a condition of an eligible entity receiving or re-*
5 *structuring, capital assistance under this subsection.*
6 *The Director may set the fees at a level that the Di-*
7 *rector considers appropriate. Fees and payments re-*
8 *ceived under this paragraph shall be credited to the*
9 *Department of Defense Credit Program Account to re-*
10 *main available until expended for costs and expendi-*
11 *tures as provided under clauses (ii) through (iv) of*
12 *paragraph (5)(B).*

13 “(B)(i) *Except as provided in clause (ii), no fees*
14 *or payments may be received pursuant to the author-*
15 *ity provided under subparagraph (A) as of the date*
16 *specified in paragraph (11).*

17 “(ii) *With respect to loan and loan guarantees*
18 *for which an obligation was incurred prior to the ex-*
19 *piration date in paragraph (11), the Director may*
20 *continue to charge and collect fees and cost reimburse-*
21 *ments in connection with such loan and loan guar-*
22 *antee assets until fully collected.”.*

1 **SEC. 905. FURTHER MODIFICATIONS TO CAPITAL ASSIST-**
2 **ANCE PROGRAM OF THE OFFICE OF STRA-**
3 **TEGIC CAPITAL.**

4 *Section 149 of title 10, United States Code, as amend-*
5 *ed by section 904, is further amended—*

6 *(1) in subsection (d), by inserting “or equity in-*
7 *vestment” after “direct loan”;*

8 *(2) in subsection (e)—*

9 *(A) in paragraph (3)—*

10 *(i) in subparagraph (A)(ii)(I), by*
11 *amending item (bb) to read as follows:*

12 *“(bb) The Director may waive the re-*
13 *quirement under item (aa) with respect to*
14 *an investment if—*

15 *“(AA) the investment is deter-*
16 *mined by the Secretary of Defense, act-*
17 *ing through the Director, to be vital to*
18 *the national security of the United*
19 *States; or*

20 *“(BB) in the case of a convertible*
21 *debt instrument, the Director believes*
22 *the total return on investment of such*
23 *convertible debt instrument will exceed*
24 *the total return on investment of a*
25 *loan with an interest rate at the yield*
26 *on marketable securities of a similar*

1 *maturity to the maturity of the loan*
2 *on the date of execution of the loan*
3 *agreement.”; and*

4 *(ii) by adding at the end the following*
5 *new subparagraph:*

6 *“(D)(i) The Director may, as a minority inves-*
7 *tor, support an eligible investment selected pursuant*
8 *to subsection (d) with funds or use other mechanisms*
9 *for the purpose of purchasing, and may make and*
10 *fund commitments to purchase, invest in, make*
11 *pledges in respect of, or otherwise acquire, financial*
12 *interests (including equity and quasi-equity securities*
13 *(such as warrants)) of the eligible entity receiving*
14 *support for the eligible investment, including as a*
15 *limited partner or other investor in investment funds,*
16 *upon such terms and conditions as the Secretary may*
17 *determine.*

18 *“(ii) The Director may seek to sell and liquidate*
19 *any support for an eligible investment provided under*
20 *subparagraph (A)(i) commensurate with other similar*
21 *investors in the eligible investment and taking into*
22 *consideration the national security interests of the*
23 *United States.”;*

1 (B) by redesignating paragraphs (7)
2 through (10) as paragraphs (8) through (11), re-
3 spectively;

4 (C) by inserting after paragraph (6) the fol-
5 lowing new paragraph:

6 “(7)(A) *There is established in the Treasury of*
7 *the United States a Department of Defense Equity*
8 *Program Account to hold equity instruments obtained*
9 *under this subsection.*

10 “(B) *In addition to equity instruments described*
11 *in subparagraph (A), the Equity Program Account*
12 *shall consist of amounts appropriated to carry out*
13 *this subsection.*”; and

14 (D) by amending paragraph (10), as so re-
15 designated, to read as follows:

16 “(10) *The Director shall notify the congressional*
17 *defense committees not later than 30 days after any*
18 *capital assistance is provided under this subsection.*”;
19 and

20 (E) in paragraph (11), as so redesignated,
21 by adding at the end the following new subpara-
22 graph:

23 “(C) *The authority of the Director to make*
24 *equity investments under this subsection shall ex-*
25 *pire on October 1, 2028. Any equity investments*

1 *made under this subsection that are outstanding*
 2 *as of such date shall continue to be subject to the*
 3 *terms, conditions, and other requirements of this*
 4 *subsection.”.*

5 *(3) in subsection (f), by amending paragraph (1)*
 6 *to read as follows:*

7 “(1) The term ‘capital assistance’ means a loan,
 8 *loan guarantee, convertible debt instrument, equity se-*
 9 *curity, quasi-equity security (such as a warrant), or*
 10 *technical assistance.”.*

11 ***Subtitle B—Other Department of***
 12 ***Defense Organization and Man-***
 13 ***agement Matters***

14 ***SEC. 911. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMANDANT OF THE COAST***
 15 ***GUARD ON THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF.***

16 *(a) MEMBERSHIP ON THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF.—*
 17 *Section 151(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended*
 18 *by adding at the end the following new paragraph:*

19 “(9) The Commandant of the Coast Guard.”.

20 *(b) APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN; GRADE AND*
 21 *RANK.—Section 152 of such title is amended—*

22 *(1) in subsection (b)(1)(B) by striking “or the*
 23 *Chief of Space Operations” and inserting “the Chief*
 24 *of Space Operations, or the Commandant of the Coast*
 25 *Guard”; and*

1 (2) *in subsection (c), by striking “Navy” and in-*
 2 *serting “Navy or Coast Guard”.*

3 (c) *VICE CHAIRMAN.—Section 154(f) of such title is*
 4 *amended by striking “Navy” and inserting “Navy or Coast*
 5 *Guard”.*

6 (d) *INCLUSION ON THE JOINT STAFF.—Section 155(a)*
 7 *of such title is amended—*

8 (1) *in paragraph (2)—*

9 (A) *in the matter preceding subparagraph*
 10 *(A), by striking “(other than the Coast Guard)”;*

11 (B) *in subparagraph (B), by striking “and”*
 12 *at the end;*

13 (C) *in subparagraph (C), by striking the*
 14 *period at the end and inserting “; and”; and*

15 (D) *by adding at the end the following new*
 16 *subparagraph:*

17 “(D) *the Coast Guard.*”; and

18 (2) *in paragraph (3), by striking “Secretary of*
 19 *the military department having jurisdiction over that*
 20 *armed force” and inserting “Secretary concerned”.*

21 (e) *DUTIES AS MEMBER OF JOINT STAFF.—Section*
 22 *302 of title 14, United States Code, is amended—*

23 (1) *by striking “The President may” and insert-*
 24 *ing the following:*

25 “(a) *The President may*”; and

1 (2) *by adding at the end the following new sub-*
 2 *section:*

3 “(b)(1) *The Commandant of the Coast Guard shall also*
 4 *perform the duties prescribed for the Commandant as a*
 5 *member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff under section 151 of*
 6 *title 10.*

7 “(2) *To the extent that such action does not impair*
 8 *the independence of the Commandant in the performance*
 9 *of the Commandant’s duties as a member of the Joint Chiefs*
 10 *of Staff, the Commandant shall inform the Secretary of the*
 11 *department in which the Coast Guard is operating regard-*
 12 *ing military advice rendered by members of the Joint Chiefs*
 13 *of Staff on matters affecting such department.*

14 “(3) *Subject to the authority, direction, and control*
 15 *of the Secretary of Defense, the Commandant shall keep the*
 16 *Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is*
 17 *operating fully informed of significant military operations*
 18 *affecting the duties and responsibilities of such Secretary.”.*

19 **SEC. 912. JOINT COUNTER-SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT**
 20 **SYSTEMS OFFICE.**

21 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Subchapter I of chapter 8 of title*
 22 *10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end*
 23 *the following new section:*

1 **“§ 199. Joint Counter-Small Unmanned Aircraft Sys-**
2 **tems Office**

3 “(a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*There is established in the De-*
4 *partment of Defense a joint activity to be known as the*
5 *‘Joint Counter-Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems Office’*
6 *(referred to in this section as the ‘Office’).*

7 “(b) *DIRECTOR.*—

8 “(1) *There is a Director of the Office (referred to*
9 *in this section as the ‘Director’) who shall be ap-*
10 *pointed by the Secretary of Defense from among per-*
11 *sonnel of the Department of Defense who are—*

12 “(A) *general or flag officers of the covered*
13 *armed forces; or*

14 “(B) *members of the Senior Executive Serv-*
15 *ice.*

16 “(2) *The Director shall report directly to Deputy*
17 *Secretary of Defense and shall serve as the principal*
18 *advisor to the Deputy Secretary and the Chairman of*
19 *the Joint Chiefs of Staff on counter-small unmanned*
20 *aircraft system matters.*

21 “(c) *ORGANIZATION.*—*The Office shall—*

22 “(1) *be designated as a jointly manned activity;*
23 *and*

24 “(2) *shall consist of such other subordinate orga-*
25 *nizational elements as the Director determines appro-*

1 *priate, subject to the authority, direction, and control*
2 *of the Secretary of Defense.*

3 *“(d) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Office shall do the fol-*
4 *lowing:*

5 *“(1) Lead, advocate, coordinate, and focus all*
6 *Department of Defense actions in support of efforts of*
7 *the combatant commands and the covered armed*
8 *forces to defeat small unmanned aircraft systems (re-*
9 *ferred to in this section as ‘sUAS’) as weapons of*
10 *strategic influence.*

11 *“(2) Integrate all counter-sUAS solutions*
12 *throughout the Department of Defense, seeking inter-*
13 *agency assistance as necessary.*

14 *“(3) Identify innovative near-term (executable*
15 *within a 5 year timeframe) counter-sUAS solutions.*

16 *“(4) Coordinate with other components of the*
17 *Department of Defense to carry out ongoing mid-term*
18 *(covering a 5-10 year timeframe) research and devel-*
19 *opment initiatives and long-term (covering a time-*
20 *frame exceeding 10 years) science and technology ef-*
21 *forts that could help address the counter-sUAS threat.*

22 *“(5) Coordinate efforts of the Department of De-*
23 *fense to identify, assess, and disrupt adversarial un-*
24 *manned aircraft system supply chains and financial*
25 *threat networks that support such supply chains.*

1 “(6) *Coordinate with the United States Northern*
2 *Command, or any successor entity serving as the lead*
3 *synchronizer for homeland counter small unmanned*
4 *aircraft systems, to develop and deploy counter-sUAS*
5 *capabilities for homeland defense.*

6 “(7) *Develop and share counter-sUAS training*
7 *tools, expertise, and tactics, techniques, and proce-*
8 *dures for components of the Department of Defense*
9 *that address needs of the joint force, deploying forces,*
10 *installation defense within and outside the United*
11 *States, and other relevant scenarios.*

12 “(8) *Coordinate efforts across the Department of*
13 *Defense to develop, test, evaluate, and procure*
14 *counter-sUAS kinetic and non-kinetic defeat capabili-*
15 *ties, including—*

16 “(A) *systems to sense, identify, track, and*
17 *defeat small unmanned aircraft systems, both*
18 *kinetically and non-kinetically;*

19 “(B) *command and control systems; and*

20 “(C) *such other capabilities the Director de-*
21 *termines appropriate.*

22 “(9) *Carry out the counter-sUAS validation and*
23 *acquisition responsibilities described in subsections*
24 *(e) and (f).*

1 “(10) *Develop and regularly update a counter-*
2 *sUAS strategic plan in accordance with subsection*
3 *(g).*

4 “(11) *Carry out such other activities relating to*
5 *counter-sUAS as the Secretary of Defense determines*
6 *appropriate.*

7 “(e) *APPROVAL AND VALIDATION OF COUNTER-SUAS*
8 *SYSTEMS.—*

9 “(1) *The Office shall serve as the entity within*
10 *the Department of Defense with primary responsi-*
11 *bility for the validation and approval of counter-*
12 *sUAS systems for procurement and use by the De-*
13 *partment.*

14 “(2) *In coordination with other components of*
15 *the Department of Defense, the Director shall develop,*
16 *maintain, and regularly update a list of counter-*
17 *sUAS systems that are validated and approved for*
18 *procurement and use by the Department as described*
19 *in paragraph (1). The Director shall ensure that each*
20 *counter-sUAS system on the list has been vetted by*
21 *the Office and has proven to be effective for use by the*
22 *Department in countering sUAS.*

23 “(3) *Except as provided in paragraph (4), no*
24 *component of the Department of Defense may procure*
25 *a counter-sUAS system unless such system—*

1 “(A) has been validated and approved by
2 the Office under paragraph (1); and

3 “(B) is included on the list maintained
4 under paragraph (2).

5 “(4) The service acquisition executive of the mili-
6 tary department concerned (in the case of a procure-
7 ment by a military department) or the Under Sec-
8 retary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment
9 (in the case of a procurement not under the authority
10 of a service acquisition executive) may waive the re-
11 striction under paragraph (3), on a case-by-case
12 basis, by submitting to the congressional defense com-
13 mittees—

14 “(A) notice of the intent to issue such a
15 waiver; and

16 “(B) an explanation of the reasons for
17 issuing the waiver.

18 “(f) ACQUISITION OVERSIGHT DIVISION.—The Direc-
19 tor shall establish and maintain an acquisition oversight
20 division within the Office. The acquisition oversight divi-
21 sion shall—

22 “(1) include acquisition professionals from rel-
23 evant Program Executive Offices within each covered
24 armed force;

1 “(2) support and facilitate efforts of the covered
2 armed forces—

3 “(A) to budget and plan for the integration
4 and sustainment of counter-sUAS capabilities
5 that are approved and validated by the Office
6 under subsection (e); and

7 “(B) to efficiently and effectively transition
8 such capabilities into operational use; and

9 “(3) have such other duties and responsibilities
10 as the Director determines appropriate.

11 “(g) COUNTER-SUAS STRATEGIC PLAN.—

12 “(1) The Director shall coordinate with relevant
13 components of the Department of Defense, to develop,
14 publish, and regularly update a strategic plan for the
15 counter-sUAS activities of the Department, which
16 shall include—

17 “(A) measures to coordinate the various
18 counter-sUAS efforts of the Department to ensure
19 cohesion among such efforts;

20 “(B) guidance for counter-sUAS related in-
21 vestment and manpower decisions across the De-
22 partment, including necessary science and tech-
23 nology investments; and

1 “(C) performance measures, goals, and lines
2 of effort required to achieve the strategic objec-
3 tives of the plan.

4 “(2) Not later than 120 days after the date on
5 which the Office commences operations, the Director
6 shall complete and submit to the congressional defense
7 committees the initial strategic plan developed under
8 paragraph (1).

9 “(3) Not less frequently than once every two
10 years after completion of the initial strategic plan
11 under paragraph (2), the Director shall—

12 “(A) update the plan; and

13 “(B) submit the updated plan to the con-
14 gressional defense committees.

15 “(4) Following completion of each version of the
16 strategic plan under this subsection, each commander
17 of a geographic combatant command shall develop an
18 implementation plan to guide the combatant com-
19 mand overseen by that commander in achieving the
20 vision, mission, goals, and performance measures of
21 the strategic plan.

22 “(h) ANNUAL REPORTS.—On an annual basis, the Di-
23 rector shall submit to the congressional defense committees
24 a report that includes—

1 “(1) a summary of the activities of the Office
2 over the period covered by the report, including a de-
3 scription of—

4 “(A) the progress of the Office in carrying
5 out the requirements of this section; and

6 “(B) the metrics used to measure such
7 progress; and

8 “(2) a summary of the expenditures made by the
9 Office in the period covered by the report for counter-
10 sUAS related research, development, test, and evalua-
11 tion, procurement, and sustainment activities.

12 “(i) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

13 “(1) The term ‘counter-sUAS system’ means a
14 system or device capable of lawfully and safely dis-
15 abling, disrupting, or seizing control of a small un-
16 manned aircraft or small unmanned aircraft system.

17 “(2) The term ‘covered armed forces’ means the
18 Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space
19 Force.

20 “(3) The terms ‘small unmanned aircraft’, ‘un-
21 manned aircraft’, and ‘unmanned aircraft system’
22 have the meanings given those terms in section 44801
23 of title 49.”.

24 “(b) *STRATEGY AND FUNDING PLAN.*—Not later than
25 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the

1 *Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional de-*
 2 *fense committees a report that includes—*

3 (1) *a strategy to ensure the Joint Counter-Un-*
 4 *manned Aircraft Systems Office has the funding and*
 5 *other resources necessary to execute its responsibil-*
 6 *ities, as required under section 199 of title 10, United*
 7 *States Code (as added by subsection (a)); and*

8 (2) *a plan for funding the Office across the pe-*
 9 *riod covered by the most recent future-years defense*
 10 *program submitted to Congress under section 221 of*
 11 *title 10, United States Code (as of the date of the re-*
 12 *port).*

13 **SEC. 913. AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH REGIONAL OUTREACH**
 14 **CENTERS FOR THE DEFENSE INNOVATION**
 15 **UNIT.**

16 *Section 4127 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
 17 *ed—*

18 (1) *by redesignating subsection (f) as subsection*
 19 *(g); and*

20 (2) *by inserting after subsection (e) the following*
 21 *new subsection:*

22 *“(f) REGIONAL OUTREACH CENTERS.—*

23 *“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director may establish*
 24 *and maintain regional offices of the Unit at locations*
 25 *within and outside the United States for purposes of*

1 *conducting outreach to and streamlining interactions*
 2 *between the Unit and the private sector, academia,*
 3 *and other mission partners.*

4 “(2) *SELECTION CRITERIA AND OTHER GUID-*
 5 *ANCE.—In the event the Director exercises the author-*
 6 *ity to establish and maintain regional offices under*
 7 *paragraph (1), the Director shall—*

8 “(A) *develop a strategy and criteria for the*
 9 *selection of locations for such offices;*

10 “(B) *issue any rules, regulations, policies,*
 11 *or guidance necessary for the operation of such*
 12 *offices; and*

13 “(C) *make the information described in sub-*
 14 *paragraphs (A) and (B) available on a publicly*
 15 *accessible website of the Department of Defense.”.*

16 **SEC. 914. OVERSIGHT OF THE UNITED STATES AFRICA COM-**
 17 **MAND.**

18 (a) *LIMITATION.—None of the funds authorized to be*
 19 *appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for*
 20 *fiscal year 2026 for the Department of Defense may be obli-*
 21 *gated or expended to carry out an action described in sub-*
 22 *section (b) until a period of 90 days has elapsed following*
 23 *the date on which the Secretary of Defense submits the cer-*
 24 *tification and all other information required under sub-*
 25 *section (c) with respect to such action.*

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

3 (1) *Modifying or combining the responsibilities*
4 *of the Commander of the United States Africa Com-*
5 *mand, as set forth in chapter 6 of title 10, United*
6 *States Code, with those of any other commander des-*
7 *ignated under such authority.*

8 (2) *Appointing an officer in a grade below O-10*
9 *to serve as the Commander of the United States Afri-*
10 *ca Command.*

11 (3) *Reducing the total number of personnel as-*
12 *signed to the United States Africa Command by a*
13 *number that is greater than 15 percent of such total*
14 *number so assigned as of June 1, 2025.*

15 (4) *Divesting, consolidating, or otherwise return-*
16 *ing to a host country any sites included in the real*
17 *property inventory of the United States Africa Com-*
18 *mand as of June 1, 2025.*

19 (c) *CERTIFICATION AND OTHER INFORMATION RE-*
20 *QUIRED.*—*The Secretary of Defense shall submit to the con-*
21 *gressional defense committees each of the following with re-*
22 *spect to any action described in subsection (b) that is pro-*
23 *posed to be taken by the Secretary:*

24 (1) *A certification that, in the determination of*
25 *the Secretary, the action is in the national security*

1 *interest of the United States and will be undertaken*
2 *only after appropriate consultations with African,*
3 *European, and other international partners on shared*
4 *security objectives in Africa and its surrounding*
5 *waters.*

6 *(2) An analysis of the impact of such action*
7 *on—*

8 *(A) the security of the United States;*

9 *(B) the threat of transnational terrorism in*
10 *or emanating from Africa, especially groups with*
11 *the capability or intent to attack the United*
12 *States homeland or United States citizens, inter-*
13 *ests, or allies or partners;*

14 *(C) the opportunities available to the Peo-*
15 *ple's Republic of China to pursue their strategic*
16 *objectives on the African continent and sur-*
17 *rounding areas, including their pursuit of addi-*
18 *tional military ports and bases to threaten the*
19 *Atlantic Ocean and impact homeland defense;*

20 *(D) the military activities of the Russian*
21 *Federation and Russian-sponsored private mili-*
22 *tary companies on the African continent and in*
23 *surrounding areas;*

24 *(E) the ability of the Armed Forces to exe-*
25 *cute supporting operations for campaign plans*

1 *against adversaries deemed a priority in the Na-*
2 *tional Defense Strategy;*

3 *(F) the ability of the Armed Forces to exe-*
4 *cute contingency and other operational plans of*
5 *the Department of Defense, including in support*
6 *of operations and crisis response and other oper-*
7 *ations;*

8 *(G) the ability of the United States to*
9 *maintain access in Africa and its surrounding*
10 *waters, including to protect the freedom of navi-*
11 *gation;*

12 *(H) military training and major military*
13 *exercises, including on interoperability, security*
14 *cooperation, and joint activities with African al-*
15 *lies and partners;*

16 *(I) United States deterrence of potential*
17 *threats from the People's Republic of China; and*

18 *(J) United States deterrence and defense*
19 *posture in the African theater and the homeland.*

20 *(3) A detailed analysis of the costs for relocation*
21 *of personnel, equipment, and associated infrastruc-*
22 *ture.*

23 *(4) A description of consultations regarding such*
24 *action with each relevant ally or partner including*

1 *those on the African continent, in the Middle East,*
2 *and in Europe.*

3 *(5) Independent risk assessments prepared by the*
4 *Commander of the United States Africa Command,*
5 *the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and any*
6 *other combatant commander that may be affected by*
7 *such action, of—*

8 *(A) the impact of such action on the secu-*
9 *rity of the United States and the ability of the*
10 *Armed Forces to defend the homeland forward;*

11 *(B) the impact of such action on the ability*
12 *of the Armed Forces to execute campaign and*
13 *contingency plans of the Department of Defense,*
14 *including in support of operations outside the*
15 *area of responsibility of the United States Africa*
16 *Command; and*

17 *(C) the impact of such action on military*
18 *training and major military exercises, including*
19 *on interoperability and joint activities with re-*
20 *gional allies and partners.*

21 *(d) CONSULTATION.—In preparing the certification*
22 *and other information required under subsection (c), the*
23 *Secretary of Defense shall consult with the Commander of*
24 *the United States Africa Command and the commander of*

1 *any other geographic combatant command expected to be*
 2 *affected by an action described in subsection (b).*

3 *(e) FORM.—*

4 *(1) CERTIFICATION.—The certification required*
 5 *by subsection (c)(1) shall be submitted in unclassified*
 6 *form.*

7 *(2) OTHER INFORMATION.—The information de-*
 8 *scribed in paragraphs (2) through (5) of subsection*
 9 *(c) may be submitted in classified form.*

10 *(3) SPECIAL RULE FOR INDEPENDENT RISK AS-*
 11 *SESSMENTS.—Each independent risk assessment re-*
 12 *quired by subsection (c)(5) shall be submitted in*
 13 *unaltered format.*

14 **SEC. 915. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**
 15 **THE ARMY PENDING SUBMITTAL OF PLAN ON**
 16 **THE PROPOSED INTEGRATION OF THE JOINT**
 17 **MUNITIONS COMMAND AND THE ARMY**
 18 **SUSTAINMENT COMMAND.**

19 *(a) IN GENERAL.—None of the funds authorized to be*
 20 *appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for*
 21 *fiscal year 2026 for the Army may be obligated or expended*
 22 *to restructure the Joint Munitions Command and the Army*
 23 *Sustainment Command (referred to in this section collec-*
 24 *tively as the “Commands”) until the Secretary of the Army*
 25 *submits to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate*

1 *and the House of Representatives a report regarding the*
2 *proposed plan of the Secretary to integrate the Commands.*

3 (b) *ELEMENTS.—The report required by subsection (a)*
4 *shall include the following:*

5 (1) *A detailed comparison of the old organiza-*
6 *tional structures of the Commands compared with the*
7 *proposed new integration construct for such organiza-*
8 *tional structures, including any changes to reporting*
9 *chains, leadership roles, and workforce.*

10 (2) *The planned timeline for implementation of*
11 *such integration.*

12 (3) *Any plans for changing the numbers, duty*
13 *locations, or responsibilities of personnel under the*
14 *Commands.*

15 (4) *A mission justification for the proposed inte-*
16 *gration.*

17 (5) *An assessment of the short-term and long-*
18 *term impacts of the proposed integration on the read-*
19 *iness of the Army and the Department of Defense to*
20 *conduct the missions of the Commands and the plan*
21 *of the Army for mitigating those impacts.*

1 **SEC. 916. LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY TO REDUCE IN RANK**
2 **THE BILLETS OF THE COMMANDING OFFI-**
3 **CERS OF CERTAIN MILITARY INSTALLATIONS**
4 **OF THE AIR FORCE.**

5 (a) *LIMITATION.*—The Secretary of the Air Force may
6 not reduce the rank of the billet of the commanding officer
7 of a military installation, described in subsection (b), below
8 O-7, until 90 days after such Secretary submits to the Com-
9 mittees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Rep-
10 resentatives a report described in subsection (c).

11 (b) *MILITARY INSTALLATION DESCRIBED.*—A military
12 installation described in this subsection—

13 (1) is the home station of more than one wing
14 of the Air Force, regardless of component;

15 (2) is a training site for pilots of an armed force
16 of an ally or partner country; and

17 (3) contains a national test and training range.

18 (c) *REPORT.*—A report described in this subsection
19 shall include an explanation of how the Secretary decided
20 to make a reduction described in subsection (a), taking into
21 consideration—

22 (1) cost, workload, and workforce requirements;
23 and

24 (2) operational effect.

1 **SEC. 917. DETERMINATION OF LEAD ORGANIZATION RE-**
2 **SPONSIBLE FOR APPROVAL AND VALIDATION**
3 **OF CERTAIN UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS**
4 **AND COMPONENTS.**

5 (a) *DETERMINATION REQUIRED.*—*The Secretary of*
6 *Defense shall determine—*

7 (1) *whether the Defense Innovation Unit should*
8 *continue to be the organization within the Depart-*
9 *ment of Defense with primary responsibility for the*
10 *execution of the Blue UAS Cleared List and the Blue*
11 *UAS Framework (collectively referred to in this sec-*
12 *tion as the “Blue UAS Initiatives”); or*

13 (2) *whether another organization within the De-*
14 *partment should assume primary responsibility for*
15 *executing the Blue UAS Initiatives.*

16 (b) *ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.*—*In making the de-*
17 *termination required under subsection (a), the Secretary of*
18 *Defense shall—*

19 (1) *conduct a thorough analysis of the Blue UAS*
20 *Initiatives as executed by the Defense Innovation*
21 *Unit at the time of the determination;*

22 (2) *assess whether the Unit, as of the time of the*
23 *determination, has adequate resources and capabili-*
24 *ties (including personnel, funding, and authorities) to*
25 *effectively scale and execute the Initiatives across the*
26 *Department of Defense; and*

1 (3) *identify one or more other organizations*
2 *within the Department of Defense that could more ef-*
3 *fectively scale and execute the Initiatives across the*
4 *Department.*

5 (c) *REPORT.*—*Not later than one year after the date*
6 *of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall*
7 *submit to the congressional defense committees a report that*
8 *includes—*

9 (1) *the Secretary’s final determination under*
10 *subsection (a);*

11 (2)(A) *in the event the Secretary determines that*
12 *the Defense Innovation Unit should continue to have*
13 *primary responsibility for the Blue UAS Initiatives*
14 *as described in subsection (a)(1), a strategy for pro-*
15 *viding the Unit with any additional resources (in-*
16 *cluding funding, personnel, and authorities) needed*
17 *for the Unit to effectively execute and scale the Initia-*
18 *tives across the Department of Defense; or*

19 (B) *in the event the Secretary determines that*
20 *another organization within the Department should*
21 *assume primary responsibility administering and*
22 *executing the Initiatives as described in subsection*
23 *(a)(2), a plan with milestones for transferring the*
24 *Initiatives (including all associated funding, per-*

1 sonnel, and authorities) from the Unit to such other
2 organization; and

3 (3) a strategy for decreasing unit costs for plat-
4 forms under the Initiatives, including—

5 (A) benchmarks to assess progress in reduc-
6 ing the cost of secure unmanned aircraft system
7 end products; and

8 (B) a timeline for meeting such cost reduc-
9 tion goals.

10 (d) *IMPLEMENTATION.*—Following the submittal of the
11 report required under subsection (c), the Secretary of De-
12 fense shall commence implementation of the resourcing
13 strategy described in subsection (c)(2)(A) or the transfer
14 plan described in subsection (c)(2)(B) (as the case may be).

15 (e) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

16 (1) The term “Blue UAS Cleared List” means
17 the initiative executed by the Defense Innovation Unit
18 (as of the date of the enactment of this Act) pursuant
19 to which the Unit maintains a list of approved small
20 unmanned aircraft systems that—

21 (A) are validated as cyber-secure and safe to
22 fly; and

23 (B) comply with applicable requirements
24 of—

1 (i) *section 848 of the National Defense*
2 *Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020*
3 *(Public Law 116–92; 10 U.S.C. 4871 note);*
4 (ii) *section 817(b) of the James M.*
5 *Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act*
6 *for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263;*
7 *10 U.S.C. 4871 note); and*
8 (iii) *the American Security Drone Act*
9 *of 2023 (subtitle B of title XVIII of the Na-*
10 *tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal*
11 *Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 41 U.S.C.*
12 *note prec. 3901)).*

13 (2) *The term “Blue UAS Framework” means the*
14 *initiative executed by the Defense Innovation Unit (as*
15 *of the date of the enactment of this Act) pursuant to*
16 *which the Unit validates unmanned aircraft system*
17 *components, subcomponents, modules, and software*
18 *for use by the Department of Defense.*

19 **SEC. 918. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ADVISORY SUB-**
20 **COMMITTEE TO REVIEW TECHNOLOGIES,**
21 **PROCESSES, AND INVESTMENT RELATED TO**
22 **COMBINED JOINT ALL-DOMAIN COMMAND**
23 **AND CONTROL.**

24 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*The Secretary of Defense may*
25 *establish a subcommittee (referred to in this section as the*

1 “Subcommittee”) under the board of advisors established
2 pursuant to section 233 of the William M. (Mac) Thorn-
3 berry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year
4 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 4001 note) to review
5 technologies to achieve combined joint all-domain command
6 and control.

7 (b) *MEMBERS.*—The Subcommittee shall consist of a
8 subset of the members of the board of advisors described in
9 subsection (a).

10 (c) *AREAS OF REVIEW.*—The Subcommittee may re-
11 view:

12 (1) *Processes for integrating joint effects chains*
13 *to support priority operational challenges.*

14 (2) *Data architectures, including potential roles*
15 *for artificial intelligence and machine learning tech-*
16 *nologies.*

17 (3) *Methods for achieving a platform-agnostic*
18 *joint common operating picture through data accessi-*
19 *bility, interoperability, and integration into combat-*
20 *ant command workflows, to assist the incorporation of*
21 *commercial communications technologies.*

22 (4) *Networking technologies, including potential*
23 *roles for artificial intelligence and machine learning.*

24 (5) *Enterprise and edge cloud technologies.*

1 (6) *Interoperability technologies, including soft-*
 2 *ware programs like the System-of-Systems Technology*
 3 *Integration Tool Chain for Heterogeneous Electronic*
 4 *Systems (commonly referred to as “STITCHES”).*

5 (7) *Interoperability technologies to integrate ve-*
 6 *hicles out of the Replicator project with relevant bat-*
 7 *tle networks.*

8 (8) *Any other matters determined relevant by the*
 9 *Secretary of Defense.*

10 (d) *TERMINATION.*—*The Subcommittee shall terminate*
 11 *on December 31, 2029.*

12 ***TITLE X—GENERAL PROVISIONS***

13 ***Subtitle A—Financial Matters***

14 ***SEC. 1001. GENERAL TRANSFER AUTHORITY.***

15 (a) *AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER AUTHORIZATIONS.*—

16 (1) *AUTHORITY.*—*Upon determination by the*
 17 *Secretary of Defense that such action is necessary in*
 18 *the national interest, the Secretary may transfer*
 19 *amounts of authorizations made available to the De-*
 20 *partment of Defense in this division for fiscal year*
 21 *2026 between any such authorizations for that fiscal*
 22 *year (or any subdivisions thereof). Amounts of au-*
 23 *thorizations so transferred shall be merged with and*
 24 *be available for the same purposes as the authoriza-*
 25 *tion to which transferred.*

1 (2) *LIMITATION.*—*Except as provided in para-*
 2 *graph (3), the total amount of authorizations that the*
 3 *Secretary may transfer under the authority of this*
 4 *section may not exceed \$6,000,000,000.*

5 (3) *EXCEPTION FOR TRANSFERS BETWEEN MILI-*
 6 *TARY PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATIONS.*—*A transfer of*
 7 *funds between military personnel authorizations*
 8 *under title IV shall not be counted toward the dollar*
 9 *limitation in paragraph (2).*

10 (b) *LIMITATIONS.*—*The authority provided by sub-*
 11 *section (a) to transfer authorizations—*

12 (1) *may only be used to provide authority for*
 13 *items that have a higher priority than the items from*
 14 *which authority is transferred; and*

15 (2) *may not be used to provide authority for an*
 16 *item that has been denied authorization by Congress.*

17 (c) *EFFECT ON AUTHORIZATION AMOUNTS.*—*A trans-*
 18 *fer made from one account to another under the authority*
 19 *of this section shall be deemed to increase the amount au-*
 20 *thorized for the account to which the amount is transferred*
 21 *by an amount equal to the amount transferred.*

22 (d) *NOTICE TO CONGRESS.*—*The Secretary shall*
 23 *promptly notify Congress of each transfer made under sub-*
 24 *section (a).*

1 **SEC. 1002. RESPONSIBILITIES OF UNDER SECRETARY OF**
2 **DEFENSE (COMPTROLLER).**

3 *Section 135(c)(3)(B) of title 10, United States Code,*
4 *is amended by inserting “, and defense business systems*
5 *that affect the auditability of financial statements” after*
6 *“accounting”.*

7 **SEC. 1003. ADDITIONAL ELEMENTS FOR DEPARTMENT OF**
8 **DEFENSE FINANCIAL IMPROVEMENT AND**
9 **AUDIT REMEDIATION PLAN AND REPORT.**

10 *(a) ADDITIONAL ELEMENTS FOR PLAN.—Subsection*
11 *(a)(2)(A) of section 240b of title 10, United States Code,*
12 *is amended—*

13 *(1) in clause (iv), by striking “and” at the end;*

14 *and*

15 *(2) by adding at the end the following new*
16 *clauses:*

17 *“(vi) meeting resource requirements,*
18 *including personnel, training, and informa-*
19 *tion technology infrastructure; and*

20 *“(vii) identifying long-range goals and*
21 *measurable objectives, including audit cycle*
22 *timelines, control testing frequency, and*
23 *independent third-party validation bench-*
24 *marks.”.*

1 (b) *ADDITIONAL ELEMENTS FOR REPORT.*—Subsection
 2 (b)(1)(B) of such section is amended by adding at the end
 3 the following new clauses:

4 “(ix) A description of progress made
 5 with respect to audit-related system mod-
 6 ernization efforts, including rationalization
 7 of business systems.

8 “(x) The number and scope of auto-
 9 mated processes implemented, including rec-
 10 onciliation, inventory validation, and inter-
 11 nal controls.”.

12 **SEC. 1004. CONSOLIDATION OF REPORTING REQUIRE-**
 13 **MENTS RELATING TO DEPARTMENT OF DE-**
 14 **FENSE FINANCIAL IMPROVEMENT AND AUDIT**
 15 **REMEDIATION PLAN.**

16 (a) *FINANCIAL IMPROVEMENT AND AUDIT REMEDI-*
 17 *ATION PLAN.*—Section 240b(b) of title 10, United States
 18 Code, as amended by section 1003(b), is further amended—

19 (1) in paragraph (1)(B), by adding at the end
 20 the following new clause:

21 “(ix) A detailed estimate of the fund-
 22 ing required for the next fiscal year to pro-
 23 cure, obtain, or otherwise implement each
 24 process, system, and technology identified to
 25 address the corrective action plan or plans

1 *of each department, agency, component, or*
2 *element of the Department of Defense, and*
3 *the corrective action plan of the Department*
4 *as a whole, for purposes of this chapter dur-*
5 *ing such fiscal year.”;*

6 *(2) in paragraph (2), by striking subparagraph*
7 *(B) and inserting the following new subparagraph*
8 *(B):*

9 *“(B) The January 31 briefing under sub-*
10 *paragraph (A) shall include a ranking of all of*
11 *the military departments and Defense Agencies*
12 *in order of how advanced each is in achieving*
13 *auditable financial statements, as required by*
14 *law.”;*

15 *(3) by redesignating paragraph (3) as para-*
16 *graph (4);*

17 *(4) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-*
18 *lowing new paragraph (3):*

19 *“(3) ANNUAL REPORT BY BOTTOM QUARTILE.—*
20 *Not later than June 30 of each year, the head of each*
21 *military department and Defense Agency that was*
22 *ranked in the bottom quartile of the report submitted*
23 *under paragraph (2)(B) for that year shall submit to*
24 *the congressional defense committees a report that in-*

1 *cludes the following information for that military de-*
2 *partment or Defense Agency:*

3 *“(A) A description of the material weak-*
4 *nesses of the military department or Defense*
5 *Agency.*

6 *“(B) The underlying causes of such weak-*
7 *nesses.*

8 *“(C) A plan for remediating such weak-*
9 *nesses.*

10 *“(D) The total number of open audit notices*
11 *of findings and recommendations (in this para-*
12 *graph referred to as ‘NFRs’) for the most re-*
13 *cently concluded fiscal year and the preceding*
14 *two fiscal years, where applicable.*

15 *“(E) The number of repeat or reissued*
16 *NFRs from the most recently concluded fiscal*
17 *year.*

18 *“(F) The number of NFRs that were pre-*
19 *viously forecasted to be closed during the most*
20 *recently concluded fiscal year that remain open.*

21 *“(G) The number of closed NFRs during the*
22 *current fiscal year and prior fiscal years.*

23 *“(H) The number of material weaknesses*
24 *that were validated by external auditors as fully*

1 *resolved or downgraded during the current fiscal*
2 *year relative to prior fiscal years.*

3 “(I) *A breakdown, by fiscal year, of which*
4 *open NFRs are forecasted to be closed.*

5 “(J) *Explanations for any unfavorable*
6 *trends in the information included under para-*
7 *graphs (1) through (9).”; and*

8 (5) *in paragraph (4), as redesignated by para-*
9 *graph (3) of this subsection, by striking “the critical*
10 *capabilities described in the Department of Defense*
11 *report titled ‘Financial Improvement and Audit*
12 *Readiness (FIAR) Plan Status Report’ and dated*
13 *May 2016” and inserting “the financial statement*
14 *audit priorities designated by the Secretary of De-*
15 *fense for the fiscal year in which the report is sub-*
16 *mitted”.*

17 (b) *ANNUAL REPORTS ON FUNDING FOR CORRECTIVE*
18 *ACTION PLANS.—Section 1009 of the National Defense Au-*
19 *thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92;*
20 *10 U.S.C. 240b note) is amended by striking subsection (c).*

21 (c) *ANNUAL REPORT ON AUDITABLE FINANCIAL*
22 *STATEMENTS.—Title 10, United States Code, is amended*
23 *by striking section 240h.*

1 **SEC. 1005. CONCURRENT REPORTING DATE FOR ANNUAL**
2 **UPDATE TO DEFENSE BUSINESS SYSTEMS**
3 **AUDIT REMEDIATION PLAN AND DEPART-**
4 **MENT OF DEFENSE ANNUAL FINANCIAL**
5 **STATEMENTS.**

6 *Section 240g(b) of title 10, United States Code, is*
7 *amended to read as follows:*

8 *“(b) ANNUAL REPORT.—On the same date as the date*
9 *of the submission of the audited financial statements of the*
10 *Department of Defense required pursuant to section 240a*
11 *of this title each year, the Secretary of Defense shall submit*
12 *to the congressional defense committees an updated annual*
13 *report on the Defense Business Systems Audit Remediation*
14 *Plan under subsection (a).”.*

15 **SEC. 1006. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**
16 **TRAVEL EXPENSES OF OFFICE OF SECRETARY**
17 **OF DEFENSE UNTIL COMPLETION OF CER-**
18 **TAIN AUDIT REQUIREMENTS.**

19 *(a) LIMITATION.—Of the funds authorized to be appro-*
20 *priated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal*
21 *year 2026 for operation and maintenance, defense-wide,*
22 *and available for the Office of the Secretary of Defense for*
23 *travel expenses, not more than 75 percent may be obligated*
24 *or expended until the earlier of the following:*

25 *(1) The first date on which at least eleven cov-*
26 *ered reporting entities have received an unmodified*

1 *audit opinion with respect to the financial statements*
2 *of that entity undergoing audit for the preceding fis-*
3 *cal year.*

4 (2) *The date on which a Department of Defense-*
5 *wide material weakness identified in the annual re-*
6 *port on the implementation of the Financial Improve-*
7 *ment and Audit Remediation Plan required under*
8 *section 240b of title 10, United States Code, for fiscal*
9 *year 2024, is closed or otherwise resolved in a manner*
10 *other than through consolidation.*

11 (b) *COVERED REPORTING ENTITY DEFINED.—In this*
12 *section, the term “covered reporting entity” has the mean-*
13 *ing given the term “government-wide reporting entity” in*
14 *the document of the Federal Accounting Standards Advi-*
15 *sory Board titled “Statement of Federal Financial Account-*
16 *ing Standards 47: Reporting Entity” and issued December*
17 *30, 2014, or such successor document.*

18 **SEC. 1007. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR AMOUNTS**
19 **MADE AVAILABLE PURSUANT TO TITLE II OF**
20 **PUBLIC LAW 119-21.**

21 (a) *ANNUAL REPORTS.—At the time of the submittal*
22 *to Congress of the budget of the President for each of fiscal*
23 *years 2027 through 2029 pursuant to section 1105(a) of*
24 *title 31, United States Code, the Secretary of Defense shall*
25 *submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the House*

1 of Representatives and the Senate the following with respect
 2 to amounts made available by title II of Public Law 119–
 3 21:

4 (1) Proposed allocations by account and by pro-
 5 gram, project, or activity, with detailed justifications.

6 (2) P–1 and R–1 budget justification documents,
 7 which shall identify the allocation of funds by pro-
 8 gram, project, and activity.

9 (3) Budget justification documents, to be known
 10 as M–1 and O–1, which shall identify the allocation
 11 of funds by budget activity, activity group, and sub-
 12 activity group.

13 (b) *QUARTERLY REPORTS.*—The Secretary of Defense
 14 shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the
 15 House of Representatives and Senate quarterly reports on
 16 the status of balances of projects and activities funded using
 17 amounts described in subsection (a), including all uncom-
 18 mitted, committed, and unobligated funds.

19 ***Subtitle B—Naval Vessels***

20 ***SEC. 1011. INCLUSION OF CERTAIN DESIGN INFORMATION*** 21 ***IN ANNUAL NAVAL VESSEL CONSTRUCTION*** 22 ***PLANS.***

23 Section 231(b) of title 10, United States Code, is
 24 amended—

1 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (H) through
 2 (J) as subparagraphs (I) through (K), respectively;
 3 and

4 (2) by inserting after subparagraph (G) the fol-
 5 lowing new subparagraph:

6 “(H) If 50 percent or more of the vessels in the
 7 naval vessel force provided for under the naval vessel
 8 construction plan are to be designed by one or more
 9 foreign firms (as such term is defined in section
 10 4852(d) of this title)—

11 “(i) an identification of each such foreign
 12 firm; and

13 “(ii) a description of the benefit to the
 14 United States Government of including in such
 15 force the naval vessels so designed.”.

16 **SEC. 1012. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS IN THE NA-**
 17 **TIONAL DEFENSE SEALIFT FUND TO PUR-**
 18 **CHASE CERTAIN USED FOREIGN CON-**
 19 **STRUCTED VESSELS.**

20 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 2218 of title 10, United
 21 States Code, is amended—

22 (1) in subsection (f)—

23 (A) in paragraph (3)—

1 (i) in subparagraph (A), by inserting
 2 “(other than an excluded vessel)” after “any
 3 used vessel”;

4 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by inserting
 5 “(other than an excluded vessel)” after “a
 6 used vessel”;

7 (iii) by striking subparagraph (C) and
 8 inserting the following new subparagraph
 9 (C):

10 “(C) The Secretary may only use the authority under
 11 this paragraph to purchase more than 10 foreign-con-
 12 structed vessels if, for each such vessel so purchased after
 13 the tenth vessel, the Secretary purchases two vessels under
 14 paragraph (4).”.

15 (iv) in subsection (D), by striking
 16 “subparagraph (A)” and inserting “this
 17 paragraph”;

18 (v) by striking subparagraph (E) and
 19 redesignating subparagraphs (F) and (G)
 20 as subparagraphs (E) and (F), respectively;
 21 and

22 (B) by adding at the end the following new
 23 paragraph (4):

24 “(4) A vessel purchased under this paragraph is a ves-
 25 sel—

1 “(A) purchased using funds in the National De-
2 *fense Sealift Fund*

3 “(B) constructed in a ship yard located in the
4 *United States; and*

5 “(C) the construction of which is managed by a
6 *commercial vessel construction manager.”; and*

7 (2) in subsection (k), by adding at the end the
8 *following new paragraph:*

9 “(6) The term ‘excluded vessel’ means a vessel
10 *that was—*

11 “(A) constructed or substantially modified
12 *by an entity located in the People’s Republic of*
13 *China; or*

14 “(B) constructed by a Chinese military
15 *company, as such term is defined in section*
16 *1260H(d)(1) of the William M. (Mac) Thorn-*
17 *berry National Defense Authorization Act for*
18 *Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10*
19 *U.S.C. 113 note).”.*

20 (b) *TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.*—Section 2218 of title
21 10, *United States Code*, as amended by subsection (a), is
22 *further amended—*

23 (1) in subsection (c)(1)(D), by striking “section
24 11 of the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946 (50 U.S.C.
25 4405)” and inserting “section 57100 of title 46”;

1 (2) in subsection (f)(2), by striking “section
2 1424(b) of Public Law 101–510 (104 Stat. 1683)”
3 and inserting “section 1424(b) of the National De-
4 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1991 (Public
5 Law 101–510; 10 U.S.C. 8661 note)”;

6 (3) in subsection (k)—

7 (A) in paragraph (2)(A), by striking “sec-
8 tion 1424 of Public Law 101–510 (104 Stat.
9 1683)” and inserting “section 1424 of the Na-
10 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year
11 1991 (Public Law 101–510; 10 U.S.C. 8661
12 note)”;

13 (B) in paragraph (3)(B), by striking “sec-
14 tion 11 of the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946
15 (50 U.S.C. 4405)” and inserting “section 57100
16 of title 46”.

17 **SEC. 1013. REQUIREMENTS FOR AMPHIBIOUS WARFARE**
18 **SHIP FORCE STRUCTURE.**

19 Section 8062 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
20 ed—

21 (1) in subsection (e)—

22 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at
23 the end;

24 (B) in paragraph (3), by striking the period
25 and inserting “; and”; and

1 (C) by adding at the end the following new
2 paragraph:

3 “(4) the Navy adjusts scheduled maintenance
4 and repair actions to maintain the minimum number
5 of available amphibious warfare ships to meet oper-
6 ational requirements.”; and

7 (2) by amending subsection (h) to read as fol-
8 lows:

9 “(h) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

10 “(1) The term ‘amphibious warfare ship’ means
11 a ship that is classified as an amphibious assault
12 ship (general purpose) (LHA), an amphibious assault
13 ship (multi-purpose) (LHD), an amphibious trans-
14 port dock (LPD), or a dock landing ship (LSD).

15 “(2) The term ‘available’, with respect to an am-
16 phibious warfare ship, means that the ship—

17 “(A) does not have a temporary critical
18 limiting restriction preventing the conduct of
19 training and operations;

20 “(B) is not in a maintenance phase;

21 “(C) is not conducting post-delivery test
22 and trials; and

23 “(D) is not preparing to decommission.”.

1 **SEC. 1014. DEFINITION OF SHORT-TERM WORK FOR PUR-**
 2 **POSES OF NAVY CONSTRUCTION OF COMBAT-**
 3 **ANT AND ESCORT VESSELS AND ASSIGNMENT**
 4 **OF VESSEL PROJECTS.**

5 *Section 8669a(c)(4) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 6 *amended by striking “12 months” and inserting “18*
 7 *months”.*

8 **SEC. 1015. NAVY SENIOR TECHNICAL AUTHORITY.**

9 *Section 8669b of title 10, United States Code, is*
 10 *amended—*

11 *(1) in subsection (a)(2), by amending subpara-*
 12 *graph (B) to read as follows:*

13 *“(B) reports directly to the program execu-*
 14 *tive officer.”; and*

15 *(2) in subsection (b)—*

16 *(A) by inserting “(1)” before “Each Sen-*
 17 *ior”;* and

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

20 *“(2) Each Senior Technical Authority shall also be re-*
 21 *sponsible for the determination that all design requirements*
 22 *for a vessel class are directly related to a key performance*
 23 *parameter or key system attribute established in the capa-*
 24 *bility development document for the vessel class. Any re-*
 25 *quirements that the Senior Technical Authority determines*

1 *are unnecessary to meet a key performance parameter or*
 2 *key system attribute shall not be approved.”.*

3 **SEC. 1016. ALTERNATIVE CONTRACTING AUTHORITY FOR**
 4 **UNITED STATES NAVAL SHIPS.**

5 *Chapter 863 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
 6 *ed by adding at the end the following new section:*

7 **“§ 8698. Alternative contracting authority for United**
 8 **States Naval Ships**

9 *“(a) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of the Navy may*
 10 *enter into an agreement with an appropriate vessel con-*
 11 *struction manager, other than the Department of the Navy,*
 12 *under which the vessel construction manager shall enter*
 13 *into a contract for the construction of a vessel to be des-*
 14 *ignated as a United States Naval Ship and operated by*
 15 *civilian or commercial mariners.*

16 *“(b) DESIGN STANDARDS AND CONSTRUCTION PRAC-*
 17 *TICES.—To the maximum extent practicable, the Secretary*
 18 *of the Navy shall ensure that a vessel constructed pursuant*
 19 *to this section is constructed using commercial design*
 20 *standards and commercial construction practices.”.*

21 **SEC. 1017. INCLUSION OF NAVY AMPHIBIOUS SHIP MAINTENANCE AS A SEPARATE LINE ITEM IN OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE BUDGET.**

24 *(a) IN GENERAL.—The budget of the President sub-*
 25 *mitted to Congress under section 1105(a) of title 31, United*

1 *States Code, for fiscal year 2027 and each subsequent fiscal*
2 *year, shall display Navy amphibious ship maintenance as*
3 *one or more separate line items under each subactivity*
4 *within operation and maintenance, Navy.*

5 (b) *ALLOCATION OF FISCAL YEAR 2026 FUNDS.—Of*
6 *the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or other-*
7 *wise made available for fiscal year 2026 for operation and*
8 *maintenance, Navy for ship maintenance, the Secretary of*
9 *the Navy shall ensure that such funds are allocated to pro-*
10 *vide, on a per capita basis, an equal or greater amount*
11 *of funding for each amphibious warfare ship that enters*
12 *into maintenance availability during fiscal year 2026 rel-*
13 *ative to the amount of funding provided for each surface*
14 *combatant ship.*

15 (c) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

16 (1) *The term “amphibious warfare ship”—*

17 (A) *means a ship designed with organic ca-*
18 *pability to engage in all the doctrinal types of*
19 *amphibious operations across multiple domains*
20 *and having characteristics that enable long dura-*
21 *tion, inter-theater, distributed maritime oper-*
22 *ations; and*

23 (B) *includes any—*

24 (i) *amphibious assault ship;*

1 (ii) amphibious assault ship (multi-
2 purpose);

3 (iii) amphibious transport dock ; and

4 (iv) dock landing ship.

5 (2) The term “surface combatant ship”—

6 (A) means a surface ship that is designed
7 primarily to engage in attacks against airborne,
8 surface, subsurface, and shore targets; and

9 (B) includes any—

10 (i) guided missile cruiser;

11 (ii) guided missile destroyer;

12 (iii) guided missile frigate; and

13 (iv) littoral combat ship.

14 **SEC. 1018. METRICS FOR BASIC AND FUNCTIONAL DESIGN**
15 **FOR SHIP CONSTRUCTION.**

16 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 180 days after the
17 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Navy
18 shall select a metric to measure the progression of basic and
19 functional design with respect to the construction of ships.

20 (b) *REPORT.*—Not later than 45 days after the selec-
21 tion of a metric under subsection (a), the Secretary of the
22 Navy shall submit to the congressional defense committees
23 a report on such metric that includes the justification for
24 the selection of the metric.

1 (c) *BASIC AND FUNCTIONAL DESIGN.*—*In this section,*
 2 *the term “basic and functional design” has the meaning*
 3 *given such term in section 8669c(1) of title 10, United*
 4 *States Code.*

5 **SEC. 1019. AUTHORITY FOR SINGLE AWARD INDEFINITE DE-**
 6 **LIVERY INDEFINITE QUANTITY CONTRACT**
 7 **FOR DESTROYER MAINTENANCE.**

8 *The Secretary of the Navy shall seek to enter into a*
 9 *multi-year, single award indefinite delivery indefinite*
 10 *quantity contract to provide for the maintenance of the*
 11 *DDG–1000 class of destroyers.*

12 **SEC. 1020. EVALUATION OF SITES FOR SHIPBUILDING AND**
 13 **SHIP REPAIR.**

14 (a) *EVALUATION OF SITES.*—

15 (1) *RESPONSIBILITY.*—*Not later than 60 days*
 16 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-*
 17 *retary of the Navy shall delegate to the Direct Report-*
 18 *ing Program Manager of the Maritime Industrial*
 19 *Base Program primary responsibility for defining the*
 20 *requirements for evaluating sites to meet the capacity*
 21 *and needs of the Navy for shipbuilding and repair.*

22 (2) *EVALUATION REQUIREMENTS.*—*Not later*
 23 *than 180 days after the date on which the Secretary*
 24 *delegates to the Program Manager under paragraph*
 25 *(1), the Program Manager shall establish evaluation*

1 *requirements to be applied to sites being considered as*
2 *sites for private or public shipyards and other de-*
3 *fense-production capabilities. In establishing such re-*
4 *quirements, the Program Manager shall consider—*

5 *(A) the objective of accelerating United*
6 *States shipbuilding efforts in both naval and ci-*
7 *vilian fleets;*

8 *(B) how establishing or augmenting a site*
9 *at an evaluated site could help meet Navy ship-*
10 *building and ship repair requirements;*

11 *(C) whether a single site, smaller and more*
12 *dispersed sites, or both would be optimal for aug-*
13 *menting shipbuilding and ship repair;*

14 *(D) whether the best approach to meeting*
15 *the timeline and capacity requirements for ship-*
16 *building and ship repair would be constructing*
17 *new sites, using existing infrastructure, or both;*
18 *and*

19 *(E) whether a site meets the criteria under*
20 *subsection (b).*

21 *(b) CRITERIA.—The criteria under this subsection with*
22 *respect to a site are that the site—*

23 *(1) has the amount of space necessary to meet*
24 *Navy requirements;*

1 (2) *has adequate transportation infrastructure,*
2 *such as road and rail access, or that such infrastruc-*
3 *ture can reasonably be provided at the site;*

4 (3) *has a readily available technical and manual*
5 *skilled workforce for naval and commercial ship*
6 *building, ship repair, and advanced manufacturing*
7 *activities;*

8 (4) *is geographically close to local institutions*
9 *that can facilitate workforce development, including*
10 *higher education and technical training and appren-*
11 *ticeships;*

12 (5) *has private partners that are interested and*
13 *able to undertake the development of a shipyard at*
14 *the site;*

15 (6) *possesses deep water construction and draft*
16 *capabilities, as required by the Navy, to construct or*
17 *repair vessels identified in Navy shipbuilding and*
18 *ship repair requirements;*

19 (7) *is in close proximity to existing Department*
20 *facilities and personnel; and*

21 (8) *such other criteria as the Program Manager*
22 *determines appropriate.*

23 (c) *REPORT.*—*Not later than one year after the date*
24 *on which the Program Manager establishes the evaluation*
25 *requirements under subsection (b), the Program Manager*

1 *shall submit to the congressional defense committees a re-*
2 *port that includes—*

3 *(1) a list of sites that meet the evaluation re-*
4 *quirements; or*

5 *(2) a certification that no site exists that meets*
6 *such requirements.*

7 **SEC. 1021. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS TO RETIRE OR**
8 **DECOMMISSION NAVY OCEANOGRAPHIC RE-**
9 **SEARCH VESSELS.**

10 *The Secretary of the Navy may not retire or decommis-*
11 *sion an oceanographic research vessel, or otherwise reduce*
12 *the number of such vessels maintained by the Navy to fewer*
13 *than six, before the date on which the Secretary submits*
14 *to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and*
15 *House of Representatives a plan to provide for the mainte-*
16 *nance and recapitalization of the oceanographic research*
17 *fleet.*

18 **SEC. 1022. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING NAMING OF**
19 **VESSEL FOR BATTLE OF DAI DO.**

20 *It is the sense of Congress that the Secretary of the*
21 *Navy should name an amphibious or expeditionary class*
22 *vessel for the Battle of Dai Do.*

1 ***Subtitle C—Counterterrorism***

2 ***SEC. 1031. REVISIONS TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AU-***
 3 ***THORITY FOR JOINT TASK FORCES TO SUP-***
 4 ***PORT LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OR FED-***
 5 ***ERAL AGENCIES CONDUCTING COUNTERTER-***
 6 ***RORISM AND COUNTER TRANSNATIONAL OR-***
 7 ***GANIZED CRIME ACTIVITIES.***

8 (a) *CODIFICATION IN TITLE 10.*—Chapter 15 of title
 9 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end
 10 a new section consisting of—

11 (1) a heading as follows:

12 ***“§ 285. Authority for joint task forces to support law***
 13 ***enforcement agencies or other Federal***
 14 ***agencies conducting counter-terrorism***
 15 ***and counter transnational organized***
 16 ***crime activities”***; and

17 (2) a text consisting of the text of section 1022
 18 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal
 19 Year 2004 (Public Law 108–136; 10 U.S.C. 271
 20 note).

21 (b) *REVISIONS.*—Section 285 of title 10, United States
 22 Code, as added by subsection (a), is amended as follows:

23 (1) Subsection (a) is amended by inserting “or
 24 to another department or agency of the Federal Gov-

1 *ernment” after “law enforcement agencies” each place*
 2 *it appears.*

3 (2) *Subsection (b) is amended by striking “Dur-*
 4 *ing fiscal years 2006 through 2024, funds” and in-*
 5 *serting “Funds”.*

6 (3) *Such section is further amended—*

7 (A) *in subsection (d)(2), by striking “this*
 8 *subparagraph” and inserting “this paragraph”;*
 9 *and*

10 (B) *in subsection (e)(1), by striking “title*
 11 *10, United States Code” and inserting “this*
 12 *title”.*

13 (c) *REPEAL OF CODIFIED PROVISION.—Section 1022*
 14 *of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
 15 *2004 (Public Law 108–136; 10 U.S.C. 271 note) is repealed.*

16 **SEC. 1032. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS**
 17 **FOR TRANSFER OR RELEASE OF INDIVIDUALS**
 18 **DETAINED AT UNITED STATES NAVAL STA-**
 19 **TION, GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA, TO THE**
 20 **UNITED STATES.**

21 *Section 1033 of the John S. McCain National Defense*
 22 *Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–*
 23 *232; 132 Stat. 1953) is amended by striking “December 31,*
 24 *2025” and inserting “December 31, 2026”.*

1 **SEC. 1033. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS**
 2 **TO CONSTRUCT OR MODIFY FACILITIES IN**
 3 **THE UNITED STATES TO HOUSE DETAINEES**
 4 **TRANSFERRED FROM UNITED STATES NAVAL**
 5 **STATION, GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA.**

6 *Section 1034(a) of the John S. McCain National De-*
 7 *fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law*
 8 *115–232; 132 Stat. 1954) is amended by striking “Decem-*
 9 *ber 31, 2025” and inserting “December 31, 2026”.*

10 **SEC. 1034. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS**
 11 **FOR TRANSFER OR RELEASE OF INDIVIDUALS**
 12 **DETAINED AT UNITED STATES NAVAL STA-**
 13 **TION, GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA, TO CERTAIN**
 14 **COUNTRIES.**

15 *Section 1035 of the John S. McCain National Defense*
 16 *Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–*
 17 *232; 132 Stat. 1954) is amended by striking “December 31,*
 18 *2025” and inserting “December 31, 2026”.*

19 **SEC. 1035. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS**
 20 **TO CLOSE OR RELINQUISH CONTROL OF**
 21 **UNITED STATES NAVAL STATION, GUANTA-**
 22 **NAMO BAY, CUBA.**

23 *Section 1036 of the National Defense Authorization*
 24 *Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91; 131 Stat.*
 25 *1551) is amended by striking “fiscal years 2018 through*
 26 *2025” and inserting “fiscal years 2018 through 2026”.*

1 ***Subtitle D—Miscellaneous***
2 ***Authorities and Limitations***

3 ***SEC. 1041. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE AS-***
4 ***SISTANCE IN SUPPORT OF DEPARTMENT OF***
5 ***DEFENSE ACCOUNTING FOR MISSING UNITED***
6 ***STATES GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL.***

7 *Section 408 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
8 *ed—*

9 *(1) in subsection (a), by inserting “and procure*
10 *goods and services from” after “assistance to”; and*

11 *(2) in subsection (d)(1), by striking*
12 *“\$5,000,000” and inserting “\$15,000,000”.*

13 ***SEC. 1042. EXPEDITED ACCESS TO CERTAIN MILITARY IN-***
14 ***STALLATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DE-***
15 ***FENSE FOR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND***
16 ***CERTAIN CONGRESSIONAL EMPLOYEES.***

17 *Chapter 159 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
18 *ed by adding at the end the following new section:*

19 ***“§ 2698. Expedited access to military installations for***
20 ***Members of Congress and certain Congres-***
21 ***sional employees***

22 *“(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection*
23 *(b), the Secretary shall establish procedures to ensure that—*

1 “(1) a Member of Congress seeking access to a
2 covered installation is granted such access if such
3 Member presents a covered identification card; and

4 “(2) any Congressional employees accompanying
5 a Member of Congress granted access under para-
6 graph (1) are granted the same access.

7 “(b) *PROHIBITED PROCEDURES.*—Under such proce-
8 dures, the Secretary may not require a Member of Congress
9 to schedule a grant of access to a covered installation under
10 subsection (a) prior to the arrival of such Member and ac-
11 companying Congressional employees, if applicable, at such
12 covered installation.

13 “(c) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

14 “(1) The term ‘Congressional employee’ has the
15 meaning given such term in paragraph (5) of section
16 2107 of title 5.

17 “(2) The term ‘covered identification card’
18 means a valid identification badge issued by the ap-
19 propriate office of the House of Representatives or the
20 Senate, as the case may be, which identifies the indi-
21 vidual to which such identification badge was issued
22 as a current Member of Congress.

23 “(3) The term ‘covered installation’ means a
24 military installation located in the United States or
25 Guam at which the presentation of an issued Depart-

ment of Defense common access card is the sole requirement for a member of the Armed Forces to be granted access to such military installation.

“(4) The term ‘Member of Congress’ means—

“(A) a Senator; or

“(B) a Representative in, or Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, Congress.”.

**SEC. 1043. AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY OF DEFENSE TO
ENTER INTO CONTRACTS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN ASSISTANCE TO SECURE THE SOUTHERN LAND BORDER OF THE UNITED STATES.**

Section 1059(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (10 U.S.C. 284 note; Public Law 114–92) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking “United States Customs and Border Protection” and inserting “U.S. Customs and Border Protection”;

(2) by redesignating paragraph (2) as paragraph (3); and

(3) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following new paragraph:

“(2) **CONTRACT AUTHORITY.**—In providing assistance to U.S. Customs and Border Protection under paragraph (1), the Secretary may enter into a

1 *contract for the provision of any of the following serv-*
2 *ices:*

3 “(A) *Detection and monitoring.*

4 “(B) *Warehousing and logistical supply*
5 *chain.*

6 “(C) *Transportation.*

7 “(C) *Vehicle maintenance.*

8 “(D) *Training other than lead or primary*
9 *instructor.*

10 “(E) *Intelligence analysis.*

11 “(F) *Linguist.*

12 “(G) *Data entry.*

13 “(H) *Aviation.”.*

14 **SEC. 1044. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS TO RELOCATE OR**
15 **OTHERWISE REMOVE THE MARITIME INDUS-**
16 **TRIAL BASE PROGRAM.**

17 *None of the funds authorized to be appropriated or oth-*
18 *erwise made available by this Act may be used to relocate*
19 *or otherwise remove the Maritime Industrial Base Program*
20 *from under the jurisdiction of the Assistant Secretary of*
21 *the Navy for Research, Development, and Acquisition.*

1 **SEC. 1045. LIMITATION ON RETIREMENT OF GRAY EAGLE**

2 **UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS.**

3 (a) *PROHIBITION.*—*Except as provided in subsection*
4 *(b), the Secretary of the Army may not retire, divest, or*
5 *otherwise take any action that would—*

6 (1) *reduce the number, configuration, or capa-*
7 *bility of any MQ–1C Gray Eagle Extended Range*
8 *unmanned aircraft system that is in the Army inven-*
9 *tory as of the date of the enactment of this Act; or*

10 (2) *prevent the Army from maintaining such*
11 *systems in the current or improved configurations*
12 *and capabilities of such systems.*

13 (b) *EXCEPTION.*—*The prohibition under subsection (a)*
14 *shall not apply if the Chairman of the Joint Requirements*
15 *Oversight Council submits to the appropriate congressional*
16 *committees a written certification that—*

17 (1) *a capability of equal or greater effectiveness*
18 *will be fielded and operational prior to, or concur-*
19 *rently with, the retirement of any MQ–1C Gray Eagle*
20 *unmanned aircraft system; and*

21 (2) *such retirement will not result in a reduction*
22 *in the overall capacity available to the commanders*
23 *of the combatant commands.*

24 (c) *APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-*
25 *FINED.*—*In this section, the term “appropriate congres-*
26 *sional committees” means—*

1 (1) *the congressional defense committees (as de-*
 2 *defined in section 101(a)(16) of title 10, United States*
 3 *Code); and*

4 (2) *the congressional intelligence committees (as*
 5 *defined in section 3 of the National Security Act of*
 6 *1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003)).*

7 **SEC. 1046. OVERSIGHT OF THE UNITED STATES SOUTHERN**
 8 **COMMAND.**

9 (a) *LIMITATION.*—None of the funds authorized to be
 10 *appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for*
 11 *fiscal year 2026 for the Department of Defense may be obli-*
 12 *gated or expended to carry out an action described in sub-*
 13 *section (b) until a period of 90 days has elapsed following*
 14 *the date on which the Secretary of Defense submits the cer-*
 15 *tification and analysis required under subsection (c) with*
 16 *respect to such action.*

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

19 (1) *Modifying or combining the responsibilities*
 20 *of the Commander of the United States Southern*
 21 *Command, as set forth in chapter 6 of title 10, United*
 22 *States Code, with those of any other commander des-*
 23 *ignated under such authority.*

1 (2) *Appointing an officer in a grade below O–*
2 *10 to serve as the Commander of the United States*
3 *Southern Command.*

4 (c) *CERTIFICATION AND ANALYSIS REQUIRED.—The*
5 *Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional de-*
6 *fense committees each of the following with respect to any*
7 *action described in subsection (b) that is proposed to be*
8 *taken by the Secretary:*

9 (1) *A certification that, in the determination of*
10 *the Secretary, the action is in the national security*
11 *interest of the United States and will be undertaken*
12 *only after appropriate consultations with Central*
13 *American, South American, and other international*
14 *partners on shared security objectives in the Western*
15 *Hemisphere and its surrounding waters.*

16 (2) *An analysis of the effect of such action on the*
17 *security of the United States.*

18 (d) *CONSULTATION.—In preparing the certification*
19 *and analysis required under subsection (c) with respect to*
20 *an action described in subsection (b), the Secretary of De-*
21 *fense shall consult with the Commander of the United States*
22 *Southern Command and the commander of any other geo-*
23 *graphic combatant command expected to be affected by the*
24 *action.*

25 (e) *FORM.—*

1 (1) *CERTIFICATION.*—*The certification required*
 2 *by subsection (c)(1) shall be submitted in unclassified*
 3 *form.*

4 (2) *ANALYSIS.*—*The analysis described in sub-*
 5 *section (c)(2) may be submitted in classified form.*

6 **SEC. 1047. AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER T-37 AIRCRAFT TO AR-**
 7 **IZONA AVIATION HISTORICAL GROUP.**

8 (a) *TRANSFER OF AUTHORITY T-37.*—*The Secretary*
 9 *of the Air Force may convey, without consideration, to the*
 10 *Arizona Aviation Historical Group, Phoenix, Arizona (in*
 11 *this section referred to as the “foundation”), all right, title,*
 12 *and interest of the United States in and to five retired T-*
 13 *37B Trainer Aircraft. A conveyance under this section shall*
 14 *be made by means of a conditional deed of gift.*

15 (b) *CONDITIONS OF TRANSFER.*—*A conveyance author-*
 16 *ized under subsection (a) shall be subject to the following*
 17 *conditions:*

18 (1) *Prior to conveyance, all military specific or*
 19 *unique equipment, as determined by the Secretary, on*
 20 *the aircraft shall be removed.*

21 (2) *The Secretary is not required to—*

22 (A) *repair or alter the condition of the air-*
 23 *craft before conveying ownership; or*

24 (B) *guarantee or ensure the airworthiness of*
 25 *any conveyed aircraft.*

1 (3) *The Secretary shall determine which aircraft*
2 *to convey.*

3 (c) *CONDITION OF PROPERTY.—Any aircraft conveyed*
4 *under this section shall be conveyed in “as is” condition.*
5 *The Secretary shall make no representation or warranty*
6 *concerning the condition, fitness for any particular pur-*
7 *pose, or compliance with any laws or regulations of such*
8 *aircraft.*

9 (d) *REVERTER UPON BREACH OF CONDITIONS.—The*
10 *Secretary shall include in an instrument of conveyance for*
11 *an aircraft conveyed under this section—*

12 (1) *a condition that the foundation does not con-*
13 *vey any ownership interest in, or transfer possession*
14 *of, the aircraft to another party without the prior ap-*
15 *proval of the Secretary;*

16 (2) *a condition that the foundation operate and*
17 *maintain the aircraft in compliance with all applica-*
18 *ble limitations and maintenance requirements im-*
19 *posed by the Administrator of the Federal Aviation*
20 *Administration; and*

21 (3) *a condition that if the Secretary determines*
22 *at any time that the foundation has violated a condi-*
23 *tion under paragraph (1) or (2), all right, title, and*
24 *interest in and to the aircraft, including any repair*
25 *or alteration of the aircraft, shall revert to the United*

1 *States, and the United States shall have the right of*
2 *immediate possession of the aircraft.*

3 (e) *CONVEYANCE AT NO COST TO THE UNITED*
4 *STATES.—Any conveyance of an aircraft authorized by this*
5 *section shall be made at no cost to the United States. Any*
6 *costs associated with such a conveyance, including the costs*
7 *of inspection or removal of equipment prior to conveyance,*
8 *the cost of determining compliance with the requirements*
9 *of this section and any instrument of conveyance made pur-*
10 *suant to this section, and the costs of the operation,*
11 *sustainment, transportation, ground support equipment,*
12 *and disposal of any aircraft conveyed under this section*
13 *shall be borne by the foundation.*

14 (f) *ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The Sec-*
15 *retary may require such additional terms and conditions*
16 *in connection with a conveyance made under this section*
17 *as the Secretary considers appropriate to protect the inter-*
18 *ests of the United States.*

19 (g) *CLARIFICATION OF LIABILITY.—Notwithstanding*
20 *any other provision of law, upon the conveyance of owner-*
21 *ship of the T-37B Trainers to the foundation under sub-*
22 *section (a), the United States shall not be liable for any*
23 *death, injury, loss, or damage that results from any use of*
24 *that aircraft by any person other than the United States.*

1 **SEC. 1048. AUTHORIZATION OF EASTERN REGIONAL RANGE**
2 **COMPLEX FOR MULTI-DOMAIN OPERATIONS**
3 **AND ROBOTIC AUTONOMOUS SYSTEMS**
4 **TRAINING, TESTING, AND EXPERIMENTATION.**

5 (a) *AUTHORIZATION.*—*The Secretary of Defense, act-*
6 *ing through the Secretaries of the military departments,*
7 *may designate and develop an Eastern Regional Range*
8 *Complex to serve as a joint training, testing, and experi-*
9 *mentation hub for multi-domain operations and robotic au-*
10 *tonomous systems, including unmanned aircraft systems*
11 *and counter-unmanned aircraft systems capabilities, to ad-*
12 *dress growing threats from potential adversaries.*

13 (b) *LOCATION.*—*The Eastern Regional Range Complex*
14 *shall encompass the territories of the States of Maine,*
15 *Vermont, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Mas-*
16 *sachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland,*
17 *Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina,*
18 *South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Louisiana, Kentucky,*
19 *Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi, Indiana, and Alabama.*

20 (c) *ACTIVITIES.*—*The Eastern Regional Range Com-*
21 *plex shall be used—*

22 (1) *to conduct joint, multi-domain, non-kinetic*
23 *electromagnetic warfare, cyber and information oper-*
24 *ations training within live, virtual, and constructive*
25 *environments, leveraging common networks with ac-*
26 *cess to available spectrum;*

1 (2) *support integrated multi-domain operations*
2 *training involving air, land, sea, cyber, and space*
3 *components;*

4 (3) *conduct joint service and interagency robotic*
5 *autonomous system training, experimentation and*
6 *testing, including the development of tactics, tech-*
7 *niques and procedures for unmanned aircraft systems*
8 *and counter-unmanned aircraft systems;*

9 (4) *evaluate emerging technologies and proto-*
10 *types and tactics, techniques and procedures for the*
11 *operation, detection, defeat, and attribution of robotic*
12 *autonomous systems in contested cyber and electro-*
13 *magnetic spectrum environments; and*

14 (5) *facilitate the integration of mature prototype*
15 *experimentation and live-fire exercises for rapid field-*
16 *ing of capabilities aligned with the Joint Warfighting*
17 *Concept.*

18 (d) *COORDINATION AND INTEGRATION.—The Secretary*
19 *of Defense shall ensure that activities conducted at the East-*
20 *ern Regional Range Complex are coordinated with—*

21 (1) *the Joint Counter-small Unmanned Aircraft*
22 *Systems Office.*

23 (2) *the Joint Staff (J-7);*

24 (3) *the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense*
25 *for Research and Engineering; and*

1 (4) *other entities with functions or missions rel-*
2 *evant to the activities carried out at the Complex,*
3 *which may include—*

4 (A) *relevant combatant commands and serv-*
5 *ice components;*

6 (B) *allies and partners of the United States*
7 *participating in multi-domain operations;*

8 (C) *the Defense Innovation Unit;*

9 (D) *State National Guard commands;*

10 (E) *the Office of Naval Research; and*

11 (F) *such other key stakeholders as the Sec-*
12 *retary determines appropriate.*

13 (e) *INFRASTRUCTURE AND OTHER RESOURCES.—The*
14 *Secretary of Defense may—*

15 (1) *carry out military construction, infrastruc-*
16 *ture improvements, and technology installation, as*
17 *necessary, to facilitate the activities described in sub-*
18 *section (b), including through the provision of range*
19 *instrumentation, telemetry, cyber range integration,*
20 *and electromagnetic spectrum operations support; and*

21 (2) *consult with the Federal Communications*
22 *Commission and the National Telecommunications*
23 *and Information Administration to recommend spec-*
24 *trum access requirements in support of joint and*
25 *service training, testing, and experimentation within*

1 *the Eastern Regional Range Complex and the Western*
2 *Regional Range Complex, including access to appro-*
3 *priate live environments capable of supporting elec-*
4 *tromagnetic attack training, experimentation, and*
5 *testing.*

6 **SEC. 1049. PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR**
7 **INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION THAT**
8 **ALLOW ANTISEMITIC DEMONSTRATIONS.**

9 *(a) IN GENERAL.—None of the funds authorized to be*
10 *appropriated or otherwise made available for fiscal year*
11 *2026 for the Department of Defense may be provided to an*
12 *institution of higher education if—*

13 *(1) an antisemitic demonstration has occurred*
14 *on the campus of the institution; and*

15 *(2) the administration of the institution has*
16 *failed to take action to mitigate and prevent further*
17 *antisemitic demonstrations.*

18 *(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

19 *(1) The term “antisemitic demonstration” means*
20 *any public display of antisemitism.*

21 *(2) The term “antisemitism” means a certain*
22 *perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred*
23 *toward Jews, including rhetorical and physical mani-*
24 *festations directed toward individuals or their prop-*
25 *erty, community institutions, or religious facilities.*

1 **SEC. 1050. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS PENDING CER-**
2 **TIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN**
3 **CONGRESSIONAL NOTICE REQUIREMENTS.**

4 (a) *LIMITATION.*—Of the amounts authorized to be ap-
5 propriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal
6 year 2026 for Operation and Maintenance, Defense-wide,
7 and available for the Office of the Under Secretary of De-
8 fense for Policy for travel, not more than 90 percent may
9 be obligated or expended until the Secretary of Defense cer-
10 tifies to the congressional defense committees that the De-
11 partment of Defense is compliant with the requirements of
12 section 1067 of the National Defense Authorization Act for
13 Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C. 113
14 note).

15 (b) *ELEMENTS OF CERTIFICATION.*—A certification
16 under subsection (a) shall include each of the following:

17 (1) a written statement that a copy of each exe-
18 cute order required to be submitted to the congres-
19 sional defense committees under such section has been
20 transmitted to the congressional defense committees;
21 and

22 (2) a description of the mechanism established to
23 facilitate the provision to the congressional defense
24 committees of all future briefings required under such
25 section, and the compliance with the disclosure and

1 *notice requirements under such section, within the*
 2 *time frames required by such section.*

3 **SEC. 1051. PROHIBITION ON THE USE OF FUNDS FROM CAR-**
 4 **RYING OUT A HIRING FREEZE, REDUCTION IN**
 5 **FORCE, OR HIRING DELAY WITHOUT CAUSE**
 6 **AT A PUBLIC SHIPYARD.**

7 *None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this*
 8 *Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2026 for the*
 9 *Department of Defense may be used to—*

10 *(1) carry out a hiring freeze at a public ship-*
 11 *yard;*

12 *(2) carry out a reduction in force at a public*
 13 *shipyard; or*

14 *(3) delay without cause the filling of a vacant*
 15 *Federal civilian employee position at a public ship-*
 16 *yard.*

17 **SEC. 1052. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR DEACTIVA-**
 18 **TION OF EXPEDITIONARY COMBAT AVIATION**
 19 **BRIGADES.**

20 *None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this*
 21 *Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2026 for the*
 22 *Army may be obligated or expended to retire, deactivate,*
 23 *schedule to deactivate, or proceed with any action that*
 24 *would reduce the capabilities, resources, aircraft, or per-*
 25 *sonnel available, as of the date of the enactment of this Act,*

1 *for the Expeditionary Combat Aviation Brigades before the*
2 *earlier of the following dates:*

3 (1) *The date that is 90 days after the date on*
4 *which the Secretary of the Army submits to the con-*
5 *gressional defense committees a plan to offset any loss*
6 *of mission associated with air mobility, aeromedical*
7 *evacuation, reconnaissance, and logistical support*
8 *provided, as of the date of the enactment of this Act,*
9 *by the Expeditionary Combat Aviation Brigades that*
10 *includes reassignment options for potentially dis-*
11 *placed soldiers at such brigades.*

12 (2) *The date that is 30 days after the date on*
13 *which the Secretary of the Army submits to the con-*
14 *gressional defense committees a plan for the recapital-*
15 *ization of the aircraft used by the Expeditionary*
16 *Combat Aviation Brigades that is specific with re-*
17 *spect to each unit and geographical location of such*
18 *brigades.*

19 ***Subtitle E—Reports***

20 ***SEC. 1061. MOBILITY CAPABILITY REQUIREMENTS STUDY.***

21 *Section 1068 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Im-*
22 *provement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fis-*
23 *cal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159) is amended—*

1 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “one year after
2 the date of the enactment of this Act” and inserting
3 “December 23, 2025”; and

4 (2) in subsection (c)—

5 (A) in paragraph (1)—

6 (i) in the paragraph heading, by
7 striking “BRIEFING” and inserting “BRIEF-
8 INGS”; and

9 (ii) by inserting “and not later than
10 six months after the date of the enactment
11 of the National Defense Authorization Act
12 for Fiscal Year 2026” after “this Act”; and

13 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “one year
14 after the date of the enactment of this Act” and
15 inserting “December 23, 2025”.

16 **SEC. 1062. EXTENSION OF BRIEFING REQUIREMENT RE-**
17 **GARDING CIVIL AUTHORITIES AT THE SOUTH-**
18 **WEST BORDER.**

19 Section 1070 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense
20 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–
21 263; 136 Stat. 2791), as amended by section 1063 of the
22 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025
23 (Public Law 118–159), is further amended by striking
24 “through December 31, 2025” and inserting “through De-
25 cember 31, 2026”.

1 **SEC. 1063. PROHIBITION ON LOBBYING ACTIVITIES WITH**
 2 **RESPECT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**
 3 **BY CERTAIN OFFICERS OF THE ARMED**
 4 **FORCES AND CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF THE**
 5 **DEPARTMENT FOLLOWING SEPARATION**
 6 **FROM MILITARY SERVICE OR EMPLOYMENT**
 7 **WITH THE DEPARTMENT.**

8 *Section 1045 of the National Defense Authorization*
 9 *Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91; 10 U.S.C.*
 10 *note prec. 971) is amended—*

11 *(1) in subsection (a)(1), by striking “two-year”*
 12 *and inserting “five-year”; and*

13 *(2) in subsection (b)(1), by striking “one-year”*
 14 *and inserting “three-year”.*

15 **SEC. 1064. ANNUAL REPORT ON REQUESTS OF COMBATANT**
 16 **COMMANDS FOR REMOTE SENSING DATA.**

17 *(a) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than February 1,*
 18 *2026, and annually thereafter for a five-year period, the*
 19 *Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, in consultation with*
 20 *the commanders of the combatant commands, shall submit*
 21 *to the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Rep-*
 22 *resentatives and the Senate a report on the requests of the*
 23 *combatant commands for data and information derived*
 24 *from remote sensing.*

25 *(b) MATTERS.—Each report under subsection (a) shall*
 26 *include, with respect to the two-year period preceding the*

1 *date of the submission of that report and for each combatant*
 2 *command, the following information:*

3 *(1) An identification of the number of requests of*
 4 *that combatant command for data or information de-*
 5 *derived from remote sensing made to personnel of the*
 6 *National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency during such*
 7 *period, if any, including the number of any such re-*
 8 *quests denied, accepted but not completely fulfilled,*
 9 *and completely fulfilled, respectively.*

10 *(2) With respect to any such requests, an assess-*
 11 *ment of whether the time to provide the data or infor-*
 12 *mation requested was sufficient for the tactical pur-*
 13 *pose for which the data or information was requested.*

14 *(3) An identification of the number of any such*
 15 *requests not completely fulfilled and the reason, if*
 16 *any, given by personnel of the National Geospatial-*
 17 *Intelligence Agency for such lack of fulfillment.*

18 **SEC. 1065. NOTIFICATION OF WAIVERS UNDER DEPART-**
 19 **MENT OF DEFENSE DIRECTIVE 3000.09.**

20 *(a) NOTIFICATION REQUIRED.—Not later than 30 days*
 21 *after issuing any waiver under Department of Defense Di-*
 22 *rective 3000.09 (relating to autonomy in weapon systems),*
 23 *or any successor directive, the Secretary of Defense shall*
 24 *submit to the congressional defense committees written noti-*
 25 *fication of such waiver.*

1 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—Each notification submitted under
 2 subsection (a) shall include the following:

3 (1) *The rationale for the waiver.*

4 (2) *A description of the autonomous weapon sys-*
 5 *tem or technology covered by the waiver.*

6 (3) *The anticipated duration of the waiver.*

7 (c) *FORM.*—The notification required under subsection
 8 (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include
 9 a classified annex as necessary.

10 **SEC. 1066. ANNUAL REPORT ON GUAM CIVILIAN-MILITARY**
 11 **PROJECTS.**

12 Not later than December 31 each year, the Commander
 13 of Joint Region Marianas, in consultation with the gov-
 14 ernor of Guam, shall submit to Congress a report on specific
 15 projects in Guam that support military readiness and pub-
 16 lic interests in Guam. Such report may include projects
 17 carried out—

18 (1) *pursuant to section 2391(d), section 2802,*
 19 *section 2805, or section 2815 of title 10, United States*
 20 *Code, or other authorities determined by the Com-*
 21 *mander; or*

22 (2) *using amounts authorized to be appropriated*
 23 *for operation and maintenance, for Joint Region*
 24 *Marianas Operations and Maintenance funds or au-*

1 *thorities under which the Department of Defense*
2 *transfers funds to other Federal agencies.*

3 ***Subtitle F—Other Matters***

4 ***SEC. 1071. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL TRAINING CENTER OF***
5 ***EXCELLENCE.***

6 *Chapter 903 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
7 *ed by adding at the end the following new section:*

8 ***“SEC. 9026. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL TRAINING CENTER OF***
9 ***EXCELLENCE.***

10 *“(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of the Air*
11 *Force shall operate a Technical Training Center of Excel-*
12 *lence. The head of the Center shall be the designee of the*
13 *Commander of the Airman Development Command.*

14 *“(b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the Center shall be*
15 *to—*

16 *“(1) facilitate collaboration among all Air Force*
17 *technical training installations;*

18 *“(2) serve as a premier training location for all*
19 *maintainers throughout the military departments;*

20 *“(3) publish a set of responsibilities aimed at*
21 *driving excellence, innovation, and leadership across*
22 *all technical training specialties;*

23 *“(4) advocate for innovative improvements in*
24 *curriculum, facilities, and media;*

25 *“(5) foster outreach with industry and academia;*

1 “(6) identify and promulgate best practices,
2 standards, and benchmarks;

3 “(7) create a hub of excellence for the latest ad-
4 vancements in aviation technology and training
5 methodologies; and

6 “(8) carry out such other responsibilities as the
7 Secretary determines appropriate.

8 “(c) *LOCATION.*—The Secretary shall select a location
9 for the Center that is an Air Force installation that pro-
10 vides technical training and maintenance proficiency.”.

11 **SEC. 1072. NATIONAL COMMISSION ON THE FUTURE OF THE**
12 **NAVY STUDY OF MARITIME INDUSTRIAL**
13 **BASE.**

14 Section 1092(a)(2) of the James M. Inhofe National
15 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public
16 Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2807) is amended by adding at
17 the end the following new subparagraph:

18 “(C) *STUDY ON MARITIME INDUSTRIAL*
19 *BASE.*—The Commission shall conduct a study
20 on the condition of the United States maritime
21 industrial base, including the capacity of the
22 maritime industrial base to meet national de-
23 fense requirements and support naval recapital-
24 ization. This study shall include—

1 “(i) an evaluation of the strength and
2 capacity of United States shipyards, repair
3 facilities, and supporting infrastructure, in-
4 cluding the ability of such shipyards, facili-
5 ties, and infrastructure to meet current and
6 future Navy and sealift demands;

7 “(ii) an assessment of the skilled work-
8 force for shipbuilding and maritime oper-
9 ations, including with respect to training
10 and the sustainability of the labor force;

11 “(iii) an examination of the effects of
12 domestic tax, regulatory, and permitting
13 policies on maritime industry investment
14 and innovation;

15 “(iv) an analysis of the effect of foreign
16 subsidies and competition from State-owned
17 shipbuilding enterprises on the competitive-
18 ness of the United States; and

19 “(v) recommendations for legislative or
20 administrative actions to—

21 “(I) strengthen the United States
22 maritime industrial base;

23 “(II) modernize and expand the
24 capacity of shipyards;

1 “(III) foster a reliable and skilled
 2 maritime labor force; and
 3 “(IV) ensure sufficient ship-
 4 building capacity to support great
 5 power competition and United States
 6 sealift requirements.”.

7 **SEC. 1073. EXTENSION OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON**
 8 **THE FUTURE OF THE NAVY.**

9 Section 1092(a)(4) of the James M. Inhofe National
 10 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public
 11 Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2809), as amended by section 1083
 12 of the Service Member Quality of Life Improvement and
 13 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025
 14 (Public Law 118–159), is further amended by striking
 15 “January 15, 2026” and inserting “January 15, 2027”.

16 **SEC. 1074. REAUTHORIZATION OF THE SERVICEWOMEN’S**
 17 **COMMEMORATIVE PARTNERSHIP.**

18 Section 362(b) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry
 19 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021
 20 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 7771 note prec.) is amend-
 21 ed—

22 (1) by striking “fiscal year 2021” and inserting
 23 “fiscal year 2026”; and
 24 (2) by striking “\$3,000,000” and inserting
 25 “\$1,000,000”.

1 **SEC. 1075. FEDERAL AGENCY SUPPORT FOR AFGHANISTAN**
2 **WAR COMMISSION.**

3 *Section 1094(f)(2) of the National Defense Authoriza-*
4 *tion Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81) is*
5 *amended by adding at the end the following new subpara-*
6 *graph:*

7 “(D) SERVICES.—

8 “(i) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.—*The*
9 *Secretary of Defense may provide to the*
10 *Commission, on a nonreimbursable basis,*
11 *such administrative services, funds, staff,*
12 *facilities, and other support services as are*
13 *necessary for the performance of the duties*
14 *of the Commission under this section.*

15 “(ii) OTHER AGENCIES.—*In addition*
16 *to any support provided under clause (i),*
17 *the head of any other Federal department or*
18 *agency may provide to the Commission such*
19 *services, funds, facilities, staff, and other*
20 *support as the head of such department or*
21 *agency determines advisable and as may be*
22 *authorized by law.”.*

23 **SEC. 1076. PROVISION OF CONTRACT AUTHORITY TO AF-**
24 **GHANISTAN WAR COMMISSION.**

25 *Subsection (f) of the Afghanistan War Commission Act*
26 *of 2021 (section 1094(f) of Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat.*

1 1941) is amended by adding at the end the following new
2 paragraph:

3 “(6) *CONTRACT AUTHORITY.*—To such extent and
4 in such amounts as are provided in appropriation
5 Acts, the Co-Chairpersons of the Commission may
6 enter into contracts to enable the Commission to dis-
7 charge its duties under this section.”.

8 **SEC. 1077. FRAMEWORK FOR TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AND**
9 **FOREIGN DISCLOSURE POLICIES.**

10 (a) *FRAMEWORK DEVELOPMENT.*—Not later than 180
11 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
12 retary of Defense shall produce a framework to revise and
13 update the technology transfer policies of the military de-
14 partments and the National Disclosure Policy.

15 (b) *FRAMEWORK ELEMENTS.*—The framework pro-
16 duced pursuant to subsection (a) shall include the following:

17 (1) A comprehensive assessment of policies re-
18 garding the transfer of emerging and advanced de-
19 fense items, including artificial intelligence, directed
20 energy, microwave systems, counter-unmanned aerial
21 systems, missile defense, machine learning, cybersecu-
22 rity, quantum technologies, hypersonics, autonomous
23 systems, and such other technologies as the Secretary
24 determines appropriate, to enable the transfer of such

1 *defense items to allies and partners of the United*
2 *States.*

3 *(2) Guidelines for balancing national security*
4 *considerations with the need to share information and*
5 *technology with allies and partners of the United*
6 *States to enhance interoperability and burden shar-*
7 *ing.*

8 *(3) A process to gather, consider, and, as appro-*
9 *priate, incorporate input from industry stakeholders,*
10 *in accordance with subsection (d), to inform revisions*
11 *to the technology transfer policies of the military de-*
12 *partments and the National Disclosure Policy to en-*
13 *able the transfer of defense items to allies and part-*
14 *ners of the United States.*

15 *(4) Recommendations for updating the tech-*
16 *nology transfer policies of the military departments*
17 *and the National Disclosure Policy to accommodate*
18 *the use of emerging and advanced defense items in*
19 *multi-domain operations, joint military exercises,*
20 *and allied operational requirements.*

21 *(5) Mechanisms to enable the military depart-*
22 *ments to streamline the approval process for tech-*
23 *nology transfers.*

24 *(6) Mechanisms to enhance transparency to en-*
25 *sure the technology transfer policies of each of the*

1 *military departments are comparable with respect to*
2 *capability and country release tiers for emerging and*
3 *advanced defense items.*

4 (7) *A plan to consolidate technology security and*
5 *foreign disclosure approvals in accordance with Exec-*
6 *utive Order 14268, titled “Reforming Foreign Defense*
7 *Sales to Improve Speed and Accountability” and*
8 *dated April 9, 2025.*

9 (8) *Metrics to evaluate the effectiveness of the*
10 *technology transfer policies of the military depart-*
11 *ments and the National Disclosure Policy to enable*
12 *the transfer of defense items to allies and partners of*
13 *the United States while ensuring security of United*
14 *States technology.*

15 (9) *An annual requirement to conduct an audit*
16 *of license applications that were denied during the*
17 *prior year on the basis of technology transfer policies*
18 *of the military departments or the National Disclo-*
19 *sure Policy.*

20 (10) *A process to implement revisions to the*
21 *technology transfer policies of the military depart-*
22 *ments and the National Disclosure Policy in accord-*
23 *ance with subsection (c).*

24 (c) *IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than one year after*
25 *the date of the submission of the framework under sub-*

1 *section (a), and not less frequently than annually thereafter,*
2 *the Secretary of Defense shall direct the Secretary of each*
3 *of the military departments to revise the technology transfer*
4 *policy of that department and the Under Secretary of De-*
5 *fense for Policy to revise the National Disclosure Policy,*
6 *based on the elements of the framework under subsection*
7 *(b).*

8 *(d) STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT.—At least once every*
9 *six months, the Secretaries of the military departments and*
10 *the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy shall consult with*
11 *such representatives from the defense industry as the Secre-*
12 *taries and Under Secretary consider appropriate, including*
13 *representatives from nontraditional defense contractors (as*
14 *such term is defined by section 3014 of title 10, United*
15 *States Code) in the course of carrying out subsections (a),*
16 *(b), and (c).*

17 *(e) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—*

18 *(1) SUBMISSION OF FRAMEWORK.—Not later*
19 *than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this*
20 *Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the con-*
21 *gressional defense committees a report containing the*
22 *framework produced under subsection (a).*

23 *(2) ANNUAL REPORTS.—Not later than one year*
24 *after the date of the submission of the framework re-*
25 *quired under subsection (a), and not less frequently*

1 *than annually thereafter, the Secretary of Defense*
2 *shall submit to the congressional defense committees a*
3 *report that includes the following:*

4 *(A) A description of any actions taken to*
5 *improve the technology transfer policies of the*
6 *military departments and the National Disclo-*
7 *sure Policy in accordance with the implementa-*
8 *tion requirements under subsection (c).*

9 *(B) A description of any actions taken to*
10 *implement or incorporate industry recommenda-*
11 *tion into the technology transfer policies of the*
12 *military departments and the National Disclo-*
13 *sure Policy.*

14 *(C) A summary of any feedback from indus-*
15 *try stakeholders with respect to current applica-*
16 *tions of the technology transfer policies of the*
17 *military departments and National Disclosure*
18 *Policy, and a description of any actions taken to*
19 *address such feedback.*

20 *(D) The results of an audit of license appli-*
21 *cations that were denied during the preceding*
22 *12-month period on the basis of technology trans-*
23 *fer policies of the military departments or the*
24 *National Disclosure Policy, including sufficient*

1 *information to confirm that such denials re-*
2 *flected the policy in effect at the time of denial.*

3 *(E) Any recommendations of the Secretary*
4 *for legislation necessary to improve technology*
5 *transfer policies or the National Disclosure Pol-*
6 *icy.*

7 *(3) FORM.—Each report submitted under this*
8 *subsection shall be submitted in unclassified form, but*
9 *may include a classified annex.*

10 ***SEC. 1078. BUDGETING AND FUNDING REQUIREMENTS FOR***
11 ***NORTHERN STRIKE EXERCISE.***

12 *(a) REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary of Defense*
13 *shall—*

14 *(1) ensure that the budget and funding for the*
15 *Northern Strike Exercise are sufficient to effectively*
16 *carry out the objectives of the Secretary with respect*
17 *to such exercise; and*

18 *(2) include, in the budget justification materials*
19 *submitted to Congress in support of the Department*
20 *of Defense budget for fiscal year 2027 and each subse-*
21 *quent fiscal year (as submitted with the budget of the*
22 *President under section 1105(a) of title 31), a dedi-*
23 *cated budget line item for the implementation of this*
24 *section.*

1 (b) *NORTHERN STRIKE EXERCISE DEFINED.*— *In this*
 2 *section, the term “Northern Strike Exercise” means a mili-*
 3 *tary exercise sponsored by the National Guard Bureau to*
 4 *build readiness and warfighting capabilities for the joint*
 5 *force.*

6 **SEC. 1079. PROCUREMENT AND DISTRIBUTION OF SPORTS**
 7 **FOODS AND DIETARY SUPPLEMENTS TO MEM-**
 8 **BERS OF THE ARMED FORCES ASSIGNED TO**
 9 **THE UNITED STATES SPECIAL OPERATIONS**
 10 **COMMAND.**

11 (a) *PROCUREMENT AND DISTRIBUTION.*—*The Com-*
 12 *mander of the United States Special Operations Command*
 13 *may authorize—*

14 (1) *the procurement of sports foods and dietary*
 15 *supplements; and*

16 (2) *the distribution of such foods and supple-*
 17 *ments to members of the Armed Forces assigned to the*
 18 *United States Special Operations Command.*

19 (b) *REQUIREMENTS.*—

20 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Commander of the United*
 21 *States Special Operations Command shall—*

22 (A) *establish policies for the procurement*
 23 *and distribution of sports foods and dietary sup-*
 24 *plements under this section; and*

1 (B) require that such procurement and dis-
2 tribution is in compliance with—

3 (i) Department of Defense Instruction
4 6130.06, titled “Use of Dietary Supplements
5 in the Department of Defense”; and

6 (ii) the prohibited dietary supplement
7 ingredients list of the Department.

8 (2) *POLICIES.*—The policies established under
9 paragraph (1) shall provide that—

10 (A) dietary supplements procured or dis-
11 tributed under this section are required to be cer-
12 tified by a non-Department third-party certi-
13 fying organization that Operation Supplement
14 Safety of the Department has vetted for end-
15 product quality assurance;

16 (B) dietary supplements and sports foods
17 procured or distributed under this section are re-
18 quired to be free of contaminants and ingredients
19 and substances prohibited by the Department
20 (including any ingredients and substances that
21 are synonymous with such prohibited ingredients
22 and substances);

23 (C) sports foods and dietary supplements
24 may only be distributed to members of the
25 Armed Forces—

1 (i) by a credentialed and privileged
 2 registered (performance) dietitian or a med-
 3 ical clinician with prescribing authority
 4 who is assigned to or supporting the United
 5 States Special Operations Command at the
 6 operational unit level; and

7 (ii) under the guidance and oversight
 8 of a primary care sports medicine physi-
 9 cian.

10 (c) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—The procurement and
 11 distribution of sports foods and dietary supplements under
 12 this section shall be construed to supplement and not sup-
 13 plant—

14 (1) any morale, welfare, or recreation funds or
 15 activities otherwise required or available; and

16 (2) any funding made available for, and services
 17 provided by, any dining facility of the Department.

18 **SEC. 1080. PILOT PROGRAM ON ENHANCED USE OF AD-**
 19 **VANCED SENSOR NETWORKS TO IMPROVE**
 20 **AIR FORCE COUNTER-UNMANNED AIRCRAFT**
 21 **SYSTEM CAPABILITIES FOR BASE DEFENSE.**

22 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—Beginning not later than 180
 23 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
 24 retary of the Air Force, in coordination with the Adminis-
 25 trator of the Federal Aviation Administration, shall carry

1 out a pilot program, to be known as the “Enhancing Co-
2 operation for Counter-Unmanned Aircraft Systems Pro-
3 gram”, under which the Secretary shall incorporate the use
4 of civilian civil airspace sensor networks into Air Force
5 data processing systems to—

6 (1) improve base defense against small un-
7 manned aircraft systems (in this section referred to as
8 “sUAS”);

9 (2) inform the development of counter-unmanned
10 aircraft system capabilities that are suitable for use
11 inside the United States and in the National Airspace
12 System; and

13 (3) enhance cooperation with law enforcement,
14 State and local partners, and other Federal depart-
15 ments and agencies to counter domestic threats.

16 (b) LOCATIONS.—The Secretary, in coordination with
17 the Administrator, shall select at least two military instal-
18 lations located in the United States at which to conduct
19 the pilot program. In selecting such military installations,
20 the Secretary shall consider the potential for the Air Force
21 to—

22 (1) access advanced civilian airspace sensor net-
23 works;

24 (2) leverage public-private partnerships that en-
25 able multi-use of airspace awareness capabilities for

1 *public safety, defense of critical infrastructure to in-*
2 *clude Department of Defense installations, and pro-*
3 *tection of civil aviation; and*

4 *(3) minimize the potential for negatively affect-*
5 *ing civil aircraft operations in the National Airspace*
6 *System.*

7 *(c) OBJECTIVES.—The objectives of the pilot program*
8 *are—*

9 *(1) to demonstrate the efficacy of shared situa-*
10 *tional awareness data from civilian sensor networks*
11 *to military installation defense systems;*

12 *(2) to provide the Air Force with access to air*
13 *space awareness data derived from civilian airspace*
14 *sensor networks to increase the ability of the Air*
15 *Force to defend bases from the threats posed by sUAS;*

16 *(3) to determine any authority, capability, and*
17 *capacity barriers to enhancing cooperation between*
18 *the Air Force, civilian partners, and other Federal,*
19 *State, and local government entities to extend the*
20 *over-the-horizon identification of potential sUAS*
21 *threats beyond the current range of existing domestic*
22 *base defense systems; and*

23 *(4) to improve the data-sharing frameworks for*
24 *airspace data between the Air Force and various*
25 *stakeholders for the purpose of base defense.*

1 (d) *CONTRACT AUTHORITY.*—*In carrying out the pilot*
2 *program, the Secretary of the Air Force may enter into one*
3 *or more contracts for the procurement of additional tech-*
4 *nologies capable of—*

5 (1) *leveraging commercial or Government off-the-*
6 *shelf detect-track-defeat systems;*

7 (2) *integrating and using civilian airspace*
8 *awareness data to serve as an early warning capa-*
9 *bility specifically to help identify and monitor non-*
10 *compliant sUAS; and*

11 (3) *informing appropriate communication mech-*
12 *anisms between military installations and local law*
13 *enforcement agencies to report and track non-compli-*
14 *ant air vehicles, deter incursions, and foster potential*
15 *prosecution.*

16 (e) *BRIEFINGS.*—*Not later than 90 days after the con-*
17 *clusion of all activities carried out under the pilot program*
18 *at an installation selected for such program, the Secretary*
19 *shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the*
20 *Senate and House of Representatives, the Committee on*
21 *Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Rep-*
22 *resentatives, and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and*
23 *Transportation of the Senate a briefing that includes a de-*
24 *scription of—*

1 (1) *the manner in which the program was con-*
2 *ducted at such installation; and*

3 (2) *any results achieved under the program at*
4 *such installation.*

5 (f) *TERMINATION.—*

6 (1) *IN GENERAL.—The authority to carry out a*
7 *pilot program under this section shall terminate on*
8 *the date that is five years after the date of the enact-*
9 *ment of this Act.*

10 (2) *EARLY TERMINATION OPTION.—The Sec-*
11 *retary of the Air Force may request the termination*
12 *of the pilot program before the date specified in para-*
13 *graph (1) if the Secretary—*

14 (A) *determines that administrative, legal,*
15 *performance, or other factors indicate the pro-*
16 *gram will not be successful; and*

17 (B) *submits to the Committees on Armed*
18 *Services of the Senate and House of Representa-*
19 *tives, the Committee on Transportation and In-*
20 *frastructure of the House of Representatives, and*
21 *the Committee on Commerce, Science, and*
22 *Transportation of the Senate notice in writing of*
23 *such determination.*

1 **SEC. 1081. PILOT PROGRAM AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS**
2 **FOR ACCELERATING PROTECTION OF CER-**
3 **TAIN FACILITIES AND ASSETS FROM UN-**
4 **MANNED AIRCRAFT.**

5 (a) *SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress*
6 *that—*

7 (1) *Congress granted the Department of Defense*
8 *extensive counter-UAS authorities under section 1697*
9 *of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal*
10 *Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328; 130 Stat. 2639);*

11 (2) *the Department has not adequately responded*
12 *to publicly reported drone incursions;*

13 (3) *the Department has consistently returned to*
14 *request from Congress additional counter-UAS au-*
15 *thorities, despite not fully using available counter-*
16 *UAS authorities and routinely failing to provide to*
17 *Congress with statutorily required briefings and in-*
18 *formation on the use and non-use of such available*
19 *authorities; and*

20 (4) *there is intense global demand for counter-*
21 *UAS systems in the inventory of the Department,*
22 *particularly from the Commander of the United*
23 *States Central Command and the Commander of the*
24 *United States Indo-Pacific Command, and the De-*
25 *partment will not be able to address domestic counter-*

1 *UAS requirements without substantial changes in the*
2 *policies and priorities of the Department.*

3 *(b) REQUIREMENTS.—Not later than one year after the*
4 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense*
5 *shall—*

6 *(1) develop a plan to ensure that the training of*
7 *members of the armed forces and officers and civilian*
8 *employees of the Department, and the sustainment of*
9 *equipment of the Department, is adequate for pur-*
10 *poses of the effective use of authorities under section*
11 *130i of title 10, United States Code; and*

12 *(2) ensure that for each covered facility or asset*
13 *at which the Secretary has determined counter-UAS*
14 *operations are necessary to mitigate the threat that*
15 *an unmanned aircraft system poses to the safety or*
16 *security of such covered facility or asset—*

17 *(A) any administrative action required for*
18 *the effective use of such authorities for the protec-*
19 *tion of the covered facility or asset not contin-*
20 *gent upon action by another Federal department*
21 *or agency has been completed, including the es-*
22 *tablishment of appropriate policies for the train-*
23 *ing of relevant personnel upon the deployment of*
24 *new counter-UAS systems, annual training, and*
25 *training for newly assigned personnel;*

1 (B) any such training required for the safe
2 or effective use of counter-UAS systems for such
3 protection has been completed; and

4 (C) planning to deploy and sustain systems
5 similar to those procured pursuant to the pilot
6 program under subsection (c) in a manner ap-
7 propriate for the covered facility or asset has
8 commenced.

9 (c) *PILOT PROGRAM FOR DEPLOYMENT OF CERTAIN*
10 *COUNTER-UAS SYSTEMS.*—

11 (1) *PILOT PROGRAM.*—*The Secretary, in coordi-*
12 *nation with the Administrator as required by section*
13 *130i of title 10, United States Code, shall carry out*
14 *a pilot program for the deployment of covered*
15 *counter-UAS systems for the protection of certain cov-*
16 *ered facilities or assets (in this subsection, referred to*
17 *as the “pilot program”).*

18 (2) *ELEMENTS.*—*Under the pilot program, the*
19 *Secretary shall—*

20 (A) not later than 180 days after the date
21 of the enactment of this Act, select and procure
22 covered counter-UAS systems for deployment for
23 the protection of four covered facilities or assets
24 identified for purposes of the pilot program; and

1 (B) not later than one year after the date
2 of the enactment of this Act, ensure such covered
3 counter-UAS systems are so deployed with re-
4 spect to each such identified covered facility or
5 asset.

6 (3) *SITE-SPECIFIC ASSESSMENT.*—The Secretary
7 and the Administrator shall jointly conduct a site-
8 specific suitability assessment for each covered asset
9 or facility identified for purposes of the pilot program
10 to ensure that the operation of a covered counter-UAS
11 system under the pilot program with respect to the
12 covered facility or asset will not result in an adverse
13 impact on aviation safety, including by assessing safe
14 engagement ranges and parameters for target identi-
15 fication and deconfliction.

16 (d) *ADDITIONAL COORDINATION REQUIRED.*—The Sec-
17 retary shall carry out this section consistent with the re-
18 quirements of section 130i of title 10, United States Code.

