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To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2027 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 SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. WICKER, from the Committee on Armed Services, reported the following original bill; which was read twice and placed on the calendar

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A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2027''.

SEC. 2. ORGANIZATION OF ACT INTO DIVISIONS; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) DIVISIONS.—This Act is organized into four divisions as follows:

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SEC. 3. CONGRESSIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEES.

In this Act, the term ''congressional defense committees'' has the meaning given that term in section 101(a)(16) of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 4. BUDGETARY EFFECTS OF THIS ACT.

The budgetary effects of this Act, for the purposes of complying with the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010, shall be determined by reference to the latest statement titled ''Budgetary Effects of PAYGO Legislation''

for this Act, jointly submitted for printing in the Congressional Record by the Chairmen of the House and Senate Budget Committees, provided that such statement has been submitted prior to the vote on passage in the House acting first on the conference report or amendment between the Houses.

DIVISION A—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AUTHORIZATIONS

TITLE I—PROCUREMENT

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SEC. 101. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027 for procurement for the Army, the Navy and the Marine Corps, the Air Force and the Space Force, and Defense-wide activities, as specified in the funding table in section 4101.

Subtitle B—Army Programs

SEC. 111. MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY FOR INFANTRY SQUAD VEHICLE PROGRAM.

(a) AUTHORITY FOR MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT.—Subject to section 3501 of title 10, United States Code, the Secretary of the Army may enter into one or more multiyear contracts, beginning with fiscal year 2027, for the procurement of Infantry Squad Vehicles (ISV), includ-

ing associated components, spare parts, and support equipment.

(b) CONDITIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall ensure that any contract entered into under subsection (a)—

(A) provides for savings compared to annual procurement;

(B) includes appropriate termination provisions to protect the interests of the United States; and

(C) complies with all requirements of section 3501 of title 10, United States Code.

(2) DURATION.—A contract entered into under subsection (a) shall cover a period of not more than five fiscal years.

(c) ADVANCE PROCUREMENT.—The Secretary may include in a contract entered into under subsection (a) provisions for economic order quantity purchases of long-lead items to achieve cost efficiencies.

SEC. 112. INCLUSION OF ARMY NATIONAL GUARD IN ARMY ARCTIC STRATEGY AND FORCE STRUCTURE.

(a) INCLUSION IN STRATEGIC PLANNING.—The Secretary of the Army shall ensure that the Army National Guard is fully integrated into the implementation and fu-

ture iterations of the document entitled ''Regaining Arctic Dominance: The U.S. Army in the Arctic'' (or any successor strategy).

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary of the Army shall carry out the following activities:

(1) Identify specific Army National Guard units with existing cold-weather capabilities or geographical proximity to the Arctic Circle to be designated as Arctic-capable or Arctic-focused.

(2) Establish a modernization roadmap to ensure that Army National Guard units designated for Arctic missions are suitably equipped with mission-critical equipment such as Extreme Cold Weather Clothing System (ECWCS) gear, over-snow vehicles, and specialized communication equipment.

(3) Expand participation of Army National Guard units in multi-component Arctic exercises, including Northern Edge and Arctic Edge, to validate interoperability, as possible.

(c) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than June 30, 2027, the Secretary of the Army shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the specific roles, missions,

and resource requirements identified for the Army National Guard within the Army's Arctic strategy.

Subtitle C—Navy Programs

SEC. 121. MODIFICATION AND EXTENSION OF PROCUREMENT AUTHORITIES FOR CERTAIN AMPHIBIOUS SHIPBUILDING PROGRAMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 129 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2448), as most recently amended by section 121 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 1804), is further amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(1), by striking ''up to five'';

(2) in subsection (c)—

(A) by inserting '', advance construction, or economic order quantities'' after ''advance procurement across programs''; and

(B) by inserting '', spare parts, and major shore-based spares'' after ''systems and subsystems''; and

(3) in subsection (f), by striking ''September 30, 2026'' and inserting ''September 30, 2030''.

(b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—Subsection (g)(2) of such section 129 is amended by striking ''section 4251(d)'' and inserting ''section 4251(e)''.

SEC. 122. FUNDING FOR REFUELING AND COMPLEX OVERHAULS OF THE U.S.S. JOHN C. STENNIS AND U.S.S. HARRY S. TRUMAN.

Section 123(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 133 Stat. 1234) is amended by striking ''six years'' and inserting ''eight years''.

SEC. 123. VESSEL CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AND COMMERCIAL DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS FOR CABLE LAYING AND REPAIR SHIPS.

(a) VESSEL CONSTRUCTION MANAGER.—If the Secretary of the Navy seeks to acquire one or more cable laying and repair ships, the Secretary shall seek to enter into an agreement with an appropriate vessel construction manager pursuant to which the vessel construction manager shall seek to enter into a contract for the construction of such ships.