19 (e) *BRIEFINGS.*—Not later than 60 days after the date
20 of the enactment of this Act, and every 60 days thereafter
21 until the date on which each requirement under this section
22 is complete, the Secretary, in consultation with the Admin-
23 istrator, shall provide to the congressional defense commit-
24 tees and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastruc-

1 *ture of the House of Representatives a briefing on the imple-*
 2 *mentation of this section.*

3 *(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

4 *(1) The term “Administrator” means the Admin-*
 5 *istrator of the Federal Aviation Administration.*

6 *(2) The terms “counter-UAS system” and “small*
 7 *unmanned aircraft” have the meanings given those*
 8 *terms in section 44801 of title 49, United States Code.*

9 *(3) The term “covered counter-UAS system”*
 10 *means a counter-UAS system that—*

11 *(A) is capable of destroying or disabling a*
 12 *small unmanned aircraft by means of high-pow-*
 13 *ered microwave, laser, or other similar tech-*
 14 *nology; and*

15 *(B) may be integrated with appropriate*
 16 *sensing and command-and-control systems.*

17 *(4) The term “covered facility or asset” means a*
 18 *facility or asset with respect to which there is author-*
 19 *ity to carry out section 130i of title 10, United States*
 20 *Code, for the protection of the facility or asset.*

21 *(5) The term “unmanned aircraft” has the*
 22 *meaning given such term in section 130i(j) of title 10,*
 23 *United States Code.*

1 **SEC. 1082. COUNTER-UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM READI-**
2 **NESS.**

3 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary of Defense, acting*
4 *through the Director of the Joint Counter Small Unmanned*
5 *Aircraft Systems Office, shall coordinate with the Secre-*
6 *taries of the military departments to identify differences in*
7 *the interpretation and application of section 130i of title*
8 *10, United States Code, among the military departments,*
9 *including differences with respect to—*

10 (1) *interpretations of the term “covered facility*
11 *or asset”;*

12 (2) *the application of modern best practices for*
13 *counter-unmanned aircraft system to each type of*
14 *covered facility or asset; and*

15 (3) *divergent, unrealistic, or unnecessarily lim-*
16 *ited legal interpretations of the term “covered facility*
17 *or asset”.*

18 (b) *REPORT TO CONGRESS.*—*Not later than 180 days*
19 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of*
20 *the Joint Counter Small Unmanned Systems Office shall*
21 *submit to the congressional defense committees a report that*
22 *includes a description of each of the following:*

23 (1) *Differences identified in the application of*
24 *section 130i of title 10, United States Code, among*
25 *the military departments.*

1 (2) *Any resources required to expedite and mod-*
 2 *ernize site evaluations, including electromagnetic*
 3 *spectrum evaluations required for the deployment of*
 4 *counter-unmanned aircraft system defenses and site*
 5 *surveys described in section 1081 of this Act.*

6 (3) *Suggestions to improve the role of the United*
 7 *States Northern Command as a synchronizing body*
 8 *for homeland counter-unmanned aircraft systems de-*
 9 *ployed at covered facilities or assets.*

10 (4) *The plan of the Director to remedy, without*
 11 *change to underlying law, the differences in legal in-*
 12 *terpretations identified pursuant to subsection (a)(3).*

13 (5) *The strategy of the Director for retrofitting*
 14 *and modernizing military installations and depots*
 15 *for testing counter-unmanned aircraft systems and an*
 16 *identification of any policy, legal, or regulatory chal-*
 17 *lenges to carrying out such strategy.*

18 (c) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms “covered*
 19 *facility or asset” and “unmanned aircraft system” have the*
 20 *meaning given such terms in section 130i of title 10, United*
 21 *States Code.*

22 **SEC. 1083. PILOT PROGRAM ON DIGITAL FORCE PROTEC-**
 23 **TION FOR SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES.**

24 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.—The Commander of the United*
 25 *States Special Operations Command may carry out a pilot*

1 program, to be known as the “Digital Force Protection Pilot
2 Program”, to identify existing vulnerabilities in digital
3 force protection, provide targeted ubiquitous technical sur-
4 veillance mitigation training, and help identify commer-
5 cially available secure communication and obfuscation tech-
6 nologies to protect personnel and support overall mission
7 effectiveness.

8 (b) *OBJECTIVES.*—The objectives of a pilot program
9 carried out under subsection (a) are—

10 (1) to increase understanding of existing digital
11 signature and ubiquitous technical surveillance risk
12 for selected Special Operations Forces units and the
13 associated threats to personnel and mission effective-
14 ness that come from digital exposure and adversary
15 tracking;

16 (2) to strengthen digital force protection for the
17 purposes of operational security and strategic decep-
18 tion efforts across all domains of warfare; and

19 (3) to demonstrate digital force protection as a
20 critical enabler of multi-domain operations and the
21 need to ensure Special Operations Forces can operate
22 seamlessly across land, air, sea, space, and cyberspace
23 without adversarial digital exploitation undermining
24 mission success.

25 (c) *RECOMMENDATION OF UNITS.*—

1 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—If the Commander carries out
2 a pilot program under subsection (a), the Commander
3 shall recommend not fewer than two Special Oper-
4 ations Forces units to carry out the pilot program,
5 which may include a command and unit element.

6 (2) *CONSIDERATIONS.*—In recommending units
7 to participate in the pilot program under paragraph
8 (1), the Commander shall take into consideration—

9 (A) the need to include multiple categories
10 of personnel, including operational support staff,
11 enablers, and contractors to ensure a complete
12 assessment;

13 (B) the readiness status of the units, with
14 an emphasis on providing training to those units
15 most likely to deploy to areas with high likeli-
16 hood of adversary digital surveillance; and

17 (C) the need for a sufficient sample size,
18 which is approximately a battalion.

19 (d) *CONTRACT AUTHORITY.*—If the Commander car-
20 ries out a pilot program under this section, the Commander
21 may enter into a contract for the provision of services to
22 facilitate the pilot program. If the Commander uses such
23 authority to enter into a contract for training or assess-
24 ment, such training and assessment shall be capable of—

1 (1) *conducting multiple realistic ubiquitous tech-*
2 *nical surveillance training scenarios that are con-*
3 *sistent with observed adversarial tactics, techniques,*
4 *and procedures with exploiting commercially avail-*
5 *able data against Special Operations Forces units;*

6 (2) *training key personnel across leadership,*
7 *operational, and support elements on the threats*
8 *posed by the commercial data economy and specific*
9 *skills development to manage digital signatures and*
10 *mitigate ubiquitous technical surveillance risks;*

11 (3) *providing advanced training for personnel*
12 *responsible for highly sensitive activities and mis-*
13 *sions;*

14 (4) *evaluating through red cell exercises pilot*
15 *program participant progress and to ensuring units*
16 *are prepared for mission-critical operations in ubiq-*
17 *uitous technical surveillance-intensive environments;*

18 (5) *employing commercial technology solutions*
19 *previously deployed in a mission environment and*
20 *interoperable with legacy Department of Defense sys-*
21 *tems, networks, and protocols, including deployment*
22 *of on-demand global obfuscated networks and identity*
23 *intelligence and management;*

24 (6) *assessing ubiquitous technical surveillance*
25 *and digital force protection holistically across various*

1 *threat vectors including electronic, travel, financial,*
2 *online, and physical or visual.*

3 *(e) BRIEFINGS.—If the Commander carries out a pilot*
4 *program under this section, not later than 90 days after*
5 *concluding activities under the pilot program, the Com-*
6 *mander and the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special*
7 *Operations and Low-Intensity Conflict shall provide to the*
8 *Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House*
9 *of Representatives a briefing that includes—*

10 *(1) a thorough analysis identifying current ca-*
11 *pabilities and a description of gaps, deficiencies, or*
12 *other vulnerabilities, identified by the pilot program;*

13 *(2) specific recommendations for short-term (1–*
14 *2 years) and long-term (3–5 years) initiatives to en-*
15 *hance digital force protection across special oper-*
16 *ations components;*

17 *(3) an assessment of how enhanced digital force*
18 *protection measures increase the difficulty, time, and*
19 *resources required for adversaries to conduct digital*
20 *surveillance, force tracking, and operational com-*
21 *promise of Special Operations Forces; and*

22 *(4) a comprehensive list of any additional au-*
23 *thorities, appropriations, or other resources necessary*
24 *to implement the recommended digital force protec-*

1 *tion tools and practices identified pursuant to the*
2 *pilot program.*

3 (f) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

4 (1) *The term “digital force protection” means the*
5 *policies, tools, and practices used to protect military*
6 *personnel, operations, and critical assets from adver-*
7 *sarial exploitation of the commercial digital surveil-*
8 *lance economy, associated commercial data, and dig-*
9 *ital footprints.*

10 (2) *The term “commercial digital surveillance*
11 *economy” means the ecosystem of companies and tech-*
12 *nologies involved in collecting, analyzing, and selling*
13 *data generated by the interactions of individuals with*
14 *digital services and devices.*

15 (3) *The term “digital footprint” means the data*
16 *traces left by individuals through the use of digital*
17 *devices and services that can be exploited to uncover*
18 *personal information, movement patterns, and other*
19 *sensitive details.*

20 (g) *TERMINATION.—The authority to carry out a pilot*
21 *program under this section shall terminate on the date that*
22 *is one year after the date of the enactment of this Act.*

1 **SEC. 1084. PILOT PROGRAM FOR BLOCKCHAIN-ENABLED IN-**
2 **VENTORY MANAGEMENT.**

3 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 180 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
5 may establish a pilot program under which the Department
6 of Defense shall use commercially available distributed ledg-
7 er technology to seek to improve inventory management
8 within the Department of Defense.

9 (b) *OBJECTIVES.*—Under the pilot program established
10 under subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

11 (1) *assess the feasibility and effectiveness of*
12 *using distributed ledger technology in improving in-*
13 *ventory management;*

14 (2) *assess the cost savings resulting from the use*
15 *of distributed ledger technology in inventory manage-*
16 *ment;*

17 (3) *assess whether the use of distributed ledger*
18 *technology in inventory management improves the*
19 *traceability of inventory;*

20 (4) *assess whether the use of distributed ledger*
21 *technology in inventory management reduces the risk*
22 *of waste, fraud, and abuse; and*

23 (5) *identify and mitigate potential challenges*
24 *and risks associated with the integration of distrib-*
25 *uted ledger technology for inventory management, in-*
26 *cluding cybersecurity concerns.*

1 (c) *REPORT.*—Not later than one year after the date
2 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall
3 submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the House
4 of Representatives and the Senate a report on the activities
5 performed under the pilot program established under sub-
6 section (a).

7 (d) *TERMINATION.*—The authority to carry out a pilot
8 program under subsection (a) shall terminate on January
9 1, 2029.

10 (e) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

11 (1) The term “distributed ledger” means a ledger
12 that—

13 (A) is shared across a set of distributed
14 nodes, which are devices or processes, that par-
15 ticipate in a network and store a complete or
16 partial replica of the ledger;

17 (B) is synchronized between the nodes; and

18 (C) has data appended to it by following a
19 specified consensus mechanism.

20 (2) The term “distributed ledger technology”
21 means technology that enables the operation and use
22 of distributed ledgers.

1 **SEC. 1085. ACCELERATION OF ACCREDITATION AND ACCESS**
2 **TO SENSITIVE COMPARTMENTED INFORMA-**
3 **TION FACILITIES FOR INDUSTRY.**

4 (a) *PLAN REQUIRED.*—Not later than 180 days after
5 enactment of this act, the Secretary of Defense, in consulta-
6 tion with other appropriate departments and agencies of
7 the Federal Government, shall submit to the congressional
8 defense committees a plan to accelerate the accreditation,
9 construction, and operational use of commercial sensitive
10 compartmented information facilities accessible to private-
11 sector entities in support of national security innovation,
12 manufacturing, and mission-critical classified activities.

13 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—The plan required by subsection (a)
14 shall include the following:

15 (1) *Recommendation of policies to authorize the*
16 *parallel processing of construction security plans,*
17 *construction, and information technology deployment*
18 *to reduce accreditation and approval timelines.*

19 (2) *An assessment of the feasibility of adopting*
20 *architecture and construction templates to allow for*
21 *shortening or eliminating portions of the construction*
22 *security plan review and approval process.*

23 (3) *An evaluation of current policies regarding*
24 *the use of mobile Secret Internet Protocol Router Net-*
25 *work and Joint Worldwide Intelligence Communica-*
26 *tions System systems within accredited contractor*

1 sensitive compartmented information facilities, in-
2 cluding a review of Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of
3 Staff Instruction 6211.02D.

4 (4) An assessment of the feasibility of delegating
5 the authority to review construction security plans
6 and associated 30, 60, and 90 percent technical draw-
7 ings to appropriately trained sponsor-approved per-
8 sonnel within the Armed Forces, subject to applicable
9 security standards and oversight.

10 (5) A proposal to designate shared commercial
11 classified facilities as valid places to work for all
12 types of classified work authorized by the Department
13 of Defense.

14 (6) A proposal to develop and establish a secure,
15 centralized, digital platform for the management of
16 sensitive compartmented information facility lifecycle
17 processes, including—

18 (A) submission and tracking of construction
19 security plans, requests for information, fixed fa-
20 cility checklists, and co-use authorizations; and

21 (B) utilization of artificial intelligence and
22 machine-learning tools for construction security
23 plan validation, interagency compliance, and
24 document version control.

1 (7) *A list of any additional authorities, appro-*
 2 *priations, or other resources necessary to implement*
 3 *the plan required by this section.*

4 **SEC. 1086. STANDARDIZATION OF DATA ANALYSIS AND VIS-**
 5 **UALIZATION ACROSS THE DEPARTMENT OF**
 6 **DEFENSE.**

7 (a) *STANDARDIZATION OF DATA ANALYSIS AND VIS-*
 8 *UALIZATION REQUIRED.*—*Not later than 365 days after the*
 9 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense*
 10 *shall ensure that each of the military departments adopts*
 11 *a set of standard data analysis and data visualization for*
 12 *the collection, management, analysis, visualization, and re-*
 13 *porting of data related to harmful behaviors. Such required*
 14 *data analysis and visualization standards shall be designed*
 15 *to—*

16 (1) *enable commanders at all levels of command*
 17 *to receive timely, actionable data with consistent*
 18 *metrics, data visualization, and presentation formats;*

19 (2) *support location, identify patterns over time,*
 20 *and track changes or trends in harmful behavior; and*

21 (3) *if the Secretary establishes a working group*
 22 *under subsection (b), comply with other standards*
 23 *and best practices identified by the working group.*

24 (b) *WORKING GROUP ON DATA SYSTEMS AND VISUAL-*
 25 *IZATION.*—

1 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary of Defense may*
2 *establish a working group composed of representatives*
3 *from each military department.*

4 (2) *RESPONSIBILITIES.*—*If the Secretary estab-*
5 *lishes a working group under this subsection, the*
6 *working group shall—*

7 (A) *review existing harmful behavior data*
8 *management systems, methods of data collection,*
9 *management, analysis, reporting, and forms of*
10 *data visualization used across the military de-*
11 *partments;*

12 (B) *identify and share best practices for*
13 *data collection, management, analysis, visualiza-*
14 *tion, and reporting to improve consistency, effec-*
15 *tiveness, and usability across the Department of*
16 *Defense; and*

17 (C) *assess which data elements are not cur-*
18 *rently captured in existing harmful behavior*
19 *data management systems of record and would*
20 *benefit from inclusion.*

21 (3) *TIMEFRAME FOR ESTABLISHMENT.*—*If the*
22 *Secretary establishes a working group under this sub-*
23 *section, the Secretary shall establish the working*
24 *group by not later than 180 days after the date of the*
25 *enactment of this Act.*

1 (c) *PROMOTION OF ON-SITE INSTALLATION EVALUA-*
2 *TION RESILIENCE INDEX SUMMARY APPLICATION.—The*
3 *Secretary may promote the on-site installation evaluation*
4 *resilience index summary application for wider use by the*
5 *military departments, in addition to the systems to address*
6 *harmful behavior in use by the military departments as of*
7 *the date of the enactment of this Act.*

8 (d) *BRIEFING AND REPORT.—Not later than 365 days*
9 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary*
10 *of Defense shall provide a briefing and submit a report to*
11 *the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the*
12 *House of Representatives on—*

13 (1) *the status of the implementation of the stand-*
14 *ard features required under subsection (a);*

15 (2) *if the Secretary establishes a working group*
16 *under subsection (b), the findings and recommenda-*
17 *tions of the working group; and*

18 (3) *the status of implementing the promotion of*
19 *the on-site installation evaluation resilience index*
20 *summary application under subsection (c).*

21 (e) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

22 (1) *The term “data collection” means the capa-*
23 *bility to gather user-generated data through system*
24 *interfaces, with designated required and optional*

1 *fields, that is saved to the system’s dataset through*
 2 *structured workflows.*

3 *(2) The term “data visualization” means the*
 4 *manner in which information is presented within a*
 5 *data management system, including the graphical*
 6 *representation of data to improve clarity, comprehen-*
 7 *sion, analysis, and decision-making by users.*

8 **SEC. 1087. PROCESS FOR COMPLAINTS AND INVESTIGA-**
 9 **TIONS OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICE PRO-**
 10 **VIDERS AND TRANSPORTATION OFFICERS.**

11 *(a) COMPLAINTS AND INVESTIGATIONS.—*

12 *(1) PROCESS FOR SUBMITTING COMPLAINTS.—*

13 *The Commander of the Military Surface Deployment*
 14 *and Distribution Command shall develop a process*
 15 *through which a transportation service provider may*
 16 *submit a complaint to the Commander regarding pos-*
 17 *sible violations of the Military Freight Traffic Uni-*
 18 *fied Rules Publication or the Defense Transportation*
 19 *Regulations by Department of Defense transportation*
 20 *officers and transportation service providers regard-*
 21 *ing any military shipments that are required to be*
 22 *processed by the Global Freight Management System.*

23 *(2) ELEMENTS.—The complaint process required*
 24 *under paragraph (1) shall include each of the fol-*
 25 *lowing:*

1 (A) *An identification of the information the*
2 *complainant should provide as part of a com-*
3 *plaint to assist the Commander in reviewing and*
4 *investigating the complaint, including references*
5 *to the rules that were allegedly violated.*

6 (B) *A timeline for the adjudication of the*
7 *complaint and rendering of an initial finding by*
8 *an individual designated by the Commander.*

9 (C) *A process for any party to appeal the*
10 *initial finding if the party believes the initial*
11 *finding is incorrect, a timeline for the review of*
12 *the appeal, and a timeline for the Commander to*
13 *render a final decision.*

14 (D) *Such other elements as the Commander*
15 *determines appropriate.*

16 (3) *CONSEQUENCES FOR VIOLATIONS.—If, pursu-*
17 *ant to a complaint submitted through the complaint*
18 *process under this section, a transportation officer or*
19 *transportation service provider is found to have vio-*
20 *lated the Military Freight Traffic Unified Rules Pub-*
21 *lication or the Defense Transportation Regulations,*
22 *the Commander shall impose a penalty in accordance*
23 *with the Military Freight Traffic Unified Rules Pub-*
24 *lication and the Defense Transportation Regulations*
25 *and, if applicable, work with the transportation offi-*

1 *cer or transportation service provider to take correc-*
2 *tive action.*

3 *(4) TRANSPORTATION OFFICER ACTIONS.—*

4 *(A) NOTIFICATION PROCESS.— The Com-*
5 *mander shall establish a timely process through*
6 *which a transportation service provider may no-*
7 *tify the Military Surface Deployment and Dis-*
8 *tribution Command of any action a transpor-*
9 *tation officer imposes against a transportation*
10 *service provider, such as a letter of non-use, if*
11 *the transportation service provider believes that*
12 *such action was improper, excessive, or not in*
13 *accordance with the Military Freight Traffic*
14 *Unified Rules Publication or Defense Transpor-*
15 *tation Regulations.*

16 *(B) AUTHORITY TO OVERRIDE.— The Com-*
17 *mander may override any action taken by a*
18 *transportation officer against a transportation*
19 *service provider if the Commander believes such*
20 *action was improper, excessive, or not in accord-*
21 *ance with the Military Freight Traffic Unified*
22 *Rules Publication or Defense Transportation*
23 *Regulations. The authority under this subpara-*
24 *graph includes revoking a letter of non-use, re-*
25 *ducing the duration of a letter of non-use, and*

1 *removing any service failure from the record of*
2 *the transportation service provider.*

3 **(b) GLOBAL FREIGHT MANAGEMENT TRAINING.**—*The*
4 *Commander of the Military Surface Deployment and Dis-*
5 *tribution Command shall provide recurring training to all*
6 *transportation officers and transportation service providers*
7 *that use the Global Freight Management System to process*
8 *and award Department of Defense shipments. Such train-*
9 *ing shall include—*

10 *(1) detailed instruction on the Military Freight*
11 *Traffic Unified Rules Publication and Defense Trans-*
12 *portation Regulations;*

13 *(2) best practices for processing and awarding*
14 *shipments in the Global Freight Management system;*

15 *(3) the importance of awarding shipments trans-*
16 *parently and in accordance with Department of De-*
17 *fense policies; and*

18 *(4) such other information as the Commander*
19 *determines appropriate.*

20 **(c) FREIGHT CARRIER REGISTRATION PROGRAM.**—

21 **(1) UPDATE.**—*The Commander of the Military*
22 *Surface Deployment and Distribution Command shall*
23 *update the freight carrier registration program to en-*
24 *sure that users of the program, including Department*
25 *of Defense personnel and transportation service pro-*

1 *viders, are able to easily determine if a standard car-*
 2 *rier alpha code belongs to a motor carrier or broker.*

3 (2) *ANNUAL AUDIT REQUIREMENT.*—*Not less fre-*
 4 *quently than annually, the Commander shall conduct*
 5 *an audit of the freight carrier registration program*
 6 *to ensure that all approved transportation service*
 7 *providers have active and appropriate operating au-*
 8 *thority from the Department of Transportation.*

9 ***TITLE XI—CIVILIAN PERSONNEL***
 10 ***Subtitle A—General Provisions***

11 ***SEC. 1101. LIVING QUARTER ALLOWANCE FOR DEPART-***
 12 ***MENT OF DEFENSE CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES***
 13 ***WITH PERMANENT DUTY STATION IN GUAM.***

14 *Section 1102 of the National Defense Authorization*
 15 *Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31) is amend-*
 16 *ed—*

17 (1) *in the section heading, by striking “DE-*
 18 ***PARTMENT OF THE NAVY CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES***
 19 ***ASSIGNED TO PERMANENT DUTY IN GUAM FOR***
 20 ***PERFORMING WORK, OR SUPPORTING WORK***
 21 ***BEING PERFORMED, ABOARD OR DOCKSIDE, OF***
 22 ***U.S. NAVAL VESSELS”*** *and inserting “CIVILIAN*
 23 ***EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE***
 24 ***STATIONED IN GUAM”***;

1 (2) *in subsection (a), by striking “Secretary of*
 2 *the Navy” and inserting “Secretary of Defense”; and*
 3 (3) *by striking subsection (b) and inserting the*
 4 *following:*

5 “(b) *COVERED EMPLOYEE DEFINED.*—*In this section,*
 6 *the term ‘covered employee’ means any civilian employee*
 7 *of the Department of Defense whose permanent duty station*
 8 *is located in Guam.”.*

9 **SEC. 1102. APPOINTMENT OF RETIRED MEMBERS OF THE**
 10 **ARMED FORCES TO COMPETITIVE SERVICE**
 11 **AND EXCEPTED SERVICE POSITIONS IN THE**
 12 **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

13 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Section 3326 of title 5, United*
 14 *States Code, is amended—*

15 (1) *in the section heading, by inserting “**cer-***
 16 ***tain**” before “**positions**”; and*

17 (2) *in subsection (b)—*

18 (A) *in the matter preceding paragraph (1),*
 19 *by striking “the civil service” and inserting “the*
 20 *competitive service or the excepted service”; and*

21 (B) *in paragraph (1), by striking “for the*
 22 *purpose” and all that follows through “Manage-*
 23 *ment”.*

24 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—*The table of sections at*
 25 *the beginning of subchapter I of chapter 33 of such title*

1 *is amended in the item relating to section 3326 by inserting*
2 *“certain” before “positions”.*

3 **SEC. 1103. PAY FOR CREWS OF VESSELS.**

4 *Section 5348 of title 5, United States Code, is amend-*
5 *ed—*

6 *(1) in subsection (a), by adding before the period*
7 *at the end the following: “, not to exceed the rate of*
8 *pay for the Vice President under section 104 of title*
9 *3”; and*

10 *(2) by adding at the end the following:*

11 *“(c) The limitation on pay under section 5307 shall*
12 *not apply to an employee whose pay is fixed under sub-*
13 *section (a).”.*

14 **SEC. 1104. EXCEPTION TO LIMITATION ON RATE OF BASIC**
15 **PAY FOR CREWS OF VESSELS.**

16 *Section 5373 of title 5, United States Code, is amended*
17 *by adding at the end the following:*

18 *“(c) Subsection (a) shall not apply to the authority*
19 *of the Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of a military*
20 *department to fix the annual rate of basic pay of officers*
21 *and crews of vessels as is consistent with the public interest*
22 *and in accordance with the prevailing rates and practices*
23 *in the commercial maritime industry, except that the an-*
24 *nual rate of basic pay of such an employee may not be fixed*

1 *at a rate greater than the annual rate of the salary of the*
 2 *Vice President under section 104 of title 3.”.*

3 **SEC. 1105. ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO WAIVE**
 4 **ANNUAL LIMITATION ON PREMIUM PAY AND**
 5 **AGGREGATE LIMITATION ON PAY FOR FED-**
 6 **ERAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES WORKING OVER-**
 7 **SEAS.**

8 *Subsection (a) of section 1101 of the Duncan Hunter*
 9 *National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009*
 10 *(Public Law 110-417; 122 Stat. 4615), as most recently*
 11 *amended by section 1104 of the Servicemember Quality of*
 12 *Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act*
 13 *for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118-159; 138 Stat.*
 14 *2087), is further amended by striking “through 2025” and*
 15 *inserting “through 2026”.*

16 **SEC. 1106. ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY AUTHOR-**
 17 **ITY TO GRANT ALLOWANCES, BENEFITS, AND**
 18 **GRATUITIES TO CIVILIAN PERSONNEL ON OF-**
 19 **FICIAL DUTY IN A COMBAT ZONE.**

20 *Paragraph (2) of section 1603(a) of the Emergency*
 21 *Supplemental Appropriations Act for Defense, the Global*
 22 *War on Terror, and Hurricane Recovery, 2006 (Public Law*
 23 *109-234; 120 Stat. 443), as added by section 1102 of the*
 24 *Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for*
 25 *Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 110-417; 122 Stat. 4616)*

1 *and as most recently amended by section 1105 of the Serv-*
 2 *icemember Quality of Life Improvement and National De-*
 3 *fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law*
 4 *118–159; 138 Stat. 2088), is further amended by striking*
 5 *“2026” and inserting “2027”.*

6 **SEC. 1107. DEFENSE WORKFORCE INTEGRATION.**

7 *(a) INTEGRATION OF MILITARY AND CIVILIAN HIRING*
 8 *PROCESSES.—*

9 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after*
 10 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of*
 11 *Defense, in coordination with the Secretaries con-*
 12 *cerned shall establish a pathway for medically dis-*
 13 *qualified entry-level service members to enter civilian*
 14 *positions for which they are qualified in the Depart-*
 15 *ment of Defense or any of its components.*

16 *(2) AIR FORCE DRIVE PROGRAM.—The Air*
 17 *Force’s Develop, Redistribute, Improve, Vault, Expose*
 18 *(DRIVE) program shall be considered sufficient to*
 19 *meet the requirements of paragraph (1) and may, but*
 20 *need not, serve as a baseline from which the other*
 21 *military departments design their programs.*

22 *(3) ENTRY-LEVEL SERVICE MEMBER DEFINED.—*
 23 *In this subsection, the term “entry-level service mem-*
 24 *ber” means a regular or reserve member of the Armed*

1 *Forces who is currently attending or has military or-*
 2 *ders to attend within 90 days—*

3 *(A) basic training;*

4 *(B) a technical school of the Armed Forces;*

5 *(C) a service academy;*

6 *(D) the Reserve Officer Training Corps*
 7 *(ROTC);*

8 *(E) an officer accession program, including*
 9 *officer candidate school, officer training school,*
 10 *officer development school, or equivalent pro-*
 11 *gram.*

12 ***(b) PROVISION OF INFORMATION ON CAREER OPPOR-***
 13 ***TUNITIES IN THE DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE TO PERSONS***
 14 ***INELIGIBLE FOR MILITARY SERVICE.—Chapter 50 of title***
 15 ***10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end***
 16 ***the following new section:***

17 ***“§ 996. Provision of information on career opportuni-***
 18 ***ties in the defense industrial base to per-***
 19 ***sons medically disqualified for military***
 20 ***service***

21 ***“(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Defense shall***
 22 ***establish and implement a program to provide individuals***
 23 ***who are not medically qualified for military service with***
 24 ***information on employment opportunities in the defense in-***

1 *dustrial base or other employment opportunities in support*
 2 *of the national interests of the United States.*

3 “(b) *PROGRAM.—The program established under sub-*
 4 *section (a) shall inform and refer persons described in sub-*
 5 *section (a) to employment, apprenticeship, and training op-*
 6 *portunities in—*

7 “(1) *the defense industrial base, including the*
 8 *maritime and shipbuilding industries;*

9 “(2) *cybersecurity or intelligence support roles;*

10 “(3) *research and development in defense tech-*
 11 *nologies;*

12 “(4) *national emergency and disaster prepared-*
 13 *ness; or*

14 “(5) *any other non-military opportunity the Sec-*
 15 *retary considers in the national interests of the*
 16 *United States.*

17 “(c) *COLLABORATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall*
 18 *consult with entities in the defense industrial base, other*
 19 *Federal agencies, and academic institutions to carry out*
 20 *this section.”.*

21 (c) *PROVISION TO NAVY PERSONNEL OF INFORMATION*
 22 *ON CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AT MILITARY SEALIFT COM-*
 23 *MAND.—The Secretary of the Navy shall provide informa-*
 24 *tion about career opportunities at Military Sealift Com-*
 25 *mand and workforce training programs for shipbuilders to*

1 *all Navy personnel as part of the Transition Assistance*
 2 *Program process.*

3 (d) *REPORT.*—*Not later than one year after the date*
 4 *of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall*
 5 *submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate*
 6 *and the House of Representatives a report describing imple-*
 7 *mentation of the requirements under subsections (a) and (c)*
 8 *of this section and section 996 of title 10, United States*
 9 *Code, as added by subsection (b) of this section.*

10 **SEC. 1108. MODIFICATIONS TO TOTAL FORCE MANAGEMENT**
 11 **REQUIREMENTS.**

12 (a) *GUIDANCE.*—*Not later than 30 days after the date*
 13 *of the enactment of this Act, the Office of the Secretary of*
 14 *Defense shall, in consultation with each Secretary of a mili-*
 15 *tary department, provide guidance to each such Secretary*
 16 *on the analysis required under subsection (b) of section*
 17 *129a of title 10, United States Code. Such guidance shall*
 18 *include defining the seven required elements of the analysis*
 19 *under such subsection, on either a Department-wide or com-*
 20 *ponent level.*

21 (b) *ADDITIONAL LIMITATIONS ON REDUCTIONS.*—*Such*
 22 *section 129a is amended in subsection (b) by inserting after*
 23 *“full-time equivalent levels” the following: “, or conduct any*
 24 *reductions or realignments that occur outside the normal*
 25 *programming process (including ad hoc, immediate, or*

1 *unprogrammed changes) of 50 employees or more imple-*
 2 *mented before or after the submission of the annual budget*
 3 *request,”.*

4 *(c) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—Such section 129a*
 5 *is amended by adding at the end the following:*

6 *“(h) REPORT TO CONGRESSIONAL DEFENSE COMMIT-*
 7 *TEES.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enact-*
 8 *ment of this subsection and annually thereafter, the Sec-*
 9 *retary of Defense shall submit a report to the congressional*
 10 *defense committees containing the analysis conducted pur-*
 11 *suant to subsection (b).”.*

12 *(d) RIF NOTIFICATION.—Section 1597(d) of title 10,*
 13 *United States Code, is amended—*

14 *(1) in the subsection heading, by inserting “OR*
 15 *SIGNIFICANT” after “INVOLUNTARY”;*

16 *(2) by striking “or furlough of” and inserting*
 17 *“furlough, or significant reduction of over 50”; and*

18 *(3) by adding after the period at the end the fol-*
 19 *lowing: “The Secretary shall notify the congressional*
 20 *defense committees and each Member of Congress rep-*
 21 *resenting the area in which reductions are ordered.*
 22 *Such notification shall include billet, activity name,*
 23 *number of employees at the location, number of em-*
 24 *ployees involuntarily separated by billet, reason for*

1 *the personnel action, actions to mitigate reductions,*
 2 *and savings and costs.”.*

3 (e) *BRIEFING.*—Not later than 60 days after the date
 4 of the enactment of this Act, the Office of the Secretary of
 5 Defense shall provide the congressional defense committees
 6 with a briefing on the following:

7 (1) *The implementation of subsection (a) of this*
 8 *section.*

9 (2) *Efforts to update DOD Directive 1100.4 and*
 10 *DOD Instruction 1100.22 to address the analysis re-*
 11 *quired under subsection (b) of such section 129a, as*
 12 *amended by this section.*

13 **SEC. 1109. EXEMPTION FROM CIVILIAN HIRING FREEZE FOR**
 14 **DELAYED DOD APPOINTMENTS DUE TO AC-**
 15 **TIVE DUTY.**

16 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—The hiring freeze implemented by
 17 the Presidential Memorandum issued on January 20, 2025,
 18 titled “Hiring Freeze”, or any extension of such Memo-
 19 randum or freeze, shall not apply to any individual who
 20 received a final job offer before January 20, 2025, with re-
 21 spect to a position within the Department of Defense but
 22 did not occupy such position solely as a result of such indi-
 23 vidual performing active service (as that term is defined
 24 in section 101 of title 10, United States Code) as a member
 25 of the Armed Forces.

1 (b) *APPLICATION.*—*This section shall not be construed*
2 *to confer any right or benefit to any individual, or require*
3 *the Department of Defense to hire any individual if the ap-*
4 *plicable position no longer exists, unless otherwise required*
5 *by law.*

6 **SEC. 1110. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS TO LIMIT COL-**
7 **LECTIVE BARGAINING.**

8 *None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this*
9 *Act or otherwise made available for the Department of De-*
10 *fense for fiscal year 2026 may be used to implement Execu-*
11 *tive Order 14251, issued on March 27, 2025, relating to*
12 *Exclusions from Federal labor management relations pro-*
13 *grams, or any following policy or guidance.*

14 **SEC. 1111. PERSONNEL ACTIONS AGAINST DOD SES CAREER**
15 **APPOINTEES.**

16 (a) *AUTHORITY.*—

17 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The head of any element of*
18 *the Department of Defense may, as provided in this*
19 *section, reprimand or suspend, involuntarily reassign,*
20 *demote, or remove a career appointee at the element*
21 *if the head determines that the documented mis-*
22 *conduct or performance of the career appointee war-*
23 *rants such action.*

1 (2) *REMOVAL FROM CIVIL SERVICE.*—If a head
 2 removes an individual under paragraph (1), the head
 3 may remove the individual from the civil service.

4 (b) *RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES.*—

5 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—An individual who is the sub-
 6 ject of an action under subsection (a)—

7 (A) is entitled to advance notice of the ac-
 8 tion and a file containing all evidence in sup-
 9 port of the proposed action;

10 (B) may be represented by an attorney or
 11 other representative of the covered individual's
 12 choice; and

13 (C) may grieve the action in accordance
 14 with an independent grievance process that the
 15 Secretaries of the military departments shall es-
 16 tablish for purposes of this subsection.

17 (2) *TIME PERIODS.*—

18 (A) *AGGREGATE PERIOD.*—The aggregate
 19 period for notice, response, and decision on an
 20 action under subsection (a) may not exceed 15
 21 business days.

22 (B) *RESPONSE PERIOD.*—The period for the
 23 response of a covered individual to a notice
 24 under paragraph (1)(A) of an action under sub-
 25 section (a) shall be 7 business days.

1 (C) *DECISION PERIOD.*—A decision under
2 this paragraph on an action under subsection
3 (a) shall be issued not later than 15 business
4 days after notice of the action is provided to the
5 individual under paragraph (1)(A). The decision
6 shall be in writing, and shall include the specific
7 reasons therefor.

8 (D) *GRIEVANCE PROCESS PERIOD.*—The
9 Secretaries shall ensure that the grievance proc-
10 ess established under paragraph (1)(C) takes
11 fewer than 21 days.

12 (E) *WAIVER.*—The applicable Secretary
13 may waive the requirements of subparagraphs
14 (A) through (D) if the Secretary for good cause
15 determines such waiver is in the interests of due
16 process.

17 (3) *FINALITY OF DECISIONS.*—A decision under
18 paragraph (2) that is not grieved, and a grievance de-
19 cision under such subparagraph, shall be final and
20 conclusive, except as provided in paragraph (4).

21 (4) *MSPB APPEAL.*—An individual may appeal
22 a final decision under paragraph (3) to the Merit
23 Systems Protection Board. The Board shall, within
24 120 days of the filing of the appeal, decide the appeal-
25 able action in accordance with the Board's appellate

1 *procedures under section 7701 of title 5, United*
 2 *States Code, and this section.*

3 (5) *RELATION TO OTHER PROVISIONS OF LAW.—*
 4 *Section 3592(b)(1) of title 5, United States Code, and*
 5 *the procedures under section 7543(b) of such title*
 6 *shall apply to an action under paragraph (1) unless*
 7 *otherwise provided by this section.*

8 (c) *SUNSET.—This section and the authority under*
 9 *this section shall terminate on September 30, 2030.*

10 (d) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section—*

11 (1) *the term “career appointee” has the meaning*
 12 *given that term in section 3132(a) of title 5, United*
 13 *States Code.*

14 (2) *the term “civil service” has the meaning*
 15 *given that term in section 2101 of such title 5; and*

16 (3) *the term “misconduct” includes neglect of*
 17 *duty, malfeasance, or failure to accept a directed re-*
 18 *assignment or to accompany a position in a transfer*
 19 *of function.*

20 ***Subtitle B—Defense Hiring***
 21 ***Modernization Act of 2025***

22 ***SEC. 1121. SHORT TITLE.***

23 *This subtitle may be cited as the “Defense Hiring Mod-*
 24 *ernization Act of 2025”.*

1 **SEC. 1122. AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 5, UNITED STATES**

2 **CODE.**

3 (a) *MODERNIZING COMPETITIVE HIRING AUTHORITIES FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.*—Section 3301 of
4 title 5, United States Code, is amended—
5

6 (1) by striking “The President” and inserting
7 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—The President”; and

8 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
9 section:

10 “(b) *DOD PROCEDURES.*—The President may author-
11 ize the Department of Defense to determine the qualifica-
12 tion, examination, and assessment procedures for positions
13 in the competitive service based primarily on job-related
14 competencies and skills, including the use of structured
15 interviews, technical evaluations, or skills-based assess-
16 ments, and alternative assessments.”.

17 (b) *MODERNIZING PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIREMENTS.*—
18 Section 3327 of title 5, United States Code, is amended by
19 adding at the end the following:

20 “(c) The Office of Personnel Management may author-
21 ize the Department of Defense to use flexible outreach meth-
22 ods, including curated prospect sourcing, provided that all
23 hiring opportunities remain publicly accessible and merit-
24 based.”.

25 (c) *ELIMINATION OF TIME-IN-GRADE RESTRICTIONS.*—
26 Section 3361 of title 5, United States Code, is amended—

1 (1) *by striking “An individual” and inserting*
 2 *“(a) IN GENERAL.—An individual”; and*

3 (2) *by adding at the end the following:*

4 “(b) *DOD PROMOTIONS.—Promotions in the competi-*
 5 *tive service within the Department of Defense may be made*
 6 *based on demonstrated skills and qualifications without re-*
 7 *gard to minimum time-in-grade requirements, subject to*
 8 *agency policies and applicable merit system principles.”.*

9 (d) *SHARED TALENT POOLS AND STRUCTURED AS-*
 10 *SESSMENTS.—Subchapter I of chapter 33 of title 5, United*
 11 *States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following*
 12 *(and conforming the table of sections at the beginning of*
 13 *such subchapter accordingly):*

14 “§ 3330g. ***DOD use of shared talent pools and struc-***
 15 ***tured assessments***

16 “(a) *SHARED TALENT POOLS.—The Department of*
 17 *Defense may share certificates of eligibles and curated pros-*
 18 *pect pools within the Department. Certificates issued under*
 19 *this authority shall remain valid for not less than one year*
 20 *from the date of issuance, subject to agency-specific quali-*
 21 *fication checks.*

22 “(b) *STRUCTURED ASSESSMENTS.—The Department*
 23 *of Defense shall use validated structured interviews, tech-*
 24 *nical evaluations, or other skills-based assessments as part*
 25 *of the hiring process for competitive service positions at the*

1 *Department, in accordance with regulations prescribed by*
 2 *the Office of Personnel Management.”.*

3 *(e) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of*
 4 *the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall sub-*
 5 *mit a report to the congressional defense committees on the*
 6 *impact of this subtitle and the amendments made by this*
 7 *subtitle on hiring at the Department of Defense. Such report*
 8 *shall include an analysis on the impact on the length of*
 9 *the hiring process, the quality of applicants, the useability*
 10 *of the system for applicants and the Department, the total*
 11 *number of individuals appointed through alternative job*
 12 *postings, the total number of individuals appointed from*
 13 *a shared applicant pool, and any identified challenges to*
 14 *hiring.*

15 ***TITLE XII—MATTERS RELATING***
 16 ***TO FOREIGN NATIONS***
 17 ***Subtitle A—Assistance and***
 18 ***Training***

19 ***SEC. 1201. AUTHORITY TO BUILD CAPACITY FOR SPACE DO-***
 20 ***MAIN AWARENESS.***

21 *Section 333(a) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 22 *amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:*

23 *“(10) Space domain awareness.”.*

1 **SEC. 1202. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO BUILD CAPAC-**
2 **ITY OF FOREIGN SECURITY FORCES.**

3 *Subsection (g)(2) of section 333 of title 10, United*
4 *States Code, is amended by striking “made” after*
5 *“Amounts”.*

6 **SEC. 1203. MODIFICATIONS TO IRREGULAR WARFARE CEN-**
7 **TER AND REGIONAL DEFENSE FELLOWSHIP**
8 **PROGRAM.**

9 *Section 345 of title 10, United States Code, is amended*
10 *as follows:*

11 *(1) In the matter preceding subparagraph (A) of*
12 *subsection (a)(1), by striking “may” and inserting*
13 *“shall”.*

14 *(2) In subsection (c)(4)(B), by striking “The Di-*
15 *rector of the Defense Security Cooperation Agency”*
16 *and inserting “The Commander of United States Spe-*
17 *cial Operations Command, reporting directly to the*
18 *Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations*
19 *and Low Intensity Conflict,”.*

20 **SEC. 1204. MODIFICATION OF PUBLIC REPORTING OF CHI-**
21 **NESE MILITARY COMPANIES OPERATING IN**
22 **THE UNITED STATES.**

23 *Section 1260H(g)(2)(B)(i)(I) of the William M. (Mac)*
24 *Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal*
25 *Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 113 note) is*

1 amended by adding at the end before “; or” the following:
2 “operating inside or outside of China”.

3 **SEC. 1205. RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUA-**
4 **TION OF EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES TO FUR-**
5 **THER THE WARFIGHTING CAPABILITIES OF**
6 **THE UNITED STATES AND CERTAIN PARTNER**
7 **COUNTRIES.**

8 (a) *STATEMENT OF POLICY.*—It is the policy of the
9 United States to support and encourage further defense col-
10 laboration with Israel in areas of emerging technologies ca-
11 pable of enabling the warfighting capabilities of both the
12 United States and Israel to meet emerging defense chal-
13 lenges, including in the areas of artificial intelligence, cy-
14 bersecurity, robotics, quantum, and automation.

15 (b) *AUTHORITY.*—The Secretary of Defense, upon re-
16 quest by the Ministry of Defense of a covered partner coun-
17 try and in consultation with the Secretary of State, the Sec-
18 retary of Commerce, and the Director of National Intel-
19 ligence, is authorized to carry out, jointly with the covered
20 partner country, research, development, test, and evaluation
21 of emerging technologies to further the warfare capabilities
22 of the United States and the covered partner country to
23 meet emerging defense challenges, including in the areas of
24 artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, robotics, quantum, and
25 automation.

1 (c) *PROTECTION OF SENSITIVE INFORMATION.*—Any
2 activity carried out pursuant to the authority of subsection
3 (b) shall be conducted in a manner that robustly protects
4 sensitive information and the national security interests of
5 the United States and the covered partner country.

6 (d) *APPLICABILITY OF EXPORT CONTROL RESTRIC-*
7 *TIONS.*—Any activity authorized under subsection (b), in-
8 cluding fundamental research, open source, and standards-
9 related activities, for the development, production, or use
10 of goods, technology, software, knowledge, or source code
11 shall be subject to—

12 (1) *the Export Administration Regulations*
13 *under subchapter C of title 15, Code of Federal Regu-*
14 *lations; and*

15 (2) *all other laws applicable to the control of*
16 *arms exports.*

17 (e) *REPORT.*—None of the activities described in sub-
18 section (b) may be carried out with respect to a covered
19 partner country until the date on which the Secretary of
20 Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State, the
21 Secretary of Commerce, and the Director of National Intel-
22 ligence submits to the appropriate congressional committees
23 a report with respect to that partner country that includes
24 the following:

1 (1) *A memorandum of agreement between the*
2 *United States and the covered partner country re-*
3 *garding sharing of costs and security safeguards for*
4 *the activities described in subsection (b), and any*
5 *supporting documents.*

6 (2) *A certification that such memorandum of*
7 *agreement—*

8 (A) *requires sharing of costs of the activities*
9 *and security safeguards described in subsection*
10 *(b), including in-kind support, between the*
11 *United States and the covered partner country;*

12 (B) *establishes the rights of the United*
13 *States to any intellectual property developed*
14 *under the memorandum of agreement;*

15 (C) *requires the United States Government*
16 *to receive semiannual reports on expenditure of*
17 *funds, if any, by the government of the covered*
18 *partner country, including—*

19 (i) *a description of what the funds*
20 *have been used for;*

21 (ii) *a description of when funds were*
22 *expended;*

23 (iii) *an identification of entities that*
24 *expended the funds; and*

1 (iv) the export control regimes in place
2 in the covered partner country to protect
3 sensitive technology, including related intel-
4 lectual property and innovation efforts; and
5 (D) includes robust safeguards against the
6 ability of the People's Republic of China or other
7 foreign adversaries of the United States from, di-
8 rectly or indirectly, accessing, acquiring, or ben-
9 efitting from any potential innovation, tech-
10 nology, research, product, or application funded,
11 produced, or utilized by the partnership.

12 (f) *LEAD AGENCY.*—Not earlier than the date on which
13 the Secretary of Defense submits the first report pursuant
14 to subsection (e), the Secretary shall designate the Irregular
15 Warfare Technology Support Directorate of the Department
16 of Defense as the lead agency of the Department in carrying
17 out this section.

18 (g) *SEMIANNUAL REPORTS.*—The Secretary of Defense
19 shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees on
20 a semiannual basis a report that contains a copy of the
21 most recent semiannual report provided by the government
22 of each covered partner country to the Department of De-
23 fense pursuant to subsection (e)(2)(C).

24 (h) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section—

1 (1) the term “appropriate congressional commit-
2 tees” means—

3 (A) the Committee on Armed Services, the
4 Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Perma-
5 nent Select Committee on Intelligence of the
6 House of Representatives; and

7 (B) the Committee on Armed Services, the
8 Committee on Foreign Relations, and the Select
9 Committee on Intelligence of the Senate; and

10 (2) the term “covered partner country” means a
11 country that, as of June 1, 2025, has signed a bilat-
12 eral agreement with the United States that is man-
13 aged by the Irregular Warfare Technology Support
14 Directorate of the Department of Defense.

15 **SEC. 1206. CYBERSECURITY INTEGRATION.**

16 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—The Secretary of Defense, in coordi-
17 nation with the Secretary of State, shall cooperate with the
18 Government of Panama to seek to integrate cybersecurity
19 into current and future joint training exercises.

20 (b) *PURPOSE.*—The cybersecurity integration in sub-
21 section (a) should—

22 (1) incorporate elements of the Cyber Coopera-
23 tion Arrangement;

24 (2) provide technical assistance and training,
25 and enhance joint cooperation to improve mitigation,

1 *deterrence, and detection of cyberattacks and cyber*
2 *vulnerabilities on critical infrastructure in and*
3 *around the Panama Canal; and*

4 *(3) incorporate cybersecurity activities into cur-*
5 *rent and potential joint exercises conducted between*
6 *the United States Government and the Government of*
7 *Panama to improve the security of the Panama*
8 *Canal.*

9 *(c) ACTIVITIES.—Activities to further the purpose de-*
10 *scribed in subsection (b) may include—*

11 *(1) information sharing with the Panama Canal*
12 *Authority and the Government of Panama regarding*
13 *cybersecurity threats and incidents;*

14 *(2) technical assistance to the Panama Canal*
15 *Authority and the Government of Panama on detec-*
16 *tion and mitigation of cyberattacks in order to im-*
17 *prove response activities, including advising national*
18 *computer security incident response teams;*

19 *(3) conducting joint cybersecurity training exer-*
20 *cises and other information sharing activities relating*
21 *to cybersecurity with the Government of Panama, in-*
22 *cluding by—*

23 *(A) supporting participation by the Govern-*
24 *ment of Panama in existing cybersecurity train-*
25 *ing facilitated or managed by the Department of*

1 *Defense and approved by the Secretary of De-*
2 *fense;*

3 *(B) incorporating cyber elements into exist-*
4 *ing joint training exercises, such as PANAMAX;*
5 *and*

6 *(C) conducting an annual table-top cyberse-*
7 *curity exercise; and*

8 *(4) conducting activities as the Secretary con-*
9 *siders appropriate, consistent with the purposes de-*
10 *scribed in subsection (b) for the cybersecurity integra-*
11 *tion described in subsection (a).*

12 *(d) REPORT AND BRIEFING.—Not later than one year*
13 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually*
14 *thereafter, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with*
15 *the Secretary of State, shall submit to the appropriate con-*
16 *gressional committees a report and briefing on—*

17 *(1) implementation of this section and any chal-*
18 *lenges related to implementation; and*

19 *(2) any cyber threats, such as ransomware at-*
20 *tacks, on critical infrastructure in and around the*
21 *Panama Canal, along with actions taken to address*
22 *and mitigate these threats.*

23 *(e) PROTECTION OF SENSITIVE INFORMATION.—Any*
24 *activity carried out under this section shall be conducted*

1 *in a manner that appropriately protects sensitive informa-*
 2 *tion and the national security interests of the United States.*

3 ***Subtitle B—Matters Relating to***
 4 ***Israel***

5 ***SEC. 1211. WAR RESERVE STOCKPILE AUTHORITY FOR***
 6 ***ISRAEL.***

7 *Section 12001(d) of the Department of Defense Appro-*
 8 *priations Act, 2005 (Public Law 108–287; 118 Stat. 1011)*
 9 *is amended by striking “January 1, 2027” and inserting*
 10 *“January 1, 2029”.*

11 ***SEC. 1212. MODIFICATION AND EXTENSION OF UNITED***
 12 ***STATES-ISRAEL ANTI-TUNNEL COOPERATION.***

13 *Section 1279(f) of the National Defense Authorization*
 14 *Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (22 U.S.C. 8606 note) is amended*
 15 *by striking “December 31, 2026” and inserting “December*
 16 *31, 2028”.*

17 ***SEC. 1213. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF UNITED***
 18 ***STATES-ISRAEL COOPERATION TO COUNTER***
 19 ***UNMANNED SYSTEMS IN ALL WARFIGHTING***
 20 ***DOMAINS.***

21 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1278 of the National De-*
 22 *fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (22 U.S.C.*
 23 *8606 note) is amended—*

24 *(1) in the section heading, by striking “UN-*
 25 ***MANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS”*** *and inserting “UN-*

1 **MANNED SYSTEMS IN ALL WARFIGHTING DO-**
2 **MAINS”;**

3 *(2) in subsection (a)—*

4 *(A) in the subsection heading to read as fol-*
5 *lows: “UNITED STATES-ISRAEL PROGRAM ON*
6 *COUNTERING UNMANNED SYSTEMS.—”;*

7 *(B) in paragraph (1)—*

8 *(i) by striking “to establish capabili-*
9 *ties” and inserting “to accelerate develop-*
10 *ment of advanced technologies”; and*

11 *(ii) by striking “unmanned aerial sys-*
12 *tems” and inserting “unmanned systems in*
13 *all warfighting domains”;*

14 *(C) by redesignating paragraph (2) as*
15 *paragraph (3);*

16 *(D) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-*
17 *lowing:*

18 *“(2) ACTIVITIES.—The activities required by this*
19 *subsection may include the following:*

20 *“(A) Collaborative research initiatives in-*
21 *volving government, private sector, and academic*
22 *institutions in the United States and Israel.*

23 *“(B) Joint training exercises and informa-*
24 *tion-sharing mechanisms to maximize the shar-*
25 *ing of technical expertise, data, and tactics re-*

1 *lated to emerging unmanned systems and related*
2 *threats.*

3 “(C) *Development of joint technical require-*
4 *ments.*

5 “(D) *Collaborative development and evalua-*
6 *tion of novel systems with defense industry part-*
7 *ners.*

8 “(E) *Coordination with acquisition pro-*
9 *gram offices of the United States and Israel*
10 *military service departments, components, and*
11 *commands to expedite deployment of relevant*
12 *systems and enhance military readiness.”; and*

13 *(E) in paragraph (3) (as so redesignated),*
14 *by striking “activities described in paragraph*
15 *(1)” and inserting “activities described in this*
16 *subsection”;*

17 *(3) in subsection (b)—*

18 *(A) in paragraph (3)(B), by striking “aer-*
19 *ial”;* and

20 *(B) in paragraph (4), by striking*
21 *“\$55,000,000” and inserting “\$70,000,000”;*

22 *(4) in subsection (c), by striking “an appro-*
23 *priate research and development entity of a military*
24 *department” and inserting “the Irregular Warfare*
25 *Technology Support Directorate”;*

1 (5) *by redesignating subsections (e) and (f) as*
2 *subsections (f) and (g), respectively;*

3 (6) *by inserting after subsection (d) the fol-*
4 *lowing:*

5 “(e) *ANNUAL REPORT.—The Secretary of Defense shall*
6 *submit to the appropriate committees of Congress on an an-*
7 *nual basis a report that shall include for the preceding year*
8 *a description of activities conducted under the program in-*
9 *cluding—*

10 “(1) *an assessment of progress made by the*
11 *United States and Israel in addressing unmanned*
12 *systems threats and requirements;*

13 “(2) *an assessment of the program’s collabora-*
14 *tion with other United States Government programs*
15 *and defense contractors;*

16 “(3) *an update on efforts to transition capabili-*
17 *ties to acquisition program managers for fielding by*
18 *United States or Israeli military services, compo-*
19 *nents, and commands; and*

20 “(4) *recommendations for future program activi-*
21 *ties and funding.”; and*

22 (7) *in subsection (g) (as so redesignated), by*
23 *striking “December 31, 2026” and inserting “Decem-*
24 *ber 31, 2028”.*

1 (b) *TRANSITION PROVISION.*—*The Secretary of Defense*
 2 *shall continue to carry out the activities authorized by sec-*
 3 *tion 1278 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fis-*
 4 *cal Year 2020, as such section was in effect on the day before*
 5 *the date of the enactment of this Act, until such time as*
 6 *the Secretary submits to the appropriate committees of Con-*
 7 *gress the report required by subsection (a)(2) of such section*
 8 *for purposes of carrying of the activities required by such*
 9 *section, as amended by subsection (a) of this section.*

10 ***Subtitle C—Matters Relating to the***
 11 ***Near and Middle East***

12 ***SEC. 1231. REPEAL OF WAR-RELATED REPORTING REQUIRE-***
 13 ***MENTS FOR CONCLUDED OPERATIONS.***

14 *Section 1221 of the National Defense Authorization*
 15 *Act for Fiscal Year 2006 (10 U.S.C. 113 note) is repealed.*

16 ***SEC. 1232. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY FOR REIMBURSE-***
 17 ***MENT OF CERTAIN COALITION NATIONS FOR***
 18 ***SUPPORT PROVIDED TO UNITED STATES***
 19 ***MILITARY OPERATIONS.***

20 (a) *EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY.*—*Subsection (a) of sec-*
 21 *tion 1233 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fis-*
 22 *cal Year 2008 (Public Law 110–181; 122 Stat. 393) is*
 23 *amended in the matter preceding paragraph (1) by striking*
 24 *“beginning on October 1, 2024, and ending on December*

1 31, 2025” and inserting “beginning on October 1, 2025, and
 2 ending on December 31, 2026,”.

3 (b) *EXTENSION OF LIMITATION ON AMOUNT.*—Sub-
 4 section (d)(1) of such section is amended by striking “begin-
 5 ning on October 1, 2024, and ending on December 31,
 6 2025” and inserting “beginning on October 1, 2025, and
 7 ending on December 31, 2026,”.

8 **SEC. 1233. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY**
 9 **TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO VETTED SYRIAN**
 10 **GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS.**

11 Section 1209 of the Carl Levin and Howard P. “Buck”
 12 McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year
 13 2015 (Public Law 113–291; 128 Stat. 3541) is amended—

14 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “December 31,
 15 2025” and inserting “December 31, 2026”;

16 (2) in subsection (e)(1)—

17 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph
 18 (A), by striking “elements of the Syrian opposi-
 19 tion and other”; and

20 (B) in subparagraph (A), by striking “Shia
 21 militias aligned with or supporting the Govern-
 22 ment of Syria” and inserting “Shia militias
 23 previously aligned with or supporting the Assad
 24 government”; and

1 (3) in subsection (l)(3)(E)), by striking “Decem-
 2 ber 31, 2025” and inserting “the date specified in the
 3 matter preceding paragraph (1) of subsection (a)”.

4 **SEC. 1234. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY**
 5 **TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO COUNTER THE**
 6 **ISLAMIC STATE OF IRAQ AND SYRIA.**

7 Section 1236 of the Carl Levin and Howard P. “Buck”
 8 McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year
 9 2015 (Public Law 113–291; 128 Stat. 3559) is amended—

10 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “December 31,
 11 2025” and inserting “December 31, 2026”;

12 (2) by striking subsection (g);

13 (3) by redesignating subsections (h) through (o)
 14 as subsections (g) through (n), respectively;

15 (4) in paragraph (1)(C)(i) of subsection (i) (as
 16 so redesignated), by striking “subsection (l)(2)” and
 17 inserting “subsection (k)(2)”;

18 (5) in paragraph (2) of subsection (k) (as so re-
 19 designated)—

20 (A) in subparagraph (B)(ii), by striking
 21 “subsection (j)(1)(C)” and inserting “subsection
 22 (i)(1)(C)”; and

23 (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking “sub-
 24 section (k)” and inserting “subsection (j)”; and

1 (6) in paragraph (6) of subsection (n) (as so re-
 2 designated), by striking “December 31, 2025” and in-
 3 serting “December 31, 2026”.

4 **SEC. 1235. COUNTER-TERRORISM SUPPORT.**

5 (a) *AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE SUPPORT.*—Subsection
 6 (a)(1) of section 1226 of the National Defense Authorization
 7 Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law 114–92; 22 U.S.C.
 8 2151 note) is amended—

9 (1) in subparagraph (B), by striking “with
 10 Syria” and inserting “with any other country”; and

11 (2) in subparagraph (C), by striking “with
 12 Libya” and inserting “with any other country”.

13 (a) *SUPPORT TO GOVERNMENT OF LEBANON.*—Sub-
 14 section (c)(2) of such section is amended by adding at the
 15 end the following: “Such support may be used only to pro-
 16 mote the ability of the armed forces of Lebanon to counter
 17 the threat posed by Lebanese Hezbollah, Hamas, ISIS, and
 18 any other terrorist organization that threaten the security
 19 of Lebanon and its neighbors.”.

20 (b) *EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY.*—Subsection (h) of
 21 such section is amended by striking “December 31, 2025”
 22 and inserting “December 31, 2026”.

1 **SEC. 1236. PROHIBITION ON FUNDING TO BADR ORGANIZA-**
 2 **TION.**

3 *None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this*
 4 *Act or otherwise made available to the Secretary of Defense*
 5 *for fiscal year 2026 may be made available to the Badr*
 6 *Organization.*

7 ***Subtitle D—Reports and Strategies***

8 **SEC. 1241. MODIFICATION AND EXTENSION OF ANNUAL RE-**
 9 **PORT ON MILITARY AND SECURITY DEVELOP-**
 10 **MENTS INVOLVING THE RUSSIAN FEDERA-**
 11 **TION.**

12 *Section 1234 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry Na-*
 13 *tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Pub-*
 14 *lic Law 116–283; 134 Stat. 3936) is amended—*

15 *(1) in subsection (b) to read as follows:*

16 *“(b) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report required*
 17 *under subsection (a) shall include the following:*

18 *“(1) The goals, factors, and trends shaping Rus-*
 19 *sia’s security strategy and military strategy, includ-*
 20 *ing military spending and investment priorities.*

21 *“(2) Developments in the military doctrine,*
 22 *operational concepts, joint command and organiza-*
 23 *tional structures, and significant military operations*
 24 *and deployments of the Russian Armed Forces.*

25 *“(3) An assessment of the force structure, readi-*
 26 *ness, and capabilities of the Russian Armed Forces.*

1 “(4) *An assessment of the military strategy, ob-*
2 *jectives, and force posture of the Russian Armed*
3 *Forces deployed in the Arctic and the North Atlantic*
4 *region.*

5 “(5) *An assessment of the military strategy, ob-*
6 *jectives, and force posture of the Russian Armed*
7 *Forces as they relate to the North Atlantic Treaty Or-*
8 *ganization (NATO), including the force posture of*
9 *Russian Armed Forces deployed adjacent to NATO’s*
10 *borders, including in Kaliningrad.*

11 “(6) *An assessment of the military strategy, ob-*
12 *jectives, and force posture of the Russian Armed*
13 *Forces deployed in Ukraine or adjacent to Ukraine’s*
14 *borders.*

15 “(7) *An assessment of the military strategy, ob-*
16 *jectives, and force posture of the Russian Armed*
17 *Forces in the Baltic and Black Seas.*

18 “(8) *An assessment of the reconstitution efforts of*
19 *the Russian Armed Forces, including its ability to re-*
20 *store losses from the war in Ukraine and to expand*
21 *its force beyond 2022 levels.*

22 “(9) *An assessment of the impact of United*
23 *States and international sanctions on the Russian*
24 *military’s reconstitution efforts, including an assess-*

1 *ment of the impact of removing sanctions on the Rus-*
2 *sian military's reconstitution efforts.*

3 *“(10) An assessment of what the Russian Armed*
4 *Forces has learned from the war in Ukraine and how*
5 *it has applied those lessons.*

6 *“(11) An assessment of the military strategy, ob-*
7 *jectives, and force posture of Russia that affect coun-*
8 *tries in Latin America and the Caribbean.*

9 *“(12) An assessment of the military strategy, ob-*
10 *jectives, and force posture of Russia that affect coun-*
11 *tries in the Indo-Pacific, with a specific emphasis on*
12 *how such strategy, objectives, and force posture affect*
13 *the People's Republic of China.*

14 *“(13) An assessment of the military strategy, ob-*
15 *jectives, and force posture of Russia that affect coun-*
16 *tries in the Middle East.*

17 *“(14) An assessment of the military strategy, ob-*
18 *jectives, and force posture of Russia that affect coun-*
19 *tries in Africa.*

20 *“(15) A description of Russia's overseas military*
21 *basing, military logistics capabilities, and infrastruc-*
22 *ture to project power.*

23 *“(16) A summary of all significant Russian co-*
24 *operation with foreign forces, including major train-*
25 *ing and exercises, foreign deployments, and basing*

1 *agreements—specifying for each Russian foreign de-*
2 *ployment the number of force deployed, the types of*
3 *capabilities deployed, the length of the deployment,*
4 *and any agreement enabling or governing the deploy-*
5 *ment.*

6 *“(17) An assessment of relations between the*
7 *Russian Federation and Iran, the People’s Republic*
8 *of China, and North Korea, with respect to security*
9 *and military matters.*

10 *“(18) An assessment of the proliferation activi-*
11 *ties of Russia and Russian entities, including activi-*
12 *ties relating to the supply of materials, technologies,*
13 *or expertise relating to nuclear weapons or other*
14 *weapons of mass destruction or missile systems to*
15 *other states or non-state actors.*

16 *“(19) An assessment of Russia’s nuclear program*
17 *and capabilities, including*

18 *“(A) its nuclear strategy and associated*
19 *doctrines;*

20 *“(B) the size and state of its stockpile and*
21 *projections of its future arsenals;*

22 *“(C) its civil and military production ca-*
23 *pacities; and*

24 *“(D) the modernization and force structure*
25 *of its strategic forces.*

1 “(20) *A description of Russia’s current missile*
2 *defense strategy and capabilities, including efforts to*
3 *develop missile defense capabilities.*

4 “(21) *A description of Russia’s anti-access and*
5 *area denial capabilities.*

6 “(22) *A description of Russia’s command, con-*
7 *trol, communications, computers, intelligence, surveil-*
8 *lance, and reconnaissance modernization program*
9 *and capabilities and the applications for such pro-*
10 *gram and capabilities for precision-guided weapons.*

11 “(23) *An assessment of Russia’s space and*
12 *counterspace programs and capabilities.*

13 “(24) *An assessment of Russia’s cyberwarfare*
14 *and electronic warfare capabilities (including details*
15 *on the number of malicious cyber incidents origi-*
16 *nating from Russia against Department of Defense*
17 *infrastructure).*

18 “(25) *An assessment of any influence operations*
19 *or campaigns by the Russian Federation targeting the*
20 *United States, any military alliances and partner-*
21 *ships of which the United States is a member, or trea-*
22 *ty allies of the United States, including:*

23 “(A) *the objectives of such operations;*

24 “(B) *the tactics, techniques, and procedures*
25 *used; and*

1 “(C) the impact of such operations on the
 2 United States, military alliances or partnerships
 3 of which the United States is a member, or trea-
 4 ty allies of the United States;

5 “(D) detail regarding any campaign that
 6 specifically targeted U.S. Department of Defense
 7 personnel; and

8 “(E) the metrics used to judge the impact of
 9 such operations.

10 “(26) An assessment of how Russian private
 11 military companies are being utilized to advance the
 12 security interests of the Russian Federation;

13 “(27) An assessment of the threat perception of
 14 the Russian Federation by U.S. allies and partners in
 15 the Indo-Pacific.

16 “(28) Other military and security developments
 17 involving Russia that the Secretary of Defense con-
 18 siders relevant to United States national security.”;
 19 and

20 (2) in subsection (g), by striking “January 31,
 21 2026” and inserting “January 31, 2030”.

22 **SEC. 1242. REPORT ON UNITED STATES DETERRENCE AND**
 23 **DEFENSE POSTURE IN THE EUROPEAN RE-**
 24 **GION.**

25 (a) *REPORT REQUIRED.*—

1 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*At the same time as the sub-*
2 *mission of the budget of the President (submitted to*
3 *Congress pursuant to section 1105 of title 31, United*
4 *States Code) for each of fiscal years 2027 and 2028,*
5 *the Commander of the United States European Com-*
6 *mand shall submit to the congressional defense com-*
7 *mittees a report containing the independent assess-*
8 *ment of the Commander with respect to the activities*
9 *and resources required, for the first fiscal year begin-*
10 *ning after the date of submission of the report and the*
11 *four following fiscal years, to achieve the following ob-*
12 *jectives:*

13 (A) *The implementation of the National De-*
14 *fense Strategy with respect to the European re-*
15 *gion.*

16 (B) *The maintenance of the comparative*
17 *military advantage of the United States and*
18 *North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)*
19 *with respect to the Russian Federation.*

20 (C) *The reduction of the risk of executing*
21 *contingency plans of the Department of Defense,*
22 *including contingency plans conducted by*
23 *United States Central Command and United*
24 *States Africa Command.*

1 (D) *The maintenance of the capability and*
2 *capacity to defense the homeland forward.*

3 (2) *MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report re-*
4 *quired by paragraph (1) shall include the following:*

5 (A) *With respect to the achievement of the*
6 *objectives described in paragraph (1), a descrip-*
7 *tion of the intended force structure and posture*
8 *of assigned and allocated forces in each NATO*
9 *member country.*

10 (B) *An assessment of the capability require-*
11 *ments to achieve such objectives.*

12 (C) *An assessment of logistics requirements,*
13 *including personnel, equipment, supplies, stor-*
14 *age, and maintenance needs to achieve such ob-*
15 *jectives.*

16 (D) *An identification of required infrastruc-*
17 *ture and military construction investments to*
18 *achieve such objectives.*

19 (E) *An assessment of security cooperation*
20 *authorities, activities, or resources required to*
21 *achieve such objectives.*

22 (F)(i) *A plan to fully resource United*
23 *States force posture and capabilities, includ-*
24 *ing—*

1 (I) a detailed assessment of the re-
2 sources necessary to address the elements de-
3 scribed in subparagraphs (A) through (E),
4 including specific cost estimates for rec-
5 ommended investments or projects—

6 (aa) to maintain a posture and
7 presence of the United States Armed
8 Forces that meet the objectives of para-
9 graph (1);

10 (bb) to maintain the logistics and
11 maintenance capabilities and the pre-
12 positioning of equipment, munitions,
13 fuel, and materiel that meet the objec-
14 tives of paragraph (1);

15 (cc) to carry out a program of ex-
16 ercises, training, experimentation, and
17 innovation for the joint force that meet
18 the objectives of paragraph (1);

19 (dd) to maintain the infrastruc-
20 ture to ensure the responsiveness and
21 resiliency of the United States Armed
22 Forces within NATO in order to meet
23 the objectives of paragraph (1);

24 (ee) to build the defense and secu-
25 rity capabilities, capacity, and co-

1 *operation of allies and partners that*
2 *meet the objectives of paragraph (1);*
3 *and*

4 *(ff) to modernize the capabilities*
5 *available to United States European*
6 *Command to meet the objectives of*
7 *paragraph (1); and*

8 *(II) a detailed timeline to achieve the*
9 *intended force structure and posture de-*
10 *scribed in clause (i).*

11 *(ii) The specific cost estimates required by*
12 *clause (i)(I) shall, to the maximum extent prac-*
13 *ticable, include the following:*

14 *(I) With respect to procurement ac-*
15 *counts—*

16 *(aa) amounts displayed by ac-*
17 *count, budget activity, line number,*
18 *line item, and line item title; and*

19 *(bb) a description of the require-*
20 *ments for each such amount.*

21 *(II) With respect to research, develop-*
22 *ment, test, and evaluation accounts—*

23 *(aa) amounts displayed by ac-*
24 *count, budget activity, line number,*

1 *program element, and program element*
2 *title; and*

3 *(bb) a description of the require-*
4 *ments for each such amount.*

5 *(III) With respect to operation and*
6 *maintenance accounts—*

7 *(aa) amounts displayed by ac-*
8 *count title, budget activity title, line*
9 *number, and subactivity group title;*
10 *and*

11 *(bb) a description of the specific*
12 *manner in which each such amount*
13 *would be used.*

14 *(IV) With respect to military personnel*
15 *accounts—*

16 *(aa) amounts displayed by ac-*
17 *count, budget activity, budget sub-*
18 *activity, and budget subactivity title;*
19 *and*

20 *(bb) a description of the require-*
21 *ments for each such amount.*

22 *(V) With respect to each project under*
23 *military construction accounts (including*
24 *unspecified minor military construction*
25 *and amounts for planning and design), the*

1 country, location, project title, and project
2 amount for each fiscal year.

3 (VI) With respect to any expenditure
4 or proposed appropriation not described in
5 subclauses (I) through (V), a level of detail
6 equivalent to or greater than the level of de-
7 tail provided in the future-years defense
8 program submitted pursuant to section
9 221(a) of title 10, United States Code.

10 (iii) A budget display, prepared with the
11 assistance of the Under Secretary of Defense
12 (Comptroller), that compares the independent as-
13 sessment of the Commander of the United States
14 European Command with the amounts contained
15 in the budget display for the applicable fiscal
16 year.

17 (3) FORM.—The report required by paragraph
18 (1) may be submitted in classified form, but shall in-
19 clude an unclassified summary.

20 (b) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than 15 days
21 after the submission of the budget of the President (sub-
22 mitted to Congress pursuant to section 1105 of title 31,
23 United States Code) for each of fiscal years 2027 and 2028,
24 the Secretary of Defense (acting through the Under Sec-
25 retary of Defense for Policy, the Under Secretary of Defense

1 *(Comptroller), and the Director of Cost Assessment and Pro-*
 2 *gram Evaluation) and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs*
 3 *of Staff shall provide to the congressional defense commit-*
 4 *tees a joint briefing, and any written comments the Sec-*
 5 *retary of Defense and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of*
 6 *Staff consider necessary, with respect to their assessments*
 7 *of the report submitted under subsection (a), including their*
 8 *assessments of the feasibility and advisability of the plan*
 9 *required by subsection (a)(2)(F).*

10 ***TITLE XIII—OTHER MATTERS RE-***
 11 ***LATING TO FOREIGN NA-***
 12 ***TIONS***

13 ***Subtitle A—Matters Relating to***
 14 ***Europe***

15 ***SEC. 1301. ALLIED CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNITED STATES***
 16 ***FORCE POSTURE ON NATO’S EASTERN FLANK.***

17 *(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress*
 18 *that—*

19 *(1) the United States remains steadfast in its*
 20 *ironclad commitment to the North Atlantic Treaty*
 21 *Organization (NATO) as the foundation of trans-*
 22 *atlantic security and to upholding its obligations*
 23 *under the North Atlantic Treaty, including its com-*
 24 *mitment to collective defense under Article 5 of the*
 25 *Treaty;*

1 (2) *at this time, United States forces stationed*
2 *in and deployed to NATO’s eastern flank remain crit-*
3 *ical to conventional deterrence and defense on the Eu-*
4 *ropean continent; and*

5 (3) *NATO allies should strengthen the alliance*
6 *by contributing further to the costs associated with the*
7 *alliance’s force posture on NATO’s eastern flank, in-*
8 *cluding United States forces stationed in and de-*
9 *ployed to other allied countries, not solely within*
10 *their own national borders, using the authorities of*
11 *section 2350j of title 10, United States Code, as*
12 *amended by subsection (b).*

13 (b) *AMENDMENTS.—Section 2350j of title 10, United*
14 *States Code, is amended—*

15 (1) *in subsection (b), by inserting “another coun-*
16 *try or” before “a regional organization”;*

17 (2) *in subsection (c)—*

18 (A) *in the matter preceding paragraph (1),*
19 *by inserting before the colon at the end the fol-*
20 *lowing: “, to be allocated as the country or re-*
21 *gional organization making the contribution*
22 *may specify”;*

23 (B) *in paragraph (1), by adding at the end*
24 *before the period the following: “in the host na-*
25 *tion or another country”;*

1 (C) in paragraph (2), by adding at the end
2 before the period the following: “in the host na-
3 tion or another country”;

4 (D) in paragraph (3), by adding at the end
5 before the period the following: “in the host na-
6 tion or another country”; and

7 (E) by adding at the end the following:

8 “(4) Sustainment of United States armed forces
9 in a deployed, rotational, or permanent change of sta-
10 tion status in a NATO country.”;

11 (3) by redesignating subsection (f) as subsection
12 (g);

13 (4) by inserting after subsection (e) the following:

14 “(f) *LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF CONTRIBUTIONS*
15 *FOR COSTS OF MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.—The*
16 *authority to provide for the payment of military construc-*
17 *tion projects of the Department of Defense under subsection*
18 *(c)(2) may be exercised only with respect to contributions*
19 *accepted under subsection (a) on or after the date of the*
20 *enactment of this subsection.*”; and

21 (5) in paragraph (2) of subsection (g) (as so
22 amended), by amending subparagraph (E) to read as
23 follows:

1 “(E) *The amount of such burden sharing*
2 *contributions expended, by eligible category, in-*
3 *cluding compensation for—*

4 “(i) *local national employees;*

5 “(ii) *military construction projects;*

6 “(iii) *supplies and services of the De-*
7 *partment of Defense; and*

8 “(iv) *sustainment of United States*
9 *armed forces in a deployed, rotational, or*
10 *permanent change of station status in a*
11 *NATO country.”.*

12 (c) *DEFINITION.—In this section, the term*
13 *“sustainment of United States armed forces”—*

14 (1) *means the provision of the reasonable and*
15 *proper costs of United States armed forces in a de-*
16 *ployed, rotational, or permanent change of station*
17 *status in a NATO country, for fuel, transportation,*
18 *force protection including cyber protection, training*
19 *ammunition, utilities, medical and maintenance serv-*
20 *ices, including that which is required to keep infra-*
21 *structure, pre-positioned stocks, and equipment in*
22 *good working order; and*

23 (2) *does not include pay, allowances, and other*
24 *normal benefits to which the United States forces are*
25 *entitled.*

1 **SEC. 1302. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF UKRAINE SE-**
2 **CURITY ASSISTANCE INITIATIVE.**

3 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 1250 of the National De-
4 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law
5 114–92; 129 Stat. 1068) is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (c), by adding at the end the
7 following:

8 “(7) *PRESIDENTIAL DETERMINATION.*—None of
9 the amounts authorized to be appropriated by sub-
10 section (f) for a fiscal year may be obligated or ex-
11 pended for that fiscal year until the date on which the
12 President submits to the congressional defense com-
13 mittees, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the
14 Senate, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the
15 House of Representatives a written determination
16 that doing so is in the national interest of the United
17 States.”;

18 (2) in subsection (f), by adding at the end the
19 following:

20 “(11) For fiscal year 2026, \$300,000,000.

21 “(12) For fiscal year 2027, \$300,000,000.”; and

22 (3) in subsection (h), by striking “December 31,
23 2026” and inserting “December 31, 2028”.

24 (b) *APPLICABILITY.*—The amendment made by sub-
25 section (a)(1) shall apply beginning with amounts author-

1 ized to be appropriated or otherwise made available for fis-
 2 cal year 2026.

3 **SEC. 1303. EXTENSION OF REPORT RELATING TO ALLIED**
 4 **AND PARTNER SUPPORT TO UKRAINE.**

5 *Section 1243 of the National Defense Authorization*
 6 *Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 137 Stat.*
 7 *460) is amended—*

8 *(1) in subsection (a)—*

9 *(A) in paragraph (1), by striking “and” at*
 10 *the end;*

11 *(B) by redesignating paragraph (2) as*
 12 *paragraph (3); and*

13 *(C) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-*
 14 *lowing:*

15 *“(2) all allied contributions to Jumpstart For-*
 16 *oreign Military Sales cases or any similar initiatives;*
 17 *and”;* and

18 *(2) in subsection (c), by striking “January 1,*
 19 *2025” and inserting “January 1, 2027”.*

20 **SEC. 1304. OVERSIGHT OF UNITED STATES FORCE POSTURE**
 21 **IN EUROPE.**

22 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Until the date that is 90 days after*
 23 *the date on which the Commander of the United States Eu-*
 24 *ropean Command and the Secretary of Defense, in consulta-*
 25 *tion with the heads of other relevant Federal departments*

1 *and agencies, have each independently submitted to the ap-*
2 *propriate congressional committees the certifications and*
3 *assessments described in subsection (b), none of the funds*
4 *authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made*
5 *available for fiscal year 2026 for the Department of Defense*
6 *may be used—*

7 (1) *to take any action to reduce the total number*
8 *of members of the Armed Forces assigned, deployed, or*
9 *allocated to the United States European Command*
10 *and present in the European theater to a number less*
11 *than 76,000; or*

12 (2) *to divest, consolidate, or otherwise return to*
13 *a host country any sites included in the real property*
14 *inventory of the United States European Command*
15 *as of June 1, 2025.*

16 (b) *CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSESSMENTS DE-*
17 *SCRIBED.—The certifications and assessments described in*
18 *this subsection shall include the following:*

19 (1) *A certification that such a reduction, divest-*
20 *ment, consolidation, or return of forces from Europe*
21 *is in the national security interests of the United*
22 *States, including a justification explaining the anal-*
23 *ysis behind such certification.*

24 (2) *A certification that the Secretary has con-*
25 *sulted appropriately with North Atlantic Treaty Or-*

1 *ganization (referred to in this section as “NATO”) al-*
2 *lies and partners regarding such a reduction, divest-*
3 *ment, consolidation, or return.*

4 *(3) An assessment of the threat the Russian Fed-*
5 *eration poses to NATO in the near-, medium-, and*
6 *long-term.*

7 *(4) A description of the requirements being*
8 *prioritized that necessitate such a reduction, divest-*
9 *ment, consolidation, or return.*

10 *(5) An analysis of the impact of such a reduc-*
11 *tion, divestment, consolidation, or return on the secu-*
12 *rity of the United States, as well as the deterrence*
13 *and defense posture of NATO.*

14 *(6) An analysis of the impact of such a reduc-*
15 *tion, divestment, consolidation, or return on the abil-*
16 *ity of the Armed Forces to support or execute the con-*
17 *tingency plans of the Department of Defense, includ-*
18 *ing operations—*

19 *(A) conducted by the United States Euro-*
20 *pean Command, within the area of responsibility*
21 *of the European Command; or*

22 *(B) by the United States Central Command*
23 *and the United States Africa Command,*
24 *leveraging agreements with countries in the area*

1 *of responsibility of the European Command re-*
2 *garding access, basing, or overflight.*

3 *(7) An analysis of the impact of such a reduc-*
4 *tion, divestment, consolidation, or return on the abil-*
5 *ity of the Armed Forces to defend the homeland for-*
6 *ward.*

7 *(8) An analysis of the impact of such a reduc-*
8 *tion, divestment, consolidation, or return on military*
9 *training and major military exercises, including on*
10 *interoperability with NATO allies and partners.*

11 *(9) A description of consultations with NATO, as*
12 *well as NATO allies and partners, regarding such a*
13 *reduction, divestment, consolidation, or return.*

14 *(10) A plan for how the United States will co-*
15 *ordinate with NATO to ensure that NATO can as-*
16 *sume the capabilities and responsibilities of the mem-*
17 *bers of the United States Armed Forces withdrawn as*
18 *a result of such a reduction, divestment, consolida-*
19 *tion, or return.*

20 *(11) An assessment of the impact of such a re-*
21 *duction, divestment, consolidation, or return on*
22 *transatlantic cooperation to deter the People's Repub-*
23 *lic of China.*

1 (c) *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 *Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and*

6 (2) *the Committee on Armed Services and the*
 7 *Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep-*
 8 *resentatives.*

9 (d) *SUNSET.*—*The limitation in subsection (a) shall*
 10 *terminate on September 30, 2026.*

11 ***Subtitle B—Matters Relating to the***
 12 ***Indo-Pacific Region***

13 ***SEC. 1311. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF PACIFIC DE-***
 14 ***TERRENCE INITIATIVE.***

15 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Subsection (c) of section 1251 of*
 16 *the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Author-*
 17 *ization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (10 U.S.C. 113 note) is*
 18 *amended—*

19 (1) *by striking “the National Defense Authoriza-*
 20 *tion Act for Fiscal Year 2025” and inserting “the Na-*
 21 *tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
 22 *2026”; and*

23 (2) *by striking “fiscal year 2025” and inserting*
 24 *“fiscal year 2026”.*

1 (b) *REPORT*.—Subsection (d)(1)(A) of such section is
 2 amended by striking “fiscal years 2026 and 2027” and in-
 3 serting “fiscal years 2027 and 2028”.

4 (c) *PLAN REQUIRED*.—Subsection (e) of such section
 5 is amended by striking “fiscal years 2026 and 2027” and
 6 inserting “fiscal years 2027 and 2028”.

7 **SEC. 1312. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER**
 8 **FUNDS FOR BIEN HOA DIOXIN CLEANUP.**

9 Section 1253(b) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry
 10 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021
 11 (Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat. 3955) is amended by strik-
 12 ing “fiscal year 2025” and inserting “fiscal year 2026”.

13 **SEC. 1313. TAIWAN SECURITY COOPERATION INITIATIVE.**

14 Subsection (d) of section 1323 of the National Defense
 15 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118-
 16 159) is amended—

17 (1) by striking “Of the amounts” and inserting
 18 the following:

19 “(1) Of the amounts”; and

20 (2) by adding at the end the following:

21 “(2) Of the amounts authorized to be appro-
 22 priated for fiscal year 2026 for the Department of De-
 23 fense, not more than \$1,000,000,000 may be made
 24 available for the purposes of subsection (a).”.

1 **SEC. 1314. EXTENSION OF DETERRENCE PILOT PROGRAM.**

2 Section 1314(c) of the National Defense Authorization
3 Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C.
4 311 note) is amended by striking “December 31, 2027” and
5 inserting “December 31, 2030”.

6 **SEC. 1315. STRATEGY TO STRENGTHEN MULTILATERAL DE-**
7 **TERRENCE IN THE INDO-PACIFIC.**

8 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—The Secretary of Defense shall im-
9 plement a strategy to strengthen multilateral deterrence
10 against regional aggression in the Indo-Pacific region by
11 expanding multilateral coordination with United States al-
12 lies and partners in the region, with particular emphasis
13 on Japan, the Philippines, and Australia, including
14 through enhancing multilateral access and basing agree-
15 ments, command and control structures, intelligence-shar-
16 ing, and exercises and operations.

17 (b) *STRATEGY REQUIREMENTS.*—The strategy re-
18 quired by subsection (a) shall describe current activities and
19 identify future actions to be taken over the next 5 years
20 by the Department of Defense to—

21 (1) leverage reciprocal access agreements between
22 the United States and its Indo-Pacific allies and
23 partners, particularly Japan, the Philippines, and
24 Australia, to expand regional access for these and
25 other allied and partner militaries, including for pur-
26 poses of enhancing interoperability at locations across

1 *the Indo-Pacific region, prepositioning munitions*
2 *stockpiles, and jointly supporting and leveraging*
3 *shared facilities, operational access, and infrastruc-*
4 *ture;*

5 *(2) improve command and control structures en-*
6 *abling enhanced multilateral coordination with Indo-*
7 *Pacific allies and partners, including through the*
8 *Combined Coordination Center in the Philippines, the*
9 *joint force headquarters of the United States in*
10 *Japan, and a potential combined coordination struc-*
11 *ture in Australia;*

12 *(3) expand intelligence-sharing and maritime*
13 *domain awareness among the United States and*
14 *Indo-Pacific allies and partners, including through*
15 *the Bilateral Intelligence Analysis Cell in Japan and*
16 *the Combined Coordination Center in the Philippines;*
17 *and*

18 *(4) expand the scope and scale of multilateral*
19 *military exercises and operations in the region, par-*
20 *ticularly among the United States, Japan, Australia,*
21 *and the Philippines, including more frequent com-*
22 *bined maritime operations through the Taiwan Strait*
23 *and in the South China Sea.*

24 *(c) SUBMISSION; INTERIM REPORT.—*

1 (1) *SUBMISSION OF STRATEGY.*—Not later than
2 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,
3 the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congres-
4 sional defense committees the strategy required by
5 subsection (a), including an identification of any
6 changes to funding or policy required to strengthen
7 multilateral deterrence among the United States and
8 allies and partners in the Indo-Pacific against re-
9 gional aggression.

10 (2) *INTERIM REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION.*—Not
11 later than March 15, 2027, the Secretary of Defense
12 shall submit to the congressional defense committees a
13 report on the progress of the implementation of the
14 strategy required by subsection (a), including any re-
15 source or authority gaps identified in the Depart-
16 ment’s ability to execute the strategy.

17 **SEC. 1316. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON DEFENSE ALLIANCE**
18 **AND PARTNERSHIP WITH SOUTH KOREA.**

19 *It is the sense of Congress that the Secretary of Defense*
20 *should continue efforts that strengthen United States defense*
21 *alliances and partnerships in the Indo-Pacific region so as*
22 *to further the comparative advantage of the United States*
23 *in strategic competition with the People’s Republic of*
24 *China, including by—*

1 (1) *reinforcing the United States alliance with*
2 *South Korea;*

3 (2) *maintaining the presence of approximately*
4 *28,500 members of the United States Armed Forces*
5 *deployed to South Korea;*

6 (3) *enhancing mutual defense base cooperation;*
7 *and*

8 (4) *affirming the United States extended deter-*
9 *rence commitment using the full range of United*
10 *States defense capabilities, consistent with the Mutual*
11 *Defense Treaty Between the United States and the*
12 *Republic of Korea, signed at Washington, October 1,*
13 *1953, in support of the shared objective of a peaceful*
14 *and stable Korean Peninsula.*

15 ***TITLE XIV—OTHER***
16 ***AUTHORIZATIONS***
17 ***Subtitle A—Military Programs***

18 ***SEC. 1401. WORKING CAPITAL FUNDS.***

19 *Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fis-*
20 *cal year 2026 for the use of the Armed Forces and other*
21 *activities and agencies of the Department of Defense for*
22 *providing capital for working capital and revolving funds,*
23 *as specified in the funding table in section 4501.*

1 **SEC. 1402. CHEMICAL AGENTS AND MUNITIONS DESTRUC-**
2 **TION, DEFENSE.**

3 (a) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds are*
4 *hereby authorized to be appropriated for the Department*
5 *of Defense for fiscal year 2026 for expenses, not otherwise*
6 *provided for, for Chemical Agents and Munitions Destruc-*
7 *tion, Defense, as specified in the funding table in section*
8 *4501.*

9 (b) *USE.—Amounts authorized to be appropriated*
10 *under subsection (a) are authorized for the destruction of*
11 *lethal chemical agents and munitions in accordance with*
12 *section 1412 of the Department of Defense Authorization*
13 *Act, 1986 (50 U.S.C. 1521).*

14 **SEC. 1403. DRUG INTERDICTION AND COUNTER-DRUG AC-**
15 **TIVITIES, DEFENSE-WIDE.**

16 *Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for the*
17 *Department of Defense for fiscal year 2026 for expenses, not*
18 *otherwise provided for, for Drug Interdiction and Counter-*
19 *Drug Activities, Defense-wide, as specified in the funding*
20 *table in section 4501.*

21 **SEC. 1404. DEFENSE INSPECTOR GENERAL.**

22 *Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for the*
23 *Department of Defense for fiscal year 2026 for expenses, not*
24 *otherwise provided for, for the Office of the Inspector Gen-*
25 *eral of the Department of Defense, as specified in the fund-*
26 *ing table in section 4501.*

1 **SEC. 1405. DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM.**

2 *Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fis-*
 3 *cal year 2026 for the Defense Health Program for use of*
 4 *the Armed Forces and other activities and agencies of the*
 5 *Department of Defense for providing for the health of eligi-*
 6 *ble beneficiaries, as specified in the funding table in section*
 7 *4501.*

8 ***Subtitle B—Other Matters***

9 **SEC. 1411. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITIES FOR FUNDING AND**
 10 **MANAGEMENT OF JOINT DEPARTMENT OF**
 11 **DEFENSE-DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AF-**
 12 **FAIRS MEDICAL FACILITY DEMONSTRATION**
 13 **FUND FOR CAPTAIN JAMES A. LOVELL**
 14 **HEALTH CARE CENTER, ILLINOIS.**

15 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1704(e) of the National De-*
 16 *fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law*
 17 *111–84; 123 Stat. 2573), as most recently amended by sec-*
 18 *tion 1421(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for*
 19 *Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 2129),*
 20 *is amended by striking “September 30, 2026” and inserting*
 21 *“September 30, 2027”.*

22 *(b) AUTHORITY FOR TRANSFER OF FUNDS.—Of the*
 23 *funds authorized to be appropriated for section 1405 and*
 24 *available for the Defense Health Program for operation and*
 25 *maintenance, \$162,500,000 may be transferred by the Sec-*
 26 *retary of Defense to the Joint Department of Defense–De-*

1 *partment of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstra-*
 2 *tion Fund established by subsection (a)(1) of section 1704*
 3 *of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
 4 *2010 (Public Law 111–84; 123 Stat. 2571). For purposes*
 5 *of subsection (a)(2) of such section 1704, any funds so*
 6 *transferred shall be treated as amounts authorized and ap-*
 7 *propriated specifically for the purpose of such a transfer.*

8 (c) *USE OF TRANSFERRED FUNDS.—For the purposes*
 9 *of subsection (b) of such section 1704, facility operations*
 10 *for which funds transferred under subsection (a) may be*
 11 *used are operations of the Captain James A. Lovell Federal*
 12 *Health Care Center, consisting of the North Chicago Vet-*
 13 *erans Affairs Medical Center, the Navy Ambulatory Care*
 14 *Center, and supporting facilities designated as a combined*
 15 *Federal medical facility under an operational agreement*
 16 *covered by section 706 of the Duncan Hunter National De-*
 17 *fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law*
 18 *110–417; 122 Stat. 4500).*

19 **SEC. 1412. AMENDMENT TO NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE**
 20 **SHORTFALL BRIEFINGS.**

21 (a) *IN GENERAL.—Section 14(f)(2) of the Strategic*
 22 *and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98h-*
 23 *5(f)(2)) is amended—*

24 (1) *by amending subparagraph (A) to read as*
 25 *follows:*

1 “(A) a list of the materials described in such
2 paragraph and, for each such material—

3 “(i) a description of the material;

4 “(ii) the priority of the material; and

5 “(iii) the objective to be achieved if funding
6 is provided, in whole or in part, for the acquisi-
7 tion of the material to remedy the shortfall of
8 such material in the stockpile;”.

9 (2) in subparagraph (B), by striking “and” at
10 the end;

11 (3) in subparagraph (C), by striking the period
12 at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

13 (4) by adding at the end the following new sub-
14 paragraphs:

15 “(D) verification that the National Defense
16 Stockpile Manager manages and evaluates the stock-
17 pile using the most complete and accurate data pro-
18 vided by the military departments (as defined under
19 section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code);

20 “(E) the amounts appropriated by Congress to
21 the stockpile for both the current fiscal year and the
22 previous fiscal year;

23 “(F) a description of any progress or mitigation
24 plans based on recommendations to address such

1 *shortfall that were made in reports submitted under*
2 *subsection (a) prior to such briefing;*

3 “(G) a description of the risks resulting from the
4 *inability of the armed services to provide comprehen-*
5 *sive data for all strategic and critical materials;*

6 “(H) the cost to remedy all such shortfalls; and

7 “(I) the cost to remedy such shortfalls for such
8 *materials that are a priority.”.*

9 (b) *IMPLEMENTATION BRIEFING.*—Not later than Feb-
10 *ruary 1, 2026, the Secretary of Defense and the Director*
11 *of the Defense Logistics Agency shall jointly provide to con-*
12 *gressional defense committees a briefing on the progress of*
13 *implementing the recommendations in the report of the*
14 *Government Accountability Office titled “National Defense*
15 *Stockpile: Actions Needed to Improve DOD’s Efforts to Pre-*
16 *pare for Emergencies” and dated September 10, 2024*
17 *(GAO-24-106959), including—*

18 (1) *the specific actions taken to implement such*
19 *recommendations;*

20 (2) *an explanation of any obstacles to imple-*
21 *menting such recommendations;*

22 (3) *a description of any planned actions to im-*
23 *plement such recommendations; and*

24 (4) *for each such recommendation not fully im-*
25 *plemented as of the date of such briefing, an estimate*

1 *of the date on which such recommendation will be*
2 *fully implemented.*

3 **SEC. 1413. BEGINNING BALANCES OF THE DEFENSE LOGIS-**
4 **TICS AGENCY WORKING CAPITAL FUND FOR**
5 **AUDIT PURPOSES.**

6 *For purposes of an audit conducted under chapter 9A*
7 *of title 10, United States Code, of the Defense Logistics*
8 *Agency Working Capital Fund established pursuant to sec-*
9 *tion 2208 of title 10, United States Code, Working Capital*
10 *Funds—*

11 *(1) the Fund Balance with Treasury opening*
12 *balance for October 1, 2024, for United States Stand-*
13 *ard General Ledger Account 101000 is*
14 *\$3,483,483,641.67, as recorded in official accounting*
15 *records;*

16 *(2) the Unexpended Appropriations—Cumulative*
17 *opening balance for October 1, 2024, for United*
18 *States Standard General Ledger Account 310000 is*
19 *\$883,887,145.71, as recorded in official accounting*
20 *records;*

21 *(3) the Cumulative Results of Operations open-*
22 *ing balance for October 1, 2024, for United States*
23 *Standard General Ledger Account 331000 is*
24 *\$27,271,547,121.85, as recorded in official accounting*
25 *records;*

1 (4) *the Contract Authority Carried Forward*
2 *opening balance for October 1, 2024, for United*
3 *States Standard General Ledger Account 413900 is*
4 *\$13,130,151,985.39, as recorded in official accounting*
5 *records;*

6 (5) *the Total Actual Resources—Collected opening*
7 *balance for October 1, 2024, for United States Stand-*
8 *ard General Ledger Account 420100 is*
9 *\$3,578,944,883.86, as recorded in official accounting*
10 *records; and*

11 (6) *the Unapportioned—Unexpired Authority*
12 *opening balance for October 1, 2024, for United*
13 *States Standard General Ledger Account 445000 is*
14 *\$507,354,134.72, as recorded in official accounting*
15 *records.*

16 **SEC. 1414. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR**
17 **ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME.**

18 *There is hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal*
19 *year 2026 from the Armed Forces Retirement Home Trust*
20 *Fund the sum of \$77,000,000 for the operation of the Armed*
21 *Forces Retirement Home.*

1 ***TITLE XV—CYBERSPACE-***
2 ***RELATED MATTERS***
3 ***Subtitle A—Cyber Operations***

4 ***SEC. 1501. ACCOUNTABILITY OF THE AUTHORIZATION TO***
5 ***OPERATE PROCESSES.***

6 *Section 1522 of the National Defense Authorization*
7 *Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118-159; 10 U.S.C.*
8 *2223 note) is amended—*

9 *(1) in subsection (b)(2)—*

10 *(A) in subparagraph (C), by striking “and”*
11 *at the end;*

12 *(B) in subparagraph (D), by striking the*
13 *period at the end and inserting a semicolon; and*

14 *(C) by adding at the end the following new*
15 *subparagraphs:*

16 *“(E) defines Department of Defense-wide,*
17 *mandatory timelines for activities performed by*
18 *authorizing officials with respect to an Author-*
19 *ization to Operate for cloud-hosted platforms,*
20 *services, and applications; and*

21 *“(F) establishes processes and policies, de-*
22 *veloped in coordination with the Chief Informa-*
23 *tion Officers of the military departments, for the*
24 *boards established in subsections (c) and (d).”;*

1 (2) *by redesignating subsections (c) and (d) as*
2 *subsections (e) and (g), respectively;*

3 (3) *by inserting after subsection (b) the following*
4 *new subsections:*

5 “(c) *ESTABLISHMENT OF AUTHORITY-TO-OPERATE*
6 *EXPEDITED APPEALS BOARD FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF*
7 *DEFENSE.—*

8 “(1) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days*
9 *after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense*
10 *shall establish a board, to be known as the ‘Authority-*
11 *to-Operate Expedited Appeals Board’.*

12 “(2) *RESPONSIBILITIES.—*

13 “(A) *IN GENERAL.—The board established*
14 *under paragraph (1) shall decide whether to*
15 *grant each Authorization to Operate for which a*
16 *relevant stakeholder in the Authorization to Op-*
17 *erate submission process submits a request in ac-*
18 *cordance with subparagraph (B) not later than*
19 *90 days after the date on which such relevant*
20 *stakeholder submits such request.*

21 “(B) *SUBMISSION.—A relevant stakeholder*
22 *in the Authorization to Operate submission proc-*
23 *ess seeking a decision from the board established*
24 *under paragraph (1) with respect to an Author-*

1 *ization to Operate may submit a request for such*
2 *decision to such board if—*

3 *“(i) a request for such Authorization to*
4 *Operate was appropriately submitted to the*
5 *authorizing official for such Authorization*
6 *to Operate not less than 180 days prior to*
7 *the submission to the board; and*

8 *“(ii) as of the date of such submission,*
9 *such authorizing official has not made a*
10 *final decision with respect to such Author-*
11 *ization to Operate.*

12 *“(C) AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL AUTHORITY.—*
13 *Upon the submission of a request for an Author-*
14 *ization to Operate in accordance with subpara-*
15 *graph (B), the authorizing official for an Au-*
16 *thorization to Operate shall cease to have author-*
17 *ity to grant or deny such Authorization to Oper-*
18 *ate.*

19 *“(3) SUBMISSION FOR CONSIDERATION.—The*
20 *Secretary of Defense shall ensure that each relevant*
21 *stakeholder in the Authorization to Operate submis-*
22 *sion process may submit to the board established*
23 *under paragraph (1) a request for a decision under*
24 *paragraph (2).*

25 *“(4) BOARD REQUIREMENTS.—*

1 “(A) *MEMBERSHIP.*—*The board established*
2 *under paragraph (1) shall be composed of the fol-*
3 *lowing members:*

4 “(i) *The Chief Information Officer of*
5 *the Department of Defense.*

6 “(ii) *The Commander of the United*
7 *States Cyber Command.*

8 “(iii) *The Director of the Defense In-*
9 *formation Systems Agency.*

10 “(iv) *Any other official determined ap-*
11 *propriate by the chair of such board.*

12 “(B) *CHAIR.*—*The chair of the board estab-*
13 *lished under paragraph (1) shall be the Chief In-*
14 *formation Officer of the Department of Defense.*

15 “(C) *FREQUENCY.*—*The board established*
16 *under paragraph (1) shall meet not less than fre-*
17 *quently than quarterly.*

18 “(5) *EXISTING FORUM.*—

19 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary of De-*
20 *fense may designate a body in the Department*
21 *of Defense to carry the responsibilities described*
22 *in paragraph (2) if—*

23 “(i) *the body so designated is in exist-*
24 *ence as of the date of the enactment of this*
25 *subsection: and*

1 “(ii) the responsibilities of such body
2 relate to managing risks for information
3 technologies.

4 “(B) EFFECTS.—If the Secretary of Defense
5 designates a body under subparagraph (A)—

6 “(i) paragraph (1) shall not apply
7 with respect to the Secretary; and

8 “(ii) such body shall be deemed to be a
9 board established in such military depart-
10 ment under paragraph (1) for the purposes
11 of paragraphs (2) and (3).

12 “(C) DISSOLUTION.—If the body designated
13 by the Secretary of Defense under this paragraph
14 ceases to exist or becomes permanently unable to
15 carry out the responsibilities described in para-
16 graph (2), the Secretary may designate another
17 body in the Department of Defense to carry out
18 such responsibilities or establish a board in ac-
19 cordance with paragraph (1), except that the
20 Secretary shall establish such board not later
21 than 180 days after the date on which the body
22 designated by the Secretary under this para-
23 graph ceases to exist or becomes permanently un-
24 able to carry out such responsibilities.

1 “(d) *ESTABLISHMENT OF AUTHORITY-TO-OPERATE*
2 *EXPEDITED APPEALS BOARD FOR THE MILITARY DEPART-*
3 *MENTS.*—

4 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 180 days
5 after enactment of this Act, each Secretary of a mili-
6 tary department shall establish in such military de-
7 partment a board.

8 “(2) *RESPONSIBILITIES.*—

9 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—Each board established
10 in a military department under paragraph (1)
11 shall decide whether to grant each Authorization
12 to Operate for which a relevant stakeholder in
13 the Authorization to Operate submission process
14 submits a request in accordance with subpara-
15 graph (B) not later than 90 days after the date
16 on which such relevant stakeholder submits such
17 request.

18 “(B) *SUBMISSION.*—A relevant stakeholder
19 in the Authorization to Operate submission proc-
20 ess seeking a decision from a board established in
21 a military department under paragraph (1) with
22 respect to an Authorization to Operate may sub-
23 mit a request for such decision to such board
24 if—

1 “(i) a request for such Authorization to
2 Operate was appropriately submitted to the
3 authorizing official for such Authorization
4 to Operate not less than 180 days prior to
5 the submission to the board;

6 “(ii) the Authorization to Operate is
7 for an information system of such military
8 department; and

9 “(iii) as of the date of such submission,
10 the authorizing official for such Authoriza-
11 tion to Operate has not made a final deci-
12 sion with respect such Authorization to Op-
13 erate.

14 “(C) AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL AUTHORITY.—
15 Upon the submission of a request for an Author-
16 ization to Operate in accordance with subpara-
17 graph (B), the authorizing official for an Au-
18 thorization to Operate shall cease to have author-
19 ity to grant or deny such Authorization to Oper-
20 ate.

21 “(3) SUBMISSION CAPABILITY.—The Secretary
22 concerned for a military department shall ensure that
23 each relevant stakeholder in the Authorization to Op-
24 erate submission process may submit to the board es-
25 tablished in such military department under para-

1 *graph (1) a request for a decision under paragraph*
2 *(2).*

3 “(4) *BOARD REQUIREMENTS.*—

4 “(A) *MEMBERSHIP.*—*A board established in*
5 *a military department under paragraph (1)*
6 *shall be composed of the following members:*

7 “(i) *The Chief Information Officer of*
8 *such military department.*

9 “(ii) *The service acquisition executive*
10 *of such military department.*

11 “(iii) *The commanders of the relevant*
12 *service cyber components.*

13 “(iv) *Any other official determined ap-*
14 *propriate by the chair of such board.*

15 “(B) *CHAIR.*—*The chair of a board estab-*
16 *lished in a military department under para-*
17 *graph (1) shall be the Chief Information Officer*
18 *of such military department.*

19 “(C) *FREQUENCY.*—*Each board established*
20 *under paragraph (1) shall meet not less than fre-*
21 *quently than quarterly.*

22 “(5) *EXISTING FORUM.*—

23 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary of a*
24 *military department may designate a body in*

1 *such military department to carry the respon-*
2 *sibilities of described in paragraph (2) if—*

3 *“(i) the body so designated is in exist-*
4 *ence as of the date of the enactment of this*
5 *subsection: and*

6 *“(ii) the responsibilities of such body*
7 *relate to managing risks for information*
8 *technologies.*

9 *“(B) EFFECTS.—If the Secretary of a mili-*
10 *tary department designates a body under sub-*
11 *paragraph (A)—*

12 *“(i) paragraph (1) shall not apply*
13 *with respect to such Secretary; and*

14 *“(ii) such body shall be deemed to be a*
15 *board established in such military depart-*
16 *ment under paragraph (1) for the purposes*
17 *of paragraphs (2) and (3).*

18 *“(C) DISSOLUTION.—If the body designated*
19 *by the Secretary of a military department under*
20 *this paragraph ceases to exist or becomes perma-*
21 *nently unable to carry out the responsibilities de-*
22 *scribed in paragraph (2), the Secretary may des-*
23 *ignate another body in such military department*
24 *to carry out such responsibilities or establish a*
25 *board in accordance with paragraph (1), except*

1 *that the Secretary shall establish such board not*
2 *later than 180 days after the date on which the*
3 *body designated by the Secretary under this*
4 *paragraph ceases to exist or becomes perma-*
5 *nently unable to carry out such responsibil-*
6 *ities.”; and*

7 *(4) by inserting after subsection (e), as so redes-*
8 *ignated, the following new subsection:*

9 “(f) *BIANNUAL REPORT.*—

10 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than six months*
11 *after the date of the enactment of this subsection, and*
12 *every six months thereafter under October 1, 2031, the*
13 *Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional*
14 *defense committees a report on activities under this*
15 *section in the six-month period ending on the date of*
16 *the submission of such report.*

17 “(2) *CONTENTS.*—*Each report required under*
18 *paragraph (1) shall include, for the period covered by*
19 *such report—*

20 “(A) *the number of new Authorizations to*
21 *Operate;*

22 “(B) *the number of Authorizations to Oper-*
23 *ate evaluated;*

24 “(C) *the number of requests for Authoriza-*
25 *tions to Operate that were denied;*

1 “(D) the number of requests for Authoriza-
2 tions to Operate submitted to the board estab-
3 lished under subsection (c);

4 “(E) the number of requests for Authoriza-
5 tions to Operate resolved by the board established
6 under subsection (c);

7 “(F) the number of requests for Authoriza-
8 tions to Operate submitted to a board established
9 under subsection (d);

10 “(G) the number of requests for Authoriza-
11 tions to Operate resolved by a board established
12 under subsection (d);

13 “(H) the average length of time required for
14 a capability to receive an Authorization to Oper-
15 ate in accordance with the organization’s imple-
16 mentation of the risk management framework
17 publish by the National Institution of Standards
18 and Technology in NIST Special Publication
19 800-37, or any amendatory or superseding docu-
20 ment thereto;

21 “(I) the number of Authorizations to Oper-
22 ate issued pursuant to the policy required by
23 subsection (b);

1 “(J) the number of requested reciprocal Au-
 2 thorizations to Operate denied due to insuffi-
 3 ciency of supporting evidence; and

4 “(K) a narrative summary identifying defi-
 5 ciencies in Bodies of Evidence packages that pre-
 6 vented an authorizing official from adopting the
 7 security analysis and artifacts, as appropriate,
 8 of a cloud-hosted platform, service, or applica-
 9 tion that has already been authorized by another
 10 authorizing official in the Department of Defense
 11 in accordance with the policy required by sub-
 12 section (b).”.

13 **SEC. 1502. CODIFICATION OF THE NATIONAL CENTERS OF**
 14 **ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE IN CYBERSECURITY.**

15 (a) *MANAGEMENT OF THE NATIONAL CENTERS OF*
 16 *ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE IN CYBER.*—

17 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Director of Cyber Aca-*
 18 *demic Engagement Office shall manage the National*
 19 *Centers of Academic Excellence in Cyber program.*

20 (2) *RESPONSIBILITIES.*—*In managing the Pro-*
 21 *gram, the Director shall—*

22 (A) *consult with the Director of the Na-*
 23 *tional Security Agency, the Director of the Cy-*
 24 *bersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency*
 25 *of the Department of Homeland Security, the Di-*

1 *rector of the National Institute of Standards and*
2 *Technology, the Director of the Federal Bureau*
3 *of Investigation, and the Director of the National*
4 *Science Foundation, to ensure that the cyber*
5 *education programs and educational resource de-*
6 *velopment efforts and programs of the Federal*
7 *Government do not compete or conflict with each*
8 *other;*

9 *(B) consult with the heads of other appro-*
10 *priate Federal agencies and representatives of*
11 *appropriate private sector entities, academic in-*
12 *stitutions, and other organizations as determined*
13 *necessary by the Director to make the designa-*
14 *tions under subsection (b); and*

15 *(C) manage instructional and participatory*
16 *opportunities available through the efforts, pro-*
17 *grams, initiatives, and investments from pri-*
18 *mary through postsecondary levels accounted for*
19 *in the report required under section 1649 of the*
20 *National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal*
21 *Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 133 Stat. 1758).*

22 *(b) DESIGNATIONS.—*

23 *(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition the responsibil-*
24 *ities under subsection (a)(2), in carrying out the Pro-*
25 *gram, the Director shall designate academic institu-*

1 *tions as National Centers of Academic Excellence in*
2 *one or more of cyber defense, cyber operations, and*
3 *cyber research.*

4 (2) *CRITERIA.—The Director shall make the des-*
5 *ignations under paragraph (1) based on the following:*

6 (A) *Academic requirements and best prac-*
7 *tices identified by the Director in consultation*
8 *with Departments and Agencies enabling the de-*
9 *velopment of educational programs reflecting the*
10 *full range of cyber work roles specified in the De-*
11 *fense Cyber Workforce Framework, the National*
12 *Initiative on Cyber Education Workforce Frame-*
13 *work for Cyber published by the National Insti-*
14 *tute of Standards and Technology in NIST Spe-*
15 *cial Publication 800–181, Revision 5, or any*
16 *successor framework.*

17 (B) *Institutional criteria and requirements*
18 *emphasizing the following:*

19 (i) *Outreach to the surrounding com-*
20 *munity of an eligible academic institution.*

21 (ii) *Leadership in contributing to the*
22 *development of a national cyber workforce,*
23 *including cultivating educational institu-*
24 *tion faculty and research leaders.*

1 (iii) *Leadership in the development of*
2 *educational and performance expectations*
3 *for cyber professionals, including through*
4 *curriculum and degree offerings to prepare*
5 *future cyber professionals of all knowledge*
6 *and skill levels.*

7 (iv) *Demonstrated commitment to im-*
8 *plementing cyber best practices within the*
9 *eligible academic institution across aca-*
10 *demic disciplines.*

11 (v) *Demonstrated commitment to seek*
12 *solutions to challenges in addressing Fed-*
13 *eral, State, local, territorial, and Tribal*
14 *level Cyber education needs.*

15 (vi) *Regional accreditation from one of*
16 *the six regional accrediting agencies recog-*
17 *nized by the Federal Department of Edu-*
18 *cation providing external review to assure*
19 *quality and ongoing improvement.*

20 (C) *Increasing collaboration within the*
21 *cyber education community to support develop-*
22 *ment and sharing of educational materials and*
23 *curriculum.*

24 (D) *Increasing collaboration with private*
25 *sector entities and government employers at the*

1 *Federal, State, local, territorial, and Tribal lev-*
2 *els to further define workforce requirements and*
3 *assist in defining academic requirements to pre-*
4 *pare students for the field of cyber.*

5 *(c) METRICS AND REPORTING.—*

6 *(1) METRICS.—The Director shall—*

7 *(A) collaborate with the individuals de-*
8 *scribed in subsection (a)(2)(A) to identify*
9 *metrics and annual data reporting requirements*
10 *necessary to assess the degree to which the Pro-*
11 *gram is meeting the objectives of the Program;*
12 *and*

13 *(B) ensure adequate data and best practices*
14 *are made available to the individuals described*
15 *in subsection (a)(2)(A) to measure the efficacy of*
16 *the Program and the benefits provided to indi-*
17 *viduals participating in the Program and to the*
18 *Department compared to costs of the Program*
19 *paid by academic institutions participating in*
20 *the Program and sponsors of the Program.*

21 *(2) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than one year*
22 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annu-*
23 *ally thereafter, the Director shall submit to Congress*
24 *a report on the benefits provided to individuals par-*
25 *ticipating in the Program and to the Department*

1 *compared to costs of the Program paid by academic*
 2 *institutions participating in the program and spon-*
 3 *sors of the Program.*

4 *(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

5 *(1) The term “academic institution” means an*
 6 *eligible and current United States community college,*
 7 *college, academy, institute, or university in the*
 8 *United States for designation under the Program.*

9 *(2) The term “Cyber Academic Engagement Of-*
 10 *fice” means the office established under section*
 11 *2192c(a) of title 10, United States Code.*

12 *(3) The term “Director” means the Director of*
 13 *the Cyber Academic Engagement Office.*

14 *(4) The term “Program” means the National*
 15 *Centers of Academic Excellence in Cyber program.*

16 **SEC. 1503. ASSESSMENT OF CYBER OPERATIONAL SUPPORT**
 17 **TO GEOGRAPHIC COMBATANT COMMANDS.**

18 *(a) REPORTS.—Not later than one year after the date*
 19 *of the enactment of this Act, each commander of a unified*
 20 *combatant command, other than the Commander of the*
 21 *United States Cyber Command, shall submit to the congres-*
 22 *sional defense committees a report assessing the sufficiency*
 23 *of support provided by the Commander of United States*
 24 *Cyber Command in carrying out the mission of such uni-*
 25 *fied combatant command.*

1 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—Each report submitted by a com-
 2 mander of a unified combatant command under subsection
 3 (a) shall include an evaluation of—

4 (1) *the ability of the United States Cyber Com-*
 5 *mand and the service cyber components to provide to*
 6 *such combatant command capabilities that align with*
 7 *the operational requirements of such commander, in-*
 8 *cluding capabilities to support such commander act-*
 9 *ing with respect to targets on the joint integrated*
 10 *prioritized target list of such commander; and*

11 (2) *such other matters as determined appropriate*
 12 *by such commander.*

13 **SEC. 1504. LIMITATION ON THE DIVESTMENT, CONSOLIDA-**
 14 **TION, AND CURTAILMENT OF CERTAIN ELEC-**
 15 **TRONIC WARFARE TEST AND EVALUATION AC-**
 16 **TIVITIES.**

17 (a) *PROHIBITION.*—The Secretary of the Army shall
 18 not take any action to divest, consolidate, or curtail any
 19 electronic warfare test and evaluation activities that were
 20 part of an Army element of the Major Range and Test Fa-
 21 cility Base on or before the date of the enactment of this
 22 Act until the Secretary submits to the congressional defense
 23 committees the report described in subsection (b).

24 (b) *REPORT.*—The report described in this subsection
 25 is a report on a decision of the Secretary to divest, consoli-

1 *date, or curtail an electronic warfare test or evaluation ac-*
 2 *tivity described in subsection (a) that contains the fol-*
 3 *lowing:*

4 (1) *A description of the analytic basis used by*
 5 *the Secretary for making the decision, including mat-*
 6 *ters relating to any cost, workload, and workforce re-*
 7 *quirements, as well as any analysis relating to oper-*
 8 *ational impact on users of the activities.*

9 (2) *The findings from an independent review by*
 10 *the Director of the Office of Cost Assessment and Pro-*
 11 *gram Evaluation of all analyses described in para-*
 12 *graph (1).*

13 (3) *A certification by the Director of the Test Re-*
 14 *source Management Center that the analyses described*
 15 *in paragraph (1) and the decision of the Secretary*
 16 *meet the requirement of the Department of Defense, as*
 17 *required by section 4173(c)(1)(B) of title 10, United*
 18 *States Code.*

19 **SEC. 1505. INCENTIVIZATION PLAN FOR CRITICAL SKILLS**
 20 **FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES TO**
 21 **CARRY OUT DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**
 22 **CYBER OPERATIONS.**

23 (a) *PLAN REQUIRED.*—*The Secretary of Defense, in*
 24 *consultation with the Commander of the United States*
 25 *Cyber Command, shall develop and implement a plan to*

1 *incentivize critical skills and proficiencies for covered mem-*
2 *bers of the Armed Forces required to carry out Department*
3 *of Defense cyber operations.*

4 (b) *ELEMENTS.—The plan required under subsection*
5 *(a) shall include the following:*

6 (1) *An identification of critical skills and pro-*
7 *ficiencies required by covered members of the Armed*
8 *Forces to carry out Department of Defense cyber oper-*
9 *ations.*

10 (2) *A process for reassessment of critical skills*
11 *and identification of lessons learned with respect to*
12 *such operations.*

13 (3) *An identification of skill sets related to such*
14 *operations that should require periodic recertification.*

15 (4) *Estimated personnel levels required for each*
16 *skill set and proficiency related to such operations.*

17 (5) *A process for identifying personnel levels and*
18 *skills of covered members of the Armed Forces that*
19 *may be useful for such operations.*

20 (6) *A process for providing continuation or cer-*
21 *tification pay for each skill set needed for such oper-*
22 *ations.*

23 (7) *An anticipated budget for incentives to be*
24 *used with—*

1 (A) the level of cyber operations personnel
2 as of the date of the enactment of this Act; and

3 (B) a level of cyber operations personnel
4 that the Secretary considers to be full capacity.

5 (c) *REPORT*.—Not later than March 1, 2026, the Sec-
6 retary of the Defense shall submit to the congressional de-
7 fense committees a report containing the plan required
8 under subsection (a).

9 (d) *COVERED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES DE-*
10 *FINED*.—In this section, the term “covered members of the
11 Armed Forces” means members of the Army, Navy, Air
12 Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force.

13 **SEC. 1506. EVALUATION OF JOINT TASK FORCE-CYBER FOR**
14 **THE INDO-PACIFIC AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY.**

15 (a) *EVALUATION*.—Not later than July 1, 2026, the
16 Secretary of Defense, acting through the Assistant Secretary
17 of Defense for Cyber Policy, in collaboration with the Vice
18 Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Commander of
19 United States Cyber Command, and the Commander of
20 United States Indo-Pacific Command, shall conduct a com-
21 prehensive evaluation and provide recommendations on es-
22 tablishing a Joint Task Force-Cyber for the Indo-Pacific
23 Command area of responsibility.

24 (b) *EVALUATION REQUIREMENTS*.—The evaluation re-
25 quired under subsection (a) shall include the following:

1 (1) *An assessment of cyber force employment re-*
2 *quirements and capabilities for the Indo-Pacific Com-*
3 *mand area of responsibility.*

4 (2) *An assessment of the operational require-*
5 *ments for Joint Task Force-Cyber elements in each ge-*
6 *ographic combatant command area of operations.*

7 (3) *An analysis of the optimal command and*
8 *control structures for the elements of Joint Task*
9 *Force-Cyber, including—*

10 (A) *the designation of Joint Task Force Es-*
11 *tablishing Authority described in Joint Publica-*
12 *tion 3-33 of the Joint Task Force Headquarters*
13 *(January 31, 2018);*

14 (B) *the alignment of operational control*
15 *and tactical control authorities over subordinate*
16 *forces assigned to Joint Task Force-Cyber; and*

17 (C) *concurrent Joint Task Force Estab-*
18 *lishing Authority management structures be-*
19 *tween United States Cyber Command and the*
20 *United States Indo-Pacific Command.*

21 (4) *An assessment of force structure require-*
22 *ments, including—*

23 (A) *the subordinate forces to be assigned to*
24 *each planned element of Joint Task Force-Cyber,*
25 *including—*

1 (i) *Joint Forces Headquarters Cyber of*
2 *the Navy;*

3 (ii) *Joint Task Force Ares;*

4 (iii) *Task Force Two of the Cyber Na-*
5 *tional Mission Force; and*

6 (iv) *Forward Information Warfare*
7 *Command Pacific of the Navy;*

8 (B) *the personnel and resources required to*
9 *carry out the mission of Joint Task Force-Cyber;*
10 *and*

11 (C) *sources of personnel required to meet*
12 *such personnel requirements.*

13 (5) *An evaluation of the integration and*
14 *sustainment of cyber capabilities and effects.*

15 (6) *An identification of supporting infrastruc-*
16 *ture requirements for the Indo-Pacific Command to*
17 *conduct cyber activities in support of the military ob-*
18 *jects of the Indo-Pacific Command.*

19 (7) *A description of potential missions and lines*
20 *of effort for elements of Joint Task Force-Cyber.*

21 (8) *Such other matters as the Assistant Secretary*
22 *of Defense for Cyber Policy and the Vice Chairman*
23 *of the Joint Chiefs of Staff determine appropriate.*

24 (c) *IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR JOINT TASK FORCE-*
25 *CYBER.—The evaluation required under subsection (a) shall*

1 *include a comprehensive implementation plan for estab-*
 2 *lishing Joint Task Force-Cyber for the United States Indo-*
 3 *Pacific Command area of responsibility that is based, as*
 4 *determined appropriate, on the findings of such evaluation.*

5 *(d) REPORT.—Not later than July 1, 2026, the Assist-*
 6 *ant Secretary of Defense for Cyber Policy, the Vice Chair-*
 7 *man of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Commander of*
 8 *United States Cyber Command shall jointly submit to the*
 9 *Secretary of Defense and the congressional defense commit-*
 10 *tees a report containing—*

11 *(1) the results of the evaluation required under*
 12 *subsection (a);*

13 *(2) the implementation plan required under sub-*
 14 *section (c);*

15 *(3) the views from each of the geographic com-*
 16 *batant commands regarding the findings of such eval-*
 17 *uation and such implementation plan; and*

18 *(4) recommendations for legislative or adminis-*
 19 *trative actions required to implement such implemen-*
 20 *tation plan.*

21 ***Subtitle B—Cybersecurity***

22 ***SEC. 1511. ANNUAL REPORT ON WEAPON SYSTEMS DATA*** 23 ***ACCESSIBILITY AND SECURITY.***

24 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than April 30, 2026, and*
 25 *annually thereafter until September 30, 2030, the Secretary*

1 *of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of the Army,*
2 *Secretary of the Navy, and Secretary of the Air Force, shall*
3 *submit to the congressional defense committees a report*
4 *analyzing the weapons platforms of the Department of De-*
5 *fense that lack onboard, real-time cybersecurity capabilities.*

6 (b) *ELEMENTS.—Each annual report submitted under*
7 *subsection (a) shall include, for each weapons platform ana-*
8 *lyzed in such report, the following:*

9 (1) *An explanation of why onboard, real-time*
10 *cybersecurity capabilities have not yet been integrated*
11 *into such weapons platform.*

12 (2) *An estimate of the cost to implement on-*
13 *board, real-time cybersecurity capabilities into such*
14 *weapons platform to enable monitoring and detection*
15 *of cyber intrusions.*

16 (3) *A timeline, correlated with the cost estimate*
17 *required under paragraph (2), to implement onboard,*
18 *real-time cybersecurity capabilities across the entire*
19 *inventory of the Department of Defense of such weap-*
20 *ons platform.*

21 (c) *ONBOARD, REAL-TIME CYBERSECURITY CAPABILI-*
22 *TIES DEFINED.—In this section, “onboard, real-time cyber-*
23 *security capabilities” means technologies integrated into a*
24 *weapons platform that mitigate cyber risks to operation,*

1 *including serial bus monitoring capabilities or runtime ap-*
 2 *plication self-protection capabilities.*

3 **SEC. 1512. INCORPORATION OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE**
 4 **CONSIDERATIONS INTO ANNUAL CYBERSECU-**
 5 **RITY TRAINING.**

6 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the*
 7 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense,*
 8 *acting through the Chief Information Officer of the Depart-*
 9 *ment of Defense, shall revise the mandatory annual train-*
 10 *ing on cybersecurity for members of the Armed Forces and*
 11 *civilian employees of the Department of Defense to include*
 12 *content related to the unique cybersecurity challenges posed*
 13 *by the use of artificial intelligence.*

14 *(b) BRIEFINGS.—Not later than 90 days after the date*
 15 *of the enactment of this Act, and every 90 days thereafter*
 16 *until the training described in subsection (a) has been re-*
 17 *vised as required by such subsection, the Chief Information*
 18 *Officer of the Department of Defense shall provide to the*
 19 *Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representa-*
 20 *tives and Senate a briefing on the progress of such revision.*

21 **SEC. 1513. UPDATE TO CYBER SECURITY REQUIREMENTS**
 22 **FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONTRACTS.**

23 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the*
 24 *date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Navy*
 25 *shall implement regulations requiring that each covered*

1 *telecommunications contract includes updated cyber secu-*
2 *rity requirements for Department wireless telecommuni-*
3 *cation devices to protect against domestic and international*
4 *cybersecurity attacks, including SS7 signaling attacks, di-*
5 *ameter signaling attacks, SIM hacking, and simulated cel-*
6 *lular sites.*

7 (b) *ELEMENTS.—The cyber security requirements re-*
8 *quired to be included in covered telecommunication con-*
9 *tracts under subsection (a) shall include the following:*

10 (1) *Disabling the use of 2G and 3G tele-*
11 *communication networks by Department wireless tele-*
12 *communication devices, and security vulnerabilities*
13 *in inbound and outbound Signaling System 7 traffic*
14 *from foreign countries and operators of foreign tele-*
15 *communications networks.*

16 (2) *Providing protection against all categories of*
17 *Diameter protocol exploitation, including Category 0*
18 *non-application information, Category 1 application*
19 *ID and command codes, Category 2 application-spe-*
20 *cific values, and Category 3 location and time.*

21 (3) *Enabling and facilitating rotation of tradi-*
22 *tionally persistent alphanumeric identifiers used to*
23 *authenticate users, including the international mobile*
24 *subscriber identity for users, including the inter-*
25 *national mobile subscriber identity.*

1 (4) *Real-time monitoring and blocking of sus-*
2 *picious connections and requests that pose a high risk*
3 *to cybersecurity, including any connection or request*
4 *that would force a Department wireless telecommuni-*
5 *cation device to use a 3G telecommunication network,*
6 *improperly filtered signaling traffic, and connections*
7 *or requests that do not match the location of the sub-*
8 *scriber, as well as real-time alerting when a user of*
9 *Department wireless telecommunication device is tar-*
10 *geted by a high-risk connection or request.*

11 (5) *Encrypting data and call sessions,*
12 *encrypting call data records in storage, and storing*
13 *call data records not longer than 60 days.*

14 (6) *Apply modern cryptographic protections to*
15 *prevent the ability to transfer phone numbers between*
16 *devices and disabling user requests to transfer phone*
17 *numbers between devices.*

18 (7) *Hosting the software infrastructure for the*
19 *mobile network in a commercial cloud computing en-*
20 *vironment and making publicly available quarterly*
21 *cybersecurity audits conducted by independent audi-*
22 *tors on behalf of the Department of Defense.*

23 (c) *CERTIFICATION.*—*Not later than 180 days after the*
24 *date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Navy*
25 *shall certify to the congressional defense committees that the*

1 *Secretary of the Navy has implemented the regulations re-*
2 *quired by subsection (a).*

3 *(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

4 *(1) The term “covered telecommunications con-*
5 *tract” means a contract—*

6 *(A) that is entered into under the multiple*
7 *award contract (as defined in section 3302(a) of*
8 *title 41, United States Code) described in the*
9 *memorandum of the Department of Defense enti-*
10 *tled “DoD UNCLASSIFIED Wireless Mobile*
11 *Services and Devices Spiral 4” and dated May*
12 *23, 2024; or*

13 *(B) under which the Navy acquires wireless*
14 *telecommunication services or devices.*

15 *(2) The term “Department wireless telecommuni-*
16 *cation device” means a wireless telecommunication*
17 *device—*

18 *(A) acquired under a covered telecommuni-*
19 *cations contract; or*

20 *(B) that is using wireless telecommuni-*
21 *cation services under a covered telecommuni-*
22 *cations contract.*

23 **SEC. 1514. FEDERAL CONTRACTOR VULNERABILITY DISCLO-**
24 **SURE POLICY.**

25 *(a) RECOMMENDATIONS.—*

1 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 180 days after
2 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of
3 the Office of Management and Budget, in consultation
4 with the Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastruc-
5 ture Security Agency, the National Cyber Director,
6 the Director of the National Institute of Standards
7 and Technology, and any other appropriate head of
8 an Executive department, shall—

9 (A) review the Federal Acquisition Regula-
10 tion contract requirements and language for con-
11 tractor vulnerability disclosure programs; and

12 (B) recommend updates to such require-
13 ments and language to the Federal Acquisition
14 Regulation Council.

15 (2) *CONTENTS.*—The recommendations required
16 by paragraph (1) shall include updates to such re-
17 quirements designed to ensure that covered contractors
18 implement a vulnerability disclosure policy consistent
19 with NIST guidelines for contractors as required
20 under section 5 of the IoT Cybersecurity Improvement
21 Act of 2020 (15 U.S.C. 278g–3c; Public Law 116–
22 207).

23 (b) *PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS.*—Not later than
24 180 days after the date on which the recommended contract
25 language developed pursuant to subsection (a) is received,

1 *the Federal Acquisition Regulation Council shall review the*
2 *recommended contract language and update the FAR as*
3 *necessary to incorporate requirements for covered contrac-*
4 *tors to receive information about a potential security vul-*
5 *nerability relating to an information system owned or con-*
6 *trolled by a contractor, in performance of the contract.*

7 (c) *ELEMENTS.—The update to the FAR pursuant to*
8 *subsection (b) shall—*

9 (1) *to the maximum extent practicable, align*
10 *with the security vulnerability disclosure process and*
11 *coordinated disclosure requirements relating to Fed-*
12 *eral information systems under sections 5 and 6 of*
13 *the IoT Cybersecurity Improvement Act of 2020 (Pub-*
14 *lic Law 116–207; 15 U.S.C. 278g–3c and 278g–3d);*
15 *and*

16 (2) *to the maximum extent practicable, be*
17 *aligned with industry best practices and Standards*
18 *29147 and 30111 of the International Standards Or-*
19 *ganization (or any successor standard) or any other*
20 *appropriate, relevant, and widely used standard.*

21 (d) *WAIVER.—The head of an agency may waive the*
22 *security vulnerability disclosure policy requirement under*
23 *subsection (b) if—*

1 (1) *the agency Chief Information Officer deter-*
2 *mines that the waiver is necessary in the interest of*
3 *national security or research purposes; and*

4 (2) *if, not later than 30 days after granting a*
5 *waiver, such head submits a notification and jus-*
6 *tification (including information about the duration*
7 *of the waiver) to the Committee on Oversight and*
8 *Government Reform of the House of Representatives*
9 *and the Committee on Homeland Security and Gov-*
10 *ernmental Affairs of the Senate.*

11 (e) *DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SUPPLEMENT TO THE*
12 *FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION.—*

13 (1) *REVIEW.—Not later than 180 days after the*
14 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of De-*
15 *fense shall review the Department of Defense Supple-*
16 *ment to the Federal Acquisition Regulation contract*
17 *requirements and language for contractor vulner-*
18 *ability disclosure programs and develop updates to*
19 *such requirements designed to ensure that covered*
20 *contractors implement a vulnerability disclosure pol-*
21 *icy consistent with NIST guidelines for contractors as*
22 *required under section 5 of the IoT Cybersecurity Im-*
23 *provement Act of 2020 (15 U.S.C. 278g–3c; Public*
24 *Law 116–207).*

1 (2) *REVISIONS.*—Not later than 180 days after
2 the date on which the review required under sub-
3 section (a) is completed, the Secretary shall revise the
4 *DFARS* as necessary to incorporate requirements for
5 covered contractors to receive information about a po-
6 tential security vulnerability relating to an informa-
7 tion system owned or controlled by a contractor, in
8 performance of the contract.

9 (3) *ELEMENTS.*—The Secretary shall ensure that
10 the revision to the *DFARS* described in this sub-
11 section is carried out in accordance with the require-
12 ments of paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (c).

13 (4) *WAIVER.*—The Chief Information Officer of
14 the Department of Defense, in consultation with the
15 National Manager for National Security Systems,
16 may waive the security vulnerability disclosure policy
17 requirements under paragraph (2) if the Chief Infor-
18 mation Officer—

19 (A) determines that the waiver is necessary
20 in the interest of national security or research
21 purposes; and

22 (B) not later than 30 days after granting a
23 waiver, submits a notification and justification
24 (including information about the duration of the

1 *waiver) to the Committees on Armed Services of*
2 *the House of Representatives and the Senate.*

3 (f) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

4 (1) *The term “agency” has the meaning given*
5 *the term in section 3502 of title 44, United States*
6 *Code.*

7 (2) *The term “covered contractor” means a con-*
8 *tractor (as defined in section 7101 of title 41, United*
9 *States Code)—*

10 (A) *whose contract is in an amount the*
11 *same as or greater than the simplified acquisi-*
12 *tion threshold; or*

13 (B) *that uses, operates, manages, or main-*
14 *tains a Federal information system (as defined*
15 *by section 11331 of title 40, United Stated Code)*
16 *on behalf of an agency.*

17 (3) *The term “DFARS” means the Department*
18 *of Defense Supplement to the Federal Acquisition*
19 *Regulation.*

20 (4) *The term “Executive department” has the*
21 *meaning given that term in section 101 of title 5,*
22 *United States Code.*

23 (5) *The term “FAR” means the Federal Acquisi-*
24 *tion Regulation.*

1 (6) *The term “NIST” means the National Insti-*
 2 *tute of Standards and Technology.*

3 (7) *The term “OMB” means the Office of Man-*
 4 *agement and Budget.*

5 (8) *The term “security vulnerability” has the*
 6 *meaning given that term in section 2200 of the*
 7 *Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 650).*

8 (9) *The term “simplified acquisition threshold”*
 9 *has the meaning given that term in section 134 of*
 10 *title 41, United States Code.*

11 ***Subtitle C—Information Technology*** 12 ***and Data Management***

13 ***SEC. 1521. BIOLOGICAL DATA FOR ARTIFICIAL INTEL-*** 14 ***LIGENCE.***

15 (a) *AI ACCESSIBILITY TO QUALIFIED BIOLOGICAL*
 16 *DATA RESOURCES.—*

17 (1) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after*
 18 *the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense*
 19 *shall develop and implement requirements that ensure*
 20 *qualified biological data resources created by research*
 21 *entirely funded by the Department of Defense are col-*
 22 *lected and stored in a manner that facilitates the use*
 23 *of such qualified biological data resources for ad-*
 24 *vanced computational methods, including artificial*
 25 *intelligence.*

1 (2) *RULES OF REQUIREMENTS.*—*The require-*
2 *ments implemented under subsection (a) shall include*
3 *the following:*

4 (A) *A definition of the term “qualified bio-*
5 *logical data resource” for the purposes of such re-*
6 *quirements, which shall be based on one or more*
7 *of the following criteria:*

8 (i) *The type of biological data gen-*
9 *erated.*

10 (ii) *The size of collection of such bio-*
11 *logical data.*

12 (iii) *The amount of Federal funds*
13 *awarded to the research that created such*
14 *qualified biological data resource.*

15 (iv) *The level of sensitivity of the bio-*
16 *logical data generated.*

17 (v) *Any other factor determined appro-*
18 *priate by the Secretary of Defense.*

19 (B) *Guidance on the metrics and metadata*
20 *included under such requirements to indicate*
21 *data quality, including usability, interoper-*
22 *ability, and completeness.*

23 (C) *Requirements for tiered levels of cyberse-*
24 *curity safeguards and access controls for the stor-*
25 *age of biological data.*

1 (D) *Exceptions to such requirements, in-*
2 *cluding for biological data that may implicate*
3 *national security.*

4 (E) *Requirements for the protection of the*
5 *privacy of individuals.*

6 (b) *CONSULTATION.*—*In developing and implementing*
7 *the requirement under subsection (a), the Secretary shall*
8 *consult with the Secretaries of the Armed Forces, the heads*
9 *of the research laboratories of each of the Armed Services,*
10 *and private sector and academia recipients of funding for*
11 *research from the Department of Defense to ensure that such*
12 *requirements are not overly burdensome.*

13 (c) *REPORT.*—*Not later than one year after the date*
14 *of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the*
15 *Secretary shall submit to Congress a report describing the*
16 *progress made in developing and implementing the require-*
17 *ments under subsection (a), including—*

18 (1) *the quantity of the biological data generated*
19 *and stored in accordance with such requirement and*
20 *accessible through application programming inter-*
21 *faces;*

22 (2) *user engagement with biological data in ac-*
23 *cordance with such requirements.*

1 **SEC. 1522. PROCUREMENT OF BEST-IN-CLASS CYBER DATA**
 2 **PRODUCTS AND SERVICES.**

3 *Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment*
 4 *of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the*
 5 *Chief Information Officer, shall provide a briefing to the*
 6 *Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House*
 7 *of Representatives on plans to establish an open and com-*
 8 *petitive process pursuant to section 1521 of the National*
 9 *Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public*
 10 *Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C. 2224 note) to provide best-in-class*
 11 *cybersecurity solutions (including endpoint, identity, and*
 12 *threat hunting solutions) and the benefits associated with*
 13 *the use of multiple different cybersecurity providers to sup-*
 14 *port operational resilience of Department of Defense infor-*
 15 *mation networks.*

16 ***Subtitle D—Artificial Intelligence***

17 **SEC. 1531. ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND MACHINE**
 18 **LEARNING SECURITY IN THE DEPARTMENT**
 19 **OF DEFENSE.**

20 *(a) CYBERSECURITY POLICY FOR ARTIFICIAL INTEL-*
 21 *LIGENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING USE.—*

22 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after*
 23 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of De-*
 24 *fense shall develop and implement a Department-wide*
 25 *policy for the cybersecurity and governance of artifi-*
 26 *cial intelligence and machine learning, as well as the*

1 *models for artificial intelligence and machine learn-*
2 *ing used in national defense applications.*

3 (2) *POLICY ELEMENTS.—The policy required*
4 *under paragraph (1) shall address the following:*

5 (A) *Protection against security threats spe-*
6 *cific to artificial intelligence and machine learn-*
7 *ing, including model serialization attacks, model*
8 *tampering, data leakage, adversarial prompt in-*
9 *jection, model extraction, model jailbreaks, and*
10 *supply chain attacks.*

11 (B) *Use of cybersecurity measures through-*
12 *out the life cycle of systems using artificial intel-*
13 *ligence or machine learning.*

14 (C) *Adoption of industry-recognized frame-*
15 *works to guide the development and implementa-*
16 *tion of artificial intelligence and machine learn-*
17 *ing security best practices.*

18 (D) *Standards for governance, testing, au-*
19 *ditng, and monitoring of systems using artifi-*
20 *cial intelligence and machine learning to ensure*
21 *the integrity and resilience of such systems.*

22 (E) *Training requirements for the workforce*
23 *of the Department of Defense to ensure personnel*
24 *are prepared to identify and mitigate*

1 *vulnerabilities that are specific to artificial in-*
2 *telligence and machine learning.*

3 (3) *REVIEW AND REPORT.*—

4 (A) *REVIEW.*—*The Secretary of Defense*
5 *shall conduct a comprehensive review to identify*
6 *and assess the effectiveness of the artificial intel-*
7 *ligence and machine learning cybersecurity and*
8 *governance practices of the Department of De-*
9 *fense.*

10 (B) *REPORT.*—

11 (i) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than Au-*
12 *gust 31, 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall*
13 *submit to the Committees on Armed Serv-*
14 *ices of the House of Representatives and the*
15 *Senate a report on the findings of the re-*
16 *view conducted under subparagraph (A).*

17 (ii) *CONTENTS.*—*The report required*
18 *under clause (i) shall include—*

19 (I) *an assessment of the current*
20 *security practices for artificial intel-*
21 *ligence and machine learning across*
22 *the Department of Defense;*

23 (II) *an assessment of the cyberse-*
24 *curity risks posed by the use of author-*
25 *ized and unauthorized artificial intel-*

1 *ligence software, including models de-*
2 *veloped by companies headquartered in*
3 *or operating from foreign countries of*
4 *concern, by the Department;*

5 *(III) an identification of gaps in*
6 *the existing security measures of the*
7 *Department related to threats specific*
8 *to the use of artificial intelligence and*
9 *machine learning;*

10 *(IV) an analysis of the potential*
11 *of security management, access, and*
12 *runtime capabilities for artificial in-*
13 *telligence in the commercial sector for*
14 *use by the Department to defend sys-*
15 *tem using artificial intelligence from*
16 *threats, minimize data exposure result-*
17 *ing from the use of such systems, and*
18 *maintain the trustworthiness of appli-*
19 *cations of the Department that use ar-*
20 *tificial intelligence;*

21 *(V) an evaluation of the align-*
22 *ment of the policies of the Department*
23 *with industry frameworks;*

24 *(VI) recommend actions to en-*
25 *hance the security, integrity, and gov-*

ernance of artificial intelligence and machine learning models used by the Department; and

(VII) an identification of any additional authorities, resources, or legislative actions required for the Department to effectively implement artificial intelligence and machine learning model security policy required by paragraph (1).

(b) *BILL OF MATERIALS FOR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.*—

(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Any policy, regulation, guidance, or requirement issued by the Department of Defense relating to the use, submission, or maintenance of a software bill of materials shall also apply to an artificial intelligence software bill of materials, to the extent practicable, for all artificial intelligence systems, models, and software used, developed, or procured by the Department.

(2) *IMPLEMENTATION AND OVERSIGHT.*—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer of the Department of Defense and Chief Information Officer of

1 *the Department of Defense, shall revise the regula-*
2 *tions, guidance, and policies of the Department of De-*
3 *fense to comply with paragraph (1), including guid-*
4 *ance and standards for artificial intelligence software*
5 *bill of materials, in accordance with the best practices*
6 *for software bill of materials.*

7 *(3) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the*
8 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the*
9 *Department of Defense shall submit to the Committees*
10 *on Armed Services of the House of Representatives*
11 *and the Senate a report on—*

12 *(A) the status of the implementation of re-*
13 *quirements for artificial intelligence software bill*
14 *of materials under this subsection, including*
15 *challenges, recommendations, and potential legis-*
16 *lative or regulatory modifications needed to en-*
17 *hance the effectiveness of such implementation;*

18 *(B) the feasibility and necessity to update*
19 *Department of Defense Instruction 5000.87, Op-*
20 *eration of the Software Acquisition Pathway*
21 *(October 2, 2020) and the software acquisition*
22 *pathway established under section 3603 of title*
23 *10, United States Code, with requirements for*
24 *artificial intelligence software bill of materials*
25 *and more detailed software bill of materials in*

1 the procurement of software, hardware, artificial
2 intelligence technologies, and cryptographic tech-
3 nologies; and

4 (C) the estimated costs for the implementa-
5 tion of the policies for artificial intelligence soft-
6 ware bill of materials and more detailed software
7 bill of materials required under this subsection
8 and described in subparagraph (B), including
9 for any new systems or investments required to
10 support greater implementation and adoption by
11 the Department of Defense of artificial intel-
12 ligence.

13 (c) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

14 (1) The terms “artificial intelligence” and “ma-
15 chine learning” have the meanings given such terms,
16 respectively, in section 5001 of the National Artificial
17 Intelligence Initiative Act of 2020 (15 U.S.C. 9401).

18 (2) The term “artificial intelligence software bill
19 of materials” means the records kept in the normal
20 course of business that identify each component, li-
21 brary, and dependency comprising an artificial intel-
22 ligence software application.

23 (3) The term “software bill of materials” means
24 the records kept in the normal course of business that

3 SEC. 1532. PILOT PROGRAM FOR DATA-ENABLED FLEET
4 MAINTENANCE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary concerned for a covered armed force, in consultation with the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer of the Department of Defense, shall establish in such covered armed force a pilot program under which the covered armed force shall use commercially available artificial intelligence technologies to improve the maintenance of ground vehicles performed by such covered armed force.

(b) *OBJECTIVES.*—Under the pilot program established under subsection (a), the Secretary concerned shall—

(1) *assess the feasibility and effectiveness of artificial intelligence-driven approaches in improving maintenance regimes for ground vehicles;*

(2) assess the cost savings resulting from the use of artificial intelligence technology for the maintenance of ground vehicles; and

(3) *identify and mitigate potential challenges and risks associated with the integration of artificial intelligence technology for modernized maintenance of ground vehicles, including cybersecurity concerns.*

1 (c) *REPORT*.—Not later than one year after the date
2 of the enactment of this Act, each Secretary concerned for
3 a covered armed force shall submit to Committees on Armed
4 Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate a
5 report on the activities performed under the pilot program
6 established under subsection (a) in such covered armed
7 force.

8 (d) *TERMINATION*.—The authority to carry out a pilot
9 program under subsection (a) shall terminate on January
10 1, 2029.

11 (e) *DEFINITIONS*.—In this section:

12 (1) The term “covered armed force” means the
13 Army, Navy, or Air Force.

14 (2) The term “Secretary concerned” has the
15 meaning given such term in section 101(a) of title 10,
16 United States Code.

17 **SEC. 1533. GENERATIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOR**
18 **NATIONAL DEFENSE.**

19 (a) *IN GENERAL*.—Subject to the availability of appro-
20 priations, the Secretary of Defense shall carry out not less
21 than two and not more than 12 generative artificial intel-
22 ligence efforts to enhance the national security of the United
23 States and the capabilities of the Department of Defense
24 and to accelerate the adoption to generative artificial intel-
25 ligence capabilities at the Department of Defense.

1 (b) *DESIGNATION OF RESPONSIBLE ORGANIZATION.*—
2 *Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of*
3 *this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall designate an organi-*
4 *zation in the Department of Defense which shall be respon-*
5 *sible for managing and coordinating the efforts under sub-*
6 *section (a).*

7 (c) *SCOPE.*—*In managing the efforts under subsection*
8 *(a), the head of the organization designated under sub-*
9 *section (b), in coordination with the Chairman of the Joint*
10 *Chiefs of Staff and the commanders of the combatant com-*
11 *mands, shall evaluate how generative artificial intelligence*
12 *can enhance the efficiency and improve the mission effec-*
13 *tiveness of the Department of Defense with respect to the*
14 *following:*

15 (1) *Damage assessment from battlefield imagery*
16 *and video.*

17 (2) *Human and machine teaming interfaces.*

18 (3) *Cybersecurity.*

19 (4) *Mission analysis.*

20 (5) *Order of battle.*

21 (6) *Mission planning.*

22 (7) *Intelligence collection and analysis.*

23 (8) *Any other areas the Chairman of the Joint*
24 *Chiefs of Staff or the commanders of the combatant*
25 *commands determine appropriate in addressing exist-*

1 *ing or anticipated mission requirements of the De-*
 2 *partment of Defense.*

3 ***Subtitle E—Reports and Other***
 4 ***Matters***

5 ***SEC. 1541. MODIFICATION TO CERTIFICATION REQUIRE-***
 6 ***MENT REGARDING CONTRACTING FOR MILI-***
 7 ***TARY RECRUITING.***

8 *Section 1555 of the National Defense Authorization*
 9 *Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 137 Stat.*
 10 *581; 10 U.S.C. 503 note) is amended by striking subsection*
 11 *(c).*

12 ***SEC. 1542. OCCUPATIONAL RESILIENCY OF THE CYBER MIS-***
 13 ***SION FORCE.***

14 *(a) REQUIREMENT.—Beginning not later than one*
 15 *year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under*
 16 *Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness and the*
 17 *Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, in coordination with*
 18 *the Principal Cyber Advisors of the military departments*
 19 *and the Commander of the United States Cyber Command,*
 20 *shall jointly carry out an initiative to understand and ad-*
 21 *dress occupational resiliency challenges at the duty loca-*
 22 *tions of the Cyber Mission Force by ensuring that—*

23 *(1) behavioral health professionals are assigned*
 24 *to the operating locations of United States Cyber*
 25 *Command and the Cyber Mission Force; and*

1 (2) *each such professional holds the security*
2 *clearance necessary to provide treatment to the mem-*
3 *bers of the Armed Forces assigned at such duty loca-*
4 *tions.*

5 (b) *QUARTERLY BRIEFINGS.—On a quarterly basis*
6 *during the one-year period beginning on the date on which*
7 *the initiative under subsection (a) commences, the Under*
8 *Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness and the*
9 *Assistant Secretary of Defense for Cyber Policy shall jointly*
10 *provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate*
11 *and the House of Representatives a briefing on the fol-*
12 *lowing:*

13 (1) *The status of carrying out such initiative.*

14 (2) *Validation of the security clearances held by*
15 *behavioral health professionals assigned under such*
16 *subsection.*

17 (3) *An analysis of clinical acuity being treated*
18 *by such professionals.*

19 (4) *Identified challenges to carrying out such*
20 *initiative.*

21 (5) *Efforts to improve the awareness by members*
22 *of the Armed Forces assigned to the Cyber Mission*
23 *Force with respect to the availability of appropriately*
24 *cleared behavioral health professionals who can treat*
25 *such members.*

1 (6) *Any other information the Under Secretary*
 2 *or the Assistant Secretary determines appropriate.*

3 (c) *OCCUPATIONAL RESILIENCY CHALLENGES DE-*
 4 *FINED.—In this section, the term “occupational resiliency*
 5 *challenges” means behavioral health challenges relating to*
 6 *an occupation and work-related stress.*

7 **SEC. 1543. ASSESSMENT OF CYBER-PHYISCAL RANGES AS**
 8 **POTENTIAL NATIONAL CYBER RANGE COM-**
 9 **PLEXES.**

10 (a) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the*
 11 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary of*
 12 *Defense for Research and Engineering shall submit to the*
 13 *Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representa-*
 14 *tives and the Senate a report assessing the benefits and costs*
 15 *of designating the cyber-physical ranges of the Department*
 16 *of Defense as National Cyber Range complexes or providing*
 17 *the treatment of such cyber-physical ranges in a manner*
 18 *that is similar to the treatment of a National Cyber Range*
 19 *complex, including—*

20 (1) *an assessment of whether to so designate one*
 21 *or more such cyber-physical ranges or to so treat such*
 22 *cyber-physical ranges; and*

23 (2) *a plan for making such designations and a*
 24 *plan for so treating such cyber-physical ranges, each*
 25 *of which shall include—*

1 (A) the designation of an entity within the
2 Office of the Under Secretary that is best placed
3 to assume responsibility for the oversight, oper-
4 ation, and sustainment of such cyber-physical
5 ranges;

6 (B) the annual funding requirements for en-
7 tity designated under subparagraph (A) to oper-
8 ate, sustain, and, if necessary, modernize such
9 cyber-physical ranges; and

10 (C) an estimated timeline for transitioning
11 the management of such cyber-physical ranges to
12 the entity designated under subparagraph (A).

13 (b) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

14 (1) The term “cyber-physical range” means a
15 range that simulates a real-world environment across
16 physical, logical and cyber-persona layers that can be
17 used for research, development, testing, training and
18 evaluation through the competition continuum.

19 (2) The term “National Cyber Range complex”
20 means an integrated cyber range capability operated
21 by the Department of Defense Test Resource Manage-
22 ment Center.

1 **SEC. 1544. REPORT ON REPLACEMENT OF TIME DIVISION**
2 **MULTIPLEXING LINES AT ARMORIES OF THE**
3 **AIR NATIONAL GUARD AND THE ARMY NA-**
4 **TIONAL GUARD.**

5 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 180 days after the
6 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air
7 Force and the Secretary of the Army shall jointly submit
8 to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Rep-
9 resentatives a report detailing the costs and timelines for
10 replacing Time Division Multiplexing lines with modern
11 communication technologies in armories of the Air National
12 Guard and the Army National Guard.

13 (b) *CONTENTS.*—The report required under subsection
14 (a) shall include—

15 (1) *an identification of the Time Division Multi-*
16 *plexing lines technologies to be replaced and the re-*
17 *placement modern communication technologies, in-*
18 *cluding the current deployment of such technologies*
19 *across the Department of Defense;*

20 (2) *an explanation of the costs associated with*
21 *replacing Time Division Multiplexing lines tech-*
22 *nologies identified under paragraph (1), including*
23 *any changes to sustainment costs, and the sources of*
24 *funding to pay for such costs;*

1 (3) *an assessment of the operational effects asso-*
 2 *ciated with the replacement described in subsection*
 3 *(a); and*

4 (4) *the current timelines and resources allocated*
 5 *for such replacement.*

6 ***TITLE XVI—SPACE ACTIVITIES,***
 7 ***STRATEGIC PROGRAMS, AND***
 8 ***INTELLIGENCE MATTERS***
 9 ***Subtitle A—Space Activities***

10 ***SEC. 1601. ACQUISITION CAREER PATH IN THE SPACE***
 11 ***FORCE.***

12 (a) *ASSIGNMENT AFTER INITIAL OFFICER TRAIN-*
 13 *ING.—Chapter 908 of title 10, United States Code, is*
 14 *amended by adding at the end the following new section:*

15 ***“§9088. Duty assignments after officer training***
 16 ***course***

17 “(a) *REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of the Air Force*
 18 *shall ensure that not less than 40 percent of the members*
 19 *of the Space Force in each class of members that complete*
 20 *an initial Space Force officer training course are assigned*
 21 *to—*

22 “(1) *an integrated mission delta;*

23 “(2) *the National Reconnaissance Office; or*

24 “(3) *an office or command within the Space*
 25 *Force that provides opportunities for both acquisition*

1 *and operational experience during an initial duty as-*
 2 *signment after completion of such course.*

3 “(b) *REPORT.*—Not later than 15 days after a class
 4 of members of the Space Force completes an initial Space
 5 Force officer training course, the Secretary of the Air Force
 6 shall submit to the congressional defense committees—

7 “(1) a certification indicating that the Secretary
 8 has complied with subsection (a); and

9 “(2) a description of the first duty assignment
 10 for each person that was a member of such class.”.

11 (b) *INTEGRATED MISSION DELTA COMMAND REQUIRE-*
 12 *MENT.*—Such chapter 908 is further amended by adding at
 13 the end the following new section:

14 **“§ 9089. Integrated Mission Deltas: command require-**
 15 **ment**

16 “The Secretary of the Air Force shall ensure that the
 17 commander or deputy commander of each integrated mis-
 18 sion delta of the Space Force is a member of the armed
 19 forces serving in a military occupational specialty that is
 20 primarily responsible for acquisition matters.”.

21 (c) *PROGRAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR ASSURED AC-*
 22 *CESS.*—Such chapter 908 is further amended by adding at
 23 the end the following new section:

1 **“§ 9090. Program Executive Officer for Assured Access**
2 **to Space**

3 “(a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—(1) *There is a Program Exec-*
4 *utive Officer for Assured Access to Space within the Space*
5 *Force, appointed by the President, by and with the advice*
6 *and consent of the Senate, from the general officers of the*
7 *Space Force. The Program Executive Officer serves at the*
8 *pleasure of the President.*

9 “(2) *The Program Executive Officer for Assured Access*
10 *to Space shall be appointed for a term of four years.*

11 “(b) *GRADE.*—*The Program Executive Officer for As-*
12 *sured Access to Space, while so serving, shall have the grade*
13 *of brigadier general, major general, lieutenant general, or*
14 *general.*

15 “(c) *ADDITIONAL DUTIES.*—*The Program Executive*
16 *Officer for Assured Access to Space, while serving as the*
17 *Program Executive Officer, shall also serve as the Com-*
18 *mander of Space Launch Delta 45.”.*

19 “(d) *TRAINING REQUIREMENTS.*—*Chapter 951 of title*
20 *10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end*
21 *the following new section:*

22 **“§ 9421. Space Force officer training course require-**
23 **ments**

24 *“The Secretary of the Air Force shall ensure that the*
25 *initial Space Force officer training course for officers of the*

1 *Space Force provides approximately equal training in op-*
 2 *erations, intelligence, cyber, and acquisition matters.”.*

3 *(e) PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS.—*

4 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 20233 of title 10,*
 5 *United States Code, is amended—*

6 *(A) in the heading, by striking “**designa-***
 7 ***tion as joint qualified officer re-***
 8 ***quired” and inserting “requirements”;***

9 *(B) in subsection (a)—*

10 *(i) by striking “unless the officer has*
 11 *been” and inserting the following: “unless*
 12 *the officer has—*

13 *“(1) been”;*

14 *(ii) in paragraph (1), as designated by*
 15 *subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, by*
 16 *striking the period and inserting a semi-*
 17 *colon; and*

18 *(iii) by adding at the end the following*
 19 *new paragraphs:*

20 *“(2) completed a duty assignment with a com-*
 21 *mand or other organization that is primarily respon-*
 22 *sible for acquisition matters, as determined by the*
 23 *Secretary of the Air Force; and*

24 *“(3) completed a duty assignment with a com-*
 25 *mand or other organization that is primarily respon-*

1 sible for operations, as determined by the Secretary of
2 the Air Force.”; and

3 (C) in subsection (b) in the matter pre-
4 ceding paragraph (1), by striking “subsection
5 (a)” and inserting “subsection (a)(1)”.

6 (2) *EFFECTIVE DATE.*—The amendments made
7 by paragraph (1) shall take effect on January 1,
8 2029, and apply to all appointments to the grade of
9 brigadier general on or after that date.

10 (f) *REPORTS.*—Part I of subtitle F of title 10, United
11 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following
12 new chapter:

13 **“CHAPTER 2015—REPORTS**

 “Sec.

 “20701. Promotion rates.

 “20702. Modifications to career fields and codes.

14 **“§ 20701. Promotion rates**

15 “Not later than December 31 of each year, the Sec-
16 retary of the Air Force shall submit to the congressional
17 defense committees a report on the promotion rates of mem-
18 bers of the Space Force for the preceding fiscal year. Such
19 report shall include—

20 “(1) the number of and percentage of members of
21 the Space Force in each grade selected for promotion;

22 “(2) the number of and percentage of members of
23 the Space Force in each career field selected for pro-
24 motion; and

1 “(3) the number of members of the Space Force
 2 who were selected for promotion to the grade of briga-
 3 dier general, major general, lieutenant general, or
 4 general, disaggregated by career field.

5 **“§ 20702. Modifications to career fields and codes**

6 “Not later than 60 days before the date on which a
 7 change is made to the career fields or mission occupational
 8 specialty codes for the Space Force, the Secretary of the Air
 9 Force shall submit to the congressional defense committees
 10 a report that includes—

11 “(1) a description of the changes intended to be
 12 made to such career fields or mission occupational
 13 specialty codes; and

14 “(2) the plan of the Secretary to maintain the
 15 Space Force competencies and comply with require-
 16 ments in law with respect to Space Force career fields
 17 and duty assignments.”.

18 **SEC. 1602. ADVANCE PAYMENTS FOR COMMERCIAL SAT-**

19 **ELLITE COMMUNICATION SERVICES.**

20 Section 3805 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
 21 ed—

22 (1) in subsection (b), by striking “The head” and
 23 inserting “Except as provided by subsection (e), the
 24 head”;

1 (2) *in subsection (c), by striking “Advance” and*
 2 *inserting “Except as provided by subsection (e), ad-*
 3 *vance”; and*

4 (3) *by adding at the end the following new sub-*
 5 *section:*

6 “(e) *SPECIAL RULES FOR COMMERCIAL SATELLITE*
 7 *COMMUNICATION SERVICES.—(1) The head of the agency*
 8 *may satisfy the adequate security requirements of sub-*
 9 *section (b) with respect to advance payments for commer-*
 10 *cial satellite communication services by making a written*
 11 *determination of—*

12 “(A) *the creditworthiness of the provider of such*
 13 *services; and*

14 “(B) *the ability of the provider to remain a*
 15 *going concern during the period of the advanced pay-*
 16 *ment.*

17 “(2) *With respect to advance payments for commercial*
 18 *satellite communication services, subsection (c) shall be ad-*
 19 *ministered by substituting ‘100 percent’ for ‘15 percent’.*”.

20 **SEC. 1603. NOISE MITIGATION REGARDING SPACE**
 21 **LAUNCHES.**

22 *Section 2276a(c)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 23 *amended by inserting “, including such activities relating*
 24 *to studying and mitigating the noise caused by launches*
 25 *at launch sites of the Space Force” after “vehicle”.*

1 **SEC. 1604. TACTICAL SURVEILLANCE, RECONNAISSANCE**
2 **AND TRACKING PROGRAM.**

3 (a) *REQUIREMENTS OF COMBATANT COMMANDERS.*—
4 *The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff shall establish*
5 *requirements pursuant to section 181 of title 10, United*
6 *States Code, with respect to the tactical surveillance, recon-*
7 *naissance and tracking program providing capabilities to*
8 *meet the requirements of the commanders of the combatant*
9 *commands.*

10 (b) *PROGRAM OF RECORD.*—*The Secretary of the Air*
11 *Force shall establish the tactical surveillance, reconnais-*
12 *sance and tracking program as a program of record.*

13 (c) *TACTICAL SURVEILLANCE, RECONNAISSANCE AND*
14 *TRACKING PROGRAM DEFINED.*—*In this section, the term*
15 *“tactical surveillance, reconnaissance and tracking pro-*
16 *gram” means the pilot program carried out by the Space*
17 *Force to use commercial data and analytics to provide sur-*
18 *veillance, reconnaissance and tracking information to the*
19 *combatant commands.*

20 **SEC. 1605. REPORTS ON SPACEPORT OF THE FUTURE INI-**
21 **TIATIVE.**

22 *Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment*
23 *of this Act, and not later than March 1 of each of 2027*
24 *through 2031, the Secretary of the Air Force, in coordina-*
25 *tion with the Chief of Space Operations and the Assistant*
26 *Secretary of the Air Force for Space Acquisition and Inte-*

1 *gration, shall submit to the congressional defense commit-*
2 *tees a report on the Spaceport of the Future initiative of*
3 *the Space Force. Each such report shall include the fol-*
4 *lowing:*

5 *(1) A list of each project being carried out under*
6 *such initiative (including projects at State space*
7 *launch facilities), including—*

8 *(A) the status of the project;*

9 *(B) the estimated completion date of the*
10 *project; and*

11 *(C) the total cost to complete the project.*

12 *(2) An assessment of additional funding required*
13 *to implement such initiative beyond the funds esti-*
14 *mated in the most recent future-years defense pro-*
15 *gram under section 221 of title 10, United States*
16 *Code.*

17 *(3) An assessment of including mission develop-*
18 *ment zones under such initiative to promote research,*
19 *development, innovation, and fielding of space and*
20 *other advanced technologies adjacent to Federal and*
21 *State launch ranges.*

22 *(4) A summary of feedback from launch service*
23 *providers, other spaceport tenants, and operators of*
24 *non-Federal ranges to understand how such initiative*
25 *can meet the needs of such providers, tenants, and op-*

1 erators, and any adjustments made in response to
2 that feedback.

3 **SEC. 1606. USE OF MIDDLE TIER ACQUISITION PROGRAM**
4 **FOR PROLIFERATED WARFIGHTER SPACE AR-**
5 **CHITECTURE OF SPACE DEVELOPMENT AGEN-**
6 **CY.**

7 Section 1608(a) of the National Defense Authorization
8 Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 10 U.S.C.
9 2271 note) is amended by adding at the end the following
10 new paragraphs:

11 “(4) Tranche 4.

12 “(5) Tranche 5.

13 “(6) Tranche 6.”.

14 **Subtitle B—Defense Intelligence**
15 **and Intelligence-Related Activities**

16 **SEC. 1611. CLANDESTINE ACTIVITIES VENDOR DATABASE.**

17 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subchapter I of chapter 21 of title
18 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end
19 the following new section:

20 **“§ 430e. Clandestine activities vendor database**

21 “(a) *ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE.*—The Sec-
22 retary of Defense shall establish, maintain, and continu-
23 ously update a secure, centralized database containing a list
24 of all commercial vendors that perform work for the Depart-
25 ment of Defense in support of a clandestine activity.

1 “(b) *SCOPE.*—*The database required by subsection (a)*
2 *shall include information on all commercial vendors, in-*
3 *cluding all subcontractors, that have performed, are per-*
4 *forming, or have agreed to perform work described in such*
5 *subsection.*

6 “(c) *EXCLUSION OF VENDORS.*—*Notwithstanding sub-*
7 *sections (a) and (b), if the Secretary of Defense determines*
8 *that a commercial vendor should not be included in the*
9 *database required by subsection (a) due to operational,*
10 *counterintelligence, or other national security concerns, the*
11 *Secretary—*

12 “(1) *may exclude the commercial vendor from*
13 *the database required by subsection (a); and*

14 “(2) *not later than 7 days after making a deter-*
15 *mination that the commercial vendor should not be*
16 *included in such database, shall submit to the con-*
17 *gressional defense committees, the Select Committee*
18 *on Intelligence of the Senate, and the Permanent Se-*
19 *lect Committee on Intelligence of the House of Rep-*
20 *resentatives notice of the determination that in-*
21 *cludes—*

22 “(A) *the type or category of vendor ex-*
23 *cluded;*

24 “(B) *a synopsis of the contract and the*
25 *scope of work involved; and*

1 “(C) the rationale for exclusion from the
2 database.

3 “(d) *DECONFLICTION*.—The Secretary of Defense shall
4 ensure the database required by subsection (a) is used to—

5 “(1) deconflict clandestine activities of the De-
6 partment of Defense that involve the use of commer-
7 cial vendors; and

8 “(2) assess operational risk and counterintel-
9 ligence exposure attributable to the use of commercial
10 vendors in support of clandestine activities of the De-
11 partment of Defense.

12 “(e) *CLANDESTINE ACTIVITY DEFINED*.—In this sec-
13 tion, the term ‘clandestine activity’ means any activity
14 where it is intended that the role of the United States Gov-
15 ernment will not be apparent or acknowledged publicly.”.

16 (b) *IMPLEMENTATION DEADLINE AND REPORTS*.—

17 (1) *IMPLEMENTATION DEADLINE AND CERTIFI-*
18 *CATION*.—Not later than one year after the date of the
19 enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall—

20 (A) implement the requirements of section
21 430e of title 10, United States Code, as added by
22 subsection (a) of this section; and

23 (B) submit to the congressional defense com-
24 mittees, the Select Committee on Intelligence of
25 the Senate, and the Permanent Select Committee

1 *on Intelligence of the House of Representatives a*
2 *certification that such requirements have been*
3 *implemented.*

4 (2) *SUBMISSION OF PLAN.*—*Not later than 90*
5 *days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the*
6 *Secretary of Defense shall—*

7 (A) *submit to the committees described in*
8 *paragraph (1)(B) a report containing the plan*
9 *to implement the requirements of such section*
10 *430e; and*

11 (B) *provide to such committees a briefing*
12 *with respect to such plan.*

13 (3) *PROGRESS REPORT.*—*Not later than 270*
14 *days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the*
15 *Secretary of Defense shall provide to the committees*
16 *described in paragraph (1)(B) a briefing describing*
17 *the progress of the Secretary towards implementing*
18 *the requirements of such section 430e.*

19 **SEC. 1612. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY OF ARMY COUN-**
20 **TERINTELLIGENCE AGENTS TO EXECUTE**
21 **WARRANTS AND MAKE ARRESTS.**

22 *Section 7377(b)(2) of title 10, United States Code, is*
23 *amended by striking “during the four-year period begin-*
24 *ning on the date of the enactment of the National Defense*
25 *Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025,”.*

1 **SEC. 1613. MODIFICATIONS TO AND CODIFICATION OF THE**
 2 **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE INSIDER THREAT**
 3 **PROGRAM.**

4 (a) *CODIFICATION OF EXISTING PROGRAM.*—

5 (1) *TRANSFER TO TITLE 10.*—Chapter 131 of
 6 title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting
 7 after section 2224a a new section 2225 consisting of—

8 (A) a heading as follows:

9 “§ 2225. **Insider threat detection**”; and

10 (B) a text consisting of the text of sub-
 11 sections (a) and (b) of section 922 of the Na-
 12 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year
 13 2012 (Public Law 112-81; 10 U.S.C. 2224 note).

14 (2) *REPEAL OF EXISTING PROVISION.*—Section
 15 922 of the National Defense Authorization Act for
 16 Fiscal Year 2012 (Public Law 112-81; 10 U.S.C.
 17 2224 note) is repealed.

18 (b) *MODIFICATIONS.*—Section 2225 of title 10, United
 19 States Code, as added by subsection (a) of this section, is
 20 amended—

21 (1) in subsection (b)—

22 (A) in the heading, by striking “ELE-
 23 MENTS” and inserting “REQUIRED ELEMENTS”;
 24 and

25 (B) in paragraph (1)—

1 (i) by striking subparagraphs (C), (D),
2 (E), and (F);

3 (ii) by redesignating subparagraphs
4 (A) and (B) as subparagraphs (B) and (C),
5 respectively;

6 (iii) by inserting before subparagraph
7 (B) (as so redesignated) the following new
8 subparagraph:

9 “(A) user activity monitoring in accordance
10 with the Committee on National Security Sys-
11 tems Directive 504, issued February 4, 2014, or
12 any successor directive;”.

13 (iv) in subparagraph (C), as redesign-
14 ated by clause (ii) of this subparagraph,
15 by striking the semicolon and inserting “;
16 and”; and

17 (v) by redesignating subparagraph (G)
18 as subparagraph (D); and

19 (2) by adding at the end of the following new
20 subsections:

21 “(c) *ADDITIONAL ELEMENTS.*—The Secretary may in-
22 clude additional elements in the program established under
23 subsection (a), including—

24 “(1) solutions and capabilities to prevent the un-
25 authorized export of information from a network or

1 to render such information unusable in the event of
2 the unauthorized export of such information;

3 “(2) using a roles-based access certification sys-
4 tem;

5 “(3) cross-domain solutions adhering to the
6 Raise the Bar strategy of the Cross Domain Strategy
7 and Management Office of the National Security
8 Agency or any successor strategy;

9 “(4) analytic solutions to detect anomalous user
10 activity and triage user activity monitoring alerts to
11 elevate the highest risk events for immediate review;

12 “(5) case management solutions to minimize dis-
13 closure risk, orchestrate effective response, and ensure
14 appropriate governance; and

15 “(6) full-motion video screen recording and deep
16 context.

17 “(d) *APPLICABILITY.*—The program established under
18 subsection (a) shall apply to networks and enclaves used
19 by—

20 “(1) civilian personnel of the Department of De-
21 fense;

22 “(2) privileged users;

23 “(3) members of the armed forces; and

24 “(4) contractors to the Department of Defense
25 that have access to classified, controlled unclassified,

1 or personally identifiable information in furtherance
2 of work on behalf of the Department.”.

3 (c) *OPERATING CAPABILITY.*—The Secretary of De-
4 fense shall ensure the program established under 2225 of
5 title 10, United States Code, as added and amended by sub-
6 sections (a) and (b) of this section—

7 (1) achieves initial operating capability not later
8 than October 1, 2027; and

9 (2) achieves full operating capability not later
10 than October 1, 2028.

11 (d) *REPORTS.*—

12 (1) *PLAN FOR IMPLEMENTATION.*—Before the
13 Secretary implements section 2225 of title 10, United
14 States Code, as added and amended by subsections (a)
15 and (b) of this section, the Secretary shall submit to
16 the congressional defense committees—

17 (A) a written notification that describes the
18 personnel of the Department affected by the im-
19 plementation;

20 (B) a plan to implement such section;

21 (C) an identification of the resources re-
22 quired to implement such section;

23 (D) an identification of any legal or tech-
24 nical concerns that may need to be addressed
25 prior to implementation; and

1 (E) and any other issues related to such im-
 2 plementation that the Secretary considers appro-
 3 priate.

4 (2) *INITIAL OPERATING CAPABILITY.*—Not later
 5 than December 1, 2027, the Secretary shall submit to
 6 the congressional defense committees a report on the
 7 implementation of section 2225 of title 10, United
 8 States Code, including the resources required and
 9 planned expenditures to achieve full operating capa-
 10 bility not later than October 1, 2028.

11 **SEC. 1614. FACILITY CLEARANCE ACCELERATION FOR MEM-**
 12 **BERS OF DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL CONSOR-**
 13 **TIUMS.**

14 (a) *ACCELERATION OF FACILITY CLEARANCE.*—The
 15 Secretary of Defense shall ensure that each entity that is
 16 a member of the consortium established by section 1842 of
 17 this Act or a member of the Defense Industrial Base Consor-
 18 tium with which the Department of Defense has entered an
 19 other transaction authority agreement —

20 (1) is sponsored for a facility clearance;

21 (2) is provided access to classified work areas
 22 and networks where the member can perform classi-
 23 fied work; and

1 (3) *not less than quarterly, is invited in person*
 2 *to meetings with relevant Department of Defense per-*
 3 *sonnel to discuss classified information.*

4 (b) *PLAN.*—*Not later than 90 days after the date of*
 5 *the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall sub-*
 6 *mit a report to the congressional defense committees detail-*
 7 *ing a plan to increase the number of facility clearances pro-*
 8 *vided to members described in subsection (a). Such plan*
 9 *shall include—*

10 (1) *an assessment of any existing related efforts*
 11 *to increase facility clearance access and how such ef-*
 12 *forts might be accelerated and elevated in priority;*

13 (2) *target metrics for increased facility clear-*
 14 *ances in association with membership in a consor-*
 15 *tium described in subsection (a);*

16 (3) *an identification of any additional funding*
 17 *or authorities required to support increased facility*
 18 *clearance processing; and*

19 (4) *any other matters the Secretary of Defense*
 20 *considers relevant.*

21 **SEC. 1615. REQUIREMENT TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL SE-**
 22 **CURITY CLEARANCES FOR CERTAIN CON-**
 23 **TRACTORS.**

24 (a) *DESIGNATION OF ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL.*—*Any*
 25 *entity that enters into a covered contract or agreement with*

1 *a component of the Department of Defense may designate*
2 *additional covered persons who may submit an application*
3 *for a security clearance in accordance with this section.*

4 *(b) INVESTIGATION AND ADJUDICATION.—The appro-*
5 *priate authorized investigative agency and authorized adju-*
6 *dicative agency shall, upon receiving an application by an*
7 *additional covered person designated under paragraph*
8 *(1)—*

9 *(1) conduct an investigation of the background of*
10 *an additional covered person for purposes of deter-*
11 *mining the eligibility of such additional covered per-*
12 *son for access to classified information; and*

13 *(2) make a determination as to whether such ad-*
14 *ditional covered person is eligible for access to classi-*
15 *fied information.*

16 *(c) FINAL DETERMINATION.—If an entity that enters*
17 *into a covered contract or agreement determines an initial*
18 *covered person is unable to perform the work intended to*
19 *be performed by that person under such covered contract*
20 *or agreement person, an additional covered person may per-*
21 *form such work in lieu of the initial covered person if—*

22 *(1) the person received a favorable determination*
23 *under subsection (b) with respect to eligibility for ac-*
24 *cess to classified information;*

1 (2) *the person has a demonstrated need-to-know*
2 *under Executive Order 12968, provided that dem-*
3 *onstrating such need-to-know shall not require an in-*
4 *vestigation or adjudication with respect to eligibility*
5 *for access to classified information in addition to the*
6 *investigation and adjudication required under sub-*
7 *section (b); and*

8 (3) *the person signs appropriate agreements with*
9 *respect to non-disclosure of classified information.*

10 (d) *LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF PERSONNEL.—*

11 (1) *MAXIMUM PER CONTRACT.—The number of*
12 *additional covered persons designated by an entity*
13 *under subsection (a) for each covered contract or*
14 *agreement may not exceed the greater of—*

15 (A)(i) *during the 5-year period that begins*
16 *on the date of the enactment of this Act, 5 per-*
17 *cent of the number of security clearances re-*
18 *quired to be held by covered persons to perform*
19 *work under the covered contract or agreement;*
20 *and*

21 (ii) *after the 5-year period that begins on*
22 *the date of the enactment of this Act, 10 percent*
23 *of the number of security clearances required to*
24 *be held by covered persons to perform work under*
25 *the covered contract or agreement; and*

1 (B) 1 person.

2 (2) *MAXIMUM PER ENTITY.*—*The number of ad-*
 3 *ditional covered persons designated by an entity*
 4 *under subsection (a) may not exceed the greater of—*

5 (A) *10 percent of the total number of secu-*
 6 *rity clearances required to be held by covered*
 7 *persons to perform work under all covered con-*
 8 *tracts or agreements of the entity; and*

9 (B) 1 person.

10 (e) *COSTS.*—

11 (1) *AUTHORITY TO CHARGE AND COLLECT.*—*The*
 12 *Secretary of Defense may charge fees or collect*
 13 *amounts to cover the costs associated with inves-*
 14 *tigating, adjudicating, and maintaining a security*
 15 *clearance for which an application is submitted under*
 16 *subsection (a).*

17 (2) *RETENTION OF AMOUNTS.*—*Notwithstanding*
 18 *section 3302(b) of title 31, United States Code—*

19 (A) *the Secretary of Defense may retain*
 20 *amounts received under paragraph (1); and*

21 (B) *any amount so retained shall be depos-*
 22 *ited into an account to be determined by the Sec-*
 23 *retary of Defense and shall be made available*
 24 *without further appropriation until expended for*

1 *the purpose of investigating, adjudicating, or*
2 *maintaining security clearances.*

3 (3) *PROHIBITION ON BEARING COSTS.—The Sec-*
4 *retary of Defense may not bear any cost associated*
5 *with investigating, adjudicating, or maintaining a*
6 *security clearance the application for which is sub-*
7 *mitted pursuant to subsection (a).*

8 (4) *UNALLOWABLE COST.—Any fees charged or*
9 *amounts collected under this subsection to cover the*
10 *costs associated with investigating, adjudicating, and*
11 *maintaining a security clearance for which an appli-*
12 *cation is submitted under subsection (a) may not be*
13 *considered an allowable cost under a covered contract*
14 *or agreement.*

15 (f) *APPLICABILITY.—This section shall apply with re-*
16 *spect to contracts and other agreements entered into on or*
17 *after the date of the enactment of this Act.*

18 (g) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section*
19 *shall be construed to require the Secretary of Defense to*
20 *grant any person access to classified information unless a*
21 *favorable determination of eligibility to access such classi-*
22 *fied information is made with respect to such person.*

23 (h) *RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER LAWS.—This section*
24 *shall apply subject to Executive Order 12968, Executive*

1 *Order 10865, and any successor executive orders, but not-*
2 *withstanding any other provision of law.*

3 *(i) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

4 *(1) ADDITIONAL COVERED PERSON.—The term*
5 *“additional covered person” means a covered person*
6 *designated by a private-sector entity as an alternative*
7 *covered person who is intended to be available to con-*
8 *duct work under a covered contract or agreement that*
9 *requires a security clearance if an initial covered per-*
10 *son becomes unavailable to complete such work.*

11 *(2) AUTHORIZED ADJUDICATIVE AGENCY; AU-*
12 *THORIZED INVESTIGATIVE AGENCY.—The terms “au-*
13 *thorized adjudicative agency” and “authorized inves-*
14 *tigative agency” have the meaning given the terms in*
15 *section 3001(a) of the Intelligence Reform and Ter-*
16 *rorism Prevention Act of 2004 (50 U.S.C. 3341(a)).*

17 *(3) COVERED CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT.—The*
18 *term “covered contract or agreement” means a con-*
19 *tract or other agreement between a private-sector enti-*
20 *ty and a component of the Department of Defense the*
21 *performance of which requires a specified number of*
22 *covered persons to hold a security clearance.*

23 *(4) COVERED PERSON.—The term “covered per-*
24 *son” means a contractor to or employee of a private-*
25 *sector entity.*

1 (5) *INITIAL COVERED PERSON.*—*The term “ini-*
 2 *tial covered person” means a covered person des-*
 3 *ignated by a private-sector entity as responsible for*
 4 *conducting work under a covered contract or agree-*
 5 *ment that requires a security clearance.*

6 ***Subtitle C—Nuclear Forces***

7 ***SEC. 1621. ESTABLISHMENT OF AIR FORCE GLOBAL STRIKE*** 8 ***COMMAND.***

9 *Chapter 907 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
 10 *ed by adding at the end the following new section:*

11 ***“§ 9068. Global Strike Command***

12 *“(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is in the Air Force a*
 13 *major command, which shall be known as Global Strike*
 14 *Command.*

15 *“(b) COMMANDER.—(1) The Commander of Global*
 16 *Strike Command shall hold the grade of general while serv-*
 17 *ing in that position, without vacating that officer’s perma-*
 18 *nent grade. The commander shall be appointed to that grade*
 19 *by the President, by and with the advice and consent of*
 20 *the Senate, for service in that position.*

21 *“(2) The commander shall serve as the single account-*
 22 *able officer responsible to the Secretary of the Air Force and*
 23 *the Chief of Staff of the Air Force for carrying out all as-*
 24 *pects of the nuclear and long-range strike missions of the*

1 *Air Force, including such aspects described in subsection*
2 *(c).*

3 “(c) *FUNCTIONS.—The Commander of Global Strike*
4 *Command shall be responsible for carrying out all elements*
5 *and activities of the nuclear and long-range strike missions*
6 *of the Air Force. Such elements include nuclear weapons,*
7 *nuclear weapon delivery systems, long-range strike bomber*
8 *aircraft, and the nuclear command, control, and commu-*
9 *nication system. Such activities include the following:*

10 “(1) *Providing combat-ready nuclear and long-*
11 *range conventional strike forces in support of Presi-*
12 *dential and combatant commander directives.*

13 “(2) *Administrating, organizing, training, and*
14 *equipping assigned and gained forces.*

15 “(3) *Assessing the readiness of assigned and*
16 *gained forces and submitting to the Secretary and the*
17 *Chief of Staff periodic reports with respect to such as-*
18 *sessments.*

19 “(4) *Leading development in the Air Force of—*

20 “(A) *military requirements with respect to*
21 *nuclear and long-range strike missions;*

22 “(B) *budget proposals necessary to carry*
23 *out the missions of the Global Strike Command;*

1 “(C) long-range investment plans and pri-
 2 orities to sustain, modernize, and recapitalize as-
 3 signed forces; and

4 “(D) strategy, employment concepts, tactics,
 5 techniques, and procedures with respect to nu-
 6 clear deterrence and conventional long-range
 7 strike operations.

8 “(5) Advising the Secretary, as necessary, on the
 9 adequacy of resources of the Department of the Air
 10 Force dedicated to support and execute nuclear mis-
 11 sions.

12 “(6) Such other functions as the Secretary deter-
 13 mines necessary or appropriate for the execution of
 14 nuclear deterrence and long-range strike missions.”.

15 **SEC. 1622. MATTERS RELATING TO THE NUCLEAR-ARMED,**
 16 **SEA-LAUNCHED CRUISE MISSILE.**

17 Section 1640(a) of the National Defense Authorization
 18 Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 137 Stat.
 19 595), as amended by section 1627 of the Servicemember
 20 Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Author-
 21 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 138
 22 Stat. 2174), is amended—

23 (1) by striking paragraph (2);

24 (2) in paragraph (3), by striking “paragraph
 25 (3)” and inserting “paragraph (2)”; and

1 (3) by redesignating paragraphs (3) through (5)
2 as paragraphs (2) through (4), respectively.

3 **SEC. 1623. PROHIBITION ON REDUCTION OF INTERCONTI-**
4 **NENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILES OF THE UNITED**
5 **STATES.**

6 (a) *PROHIBITION.*—Except as provided in subsection
7 (b), none of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this
8 Act for fiscal year 2026 for the Department of Defense may
9 be obligated or expended for the following, and the Depart-
10 ment may not otherwise take any action to do the following:

11 (1) *Reduce, or prepare to reduce, the responsive-*
12 *ness or alert level of the intercontinental ballistic mis-*
13 *siles of the United States.*

14 (2) *Reduce, or prepare to reduce, the quantity of*
15 *deployed intercontinental ballistic missiles of the*
16 *United States to a number less than 400.*

17 (b) *EXCEPTION.*—The prohibition in subsection (a)
18 shall not apply to any of the following activities:

19 (1) *The maintenance or sustainment of inter-*
20 *continental ballistic missiles.*

21 (2) *Ensuring the safety, security, or reliability of*
22 *intercontinental ballistic missiles.*

23 (3) *Facilitating the transition from the LGM–*
24 *30G Minuteman III intercontinental ballistic missile*

1 to the LGM-35A Sentinel intercontinental ballistic
2 missile.

3 **SEC. 1624. STRATEGY TO SUSTAIN MINUTEMAN III INTER-**
4 **CONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE AND MAXI-**
5 **MIZE END-OF-LIFE MARGIN.**

6 (a) *STRATEGY REQUIRED.*—

7 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Concurrent with the first sub-
8 mission to Congress of a budget pursuant to section
9 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, after the date
10 of the enactment of this Act, and with each budget
11 submitted to Congress pursuant to such section until
12 the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and
13 Sustainment determines the LGM-35A Sentinel inter-
14 continental ballistic missile reaches full operational
15 capacity, the Secretary of the Air Force, in consulta-
16 tion with the Under Secretary, shall submit to the
17 congressional defense committees a strategy, with re-
18 spect to the LGM-30G Minuteman III interconti-
19 nental ballistic missiles, associated ground systems,
20 and other supporting systems to address aging compo-
21 nents and maximize the end-of-life margin.

22 (2) *ELEMENTS.*—Each strategy required by
23 paragraph (1) shall include the following:

24 (A) A comprehensive identification of all
25 significant age-related and supportability chal-

1 *lenges for the LGM-30G Minuteman III inter-*
2 *continental ballistic missiles that includes a de-*
3 *scription of—*

4 *(i) efforts of the Secretary to address*
5 *each such challenge; and*

6 *(ii) activities the Secretary intends to*
7 *carry out to address each such challenge.*

8 *(B) A description of effects on the system*
9 *performance of Minuteman III missiles that re-*
10 *sult from aging components, including such ef-*
11 *fects with respect to shortfalls in capability.*

12 *(C) A summary of test activities conducted*
13 *with Minuteman III missiles during the calender*
14 *year that precedes the date of the submission of*
15 *the strategy, including a description of any ob-*
16 *servations of anomalous performance during*
17 *such test activities.*

18 *(D) A discussion of opportunities to in-*
19 *crease the end-of-life margin or overall perform-*
20 *ance of Minuteman III missiles.*

21 *(E) A statement of the total inventory of*
22 *such Minuteman III missiles available to the*
23 *United States, including spares.*

1 (F) A forecast with respect to the asset at-
 2 trition that includes an identification of key
 3 drivers of such asset attrition.

4 (G) An identification, as specific budget
 5 line items, of all funding with respect to the
 6 LGM-30G Minuteman III intercontinental bal-
 7 listic missiles, associated ground systems, and
 8 other and supporting systems included in the
 9 budget of the Department of Defense for the fiscal
 10 year during which the strategy is submitted.

11 (H) An estimate of the amount of such
 12 funding the Secretary determines is necessary
 13 across the period covered by the most recent fu-
 14 ture-years defense program submitted to Con-
 15 gress under section 221 of title 10, United States
 16 Code, to ensure the continued effective operation
 17 of the the LGM-30G Minuteman III interconti-
 18 nental ballistic missile, associated ground sys-
 19 tems, and other and supporting systems until the
 20 LGM-35A Sentinel intercontinental ballistic
 21 missile reaches full operational capacity.

22 (b) INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT OF STRATEGY.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Under Secretary shall re-
 24 view each strategy required under subsection (a) to
 25 assess whether the strategy is sufficient to ensure the

1 *continued effective operation of the LGM–30G Min-*
2 *uteman III intercontinental ballistic missile system*
3 *until the LGM–35A Sentinel intercontinental ballistic*
4 *missile reaches full operational capacity.*

5 (2) *REPORTS.*—*During the period the require-*
6 *ment under subsection (a) is effective, the Under Sec-*
7 *retary shall, not later than 45 days after any date on*
8 *which a budget is submitted to Congress pursuant to*
9 *section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, sub-*
10 *mit to the congressional defense committees a report*
11 *that includes—*

12 (A) *the findings of the assessment required*
13 *under paragraph (1);*

14 (B) *a discussion of any unfunded priorities*
15 *and risk reduction opportunities with respect to*
16 *the LGM–30G Minuteman III intercontinental*
17 *ballistic missile, associated ground systems, and*
18 *other supporting systems; and*

19 (C) *any other matters as the Under Sec-*
20 *retary determines appropriate.*

1 **SEC. 1625. REPORT ON ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE**
2 **FOR NUCLEAR DETERRENCE, CHEMICAL, AND**
3 **BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE POLICY AND PRO-**
4 **GRAMS.**

5 *Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment*
6 *of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the con-*
7 *gressional defense committees a report on the continued im-*
8 *plementation of the amendments made by section 1621 of*
9 *the Servicemember Quality of Life National Defense Au-*
10 *thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159;*
11 *138 Stat. 2170) that includes—*

12 *(1) a proposal to consolidate administrative and*
13 *resource support functions for personnel assigned to*
14 *the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for*
15 *Nuclear Deterrence, Chemical, and Biological Defense*
16 *Policy and Programs to a single office in the Depart-*
17 *ment of Defense;*

18 *(2) a plan to clarify the relationships between—*

19 *(A) the Assistant Secretary of Defense for*
20 *Nuclear Deterrence, Chemical, and Biological*
21 *Defense Policy and Programs;*

22 *(B) the Under Secretary of Defense for Ac-*
23 *quisition and Sustainment; and*

24 *(C) the Under Secretary of Defense for Pol-*
25 *icy;*

1 (3) a proposal for an organizational framework
 2 through which the Assistant Secretary will perform
 3 the portfolio management duties required under sec-
 4 tion 499c of title 10, United States Code;

5 (4) a description of resource requirements for the
 6 Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nu-
 7 clear Deterrence, Chemical, and Biological Defense
 8 Policy and Programs; and

9 (5) such other matters as the Secretary deter-
 10 mines appropriate.

11 **SEC. 1626. IMPROVEMENTS TO CERTAIN DEPARTMENT OF**
 12 **DEFENSE INDEMNIFICATION PROCEDURES**
 13 **TO ENABLE PROCUREMENT OF COMMERCIAL**
 14 **ADVANCED NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGIES.**

15 (a) *REVIEW.*—The review of a request submitted to a
 16 Department of Defense contracting officer by a contractor
 17 pursuant to Public Law 85–804 (50 U.S.C. 1431 *et. seq*)
 18 for indemnification against nuclear and unusually haz-
 19 ardous risks, including those involving the procurement of
 20 commercial nuclear technology, shall include, to the max-
 21 imum extent practicable, input from the Defense Contract
 22 Management Agency, including reviews of insurance mar-
 23 kets and coverage availability from the Contractor Insur-
 24 ance/Pension Review group.

1 (b) *DEADLINE.*—*The Secretary of Defense shall ensure*
 2 *that the review of any indemnification request described in*
 3 *subsection (a) shall be completed with a final decision on*
 4 *approval or denial, including an executed memorandum of*
 5 *decision, within the 90-day period beginning on the date*
 6 *on which the contractor submits the indemnification re-*
 7 *quest.*

8 **SEC. 1627. REVIEW OF THE OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND**
 9 **SAFETY CONDITIONS OF OPERATIONAL FA-**
 10 **CILITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE LGM-30G**
 11 **MINUTEMAN III INTERCONTINENTAL BAL-**
 12 **LISTIC MISSILE SYSTEM.**

13 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Assistant Secretary of Defense*
 14 *for Health Affairs, in consultation with the Assistant Sec-*
 15 *retary of Defense for Nuclear Deterrence, Chemical and Bio-*
 16 *logical Defense Policy and Programs, shall seek to enter into*
 17 *an agreement with the Executive Officer of the National*
 18 *Academy of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine for a re-*
 19 *view of the occupational health and safety conditions of cov-*
 20 *ered operational facilities.*

21 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—*The review required by subsection (a)*
 22 *shall include the following:*

23 (1) *An independent review of the methodology*
 24 *and findings of the Missile Community Cancer Study*

1 *conducted by the Air Force Medical Service and Air*
2 *Force Global Strike Command.*

3 (2) *An independent assessment of occupational*
4 *hazards, covered toxic substances, and operational ac-*
5 *tivities associated with the LGM-30G Minuteman III*
6 *intercontinental ballistic missile system that accounts*
7 *for—*

8 (A) *enclosed space dynamics;*

9 (B) *ventilation inefficiencies; and*

10 (C) *limited fresh air exchange rates.*

11 (3) *An independent case-controlled retrospective*
12 *study of cancer incidence rates among—*

13 (A) *Minuteman III missile launch officers*
14 *and support personnel; compared to*

15 (B) *a group of members of the Air Force*
16 *with—*

17 (i) *a substantially similar demo-*
18 *graphic makeup to the group of launch offi-*
19 *cers and support personnel included in the*
20 *study;*

21 (ii) *responsibilities that are not associ-*
22 *ated with the Minuteman III system; and*

23 (iii) *a low potential for occupational*
24 *exposure to covered toxic substances, as de-*

1 *terminated by Air Force Specialty Code and*
2 *occupational duties.*

3 *(4) A comparative evaluation of the suitability*
4 *and effectiveness of historic versus current year envi-*
5 *ronmental surveillance policies, procedures and tech-*
6 *nologies of the Department of the Air Force for cov-*
7 *ered operational facilities used to detect exposure to*
8 *covered toxic substances and occupational hazards,*
9 *including—*

10 *(A) air quality;*

11 *(B) groundwater and drinking water con-*
12 *tamination;*

13 *(C) ventilation systems and particulate*
14 *matter accumulation; and*

15 *(D) residual contamination associated with*
16 *confined operational environments.*

17 *(5) An evaluation of the suitability and effective-*
18 *ness of policies, procedures, and technologies of the*
19 *Department of the Air Force to prevent occupational*
20 *hazards, and reduce exposure to covered toxic sub-*
21 *stances, associated with the Minuteman III system in-*
22 *cluding—*

23 *(A) personal protective equipment;*

24 *(B) engineering controls;*

25 *(C) environmental surveillance; and*

1 (D) other policies, procedures and tech-
2 nologies deemed relevant.

3 (6) An evaluation of the suitability and effective-
4 ness of policies, procedures, and technologies of the
5 Department of the Air Force and the Department of
6 Defense for reporting and periodic medical screening,
7 testing, and evaluations for potential exposure to oc-
8 cupational hazards and covered toxic substances for
9 personnel associated with the Minuteman III system.

10 (7) Recommendations of the Executive Officer
11 with respect to—

12 (A) Department of Defense actions to ensure
13 that occupational health and safety conditions of
14 covered operational facilities—

15 (i) meet current occupational safety
16 and national security requirements in effect
17 as of the date of the enactment of this Act;
18 and

19 (ii) are applied to the LGM-35A Sen-
20 tinel intercontinental ballistic missile sys-
21 tem; and

22 (B) potential modifications to—

23 (i) the current design and operation of
24 the LGM-30G Minuteman III interconti-
25 nental ballistic missile system; and

1 (ii) the future design and operation of
2 the Sentinel system.

3 (c) *INFORMATION AND CLEARANCES.*—The Secretary
4 of Defense shall ensure that personnel of the National Acad-
5 emy of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine supervising the
6 implementation of the agreement required by subsection (a),
7 or conducting the review required by such subsection, are
8 granted, in a timely manner, access to the information and
9 security clearances necessary to carry out such review.

10 (d) *REPORT REQUIRED.*—

11 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 18 months
12 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Execu-
13 tive Officer of the National Academy of Sciences, En-
14 gineering, and Medicine shall submit to the congres-
15 sional defense committees a report that includes the
16 findings of the review required by subsection (a).

17 (2) *FORM.*—The report required by paragraph
18 (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may
19 include a classified annex.

20 (e) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

21 (1) The term “covered operational facilities”
22 mean physical structures and work environments as-
23 sociated with the LGM–30G Minuteman III inter-
24 continental ballistic missile system, including—

25 (A) launch control facilities;

- 1 (B) launch facilities;
- 2 (C) missile alert facilities; and
- 3 (D) other associated facilities.

4 (2) The term “covered toxic substances” means
5 contaminants and other risk factors that pose a sig-
6 nificant health risk to an individual when inhaled,
7 ingested, absorbed by, or in close proximity to, the in-
8 dividual, including—

- 9 (A) Asbestos.
- 10 (B) Radiation.
- 11 (C) Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBS).
- 12 (D) Combustion byproducts associated with
13 burning classified materials, accelerants, and in-
14 dustrial solvents.
- 15 (E) Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs),
16 including VOCs from cleaning and maintenance
17 chemicals.
- 18 (F) Radon and naturally occurring radio-
19 active materials in subterranean facilities.
- 20 (G) Hydrogen cyanide, hydrazine, ethylene
21 glycol, and sodium chromate.
- 22 (H) Pesticides and herbicides from facility
23 perimeters and surrounding agricultural runoff.
- 24 (I) Noise.

1 (J) Other chemical compounds or elements
 2 associated with the LGM-30G Minuteman III
 3 intercontinental ballistic missile system or cov-
 4 ered operational facilities.

5 ***Subtitle D—Missile Defense***
 6 ***Programs***

7 ***SEC. 1641. MODIFICATION TO NATIONAL MISSILE DEFENSE***
 8 ***POLICY TO REFLECT GOLDEN DOME FOR***
 9 ***AMERICA POLICY.***

10 Section 5501 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
 11 ed by striking the text and inserting the following:

12 *“It is the policy of the United States—*

13 *“(1) to provide for the common defense of the*
 14 *United States and its citizens by deploying and*
 15 *maintaining a next-generation missile defense shield;*
 16 *and*

17 *“(2) to deter, and defend the citizens and critical*
 18 *infrastructure of the United States against, any for-*
 19 *ign aerial attack on the homeland.”.*

20 ***SEC. 1642. GOLDEN DOME FOR AMERICA.***

21 *(a) PLAN.—*

22 *(1) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 180 days*
 23 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-*
 24 *retary of Defense shall submit to the congressional de-*
 25 *fense committees a plan for the development and de-*

1 *ployment of a next-generation air and missile defense*
2 *architecture pursuant to Executive Order 14186 (90*
3 *Fed. Reg. 8767), or such successor order.*

4 (2) *ELEMENTS.—The plan under paragraph (1)*
5 *shall include the following:*

6 (A) *An updated assessment of air and mis-*
7 *sile threats to the United States.*

8 (B) *A description of the system architecture*
9 *of the next-generation air and missile defense ar-*
10 *chitecture, including—*

11 (i) *the identification of each capa-*
12 *bility, program, and project considered to be*
13 *part of such architecture;*

14 (ii) *a preliminary description of, cost*
15 *estimate for, and schedule to achieve—*

16 (I) *initial operational capability;*

17 *and*

18 (II) *full operational capability;*

19 (iii) *a description of relevant concepts*
20 *of operations;*

21 (iv) *a plan with respect to integrating*
22 *and maximizing interoperability of capa-*
23 *bilities included in such architecture;*

24 (v) *a description of ground segment re-*
25 *quirements to support the development and*

1 *deployment of space-based capabilities in-*
2 *cluded in such architecture; and*

3 *(vi) an identification of requirements*
4 *with respect to the electromagnetic spectrum*
5 *for the development and deployment of ca-*
6 *pabilities included in such architecture.*

7 *(C) An organizational construct defining*
8 *roles and responsibilities for each participating*
9 *element of the Department of Defense.*

10 *(D) An assessment of on-orbit testing and*
11 *training requirements necessary for developing*
12 *capabilities and ensuring long-term warfighting*
13 *readiness of such architecture.*

14 *(E) A strategy for ensuring supply chain*
15 *security and resilience.*

16 *(F) Identification of any additional legal*
17 *authorities necessary to carry out or expedite the*
18 *development and deployment of such architec-*
19 *ture.*

20 *(G) Any other matters the Secretary con-*
21 *siders relevant.*

22 *(3) UPDATES.—Concurrent with the submission*
23 *of the budget of the President to Congress pursuant to*
24 *section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, for*

1 *each of fiscal years 2028 through 2030, the Secretary*
2 *shall submit to the congressional defense committees—*

3 *(A) an update to the plan under paragraph*
4 *(1); and*

5 *(B) a consolidated budget exhibit identi-*
6 *fying funding requested for the systems architec-*
7 *ture described in the plan, including specific ap-*
8 *propriation and line numbers, where appro-*
9 *priate.*

10 *(b) THEATER MISSILE DEFENSE POSTURE.—Not later*
11 *than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act,*
12 *the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense com-*
13 *mittees a report—*

14 *(1) assessing the theater missile defense posture*
15 *of the United States, including changes in the missile*
16 *threat environment with respect to allies and partners*
17 *of the United States and forward-deployed forces of*
18 *the United States; and*

19 *(2) making recommendations, as appropriate,*
20 *to—*

21 *(A) increase bilateral and multilateral co-*
22 *operation on missile defense technology develop-*
23 *ment, capabilities, and operations;*

24 *(B) improve theater missile defenses of the*
25 *forward-deployed forces of the United States and*

1 *the territories, forces, and populations of allies of*
 2 *the United States; and*

3 *(C) increase and accelerate the provision of*
 4 *missile defense capabilities of the United States*
 5 *to allies and partners of the United States.*

6 **SEC. 1643. PROHIBITION PRIVATIZED OR SUBSCRIPTION-**
 7 **BASED MISSILE DEFENSE INTERCEPT CAPA-**
 8 **BILITIES.**

9 *Subchapter II of chapter 551 of title 10, United States*
 10 *Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new*
 11 *section:*

12 **“§5516. Prohibition on privatized or subscription-**
 13 **based missile defense intercept capabili-**
 14 **ties**

15 “(a) *PROHIBITION.—The Secretary of Defense may*
 16 *only develop, deploy, test, or operate a missile defense sys-*
 17 *tem with kinetic missile defense capabilities if—*

18 “(1) *the missile defense system is owned and op-*
 19 *erated by the armed forces; and*

20 “(2) *such capabilities do not use a subscription-*
 21 *based service, a pay-for-service model, or a recurring-*
 22 *fee model to engage or intercept a target.*

23 “(b) *INHERENTLY GOVERNMENTAL FUNCTION.—The*
 24 *decision to engage in kinetic missile defense activities, in-*
 25 *cluding targeting, launch authorization, and engagement of*

1 *airborne or spaceborne threats, is an inherently govern-*
2 *mental function that only officers or employees of the Fed-*
3 *eral Government or members of the Army, Navy, Air Force,*
4 *Marine Corps, or Space Force may perform.*

5 “(c) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—*Nothing in this sec-*
6 *tion shall be construed to prohibit the Secretary of Defense*
7 *from—*

8 “(1) *entering into contracts with private entities*
9 *for the research, development, manufacture, mainte-*
10 *nance, or testing of missile defense systems;*

11 “(2) *entering into or carrying out co-production*
12 *or co-development arrangements, or other cooperative*
13 *agreements, with allies and partners of the United*
14 *States with respect to missile defense capabilities; or*

15 “(3) *procuring commercial services for remote*
16 *sensing, telemetry, threat tracking, data analysis,*
17 *data transport, or early warning, if such services do*
18 *not directly involve the execution or command of ki-*
19 *netic missile defense activities.*

20 “(d) *DEFINITIONS.*—*For the purposes of this section:*

21 “(1) *The term ‘kinetic missile defense activities’*
22 *means any action intended to physically intercept,*
23 *neutralize, or destroy a missile, projectile, aircraft, or*
24 *other airborne threat, including those using kinetic*
25 *interceptors or directed energy.*

1 “(2) *The term ‘kinetic missile defense capabilities’ means any system or platform that is designed*
 2 *to be able to carry out kinetic missile defense activi-*
 3 *ties.*

5 “(3) *The term ‘subscription-based service’ means*
 6 *any arrangement in which a private entity provides*
 7 *ongoing or recurring operational access to missile de-*
 8 *fense capabilities in exchange for periodic payment.”.*

9 ***Subtitle E—Other Matters***

10 ***SEC. 1651. COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION FUNDS.***

11 *(a) FUNDING ALLOCATION.—Of the \$282,830,000 au-*
 12 *thorized to be appropriated to the Department of Defense*
 13 *for fiscal year 2026 in section 301 and made available by*
 14 *the funding table in division D for the Department of De-*
 15 *fense Cooperative Threat Reduction Program established*
 16 *under section 1321 of the Department of Defense Coopera-*
 17 *tive Threat Reduction Act (50 U.S.C. 3711), the following*
 18 *amounts may be obligated for the purposes specified:*

19 *(1) For delivery system threat reduction,*
 20 *\$6,332,000.*

21 *(2) For chemical security and elimination,*
 22 *\$18,645,000.*

23 *(3) For global nuclear security, \$30,621,000.*

24 *(4) For biological threat reduction, \$160,402,000.*

25 *(5) For proliferation prevention, \$36,923,000.*

1 (6) *For activities designated as Other Assess-*
 2 *ments/Administration Costs, \$29,907,000.*

3 (b) *SPECIFICATION OF COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUC-*
 4 *TION FUNDS.—Funds appropriated pursuant to the author-*
 5 *ization of appropriations in section 301 and made avail-*
 6 *able by the funding table in division D for the Department*
 7 *of Defense Cooperative Threat Reduction Program shall be*
 8 *available for obligation for fiscal years 2026, 2027, and*
 9 *2028.*

10 ***TITLE XVII—OTHER DEFENSE***
 11 ***MATTERS***

12 ***Subtitle A—Miscellaneous***
 13 ***Authorities and Limitations***

14 ***SEC. 1701. COPYRIGHT TO A LITERARY WORK PRODUCED BY***
 15 ***A CIVILIAN FACULTY MEMBER OF THE UNI-***
 16 ***FORMED SERVICES UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH***
 17 ***SCIENCES IN THE COURSE OF SUCH EMPLOY-***
 18 ***MENT: FREE USE BY THE FEDERAL GOVERN-***
 19 ***MENT.***

20 (a) *USE BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.—Section 105 of*
 21 *title 17, United States Code, is amended, in subsection*
 22 *(d)(2)—*

23 (1) *by redesignating subparagraphs (L) through*
 24 *(N) as subparagraphs (M) through (O), respectively;*

1 (2) *by inserting after subparagraph (K) the fol-*
 2 *lowing new subparagraph (L):*

3 “(L) *Uniformed Services University of the*
 4 *Health Sciences.*”.

5 (b) *CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.*—*Such section is fur-*
 6 *ther amended, in subsection (c)—*

7 (1) *in paragraph (1), by striking “subpara-*
 8 *graphs (A) through (K) of subsection (d)(2) and sub-*
 9 *paragraph (L)” and inserting “subparagraphs (A)*
 10 *through (L) of subsection (d)(2) and subparagraph*
 11 *(M)”;*

12 (2) *in paragraph (2), by striking “subsection*
 13 *(d)(2)(L)” and inserting “subsection (d)(2)(M)”;*

14 (3) *in paragraph (3), by striking “subsection*
 15 *(d)(2)(M)” and inserting “subsection (d)(2)(N)”;* and

16 (4) *in paragraph (4), by striking “subsection*
 17 *(d)(2)(N)” and inserting “subsection (d)(2)(O)”.*

18 **SEC. 1702. COMBATING ILLICIT TOBACCO PRODUCTS.**

19 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Beginning not later than 120 days*
 20 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, no exchange or*
 21 *commissary operated by or for a military resale entity shall*
 22 *offer for sale any ENDS product or oral nicotine product*
 23 *unless the manufacturer of such product executes and deliv-*
 24 *ers to the appropriate officer for each military resale entity*
 25 *a certification form for each ENDS product or oral nicotine*

1 *product offered for retail sale at an exchange or commissary*
2 *that attests under penalty of perjury the following:*

3 (1) *The manufacturer has received a marketing*
4 *granted order for such product under section 910 of*
5 *the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C.*
6 *387j).*

7 (2) *The manufacturer submitted a timely filed*
8 *premarket tobacco product application for such prod-*
9 *uct, and the application either remains under review*
10 *by the Secretary or has received a denial order that*
11 *has been and remains stayed by the Secretary or*
12 *court order, rescinded by the Secretary, or vacated by*
13 *a court.*

14 (b) *FAILURE TO SUBMIT CERTIFICATION.*—A manu-
15 *facturer shall submit the certification forms required in*
16 *subsection (a) on an annual basis. Failure to submit such*
17 *forms to a military resale entity as required under the pre-*
18 *ceding sentence shall result in the removal of the relevant*
19 *ENDS product or oral nicotine product from sale at such*
20 *military resale entity.*

21 (c) *CERTIFICATION CONTENTS.*—

22 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—A certification form required
23 *under subsection (a) shall separately list each brand*
24 *name, product name, category (such as e-liquid,*
25 *power unit, device, e-liquid cartridge, e-liquid pod, or*

1 *disposable), and flavor for each product that is sold*
2 *offered for sale by the manufacturer submitting such*
3 *form.*

4 (2) *OTHER ITEMS.—A manufacturer shall, when*
5 *submitting a certification under subsection (a), in-*
6 *clude in that submission—*

7 (A) *a copy of the publicly available mar-*
8 *keting granted order under section 910 of the*
9 *Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21*
10 *U.S.C. 387j), as redacted by the Secretary and*
11 *made available on the agency website;*

12 (B) *a copy of the acceptance letter issued*
13 *under such section for a timely filed premarket*
14 *tobacco product application; or*

15 (C) *a document issued by Secretary or by a*
16 *court confirming that the premarket tobacco*
17 *product application has received a denial order*
18 *that has been and remains stayed by the Sec-*
19 *retary or court order, rescinded by the Secretary,*
20 *or vacated by a court.*

21 (d) *DEVELOPMENT OF FORMS AND PUBLICATION.—*

22 (1) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after*
23 *the date of the enactment of this Act, each military*
24 *resale entity shall—*

1 (A) develop and make public the certifi-
2 cation form such resale entity will require a
3 manufacturer to submit to meet the requirement
4 under subsection (a); and

5 (B) provide instructions on how such cer-
6 tification form shall be submitted to the relevant
7 military resale entity.

8 (2) SUBMISSION IN CASE OF FAILURE TO PUB-
9 LISH FORM.—If a military resale entity fails to pre-
10 pare and make public such certification form, a man-
11 ufacturer may submit information necessary to prove
12 compliance with the requirements of this section.

13 (e) CHANGES TO CERTIFICATION FORM.—A manufac-
14 turer that submits a certification form under subsection (a)
15 shall notify each relevant military resale entity to which
16 such certification was submitted not later than 30 days
17 after making any material change to the certification form,
18 including—

19 (1) the issuance or denial of a marketing author-
20 ization or other order by the Secretary pursuant to
21 section 910 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic
22 Act (21 U.S.C. 387j); or

23 (2) any other order or action by the Secretary or
24 any court that affects the ability of the ENDS prod-
25 uct or oral nicotine product to be introduced or deliv-

1 *ered into interstate commerce for commercial dis-*
2 *tribution in the United States.*

3 *(f) DIRECTORY.—*

4 *(1) IN GENERAL.—No later than 180 days after*
5 *the enactment of this Act, each military resale entity*
6 *shall maintain and make publicly available on its of-*
7 *ficial website a directory that lists all ENDS product*
8 *and oral nicotine product manufacturers and all*
9 *product brand names, categories (such as e-liquid, e-*
10 *liquid cartridge, e-liquid pod, or disposable), product*
11 *names, and flavors for which certification forms have*
12 *been submitted and approved by the relevant military*
13 *resale entity.*

14 *(2) UPDATES.—Each military resale entity*
15 *shall—*

16 *(A) update the directory under paragraph*
17 *(1) at least monthly to ensure accuracy; and*

18 *(B) establish a process to provide each ex-*
19 *change or commissary notice of the initial publi-*
20 *cation of the directory and changes made to the*
21 *directory in the prior month.*

22 *(3) EXCLUSIONS AND REMOVALS.—An ENDS*
23 *product or oral nicotine product shall not be included*
24 *or retained in a directory of a military resale entity*

1 *if the relevant military resale entity determines that*
2 *any of the following apply:*

3 *(A) The manufacturer failed to provide a*
4 *complete and accurate certification as required*
5 *by this section.*

6 *(B) The manufacturer submitted a certifi-*
7 *cation that does not comply with the require-*
8 *ments of this section.*

9 *(C) The information provided by the manu-*
10 *facturer in its certification contains false infor-*
11 *mation, material misrepresentations, or omis-*
12 *sions.*

13 *(4) NOTICE REQUIRED.—In the case of a re-*
14 *moval of a product from a directory under paragraph*
15 *(3), the relevant military resale entity shall provide*
16 *to the manufacturer involved notice and at least 30*
17 *days to cure deficiencies before removing the manufac-*
18 *turer or its products from the directory.*

19 *(5) EFFECT OF REMOVAL.—The ENDS product*
20 *or oral nicotine product of a manufacturer identified*
21 *in a notice of removal under paragraph (3) are, be-*
22 *ginning on the date that is 30 days after such re-*
23 *moval, subject to seizure, forfeiture, and destruction,*
24 *and may not be purchased or sold for retail sale at*

1 *any exchange or commissary operated by or for a*
2 *military resale entity.*

3 *(g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

4 *(1) The term “ENDS product”—*

5 *(A) means any non-combustible product*
6 *that employs a heating element, power source,*
7 *electronic circuit, or other electronic, chemical, or*
8 *mechanical means, regardless of shape or size, to*
9 *produce vapor from nicotine in a solution;*

10 *(B) includes a consumable nicotine liquid*
11 *solution suitable for use in such product, whether*
12 *sold with the product or separately; and*

13 *(C) does not include any product regulated*
14 *as a drug or device under chapter V of the Fed-*
15 *eral Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C.*
16 *351 et seq.).*

17 *(2) The term “military resale entities” means—*

18 *(A) the Defense Commissary Agency;*

19 *(B) the Army and Air Force Exchange*
20 *Service;*

21 *(C) the Navy Exchange Service Command;*
22 *and*

23 *(D) the Marine Corps Exchange.*

24 *(3) The term “oral nicotine product” means—*

1 (A) means any non-combustible product
2 that contains nicotine that is intended to be
3 placed in the oral cavity;

4 (B) does not include—

5 (i) any ENDS product;

6 (ii) smokeless tobacco (as defined in
7 section 900 of the Federal Food, Drug, and
8 Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 387)); or

9 (iii) any product regulated as a drug
10 or device under chapter V of the Federal
11 Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C.
12 351 et seq.).

13 (4) The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of
14 Health and Human Services, acting through the Com-
15 missioner of Food and Drugs.

16 (5) The term “timely filed premarket tobacco
17 product application” means an application that was
18 submitted under section 910 of the Federal Food,
19 Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 387j) on or before
20 September 9, 2020, and accepted for filing with re-
21 spect to an ENDS product or oral nicotine product
22 containing nicotine marketed in the United States as
23 of August 8, 2016.

Subtitle B—Other Matters

SEC. 1721. TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.

(a) *TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE.—Title 10, United States Code, is amended as follows:*

(1) *In the subtitle analysis for subtitle A, by striking the item relating to chapter 243 and inserting the following:*

“243. Other Matters Relating to Awarding of Contracts 3301”.

(2) *In the tables of chapters at the beginning of part I of such subtitle, by striking the item relating to chapter 25 and inserting the following:*

“25. Electromagnetic Warfare 500”.

(3) *In section 132a—*

(A) *in the section heading, by striking “improvement officer” and inserting “Improvement Officer”;* and

(B) *in subsection (c)(1), by striking “National Defense Authorization Act of Fiscal Year 2008” and inserting “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008”.*

(4) *In section 139a, by striking “section 2334” each place it appears and inserting “section 3221”.*

(5) *In section 183a(h)(3), by striking the semicolon and inserting a comma.*

(6) *In chapter 9, by redesignating the second section 222e (relating to unfunded priorities of the*

1 *Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engi-*
2 *neering: annual report) as section 222f.*

3 (7) *In section 525(a)(4)(C), by striking the pe-*
4 *riod after “21”.*

5 (8) *In chapter 40, by redesignating section 711*
6 *(relating to parental leave for members of certain re-*
7 *serve components of the armed forces) as section 710a*
8 *(and conforming the table of contents with respect to*
9 *the section number and heading).*

10 (9) *In subsection (a)(2) of such section 710a, as*
11 *so redesignated—*

12 (A) *in subparagraph (A), by striking “sub-*
13 *paragraph (A)” each place it appears and in-*
14 *serting “paragraph (1)”;* and

15 (B) *in subparagraph (B)—*

16 (i) *by striking “subparagraph (A)”*
17 *both places it appears and inserting “para-*
18 *graph (1)”;*

19 (ii) *by striking “clause (i)” and insert-*
20 *ing “subparagraph (A)”;* and

21 (iii) *by striking the semicolon that ap-*
22 *pears after the period.*

23 (10) *In section 1143(e)(1), by striking “(A)” and*
24 *inserting “(A)”.*

1 (11) *In section 1558(c)(1), by striking the*
2 *comma after “Space Force”.*

3 (12) *In section 1749—*

4 (A) *in subsection (b)(4), by striking “em-*
5 *phasizes—” and inserting “emphasize—”; and*

6 (B) *in subsection (c)—*

7 (i) *in the matter preceding paragraph*
8 *(1), by inserting “shall” after “program”;*
9 *and*

10 (ii) *in paragraph (2)—*

11 (I) *by striking “has” and insert-*
12 *ing “have”; and*

13 (II) *by striking “can” and insert-*
14 *ing “the ability to”.*

15 (13) *In section 2107(k), by striking the sub-*
16 *section heading.*

17 (14) *In section 2818(a), by striking “contact”*
18 *and inserting “contract”.*

19 (15) *In section 2819(e), by inserting “the” before*
20 *“congressional defense committees”.*

21 (16) *In the tables of chapters at the beginning of*
22 *part V of such subtitle, by striking the item relating*
23 *to chapter 326 and inserting the following:*

“327. Weapon Systems Development and Related Matters 4401”.

1 (17) *In the tables of chapters at the beginning of*
 2 *part V of such subtitle, by striking the item relating*
 3 *to chapter 383 and inserting the following:*

**“383. Development, Application, and Support of Dual-Use
 Technologies 4831”.**

4 (18) *In section 3072(c), by amending the sub-*
 5 *section heading to read as follows:*

6 “(c) *ACQUISITION PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES TO BE*
 7 *CONSIDERED.—*”.

8 (19) *In section 3603(a), by striking “Such a*
 9 *pathway shall include the following:”.*

10 (20) *In section 4127(d)(9), by striking “pursing”*
 11 *and inserting “pursuing”.*

12 (21) *In section 4022(e)(1), by striking “Under-*
 13 *secretary of Defense” each place it appears and in-*
 14 *serting “Under Secretary of Defense”.*

15 (22) *In chapter 303, by redesignating the second*
 16 *section 4128 (relating to the Joint Federated Assur-*
 17 *ance Center) as section 4129.*

18 (23) *In section 4663(a), by inserting “if such en-*
 19 *tity” before “is a party”.*

20 (24) *In section 4816(b)(6), by inserting “)” after*
 21 *“title”.*

22 (25) *In section 4872(e)(1), by striking “the Sec-*
 23 *retary of Defense of the Secretary or the Secretary of*
 24 *the military department concerned” and inserting*

1 *“the Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of the mili-*
 2 *tary department concerned”.*

3 (26) *In section 5502, in the section heading, by*
 4 *striking “**defense agency**” and inserting “**De-***
 5 *fense Agency”.*

6 (27) *In section 5513, in the section heading, by*
 7 *striking “**missile defense agency**” and inserting*
 8 *“**Missile Defense Agency**”.*

9 (28) *In section 5531(b) is amended—*

10 (A) *by striking “paragraph (1)” both places*
 11 *it appears and inserting “subsection (a)”;*

12 (B) *in paragraph (1), by striking “subpara-*
 13 *graph (B)” and inserting “paragraph (2)”;* and

14 (C) *in paragraph (2), by striking “subpara-*
 15 *graph (A)” and inserting “paragraph (1)”.*

16 (29) *In section 7361(a)(2), by striking “Vietnam*
 17 *Era” and inserting “Vietnam era”.*

18 (30) *In section 82218, in each of subsections*
 19 *(c)(1)(D) and (k)(3)(B), by striking “section 11 of the*
 20 *Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946 (50 U.S.C. 4405)”*
 21 *and inserting “section 57100 of title 46”.*

22 (31) *In section 9062a, in the section heading, by*
 23 *striking the period that appears after “**structure**”.*

24 (32) *In section 9361(a)(2), by striking “Vietnam*
 25 *Era” and inserting “Vietnam era”.*

1 (33) *In section 9531, in the section heading, by*
 2 *striking the period that appears after “**Reserve**”.*

3 (34) *In section 10216(f), by striking the period*
 4 *that appears after “62”.*

5 (35) *In the tables of chapters at the beginning of*
 6 *part III of subtitle E, by striking the item relating*
 7 *to chapter 1413 and inserting the following:*

**“1413. Alternative Promotion Authority for Officers in
 Designated Competitive Categories15101”.**

8 (36) *In section 14504(b), by striking “the the*
 9 *Secretary” and inserting “the Secretary”.*

10 (b) *COORDINATION WITH OTHER AMENDMENTS MADE*
 11 *BY THIS ACT.—For purposes of applying amendments*
 12 *made by provisions of this Act other than this section, the*
 13 *amendments made by this section shall be treated as having*
 14 *been enacted immediately before any such amendments by*
 15 *other provisions of this Act.*

16 **SEC. 1722. TRANSFER OR POSSESSION OF DEFENSE ITEMS**
 17 **FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE PURPOSES.**

18 (a) *TRANSFER AND POSSESSION EXCEPTIONS.—Sec-*
 19 *tion 922(o)(2) of title 18, United States Code, is amended—*

20 (1) *in subparagraph (A), by striking “or by”*
 21 *and inserting “, by, or under the authority of”;*

22 (2) *in subparagraph (A), by striking “or” at the*
 23 *end;*

1 (3) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period
2 at the end and inserting “; or”; and

3 (4) by inserting after subparagraph (B) the fol-
4 lowing new subparagraph:

5 “(C) a transfer to, or possession by, a li-
6 censed manufacturer or licensed importer (if,
7 with respect to a transfer, such transfer has been
8 approved by the Attorney General in accordance
9 with law) for purposes of—

10 “(i) joint production of a weapon, or
11 integration or incorporation into another
12 article or device;

13 “(ii) calibration, testing, or research
14 and development;

15 “(iii) permanent or temporary export,
16 or temporary import, otherwise in accord-
17 ance with law; or

18 “(iv) training of Department of De-
19 fense personnel and Federal, State, local, or
20 friendly foreign government military and
21 law enforcement personnel.”.

22 (b) *IMPORTATION REQUIREMENTS*.—Section 925(d) of
23 such title is amended—

24 (1) in paragraph (3)—

1 (A) by inserting “except as provided in
2 paragraph (5),” before “is of”; and

3 (B) by striking “or” at the end;

4 (2) in paragraph (4), by striking the period at
5 the end and inserting “; or”; and

6 (3) by inserting after paragraph (4) the fol-
7 lowing new paragraph:

8 “(5) is being imported or brought in by a li-
9 censed manufacturer or licensed importer in con-
10 formity with, and solely for a purpose described in
11 subparagraphs (A) or (C) of section 922(o)(2).”.

12 (c) *REPORT*.—

13 (1) *IN GENERAL*.—Not later than one year after
14 the effective date of this section, the Secretary of De-
15 fense shall—

16 (A) conduct a survey of defense contractors
17 who have used or intend to use a covered excep-
18 tion; and

19 (B) submit to the Committees on Armed
20 Services of the Senate and the House of Rep-
21 resentatives a report describing the results of
22 such survey.

23 (2) *ELEMENTS*.—The report submitted under
24 paragraph (1) shall include the following:

1 (A) *The number of contractors that used a*
2 *covered exception during the period covered by*
3 *the report.*

4 (B) *Any issues identified by the Depart-*
5 *ment of Defense or such contractors with the im-*
6 *plementation of such covered exception.*

7 (C) *Any recommendations for changes to*
8 *statutes or regulations to implement covered ex-*
9 *ceptions.*

10 (3) *COVERED EXCEPTION DEFINED.—In this sub-*
11 *section, the term “covered exception” means an excep-*
12 *tion provided under—*

13 (A) *subparagraph (C) of section 922(o)(2)*
14 *of title 18, United States Code, as added by this*
15 *section; or*

16 (B) *paragraph (5) of section 922(d) of such*
17 *title, as added by this section.*

18 (d) *EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section and the amend-*
19 *ments made by this section shall take effect 30 days after*
20 *the date of the enactment of this Act.*

1 **SEC. 1723. EVALUATION OF RISKS POSED BY COMMUNICA-**
 2 **TIONS EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES PRO-**
 3 **DUCED BY FOREIGN ADVERSARY ENTITIES.**

4 *Section 1709 of the National Defense Authorization*
 5 *Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 47 U.S.C.*
 6 *1601 note) is amended—*

7 *(1) in subsection (a), in the subsection heading,*
 8 *by striking “TO COVERED LIST” and inserting “PRO-*
 9 *DUCED BY DJI TECHNOLOGIES OR AUTEL ROBOT-*
 10 *ICS”;*

11 *(2) by redesignating subsections (b), (c), and (d)*
 12 *as subsections (c), (d), and (e), respectively;*

13 *(3) by inserting after subsection (a) the following*
 14 *new subsection:*

15 *“(b) EVALUATION OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS*
 16 *COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES PRODUCED*
 17 *BY FOREIGN ADVERSARY ENTITIES.—*

18 *“(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after*
 19 *the date of the enactment of the National Defense Au-*
 20 *thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026, an appropriate*
 21 *national security agency shall determine if any of the*
 22 *following communications equipment or services, in-*
 23 *cluding software, pose an unacceptable risk to the na-*
 24 *tional security of the United States or the security*
 25 *and safety of United States persons:*

1 “(A) *Unmanned aircraft systems that are*
2 *designed, developed, manufactured, or supplied*
3 *by any person owned by, controlled by, or subject*
4 *to the jurisdiction or direction of a foreign ad-*
5 *versary.*

6 “(B) *Unmanned aircraft systems with inte-*
7 *grated software provided by any person owned*
8 *by, controlled by, or subject to the jurisdiction or*
9 *direction of a foreign adversary.*

10 “(C) *Equipment that uses spectrum in the*
11 *5030–5091 MHz band, governed by part 88 of*
12 *title 47, Code of Federal Regulations (or suc-*
13 *cessor regulations), that is designed, developed,*
14 *manufactured, or supplied by any person owned*
15 *by, controlled by, or subject to the jurisdiction or*
16 *direction of a foreign adversary.*

17 “(2) *ADDITION TO THE COVERED LIST.—If the*
18 *appropriate national security agency does not make*
19 *a determination as required by paragraph (1) by the*
20 *date that is one year after the date of the enactment*
21 *of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal*
22 *Year 2026, the Commission shall add all equipment*
23 *and services listed in paragraph (1) to the covered*
24 *list.”;*

1 (4) in subsection (c), as redesignated by para-
2 graph (2), by inserting “or (b)(1)” after “subsection
3 (a)(1)” each place it appears;

4 (5) in subsection (d), as so redesignated, by add-
5 ing at the end the following:

6 “(6) The term ‘unmanned aircraft system’ has
7 the meaning given that term in section 44801 of title
8 49, United States Code.

9 “(7) The term ‘foreign adversary’—

10 “(A) means a foreign adversary (as such
11 term is defined in section 8(c) of the Secure and
12 Trusted Communications Networks Act of 2019
13 (47 U.S.C. 1607(c))); and

14 “(B) includes any person owned by, con-
15 trolled by, or subject to the jurisdiction or direc-
16 tion of a foreign adversary.

17 “(8) The term ‘person owned by, controlled by,
18 or subject to the jurisdiction or direction of a foreign
19 adversary’ has the meaning given such term in sec-
20 tion 791.301 of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations,
21 or any such successor regulation.”; and

22 (6) in subsection (e), as so redesignated, by strik-
23 ing “subsection (b)(1)(A)” and inserting “subsection
24 (c)(1)(A)”.

1 **TITLE XVIII—STREAMLINING**
 2 **PROCUREMENT FOR EFFEC-**
 3 **TIVE EXECUTION AND DELIV-**
 4 **ERY**

5 ***Subtitle A—Alignment of the***
 6 ***Defense Acquisition System***

7 **SEC. 1801. ALIGNMENT OF THE DEFENSE ACQUISITION SYS-**
 8 **TEM WITH THE NEEDS OF MEMBERS OF THE**
 9 **ARMED FORCES.**

10 (a) **OBJECTIVES OF DEFENSE ACQUISITION SYS-**
 11 **TEM.—**

12 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 3102 of title 10,
 13 *United States Code*, is amended to read as follows:

14 **“§ 3102. Objectives of the defense acquisition system**

15 “(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of Defense shall en-
 16 *sure that the defense acquisition system exists to expedi-*
 17 *tiously provide the armed forces with the capabilities nec-*
 18 *essary to operate effectively, to address evolving threats, and*
 19 *to maintain the military advantage of the United States*
 20 *in the most cost-effective manner practicable.*

21 “(b) **GUIDANCE.**—The Secretary of Defense shall issue
 22 *guidance to carry out subsection (a) that requires the fol-*
 23 *lowing:*

24 “(1) *All activities of the defense acquisition sys-*
 25 *tem contribute to the expeditious delivery of capabili-*

1 *ties to enhance the operational readiness of the armed*
2 *forces and enable the missions of the Department of*
3 *Defense.*

4 *“(2) The defense acquisition system maximizes*
5 *the effective use of resources by delivering capabilities*
6 *that offer the best value for the investment made in*
7 *each capability.*

8 *“(3) The defense acquisition system encourages*
9 *and supports the integration of innovative solutions*
10 *to enhance military effectiveness and responsiveness to*
11 *emerging threats.*

12 *“(4) The defense acquisition system encourages*
13 *an iterative approach to designing and testing tech-*
14 *nical solutions to enable early identification of solu-*
15 *tions that do not deliver desired results.*

16 *“(5) The defense acquisition system supports a*
17 *leadership and organizational structure that encour-*
18 *ages risk-taking, collaboration, and learning through*
19 *failure.*

20 *“(6) The training and development of members*
21 *of the acquisition workforce ensures that such mem-*
22 *bers have the skills to effectively manage acquisition*
23 *activities in accordance with this section.”.*

24 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

1 (A) *UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR*
2 *ACQUISITION AND SUSTAINMENT.*—Section
3 *133b(b) of title 10, United States Code, is*
4 *amended—*

5 (i) in paragraph (1), by striking “de-
6 *livering and sustaining timely, cost-effective*
7 *capabilities for the armed forces (and the*
8 *Department)” and inserting “expeditiously*
9 *providing the armed forces with the capa-*
10 *bilities necessary to operate effectively, to*
11 *address evolving threats, and to maintain*
12 *the military advantage of the United States*
13 *in the most cost-effective manner prac-*
14 *ticable”; and*

15 (ii) in paragraph (9)(A), by striking
16 *“defense acquisition programs” and insert-*
17 *ing “the defense acquisition system, in ac-*
18 *cordance with the objectives established by*
19 *section 3102 of this title”.*

20 (B) *DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONAL TEST AND*
21 *EVALUATION.*—Section *139 of title 10, United*
22 *States Code, is amended—*

23 (i) in subsection (b), by redesignating
24 *paragraphs (1) through (6) as paragraphs*
25 *(2) through (7), respectively; and*

1 (ii) by inserting before paragraph (2),
 2 as so redesignated, the following new para-
 3 graph:

4 “(1) ensure that all operational test and evalua-
 5 tion activities are aligned with, and are conducted in
 6 a manner that supports, the objectives of the defense
 7 acquisition system established by section 3102 of this
 8 title;”.

9 (C) *DIRECTOR OF COST ASSESSMENT AND*
 10 *PROGRAM EVALUATION.*—Section 139a(d) of title
 11 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting
 12 “shall carry out the requirements of this section
 13 in accordance with the objectives established by
 14 section 3102 of this title and” before “shall
 15 serve”.

16 (b) *CIVILIAN MANAGEMENT OF THE DEFENSE ACQUI-*
 17 *SITION SYSTEM.*—Section 3103 of title 10, United States
 18 Code, is amended—

19 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “to ensure the
 20 successful and efficient operation of the defense acqui-
 21 sition system” and inserting “in accordance with the
 22 objectives of the defense acquisition system established
 23 pursuant to section 3102 of this title”; and

24 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “to ensure the
 25 successful and efficient operation of such elements of

1 *the defense acquisition system.” and inserting the fol-*
2 *lowing: “in accordance with the objectives of the de-*
3 *fense acquisition system established pursuant to sec-*
4 *tion 3102 of this title. In carrying out this subsection,*
5 *each service acquisition executive shall perform the*
6 *following:*

7 *“(1) Implement strategies to effectively and effi-*
8 *ciently respond to changes in capability requirements.*

9 *“(2) Use data-driven decisionmaking to manage*
10 *trade-offs among life-cycle costs, delivery schedules,*
11 *performance objectives, technical feasibility, and pro-*
12 *curement quantity objectives to ensure acquisition*
13 *and sustainment programs deliver the best value for*
14 *the investment made in the program.*

15 *“(3) Use iterative development cycles and dis-*
16 *continue or terminate the development of capabili-*
17 *ties—*

18 *“(A) that no longer align with approved ca-*
19 *pability requirements or priorities; or*

20 *“(B) are experiencing significant cost*
21 *growth, performance deficiencies, or delays in*
22 *schedule.*

23 *“(4) Provide to the Joint Requirements Council*
24 *timely updates on changes to the acquisition pro-*
25 *grams under the service acquisition executive, includ-*

1 *ing any material changes to the capability require-*
 2 *ments, the quantity to be procured, or the delivery*
 3 *schedule, to enable the Joint Requirements Council to*
 4 *identify and prioritize gaps in joint military capa-*
 5 *bilities resulting from such changes in accordance*
 6 *with section 181(b) of this title.*

7 “(5) *Ensure the period of assignment of an indi-*
 8 *vidual serving in a critical acquisition position (as*
 9 *defined in section 1731 of this title) is of sufficient*
 10 *duration to ensure the development and use of ac-*
 11 *quired expertise, institutional capacity, account-*
 12 *ability in decisionmaking, and stability in the over-*
 13 *sight and management of acquisition activities.*

14 “(6) *Ensure that contracting officers are appro-*
 15 *priately trained and assigned to support effective con-*
 16 *tract management.”.*

17 (c) *ACQUISITION-RELATED FUNCTIONS OF CHIEFS OF*
 18 *THE ARMED FORCES.—*

19 (1) *PERFORMANCE OF CERTAIN ACQUISITION-RE-*
 20 *LATED FUNCTIONS.—Section 3104(a) of title 10,*
 21 *United States Code, is amended—*

22 (A) *by inserting “, in accordance with the*
 23 *objectives established pursuant to section 3102,”*
 24 *after “Secretary of the military department con-*
 25 *cerned”; and*

1 (B) by amending paragraphs (1) through
2 (7) to read as follows:

3 “(1) The development of capability requirement
4 statements for equipping the armed force concerned
5 that—

6 “(A) describe the operational problem to
7 provide necessary context for the capability re-
8 quirement; and

9 “(B) describe the solution sought in a non-
10 prescriptive manner to allow agile and innova-
11 tive capability development to address the oper-
12 ational problem;

13 “(2) The implementation of strategies to effec-
14 tively and efficiently inform recommendations regard-
15 ing changes in capability requirements described in
16 paragraph (1).

17 “(3) The recommendation of trade-offs among
18 life-cycle costs, delivery schedules, performance objec-
19 tives, technical feasibility, and procurement quantity
20 objectives to ensure acquisition programs deliver best
21 value for the investment made.

22 “(4) In consultation with the Joint Require-
23 ments Council, the establishment and prioritization of
24 requirements to expeditiously provide the armed forces
25 with the capabilities needed to operate effectively, to

1 *address evolving threats, and to maintain the mili-*
2 *tary advantage of the United States.*

3 *“(5) The use of data-driven decisionmaking to*
4 *prioritize resource allocation to meet operational*
5 *readiness requirements (as defined in section 4322 of*
6 *this title) and the materiel readiness objectives estab-*
7 *lished by the Secretary of the military department*
8 *concerned under section 118(c) of this title.*

9 *“(6) Support for an environment that enables*
10 *the adoption and integration of innovative solutions*
11 *and technologies to enhance military effectiveness and*
12 *responsiveness.*

13 *“(7) Any recommendation for the termination of*
14 *the development of capabilities—*

15 *“(A) that no longer align with approved ca-*
16 *pability requirements or priorities;*

17 *“(B) for which costs have significantly in-*
18 *creased; or*

19 *“(C) for which schedule delays have been*
20 *significant.*

21 *“(8) Support for the development of career paths*
22 *in acquisition for military personnel (as required by*
23 *section 1722a of this title) to ensure such personnel*
24 *have the necessary skills, knowledge, and experience to*

1 *fulfill the objectives established pursuant to section*
2 *3102 of this title.”.*

3 (2) *ADHERENCE TO REQUIREMENTS IN MAJOR*
4 *DEFENSE ACQUISITION PROGRAMS.—Section 3104(b)*
5 *of title 10, United States Code, is amended—*

6 (A) *in paragraph (1), by striking “program*
7 *capability document supporting a Milestone B or*
8 *subsequent decision” and inserting “require-*
9 *ments documents”; and*

10 (B) *in paragraph (2)—*

11 (i) *in subparagraph (A), by striking*
12 *“prior to entry into the Materiel Solution*
13 *Analysis Phase under Department of De-*
14 *fense Instruction 5000.02”; and*

15 (ii) *in subparagraph (B), by striking*
16 *“cost, schedule, technical feasibility, and*
17 *performance trade-offs” and inserting “life-*
18 *cycle cost, delivery schedule, performance*
19 *objective, technical feasibility, and procure-*
20 *ment quantity trade-offs”.*

21 (3) *DEFINITIONS.—Section 3104(d) of title 10,*
22 *United States Code, is amended to read as follows:*

23 “(d) *REQUIREMENTS DOCUMENT DEFINED.—In this*
24 *section, the term ‘requirements document’ means a docu-*
25 *ment that establishes the need for a materiel approach to*

1 *resolve a capability requirement or a joint capability re-*
 2 *quirement (as such terms are defined in section 181 of this*
 3 *title).”.*

4 *(d) IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than 30 days after*
 5 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of De-*
 6 *fense shall revise Department of Defense Directive 5000.01*
 7 *and any other relevant instructions, policies, or guidance*
 8 *to carry out the requirements of this section and the amend-*
 9 *ments made by this section.*

10 *(e) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—*

11 *(1) Section 3101 of title 10, United States Code,*
 12 *is amended to read as follows:*

13 **“§3101. Definitions**

14 *“In this chapter:*

15 *“(1) The term ‘best value’ means, with respect to*
 16 *an acquisition, the optimal combination of cost, qual-*
 17 *ity, technical capability or solution quality, and de-*
 18 *livery schedule.*

19 *“(2) The term ‘capability requirement’ has the*
 20 *meaning provided in section 181 of this title.*

21 *“(3) The term ‘cost-effective’ means, with respect*
 22 *to an acquisition, the capacity to deliver better results*
 23 *for the same or lower cost compared to alternatives.”.*

1 (2) *Section 3001(c) of title 10, United States*
2 *Code, is amended by striking “this section” and in-*
3 *serting “this part”.*

4 **SEC. 1802. PROGRAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER RESPONSIBIL-**
5 **ITIES.**

6 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Subchapter III of chapter 87 of*
7 *title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after*
8 *section 1731 the following new section:*

9 **“§ 1732. Program executive officer**

10 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*A program executive officer is the*
11 *senior official responsible for the oversight of the plans,*
12 *budgets, and execution of the programs assigned to the port-*
13 *folio of such senior official, including life-cycle manage-*
14 *ment.*

15 “(b) *OBJECTIVES.*—*In carrying the activities de-*
16 *scribed in subsection (a), the program executive officer shall*
17 *seek to achieve the following objectives:*

18 “(1) *Expeditiously provide the armed forces with*
19 *the capabilities needed to operate effectively, address*
20 *evolving threats, and maintain the military advan-*
21 *tage of the United States in the most cost-effective*
22 *manner practicable.*

23 “(2) *Maximize the effective use of resources by*
24 *delivering capabilities that offer the best value for the*
25 *investment made in each capability.*

1 “(3) *Enable the integration of innovative solu-*
2 *tions and technologies to enhance military effective-*
3 *ness and responsiveness to emerging threats.*

4 “(c) *SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES.—*

5 “(1) *IN GENERAL.—For the programs assigned*
6 *to the portfolio of a program executive officer, such*
7 *program executive officer shall be responsible for the*
8 *following:*

9 “(A) *Provide expeditious delivery of the ca-*
10 *pabilities necessary to effectively respond to na-*
11 *tional security challenges by overseeing the pro-*
12 *curement, development, and sustainment of de-*
13 *fense acquisition programs assigned to the pro-*
14 *gram executive officer.*

15 “(B) *Ensure the cost-effective allocation of*
16 *resources by delivering operational capabilities.*

17 “(C) *Adjust requirements, other than re-*
18 *quirements that are established as key perform-*
19 *ance parameters, to maximize the agility and*
20 *speed in program execution in accordance with*
21 *the objectives described in subsection (b).*

22 “(D) *Use iterative development cycles and*
23 *discontinue or terminate the development of ca-*
24 *pabilities—*

1 “(i) that no longer align with ap-
2 proved capability requirements (as defined
3 in section 181 of this title) or priorities; or

4 “(ii) that are experiencing significant
5 cost growth, performance deficiencies, or
6 delays in schedule.

7 “(E) Evaluate and implement trade-offs
8 among life-cycle costs, delivery schedules, per-
9 formance objectives, technical feasibility, and
10 procurement quantity objectives to ensure acqui-
11 sition and sustainment programs deliver best
12 value in meeting capability requirements (as de-
13 fined in section 181 of this title).

14 “(F) Use data-driven decisionmaking to
15 prioritize resource allocation to meet operational
16 readiness requirements and materiel readiness
17 objectives established by the Secretary concerned
18 under section 118(c) of this title.

19 “(G) Collaborate with the Mission Engi-
20 neering and Integration Activity established
21 under section 1813 of the of the National Defense
22 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 to con-
23 duct cross-service technical and operational ac-
24 tivities to integrate emerging technologies, proto-
25 types, and operational concepts, as appropriate.

1 “(H) *Provide support to the Requirements,*
2 *Acquisition, and Programming Integration Di-*
3 *rectorate with respect to the performance of the*
4 *responsibilities of the Directorate under section*
5 *186 of this title and serve as a member of the Di-*
6 *rectorate in accordance with such section.*

7 “(2) *MILESTONE DECISION AUTHORITY DU-*
8 *TIES.—A program executive officer shall be the mile-*
9 *stone decision authority for a program when directed*
10 *by the service acquisition executive of the military de-*
11 *partment that is managing the program or if des-*
12 *ignated by the Secretary of Defense.*

13 “(d) *FUNCTIONAL SUPPORT.—The Secretary con-*
14 *cerned with respect to a program executive officer shall en-*
15 *sure that each such program executive officer is assigned*
16 *dedicated personnel and other resources required to success-*
17 *fully perform the assigned duties and responsibilities of*
18 *such program executive officer. Personnel shall be under the*
19 *exclusive authority and control of such officer. Personnel*
20 *and resources shall not be provided through matrixed, col-*
21 *lateral duty, or dual-reporting arrangements, except as spe-*
22 *cifically authorized by the Secretary in writing. Personnel*
23 *and resources required include—*

24 “(1) *contracting and contract management;*

25 “(2) *estimating costs;*

1 “(3) *financial management*;
 2 “(4) *life-cycle management and product support*;
 3 “(5) *program management*;
 4 “(6) *engineering and technical management*; and
 5 “(7) *developmental testing and evaluation*.”.

6 (b) *AMENDMENT TO DEFINITIONS.*—Section
 7 1737(a)(4) of title 10, United States Code, is amended to
 8 read as follows:

9 “(4) The term ‘program executive officer’ means
 10 an individual described in section 1732(a) of this
 11 title.”.

12 **SEC. 1803. PRODUCT SUPPORT MANAGER RESPONSIBIL-**
 13 **ITIES AND REQUIREMENTS.**

14 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subchapter III of chapter 87 of
 15 title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after
 16 section 1732, as added by section 1802, the following new
 17 section:

18 **“§ 1733. Product support manager**

19 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—A product support manager is the
 20 individual responsible for managing support functions re-
 21 quired to field and maintain the readiness and operational
 22 capability of a covered system in support of the life-cycle
 23 management responsibilities of the program manager for
 24 such covered system.

1 “(b) *OBJECTIVES.*—In carrying the activities de-
2 scribed in subsection (a), the product support manager shall
3 seek to achieve the objectives of the defense acquisition sys-
4 tem established pursuant to section 3102 of this title.

5 “(c) *SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES.*—A product support
6 manager shall be responsible for the following:

7 “(1) Provide product support and subject matter
8 expertise with respect to a covered system to the pro-
9 gram manager for the covered system to assist with
10 the development, resourcing, implementation, and exe-
11 cution of the product support strategy developed by
12 the product support manager under section 4322 of
13 this title for the covered system.

14 “(2) Collaborate with the chief engineer and sys-
15 tems engineers for the covered system—

16 “(A) to develop the life-cycle sustainment
17 plan and any product support plans for the cov-
18 ered system; and

19 “(B) to analyze the operating and support
20 costs of the covered system to ensure the cost-ef-
21 fective operation, management, and availability
22 of the covered system.

23 “(3) Conduct early risk identification, mitiga-
24 tion, and product support analyses that inform best

1 *value solutions in life-cycle planning and manage-*
2 *ment.*

3 “(4) *Provide input on systems engineering re-*
4 *quirements, design, budgeting, maintenance planning,*
5 *and acquisition strategies for covered systems.*

6 “(5) *Support the program manager in evalu-*
7 *ating trade-offs among life-cycle costs, delivery sched-*
8 *ules, performance objectives, technical feasibility, and*
9 *procurement quantity objectives to ensure each cov-*
10 *ered system delivers the greatest value for the invest-*
11 *ment made in the covered system.*

12 “(6) *Use data-driven decisionmaking, predictive*
13 *analysis, and appropriate modeling tools related to*
14 *reliability and maintainability of the covered system*
15 *to prioritize resource allocation to meet operational*
16 *readiness requirements and materiel readiness objec-*
17 *tives (established under section 118(c) of this title).*

18 “(7) *Support each Secretary of a military de-*
19 *partment in performance of a core logistics analysis*
20 *pursuant to section 2464 of this title.*

21 “(d) *COVERED SYSTEM DEFINED.—In this section, the*
22 *term ‘covered system’ has the meaning given in section 4322*
23 *of this title.’”.*

1 (b) *EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND EXPERIENCE RE-*
2 *QUIREMENTS FOR PRODUCT SUPPORT MANAGERS.*—*Sec-*
3 *tion 1735 title 10, United States Code, is amended—*

4 (1) *by redesignating subsections (c), (d), and (e)*
5 *as subsections (d), (e), and (f), respectively; and*

6 (2) *by inserting after subsection (b) the following*
7 *new subsection:*

8 “(c) *PRODUCT SUPPORT MANAGER.*—*Before being as-*
9 *signed to a position as product support manager, a per-*
10 *son—*

11 “(1) *shall have completed all life-cycle logistics*
12 *certification and training requirements prescribed by*
13 *the Secretary of Defense;*

14 “(2) *shall have executed a written agreement as*
15 *required in section 1734(b)(2) of this title; and*

16 “(3) *in the case of—*

17 “(A) *a product support manager of a major*
18 *defense acquisition program, shall have at least*
19 *eight years of experience in life-cycle logistics, at*
20 *least two years of which were performed in a*
21 *systems program office or similar organization;*
22 *and*

23 “(B) *a product support manager of a sig-*
24 *nificant nonmajor defense acquisition program,*

1 *shall have at least six years of experience in life-*
 2 *cycle logistics.”.*

3 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section
 4 1731(a)(1)(B) title 10, United States Code, is amended by
 5 adding at the end the following new clause:

6 “(iv) Product support manager.”.

7 **SEC. 1804. AMENDMENTS TO LIFE-CYCLE MANAGEMENT**
 8 **AND PRODUCT SUPPORT.**

9 (a) REORGANIZATION OF LIFE-CYCLE AND
 10 SUSTAINMENT CHAPTER.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 323 of title 10,
 12 United States Code, is amended—

13 (A) by repealing sections 4321, 4323, and
 14 4324;

15 (B) by redesignating section 4328 as section
 16 4321 and transferring such section so as to ap-
 17 pear after the table of sections at the beginning
 18 of such chapter;

19 (C) by redesignating section 4325 as section
 20 4323 and transferring such section so as to ap-
 21 pear after section 4321;

22 (D) in section 4323, as so redesignated, by
 23 striking “section 4324 of this title” and inserting
 24 “section 4322 of this title”; and

1 (E) by amending the table of sections at the
2 beginning of such chapter to read as follows:

“4321. *Weapon system design: sustainment factors.*

“4322. *Life-cycle management and product support.*

“4323. *Major weapon systems: assessment, management, and control of operating and support costs.*”.

3 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

4 (A) Section 3041(a) of title 10, United
5 States Code, is amended by striking “sections
6 4292(e) and 4321” and inserting “section
7 4292(e)”.

8 (B) Section 3221(b)(2) of title 10, United
9 States Code, is amended by striking “4321, 4323,
10 and 4328 of this title” and inserting “and 4321
11 of this title,”.

12 (C) Section 4211(c)(2)(D) of title 10,
13 United States Code, is amended by striking “sec-
14 tion 4324 of this title” and inserting “section
15 4322 of this title”.

16 (D) Section 4252(b)(14) of title 10, United
17 States Code, is amended by striking “section
18 4324(b) of this title” and inserting “section 4322
19 of this title”.

20 (b) LIFE-CYCLE MANAGEMENT AND PRODUCT SUP-
21 PORT.—Chapter 323 of title 10, United States Code, as
22 amended by subsection (a), is further amended by inserting
23 after section 4321 the following new section:

1 **“§ 4322. Life-cycle management and product support**

2 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary of Defense shall en-*
3 *sure that each covered system is supported by a life-cycle*
4 *sustainment plan—*

5 “(1) *that is approved by the senior acquisition*
6 *executive responsible for such covered system; and*

7 “(2) *that meets applicable operational readiness*
8 *requirements and materiel readiness objectives (estab-*
9 *lished under section 118(c) of this title) in the most*
10 *cost-effective manner practicable.*

11 “(b) *PRODUCT SUPPORT MANAGER.*—*The Secretary of*
12 *Defense shall designate a product support manager (as de-*
13 *finied in section 1733 of this title) to serve under the super-*
14 *vision of a program manager for each covered system.*

15 “(c) *LIFE-CYCLE SUSTAINMENT PLAN.*—(1) *A product*
16 *support manager shall develop, update, and implement a*
17 *life-cycle sustainment plan for each covered system for*
18 *which the product support manager is responsible. Such*
19 *plan shall include the following:*

20 “(A) *A comprehensive product support strategy*
21 *to best achieve operational readiness requirements*
22 *and materiel readiness objectives throughout the*
23 *planned life cycle of such system.*

24 “(B) *A life-cycle cost estimate for the covered*
25 *system that—*

1 “(i) is based on the planned product sup-
2 port strategy described in subparagraph (A); and

3 “(ii) if the covered system is a major de-
4 fense acquisition program or major subprogram,
5 is developed in accordance with the requirements
6 to support a Milestone A approval (as defined in
7 section 4251(e) of this title), Milestone B ap-
8 proval, or Milestone C approval (as such terms
9 are defined in section 4172(e) of this title).

10 “(C) Recommended engineering and design con-
11 siderations that support cost-effective sustainment of
12 the covered system and best value solutions in life
13 cycle planning and management.

14 “(D) An intellectual property management plan
15 for product support developed in accordance with sec-
16 tion 3774 of this title.

17 “(E) A strategy to maximize use of public and
18 private sector capabilities to establish Government-
19 private partnerships—

20 “(i) with appropriate incentives for each
21 partner to contribute to the achievement of oper-
22 ational readiness requirements and materiel
23 readiness objectives in the most cost-effective
24 manner practicable; and

1 “(ii) that considers the roles of each partner
2 as the covered system transitions from acquisi-
3 tion, development, production, fielding,
4 sustainment, and disposal.

5 “(F) A plan to transition the covered system
6 from production to initial fielding that addresses spe-
7 cific products or services required for successful ini-
8 tial fielding of the covered system, including—

9 “(i) a description of the necessary tooling or
10 other unique support equipment, requirements
11 for initial spare parts and components, technical
12 handbooks and maintenance manuals, mainte-
13 nance training, and facilities;

14 “(ii) an identification of the funding re-
15 quired to provide such products and services for
16 any initial fielding location of the covered sys-
17 tem;

18 “(iii) an identification of any procurement
19 line, program element, or subactivity group in
20 the budget of the Secretary concerned associated
21 with such products or services;

22 “(iv) the timeline for delivery of such prod-
23 ucts and services; and

24 “(v) an assessment of any reduction in
25 operational readiness requirements and materiel

1 *readiness objectives if such products and services*
2 *are not provided in accordance with clause (iv).*

3 “(2) *In developing each life-cycle sustainment plan re-*
4 *quired by this section, the product support manager shall*
5 *consider the following:*

6 “(A) *Affordability constraints and key cost fac-*
7 *tors that could affect operating and support costs dur-*
8 *ing the life cycle of the covered system.*

9 “(B) *Sustainment risks or challenges to sus-*
10 *taining the covered system in operational environ-*
11 *ments, included contested logistics environments (as*
12 *defined in section 2926 of this title).*

13 “(C) *Compliance with—*

14 “(i) *requirements to maintain a core logis-*
15 *tics capability under section 2464 of this title;*
16 *and*

17 “(ii) *limitations on the performance of*
18 *depot-level maintenance of materiel under section*
19 *2466 of this title.*

20 “(D) *A defense industrial base strategy to main-*
21 *tain a robust, resilient, and innovative defense indus-*
22 *trial base to support requirements throughout the life*
23 *cycle of the covered system.*

1 “(d) *CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT AND ACTIVE MANAGE-*
2 *MENT.—In carrying out the duties of this section and sec-*
3 *tion 1733 of this title, the product support manager shall—*

4 “(1) *continuously assess and actively manage*
5 *performance of each covered system for which the*
6 *product support manager is responsible against the*
7 *life-cycle sustainment plan for such covered system;*
8 *and*

9 “(2) *as appropriate, integrate commercial best*
10 *practices, use commercial standards, and use ad-*
11 *vanced technologies to enhance the product support of*
12 *each covered system.*

13 “(e) *RECOMMENDATIONS.—(1) The product support*
14 *manager shall recommend changes to the product support*
15 *strategy required under subsection (c)(1)(A) of a covered*
16 *system to the program manager responsible for such covered*
17 *system to meet the requirements of subsection (a).*

18 “(2) *The program manager shall provide to the senior*
19 *acquisition executive responsible for a covered system any*
20 *recommendations for such covered system made under para-*
21 *graph (1) that the program manager did not implement*
22 *along with the rationale for not implementing such rec-*
23 *ommendations.*

24 “(f) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

25 “(1) *The term ‘covered system’ means—*

1 “(A) a major defense acquisition program
2 as defined in section 4201 of this title;

3 “(B) a major subprogram as described in
4 section 4203 of this title; or

5 “(C) an acquisition program or project that
6 is carried out using the rapid fielding or rapid
7 prototyping acquisition pathway under section
8 3602 of this title that is estimated by the Sec-
9 retary of Defense to require an eventual total ex-
10 penditure described in section 4201(a)(2) of this
11 title.

12 “(2) The term ‘operational readiness’ means the
13 capability of a unit of the armed forces, vessel, weap-
14 on system, or equipment to perform the missions or
15 functions for which it is organized or designed.

16 “(3) The term ‘product support’ means the set of
17 support functions, as determined by the product sup-
18 port manager, required to field and maintain the
19 readiness and operational capability of a covered sys-
20 tem, or a subsystem or component of a covered sys-
21 tem.”.

22 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO MATERIEL READI-
23 NESS METRICS AND OBJECTIVES FOR MAJOR WEAPON SYS-
24 TEMS.—Section 118 of title 10, United States Code, is
25 amended—

1 (1) *in the section heading, by inserting “**mate-***
 2 *riel readiness” before “objectives”;*

3 (2) *in subsection (b), by striking “shall address”*
 4 *and inserting “shall establish procedures and a com-*
 5 *putation methodology to determine”;*

6 (3) *in subsection (c)—*

7 (A) *in paragraph (1), by striking “the*
 8 *metrics required” and all that follows through*
 9 *the period at the end and inserting “materiel*
 10 *readiness objectives for each major weapon sys-*
 11 *tem.”; and*

12 (B) *in paragraph (2), by striking “the*
 13 *metrics required by subsection (b)” and inserting*
 14 *“such readiness objectives”;*

15 (4) *in subsection (d)(2), by striking “readiness*
 16 *goals or objectives” and inserting “materiel readiness*
 17 *objectives”;*

18 (5) *in subsection (e), in the matter preceding*
 19 *paragraph (1), by inserting a comma after “des-*
 20 *ignated mission”;* and

21 (6) *in subsection (f)—*

22 (A) *by redesignating paragraphs (3), (4),*
 23 *and (5) as paragraphs (4), (5), and (6), respec-*
 24 *tively; and*

1 (B) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-
 2 lowing new paragraph:

3 “(3) The term ‘materiel readiness objective’
 4 means the minimum required availability of each
 5 major weapon system that is necessary to fulfill the
 6 requirements of the strategic framework and guidance
 7 referred to in subsection (a).”.

8 **SEC. 1805. MODIFICATIONS RELATING TO LIFE-CYCLE AND**
 9 **SUSTAINMENT PROVISIONS.**

10 (a) *MODIFICATION TO LIFE-CYCLE MANAGEMENT AND*
 11 *PRODUCT SUPPORT.*—Subsection (c)(1)(F) of section 4322
 12 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 1804
 13 of this Act, is further amended—

14 (1) by striking “A plan” and inserting “After
 15 consideration of the views received by the milestone
 16 decision authority from appropriate materiel, logis-
 17 tics, or fleet representatives, a plan”;

18 (2) by redesignating clauses (iii) through (v) as
 19 clauses (iv) through (vi), respectively;

20 (3) by inserting after clause (ii) the following
 21 new clause:

22 “(iii) an assessment as to the required
 23 number of training simulators, including
 24 the initial operational capability and over-
 25 all fielding of such simulators;” and

1 (4) in clause (vi) (as so redesignated), by strik-
2 ing “in accordance with clause (iv)” and inserting in
3 “accordance with clause (v)”.

4 (b) *ELEMENTS*.—Subsection (b) of section 4323 of title
5 10, United States Code, as redesignated by section 1804 of
6 this Act, is amended—

7 (1) by striking paragraphs (9) and (10);

8 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (4) through (8)
9 as paragraphs (5) through (9), respectively;

10 (3) in paragraph (1), by inserting “in accord-
11 ance with the requirements of section 118 of this title
12 and” before “in conjunction”;

13 (4) in paragraph (3), by striking “, to deter-
14 mine” and all that follows through the semicolon at
15 the end and inserting “and make necessary adjust-
16 ments to the life-cycle sustainment plan required by
17 section 4322 of this title to ensure such major weapon
18 system meets applicable operational readiness require-
19 ments and materiel readiness objectives (established in
20 accordance with section 118(c) of this title) in the
21 most cost-effective manner practicable;”;

22 (5) by inserting after paragraph (3) the fol-
23 lowing new paragraph:

24 “(4) require the military departments to, not
25 later than August 1 of each calendar year, conduct an

1 *annual assessment of the actual performance of each*
2 *major weapon system against the operational readi-*
3 *ness requirements and materiel readiness objectives*
4 *and use such assessment to—*

5 “(A) *identify any factors contributing to a*
6 *major weapon system failing to meet such re-*
7 *quirements and objectives;*

8 “(B) *develop and implement a corrective ac-*
9 *tion plan to address identified shortfalls in meet-*
10 *ing such requirements and objectives in an expe-*
11 *ditious manner; and*

12 “(C) *inform the submission of materials to*
13 *Congress required by section 118(c)(2) of this*
14 *title and the development of the future years de-*
15 *fense program described in section 221 of this*
16 *title;”;*

17 (6) *in paragraph (9) (as so redesignated), by in-*
18 *serting “and” after the semicolon at the end; and*

19 (7) *by inserting after paragraph (9) (as so redesi-*
20 *gnated) the following new paragraph:*

21 “(10) *prior to the Milestone B approval (or*
22 *equivalent approval) for a major weapon system, re-*
23 *quire the military departments to prepare a life cycle*
24 *intellectual property management plan for product*
25 *support sufficient to comply with the requirements of*

1 *section 2464 of this title, including requirements for*
2 *technical data, software, and modular open system*
3 *approaches (as defined in section 4401 of this title).”.*

4 *(c) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—Such section 4323 is*
5 *further amended—*

6 *(1) by redesignating subsection (d) as subsection*
7 *(e); and*

8 *(2) by inserting after subsection (c) the following*
9 *new subsection:*

10 *“(d) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than De-*
11 *cember 31, 2026, and annually thereafter, each Secretary*
12 *of a military department shall submit to the congressional*
13 *defense committees a report that includes the following:*

14 *“(1) Findings from a review of the effectiveness*
15 *of the life-cycle sustainment plan for a major weapon*
16 *system, as adjusted pursuant to subsection (b)(3).*

17 *“(2) Findings from the assessments required by*
18 *subsection (b)(4).*

19 *“(3) A description of any corrective action plan*
20 *required by subsection (b)(4)(B), and an update on*
21 *progress made in implementing such a plan.*

22 *“(4) A description of how such assessments in-*
23 *formed the submission of materials to Congress re-*
24 *quired by section 118(c)(2) of this title and the devel-*

1 *opment of the future years defense program described*
 2 *in section 221 of this title.*

3 “(5) *A summary of actions taken by the Sec-*
 4 *retary to ensure that each major weapon system of the*
 5 *military department under the jurisdiction of the Sec-*
 6 *retary meet the applicable operational readiness re-*
 7 *quirements and materiel readiness objectives (estab-*
 8 *lished under section 118(c) of this title) in the most*
 9 *cost-effective manner practicable.*

10 “(6) *For a major weapon system that has not*
 11 *met established materiel readiness objectives for mate-*
 12 *riel availability or operational availability (as such*
 13 *terms are defined, respectively, in section 118 of this*
 14 *title) for three consecutive years, such report shall in-*
 15 *clude a mitigation plan to address supply, mainte-*
 16 *nance, or other issues contributing to failure to meet*
 17 *such objectives.”.*

18 **SEC. 1806. MAJOR CAPABILITY ACTIVITY AREAS AND PATH-**

19 **FINDER PROGRAMS.**

20 *(a) TRANSITION PLAN REQUIRED.—*

21 *(1) SUBMISSION OF PLAN.—Not later than one*
 22 *year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the*
 23 *Secretary of Defense, in coordination with each Sec-*
 24 *retary of a military department, shall submit to the*
 25 *congressional defense committees a comprehensive*

1 *plan for reorganizing the structure of the relevant de-*
2 *fense budget materials to be primarily organized*
3 *around major capability activity areas (“MCAAs”).*

4 (2) *ELEMENTS OF THE PLAN.*—*The plan re-*
5 *quired under paragraph (1) shall be developed to*
6 *more effectively facilitate the development, fielding,*
7 *operation, sustainment, and modernization of capa-*
8 *bilities or activities of the Department of Defense in*
9 *accordance with the objectives established pursuant to*
10 *section 3102 of title 10, United States Code, as added*
11 *by section 1801 of this Act. Such plan shall include*
12 *the following:*

13 (A) *A description of each proposed MCAA,*
14 *including how the specific capability of the De-*
15 *partment of Defense that is the subject of each*
16 *MCAA aligns with and supports joint military*
17 *capabilities.*

18 (B) *A proposed schedule, including bench-*
19 *marks, for phased implementation of the plan to*
20 *organize the programs of each military depart-*
21 *ment and Defense Agency in a manner pri-*
22 *marily organized around MCAs.*

23 (C) *A description of any modifications to*
24 *reporting, budget justification, or data systems*
25 *required for defense budget materials to be pri-*

1 *marily organized around MCAAs, including*
2 *modifications necessary to maintain trans-*
3 *parency and enable effective oversight by the con-*
4 *gressional defense committees.*

5 *(D) Recommendations for statutory or regu-*
6 *latory changes needed to facilitate the reorga-*
7 *nization of defense budget materials to be pri-*
8 *marily organized around MCAAs.*

9 *(E) A strategy for maintaining clarity and*
10 *detail for defense budget materials primarily or-*
11 *ganized around MCAAs to—*

12 *(i) preserve accountability for the de-*
13 *livery of a capability of the Department of*
14 *Defense that is the subject of the MCAA;*
15 *and*

16 *(ii) enable effective oversight by the*
17 *congressional defense committees.*

18 *(F) A description of the process for desig-*
19 *inating a Pathfinder under subsection (b).*

20 *(3) ORGANIZATION BY MCAAS.—*

21 *(A) IN GENERAL.—In designating the pro-*
22 *posed MCAAs required by subsection (a)(2)(A),*
23 *the Secretary shall—*

24 *(i) organize each proposed MCAA in a*
25 *capability-oriented structure that reflects*

1 *the unique and specific aspects of the subject*
2 *capability of the MCAA;*

3 (ii) *assign relevant development, pro-*
4 *curement, operations, and sustainment ac-*
5 *tivities of the Department to the proposed*
6 *MCAA as appropriate; and*

7 (iii) *ensure each proposed MCAA is or-*
8 *ganized in a manner that—*

9 (I) *will improve the ability to*
10 *measure and manage the overall per-*
11 *formance in the delivery of the subject*
12 *capability of the proposed MCAA; and*

13 (II) *connects funding for activities*
14 *assigned to the proposed MCAA to the*
15 *delivery of subject capability.*

16 (B) *FLEXIBILITY.—The Secretary of Defense*
17 *shall ensure each military department and De-*
18 *fense Agency has flexibility, according to their*
19 *specific mission requirements, in the organiza-*
20 *tion of proposed MCAAs.*

21 (b) *DESIGNATION OF PATHFINDER MCAAS.—*

22 (1) *DESIGNATION.—Not later than 90 days after*
23 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of*
24 *Defense shall—*

1 (A) designate at least two program execu-
2 tive offices of the Department of Defense to be
3 known as “Pathfinders”;

4 (B) identify the program executive officer
5 (as described in section 1732 of title 10, United
6 States Code, as added by section 1802 of this
7 Act) with the responsibility of administering
8 each such Pathfinder;

9 (C) ensure each such program executive offi-
10 cer organizes the programs assigned to such of-
11 fices into a MCAA in accordance with the re-
12 quirements of subsection (a)(3); and

13 (D) submit to the congressional defense com-
14 mittees a notification of each designation made
15 under subparagraph (A), including the total
16 amount authorized to be appropriated for each
17 Pathfinder for fiscal year 2026 and a description
18 of the MCAA associated with each Pathfinder.

19 (2) *ADDITIONAL OR ALTERNATIVE MATERIALS.*—

20 *To inform the development of the plan required by*
21 *subsection (a), each program executive officer for a*
22 *Pathfinder shall prepare alternative or additional de-*
23 *fense budget materials or develop alternative oversight*
24 *mechanisms for the capability of the Department of*
25 *Defense that is the subject of the Pathfinder.*

1 (3) *MODIFIED TRANSFER AUTHORITY FOR PATH-*
2 *FINDERS.*—

3 (A) *AUTHORITY.*—*The Secretary of Defense,*
4 *acting through a Secretary of a military depart-*
5 *ment or the head of a Defense Agency, may*
6 *transfer amounts authorized for programs,*
7 *projects, or activities that are included in a*
8 *Pathfinder under the jurisdiction of such Sec-*
9 *retary or head among such programs, projects, or*
10 *activities.*

11 (B) *LIMITATIONS.*—*A transfer made under*
12 *this paragraph—*

13 (i) *shall directly support delivery of*
14 *the capability of the Department of Defense*
15 *that is the subject of the Pathfinder;*

16 (ii) *may not be used to initiate a new*
17 *start program (as described in section 3601*
18 *of title 10, United States Code);*

19 (iii) *may not be used to terminate a*
20 *program or activity of the Department that*
21 *was in operation on or before the date of the*
22 *designation of the Pathfinder; and*

23 (iv) *may not exceed 40 percent of the*
24 *total amount for a Pathfinder specified*
25 *under paragraph (1)(D).*

1 (4) *ADDITIONAL PATHFINDERS.*—*The Secretary*
 2 *of Defense may designate additional MCAs as Path-*
 3 *finders under the authority of this subsection if the*
 4 *Secretary notifies the congressional defense committees*
 5 *not later than 15 days prior to each such designation.*

6 (c) *REPORT TO CONGRESS.*—

7 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 540 days after*
 8 *the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually*
 9 *thereafter until December 31, 2029, the Secretary of*
 10 *Defense shall submit to the congressional defense com-*
 11 *mittees a report on the progress of the Secretary of*
 12 *Defense in—*

13 (A) *implementing the plan to reorganize the*
 14 *structure of the defense budget materials to be*
 15 *primarily organized around major capability ac-*
 16 *tivity areas; and*

17 (B) *assessing the effectiveness of the use of*
 18 *a capability-oriented structure in subsection*
 19 *(a)(3) and Pathfinders in subsection (b) to—*

20 (i) *improve the ability to measure and*
 21 *manage the overall performance in the de-*
 22 *livery of the subject capability of the pro-*
 23 *posed MCA or Pathfinder;*

24 (ii) *inform and improve budget plan-*
 25 *ning for future activities assigned to the*

1 *proposed MCAA or Pathfinder for the deliv-*
2 *ery of subject capability; and*

3 *(iii) achieve the objectives of the defense*
4 *acquisition system established pursuant to*
5 *section 3102 of title 10, United States Code*
6 *(as added by section 1801 of this Act).*

7 (2) *CONTENTS.—The report required under*
8 *paragraph (1) shall include the following:*

9 *(A) An evaluation of how the use of MCAs*
10 *in preparing defense budget materials has af-*
11 *ected the use and allocation of resources and the*
12 *alignment of such materials with the objectives of*
13 *the defense acquisition system.*

14 *(B) The extent to which MCAs and use of*
15 *the transfer authority under subsection (b)(3) for*
16 *Pathfinders affect the speed of addressing emerg-*
17 *ing threats and adopting new technologies.*

18 *(C) An analysis of any costs or benefits of*
19 *using MCAs.*

20 *(D) Recommendations, including statutory*
21 *or regulatory modifications, for—*

22 *(i) expanding the use of Pathfinders;*
23 *and*

24 *(ii) continuing the transition to using*
25 *MCAs to prepare defense budget materials.*

1 (d) *GUIDANCE AND DIRECTIVES.*—*The Secretary of*
2 *Defense shall issue such rules or guidance as necessary to*
3 *carry out this section, and shall ensure such rules and guid-*
4 *ance align with recommendations for improved agility and*
5 *transparency provided by the Commission on Planning,*
6 *Programming, Budgeting and Execution Reform (estab-*
7 *lished under section 1004 of the National Defense Author-*
8 *ization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81)).*

9 (e) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

10 (1) *The term “defense budget materials”, with*
11 *respect to a fiscal year, means the materials sub-*
12 *mitted to Congress by the Secretary of Defense in sup-*
13 *port of the budget for that fiscal year.*

14 (2) *The term “major capability activity area” or*
15 *“MCAA” means a compilation of activities that relate*
16 *to the delivery of a capability of the Department of*
17 *Defense, as determined by the Secretary of Defense,*
18 *for purposes of display in the defense budget mate-*
19 *rials.*

20 (3) *The term “joint military capabilities” has*
21 *the meaning given in section 181 of title 10, United*
22 *States Code.*

1 ***Subtitle B—Requirements Process***
2 ***Reform***

3 ***SEC. 1811. JOINT REQUIREMENTS COUNCIL.***

4 (a) *AMENDMENT TO NAME AND MISSION OF JOINT RE-*
5 *QUIREMENTS OVERSIGHT COUNCIL.*—Section 181 of title
6 10, United States Code, is amended—

7 (1) *in the section heading, by striking “Over-*
8 *sight”;*

9 (2) *in subsection (a), by striking “Joint Require-*
10 *ments Oversight Council in the Department of De-*
11 *fense.” and inserting the following: “Joint Require-*
12 *ments Council (in this section referred to as the*
13 *‘Council’) in the Department of Defense. The Council*
14 *shall—*

15 “(1) *assist the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of*
16 *Staff in carrying out the functions described in sec-*
17 *tion 153 of this title; and*

18 “(2) *provide recommendations for addressing*
19 *joint operational problems to the Requirements, Ac-*
20 *quisition, and Programming Integration Directorate*
21 *established under section 186 of this title (in this sec-*
22 *tion referred to as ‘RAPID’).”; and*

23 (3) *by striking “Joint Requirements Oversight*
24 *Council” each place it appears and inserting “Joint*
25 *Requirements Council”.*

1 (b) *DUTIES.*—Subsection (b) of such section 181 is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 “(b) *DUTIES.*—The Council shall support the objectives
4 established pursuant to section 3102 of this title by per-
5 forming the following duties:

6 “(1) *Continuously evaluating global trends, ad-*
7 *versary capabilities, and emerging threats to inform*
8 *awareness and understanding of joint operational*
9 *problems.*

10 “(2) *In coordination with commanders of com-*
11 *batant commands, compiling, refining, and*
12 *prioritizing joint operational problems.*

13 “(3) *Identifying and prioritizing gaps in joint*
14 *military capabilities to address joint operational*
15 *problems.*

16 “(4) *Identifying advances in technology and in-*
17 *novative concepts of operation that could improve the*
18 *ability of the joint force to address evolving threats*
19 *and maintain the military advantage of the United*
20 *States.*

21 “(5) *Developing a joint capability requirement*
22 *statement that—*

23 “(A) *describes the joint operational problem*
24 *to provide necessary context for the joint capa-*
25 *bility requirement; and*

1 “(B) describes the solution sought in a non-
2 prescriptive manner to allow agile and innova-
3 tive development of joint capability requirements
4 to address the joint operational problem.

5 “(6) Making the following recommendations to
6 *RAPID*:

7 “(A) With respect to a quick action require-
8 ment, actions to fulfill such quick action require-
9 ment, not later than 30 days after receipt or
10 identification of such quick action requirement.

11 “(B) Actions to fulfill each joint capability
12 requirement necessary to address joint oper-
13 ational problems, not later than 60 days after re-
14 ceipt or identification of such a joint operational
15 problem.

16 “(C) Modifications to joint force design
17 suitable for addressing joint operational prob-
18 lems or effectively integrating advancements in
19 technology and new concepts of operation.

20 “(D) Ways to improve operational effective-
21 ness, increase operational flexibility, or improve
22 interoperability and coordination between and
23 among joint military capabilities and the mili-
24 tary capabilities of allies or partners.

1 “(7) *Providing notification to Deputy Secretary*
2 *of Defense—*

3 “(A) *upon receipt or identification of a*
4 *quick action requirement; and*

5 “(B) *upon submission of any recommenda-*
6 *tion to RAPID.*”.

7 (c) *COMPOSITION.—Subsection (c) of such section 181*
8 *is amended—*

9 (1) *in paragraph (1)(A)—*

10 (A) *by inserting “and RAPID” before “for*
11 *making recommendations”; and*

12 (B) *by striking “joint performance require-*
13 *ments” and inserting “joint capability require-*
14 *ments”; and*

15 (2) *in paragraph (3), by inserting “and*
16 *RAPID” after “Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of*
17 *Staff”.*

18 (d) *ADVISORS.—Subsection (d) of such section 181 is*
19 *amended—*

20 (1) *in paragraph (2)—*

21 (A) *by inserting “strongly” before “con-*
22 *sider”; and*

23 (B) *by striking “its mission under para-*
24 *graphs (1) and (2) of subsection (b)” and insert-*
25 *ing “the duties described in subsection (b)”;* and

1 (2) *in paragraph (3)—*

2 (A) *by striking “seek, and strongly con-*
3 *sider,” and inserting “seek and consider”;*

4 (B) *by striking “, in their roles as cus-*
5 *tomers of the acquisition system,”; and*

6 (C) *by striking “under subsection (b)(2)*
7 *and joint performance requirements pursuant to*
8 *subsection (b)(3)”.*

9 (e) *RESPONSIBILITY FOR CAPABILITY REQUIRE-*
10 *MENTS.—Subsection (e) of such section 181 is amended to*
11 *read as follows:*

12 “(e) *RESPONSIBILITY FOR CAPABILITY REQUIRE-*
13 *MENTS.—The Chief of Staff of an armed force is responsible*
14 *for the capability requirements for that armed force.”.*

15 (f) *ANALYTIC AND ENGINEERING SUPPORT.—Sub-*
16 *section (f) of such section 181 is amended—*

17 (1) *in the subsection heading, by inserting “AND*
18 *ENGINEERING” after “ANALYTIC”;*

19 (2) *by inserting “and the Mission Engineering*
20 *and Integration Activity established under section*
21 *1813 of the National Defense Authorization Act for*
22 *Fiscal Year 2026” after “the Office of Cost Assessment*
23 *and Program Evaluation”; and*

1 (3) *by striking “in operations research, systems*
 2 *analysis, and cost estimation to the Joint Require-*
 3 *ments Oversight Council”.*

4 (g) *AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION TO CONGRES-*
 5 *SIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEES.*—Subsection (g) of such
 6 *section 181 is amended—*

7 (1) *in the subsection heading, by striking*
 8 *“OVERSIGHT”; and*

9 (2) *by striking “oversight information” and in-*
 10 *serting “information”.*

11 (h) *DEFINITIONS.*—Subsection (h) of such section 181
 12 *is amended to read as follows:*

13 “(h) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

14 “(1) *The term ‘capability requirement’ means a*
 15 *requirement for a capability that is critical or essen-*
 16 *tial to address an operational problem.*

17 “(2) *The term ‘joint capability requirement’*
 18 *means a capability requirement, including a capa-*
 19 *bility requirement related to a requirement for joint*
 20 *force interoperability, that is critical or essential to*
 21 *address a specific joint operational problem.*

22 “(3) *The term ‘joint military capabilities’ means*
 23 *the collective capabilities across the joint force, in-*
 24 *cluding both joint and force-specific capabilities, that*
 25 *are available to conduct military operations.*

1 “(4) The term ‘joint operational problem’ means
 2 a joint challenge faced by a combatant command in
 3 achieving an assigned military objective and may in-
 4 clude limitations in capabilities, resources, or the
 5 ability to effectively and efficiently coordinate across
 6 the joint force, with another combatant command,
 7 among joint military capabilities, or with the mili-
 8 tary capabilities of allies or partners.

9 “(5) The term ‘operational problem’ means a
 10 challenge or barrier in an operational environment
 11 that needs to be overcome to achieve a specific mili-
 12 tary objective.

13 “(6) The term ‘quick action requirement’ has the
 14 meaning given in Department of Defense Directive
 15 5000.71 titled ‘Rapid Fulfillment of Combatant Com-
 16 mander Urgent Operational Needs’ (August 24,
 17 2012).”.

18 (i) IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than 30 days after
 19 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Chairman of the
 20 Joint Chiefs shall revise policies for the Joint Strategic
 21 Planning System (established under the Chairman of the
 22 Joint Chiefs of Staff Instruction 3100.01F), the Manual for
 23 the Operation of the Joint Capabilities Integration and De-
 24 velopment System (issued October 30, 2021) and any other
 25 relevant instructions, policies, or guidance to carry out the

1 *requirements of this section and the amendments made by*
2 *this section.*

3 (j) *CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—*

4 (1) *TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE.—Title 10,*
5 *United States Code, is amended—*

6 (A) *in section 139a, by striking “Joint Re-*
7 *quirements Oversight Council” each place it ap-*
8 *pears and inserting “Joint Requirements Coun-*
9 *cil”;*

10 (B) *in section 153(a)(5)(F), by striking*
11 *“section 181 of this title” and inserting “sections*
12 *181 and 186 of this title”;*

13 (C) *in section 179(c)(9)—*

14 (i) *by striking “Joint Requirements*
15 *Oversight Council” and inserting “Joint*
16 *Requirements Council”; and*

17 (ii) *by striking “section 181(h)” and*
18 *inserting “section 181”;*

19 (D) *in section 2926(f)(5)(C), by striking*
20 *“describing” and all that follows through “de-*
21 *tails regarding” and inserting “describing de-*
22 *tails regarding”;*

23 (E) *in section 3067(b)(1), by striking*
24 *“Joint Requirements Oversight Council” and in-*
25 *serting “Joint Requirements Council”;*

1 (F) in section 3136(e)(1)(A)(ii), by striking
2 “approved by the Joint Requirements Oversight
3 Council and” and inserting “recommended for
4 approval by the Requirements, Acquisition, and
5 Programming Integration Directorate (estab-
6 lished under section 186 of this title)”;

7 (G) in section 4202(a)(2)(A), by striking
8 “joint military requirement” and all that follows
9 through the period at the end and inserting the
10 following: “joint capability requirement, as de-
11 termined by the Requirements, Acquisition, and
12 Programming Integration Directorate (estab-
13 lished under section 186 of this title)”;

14 (H) by amending section 4251(e)(1) to read
15 as follows:

16 “(1) The term ‘requirements document’ has the
17 meaning given in section 3104(d) of this title.”;

18 (I) in section 4252(b)(9), by striking “Joint
19 Requirements Oversight Council” and inserting
20 “Joint Requirements Council”;

21 (J) in section 4376—

22 (i) in subsection (a), by striking “,
23 after consultation with the Joint Require-
24 ments Oversight Council regarding program
25 requirements,”;

1 (ii) in subsection (b)(2)(B), by striking
 2 “joint military requirement (as defined in
 3 section 181(g)(1) of this title) at less cost”
 4 and inserting “joint capability requirement
 5 at less cost”; and

6 (iii) in subsection (c)(3), by striking
 7 “joint military requirements” and inserting
 8 “joint capability requirements”; and

9 (K) in section 5514(b)(2)(C)(ii), by striking
 10 “Joint Requirements Oversight Council” and in-
 11 serting “Joint Requirements Council”.

12 (2) *OTHER LAWS.*—

13 (A) Section 902(d) of the National Defense
 14 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (10
 15 U.S.C. 139a note) is amended—

16 (i) by striking “, performance require-
 17 ments, and joint performance requirements”
 18 and inserting “or performance require-
 19 ments”; and

20 (ii) by striking “Joint Requirements
 21 Oversight Council to validate such require-
 22 ments” and inserting “Joint Requirements
 23 Council”.

24 (B) Section 1684(d)(4)(A)(i) of the National
 25 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024

1 (10 U.S.C. 2271 note) is amended by striking
2 “either approved by, or in development for, the
3 Joint Requirements Oversight Council” and in-
4 serting “in development for consideration or
5 under consideration by the Joint Requirements
6 Council”.

7 (C) Section 1686(b)(1) of the National De-
8 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (10
9 U.S.C. 2224 note) is amended by striking
10 “through the Joint Requirements Oversight
11 Council” and inserting “in consultation with the
12 Requirements, Acquisition, and Programming
13 Integration Directorate (established under sec-
14 tion 186 of title 10, United States Code)”.

15 (D) Section 1510(b)(2) of the National De-
16 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (10
17 U.S.C. 113 note) is amended by striking “Joint
18 Requirements Oversight Council” and inserting
19 “Joint Requirements Council”.

20 (E) Section 915(a)(1) of the National De-
21 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (10
22 U.S.C. 132 note) is amended by striking “Joint
23 Requirements Oversight Council” and inserting
24 “Joint Requirements Council”.

1 (F) *Section 938(a)(1) of the National De-*
 2 *fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2014 (10*
 3 *U.S.C. 4571 note prec.) is amended by striking*
 4 *“Joint Requirements Oversight Council” and in-*
 5 *serting “Joint Requirements Council”.*

6 (3) *REPEALS.—The following provisions of law*
 7 *are repealed:*

8 (A) *Section 942 of the National Defense Au-*
 9 *thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (10 U.S.C.*
 10 *181 note).*

11 (B) *Section 916 of the Floyd D. Spence Na-*
 12 *tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
 13 *2001 (10 U.S.C. 181 note).*

14 (C) *Section 105(b) of the Weapon Systems*
 15 *Acquisition Reform Act of 2009 (10 U.S.C. 181*
 16 *note).*

17 (D) *Section 201 of the Weapon Systems Ac-*
 18 *quisition Reform Act of 2009 (10 U.S.C. 3102*
 19 *note).*

20 **SEC. 1812. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE REQUIREMENTS, AC-**
 21 **QUISITION, AND PROGRAMMING INTEGRA-**
 22 **TION DIRECTORATE.**

23 (a) *IN GENERAL.—Chapter 7 of title 10, United States*
 24 *Code, is amended by inserting after section 185 the fol-*
 25 *lowing new section:*

1 **“§ 186. Requirements, Acquisition, and Programming**
2 **Integration Directorate**

3 “(a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*There is within the Depart-*
4 *ment of Defense a Requirements, Acquisition, and Program-*
5 *ming Integration Directorate (in this section referred to as*
6 *‘RAPID’).*

7 “(b) *PURPOSES.*—*RAPID shall—*

8 “(1) *serve as the principal forum within the De-*
9 *partment of Defense to inform, coordinate, and evalu-*
10 *ate solutions to joint operational problems;*

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 of*
15 *Defense and the Deputy Secretary of Defense with re-*
16 *spect to such matters.*

17 “(c) *ORGANIZATION AND MEMBERSHIP.*—*RAPID shall*
18 *consist of the following members:*

19 “(1) *The Chairman of the Joint Requirements*
20 *Council and the Director of Cost Assessment and Pro-*
21 *gram Evaluation, who shall serve as co-directors of*
22 *RAPID.*

23 “(2) *One member designated by each commander*
24 *of a combatant command.*

25 “(3) *One member designated by the Chairman of*
26 *the Joint Requirements Council.*

1 “(4) *One member designated by the Director of*
2 *Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation.*

3 “(5) *One member designated by each service ac-*
4 *quisition executive of a military department.*

5 “(6) *One member designated by the principal*
6 *staff assistant for the Mission Engineering and Inte-*
7 *gration Activity (established under section 1813 of the*
8 *National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
9 *2026).*

10 “(7) *One member designated by the executive di-*
11 *rector of the Joint Rapid Acquisition Cell (as de-*
12 *scribed in the Department of Defense Directive*
13 *5000.71 titled ‘Rapid Fulfillment of Combatant Com-*
14 *mander Urgent Operational Needs’ (August 24, 2012).*

15 “(8) *One member designated by each portfolio*
16 *executive officer or a similar member of the acquisi-*
17 *tion workforce responsible for the execution of a rec-*
18 *ommendation under consideration by RAPID.*

19 “(d) *RESPONSIBILITIES.—(1) RAPID shall—*

20 “(A) *promptly convene relevant members to as-*
21 *sess a proposed joint capability requirement to ad-*
22 *dress a joint operational problem by considering, with*
23 *respect to such proposed joint capability require-*
24 *ment—*

25 “(i) *associated resource requirements;*

1 “(ii) mission engineering and interoper-
2 ability considerations for integration into joint
3 architectures; and

4 “(iii) factors related to acquisition and
5 sustainment; and

6 “(B) provide prioritized recommendations for so-
7 lutions to such joint operational problem to the Sec-
8 retary of Defense and Deputy Secretary of Defense.

9 “(2) In carrying out paragraph (1), RAPID shall—

10 “(A) use data-driven decisionmaking to
11 prioritize resource allocation;

12 “(B) maximize the effective use of resources by
13 enabling timely delivery of solutions to address a
14 joint operational problem in a manner that provides
15 the greatest value for the investment made;

16 “(C) enable the adoption and integration of solu-
17 tions to enhance military effectiveness and responsive-
18 ness to emerging threats; and

19 “(D) in addition to any other considerations re-
20 quired under this subsection, consider—

21 “(i) joint capability requirement statements
22 or other relevant justification materials provided
23 by the Joint Requirements Council;

24 “(ii) any analysis and recommendations
25 provided by the Mission Engineering and Inte-

1 *gration Activity or the Director of Cost Assess-*
2 *ment and Program Evaluation relating to re-*
3 *source requirements described in paragraph*
4 *(1)(A)(i);*

5 *“(iii) recommendations from relevant serv-*
6 *ice acquisition executives or program executive*
7 *officers related to planning and execution of the*
8 *proposed joint capability requirement, including*
9 *budget planning and management, acquisition*
10 *approach, program management, and life-cycle*
11 *management for a proposed joint capability re-*
12 *quirement; and*

13 *“(iv) the need to incorporate measure for*
14 *technology protection in certain covered systems*
15 *to enable the use or sale of proposed technology*
16 *solutions to joint operational problems with al-*
17 *lies and partner countries in a manner that pro-*
18 *TECTS national security interest while promoting*
19 *international collaboration.*

20 *“(e) RECOMMENDATION.—(1) Not later than 30 days*
21 *after the date of receipt of a recommendation with respect*
22 *to a joint capability requirement for a joint operational*
23 *problem, from the Joint Requirements Council in accord-*
24 *ance with section 181 of this title, RAPID shall submit to*
25 *the Deputy Secretary of Defense a recommendation for a*

1 *solution to the joint operational problem that includes the*
2 *following:*

3 “(A) *A description of the resources needed to im-*
4 *plement the solution and, as appropriate, resources*
5 *needed to support the acquisition and sustainment of*
6 *such solution of over the anticipated life cycle of the*
7 *solution.*

8 “(B) *Any recommended actions necessary to en-*
9 *able integration of the solution into the joint force or*
10 *to revise joint concepts of operation to best resolve the*
11 *joint operational problem.*

12 “(C) *With respect to a solution for which access*
13 *may be shared with an ally or partner country, rec-*
14 *ommended considerations—*

15 “(i) *to be incorporated during the design*
16 *and development phase of the solution; and*

17 “(ii) *to facilitate future production and lo-*
18 *gistics support for the solution to the ally or*
19 *partner country.*

20 “(D) *Any necessary changes to policy or guid-*
21 *ance to enable effective acquisition, fielding, and em-*
22 *ployment of a solution that is a joint military capa-*
23 *bility.*

24 “(E) *Any other recommended actions to expedi-*
25 *tiously provide the armed forces with the capabilities*

1 *necessary to operate effectively, to address evolving*
2 *threats, and to maintain the military advantage of*
3 *the United States in the most cost-effective manner*
4 *practicable.*

5 “(2) *The co-chairs of RAPID may request an addi-*
6 *tional amount of time, not to exceed 30 days, to provide*
7 *a recommendation related to a joint capability requirement*
8 *that is not a quick action requirement to the Deputy Sec-*
9 *retary of Defense under this subsection.*

10 “(f) *DETERMINATION.—(1) Not later than 30 days*
11 *after receipt of a recommendation under subsection (e), the*
12 *Deputy Secretary of Defense shall issue a memorandum*
13 *that approves, approves with modification, or rejects such*
14 *a recommendation.*

15 “(2) *The Deputy Secretary of Defense shall include*
16 *along with a memorandum that approves or approves with*
17 *modification a recommendation described in paragraph (1)*
18 *specific direction and guidance to the applicable element*
19 *of the Department of Defense to which such recommendation*
20 *applies.*

21 “(3) *The Deputy Secretary of Defense shall include*
22 *along with a memorandum that rejects a recommendation*
23 *described in paragraph (1) a specific direction—*

24 “(A) *for alternative action to be taken by the ap-*
25 *plicable element of the Department of Defense to*

1 *which such recommendation applies to address the*
 2 *relevant joint operational problem; or*

3 “(B) to *RAPID* for further action to address the
 4 *relevant joint operational problem.*

5 “(g) *NOTIFICATION.*—*If the Deputy Secretary of De-*
 6 *fense fails to issue a memorandum as required by subsection*
 7 *(f) within 90 days after the date on which the Joint Re-*
 8 *quirements Council provides a recommendation to address*
 9 *a joint operational problem to the RAPID, the Secretary*
 10 *of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense commit-*
 11 *tees a notification of such failure.*

12 “(h) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

13 “(1) The terms ‘joint capability requirement’,
 14 ‘joint military capability’, ‘joint operational prob-

15 lem’, and ‘quick action requirement’ have the mean-

16 ings given, respectively, in section 181 of this title.

17 “(2) The term ‘relevant member’ means a mem-

18 ber of *RAPID* (or a designee) that has a primary in-

19 terest in, or responsibility for, a proposed joint capa-

20 bility requirement or quick action requirement under

21 assessment by *RAPID*.”.

22 (b) *CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO DIRECTOR OF*
 23 *COST ASSESSMENT AND PROGRAM EVALUATION.*—*Section*
 24 *139a(d) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—*

1 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (4) through (9)
2 as paragraphs (5) through (10), respectively; and

3 (2) by inserting after paragraph (3) the fol-
4 lowing new paragraph:

5 “(4) Analysis and advice for resource discussions
6 relating to joint capability requirements under con-
7 sideration by the Requirements, Acquisition, and Pro-
8 gramming Integration Directorate pursuant to section
9 186 of this title.”.

10 **SEC. 1813. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MISSION ENGINEERING**
11 **AND INTEGRATION ACTIVITY.**

12 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT*.—Not later than 120 days after
13 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of De-
14 fense shall establish within the Department of Defense a
15 Mission Engineering and Integration Activity (in this sec-
16 tion referred to as “MEIA”).

17 (b) *DESIGNATION*.—The Secretary of Defense shall des-
18 ignate a principal staff assistant from within the Office of
19 the Secretary of Defense whose office shall serve as the office
20 of primary responsibility for MEIA.

21 (c) *DUTIES*.—The principal staff assistant designated
22 under subsection (b) shall have the following duties:

23 (1) Lead cross-service activities to develop, iden-
24 tify, analyze, and validate integrated technology solu-
25 tions to address joint operational problems.

1 (2) *Coordinate with the appropriate program ex-*
2 *ecutive officers to align and implement such activi-*
3 *ties.*

4 (3) *Proactively seek and consider feedback of the*
5 *primary users and operators of proposed technology*
6 *solutions to address joint operational problems*
7 *throughout the implementation of such activities.*

8 (4) *Upon request, perform analysis for, experi-*
9 *ment with, and prototype technology to integrate such*
10 *technology into joint architectures, to use such tech-*
11 *nology, to inform operational concepts, and to provide*
12 *analysis or recommendations regarding the use of*
13 *such technology to the Requirements, Acquisition, and*
14 *Programming Integration Directorate, established by*
15 *section 186 of title 10, United States Code, as added*
16 *by this Act (in this section referred to as “RAPID”).*

17 (5) *Coordinate with commanders of the combat-*
18 *ant commands to understand the priorities of com-*
19 *manders and support the fielding of integrated tech-*
20 *nology solutions to address joint operational prob-*
21 *lems.*

22 (6) *Upon request, assist a program executive offi-*
23 *cer in carrying out the responsibilities established*
24 *under section 1732 of title 10, United States Code, as*
25 *added by section 1802 of this Act, by providing anal-*

1 *ysis, recommendations, and engineering assistance in*
2 *the integration of technology solutions related to the*
3 *capabilities for which the program executive officer is*
4 *responsible.*

5 *(7) Use existing authorities (including authori-*
6 *ties provided in section 4022 of title 10, United States*
7 *Code) to carry out this section.*

8 *(d) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—*

9 *(1) PLAN.—Not later than 90 days after the date*
10 *of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense*
11 *shall submit to the congressional defense committees*
12 *an implementation plan for MEIA.*

13 *(2) ELEMENTS.—The plan required by para-*
14 *graph (1) shall include a description of the following:*

15 *(A) The organizational structure and re-*
16 *source requirements associated with the establish-*
17 *ment and operation of MEIA.*

18 *(B) How MEIA will support and inform*
19 *the RAPID in carrying out the requirements of*
20 *section 186 of title 10, United States Code.*

21 *(C) Each budget line item or program ele-*
22 *ment that will be associated with the activities*
23 *of MEIA.*

24 *(D) Coordination between MEIA and rel-*
25 *evant elements of the Department of Defense that*

1 *are established to identify and support the devel-*
2 *opment of, experimentation with, and integra-*
3 *tion of technology solutions to address joint oper-*
4 *ational problems for the Department, includ-*
5 *ing—*

6 *(i) the Defense Innovation Unit estab-*
7 *lished under section 4217 of the title 10,*
8 *United States Code;*

9 *(ii) the Defense Research and Develop-*
10 *ment Rapid Innovation Program estab-*
11 *lished under section 4061 of such title;*

12 *(iii) a entity of the Department of De-*
13 *fense that is a member of the Defense Inno-*
14 *vation Community of Entities established*
15 *by the Director of the Defense Innovation*
16 *Unit;*

17 *(iv) the Strategic Capabilities Office;*
18 *and*

19 *(v) recipients of awards under the*
20 *Small Business Innovation Research Pro-*
21 *gram or the Small Business Technology*
22 *Transfer Program (as defined in section 9*
23 *of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638)).*

24 *(E) How MEIA will coordinate with and*
25 *assist—*

1 (i) the commanders of combatant com-
 2 mands in fielding integrated technology so-
 3 lutions to address joint operational prob-
 4 lems under subsection (c)(5); and

5 (ii) the program executive officers and
 6 each Secretary of a military department in
 7 the integration of technology to enhance
 8 military effectiveness and responsiveness.

9 (F) Any recommendations for changes to
 10 statute or policy for successful implementation of
 11 this section.

12 (e) ASSESSMENT.—Not later than five years after the
 13 date of the establishment of MEIA, the Secretary of Defense
 14 shall submit to the congressional defense committees an as-
 15 sessment of whether MEIA should be modified, made perma-
 16 nent, or terminated based on its effectiveness in carrying
 17 out the requirements of this section.

18 (f) JOINT OPERATIONAL PROBLEM DEFINED.—In this
 19 section, the term “joint operational problem” has the mean-
 20 ing given in section 181 of title 10, United States Code.

21 **Subtitle C—Streamlining**
 22 **Acquisition Processes**

23 **SEC. 1821. ADJUSTMENTS TO CERTAIN ACQUISITION**
 24 **THRESHOLDS.**

25 (a) MAJOR PROGRAM.—

1 (1) *TITLE 10.*—Section 3041 of title 10, United
2 *States Code, is amended—*

3 *(A) in subsection (c)(1)—*

4 *(i) in subparagraph (A), by striking*
5 *“\$115,000,000 (based on fiscal year 1990*
6 *constant dollars)” and inserting*
7 *“\$275,000,000 (based on fiscal year 2024*
8 *constant dollars)”;* and

9 *(ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking*
10 *“\$540,000,000 (based on fiscal year 1990*
11 *constant dollars)” and inserting*
12 *“\$1,300,000,000 (based on fiscal year 2024*
13 *constant dollars)”;* and

14 *(B) in subsection (d)(1), by striking*
15 *“\$750,000 (based on fiscal year 1980 constant*
16 *dollars)” and inserting “\$2,000,000 (based on*
17 *fiscal year 2024 constant dollars)”.*

18 (2) *TITLE 41.*—Section 109 of title 41, United
19 *States Code, is amended—*

20 *(A) in subsection (b)(1)—*

21 *(i) by striking “\$75,000,000 (based on*
22 *fiscal year 1980 constant dollars)” and in-*
23 *serting “\$275,000,000 (based on fiscal year*
24 *2024 constant dollars)”;* and

1 (ii) by striking “\$300,000,000 (based
2 on fiscal year 1980 constant dollars)” and
3 inserting “\$1,300,000,000 (based on fiscal
4 year 2024 constant dollars)”; and

5 (B) in subsection (b)(2), by striking
6 “\$750,000 (based on fiscal year 1980 constant
7 dollars)” and inserting “\$2,000,000 (based on
8 fiscal year 2024 dollars)”.

9 (b) *USE OF PROCEDURES OTHER THAN COMPETITIVE*
10 *PROCEDURES*.—Section 3204(e)(1) of title 10, United
11 States Code, is amended—

12 (1) by striking “\$10,000,000” each place it ap-
13 pears and inserting “\$100,000,000”;

14 (2) by striking “\$75,000,000” each place it ap-
15 pears and inserting “\$500,000,000”; and

16 (3) in subparagraph (B)(i), by striking
17 “\$500,000” and inserting “\$10,000,000”.

18 (c) *SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURES FOR SMALL PUR-*
19 *CHASES*.—

20 (1) *TITLE 10*.—Section 3205(a)(2) of title 10,
21 United States Code, is amended by striking
22 “\$5,000,000” and inserting “\$10,000,000”.

23 (2) *TITLE 41*.—Section 1901(a)(2) of title 41,
24 United States Code, is amended by striking
25 “\$5,000,000” and inserting “\$10,000,000”.

1 (d) *SIMPLIFIED ACQUISITION THRESHOLD.*—

2 (1) *TITLE 10.*—Section 3571(a) of title 10,
3 *United States Code, is amended by adding at the end*
4 *the following new paragraph:*

5 “(c) *For purposes of acquisitions by agencies named*
6 *in section 3063 of this title, in the case of any contract*
7 *to be awarded and performed, or purchase to be made, in*
8 *support of a contingency operation or a humanitarian or*
9 *peacekeeping operation, the simplified acquisition threshold*
10 *means an amount equal to two times the amount specified*
11 *for that term in subsection (a).”.*

12 (2) *TITLE 41.*—Section 134 of title 41, *United*
13 *States Code, is amended by striking “\$250,000” and*
14 *inserting “\$500,000”.*

15 (e) *MICRO-PURCHASE THRESHOLD.*—

16 (1) *TITLE 10.*—Section 3573 of title 10, *United*
17 *States Code, is amended by striking “\$10,000” and*
18 *inserting “\$25,000”.*

19 (2) *TITLE 41.*—Section 1902(a)(1) of title 41,
20 *United States Code, is amended by striking*
21 *“\$10,000” and inserting “\$25,000”.*

22 (f) *MODIFICATIONS TO SUBMISSIONS OF COST OR*
23 *PRICING DATA.*—

24 (1) *TITLE 10.*—Section 3702(a) of title 10,
25 *United States Code, is amended—*

1 (A) in paragraph (1)—

2 (i) by striking “2018” each place it
3 appears and inserting “2026”;

4 (ii) in subparagraph (A), by striking
5 “\$2,000,000” and inserting “\$10,000,000”;
6 and

7 (iii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
8 “\$750,000” and inserting “\$2,000,000”;

9 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking
10 “\$2,000,000” and inserting “\$10,000,000”; and

11 (C) in subparagraph (3)(A), by striking
12 “chapter and the price of the subcontract is ex-
13 pected to exceed \$2,000,000” and inserting the
14 following: “chapter and—

15 “(i) in the case of a prime contract en-
16 tered into after June 30, 2026, the price of
17 the subcontract is expected to exceed
18 \$10,000,000; or

19 “(ii) in the case of a prime contract
20 entered into on or before June 30, 2026, the
21 price of the subcontract is expected to exceed
22 \$2,000,000.”.

23 (2) TITLE 41.—Section 3502(a) of title 41,
24 United States Code, is amended—

25 (A) in paragraph (1)—

1 (i) by striking “2018” each place it
2 appears and inserting “2026”;

3 (ii) in subparagraph (A), by striking
4 “\$2,000,000” and inserting “\$10,000,000”;
5 and

6 (iii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
7 “\$750,000” and inserting “\$2,000,000”;
8 (B) in paragraph (2)—

9 (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking
10 “\$2,000,000” and inserting “\$10,000,000”;

11 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
12 “\$750,000” and inserting “\$2,000,000”;
13 and

14 (iii) in subparagraph (C), by striking
15 “\$750,000” and inserting “\$2,000,000”;
16 and

17 (C) in paragraph (3), by striking “chapter
18 and—” and all that follows and inserting the
19 following: “chapter and—

20 “(i) in the case of a prime contract en-
21 tered into after June 30, 2026, the price of
22 the subcontract is expected to exceed
23 \$10,000,000; or

24 “(ii) in the case of a prime contract
25 entered into on or before June 30, 2026, the

1 *price of the subcontract is expected to exceed*
 2 *\$2,000,000.”.*

3 *(g) MAJOR DEFENSE ACQUISITION PROGRAMS; DEFI-*
 4 *NITIONS; EXCEPTIONS.—Section 4201(a)(2) of title 10,*
 5 *United States Code, is amended—*

6 *(1) in subparagraph (A), by striking*
 7 *“\$300,000,000 (based on fiscal year 1990 constant*
 8 *dollars)” and inserting “\$1,000,000,000 (based on fis-*
 9 *cal year 2024 constant dollars)”;* and

10 *(2) in subparagraph (B), by striking*
 11 *“\$1,800,000,000 (based on fiscal year 1990 constant*
 12 *dollars)” and inserting “\$4,500,000,000 (based on fis-*
 13 *cal year 2024 constant dollars)”.*

14 **SEC. 1822. CLARIFICATION OF CONDITIONS FOR PAYMENTS**
 15 **FOR COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMER-**
 16 **CIAL SERVICES.**

17 *(a) TITLE 10.—Section 3805 of title 10, United States*
 18 *Code, is amended—*

19 *(1) in subsection (d)—*

20 *(A) by striking “The conditions” and in-*
 21 *serting “(1) The conditions”;* and

22 *(B) by adding at the end the following new*
 23 *paragraph:*

24 *“(2) For the purposes of section 3803 of this title, a*
 25 *payment for covered services acquired through a commer-*

1 cially utilized acquisition strategy shall not be considered
 2 an advance payment made under section 3801 of this
 3 title.”; and

4 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
 5 section:

6 “(e) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

7 “(1) The term ‘commercially utilized acquisition
 8 strategy’ means an acquisition of a service by the
 9 Government under terms and conditions that—

10 “(A) are similar to the terms and condi-
 11 tions under which such service is available to the
 12 public; and

13 “(B) provide such service as a consumption-
 14 based solution or under a technology subscription
 15 model or other model based on predetermined
 16 pricing for access to such service.

17 “(2) The term ‘covered service’ means a commer-
 18 cial service that includes access to or use of any com-
 19 bination of hardware, equipment, software, labor, or
 20 services, including access to commercial satellite data
 21 and associated services, that is integrated to provide
 22 a capability.”.

23 (b) *TITLE 31.*—Section 3324(d) of title 31, United
 24 States Code, is amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (1)(C), by striking “; and” and
2 inserting a semicolon;

3 (2) in paragraph (2)—

4 (A) by inserting “or commercially available
5 content” after “publication”; and

6 (B) by striking the period at the end and
7 inserting “; and”; and

8 (3) by adding at the end the following new para-
9 graph:

10 “(3) charges for information and communica-
11 tions technology subscriptions, reservations, or ten-
12 ancy, including cloud environments, for which the
13 procuring agency defines appropriate access and secu-
14 rity standards.”.

15 **SEC. 1823. ALTERNATIVE CAPABILITY-BASED PRICING.**

16 Chapter 287 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
17 ed by adding at the end the following new section:

18 **“§ 3906. Alternative capability-based pricing**

19 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—Except as provided by subsection
20 (b), the head of an agency may use alternative capability-
21 based analysis for the acquisition of a commercial solution
22 to determine whether the price for a commercial solution
23 is fair and reasonable based on the value to the Government
24 as determined under such analysis.

1 “(b) *EXCEPTION.*—Subsection (a) does not apply with
2 *respect to the acquisition of a commercial solution under*
3 *a subcontract.*

4 “(c) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

5 “(1) The term ‘alternative capability-based anal-
6 *ysis’ means an analysis of the value to the Govern-*
7 *ment of a commercial solution that determines such*
8 *value based on one or more of the following criteria:*

9 “(A) *The suitability of the commercial solu-*
10 *tion for the particular purpose for which the*
11 *Government would acquire such commercial so-*
12 *lution.*

13 “(B) *The benefits obtained by the Govern-*
14 *ment as a result of improvements in capability,*
15 *effectiveness, efficiency, process, or speed to deliv-*
16 *ery provided by such commercial solution.*

17 “(C) *The estimated total cost avoidance re-*
18 *sulting from the acquisition and use of such com-*
19 *mercial solution, including the cost avoidance re-*
20 *sulting from reductions to operations,*
21 *sustainment, or risks to mission by replacing*
22 *fielded capabilities with such commercial solu-*
23 *tion.*

24 “(D) *Input from the intended end users of*
25 *such commercial solution on the potential value*

1 *of the improvements to capabilities or processes*
 2 *provided by such commercial solution.*

3 “(2) The term ‘commercial solution’ means a
 4 *product or service, including an integrated combina-*
 5 *tion of products, services, or products and services—*

6 “(A) *that is sold, leased, or licensed in the*
 7 *commercial marketplace, or offered for sale, lease,*
 8 *or license in the commercial marketplace; and*

9 “(B) *the provider of which contempora-*
 10 *neously offers such solution or a solution that is*
 11 *similar to such solution to the general public or*
 12 *public entities, including State and local govern-*
 13 *ments and foreign governments, under terms and*
 14 *conditions that are similar to the terms and con-*
 15 *ditions under which such solution is offered to*
 16 *the Federal Government.”.*

17 **SEC. 1824. MATTERS RELATED TO COST ACCOUNTING**
 18 **STANDARDS.**

19 (a) *REDUCTION OF CAS COMPLIANCE.—*

20 (1) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after*
 21 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of*
 22 *Defense, in consultation with Cost Accounting Stand-*
 23 *ards Board established under section 1501 of title 41,*
 24 *United States Code, shall—*

1 (A) identify actions necessary to streamline
2 requirements for compliance with the cost ac-
3 counting standards established under section
4 1502 of title 41, United States Code (in this sec-
5 tion referred to as “CAS”), in the performance
6 of a contract with the Department of Defense;
7 and

8 (B) reduce or eliminate such requirements
9 under the circumstances described in paragraph
10 (2) for contracts entered into after the date that
11 is 180 days after the date of the enactment of
12 this Act.

13 (2) CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED.—The cir-
14 cumstances described in this paragraph are as fol-
15 lows:

16 (A) With respect to an action to eliminate
17 compliance with CAS, if reliance on a similar
18 requirement under generally accepted accounting
19 principles (in this section referred to as
20 “GAAP”) would achieve, to the maximum extent
21 possible, the use of commercial accounting stand-
22 ards and systems with respect to such elimi-
23 nation without bias or prejudice to parties to a
24 contract.

1 (B) *If other existing requirements in guid-*
 2 *ance or regulation will sufficiently protect the*
 3 *interests of the Secretary of Defense in the over-*
 4 *sight of cost contracts.*

5 (C) *If such requirement is no longer nec-*
 6 *essary or appropriate.*

7 (b) *CHANGES TO APPLICABILITY OF FULL CAS COV-*
 8 *ERAGE.—*

9 (1) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after*
 10 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Adminis-*
 11 *trator for Federal Procurement Policy shall revise the*
 12 *rules and procedures prescribed pursuant to sub-*
 13 *sections (a) and (b) of section 1502 of title 41, United*
 14 *States Code, to the extent necessary to increase the*
 15 *thresholds established in section 9903.201-2 of title 48,*
 16 *Code of Federal Regulation, from \$50,000,000 to*
 17 *\$100,000,000.*

18 (2) *DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.—Not later than*
 19 *120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,*
 20 *the Secretary shall update the Department of Defense*
 21 *Supplement to the Federal Acquisition Regulation to*
 22 *require full compliance with CAS only for an entity*
 23 *or subsidiary of an entity that—*

1 (A) received a single contract award under
 2 CAS with a value equal to or greater than
 3 \$100,000,000; or

4 (B) received contracts during the cost ac-
 5 counting period that ended preceding the date of
 6 the report with an aggregate value equal to or
 7 greater than \$100,000,000.

8 (c) AMENDMENTS TO COST ACCOUNTING STANDARDS
 9 BOARD.—

10 (1) ORGANIZATION.—Subsection (a) of section
 11 1501 of title 41, United States Code, is amended by
 12 striking “Office of Federal Procurement Policy” and
 13 inserting “Office of Management and Budget”.

14 (2) MEMBERSHIP.—Subsection (b) of such sec-
 15 tion 1501 is amended—

16 (A) by amending paragraph (1) to read as
 17 follows:

18 “(1) MEMBERS, CHAIRMAN, AND APPOINT-
 19 MENT.—The Board shall consist of 5 voting members
 20 and 2 nonvoting members.

21 “(A) VOTING MEMBERS.—One voting mem-
 22 ber is the Administrator of Federal Procurement
 23 Policy, who serves as Chairman. The other 4
 24 members, all of whom shall have experience in

1 *Federal Government contract cost accounting,*
2 *are as follows:*

3 “(i) 2 representatives of the Federal
4 Government, each of whom has substantial
5 experience in administering and managing
6 covered contracts—

7 “(I) one of whom is a representa-
8 tive of the Department of Defense ap-
9 pointed by the Secretary of Defense;
10 and

11 “(II) one of whom is an officer or
12 employee of the General Services Ad-
13 ministration appointed by the Admin-
14 istrator of General Services.

15 “(ii) 2 individuals from the private
16 sector, each of whom is appointed by the
17 Director of the Office of Management and
18 Budget—

19 “(I) one of whom is a senior em-
20 ployee or retired senior employee of a
21 Government contractor with substan-
22 tial experience in the private sector in-
23 volving administration and manage-
24 ment of covered contracts; and

1 “(II) one member of the account-
2 ing profession, with substantial experi-
3 ence as an accountant.

4 “(B) NONVOTING MEMBERS.—The 2 non-
5 voting members of the Board shall be appointed
6 as follows:

7 “(i) 1 individual who is a senior em-
8 ployee of the Government Accountability Of-
9 fice with substantial experience in con-
10 tracting and national security acquisitions,
11 appointed by the Comptroller General of the
12 United States.

13 “(ii) 1 individual from academia, a
14 nonprofit organization, or a private entity
15 with substantial experience in establishing
16 financial accounting and reporting stand-
17 ards in compliance with Generally Accepted
18 Accounting Principles, appointed by the Di-
19 rector of the Office of Management and
20 Budget.”;

21 (B) in paragraph (2)—

22 (i) in subparagraph (A), by inserting
23 “, which may be extended for an additional
24 4-year period by the individual who ap-

1 *pointed such member under paragraph (1)”*
2 *after “4 years”; and*

3 *(ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking*
4 *“paragraph (1)(A)” and inserting “para-*
5 *graph (1)(A)(i)”;* and

6 *(C) by adding at the end the following new*
7 *paragraph:*

8 *“(4) INELIGIBILITY.—Beginning on January 1,*
9 *2028, an individual who is a member of an audit en-*
10 *tity of an executive agency (excluding an audit entity*
11 *of the Government Accountability Office) is not eligi-*
12 *ble to serve as a member of the Board.”.*

13 *(3) DUTIES.—Subsection (c) of such section 1501*
14 *is amended—*

15 *(A) in paragraph (2)—*

16 *(i) by striking “within one year” and*
17 *all that follows through “conform such*
18 *standards” and inserting the following: “not*
19 *later than 180 days after the date of enact-*
20 *ment of this paragraph, and biennially*
21 *thereafter, review any cost accounting*
22 *standards established under section 1502 of*
23 *this title and eliminate or conform such*
24 *standards”;* and

25 *(ii) by striking “and” at the end;*

1 (B) in paragraph (3), by striking “dis-
2 putes.” and inserting the following: “disputes,
3 and take necessary action to clarify or improve
4 such standards if misinterpretation or lack of
5 clarity in a standard was a primary component
6 of such dispute; and”; and

7 (C) by adding at the end the following:

8 “(4) ensure that any action taken pursuant to
9 paragraph (3) is not taken solely for the purpose of
10 tailoring such standard to favor a party in the dis-
11 pute.”.

12 (4) *REPORT*.—Subsection (e) of such section
13 1501 is amended—

14 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “and” at
15 the end;

16 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking the period
17 at the end and inserting “; and”; and

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

20 “(3) a summary of rulemaking activities related
21 to any changes to such standards and any associated
22 timelines for such activities.”.

23 (5) *SENIOR STAFF*.—Subsection (f)(1)(B) of such
24 section 1501 is amended—

1 (A) by striking “may appoint” and insert-
2 ing “shall appoint”; and

3 (B) by striking “two” and inserting “not
4 less than four”.

5 (6) COVERED CONTRACT DEFINED.—Such section
6 1501 is amended by adding at the end the following
7 new subsection:

8 “(j) COVERED CONTRACT DEFINED.—In this section,
9 the term ‘covered contract’ means a contract that is subject
10 to the cost accounting standards issued pursuant to section
11 1502 of title 41, United States Code,”.

12 (7) DEADLINE.—Not later than 90 days after the
13 date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the
14 Office of Management and Budget, the Secretary of
15 Defense, the Administrator of General Services, and
16 the Comptroller General of the United States shall
17 implement the amendments made by this subsection,
18 including making the appointments under section
19 1501(b) of title 41, United States Code, as amended
20 by this subsection.

21 (d) AMENDMENT TO MANDATORY USE OF COST AC-
22 COUNTING STANDARDS.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1502(b)(1) of title 41,
24 United States Code, is amended—

1 (A) in subparagraph (B), by striking
 2 “amount set forth in section 3702(a)(1)(A) of
 3 title 10 as the amount is” and inserting
 4 “\$10,000,000, as”; and

5 (B) in subparagraph (C)—

6 (i) in clause (ii), by inserting “or” at
 7 the end;

8 (ii) in clause (iii), by striking “; or”
 9 and inserting a period; and

10 (iii) by striking clause (iv).

11 (2) *REGULATIONS.*—Not later than 180 days
 12 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Admin-
 13 istrator for Federal Procurement Policy shall issue
 14 such regulations as are necessary to implement the
 15 amendments made by this subsection.

16 **SEC. 1825. REVIEW OF COMMERCIAL BUYING PRACTICES.**

17 (a) *REVIEW REQUIRED.*—

18 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 120 days after
 19 the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
 20 shall carry out a comprehensive review of the ap-
 21 proach of the Department of Defense to acquiring
 22 commercial products and commercial services and the
 23 implementation of the requirements of the Federal Ac-
 24 quisition Streamlining Act of 1994 (Public Law 103-
 25 355) by the Department.

1 (2) *REVIEW REQUIREMENTS.*—*The review re-*
2 *quired by paragraph (1) shall include an assessment*
3 *of each of the following as they relate to the approach*
4 *of the Department of Defense to acquiring commercial*
5 *products and commercial services:*

6 (A) *The policies, procedures, guidance, and*
7 *instructions of the Department of Defense.*

8 (B) *The extent to which contracts entered*
9 *into by the Department of Defense for the acqui-*
10 *sition of commercial products or commercial*
11 *services include requirements or other provisions*
12 *that should not apply to the acquisition of a*
13 *commercial product or commercial service and*
14 *the extent to which such requirements or other*
15 *provisions are included in subcontracts under*
16 *such contracts.*

17 (C) *Training curricula, educational mate-*
18 *rials, and associated activities of the Department*
19 *of Defense related to acquiring commercial prod-*
20 *ucts and commercial services, including such*
21 *curricula, materials, and activities that pertain*
22 *to the determination of a product or service as*
23 *a commercial product or commercial service and*
24 *the congressional intent that the definitions of*

1 the terms “commercial product” and “commer-
2 cial service” should be applied broadly.

3 (D) *Audit and oversight policies and prac-*
4 *tices of the Department of Defense.*

5 (E) *Incentives that discourage the acquisi-*
6 *tion workforce from acquiring commercial prod-*
7 *ucts or commercial services.*

8 (F) *The process by which the Department of*
9 *Defense develops and issues regulations related to*
10 *the acquisition of commercial products or com-*
11 *mercial services, including delays in rulemaking*
12 *and the resulting delays in the implementation*
13 *of policies intended to improve or streamline the*
14 *acquisition of commercial products or commer-*
15 *cial services.*

16 (G) *Requirements in solicitations or con-*
17 *tracts of the Department of Defense requiring the*
18 *use of military specifications or standards when*
19 *applicable commercial specifications or stand-*
20 *ards were available that could have meet the*
21 *needs of the Department served by such military*
22 *specifications or standards.*

23 (H) *The process by which the Department*
24 *of Defense evaluates past performance, including*
25 *performance under Federal, State, and local gov-*

1 ernment and private contracts (as described in
2 section 15.305(a)(2)(ii) of the Federal Acquisi-
3 tion Regulation), in the acquisition of commer-
4 cial products or commercial services.

5 (b) *REPORT*.—Not later than 180 days after the enact-
6 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to
7 the congressional defense committees a report that—

8 (1) describes the findings of the review required
9 by subsection (a)(1);

10 (2) describes the corrective actions taken by the
11 Secretary to address the issues identified pursuant to
12 such review, including any findings of noncompliance
13 by the Department of Defense with the requirements
14 of the Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act of 1994
15 (Public Law 103–355) or any other statutory or regu-
16 latory requirements related to advancing and ena-
17 bling the procurement of commercial products and
18 commercial services; and

19 (3) includes any recommendations of the Sec-
20 retary on actions that Congress may take to better en-
21 able to the Department of Defense to take advantage
22 of the benefits of acquiring commercial products and
23 commercial services.

24 (c) *CLARIFYING AMENDMENTS*.—

1 (1) *TREATMENT OF MAJOR WEAPON SYSTEMS.*—
2 *Section 3455 of title 10, United States Code, is*
3 *amended—*

4 (A) *in subsection (c)(1), by striking “may”*
5 *and inserting “shall”;*

6 (B) *by amending subsection (d) to read as*
7 *follows:*

8 “(d) *APPLICABILITY OF TRUTHFUL COST OR PRICING*
9 *DATA REQUIREMENTS.*—*A product treated as a commercial*
10 *product or purchased under procedures established for the*
11 *procurement of commercial products under subsection (a)*
12 *shall be treated as a commercial product for the purposes*
13 *of chapter 271 of this title.”; and*

14 (C) *in subsection (e), by striking “Deputy*
15 *Secretary of Defense” and inserting “Under Sec-*
16 *retary of Defense for Acquisition and*
17 *Sustainment”.*

18 (2) *COST OR PRICING DATA EXCEPTIONS.*—*Sec-*
19 *tion 3703(a)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is*
20 *amended by amending subparagraph (A) to read as*
21 *follows:*

22 “(A) *adequate price competition; or*”.

***Subtitle D—Matters Relating to
Commercial Innovation***

SEC. 1831. AMENDMENT TO OTHER TRANSACTION AUTHORITY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4022 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(2)—

(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “agency that” and all that follows through “the use” and inserting “agency that the use”;

(B) in subparagraph (B)—

(i) in clause (i), by striking “writing that” and all that follows through “the use” and inserting “writing that the use”; and

(ii) in clause (ii), by striking “and” at the end;

(C) in subparagraph (C)—

(i) by striking “subsection (f)” each place it appears and inserting “subsection (e)”;

(ii) in clause (i)(I), by striking “the requirements of subsection (d)” and all that follows through “and the” and inserting “the”; and

1 (iii) in clause (ii), by striking the pe-
 2 riod at the end and inserting “; and”; and
 3 (D) by adding at the end the following new
 4 subparagraph:

5 “(D) may not be exercised for contracts ex-
 6 ceeding the production of 500 units of a manu-
 7 factured or developed product. Contracts exceed-
 8 ing this production threshold may not be cat-
 9 egorized as a “prototype” or contracted as
 10 such.”;

11 (2) by striking subsection (d);

12 (3) by redesignating subsections (e) through (i)
 13 as subsections (d) through (h), respectively; and

14 (4) in subsection (f), as so redesignated, by strik-
 15 ing “subsection (f)” and inserting “subsection (e)”.

16 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

17 (1) NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947.—Section
 18 102A(n)(6)(C) of the National Security Act of 1947
 19 (50 U.S.C. 3024(n)(6)(C)) is amended—

20 (A) by repealing clauses (v) and (vi); and

21 (B) in clause (vii)—

22 (i) in the matter preceding subclause
 23 (I), by striking “4022(f)(2)” and inserting
 24 “4022(e)(2)”; and

1 (ii) in subclause (V)(cc), by striking
2 “4022(f)(5)” and inserting “4022(e)(5)”.

3 (2) *HOMELAND SECURITY ACT OF 2002*.—Section
4 831(d) of the *Homeland Security Act of 2002* (6
5 *U.S.C. 391(d)*) is amended by striking “4022(e)” and
6 inserting “4022(d)”.

7 (3) *JOHN S. MCCAIN NATIONAL DEFENSE AU-*
8 *THORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019*.—Section
9 873(c)(1) of the *John S. McCain National Defense*
10 *Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019* (Public Law
11 115–232; 10 *U.S.C. 4021 note*) is amended—

12 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “sub-
13 section (f)” and inserting “subsection (e)”; and

14 (B) in subparagraph (E), by striking “or
15 (f)” and inserting “or (e)”.

16 (4) *JAMES M. INHOFE NATIONAL DEFENSE AU-*
17 *THORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023*.—Section
18 322(h)(2) of the *James M. Inhofe National Defense*
19 *Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023* (Public Law
20 117–263; 10 *U.S.C. 2911 note*) is amended by strik-
21 ing “subsection (f)” and inserting “subsection (e)”.

22 **SEC. 1832. DATA-AS-A-SERVICE SOLUTIONS FOR WEAPON**
23 **SYSTEM CONTRACTS.**

24 (a) *IN GENERAL*.—Chapter 323 of title 10, *United*
25 *States Code*, as amended by section 1804 of this Act, is fur-

1 *ther amended by adding at the end the following new sec-*
 2 *tion:*

3 **“§ 4324. Data-as-a-service solutions for weapon system**
 4 **contracts**

5 “(a) *NEGOTIATIONS FOR DATA-AS-A-SERVICE.*—*Before*
 6 *entering into a contract for the procurement of a weapon*
 7 *system (or component thereof), the Secretary of Defense*
 8 *shall ensure, to the maximum extent practicable, that the*
 9 *negotiations for such contract include negotiations for data-*
 10 *as-a-service solutions to facilitate access to the information*
 11 *described in subsection (b) as necessary for—*

12 “(1) *the performance of depot-level maintenance*
 13 *and repair workload by employees of the Department*
 14 *of Defense in accordance with section 2466 of this*
 15 *title; or*

16 “(2) *the maintenance of a core logistics capa-*
 17 *bility in accordance with section 2464 of this title.*

18 “(b) *COVERED INFORMATION.*—*The information de-*
 19 *scribed in subsection (a) is technical data or computer soft-*
 20 *ware that relates to the weapon system (or component there-*
 21 *of) to be procured that is—*

22 “(1) *detailed manufacturing or process data re-*
 23 *lating to how contractors or subcontractors design, de-*
 24 *velop, produce, test, certify, diagnose, maintain, re-*

1 *pair, or otherwise support such weapon system (or*
2 *component thereof);*

3 *“(2) digital networks or digital models that con-*
4 *tain data described in paragraph (1), or virtual rep-*
5 *licas of such data;*

6 *“(3) design details, algorithms, processes, flow*
7 *charts, formulas, and related information that de-*
8 *scribe the design, organization, or structure of com-*
9 *puter software; or*

10 *“(4) necessary for operation, maintenance, in-*
11 *stallation, or training with respect to such weapon*
12 *system (or component thereof).*

13 *“(c) METHODS AND SCHEDULE FOR ACCESS.—(1)*
14 *With respect to a data-as-a-service solution described in*
15 *subsection (a), access to the information described in sub-*
16 *section (b) may be made available through one or more*
17 *methods, including electronically, in-person, or machine-to-*
18 *machine encryption, as appropriate based on the type, sen-*
19 *sitivity, or authorized use of such information.*

20 *“(2) The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that the*
21 *terms of a contract for a data-as-a-service solution described*
22 *in subsection (a) clearly state the requirements, conditions,*
23 *and schedule for providing access to the information de-*
24 *scribed in subsection (b).*

1 “(d) *APPLICABILITY TO COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS.*—(1)
2 *With respect to a contract for a commercial product that*
3 *is a data-as-a-service solution described in subsection (a),*
4 *the offeror for such commercial product shall ensure that*
5 *the pricing and terms and conditions of access to informa-*
6 *tion described in subsection (b) for such commercial product*
7 *is commensurate with commercial practices for similar ac-*
8 *cess.*

9 “(2) *The Secretary of Defense may not require an of-*
10 *feror for a commercial product that is a data-as-a-service*
11 *solution described in subsection (a) to provide access to in-*
12 *formation described in subsection (b) in a manner that is*
13 *different from what such offeror customarily provides to a*
14 *buyer of such commercial product, unless the offeror has*
15 *agreed to provide such access pursuant to a specifically ne-*
16 *gotiated agreement with the Secretary.*

17 “(e) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—*Nothing in this sec-*
18 *tion shall be construed as modifying any rights, obligations,*
19 *or limitations of the Government, contractor, or subcon-*
20 *tractor with respect to rights in technical data under sub-*
21 *chapter I of chapter 275 of this title.*

22 “(f) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

23 “(1) *The term ‘access’, with respect to informa-*
24 *tion described in subsection (b), means the avail-*
25 *ability of such information as a service rather than*

1 *as specifically delivered in the performance of a con-*
2 *tract for the procurement of a weapon system (or*
3 *component thereof).*

4 “(2) *The term ‘data-as-a-service’ means a model*
5 *under which the Secretary is provided access to the*
6 *most up-to-date information described in subsection*
7 *(b) that relates to a weapon system (or component*
8 *thereof) to be procured by the Secretary, including*
9 *any associated license agreements for such informa-*
10 *tion.*

11 “(3) *The term ‘technical data’ has the meaning*
12 *given in section 3013 of this title.”.*

13 ***(b) GUIDANCE REQUIRED.***—*Not later than 180 days*
14 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary*
15 *of Defense shall issue guidance to carry out the require-*
16 *ments of section 4324 of title 10, United States Code, as*
17 *added by this section.*

18 ***(c) APPLICABILITY.***—*Section 4324 of title 10, United*
19 *States Code, as added by this section, shall apply with re-*
20 *spect to a contract for the procurement of a weapon system*
21 *(or component thereof) entered into on or after the date of*
22 *the enactment of this Act.*

1 **SEC. 1833. REQUIREMENTS FOR MODULAR OPEN SYSTEM**
 2 **APPROACH AND MODIFICATIONS TO RIGHTS**
 3 **IN TECHNICAL DATA.**

4 (a) *REQUIREMENTS FOR MODULAR OPEN SYSTEM AP-*
 5 *PROACH.*—Section 4401 of title 10, United States Code, is
 6 amended to read as follows:

7 **“§4401. Requirement for modular open system ap-**
 8 **proach**

9 “(a) *REQUIREMENT.*—The Secretary of Defense shall
 10 ensure that a covered system to be procured is designed and
 11 developed, to the maximum extent practicable, with a mod-
 12 ular open system approach.

13 “(b) *ASSESSMENT TO INFORM STRATEGY.*—Before de-
 14 signing or developing a covered system, the Secretary of De-
 15 fense shall conduct an assessment to identify the open sys-
 16 tems objectives to be achieved by the design and development
 17 of the covered system. Such assessment shall identify and
 18 document how such approach would—

19 “(1) support the objectives of the defense acquisi-
 20 tion system established pursuant to section 3102 of
 21 this title;

22 “(2) align with the preference for the acquisition
 23 of commercial products in section 3453 of this title to
 24 retain, to the maximum extent practicable, the com-
 25 mercial viability of subsystems and components of the
 26 covered system;

1 “(3) reduce the complexity and increase the
2 speed by which new technology can be integrated into
3 a covered system to enhance military effectiveness and
4 responsiveness to emerging threats;

5 “(4) enable the use of iterative development cy-
6 cles and discontinue or terminate the development of
7 capabilities—

8 “(A) that no longer align with approved ca-
9 pability requirements (as defined in section 181
10 of this title) or priorities; or

11 “(B) that are experiencing significant cost
12 growth, performance deficiencies, or delays in
13 schedule;

14 “(5) promote a robust and responsive defense in-
15 dustrial base, and foster competition amongst offerors
16 of subsystems and components of the covered system
17 through the life cycle of the covered system, especially
18 at the module level;

19 “(6) reduce schedule delays and development
20 timelines;

21 “(7) increase and enable interoperability of a
22 covered system with the joint force as changes to force
23 design evolve; and

24 “(8) enable effective life-cycle management and
25 product support of a covered system—

1 “(A) in accordance with the requirements of
2 section 4322 of this title; and

3 “(B) to ensure that the covered system will
4 meet applicable operational readiness require-
5 ments (as defined in such section 4322) and ma-
6 teriel readiness objectives (established under sec-
7 tion 118(c) of this title) in the most cost-effective
8 manner practicable.

9 “(c) *ARCHITECTURE REQUIREMENTS.*—(1) In devel-
10 oping an architecture for the procurement of a covered sys-
11 tem using a modular open system approach, the Secretary
12 shall ensure that the architecture—

13 “(A) adequately designates and defines modules,
14 module interfaces, key interfaces, and openness char-
15 acteristics of the covered system necessary to achieve
16 the open systems objectives described in subsection (b);

17 “(B) to the extent practicable, is based on—

18 “(i) widely accepted, consensus-based stand-
19 ards that are available at no cost or under fair
20 and reasonable license terms; or

21 “(ii) if such standards are not available or
22 suitable, incremental standards that define rela-
23 tionships between module interfaces and key
24 interfaces; and

1 “(C) is designed and developed to accelerate the
2 procurement and integration of commercial products
3 as modules, module interfaces, and key interfaces.

4 “(2) The Secretary shall consider input from private
5 entities as early as possible to inform decisions regarding
6 the level in the architecture at which a modular open system
7 approach will be implemented for a covered system.

8 “(3) The architecture described in this subsection shall
9 be included in any draft and final solicitations for procure-
10 ment of a covered system.

11 “(d) OPENNESS CHARACTERISTICS.—Consistent with
12 the requirements of subchapter I of chapter 275 of this title,
13 the Secretary shall include in the solicitation for the covered
14 system a description of the desired openness characteristics
15 of the covered system necessary to achieve the open systems
16 objectives described in subsection (b), including the fol-
17 lowing:

18 “(1) The open systems objectives identified as re-
19 sult of the assessment required by subsection (b).

20 “(2) A description of the application of specifica-
21 tions or standards for module interfaces to achieve
22 such objectives.

23 “(3) A description of the minimum technical
24 data package elements necessary to achieve such objec-
25 tives.

1 “(4) *The desired license rights in module inter-*
2 *faces or key interfaces based on such objectives, in-*
3 *cluding desired license rights to enable the replace-*
4 *ment of a module or module interface with an alter-*
5 *native or new module or module interface.*

6 “(e) *APPLICABILITY TO COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS.—In*
7 *applying the requirements of this section to a covered sys-*
8 *tem that includes a commercial product, the Secretary of*
9 *Defense shall—*

10 “(1) *implement modular open system approaches*
11 *in accordance with such approaches used in the ordi-*
12 *nary course of business for such commercial product*
13 *on the commercial marketplace;*

14 “(2) *for a commercial product that is commer-*
15 *cial technical data or commercial software, procure*
16 *such commercial product under license terms similar*
17 *to such terms that are customarily provided to the*
18 *public, unless the Secretary has specifically negotiated*
19 *different license terms;*

20 “(3) *when applicable, obtain the delivery of com-*
21 *mercial software development kits with license rights*
22 *necessary to support the desired openness characteris-*
23 *tics for the covered system; and*

24 “(4) *to the maximum extent practical, conduct*
25 *negotiations for desired license rights in accordance*

1 *with the preference for specially negotiated licenses in*
2 *section 3774(c) of this title.*

3 *“(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

4 *“(1) The term ‘covered system’ means a system*
5 *that is not a commercial product and that is acquired*
6 *or developed under—*

7 *“(A) an acquisition program of the Depart-*
8 *ment of Defense; or*

9 *“(B) a research and development program*
10 *of the Department to address a capability re-*
11 *quirement or joint capability requirement (as de-*
12 *finied in section 181 of this title).*

13 *“(2) The term ‘incremental standard’ means a*
14 *specification for a module interface or key interface*
15 *that includes—*

16 *“(A) software-defined syntax and properties*
17 *that specifically govern how values are validly*
18 *passed and received between subsystems and*
19 *components in machine-readable format;*

20 *“(B) a machine-readable definition of the*
21 *relationship between the module interface or key*
22 *interface and existing common standards or*
23 *interfaces available in Department databases;*
24 *and*

1 “(C) documentation with functional de-
2 scriptions of software-defined interfaces, con-
3 veying semantic meaning of elements of the mod-
4 ule interface or key interface.

5 “(3) The term ‘key interface’ means a shared
6 boundary between any system, subsystem of a covered
7 system, or set of modules, defined by various physical,
8 logical, functional characteristics, such as electrical,
9 mechanical, fluidic, optical, radio frequency, data,
10 networking, or software.

11 “(4) The term ‘modular open system approach’
12 means the application of a strategy that leverages an
13 architecture that enables modules to be incrementally
14 added, removed, or replaced throughout the life cycle
15 of the covered system to achieve a set of objectives.

16 “(5) The term ‘module’ means a self-contained
17 functional hardware or software unit—

18 “(A) that can be developed, tested, and de-
19 ployed independently of a module interface or
20 key interface; and

21 “(B) that can simultaneously interact with
22 another self-contained functional hardware or
23 software unit described in subparagraph (A)
24 through a module interface or key interface.

1 “(6) *The term ‘module interface’ means a shared*
2 *boundary between modules, defined by physical, log-*
3 *ical, and functional characteristics, such as electrical,*
4 *mechanical, fluidic, optical, radio frequency, data,*
5 *networking, or software.*

6 “(7) *The term ‘software development kit’ means*
7 *a collection of software tools and programs such as li-*
8 *braries, application programming interfaces, inte-*
9 *grated development environments, testing tools, or*
10 *documentation used to create applications that are*
11 *appropriate for a specific software platform.”.*

12 **(b) GUIDANCE.**—*Not later than 180 days after the date*
13 *of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall*
14 *issue guidance to carry out the requirements of section 4401*
15 *of title 10, United States Code, as amended by this section.*

16 **(c) APPLICABILITY.**—*The requirements of section 4401*
17 *of title 10, United States Code, as amended by this section,*
18 *shall apply with respect to a contract entered into on or*
19 *after the date of the enactment of this Act.*

20 **(d) MODIFICATION TO RIGHTS IN TECHNICAL DATA.**—

21 **(1) RIGHTS IN TECHNICAL DATA.**—*Section 3771*
22 *of title 10, United States Code, is amended—*

23 **(A) in subsection (a)—**

1 (i) in paragraph (2)(A), by striking “
2 or copyrights” and inserting “, copyrights,
3 trade secrets,”; and

4 (ii) by adding at the end the following
5 new paragraph:

6 “(3) *ENFORCEMENT OF CERTAIN RIGHTS.—Reg-*
7 *ulations prescribed under paragraph (1) may not af-*
8 *fect or limit any right described in paragraph (2)(A)*
9 *or the ability of a contractor or subcontractor to en-*
10 *force such a right against a third party that has not*
11 *otherwise obtained a license for such a right from the*
12 *United States or from the contractor or subcon-*
13 *tractor.”; and*

14 (B) in subsection (b)—

15 (i) in paragraph (2), by striking
16 “paragraphs (3), (4), and (7),” and insert-
17 ing “paragraphs (3) and (4),”;

18 (ii) by amending paragraph (3) to
19 read as follows:

20 “(3) *INAPPLICABILITY OF PARAGRAPH (2).—Un-*
21 *less otherwise negotiated, paragraph (2) does not*
22 *apply to technical data that—*

23 “(A) constitutes a correction or change to
24 data furnished by the United States; or

1 “(B) is otherwise publicly available or has
2 been released or disclosed by the contractor or
3 subcontractor without restriction on further re-
4 lease or disclosure.”;

5 (iii) by amending paragraph (4) to
6 read as follows:

7 “(4) *EXCEPTIONS TO PARAGRAPH (2).*—(A) *Not-*
8 *withstanding paragraph (2), unless otherwise nego-*
9 *tiated, the United States shall have government pur-*
10 *pose rights, in perpetuity, in technical data that—*

11 “(i) *relates to form, fit, or function of an*
12 *item or process; or*

13 “(ii) *is necessary for operation, mainte-*
14 *nance, installation, or training (other than de-*
15 *tailed manufacturing or process data) of an item*
16 *or process.*

17 “(B) *Notwithstanding paragraph (2), the United*
18 *States may release or disclose technical data to per-*
19 *sons outside the Government, or permit the use of*
20 *technical data by such persons, if such release, disclo-*
21 *sure, or use—*

22 “(i) *is necessary for emergency repair and*
23 *overhaul;*

24 “(ii) *is a release or disclosure of technical*
25 *data (other than detailed manufacturing or proc-*

ess data) to, or use of such data by, a foreign government, where such release or disclosure is in the interest of the United States and is required for evaluation or informational purposes;

“(iii) is made subject to a prohibition that the person to whom the data are released or disclosed may not further release, disclose, or use such data; and

“(iv) the contractor or subcontractor asserting the restriction is notified of such release, disclosure, or use.”;

(iv) in paragraph (6)—

(I) in the paragraph heading, by striking “INTERFACES” and inserting “MODULE INTERFACES OF AN ITEM”;

(II) by inserting “, in perpetuity,” after “government purpose rights”; and

(III) by striking “an interface between an item or process and other items or processes” and inserting “a module interface of an item”; and

(v) in paragraph (7)—

(I) in the paragraph heading, by striking “MODULAR SYSTEM INTER-

1 *FACES” and inserting “KEY INTER-*
 2 *FACES OF AN ITEM”;*

3 *(II) in subparagraph (A)—*

4 *(aa) by striking “paragraphs*
 5 *(2) and (5)” and inserting “para-*
 6 *graph (5) and except as otherwise*
 7 *provided by subsection (e) of sec-*
 8 *tion 4401 of this title,”;*

9 *(bb) by inserting “, in per-*
 10 *petuity,” after “government pur-*
 11 *pose rights”; and*

12 *(cc) by striking “modular*
 13 *system interface” and inserting*
 14 *“key interface of an item”;*

15 *(III) in subparagraph (B), by*
 16 *striking “modular system interface”*
 17 *and inserting “a key interface”; and*

18 *(IV) in subparagraph (C), by*
 19 *striking “modular system interface”*
 20 *and inserting “key interface of an*
 21 *item”.*

22 *(2) DEFINITIONS.—Section 3775(b) of title 10,*
 23 *United States Code, is amended to read as follows:*

24 *“(b) ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS.—In this subchapter,*
 25 *the terms ‘key interface’, ‘modular open system approach’,*

1 ‘module interface’ have the meanings given, respectively, in
 2 section 4401 of this title.”.

3 (e) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

4 (1) Section 3791(c)(1) of title 10, United States
 5 Code, is amended—

6 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “sec-
 7 tion 4401(b) of this title” and inserting “section
 8 4401 of this title”; and

9 (B) in subparagraph (D)(iv), by striking
 10 “modular system interfaces (as defined in section
 11 4401(b) of this title)” and inserting “module
 12 interfaces (as defined in section 4401(f) of this
 13 title)”.

14 (2) Section 4402 of title 10, United States Code,
 15 is repealed.

16 (3) Section 4403 of title 10, United States Code,
 17 is repealed.

18 (4) Section 4425 of title 10, United States Code,
 19 is amended to read as follows:

20 **“§ 4425. Definitions**

21 “In this subchapter:

22 “(1) The term ‘major system platform’ means the
 23 highest level structure of a major weapon system that
 24 is not physically mounted or installed onto a higher

1 *level structure and on which a major system compo-*
 2 *nent can be physically mounted or installed.*

3 *“(2) The term ‘weapon system component’—*

4 *“(A) means a high level subsystem or as-*
 5 *sembly, including hardware, software, or an in-*
 6 *tegrated assembly of both, that can be mounted*
 7 *or installed on a major system platform through*
 8 *a key system interface (as defined in section*
 9 *4401(f) of this title); and*

10 *“(B) includes a subsystem or assembly that*
 11 *is likely to have additional capability require-*
 12 *ments, is likely to change because of evolving*
 13 *technology or threat, is needed for interoper-*
 14 *ability, facilitates incremental deployment of ca-*
 15 *pabilities, or is expected to be replaced by an-*
 16 *other subsystem or assembly described in sub-*
 17 *paragraph (A).”.*

18 *(5) Section 804 of the National Defense Author-*
 19 *ization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (10 U.S.C. 4401*
 20 *note) is repealed.*

21 **SEC. 1834. BRIDGING OPERATIONAL OBJECTIVES AND SUP-**
 22 **PORT FOR TRANSITION PROGRAM.**

23 *(a) BRIDGING OPERATIONAL OBJECTIVES AND SUP-*
 24 *PORT FOR TRANSITION PROGRAM.—*

1 (1) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*In meeting the respon-*
2 *sibilities of the Defense Innovation Unit under section*
3 *4127(d) of title 10, United States Code, the Director*
4 *of the Defense Innovation Unit shall establish a pro-*
5 *gram (to be known as the “Bridging Operational Ob-*
6 *jectives and Support for Transition program”)* *to ac-*
7 *celerate the adoption or integration of commercial*
8 *technologies into programs of record of the Depart-*
9 *ment of Defense.*

10 (2) *PROGRAM EXECUTION.*—*Not later than 90*
11 *days after the date of the enactment of this subsection,*
12 *the Director shall issue guidance on the BOOST pro-*
13 *gram, including guidance to do the following:*

14 (A) *Enable a customer seeking a technology*
15 *solution for a challenge or requirement in a pro-*
16 *gram of record of the Department of Defense to*
17 *request assistance under the BOOST program*
18 *with identifying and adopting or integrating*
19 *such a solution into such program.*

20 (B) *Establish requirements for the Defense*
21 *Innovation Unit to—*

22 (i) *conduct a review of commercial*
23 *technologies pursuant to a request described*
24 *in subparagraph (A) with respect to a chal-*
25 *lenge or requirement of a program of record*

1 *of the Department to identify commercial*
2 *technology that may address such challenge*
3 *or requirement;*

4 (ii) *provide to the customer that made*
5 *such request the findings of such review, in-*
6 *cluding any commercial technologies so*
7 *identified; and*

8 (iii) *at the request of such customer*
9 *after providing such findings to such cus-*
10 *tomers, conduct development, experimen-*
11 *tation, or integration activities in coordina-*
12 *tion with such customer to support or en-*
13 *able the adoption or integration of any*
14 *commercial technology so identified into*
15 *such program of record.*

16 (C) *Establish criteria for terminating as-*
17 *sistance under the BOOST program for a cus-*
18 *tomers or with respect to a commercial tech-*
19 *nology.*

20 (3) *SUPPORT TO OTHER PROGRAMS.—The Direc-*
21 *tor shall ensure the BOOST program works with and*
22 *in support of—*

23 (A) *the program established under section*
24 *4061(a) of title 10, United States Code;*

1 (B) other organizations of the Department
2 of Defense responsible for accelerating the adop-
3 tion and integration of technology in systems or
4 programs of the Department;

5 (C) the Small Business Innovation Research
6 Program;

7 (D) the Small Business Technology Transfer
8 Program; and

9 (E) the Joint Rapid Acquisition Cell (as de-
10 scribed in the Department of Defense Directive
11 5000.71 titled “Rapid Fulfillment of Combatant
12 Commander Urgent Operational Needs” (August
13 24, 2012)).

14 (4) *FUNDING*.—Subject to the availability of ap-
15 propriations, amounts authorized to be appropriated
16 the Defense Innovation Unit for research, develop-
17 ment, test, and evaluation for a fiscal year may be
18 used for such fiscal year to carry out the BOOST pro-
19 gram.

20 (5) *SUNSET*.—The authorities and requirements
21 under this subsection shall expire on December 31,
22 2030.

23 (b) *REPORTING*.—Not later than two years after the
24 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense,
25 in coordination with the Under Secretary of Defense for Ac-

1 *quisition and Sustainment and the Director, submit to the*
2 *congressional defense committees a report on the effective-*
3 *ness of the BOOST program in accelerating the adoption*
4 *or integration of commercial technologies into programs of*
5 *record of the Department of Defense, including—*

6 (1) *a summary description of customers and*
7 *technologies adopted or integrated into such programs*
8 *of record based on assistance provided under the*
9 *BOOST program;*

10 (2) *recommendations of the Secretary to improve*
11 *the BOOST program; and*

12 (3) *a recommendation whether to continue or*
13 *terminate the BOOST program.*

14 (c) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

15 (1) *The term “BOOST program” means the pro-*
16 *gram established under subsection (a)(1).*

17 (2) *The term “customer” means a program man-*
18 *ager or program executive officer of the Department*
19 *of Defense that has primary responsibility for fielding*
20 *the system or systems acquired.*

21 (3) *The term “Director” means the Director of*
22 *the Defense Innovation Unit.*

23 (4) *The term “program executive officer” has the*
24 *meaning given such term in section 1737(a) of title*
25 *10, United States Code.*

1 (5) *The terms “Small Business Innovation Re-*
 2 *search Program” and “Small Business Technology*
 3 *Transfer Program” have the meanings given such*
 4 *terms, respectively, in section 9(e) of the Small Busi-*
 5 *ness Act (15 U.S.C. 638(e)).*

6 **SEC. 1835. TRANSITION TO ADVANCED MANUFACTURING**
 7 **FOR CERTAIN CRITICAL ITEMS.**

8 (a) *PLAN REQUIRED.*—*Not later than 120 days after*
 9 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Program Executive*
 10 *Officer for each major weapon system shall, in coordination*
 11 *with each covered contractor and such contractor’s first-tier*
 12 *subcontractors—*

13 (1) *conduct an assessment of critical items that*
 14 *could be produced via advanced manufacturing proc-*
 15 *esses within the period of 24 months following the*
 16 *date of the enactment of this Act for the purposes of—*

17 (A) *reducing fabrication time and costs;*
 18 *and*

19 (B) *increasing the ability to scale produc-*
 20 *tion rapidly;*

21 (2) *identify any development, engineering or*
 22 *testing (whether conducted by the original equipment*
 23 *manufacturer, contractor, or Federal Government) re-*
 24 *quired to transition production of critical items to*
 25 *advanced manufacturing;*

1 (3) *estimate any non-recurring costs to complete*
2 *such transition and recommend whether such costs*
3 *are properly borne by the contractor involved or the*
4 *Federal Government; and*

5 (4) *submit a plan to the Under Secretary of De-*
6 *fense for Acquisition and Sustainment to transition*
7 *production of such critical items to advanced manu-*
8 *facturing to the maximum extent practicable.*

9 (b) *USE OF EXISTING AUTHORITIES.*—*The Under Sec-*
10 *retary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall use*
11 *every available authority to waive or accelerate the develop-*
12 *ment, engineering, or testing requirements identified in sub-*
13 *section (a)(2).*

14 (c) *REPORT.*—*Not later than 180 days after the date*
15 *of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary of Defense*
16 *for Acquisition and Sustainment shall submit the plans re-*
17 *quired by subsection (a) to—*

18 (1) *the Defense Industrial Resilience Consortium*
19 *established under section 1842 of this Act; and*

20 (2) *the congressional defense committees.*

21 (d) *IMPLEMENTATION.*—*Following receipt of the plans*
22 *under subsection (c)(1), the Defense Industrial Resilience*
23 *Consortium shall commence implementation and competi-*
24 *tive solicitation of advanced manufacturing solutions of the*
25 *critical items identified under subsection (a)(1), with the*

1 *goal of maximizing the transition of such items to produc-*
2 *tion via advanced manufacturing by not later than 24*
3 *months after the date of enactment of this Act.*

4 *(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

5 *(1) The term “covered contractor” means a con-*
6 *tractor manufacturing or integrating hardware for a*
7 *major weapon system.*

8 *(2) The term “critical items” means components,*
9 *subassemblies, and assemblies that are among the top*
10 *10 drivers of current or future degraded mission ca-*
11 *pability for a major weapon system, as determined by*
12 *the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and*
13 *Sustainment.*

14 *(3) The term “advanced manufacturing” shall*
15 *have the meaning given that term by the Under Sec-*
16 *retary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment for*
17 *purposes of this section. Such definition shall, at a*
18 *minium—*

19 *(A) encompass manufacturing technologies*
20 *that integrate interconnected digital technologies*
21 *such as robotics, artificial intelligence, and the*
22 *Internet of Things, across the entire value stream*
23 *to create highly efficient, flexible, and data-driv-*
24 *en production systems, leading to improved qual-*
25 *ity, lower costs, and faster innovation; and*

1 (B) include software-controlled subtractive
 2 manufacturing, additive manufacturing, powder
 3 bed fusion manufacturing, and other similar
 4 manufacturing technologies.

5 ***Subtitle E—Modifications to***
 6 ***Strengthen the Industrial Base***

7 ***SEC. 1841. AMENDMENTS TO THE PROCUREMENT TECH-***
 8 ***NICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.***

9 Chapter 388 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
 10 ed—

11 (1) by amending section 4951(2)(B) to read as
 12 follows:

13 “(B) a tribe, reservation, economic enter-
 14 prise, or organization, as such terms are defined,
 15 respectively, in section 3 of the Indian Financ-
 16 ing Act of 1974 (Public Law 93–262; 25 U.S.C.
 17 1452).”;

18 (2) in section 4952—

19 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and
 20 (2) as paragraphs (2) and (3);

21 (B) by inserting before paragraph (2), as so
 22 redesignated, the following new paragraph:

23 “(1) to support the growth and resiliency of the
 24 industrial base by accelerating innovation, fostering

1 *ingenuity of business entities, and establishing resil-*
2 *ient supply chains;”;*

3 *(C) in paragraph (2), as so redesignated, by*
4 *striking “and” at the end;*

5 *(D) in paragraph (3), as so redesignated, by*
6 *striking the period at the end and inserting “;*
7 *and”; and*

8 *(E) by inserting after paragraph (3) the fol-*
9 *lowing new paragraph:*

10 *“(4) to mitigate costs of entry for business enti-*
11 *ties that improve the technology capabilities of the*
12 *Department of Defense.”;*

13 *(3) in section 4954, by adding at the end the fol-*
14 *lowing new subsection:*

15 *“(g) PILOT PROGRAM.—The Under Secretary of De-*
16 *fense for Acquisition and Sustainment may carry out a*
17 *pilot program to award funding for national program staff*
18 *to an eligible entity that has entered into a cooperative*
19 *agreement under this section. Funding received under such*
20 *pilot program shall not be subject to the requirements of*
21 *subsection (b) or (e). National program staff funded under*
22 *such pilot program shall provide subject matter expertise*
23 *for technical assistance, including for activities authorized*
24 *under section 4958.”;*

25 *(4) in section 4955—*

1 (A) in paragraph (4) by striking
 2 “\$1,000,000” and inserting “\$1,500,000”; and
 3 (B) by adding at the end the following new
 4 subsection:

5 “(e) *FUNDING FROM OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES.—*
 6 *The Secretary shall accept and use funds from other Federal*
 7 *agencies and departments for execution and administration*
 8 *of the program authorized by this chapter.*”; and

9 (5) in section 4961—

10 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “and” at
 11 the end;

12 (B) in paragraph (2)(B), by striking the pe-
 13 riod at the end and inserting “; and”; and

14 (C) by adding at the end the following new
 15 paragraph:

16 “(3) an amount determined appropriate by the
 17 Secretary to establish one or more centers of excellence
 18 to provide to individuals or eligible entities that pro-
 19 vide procurement technical assistance pursuant to
 20 this chapter training necessary to fulfill the purpose
 21 of the program under section 4952 of this title.”.

22 **SEC. 1842. DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL RESILIENCE CONSOR-**
 23 **TIUM.**

24 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—Not later than 90 days after
 25 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of De-

1 *fense shall establish a consortium (to be known as the “De-*
 2 *fense Industrial Resilience Consortium”)* to address chal-
 3 *lenges to and limitations of the industrial base to ensure*
 4 *that the Armed Forces are equipped with the capabilities*
 5 *necessary to effectively respond to national security chal-*
 6 *lenges.*

7 (b) *MEMBERSHIP.*—Membership in the consortium es-
 8 *tablished under subsection (a) shall be open to relevant enti-*
 9 *ties and individuals from the Government, industry, and*
 10 *academia with an interest in advanced manufacturing or*
 11 *production technologies, fostering domestic industrial inno-*
 12 *vation, or enabling rapid, scalable solutions to sustain and*
 13 *enhance the availability of essential defense components.*

14 (c) *PURPOSE.*—

15 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—The consortium established
 16 *under subsection (a) shall provide a forum for the*
 17 *Government, industry, and academia to collaborate*
 18 *on identifying and addressing challenges to and limi-*
 19 *tations of the industrial base in meeting the needs of*
 20 *the Department of Defense.*

21 (2) *AREAS OF FOCUS.*—In identifying and ad-
 22 *dressing challenges to and limitations of the indus-*
 23 *trial base, the consortium established under subsection*
 24 *(a) shall focus on—*

1 (A) *eliminating impediments to a resilient*
2 *and robust industrial base, including—*

3 (i) *policies and procedures that are im-*
4 *peding businesses of all types and sizes from*
5 *working with the Department of Defense;*

6 (ii) *areas where the Department could*
7 *improve implementation of the Federal Ac-*
8 *quisition Streamlining Act of 1994 (Public*
9 *Law 103–355), including limiting the ap-*
10 *plication of requirements specific to the*
11 *Government in the procurement of commer-*
12 *cial products and commercial services, and*
13 *maximizing the use of commercial stand-*
14 *ards rather than military specifications and*
15 *standards; and*

16 (iii) *impediments to transitioning re-*
17 *search, development, testing, and evaluation*
18 *programs funded by military departments*
19 *and the Department to relevant acquisition*
20 *programs of record;*

21 (B) *identifying and addressing supply*
22 *chain fragility, including—*

23 (i) *preventing or mitigating parts ob-*
24 *solescence, and addressing the*
25 *vulnerabilities from reliance on single*

1 *sources for any material, product, or service*
2 *while reducing the dependencies on non-*
3 *allied nations;*

4 *(ii) developing long-term industrial*
5 *base strategies and solutions to ensure the*
6 *availability of mission-critical parts for*
7 *systems of the Department throughout the*
8 *life cycle of such systems; and*

9 *(iii) bolstering supply chain diversity*
10 *and developing shared awareness of supply*
11 *chain challenges, risks, and opportunities*
12 *between Government and industry;*

13 *(C) expanding domestic manufacturing and*
14 *industrial capacity, including—*

15 *(i) enabling rapid engagement between*
16 *Government, academia, and industry to de-*
17 *velop, test, and scale solutions that can revi-*
18 *talize domestic manufacturing capabilities,*
19 *reduce reliance on single sources of supply,*
20 *and strengthen the defense industrial base;*

21 *(ii) identifying financial incentives*
22 *and business models to enable and support*
23 *a civil reserve manufacturing network that*
24 *could be activated to meet the needs of the*
25 *Department of Defense;*

1 (iii) supporting and informing efforts
2 to enhance government-owned, government-
3 operated arsenals and depots with advanced
4 manufacturing and other production capa-
5 bilities to enable rapid response across the
6 spectrum of operational environments;

7 (iv) enabling and enhancing public-
8 private partnerships between the organic in-
9 dustrial base, commercial manufacturing,
10 and other industrial entities; and

11 (v) anticipate and close gaps in manu-
12 facturing capabilities for defense systems by
13 fostering the adoption of additive manufac-
14 turing, automation, AI-driven production,
15 and other emerging capabilities to mod-
16 ernize the industrial base and associated
17 supply chains;

18 (D) accessing and implementing commer-
19 cial approaches to enabling modern manufac-
20 turing capabilities, including—

21 (i) adoption of commercial approaches
22 to information technology, software, the
23 cloud, data management, and artificial in-
24 telligence to support and enable modern
25 manufacturing capabilities; and

1 (ii) identifying financial incentives
2 and business models to encourage private-
3 sector investment and expand access to ad-
4 vanced, high-quality advanced manufac-
5 turing, that uses software to digitize manu-
6 facturing to the greatest extent possible; and

7 (E) development and training of the work-
8 force, including—

9 (i) leveraging industry best practices
10 training and development of critical skills
11 in advanced manufacturing, including skills
12 required to manufacture unique components
13 and products for systems of the Department
14 of Defense and to enable capabilities of the
15 Department;

16 (ii) identifying or developing opportu-
17 nities for public-private talent exchanges
18 and skills development in areas such as ad-
19 vanced manufacturing, supply chain man-
20 agement, and supply chain risk manage-
21 ment; and

22 (iii) identify or develop curriculum
23 and experiential learning to support and
24 enable advanced manufacturing, production
25 technologies, or industrial innovation.

1 (d) *CONSORTIUM WORK PRODUCTS AND REC-*
 2 *OMMENDATIONS.—Relevant work products and rec-*
 3 *ommendations developed through consortium activities shall*
 4 *be considered by the Secretary of Defense in developing pol-*
 5 *icy and allocating resources to ensure that the Armed Forces*
 6 *are equipped with the capabilities necessary to effectively*
 7 *respond to national security challenges.*

8 (e) *USE OF OTHER TRANSACTION AUTHORITIES.—The*
 9 *consortium established under subsection (a) shall support*
 10 *the use of other transactions authorities under sections 4021*
 11 *and 4022 of title 10, United States Code, and other appro-*
 12 *priate acquisition authorities, to rapidly prototype and*
 13 *field advanced manufacturing solutions and to address the*
 14 *other challenges to and limitations of the industrial base.*

15 **SEC. 1843. QUALIFICATION, ACCEPTANCE, AND SUPPLY**
 16 **CHAIN MANAGEMENT OF PRODUCTS MANU-**
 17 **FACTURED USING ADVANCED MANUFAC-**
 18 **TURING.**

19 (a) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the*
 20 *date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense*
 21 *shall establish in the Defense Industrial Resilience Consor-*
 22 *tium established under section 1842 a working group to de-*
 23 *velop recommendations for improving the policies and pro-*
 24 *cedures of the Department of Defense for the qualification,*

1 *acceptance, and management of the supply chains of prod-*
2 *ucts manufactured using advanced manufacturing.*

3 (b) *MEMBERSHIP.*—*The membership of the working*
4 *group shall include representatives from government, indus-*
5 *try, and academia with expertise in advanced manufac-*
6 *turing, engineering, the procedures of the Department of*
7 *Defense for qualifying and accepting products, supply chain*
8 *management, or commercial best practices and business*
9 *models for advanced manufacturing.*

10 (c) *RESPONSIBILITIES.*—*The working group shall—*

11 (1) *review the policies and procedures of the De-*
12 *partment of Defense to identify policies and proce-*
13 *dures for the qualification, acceptance, and manage-*
14 *ment of the supply chains of products that are insuf-*
15 *ficient for or not applicable to products manufactured*
16 *using advanced manufacturing;*

17 (2) *identify any changes to the policies and pro-*
18 *cedures of the Department required for the Depart-*
19 *ment to benefit fully from access to and use of prod-*
20 *ucts manufactured using advanced manufacturing;*
21 *and*

22 (3) *develop recommendations for—*

23 (A) *technical guidance with respect to the*
24 *qualification, acceptance, and management of*

1 *the supply chains of products manufactured*
2 *using advanced manufacturing;*

3 *(B) policies and procedures for the quali-*
4 *fication, acceptance, and management of the sup-*
5 *ply chains of such products;*

6 *(C) changes to any other policies and proce-*
7 *dures of the Department identified under para-*
8 *graph (2); and*

9 *(D) training to enhance the knowledge and*
10 *experience of the workforce of the Department of*
11 *Defense with advanced manufacturing, including*
12 *the benefits, limitations, and commercial best*
13 *practices and business models for designing, de-*
14 *veloping, and using products manufactured*
15 *using advanced manufacturing.*

16 *(d) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of*
17 *enactment, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Con-*
18 *gress—*

19 *(1) a report on the recommendations developed*
20 *by the working group under subsection (c)(3) and the*
21 *actions taken by the Secretary to better enable to the*
22 *Department of Defense to access and use products*
23 *manufactured using advanced manufacturing; and*

24 *(2) a recommendation whether to continue or*
25 *terminate the working group.*

1 (e) *WORKING GROUP DEFINED.*—*In this section, the*
2 *term “working group” means the working group established*
3 *under subsection (a).*

4 ***SEC. 1844. REPORT ON SURGE CAPACITY IN THE DEFENSE***
5 ***INDUSTRIAL BASE.***

6 (a) *REPORT REQUIRED.*—*Not later than March 1,*
7 *2026, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base*
8 *Policy and the Director of Defense Pricing, Contracting,*
9 *and Acquisition Policy shall jointly submit to the congres-*
10 *sional defense committees a report on efforts to identify and*
11 *address regulations or policies that discourage or prevent*
12 *contractors of the Department of Defense from maintaining*
13 *or investing in surge capacity.*

14 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—*The report required subsection (a)*
15 *shall include the following:*

16 (1) *A discussion of any efforts by United States*
17 *DOGE Service (commonly referred to as the “Depart-*
18 *ment of Government Efficiency” or “DOGE”), acting*
19 *in coordination with the Office of the Secretary of De-*
20 *fense, to review and address the barriers described in*
21 *subsection (a)(1).*

22 (2) *An identification of policies that incentivize*
23 *contractors to reduce or eliminate surge capacity, in-*
24 *cluding section 31.205-17 of the Federal Acquisition*

1 *Regulation (relating to idle facilities and idle capac-*
 2 *ity costs).*

3 *(3) Any steps taken by the Secretary of Defense*
 4 *to address regulatory barriers disincentivizing surge*
 5 *capacity within the defense industrial base as part of*
 6 *the implementation of Executive Order 14265 titled*
 7 *“Modernizing Defense Acquisitions and Spurring In-*
 8 *novation in the Defense Industrial Base” (90 Fed.*
 9 *Reg. 15621; April 15, 2025).*

10 *(c) SURGE CAPACITY DEFINED.—In this section, the*
 11 *term “surge capacity” mean the ability of contractors in*
 12 *the defense industrial base to rapidly increase production*
 13 *capacity to meet increased demand for defense articles and*
 14 *defense services (as such terms are defined, respectively, in*
 15 *section 301 of title 10, United States Code).*

16 ***DIVISION B—MILITARY CON-***
 17 ***STRUCTION AUTHORIZA-***
 18 ***TIONS***

19 ***SEC. 2001. SHORT TITLE.***

20 *This division may be cited as the “Military Construc-*
 21 *tion Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026”.*

1 **SEC. 2002. EXPIRATION OF AUTHORIZATIONS AND**
2 **AMOUNTS REQUIRED TO BE SPECIFIED BY**
3 **LAW.**

4 (a) *EXPIRATION OF AUTHORIZATIONS AFTER THREE*
5 *YEARS.*—*Except as provided in subsection (b), all author-*
6 *izations contained in titles XXI through XXVII for military*
7 *construction projects, land acquisition, family housing*
8 *projects and facilities, and contributions to the North At-*
9 *lantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program*
10 *(and authorizations of appropriations therefor) shall expire*
11 *on the later of—*

12 (1) *October 1, 2028; or*

13 (2) *the date of the enactment of an Act author-*
14 *izing funds for military construction for fiscal year*
15 *2029.*

16 (b) *EXCEPTION.*—*Subsection (a) shall not apply to au-*
17 *thorizations for military construction projects, land acqui-*
18 *sition, family housing projects and facilities, and contribu-*
19 *tions to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security*
20 *Investment Program (and authorizations of appropriations*
21 *therefor), for which appropriated funds have been obligated*
22 *before the later of—*

23 (1) *October 1, 2028; or*

24 (2) *the date of the enactment of an Act author-*
25 *izing funds for fiscal year 2029 for military construc-*
26 *tion projects, land acquisition, family housing*

1 *projects and facilities, or contributions to the North*
 2 *Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment*
 3 *Program.*

4 **SEC. 2003. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

5 *Titles XXI through XXVII shall take effect on the later*
 6 *of—*

7 (1) *October 1, 2025; or*

8 (2) *the date of the enactment of this Act.*

9 **TITLE XXI—ARMY MILITARY**
 10 **CONSTRUCTION**

11 **SEC. 2101. AUTHORIZED ARMY CONSTRUCTION AND LAND**
 12 **ACQUISITION PROJECTS.**

13 (a) *INSIDE THE UNITED STATES.—Using amounts ap-*
 14 *propriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations*
 15 *in section 2103(a) and available for military construction*
 16 *projects inside the United States as specified in the funding*
 17 *table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Army may ac-*
 18 *quire real property and carry out military construction*
 19 *projects for the installations or locations inside the United*
 20 *States, and in the amounts, set forth in the following table:*

Army: Inside the United States

State	Installation or Location	Amount
<i>Alabama</i>	<i>Anniston Army Depot</i>	<i>\$115,000,000</i>
<i>Alaska</i>	<i>Fort Wainwright</i>	<i>\$208,000,000</i>
<i>Florida</i>	<i>Eglin Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$91,000,000</i>
	<i>Naval Air Station Key West</i>	<i>\$457,000,000</i>
<i>Georgia</i>	<i>Fort Gillem</i>	<i>\$166,000,000</i>
<i>Guam</i>	<i>Joint Region Marianas</i>	<i>\$440,000,000</i>
<i>Indiana</i>	<i>Crane Army Ammunition Plant</i>	<i>\$161,000,000</i>
<i>Kansas</i>	<i>Fort Riley</i>	<i>\$13,200,000</i>
<i>Kentucky</i>	<i>Fort Campbell</i>	<i>\$112,000,000</i>
<i>New York</i>	<i>Fort Hamilton</i>	<i>\$31,000,000</i>
	<i>Watervliet Arsenal</i>	<i>\$29,000,000</i>

Army: Inside the United States—Continued

State	Installation or Location	Amount
North Carolina	Fort Bragg	\$19,000,000
Pennsylvania	Letterkenny Army Depot	\$91,500,000
	Tobyhanna Army Depot	\$68,000,000
South Carolina	Fort Jackson	\$51,000,000
Washington	Joint Base Lewis-McChord	\$196,000,000

1 (b) *OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.*—Using amounts
2 appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropria-
3 tions in section 2103(a) and available for military con-
4 struction projects outside the United States as specified in
5 the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Army
6 may acquire real property and carry out military construc-
7 tion projects for the installations or locations outside the
8 United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the following
9 table:

Army: Outside the United States

Country	Installation or Location	Amount
Germany	U.S. Army Garrison Rheinland-Pfalz ...	\$62,000,000
	U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach	\$92,000,000

10 (c) *REPEAL OF PRIOR AUTHORIZATION.*—The author-
11 ization table in section 2101(a) of the Military Construction
12 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (division B of Pub-
13 lic Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 2217) is amended—

14 (1) by striking the item relating to “Florida” in
15 the “State” column;

16 (2) by striking the item relating to “Naval Air
17 Station Key West” in the “Installation” column; and

1 (3) by striking the item relating to
2 “\$90,000,000” in the “Amount” column.

3 **SEC. 2102. FAMILY HOUSING.**

4 (a) *CONSTRUCTION AND ACQUISITION.*—Using
5 amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of ap-
6 propriations in section 2103(a) and available for military
7 family housing functions as specified in the funding table
8 in section 4601, the Secretary of the Army may construct
9 or acquire family housing units (including land acquisition
10 and supporting facilities) at the installations or locations,
11 in the number of units, and in the amounts set forth in
12 the following table:

Army: Family Housing

Country	Installation	Amount
<i>Belgium</i>	<i>Chièvres Air Base</i>	<i>\$145,042,000</i>
<i>Germany</i>	<i>U.S. Army Garrison Bavaria</i>	<i>\$50,692,000</i>

13 (b) *PLANNING AND DESIGN.*—Using amounts appro-
14 priated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in
15 section 2103(a) and available for military family housing
16 functions as specified in the funding table in section 4601,
17 the Secretary of the Army may carry out architectural and
18 engineering services and construction design activities with
19 respect to the construction or improvement of family hous-
20 ing units in an amount not to exceed \$32,824,000.

1 **SEC. 2103. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, ARMY.**

2 (a) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds are*
3 *hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years begin-*
4 *ning after September 30, 2025, for military construction,*
5 *land acquisition, and military family housing functions of*
6 *the Department of the Army as specified in the funding*
7 *table in section 4601.*

8 (b) *LIMITATION ON TOTAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION*
9 *PROJECTS.—Notwithstanding the cost variations author-*
10 *ized by section 2853 of title 10, United States Code, and*
11 *any other cost variation authorized by law, the total cost*
12 *of all projects carried out under sections 2101 and 2102*
13 *of this Act may not exceed the total amount authorized to*
14 *be appropriated under subsection (a), as specified in the*
15 *funding table in section 4601.*

16 **SEC. 2104. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT FIS-**
17 **CAL YEAR 2021 PROJECT AT FORT GILLEM,**
18 **GEORGIA.**

19 (a) *EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the*
20 *Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
21 *2021 (division B of Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat. 4294),*
22 *the authorization set forth in the table in subsection (b) ,*
23 *as provided in section 2101(a) of that Act (134 Stat. 4295)*
24 *and most recently extended by section 2107 of the Military*
25 *Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (divi-*
26 *sion B of Public Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 2216), shall re-*

1 *main in effect until October 1, 2026, or the date of the en-*
 2 *actment of an Act authorizing funds for military construc-*
 3 *tion for fiscal year 2027, whichever is later.*

4 *(b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is*
 5 *as follows:*

Army: Extension of 2021 Project Authorization

<i>State</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Original Authorized Amount</i>
<i>Georgia</i>	<i>Fort Gillem</i>	<i>Forensic Laboratory</i>	<i>\$71,000,000</i>

6 ***SEC. 2105. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-***
 7 ***TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2022 PROJECTS.***

8 *(a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the*
 9 *Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
 10 *2022 (division B of Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 2161),*
 11 *the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b),*
 12 *as provided in section 2101 of that Act (135 Stat. 2163)*
 13 *and extended by section 2108 of the Military Construction*
 14 *Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (division B of Pub-*
 15 *lic Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 2216), shall remain in effect*
 16 *until October 1, 2026, or the date of the enactment of an*
 17 *Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal*
 18 *year 2027, whichever is later.*

19 *(b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is*
 20 *as follows:*

Army: Extension of 2022 Project Authorizations

State/Coun- try	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
<i>Georgia</i>	<i>Fort Stewart</i>	<i>Barracks</i>	<i>\$105,000,000</i>
<i>Germany</i>	<i>Smith Barracks</i>	<i>Live Fire Exercise Shoothouse</i>	<i>\$16,000,000</i>
<i>Hawaii</i>	<i>West Loch Naval Maga- zine Annex.</i>	<i>Ammunition Storage</i>	<i>\$51,000,000</i>
<i>Texas</i>	<i>Fort Bliss</i>	<i>Defense Access Roads</i>	<i>\$20,000,000</i>

1 **SEC. 2106. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**
2 **TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2023 PROJECTS.**

3 (a) *EXTENSION.*—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the
4 *Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
5 *2023 (division B of Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2970),*
6 *the authorization set forth in the table in subsection (b),*
7 *as provided in section 2101 of that Act (136 Stat. 2971),*
8 *shall remain in effect until October 1, 2026, or the date*
9 *of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military*
10 *construction for fiscal year 2027, whichever is later.*

11 (b) *TABLE.*—The table referred to in subsection (a) is
12 *as follows:*

Army: Extension of 2023 Project Authorizations

State/Coun- try	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
<i>Alabama</i>	<i>Redstone Arsenal</i>	<i>Physics Lab</i>	<i>\$44,000,000</i>
<i>Hawaii</i>	<i>Fort Shafter</i>	<i>Water System Up- grade</i>	<i>\$33,000,000</i>
	<i>Schofield Barracks</i>	<i>Company Operations Facility</i>	<i>\$159,000,000</i>
	<i>Tripler Army Medical Center.</i>	<i>Water System Up- grade</i>	<i>\$38,000,000</i>
<i>Germany</i>	<i>East Camp Grafenwoehr</i>	<i>EDI: Battalion Trng Cplx1 (Brks/Veh Maint).</i>	<i>\$104,000,000</i>
		<i>EDI: Battalion Trng Cplx2 (OPS/Veh Maint).</i>	<i>\$64,000,000</i>

Army: Extension of 2023 Project Authorizations—Continued

<i>State/Coun- try</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Original Authorized Amount</i>
<i>Japan</i>	<i>Kadena Air Force Base</i>	<i>Vehicle Maintenance Shop</i>	<i>\$80,000,000</i>

1 **SEC. 2107. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT**
2 **FISCAL YEAR 2025 PROJECT AT SMITH BAR-**
3 **RACKS, GERMANY.**

4 *In the case of the authorization contained in the table*
5 *in section 2101(b) of the Military Construction Authoriza-*
6 *tion Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (division B of Public Law*
7 *118–159; 138 Stat. 2213) for Hohenfels Training Area, for*
8 *construction of a barracks as specified in the funding table*
9 *in section 4601 of such Act, the Secretary of the Army may*
10 *construct a barracks at Smith Barracks, Germany.*

11 **TITLE XXII—NAVY MILITARY**
12 **CONSTRUCTION**

13 **SEC. 2201. AUTHORIZED NAVY CONSTRUCTION AND LAND**
14 **ACQUISITION PROJECTS.**

15 *(a) INSIDE THE UNITED STATES.—Using amounts ap-*
16 *propriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations*
17 *in section 2203(a) and available for military construction*
18 *projects inside the United States as specified in the funding*
19 *table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Navy may ac-*
20 *quire real property and carry out military construction*

1 projects for the installations or locations inside the United
 2 States, and in the amounts, set forth in the following table:

Navy: Inside the United States

<i>State</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>California</i>	<i>Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton</i>	<i>\$127,220,000</i>
	<i>Naval Air Station Lemoore</i>	<i>\$399,610,000</i>
	<i>Naval Base Coronado</i>	<i>\$103,000,000</i>
	<i>Naval Base San Diego</i>	<i>\$86,820,000</i>
	<i>Naval Support Activity Monterey</i>	<i>\$430,000,000</i>
<i>Connecticut</i>	<i>Naval Submarine Base New London</i>	<i>\$30,000,000</i>
<i>Florida</i>	<i>Marine Corps Support Facility Blount Island</i>	<i>\$94,100,000</i>
	<i>Naval Air Station Jacksonville</i>	<i>\$374,900,000</i>
<i>Guam</i>	<i>Andersen Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$70,070,000</i>
	<i>Naval Base Guam</i>	<i>\$105,950,000</i>
	<i>Naval Base Guam North Finegayan Telecommuni- cations Site.</i>	<i>\$61,010,000</i>
<i>Hawaii</i>	<i>Pacific Missile Range Facility Barking Sands</i>	<i>\$235,730,000</i>
	<i>Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam</i>	<i>\$83,000,000</i>
<i>Maine</i>	<i>Portsmouth Naval Shipyard</i>	<i>\$1,042,000,000</i>
<i>Maryland</i>	<i>National Maritime Intelligence Center</i>	<i>\$114,000,000</i>
<i>Nevada</i>	<i>Naval Air Station Fallon</i>	<i>\$47,000,000</i>
<i>South Carolina</i>	<i>Charleston Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$357,900,000</i>
<i>Virginia</i>	<i>Marine Corps Base Quantico</i>	<i>\$63,560,000</i>
	<i>Naval Station Norfolk</i>	<i>\$1,582,490,000</i>
<i>Washington</i>	<i>Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor</i>	<i>\$245,700,000</i>
<i>Worldwide Unspecified</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>\$129,620,000</i>

3 (b) *OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.*—Using amounts
 4 appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropria-
 5 tions in section 2203(a) and available for military con-
 6 struction projects outside the United States as specified in
 7 the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Navy
 8 may acquire real property and carry out military construc-
 9 tion projects for the installations or locations outside the
 10 United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the following
 11 table:

Navy: Outside the United States

<i>Country</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>Japan</i>	<i>Marine Corps Base Camp Smedley D. Butler</i>	<i>\$58,000,000</i>

1 **SEC. 2202. FAMILY HOUSING.**

2 (a) *IMPROVEMENTS TO MILITARY FAMILY HOUSING*
3 *UNITS.*—Subject to section 2825 of title 10, United States
4 Code, and using amounts appropriated pursuant to the au-
5 thorization of appropriations in section 2203(a) and avail-
6 able for military family housing functions as specified in
7 the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Navy
8 may improve existing military family housing units in an
9 amount not to exceed \$68,230,000.

10 (b) *PLANNING AND DESIGN.*—Using amounts appro-
11 priated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in
12 section 2203(a) and available for military family housing
13 functions as specified in the funding table in section 4601,
14 the Secretary of the Navy may carry out architectural and
15 engineering services and construction design activities with
16 respect to the construction or improvement of family hous-
17 ing units in an amount not to exceed \$6,605,000.

18 **SEC. 2203. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, NAVY.**

19 (a) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.*—Funds are
20 hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years begin-
21 ning after September 30, 2025, for military construction,
22 land acquisition, and military family housing functions of
23 the Department of the Navy, as specified in the funding
24 table in section 4601.

25 (b) *LIMITATION ON TOTAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION*
26 *PROJECTS.*—Notwithstanding the cost variations author-

1 ized by section 2853 of title 10, United States Code, and
 2 any other cost variation authorized by law, the total cost
 3 of all projects carried out under sections 2201 and 2202
 4 of this Act may not exceed the total amount authorized to
 5 be appropriated under subsection (a), as specified in the
 6 funding table in section 4601.

7 **SEC. 2204. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT FIS-**
 8 **CAL YEAR 2022 PROJECT AT MARINE CORPS**
 9 **AIR STATION CHERRY POINT, NORTH CARO-**
 10 **LINA.**

11 (a) *EXTENSION.*—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the
 12 *Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
 13 *2022 (division B of Public Law 117–81)*, the authorization
 14 set forth in the table in subsection (b), as authorized pursu-
 15 ant to section 2201 of such Act, shall remain in effect until
 16 October 1, 2026, or the date of the enactment of an Act
 17 authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal year
 18 2027, whichever is later.

19 (b) *TABLE.*—The table referred to in subsection (a) is
 20 as follows:

Navy and Marine Corps: Extension of 2022 Project Authorization

<i>State/Coun- try</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Original Authorized Amount</i>
North Carolina	Marine Corps Air Sta- tion Cherry Point	Flightline Utilities Modernization Ph 2	\$113,520,000

1 **SEC. 2205. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**
2 **TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2022 PROJECTS.**

3 (a) *EXTENSION.*—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the
4 *Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
5 *2022 (division B of Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 2161),*
6 *the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b),*
7 *as provided in sections 2201 and 2202 of that Act (135*
8 *Stat. 2166, 2167) and extended by section 2207 of the Mili-*
9 *tary Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025*
10 *(division B of Public Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 2221), shall*
11 *remain in effect until October 1, 2026, or the date of the*
12 *enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military con-*
13 *struction for fiscal year 2027, whichever is later.*

14 (b) *TABLE.*—The table referred to in subsection (a) is
15 as follows:

Navy: Extension of 2022 Project Authorizations

<i>State/Country</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Original Authorized Amount</i>
<i>California</i>	<i>Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton.</i>	<i>CLB MEU Complex</i>	<i>\$83,900,000</i>
<i>District of Columbia.</i>	<i>Marine Barracks Washington.</i>	<i>Family Housing Improvements.</i>	<i>\$10,415,000</i>
<i>Florida</i>	<i>Marine Corps Support Facility Blount Island.</i>	<i>Lighterage and Small Craft Facility.</i>	<i>\$69,400,000</i>
<i>Hawaii</i>	<i>Marine Corps Base Kaneohe.</i>	<i>Electrical Distribution Modernization.</i>	<i>\$64,500,000</i>
<i>South Carolina</i>	<i>Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort.</i>	<i>Aircraft Maintenance Hangar.</i>	<i>\$122,600,000</i>

1 **SEC. 2206. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**
2 **TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2023 PROJECTS.**

3 (a) *EXTENSION.*—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the
4 *Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
5 *2023 (division B of Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2970),*
6 *the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b),*
7 *as provided in section 2201 of that Act (136 Stat. 2975),*
8 *shall remain in effect until October 1, 2026, or the date*
9 *of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military*
10 *construction for fiscal year 2027, whichever is later.*

11 (b) *TABLE.*—The table referred to in subsection (a) is
12 *as follows:*

Navy: Extension of 2022 Project Authorizations

<i>State/Country</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Original Authorized Amount</i>
<i>Florida</i>	<i>Naval Air Station Jacksonville.</i>	<i>Engine Test Cells Modifications.</i>	<i>\$100,570,000</i>
<i>Hawaii</i>	<i>Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam.</i>	<i>Missile Magazines</i>	<i>\$142,783,000</i>
<i>Nevada</i>	<i>Naval Air Station Fallon.</i>	<i>F–35C Aircraft Maintenance Hangar.</i>	<i>\$111,566,000</i>
<i>North Carolina</i>	<i>Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point.</i>	<i>CH–53K Gearbox Repair and Test Facility.</i>	<i>\$44,830,000</i>
<i>South Carolina</i>	<i>Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island.</i>	<i>Recruit Barracks</i>	<i>\$81,890,000</i>
<i>Spain</i>	<i>Naval Station Rota.</i>	<i>Recruit Barracks</i>	<i>\$85,040,000</i>
		<i>EDI: Missile Magazines</i>	<i>\$92,323,000</i>

TITLE XXIII—AIR FORCE MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

SEC. 2301. AUTHORIZED AIR FORCE CONSTRUCTION AND LAND ACQUISITION PROJECTS.

(a) *INSIDE THE UNITED STATES.*—Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2303(a) and available for military construction projects inside the United States as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Air Force may acquire real property and carry out military construction projects for the installations or locations inside the United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the following table:

Air Force: Inside the United States

<i>State</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>Arizona</i>	<i>Davis-Monthan Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$174,000,000</i>
<i>California</i>	<i>Travis Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$60,000,000</i>
<i>Florida</i>	<i>Cape Canaveral Space Force Station</i>	<i>\$49,800,000</i>
	<i>Eglin Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$166,000,000</i>
	<i>MacDill Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$74,000,000</i>
<i>Georgia</i>	<i>Robins Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$28,000,000</i>
<i>Louisiana</i>	<i>Barksdale Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$116,000,000</i>
<i>Massachusetts</i>	<i>Hanscom Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$55,000,000</i>
<i>Missouri</i>	<i>Whiteman Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$127,600,000</i>
<i>New Mexico</i>	<i>Cannon Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$90,000,000</i>
	<i>Kirtland Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$83,000,000</i>
<i>North Carolina</i>	<i>Seymour Johnson Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$41,000,000</i>
<i>Oklahoma</i>	<i>Tinker Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$389,000,000</i>
<i>South Dakota</i>	<i>Ellsworth Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$378,000,000</i>
<i>Texas</i>	<i>Dyess Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$90,800,000</i>
	<i>Goodfellow Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$112,000,000</i>
<i>Utah</i>	<i>Hill Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$250,000,000</i>

(b) *OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.*—Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2303(a) and available for military construction projects outside the United States as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Air

1 *Force may acquire real property and carry out military*
 2 *construction projects for the installations or locations out-*
 3 *side the United States, and in the amounts, set forth in*
 4 *the following table:*

Air Force: Outside the United States

<i>Country</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>Diego Garcia</i>	<i>Naval Support Facility Diego Garcia</i>	<i>\$29,000,000</i>
<i>Germany</i>	<i>Ramstein Air Base</i>	<i>\$44,000,000</i>
<i>Greenland</i>	<i>Pituffik Space Base</i>	<i>\$32,000,000</i>
<i>Norway</i>	<i>Royal Norwegian Air Force Base Rygge</i>	<i>\$72,000,000</i>
<i>United Kingdom</i>	<i>Royal Air Force Lakenheath</i>	<i>\$253,000,000</i>
	<i>Royal Air Force Feltwell</i>	<i>\$20,000,000</i>

5 ***SEC. 2302. FAMILY HOUSING.***

6 (a) *IMPROVEMENTS TO MILITARY FAMILY HOUSING*
 7 *UNITS.*—*Subject to section 2825 of title 10, United States*
 8 *Code, and using amounts appropriated pursuant to the au-*
 9 *thorization of appropriations in section 2303(a) and avail-*
 10 *able for military family housing functions as specified in*
 11 *the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Air*
 12 *Force may improve existing military family housing units*
 13 *in an amount not to exceed \$237,655,000.*

14 (b) *PLANNING AND DESIGN.*—*Using amounts appro-*
 15 *priated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in*
 16 *section 2303(a) and available for military family housing*
 17 *functions as specified in the funding table in section 4601,*
 18 *the Secretary of the Air Force may carry out architectural*
 19 *and engineering services and construction design activities*
 20 *with respect to the construction or improvement of family*
 21 *housing units in an amount not to exceed \$36,575,000.*

1 **SEC. 2303. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, AIR**
2 **FORCE.**

3 (a) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds are*
4 *hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years begin-*
5 *ning after September 30, 2025, for military construction,*
6 *land acquisition, and military family housing functions of*
7 *the Department of the Air Force, as specified in the funding*
8 *table in section 4601.*

9 (b) *LIMITATION ON TOTAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION*
10 *PROJECTS.—Notwithstanding the cost variations author-*
11 *ized by section 2853 of title 10, United States Code, and*
12 *any other cost variation authorized by law, the total cost*
13 *of all projects carried out under sections 2301 and 2302*
14 *of this Act may not exceed the total amount authorized to*
15 *be appropriated under subsection (a), as specified in the*
16 *funding table in section 4601.*

17 **SEC. 2304. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT FIS-**
18 **CAL YEAR 2017 PROJECT AT SPANGDAHLEM**
19 **AIR BASE, GERMANY.**

20 (a) *EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the*
21 *Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
22 *2017 (division B of Public Law 114–328; 130 Stat. 2688),*
23 *the authorization set forth in the table in subsection (b),*
24 *as provided in section 2902 of that Act (130 Stat. 2743)*
25 *and most recently extended by section 2304 of the Military*
26 *Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (divi-*

1 sion B of Public Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 2224), shall re-
 2 main in effect until October 1, 2026, or the date of the en-
 3 actment of an Act authorizing funds for military construc-
 4 tion for fiscal year 2027, whichever is later.

5 (b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is
 6 as follows:

Air Force: Extension of 2017 Project Authorization

<i>Country</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Original Authorized Amount</i>
<i>Germany</i>	<i>Spangdahlem Air Base ..</i>	<i>ERI: F/A–22 Low Observable/Composite Repair Fac</i>	<i>\$12,000,000</i>

7 **SEC. 2305. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**
 8 **TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2019 PROJECTS.**

9 (a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the
 10 Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year
 11 2019 (division B of Public Law 115–232; 132 Stat. 2240),
 12 the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b),
 13 as provided in section 2903 of that Act (132 Stat. 2287)
 14 and most recently extended by section 2306 of the Military
 15 Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (divi-
 16 sion B of Public Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 2225), shall re-
 17 main in effect until October 1, 2026, or the date of the en-
 18 actment of an Act authorizing funds for military construc-
 19 tion for fiscal year 2027, whichever is later.

20 (b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is
 21 as follows:

Air Force: Extension of 2019 Project Authorizations

<i>Country</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Original Authorized Amount</i>
<i>United Kingdom</i>	<i>Royal Air Force Fairford</i>	<i>EDI: Construct DABS-FEV Storage</i>	<i>\$87,000,000</i>
		<i>EDI: Munitions Holding Area</i>	<i>\$19,000,000</i>

1 ***SEC. 2306. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-***
2 ***TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2020 PROJECTS.***

3 (a) *EXTENSION.*—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the
4 *Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
5 *2020 (division B of Public Law 116–92; 133 Stat. 1862),*
6 *the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b),*
7 *as provided in sections 2301(a) and 2912(a) of that Act*
8 *(133 Stat. 1867, 1913), and extended by section 2307 of*
9 *the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
10 *2025 (division B of Public Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 2226),*
11 *shall remain in effect until October 1, 2026, or the date*
12 *of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military*
13 *construction for fiscal year 2027, whichever is later.*

14 (b) *TABLE.*—The table referred to in subsection (a) is
15 *as follows:*

Air Force: Extension of 2020 Project Authorizations

<i>State</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Original Authorized Amount</i>
<i>Florida</i>	<i>Tyndall Air Force Base</i>	<i>Deployment Center/ Flight Line Dining/AAFES</i>	<i>\$43,000,000</i>
<i>Georgia</i>	<i>Moody Air Force Base ...</i>	<i>41 RQS HH–60W Apron</i>	<i>\$12,500,000</i>

1 **SEC. 2307. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**
2 **TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2022 PROJECTS.**

3 (a) *EXTENSION.*—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the
4 *Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
5 *2022 (division B of Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 2161),*
6 *the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b),*
7 *as provided in section 2301 of that Act (135 Stat. 2168)*
8 *and extended by section 2309 of the Military Construction*
9 *Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (division B of Pub-*
10 *lic Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 2227), shall remain in effect*
11 *until October 1, 2026, or the date of the enactment of an*
12 *Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal*
13 *year 2027, whichever is later.*

14 (b) *TABLE.*—The table referred to in subsection (a) is
15 as follows:

Air Force: Extension of 2022 Project Authorizations

<i>State/Coun- try</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Original Authorized Amount</i>
<i>Massachusetts ...</i>	<i>Hanscom Air Force Base</i>	<i>NC3 Acquisitions Management Facil- ity</i>	<i>\$66,000,000</i>
<i>United King- dom</i>	<i>Royal Air Force Lakenheath</i>	<i>F–35A Child Devel- opment Center</i>	<i>\$24,000,000</i>
		<i>F–35A Munition In- spection Facility ...</i>	<i>\$31,000,000</i>
		<i>F–35A Weapons Load Training Fa- cility</i>	<i>\$49,000,000</i>

1 **SEC. 2308. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**
 2 **TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2023 PROJECTS.**

3 (a) *EXTENSION.*—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the
 4 *Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
 5 *2023 (division B of Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2970),*
 6 *the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b),*
 7 *as provided in section 2301 of that Act (136 Stat. 2978),*
 8 *shall remain in effect until October 1, 2026, or the date*
 9 *of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military*
 10 *construction for fiscal year 2027, whichever is later.*

11 (b) *TABLE.*—The table referred to in subsection (a) is
 12 as follows:

Air Force: Extension of 2023 Project Authorizations

<i>State/Coun- try</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Original Authorized Amount</i>
<i>Florida</i>	<i>Patrick Space Force Base</i>	<i>Consolidated Commu- nications Center ...</i>	<i>\$97,000,000</i>
<i>Norway</i>	<i>Rygge Air Station</i>	<i>EDI: Base Perimeter Security Fence</i>	<i>\$8,200,000</i>
<i>Oklahoma</i>	<i>Tinker Air Force Base ...</i>	<i>Facility And Land Acquisition (MROTC)</i>	<i>\$30,000,000</i>
<i>Texas</i>	<i>Joint Base San Antonio- Randolph</i>	<i>Child Development Center</i>	<i>\$29,000,000</i>

13 **SEC. 2309. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT**
 14 **FISCAL YEAR 2025 PROJECT AT F.E. WARREN**
 15 **AIR FORCE BASE, WYOMING.**

16 *In the case of the authorization contained in the table*
 17 *in section 2301(a) of the Military Construction Authoriza-*
 18 *tion Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (division B of Public Law*

1 118–159; 138 Stat. 2222) for F.E. Warren Air Force Base,
 2 Wyoming, for the Ground Based Strategic Deterrent Utility
 3 Corridor, the Secretary of the Air Force may construct
 4 3,219 kilometers of telephone duct facility.

5 **TITLE XXIV—DEFENSE AGEN-**
 6 **CIES MILITARY CONSTRU-**
 7 **CTION**

8 **SEC. 2401. AUTHORIZED DEFENSE AGENCIES CONSTRU-**
 9 **CTION AND LAND ACQUISITION PROJECTS.**

10 (a) *INSIDE THE UNITED STATES.*—Using amounts ap-
 11 propriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations
 12 in section 2403(a) and available for military construction
 13 projects inside the United States as specified in the funding
 14 table in section 4601, the Secretary of Defense may acquire
 15 real property and carry out military construction projects
 16 for the installations or locations inside the United States,
 17 and in the amounts, set forth in the following table:

Defense Agencies: Inside the United States

State	Installation or Location	Amount
<i>Alabama</i>	<i>Anniston Army Depot</i>	<i>\$32,000,000</i>
<i>California</i>	<i>Travis Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$49,980,000</i>
<i>Georgia</i>	<i>Fort Benning</i>	<i>\$127,375,000</i>
<i>Maryland</i>	<i>Fort Meade</i>	<i>\$26,600,000</i>
<i>North Carolina</i>	<i>Fort Bragg</i>	<i>\$254,700,000</i>
	<i>Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune</i>	<i>\$255,000,000</i>
<i>Pennsylvania</i>	<i>DLA Distribution Center Susquehanna</i>	<i>\$90,000,000</i>
	<i>Harrisburg Air National Guard Base</i>	<i>\$13,400,000</i>
	<i>Raven Rock Mountain Complex</i>	<i>\$34,000,000</i>
<i>Puerto Rico</i>	<i>Punta Borinquen</i>	<i>\$155,000,000</i>
<i>Texas</i>	<i>NSA Texas</i>	<i>\$500,000,000</i>
<i>Washington</i>	<i>Fairchild Air Force Base</i>	<i>\$85,000,000</i>
	<i>Manchester Tank Farm</i>	<i>\$71,000,000</i>

(b) *OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.*—Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2403(a) and available for military construction projects outside the United States as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of Defense may acquire real property and carry out military construction projects for the installations or locations outside the United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the following table:

Defense Agencies: Outside the United States

Country	Installation or Location	Amount
Germany	U.S. Army Garrison Rheinland-Pfalz	\$16,700,000
United Kingdom	Royal Air Force Lakenheath	\$397,500,000
	Royal Air Force Mildenhall	\$45,000,000

SEC. 2402. AUTHORIZED ENERGY RESILIENCE AND CONSERVATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM PROJECTS.

(a) *INSIDE THE UNITED STATES.*—Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2403(a) and available for energy conservation projects as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of Defense may carry out energy conservation projects under chapter 173 of title 10, United States Code, for the installations or locations inside the United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the following table:

ERCIP Projects: Inside the United States

State	Installation or Location	Amount
California	Armed Forces Reserve Center, Mountain View	\$20,600,000
	Travis Air Force Base	\$25,120,000

ERCIP Projects: Inside the United States—Continued

State	Installation or Location	Amount
<i>Florida</i>	<i>Marine Corps Support Facility Blount Island</i>	<i>\$30,500,000</i>
<i>Guam</i>	<i>Naval Base Guam</i>	<i>\$63,010,000</i>
<i>Massachusetts</i>	<i>Cape Cod Space Force Station</i>	<i>\$124,000,000</i>
<i>New Mexico</i>	<i>White Sands Missile Range</i>	<i>\$38,500,000</i>
<i>North Carolina</i>	<i>Fort Bragg</i>	<i>\$80,000,000</i>
<i>Texas</i>	<i>Fort Hood</i>	<i>\$54,300,000</i>
<i>Utah</i>	<i>Camp Williams</i>	<i>\$28,500,000</i>

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 energy conserva-*
4 *tion projects as specified in the funding table in section*
5 *4601, the Secretary of Defense may carry out energy con-*
6 *servation projects under chapter 173 of title 10, United*
7 *States Code, for the installations or locations outside the*
8 *United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the following*
9 *table:*

ERCIP Projects: Outside the United States

Country	Installation or Location	Amount
<i>Germany</i>	<i>United States Army Garrison Ansbach (Storek Barracks).</i>	<i>\$73,000,000</i>
<i>Japan</i>	<i>Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni</i>	<i>\$146,800,000</i>

10 **SEC. 2403. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, DEFENSE**
11 **AGENCIES.**

12 (a) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds are*
13 *hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years begin-*
14 *ning after September 30, 2025, for military construction,*
15 *land acquisition, and military family housing functions of*
16 *the Department of Defense (other than the military depart-*
17 *ments), as specified in the funding table in section 4601.*

1 (b) *LIMITATION ON TOTAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION*
 2 *PROJECTS.*—*Notwithstanding the cost variations author-*
 3 *ized by section 2853 of title 10, United States Code, and*
 4 *any other cost variation authorized by law, the total cost*
 5 *of all projects carried out under sections 2401 and 2402*
 6 *of this Act may not exceed the total amount authorized to*
 7 *be appropriated under subsection (a), as specified in the*
 8 *funding table in section 4601.*

9 **SEC. 2404. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT FIS-**
 10 **CAL YEAR 2019 PROJECT AT IWAKUNI, JAPAN.**

11 (a) *EXTENSION.*—*Notwithstanding section 2002 of the*
 12 *Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
 13 *2019 (division B of Public Law 115–232; 132 Stat. 2240),*
 14 *the authorization set forth in the table in subsection (b),*
 15 *as provided in section 2401(b) of that Act (132 Stat. 2249)*
 16 *and most recently extended by section 2405 of the Military*
 17 *Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (divi-*
 18 *sion B of Public Law 118-159; 138 Stat. 2232), shall re-*
 19 *main in effect until October 1, 2026, or the date of the en-*
 20 *actment of an Act authorizing funds for military construc-*
 21 *tion for fiscal year 2027, whichever is later.*

22 (b) *TABLE.*—*The table referred to in subsection (a) is*
 23 *as follows:*

Defense Agencies: Extension of 2019 Project Authorization

Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
<i>Japan</i>	<i>Iwakuni</i>	<i>Fuel Pier</i>	<i>\$33,200,000</i>

1 **SEC. 2405. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-**
2 **TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2022 PROJECTS.**

3 (a) *EXTENSION.*—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the
4 *Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
5 *2022 (division B of Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 2161),*
6 *the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b),*
7 *as provided in sections 2401 and 2402 of that Act (135*
8 *Stat. 2173, 2174), shall remain in effect until October 1,*
9 *2026, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing*
10 *funds for military construction for fiscal year 2027, which-*
11 *ever is later.*

12 (b) *TABLE.*—The table referred to in subsection (a) is
13 *as follows:*

Defense Agencies and ERCIP Projects: Extension of 2022 Project Authorizations

State	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
<i>Alabama</i>	<i>Fort Novosel</i>	<i>10 MW RICE Generator Plant and Microgrid Controls</i>	<i>\$24,000,000</i>
<i>Georgia</i>	<i>Fort Benning</i>	<i>4.8 MW Generation and Microgrid</i>	<i>\$17,593,000</i>
	<i>Fort Stewart</i>	<i>10 MW Generation Plant, with Microgrid Controls</i>	<i>\$22,000,000</i>
<i>New York</i>	<i>Fort Drum</i>	<i>Wellfield Field Expansion Project</i>	<i>\$27,000,000</i>
<i>North Carolina</i>	<i>Fort Bragg</i>	<i>Emergency Water System ..</i>	<i>\$7,705,000</i>
<i>Ohio</i>	<i>Springfield-Beckley Municipal Airport</i>	<i>Base-Wide Microgrid With Natural Gas Generator, Photovoltaic and Battery Storage</i>	<i>\$4,700,000</i>

Defense Agencies and ERCIP Projects: Extension of 2022 Project Authorizations—Continued

<i>State</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Original Authorized Amount</i>
<i>Tennessee</i>	<i>Memphis International Airport</i>	<i>PV Arrays and Battery Storage</i>	\$4,780,000

1 SEC. 2406. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-
2 TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2023 PROJECTS.

3 (a) *EXTENSION.*—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the
4 *Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
5 *2023 (division B of Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2970),*
6 *the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b),*
7 *as provided in sections 2401(a) and 2402(a) of that Act*
8 *(136 Stat. 2982, 2983), shall remain in effect until October*
9 *1, 2026, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing*
10 *funds for military construction for fiscal year 2027, which-*
11 *ever is later.*

12 (b) *TABLE.*—The table referred to in subsection (a) is
13 *as follows:*

Defense Agencies and ERCIP Projects: Extension of 2023 Project Authorizations

<i>State/Country</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Original Authorized Amount</i>
<i>Alabama</i>	<i>Redstone Arsenal</i>	<i>MSIC Advanced Analysis Facility Phase 2 (INC) ..</i>	\$151,000,000
<i>California</i>	<i>Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center</i>	<i>Microgrid and Backup Power</i>	\$25,560,000
<i>Florida</i>	<i>Naval Air Station Jacksonville</i>	<i>Facility Energy Operations Center Renovation</i>	\$2,400,000

Defense Agencies and ERCIP Projects: Extension of 2023 Project Authorizations—Continued

<i>State/Country</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Original Authorized Amount</i>
<i>Georgia</i>	<i>Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield</i>	<i>Power Generation and Microgrid</i>	<i>\$25,400,000</i>
<i>Hawaii</i>	<i>Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam</i>	<i>SCADA Modernization</i>	<i>\$11,200,000</i>
<i>Kansas</i>	<i>Fort Riley</i>	<i>Primary Electrical Distribution</i>	<i>\$25,000,000</i>
<i>Texas</i>	<i>Fort Cavazos</i>	<i>Power Generation and Microgrid</i>	<i>\$25,780,000</i>
	<i>U.S. Army Reserve Center, Conroe</i>	<i>Power Generation and Microgrid</i>	<i>\$31,500,000</i>
<i>Virginia</i>	<i>Dam Neck</i>	<i>Power Generation and Microgrid</i>	<i>\$9,600,000</i>
		<i>SOF Operations Building Addition</i>	<i>\$26,600,000</i>

1 SEC. 2407. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT
2 FISCAL YEAR 2024 PROJECT AT REDSTONE
3 ARSENAL, ALABAMA.

4 In the case of the authorization contained in the table
5 in section 2401 of the Military Construction Authorization
6 Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (division B of Public Law 118–
7 31; 137 Stat. 726) for Redstone Arsenal, Alabama, for con-
8 struction of a ground test facility infrastructure project at
9 that location, the Missile Defense Agency may renovate ad-
10 ditional square footage and convert administrative space to
11 classified space.

1 **SEC. 2408. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT**
2 **FISCAL YEAR 2024 PROJECT AT LAKE CITY**
3 **ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, MISSOURI.**

4 (a) *MODIFICATIONS OF PROJECT AUTHORITY.*—In the
5 case of the authorization contained in the table in section
6 2402(a) of the Military Construction Authorization Act for
7 Fiscal Year 2024 (division B of Public Law 118–31; 137
8 Stat. 727) for Lake City Army Ammunition Plant, Mis-
9 souri, for construction of a microgrid and backup power,
10 the Secretary of Defense may construct a microgrid and
11 backup power, including the installation of liquid propane
12 gas tanks and associated piping, foundations, pumps, sad-
13 dles, propane vaporizers and controls.

14 (b) *MODIFICATION OF PROJECT AMOUNTS.*—

15 (1) *PROJECT AUTHORIZATION.*—The authoriza-
16 tion table in section 2402(a) of the Military Construc-
17 tion Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (division
18 B of Public Law 118–31; 137 Stat. 727) is amended
19 in the item relating to Lake City Army Ammunition
20 Plant, Missouri, by striking the dollar amount and
21 inserting “\$86,500,000”.

22 (2) *FUNDING AUTHORIZATION.*—The funding
23 table in section 4601 of the National Defense Author-
24 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–
25 31; 137 Stat. 901) is amended in the items relating

1 to Lake City Army Ammunition Plant, Missouri, by
2 striking the dollar amount and inserting “\$86,500”.

3 **SEC. 2409. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT**
4 **FISCAL YEAR 2025 PROJECT AT JOINT BASE**
5 **ANDREWS, MARYLAND.**

6 *In the case of the authorization contained in the table*
7 *in section 2402 of the Military Construction Authorization*
8 *Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (division B of Public Law 118–*
9 *159; 138 Stat. 2229) for Joint Base Andrews, Maryland,*
10 *for construction of a microgrid with electric vehicle charg-*
11 *ing infrastructure, the Secretary of the Air Force may con-*
12 *struct a new power generation and microgrid facility.*

13 **SEC. 2410. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT**
14 **FISCAL YEAR 2025 PROJECT AT JOINT BASE**
15 **MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST, NEW JERSEY.**

16 *In the case of the authorization contained in the table*
17 *in section 2402 of the Military Construction Authorization*
18 *Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (division B of Public Law 118–*
19 *159; 138 Stat. 2229) for Joint Base McGuire-Dix-*
20 *Lakehurst, New Jersey, for construction of a microgrid with*
21 *electric vehicle charging infrastructure, the Secretary of the*
22 *Air Force may construct a new power generation and*
23 *microgrid facility.*

1 **TITLE XXV—INTERNATIONAL**
2 **PROGRAMS**
3 **Subtitle A—North Atlantic Treaty**
4 **Organization Security Invest-**
5 **ment Program**

6 **SEC. 2501. AUTHORIZED NATO CONSTRUCTION AND LAND**
7 **ACQUISITION PROJECTS; AUTHORIZATION OF**
8 **APPROPRIATIONS.**

9 (a) *CONTRIBUTIONS.*—Using amounts appropriated
10 pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in sub-
11 section (b) and available for the North Atlantic Treaty Or-
12 ganization Security Investment Program, the Secretary of
13 Defense may make contributions under section 2806 of title
14 10, United States Code, for the share of the United States
15 of the cost of projects carried out under such program in
16 an amount not to exceed the sum of—

17 (1) the amount authorized to be appropriated for
18 such purpose in subsection (b); and

19 (2) the amount collected from the North Atlantic
20 Treaty Organization as a result of construction pre-
21 viously financed by the United States.

22 (b) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.*—There is
23 authorized to be appropriated amounts specified in the
24 funding table in section 4601 for the North Atlantic Treaty
25 Organization Security Investment Program for fiscal years

1 *beginning after September 30, 2025, for the contributions*
 2 *of the Secretary of Defense described in subsection (a).*

3 ***Subtitle B—Host Country In-Kind***
 4 ***Contributions***

5 ***SEC. 2511. REPUBLIC OF KOREA FUNDED CONSTRUCTION***
 6 ***PROJECTS.***

7 *Pursuant to agreement with the Republic of Korea for*
 8 *required in-kind contributions, the Secretary of Defense*
 9 *may accept military construction projects for the installa-*
 10 *tions or locations in the Republic of Korea, and in the*
 11 *amounts, set forth in the following table:*

Republic of Korea Funded Construction Projects

<i>Component</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>Army</i>	<i>Camp Humphreys</i>	<i>Access Control Point</i>	<i>\$24,000,000</i>
<i>Army</i>	<i>Camp Humphreys</i>	<i>Runway</i>	<i>\$180,000,000</i>
<i>Navy</i>	<i>Pohang Air Base</i>	<i>Replace Concrete Apron</i>	<i>\$22,000,000</i>
<i>Navy</i>	<i>Yecheon Air Base</i>	<i>Replace Magazine Munitions Supply Area.</i>	<i>\$59,000,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Gimhae Air Base</i>	<i>Repair Contingency Hospital.</i>	<i>\$86,000,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Gwangju Air Base</i>	<i>Hydrant Fuel System</i>	<i>\$57,000,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Osan Air Base</i>	<i>Aircraft Corrosion Control Facility Part 3.</i>	<i>\$25,000,000</i>

12 ***SEC. 2512. REPUBLIC OF POLAND FUNDED CONSTRUCTION***
 13 ***PROJECTS.***

14 *Pursuant to agreement with the Republic of Poland*
 15 *for required in-kind contributions, the Secretary of Defense*
 16 *may accept military construction projects for the installa-*
 17 *tions or locations in the Republic of Poland, and in the*
 18 *amounts, set forth in the following table:*

Republic of Poland Funded Construction Projects

Component	Installation or Location	Project	Amount
<i>Army</i>	<i>Drawsko Pomorskie Training Area (DPTA).</i>	<i>Information Systems Facility.</i>	<i>\$6,200,000</i>
<i>Army</i>	<i>Powdiz</i>	<i>Barracks and Dining Facility—Phase 2.</i>	<i>\$199,000,000</i>
<i>Army</i>	<i>Powdiz</i>	<i>Rotary Wing Aircraft Maintenance Hangar.</i>	<i>\$91,000,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Lask</i>	<i>Communication Infrastructure.</i>	<i>\$18,000,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Wroclaw</i>	<i>Combined Aerial Port Facilities.</i>	<i>\$111,000,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Wroclaw</i>	<i>Contingency Beddown Area</i>	<i>\$13,000,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Wroclaw</i>	<i>Hot Cargo Pad/Munition Handling/Holding Area.</i>	<i>\$44,000,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Wroclaw</i>	<i>Railhead and Rail Extension.</i>	<i>\$22,000,000</i>

1 ***TITLE XXVI—GUARD AND***
2 ***RESERVE FORCES FACILITIES***

3 ***SEC. 2601. AUTHORIZED ARMY NATIONAL GUARD CON-***
4 ***STRUCTION AND LAND ACQUISITION***
5 ***PROJECTS.***

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 funding*
9 *table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Army may ac-*
10 *quire real property and carry out military construction*
11 *projects for the Army National Guard locations inside the*
12 *United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the following*
13 *table:*

Army National Guard: Inside the United States

State	Location	Amount
<i>Guam</i>	<i>National Guard Readiness Center Barrigada</i>	<i>\$55,000,000</i>
<i>Iowa</i>	<i>Waterloo Readiness Center</i>	<i>\$13,800,000</i>
<i>New Hampshire</i>	<i>Plymouth West</i>	<i>\$26,000,000</i>
<i>North Carolina</i>	<i>Salisbury Readiness Complex</i>	<i>\$69,000,000</i>

Army National Guard: Inside the United States—Continued

<i>State</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>South Dakota</i>	<i>Watertown Complex</i>	<i>\$28,000,000</i>

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 funding*
6 *table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Army may ac-*
7 *quire 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 table:*

Army Reserve

<i>State</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>Kentucky</i>	<i>Fort Knox</i>	<i>\$138,000,000</i>
<i>Pennsylvania</i>	<i>New Castle</i>	<i>\$30,000,000</i>

10 ***SEC. 2603. AUTHORIZED NAVY RESERVE AND MARINE***
11 ***CORPS RESERVE CONSTRUCTION AND LAND***
12 ***ACQUISITION PROJECTS.***

13 *Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the author-*
14 *ization of appropriations in section 2606 and available for*
15 *the National Guard and Reserve as specified in the funding*
16 *table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Navy may ac-*
17 *quire real property and carry out military construction*
18 *project for the Navy Reserve and Marine Corps Reserve lo-*
19 *cation inside the United States, and in the amount, set*
20 *forth in the following table:*

Navy Reserve and Marine Corps Reserve

<i>State</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>Texas</i>	<i>Naval Air Station Fort Worth</i>	<i>\$106,870,000</i>

1 ***SEC. 2604. AUTHORIZED AIR NATIONAL GUARD CONSTRU-***
2 ***CTION 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 funding*
6 *table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Air Force may*
7 *acquire real property and carry out military construction*
8 *projects for the Air National Guard locations inside the*
9 *United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the following*
10 *table:*

Air National Guard

<i>State</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>Alaska</i>	<i>Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson</i>	<i>\$46,000,000</i>
<i>Georgia</i>	<i>Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport</i>	<i>\$27,000,000</i>
<i>Massachusetts</i>	<i>Otis Air National Guard Base</i>	<i>\$31,000,000</i>
<i>Mississippi</i>	<i>Key Field Air National Guard Base</i>	<i>\$19,000,000</i>
<i>New Jersey</i>	<i>Atlantic City Air National Guard Base</i>	<i>\$61,000,000</i>
<i>Oregon</i>	<i>Portland International Airport</i>	<i>\$16,500,000</i>

11 ***SEC. 2605. AUTHORIZED AIR FORCE RESERVE CONSTRU-***
12 ***CTION AND LAND ACQUISITION PROJECTS.***

13 *Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the author-*
14 *ization of appropriations in section 2606 and available for*
15 *the National Guard and Reserve as specified in the funding*
16 *table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Air Force may*
17 *acquire real property and carry out military construction*
18 *projects for the Air Force Reserve locations inside the*

1 *United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the following*
 2 *table:*

Air Force Reserve

<i>State</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>Texas</i>	<i>Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland</i>	<i>\$18,000,000</i>

3 ***SEC. 2606. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, NA-***
 4 ***TIONAL GUARD AND RESERVE.***

5 *Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fis-*
 6 *cal years beginning after September 30, 2025, for the costs*
 7 *of acquisition, architectural and engineering services, and*
 8 *construction of facilities for the Guard and Reserve Forces,*
 9 *and for contributions therefor, under chapter 1803 of title*
 10 *10, United States Code (including the cost of acquisition*
 11 *of land for those facilities), as specified in the funding table*
 12 *in section 4601.*

13 ***SEC. 2607. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CER-***
 14 ***TAIN FISCAL YEAR 2023 PROJECTS.***

15 *(a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the*
 16 *Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year*
 17 *2023 (division B of Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2970),*
 18 *the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b),*
 19 *as provided in sections 2601, 2602, 2603 and 2604 of that*
 20 *Act (136 Stat. 2986, 2987), shall remain in effect until Oc-*
 21 *tober 1, 2026, or the date of the enactment of an Act author-*
 22 *izing funds for military construction for fiscal year 2027,*
 23 *whichever is later.*

(b) *TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is as follows:*

National Guard and Reserve: Extension of 2023 Project Authorizations

<i>State</i>	<i>Installation or Location</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Original Authorized Amount</i>
<i>Alaska</i>	<i>Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson</i>	<i>Aircraft Maintenance Hangar</i>	<i>\$63,000,000</i>
<i>Arizona</i>	<i>Morris Air National Guard Base</i>	<i>Base Entry Complex</i>	<i>\$12,000,000</i>
	<i>Tucson International Airport</i>	<i>Land Acquisition</i>	<i>\$11,700,000</i>
<i>Arkansas</i>	<i>Camp Robinson ..</i>	<i>Automated Multipurpose Machine Gun Range</i>	<i>\$9,500,000</i>
<i>Florida</i>	<i>Gainesville</i>	<i>National Guard Readiness Center</i>	<i>\$21,000,000</i>
	<i>Perrine</i>	<i>Army Reserve Center/ AMSA</i>	<i>\$46,000,000</i>
<i>Hawaii</i>	<i>Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay</i>	<i>C-40 Aircraft Maintenance Hangar</i>	<i>\$116,964,000</i>
<i>Indiana</i>	<i>Fort Wayne International Airport</i>	<i>Munitions Maintenance and Storage Complex</i>	<i>\$16,500,000</i>
<i>Ohio</i>	<i>Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base</i>	<i>Small Arms Range</i>	<i>\$8,000,000</i>
<i>Puerto Rico</i>	<i>Camp Santiago Joint Maneuver Training Center</i>	<i>Engineering/Housing Maintenance Shops (DPW)</i>	<i>\$14,500,000</i>
<i>West Virginia ..</i>	<i>McLaughlin Air National Guard Base</i>	<i>C-130J Apron Expansion</i>	<i>\$10,000,000</i>

SEC. 2608. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT FISCAL YEAR 2023 PROJECT AT TUCSON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, ARIZONA.

In the case of the authorization contained in the table in section 2604 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (division B of Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2987) for Tucson International Airport, Ari-

1 *zona, the Secretary of the Air Force may acquire a parcel*
2 *of real property consisting of approximately 10 acres of*
3 *land located in the northwest quarter of section 18, town-*
4 *ship 15 south, range 14 east, Gila and Salt River Meridian,*
5 *City of Tucson, Pima County, Arizona.*

6 **SEC. 2609. AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT FISCAL YEAR 2026**

7 **PROJECT AT ARMY RESERVE CENTER CON-**
8 **ROE, TEXAS.**

9 (a) *PROJECT AUTHORIZATION.*—*The Secretary of the*
10 *Army may carry out a military construction project to con-*
11 *struct a rotary-wing landing pad and taxiway at Army*
12 *Reserve Center, Conroe, Texas, in an amount not to exceed*
13 *\$12,000,000.*

14 (b) *USE OF UNOBLIGATED PRIOR-YEAR FUNDS.*—*To*
15 *carry out the project described in subsection (a), the Sec-*
16 *retary of the Army may use unobligated funds—*

17 (1) *that have been appropriated for a fiscal year*
18 *that precedes fiscal year 2026; and*

19 (2) *that remain available under the heading*
20 *“Military Construction, Army Reserve”.*

1 **TITLE XXVII—BASE REALIGN-**
2 **MENT AND CLOSURE ACTIVI-**
3 **TIES**

4 **SEC. 2701. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR BASE**
5 **REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE ACTIVITIES**
6 **FUNDED THROUGH DEPARTMENT OF DE-**
7 **FENSE BASE CLOSURE ACCOUNT.**

8 *Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fis-*
9 *cal years beginning after September 30, 2025, for base re-*
10 *alignment and closure activities, including real property*
11 *acquisition and military construction projects, as author-*
12 *ized by the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of*
13 *1990 (part A of title XXIX of Public Law 101–510; 10*
14 *U.S.C. 2687 note) and funded through the Department of*
15 *Defense Base Closure Account established by section 2906*
16 *of such Act (as amended by section 2711 of the Military*
17 *Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013 (divi-*
18 *sion B of Public Law 112–239; 126 Stat. 2140)), as speci-*
19 *fied in the funding table in section 4601.*

1 **TITLE XXVIII—MILITARY CON-**
2 **STRUCTION GENERAL PROVI-**
3 **SIONS**

4 **Subtitle A—Military Construction**
5 **Programs**

6 **SEC. 2801. FACILITY CONSTRUCTION OR REPAIR: TRANS-**
7 **ACTIONS OTHER THAN CONTRACTS AND**
8 **GRANTS.**

9 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subchapter I of chapter 169 of title
10 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after sec-
11 tion 2808 the following new section:

12 **“§ 2808a. Facility construction or repair: transactions**
13 **other than contracts and grants**

14 “(a) *AUTHORITY.*—The Secretary of Defense and each
15 Secretary of a military department may enter into trans-
16 actions (other than contracts, cooperative agreements, or
17 grants) to carry out repair and construction projects for
18 facilities, including the planning, design, engineering,
19 prototyping, piloting, and execution of such repair and con-
20 struction projects.

21 “(b) *USE OF AMOUNTS.*—The Secretary of Defense or
22 a Secretary of a military department (as applicable) may
23 carry out projects under subsection (a) using amounts
24 available to the Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of a
25 military department (as applicable) for military construc-

1 *tion, operation and maintenance, or research, development,*
2 *test, and evaluation, notwithstanding chapters 221 and 223*
3 *of this title.*

4 “(c) *FOLLOW-ON TRANSACTIONS.*—*A transaction en-*
5 *tered into under this section for a project may provide for*
6 *the award of a follow-on production contract or transaction*
7 *to the participants in the transaction without further com-*
8 *petition, if—*

9 “(1) *competitive procedures were used for the se-*
10 *lection of parties for participation in the original*
11 *transaction; and*

12 “(2) *the participants in the original transaction*
13 *successfully completed—*

14 “(A) *a complete and useable facility; or*

15 “(B) *a complete and useable improvement*
16 *to a facility.*

17 “(d) *REPORT.*—*Not later than March 1, 2027, and an-*
18 *nually thereafter, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to*
19 *the congressional defense committees a report summarizing*
20 *the use of the authority under this section during the fiscal*
21 *year preceding the date of the report, including number of*
22 *transactions and the costs, types of projects, and outcomes*
23 *of each such transaction.”.*

1 (b) *APPLICABILITY.*—*The amendments made by this*
 2 *section shall apply with respect to transactions entered into*
 3 *on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.*

4 **SEC. 2802. SUPERVISION OF MILITARY CONSTRUCTION**
 5 **PROJECTS.**

6 Section 2851(a) of title 10, United States Code, is
 7 amended by striking “the Secretary of the Army” and all
 8 that follows through “approves” and inserting “a military
 9 department or Government agency (as approved by the Sec-
 10 retary of Defense)”.

11 **SEC. 2803. IMPROVEMENTS TO WATER MANAGEMENT AND**
 12 **SECURITY ON MILITARY INSTALLATIONS.**

13 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*Subchapter III of chapter 169 of*
 14 *title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after*
 15 *section 2866 the following new section:*

16 **“§2866a. Risk-based approach to installation water**
 17 **management and security at military in-**
 18 **stallations**

19 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—(1) *The Secretary concerned shall*
 20 *adopt a risk-based approach to water management and se-*
 21 *curity for each military installation under the jurisdiction*
 22 *of the Secretary.*

23 “(2) *The Secretary concerned shall begin implementa-*
 24 *tion of paragraph (1) by prioritizing those military instal-*

1 *lations under the jurisdiction of the Secretary that the Sec-*
 2 *retary determines—*

3 “(A) *are experiencing the greatest risks to water*
 4 *management and water security; and*

5 “(B) *face the most severe existing or potential*
 6 *adverse impacts to mission assurance as a result of*
 7 *such risks.*

8 “(3) *Determinations under paragraph (2) shall be*
 9 *made on the basis of the water management and security*
 10 *assessments made by the Secretary concerned under sub-*
 11 *section (b).*

12 “(b) *WATER MANAGEMENT AND WATER SECURITY AS-*
 13 *SESSMENTS.—(1) The Secretaries concerned, acting jointly,*
 14 *shall develop a methodology to assess risks to water manage-*
 15 *ment and water security and mission assurance.*

16 “(2) *Such methodology shall include the following:*

17 “(A) *An evaluation of all water sources available*
 18 *to a military installation, disaggregated by—*

19 “(i) *raw water (total available water vol-*
 20 *ume);*

21 “(ii) *treated potable water; and*

22 “(iii) *treated nonpotable water.*

23 “(B) *An assessment of relevant supply connec-*
 24 *tions for a military installation, including number,*

1 *type, water flow rate, seasonal variability, and the ex-*
2 *tent of competition for the water sources.*

3 *“(C) A calculation of the total water requirement*
4 *of the military installation that—*

5 *“(i) includes an identification of the water*
6 *usage by tenant commands that reside on the*
7 *military installation; and*

8 *“(ii) describes the water uses that comprise*
9 *such total water requirement, disaggregated by—*

10 *“(I) drinking water uses; and*

11 *“(II) nonpotable water uses, including*
12 *industrial and agricultural uses, such as*
13 *cooling, irrigation groundskeeping, and*
14 *wash water.*

15 *“(D) An evaluation of the age, condition, and ju-*
16 *risdictional control of water infrastructure serving the*
17 *military installation, including an estimate of the*
18 *percentage of water lost to such water infrastructure*
19 *that is in poor or failing condition.*

20 *“(E) An evaluation of the military installation’s*
21 *water security risks that could negatively impact mis-*
22 *sion assurance, including—*

23 *“(i) the location of the military installation*
24 *in a drought-prone region;*

25 *“(ii) decreasing water levels or sources;*

1 “(iii) effects of new defense water uses on
2 the total water requirement of the military in-
3 stallation;

4 “(iv) increases to the demand for water in
5 areas outside the jurisdiction of the military in-
6 stallation that—

7 “(I) result from nondefense or defense
8 adjacent requirements; and

9 “(II) could affect—

10 “(aa) the supply of water avail-
11 able for use by the military installa-
12 tion;

13 “(bb) the quality of such water;
14 and

15 “(cc) legal issues of the military
16 installation, such as water rights dis-
17 putes.

18 “(F) An evaluation of the capacity of the mili-
19 tary installation’s water supply to withstand or
20 quickly recover from water resource constraints, and
21 the overall health of the aquifer basin of which the
22 water supply is a part, including the robustness of the
23 resource, redundancy, and ability to recover from dis-
24 ruption.

1 “(G) *An evaluation of existing water metering*
2 *and consumption at the military installation, consid-*
3 *ered at a minimum—*

4 “(i) *by type of installation activity, such as*
5 *training, maintenance, medical, housing, and*
6 *grounds maintenance and landscaping; and*

7 “(ii) *by fluctuations in consumption, in-*
8 *cluding peak consumption by quarter.*

9 “(H) *The appropriate frequency for reassessment*
10 *of the installations at highest water security risk.*

11 “(3) *The Secretaries concerned, acting jointly, shall*
12 *update the methodology under paragraph (1) not less fre-*
13 *quently than once every ten years.*

14 “(c) *REASSESSMENT OF WATER INSECURE MILITARY*
15 *INSTALLATIONS.—Each Secretary concerned shall update*
16 *its assessments of the most at-risk installations not less fre-*
17 *quently than the frequency established under subsection*
18 *(b)(2)(H).*

19 “(d) *MITIGATION OF WATER SECURITY RISK AT MOST*
20 *AT-RISK INSTALLATIONS.—(1) Each Secretary of a mili-*
21 *tary department shall—*

22 “(A) *identify the three military installations*
23 *under the jurisdiction of the Secretary that are most*
24 *at-risk for water insecurity; and*

1 “(B) develop, for each military installation so
2 identified, a plan of action and milestones to ad-
3 dress—

4 “(i) risks to water security; and

5 “(ii) threats to mission assurance.

6 “(2) Each such plan of action shall include the fol-
7 lowing:

8 “(A) The nature of each risk to the military in-
9 stallation’s capacity and mission assurance.

10 “(B) The factors contributing to the high degree
11 of risk, disaggregated by risks located—

12 “(i) inside the jurisdiction of the military
13 installation; and

14 “(ii) outside such jurisdiction.

15 “(C) A plan for implementing installation-level
16 metering to ensure more accurate assessments of de-
17 mand for water at the military installation.

18 “(D) An assessment of—

19 “(i) the effects of planned future missions
20 and new tenants on the demand for water at the
21 military installation; and

22 “(ii) the corresponding requirements for
23 water infrastructure serving the military instal-
24 lation to ensure adequate water supply for mis-
25 sion assurance.

1 “(E) *A list of infrastructure projects to mitigate*
2 *loss of available water supply to leakage, including*
3 *new construction, recapitalization, required mainte-*
4 *nance, and modernization of existing infrastructure.*

5 “(F) *A cost-benefit analysis of using ‘no dig’*
6 *technologies, including cure-in-place pipe lining, to*
7 *mitigate infrastructure degradation that leads to*
8 *water loss.*

9 “(e) *EVALUATION OF INSTALLATIONS FOR NON-*
10 *POTABLE WATER REUSE.—(1) Each Secretary concerned*
11 *shall evaluate each military installation under the*
12 *jurisdiction of the Secretary identified pursuant to sub-*
13 *section (d)(A), to determine the potential for the military*
14 *installation to mitigate risks to water security through the*
15 *reuse of nonpotable for nondrinking water uses.*

16 “(2) *Such evaluation shall include the following:*

17 “(A) *An evaluation of alternative water sources*
18 *to offset use of freshwater, including water recycling*
19 *and harvested rainwater for use as nonpotable water.*

20 “(B) *An assessment of the feasibility of incor-*
21 *porating, when practicable, water-efficient tech-*
22 *nologies and systems to minimize water consumption*
23 *and wastewater discharge in buildings located on the*
24 *military installation scheduled for renovation.*

1 “(C) *An evaluation of the practicality of imple-*
2 *menting water reuse systems and other water-saving*
3 *infrastructure into new construction in water-con-*
4 *strained areas, as determined pursuant to the appli-*
5 *cable water management and security assessment*
6 *under subsection (b).*

7 “(f) *COST EFFECTIVE LANDSCAPING MANAGEMENT*
8 *PRACTICES.—(1) The Secretary concerned shall, to the*
9 *maximum extent practicable, implement, at each military*
10 *installation under the jurisdiction of the Secretary, land-*
11 *scaping management practices that mitigate risks to water*
12 *security and enhance mission assurance by enabling greater*
13 *quantities of water availability for operational, training,*
14 *and maintenance requirements.*

15 “(2) *For military installations located in arid or semi-*
16 *arid regions, such landscaping management practices shall*
17 *include practices that avoid the cost of irrigation.*

18 “(3) *For military installations located in nonarid re-*
19 *gions, such landscaping management practices shall include*
20 *the use of plants common to the region in which the instal-*
21 *lation is located and native grasses and plants that decrease*
22 *water consumption requirements.*

23 “(g) *BRIEFINGS REQUIRED.—(1) Not later than 180*
24 *days after the date of the enactment of the Military Con-*
25 *struction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026, the Secre-*

1 *taries concerned shall provide to the Committees of the*
2 *Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the*
3 *Senate a briefing that includes—*

4 “(A) *an identification, in ranked order, of the*
5 *military installations under the jurisdiction of the*
6 *Secretary concerned that have the most significant*
7 *risk to water security; and*

8 “(B) *a description of the schedule for developing*
9 *the plan of action required by subsection (d).*

10 “(2) *Not later than one year after the date of the enact-*
11 *ment of the Military Construction Authorization Act for*
12 *Fiscal Year 2026, and annually thereafter not later than*
13 *the date of President’s budget for a fiscal year under section*
14 *1105 of title 31, the Secretaries concerned shall provide to*
15 *the Committees of the Armed Services of the House of Rep-*
16 *resentatives and the Senate a briefing that includes, with*
17 *respect to the period covered by the briefing—*

18 “(A) *an update on the progress of the Secretary*
19 *concerned toward completing the water security as-*
20 *essment required by subsection (b);*

21 “(B) *up-to-date cost estimates for projects to*
22 *mitigate loss of available water supply to leakage*
23 *identified pursuant to subsection (d)(1)(E); and*

24 “(C) *a description of—*

1 “(i) any agreement between a Secretary
 2 concerned and the head of a non-Department of
 3 Defense entity with respect to property under the
 4 jurisdiction of the Secretary concerned that may
 5 affect—

6 “(I) the supply of water available to a
 7 military installation under the jurisdiction
 8 of the Secretary concerned; or

9 “(II) the demand for water of such a
 10 military installation; and

11 “(ii) any change to—

12 “(I) the water supply of a military in-
 13 stallation under the jurisdiction of the Sec-
 14 retary concerned; or

15 “(II) the demand for water of such a
 16 military installation.

17 “(h) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—Nothing in this sec-
 18 tion shall be construed to require the repetition or replace-
 19 ment of any prior water assessment or evaluation conducted
 20 before the date of the enactment of the Military Construction
 21 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026, so long as such as-
 22 sessment remains accurate and reflects current mission re-
 23 quirements.”.

24 “(b) *CONFORMING REPEAL.*—Section 2827 of the Wil-
 25 liam M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization

1 *Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C.*
2 *2866 note) is repealed.*

3 **SEC. 2804. AUTHORITY TO USE PROGRESSIVE DESIGN-**
4 **BUILD PROCEDURES FOR MILITARY CON-**
5 **STRUCTION PROJECTS.**

6 *Section 3241(f) of title 10, United States Code, is*
7 *amended—*

8 *(1) in paragraph (1), by striking “The Sec-*
9 *retary” and inserting “Subject to paragraph (4), each*
10 *Secretary”;*

11 *(2) in paragraph (2), by striking “Any military*
12 *construction contract” and inserting “Any construc-*
13 *tion contract for a military construction project”;*

14 *(3) by amending paragraphs (3) and (4) to read*
15 *as follows:*

16 *“(3) Not later than March 1, 2027, and annually*
17 *thereafter, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the con-*
18 *gressional defense committees a report on the use of the au-*
19 *thority under this subsection that includes the following:*

20 *“(A) A description of the military construction*
21 *project for which such authority was used, including*
22 *project title, location, scope, and rationale for select-*
23 *ing such project.*

24 *“(B) The date of award of a contract for such*
25 *military construction project, the initial estimated*

1 *contract value, and the current projected total cost of*
2 *such project.*

3 “(C) *A comparison of projected schedule for com-*
4 *pletion of such project with the actual schedule, in-*
5 *cluding dates for completing the design of such project*
6 *and commencing construction.*

7 “(D) *Any realized or anticipated cost savings or*
8 *efficiencies, including those related to time, resources,*
9 *or design innovation, attributable to the use of the use*
10 *of the authority under this subsection for a military*
11 *construction project.*

12 “(E) *An assessment of risk management benefits,*
13 *including changes in scope, design flexibility, or co-*
14 *ordination improvements between contractor and the*
15 *Secretary of a military department with jurisdiction*
16 *over the military construction project for which such*
17 *authority was used.*

18 “(F) *Any challenges encountered, and mitigation*
19 *efforts made, in the use such authority for the mili-*
20 *tary construction project.*

21 “(4) *Each Secretary of a military department may ex-*
22 *ercise the authority under this subsection using amounts*
23 *appropriated for such purpose on or after the date of the*
24 *enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for*
25 *Fiscal Year 2026.”.*

1 **SEC. 2805. PILOT PROGRAM ON USE OF ADDITIVE CON-**
2 **STRUCTION TECHNOLOGIES AT ARMY IN-**
3 **STALLATIONS.**

4 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Beginning not later than 90 days
5 after the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army,
6 acting through a designee thereof, shall carry out a pilot
7 program on the use of additive construction technologies for
8 military construction projects on covered installations.

9 (b) *SELECTION OF INSTALLATIONS.*—The Secretary
10 shall—

11 (1) *select one or more covered installations at*
12 *which to carry out the pilot program under subsection*
13 *(a); and*

14 (2) *take such steps as may be necessary to mini-*
15 *mize any disruption from such pilot program on the*
16 *operations of any covered installation so selected.*

17 (c) *ELEMENTS.*—In carrying out the pilot program
18 under subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

19 (1) *generate a standardized design of one or*
20 *more military housing products compatible with ad-*
21 *ditive construction methods;*

22 (2) *using such additive construction methods,*
23 *build the military housing product or products, as the*
24 *case may be, pursuant to the respective design gen-*
25 *erated under paragraph (1)—*

1 (A) at each covered installation selected
2 under subsection (b); and

3 (B) in sufficient quantities, as determined
4 by the Secretary, to demonstrate the advantages
5 and disadvantages of additive construction if
6 adopted across all military installations; and

7 (3) prescribe data collection requirements for the
8 activities under paragraphs (1) and (2), including
9 with respect to design and building schedule, cost in-
10 formation, and effect on quality of life, and collect
11 data pursuant to such requirements.

12 (d) *REPORTS.*—

13 (1) *INTERIM REPORT.*—Not later than 18 months
14 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
15 retary shall submit to the congressional defense com-
16 mittees a report on the implementation of the pilot
17 program under subsection (a), including—

18 (A) a summary of any impediments to such
19 implementation identified by the Secretary, in-
20 cluding any statutory or resource limitations;

21 (B) a summary of the recommendations of
22 the Secretary to address any impediment so
23 identified; and

24 (C) any other recommendation of the Sec-
25 retary for improving the pilot program, includ-

1 *ing whether to extend or make the pilot program*
 2 *permanent, and a strategic sequencing plan for*
 3 *any extension or permanent adoption so rec-*
 4 *ommended.*

5 (2) *FINAL REPORT.*—*Not later than 180 days*
 6 *after the termination of the pilot program under sub-*
 7 *section (e), the Secretary shall submit to the congres-*
 8 *sional defense committees a report on the results of*
 9 *the pilot program, taking into account data collected*
 10 *pursuant to subsection (c)(3).*

11 (e) *TERMINATION.*—*The authority to carry out the*
 12 *pilot program under subsection (a) shall terminate on the*
 13 *date that is three years after the date of the enactment of*
 14 *this Act.*

15 (f) *COVERED INSTALLATION DEFINED.*—*In this sec-*
 16 *tion, the term “covered installation” means any installa-*
 17 *tion under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Army,*
 18 *without regard to whether the covered installation is located*
 19 *in or outside of the continental United States.*

20 **SEC. 2806. CONSIDERATION OF MODULAR CONSTRUCTION**
 21 **METHODS FOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION**
 22 **PROJECTS WITH PROTECTIVE DESIGN ELE-**
 23 **MENTS.**

24 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*In determining the requirements*
 25 *for a proposed military construction project with protective*

1 *design elements, the Secretary of Defense shall consider the*
2 *use of modular construction methods along with other con-*
3 *struction methods to determine the most effective method for*
4 *such military construction project to meet mission needs.*

5 *(b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date*
6 *of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall*
7 *submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the House*
8 *of Representatives and Senate a report on the use of mod-*
9 *ular construction methods as described in subsection (a).*
10 *Such report shall include the following:*

11 *(1) A summary of current Department of De-*
12 *fense policy and guidance governing the use of mod-*
13 *ular construction for military construction projects*
14 *with protective design elements.*

15 *(2) An assessment of the cost effectiveness, con-*
16 *struction timelines, performance characteristics, and*
17 *life-cycle costs of modular construction methods com-*
18 *pared to other construction methods for military con-*
19 *struction projects.*

20 *(3) Identification of the types of military con-*
21 *struction projects for which modular construction*
22 *methods are the most appropriate or advantageous,*
23 *and any limitations or constraints on the use of such*
24 *methods.*

1 (4) *Any recommendations to promote appro-*
 2 *prate consideration of modular construction methods*
 3 *for military construction projects where such methods*
 4 *offer cost, schedule, or operational benefits.*

5 (c) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

6 (1) *The term “modular construction” means a*
 7 *construction process in which components of a mili-*
 8 *tary construction project are prefabricated off-site*
 9 *under controlled conditions and then transported to*
 10 *the site of such project for assembly.*

11 (2) *The term “protective design elements” means,*
 12 *with respect to a military construction project, that*
 13 *such project requires use of materials that have been*
 14 *blast hardened or ballistic hardened.*

15 **SEC. 2807. MULTIYEAR CONTRACTING AUTHORITY FOR CER-**
 16 **TAIN MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.**

17 (a) *AUTHORITY FOR MULTIYEAR CONTRACTING.—*
 18 *Subject to section 3501 of title 10, United States Code, and*
 19 *the requirements of this section, each Secretary of a mili-*
 20 *tary department may enter into one or more multiyear con-*
 21 *tracts during fiscal year 2026, for any purchase relating*
 22 *to a military construction projects for covered military un-*
 23 *accompanied housing (as defined in section 2856 of title*
 24 *10, United States Code) or a military child development*
 25 *center (as defined in section 1800 of such title).*

1 (b) *CONDITIONS FOR OUT-YEAR CONTRACT PAY-*
2 *MENTS.*—A contract entered into under subsection (a) shall
3 *provide that any obligation of the United States to make*
4 *a payment under the contract for a fiscal year after fiscal*
5 *year 2026 is subject to the availability of appropriations*
6 *or funds for that purpose for such later fiscal year.*

7 (c) *ADVANCE PURCHASES.*—A Secretary of a military
8 *department may enter into one or more contracts, begin-*
9 *ning in fiscal year 2026, for an advance purchase associ-*
10 *ated with military construction projects for which author-*
11 *ization to enter into a multiyear contracting contract is*
12 *provided under subsection (a), which may include the pur-*
13 *chase of economic order quantities of materials or compo-*
14 *nents for such covered military unaccompanied housing or*
15 *military child development centers when cost savings are*
16 *achievable.*

17 (d) *ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.*—

18 (1) *COST SAVINGS CERTIFICATION.*—A Secretary
19 *desiring to award a multiyear contract under this*
20 *section shall—*

21 (A) *shall submit to the congressional defense*
22 *committees a certification that the multiyear*
23 *contract will result in cost savings of at least 10*
24 *percent compared to a similar one-year contract;*
25 *and*

1 (B) may not award such multiyear contract
 2 until the end of the 14-day period beginning on
 3 the date of submission of the certification de-
 4 scribed in subparagraph (A).

5 (2) *LIMITATIONS.*—Multiyear contracting au-
 6 thority under this section may only be used for mili-
 7 tary construction projects or covered military unac-
 8 companied housing or military child development
 9 centers that—

10 (A) are included in the future-years defense
 11 program submitted for fiscal year 2026 under
 12 section 221 of title 10, United States Code; and

13 (B) use standardized and repeatable de-
 14 signs.

15 **SEC. 2808. GUIDANCE FOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION**
 16 **PROJECTS FOR INNOVATION, RESEARCH, DE-**
 17 **VELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION.**

18 (a) *GUIDANCE REQUIRED.*—Not later than 120 days
 19 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
 20 of Defense shall issue written guidance on the implementa-
 21 tion of section 2810 of title 10, United States Code.

22 (b) *CONTENTS.*—The guidance required by this section
 23 shall include, at minimum, the following:

24 (1) *Procedures and criteria for the development*
 25 *and submission of project proposals pursuant to sub-*

1 *section (b) of section 2810 of title 10, United States*
2 *Code.*

3 *(2) Definitions for roles and responsibilities for*
4 *Department of Defense employees with respect to re-*
5 *view, approval, and execution of projects carried out*
6 *under the authority of such section 2810.*

7 *(3) Clarification on the use of the authority to*
8 *carry out projects under such section 2810 may be co-*
9 *ordinated with the use of authorities for such projects*
10 *under sections 2803, 2805, and 4123 of title 10,*
11 *United States Code.*

12 *(4) A process for internal review and validation*
13 *of projects proposed to be carried out using the au-*
14 *thority under section 2810 of title 10, United States*
15 *Code, which shall include—*

16 *(A) assessments of how such proposed*
17 *projects could be integrated across military de-*
18 *partments;*

19 *(B) comprehensive time-phased milestone*
20 *plans for such proposed projects with clearly de-*
21 *finied dependencies; and*

22 *(C) explicit documentation of budget pro-*
23 *gramming action decisions of the Secretary of*
24 *the military department with jurisdiction over*
25 *such project.*

1 ***Subtitle B—Military Housing***
2 ***Reforms***

3 ***SEC. 2811. IMPROVEMENTS TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE***

4 ***HOUSING REQUIREMENTS AND MARKET***
5 ***ANALYSIS.***

6 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 2837(d) of title 10, United
7 States Code, is amended by inserting “, Department of De-
8 fense civilian employee, and Department of Defense con-
9 tractor employee” before “population”.

10 (b) *CONSIDERATION AUTHORIZED.*—Section 2872 of
11 such title is amended—

12 (1) by striking “In addition to” and inserting
13 “(a) In addition to”; and

14 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
15 section:

16 “(b) In the case of family housing units, the Secretary
17 concerned may consider the need for housing for Depart-
18 ment of Defense civilian employees and Department of De-
19 fense contractor employees when exercising any authority
20 or combination of authorities under this chapter.”.

21 (c) *INDEPENDENT MARKET ANALYSIS.*—

22 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—The Secretary of Defense, act-
23 ing through the Under Secretary of Defense for Acqui-
24 sition and Sustainment and in coordination with the
25 Secretaries of the military departments, shall seek to

1 *enter into an agreement with an independent entity*
 2 *to conduct an evaluation by not later than September*
 3 *30, 2026, of the suitability of land owned by the De-*
 4 *partment of Defense in the State of Hawaii for resi-*
 5 *dential housing development for members of the*
 6 *Armed Services and the families of such members.*

7 (2) *SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.*—*Not later than*
 8 *30 days after the date on which the evaluation under*
 9 *paragraph (1) is completed, the Secretary of Defense*
 10 *shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of*
 11 *the House of Representatives and the Senate a report*
 12 *that includes the results of such evaluation.*

13 **SEC. 2812. USE OF IMITATIVE SUBSTITUTE BUILDING MATE-**
 14 **RIALS FOR PRESERVATION OF CERTAIN**
 15 **UNITS OF MILITARY HOUSING UNDER JURIS-**
 16 **DICTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

17 *Subchapter II of chapter 169 of title 10, United States*
 18 *Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new*
 19 *section:*

20 **“§ 2840. Use of imitative substitute building materials**
 21 **for covered housing units**

22 *“(a) AUTHORITY.*—*Notwithstanding any provision of*
 23 *division A of subtitle III of title 54, United States Code,*
 24 *that requires review from or consultation with the head of*
 25 *any other Federal agency, the Secretary concerned may—*

1 “(1) authorize the use of imitative substitute
 2 *building materials to maintain, repair, renovate, re-*
 3 *habilitate, or otherwise alter covered housing units lo-*
 4 *cated on a military installation under the jurisdic-*
 5 *tion of the Secretary; and*

6 “(2) defer the application of historic preservation
 7 *requirements under chapter 3061 of such title on a*
 8 *covered housing unit until such covered housing unit*
 9 *is 100 years old, regardless of whether such covered*
 10 *housing unit is included on, or eligible for inclusion*
 11 *on, the National Register.*

12 “(b) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

13 “(1) *The term ‘covered housing unit’ means a*
 14 *Government-owned or privatized unit of family hous-*
 15 *ing or military unaccompanied housing that—*

16 “(A) *was constructed after 1962; and*

17 “(B) *is under the jurisdiction of the Depart-*
 18 *ment of Defense*

19 “(2) *The term ‘imitative substitute building ma-*
 20 *terials’ means modern, industry-standard, natural,*
 21 *composite, and synthetic materials that—*

22 “(A) *simulate the appearance of building*
 23 *materials original to a covered housing unit; and*

24 “(B) *are more cost effective than such build-*
 25 *ing materials.*

1 “(3) *The term ‘National Register’ means the Na-*
 2 *tional Register of Historic Places maintained under*
 3 *chapter 3021 of title 54, United States Code.*”.

4 **SEC. 2813. MODIFICATION OF CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS**
 5 **WITH RESPECT TO CLOSURE OF MAINTENANCE**
 6 **WORK ORDERS FOR PRIVATIZED MILI-**
 7 **TARY HOUSING.**

8 *Section 2891(f) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 9 *amended—*

10 (1) *by redesignating paragraphs (1) through (3)*
 11 *as subparagraphs (A) through (C), respectively;*

12 (2) *by inserting “(1)” before “A landlord pro-*
 13 *viding”;*

14 (3) *by striking subparagraph (C) of paragraph*
 15 *(1) (as so redesignated) and inserting the following:*

16 “(C) *except as provided in paragraph (2), by al-*
 17 *lowing the work order or maintenance ticket to be*
 18 *closed only after the landlord makes not fewer than*
 19 *three documented attempts to notify the resident of*
 20 *work completion through means that include—*

21 “(i) *the resident Internet portal for the*
 22 *housing unit;*

23 “(ii) *text messaging;*

24 “(iii) *email; and*

25 “(iv) *telephone.*”; and

1 (4) *by adding at the end the following new para-*
 2 *graph:*

3 “(2) *If a resident does not respond to a landlord after*
 4 *three attempts of the landlord to notify the resident of work*
 5 *completion pursuant to paragraph (1)(C), the landlord may*
 6 *close the work order or maintenance ticket only if—*

7 “(A) *the landlord submits to the head of the ap-*
 8 *plicable housing management office notice that the*
 9 *landlord intends to close the work order or mainte-*
 10 *nance ticket; and*

11 “(B) *the head of the applicable housing manage-*
 12 *ment office does not object, in writing, to the clo-*
 13 *sure.”.*

14 **SEC. 2814. INCLUSION OF ADDITIONAL LANDLORD FINAN-**
 15 **CIAL INFORMATION IN CERTAIN ANNUAL RE-**
 16 **PORT ON PRIVATIZED MILITARY HOUSING.**

17 *Section 2891c(a)(2) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 18 *amended by adding at the end the following new subpara-*
 19 *graphs:*

20 “(G) *Information with respect to each insurance*
 21 *policy maintained by the landlord for such housing*
 22 *units, including the—*

23 “(i) *scope of coverage;*

24 “(ii) *deductible;*

25 “(iii) *policy limit; and*

1 “(iv) total premium amount.

2 “(H) The total amount of remedial payments
3 made by the landlord to tenants of such housing units
4 pursuant to a final decision under the dispute resolu-
5 tion process under section 2894 of this title.

6 “(I) For each such remedial payment, a sum-
7 mary of the nature of the dispute underlying the final
8 decision that required the remedial payment.”.

9 **SEC. 2815. CONTINUATION OF CERTAIN REPORTING RE-**
10 **QUIREMENTS WITH RESPECT TO PRIVATIZED**
11 **MILITARY HOUSING.**

12 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 1080(a) of the National De-
13 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law
14 114–92; 10 U.S.C. 111 note) does not apply to the reports
15 required to be submitted to Congress under subsection (b)
16 and subsection (c) of section 2884 of title 10, United States
17 Code.

18 (b) *CONFORMING REPEAL.*—Section 1061(c) of the Na-
19 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Pub-
20 lic Law 114–328; 10 U.S.C. 111 note) is amended by strik-
21 ing paragraph (52).

22 **SEC. 2816. PILOT PROGRAM FOR EMERGING MOLD REMEDI-**
23 **ATION TECHNOLOGIES.**

24 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 90 days after the
25 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense

1 *shall carry out a pilot program to assess and implement*
2 *emerging mold monitoring and remediation technologies in*
3 *military family housing.*

4 (b) *SELECTION OF LOCATIONS.—The Secretary shall*
5 *select not fewer than three and not more than five military*
6 *installations at which to carry out the pilot program estab-*
7 *lished under subsection (a). The Secretary shall prioritize*
8 *selection of military installations in regions with elevated*
9 *climate-related risk factors for mold growth, such as per-*
10 *sistent humidity, frequent rainfall, or outdated HVAC in-*
11 *frastructure.*

12 (c) *ELEMENTS.—In carrying out the pilot program es-*
13 *tablished under subsection (a), the Secretary shall—*

14 (1) *install moisture detection systems with ad-*
15 *vanced capabilities, including sensor-based humidity*
16 *or spore monitoring technologies capable of generating*
17 *early warnings for environmental risk conditions;*

18 (2) *implement noninvasive or technology-enabled*
19 *mold remediation tools, such as antimicrobial coat-*
20 *ings, dry fogging systems, or UV-based sterilization*
21 *units;*

22 (3) *define infrastructure requirements, including*
23 *upgrades to HVAC systems or building materials,*
24 *necessary to support sustained mold prevention using*
25 *the selected mold detection systems;*

1 (4) *train relevant personnel on the deployment,*
2 *maintenance, and data interpretation of selected mold*
3 *detection systems;*

4 (5) *designate an individual at each military in-*
5 *stallation selected under subsection (b) to oversee the*
6 *implementation of the pilot program; and*

7 (6) *develop a strategic implementation and eval-*
8 *uation plan to assess performance of the selected mold*
9 *detection systems and inform future decisions relating*
10 *to such systems.*

11 (d) *REPORT AND BRIEFINGS.—*

12 (1) *REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the*
13 *termination date in subsection (e), the Secretary of*
14 *Defense shall submit to the congressional defense com-*
15 *mittees a report on the results of the pilot program,*
16 *including recommendations for broader implementa-*
17 *tion and an assessment of costs and benefits.*

18 (2) *BRIEFINGS.—Upon completion of the imple-*
19 *mentation plan required under subsection (c)(6), the*
20 *Secretary shall provide to the congressional defense*
21 *committees a briefing on the plan and any prelimi-*
22 *nary findings.*

23 (e) *TERMINATION.—The authority to carry out the*
24 *pilot program under this section shall terminate on the date*

1 *that is five years after the date of the enactment of this*
2 *Act.*

3 (f) *MILITARY FAMILY HOUSING DEFINED.*—*In this*
4 *section, the term “military family housing” means housing*
5 *provided under subchapter II of chapter 169 of title 10,*
6 *United States Code.*

7 **SEC. 2817. STANDARDIZATION OF MOLD REMEDIATION**
8 **GUIDELINES ACROSS MILITARY DEPART-**
9 **MENTS.**

10 (a) *REQUIREMENT TO ESTABLISH COMMON GUIDE-*
11 *LINES.*—*Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-*
12 *ment of this Act, the Secretaries of the military departments*
13 *shall jointly develop and implement uniform guidelines for*
14 *the remediation of mold in military housing, facilities, and*
15 *other real property under jurisdiction of each such Sec-*
16 *retary.*

17 (b) *CONSISTENCY WITH ESTABLISHED STANDARDS.*—
18 *The guidelines required under subsection (a) shall be con-*
19 *sistent with—*

20 (1) *applicable municipal and State health and*
21 *environmental standards; and*

22 (2) *third-party industry standards, including*
23 *the standard of the Institute of Inspection Cleaning*
24 *and Restoration Certification titled “S520 Standard*

1 *for Professional Mold Remediation*”, or any successor
 2 *standard.*

3 (c) *APPLICABILITY.*—*The guidelines required under*
 4 *subsection (a) shall apply—*

5 (1) *to contracts or task orders for mold remedi-*
 6 *ation entered into on or after the date of the issuance*
 7 *of such guidelines; and*

8 (2) *to mold remediation procedures conducted on*
 9 *or after such date of issuance.*

10 (d) *REPORT.*—*Not later than 180 days after date of*
 11 *the issuance of the guidelines under subsection (a), the Sec-*
 12 *retaries of the military departments shall jointly submit to*
 13 *the congressional defense committees a report that includes*
 14 *the guidelines and describes plans for implementation of the*
 15 *guidelines and monitoring compliance with the guidelines.*

16 **SEC. 2818. INSPECTIONS BY QUALIFIED HOME INSPECTOR**
 17 **OF PRIVATIZED MILITARY HOUSING.**

18 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT OF INDEPENDENT INSPECTION*
 19 *PROTOCOL.*—*Not later than 180 days after the date of the*
 20 *enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall estab-*
 21 *lish a standardized inspection and audit program for*
 22 *privatized military housing that provides for such inspec-*
 23 *tions and audits to be conducted by an independent quali-*
 24 *fied home inspector.*

1 (b) *INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS.*—Under the program
2 established by subsection (a), a qualified home inspector
3 shall annually inspect a statistically representative sample
4 of privatized military housing units at each military in-
5 stallation with privatized military housing. Such inspec-
6 tion shall include, at a minimum—

7 (1) an evaluation of HVAC systems, plumbing,
8 electrical systems, and structural integrity of the
9 privatized military housing units; and

10 (2) an inspection for signs of water intrusion,
11 visible and nonvisible mold, microbial contamination,
12 and other indoor air quality concerns.

13 (c) *INSPECTION IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.*—Not later
14 than February 1, 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall sub-
15 mit to the congressional defense committees a plan to imple-
16 ment the program established under subsection (a), includ-
17 ing—

18 (1) contracting procedures for qualified home in-
19 spectors;

20 (2) inspection methodologies;

21 (3) protocols for reporting, remediation, and fol-
22 low-up actions; and

23 (4) integration with existing oversight and com-
24 pliance frameworks for privatized military housing.

1 (d) *REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.*—Not later than
2 March 1, 2026, and annually thereafter until March 1,
3 2031, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congres-
4 sional defense committees a report on the results of inspec-
5 tions conducted under this section during the preceding cal-
6 endar year. The report shall include—

7 (1) findings and deficiencies identified;
8 (2) remediation timelines and actions taken; and
9 (3) recommendations for improving housing con-
10 ditions and oversight.

11 (e) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

12 (1) The term “privatized military housing” has
13 the meaning given in section 3001(a)(2) of the Na-
14 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020
15 (Public Law 116–92; 10 U.S.C. 2821 note).

16 (2) The term “qualified home inspector” means
17 an individual who—

18 (A) possesses housing inspection credentials
19 required by the State in which the inspection is
20 performed; and

21 (B) is not an employee of, or in a fiduciary
22 relationship with—

23 (i) the Federal Government; or

24 (ii) any entity that owns or manages
25 privatized military housing.

1 **SEC. 2819. PLAN TO IMPROVE ACCURACY, INTEGRATION,**
2 **AND INTEROPERABILITY OF DEPARTMENT OF**
3 **DEFENSE DATA WITH RESPECT TO REAL**
4 **PROPERTY, INFRASTRUCTURE, MILITARY UN-**
5 **ACCOMPANIED HOUSING.**

6 (a) *PLAN REQUIRED.*—

7 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary of Defense shall*
8 *develop and implement a plan to—*

9 (A) *improve the accuracy, integration, and*
10 *interoperability of data across system of a mili-*
11 *tary department to track and maintain data*
12 *with respect to real property, infrastructure, or*
13 *military unaccompanied housing under the ju-*
14 *risdiction of a Secretary concerned; and*

15 (B) *enhance, across each military depart-*
16 *ment, the tracking, management, and reporting*
17 *of data with respect to—*

18 (i) *the condition of military unaccom-*
19 *panied housing; and*

20 (ii) *the occupancy rates of military*
21 *unaccompanied housing.*

22 (2) *ELEMENTS.*—*Such plan shall include the fol-*
23 *lowing:*

24 (A) *A requirement for each Secretary of a*
25 *military department to update, on an annual*

1 *basis, the system of the appropriate military de-*
2 *partment—*

3 *(i) for real property planning to in-*
4 *clude—*

5 *(I) an accurate statement of defi-*
6 *cits in the occupancy of military unac-*
7 *companied housing under the jurisdic-*
8 *tion of the Secretary;*

9 *(II) a summary that aligns such*
10 *deficits with unit stationing decisions*
11 *of the Secretary; and*

12 *(III) a description of the effects of*
13 *relevant changes in force structure; and*

14 *(ii) to track and maintain data with*
15 *respect to military unaccompanied housing*
16 *to include—*

17 *(I) real-time occupancy data and*
18 *room assignment records with respect*
19 *to military unaccompanied housing*
20 *under the jurisdiction of the Secretary;*
21 *and*

22 *(II) a standardized automated*
23 *process to track completion times of*
24 *maintenance requests work orders with*

1 *respect to such military unaccom-*
2 *panied housing.*

3 *(B) Standards to ensure, with respect to*
4 *any system of a military department to assess*
5 *the condition of infrastructure under the juris-*
6 *isdiction of a Secretary of a military department,*
7 *that—*

8 *(i) data maintained by any such sys-*
9 *tem is synchronized; and*

10 *(ii) any such system integrates pre-*
11 *dictive maintenance tools to—*

12 *(I) forecast infrastructure deterio-*
13 *ration; and*

14 *(II) prioritize repairs.*

15 *(C) Enhanced data validation protocols*
16 *across all housing records of the Department of*
17 *Defense to—*

18 *(i) eliminate discrepancies in such*
19 *housing records; and*

20 *(ii) ensure accuracy of reports that in-*
21 *clude data from such housing records.*

22 *(D) A requirement for each Secretary of a*
23 *military department to audit, on a periodic*
24 *basis, data with respect to real property, infra-*

1 *structure, and military unaccompanied housing*
2 *under the jurisdiction of the Secretary.*

3 *(E) Specific milestones to achieve full data*
4 *synchronization across each system of a military*
5 *department to track and maintain data with re-*
6 *spect to military unaccompanied housing.*

7 *(F) Requirements, for each system described*
8 *in subparagraph (E), with respect to system in-*
9 *tegration, user training, and compliance moni-*
10 *toring.*

11 *(G) A Department of Defense-wide*
12 *verification framework to ensure accurate bar-*
13 *racks occupancy reporting, which shall include—*

14 *(i) required physical inspections;*

15 *(ii) automated reconciliation of unit*
16 *personnel records with housing assignments;*
17 *and*

18 *(iii) mechanisms to prevent ghost occu-*
19 *pancy.*

20 *(H) A Department of Defense-wide strategy*
21 *for real-time data analytics to—*

22 *(i) optimize investments in military*
23 *unaccompanied housing;*

24 *(ii) improve facility lifecycle manage-*
25 *ment; and*

1 (iii) enable predictive maintenance
2 planning;

3 (I) A Department of Defense-wide govern-
4 ance policy for data with respect to military un-
5 accompanied housing, that includes—

6 (i) enforceable protocols for data entry,
7 frequency of updates, access controls, cyber-
8 security protections; and

9 (ii) standardized reporting require-
10 ments.

11 (J) A requirement for each Secretary of a
12 military department to implement a standard-
13 ized system for members of the Armed Forces, in-
14 cluding commanders of military installations
15 to—

16 (i) report discrepancies in data main-
17 tained by the Secretary with respect to
18 military unaccompanied housing; and

19 (ii) submit to the Secretary concerned
20 requests for improvements to the system of
21 the appropriate military department to
22 track and maintain data with respect to
23 military unaccompanied housing.

24 (b) DEADLINE.—The Secretary of Defense shall submit
25 to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Rep-

1 *representatives the plan required by subsection (a) by not later*
 2 *than September 30, 2026.*

3 ***Subtitle C—Real Property and***
 4 ***Facilities Administration***

5 ***SEC. 2821. MODIFICATION TO ASSISTANCE FOR PUBLIC IN-***
 6 ***FRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS AND SERVICES.***

7 *Section 2391(b)(5)(B)(iv) of title 10, United States*
 8 *Code, is amended—*

9 *(1) by inserting “(including health care, housing,*
 10 *and defense critical infrastructure projects and serv-*
 11 *ices)” after “projects and services”; and*

12 *(2) by striking “the defense industrial base and*
 13 *the defense industrial base workers, if the Secretary*
 14 *determines such support will improve operations of*
 15 *the Department of Defense” and inserting “the defense*
 16 *industrial base, defense industrial base workers, and*
 17 *military installations”.*

18 ***SEC. 2822. MODIFICATION OF REQUIREMENT WITH RE-***
 19 ***SPECT TO MINIMUM CAPITAL INVESTMENT***
 20 ***FOR FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORA-***
 21 ***TION, AND MODERNIZATION FOR MILITARY***
 22 ***DEPARTMENTS.***

23 *Section 2680 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
 24 *ed—*

25 *(1) in subsection (b)—*

1 (A) in the heading, by inserting “; TREAT-
2 MENT OF CERTAIN AMOUNTS” after “EXCLU-
3 SION”;

4 (B) by inserting “(1)” before “In making”;
5 and

6 (C) by adding at the end the following new
7 paragraph:

8 “(2) During the period the requirement under sub-
9 section (a) is effective, each Secretary of a military depart-
10 ment may treat amounts appropriated for military con-
11 struction used for the recapitalization of existing facilities
12 under the jurisdiction of the Secretary during a given fiscal
13 year as part of the total amount required to be invested
14 under subsection (a)(2) in the budget of the military depart-
15 ment for facilities sustainment, restoration, and moderniza-
16 tion, except that such military construction funds may not
17 comprise more than 20 percent of such total amount for
18 such fiscal year.”; and

19 (2) by striking subsection (e) and inserting the
20 following:

21 “(e) *DEFINITIONS.*—In this section:

22 “(1) The term ‘covered facility’ means a facility
23 (as defined in section 2801 of this title), except that
24 such term does not include—

1 “(A) a facility identified as closed, disposed
2 of, or scheduled for divestment from the inven-
3 tory of the Department of Defense;

4 “(B) a facility in which the Department
5 does not have a total ownership interest, includ-
6 ing—

7 “(i) a facility leased by the Depart-
8 ment;

9 “(ii) a facility in which the Depart-
10 ment has a lesser property interest under a
11 governing legal instrument; and

12 “(iii) housing constructed or acquired
13 under subchapter IV of chapter 169 of this
14 title; or

15 “(C) a facility for which the Department
16 uses—

17 “(i) nonappropriated funds; or

18 “(ii) amounts appropriated or other-
19 wise made available for military family
20 housing.

21 “(2) The term ‘plant replacement value’ means,
22 with respect to a covered facility, the cost to replace
23 the covered facility using amounts appropriated for
24 facilities sustainment, restoration, and modernization
25 from the following accounts:

1 “(A) Operation and maintenance.

2 “(B) Military construction.

3 “(C) Research, development, test, and eval-
4 uation.

5 “(D) Working capital funds.”.

6 **SEC. 2823. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT DE-**
7 **PARTMENT OF DEFENSE PILOT PROGRAM**
8 **FOR USE OF COST SAVINGS REALIZED.**

9 Section 2679(e)(4) of title 10, United States Code, is
10 amended by striking “September 30, 2025” and inserting
11 “September 30, 2030”.

12 **SEC. 2824. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE INTERGOVERN-**
13 **MENTAL SUPPORT AGREEMENTS FOR ORD-**
14 **NANCE DISPOSAL.**

15 Section 2679(f)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is
16 amended by adding at the end the following new sentence:
17 “The term does include ordnance disposal.”.

18 **SEC. 2825. AUTHORITIES AVAILABLE FOR ENERGY RESIL-**
19 **IENCE AND CONSERVATION INVESTMENT**
20 **PROGRAM PROJECTS ON PRIVATIZED UTIL-**
21 **ITY SYSTEMS.**

22 Section 2688 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
23 ed—

24 (1) by striking “of a military department” each
25 place it appears and inserting “concerned”;

1 (2) *in subsection (h), by adding at the end the*
2 *following new sentence: “The Secretary concerned*
3 *may make such a contribution pursuant to any pro-*
4 *curement authority available to such Secretary, in-*
5 *cluding the authority to modify an existing services*
6 *contract with the entity to which the utility system,*
7 *or a military construction contract if such contribu-*
8 *tion is in an amount equal to the total cost of the*
9 *project.”; and*

10 (3) *in subsection (k)—*

11 (A) *by striking “to carry out a military*
12 *construction project”; and*

13 (B) *by adding at the end the following new*
14 *paragraph:*

15 “(3) *The Secretary of Defense or the Secretary con-*
16 *cerned may enter into a contract under paragraph (1) pur-*
17 *suant to any procurement authority available to the Sec-*
18 *retary, including the authority to modify an existing serv-*
19 *ices contract with the conveyee of the utility system, or a*
20 *military construction contract, if the total proposed cost of*
21 *such contract or modification is included in the materials*
22 *submitted to Congress by the Secretary of Defense in sup-*
23 *port of the budget for that fiscal year.”.*

1 **SEC. 2826. REPEAL OF CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS RE-**
2 **LATED TO ANTITERRORISM AND FORCE PRO-**
3 **TECTION OR URBAN-TRAINING OPERATIONS.**

4 (a) *REPEAL.*—Section 2859 of title 10, United States
5 Code, is repealed.

6 (b) *CONFORMING AMENDMENT.*—Section 2864 of such
7 title is amended—

8 (1) by striking subsection (e); and

9 (2) by redesignating subsection (f) as subsection
10 (e).

11 **SEC. 2827. REPEAL OF PILOT PROGRAM AUTHORIZING**
12 **OVERHEAD COST REIMBURSEMENTS FROM**
13 **MAJOR RANGE AND TEST FACILITY BASE**
14 **USERS AT CERTAIN DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR**
15 **FORCE INSTALLATIONS.**

16 Section 2862 of the National Defense Authorization
17 Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C.
18 9771 note prec) is repealed.

19 **SEC. 2828. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PROCEDURES WITH**
20 **RESPECT TO PLANNING COORDINATION FOR**
21 **GRID RESILIENCY ON MILITARY INSTALLA-**
22 **TIONS.**

23 Section 2920(a) of title 10, United States Code, is
24 amended by adding at the end the following new para-
25 graphs:

1 “(5) *The Secretary shall establish internal processes to*
 2 *support coordination with external regulatory and plan-*
 3 *ning entities involved in grid reliability, transmission in-*
 4 *frastructure, and long-term energy planning, in order to*
 5 *assess and mitigate risks to defense-critical installations,*
 6 *advance the energy security objectives of the Department,*
 7 *and comply with statutory mandates under this section.*

8 “(6) *Coordination under paragraph (5)—*

9 “(A) *shall include identification of mission-crit-*
 10 *ical loads and infrastructure dependencies and load*
 11 *profiles at or near military installations; and*

12 “(B) *may include consultation with relevant*
 13 *Federal and non-Federal entities.”.*

14 **SEC. 2829. MASTER PLANS FOR SERVICE ACADEMIES.**

15 (a) *PLANS REQUIRED.—Each Secretary of a military*
 16 *department shall develop a master plan for each Service*
 17 *Academy under the jurisdiction of the Secretary to com-*
 18 *prehensively address infrastructure requirements of such*
 19 *Service Academy. Each master plan shall include the fol-*
 20 *lowing:*

21 (1) *Consideration of the requirements of sub-*
 22 *paragraphs (A) through (D) of section 2864(a)(2) of*
 23 *title 10, United States Code.*

24 (2) *For the Service Academy that is the subject*
 25 *of a master plan—*

1 (A) a list of infrastructure located at the
2 Service Academy that is in poor or failing con-
3 dition on or before the date described in sub-
4 section (c);

5 (B) a plan for replacing, recapitalizing, or
6 renovating such infrastructure not later than five
7 years after such date; and

8 (C) a list of infrastructure located at the
9 Service Academy that—

10 (i) is listed on the National Register of
11 Historic Places (maintained under chapter
12 3021 of title 54, United States Code) on or
13 before the date described in subsection (b);
14 or

15 (ii) will be eligible inclusion on the
16 National Register of Historic Places not
17 later than five years after the date of the en-
18 actment of this Act.

19 (3) An assessment of risks posed by disruptions
20 in energy availability, risks posed by extreme weather
21 (as defined in section 101 of title 10 United States
22 Code), cybersecurity risks, and risks related to avail-
23 ability of clean water applicable to the Service Acad-
24 emy that is the subject of a master plan.

1 (b) *ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT.*—Each master plan
2 required under subsection (a) shall propose a method to ad-
3 dress the requirements of paragraphs (1) and (3) of such
4 subsection not later than five years after the date described
5 in subsection (c).

6 (c) *DEADLINE.*—Each master plan required under
7 subsection (a) shall be completed no later than September
8 30, 2027.

9 (d) *BRIEFING.*—Not later than 180 days after the date
10 of the enactment of this Act, each Secretary of a military
11 department shall provide to the Committees on Armed Serv-
12 ices of the Senate and the House of Representatives a brief-
13 ing on the timeline for the completion of the master plans
14 required under subsection (a).

15 (e) *SUBMISSION OF PLAN.*—Not later than 30 days
16 after the date on which a Secretary of a military depart-
17 ment completes a master plan required under subsection (a)
18 or December 1, 2027, whichever is earlier, the Secretary
19 shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the
20 Senate and the House of Representatives a copy of the mas-
21 ter plan.

22 (f) *SERVICE ACADEMY DEFINED.*—In this section, the
23 term “Service Academy” has the meaning given in section
24 347 of title 10, United States Code.

1 **SEC. 2830. REVIEW OF UNIFIED FACILITIES CRITERIA AP-**
2 **PLICABLE TO MILITARY CONSTRUCTION**
3 **PROJECTS; REPORT.**

4 *(a) REVIEW REQUIRED.—*

5 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after*
6 *the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of*
7 *Defense, in coordination with the Assistant Secretary*
8 *of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environ-*
9 *ment, shall conduct a comprehensive review of all*
10 *Unified Facilities Criteria applicable to military con-*
11 *struction projects that the Secretary determines—*

12 *(A) contribute to the extent to which mili-*
13 *tary construction projects incur greater costs*
14 *than substantially similar commercial construc-*
15 *tion projects;*

16 *(B) are outdated, redundant, or unneces-*
17 *sarily burdensome; or*

18 *(C) could be consolidated or eliminated to*
19 *improve the efficiency of military construction*
20 *projects.*

21 *(2) CONSIDERATIONS.—In conducting such re-*
22 *view, the Secretary of Defense shall—*

23 *(A) consider the unique operational require-*
24 *ments and security considerations of the Depart-*
25 *ment of Defense; and*

1 (B) ensure any revisions to the Unified Fa-
2 cilities Criteria the Secretary recommends pur-
3 suant to such review would maintain the mis-
4 sion readiness and force protection standards of
5 the Department.

6 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—Pursuant to such review, the Sec-
7 retary shall—

8 (1) identify criteria in the Unified Facilities
9 Criteria that the Secretary determines—

10 (A) contribute disproportionately to cost
11 premiums for military construction projects,
12 particularly such standards that are not com-
13 monly required in substantially similar commer-
14 cial construction projects; or

15 (B) neither reflect relevant industry stand-
16 ards as of the date of the enactment of this Act
17 nor Department of Defense-specific needs that
18 are not addressed in relevant State codes;

19 (2) analyze whether such criteria are mandated
20 by law, regulation, or internal policy, and the origin
21 of such criteria;

22 (3) evaluate whether—

23 (A) such criteria could be modified or elimi-
24 nated without compromising safety and mission
25 readiness; and

1 (B) standards for substantially similar
2 commercial construction projects could be sub-
3 stituted for such criteria to improve cost-effec-
4 tiveness and efficiency of military construction
5 projects.

6 (c) *REPORT*.—Not later than 270 days after the date
7 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall
8 submit to the congressional defense committees a report on
9 the findings of the review required under subsection (a) that
10 includes the following:

11 (1) A list of criteria in the Unified Facilities
12 Criteria the Secretary—

13 (A) determines contributes to the extent to
14 which military construction projects incur great-
15 er costs than substantially similar commercial
16 construction projects; and

17 (B) recommends for revision, replacement,
18 or rescision pursuant to such review.

19 (2) For each such criteria, an explanation of the
20 reasons for the recommendation of the Secretary.

21 (3) An explanation of the anticipated cost sav-
22 ings and performance implications the Secretary esti-
23 mates would result from each recommended revision,
24 replacement, or rescision.

6 (6) *An explanation of how the Secretary will en-*
7 *sure that critical defense-specific standards will be*
8 *preserved during any revisions, replacements, or*
9 *recisions implemented pursuant to the review.*

14 *SEC. 2831. ANNUAL REPORT ON COST PREMIUM FOR CON-*
15 *STRUCTION OF CERTAIN FACILITIES.*

(b) *SELECTION OF FACILITIES.*—The Secretary shall select not more than five facilities to include in the report required under subsection (a), which may include the following:

1 (1) *A unit of covered military unaccompanied*
2 *housing (as defined in section 2856 of title 10, United*
3 *States Code).*

4 (2) *A military child development center (as de-*
5 *finied in section 1800 of such title).*

6 (3) *An administrative facility located on a mili-*
7 *tary installation.*

8 (4) *Military family housing.*

9 (5) *Military aircraft hangars and runways.*

10 (6) *Physical fitness centers located on military*
11 *installations.*

12 (c) *CONTENTS.—Each report required under sub-*
13 *section (a) shall include the following:*

14 (1) *The cost premium, expressed as a percentage,*
15 *for the facilities selected under subsection (b).*

16 (2) *A detailed assessment of the factors contrib-*
17 *uting to cost premium, including—*

18 (A) *compliance with the Unified Facilities*
19 *Criteria/DoD Building Code (UFC 1–200–01)*
20 *and any other design requirements specific to*
21 *military construction projects;*

22 (B) *compliance with UFC 4–010–01 titled*
23 *“DoD Minimum Antiterrorism Standards for*
24 *Buildings”;*

1 (C) prevailing wage and labor require-
2 ments;

3 (D) Federal procurement requirements con-
4 tained in the Federal Acquisition Regulation
5 and the Department of Defense Supplement to
6 the Federal Acquisition Regulation;

7 (E) security requirements relating to access
8 to military installations; and

9 (F) requirements relating to sustainability
10 and energy efficiency.

11 (d) *RECOMMENDATIONS.*—Each report required under
12 subsection (a) shall include recommendations for the fol-
13 lowing:

14 (1) Proposed statutory, regulatory, or policy re-
15 forms to reduce the cost premium for military con-
16 struction without compromising mission needs.

17 (2) Best practices from the private sector and
18 State or local government construction projects that
19 could improve cost efficiency for military construction
20 projects.

21 (3) Alternative construction methodologies and
22 procurement strategies that could mitigate the cost
23 premium for military construction.

1 (e) *COST PREMIUM FOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION DE-*
 2 *FINED.*—*In this section, the term “cost premium”, with re-*
 3 *spect to a facility, means the difference between—*

4 (1) *the cost to construct a new facility carried*
 5 *out by the Secretary of Defense; and*

6 (2) *the estimated cost to construct a similar fa-*
 7 *cility carried out by a private entity, as adjusted for*
 8 *size, geographic location, and function of such facil-*
 9 *ity.*

10 **SEC. 2832. HISTORICAL MARKER COMMEMORATING EF-**
 11 **FECTS OF RADIATION EXPOSURE AT**
 12 **HOLLOMAN AIR FORCE BASE AND WHITE**
 13 **SANDS MISSILE RANGE.**

14 (a) *HISTORICAL MARKERS REQUIRED.*—

15 (1) *HOLLOMAN AIR FORCE BASE.*—*The Secretary*
 16 *of the Air Force shall place a historical marker as de-*
 17 *scribed in subsection (b) in a publicly accessible loca-*
 18 *tion at the Holloman Air Force Base.*

19 (2) *WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE.*—*The Sec-*
 20 *retary of the Army shall place a historical marker as*
 21 *described in subsection (b) in a publicly accessible lo-*
 22 *cation at the White Sands Missile Range.*

23 (b) *REQUIRED INFORMATION.*—*A historical marker*
 24 *described in subsection (a) shall commemorate the effects of*
 25 *radiation exposure on communities in New Mexico as a re-*

1 *sult of the Manhattan Project and the nuclear test conducted*
2 *at the Trinity Site. Such historical marker shall include,*
3 *at a minimum, the following:*

4 (1) *An unclassified description of the history of*
5 *the Manhattan Project and its purpose, including a*
6 *description of the nuclear test conducted at the Trin-*
7 *ity Site.*

8 (2) *A description of how the classified nature of*
9 *the Manhattan Project and the nuclear test conducted*
10 *at the Trinity Site led to the unknowing exposure of*
11 *individuals in communities located downwind from*
12 *such testing to radiological byproducts and associated*
13 *consequences of such byproducts.*

14 (c) *BRIEFING REQUIRED.*—*Not later than one year*
15 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary*
16 *of the Air Force and Secretary of the Army shall jointly*
17 *provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the House*
18 *of Representatives and Senate a briefing on the implemen-*
19 *tation of the requirements of this section.*

20 (d) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

21 (1) *The term “Manhattan Project” means the*
22 *Federal military program to develop an atomic bomb*
23 *ending on December 31, 1946.*

24 (2) *The term “Trinity Site” means the location*
25 *in the Jornada del Muerto desert near Alamogordo,*

1 *New Mexico, where a nuclear weapon was detonated*
2 *on July 16, 1945.*

3 **SEC. 2833. NAME OF DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY MILITARY**
4 **INSTALLATION, AUGUSTA, GEORGIA.**

5 *The military installation under the jurisdiction of the*
6 *Department of the Army located in Augusta, Georgia, shall*
7 *after the date of the enactment of this Act be known and*
8 *designated as “Fort Shugart Gordon”. Any reference to such*
9 *military installation in any law, regulation, map, docu-*
10 *ment, record, or other paper of the United States shall be*
11 *considered a reference to Fort Shugart Gordon.*

12 **SEC. 2834. NAME OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY MILI-**
13 **TARY INSTALLATION LOCATED IN MUSCOGEE**
14 **COUNTY AND CHATTAHOOCHEE COUNTY,**
15 **GEORGIA.**

16 *The military installation under the jurisdiction of the*
17 *Department of the Army located in Muscogee County and*
18 *Chattahoochee County, Georgia, shall on and after the date*
19 *of the enactment of this Act be known and designated as*
20 *“Fort Moore”, in commemoration of Lieutenant General*
21 *Harold G. Moore, Jr., United States Army, and Mrs. Julia*
22 *Compton Moore. Any reference to such military installation*
23 *in any law, regulation, map, document, record, or other*
24 *paper of the United States shall be considered a reference*
25 *to Fort Moore.*

1 ***Subtitle D—Land Conveyances***

2 ***SEC. 2841. EXTENSION OF SUNSET FOR LAND CONVEYANCE,***

3 ***SHARPE ARMY DEPOT, LATHROP, CALI-***

4 ***FORNIA.***

5 *Section 2833(g) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry*

6 *National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021*

7 *(Public Law 116–283) is amended by striking “five years”*

8 *and inserting “10 years”.*

9 ***SEC. 2842. LAND CONVEYANCE, FORMER CURTIS BAY***

10 ***DEPOT, MARYLAND.***

11 *(a) CONVEYANCE AUTHORIZED.—*

12 *(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of General*

13 *Services, in consultation with the Director of the De-*

14 *fense Logistics Agency may convey to the Maryland*

15 *Economic Development Corporation (in this section,*

16 *referred to as “MEDCO”), all right, title, and interest*

17 *of the United States in and to a parcel of real prop-*

18 *erty, including improvements thereon, consisting of*

19 *approximately 435.00 acres at 710 Ordnance Road,*

20 *the former Curtis Bay Depot for the purpose of eco-*

21 *nomie development.*

22 *(2) CONSULTATION WITH COAST GUARD.—In*

23 *carrying out the conveyance under this subsection, the*

24 *Administrator shall consult with the Secretary of*

25 *Homeland Security with respect to matters con-*

1 cerning the equities of the Coast Guard in areas in
2 proximity to such parcel of real property.

3 (b) *CONSIDERATION REQUIRED.*—As consideration for
4 the conveyance under subsection (a), MEDCO shall provide
5 an amount that is equivalent to the fair market value to
6 the Federal Buildings Fund for the right, title, and interest
7 conveyed under such subsection, based on an appraisal ap-
8 proved by the Administrator. The consideration under this
9 subsection may be provided by cash payment, in-kind regu-
10 latory closure, or a combination thereof, at such time as
11 the Administrator may require.

12 (c) *PAYMENT OF COSTS OF CONVEYANCE.*—

13 (1) *PAYMENT REQUIRED.*—The Administrator
14 may require MEDCO to cover all costs (except costs
15 for environmental remediation of the property) to be
16 incurred by the Administrator, or to reimburse the
17 Administrator for costs incurred by the Adminis-
18 trator, to carry out the conveyance under this section,
19 including survey costs, costs for environmental docu-
20 mentation, and any other administrative costs related
21 to the conveyance. If amounts are collected from
22 MEDCO in advance of the Administrator incurring
23 the actual costs, and the amount collected exceeds the
24 costs actually incurred by the Administrator to carry

1 *out the conveyance, the Administrator shall refund the*
2 *excess amount to MEDCO.*

3 (2) *TREATMENT OF AMOUNTS RECEIVED.—*
4 *Amounts received under paragraph (1) as reimburse-*
5 *ment for costs incurred by the Administrator to carry*
6 *out the conveyance under subsection (a) shall remain*
7 *available until expended.*

8 (d) *DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.—The exact acreage*
9 *and legal description of the property to be conveyed under*
10 *subsection (a) shall be determined by a survey satisfactory*
11 *to the Administrator.*

12 (e) *ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The con-*
13 *veyance under this section shall be subject to the following:*

14 (1) *The Administrator may require such addi-*
15 *tional terms and conditions in connection with the*
16 *conveyance under subsection (a) as the Administrator*
17 *considers appropriate to protect the interests of the*
18 *United States.*

19 (2) *MEDCO shall execute a purchase and sale*
20 *agreement within one year of enactment of this legis-*
21 *lation.*

22 (3) *The conveyance will be on an “as-is, where-*
23 *is” basis via quitclaim deed subject to an access ease-*
24 *ment to the U. S. Army Reserve Facility along the*
25 *shoreline of Curtis Bay.*

1 (4) *The conveyance will be in compliance with*
 2 *the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Com-*
 3 *ensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) of 1980 (42*
 4 *U.S.C. 9620(h)).*

5 (5) *To the maximum extent possible, the Federal*
 6 *Government shall incorporate land use controls to sat-*
 7 *isfy CERCLA requirements for the purpose of expe-*
 8 *ditating disposition and subsequent redevelopment.*

9 ***Subtitle E—Modifications to Un-***
 10 ***specified Minor Military Con-***
 11 ***struction***

12 ***SEC. 2851. DEADLINE FOR CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION***
 13 ***OF DECISIONS TO CARRY OUT CERTAIN UN-***
 14 ***SPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION***
 15 ***PROJECTS.***

16 *Section 2805(b)(2) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 17 *amended—*

18 (1) *by striking “shall notify” and inserting*
 19 *“shall submit, in an electronic medium pursuant to*
 20 *section 480 of this title, to”;*

21 (2) *by inserting “a notification” after “appro-*
 22 *priate committees of Congress”;* and

23 (3) *by striking “, of the justification” and all*
 24 *that follows through “of this title.” and inserting “by*
 25 *not later than 90 days after the date on which the*

1 *Secretary concerned obligates funds for the project.*
 2 *Such notification shall include, with respect to the*
 3 *project, a description, a justification, and an esti-*
 4 *mation of the total cost to the United States.”.*

5 **SEC. 2852. MODIFICATION TO UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILI-**
 6 **TARY CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY FOR LAB-**
 7 **ORATORY REVITALIZATION PROJECTS.**

8 *Section 2805 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-*
 9 *ed—*

10 *(1) in paragraph (2) of subsection (b), by strik-*
 11 *ing “\$4,000,000” and inserting “\$6,000,000”;*

12 *(2) in subsection (d)—*

13 *(A) by striking “\$9,000,000” each place it*
 14 *appears and inserting “\$20,000,000”;*

15 *(B) in paragraph (3), by inserting “and*
 16 *that costs more than the amount specified in sub-*
 17 *section (b)(2)” after “to which this subsection*
 18 *applies”;*

19 *(C) by redesignating paragraph (4) as*
 20 *paragraph (6); and*

21 *(D) by inserting after paragraph (3) the fol-*
 22 *lowing new paragraphs:*

23 *“(4)(A) The Secretary concerned shall review, on an*
 24 *annual basis, the thresholds for funding specified in this*

1 *section to determine whether such thresholds should be in-*
2 *creased.*

3 “(B) *In making a determination under subparagraph*
4 *(A), the Secretary of concerned shall consider the UFC 3-*
5 *701-01 DoD Facilities Pricing Guide.*

6 “(5) *If the Secretary concerned makes a decision to*
7 *increase a threshold for funding specified in this section,*
8 *the Secretary concerned shall notify the appropriate com-*
9 *mittees of Congress of such decision and the facts concerning*
10 *the increase to such threshold. Such increase may take effect*
11 *only after the end of the 14-day period beginning on the*
12 *date the notification is received by such appropriate com-*
13 *mittees of Congress in an electronic medium pursuant to*
14 *section 480 of this title.”; and*

15 (3) *by striking subsection (f) and inserting the*
16 *following:*

17 “(f) *ADJUSTMENT OF DOLLAR LIMITATIONS FOR LO-*
18 *CATION.—During the period beginning on the date of the*
19 *enactment of the Military Construction Act for Fiscal Year*
20 *2026 and ending on September 30, 2028, the Secretary con-*
21 *cerned shall adjust the dollar limitations specified in this*
22 *section applicable to an unspecified minor military con-*
23 *struction project to reflect the area construction cost index*
24 *for military construction projects published by the Depart-*
25 *ment of Defense during the prior fiscal year for the location*

1 *of the project, except that no limitation specified in this*
 2 *section may exceed \$30,000,000 as the result of any adjust-*
 3 *ment made under this subsection.”.*

4 **SEC. 2853. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY FOR INDO-PA-**
 5 **CIFIC POSTURE UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILI-**
 6 **TARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.**

7 *Section 2810(a) of the National Defense Authorization*
 8 *Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (10 U.S.C. 2805 note) is amended*
 9 *by striking “\$30,000,000” and inserting “\$50,000,000”.*

10 **SEC. 2854. AMENDMENTS TO DEFENSE LABORATORY MOD-**
 11 **ERNIZATION PROGRAM.**

12 *Section 2805(g)(5) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 13 *amended by striking “\$150,000,000” and inserting*
 14 *“\$300,000,000”.*

15 **SEC. 2855. TRANSFER OF DEFENSE LABORATORY MOD-**
 16 **ERNIZATION PROGRAM AUTHORITY TO PRO-**
 17 **VISION OF LAW WITH RESPECT TO MILITARY**
 18 **CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS FOR RESEARCH,**
 19 **TEST, DEVELOPMENT, AND EVALUATION.**

20 *Subsection (g) of section 2805 of title 10, United States*
 21 *Code (as amended by section 2854), is—*

- 22 *(1) transferred to the end of section 2810 of such*
 23 *title; and*
 24 *(2) redesignated as subsection (f) of such section.*

1 **SEC. 2856. AUTHORITY OF A SECRETARY CONCERNED TO**
 2 **CARRY OUT CERTAIN UNSPECIFIED MINOR**
 3 **MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.**

4 *Section 2815(a) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 5 *amended—*

6 *(1) by inserting “, including unspecified minor*
 7 *military construction projects not otherwise author-*
 8 *ized by law,” after “military construction projects”;*
 9 *and*

10 *(2) by striking “in accordance with” and all*
 11 *that follows through the end of the subsection and in-*
 12 *serting the following: “in accordance with—*

13 *“(1) section 2802 of this title (except as provided*
 14 *in subsection (e)); or*

15 *“(2) section 2805 of this title.”.*

16 ***Subtitle F—Limitations and Other***
 17 ***Matters***

18 **SEC. 2861. MODIFICATION TO DEFINITION OF MILITARY IN-**
 19 **STALLATION RESILIENCE.**

20 *Section 101(f)(8) of title 10, United States Code, is*
 21 *amended—*

22 *(1) by striking “or from” before “anticipated or*
 23 *unanticipated changes in environmental conditions”;*
 24 *and*

1 (2) by inserting “, energy or water disruptions,
2 or human-induced hazards with respect to the envi-
3 ronment” before “, that do”.

4 **SEC. 2862. REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO FUNDS FOR CON-**
5 **STRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF COM-**
6 **MISSARY STORE FACILITIES.**

7 Section 2685 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
8 ed by adding at the end the following:

9 “(f) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—Nothing in this sec-
10 tion shall be construed to prohibit the Secretary of Defense
11 from using proceeds from commissary store sales or appro-
12 priated funds to acquire, lease, construct, convert, expand,
13 improve, repair, maintain, or equip the physical infra-
14 structure of commissary stores and central product proc-
15 essing facilities of the defense commissary system.

16 “(g) *ANNUAL REPORT ON UNFUNDED COMMISSARY*
17 *PRIORITIES.*—(1) Annually and not later than ten days
18 after the date on which the budget of the President for a
19 fiscal year is submitted to Congress pursuant to section
20 1105 of title 31, United States Code, the Director of the
21 Defense Commissary Agency shall submit to the Secretary
22 of Defense, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and
23 the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the
24 House of Representatives a report on unfunded priorities

1 *of the Department of Defense related to commissary facili-*
2 *ties.*

3 “(2) *Each report under paragraph (1) shall include,*
4 *for each unfunded priority covered by such report, the fol-*
5 *lowing:*

6 “(A) *A summary description of such priority,*
7 *including the objectives to be achieved if such priority*
8 *were to be funded in whole or in part.*

9 “(B) *The additional amount of funds rec-*
10 *ommended in connection with the objectives identified*
11 *under subparagraph (A).*

12 “(C) *Account information with respect to such*
13 *priority.*

14 “(3) *The Director of the Defense Commissary Agency*
15 *shall ensure that the unfunded priorities covered by a report*
16 *under paragraph (1) are listed in the order of urgency, as*
17 *determined by the Director.*

18 “(4) *In this subsection, the term ‘unfunded priority’,*
19 *with respect to a fiscal year, means an activity related to*
20 *commissary facilities that—*

21 “(A) *is not funded in the budget of the President*
22 *for that fiscal year;*

23 “(B) *is necessary to address commissary facili-*
24 *ties safety, capacity, usability, and reliability needs;*
25 *and*

1 “(C) would have been recommended for funding
2 through such budget if additional resources had been
3 available.”.

4 **SEC. 2863. EXPANSION OF EXCEPTIONS TO RESTRICTION**
5 **ON DEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC INFRASTRUC-**
6 **TURE IN CONNECTION WITH REALIGNMENT**
7 **OF MARINE CORPS FORCES IN ASIA PACIFIC**
8 **REGION.**

9 Section 2844(b)(2) of the National Defense Authoriza-
10 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2017 is amended by inserting “,
11 including operations and maintenance for the curation of
12 archeological and cultural artifacts.” after “artifacts”.

13 **SEC. 2864. COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO**
14 **MANAGEMENT OF LAND AND CULTURAL RE-**
15 **SOURCES LOCATED ON MILITARY INSTALLA-**
16 **TIONS.**

17 (a) *LAND MANAGEMENT AGREEMENTS.*—Section 103A
18 of the Sikes Act (Public Law 86–797; 16 U.S.C. 670c–1)
19 is amended—

20 (1) in subsection (a)—

21 (A) in the heading, by striking “OF SEC-
22 RETARY OF MILITARY DEPARTMENT” and insert-
23 ing “TO ENTER INTO COOPERATIVE AGREE-
24 MENTS”; and

1 (B) by striking “of a military department”
 2 and inserting “of a military department, or the
 3 Secretary of Homeland Security with respect to
 4 the Coast Guard when the Coast Guard is not
 5 operating as a service in the Navy,”;

6 (2) in subsection (b)—

7 (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “, or the
 8 Department of Homeland Security with respect
 9 to the Coast Guard when the Coast Guard is not
 10 operating as a service in the Navy,” after “De-
 11 partment of Defense”; and

12 (B) in paragraph (3)—

13 (i) by inserting “or the Secretary of
 14 Homeland Security” after “Secretary of De-
 15 fense”; and

16 (ii) by striking “congressional defense
 17 committees” and inserting “appropriate
 18 congressional committees”; and

19 (3) by adding at the end the following:

20 “(d) *APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-*
 21 *FINED.*—*In this section, the term ‘appropriate congres-*
 22 *sional committees’ means—*

23 “(1) the Committees on Armed Services of the
 24 House of Representatives and the Senate;

1 “(2) the Committee on Transportation and In-
2 frastructure of the House of Representatives;

3 “(3) the Committee on Natural Resources of the
4 House of Representatives; and

5 “(4) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and
6 Transportation of the Senate.”.

7 (b) *AGREEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO CULTURAL RE-*
8 *SOURCES.*—Section 2684(a) of title 10, United States Code,
9 is amended by striking “Secretary of a military depart-
10 ment” and inserting “Secretary concerned”.

11 (c) *AGREEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO ENCROACH-*
12 *MENT.*—Section 2684a of title 10, United States Code, is
13 amended—

14 (1) in subsection (a)—

15 (A) by striking “Secretary of a military de-
16 partment” and inserting “Secretary concerned”;
17 and

18 (B) by striking the comma after “National
19 Guard installation”;

20 (2) in subsection (b)(2), by striking “concerned”;

21 (3) in subsection (c), by striking “Secretary of a
22 military department” and inserting “Secretary con-
23 cerned”;

24 (4) in subsection (e)(4)—

25 (A) in subparagraph (D)(i)—

1 (i) by inserting “and, with respect to
2 matters concerning the Coast Guard, to the
3 Committee on Transportation and Infra-
4 structure of the House of Representatives
5 and the Committee on Commerce, Science,
6 and Transportation of the Senate” after
7 “House of Representatives”; and

8 (ii) in subclause (I), by inserting “con-
9 cerned” after “Secretary”; and

10 (B) in subparagraph (E)(i), by inserting “,
11 the Department of Homeland Security,” after
12 “Department of Defense”;

13 (5) in subsection (h)—

14 (A) in paragraph (1)—

15 (i) by striking “of the military depart-
16 ments” and inserting “concerned”; and

17 (ii) by inserting “and, with respect to
18 the Coast Guard, to the Committee on
19 Transportation and Infrastructure of the
20 House of Representatives and the Committee
21 on Commerce, Science, and Transportation
22 of the Senate” after “House of Representa-
23 tives”; and

24 (B) in paragraph (2)(F), by inserting “or
25 the Secretary of Homeland Security with respect

1 to matters concerning the Coast Guard when the
 2 Coast Guard is not operating as a service in the
 3 Navy” after “Secretary of Defense”;

4 (6) in subsection (j), by inserting “Coast
 5 Guard,” after “Space Force,” each place it appears;
 6 and

7 (7) in subsection (k)—

8 (A) by striking paragraph (1); and

9 (B) by redesignating paragraphs (2) and
 10 (3) as paragraphs (1) and (2), respectively.

11 **SEC. 2865. LIMITATION ON THE USE OF FUNDS FOR IMPL-**
 12 **MENTING CERTAIN ENERGY EFFICIENCY**
 13 **BUILDING CODES.**

14 None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this
 15 Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2026 for the
 16 Department of Defense may be obligated or expended to im-
 17 plement section 305(a)(3)(D) of the Energy Conservation
 18 and Production Act (42 U.S.C. 6834(a)(3)(D)), or any rules
 19 or regulations issued under such section, on property owned
 20 or leased by the Secretary of Defense or property used for
 21 purposes of national defense, unless the Secretary of Defense
 22 determines that such implementation would enhance mili-
 23 tary readiness, operational effectiveness, mitigate contested
 24 logistics risk, or increase mission assurance.

1 **SEC. 2866. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR CON-**
2 **TRAVENTION OR REVERSAL OF IMPLEMENTA-**
3 **TION OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMIS-**
4 **SION ON THE NAMING OF CERTAIN ITEMS OF**
5 **THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

6 *None of the funds authorized to be appropriated or oth-*
7 *erwise made available by this Act may be used to con-*
8 *travene or reverse the implementation of the recommenda-*
9 *tions of the commission on the naming of items of the De-*
10 *partment of Defense that commemorate the Confederate*
11 *States of America or any person who served voluntarily*
12 *with the Confederate States of America established pursuant*
13 *to section 370 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National*
14 *Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (10 U.S.C.*
15 *113 note).*

16 **SEC. 2867. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS TO REDUCE CA-**
17 **PABILITIES OR STAFFING OF DEPARTMENT**
18 **OF DEFENSE MILITARY TREATMENT FACILI-**
19 **TIES LOCATED INSIDE THE UNITED STATES.**

20 *(a) IN GENERAL.—None of the funds authorized to be*
21 *appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for*
22 *fiscal year 2026 for the Department of Defense may be used*
23 *to reduce the mission capabilities or staffing at a military*
24 *treatment facility under the jurisdiction of the Department*
25 *of Defense located inside the United States until the date*
26 *on which the Secretary submits to the Committees on Armed*

1 *Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate and*
2 *the Comptroller General of the United States a cost-benefit*
3 *analysis that includes, with respect to the military treat-*
4 *ment facility—*

5 (1) *an identification of the average daily patient*
6 *load;*

7 (2) *an estimate of the savings to the United*
8 *States that would arise from a reduction in mission*
9 *capabilities or staffing;*

10 (3) *an estimate of the cost to the United States*
11 *to—*

12 (A) *transfer the functions of the military*
13 *treatment facility—*

14 (i) *to a medical facility under the ju-*
15 *risdiction of the Department of Veterans Af-*
16 *fairs; or*

17 (ii) *private health care facilities to fur-*
18 *nish health care to eligible beneficiaries*
19 *using TRICARE; and*

20 (B) *maintain infrastructure used by the*
21 *military treatment facility as of the date of the*
22 *enactment of this Act that the Secretary intends*
23 *to—*

24 (i) *close;*

1 (ii) convert to an outpatient health
2 care facility; or

3 (iii) use for a non-medical purpose;

4 (4) an estimate of the increase to transportation
5 costs with respect to medical care for individuals who
6 receive at the medical treatment facility that would
7 arise from a reduction in mission capabilities or
8 staffing;

9 (5) a list of non-Department of Defense medical
10 facilities located within 20 miles of the medical treat-
11 ment facilities that provide medical care that is sub-
12 stantially similar to the medical care provided by the
13 medical treatment facility;

14 (6) a plan for the disposition of medical equip-
15 ment and other Department-owned assets pursuant to
16 a reduction in mission capabilities or staffing; and

17 (7) an assessment of the effects of such a reduc-
18 tion on military readiness.

19 (b) *COMPTROLLER GENERAL REPORT.*—Not later than
20 30 days after any date on which the Secretary submits a
21 cost-benefit analysis under subsection (a), the Comptroller
22 General shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services
23 of the House of Representatives and the Senate an inde-
24 pendent assessment of the cost-benefit analysis.

1 **SEC. 2868. NOTICE RELATING TO CONTRACTS OR OTHER**
2 **AGREEMENTS TO ESTABLISH AN ENDURING**
3 **LOCATION IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY.**

4 (a) *NOTIFICATION REQUIRED.*—Not later than 30 days
5 after the date on which the Secretary of Defense, a Secretary
6 of a military department, or a combatant commander en-
7 ters into a contract or other agreement to establish an en-
8 during location (as described in section 2687a of title 10,
9 United States Code) in a foreign country for purposes of
10 supporting members of the Armed Forces in such foreign
11 country, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to appro-
12 priate congressional defense committees a notification of
13 such action.

14 (b) *CONTENTS.*—The notification described in sub-
15 section (a) shall include, with respect to the foreign country
16 to which such contract or other agreement relates, a deter-
17 mination of whether a unit of a foreign security force of
18 such foreign country has committed a gross violation of
19 human rights (as described in section 362 of title 10, United
20 States Code).

21 **SEC. 2869. DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR**
22 **COORDINATION OF DEFENSE SITES WITHIN**
23 **AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY OF JOINT REGION**
24 **MARIANAS.**

25 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 90 days after the
26 date of the enactment of this Act, the Commander of Joint

1 *Region Marianas shall designate an official to be respon-*
2 *sible for, in coordination with appropriate officials of the*
3 *military departments (as defined in section 101 of title 10,*
4 *United States Code) and the United States Indo-Pacific*
5 *Command—*

6 (1) *coordinating Department of Defense-wide ef-*
7 *forts with respect to the management of defense sites*
8 *within the Joint Region Marianas area of responsi-*
9 *bility;*

10 (2) *ensuring the continuity of such efforts at*
11 *such defense sites, including necessary infrastructure*
12 *investments; and*

13 (3) *ensuring clear and consistent communication*
14 *to such Federal, State, and local officials with respect*
15 *to the needs and priorities of the Department of De-*
16 *fense for such defense sites.*

17 (b) *SELECTION.—In making the designation under*
18 *subsection (a), the Commander of Joint Region Marianas*
19 *may appoint an individual with a significant background*
20 *and expertise in—*

21 (1) *relevant legal and technical aspects related to*
22 *land use or real estate issues; and*

23 (2) *working with officials at all levels of govern-*
24 *ment.*

1 (c) *NOTIFICATION.*—Not later than 30 days after the
 2 date on which the Commander of Joint Region Marianas
 3 designates an individual pursuant to subsection (a), the
 4 Commander shall submit to the Committees on Armed Serv-
 5 ices of the House of Representatives and the Senate and
 6 appropriate officials of the defense sites within the Joint
 7 Region Marianas area of responsibility a notification that
 8 includes the name and contact information of such indi-
 9 vidual.

10 (d) *DEFENSE SITE DEFINED.*—In this section, the
 11 term “defense site” has the meaning given such term in sec-
 12 tion 2710 of title 10, United States Code.

13 ***DIVISION C—DEPARTMENT OF***
 14 ***ENERGY NATIONAL SECURITY***
 15 ***AUTHORIZATIONS AND***
 16 ***OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS***
 17 ***TITLE XXXI—DEPARTMENT OF***
 18 ***ENERGY NATIONAL SECURITY***
 19 ***PROGRAMS***
 20 ***Subtitle A—National Security***
 21 ***Programs and Authorizations***

22 ***SEC. 3101. NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRA-***
 23 ***TION.***

24 *Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the*
 25 *Department of Energy for fiscal year 2026 for the activities*

1 *of the National Nuclear Security Administration in car-*
 2 *rying out programs as specified in the funding table in sec-*
 3 *tion 4701.*

4 **SEC. 3102. DEFENSE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP.**

5 *Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the*
 6 *Department of Energy for fiscal year 2026 for defense envi-*
 7 *ronmental cleanup activities in carrying out programs as*
 8 *specified in the funding table in section 4701.*

9 **SEC. 3103. OTHER DEFENSE ACTIVITIES.**

10 *Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the*
 11 *Department of Energy for fiscal year 2026 for other defense*
 12 *activities in carrying out programs as specified in the fund-*
 13 *ing table in section 4701.*

14 **SEC. 3104. NUCLEAR ENERGY.**

15 *Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the*
 16 *Department of Energy for fiscal year 2026 for nuclear en-*
 17 *ergy as specified in the funding table in section 4701.*

18 ***Subtitle B—Program***
 19 ***Authorizations***

20 **SEC. 3111. PLUTONIUM PIT PRODUCTION CAPACITY.**

21 *Section 4219 of the Atomic Energy Defense Act (50*
 22 *U.S.C. 2538a) is amended—*

23 *(1) by redesignating subsections (f), (g), and (h)*
 24 *as subsections (g), (i), and (h), respectively;*

4 (3) in subsection (i), as so redesignated, by strik-
5 ing “this subsection” and inserting “this section”;
6 and

(4) by inserting after subsection (e) the following
new subsection (f):

9 “(f) *CAPACITY.*—In carrying out subsection (a), the
10 *Secretary of Energy* shall—

11 “(1) ensure that Los Alamos National Labora-
12 tory, Los Alamos, New Mexico, has the ability to reli-
13 ably produce not less than 30 war reserve plutonium
14 pits annually; and

“(2) ensure that the Savannah River Plutonium Processing Facility at the Savannah River Site, Aiken, South Carolina, has the ability to reliably produce not less than 50 war reserve plutonium pits annually.”.

20 **SEC. 3112. STOCKPILE RESPONSIVENESS AND RAPID CAPA-**
21 **BILITIES PROGRAMS OF THE NATIONAL NU-**
22 **CLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRATION.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle A of title XLII of the
24 Atomic Energy Defense Act (50 U.S.C. 2521 et seq.) is
25 amended—

1 (1) *in section 4220(c)—*

2 (A) *in paragraph (3)—*

3 (i) *by striking “Periodically” and in-*
4 *serting “Continually”; and*

5 (ii) *by inserting “integrated system*
6 *demonstrations,” after “flight testing,”; and*

7 (B) *in paragraph (4)—*

8 (i) *by striking “Shorten” and inserting*
9 *“Develop technologies for transition to a nu-*
10 *clear stockpile life extension program or*
11 *new nuclear weapon program project that*
12 *have the potential to reduce”; and*

13 (ii) *by striking “and timelines to min-*
14 *imize” and all that follows through the end*
15 *of the paragraph and inserting “cost and*
16 *schedule”; and*

17 (2) *by adding at the end of the following new*
18 *section:*

19 **“SEC. 4225. RAPID CAPABILITIES PROGRAM.**

20 **“(a) IN GENERAL.—***The Secretary of Energy, acting*
21 *through the Administrator and in coordination with the*
22 *Secretary of Defense, shall carry out a program (to be*
23 *known as the ‘rapid capabilities program’) to develop new*
24 *nuclear weapons or modified nuclear weapons that meet*
25 *military requirements.*

1 “(b) *OBJECTIVES.*—*The program under subsection (a)*
2 *shall have the following objectives:*

3 “(1) *Identify and assess potential design con-*
4 *cepts for rapid development feasibility.*

5 “(2) *Carry out projects with the goal of achiev-*
6 *ing first production unit within 5 years of project*
7 *initiation.*

8 “(3) *Utilize non-traditional approaches, system-*
9 *specific requirements, and tailored risk-acceptance*
10 *processes to favorably balance cost, schedule, and ca-*
11 *pability.*

12 “(4) *Maximize reuse of existing components,*
13 *non-serial manufacturing, and limited production*
14 *quantities.*

15 “(5) *Minimize distribution to other major nu-*
16 *clear weapons stockpile modernization programs.*

17 “(6) *Develop institutional expertise within the*
18 *nuclear security enterprise for rapid execution of all*
19 *phases for the joint nuclear weapons life cycle process.*

20 “(c) *PROGRAM BUDGET.*—*In accordance with the re-*
21 *quirements under section 4209, for each budget submitted*
22 *by the President to Congress under section 1105 of title 31,*
23 *United States Code, the amounts requested for the program*
24 *under this section shall be clearly identified in the budget*

1 *justification materials submitted to Congress in support of*
 2 *that budget.*

3 “(d) *JOINT NUCLEAR WEAPONS LIFE CYCLE PROCESS*
 4 *DEFINED.*—*In this section, the term ‘joint nuclear weapons*
 5 *life cycle process’ means the process developed and main-*
 6 *tained by the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of En-*
 7 *ergy for the development, production, maintenance, and re-*
 8 *tirement of nuclear weapons.”.*

9 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—*The table of contents for*
 10 *such Act is amended by inserting after the item relating*
 11 *to section 4224 the following new item:*

“Sec. 4225. Rapid capabilities program.”.

12 ***Subtitle C—Reports and Other***
 13 ***Matters***

14 ***SEC. 3121. MODIFICATION TO REPORTING REQUIREMENTS***
 15 ***WITH RESPECT TO NUCLEAR WEAPONS***
 16 ***STOCKPILE STEWARDSHIP, MANAGEMENT,***
 17 ***AND RESPONSIVENESS PLAN.***

18 *Section 4203 of the Atomic Energy Defense Act (50*
 19 *U.S.C. 2523) is amended—*

20 (1) *in subsection (b)—*

21 (A) *by striking paragraph (1);*

22 (B) *by redesignating paragraphs (2) and*
 23 *(3) as paragraphs (1) and (2), respectively, and*
 24 *adjusting the margins accordingly; and*

25 (C) *in paragraph (1), as so redesignated—*

1 (i) by striking “subsection (d)” and in-
2 serting “subsection (c)”;

3 (ii) by striking “March 15 of each odd-
4 numbered year” and inserting “45 days
5 after each date on which a budget for an
6 odd-numbered fiscal year is submitted to
7 Congress”; and

8 (iii) in paragraph (2), as so redesign-
9 ated, by striking “summaries and reports”
10 and inserting “report”;

11 (2) by striking subsection (c);

12 (3) by redesignating subsections (d) through (f)
13 as subsections (c) through (e), respectively; and

14 (4) in subsections (c) and (d), as so redesignated,
15 by striking “subsection (b)(2)” each place it appears
16 and inserting “subsection (b)(1)”.

17 **SEC. 3122. ASSESSMENT OF THE NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECU-**
18 **RITY ADMINISTRATION SPENT FUEL HAN-**
19 **DLING RECAPITALIZATION PROJECT.**

20 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—The Deputy Administrator for
21 *Naval Reactors of the National Nuclear Security Adminis-*
22 *tration shall carry out an independent assessment of the*
23 *Spent Fuel Handling Recapitalization Project.*

24 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—The assessment required under sub-
25 *section (a) shall include, with respect to such project—*

1 (1) *a root cause analysis to determine the under-*
 2 *lying causes of the cost overruns, schedule delays and*
 3 *performance shortcomings;*

4 (2) *an analysis of—*

5 (A) *the quality assurance program of such*
 6 *project; and*

7 (B) *the corrective action processes and ap-*
 8 *plication of standards for nuclear quality assur-*
 9 *ance under such quality assurance program; and*

10 (3) *any other matter the Deputy Administrator*
 11 *determines appropriate.*

12 (c) *SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 30*
 13 *days after the date on which the Deputy Administrator*
 14 *completes the assessment required under subsection (a), the*
 15 *Deputy Administrators shall submit to the congressional de-*
 16 *fense committees and the Comptroller General of the United*
 17 *States a report that includes the findings of such assess-*
 18 *ments.*

19 **SEC. 3123. LIMITATION RELATING TO RECLASSIFICATION**
 20 **OF HIGH-LEVEL WASTE.**

21 (a) *LIMITATION.—Except as provided by subsection*
 22 *(b), none of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this*
 23 *Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2026 for the*
 24 *Department of Energy may be obligated or expended by the*
 25 *Secretary of Energy to apply the interpretation of high-*

1 *level radioactive waste described in the notice published by*
2 *the Secretary titled “Supplemental Notice Concerning U.S.*
3 *Department of Energy Interpretation of High-Level Radio-*
4 *active Waste” (84 Fed. Reg. 26835), or successor notice,*
5 *with respect to such waste located in the State of Wash-*
6 *ington.*

7 (b) *WAIVER.—The Secretary may waive the limitation*
8 *under subsection (a) relating to the reclassification of high-*
9 *level radioactive waste if—*

10 (1) *the Secretary submits to the appropriate con-*
11 *gressional committees a notice of the waiver that in-*
12 *cludes—*

13 (A) *a justification for such reclassification;*

14 (B) *documentation from both the Environ-*
15 *mental Protection Agency and the Department of*
16 *Ecology of the State of Washington that indi-*
17 *cates that such Agency and Department, respec-*
18 *tively, concur with such reclassification, as re-*
19 *quired by the Hanford Federal Facility Agree-*
20 *ment and Consent Order, signed on January 10,*
21 *2025; and*

22 (2) *a period of 60 days has elapsed following the*
23 *submission of such notice.*

1 (c) *APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-*
 2 *FINED.*—*In this section, the term “appropriate congres-*
 3 *sional committees” means the following:*

4 (1) *The Committees on Armed Services of the*
 5 *House of Representatives and the Senate.*

6 (2) *The Subcommittees on Energy and Water*
 7 *Development of the Committees on Appropriations of*
 8 *the House of Representatives and the Senate.*

9 **SEC. 3124. NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT WITH RESPECT TO**
 10 **NUCLEAR POWER IN GUAM.**

11 (a) *NOTIFICATION.*—*Except as provided in subsection*
 12 *(b), the Secretary of Defense shall, not later than 180 days*
 13 *before any date on which the Secretary carries out the place-*
 14 *ment of a nuclear reactor in Guam, submit to Congress and*
 15 *the Governor of Guam a notification of such placement.*

16 (b) *EXCEPTION.*—*Subsection (a) shall not apply to a*
 17 *nuclear reactor aboard a naval vessel.*

18 (c) *NUCLEAR REACTOR DEFINED.*—*In this section, the*
 19 *term “nuclear reactor” has the meaning given the term “ad-*
 20 *vanced nuclear reactor” in section 951 of the Energy Policy*
 21 *Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16271).*

1 **TITLE XXXII—DEFENSE NU-**
2 **CLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY**
3 **BOARD**

4 **SEC. 3201. AUTHORIZATION.**

5 *There are authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year*
6 *2026, \$45,000,000 for the operation of the Defense Nuclear*
7 *Facilities Safety Board under chapter 21 of the Atomic En-*
8 *ergy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2286 et seq.).*

9 **TITLE XXXIV—NAVAL**
10 **PETROLEUM RESERVES**

11 **SEC. 3401. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

12 *(a) AMOUNT.—There are authorized to be appro-*
13 *priated to the Secretary of Energy \$13,000,000 for fiscal*
14 *year 2026 for the purpose of carrying out activities under*
15 *chapter 869 of title 10, United States Code, relating to the*
16 *naval petroleum reserves.*

17 *(b) PERIOD OF AVAILABILITY.—Funds appropriated*
18 *pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in sub-*
19 *section (a) shall remain available until expended.*

***TITLE XXXV—MARITIME
ADMINISTRATION
Subtitle A—Maritime
Administration***

***SEC. 3501. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR MAR-
ITIME ADMINISTRATION.***

*(a) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be appro-
priated to the Department of Transportation for fiscal year
2026, for programs associated with maintaining the United
States Merchant Marine, the following amounts:*

*(1) For expenses necessary to support the United
States Merchant Marine Academy, \$201,500,000, of
which—*

*(A) \$101,500,000 shall be for Academy op-
erations;*

*(B) \$50,000,000 shall be for facilities main-
tenance and repair and equipment; and*

*(C) \$50,000,000 shall be for the development
of a design-build plan for the phased rehabilita-
tion, modernization, and construction of facili-
ties and infrastructure at the United States Mer-
chant Marine Academy in accordance with the
Campus Modernization Plan required by section
51329 of title 46, United States Code, as added
by section 3531.*

1 (2) *For expenses necessary to support the State*
2 *maritime academies, \$58,800,000, of which—*

3 (A) *\$4,800,000 shall be for the Student In-*
4 *centive Payment Program;*

5 (B) *\$13,000,000 shall be for direct pay-*
6 *ments for State maritime academies;*

7 (C) *\$12,000,000 shall be for training ship*
8 *fuel assistance;*

9 (D) *\$4,000,000 shall be for offsetting the*
10 *costs of training ship sharing; and*

11 (E) *\$25,000,000 shall be for maintenance*
12 *and repair of State maritime academy training*
13 *vessels.*

14 (3) *For expenses necessary to support the Na-*
15 *tional Security Multi-Mission Vessel program, includ-*
16 *ing funds for construction and necessary expenses to*
17 *construct shoreside infrastructure to support such ves-*
18 *sels, \$75,000,000.*

19 (4) *For expenses necessary to support Maritime*
20 *Administration operations and programs,*
21 *\$105,500,000, of which—*

22 (A) *\$15,000,000 shall be for the maritime*
23 *environmental and technical assistance program*
24 *under section 50307 of title 46, United States*
25 *Code;*

1 (B) \$15,000,000 shall be for the United
2 States marine highway program, including to
3 make grants authorized under section 55601 of
4 title 46, United States Code;

5 (C) \$2,000,000 shall be for the Office of En-
6 vironment and Compliance, including to assist
7 in the environmental review of grant and permit
8 programs administered by the Maritime Admin-
9 istration; and

10 (D) \$73,500,000 shall be for headquarters
11 operations expenses.

12 (5) For expenses necessary for the disposal of ob-
13 solete vessels in the National Defense Reserve Fleet of
14 the Maritime Administration, \$6,000,000.

15 (6) For expenses necessary to maintain and pre-
16 serve a United States flag merchant marine to serve
17 the national security needs of the United States under
18 chapter 531 of title 46, United States Code,
19 \$390,000,000.

20 (7) For expenses necessary to maintain and pre-
21 serve a United States flag merchant marine to serve
22 the national security needs of the United States under
23 chapter 534 of title 46, United States Code,
24 \$122,400,000.

1 (8) *For expenses necessary for the loan guarantee*
2 *program authorized under chapter 537 of title 46,*
3 *United States Code, \$33,700,000, of which—*

4 (A) *\$30,000,000 may be used for the cost*
5 *(as such term is defined in section 502(5) of the*
6 *Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990 (2 U.S.C.*
7 *661a(5)) of loan guarantees under the program;*
8 *and*

9 (B) *\$3,700,000 may be used for administra-*
10 *tive expenses relating to loan guarantee commit-*
11 *ments under the program.*

12 (9) *For expenses necessary to provide assistance*
13 *to small shipyards and for maritime training pro-*
14 *grams authorized under section 54101 of title 46,*
15 *United States Code, \$105,000,000.*

16 (10) *For expenses necessary to implement the*
17 *port infrastructure development program, as author-*
18 *ized under section 54301 of title 46, United States*
19 *Code, subject to the limitation under subsection (b),*
20 *\$550,000,000, to remain available until expended.*

21 (b) *LIMITATION.—*

22 (1) *IN GENERAL.—No funds may be obligated or*
23 *expended for the port infrastructure development pro-*
24 *gram pursuant to subsection (a)(9) to make a grant*
25 *to be used for the purchase of fully automated cargo*

1 *handling equipment that is remotely operated or re-*
 2 *motely monitored with or without the exercise of*
 3 *human intervention or control, if the Secretary of*
 4 *Transportation determines such equipment would re-*
 5 *sult in a net loss of jobs within a port or port ter-*
 6 *minal.*

7 (2) *REPORT.—If the Secretary makes a deter-*
 8 *mination pursuant to paragraph (1), not later than*
 9 *three days after the date on which such determination*
 10 *is made, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee*
 11 *on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the*
 12 *Senate and the Committee on Transportation and In-*
 13 *frastructure of the House of Representatives a report*
 14 *that includes the data and analysis used by the Sec-*
 15 *retary in making such determination.*

16 ***Subtitle B—Maritime***
 17 ***Infrastructure***

18 ***SEC. 3511. CLARIFICATION REGARDING USE OF PORT IN-***
 19 ***FRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM***
 20 ***FUNDS TO REPLACE CHINESE PORT CRANE***
 21 ***HARDWARE OR SOFTWARE.***

22 *Section 54301(a)(3)(A)(ii)(III) of title 46, United*
 23 *States Code, is amended—*

24 (1) *by striking “including projects to improve*
 25 *port resilience;” and inserting “including—”; and*

1 (2) *by adding at the end the following new items:*

2 “(aa) projects to improve
3 port resilience; and

4 “(bb) projects to upgrade or
5 replace port cranes or parts of
6 port cranes (including hardware
7 and software) that—

8 “(AA) were installed or
9 provided by the People’s Re-
10 public of China or any de-
11 partment, ministry, center,
12 agency, or instrumentality of
13 the Government of the Peo-
14 ple’s Republic of China; or

15 “(BB) are maintained,
16 controlled, or sponsored by
17 the People’s Republic of
18 China or any department,
19 ministry, center, agency, or
20 instrumentality of the Gov-
21 ernment of the People’s Re-
22 public of China;”.

1 **SEC. 3512. CLARIFICATION OF CERTAIN AUTHORITIES RE-**
2 **LATING TO DEEPWATER PORTS.**

3 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 5(a) of the Deepwater Port
4 Act of 1974 (33 U.S.C. 1504(a)) is amended by striking
5 the first sentence and inserting “Notwithstanding section
6 888(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C.
7 468(b)), the Secretary shall have the authority to issue regu-
8 lations to carry out the purposes and provisions of this Act,
9 in accordance with the provisions of section 553 of title 5,
10 United States Code, without regard to subsection (a) there-
11 of.”.

12 (b) *NEPA COMPLIANCE.*—Section 5 of the Deepwater
13 Port Act of 1974 (33 U.S.C. 1504) is amended by striking
14 subsection (f) and inserting the following:

15 “(f) *NEPA COMPLIANCE.*—

16 “(1) *DEFINITION OF LEAD AGENCY.*—In this sub-
17 section, the term ‘lead agency’ has the meaning given
18 the term in section 111 of the National Environ-
19 mental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4336e).

20 “(2) *LEAD AGENCY.*—

21 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—For all applications,
22 the Department of Transportation shall be the
23 Federal lead agency for purposes of the National
24 Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C.
25 4321 et seq.).

1 “(B) *EFFECT OF COMPLIANCE.*—*Compli-*
2 *ance with the National Environmental Policy*
3 *Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) in accord-*
4 *ance with subparagraph (A) shall fulfill the re-*
5 *quirement of the Federal lead agency in carrying*
6 *out the responsibilities under the National Envi-*
7 *ronmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et*
8 *seq.) pursuant to this Act.”.*

9 (c) *REGULATIONS.*—

10 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 18 months*
11 *after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Com-*
12 *mandant of the Coast Guard shall transfer the au-*
13 *thorities provided to the Coast Guard in part 148 of*
14 *title 33, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on*
15 *the date of the enactment of this Act), except as pro-*
16 *vided in paragraph (2), to the Secretary of Transpor-*
17 *tation.*

18 (2) *RETENTION OF AUTHORITY.*—*The Com-*
19 *mandant shall retain responsibility for authorities*
20 *pertaining to design, construction, equipment, and*
21 *operation of deepwater ports and navigational safety.*

22 (3) *UPDATES TO AUTHORITY.*—*As soon as prac-*
23 *ticable after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-*
24 *retary of Transportation shall issue such regulations*

1 as are necessary to reflect the updates to authorities
2 prescribed by this subsection.

3 (d) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—Nothing in this sec-
4 tion, or the amendments made by this section, may be con-
5 strued to limit the authorities of other governmental agen-
6 cies previously delegated authorities of the Deepwater Port
7 Act of 1974 (33 U.S.C. 1501 et seq.) or any other law.

8 (e) *APPLICATIONS.*—Nothing in this section, or the
9 amendments made by this section, shall apply to any appli-
10 cation submitted before the date of the enactment of this
11 Act.

12 **SEC. 3513. ELIGIBILITY OF SHORE POWER PROJECTS**
13 **UNDER PORT INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOP-**
14 **MENT PROGRAM.**

15 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—In making port infrastructure de-
16 velopment grants under section 54301 of title 46, United
17 States Code, for fiscal year 2026, the Secretary of Transpor-
18 tation shall treat a project described in subsection (b) as—

19 (1) having met the requirements of paragraph
20 (1) and (6)(A)(i) of section 54301(a) of such title; and
21 (2) being an eligible project under section
22 54301(a)(3) of such title.

23 (b) *PROJECT DESCRIBED.*—A project described in this
24 subsection is a project to provide shore power at a port that
25 services both of the following:

1 (1) *Passenger vessels described in section 3507(k)*
2 *of title 46, United States Code.*

3 (2) *Vessels that move goods or freight.*

4 ***Subtitle C—Reports***

5 ***SEC. 3521. REPORT ON USE OF COMMERCIAL CONTRACTING***
6 ***AGENT FOR CREWING AND OPERATION OF***
7 ***MILITARY SEALIFT COMMAND VESSELS.***

8 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than April 1, 2026, the
9 *Secretary of the Navy, in consultation with the Adminis-*
10 *trator of the Maritime Administration, shall submit to the*
11 *Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of*
12 *Representatives a report on the use of a commercial con-*
13 *tracting agent for the crewing and operation of military*
14 *sealift command vessels.*

15 (b) *ELEMENTS.*—The report required under subsection
16 (a) shall contain each of the following:

17 (1) *An assessment of whether the crewing and*
18 *operation of military sealift command vessels through*
19 *the use of a commercial contracting agent would miti-*
20 *gate the shortage of civilian mariners and increase*
21 *availability of military sealift command vessels.*

22 (2) *Any examples of operations within the Mili-*
23 *tary Sealift Command being carried out through a*
24 *contract, as of the date of the enactment of this Act.*

1 (3) *An identification of potential cost savings as-*
 2 *sociated with the crewing and operation of military*
 3 *sealift command vessels through the use of a commer-*
 4 *cial contracting agent.*

5 (4) *An identification of specific military sealift*
 6 *command vessels or missions that may be suitable for*
 7 *crewing or operation through the use of a commercial*
 8 *contracting agent.*

9 ***Subtitle D—Other Matters***

10 ***SEC. 3531. UNITED STATES MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY***
 11 ***CAMPUS MODERNIZATION PLAN.***

12 (a) *CAMPUS MODERNIZATION PLAN.*—Chapter 513 of
 13 *title 46, United States Code, is amended by adding at the*
 14 *end the following new section:*

15 ***“§ 51329. Campus modernization plan***

16 ***“(a) IN GENERAL.***—*The Secretary shall carry out a*
 17 *comprehensive Campus modernization plan for the United*
 18 *States Merchant Marine Academy. Such plan shall provide*
 19 *for each of the following:*

20 ***“(1) The construction of new facilities or the sig-***
 21 *nificant renovation of existing facilities to provide—*

22 ***“(A) standards of training, certification,***
 23 *and watchkeeping applications laboratories;*

24 ***“(B) a safety of life at sea training pool;***

25 ***“(C) engineering power plant laboratories;***

1 “(D) athletic facilities that meet the needs
2 of both male and female midshipmen;

3 “(E) enhanced waterfront facilities, includ-
4 ing a new pier;

5 “(F) a visitor welcome center and main
6 campus security office building;

7 “(G) housing facilities for senior staff and
8 faculty; and

9 “(H) sufficient parking facilities for faculty,
10 staff, and campus visitors.

11 “(2) Upgrades to all classrooms and laboratories
12 with modern information technology infrastructure.

13 “(2) A campus-wide upgrade and retrofit of—

14 “(A) the electric distribution power grid;

15 “(B) the sanitary sewer system piping;

16 “(C) the storm drainage system; and

17 “(D) the drinking water system, including
18 development of a separate and redundant fire
19 suppression system.

20 “(3) Renovations of campus facilities to ensure
21 that all campus facilities—

22 “(A) are structurally sound;

23 “(B) have reliable heating and air condi-
24 tioning systems;

1 “(C) have functioning plumbing and elec-
2 trical systems;

3 “(D) are protected from the elements, in-
4 cluding through roof replacements and window
5 repairs or replacements, as needed;

6 “(E) are accessible in accordance with the
7 Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42
8 U.S.C. 12101 *et seq.*); and

9 “(F) have working fire alarm and fire sup-
10 pression systems.

11 “(b) *USE OF FEDERAL CONSTRUCTION AGENT.*—Con-
12 sistent with the requirements of section 3515(d)(3) of the
13 James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for
14 Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263), the Administrator
15 shall seek to enter into an agreement with a Federal con-
16 struction agent to carry out the campus modernization
17 plan.”.

18 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.*—The table of sections for
19 chapter 513 of title 46, United States Code, is amended by
20 adding at the end the following new item:

“51329. Campus modernization plan.”.

21 (c) *DEADLINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION.*—The Secretary
22 of Transportation shall develop and begin to implement the
23 campus modernization plan required under section 51329
24 of title 46, United States Code, by not later than 180 days
25 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

1 **SEC. 3532. CARGOES PROCURED, FURNISHED, OR FI-**
2 **NANCED BY UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.**

3 *Section 55305 of title 46, United States Code, is*
4 *amended—*

5 *(1) in subsection (a) by striking “When the*
6 *United States Government” and inserting “Except as*
7 *provided in subsection (c), when the United States*
8 *Government”;*

9 *(2) by redesignating subsections (c) through (f)*
10 *as subsections (d) through (g), respectively; and*

11 *(3) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-*
12 *lowing:*

13 *“(c) EXCEPTION.—When the Department of Transpor-*
14 *tation procures, contracts for, or otherwise obtains for its*
15 *own account, or provides financing in any way with Fed-*
16 *eral funds or advances funds or credits, for the furnishing*
17 *or obtaining of the equipment, materials, or commodities,*
18 *the Secretary of Transportation or recipient of such financ-*
19 *ing shall take steps necessary and practicable to ensure that*
20 *100 percent of the gross tonnage of the equipment, mate-*
21 *rials, or commodities (computed separately for dry bulk*
22 *carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) which may be trans-*
23 *ported on ocean vessels is transported on privately-owned*
24 *commercial vessels of the United States, as provided under*
25 *subsection (b), to the extent such vessels are available at*
26 *fair and reasonable rates for commercial vessels of the*

1 *United States, in a manner that will ensure a fair and*
 2 *reasonable participation of commercial vessels of the United*
 3 *States in those cargoes by geographic areas.”.*

4 **SEC. 3533. TREATMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA**
 5 **MARITIME ACADEMY AS A STATE MARITIME**
 6 **ACADEMY.**

7 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Notwithstanding the requirements
 8 of section 51506 of title 46, United States Code, and except
 9 as provided in subsection (b), during the two-year period
 10 beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
 11 retary of Transportation shall treat the University of Lou-
 12 isiana State Maritime Academy in the same manner as a
 13 State maritime academy under chapter 515 of title 46,
 14 United States Code.

15 (b) *EXCEPTION.*—Subsection (a) shall not apply after
 16 the date on which the University of Louisiana is fully recog-
 17 nized as a State maritime academy under chapter 515 of
 18 title 46, United States Code.

19 **SEC. 3534. DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF MISSILE IN-**
 20 **STRUMENTATION RANGE SAFETY VESSELS.**

21 (a) *VESSEL CONSTRUCTION.*—

22 (1) *COMPLETION OF DESIGN.*—Subject to the
 23 availability of appropriations, the Secretary of
 24 Transportation, in consultation with the Director of
 25 the Missile Defense Agency, shall complete the design

1 *of missile instrumentation range safety vessels for the*
2 *National Defense Reserve Fleet to allow for the con-*
3 *struction of such vessels to begin in fiscal year 2027.*

4 (2) *AGREEMENT WITH VESSEL CONSTRUCTION*
5 *MANAGER.*—*Notwithstanding section 8679 of title 10,*
6 *United States Code, and subject to the availability of*
7 *appropriations, the Secretary of the Transportation,*
8 *in consultation with the Director of the Missile De-*
9 *fense Agency, shall seek to enter into an agreement*
10 *with an appropriate vessel construction manager*
11 *under which the vessel construction manager shall*
12 *enter into a contract for the construction of not more*
13 *than two such vessels in accordance with this section.*

14 (3) *DESIGN STANDARDS AND CONSTRUCTION*
15 *PRACTICES.*—*Subject to paragraph (2), a vessel con-*
16 *structed pursuant to this section shall be constructed*
17 *using commercial design standards and commercial*
18 *construction practices that are consistent with the best*
19 *interests of the Federal Government.*

20 (b) *CONSULTATION WITH OTHER FEDERAL ENTI-*
21 *TIES.*—*The Secretary of Transportation shall consult and*
22 *coordinate with the Director of the Missile Defense Agency*
23 *and may consult with the heads of other appropriate Fed-*
24 *eral agencies regarding the vessel referred to in subsection*
25 *(a) and activities associated with such vessel.*

1 (c) *PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR USED VES-*
 2 *SELS.*—None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by
 3 this Act or otherwise made available to carry out this sec-
 4 tion may be used for the procurement of any used vessel.

5 (d) *MISSILE DEFENSE AGENCY TRANSFER AUTHOR-*
 6 *ITY.*—The Director of the Missile Defense Agency may
 7 transfer amounts authorized to be appropriated for the Mis-
 8 sile Defense Agency for research, development, test, and
 9 evaluation to the Secretary of Transportation, to be used
 10 for the purposes authorized by this section. Any amount
 11 transferred pursuant to this subsection shall retain its
 12 original period of availability.

13 ***DIVISION D—FUNDING TABLES***

14 ***SEC. 4001. AUTHORIZATION OF AMOUNTS IN FUNDING TA-*** 15 ***BLES.***

16 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Whenever a funding table in this
 17 division specifies a dollar amount authorized for a project,
 18 program, or activity, the obligation and expenditure of the
 19 specified dollar amount for the project, program, or activity
 20 is hereby authorized, subject to the availability of appro-
 21 priations.

22 (b) *MERIT-BASED DECISIONS.*—A decision to commit,
 23 obligate, or expend funds with or to a specific entity on
 24 the basis of a dollar amount authorized pursuant to sub-
 25 section (a) shall—

1 (1) *be based on merit-based selection procedures*
2 *in accordance with the requirements of sections*
3 *2304(k) and 2374 of title 10, United States Code, or*
4 *on competitive procedures; and*

5 (2) *comply with other applicable provisions of*
6 *law.*

7 (c) *RELATIONSHIP TO TRANSFER AND PROGRAMMING*
8 *AUTHORITY.—An amount specified in the funding tables in*
9 *this division may be transferred or reprogrammed under*
10 *a transfer or reprogramming authority provided by another*
11 *provision of this Act or by other law. The transfer or re-*
12 *programming of an amount specified in such funding tables*
13 *shall not count against a ceiling on such transfers or*
14 *reprogrammings under section 1001 of this Act or any other*
15 *provision of law, unless such transfer or reprogramming*
16 *would move funds between appropriation accounts.*

17 (d) *APPLICABILITY TO CLASSIFIED ANNEX.—This sec-*
18 *tion applies to any classified annex that accompanies this*
19 *Act.*

20 (e) *ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS.—No oral*
21 *or written communication concerning any amount specified*
22 *in the funding tables in this division shall supersede the*
23 *requirements of this section.*

1 TITLE XLI—PROCUREMENT

2 SEC. 4101. PROCUREMENT.

SEC. 4101. PROCUREMENT (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Line	Item	FY 2026 Request	House Authorized
AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, ARMY			
FIXED WING			
006	HADES PLATFORM, PAYLOADS/PED, AND INTEGRATION	26,850	26,850
ROTARY			
009	AH-64 APACHE BLOCK IIIA REMAN	1,669	91,669
	3 additional aircraft		[90,000]
013	UH-60 BLACKHAWK M MODEL (MYP)	732,060	732,060
017	CH-47 HELICOPTER	618,798	618,798
018	CH-47 HELICOPTER AP	61,421	61,421
MODIFICATION OF AIRCRAFT			
027	AH-64 MODS	125,236	125,236
028	SCALABLE CONTROL INTERFACE (SCI)	1,257	1,257
029	CH-47 CARGO HELICOPTER MODS (MYP)	17,709	17,709
034	UTILITY HELICOPTER MODS	33,659	33,659
036	NETWORK AND MISSION PLAN	40,472	40,472
037	COMMS, NAV SURVEILLANCE	11,566	11,566
039	AVIATION ASSURED PNT	49,475	49,475
040	GATM ROLLUP	4,651	4,651
GROUND SUPPORT AVIONICS			
045	AIRCRAFT SURVIVABILITY EQUIPMENT	129,167	129,167
047	CMWS	38,419	38,419
048	COMMON INFRARED COUNTERMEASURES (CIRCM)	225,647	215,647
	Program decrease		[-10,000]
OTHER SUPPORT			
050	COMMON GROUND EQUIPMENT	29,489	29,489
052	AIRCREW INTEGRATED SYSTEMS	14,986	14,986
053	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL	24,213	24,213
054	LAUNCHER, 2.75 ROCKET	1,611	1,611
AGILE PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT			
057	SMALL UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS	726,034	744,034
	FPV/PBAS Systems		[18,000]
058	FUTURE UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS (UAS) FAMILY	118,459	118,459
059	GRAY EAGLE MODIFICATIONS	12,351	12,351
	TOTAL AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, ARMY	3,045,199	3,143,199
MISSILE PROCUREMENT, ARMY			
SURFACE-TO-AIR MISSILE SYSTEM			
002	LOWER TIER AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE (AMD) SEN	637,473	637,473
004	M-SHORAD—PROCUREMENT	679,114	679,114
006	MSE MISSILE	945,905	945,905
009	PRECISION STRIKE MISSILE (PRSM)	160,846	160,846
011	INDIRECT FIRE PROTECTION CAPABILITY INC 2-I	830,579	820,579
	Program decrease		[-10,000]
012	MID-RANGE CAPABILITY (MRC)	82,407	82,407
AIR-TO-SURFACE MISSILE SYSTEM			
015	JOINT AIR-TO-GROUND MSLS (JAGM)	84,667	84,667
017	LONG-RANGE HYPERSONIC WEAPON	353,415	353,415
ANTI-TANK/ASSAULT MISSILE SYS			
018	JAVELIN (AAWS-M) SYSTEM SUMMARY	329,205	329,205
019	TOW 2 SYSTEM SUMMARY	11,731	11,731
020	GUIDED MLRS ROCKET (GMLRS)	1,125,071	1,125,071
021	GUIDED MLRS ROCKET (GMLRS) AP	43,156	43,156
022	MLRS REDUCED RANGE PRACTICE ROCKETS (RRPR)	32,339	32,339
023	HIGH MOBILITY ARTILLERY ROCKET SYSTEM (HIMARS)	61,503	61,503
MODIFICATIONS			
029	PATRIOT MODS	757,800	757,800
032	STINGER MODS	428,935	428,935
035	MLRS MODS	243,470	243,470
036	HIMARS MODIFICATIONS	54,005	54,005
SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS			
038	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS	6,651	6,651
SUPPORT EQUIPMENT & FACILITIES			
040	AIR DEFENSE TARGETS	12,801	12,801
AGILE PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT			
044	LAUNCHED EFFECTS FAMILY	67,816	67,816
	TOTAL MISSILE PROCUREMENT, ARMY	6,948,889	6,938,889
PROCUREMENT OF WEAPONS AND TRACKED COMBAT VEHICLES, ARMY			
TRACKED COMBAT VEHICLES			
002	ARMORED MULTI PURPOSE VEHICLE (AMPV)	554,678	554,678
004	ASSAULT BREACHER VEHICLE (ABV)	4,079	4,079

SEC. 4101. PROCUREMENT (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Line	Item	FY 2026 Request	House Authorized
005	M10 BOOKER	64,919	64,919
	MODIFICATION OF TRACKED COMBAT VEHICLES		
008	STRYKER UPGRADE	135,816	135,816
009	BRADLEY FIRE SUPPORT TEAM (BFIST) VEHICLE	4,684	4,684
010	BRADLEY PROGRAM (MOD)	157,183	157,183
011	M109 FOV MODIFICATIONS	82,537	82,537
012	PALADIN INTEGRATED MANAGEMENT (PIM)	250,238	250,238
013	IMPROVED RECOVERY VEHICLE (M88 HERCULES)	155,540	155,540
017	JOINT ASSAULT BRIDGE	132,637	132,637
019	ABRAMS UPGRADE PROGRAM	740,528	752,528
	Cart recapitalization		[12,000]
021	VEHICLE PROTECTION SYSTEMS (VPS)	107,833	107,833
	WEAPONS & OTHER COMBAT VEHICLES		
024	PERSONAL DEFENSE WEAPON (ROLL)	1,002	1,002
025	M240 MEDIUM MACHINE GUN (7.62MM)	5	5
027	MACHINE GUN, CAL .50 M2 ROLL	4	4
028	MORTAR SYSTEMS	5,807	5,807
029	LOCATION & AZIMUTH DETERMINATION SYSTEM (LADS)	9,477	9,477
031	PRECISION SNIPER RIFLE	1,853	1,853
034	NEXT GENERATION SQUAD WEAPON	365,155	365,155
036	HANDGUN	7	7
	MOD OF WEAPONS AND OTHER COMBAT VEH		
038	M777 MODS	2,429	2,429
042	SNIPER RIFLES MODIFICATIONS	19	19
043	M119 MODIFICATIONS	4,642	4,642
	SUPPORT EQUIPMENT & FACILITIES		
046	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5.0M (WOCV-WTCV)	469	469
047	PRODUCTION BASE SUPPORT (WOCV-WTCV)	104,993	104,993
	TOTAL PROCUREMENT OF WEAPONS AND TRACKED COMBAT VEHICLES, ARMY	2,886,534	2,898,534
	PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, ARMY		
	SMALL/MEDIUM CAL AMMUNITION		
001	CTG, 5.56MM, ALL TYPES	128,283	128,283
002	CTG, 7.62MM, ALL TYPES	62,157	62,157
003	NEXT GENERATION SQUAD WEAPON AMMUNITION	426,177	426,177
004	CTG, HANDGUN, ALL TYPES	7,750	7,750
005	CTG, .50 CAL, ALL TYPES	78,199	98,199
	Program increase		[20,000]
006	CTG, 20MM, ALL TYPES	25,773	25,773
007	CTG, 25MM, ALL TYPES	22,324	22,324
008	CTG, 30MM, ALL TYPES	100,392	100,392
009	CTG, 40MM, ALL TYPES	131,432	131,432
011	CTG, 50MM, ALL TYPES	42,131	42,131
	MORTAR AMMUNITION		
012	60MM MORTAR, ALL TYPES	38,114	38,114
013	81MM MORTAR, ALL TYPES	41,786	41,786
014	120MM MORTAR, ALL TYPES	123,144	123,144
	TANK AMMUNITION		
015	CARTRIDGES, TANK, 105MM AND 120MM, ALL TYPES	440,152	440,152
	ARTILLERY AMMUNITION		
016	ARTILLERY CARTRIDGES, 75MM & 105MM, ALL TYPES	80,780	80,780
017	ARTILLERY PROJECTILE, 155MM, ALL TYPES	218,877	218,877
019	PRECISION ARTILLERY MUNITIONS	28,995	28,995
020	ARTILLERY PROPELLANTS, FUZES AND PRIMERS, ALL	168,737	168,737
	MINES		
021	MINES & CLEARING CHARGES, ALL TYPES	42,748	42,748
022	CLOSE TERRAIN SHAPING OBSTACLE	7,860	7,860
	ROCKETS		
024	SHOULDER LAUNCHED MUNITIONS, ALL TYPES	46,089	46,089
025	ROCKET, HYDRA 70, ALL TYPES	34,836	34,836
	OTHER AMMUNITION		
026	CAD/PAD, ALL TYPES	12,543	12,543
027	DEMOLITION MUNITIONS, ALL TYPES	21,409	21,409
028	GRENADES, ALL TYPES	56,530	53,530
	Program decrease		[-3,000]
029	SIGNALS, ALL TYPES	36,846	36,846
030	SIMULATORS, ALL TYPES	10,821	10,821
	MISCELLANEOUS		
032	AMMO COMPONENTS, ALL TYPES	4,084	4,084
034	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION (AMMO)	16,799	16,799
035	AMMUNITION PECULIAR EQUIPMENT	16,219	16,219
036	FIRST DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION (AMMO)	18,600	18,600
037	CLOSEOUT LIABILITIES	102	102
	PRODUCTION BASE SUPPORT		
040	INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES	1,084,611	1,084,611
041	CONVENTIONAL MUNITIONS DEMILITARIZATION	155,050	155,050
042	ARMS INITIATIVE	3,885	3,885

SEC. 4101. PROCUREMENT (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Line	Item	FY 2026 Request	House Authorized
	TOTAL PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, ARMY	3,734,235	3,751,235
	OTHER PROCUREMENT, ARMY		
	TACTICAL VEHICLES		
002	FAMILY OF SEMITRAILERS	132,793	132,793
006	GROUND MOBILITY VEHICLES (GMV)	308,620	308,620
009	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE FAMILY OF VEHICLE	45,840	45,840
010	TRUCK, DUMP, 20T (CCE)	17,000	32,000
	Program increase		[15,000]
011	FAMILY OF MEDIUM TACTICAL VEH (FMTV)	85,490	85,490
012	FAMILY OF COLD WEATHER ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE (C	38,001	38,001
013	FIRETRUCKS & ASSOCIATED FIREFIGHTING EQUIP	39,761	39,761
014	FAMILY OF HEAVY TACTICAL VEHICLES (FHTV)	202,009	202,009
019	TACTICAL WHEELED VEHICLE PROTECTION KITS	2,660	2,660
020	MODIFICATION OF IN SVC EQUIP	98,728	98,728
	NON-TACTICAL VEHICLES		
023	NONTACTICAL VEHICLES, OTHER	8,462	8,462
	COMM—JOINT COMMUNICATIONS		
029	TACTICAL NETWORK COMMUNICATION	866,347	766,347
	Program decrease		[−100,000]
031	JCSE EQUIPMENT (USRDECOM)	5,389	5,389
	COMM—SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS		
032	SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS	114,770	114,770
036	DEFENSE ENTERPRISE WIDEBAND SATCOM SYSTEMS	65,591	65,591
039	ASSURED POSITIONING, NAVIGATION AND TIMING	212,469	192,469
	Program decrease		[−20,000]
	COMM—COMBAT COMMUNICATIONS		
046	HANDHELD MANPACK SMALL FORM FIT (HMS)	478,435	468,435
	Program decrease		[−10,000]
048	ARMY LINK 16 SYSTEMS	133,836	133,836
051	UNIFIED COMMAND SUITE	20,010	20,010
052	COTS COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT	207,402	204,402
	Airborne SATCOM systems		[7,000]
	Program decrease		[−10,000]
054	ARMY COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONICS	110,678	110,678
	COMM—INTELLIGENCE COMM		
056	CI AUTOMATION ARCHITECTURE-INTEL	15,290	15,290
058	MULTI-DOMAIN INTELLIGENCE	108,655	88,655
	Program decrease		[−20,000]
	INFORMATION SECURITY		
060	INFORMATION SYSTEM SECURITY PROGRAM-ISSP	826	826
061	COMMUNICATIONS SECURITY (COMSEC)	125,970	125,970
066	BIOMETRIC ENABLING CAPABILITY (BEC)	65	65
	COMM—BASE COMMUNICATIONS		
070	INFORMATION SYSTEMS	209,378	209,378
072	BASE EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION	50,177	50,177
074	INSTALLATION INFO INFRASTRUCTURE MOD PROGRAM	439,373	439,373
	ELECT EQUIP—TACT INT REL ACT (TIARA)		
078	TITAN	236,314	236,314
081	COLLECTION CAPABILITY	2,935	2,935
083	DCGS-A-INTEL	1,087	1,087
085	TROJAN	37,968	37,968
086	MOD OF IN-SVC EQUIP (INTEL SPT)	20,598	20,598
	ELECT EQUIP—ELECTRONIC WARFARE (EW)		
091	AIR VIGILANCE (AV)	9,731	9,731
093	FAMILY OF PERSISTENT SURVEILLANCE CAP.	15,382	15,382
094	COUNTERINTELLIGENCE/SECURITY COUNTERMEASURES	8,283	8,283
	ELECT EQUIP—TACTICAL SURV. (TAC SURV)		
096	SENTINEL MODS	462,010	452,010
	Program decrease		[−10,000]
097	NIGHT VISION DEVICES	211,056	211,056
098	SMALL TACTICAL OPTICAL RIFLE MOUNTED MLRF	2,111	2,111
099	BASE EXPEDITARY TARGETING AND SURV SYS	1,801	1,801
100	INDIRECT FIRE PROTECTION FAMILY OF SYSTEMS	27,881	27,881
101	FAMILY OF WEAPON SIGHTS (FWS)	103,607	103,607
102	ENHANCED PORTABLE INDUCTIVE ARTILLERY FUZE SE	10,456	10,456
104	FORWARD LOOKING INFRARED (IFLIR)	60,765	60,765
106	JOINT BATTLE COMMAND—PLATFORM (JBC-P)	165,395	155,395
	Program decrease		[−10,000]
107	JOINT EFFECTS TARGETING SYSTEM (JETS)	48,715	48,715
109	COMPUTER BALLISTICS: LHMBC XM32	6,325	6,325
110	MORTAR FIRE CONTROL SYSTEM	3,657	3,657
111	MORTAR FIRE CONTROL SYSTEMS MODIFICATIONS	3,262	3,262
112	COUNTERFIRE RADARS	40,526	40,526
	ELECT EQUIP—TACTICAL C2 SYSTEMS		
113	ARMY COMMAND POST INTEGRATED INFRASTRUCTURE (.....	723,187	708,187
	Program decrease		[−15,000]
114	FIRE SUPPORT C2 FAMILY	3,389	3,389

SEC. 4101. PROCUREMENT (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Line	Item	FY 2026 Request	House Authorized
115	AIR & MSL DEFENSE PLANNING & CONTROL SYS	33,103	33,103
116	LAMD BATTLE COMMAND SYSTEM	546,480	546,480
117	ALAMD FAMILY OF SYSTEMS (FOS) COMPONENTS	31,016	31,016
118	LIFE CYCLE SOFTWARE SUPPORT (LCSS)	5,175	5,175
119	NETWORK MANAGEMENT INITIALIZATION AND SERVICE	244,403	244,403
124	MOD OF IN-SVC EQUIPMENT (ENFIRE)	16,595	16,595
	ELECT EQUIP—AUTOMATION		
125	ARMY TRAINING MODERNIZATION	8,262	8,262
126	AUTOMATED DATA PROCESSING EQUIP	93,804	93,804
129	HIGH PERF COMPUTING MOD PGM (HPCMP)	74,708	74,708
130	CONTRACT WRITING SYSTEM	468	468
	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
131A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	1,546	1,546
	CHEMICAL DEFENSIVE EQUIPMENT		
138	BASE DEFENSE SYSTEMS (BDS)	143	143
139	CBRN DEFENSE	69,739	69,739
	BRIDGING EQUIPMENT		
142	TACTICAL BRIDGE, FLOAT-RIBBON	69,863	69,863
	ENGINEER (NON-CONSTRUCTION) EQUIPMENT		
150	ROBOTICS AND APPLIQUE SYSTEMS	509	509
151	RENDER SAFE SETS KITS OUTFITS	14,184	14,184
	COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
153	HEATERS AND ECU'S	14,288	14,288
156	GROUND SOLDIER SYSTEM	178,850	171,850
	Program decrease		[-7,000]
157	MOBILE SOLDIER POWER	15,729	15,729
159	FIELD FEEDING EQUIPMENT	4,500	4,500
160	CARGO AERIAL DEL & PERSONNEL PARACHUTE SYSTEM	61,224	61,224
	PETROLEUM EQUIPMENT		
164	DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS, PETROLEUM & WATER	96,020	96,020
	MEDICAL EQUIPMENT		
165	COMBAT SUPPORT MEDICAL	99,567	99,567
	MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT		
166	MOBILE MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT SYSTEMS	63,311	63,311
	CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT		
169	CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT	92,299	92,299
	RAIL FLOAT CONTAINERIZATION EQUIPMENT		
179	ARMY WATERCRAFT ESP	57,342	57,342
180	MANEUVER SUPPORT VESSEL (MSV)	33,949	33,949
181	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5.0M (FLOAT/RAIL)	18,217	18,217
	GENERATORS		
182	GENERATORS AND ASSOCIATED EQUIP	89,073	89,073
	MATERIAL HANDLING EQUIPMENT		
184	FAMILY OF FORKLIFTS	12,576	12,576
	TRAINING EQUIPMENT		
185	COMBAT TRAINING CENTERS SUPPORT	49,025	49,025
186	TRAINING DEVICES, NONSYSTEM	189,306	189,306
187	SYNTHETIC TRAINING ENVIRONMENT (STE)	166,402	166,402
189	GAMING TECHNOLOGY IN SUPPORT OF ARMY TRAINING	7,320	7,320
	TEST MEASURE AND DIG EQUIPMENT (TMD)		
191	INTEGRATED FAMILY OF TEST EQUIPMENT (IFTE)	38,784	38,784
193	TEST EQUIPMENT MODERNIZATION (TEMOD)	51,119	51,119
	OTHER SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
195	PHYSICAL SECURITY SYSTEMS (OPA3)	136,315	136,315
196	BASE LEVEL COMMON EQUIPMENT	19,452	19,452
197	MODIFICATION OF IN-SVC EQUIPMENT (OPA-3)	31,452	31,452
198	BUILDING, PRE-FAB, RELOCATABLE	10,490	10,490
200	SPECIAL EQUIPMENT FOR TEST AND EVALUATION	93,777	93,777
	OPA2		
205	INITIAL SPARES—C&E	7,254	7,254
	AGILE PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT		
207	COUNTER-SMALL UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEM (C-SUAS)	306,568	306,568
208	ELECTRONIC WARFARE	24,547	24,547
209	ELECTRONIC WARFARE AGILE	54,427	54,427
210	SOLDIER BORNE SENSOR	21,919	21,919
	TOTAL OTHER PROCUREMENT, ARMY	9,605,566	9,425,566
	AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, NAVY		
	COMBAT AIRCRAFT		
002	F/A-18E/F (FIGHTER) HORNET	50,607	50,607
004	JOINT STRIKE FIGHTER CV	1,951,629	1,951,629
005	JOINT STRIKE FIGHTER CV AP	401,596	401,596
006	JSF STOVL	1,787,313	1,787,313
007	JSF STOVL AP	113,744	113,744
008	CH-53K (HEAVY LIFT)	1,707,601	1,707,601
009	CH-53K (HEAVY LIFT) AP	335,352	335,352
010	V-22 (MEDIUM LIFT)	47,196	47,196
012	H-1 UPGRADES (UH-1Y/AH-1Z)	8,305	8,305

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014	P-8A POSEIDON	13,631	13,631
015	E-3D ADV HAWKEYE	1,503,556	1,203,556
	Program decrease		[-300,000]
	OTHER AIRCRAFT		
023	KC-130J	18,017	18,017
027	MQ-4 TRITON	133,139	133,139
031	MQ-25	407,046	407,046
032	MQ-25 AP	52,191	52,191
034	MARINE GROUP 5 UAS	15,162	15,162
036	OTHER SUPPORT AIRCRAFT	19,812	19,812
	MODIFICATION OF AIRCRAFT		
039	F-18 A-D UNIQUE	53,809	53,809
040	F-18E/F AND EA-18G MODERNIZATION AND SUSTAINM	576,229	576,229
041	MARINE GROUP 5 UAS SERIES	143,695	143,695
042	AEA SYSTEMS	25,848	25,848
044	INFRARED SEARCH AND TRACK (IRST)	175,351	175,351
045	ADVERSARY	21,535	21,535
046	F-18 SERIES	756,967	756,967
047	H-53 SERIES	69,227	69,227
048	MH-60 SERIES	115,545	115,545
049	H-1 SERIES	149,405	149,405
051	E-2 SERIES	143,772	143,772
052	TRAINER A/C SERIES	12,151	12,151
054	C-130 SERIES	144,017	144,017
055	FEWSG	5	5
056	CARGO/TRANSPORT A/C SERIES	7,526	7,526
057	E-6 SERIES	163,737	163,737
058	EXECUTIVE HELICOPTERS SERIES	66,645	66,645
060	T-45 SERIES	173,433	173,433
061	POWER PLANT CHANGES	18,707	18,707
062	JPATS SERIES	21,330	21,330
064	COMMON ECM EQUIPMENT	91,553	91,553
065	COMMON AVIONICS CHANGES	161,376	145,276
	Program decrease		[-16,100]
066	COMMON DEFENSIVE WEAPON SYSTEM	8,926	8,926
067	ID SYSTEMS	3,011	3,011
068	P-8 SERIES	320,130	320,130
069	MAGTF EW FOR AVIATION	22,356	22,356
071	V-22 (TILT/ROTOR ACFT) OSPREY	319,145	319,145
072	NEXT GENERATION JAMMER (NGJ)	439,493	429,493
	Program decrease		[-10,000]
073	F-35 STOVL SERIES	364,774	364,774
074	F-35 CV SERIES	180,533	180,533
075	QRC	24,893	24,893
076	MQ-4 SERIES	180,463	180,463
	AIRCRAFT SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS		
084	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS	2,562,627	2,812,627
	F-35B increase		[125,000]
	F-35C increase		[125,000]
	AIRCRAFT SUPPORT EQUIP & FACILITIES		
085	COMMON GROUND EQUIPMENT	584,561	526,161
	Program decrease		[-58,400]
086	AIRCRAFT INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES	112,513	101,313
	Program decrease		[-11,200]
087	WAR CONSUMABLES	45,153	45,153
088	OTHER PRODUCTION CHARGES	70,770	70,770
089	SPECIAL SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	130,993	117,993
	Program decrease		[-13,000]
	TOTAL AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, NAVY	17,028,101	16,869,401
	WEAPONS PROCUREMENT, NAVY		
	MODIFICATION OF MISSILES		
002	TRIDENT II MODS	2,582,029	2,582,029
	STRATEGIC MISSILES		
006	TOMAHAWK	12,593	12,593
	TACTICAL MISSILES		
007	AMRAAM	69,913	69,913
008	SEAWINDER	84,713	84,713
009	JOINT ADVANCE TACTICAL MISSILE (JATM)	301,858	301,858
010	STANDARD MISSILE	187,420	122,420
	Reconciliation adjustment		[-65,000]
012	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB II	86,255	86,255
013	RAM	122,372	122,372
015	JOINT AIR GROUND MISSILE (JAGM)	74,152	74,152
017	AERIAL TARGETS	182,704	164,504
	Program decrease		[-18,200]
019	OTHER MISSILE SUPPORT	3,490	3,490
020	LRASM	243,217	243,217

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021	NAVAL STRIKE MISSILE (NSM)	32,238	32,238
022	NAVAL STRIKE MISSILE (NSM) AP	3,059	3,059
	MODIFICATION OF MISSILES		
025	TOMAHAWK MODS	6,283	6,283
026	ESSM	503,381	503,381
028	AARGM-ER	261,041	261,041
029	AARGM-ER AP	24,284	24,284
031	STANDARD MISSILES MODS	32,127	32,127
	SUPPORT EQUIPMENT & FACILITIES		
032	WEAPONS INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES	127,222	127,222
	ORDNANCE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
036	ORDNANCE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	37,059	37,059
	TORPEDOES AND RELATED EQUIP		
039	SSTD	4,789	4,789
040	MK-48 TORPEDO	7,081	7,081
042	ASW TARGETS	38,386	38,386
	MOD OF TORPEDOES AND RELATED EQUIP		
043	MK-54 TORPEDO MODS	1,692	1,692
044	MK-48 TORPEDO ADCAP MODS	31,479	31,479
	SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
046	TORPEDO SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	161,218	161,218
047	ASW RANGE SUPPORT	4,328	4,328
	DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION		
048	FIRST DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION	5,346	5,346
	GUNS AND GUN MOUNTS		
051	SMALL ARMS AND WEAPONS	9,987	9,987
	MODIFICATION OF GUNS AND GUN MOUNTS		
052	CIWS MODS	8,122	8,122
053	COAST GUARD WEAPONS	44,455	44,455
054	GUN MOUNT MODS	83,969	83,969
055	LCS MODULE WEAPONS	2,200	2,200
056	AIRBORNE MINE NEUTRALIZATION SYSTEMS	14,413	14,413
	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS		
061	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS	202,425	202,425
	TOTAL WEAPONS PROCUREMENT, NAVY	5,597,300	5,514,100
	PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS		
	NAVY AMMUNITION		
001	GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS	30,915	27,815
	Program decrease		[-3,100]
002	JDAM	61,119	61,119
003	AIRBORNE ROCKETS, ALL TYPES	87,797	87,797
004	MACHINE GUN AMMUNITION	17,645	17,645
005	PRACTICE BOMBS	45,049	40,549
	Program decrease		[-4,500]
006	CARTRIDGES & CART ACTUATED DEVICES	74,535	74,535
007	AIR EXPENDABLE COUNTERMEASURES	98,437	98,437
008	JATOS	6,373	6,373
009	5 INCH/54 GUN AMMUNITION	24,864	24,864
010	INTERMEDIATE CALIBER GUN AMMUNITION	40,175	40,175
011	OTHER SHIP GUN AMMUNITION	43,763	43,763
012	SMALL ARMS & LANDING PARTY AMMO	49,493	49,493
013	PYROTECHNIC AND DEMOLITION	9,644	9,644
015	AMMUNITION LESS THAN \$5 MILLION	1,723	1,723
	MARINE CORPS AMMUNITION		
018	MORTARS	141,135	141,135
019	DIRECT SUPPORT MUNITIONS	26,729	26,729
020	INFANTRY WEAPONS AMMUNITION	180,867	180,867
021	COMBAT SUPPORT MUNITIONS	12,936	12,936
022	AMMO MODERNIZATION	18,467	18,467
023	ARTILLERY MUNITIONS	147,473	147,473
024	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION	15,891	15,891
	TOTAL PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, NAVY AND MA- RINE CORPS.	1,135,030	1,127,430
	SHIPBUILDING AND CONVERSION, NAVY		
	FLEET BALLISTIC MISSILE SHIPS		
001	COLUMBIA CLASS SUBMARINE	3,928,828	3,928,828
002	COLUMBIA CLASS SUBMARINE AP	5,065,766	5,065,766
	OTHER WARSHIPS		
005	CARRIER REPLACEMENT PROGRAM	1,046,700	1,046,700
006	CARRIER REPLACEMENT PROGRAM AP	612,038	612,038
007	CVN-81	1,622,935	1,622,935
008	VIRGINIA CLASS SUBMARINE	816,705	1,816,705
	Funding shortfall		[1,000,000]
009	VIRGINIA CLASS SUBMARINE AP	3,126,816	3,126,816
010	CVN REFUELING OVERHAULS	1,779,011	1,779,011
012	DDG 1000	52,358	52,358

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013	DDG-51	10,773	510,773
	One additional ship		[500,000]
	AUXILIARIES, CRAFT AND PRIOR YR PROGRAM COST		
031	TAO FLEET OILER	8,346	8,346
041	OUTFITTING	863,846	613,846
	Program decrease		[-250,000]
043	SERVICE CRAFT	34,602	34,602
044	AUXILIARY PERSONNEL LIGHTER		50,000
	Program increase		[50,000]
048	AUXILIARY VESSELS (USED SEALIFT)	45,000	21,000
	Program decrease		[-24,000]
048A	EXPEDITIONARY MEDICAL SHIP		250,000
	Afloat medical capability		[250,000]
049	COMPLETION OF PY SHIPBUILDING PROGRAMS	1,214,295	964,295
	Program decrease		[-250,000]
34	TAGOS SURTASS SHIPS	612,205	612,205
	TOTAL SHIPBUILDING AND CONVERSION, NAVY	20,840,224	22,116,224
	OTHER PROCUREMENT, NAVY		
	SHIP PROPULSION EQUIPMENT		
001	SURFACE POWER EQUIPMENT	9,978	9,978
	GENERATORS		
002	SURFACE COMBATANT HM&E	62,004	62,004
	NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT		
003	OTHER NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT	96,945	96,945
	OTHER SHIPBOARD EQUIPMENT		
004	SUB PERISCOPE, IMAGING AND SUPT EQUIP PROG	135,863	135,863
005	DDG MOD	686,787	686,787
006	FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT	36,488	36,488
007	COMMAND AND CONTROL SWITCHBOARD	2,417	2,417
008	LHA/LHD MIDLIFE	86,884	56,884
	Program decrease		[-30,000]
009	LCC 19/20 EXTENDED SERVICE LIFE PROGRAM	19,276	19,276
010	POLLUTION CONTROL EQUIPMENT	22,477	22,477
011	SUBMARINE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	383,062	383,062
012	VIRGINIA CLASS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	52,039	52,039
013	LCS CLASS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	2,551	2,551
014	SUBMARINE BATTERIES	28,169	28,169
015	LPD CLASS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	101,042	76,042
	Program decrease		[-25,000]
016	DDG 1000 CLASS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	115,267	115,267
017	STRATEGIC PLATFORM SUPPORT EQUIP	38,039	38,039
019	DSSP EQUIPMENT	5,849	5,849
022	UNDERWATER EOD EQUIPMENT	22,355	22,355
023	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION	11,691	-309
	Program decrease		[-12,000]
024	CHEMICAL WARFARE DETECTORS	2,607	2,607
	REACTOR PLANT EQUIPMENT		
026	SHIP MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND MODERNIZATION	2,392,620	2,392,620
028	REACTOR COMPONENTS	399,603	399,603
	OCEAN ENGINEERING		
029	DIVING AND SALVAGE EQUIPMENT	7,842	7,842
	SMALL BOATS		
031	STANDARD BOATS	51,546	-14,454
	Additional 40-foot patrol boats		[9,000]
	Program decrease		[-50,000]
	Small Boats reconciliation adjustment		[-25,000]
	PRODUCTION FACILITIES EQUIPMENT		
032	OPERATING FORCES IPE	208,998	208,998
	OTHER SHIP SUPPORT		
033	LCS COMMON MISSION MODULES EQUIPMENT	38,880	38,880
034	LCS MCM MISSION MODULES	91,372	91,372
036	LCS SUW MISSION MODULES	3,790	3,790
037	LCS IN-SERVICE MODERNIZATION	203,442	105,442
	Program decrease		[-98,000]
038	SMALL & MEDIUM UUV	54,854	69,854
	Torpedo Tube Launch and Recovery Capable Autonomous Undersea Vehicles		[15,000]
	LOGISTIC SUPPORT		
040	LSD MIDLIFE & MODERNIZATION	4,079	4,079
	SHIP SONARS		
043	AN/SQQ-89 SURF ASW COMBAT SYSTEM	144,425	154,425
	Outpost Uncrewed Surveillance System Increase		[10,000]
044	SSN ACOUSTIC EQUIPMENT	498,597	498,597
	ASW ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT		
046	SUBMARINE ACOUSTIC WARFARE SYSTEM	56,482	56,482
047	SSTD	14,915	14,915
048	FIXED SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM	352,312	352,312
049	SURTASS	31,169	31,169

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	ELECTRONIC WARFARE EQUIPMENT		
050	AN/SLQ-32	461,380	261,380
	Program decrease		[-200,000]
	RECONNAISSANCE EQUIPMENT		
051	SHIPBOARD IW EXPLOIT	379,908	359,908
	Program decrease		[-20,000]
052	MARITIME BATTLESPACE AWARENESS	13,008	13,008
	OTHER SHIP ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT		
053	COOPERATIVE ENGAGEMENT CAPABILITY	26,648	26,648
054	NAVAL TACTICAL COMMAND SUPPORT SYSTEM (NTCSS)	7,972	7,972
055	ATDLS	58,739	58,739
056	NAVY COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM (NCCS)	3,489	3,489
057	MINESWEEPING SYSTEM REPLACEMENT	16,426	16,426
059	NAVSTAR GPS RECEIVERS (SPACE)	45,701	45,701
060	AMERICAN FORCES RADIO AND TV SERVICE	304	304
	AVIATION ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT		
062	ASHORE ATC EQUIPMENT	97,262	87,262
	Program decrease		[-10,000]
063	AFLOAT ATC EQUIPMENT	72,104	72,104
064	ID SYSTEMS	52,171	52,171
065	JOINT PRECISION APPROACH AND LANDING SYSTEM (.....	5,105	5,105
066	NAVAL MISSION PLANNING SYSTEMS	60,058	40,058
	Program decrease		[-20,000]
	OTHER SHORE ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT		
068	TACTICAL/MOBILE C4I SYSTEMS	64,901	64,901
069	INTELLIGENCE SURVEILLANCE AND RECONNAISSANCE (ISR)	12,112	12,112
070	CANES	534,324	534,324
071	RADIAC	31,289	31,289
072	CANES-INTELL	46,281	46,281
073	GPETE	33,395	33,395
074	MASF	13,205	13,205
075	INTEG COMBAT SYSTEM TEST FACILITY	11,493	11,493
076	EMI CONTROL INSTRUMENTATION	3,687	3,687
078	IN-SERVICE RADARS AND SENSORS	249,656	229,656
	Program decrease		[-20,000]
	SHIPBOARD COMMUNICATIONS		
079	BATTLE FORCE TACTICAL NETWORK	106,583	106,583
080	SHIPBOARD TACTICAL COMMUNICATIONS	20,900	20,900
081	SHIP COMMUNICATIONS AUTOMATION	162,075	102,075
	Program decrease		[-60,000]
082	COMMUNICATIONS ITEMS UNDER \$5M	11,138	11,138
	SUBMARINE COMMUNICATIONS		
083	SUBMARINE BROADCAST SUPPORT	113,115	113,115
084	SUBMARINE COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT	84,584	64,584
	Program decrease		[-20,000]
	SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS		
085	SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS	62,943	62,943
086	NAVY MULTIBAND TERMINAL (NMT)	63,433	63,433
087	MOBILE ADVANCED EHF TERMINAL (MAT)	220,453	170,453
	Program decrease		[-50,000]
	SHORE COMMUNICATIONS		
088	JOINT COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT ELEMENT (JCSE)	3,389	3,389
	CRYPTOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT		
089	INFO SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM (ISSP)	191,239	191,239
090	MIO INTEL EXPLOITATION TEAM	1,122	1,122
	CRYPTOLOGIC EQUIPMENT		
091	CRYPTOLOGIC COMMUNICATIONS EQUIP	7,841	7,841
	OTHER ELECTRONIC SUPPORT		
109	COAST GUARD EQUIPMENT	61,512	61,512
	SONOBUOYS		
112	SONOBUOYS—ALL TYPES	249,908	249,908
	AIRCRAFT SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
113	MINOTAUR	5,191	5,191
114	WEAPONS RANGE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	123,435	123,435
115	AIRCRAFT SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	91,284	91,284
116	ADVANCED ARRESTING GEAR (AAG)	4,484	4,484
117	ELECTROMAGNETIC AIRCRAFT LAUNCH SYSTEM (EMALS)	16,294	16,294
118	METEOROLOGICAL EQUIPMENT	13,806	13,806
119	AIRBORNE MCM	9,643	9,643
121	AVIATION SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	111,334	111,334
122	UMCS-UNMAN CARRIER AVIATION(UCA)MISSION CNTRL	189,553	189,553
	SHIP GUN SYSTEM EQUIPMENT		
125	SHIP GUN SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT	7,358	7,358
	SHIP MISSILE SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT		
126	HARPOON SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	209	209
127	SHIP MISSILE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	455,822	380,822
	Program decrease		[-75,000]
128	TOMAHAWK SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	107,709	107,709

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	FBM SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
129	CPS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	67,264	67,264
130	STRATEGIC MISSILE SYSTEMS EQUIP	491,179	391,179
	Program decrease		[-100,000]
	ASW SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
131	SSN COMBAT CONTROL SYSTEMS	102,954	102,954
132	ASW SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	25,721	25,721
	OTHER ORDNANCE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
133	EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL EQUIP	24,822	24,822
134	DIRECTED ENERGY SYSTEMS	2,976	2,976
135	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION	3,635	3,635
	OTHER EXPENDABLE ORDNANCE		
136	ANTI-SHIP MISSILE DECOY SYSTEM	19,129	19,129
137	SUBMARINE TRAINING DEVICE MODS	77,889	77,889
138	SURFACE TRAINING EQUIPMENT	186,085	186,085
	CIVIL ENGINEERING SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
141	PASSENGER CARRYING VEHICLES	3,825	3,825
142	GENERAL PURPOSE TRUCKS	5,489	5,489
143	CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE EQUIP	102,592	92,592
	Program decrease		[-10,000]
144	FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT	27,675	27,675
145	TACTICAL VEHICLES	37,262	37,262
146	AMPHIBIOUS EQUIPMENT	38,073	13,073
	Program decrease		[-25,000]
147	POLLUTION CONTROL EQUIPMENT	4,009	4,009
148	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION	127,086	127,086
149	PHYSICAL SECURITY VEHICLES	1,297	1,297
	SUPPLY SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
151	SUPPLY EQUIPMENT	38,838	38,838
152	FIRST DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION	6,203	6,203
153	SPECIAL PURPOSE SUPPLY SYSTEMS	643,618	643,618
	TRAINING DEVICES		
155	TRAINING SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	3,480	3,480
156	TRAINING AND EDUCATION EQUIPMENT	75,048	75,048
	COMMAND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
157	COMMAND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	34,249	34,249
158	MEDICAL SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	12,256	12,256
160	NAVAL MIP SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	8,810	8,810
161	OPERATING FORCES SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	16,567	16,567
162	CAISR EQUIPMENT	36,945	36,945
163	ENVIRONMENTAL SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	42,860	42,860
164	PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIPMENT	166,577	83,577
	Program decrease		[-83,000]
165	ENTERPRISE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	42,363	42,363
	OTHER		
170	NEXT GENERATION ENTERPRISE SERVICE	185,755	135,755
	Program decrease		[-50,000]
171	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	5,446	5,446
	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
171A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	41,991	41,991
	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS		
176	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS	585,865	475,865
	Reconciliation adjustment		[-110,000]
	TOTAL OTHER PROCUREMENT, NAVY	14,569,524	13,510,524
	PROCUREMENT, MARINE CORPS		
	TRACKED COMBAT VEHICLES		
001	AAV7A1 PIP	21	21
002	AMPHIBIOUS COMBAT VEHICLE FAMILY OF VEHICLES	790,789	790,789
003	LAUV PIP	764	764
	ARTILLERY AND OTHER WEAPONS		
004	155MM LIGHTWEIGHT TOWED HOWITZER	3	3
005	ARTILLERY WEAPONS SYSTEM	221,897	221,897
006	WEAPONS AND COMBAT VEHICLES UNDER \$5 MILLION	13,401	13,401
	GUIDED MISSILES		
011	NAVAL STRIKE MISSILE (NSM)	143,711	143,711
012	NAVAL STRIKE MISSILE (NSM) AP	20,930	20,930
013	GROUND BASED AIR DEFENSE	620,220	620,220
014	ANTI-ARMOR MISSILE-JAVELIN	32,576	32,576
015	FAMILY ANTI-ARMOR WEAPON SYSTEMS (FOAAWS)	107	107
016	ANTI-ARMOR MISSILE-TOW	2,173	2,173
017	GUIDED MLRS ROCKET (GMLRS)	61,490	61,490
	COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEMS		
021	COMMON AVIATION COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM (C)	68,589	68,589
	REPAIR AND TEST EQUIPMENT		
022	REPAIR AND TEST EQUIPMENT	61,264	61,264
	OTHER SUPPORT (TEL)		
023	MODIFICATION KITS	1,108	1,108

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	COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM (NON-TEL)		
024	ITEMS UNDER \$5 MILLION (COMM & ELEC)	202,679	192,679
	Program decrease		[-10,000]
025	AIR OPERATIONS C2 SYSTEMS	15,784	15,784
	RADAR + EQUIPMENT (NON-TEL)		
027	GROUND/AIR TASK ORIENTED RADAR (G/ATOR)	79,542	79,542
	INTELL/COMM EQUIPMENT (NON-TEL)		
029	ELECTRO MAGNETIC SPECTRUM OPERATIONS (EMSO)	35,396	35,396
030	GCSS-MC	3,303	3,303
031	FIRE SUPPORT SYSTEM	116,304	100,304
	Program decrease		[-16,000]
032	INTELLIGENCE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	67,690	67,690
034	UNMANNED AIR SYSTEMS (INTEL)	14,991	74,991
	Program increase		[60,000]
035	DCGS-MC	42,946	42,946
036	UAS PAYLOADS	12,232	12,232
	OTHER SUPPORT (NON-TEL)		
040	MARINE CORPS ENTERPRISE NETWORK (MCEN)	205,710	205,710
041	COMMON COMPUTER RESOURCES	21,064	21,064
042	COMMAND POST SYSTEMS	50,549	50,549
043	RADIO SYSTEMS	209,444	201,444
	Program decrease		[-8,000]
044	COMM SWITCHING & CONTROL SYSTEMS	100,712	95,712
	Program decrease		[-5,000]
045	COMM & ELEC INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT	16,163	16,163
046	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	14,541	14,541
	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
048A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	2,145	2,145
	ADMINISTRATIVE VEHICLES		
051	COMMERCIAL CARGO VEHICLES	24,699	24,699
	TACTICAL VEHICLES		
052	MOTOR TRANSPORT MODIFICATIONS	16,472	16,472
053	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE	81,893	81,893
	ENGINEER AND OTHER EQUIPMENT		
058	TACTICAL FUEL SYSTEMS	33,611	33,611
059	POWER EQUIPMENT ASSORTED	24,558	24,558
060	AMPHIBIOUS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	9,049	9,049
061	EOD SYSTEMS	21,069	21,069
	MATERIALS HANDLING EQUIPMENT		
062	PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIPMENT	52,394	52,394
	GENERAL PROPERTY		
063	FIELD MEDICAL EQUIPMENT	58,768	58,768
064	TRAINING DEVICES	63,133	63,133
065	FAMILY OF CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT	33,644	33,644
066	ULTRA-LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE (ULTV)	7,836	7,836
	OTHER SUPPORT		
067	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION	35,920	35,920
	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS		
070	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS	40,828	40,828
	TOTAL PROCUREMENT, MARINE CORPS	3,754,112	3,775,112
	AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE		
	STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE		
001	B-21 RAIDER	2,590,116	2,590,116
002	B-21 RAIDER AP	862,000	862,000
	TACTICAL FORCES		
003	F-35	3,555,503	3,555,503
004	F-35 AP	531,241	531,241
009	JOINT SIMULATION ENVIRONMENT	17,985	17,985
	TACTICAL AIRLIFT		
012	KC-46A MDAP	2,799,633	2,499,633
	Program delay		[-300,000]
	UPT TRAINERS		
017	ADVANCED PILOT TRAINING T-7A	362,083	362,083
	HELICOPTERS		
019	MH-139A	4,478	4,478
020	COMBAT RESCUE HELICOPTER	107,500	107,500
	MISSION SUPPORT AIRCRAFT		
023	C-40 FLEET EXPANSION		300,000
	2 additional aircraft		[300,000]
024	CIVIL AIR PATROL A/C	3,131	20,931
	Aircraft procurement increase		[17,800]
	OTHER AIRCRAFT		
026	TARGET DRONES	34,224	34,224
034	RQ-20B PUMA	11,437	11,437
	STRATEGIC AIRCRAFT		
036	B-2A	76,906	76,906
037	B-1B	73,893	73,893

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038	B-52	223,827	223,827
039	LARGE AIRCRAFT INFRARED COUNTERMEASURES	35,165	35,165
	TACTICAL AIRCRAFT		
041	COLLABORATIVE COMBAT AIRCRAFT MODS	15,048	15,048
042	E-11 BACN/HAG	28,797	28,797
043	F-15	120,044	120,044
045	F-16 MODIFICATIONS	448,116	448,116
046	F-22A	977,526	977,526
047	F-35 MODIFICATIONS	380,337	380,337
048	F-15 EPAW	252,607	252,607
050	KC-46A MDAP	19,344	19,344
	AIRLIFT AIRCRAFT		
051	C-5	34,939	34,939
052	C-17A	9,853	9,853
056	OSA-EA MODIFICATIONS	87,515	87,515
	TRAINER AIRCRAFT		
057	GLIDER MODS	159	159
058	T-6	247,814	247,814
059	T-1	137	137
060	T-38	85,381	85,381
	OTHER AIRCRAFT		
068	C-130	144,041	144,041
070	C-135	124,368	124,368
071	COMPASS CALL		60,000
	Program increase		[60,000]
073	CVR (CONNOR ULF RECEIVER) INC 2	79,859	79,859
074	RC-135	231,001	231,001
075	E-3	17,291	17,291
076	E-4	45,232	45,232
080	H-1	17,899	17,899
081	MH-139A MOD	4,992	4,992
082	H-60	1,749	1,749
083	HH60W MODIFICATIONS	9,150	9,150
085	HC/MC-130 MODIFICATIONS	365,086	365,086
086	OTHER AIRCRAFT	263,902	237,502
	Program decrease		[-26,400]
088	MQ-9 MODS	100,923	100,923
090	SENIOR LEADER C3 SYSTEM—AIRCRAFT	24,414	24,414
091	CV-22 MODS	78,713	78,713
	AIRCRAFT SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS		
094	INITIAL SPARES/REPAIR PARTS	973,535	1,223,535
	F-35A increase		[250,000]
	COMMON SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
099	AIRCRAFT REPLACEMENT SUPPORT EQUIP	156,776	156,776
	POST PRODUCTION SUPPORT		
103	B-2B	18,969	18,969
104	B-52	111	111
106	C-17A	2,672	2,672
111	F-15	5,112	5,112
114	F-16 POST PRODUCTION SUPPORT	18,402	18,402
116	HC/MC-130 POST PROD	17,986	17,986
117	JOINT SIMULATION ENVIRONMENT POST PRODUCTION SUPPORT	28,524	28,524
	INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS		
122	INDUSTRIAL RESPONSIVENESS	19,998	19,998
	WAR CONSUMABLES		
123	WAR CONSUMABLES	26,323	26,323
	OTHER PRODUCTION CHARGES		
124	OTHER PRODUCTION CHARGES	940,190	846,190
	Program decrease		[-94,000]
	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
134A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	16,006	16,006
	TOTAL AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE	17,729,963	17,937,363
	MISSILE PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE		
	MISSILE REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT—BALLISTIC		
001	MISSILE REPLACEMENT EQ-BALLISTIC	35,116	35,116
002	MISSILE REPLACEMENT EQ-BALLISTIC AP	2,166	2,166
	STRATEGIC		
005	LONG RANGE STAND-OFF WEAPON	192,409	192,409
006	LONG RANGE STAND-OFF WEAPON AP	250,300	250,300
	TACTICAL		
007	REPLAC EQUIP & WAR CONSUMABLES	12,436	12,436
008	ADVANCED PRECISION KILL WEAPON SYSTEM (APKWS) MISSILE	13,428	13,428
009	AGM-183A AIR-LAUNCHED RAPID RESPONSE WEAPON	387,055	387,055
011	JOINT AIR-SURFACE STANDOFF MISSILE	328,081	328,081
013	JOINT ADVANCED TACTICAL MISSILE	368,593	368,593
015	LRASMO	294,401	294,401
017	SIDEWINDER (AIM-9X)	100,352	100,352

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018	AMRAAM	365,125	365,125
021	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB	41,510	41,510
022	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB II	307,743	307,743
023	STAND-IN ATTACK WEAPON (SLAW)	185,324	185,324
	INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES		
024	INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS/POL PREVENTION	917	917
	CLASS IV		
025	ICBM FUZE MOD	119,376	119,376
027	MM III MODIFICATIONS	14,604	14,604
029	AIR LAUNCH CRUISE MISSILE (ALCM)	41,393	41,393
	MISSILE SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS		
030	MSL SPRS/REPAIR PARTS (INITIAL)	5,824	5,824
031	MSL SPRS/REPAIR PARTS (REPLEN)	108,249	108,249
	SPECIAL PROGRAMS		
033	SPECIAL UPDATE PROGRAMS	221,199	199,099
	Program decrease		[-22,100]
	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
033A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	828,275	828,275
	TOTAL MISSILE PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE	4,223,876	4,201,776
	PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, AIR FORCE		
	CARTRIDGES		
003	CARTRIDGES	126,077	126,077
	BOMBS		
005	GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS	189,097	170,197
	Program decrease		[-18,900]
006	MASSIVE ORDNANCE PENETRATOR (MOP)	6,813	6,813
007	JOINT DIRECT ATTACK MUNITION	126,389	126,389
009	B61-12 TRAINER	7,668	7,668
	OTHER ITEMS		
010	CAD/PAD	58,454	58,454
011	EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL (EOD)	7,297	7,297
012	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS	636	636
014	FIRST DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION	2,955	2,955
015	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5,000,000	5,571	5,571
	FLARES		
017	EXPENDABLE COUNTERMEASURES	101,540	101,540
	FUZES		
018	FUZES	125,721	125,721
	SMALL ARMS		
019	SMALL ARMS	26,260	26,260
	TOTAL PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, AIR FORCE	784,478	765,578
	PROCUREMENT, SPACE FORCE		
	SPACE PROCUREMENT, SF		
002	AF SATELLITE COMM SYSTEM	68,238	68,238
004	COUNTERSPACE SYSTEMS	2,027	2,027
006	EVOLVED STRATEGIC SATCOM (ESS) AP	64,996	64,996
007	FAMILY OF BEYOND LINE-OF-SIGHT TERMINALS	15,404	15,404
010	GENERAL INFORMATION TECH—SPACE	1,835	1,835
011	GPSIII FOLLOW ON	109,944	449,619
	GPS IIIF		[339,675]
012	GPS III SPACE SEGMENT	29,274	29,274
013	GLOBAL POSITIONING (SPACE)	870	870
017	SPACEBORNE EQUIP (COMSEC)	84,044	84,044
018	MILSATCOM	36,447	36,447
020	SPECIAL SPACE ACTIVITIES	482,653	482,653
021	MOBILE USER OBJECTIVE SYSTEM	48,977	48,977
022	NATIONAL SECURITY SPACE LAUNCH	1,466,963	1,466,963
024	PTES HUB	29,949	29,949
026	SPACE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY LAUNCH	648,446	648,446
027	SPACE DIGITAL INTEGRATED NETWORK (SDIN)	4,984	4,984
029	SPACE MODS	115,498	115,498
030	SPACELIFT RANGE SYSTEM SPACE	64,321	64,321
031	WIDEBAND SATCOM OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS	92,380	92,380
	SPARES		
032	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS	938	938
	NON-TACTICAL VEHICLES		
033	USSF VEHICLES	5,000	5,000
	SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
035	POWER CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT	20,449	20,449
	TOTAL PROCUREMENT, SPACE FORCE	3,393,637	3,733,312
	OTHER PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE		
	PASSENGER CARRYING VEHICLES		
002	PASSENGER CARRYING VEHICLES	5,557	5,557
	CARGO AND UTILITY VEHICLES		
003	MEDIUM TACTICAL VEHICLE	3,938	3,938

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004	CAP VEHICLES	1,175	1,175
005	CARGO AND UTILITY VEHICLES	56,940	56,940
	SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLES		
006	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE	62,202	62,202
007	SECURITY AND TACTICAL VEHICLES	129	129
008	SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLES	68,242	68,242
	FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT		
009	FIRE FIGHTING/CRASH RESCUE VEHICLES	58,416	58,416
	MATERIALS HANDLING EQUIPMENT		
010	MATERIALS HANDLING VEHICLES	18,552	18,552
	BASE MAINTENANCE SUPPORT		
011	RUNWAY SNOW REMOV AND CLEANING EQU	11,045	11,045
012	BASE MAINTENANCE SUPPORT VEHICLES	25,291	25,291
	COMM SECURITY EQUIPMENT(COMSEC)		
015	COMSEC EQUIPMENT	169,363	159,363
	Program decrease		[-10,000]
	INTELLIGENCE PROGRAMS		
017	INTERNATIONAL INTEL TECH & ARCHITECTURES	5,833	5,833
018	INTELLIGENCE TRAINING EQUIPMENT	5,273	5,273
019	INTELLIGENCE COMM EQUIPMENT	42,257	42,257
	ELECTRONICS PROGRAMS		
020	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL & LANDING SYS	26,390	26,390
021	NATIONAL AIRSPACE SYSTEM	11,810	11,810
022	BATTLE CONTROL SYSTEM—FIXED	16,592	16,592
023	THEATER AIR CONTROL SYS IMPROVEMEN	27,650	27,650
024	3D EXPEDITIONARY LONG-RANGE RADAR	103,226	103,226
025	WEATHER OBSERVATION FORECAST	31,516	31,516
026	STRATEGIC COMMAND AND CONTROL	82,912	82,912
027	CHEYENNE MOUNTAIN COMPLEX	22,021	22,021
028	MISSION PLANNING SYSTEMS	18,722	18,722
031	STRATEGIC MISSION PLANNING & EXECUTION SYSTEM	6,383	6,383
	SPCL COMM-ELECTRONICS PROJECTS		
032	GENERAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	172,085	173,185
	Barry M Goldwater Range Land Mobile Radio (LMR) Network Equipment and Installation.		[1,100]
034	AF GLOBAL COMMAND & CONTROL SYS	1,947	1,947
036	MOBILITY COMMAND AND CONTROL	11,648	11,648
037	AIR FORCE PHYSICAL SECURITY SYSTEM	294,747	278,747
	Program decrease		[-16,000]
038	COMBAT TRAINING RANGES	231,987	231,987
039	MINIMUM ESSENTIAL EMERGENCY COMM N	94,995	94,995
040	WIDE AREA SURVEILLANCE (WAS)	29,617	29,617
041	C3 COUNTERMEASURES	116,410	104,810
	Program decrease		[-11,600]
044	DEFENSE ENTERPRISE ACCOUNTING & MGT SYS	698	698
046	THEATER BATTLE MGT C2 SYSTEM	442	442
047	AIR & SPACE OPERATIONS CENTER (AOC)	22,785	20,485
	Program decrease		[-2,300]
	AIR FORCE COMMUNICATIONS		
050	BASE INFORMATION TRANSPT INFRAST (BITI) WIRED	79,091	79,091
051	AFNET	282,907	282,907
052	JOINT COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT ELEMENT (JCSE)	5,930	5,930
053	USCENTCOM	14,919	14,919
054	USSTRATCOM	4,788	4,788
055	USSPACECOM	32,633	32,633
	ORGANIZATION AND BASE		
056	TACTICAL C-E EQUIPMENT	143,829	143,829
059	RADIO EQUIPMENT	50,730	50,730
061	BASE COMM INFRASTRUCTURE	67,015	67,015
	MODIFICATIONS		
062	COMM ELECT MODS	76,034	76,034
	PERSONAL SAFETY & RESCUE EQUIP		
063	PERSONAL SAFETY AND RESCUE EQUIPMENT	81,782	81,782
	DEPOT PLANT+MTRLS HANDLING EQ		
064	POWER CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT	13,711	13,711
065	MECHANIZED MATERIAL HANDLING EQUIP	21,143	21,143
	BASE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
066	BASE PROCURED EQUIPMENT	90,654	90,654
067	ENGINEERING AND EOD EQUIPMENT	253,799	243,799
	Program decrease		[-10,000]
068	MOBILITY EQUIPMENT	95,584	95,584
069	FUELS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT (FSE)	34,794	34,794
070	BASE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	59,431	59,431
	SPECIAL SUPPORT PROJECTS		
072	DARP RC135	30,136	30,136
073	DCGS-AF	87,044	87,044
077	SPECIAL UPDATE PROGRAM	1,178,397	1,178,397
	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		

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077A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	26,920,092	26,920,092
	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS		
080	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS (CYBER)	1,075	1,075
081	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS	20,330	20,330
	TOTAL OTHER PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE	31,504,644	31,455,844
	PROCUREMENT, DEFENSE-WIDE		
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, WHS		
004	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DPAA	475	475
005	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, OSD	164,900	164,900
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, WHS		
015	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, WHS	403	403
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DISA		
016	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY	6,254	6,254
017	TELEPORT PROGRAM	112,517	112,517
019	ITEMS LESS THAN \$5 MILLION	23,673	23,673
020	DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEM NETWORK	252,370	252,370
021	WHITE HOUSE COMMUNICATION AGENCY	125,292	125,292
022	SENIOR LEADERSHIP ENTERPRISE	175,264	175,264
023	JOINT REGIONAL SECURITY STACKS (JRSS)	1,496	1,496
024	JOINT SERVICE PROVIDER	54,186	54,186
025	FOURTH ESTATE NETWORK OPTIMIZATION (4ENO)	75,386	75,386
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DLA		
037	MAJOR EQUIPMENT	79,251	79,251
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DCSA		
038	MAJOR EQUIPMENT	2,230	2,230
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, TJS		
042	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, TJS	33,090	33,090
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, MISSILE DEFENSE AGENCY		
044	THAAD	523,125	523,125
048	BMDs AN/TPY-2 RADARS	36,530	36,530
049	SM-3 ILLAS	444,835	444,835
050	ARROW 3 UPPER TIER SYSTEMS	100,000	100,000
051	SHORT RANGE BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE (SRBMD)	40,000	40,000
052	DEFENSE OF GUAM PROCUREMENT	11,351	11,351
056	IRON DOME	60,000	60,000
058	AEGIS BMD HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE	17,211	17,211
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DHRA		
059	PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	3,797	3,797
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DEFENSE THREAT REDUCTION AGENCY		
062	VEHICLES	911	911
063	OTHER MAJOR EQUIPMENT	12,023	12,023
065	DTRA CYBER ACTIVITIES	1,800	1,800
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DMACT		
070	MAJOR EQUIPMENT	7,258	7,258
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, USCYBERCOM		
071	CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS	73,358	73,358
	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
	UNDISTRIBUTED		
074A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	1,129,183	1,129,183
	AVIATION PROGRAMS		
091	ARMED OVERWATCH/TARGETING	156,606	156,606
095	ROTARY WING UPGRADES AND SUSTAINMENT	189,059	189,059
096	UNMANNED ISR	6,858	6,858
097	NON-STANDARD AVIATION	7,849	7,849
098	U-28	2,031	2,031
099	MH-47 CHINOOK	156,934	156,934
100	CV-22 MODIFICATION	19,692	19,692
101	MQ-9 UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE	12,890	12,890
102	PRECISION STRIKE PACKAGE	61,595	61,595
103	AC/MC-130J	236,312	236,312
	AMMUNITION PROGRAMS		
106	ORDNANCE ITEMS <\$5M	116,972	116,972
	OTHER PROCUREMENT PROGRAMS		
107	INTELLIGENCE SYSTEMS	227,073	227,073
108	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS	2,824	2,824
109	OTHER ITEMS <\$5M	95,685	95,685
111	SPECIAL PROGRAMS	30,418	30,418
112	TACTICAL VEHICLES	54,100	54,100
113	WARRIOR SYSTEMS <\$5M	303,991	318,991
	Satellite Deployable Node, Communications on the Move		[15,000]
114	COMBAT MISSION REQUIREMENTS	4,985	4,985
116	OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS INTELLIGENCE	21,339	21,339
117	OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS	352,100	352,100
	CBDP		
120	CHEMICAL BIOLOGICAL SITUATIONAL AWARENESS	208,051	208,051
121	CB PROTECTION & HAZARD MITIGATION	213,330	213,330
	TOTAL PROCUREMENT, DEFENSE-WIDE	6,048,863	6,063,863

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TOTAL PROCUREMENT		152,830,175	153,227,950

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2 **OPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUA-**
3 **TION**

4 **SEC. 4201. RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUA-**
5 **TION.**

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RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST AND EVALUATION, ARMY				
BASIC RESEARCH				
001	0601102A	DEFENSE RESEARCH SCIENCES	237,678	237,678
002	0601103A	UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INITIATIVES	78,947	78,947
003	0601104A	UNIVERSITY AND INDUSTRY RESEARCH CENTERS	69,391	78,391
		Biotechnology Advancements		[4,000]
		High-Throughput Materials Discovery for Extreme Conditions		[5,000]
004	0601121A	CYBER COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH ALLIANCE	5,463	5,463
005	0601275A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE BASIC RESEARCH	88,053	88,053
006	0601601A	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING BASIC RESEARCH.	7,012	7,012
		SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH	486,544	495,544
APPLIED RESEARCH				
007	0602002A	ARMY AGILE INNOVATION AND DEVELOPMENT-APPLIED RE- SEARCH.	9,455	9,455
008	0602134A	COUNTER IMPROVISED-THREAT ADVANCED STUDIES	6,174	6,174
009	0602135A	COUNTER SMALL UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS (C-SUAS) AP- PLIED RESEARCH.	12,618	12,618
010	0602141A	LETHALITY TECHNOLOGY	97,157	104,157
		Scalable counter small unmanned aerial systems munition delivered air defense payloads.		[7,000]
012	0602143A	SOLDIER LETHALITY TECHNOLOGY	72,670	80,170
		Digital Night Vision Technology		[2,500]
		Pathfinder Air Assault		[5,000]
013	0602144A	GROUND TECHNOLOGY	56,342	56,342
014	0602145A	NEXT GENERATION COMBAT VEHICLE TECHNOLOGY	71,547	76,547
		Advanced Materials Development for Next Generation Combat Vehicle Survivability.		[2,500]
		Standardized Army Battery for Enhanced Performance and Safety		[2,500]
015	0602146A	NETWORK C3I TECHNOLOGY	56,529	64,029
		Distributed Aperture Spectrum Dominance for Missile Defeat		[5,000]
		Improved Analyst-AI Workflow Integration		[2,500]
016	0602147A	LONG RANGE PRECISION FIRES TECHNOLOGY	25,744	28,244
		Any Material and Any Process for missile manufacturing		[2,500]
017	0602148A	FUTURE VERTICLE LIFT TECHNOLOGY	20,420	20,420
018	0602150A	AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY	25,992	33,492
		AI Integration & Security for IBCS		[2,500]
		Counter-UAS technologies, facilities, and research		[5,000]
019	0602180A	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING TECH- NOLOGIES.	13,745	13,745
021	0602182A	C3I APPLIED RESEARCH	22,317	22,317
022	0602183A	AIR PLATFORM APPLIED RESEARCH	53,305	53,305
023	0602184A	SOLDIER APPLIED RESEARCH	27,597	27,597
024	0602213A	C3I APPLIED CYBER	4,716	4,716
025	0602275A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE APPLIED RESEARCH	45,415	45,415
026	0602276A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE CYBER APPLIED RESEARCH	17,102	17,102
027	0602345A	UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS LAUNCHED EFFECTS APPLIED RESEARCH.	18,408	18,408
028	0602386A	BIOTECHNOLOGY FOR MATERIALS—APPLIED RESEARCH	8,209	8,209
030	0602785A	MANPOWER/PERSONNEL/TRAINING TECHNOLOGY	17,191	17,191
031	0602787A	MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY	143,293	142,293

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		Army Institute of Research (WRAIR) Mitochondria Transplantation for TBI research program.		[5,000]
		Program decrease		[-6,000]
031A	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	34,599	34,599
		SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH	860,545	896,545
		ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT		
032	0603002A	MEDICAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	1,860	1,860
033	0603007A	MANPOWER, PERSONNEL AND TRAINING ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY.	13,559	13,559
034	0603025A	ARMY AGILE INNOVATION AND DEMONSTRATION	19,679	37,679
		Advance development of high-altitude precision effects glide munitions		[18,000]
035	0603040A	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES.	20,487	20,487
036	0603041A	ALL DOMAIN CONVERGENCE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	10,560	10,560
037	0603042A	C3I ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	15,028	15,028
038	0603043A	AIR PLATFORM ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	41,266	41,266
039	0603044A	SOLDIER ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	18,143	18,143
040	0603116A	LETHALITY ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	13,232	21,232
		Critical Energetics Materials and Manufacturing Technology		[4,500]
		Tier 1 Blast Over Pressure Reduction Technologies		[3,500]
042	0603118A	SOLDIER LETHALITY ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	95,186	101,686
		Rapid Agile Manufacturing of Parachutes and Soft-Goods		[4,000]
		Tactical combat casualty care simulation		[2,500]
043	0603119A	GROUND ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	30,507	35,507
		Rapid Entry and Sustainment for the Arctic		[5,000]
044	0603134A	COUNTER IMPROVISED-THREAT SIMULATION	15,692	15,692
045	0603135A	COUNTER SMALL UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS (C-SUAS) ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY.	7,773	7,773
046	0603275A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	83,922	83,922
047	0603276A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE CYBER ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	15,254	15,254
048	0603345A	UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS LAUNCHED EFFECTS ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	13,898	13,898
049	0603386A	BIOTECHNOLOGY FOR MATERIALS—ADVANCED RESEARCH	24,683	24,683
050	0603457A	C3I CYBER ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT	3,329	3,329
051	0603461A	HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING MODERNIZATION PROGRAM	241,855	241,855
052	0603462A	NEXT GENERATION COMBAT VEHICLE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY.	141,301	170,301
		Airless Tire Demonstration for the Infantry Squad Vehicle		[5,000]
		Discontinuous Thermoplastics Materials		[10,000]
		Dual-Use Autonomous and Collaborative Reconnaissance Testing		[8,000]
		Winter Tire Development		[6,000]
053	0603463A	NETWORK C3I ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	78,539	81,039
		Communication Conformal Antenna Research and Development		[2,500]
054	0603464A	LONG RANGE PRECISION FIRES ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	162,236	162,236
055	0603465A	FUTURE VERTICAL LIFT ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	66,686	71,686
		Next Generation eVTOL Program Enhancement		[5,000]
056	0603466A	AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	23,330	48,830
		CHROME Testbed		[5,000]
		Development and integration of the Hypersonic Interceptor Divert and Attitude Control System (III-DACS).		[18,000]
		Missile Enhancements with Electric Motor Prototypes		[2,500]
058	0603920A	HUMANITARIAN DEMINING	9,349	9,349
058A	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	72,837	72,837
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	1,240,191	1,339,691
		ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES		
060	0603305A	ARMY MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEMS INTEGRATION	8,141	20,141
		Multi-spectral Identification, Characterization, and Aggregation		[3,000]
		Science and Technology Evaluations Against Lethal Threats – Hypersonics.		[2,500]
		Underwater Cut and Capture Demonstration		[6,500]
061	0603308A	ARMY SPACE SYSTEMS INTEGRATION	83,080	89,080
		Assured Zero Trust Environment Controls (AZTEC)		[6,000]
063	0603619A	LANDMINE WARFARE AND BARRIER—ADV DEV	41,516	41,516
064	0603639A	TANK AND MEDIUM CALIBER AMMUNITION	85,472	85,472
065	0603645A	ARMORED SYSTEM MODERNIZATION—ADV DEV	22,645	22,645
066	0603747A	SOLDIER SUPPORT AND SURVIVABILITY	4,033	4,033
067	0603766A	TACTICAL ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM—ADV DEV	107,525	122,425
		Future Flag Experimentation		[5,000]
		System of Systems for Asset Optimization and Management of Uncrewed Systems.		[9,900]
068	0603774A	NIGHT VISION SYSTEMS ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT	5,153	5,153
069	0603779A	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TECHNOLOGY—DEM/VAL	11,343	11,343
070	0603790A	NATO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT	5,031	5,031
072	0603804A	LOGISTICS AND ENGINEER EQUIPMENT—ADV DEV	15,435	15,435
073	0603807A	MEDICAL SYSTEMS—ADV DEV	1,000	1,000

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074	0603827A	SOLDIER SYSTEMS—ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT	41,856	41,856
075	0604017A	ROBOTICS DEVELOPMENT	35,082	35,082
076	0604019A	EXPANDED MISSION AREA MISSILE (EMAM)	178,137	178,137
078	0604035A	LOW EARTH ORBIT (LEO) SATELLITE CAPABILITY	17,063	17,063
079	0604036A	MULTI-DOMAIN SENSING SYSTEM (MDSS) ADV DEV	239,813	249,813
		Secure Integrated Multi-Orbit Networking Satellite Communications ..		[10,000]
080	0604037A	TACTICAL INTEL TARGETING ACCESS NODE (TITAN) ADV DEV ...	3,092	3,092
081	0604100A	ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVES	9,865	9,865
085	0604114A	LOWER TIER AIR MISSILE DEFENSE (LTAMD) SENSOR	196,448	196,448
086	0604115A	TECHNOLOGY MATURATION INITIATIVES	267,619	261,869
		Program decrease		[−5,750]
087	0604117A	MANEUVER—SHORT RANGE AIR DEFENSE (M-SHORAD)	238,247	239,497
		M-VEST		[1,250]
089	0604120A	ASSURED POSITIONING, NAVIGATION AND TIMING (PNT)	8,686	8,686
090	0604121A	SYNTHETIC TRAINING ENVIRONMENT REFINEMENT & PROTO-TYPING.	240,899	182,899
		Program decrease		[−58,000]
091	0604134A	COUNTER IMPROVISED-THREAT DEMONSTRATION, PROTOTYPE DEVELOPMENT, AND TESTING.	5,491	5,491
092	0604135A	STRATEGIC MID-RANGE FIRES	231,401	231,401
093	0604182A	HYPERSONICS	25,000	25,000
094	0604386A	BIOTECHNOLOGY FOR MATERIALS—DEM/VAL		10,000
		Program increase		[10,000]
095	0604403A	FUTURE INTERCEPTOR	8,019	8,019
097	0604531A	COUNTER—SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT.	45,281	45,281
099	0604541A	UNIFIED NETWORK TRANSPORT	29,191	29,191
100	0305251A	CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS FORCES AND FORCE SUPPORT	5,605	5,605
100A	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	203,746	203,746
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES.	2,420,915	2,411,315
		SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION		
101	0604201A	AIRCRAFT AVIONICS	2,696	2,696
102	0604270A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT	9,153	9,153
103	0604601A	INFANTRY SUPPORT WEAPONS	56,553	68,553
		Combat Aviation Aircrew Enhancement – Safety and Lethality		[9,000]
		Next Generation Squad Weapon Magazine Testing		[3,000]
104	0604604A	MEDIUM TACTICAL VEHICLES	18,503	18,503
105	0604611A	JAVELIN	9,810	9,810
106	0604622A	FAMILY OF HEAVY TACTICAL VEHICLES	47,064	47,064
110	0604645A	ARMORED SYSTEMS MODERNIZATION (ASM)—ENG DEV	16,593	16,593
111	0604710A	NIGHT VISION SYSTEMS—ENG DEV	351,274	351,274
112	0604713A	COMBAT FEEDING, CLOTHING, AND EQUIPMENT	5,654	5,654
113	0604715A	NON-SYSTEM TRAINING DEVICES—ENG DEV	19,063	19,063
114	0604741A	AIR DEFENSE COMMAND, CONTROL AND INTELLIGENCE—ENG DEV.	13,892	18,892
		Air and Missile Defense Common Operating Picture		[5,000]
115	0604742A	CONSTRUCTIVE SIMULATION SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	7,790	7,790
116	0604746A	AUTOMATIC TEST EQUIPMENT DEVELOPMENT	9,512	9,512
117	0604760A	DISTRIBUTIVE INTERACTIVE SIMULATIONS (DIS)—ENG DEV	7,724	7,724
118	0604798A	BRIGADE ANALYSIS, INTEGRATION AND EVALUATION	24,318	24,318
119	0604802A	WEAPONS AND MUNITIONS—ENG DEV	150,344	150,344
120	0604804A	LOGISTICS AND ENGINEER EQUIPMENT—ENG DEV	50,194	50,194
121	0604805A	COMMAND, CONTROL, COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS—ENG DEV ...	63,725	43,725
		Program decrease		[−20,000]
122	0604807A	MEDICAL MATERIEL/MEDICAL BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE EQUIPMENT—ENG DEV.	6,252	6,252
123	0604808A	LANDMINE WARFARE/BARRIER—ENG DEV	9,862	9,862
124	0604818A	ARMY TACTICAL COMMAND & CONTROL HARDWARE & SOFTWARE.	430,895	355,895
		Program decrease		[−75,000]
125	0604820A	RADAR DEVELOPMENT	53,226	53,226
127	0604827A	SOLDIER SYSTEMS—WARRIOR DEM/VAL	4,137	4,137
128	0604852A	SUITE OF SURVIVABILITY ENHANCEMENT SYSTEMS—EMD	76,903	76,903
129	0604854A	ARTILLERY SYSTEMS—EMD	80,862	80,862
130	0605013A	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	125,701	125,701
131	0605018A	INTEGRATED PERSONNEL AND PAY SYSTEM-ARMY (IPPS-A)	164,600	153,600
		Program decrease		[−11,000]
132	0605030A	JOINT TACTICAL NETWORK CENTER (JTNC)	20,954	20,954
133	0605031A	JOINT TACTICAL NETWORK (JTN)	41,696	41,696
134	0605035A	COMMON INFRARED COUNTERMEASURES (CIRCM)	10,789	10,789
135	0605036A	COMBATING WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION (CWMD)	13,322	13,322
136	0605037A	EVIDENCE COLLECTION AND DETAINEE PROCESSING	4,619	4,619
137	0605038A	NUCLEAR BIOLOGICAL CHEMICAL RECONNAISSANCE VEHICLE (NBCRV) SENSOR SUITE.	13,459	13,459
138	0605041A	DEFENSIVE CYBER TOOL DEVELOPMENT	3,611	3,611
139	0605042A	TACTICAL NETWORK RADIO SYSTEMS (LOW-TIER)	3,222	3,222

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140	0605047A	CONTRACT WRITING SYSTEM	8,101	8,101
142	0605051A	AIRCRAFT SURVIVABILITY DEVELOPMENT	44,182	26,182
		Program decrease		[-20,000]
		Threat Missile Seeker Analysis and Assessment		[2,000]
143	0605052A	INDIRECT FIRE PROTECTION CAPABILITY INC 2—BLOCK 1	248,659	248,659
144	0605053A	GROUND ROBOTICS	227,038	227,038
145	0605054A	EMERGING TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVES	57,546	57,546
146	0605144A	NEXT GENERATION LOAD DEVICE—MEDIUM	24,492	24,492
147	0605148A	TACTICAL INTEL TARGETING ACCESS NODE (TITAN) EMD	44,273	44,273
152	0605224A	MULTI-DOMAIN INTELLIGENCE	34,844	34,844
154	0605232A	HYPERSONICS EMD	513,027	513,027
155	0605233A	ACCESSIONS INFORMATION ENVIRONMENT (AIE)	32,710	32,710
156	0605235A	STRATEGIC MID-RANGE CAPABILITY	186,304	186,304
157	0605236A	INTEGRATED TACTICAL COMMUNICATIONS	22,732	22,732
158	0605241A	FUTURE LONG RANGE ASSAULT AIRCRAFT DEVELOPMENT	1,248,544	1,248,544
160	0605244A	JOINT REDUCED RANGE ROCKET (JR3)	28,893	28,893
163	0605457A	ARMY INTEGRATED AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE (AIAMD)	146,056	146,056
164	0605531A	COUNTER—SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS SYS DEV & DEMONSTRATION.	55,196	55,196
166	0605625A	MANNED GROUND VEHICLE	386,393	386,393
167	0605766A	NATIONAL CAPABILITIES INTEGRATION (MIP)	16,913	16,913
168	0605812A	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE (JLTV) ENGINEERING AND MANUFACTURING DEVELOPMENT PHASE (EMD).	2,664	2,664
169	0605830A	AVIATION GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	930	930
170	0303032A	TROJAN—RH12	3,920	3,920
172A	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	117,428	117,428
		SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION.	5,378,817	5,271,817
		MANAGEMENT SUPPORT		
173	0604256A	THREAT SIMULATOR DEVELOPMENT	74,767	84,767
		Man Portable Doppler Radar		[10,000]
174	0604258A	TARGET SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	16,004	16,004
175	0604759A	MAJOR T&E INVESTMENT	101,027	106,027
		Advanced Sensing Expanded Range Operations		[5,000]
176	0605103A	RAND ARROYO CENTER	10,892	10,892
177	0605301A	ARMY KWAJALEIN ATOLL	379,283	379,283
178	0605326A	CONCEPTS EXPERIMENTATION PROGRAM	58,606	58,606
180	0605601A	ARMY TEST RANGES AND FACILITIES	425,108	428,108
		Space Terrestrial Representation for Army Test and Training Operational Scenarios.		[3,000]
181	0605602A	ARMY TECHNICAL TEST INSTRUMENTATION AND TARGETS	69,328	69,328
182	0605604A	SURVIVABILITY/LETHALITY ANALYSIS	31,306	31,306
183	0605606A	AIRCRAFT CERTIFICATION	1,887	1,887
184	0605706A	MATERIEL SYSTEMS ANALYSIS	19,100	19,100
185	0605709A	EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN ITEMS	6,277	6,277
186	0605712A	SUPPORT OF OPERATIONAL TESTING	63,637	63,637
187	0605716A	ARMY EVALUATION CENTER	62,343	62,343
188	0605718A	ARMY MODELING & SIM X-CMD COLLABORATION & INTEG	11,825	11,825
189	0605801A	PROGRAMWIDE ACTIVITIES	54,172	54,172
190	0605803A	TECHNICAL INFORMATION ACTIVITIES	26,592	26,592
191	0605805A	MUNITIONS STANDARDIZATION, EFFECTIVENESS AND SAFETY	44,465	44,465
192	0605857A	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TECHNOLOGY MGMT SUPPORT	2,857	2,857
193	0605898A	ARMY DIRECT REPORT HEADQUARTERS—R&D - MHA	53,436	53,436
194	0606002A	RONALD REAGAN BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TEST SITE	72,302	82,302
		Infrastructure and Facilities Modernization		[10,000]
195	0606003A	COUNTERINTEL AND HUMAN INTEL MODERNIZATION	5,660	5,660
196	0606118A	AIAMD SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT & INTEGRATION	358,854	358,854
197	0606942A	ASSESSMENTS AND EVALUATIONS CYBER VULNERABILITIES	6,354	6,354
		SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT	1,956,082	1,984,082
		OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT		
199	0603778A	MLRS PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM	14,639	14,639
200	0605024A	ANTI-TAMPER TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT	6,449	6,449
201	0607101A	COMBATING WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION (CWMD) PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT.	115	115
202	0607131A	WEAPONS AND MUNITIONS PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS.	13,687	13,687
203	0607136A	BLACKHAWK PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM	23,998	123,998
		Blackhawk modernization		[100,000]
204	0607137A	CHINOOK PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM	10,859	10,859
208	0607145A	APACHE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT	44,371	44,371
209	0607148A	AN/TQ-53 COUNTERFIRE TARGET ACQUISITION RADAR SYSTEM.	43,054	43,054
210	0607150A	INTEL CYBER DEVELOPMENT	13,129	13,129
215	0607665A	FAMILY OF BIOMETRICS	1,594	1,594
216	0607865A	PATRIOT PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT	183,763	183,763
217	0203728A	JOINT AUTOMATED DEEP OPERATION COORDINATION SYSTEM (JADOC).	8,424	8,424

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218	0203735A	COMBAT VEHICLE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS	744,085	744,085
		Program decrease		[−10,000]
		Scaling Cost-Saving Lightweight Metallurgical Development		[10,000]
219	0203743A	155MM SELF-PROPELLED HOWITZER IMPROVEMENTS	107,826	107,826
220	0203752A	AIRCRAFT ENGINE COMPONENT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM	237	237
221	0203758A	DIGITIZATION	1,013	1,013
222	0203801A	MISSILE/AIR DEFENSE PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM	1,338	1,338
225	0205778A	GUIDED MULTIPLE-LAUNCH ROCKET SYSTEM (GMLRS)	33,307	33,307
230	0303140A	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM	15,040	15,040
232	0303142A	SATCOM GROUND ENVIRONMENT (SPACE)	35,720	35,720
235	0305179A	INTEGRATED BROADCAST SERVICE (IBS)	6,653	6,653
236	0305219A	MQ-1 GRAY EAGLE UAV	3,444	3,444
237	0708045A	END ITEM INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES	67,002	77,002
		Next Generation Ballistic Fiber		[10,000]
237A	999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	46,872	46,872
		SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT	1,426,619	1,536,619
		SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS		
238	0608041A	DEFENSIVE CYBER—SOFTWARE PROTOTYPE DEVELOPMENT	89,238	89,238
		SUBTOTAL SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS.	89,238	89,238
		AGILE RDTE PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT		
239	0609135A	COUNTER UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS (UAS) AGILE DEVELOPMENT.	143,618	143,618
240	0609277A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE AGILE DEVELOPMENT	127,081	127,081
241	0609278A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE AGILE SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	59,202	59,202
242	0609345A	UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS LAUNCHED EFFECTS AGILE SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT.	187,473	187,473
243	0609346A	UAS LAUNCHED EFFECTS AGILE DEVELOPMENT	172,898	172,898
		SUBTOTAL AGILE RDTE PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT ...	690,272	690,272
		TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST AND EVALUATION, ARMY.	14,549,223	14,715,123
		RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST AND EVALUATION, NAVY		
		BASIC RESEARCH		
001	0601103N	UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INITIATIVES	67,306	67,306
002	0601153N	DEFENSE RESEARCH SCIENCES	511,163	521,163
		Hypersonics T&E Workforce Development		[10,000]
		SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH	578,469	588,469
		APPLIED RESEARCH		
003	0602114N	POWER PROJECTION APPLIED RESEARCH	30,635	30,635
004	0602123N	FORCE PROTECTION APPLIED RESEARCH	125,699	144,199
		Intelligent Data Management for Distributed Naval Platforms		[12,500]
		Talent and Technology for Navy Power and Energy Systems		[2,500]
		Testing and Qualification of High-Performance Carbon Fiber for Advanced Rocket Motors.		[3,500]
005	0602131M	MARINE CORPS LANDING FORCE TECHNOLOGY	45,697	45,697
006	0602235N	COMMON PICTURE APPLIED RESEARCH	55,246	66,746
		Embedded Systems Cyber for Critical Naval Infrastructure		[11,500]
007	0602236N	WARFIGHTER SUSTAINMENT APPLIED RESEARCH	74,264	74,264
008	0602271N	ELECTROMAGNETIC SYSTEMS APPLIED RESEARCH	79,929	79,929
009	0602435N	OCEAN WARFIGHTING ENVIRONMENT APPLIED RESEARCH	81,270	81,270
010	0602651M	JOINT NON-LETHAL WEAPONS APPLIED RESEARCH	7,300	7,300
011	0602747N	UNDERSEA WARFARE APPLIED RESEARCH	64,335	71,835
		Academic partnerships for undersea vessels		[2,500]
		Program increase		[5,000]
012	0602750N	FUTURE NAVAL CAPABILITIES APPLIED RESEARCH	279,815	279,815
013	0602782N	MINE AND EXPEDITIONARY WARFARE APPLIED RESEARCH	29,081	29,081
015	0602861N	SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT—ONR FIELD ACTIVITIES.	81,423	81,423
		SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH	954,694	992,194
		ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT		
016	0603123N	FORCE PROTECTION ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	43,527	43,527
017	0603271N	ELECTROMAGNETIC SYSTEMS ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	8,644	8,644
018	0603273N	SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FOR NUCLEAR RE-ENTRY SYSTEMS ...	121,618	121,618
019	0603640M	USMC ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATION (ATD)	309,711	324,711
		Long Range Maneuvering Projectile (LRMP)		[15,000]
020	0603651M	JOINT NON-LETHAL WEAPONS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	6,561	6,561
021	0603673N	FUTURE NAVAL CAPABILITIES ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	455,851	458,851
		Submersible Air Revitalization using Aqueous Ionic Amines for CO2 Capture.		[3,000]

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022	0603680N	MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM	63,903	63,903
023	0603729N	WARFIGHTER PROTECTION ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	7,653	13,153
		Navy Thermite Firefighting Robotics		[5,500]
024	0603758N	NAVY WARFIGHTING EXPERIMENTS AND DEMONSTRATIONS	81,923	81,923
025	0603782N	MINE AND EXPEDITIONARY WARFARE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	2,075	2,075
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	1,101,466	1,124,966
		ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES		
027	0603128N	UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEM	28,388	28,388
029	0603207N	AIR/OCEAN TACTICAL APPLICATIONS	35,870	35,870
030	0603216N	AVIATION SURVIVABILITY	24,064	24,064
031	0603239N	NAVAL CONSTRUCTION FORCES	8,603	8,603
032	0603254N	ASW SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	18,904	18,904
033	0603261N	TACTICAL AIRBORNE RECONNAISSANCE	2,241	2,241
034	0603382N	ADVANCED COMBAT SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY	2,083	19,583
		Embedded Hypersonics Seeker Testing Increase		[7,500]
		Marine Corps Warfighting Lab Air Combat Element Increase		[10,000]
035	0603502N	SURFACE AND SHALLOW WATER MINE COUNTERMEASURES	32,359	32,359
036	0603506N	SURFACE SHIP TORPEDO DEFENSE	11,832	11,832
037	0603512N	CARRIER SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	8,361	8,361
038	0603525N	PILOT FISH	1,218,486	1,218,486
040	0603536N	RETRACT JUNIPER	206,429	206,429
041	0603542N	RADIOLOGICAL CONTROL	730	730
043	0603561N	ADVANCED SUBMARINE SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT	162,651	162,651
045	0603563N	SHIP CONCEPT ADVANCED DESIGN	59,218	79,218
		DDG(X)		[20,000]
046	0603564N	SHIP PRELIMINARY DESIGN & FEASIBILITY STUDIES	96,022	96,022
047	0603570N	ADVANCED NUCLEAR POWER SYSTEMS	383,831	383,831
048	0603573N	ADVANCED SURFACE MACHINERY SYSTEMS	101,136	101,136
049	0603576N	CHALK EAGLE	156,686	156,686
050	0603581N	LITTORAL COMBAT SHIP (LCS)	10,203	5,203
		Program decrease		[-5,000]
051	0603582N	COMBAT SYSTEM INTEGRATION	19,643	19,643
052	0603595N	OHIO REPLACEMENT	273,265	273,265
053	0603596N	LCS MISSION MODULES	39,258	19,258
		Program decrease		[-20,000]
054	0603597N	AUTOMATED TEST AND RE-TEST (ATRT)	9,862	9,862
055	0603598N	ATRT ENTERPRISE RAPID CAPABILITY	20,000	20,000
056	0603599N	FRIGATE DEVELOPMENT	84,199	0
		Program decrease		[-84,199]
057	0603609N	CONVENTIONAL MUNITIONS	10,877	10,877
058	0603635M	MARINE CORPS GROUND COMBAT/SUPPORT SYSTEM	278,261	238,361
		Program decrease		[-39,900]
059	0603654N	JOINT SERVICE EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DEVELOPMENT	43,657	43,657
060	0603713N	OCEAN ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	9,647	9,647
061	0603721N	ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	22,829	22,829
062	0603724N	NAVY ENERGY PROGRAM	46,577	69,077
		Advanced Battery Technologies		[22,500]
063	0603725N	FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT	10,925	10,925
064	0603734N	CHALK CORAL	414,282	414,282
065	0603739N	NAVY LOGISTIC PRODUCTIVITY	1,016	1,016
066	0603746N	RETRACT MAPLE	647,914	647,914
067	0603748N	LINK PLUMERIA	376,672	376,672
068	0603751N	RETRACT ELM	106,810	106,810
069	0603764M	LINK EVERGREEN	529,550	529,550
070	0603790N	NATO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT	5,234	5,234
071	0603795N	LAND ATTACK TECHNOLOGY	1,056	1,056
072	0603851M	JOINT NON-LETHAL WEAPONS TESTING	9,832	9,832
073	0603860N	JOINT PRECISION APPROACH AND LANDING SYSTEMS—DEM/VAL	41,978	41,978
076	0604025M	RAPID DEFENSE EXPERIMENTATION RESERVE (RDER)	99	99
077	0604027N	DIGITAL WARFARE OFFICE	151,271	151,271
078	0604028N	SMALL AND MEDIUM UNMANNED UNDERSEA VEHICLES	4,855	4,855
079	0604029N	UNMANNED UNDERSEA VEHICLE CORE TECHNOLOGIES	47,106	47,106
082	0604112N	GERALD R. FORD CLASS NUCLEAR AIRCRAFT CARRIER (CVN 78—80)	112,704	112,704
083	0604127N	SURFACE MINE COUNTERMEASURES	18,504	18,504
084	0604272N	TACTICAL AIR DIRECTIONAL INFRARED COUNTERMEASURES (TADIRCM)	14,387	14,387
085	0604286N	NAVY ADVANCED MANUFACTURING	10,585	10,585
086	0604289M	NEXT GENERATION LOGISTICS	2,722	2,722
087	0604292N	FUTURE VERTICAL LIFT (MARITIME STRIKE)	7,125	7,125
088	0604295M	MARINE AVIATION DEMONSTRATION/VALIDATION	38,873	35,073
		Program decrease		[-3,800]
089	0604320M	RAPID TECHNOLOGY CAPABILITY PROTOTYPE	16,316	16,316
090	0604454N	LX (R)	26,709	16,709

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		<i>Program decrease</i>		[−10,000]
091	0604536N	ADVANCED UNDERSEA PROTOTYPING	143,943	143,943
092	0604636N	COUNTER UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (C-UAS)	16,689	16,689
093	0604659N	PRECISION STRIKE WEAPONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM	110,072	110,072
094	0604707N	SPACE AND ELECTRONIC WARFARE (SEW) ARCHITECTURE/ENGINEERING SUPPORT	6,866	6,866
095	0604786N	OFFENSIVE ANTI-SURFACE WARFARE WEAPON DEVELOPMENT	225,773	225,773
097	0605513N	UNMANNED SURFACE VEHICLE ENABLING CAPABILITIES	3,712	3,712
098	0605514M	GROUND BASED ANTI-SHIP MISSILE	29,004	29,004
100	0605518N	CONVENTIONAL PROMPT STRIKE (CPS)	798,337	798,337
101	0105519N	NUCLEAR-ARMED SEA-LAUNCHED CRUISE MISSILE (SLCM-N) SUPPORT		100,000
		<i>Reconciliation adjustment</i>		[100,000]
102	0207147M	COLLABORATIVE COMBAT AIRCRAFT	58,000	58,000
103	0303260N	DEFENSE MILITARY DECEPTION INITIATIVE	1,980	1,980
104	0303354N	ASW SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT—MIP	3,864	3,864
105	0304240M	ADVANCED TACTICAL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM	2,822	2,822
106	0304270N	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT—MIP	1,278	1,278
107	0304797N	UNDERSEA ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE / MACHINE LEARNING (AI/ML)	29,308	29,308
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES	7,454,345	7,451,446
		SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION		
108	0603208N	TRAINING SYSTEM AIRCRAFT	15,101	15,101
109	0604038N	MARITIME TARGETING CELL	147,802	147,802
111	0604212N	OTHER HELO DEVELOPMENT	987	987
113	0604215N	STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT	4,540	4,540
114	0604216N	MULTI-MISSION HELICOPTER UPGRADE DEVELOPMENT	64,838	64,838
116	0604230N	WARFARE SUPPORT SYSTEM	15,778	15,778
117	0604231N	COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEMS	64,547	64,547
118	0604234N	ADVANCED HAWKEYE	350,324	350,324
119	0604245M	H-1 UPGRADES	62,240	62,240
120	0604261N	ACOUSTIC SEARCH SENSORS	52,549	52,549
121	0604262N	V-22	124,958	124,958
122	0604264N	AIR CREW SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	44,297	39,897
		<i>Program decrease</i>		[−4,400]
123	0604269N	EA-18	184,921	184,921
124	0604270N	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT	185,606	155,606
		<i>Program decrease</i>		[−30,000]
125	0604273M	EXECUTIVE HELO DEVELOPMENT	74,980	74,980
126	0604274N	NEXT GENERATION JAMMER (NGJ)	64,167	64,167
127	0604280N	JOINT TACTICAL RADIO SYSTEM—NAVY (JTRS-NAVY)	289,345	289,345
128	0604282N	NEXT GENERATION JAMMER (NGJ) INCREMENT II	228,256	228,256
129	0604307N	SURFACE COMBATANT COMBAT SYSTEM ENGINEERING	432,981	432,981
130	0604329N	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB (SDB)	23,836	23,836
131	0604366N	STANDARD MISSILE IMPROVEMENTS	412,964	362,964
		<i>Program decrease</i>		[−50,000]
132	0604373N	AIRBORNE MCM	8,372	8,372
133	0604378N	NAVAL INTEGRATED FIRE CONTROL—COUNTER AIR SYSTEMS ENGINEERING	39,878	39,878
135	0604501N	ADVANCED ABOVE WATER SENSORS	67,881	67,881
136	0604503N	SUBMARINE SWFTS MODERNIZATION	204,158	204,158
137	0604504N	AIR CONTROL	23,930	23,930
138	0604512N	SHIPBOARD AVIATION SYSTEMS	33,704	13,704
		<i>Program decrease</i>		[−20,000]
139	0604516N	SHIP SURVIVABILITY	4,364	4,364
141	0604522N	AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE RADAR (AMDR) SYSTEM	74,937	74,937
142	0604530N	ADVANCED ARRESTING GEAR (AAG)	32,037	32,037
143	0604558N	NEW DESIGN SSN	247,293	472,293
		<i>Subsea and Seabed Warfare program increase</i>		[225,000]
145	0604567N	SHIP CONTRACT DESIGN/ LIVE FIRE T&E	28,400	28,400
146	0604574N	NAVY TACTICAL COMPUTER RESOURCES	3,552	3,552
147	0604601N	MINE DEVELOPMENT	130	130
148	0604610N	LIGHTWEIGHT TORPEDO DEVELOPMENT	12,565	12,565
149	0604654N	JOINT SERVICE EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DEVELOPMENT	8,740	8,740
150	0604657M	USMC GROUND COMBAT/SUPPORTING ARMS SYSTEMS—ENG DEV.	17,377	17,377
151	0604703N	PERSONNEL, TRAINING, SIMULATION, AND HUMAN FACTORS	6,703	6,703
152	0604727N	JOINT STANDOFF WEAPON SYSTEMS	895	895
153	0604755N	SHIP SELF DEFENSE (DETECT & CONTROL)	167,711	167,711
154	0604756N	SHIP SELF DEFENSE (ENGAGE: HARD KILL)	145,007	145,007
155	0604757N	SHIP SELF DEFENSE (ENGAGE: SOFT KILL/EW)	232,368	217,368
		<i>Program decrease</i>		[−15,000]
156	0604761N	INTELLIGENCE ENGINEERING	7,023	7,023
157	0604771N	MEDICAL DEVELOPMENT	7,629	7,629
158	0604777N	NAVIGATION/ID SYSTEM	3,724	3,724
159	0604850N	SSN(X)	365,987	365,987

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160	0605013M	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	16,000	16,000
161	0605013N	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	192,784	192,784
162	0605024N	ANTI-TAMPER TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT	3,428	3,428
163	0605180N	TACAMO MODERNIZATION	1,243,978	1,203,978
		Program decrease		[-40,000]
164	0605212M	CH-53K RDTE	135,432	135,432
165	0605215N	MISSION PLANNING	120,255	120,255
166	0605217N	COMMON AVIONICS	67,944	67,944
167	0605220N	SHIP TO SHORE CONNECTOR (SSC)	7,267	7,267
168	0605285N	NEXT GENERATION FIGHTER	74,320	74,320
170	0605414N	UNMANNED CARRIER AVIATION (UCA)	305,487	305,487
171	0605450M	JOINT AIR-TO-GROUND MISSILE (JAGM)	59,077	59,077
172	0605500N	MULTI-MISSION MARITIME AIRCRAFT (MMA)	41,129	41,129
173	0605504N	MULTI-MISSION MARITIME (MMA) INCREMENT III	103,397	103,397
174	0605516N	LONG RANGE FIRES	138,443	138,443
175	0605611M	MARINE CORPS ASSAULT VEHICLES SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT & DEMONSTRATION.	44,644	44,644
176	0605813M	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE (JLTV) SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT & DEMONSTRATION.	6,984	6,984
177	0204202N	DESTROYERS GUIDED MISSILE (DDG-1000)	58,817	58,817
178	0301377N	COUNTERING ADVANCED CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS (CACW)	16,906	16,906
179	0302315N	NON-KINETIC COUNTERMEASURE SUPPORT	23,818	23,818
183	0304785N	ISR & INFO OPERATIONS	170,567	170,567
185	0306250M	CYBER OPERATIONS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	11,936	11,936
		SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION.	7,431,995	7,497,595
		MANAGEMENT SUPPORT		
186	0604256N	THREAT SIMULATOR DEVELOPMENT	25,133	25,133
187	0604258N	TARGET SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	14,191	14,191
188	0604759N	MAJOR T&E INVESTMENT	61,946	61,946
189	0605152N	STUDIES AND ANALYSIS SUPPORT—NAVY	3,596	3,596
190	0605154N	CENTER FOR NAVAL ANALYSES	31,695	31,695
193	0605853N	MANAGEMENT, TECHNICAL & INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT	133,538	133,538
194	0605856N	STRATEGIC TECHNICAL SUPPORT	3,709	3,709
195	0605863N	RDT&E SHIP AND AIRCRAFT SUPPORT	151,479	151,479
196	0605864N	TEST AND EVALUATION SUPPORT	463,725	447,924
		Program decrease		[-15,801]
197	0605865N	OPERATIONAL TEST AND EVALUATION CAPABILITY	30,880	30,880
198	0605866N	NAVY SPACE AND ELECTRONIC WARFARE (SEW) SUPPORT	22,563	22,563
199	0605867N	SEW SURVEILLANCE/RECONNAISSANCE SUPPORT	7,325	7,325
200	0605873M	MARINE CORPS PROGRAM WIDE SUPPORT	28,816	28,816
201	0605898N	MANAGEMENT HQ—R&D	42,751	42,751
202	0606295M	MARINE AVIATION DEVELOPMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT.	4,732	4,732
203	0606355N	WARFARE INNOVATION MANAGEMENT	37,551	37,551
204	0305327N	INSIDER THREAT	2,653	2,653
205	0902498N	MANAGEMENT HEADQUARTERS (DEPARTMENTAL SUPPORT ACTIVITIES).	2,041	2,041
		SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT	1,068,324	1,052,523
		OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT		
208	0604840M	F-35 C2D2	494,034	444,634
		Block 4 Delays		[-49,400]
209	0604840N	F-35 C2D2	475,710	428,110
		Block 4 Delays		[-47,600]
210	0605520M	MARINE CORPS AIR DEFENSE WEAPONS SYSTEMS	56,140	56,140
211	0607658N	COOPERATIVE ENGAGEMENT CAPABILITY (CEC)	136,436	136,436
212	0101221N	STRATEGIC SUB & WEAPONS SYSTEM SUPPORT	807,099	807,099
213	0101224N	SSBN SECURITY TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM	63,252	63,252
214	0101226N	SUBMARINE ACOUSTIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT	56,401	56,401
215	0101402N	NAVY STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS	52,404	52,404
216	0204136N	FA-18 SQUADRONS	369,863	369,863
218	0204229N	TOMAHAWK AND TOMAHAWK MISSION PLANNING CENTER (TMPC).	151,177	151,177
219	0204311N	INTEGRATED SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM	71,800	71,800
220	0204313N	SHIP-TOWED ARRAY SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS	1,990	1,990
222	0204460M	GROUND/AIR TASK ORIENTED RADAR (GATOR)	32,045	32,045
223	0204571N	CONSOLIDATED TRAINING SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	199,067	199,067
224	0204575N	ELECTRONIC WARFARE (EW) READINESS SUPPORT	115,834	115,834
225	0205601N	ANTI-RADIATION MISSILE IMPROVEMENT	33,659	33,659
227	0205632N	MK-48 ADCAP	84,338	84,338
228	0205633N	AVIATION IMPROVEMENTS	127,421	114,721
		Program decrease		[-12,700]
229	0205675N	OPERATIONAL NUCLEAR POWER SYSTEMS	209,200	209,200
230	0206313M	MARINE CORPS COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS	125,488	125,488
231	0206335M	COMMON AVIATION COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM (CAC2S) ...	17,813	17,813
232	0206623M	MARINE CORPS GROUND COMBAT/SUPPORTING ARMS SYSTEMS	70,139	70,139

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233	0206624M	MARINE CORPS COMBAT SERVICES SUPPORT	20,419	20,419
234	0206625M	USMC INTELLIGENCE/ELECTRONIC WARFARE SYSTEMS	34,289	34,289
236	0207161N	TACTICAL AIM MISSILES	34,650	34,650
237	0207163N	ADVANCED MEDIUM RANGE AIR-TO-AIR MISSILE (AMRAAM)	26,286	26,286
238	0208043N	PLANNING AND DECISION AID SYSTEM (PDAS)	3,572	3,572
242	0303138N	AFLOAT NETWORKS	70,742	70,742
243	0303140N	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM	64,147	64,147
244	0305192N	MILITARY INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM (MIP) ACTIVITIES	3,311	3,311
247	0305208M	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS	61,238	61,238
248	0305220N	MQ-4C TRITON	14,421	14,421
250	0305232M	RQ-11 UAV	1,063	7,063
		<i>Maritimization of the Long-Range Long-Endurance (LR/LE) SUAS ..</i>		[6,000]
252	0305241N	MULTI-INTELLIGENCE SENSOR DEVELOPMENT	41,414	41,414
253	0305242M	UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS (UAS) PAYLOADS (MIP)	9,157	9,157
255	0305421N	MQ-4C TRITON MODERNIZATION	361,943	361,943
256	0307577N	INTELLIGENCE MISSION DATA (IMD)	803	803
257	0308601N	MODELING AND SIMULATION SUPPORT	12,389	12,389
258	0702207N	DEPOT MAINTENANCE (NON-IP)	23,372	33,372
		<i>Defense Industrial Skills & Technology Training</i>		[10,000]
259	0708730N	MARITIME TECHNOLOGY (MARITECH)	3,600	3,600
259A	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	2,554,769	2,554,769
		SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT	7,092,895	6,999,195
		SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS		
260	0608013N	RISK MANAGEMENT INFORMATION—SOFTWARE PILOT PROGRAM.	13,341	13,341
261	0608231N	MARITIME TACTICAL COMMAND AND CONTROL (MTC3)—SOFTWARE PILOT PROGRAM.	12,520	12,520
		SUBTOTAL SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS.	25,861	25,861
		TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST AND EVALUATION, NAVY.	25,708,049	25,732,249
		RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST AND EVALUATION, AIR FORCE		
		BASIC RESEARCH		
001	0601102F	DEFENSE RESEARCH SCIENCES	302,716	322,716
		<i>Material Flexibility and New Applications in Quantum Electronics Research.</i>		[20,000]
002	0601103F	UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INITIATIVES	94,121	94,121
		SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH	396,837	416,837
		APPLIED RESEARCH		
003	0602020F	FUTURE AF CAPABILITIES APPLIED RESEARCH	78,214	78,214
004	0602022F	UNIVERSITY AFFILIATED RESEARCH CENTER (UARC)—TACTICAL AUTONOMY.	6,294	6,294
005	0602102F	MATERIALS	147,422	162,422
		<i>Advanced Aerospace Materials</i>		[2,500]
		<i>Advanced Composites in Hypersonics & Attritable Aircraft Research ..</i>		[10,000]
		<i>Metals Affordability Initiative</i>		[2,500]
007	0602202F	HUMAN EFFECTIVENESS APPLIED RESEARCH	133,928	133,928
008	0602203F	AEROSPACE SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGIES	321,059	341,059
		<i>Computational Methods and Hardware Validation of UAVs</i>		[5,000]
		<i>High Mach Turbine Engine</i>		[10,000]
		<i>Integrated hypersonic propulsion technology maturation</i>		[2,500]
		<i>Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Research</i>		[2,500]
009	0602204F	AEROSPACE SENSORS	199,120	199,120
011	0602298F	SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT— MAJOR HEAD-QUARTERS ACTIVITIES.	10,813	10,813
012	0602336F	NUCLEAR DELIVERY SYSTEMS TECH EXPLORATION	4,969	4,969
013	0602602F	CONVENTIONAL MUNITIONS	125,102	125,102
014	0602605F	DIRECTED ENERGY TECHNOLOGY	92,331	92,331
015	0602788F	DOMINANT INFORMATION SCIENCES AND METHODS	187,036	209,536
		<i>Counter UAS advanced detection systems pilot program</i>		[10,000]
		<i>Future Flag</i>		[10,000]
		<i>Photonic Quantum Computing</i>		[2,500]
		SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH	1,306,288	1,363,788
		ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT		
016	0603032F	FUTURE AF INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGY DEMOS	268,754	268,754
017	0603112F	ADVANCED MATERIALS FOR WEAPON SYSTEMS	31,021	33,531
		<i>Tier 2.5 LO Platform Inspection System</i>		[2,500]
018	0603199F	SUSTAINMENT SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (S&T)	12,915	12,915
019	0603203F	ADVANCED AEROSPACE SENSORS	69,652	69,652
020	0603211F	AEROSPACE TECHNOLOGY DEV/DEMO	102,125	194,625
		<i>Hybrid-Electric Propulsion Combat Ready Airman (CRA) Flight Demonstrator.</i>		[90,000]

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		Multi-role CCA propulsion		[2,500]
023	0603273F	SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FOR NUCLEAR RE-ENTRY SYSTEMS ...	128,407	128,407
025	0603456F	HUMAN EFFECTIVENESS ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	19,790	19,790
026	0603601F	CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS TECHNOLOGY	99,263	99,263
027	0603605F	ADVANCED WEAPONS TECHNOLOGY	4,434	4,434
028	0603680F	MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM	38,891	41,391
		Virtual, Augmented and Mixed Reality Readiness		[2,500]
029	0603788F	BATTLESPACE KNOWLEDGE DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION.	30,812	30,812
030	0604776F	DEPLOYMENT & DISTRIBUTION ENTERPRISE R&D	28,316	28,316
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	834,380	931,880
ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES				
032	0603260F	INTELLIGENCE ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT	3,901	3,901
033	0603742F	COMBAT IDENTIFICATION TECHNOLOGY	25,172	25,172
034	0603790F	NATO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT	4,595	4,595
035	0603851F	INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE—DEM/VAL	90,096	90,096
036	0604001F	NC3 ADVANCED CONCEPTS	15,910	15,910
037	0604003F	ADVANCED BATTLE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (ABMS)	1,040,475	1,022,475
		Program decrease		[-18,000]
039	0604005F	NC3 COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT & PROTOTYPING	67,081	67,081
040	0604007F	E-7	199,676	799,676
		Continuation of rapid prototyping		[600,000]
041	0604009F	AFWERX	18,499	18,499
042	0604010F	NEXT GENERATION ADAPTIVE PROPULSION	330,270	330,270
043	0604015F	LONG RANGE STRIKE—BOMBER	2,347,225	2,347,225
047	0604183F	HYPERSONICS PROTOTYPING—HYPERSONIC ATTACK CRUISE MISSILE (HACM).	802,810	812,810
		Additive Manufacturing		[10,000]
049	0604257F	ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY AND SENSORS	40,779	40,779
052	0604317F	TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER	3,558	3,558
053	0604327F	HARD AND DEEPLY BURIED TARGET DEFEAT SYSTEM (HDBTDS) PROGRAM.	144,143	144,143
054	0604336F	NUCLEAR DELIVERY SYSTEMS PROTOTYPING	56,926	56,926
055	0604414F	CYBER RESILIENCY OF WEAPON SYSTEMS-ACS	46,148	46,148
056	0604609F	REQUIREMENTS ANALYSIS & CONCEPT MATURATION	22,754	22,754
057	0604668F	JOINT TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (JTMS)	129,626	129,626
058	0604776F	DEPLOYMENT & DISTRIBUTION ENTERPRISE R&D	4,996	4,996
059	0604858F	TECH TRANSITION PROGRAM	134,833	121,433
		Program decrease		[-13,400]
060	0604860F	OPERATIONAL ENERGY AND INSTALLATION RESILIENCE	49,460	49,460
061	0605057F	NEXT GENERATION AIR-REFUELING SYSTEM	12,960	12,960
063	0606004F	NUCLEAR ENTERPRISE RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT	1,097	1,097
064	0606005F	DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION OFFICE	15,997	15,997
066	0207147F	COLLABORATIVE COMBAT AIRCRAFT	111,365	111,365
067	0207179F	AUTONOMOUS COLLABORATIVE PLATFORMS	62,019	62,019
068	0207420F	COMBAT IDENTIFICATION	1,713	1,713
071	0207455F	THREE DIMENSIONAL LONG-RANGE RADAR (3DELRR)	17,344	17,344
072	0207522F	AIRBASE AIR DEFENSE SYSTEMS (ABADS)	15,785	15,785
073	0207606F	JOINT SIMULATION ENVIRONMENT (JSE)	260,667	260,667
074	0208030F	WAR RESERVE MATERIEL—AMMUNITION	9,865	9,865
075	0303010F	AF ISR DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE	24,817	24,817
076	0305236F	COMMON DATA LINK EXECUTIVE AGENT (CDL EA)	32,511	32,511
077	0305601F	MISSION PARTNER ENVIRONMENTS	14,956	14,956
078	0701200F	ENTERPRISE SELECT CLASS II	1,000	1,000
079	0708051F	RAPID SUSTAINMENT MODERNIZATION (RSM)	32,666	72,666
		Condition Based Predictive Maintenance		[40,000]
080	0808736F	SPECIAL VICTIM ACCOUNTABILITY AND INVESTIGATION	1,997	1,997
081	0808737F	INTEGRATED PRIMARY PREVENTION	5,167	5,167
082	0901410F	CONTRACTING INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM	29,277	29,277
083	1206415F	U.S. SPACE COMMAND RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT.	36,913	36,913
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES.	6,267,049	6,885,649
SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION				
084	0604200F	FUTURE ADVANCED WEAPON ANALYSIS & PROGRAMS	36,125	36,125
085	0604201F	PNT RESILIENCY, MODS, AND IMPROVEMENTS	125,663	125,663
086	0604222F	NUCLEAR WEAPONS SUPPORT	79,312	79,312
087	0604270F	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT	17,013	17,013
088	0604281F	TACTICAL DATA NETWORKS ENTERPRISE	77,170	77,170
089	0604287F	PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIPMENT	10,589	10,589
090	0604288F	SURVIVABLE AIRBORNE OPERATIONS CENTER (SAOC)	1,826,328	1,826,328
091	0604602F	ARMAMENT/ORDNANCE DEVELOPMENT	7,253	7,253
092	0604604F	SUBUNITIONS	3,502	3,502
093	0604617F	AGILE COMBAT SUPPORT	23,474	23,474

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094	0604706F	LIFE SUPPORT SYSTEMS	20,542	20,542
095	0604735F	COMBAT TRAINING RANGES	139,499	145,499
		<i>Innovative Targeting Systems Technology</i>		[6,000]
096	0604932F	LONG RANGE STANDOFF WEAPON	606,955	606,955
097	0604933F	ICBM FUZE MODERNIZATION	3,252	3,252
100	0605056F	OPEN ARCHITECTURE MANAGEMENT	44,150	44,150
101	0605223F	ADVANCED PILOT TRAINING	172,378	172,378
103	0605238F	GROUND BASED STRATEGIC DETERRENT EMD	2,647,563	3,047,563
		<i>Program increase</i>		[400,000]
104	0605296F	MICROELECTRONICS SECURE ENCLAVE	104,990	104,990
106	0207039F	COGNITIVE ELECTROMAGNETIC WARFARE	44,267	44,267
107	0207110F	F-47	2,579,362	2,579,362
109	0207279F	ISOLATED PERSONNEL SURVIVABILITY AND RECOVERY	99,248	99,248
110	0207328F	STAND IN ATTACK WEAPON	255,336	255,336
111	0207407F	ELECTROMAGNETIC BATTLE MANAGEMENT (EMBM)	20,439	20,439
112	0207701F	FULL COMBAT MISSION TRAINING	12,898	12,898
114	0303008F	SATURN	4,985	4,985
117	0305155F	THEATER NUCLEAR WEAPON STORAGE & SECURITY SYSTEM	19,875	19,875
120	0401221F	KC-46A TANKER SQUADRONS	145,434	65,434
		<i>Program delay</i>		[-80,000]
121	0401319F	VC-25B	602,318	602,318
122	0701212F	AUTOMATED TEST SYSTEMS	30,341	30,341
123	0804772F	TRAINING DEVELOPMENTS	5,067	8,267
		<i>Competency Based Adaptive Learning</i>		[3,200]
		SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION	9,765,328	10,094,528
		MANAGEMENT SUPPORT		
125	0604256F	THREAT SIMULATOR DEVELOPMENT	41,125	41,125
126	0604759F	MAJOR T&E INVESTMENT	156,915	156,915
127	0605101F	RAND PROJECT AIR FORCE	32,405	26,005
		<i>Program decrease</i>		[-6,400]
129	0605712F	INITIAL OPERATIONAL TEST & EVALUATION	13,872	13,872
130	0605807F	TEST AND EVALUATION SUPPORT	1,098,871	1,091,571
		<i>Hypersonic Digital Model Upgrades</i>		[6,400]
		<i>Program decrease</i>		[-13,700]
133	0605829F	ACQ WORKFORCE- CYBER, NETWORK, & BUS SYS	435,918	435,918
134	0605831F	ACQ WORKFORCE- CAPABILITY INTEGRATION	1,153,165	1,153,165
136	0605833F	ACQ WORKFORCE- NUCLEAR SYSTEMS	368,881	368,881
137	0605898F	MANAGEMENT HQ—R&D	5,960	5,960
138	0605976F	FACILITIES RESTORATION AND MODERNIZATION—TEST AND EVALUATION SUPPORT	217,761	247,761
		<i>Hypersonic Infrastructure</i>		[30,000]
139	0605978F	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT—TEST AND EVALUATION SUPPORT	91,969	91,969
140	0606017F	REQUIREMENTS ANALYSIS AND MATURATION	28,157	23,857
		<i>Program decrease</i>		[-4,300]
141	0606398F	MANAGEMENT HQ—T&E	7,417	7,417
142	0208201F	OFFENSIVE SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (SUAS)	4,985	4,985
143	0303255F	COMMAND, CONTROL, COMMUNICATION, AND COMPUTERS (C4)—STRATCOM	15,662	31,662
		<i>NC3 STRATCOM</i>		[10,000]
		<i>UARC for Strategic Deterrence, NC3, and JEMSO</i>		[6,000]
144	0308602F	ENTREPRISE INFORMATION SERVICES (EIS)	101,779	101,779
145	0702806F	ACQUISITION AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT	22,670	13,270
		<i>Program decrease</i>		[-9,400]
146	0804776F	ADVANCED DISTRIBUTED LEARNING	1,698	1,698
148	1001004F	INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES	4,430	4,430
		SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT	3,803,640	3,822,240
		OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT		
149	0604233F	SPECIALIZED UNDERGRADUATE FLIGHT TRAINING	66,200	66,200
150	0604283F	BATTLE MGMT COM & CTRL SENSOR DEVELOPMENT	17,353	17,353
153	0604840F	F-35 C3D2	1,182,094	1,078,894
		<i>Block 4 Delays</i>		[-208,700]
		<i>Pneumatic power enhancement</i>		[15,000]
		<i>Power Thermal Management Systems Analysis</i>		[90,500]
154	0605018F	AF INTEGRATED PERSONNEL AND PAY SYSTEM (AF-IPPS)	64,050	64,050
155	0605024F	ANTI-TAMPER TECHNOLOGY EXECUTIVE AGENCY	62,965	62,965
157	0605229F	HH-60W	43,579	43,579
158	0605278F	HC/MC-130 RECAP RDT&E	50,845	50,845
159	0606018F	NC3 INTEGRATION	40,066	40,066
160	0101113F	B-52 SQUADRONS	931,164	931,164
161	0101122F	AIR-LAUNCHED CRUISE MISSILE (ALCM)	555	555
162	0101126F	B-1B SQUADRONS	116,589	116,589
163	0101127F	B-2 SQUADRONS	12,519	12,519
164	0101213F	MINUTEMAN SQUADRONS	106,032	106,032
165	0101316F	WORLDWIDE JOINT STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS	24,081	24,081
166	0101318F	SERVICE SUPPORT TO STRATCOM—GLOBAL STRIKE	6,928	6,928

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167	0101328F	ICBM REENTRY VEHICLES	259,605	259,605
169	0102110F	MH-139A	5,982	5,982
170	0102326F	REGION/SECTOR OPERATION CONTROL CENTER MODERNIZATION PROGRAM	726	726
171	0102417F	OVER-THE-HORIZON BACKSCATTER RADAR	132,097	132,097
172	0202834F	VEHICLES AND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT—GENERAL	744	744
173	0205219F	MQ-9 UAV	26,689	26,689
174	0205671F	JOINT COUNTER RCIED ELECTRONIC WARFARE	3,424	3,424
176	0207133F	F-16 SQUADRONS	216,638	216,638
177	0207134F	F-15E SQUADRONS	233,018	233,018
178	0207136F	MANNED DESTRUCTIVE SUPPRESSION	17,680	17,680
179	0207138F	F-32A SQUADRONS	852,332	852,332
180	0207142F	F-35 SQUADRONS	48,446	48,446
181	0207146F	F-15EX	78,345	78,345
182	0207161F	TACTICAL AIM MISSILES	86,549	86,549
183	0207163F	ADVANCED MEDIUM RANGE AIR-TO-AIR MISSILE (AMRAAM)	51,242	51,242
184	0207172F	JOINT ADVANCED TACTICAL MISSILE (JATM)	425,029	425,029
186	0207238F	E-11A	15,244	15,244
188	0207247F	AF TENCAP	52,492	52,492
189	0207249F	PRECISION ATTACK SYSTEMS PROCUREMENT	13,613	13,613
191	0207268F	AIRCRAFT ENGINE COMPONENT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM	52,734	52,734
192	0207325F	JOINT AIR-TO-SURFACE STANDOFF MISSILE (JASSM)	232,252	232,252
193	0207327F	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB (SDB)	24,810	24,810
194	0207410F	AIR & SPACE OPERATIONS CENTER (AOC)	113,086	101,786
		Program decrease		[-11,300]
195	0207412F	CONTROL AND REPORTING CENTER (CRC)	17,569	17,569
198	0207431F	COMBAT AIR INTELLIGENCE SYSTEM ACTIVITIES	33,601	33,601
199	0207438F	THEATER BATTLE MANAGEMENT (TBM) C4I	6,787	6,787
200	0207439F	ELECTROMAGNETIC WARFARE INT REPROG (EWIR)	60,072	60,072
202	0207452F	DCAPES	8,507	8,507
203	0207457F	AIR FORCE SPECIAL WARFARE (SPECWAR)	27,526	27,526
204	0207521F	AIR FORCE CALIBRATION PROGRAMS	2,273	2,273
206	0207590F	SEEK EAGLE	33,707	33,707
208	0207611F	READINESS DECISION SUPPORT ENTERPRISE	8,880	8,880
209	0207697F	DISTRIBUTED TRAINING AND EXERCISES	4,399	4,399
210	0207701F	FULL COMBAT MISSION TRAINING	8,096	8,096
211	0208006F	MISSION PLANNING SYSTEMS	138,745	124,945
		Program decrease		[-13,800]
212	0208007F	TACTICAL DECEPTION	13,711	13,711
213	0208087F	DISTRIBUTED CYBER WARFARE OPERATIONS	31,197	31,197
214	0208088F	AF DEFENSIVE CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS	95,034	95,034
218	0208288F	INTEL DATA APPLICATIONS	1,012	1,012
219	0301025F	GEOBASE	999	999
220	0301113F	CYBER SECURITY INTELLIGENCE SUPPORT	14,749	14,749
226	0301377F	COUNTERING ADVANCED CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS (CACW)	1,117	1,117
228	0301401F	AF MULTI-DOMAIN NON-TRADITIONAL ISR BATTLESPACE AWARENESS	2,987	2,987
229	0302015F	E-4B NATIONAL AIRBORNE OPERATIONS CENTER (NAOC)	54,457	54,457
230	0302315F	NON-KINETIC COUNTERMEASURE SUPPORT	7,006	7,006
232	0303089F	CYBERSPACE AND DODIN OPERATIONS	10,080	10,080
233	0303131F	MINIMUM ESSENTIAL EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK (MEECN)	99,599	99,599
234	0303133F	HIGH FREQUENCY RADIO SYSTEMS	19,955	19,955
235	0303140F	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM	98,414	98,414
236	0303248F	ALL DOMAIN COMMON PLATFORM	76,642	76,642
237	0303260F	JOINT MILITARY DECEPTION INITIATIVE	356	356
238	0304100F	STRATEGIC MISSION PLANNING & EXECUTION SYSTEM (SMPES)	75,164	75,164
239	0304109F	THRESHER	105	105
242	0304260F	AIRBORNE SIGINT ENTERPRISE	90,650	90,650
243	0304310F	COMMERCIAL ECONOMIC ANALYSIS	4,127	4,127
247	0305020F	CCMD INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	1,547	1,547
248	0305022F	ISR MODERNIZATION & AUTOMATION DVMT (IMAD)	22,237	22,237
249	0305099F	GLOBAL AIR TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT (GATM)	4,257	4,257
250	0305103F	CYBER SECURITY INITIATIVE	310	310
251	0305111F	WEATHER SERVICE	30,509	30,509
252	0305114F	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL, APPROACH, AND LANDING SYSTEM (ATCALS)	17,259	17,259
253	0305116F	AERIAL TARGETS	5,081	5,081
256	0305128F	SECURITY AND INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITIES	8,964	8,964
257	0305146F	DEFENSE JOINT COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES	6,524	6,524
258	0305158F	TACTICAL TERMINAL	1,099	1,099
259	0305179F	INTEGRATED BROADCAST SERVICE (IBS)	19,085	19,085
261	0305206F	AIRBORNE RECONNAISSANCE SYSTEMS	25,432	25,432
262	0305207F	MANNED RECONNAISSANCE SYSTEMS	16,643	16,643
263	0305208F	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS	79,033	79,033
265	0305221F	NETWORK-CENTRIC COLLABORATIVE TARGETING	12,019	12,019
266	0305238F	NATO AGS	816	816
267	0305240F	ISR TRANSPORT AND PROCESSING	32,578	32,578

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268	0305249F	AF JWICS ENTERPRISE	21,097	21,097
269	0305600F	INTERNATIONAL INTELLIGENCE TECHNOLOGY AND ARCHITECTURES.	18,946	18,946
270	0305836F	C2IMERA	13,867	13,867
272	0305903F	COCOM MOBILE COMMAND AND CONTROL CENTERS (MCCCS)	3,988	3,988
273	0305984F	PERSONNEL RECOVERY COMMAND & CTRL (PRC2)	2,891	2,891
274	0307577F	INTELLIGENCE MISSION DATA (IMD)	3,000	3,000
276	0401119F	C-5 AIRLIFT SQUADRONS (IF)	33,713	33,713
277	0401130F	C-17 AIRCRAFT (IF)	76,514	116,514
		Program increase		[40,000]
278	0401132F	C-130J PROGRAM	31,354	31,354
279	0401134F	LARGE AIRCRAFT IR COUNTERMEASURES (LAIRCM)	52,928	52,928
281	0401318F	CV-22	653	653
283	0708610F	LOGISTICS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (LOGIT)	18,581	23,581
		Fleet Logistics Intelligence Platform		[5,000]
284	0801380F	AF LVC OPERATIONAL TRAINING (LVC-OT)	33,898	33,898
285	0804743F	OTHER FLIGHT TRAINING	2,371	2,371
286	0901202F	JOINT PERSONNEL RECOVERY AGENCY	2,080	2,080
287	0901218F	CIVILIAN COMPENSATION PROGRAM	4,355	4,355
288	0901220F	PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	2,766	2,766
289	0901226F	AIR FORCE STUDIES AND ANALYSIS AGENCY	14,761	14,761
290	0901538F	FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT.	3,982	3,982
291	0901554F	DEFENSE ENTERPRISE ACNTNG AND MGT SYS (DEAMS)	38,942	38,942
292	1201921F	SERVICE SUPPORT TO STRATCOM—SPACE ACTIVITIES	335	335
293A	999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	22,264,031	22,264,031
		SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT	29,643,766	29,560,466
		TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST AND EVALUATION, AIR FORCE.	52,017,288	53,075,388
		RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION, SPACE FORCE		
		BASIC RESEARCH		
001	0601102SF	DEFENSE RESEARCH SCIENCES	22,270	22,270
002	0601103SF	UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INITIATIVES	14,569	14,569
		SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH	36,839	36,839
		APPLIED RESEARCH		
004	1206601SF	SPACE TECHNOLOGY	245,497	245,497
005	1206616SF	SPACE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT/DEMO	2,591	2,591
		SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH	248,088	248,088
		ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT		
006	1206310SF	SPACE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.	459,989	459,989
007	1206616SF	SPACE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT/DEMO	128,588	131,088
		Liquid Rocket Engine for USAFA Rocket Propulsion Curriculum		[2,500]
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	588,577	591,077
		ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES		
008	0604002SF	SPACE FORCE WEATHER SERVICES RESEARCH	857	857
009	1203010SF	SPACE FORCE IT, DATA ANALYTICS, DIGITAL SOLUTIONS	88,606	88,606
010	1203164SF	NAVSTAR GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM (USER EQUIPMENT) (SPACE).	175,304	175,304
011	1203622SF	SPACE WARFIGHTING ANALYSIS	125,982	125,982
012	1203710SF	EO/IR WEATHER SYSTEMS	77,135	77,135
013	1203955SF	SPACE ACCESS, MOBILITY & LOGISTICS (SAML)	14,478	14,478
014	1206410SF	SPACE TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPING	1,307,970	1,307,970
015	1206427SF	SPACE SYSTEMS PROTOTYPE TRANSITIONS (SSPT)	67,246	67,246
016	1206438SF	SPACE CONTROL TECHNOLOGY	60,106	60,106
017	1206458SF	TECH TRANSITION (SPACE)	326,144	326,144
018	1206730SF	SPACE SECURITY AND DEFENSE PROGRAM	45,200	45,200
019	1206760SF	PROTECTED TACTICAL ENTERPRISE SERVICE (PTES)	114,430	114,430
020	1206761SF	PROTECTED TACTICAL SERVICE (PTS)	571,921	571,921
021	1206855SF	EVOLVED STRATEGIC SATCOM (ESS)	1,229,929	1,229,929
022	1206857SF	SPACE RAPID CAPABILITIES OFFICE	9,664	9,664
023	1206862SF	TACTICALLY RESPONSIVE SPACE	33,282	60,000
		Tactically Responsive Space		[26,718]
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES.	4,248,254	4,274,972
		SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION		
025	1203269SF	GPS III FOLLOW-ON (GPS IIIF)	179,249	194,249
		Resilient GPS (R-GPS)		[15,000]
026	1206421SF	COUNTERSPACE SYSTEMS	31,298	31,298
027	1206422SF	WEATHER SYSTEM FOLLOW-ON	38,501	38,501

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028	1206425SF	SPACE SITUATION AWARENESS SYSTEMS	992	992
029	1206431SF	ADVANCED EHF MILSATCOM (SPACE)	13,825	13,825
031	1206433SF	WIDEBAND GLOBAL SATCOM (SPACE)	29,609	29,609
032	1206440SF	NEXT-GEN OPIR—GROUND	358,330	358,330
033	1206442SF	NEXT GENERATION OPIR	189,621	189,621
034	1206443SF	NEXT-GEN OPIR—GEO	432,073	432,073
035	1206444SF	NEXT-GEN OPIR—POLAR		474,889
		Program increase		[474,889]
036	1206445SF	COMMERCIAL SATCOM (COMSATCOM) INTEGRATION	132,060	132,060
037	1206446SF	RESILIENT MISSILE WARNING MISSILE TRACKING—LOW EARTH ORBIT (LEO).	1,757,354	1,076,354
		Reconciliation adjustment		[−681,000]
038	1206447SF	RESILIENT MISSILE WARNING MISSILE TRACKING—MEDIUM EARTH ORBIT (MEO).	686,348	686,348
039	1206771SF	COMMERCIAL SERVICES	36,628	91,628
		Tactical Surveillance, Reconnaissance, and Tracking (SRT)		[50,000]
		VLEO Spacecraft for Tactical SRT		[5,000]
040	1206853SF	NATIONAL SECURITY SPACE LAUNCH PROGRAM (SPACE)—EMD	6,595	6,595
		SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION.	3,892,483	3,756,372
		MANAGEMENT SUPPORT		
044	1206392SF	ACQ WORKFORCE—SPACE & MISSILE SYSTEMS	269,162	269,162
045	1206398SF	SPACE & MISSILE SYSTEMS CENTER—MHA	15,356	15,356
046	1206399SF	SSC ENTERPRISE ENGINEERING & INTEGRATION	110,598	110,598
047	1206759SF	MAJOR T&E INVESTMENT—SPACE	189,083	189,083
048	1206860SF	ROCKET SYSTEMS LAUNCH PROGRAM (SPACE)	19,857	19,857
049	1206864SF	SPACE TEST PROGRAM (STP)	28,787	28,787
		SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT	632,843	632,843
		OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT		
051	1201212SF	SERVICE-WIDE SUPPORT (NOT OTHERWISE ACCOUNTED FOR) ..	18,451	18,451
052	1203001SF	FAMILY OF ADVANCED BLOS TERMINALS (FAB-T)	303	303
053	1203040SF	DCO-SPACE	102,439	102,439
054	1203109SF	NARROWBAND SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS	421,847	421,847
055	1203110SF	SATELLITE CONTROL NETWORK (SPACE)	93,780	93,780
056	1203154SF	LONG RANGE KILL CHAINS	1,916	0
		Reconciliation adjustment		[−1,916]
057	1203155SF	GROUND MOVING TARGET INDICATOR (GMTI)	1,063,384	1,063,384
058	1203173SF	SPACE AND MISSILE TEST AND EVALUATION CENTER	22,128	22,128
059	1203174SF	SPACE INNOVATION, INTEGRATION AND RAPID TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	82,399	82,399
060	1203182SF	SPACELIFT RANGE SYSTEM (SPACE)	54,996	54,996
061	1203330SF	SPACE SUPERIORITY ISR	24,411	24,411
062	1203609SF	PLEO SATCOM (MILNET)	277,407	0
		Reconciliation adjustment		[−277,407]
064	1203906SF	NCMC—ITW/AA SYSTEM	25,839	25,839
066	1203913SF	NUDET DETECTION SYSTEM (SPACE)	96,836	96,836
067	1203940SF	SPACE SITUATION AWARENESS OPERATIONS	182,377	197,377
		Unified Data Library (UDL)		[15,000]
068	1206423SF	GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM III—OPERATIONAL CONTROL SEGMENT.	190,484	190,484
073	1206772SF	RAPID RESILIENT COMMAND AND CONTROL (R2C2)	106,220	106,220
075	1208053SF	JOINT TACTICAL GROUND SYSTEM	6,698	6,698
075A	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	2,866,499	2,866,499
		SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT	5,638,414	5,374,091
		SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS		
076	1208248SF	SPACE DOMAIN AWARENESS/PLANNING/TASKING SW	200,968	200,968
		SUBTOTAL SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS.	200,968	200,968
		TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION, SPACE FORCE.	15,486,466	15,115,250
		RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST AND EVALUATION, DEFENSE-WIDE		
		BASIC RESEARCH		
001	0601000BR	DTRA BASIC RESEARCH	15,643	15,643
003	0601108D8Z	HIGH ENERGY LASER RESEARCH INITIATIVES	16,817	16,817
004	0601110D8Z	BASIC RESEARCH INITIATIVES	82,264	95,264
		Program increase		[13,000]
006	0601120D8Z	NATIONAL DEFENSE EDUCATION PROGRAM	146,010	146,010
007	0601122E	EMERGING OPPORTUNITIES	360,456	360,456
008	0601228D8Z	HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES/MINORITY INSTITUTIONS.	99,610	124,610
		Program increase		[25,000]

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009	0601384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM	36,582	36,582
		SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH	757,382	795,382
		APPLIED RESEARCH		
010	0602000D8Z	JOINT MUNITIONS TECHNOLOGY	19,734	19,734
011	0602023E	ACCESS AND AWARENESS	100,791	100,791
012	0602024E	WARFIGHTING PERFORMANCE	278,121	278,121
013	0602025E	MAKING, MAINTAINING, SUPPLY CHAIN AND LOGISTICS	1,347,049	1,347,049
014	0602026E	EFFECTS	20,275	20,275
016	0602128D8Z	PROMOTION AND PROTECTION STRATEGIES	3,166	3,166
017	0602230D8Z	DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION	46,261	46,261
018	0602234D8Z	LINCOLN LABORATORY RESEARCH PROGRAM	11,479	11,479
019	0602251D8Z	APPLIED RESEARCH FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF S&T PRIORITIES.	53,983	53,983
021	0602384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM	230,751	230,751
022	0602668D8Z	CYBER SECURITY RESEARCH	17,988	22,988
		Pacific Intelligence and Innovation Initiative		[5,000]
028	0602718BR	COUNTER WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION APPLIED RESEARCH.	161,495	156,495
		Program decrease		[-5,000]
029	0602751D8Z	SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INSTITUTE (SEI) APPLIED RESEARCH.	8,883	8,883
030	0602890D8Z	HIGH ENERGY LASER RESEARCH	48,738	53,738
		Advanced Optical Coatings for High Energy Lasers		[5,000]
031	0602891D8Z	FSRM MODELLING	994	994
032	1160401BB	SOF TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	50,026	67,776
		Accelerate development of Belt-fed Electric Advanced Weapon for Organic and Fire Superiority (BEAWOLFS). (Combating Terrorism Technology Support).		[2,750]
		Vertical Take Off and Landing Optionally Piloted Vehicle (VTOL-OPV).		[15,000]
		SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH	2,399,734	2,422,484
		ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT		
033	0603000D8Z	JOINT MUNITIONS ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	50,663	50,663
035	0603055D8Z	OPERATIONAL ENERGY CAPABILITY IMPROVEMENT	168,253	193,253
		Hybrid Power Systems		[5,000]
		TRISO		[20,000]
037	0603122D8Z	COMBATING TERRORISM TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT	81,513	239,513
		Emerging Technology Cooperation		[35,000]
		Israel Anti-Tunneling Cooperation		[50,000]
		Israel Counter-UXS Program		[70,000]
		Low-Cost VTOL Loitering Precision Strike		[3,000]
038	0603133D8Z	FOREIGN COMPARATIVE TESTING	27,958	27,958
039	0603142D8Z	MISSION ENGINEERING & INTEGRATION (ME&I)	99,534	99,534
040	0603160BR	COUNTER WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	393,469	366,469
		Program decrease		[-27,000]
042	0603176C	ADVANCED CONCEPTS AND PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT	21,625	21,625
043	0603180C	ADVANCED RESEARCH	42,093	42,093
044	0603183D8Z	JOINT HYPERSONIC TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT &TRANSITION.	50,998	75,998
		Increased Hypersonic Operational Envelope Prototyping		[10,000]
		University Consortium for Applied Hypersonics		[15,000]
045	0603225D8Z	JOINT DOD-DOE MUNITIONS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	35,505	35,505
048	0603288D8Z	ANALYTIC ASSESSMENTS	41,010	41,010
049	0603289D8Z	ADVANCED INNOVATIVE ANALYSIS AND CONCEPTS	57,457	57,457
050	0603330D8Z	QUANTUM APPLICATION	59,521	59,521
051	0603342D8Z	DEFENSE INNOVATION UNIT (DIU)		17,000
		Integrated Wireless Optical Power Beaming and Communications System.		[7,000]
		Small Electric Unmanned Surface Vehicles		[10,000]
052	0603375D8Z	TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION	19,654	19,654
053	0603379D8Z	ADVANCED TECHNICAL INTEGRATION	19,991	19,991
054	0603384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM—ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT.	247,043	247,043
055	0603467E	DARPA ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	1,643,465	1,643,465
056	0603468E	ADVANCED COMPLEX SYSTEMS	350,695	355,695
		DARPA-ALLAS/MATRIX		[5,000]
057	0603469E	ADVANCED ENABLING TECHNOLOGIES	335,647	335,647
059	0603618D8Z	JOINT ELECTRONIC ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	20,575	20,575
060	0603662D8Z	NETWORKED COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITIES	19,937	19,937
062	0603680D8Z	DEFENSE-WIDE MANUFACTURING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM.	409,493	414,993
		Critical Minerals		[3,500]
		Manufacturing Modernization		[10,000]
		Manufacturing of Advanced Composites for Hypersonics		[2,500]
		Onsite Training		[3,000]

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		Predictive Manufacturing Analytics		[3,500]
		Reconciliation adjustment		[−25,000]
		Submarine Battery Supply Chain		[4,000]
		Warfighter Energy Materials Production Capacity		[4,000]
063	0603680S	MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM	50,610	53,610
		Aluminum-Scandium Alloy Prototype		[3,000]
064	0603712S	GENERIC LOGISTICS R&D TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATIONS	19,640	19,640
065	0603716D8Z	STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH PROGRAM	58,092	58,092
066	0603720S	MICROELECTRONICS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT AND SUP- PORT.	135,016	135,016
067	0603727D8Z	JOINT WARFIGHTING PROGRAM	945	945
072	0603781D8Z	SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INSTITUTE	12,972	12,972
073	0603838D8Z	DEFENSE INNOVATION ACCELERATION (DIA)	211,027	198,527
		Insider Threat		[2,500]
		Reconciliation adjustment		[−15,000]
074	0603924D8Z	HIGH ENERGY LASER ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM	114,577	114,577
075	0603941D8Z	TEST & EVALUATION SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY	1,095,772	1,080,772
		Digital Transformation Nexus		[5,000]
		Payload Dispense Mechanism for Reusable Hypersonic Test Bed		[5,000]
		Reconciliation adjustment		[−25,000]
076	0603945D8Z	INTERNATIONAL INNOVATION INITIATIVES	173,048	173,048
080	1160402BB	SOF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	152,282	157,282
		Small multimodal AI models for intelligence analysis		[5,000]
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	6,220,080	6,409,080
		ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTO- TYPES		
081	0603161D8Z	NUCLEAR AND CONVENTIONAL PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIP- MENT RDT&E ADC&P.	55,465	55,465
082	0603600D8Z	WALKOFF	152,449	137,249
		Program decrease		[−15,200]
083	0603851D8Z	ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY TECHNICAL CERTIFICATION PRO- GRAM.	123,981	149,781
		Program increase		[25,800]
084	0603881C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TERMINAL DEFENSE SEGMENT ..	508,898	518,898
		Secure, Assured, and Radiation Hardened Microelectronics		[10,000]
085	0603882C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE MIDCOURSE DEFENSE SEGMENT	825,919	825,919
086	0603884BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM—DEM/VAL	272,940	272,940
087	0603884C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE SENSORS	197,641	97,641
		Reconciliation adjustment		[−100,000]
088	0603890C	BMD ENABLING PROGRAMS	646,039	646,039
089	0603891C	SPECIAL PROGRAMS—MDA	498,630	498,630
090	0603892C	AEGIS BMD	588,440	588,440
091	0603896C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE COMMAND AND CONTROL, BAT- TLE MANAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS (C2BMC).	634,183	534,183
		Reconciliation adjustment		[−100,000]
092	0603898C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE JOINT WARFIGHTER SUPPORT ...	45,758	45,758
093	0603904C	MISSILE DEFENSE INTEGRATION & OPERATIONS CENTER (MDIOC).	55,097	55,097
094	0603906C	REGARDING TRENCH	29,608	29,608
095	0603907C	SEA BASED X-RAND RADAR (SBX)	166,813	166,813
096	0603913C	ISRAELI COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS	300,000	300,000
097	0603914C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TEST	463,079	463,079
098	0603915C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TARGETS	514,904	532,404
		Advanced Reactive Target Simulation		[10,000]
		Next Generation Hypersonic		[7,500]
099	0603923D8Z	COALITION WARFARE	10,090	10,090
100	0604011D8Z	NEXT GENERATION INFORMATION COMMUNICATIONS TECH- NOLOGY (5G).	41,815	36,815
		Reconciliation adjustment		[−5,000]
101	0604016D8Z	DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CORROSION PROGRAM	2,545	2,545
102	0604102C	GUAM DEFENSE DEVELOPMENT	128,485	128,485
105	0604125D8Z	ADVANCED MANUFACTURING COMPONENTS AND PROTOTYPES	45,513	45,513
106	0604181C	HYPERSONIC DEFENSE	200,627	200,627
107	0604250D8Z	ADVANCED INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES	749,452	732,452
		Reconciliation adjustment		[−20,000]
		Typhoon, Seaman's Eye Predictive Autonomous Navigational Routing		[3,000]
108	0604294D8Z	TRUSTED & ASSURED MICROELECTRONICS	512,151	512,151
109	0604331D8Z	RAPID PROTOTYPING PROGRAM	235,292	220,292
		Reconciliation adjustment		[−15,000]
112	0604400D8Z	DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DOD) UNMANNED SYSTEM COM- MON DEVELOPMENT.	2,142	2,142
113	0604551BR	CATAPULT INFORMATION SYSTEM	4,161	4,161
114	0604555D8Z	OPERATIONAL ENERGY PROTOTYPING—NON S&T	55,005	55,005
117	0604682D8Z	SUPPORT FOR STRATEGIC ANALYSIS	2,776	2,776
119	0604791D8Z	MULTI-DOMAIN JOINT OPERATIONS (MDJO)	20,343	20,343
120	0604797D8Z	JOINT ENERGETIC TRANSITION OFFICE	3,000	3,000
121	0604826J	JOINT C5 CAPABILITY DEVELOPMENT, INTEGRATION AND INTEROPERABILITY ASSESSMENTS.	25,889	25,889

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122	0604873C	LONG RANGE DISCRIMINATION RADAR (LRDR)	60,443	60,443
123	0604874C	IMPROVED HOMELAND DEFENSE INTERCEPTORS	1,582,414	1,182,414
		Reconciliation adjustment		[-400,000]
124	0604876C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TERMINAL DEFENSE SEGMENT TEST.	37,784	37,784
125	0604878C	AEGIS BMD TEST	153,618	153,618
126	0604879C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE SENSOR TEST	68,699	68,699
127	0604880C	LAND-BASED SM-3 (LBSM3)	24,555	24,555
128	0604887C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE MIDCOURSE SEGMENT TEST	38,325	38,325
129	0604924D8Z	HIGH ENERGY LASER ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT & PROTOTYPE.	5,589	5,589
130	0202057C	SAFETY PROGRAM MANAGEMENT	1,806	1,806
131	0208059JCY	CYBERCOM ACTIVITIES	30,212	30,212
133	0208086JCY	CYBER TRAINING ENVIRONMENT (CTE)	124,971	124,971
135	0305103C	CYBER SECURITY INITIATIVE	2,131	2,131
136	0305245D8Z	INTELLIGENCE CAPABILITIES AND INNOVATION INVESTMENTS	43,596	43,596
139	1206895C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEM SPACE PROGRAMS	97,061	97,061
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES.	10,390,334	9,791,434
		SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION		
141	0604123D8Z	CHIEF DIGITAL AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE OFFICER (CDAO)—DEM/VAL ACTIVITIES.	9,196	9,196
142	0604133D8Z	ALPHA-1 DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES	441,821	416,821
		Reconciliation adjustment		[-25,000]
143	0604161D8Z	NUCLEAR AND CONVENTIONAL PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIPMENT RDT&E SDD.	12,874	12,874
144	0604384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM—EMD	255,630	217,880
		Program decrease		[-37,750]
145	0604771D8Z	JOINT TACTICAL INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM (JTIDS)	10,527	10,527
146	0605000BR	COUNTER WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT.	14,931	14,931
147	0605013BL	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	1,283	1,283
148	0605021SE	HOMELAND PERSONNEL SECURITY INITIATIVE	9,137	9,137
149	0605022D8Z	DEFENSE EXPORTABILITY PROGRAM	6,780	6,780
150	0605027D8Z	OSD(C) IT DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES	9,765	9,765
151	0605080S	DEFENSE AGENCY INITIATIVES (DAI)—FINANCIAL SYSTEM	31,714	31,714
152	0605141BR	MISSION ASSURANCE RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (MARMS)	9,573	9,573
153	0605210D8Z	DEFENSE-WIDE ELECTRONIC PROCUREMENT CAPABILITIES	9,366	9,366
154	0605294D8Z	TRUSTED & ASSURED MICROELECTRONICS	143,475	133,475
		Reconciliation adjustment		[-10,000]
155	0605649D8Z	ACQUISITION INTEGRATION AND INTEROPERABILITY (AI2)	13,556	13,556
156	0605755D8Z	RADIOLOGICAL AND NUCLEAR DEFENSE MODERNIZATION SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION.	3,307	3,307
157	0605772D8Z	NUCLEAR COMMAND, CONTROL, & COMMUNICATIONS	3,158	3,158
159	0305282K	JOINT FIRES NETWORK (JFN)	10,000	10,000
160	0305304D8Z	REAL PROPERTY INFORMATION MANAGEMENT	6,473	6,473
161	0305310D8Z	COUNTERPROLIFERATION ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT	12,107	12,107
		SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION.	1,014,673	941,923
		MANAGEMENT SUPPORT		
163	0603829J	JOINT CAPABILITY EXPERIMENTATION	13,822	13,822
164	0604122D8Z	JADC2 DEVELOPMENT AND EXPERIMENTATION ACTIVITIES	297,801	272,801
		Reconciliation adjustment		[-25,000]
165	0604774D8Z	DEFENSE READINESS REPORTING SYSTEM (DRRS)	8,552	8,552
166	0604875D8Z	JOINT SYSTEMS ARCHITECTURE DEVELOPMENT	8,627	8,627
167	0604940D8Z	CENTRAL TEST AND EVALUATION INVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT (CTEIP).	542,773	542,773
168	0604942D8Z	ASSESSMENTS AND EVALUATIONS	1,275	1,275
170	0605001E	MISSION SUPPORT	115,673	115,673
171	0605100D8Z	JOINT MISSION ENVIRONMENT TEST CAPABILITY (JMETC)	210,878	210,878
172	0605126J	JOINT INTEGRATED AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE ORGANIZATION (JIAMDO).	78,057	78,057
174	0605142D8Z	SYSTEMS ENGINEERING	23,405	23,405
175	0605151D8Z	STUDIES AND ANALYSIS SUPPORT—OSD	5,301	5,301
176	0605161D8Z	NUCLEAR MATTERS-PHYSICAL SECURITY	12,549	12,549
177	0605170D8Z	SUPPORT TO NETWORKS AND INFORMATION INTEGRATION	15,597	15,597
178	0605200D8Z	GENERAL SUPPORT TO OSD/INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY) ..	3,468	3,468
179	0605384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM	67,263	67,263
186	0605711D8Z	CRITICAL TECHNOLOGY ANALYSIS	11,781	11,781
187	0605790D8Z	SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH (SBIR)/ SMALL BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER (STTR) ADMINISTRATION. Comprehensive Training Program for Contracting Officers on SBIR Phase III Direct Awards.	5,411	8,411
				[3,000]
188	0605797D8Z	MAINTAINING TECHNOLOGY ADVANTAGE	29,675	29,675
189	0605798D8Z	DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY ANALYSIS	45,134	45,134
190	0605801KA	DEFENSE TECHNICAL INFORMATION CENTER (DTIC)	60,209	60,209

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191	0605803SE	R&D IN SUPPORT OF DOD ENLISTMENT, TESTING AND EVALUATION.	30,778	30,778
192	0605804D8Z	DEVELOPMENT TEST AND EVALUATION	37,381	37,381
193	0605898E	MANAGEMENT HQ—R&D	13,623	13,623
194	0605998KA	MANAGEMENT HQ—DEFENSE TECHNICAL INFORMATION CENTER (DTIC).	3,466	3,466
195	0606005D8Z	SPECIAL ACTIVITIES	18,594	18,594
196	0606100D8Z	BUDGET AND PROGRAM ASSESSMENTS	13,084	13,084
197	0606114D8Z	ANALYSIS WORKING GROUP (AWG) SUPPORT	5,229	5,229
199	0606225D8Z	ODNA TECHNOLOGY AND RESOURCE ANALYSIS	3,461	3,461
200	0606300D8Z	DEFENSE SCIENCE BOARD	6,563	6,563
201	0606301D8Z	AVIATION SAFETY TECHNOLOGIES	1,702	1,702
202	0606771D8Z	CYBER RESILIENCY AND CYBERSECURITY POLICY	14,220	14,220
203	0606774D8Z	DEFENSE CIVILIAN TRAINING CORPS	8,752	8,752
204	0606775D8Z	JOINT PRODUCTION ACCELERATOR CELL (JPAC)	5,493	5,493
205	0606829D8Z	SUSTAINMENT TRANSITION CAPABILITIES	30,000	30,000
206	0606853BR	MANAGEMENT, TECHNICAL & INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT	14,841	14,841
207	0203345D8Z	DEFENSE OPERATIONS SECURITY INITIATIVE (DOSI)	2,493	2,493
208	0204571J	JOINT STAFF ANALYTICAL SUPPORT	8,070	8,070
209	0208045K	C4I INTEROPERABILITY	70,893	70,893
210	0303169D8Z	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RAPID ACQUISITION	4,355	4,355
211	0305172K	COMBINED ADVANCED APPLICATIONS	5,447	5,447
213	0305208K	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS	2,887	2,887
214	0305248J	JOINT STAFF OFFICE OF THE CHIEF DATA OFFICER (OCDO) ACTIVITIES.	14,500	19,500
		Advanced Manufacturing Initiative in the Indo-Pacific		[5,000]
215	0804768J	COCOM EXERCISE ENGAGEMENT AND TRAINING TRANSFORMATION (CE2T2)—NON-MHA.	91,952	91,952
216	0808709SE	DEFENSE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE (DEOMI).	388	388
217	0808737SE	INTEGRATED PRIMARY PREVENTION	5,744	5,744
218	0901598C	MANAGEMENT HQ—MDA	28,719	28,719
219	0903235K	JOINT SERVICE PROVIDER (JSP)	1,283	1,283
219A	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	31,148	31,148
		SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT	2,032,317	2,015,317
		OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT		
220	0604011D8Z	NEXT GENERATION INFORMATION COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY (5G).	22,439	22,439
223	0607162D8Z	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS ELIMINATION TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENT.	2,360	2,360
224	0607210D8Z	INDUSTRIAL BASE ANALYSIS AND SUSTAINMENT SUPPORT	273,379	264,879
		Ablative Material Sustainment		[3,000]
		Operational Systems Development		[10,000]
		Reconciliation adjustment		[–25,000]
		U.S.-based Synthetic Graphite Manufacturing		[3,500]
225	0607310D8Z	COUNTERPROLIFERATION MODERNIZATION	12,704	12,704
226	0607327T	GLOBAL THEATER SECURITY COOPERATION MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS (G-TSCMIS).	6,173	6,173
227	0607384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE (OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT).	79,118	79,118
228	0607757D8Z	RADIOLOGICAL AND NUCLEAR DEFENSE MODERNIZATION OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT.	2,945	7,945
		Shelf-Stable, Field Deployable Medical Countermeasure for Internal Radionuclide Contamination.		[5,000]
229	0208085JCY	ROBUST INFRASTRUCTURE AND ACCESS	88,522	88,522
230	0208097JCY	CYBER COMMAND AND CONTROL (CYBER C2)	85,833	85,833
231	0208099JCY	DATA AND UNIFIED PLATFORM (D&UP)	83,039	83,039
235	0302019K	DEFENSE INFO INFRASTRUCTURE ENGINEERING AND INTEGRATION.	16,162	16,162
236	0302609V	COUNTERING THREATS AUTOMATED PLATFORM	5,030	5,030
237	0303126K	LONG-HAUL COMMUNICATIONS—DCS	40,293	40,293
238	0303131K	MINIMUM ESSENTIAL EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK (MEECN).	5,113	5,113
240	0303140D8Z	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM	25,347	25,347
242	0303140K	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM	23,224	23,224
243	0303153K	DEFENSE SPECTRUM ORGANIZATION	20,174	20,174
244	0303171K	JOINT PLANNING AND EXECUTION SERVICES	6,242	6,242
246	0303430V	FEDERAL INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.	22,700	22,700
252	0305104D8Z	DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE (DIB) CYBER SECURITY INITIATIVE.	10,840	10,840
257	0305146V	DEFENSE JOINT COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES	1,800	1,800
258	0305172D8Z	COMBINED ADVANCED APPLICATIONS	22,548	22,548
260	0305186D8Z	POLICY R&D PROGRAMS	6,043	6,043
262	0305199D8Z	NET CENTRICITY	17,114	17,114
264	0305208BB	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS	5,656	5,656
270	0305387D8Z	HOMELAND DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PROGRAM	1,771	1,771

SEC. 4201. RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION
(In Thousands of Dollars)

Line	Program Element	Item	FY 2026 Request	House Authorized
279	0306250JCY	CYBER OPERATIONS TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT	473,399	473,399
280	0307609V	NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL SECURITY SYSTEMS (NISS)	34,710	34,710
283	0708012K	LOGISTICS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES	2,876	2,876
284	0708012S	PACIFIC DISASTER CENTERS	2,000	2,000
285	0708047S	DEFENSE PROPERTY ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM	3,020	3,020
289	1160403BB	AVIATION SYSTEMS	119,699	119,699
290	1160405BB	INTELLIGENCE SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	102,732	102,732
291	1160408BB	OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS	234,653	234,653
292	1160431BB	WARRIOR SYSTEMS	279,639	279,639
293	1160432BB	SPECIAL PROGRAMS	550	550
294	1160434BB	UNMANNED ISR	2,281	2,281
295	1160480BB	SOF TACTICAL VEHICLES	9,213	9,213
296	1160483BB	MARITIME SYSTEMS	120,475	120,475
297	1160490BB	OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS INTELLIGENCE	21,752	21,752
298	1203610K	TELEPORT PROGRAM	24,319	24,319
298A	999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	8,276,313	8,276,313
		SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT	10,594,200	10,590,700
		SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS		
299	0608140D8Z	ENTERPRISE PLATFORMS AND CAPABILITIES—SOFTWARE PILOT PROGRAM	402,783	402,783
300	0608648D8Z	ACQUISITION VISIBILITY—SOFTWARE PILOT PROGRAM	17,549	17,549
301	0608776D8Z	DEFENSE INNOVATION UNIT FIELDING	48,413	48,413
302	0303150K	GLOBAL COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM	44,474	44,474
		SUBTOTAL SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS.	513,219	513,219
		TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST AND EVALUATION, DEFENSE-WIDE.	33,921,939	33,479,539
		OPERATIONAL TEST AND EVALUATION, DEFENSE MANAGEMENT SUPPORT		
001	0605118OTE	OPERATIONAL TEST AND EVALUATION	133,542	133,542
002	0605131OTE	LIVE FIRE TEST AND EVALUATION	108,109	108,109
003	0605814OTE	OPERATIONAL TEST ACTIVITIES AND ANALYSES	76,492	76,492
		SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT	318,143	318,143
		TOTAL OPERATIONAL TEST AND EVALUATION, DEFENSE.	318,143	318,143
		TOTAL RDT&E	142,001,108	142,435,692

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 2026 Request	House Authorized
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY OPERATING FORCES		
010	MANEUVER UNITS	4,671,407	4,671,407
020	MODULAR SUPPORT BRIGADES	221,578	216,578
	Historical underexecution		[–5,000]
030	ECHELONS ABOVE BRIGADE	927,219	892,219
	Historical underexecution		[–35,000]
040	THEATER LEVEL ASSETS	2,220,746	2,220,746
050	LAND FORCES OPERATIONS SUPPORT	1,333,769	1,323,769
	Program decrease		[–10,000]
060	AVIATION ASSETS	1,829,054	1,829,054
070	FORCE READINESS OPERATIONS SUPPORT	7,497,735	7,497,735
080	LAND FORCES SYSTEMS READINESS	583,196	583,196
090	LAND FORCES DEPOT MAINTENANCE	152,404	152,404
100	MEDICAL READINESS	844,140	844,140
110	BASE OPERATIONS SUPPORT	10,694,915	10,694,915
120	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION	6,159,744	6,179,744

SEC. 4301. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Line	Item	FY 2026 Request	House Authorized
	Program increase		[20,000]
130	MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONAL HEADQUARTERS	263,147	263,147
140	ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES	392,457	392,457
150	RESET	111,688	111,688
160	US AFRICA COMMAND	413,046	413,046
170	US EUROPEAN COMMAND	385,744	385,744
180	US SOUTHERN COMMAND	224,971	224,971
190	US FORCES KOREA	77,049	77,049
200	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS	331,467	331,467
210	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSECURITY	550,089	550,089
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	39,885,565	39,855,565
	MOBILIZATION		
220	STRATEGIC MOBILITY	134,892	134,892
230	ARMY PREPOSITIONED STOCKS	330,812	656,812
	APS-2 Reset		[326,000]
240	INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS	3,162	3,162
	SUBTOTAL MOBILIZATION	468,866	794,866
	TRAINING AND RECRUITING		
250	OFFICER ACQUISITION	172,424	172,424
260	RECRUIT TRAINING	78,929	78,929
270	ONE STATION UNIT TRAINING	88,033	88,033
280	SENIOR RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS	508,982	508,982
290	SPECIALIZED SKILL TRAINING	988,901	988,901
300	FLIGHT TRAINING	1,398,974	1,398,974
310	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION	202,738	197,738
	Historical underexecution		[–5,000]
320	TRAINING SUPPORT	596,528	596,528
330	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING	747,712	747,712
340	EXAMINING	177,666	177,666
350	OFF-DUTY AND VOLUNTARY EDUCATION	181,211	181,211
360	CIVILIAN EDUCATION AND TRAINING	227,476	227,476
370	JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS	190,668	190,668
	SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING	5,560,242	5,555,242
	ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES		
	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
390	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION	1,306,690	1,306,690
400	CENTRAL SUPPLY ACTIVITIES	740,581	740,581
410	LOGISTIC SUPPORT ACTIVITIES	588,151	588,151
420	AMMUNITION MANAGEMENT	344,948	344,948
430	ADMINISTRATION	408,825	408,825
440	SERVICEWIDE COMMUNICATIONS	2,171,607	2,121,607
	Program decrease		[–50,000]
450	MANPOWER MANAGEMENT	313,323	313,323
460	OTHER PERSONNEL SUPPORT	853,139	843,139
	Program decrease		[–20,000]
	Soldier Readiness Analytics		[10,000]
470	OTHER SERVICE SUPPORT	2,078,411	2,068,411
	Program decrease		[–10,000]
480	ARMY CLAIMS ACTIVITIES	223,611	213,611
	Historical underexecution		[–10,000]
490	REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT	294,705	294,705
500	FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT READINESS	618,471	618,471
510	DEF ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT	36,510	36,510
520	INTERNATIONAL MILITARY HEADQUARTERS	664,510	664,510
530	MISC. SUPPORT OF OTHER NATIONS	31,387	31,387
	SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE- WIDE ACTIVITIES	10,674,869	10,594,869
590A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	2,385,523	2,385,523
	SUBTOTAL CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	2,385,523	2,385,523
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY	58,975,065	59,186,065
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY RESERVE OPERATING FORCES		
010	MODULAR SUPPORT BRIGADES	14,651	14,651
020	ECHELONS ABOVE BRIGADE	703,286	703,286

SEC. 4301. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Line	Item	FY 2026 Request	House Authorized
030	THEATER LEVEL ASSETS	146,794	146,794
040	LAND FORCES OPERATIONS SUPPORT	685,541	685,541
050	AVIATION ASSETS	55,155	55,155
060	FORCE READINESS OPERATIONS SUPPORT	438,508	438,508
070	LAND FORCES SYSTEMS READINESS	23,783	23,783
080	LAND FORCES DEPOT MAINTENANCE	40,426	40,426
090	BASE OPERATIONS SUPPORT	557,465	557,465
100	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZA- TION	504,922	504,922
110	MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONAL HEADQUARTERS	20,531	20,531
120	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS	2,174	2,174
130	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSECURITY	19,041	19,041
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	3,212,277	3,212,277
	ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES		
140	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION	14,629	14,629
150	ADMINISTRATION	16,798	16,798
160	SERVICEWIDE COMMUNICATIONS	6,432	6,432
170	MANPOWER MANAGEMENT	7,186	7,186
180	OTHER PERSONNEL SUPPORT	56,856	56,856
	SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE- WIDE ACTIVITIES	101,901	101,901
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY RESERVE	3,314,178	3,314,178
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
	OPERATING FORCES		
010	MANEUVER UNITS	911,525	911,525
020	MODULAR SUPPORT BRIGADES	210,737	210,737
030	ECHELONS ABOVE BRIGADE	879,111	879,111
040	THEATER LEVEL ASSETS	88,001	88,001
050	LAND FORCES OPERATIONS SUPPORT	350,261	350,261
060	AVIATION ASSETS	1,128,195	1,128,195
070	FORCE READINESS OPERATIONS SUPPORT	810,263	820,263
	<i>Robotic Targets</i>		[10,000]
080	LAND FORCES SYSTEMS READINESS	34,354	34,354
090	LAND FORCES DEPOT MAINTENANCE	179,622	179,622
100	BASE OPERATIONS SUPPORT	1,246,273	1,246,273
110	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZA- TION	1,275,984	1,275,984
120	MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONAL HEADQUARTERS	1,203,158	1,208,158
	<i>Center for the Study of the U.S. National Guard</i>		[5,000]
130	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS	5,136	5,136
140	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSECURITY	24,096	24,096
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	8,346,716	8,361,716
	ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES		
150	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION	6,460	6,460
160	ADMINISTRATION	45,919	45,919
170	SERVICEWIDE COMMUNICATIONS	9,373	9,373
190	OTHER PERSONNEL SUPPORT	261,622	261,622
200	REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT	3,891	3,891
	SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE- WIDE ACTIVITIES	327,265	327,265
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD	8,673,981	8,688,981
	COUNTER-ISLAMIC STATE OF IRAQ AND SYRIA TRAIN AND EQUIP		
	COUNTER-ISIL TRAIN AND EQUIP FUND (CTEF)		
010	IRAQ	212,516	212,516
020	SYRIA	130,000	130,000
030	LEBANON	15,000	15,000
	SUBTOTAL COUNTER-ISIL TRAIN AND EQUIP FUND (CTEF)	357,516	357,516

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Line	Item	FY 2026 Request	House Authorized
	TOTAL COUNTER-ISLAMIC STATE OF IRAQ AND SYRIA TRAIN AND EQUIP	357,516	357,516
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY OPERATING FORCES		
010	MISSION AND OTHER FLIGHT OPERATIONS	7,720,210	7,720,210
020	FLEET AIR TRAINING	2,925,791	2,925,791
050	AIR SYSTEMS SUPPORT	1,447,480	1,455,480
	Advanced Engine Performance and Restoration Program		[8,000]
060	AIRCRAFT DEPOT MAINTENANCE	1,661,933	1,661,933
080	AVIATION LOGISTICS	2,147,907	2,087,907
	Historical underexecution		[-60,000]
090	MISSION AND OTHER SHIP OPERATIONS	5,350,073	5,430,073
	Platform Supply Vessel Pilot Program		[80,000]
100	SHIP OPERATIONS SUPPORT & TRAINING	1,719,580	1,719,580
110	SHIP DEPOT MAINTENANCE	13,803,188	13,803,188
120	SHIP DEPOT OPERATIONS SUPPORT	2,760,878	2,760,878
130	COMBAT COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONIC WARFARE ...	1,830,993	1,830,993
140	MEDICAL READINESS	604,287	584,287
	Historical underexecution		[-20,000]
150	SPACE SYSTEMS AND SURVEILLANCE	453,847	453,847
160	WARFARE TACTICS	1,000,516	1,000,516
170	OPERATIONAL METEOROLOGY AND OCEANOGRAPHY	454,803	454,803
180	COMBAT SUPPORT FORCES	2,291,340	2,291,340
190	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND DEPOT OPERATIONS SUP- PORT	62,495	62,495
200	COMBATANT COMMANDERS CORE OPERATIONS	105,914	105,914
210	COMBATANT COMMANDERS DIRECT MISSION SUPPORT	386,657	386,657
220	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	634,746	619,746
	Historical underexecution		[-15,000]
230	FLEET BALLISTIC MISSILE	1,837,670	1,837,670
240	WEAPONS MAINTENANCE	1,601,768	1,601,768
250	OTHER WEAPON SYSTEMS SUPPORT	839,619	839,619
260	ENTERPRISE INFORMATION	2,185,422	2,127,422
	Program decrease		[-58,000]
270	SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION AND MODERNIZATION	3,991,438	3,991,438
280	BASE OPERATING SUPPORT	6,166,266	6,166,266
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	63,984,821	63,919,821
	MOBILIZATION		
290	SHIP PREPOSITIONING AND SURGE	388,627	388,627
300	READY RESERVE FORCE	785,052	785,052
310	SHIP ACTIVATIONS/INACTIVATIONS	583,296	553,296
	Historical underexecution		[-30,000]
330	COAST GUARD SUPPORT	22,192	22,192
	SUBTOTAL MOBILIZATION	1,779,167	1,749,167
	TRAINING AND RECRUITING		
340	OFFICER ACQUISITION	202,397	202,397
350	RECRUIT TRAINING	16,945	21,245
	Sea Cadets		[4,300]
360	RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS	164,348	164,348
370	SPECIALIZED SKILL TRAINING	1,026,076	1,026,076
380	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION	272,964	272,964
390	TRAINING SUPPORT	463,572	463,572
400	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING	303,177	303,177
410	OFF-DUTY AND VOLUNTARY EDUCATION	914	-4,086
	Historical underexecution		[-5,000]
420	CIVILIAN EDUCATION AND TRAINING	65,819	65,819
430	JUNIOR ROTC	25,334	25,334
	SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING	2,541,546	2,540,846
	ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
440	ADMINISTRATION	1,357,428	1,357,428
450	CIVILIAN MANPOWER AND PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT	239,918	239,918
460	MILITARY MANPOWER AND PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT	690,712	690,712
480	MEDICAL ACTIVITIES		5,000
	Harmful Behaviors Software Implementation		[5,000]
490	DEF ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT	61,046	61,046

SEC. 4301. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Line	Item	FY 2026 Request	House Authorized
500	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION	289,748	289,748
520	PLANNING, ENGINEERING, AND PROGRAM SUPPORT	543,911	556,811
	Supply Chain Risk Mitigation		[12,900]
530	ACQUISITION, LOGISTICS, AND OVERSIGHT	853,340	818,340
	Historical underexecution		[-35,000]
540	INVESTIGATIVE AND SECURITY SERVICES	1,007,078	1,007,078
	SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE- WIDE ACTIVITIES	5,043,181	5,021,081
760A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	731,405	731,405
	SUBTOTAL CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	731,405	731,405
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY	74,080,120	73,967,320
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, MARINE CORPS OPERATING FORCES		
010	OPERATIONAL FORCES	1,950,784	1,955,784
	Small UAS for Marine Corps training		[5,000]
020	FIELD LOGISTICS	1,981,840	1,981,840
030	DEPOT MAINTENANCE	236	236
040	MARITIME PREPOSITIONING	175,091	175,091
050	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	349,082	349,082
060	SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION	2,079,890	2,079,890
070	BASE OPERATING SUPPORT	2,834,721	2,834,721
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	9,371,644	9,376,644
	TRAINING AND RECRUITING		
080	RECRUIT TRAINING	26,350	26,350
090	OFFICER ACQUISITION	1,282	1,282
100	SPECIALIZED SKILL TRAINING	119,526	119,526
110	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION	58,696	58,696
120	TRAINING SUPPORT	538,812	538,812
130	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING	237,004	237,004
140	OFF-DUTY AND VOLUNTARY EDUCATION	27,500	22,500
	Historical underexecution		[-5,000]
150	JUNIOR ROTC	30,808	30,808
	SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING	1,039,978	1,034,978
	ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
180	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION	87,509	87,509
190	ADMINISTRATION	431,282	431,282
	SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE- WIDE ACTIVITIES	518,791	518,791
300A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	73,788	73,788
	SUBTOTAL CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	73,788	73,788
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, MA- RINE CORPS	11,004,201	11,004,201
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY RESERVE OPERATING FORCES		
010	MISSION AND OTHER FLIGHT OPERATIONS	759,843	759,843
030	AIR SYSTEMS SUPPORT	9,972	9,972
040	AIRCRAFT DEPOT MAINTENANCE	204,603	204,603
060	AVIATION LOGISTICS	24,469	24,469
070	COMBAT COMMUNICATIONS	19,698	19,698
080	COMBAT SUPPORT FORCES	186,946	186,946
090	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	294	294
100	ENTERPRISE INFORMATION	33,414	33,414
110	SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION AND MODERNIZATION	58,213	58,213
120	BASE OPERATING SUPPORT	118,361	118,361
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	1,415,813	1,415,813
	ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES		
130	ADMINISTRATION	2,539	2,539
140	MILITARY MANPOWER AND PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT	22,185	22,185
150	ACQUISITION AND PROGRAM MANAGEMENT	1,517	1,517
	SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE- WIDE ACTIVITIES	26,241	26,241

SEC. 4301. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Line	Item	FY 2026 Request	House Authorized
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY RESERVE	1,442,054	1,442,054
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, MARINE CORPS RESERVE		
	OPERATING FORCES		
010	OPERATING FORCES	117,987	117,987
020	DEPOT MAINTENANCE	22,686	22,686
030	SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION AND MODERNIZATION	48,519	48,519
040	BASE OPERATING SUPPORT	123,079	123,079
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	312,271	312,271
	ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES		
050	ADMINISTRATION	49,774	49,774
	SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE- WIDE ACTIVITIES	49,774	49,774
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, MA- RINE CORPS RESERVE	362,045	362,045
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE OPERATING FORCES		
010	PRIMARY COMBAT FORCES	1,425,125	1,425,125
020	COMBAT ENHANCEMENT FORCES	2,753,789	2,753,789
030	AIR OPERATIONS TRAINING (OJT, MAINTAIN SKILLS)	1,701,493	1,676,493
	Historical underexecution		[-25,000]
040	DEPOT PURCHASE EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	4,676,962	4,526,962
	Historical underexecution		[-150,000]
050	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZA- TION	3,093,331	3,118,331
	Program increase		[25,000]
060	CYBERSPACE SUSTAINMENT	245,874	240,874
	Historical underexecution		[-5,000]
070	CONTRACTOR LOGISTICS SUPPORT AND SYSTEM SUPPORT	9,283,958	9,283,958
080	FLYING HOUR PROGRAM	6,772,468	6,772,468
090	BASE SUPPORT	11,328,614	11,338,614
	Program increase		[10,000]
100	GLOBAL C3I AND EARLY WARNING	1,239,641	1,164,641
	Historical underexecution		[-75,000]
110	OTHER COMBAT OPS SPT PROGRAMS	1,896,441	1,861,441
	Historical underexecution		[-35,000]
120	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	858,321	858,321
140	MEDICAL READINESS	554,180	559,180
	Harmful Behaviors Software Implementation		[5,000]
150	US NORTHCOM/NORAD	266,248	266,248
160	US STRATCOM	593,503	593,503
170	US CENTCOM	350,566	350,566
180	US SOCOM	28,018	28,018
190	US TRANSCOM	703	703
200	CENTCOM CYBERSPACE SUSTAINMENT	928	928
210	USSPACECOM	369,658	369,658
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	47,439,821	47,189,821
210A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	1,805,672	1,805,672
	SUBTOTAL CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	1,805,672	1,805,672
	MOBILIZATION		
220	AIRLIFT OPERATIONS	3,391,672	3,391,672
230	MOBILIZATION PREPAREDNESS	279,205	279,205
	SUBTOTAL MOBILIZATION	3,670,877	3,670,877
	TRAINING AND RECRUITING		
240	OFFICER ACQUISITION	250,380	250,380
250	RECRUIT TRAINING	29,335	29,335
260	RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS (ROTC)	131,342	131,342
270	SPECIALIZED SKILL TRAINING	522,068	522,068
280	FLIGHT TRAINING	1,065,465	1,065,465
290	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION	284,442	284,442
300	TRAINING SUPPORT	181,966	181,966
310	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING	256,687	256,687

SEC. 4301. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Line	Item	FY 2026 Request	House Authorized
320	EXAMINING	6,990	6,990
330	OFF-DUTY AND VOLUNTARY EDUCATION	224,340	224,340
340	CIVILIAN EDUCATION AND TRAINING	360,260	360,260
	SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING	3,313,275	3,313,275
	ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES		
	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
360	LOGISTICS OPERATIONS	1,155,659	1,140,659
	Automated maintenance		[20,000]
	Historical underexecution		[-35,000]
370	TECHNICAL SUPPORT ACTIVITIES	158,965	158,965
380	ADMINISTRATION	1,221,364	1,196,364
	Historical underexecution		[-25,000]
390	SERVICEWIDE COMMUNICATIONS	45,228	45,228
410	OTHER SERVICEWIDE ACTIVITIES	1,712,600	1,720,600
	Combat Ready Airman Program		[8,000]
420	CIVIL AIR PATROL	32,394	32,394
430	DEF ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT	48,741	48,741
450	INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT	89,341	74,341
	Historical underexecution		[-15,000]
	SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE- WIDE ACTIVITIES	4,464,292	4,417,292
450A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	1,735,598	1,735,598
	SUBTOTAL CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	1,735,598	1,735,598
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE	62,429,535	62,132,535
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, SPACE FORCE		
	OPERATING FORCES		
010	GLOBAL C3I & EARLY WARNING	846,856	846,856
020	SPACE LAUNCH OPERATIONS	397,822	397,822
030	SPACE OPERATIONS	983,784	983,784
040	EDUCATION & TRAINING	302,939	302,939
060	DEPOT MAINTENANCE	67,126	67,126
070	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZA- TION	557,175	557,175
080	CONTRACTOR LOGISTICS AND SYSTEM SUPPORT	1,495,242	1,495,242
090	SPACE OPERATIONS -BOS	233,546	233,546
100	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	141,512	141,512
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	5,026,002	5,026,002
100A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	641,519	641,519
	SUBTOTAL CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	641,519	641,519
	ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES		
110	LOGISTICS OPERATIONS	35,889	35,889
120	ADMINISTRATION	184,753	184,753
	SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE- WIDE ACTIVITIES	220,642	220,642
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, SPACE FORCE	5,888,163	5,888,163
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE RE- SERVE		
	OPERATING FORCES		
010	PRIMARY COMBAT FORCES	2,010,793	2,010,793
020	MISSION SUPPORT OPERATIONS	214,701	214,701
030	DEPOT PURCHASE EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	702,575	702,575
040	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZA- TION	188,802	188,802
050	CONTRACTOR LOGISTICS SUPPORT AND SYSTEM SUPPORT	493,324	493,324
060	BASE SUPPORT	585,430	585,430
070	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	2,484	2,484
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	4,198,109	4,198,109
	ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES		
080	ADMINISTRATION	98,418	98,418
090	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING	10,618	10,618
100	MILITARY MANPOWER AND PERS MGMT (ARPC)	14,951	14,951

SEC. 4301. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Line	Item	FY 2026 Request	House Authorized
120	AUDIOVISUAL	521	521
	SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE- WIDE ACTIVITIES	124,508	124,508
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE RESERVE	4,322,617	4,322,617
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
	OPERATING FORCES		
010	AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS	2,501,226	2,501,226
020	MISSION SUPPORT OPERATIONS	627,680	627,680
030	DEPOT PURCHASE EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	1,024,171	1,009,171
	Historical underexecution		[−15,000]
040	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZA- TION	549,496	554,496
	Program increase		[5,000]
050	CONTRACTOR LOGISTICS SUPPORT AND SYSTEM SUPPORT Historical underexecution	1,258,081	1,188,081
	Program decrease		[−5,000]
060	BASE SUPPORT	1,110,875	1,110,875
070	CYBERSPACE SUSTAINMENT	16,134	16,134
080	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	112,205	112,205
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	7,199,868	7,119,868
	ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES		
090	ADMINISTRATION	82,280	82,280
100	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING	50,451	50,451
	SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE- WIDE ACTIVITIES	132,731	132,731
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR NATIONAL GUARD	7,332,599	7,252,599
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, DEFENSE-WIDE OPERATING FORCES		
010	JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF	414,097	414,097
020	JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF—JTEEP	1,026,502	1,026,502
030	JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF—CYBER	9,086	9,086
040	OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE—MISO	209,442	209,442
050	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND COMBAT DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES	2,136,165	2,136,165
060	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND MAINTENANCE	1,273,409	1,273,409
070	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND MANAGEMENT/OPER- ATIONAL HEADQUARTERS	181,122	181,122
080	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND THEATER FORCES	3,409,285	3,409,285
090	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND CYBERSPACE ACTIVI- TIES	77,241	77,241
100	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND INTELLIGENCE	1,187,600	1,187,600
110	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND OPERATIONAL SUPPORT	1,579,137	1,579,137
120	CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS	1,300,384	1,305,384
	Internet Operations Management		[5,000]
130	USCYBERCOM HEADQUARTERS	314,284	314,284
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	13,117,754	13,122,754
	TRAINING AND RECRUITING		
140	DEFENSE ACQUISITION UNIVERSITY	173,265	173,265
150	JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF	124,869	124,869
160	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND/PROFESSIONAL DEVEL- OPMENT EDUCATION	28,697	28,697
	SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING	326,831	326,831
	ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
170	CIVIL MILITARY PROGRAMS	126,637	387,637
	National Guard Youth Challenge		[211,000]
	STARBASE		[50,000]
180	DEFENSE CONTRACT AUDIT AGENCY—CYBER	3,844	3,844
190	DEFENSE CONTRACT AUDIT AGENCY	632,959	626,959
	Program decrease		[−6,000]

SEC. 4301. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Line	Item	FY 2026 Request	House Authorized
200	DEFENSE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT AGENCY	1,441,456	1,441,456
210	DEFENSE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT AGENCY—CYBER	43,434	43,434
220	DEFENSE COUNTERINTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY AGENCY		
	CY	1,168,366	1,168,366
240	DEFENSE COUNTERINTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY AGENCY—CYBER	11,120	11,120
250	DEFENSE HUMAN RESOURCES ACTIVITY—CYBER	46,621	46,621
260	DEFENSE HUMAN RESOURCES ACTIVITY	932,144	934,544
	Preserving Access to Online Academic Skills Course (OASC)		
	Training		[2,400]
290	DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEMS AGENCY	3,042,559	2,990,059
	Program decrease		[−52,500]
300	DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEMS AGENCY—CYBER	559,426	559,426
310	DEFENSE LEGAL SERVICES AGENCY	164,770	164,770
320	DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY	401,513	401,513
330	DEFENSE MEDIA ACTIVITY	226,665	226,665
340	DEFENSE POW/MIA OFFICE	171,339	171,339
350	DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY	2,864,252	3,291,252
	Institute for Security Governance		[27,000]
	International Security Cooperation Programs		[−195,000]
	International Security Cooperation Programs – European Command		[195,000]
	Ukraine Security Assistance Initiative		[400,000]
360	DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY SECURITY ADMINISTRATION	40,052	40,052
370	DEFENSE THREAT REDUCTION AGENCY	708,214	703,214
	Historical underexecution		[−5,000]
390	DEFENSE THREAT REDUCTION AGENCY—CYBER	71,925	71,925
400	DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY	3,600,175	3,645,175
	Impact Aid		[35,000]
	Impact Aid, Students with Disabilities		[10,000]
410	MISSILE DEFENSE AGENCY	720,365	720,365
420	OFFICE OF THE LOCAL DEFENSE COMMUNITY COOPERATION		
	Program increase	159,534	199,534
	Program increase		[40,000]
460	OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE—CYBER	98,034	104,034
	Cyber Collaboration Center		[6,000]
470	OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE	2,093,717	2,113,717
	Program decrease		[−5,000]
	Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI)		[25,000]
530	WASHINGTON HEADQUARTERS SERVICES	411,182	362,011
	Program decrease		[−49,171]
	SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICE-WIDE ACTIVITIES	19,740,303	20,429,032
530A	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	22,750,830	22,756,830
	Classified program		[6,000]
	SUBTOTAL CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	22,750,830	22,756,830
	UNDISTRIBUTED		
540	UNDISTRIBUTED		−1,034,885
	Favorable fuel rates		[−1,034,885]
	SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED		−1,034,885
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, DEFENSE-WIDE	55,935,718	55,600,562
	UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES		
	ADMINISTRATION AND ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES		
010	US COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES, DEFENSE	21,243	21,243
	SUBTOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES	21,243	21,243
	TOTAL UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES	21,243	21,243
	DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FUND		
	ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT		
010	ACQ WORKFORCE DEV FD	45,346	45,346

SEC. 4301. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE (In Thousands of Dollars)			
Line	Item	FY 2026 Request	House Authorized
	SUBTOTAL ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT	45,346	45,346
	TOTAL DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FUND	45,346	45,346
	OVERSEAS HUMANITARIAN, DISASTER, AND CIVIC AID		
	HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE		
010	OVERSEAS HUMANITARIAN, DISASTER AND CIVIC AID	100,793	115,317
	Program increase		[14,524]
	SUBTOTAL HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE	100,793	115,317
	TOTAL OVERSEAS HUMANITARIAN, DISASTER, AND CIVIC AID	100,793	115,317
	COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION ACCOUNT		
	FSU THREAT REDUCTION		
010	COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION	282,830	282,830
	SUBTOTAL FSU THREAT REDUCTION	282,830	282,830
	TOTAL COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION ACCOUNT	282,830	282,830
	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, ARMY		
	DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY		
050	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, ARMY	148,070	148,070
	SUBTOTAL DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY	148,070	148,070
	TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, ARMY	148,070	148,070
	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, NAVY		
	DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY		
060	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, NAVY	357,949	357,949
	SUBTOTAL DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY	357,949	357,949
	TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, NAVY	357,949	357,949
	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, AIR FORCE		
	DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE		
070	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, AIR FORCE	342,149	342,149
	SUBTOTAL DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE ...	342,149	342,149
	TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, AIR FORCE	342,149	342,149
	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, DEFENSE		
	DEFENSE-WIDE		
080	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, DEFENSE	8,885	8,885
	SUBTOTAL DEFENSE-WIDE	8,885	8,885
	TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, DEFENSE	8,885	8,885
	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, FORMERLY USED DEFENSE SITES		
	DEFENSE-WIDE		
090	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION FORMERLY USED SITES ..	235,156	235,156
	SUBTOTAL DEFENSE-WIDE	235,156	235,156
	TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, FORMERLY USED DEFENSE SITES	235,156	235,156
	TOTAL OPERATION & MAINTENANCE	295,660,213	295,075,781

1 **TITLE XLIV—MILITARY**
 2 **PERSONNEL**

3 **SEC. 4401. MILITARY PERSONNEL.**

<i>SEC. 4401. MILITARY PERSONNEL (In Thousands of Dollars)</i>		
<i>Item</i>	<i>FY 2026 Request</i>	<i>House Authorized</i>
Military Personnel	181,803,137	181,053,137
<i>Historical unobligated balances</i>		<i>[-750,000]</i>
MERHCF	12,850,165	12,850,165

4 **TITLE XLV—OTHER**
 5 **AUTHORIZATIONS**

6 **SEC. 4501. OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS.**

<i>SEC. 4501. OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS (In Thousands of Dollars)</i>		
<i>Item</i>	<i>FY 2026 Request</i>	<i>House Authorized</i>
WORKING CAPITAL FUND, ARMY		
INDUSTRIAL OPERATIONS	20,589	20,589
TOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, ARMY	20,589	20,589
WORKING CAPITAL FUND, NAVY		
NAVAL SURFACE WARFARE CENTERS	381,600	381,600
TOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, NAVY	381,600	381,600
WORKING CAPITAL FUND, AIR FORCE		
TRANSPORTATION		
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	90,262	90,262
TOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, AIR FORCE ..	90,262	90,262
NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUND		
DEFENSE STOCKPILE	5,700	5,700
TOTAL NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUND	5,700	5,700
WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DEFENSE-WIDE		
DEFENSE AUTOMATION & PRODUCTION SERVICES		
ENERGY MANAGEMENT—DEF	1,272	1,272
SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT—DEFENSE	10,697	10,697
TOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DEFENSE-WIDE	11,969	11,969
WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DEFENSE COMMISSARY AGENCY		
WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DECA	1,527,817	1,527,817
TOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DEFENSE COMMISSARY AGENCY	1,527,817	1,527,817
CHEMICAL AGENTS AND MUNITIONS DESTRUCTION, DEFENSE		
CHEM DEMILITARIZATION—O&M	3,243	3,243
CHEM DEMILITARIZATION—RDT&E	210,039	210,039

SEC. 4501. OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS (In Thousands of Dollars)		
Item	FY 2026 Request	House Authorized
TOTAL CHEMICAL AGENTS AND MUNITIONS DESTRUCTION, DEFENSE	213,282	213,282
DRUG INTERDICTION AND COUNTER-DRUG AC- TIVITIES, DEFENSE		
COUNTER-NARCOTICS SUPPORT	398,424	398,424
CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	254,460	254,460
DRUG DEMAND REDUCTION PROGRAM	134,938	134,938
NATIONAL GUARD COUNTER-DRUG PROGRAM	110,125	110,125
NATIONAL GUARD COUNTER-DRUG SCHOOLS	6,354	6,354
TOTAL DRUG INTERDICTION AND COUNTER- DRUG ACTIVITIES, DEFENSE	904,301	904,301
OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL		
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	494,865	514,036
<i>Staffing and operations</i>		[19,171]
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE—CYBER	2,030	2,030
RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION	4,625	4,625
PROCUREMENT	1,079	1,079
TOTAL OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL	502,599	521,770
DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM		
IN-HOUSE CARE	10,731,135	11,101,135
<i>Dental readiness for Reserve Components</i>		[120,000]
<i>Directed health assessments for servicemembers</i>		[250,000]
PRIVATE SECTOR CARE	21,023,765	21,023,765
CONSOLIDATED HEALTH SUPPORT	2,116,278	2,116,278
INFORMATION MANAGEMENT	2,271,798	2,271,798
MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES	303,898	323,898
<i>Medical Surge Capability</i>		[20,000]
EDUCATION AND TRAINING	371,426	381,426
<i>Advanced Vital Intervention Airborne Training for Emer- gencies</i>		[10,000]
BASE OPERATIONS/COMMUNICATIONS	2,356,290	2,356,290
R&D RESEARCH	41,660	41,660
R&D EXPLORATORY DEVELOPMENT	183,398	281,398
<i>AI Ready Biological Data at Joint Pathology Center</i>		[20,000]
<i>CDMRP for multicenter PTSD treatment study</i>		[2,000]
<i>Domestic Medical Countermeasure Manufacturing for the Warfighter</i>		[10,000]
<i>Establishment of Endometrial Cancer Line Item in DoD CDMRP</i>		[10,000]
<i>Establishment of Joint Neuroscience Research Demonstra- tion Program</i>		[10,000]
<i>Freeze-Dried Platelet Hemostatics</i>		[10,000]
<i>Ionizing Radiation Therapy</i>		[7,000]
<i>Large-scale deployment of neurotechnology systems</i>		[5,000]
<i>Military Aviator Cancer Causal Factors Research</i>		[20,000]
<i>Musculoskeletal Regenerative Medicine</i>		[4,000]
R&D ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT	333,072	333,072
R&D DEMONSTRATION/VALIDATION	178,983	178,983
R&D ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT	117,190	117,190
R&D MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT	99,338	99,338
R&D CAPABILITIES ENHANCEMENT	19,071	19,071
PROC INITIAL OUTFITTING	24,597	24,597
PROC REPLACEMENT & MODERNIZATION	222,445	222,445
PROC JOINT OPERATIONAL MEDICINE INFORMATION SYS- TEM	30,732	30,732
PROC MILITARY HEALTH SYSTEM—DESKTOP TO DATACENTER	77,047	77,047
TOTAL DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM	40,502,123	41,000,123

SEC. 4501. OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS
(In Thousands of Dollars)

<i>Item</i>	<i>FY 2026 Request</i>	<i>House Authorized</i>
TOTAL OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS	44,160,242	44,677,413

1 **TITLE XLVI—MILITARY**
2 **CONSTRUCTION**

3 **SEC. 4601. MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.**

SEC. 4601. MILITARY CONSTRUCTION
(In Thousands of Dollars)

<i>Account</i>	<i>State/Country and Installation</i>	<i>Project Title</i>	<i>FY 2026 Request</i>	<i>House Agreement</i>
	<i>Alabama</i>			
Army	Anniston Army Depot	Access Control Point	0	115,000
Army	Redstone Arsenal	Cost to Complete—Propulsion Systems Building	55,000	55,000
	<i>Alaska</i>			
Army	Fort Wainwright	Barracks	208,000	80,000
	<i>Florida</i>			
Army	Eglin Air Force Base	Barracks	91,000	91,000
Army	Naval Air Station Key West	Command & Control Facility (INC)	50,000	50,000
	<i>Georgia</i>			
Army	Fort Gillem	Evidence Storage Building	166,000	66,000
	<i>Germany</i>			
Army	U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach	Vehicle Maintenance Shop	92,000	92,000
Army	U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach (Storck Barracks)	Power Generation and Microgrid	0	73,000
Army	U.S. Army Garrison Rheinland-Pfalz	Known Distance Range	9,800	9,800
Army	U.S. Army Garrison Rheinland-Pfalz	Live Fire Exercise Shoothouse	13,200	13,200
Army	U.S. Army Garrison Rheinland-Pfalz	Vehicle Maintenance Shop	39,000	39,000
	<i>Guam</i>			
Army	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: Gds, Eiamd, Phase 2 (INC)	33,000	33,000
	<i>Indiana</i>			
Army	Crane Army Ammunition Plant	Pyrotechnic Production Facility	161,000	90,000
	<i>Kansas</i>			
Army	Fort Riley	Automated Infantry Platoon Battle Course	13,200	13,200
	<i>Kentucky</i>			
Army	Fort Campbell	Barracks	112,000	60,000
	<i>New Mexico</i>			
Army	White Sands Missile Range	Power Generation and Microgrid	0	38,500
	<i>New York</i>			
Army	Fort Hamilton	Child Development Center	31,000	31,000
Army	Watervliet Arsenal	Electrical Switching Station	29,000	29,000
	<i>North Carolina</i>			
Army	Fort Bragg	Automated Infantry Platoon Battle Course	19,000	19,000
Army	Fort Bragg	Cost to Complete—Aircraft Maintenance Hangar	24,000	24,000
Army	Fort Bragg	Power Generation and Microgrid	0	80,000
	<i>Oklahoma</i>			
Army	Fort Sill	Automated-Aided Instruction Building (Design)	0	9,300
Army	McAlester Army Ammunition Plant	Cost to Complete—Ammunition Demolition Shop	55,000	55,000
	<i>Pennsylvania</i>			
Army	Letterkenny Army Depot	Defense Access Roads	7,500	7,500
Army	Letterkenny Army Depot	Guided Missile Maintenance Building	84,000	84,000
Army	Tobyhanna Army Depot	Radar Test Range Expansion	68,000	68,000
	<i>South Carolina</i>			
Army	Fort Jackson	Child Development Center	51,000	51,000
	<i>Texas</i>			
Army	Corpus Christi Army Depot	Cost to Complete—Powertrain Facility (Engine Assembly).	60,000	60,000
Army	Red River Army Depot	Cost to Complete—Component Rebuild Shop	93,000	93,000
	<i>Washington</i>			

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Army	Joint Base Lewis-McChord	Airfield Fire and Rescue Station	0	68,000
Army	Joint Base Lewis-McChord	Command and Control Facility	128,000	70,000
Army	Worldwide Unspecified Locations	Design	287,557	287,557
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Host Nation Support	46,031	46,031
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Unspecified Minor Military Construction	79,218	79,218
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	INDOPACOM Military Construction Pilot Program	68,453	68,453
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Barracks (Design)	0	50,000
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Unspecified Minor Military Construction (Demolition).	0	10,000
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Unspecified Minor Military Construction (Labs)	0	40,000
Military Construction, Army Total			2,173,959	2,248,759
<i>Australia</i>				
Navy	Royal Australian Air Force Base Darwin	PDI: Aircraft Parking Apron (INC)	190,630	190,630
<i>Bahrain</i>				
Navy	Marine Support Activity Bahrain	Cost to Complete—Fleet Maintenance Facility & TOC.	42,000	42,000
<i>California</i>				
Navy	Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton	Mess Hall & Armory (Area 43)	108,740	108,740
Navy	Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton	Communication Center (Area 52)	18,480	18,480
Navy	Naval Air Station Lemoore	Strike Fighter Center of Excellence Pacific (INC)	55,542	55,542
Navy	Naval Air Station Lemoore	F-35 Aircraft Maintenance Hangar (Design)	0	33,490
Navy	Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake	Child Development Center (Design)	0	8,900
Navy	Naval Base Coronado	Ford Class CVN Infrastructure Upgrades, Pier Lima	103,000	103,000
Navy	Naval Base San Diego	Child Development Center	86,820	86,820
Navy	Naval Base Ventura County Point Mugu	Cost to Complete—MQ-25 Aircraft Maintenance Hangar.	71,200	71,200
Navy	Naval Support Activity Monterey	Naval Innovation Center (INC)	30,000	30,000
<i>Connecticut</i>				
Navy	Naval Submarine Base New London	Weapons Magazine & Ordnance Operations Facility	30,000	30,000
<i>District of Columbia</i>				
Navy	Marine Barracks Washington (8th St & I)	Bachelor Enlisted Quarters & Support Facility (INC)	65,900	65,900
<i>Djibouti</i>				
Navy	Camp Lemonier	Electrical Power Plant (INC)	51,600	51,600
<i>Florida</i>				
Navy	Cape Canaveral Space Force Station	Cost to Complete—Engineering Test Facility	15,600	15,600
Navy	Marine Corps Support Facility Blount Island	Communications Center and Infrastructure	0	45,425
Navy	Marine Corps Support Facility Blount Island	Power Generation and Electrical Infrastructure Resilience.	0	30,500
Navy	Naval Air Station Jacksonville	Child Development Center (Design)	0	4,575
Navy	Naval Air Station Jacksonville	F-35 Aircraft Engine Repair Facility	0	78,117
Navy	Naval Air Station Jacksonville	Multi Aircraft Paint & Strip (Design)	0	26,515
Navy	Naval Air Station Whiting Field	Advanced Helicopter Training System Hangar (INC)	98,505	98,505
<i>Georgia</i>				
Navy	Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay	Trident Refit Facility Expansion—Columbia (INC)	119,030	119,030
<i>Guam</i>				
Navy	Andersen Air Force Base	PDI: Joint Consolidated Communications Center (INC).	181,124	181,124
Navy	Andersen Air Force Base	PDI: Water Wells	70,070	70,070

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Navy	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: Cost to Complete—X-Ray Wharf Berth	31,000	31,000
Navy	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: Defense Access Roads	0	50,000
Navy	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: Joint Communication Upgrade (INC)	158,600	158,600
Navy	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: Missile Integration Test Facility (INC)	87,270	87,270
Navy	Naval Base Guam	PDI: Inner Apra Harbor Resiliency	105,950	105,950
Navy	Naval Base Guam	Power Generation and Microgrid	0	63,010
Navy	Naval Base Guam North Finegayan	PDI: Artillery Battery Facilities (INC)	64,774	64,774
Navy	Naval Base Guam North Finegayan	PDI: Recycle Center	61,010	61,010
Navy	Hawaii			
Navy	Joint Base Pearl Har- bor-Hickam	DDG-1000 Ship Support Infrastructure Upgrades	83,000	83,000
Navy	Joint Base Pearl Har- bor-Hickam	Dry Dock 3 Replacement (INC)	553,720	553,720
Navy	Joint Base Pearl Har- bor-Hickam	Water Treatment Plant (INC)	141,650	141,650
Navy	Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay	Water Reclamation Facility Compliance Upgrade (INC).	108,350	108,350
Navy	Pacific Missile Range Facility Barking Sands	PDI: Airfield Pavement Upgrades	235,730	100,000
Navy	Japan			
Navy	Marine Corps Air Sta- tion Iwakuni	Power Generation and Microgrid	0	146,800
Navy	Marine Corps Base Camp Smedley D. Butler	PDI: School Age Care Centers	58,000	58,000
Navy	Maine			
Navy	Portsmouth Naval Ship- yard	Multi-Mission Drydock #1 Extension (INC)	220,793	220,793
Navy	Portsmouth Naval Ship- yard	Power Reliability & Water Resilience Upgrades (INC).	227,769	227,769
Navy	Maryland			
Navy	National Maritime In- telligence Center	Foreign Materials Exploitation Lab	114,000	100,000
Navy	Nevada			
Navy	Naval Air Station Fallon	Range Training Complex Improvements	47,000	47,000
Navy	North Carolina			
Navy	Marine Corps Air Sta- tion Cherry Point	F-35 Aircraft Sustainment Ctr (INC)	200,000	200,000
Navy	South Carolina			
Navy	Charleston Air Force Base	Nuclear Power Training Facility Simulation Expan- sion (INC).	65,400	65,400
Navy	Virginia			
Navy	Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek- Fort Story	Cost to Complete—Child Development Center	12,360	12,360
Navy	Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek- Fort Story	EOD Expeditionary Mine Countermeasures Facility (Design).	0	12,000
Navy	Marine Corps Base Quantico	Water Treatment Plant	63,560	63,560
Navy	Naval Station Norfolk	Cost to Complete—Child Development Center	11,700	11,700
Navy	Naval Station Norfolk	Electrical Distribution System Upgrades (INC)	93,307	93,307
Navy	Naval Station Norfolk	MQ-25 Aircraft Laydown Facilities	20,430	20,430
Navy	Naval Station Norfolk	Power Upgrades—Pier 14 (Design)	0	15,000
Navy	Naval Station Norfolk	PPV Unaccompanied Housing Investment	380,000	380,000
Navy	Naval Weapons Station Yorktown	Shore Power for Virginia-Class Submarines (Design)	0	2,200
Navy	Naval Weapons Station Yorktown	Weapons Magazines (INC)	71,758	71,758
Navy	Norfolk Naval Shipyard	Dry Dock 3 Modernization (INC)	188,576	188,576
Navy	Washington			
Navy	Naval Base Kitsap-Ban- gor	Trident Refit Facility Warehouse	245,700	100,000
Navy	Puget Sound Naval Shipyard	Cost to Complete—CVN 78 Aircraft Carrier Elec- trical Upgrades.	48,800	48,800
Navy	Worldwide Unspecified			
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	USMC Barracks (Design)	0	91,208
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Barracks (Design)	0	50,000
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Data Processing Facility	57,190	57,190
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Design	562,423	562,423

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Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	INDOPACOM Military Construction Pilot Program	162,855	162,855
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Joint Maritime Facility	72,430	72,430
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	SIOP (Design)	0	150,000
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Unspecified Minor Military Construction	119,331	119,331
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Unspecified Minor Military Construction (Demolition).	0	10,000
Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Unspecified Minor Military Construction (Labs)	0	40,000
Military Construction, Navy Total			6,012,677	6,574,987
<i>Alaska</i>				
Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	Joint Integrated Test & Training Center (JITC)	152,000	152,000
<i>Arizona</i>				
Air Force	Davis-Monthan Air Force Base	Communications Headquarters Facility	49,000	49,000
Air Force	Davis-Monthan Air Force Base	MC-130J Hangar/Aircraft Maintenance Unit	125,000	100,000
<i>California</i>				
Air Force	Travis Air Force Base	Child Development Center	60,000	60,000
Air Force	Travis Air Force Base	Power Generation and Microgrid	0	25,120
<i>Diego Garcia</i>				
Air Force	Naval Support Facility Diego Garcia	Operations Support Facility	29,000	29,000
<i>Florida</i>				
Air Force	Cape Canaveral Space Force Station	Install Waste Water "Force" Main, Icbm Road	11,400	11,400
Air Force	Cape Canaveral Space Force Station	Install Water Main, Icbm Road	10,400	10,400
Air Force	Cape Canaveral Space Force Station	Phillips Parkway Haul Route	28,000	28,000
Air Force	Eglin Air Force Base	Child Development Center With Land Acquisition	41,000	41,000
Air Force	Eglin Air Force Base	F-35A ADAL Squadron Operations	23,000	23,000
Air Force	Eglin Air Force Base	F-35A Developmental Test 2-Bay Mx Hangar	52,000	52,000
Air Force	Eglin Air Force Base	F-35A Developmental Test 2-Bay Test Hangar	50,000	50,000
Air Force	MacDill Air Force Base	KC-46A ADAL Aircraft Maintenance Hangar 2	30,000	30,000
Air Force	MacDill Air Force Base	KC-46A ADAL Aircraft Maintenance Hangar 3	33,000	33,000
Air Force	MacDill Air Force Base	KC-46A General Purpose Warehouse	11,000	11,000
<i>Georgia</i>				
Air Force	Robins Air Force Base	Control Tower	28,000	28,000
<i>Germany</i>				
Air Force	Ramstein Air Base	35 Point Indoor Firing Range	44,000	44,000
Air Force	Ramstein Air Base	Aeromedical Evacuation Compound	29,000	29,000
<i>Greenland</i>				
Air Force	Pituffik Space Base	Runway Approach Landing System	32,000	32,000
<i>Japan</i>				
Air Force	Kadena Air Base	PDI: Theater A/C Corrosion Control Center (INC)	66,350	66,350
<i>Louisiana</i>				
Air Force	Barksdale Air Force Base	Weapons Generation Facilities Dormitory	116,000	116,000
<i>Massachusetts</i>				
Air Force	Cape Cod Space Force Station	Power Generation and Microgrid	0	124,000
Air Force	Hanscom Air Force Base	Fire Station	55,000	55,000
<i>Missouri</i>				
Air Force	Whiteman Air Force Base	B-21 ADAL Weapons Release System Storage	13,600	13,600
Air Force	Whiteman Air Force Base	B-21 Radio Frequency Hangar	114,000	100,000
<i>Montana</i>				
Air Force	Malmstrom Air Force Base	Weapons Storage & Maintenance Facility (INC)	60,000	60,000
<i>New Mexico</i>				
Air Force	Cannon Air Force Base	Dormitory	90,000	90,000
Air Force	Kirtland Air Force Base	Space Rapid Capabilities Office Headquarters	83,000	83,000
<i>North Carolina</i>				
Air Force	Seymour Johnson Air Force Base	Combat Arms Training & Maintenance Complex	0	41,000
<i>Norway</i>				
Air Force	Royal Norwegian Air Force Base Rygge	Quick Reaction Aircraft Hangar	72,000	72,000
<i>Oklahoma</i>				

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<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Tinker Air Force Base</i>	<i>Bomber Agile Common Hangar (INC)</i>	<i>127,000</i>	<i>127,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Tinker Air Force Base</i>	<i>Child Development Center</i>	<i>54,000</i>	<i>54,000</i>
	<i>South Dakota</i>			
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Ellsworth Air Force Base</i>	<i>B-21 ADD Flight Simulator 2</i>	<i>63,000</i>	<i>63,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Ellsworth Air Force Base</i>	<i>B-21 Alert Facility</i>	<i>71,000</i>	<i>71,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Ellsworth Air Force Base</i>	<i>B-21 Environmental Protection Shelters</i>	<i>75,000</i>	<i>75,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Ellsworth Air Force Base</i>	<i>B-21 S. Environmental Protection Shelters</i>	<i>88,000</i>	<i>88,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Ellsworth Air Force Base</i>	<i>B-21 W. Alert Apron & Environmental Protection Shelters.</i>	<i>81,000</i>	<i>81,000</i>
	<i>Texas</i>			
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Dyess Air Force Base</i>	<i>B-21 Mission Planning Facility</i>	<i>78,000</i>	<i>78,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Dyess Air Force Base</i>	<i>B-21 Utilities & Site Improvements</i>	<i>12,800</i>	<i>12,800</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Goodfellow Air Force Base</i>	<i>Pipeline Student Dormitory</i>	<i>112,000</i>	<i>100,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland</i>	<i>BMT Classrooms/Dining Facility 4 (INC)</i>	<i>79,000</i>	<i>79,000</i>
	<i>United Kingdom</i>			
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Royal Air Force Feltwell</i>	<i>RADR Storage Facility</i>	<i>20,000</i>	<i>20,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Royal Air Force Lakenheath</i>	<i>Surety: Command Post</i>	<i>104,000</i>	<i>104,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Royal Air Force Lakenheath</i>	<i>Surety: Defender Operations Compound</i>	<i>149,000</i>	<i>149,000</i>
	<i>Utah</i>			
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Hill Air Force Base</i>	<i>F-35 Canopy Repair Facility (Design)</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2,600</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Hill Air Force Base</i>	<i>F-35 Maintenance Facility, Phase 1 (INC)</i>	<i>22,000</i>	<i>22,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Hill Air Force Base</i>	<i>T-7a Depot Maintenance Complex (INC)</i>	<i>178,000</i>	<i>178,000</i>
	<i>Worldwide Unspecified</i>			
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Barracks (Design)</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>50,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Design</i>	<i>573,223</i>	<i>573,223</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>INDOPACOM Military Construction Pilot Program</i>	<i>123,800</i>	<i>123,800</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Unspecified Minor Military Construction</i>	<i>72,900</i>	<i>72,900</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Unspecified Minor Military Construction (Demolition).</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>10,000</i>
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Unspecified Minor Military Construction (Labs)</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>40,000</i>
	<i>Wyoming</i>			
<i>Air Force</i>	<i>F.E. Warren Air Force Base</i>	<i>GBSD Utility Corridor (INC)</i>	<i>130,000</i>	<i>130,000</i>
Military Construction, Air Force Total			3,721,473	3,963,193
	<i>Alabama</i>			
<i>Def-Wide</i>	<i>Anniston Army Depot</i>	<i>General Purpose Warehouse</i>	<i>32,000</i>	<i>32,000</i>
	<i>California</i>			
<i>Def-Wide</i>	<i>Travis Air Force Base</i>	<i>Medical Warehouse Addition</i>	<i>49,980</i>	<i>49,980</i>
	<i>Cuba</i>			
<i>Def-Wide</i>	<i>Naval Station Guantanamo Bay</i>	<i>Hospital Replacement (INC 3)</i>	<i>35,794</i>	<i>35,794</i>
	<i>Georgia</i>			
<i>Def-Wide</i>	<i>Fort Benning</i>	<i>Dexter Elementary School</i>	<i>127,375</i>	<i>67,375</i>
	<i>Germany</i>			
<i>Def-Wide</i>	<i>Rhine Ordnance Barracks</i>	<i>Medical Center Replacement (INC 12)</i>	<i>99,167</i>	<i>99,167</i>
<i>Def-Wide</i>	<i>U.S. Army Garrison Rheinland-Pfalz</i>	<i>SOF Human Performance Training Center</i>	<i>16,700</i>	<i>16,700</i>
	<i>Guam</i>			
<i>Def-Wide</i>	<i>Joint Region Marianas</i>	<i>PDI: Gds, Command Center (INC)</i>	<i>183,900</i>	<i>100,000</i>
<i>Def-Wide</i>	<i>Joint Region Marianas</i>	<i>PDI: Gds, Eiand, Phase 1 (INC)</i>	<i>61,903</i>	<i>61,903</i>
	<i>Maryland</i>			
<i>Def-Wide</i>	<i>Fort Meade</i>	<i>NSAW East Campus Building #5 (INC 2)</i>	<i>455,000</i>	<i>100,000</i>
<i>Def-Wide</i>	<i>Walter Reed National Military Medical Center</i>	<i>MEDCEN Addition/Alteration (INC 9)</i>	<i>70,000</i>	<i>70,000</i>
<i>Def-Wide</i>	<i>Fort Meade</i>	<i>NSAW Venona Widening</i>	<i>26,600</i>	<i>26,600</i>
	<i>North Carolina</i>			
<i>Def-Wide</i>	<i>Fort Bragg</i>	<i>SOF Mission Command Center</i>	<i>130,000</i>	<i>65,000</i>
<i>Def-Wide</i>	<i>Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune</i>	<i>SOF Marine Raider Battalion OPS Facility (INC) ..</i>	<i>90,000</i>	<i>90,000</i>
<i>Def-Wide</i>	<i>Fort Bragg</i>	<i>SOF Operational Ammunition Supply Point</i>	<i>80,000</i>	<i>80,000</i>

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Def-Wide	Fort Bragg	SOF Forward Operating Base Freedom Upgrades	0	44,700
Def-Wide	Fort Bragg	SOF Joint Intelligence Center (Design)	0	8,100
	Pennsylvania			
Def-Wide	DLA Distribution Center Susquehanna	General Purpose Warehouse	90,000	90,000
Def-Wide	Raven Rock Mountain Complex	Operations Facility	34,000	34,000
Def-Wide	Harrisburg Air National Guard Base	SOF Simulator Facility (MC-130J)	13,400	13,400
	Puerto Rico			
Def-Wide	Punta Borinquen	Ramey Unit School Replacement	155,000	80,000
	Texas			
Def-Wide	NSA Texas	NSA/CSS Texas Cryptologic Center (INC)	500,000	500,000
	United Kingdom			
Def-Wide	Royal Air Force Lakenheath	Hospital Replacement, Phase 2 (INC)	322,200	322,200
Def-Wide	Royal Air Force Mildenhall	SOF MRSP & Parts Storage	45,000	45,000
	Washington			
Def-Wide	Fairchild Air Force Base	Hydrant System Area C	85,000	85,000
Def-Wide	Manchester Tank Farm	Bulk Storage Tanks, Phase 3	71,000	71,000
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Def-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Energy Resilience & Conservation Investment Program.	684,330	0
Def-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	INDOPACOM Military Construction Pilot Program	77,000	77,000
Def-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Design (ERCIP)	38,669	38,669
Def-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Design (SOCOM)	32,731	32,731
Def-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Design (DLA)	30,900	30,900
Def-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Design (DHA)	29,077	29,077
Def-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Design (Defense-Wide)	26,571	26,571
Def-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Unspecified Minor Military Construction (SOCOM) ..	25,000	25,000
Def-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Design (MDA)	21,360	21,360
Def-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Design (WHIS)	14,851	14,851
Def-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Design (NSA)	14,842	14,842
Def-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Unspecified Minor Military Construction (NSA)	6,000	6,000
Def-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Exercise Related Minor Military Construction	4,727	4,727
Def-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Unspecified Minor Military Construction (MDA)	4,140	4,140
Def-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Unspecified Minor Military Construction (DLA)	3,084	3,084
Def-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Unspecified Minor Military Construction (Defense-Wide).	3,000	3,000
Def-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Design (TJS)	2,000	2,000
Military Construction, Defense-Wide Total			3,792,301	2,521,871
	Worldwide Unspecified			
NATO	NATO Security Investment Program	NATO Security Investment Program	481,832	481,832
NATO Security Investment Program Total			481,832	481,832
	Guam			
Army NG	National Guard Readiness Center Barrigada	National Guard Readiness Center Addition	55,000	55,000
	Iowa			
Army NG	Waterloo Readiness Center	National Guard Vehicle Maintenance Shop	13,800	13,800
	New Hampshire			
Army NG	Plymouth West	National Guard Readiness Center	26,000	26,000
	North Carolina			
Army NG	Salisbury Readiness Complex	Aircraft Maintenance Hangar	0	69,000

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Army NG	South Dakota Watertown Complex	National Guard Vehicle Maintenance Shop	28,000	28,000
	Texas			
Army NG	Fort Hood	Smart Water Grid	0	19,800
Army NG	Fort Hood	Central Energy Plant	0	34,500
Army NG	Utah Camp Williams	Power Generation and Microgrid	0	28,500
	Virginia			
Army NG	Army Aviation Support Facility Sandston	Cost to Complete—Aircraft Maintenance Hangar	15,500	15,500
Army NG	Worldwide Unspecified Locations	Design	13,580	13,580
Military Construction, Army National Guard Total			151,880	303,680
Army Res	California Armed Forces Reserve Center, Mountain View	Power Generation and Microgrid	0	20,600
	Kentucky			
Army Res	Fort Knox	Aviation Support Facility	0	50,000
Army Res	Pennsylvania New Castle	Area Maintenance Support Activity/Vms/Land	30,000	30,000
	Texas			
Army Res	Camp Bullis	Army Reserve Center Building (Design)	0	5,000
Army Res	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Unspecified Minor Military Construction	6,226	6,226
	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Design	6,013	6,013
Military Construction, Army Reserve Total			42,239	117,839
N/MC Res	Texas Naval Air Station Fort Worth	Maintenance Hangar	0	50,000
	Worldwide Unspecified			
N/MC Res	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	USMCR Design	2,255	2,255
Military Construction, Naval Reserve Total			2,255	52,255
Air NG	Alaska Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	Base Supply Complex	46,000	46,000
	Georgia			
Air NG	Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport	Dining Hall & Services Train Facility	27,000	27,000
Air NG	Massachusetts Otis Air National Guard Base	Dining Facility / EMEDS	31,000	31,000
	Mississippi			
Air NG	Key Field Air National Guard Base	Base Supply Warehouse	19,000	19,000
Air NG	New Jersey Atlantic City Air National Guard Base	ADAL Maintenance Hangar Air National Guard/Shops.	0	61,000
	Oregon			
Air NG	Portland International Airport	ADAL Communications Annex	16,500	16,500
Air NG	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Unspecified Minor Military Construction	25,000	25,000
	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Design	24,146	24,146
Military Construction, Air National Guard Total			188,646	249,646
AF Res	Delaware Dover Air Force Base	512th Operations Group Facility	42,000	42,000
	Georgia			
AF Res	Dobbins Air Reserve Base	Entry Control Facility (Design)	0	3,200
AF Res	Texas Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland	C5m Age Maintenance Facility	18,000	18,000
	Worldwide Unspecified			

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Account	State/Country and Installation	Project Title	FY 2026 Request	House Agreement
AF Res	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Design	270	270
AF Res	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Unspecified Minor Military Construction	188	188
Military Construction, Air Force Reserve Total			60,458	63,658
Belgium				
FH Con Army	Chievres Air Base	Family Housing New Construction (100 Units)	145,042	145,042
Germany				
FH Con Army	U.S. Army Garrison Bavaria	Family Housing Replac Construction (27 Units)	50,692	50,692
Worldwide Unspecified				
FH Con Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Design	32,824	32,824
Family Housing Construction, Army Total			228,558	228,558
Worldwide Unspecified				
FH Ops Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Furnishings	16,254	16,254
FH Ops Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Housing Privatization Support	41,089	41,089
FH Ops Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Leased Housing	116,275	116,275
FH Ops Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Maintenance	110,941	110,941
FH Ops Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Management	41,450	41,450
FH Ops Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Miscellaneous	319	319
FH Ops Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Services	8,096	8,096
FH Ops Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Utilities	43,994	43,994
Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Army Total			378,418	378,418
Guam				
FH Con Navy	Joint Region Marianas	Replace Andersen Housing, Phase 9 (136 Units) (INC).	65,378	65,378
FH Con Navy	Joint Region Marianas	Cost to Complete—Replace Andersen Housing, Phase 4 (68 Units).	19,384	19,384
FH Con Navy	Joint Region Marianas	Cost to Complete—Replace Andersen Housing, Phase 7 (46 Units).	18,000	18,000
Japan				
FH Con Navy	Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni	Repair Whole House Building 1255 (6 Units)	11,230	11,230
Worldwide Unspecified				
FH Con Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Navy Southeast MHIPI (2nd Restructure) (100 Units)	57,000	57,000
FH Con Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Design	3,806	3,806
FH Con Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Design (DPRI/Guam)	2,799	2,799
Family Housing Construction, Navy And Marine Corps Total			177,597	177,597
Worldwide Unspecified				
FH Ops Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Furnishings	16,820	16,820
FH Ops Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Housing Privatization Support	57,061	57,061
FH Ops Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Leasing	68,426	68,426
FH Ops Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Maintenance	112,019	112,019
FH Ops Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Management	56,956	56,956
FH Ops Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Miscellaneous	435	435
FH Ops Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Services	17,424	17,424
FH Ops Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Utilities	44,967	44,967
Family Housing Operation And Maintenance, Navy And Marine Corps Total			374,108	374,108

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Account	State/Country and Installation	Project Title	FY 2026 Request	House Agreement
<i>FH Con AF</i>	<i>Colorado</i> <i>Buckley Space Force Base</i>	<i>MHPI Restructure (351 Units)</i>	<i>12,000</i>	<i>12,000</i>
<i>FH Con AF</i>	<i>Hawaii</i> <i>Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam</i>	<i>MHPI Restructure (460 Units)</i>	<i>147,555</i>	<i>147,555</i>
<i>FH Con AF</i>	<i>Japan</i> <i>Kadena Air Base</i>	<i>Family Housing Improvements, Kadena Tower 4511 (68 Units).</i>	<i>34,100</i>	<i>34,100</i>
<i>FH Con AF</i>	<i>Yokota Air Base</i>	<i>Family Housing Improvements, PAIP 9, Phase 3 (34 Units).</i>	<i>44,000</i>	<i>44,000</i>
<i>FH Con AF</i>	<i>Worldwide Unspecified</i> <i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Design</i>	<i>36,575</i>	<i>36,575</i>
Family Housing Construction, Air Force Total			274,230	274,230
<i>FH Ops AF</i>	<i>Worldwide Unspecified</i> <i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Furnishings</i>	<i>31,275</i>	<i>31,275</i>
<i>FH Ops AF</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Housing Privatization Support</i>	<i>38,987</i>	<i>38,987</i>
<i>FH Ops AF</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Leasing</i>	<i>5,436</i>	<i>5,436</i>
<i>FH Ops AF</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Maintenance</i>	<i>142,572</i>	<i>142,572</i>
<i>FH Ops AF</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Management</i>	<i>54,581</i>	<i>54,581</i>
<i>FH Ops AF</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Miscellaneous</i>	<i>1,475</i>	<i>1,475</i>
<i>FH Ops AF</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Services</i>	<i>12,701</i>	<i>12,701</i>
<i>FH Ops AF</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Utilities</i>	<i>72,738</i>	<i>72,738</i>
Family Housing Operation And Maintenance, Air Force Total			359,765	359,765
<i>FH Ops DW</i>	<i>Worldwide Unspecified</i> <i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Furnishings (DIA)</i>	<i>553</i>	<i>553</i>
<i>FH Ops DW</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Furnishings (NSA)</i>	<i>93</i>	<i>93</i>
<i>FH Ops DW</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Leasing (DIA)</i>	<i>33,911</i>	<i>33,911</i>
<i>FH Ops DW</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Leasing (NSA)</i>	<i>14,320</i>	<i>14,320</i>
<i>FH Ops DW</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Maintenance (NSA)</i>	<i>37</i>	<i>37</i>
<i>FH Ops DW</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Utilities (DIA)</i>	<i>4,445</i>	<i>4,445</i>
<i>FH Ops DW</i>	<i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Utilities (NSA)</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>15</i>
Family Housing Operation And Maintenance, Defense-Wide Total			53,374	53,374
<i>FHIF</i>	<i>Worldwide Unspecified</i> <i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Administrative Expenses—FHIF</i>	<i>8,315</i>	<i>8,315</i>
DOD Family Housing Improvement Fund Total			8,315	8,315
<i>UHIF</i>	<i>Worldwide Unspecified</i> <i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Administrative Expenses—UHIF</i>	<i>497</i>	<i>497</i>
Unaccompanied Housing Improvement Fund Total			497	497
<i>BRAC</i>	<i>Worldwide Unspecified</i> <i>Base Realignment & Closure, Army</i>	<i>Base Realignment & Closure</i>	<i>171,870</i>	<i>171,870</i>
Base Realignment and Closure—Army Total			171,870	171,870
<i>BRAC</i>	<i>Worldwide Unspecified</i> <i>Unspecified Worldwide Locations</i>	<i>Base Realignment & Closure</i>	<i>112,791</i>	<i>162,791</i>
Base Realignment and Closure—Navy Total			112,791	162,791

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BRAC	Worldwide Unspecified			
	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	Base Realignment & Closure	124,196	124,196
Base Realignment and Closure—Air Force Total			124,196	124,196
BRAC	Worldwide Unspecified			
	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	INT-4: DLA Activities	1,304	1,304
Base Realignment and Closure—Defense-wide Total			1,304	1,304
Total, Military Construction			18,892,743	18,892,743

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3 **PROGRAMS**

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Program	FY 2026 Request	House Authorized	
Discretionary Summary By Appropriation			
Energy And Water Development, And Related Agencies			
Appropriation Summary:			
Nuclear Energy	160,000	160,000	
Defense Uranium Enrichment D&D	278,000	0	
Atomic Energy Defense Activities			
National nuclear security administration:			
Weapons activities	20,074,400	20,578,152	
Defense nuclear nonproliferation	2,284,600	2,289,600	
Naval reactors	2,346,000	2,026,000	
Federal salaries and expenses	555,000	555,000	
Total, National Nuclear Security Administration	25,260,000	25,448,752	
Environmental and other defense activities:			
Defense environmental cleanup	6,956,000	7,009,750	
Other defense activities	1,182,000	1,182,000	
Total, Environmental & other defense activities	8,138,000	8,191,750	
Total, Atomic Energy Defense Activities	33,398,000	33,640,502	
Total, Discretionary Funding	33,836,000	33,800,502	
Nuclear Energy			
Idaho site-wide safeguards and security	160,000	160,000	
Total, Nuclear Energy	160,000	160,000	
Defense Uranium Enrichment D&D			
Defense Uranium Enrichment D&D Program	278,000	0	
Program decrease		[-278,000]	
Total, Defense Uranium Enrichment D&D	278,000	0	
Stockpile Management			
Stockpile Major Modernization			
B61-12 Life Extension Program	16,000	16,000	
W80-4 Life Extension Program	1,259,048	1,259,048	
SLCM-N Warhead		100,000	
Reconciliation adjustment		[100,000]	
W87-1 Modification Program	649,096	649,096	

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W93 Program	806,797	806,797
B61-13	49,357	49,357
Total, Stockpile Major Modernization	2,780,298	2,880,298
Stockpile services		
Stockpile Sustainment	1,720,200	1,720,200
Weapons Dismantlement and Disposition	82,367	62,367
Program decrease		[-20,000]
Production Operations	1,020,243	970,243
Program decrease		[-50,000]
Nuclear Enterprise Assurance	117,193	117,193
Subtotal, Stockpile Services	2,940,003	2,870,003
Total, Stockpile Management	5,720,301	5,750,301
Weapons Activities		
Production Modernization		
Primary Capability Modernization		
Plutonium Modernization		
Los Alamos Plutonium Modernization		
Los Alamos Plutonium Operations	982,263	982,263
21-D-512 Plutonium Pit Production Project, LANL	509,316	509,316
15-D-302 TA-55 Reinvestments Project, Phase 3, LANL	7,942	7,942
07-D-220-04 Transuranic Liquid Waste Facility, LANL	5,865	5,865
04-D-125 Chemistry and Metallurgy Research Replacement Project, LANL		50,000
Reconciliation adjustment		[50,000]
Subtotal, Los Alamos Plutonium Modernization	1,505,386	1,555,386
Savannah River Plutonium Modernization		
Savannah River Plutonium Operations	75,486	75,486
21-D-511 Savannah River Plutonium Processing Facility, SRS	1,130,000	1,130,000
Subtotal, Savannah River Plutonium Modernization	1,205,486	1,205,486
Enterprise Plutonium Support	122,094	122,094
Total, Plutonium Modernization	2,832,966	2,882,966
High Explosives and Energetics		
High Explosives & Energetics	132,023	132,023
21-D-510 HE Synthesis Formulation and Production, PX ...	0	20,000
Program increase		[20,000]
Total, High Explosives and Energetics	132,023	152,023
Total, Primary Capability Modernization	2,964,989	3,034,989
Secondary Capability Modernization		
Secondary Capability Modernization	770,186	770,186
18-D-690 Lithium Processing Facility, Y-12	0	115,000
Program increase		[50,000]
Reconciliation adjustment		[65,000]
06-D-141 Uranium Processing Facility, Y-12	0	525,000
Reconciliation adjustment		[525,000]
Total, Secondary Capability Modernization	770,186	1,410,186
Tritium and Defense Fuels Program		
Tritium and Defense Fuels Program	568,384	568,384
Total, Tritium and Defense Fuels Program	568,384	568,384
Non-Nuclear Capability Modernization		
26-D-511 MESA Photolithography Capability (MPC), SNL	40,000	0
Program decrease		[-40,000]
26-D-510 Product Realization Infrastructure for Stockpile Modernization (PRISM), LLNL	15,000	0
Program decrease		[-15,000]
Warhead Assembly Modernization	34,336	34,336
Capability Based Investments	177,996	177,996
22-D-513 Power Sources Capability, SNL	0	115,000
Reconciliation adjustment		[115,000]
Total, Production Modernization	4,792,479	5,562,479
Stockpile Research, Technology, and Engineering		
Assessment Science	980,959	980,959
26-D-512 LANSCE Modernization Project (LAMP), LANL	20,000	0

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Program decrease		[-20,000]
17-D-640 U1a Complex Enhancements Project, NNSS	0	64,000
Reconciliation adjustment		[64,000]
Engineering and Integrated Assessments	399,777	414,777
Rapid Capabilities Program		[15,000]
26-D-513 Combined Radiation Environments for Survivability Testing, SNL	52,248	0
Program decrease		[-52,248]
Inertial Confinement Fusion	699,206	699,206
26-D-514 NIF Enhanced Fusion Yield Capability, LLNL	26,000	0
Program decrease		[-26,000]
Advanced Simulation and Computing	865,995	865,995
Weapon Technology and Manufacturing Maturation	276,279	276,279
Total, Stockpile Research, Technology, and Engineering	3,320,464	3,301,216
Academic Programs	94,000	94,000
PSAAP		[-7,000]
TEPP		[5,000]
MSIPP		[2,000]
Total, Academic Programs	94,000	94,000
Infrastructure and Operations		
Operations of facilities	1,722,000	1,722,000
Safety and environmental operations	194,360	194,360
Maintenance and repair of facilities	920,000	715,000
Reconciliation adjustment		[-205,000]
Recapitalization	741,179	536,179
Reconciliation adjustment		[-205,000]
Construction:		
25-D-511 PULSE New Access, NNSS	0	48,000
Reconciliation adjustment		[48,000]
23-D-517 Electrical Power Capacity Upgrade, LANL	0	85,000
Reconciliation adjustment		[85,000]
Total, Construction	0	133,000
Total, Infrastructure and operations	3,577,539	3,300,539
Secure transportation asset		
Operations and equipment	299,541	299,541
Program direction	149,244	149,244
Total, Secure transportation asset	448,785	448,785
Defense Nuclear Security		
Operations and Maintenance	1,245,418	1,245,418
Total, Defense nuclear security	1,245,418	1,245,418
Information technology and cybersecurity	811,208	811,208
Legacy contractor pensions	64,206	64,206
Total, Weapons Activities	20,074,400	20,578,152
Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation		
Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation Programs		
Global material security		
International nuclear security	62,865	62,865
Radiological security	186,406	186,406
Nuclear smuggling detection and deterrence	140,601	145,601
Program increase		[5,000]
Total, Global material security	389,872	394,872
Material management and minimization		
Reactor Conversion and Uranium Supply	63,383	63,383
Nuclear Material Removal and Elimination	61,000	61,000
Plutonium Disposition	150,686	150,686
Total, Material management & minimization	275,069	275,069
Nonproliferation and arms control	221,008	221,008
Defense nuclear nonproliferation R&D		
Proliferation Detection	269,376	269,376
Nuclear Detonation Detection	307,435	307,435

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Program	FY 2026 Request	House Authorized
Forensics R&D	20,460	20,460
Nonproliferation Stewardship Program	149,383	149,383
Total, Defense nuclear nonproliferation R&D	746,654	746,654
Nonproliferation Construction:		
18-D-150 Surplus Plutonium Disposition Project, SRS	50,000	50,000
Total, Nonproliferation construction	50,000	50,000
Total, Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation Programs	1,682,603	1,687,603
Nuclear counterterrorism and incident response program		
Emergency Management	33,122	33,122
Counterterrorism and Counterproliferation	596,878	596,878
Total, Nuclear Counterterrorism and Incident Response Program	630,000	630,000
Legacy contractor pensions	20,993	20,993
Use of Prior Year Balances	-48,996	-48,996
Total, Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation	2,284,600	2,289,600
Naval Reactors		
Naval reactors development	884,579	884,579
Columbia-Class reactor systems development	35,300	35,300
Naval reactors operations and infrastructure	703,581	703,581
Program direction	61,540	61,540
Construction:		
26-D-530 East Side Office Building	75,000	0
Program decrease		[-75,000]
25-D-530 Naval Examination Acquisition Project	60,000	60,000
14-D-901 Spent Fuel Handling Recapitalization Project, NRF	526,000	281,000
Program decrease		[-245,000]
Total, Construction	661,000	341,000
Total, Naval Reactors	2,346,000	2,026,000
Federal Salaries And Expenses		
Program Direction	555,000	555,000
Total, Federal Salaries And Expenses	555,000	555,000
Defense Environmental Cleanup		
Closure sites:		
Closure sites administration	500	500
Richland:		
River corridor and other cleanup operations	68,562	88,562
Program increase		[20,000]
Central plateau remediation	754,259	764,259
Program increase		[10,000]
Richland community and regulatory support	10,700	10,700
Construction:		
22-D-402 L-897, 200 Area Water Treatment Facility	4,000	4,000
Total, Construction—Richland	4,000	4,000
Total, Richland	837,521	867,521
Office of River Protection:		
Waste Treatment Immobilization Plant Commissioning	390,415	390,415
Rad liquid tank waste stabilization and disposition	923,212	923,212
Construction:		
01-D-16D High-Level Waste Facility	600,000	600,000
01-D-16E Pretreatment Facility		0
15-D-409 Low Activity Waste Pretreatment System	78,600	78,600
23-D-403, Hanford 200 West Area Tank Farms Risk Management Project	108,200	108,200
Total, Construction—Office of River Protection	786,800	786,800
Total, Office of River Protection	2,100,427	2,100,427
Idaho National Laboratory:		
Idaho cleanup and waste disposition	452,242	452,242

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<i>Idaho community and regulatory support</i>	3,779	3,779
Construction:		
22-D-403 Idaho Spent Nuclear Fuel Staging Facility	2,000	2,000
23-D-402—Calcine Construction	2,000	2,000
Total, Construction—Idaho	4,000	4,000
Total, Idaho National Laboratory	460,021	460,021
NNSA sites and Nevada off-sites		
Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory	1,955	1,955
Nuclear facility D & D		
Separations Process Research Unit	950	950
Nevada Site	64,835	64,835
Sandia National Laboratories	1,030	1,030
Los Alamos National Laboratory	278,288	278,288
Los Alamos Excess Facilities D&D	1,693	1,693
Total, NNSA sites and Nevada off-sites	348,751	348,751
Oak Ridge Reservation:		
OR Nuclear facility D & D	346,562	366,562
Program increase		[20,000]
Total, OR Nuclear facility D & D	346,562	366,562
U233 Disposition Program	63,000	63,000
OR cleanup and disposition	75,000	75,000
Construction:		
14-D-403 Outfall 200 Mercury Treatment Facility	34,885	34,885
17-D-401 On-site waste disposal facility	15,050	15,050
Total, Construction—Oak Ridge	49,935	49,935
Total, OR cleanup and waste disposition	187,935	187,935
OR community & regulatory support	5,900	5,900
OR technology development and deployment	3,300	3,300
Total, Oak Ridge Reservation	543,697	563,697
Savannah River Sites:		
Savannah River risk management operations	396,394	396,394
Construction:		
19-D-701 SR Security Systems Replacement	708	708
Total, Savannah River Risk Management Operations	397,102	397,102
SR Community and Regulatory Support	5,317	5,317
Savannah River National Laboratory Operations & Maintenance	90,719	90,719
Radioactive Liquid Tank Waste Stabilization and Disposition	1,066,000	1,066,000
Construction:		
20-D-401 Saltstone Disposal Unit #10, 11, 12	52,500	56,250
Program increase		[3,750]
Total, Construction—Savannah River sites	52,500	56,250
Total, Savannah River sites	1,611,638	1,615,388
Waste Isolation Pilot Plant		
Waste Isolation Pilot Plant	413,424	413,424
Construction:		
21-D-401 Hoisting Capability Project	2,000	2,000
Total, Construction—Waste Isolation Pilot Plant	2,000	2,000
Total, Waste Isolation Pilot Plant	415,424	415,424
Program Direction	312,818	312,818
Program Support	20,320	20,320
Safeguards and Security	288,871	288,871
Technology Development and Deployment	16,012	16,012
Total, Defense Environmental Cleanup	6,956,000	7,009,750
Other Defense Activities		
Environment, health, safety and security		
Program direction	90,555	90,555
Environment, Health, Safety & Security	141,908	141,908
Total, Environment, Health, safety and security	232,463	232,463
Office of Enterprise Assessments		
Program direction	59,132	59,132

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<i>Program</i>	<i>FY 2026 Request</i>	<i>House Authorized</i>
<i>Enterprise Assessments</i>	<i>30,022</i>	<i>30,022</i>
<i>Total, Office of Enterprise Assessments</i>	<i>89,154</i>	<i>89,154</i>
<i>Specialized security activities</i>	<i>441,000</i>	<i>441,000</i>
<i>Office of Legacy Management</i>		
<i>Legacy management</i>	<i>177,716</i>	<i>177,716</i>
<i>Program direction</i>	<i>22,542</i>	<i>22,542</i>
<i>Total, Office of Legacy Management</i>	<i>200,258</i>	<i>200,258</i>
<i>Defense-related administrative support</i>	<i>214,626</i>	<i>214,626</i>
<i>Office of hearings and appeals</i>	<i>4,499</i>	<i>4,499</i>
<i>Subtotal, Other Defense Activities</i>	<i>1,182,000</i>	<i>1,182,000</i>
<i>Total, Other Defense Activities</i>	<i>1,182,000</i>	<i>1,182,000</i>

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A BILL

To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2026 for military activities of the Department of Defense, 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.

AUGUST 19, 2025

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