(b) DESIGN STANDARDS AND CONSTRUCTION PRACTICES.—The Secretary of the Navy shall ensure that ships procured under subsection (a)—

(1) use a design based on nondevelopmental vessels with commercial design standards; and

(2) to the maximum extent practicable, are constructed using commercial construction practices.

SEC. 124. CONVEYANCE OF F–14D TOMCAT AIRCRAFT FROM THE NAVY TO THE U.S. SPACE AND ROCKET CENTER COMMISSION IN HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA.

(a) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of the Navy (in this section referred to as the ''Secretary'') may convey, without consideration, to the U.S. Space and Rocket Center Commission in Huntsville, Alabama (in this section referred to as the ''Commission''), all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to 3 surplus F–14D Tomcat aircraft, (Bureau Numbers 164341, 164602, 159437), which are excess to the operational requirements of the Navy.

(b) FORM OF CONVEYANCE.—The conveyance under subsection (a) shall be made by means of a conditional deed of gift.

(c) CONDITION OF AIRCRAFT.—The aircraft being conveyed under subsection (a) do not have any capability for use as a platform for launching or releasing munitions or any other combat capability that it was designed to have.

(d) CONDITIONS.—The Secretary shall include in the instrument of conveyance of the aircraft under subsection (a)—

(1) a condition that the Secretary is not required to repair or alter the condition of the aircraft before conveying ownership of the aircraft;

(2) a condition that the Secretary shall provide any maintenance and operations manuals that—

(A) are specific to the F–14D aircraft; and

(B) the Secretary has sufficient intellectual property rights to convey;

(3) a condition that the Secretary shall provide excess spare parts to make one of the F–14D aircraft flyable or able to complete a static display, provided that any part transferred is from existing Navy stock, with no items being procured on behalf of the Commission; and

(4) a condition that the Secretary will not be responsible for transferring any additional parts or providing any additional support beyond what is stated in this section, during or after the conveyance of the aircraft.

(e) AGREEMENTS FOR RESTORATION AND OPERATION.—The Secretary may—

(1) authorize the Commission to enter into agreements with qualified nonprofit organizations for the purpose of restoring and operating the aircraft transferred under subsection (a) for public display, airshows, and commemorative events to preserve naval aviation heritage; and

(2) if the Secretary authorizes any such agreement, require such additional terms and conditions in the instrument of conveyance as appropriate to protect the interests of the United States.

(f) REVERTER UPON BREACH OF CONDITIONS.—The Secretary shall include in the instrument of conveyance of the aircraft under subsection (a)—

(1) a condition that the Commission shall operate and maintain the aircraft in compliance with all applicable limitations and maintenance requirements imposed by the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration; and

(2) a condition that the Commission shall not convey any ownership interest in, or transfer possession of , the aircraft to another party without the prior approval of the Secretary; and

(3) a condition that if the Secretary determines at any time that the Commission has failed to comply with the conditions set forth in paragraphs (1)

and (2), all right, title, and interest in and to the aircraft, including any repair or alteration of the aircraft, shall revert to the United States, and the United States shall have the right of immediate possession of the aircraft.

(g) CONVEYANCE AT NO COST TO THE UNITED STATES.—The conveyance of an aircraft under subsection (a) shall be made at no cost to the United States. Any costs associated with such conveyance, costs of determining compliance with terms of the conveyance, and costs of operation and maintenance of the aircraft conveyed shall be borne by the Commission.

(h) CLARIFICATION OF LIABILITY.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, upon the conveyance of ownership of the aircraft under subsection (a), the United States shall not be liable for any death, injury, loss, or damage that results from any use of such aircraft by any person other than the United States.

(i) APPLICABLE LAW.—The transfer and use of the aircraft under subsection (a) is subject to all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations, including—

(1) the Arms Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.);

(2) the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4811 et seq.);

(3) International Traffic in Arms Regulations (22 C.F.R. 120 et seq.);

(4) Export Administration Regulations (15 C.F.R. 730 et seq.);

(5) Foreign Assets Control Regulations (31 C.F.R. 500 et seq.); and

(6) chapter 37 of title 18, United States Code (commonly known as the ''Espionage Act'').

SEC. 125. PROHIBITION ON DESTRUCTION OR SCRAPPING OF WORLD WAR II–ERA AIRCRAFT.

(a) PROHIBITION.—The Secretary of Defense may not destroy, dismantle, scrap, cannibalize, or otherwise render permanently inoperable any aircraft that—

(1) was manufactured prior to December 31, 1945; and

(2) is in the custody or administrative control of the Department of the Navy as of the date of the enactment of this Act.

(b) AUTHORIZED DISPOSITIONS.—Aircraft described in subsection (a) may only be—

(1) retained in the inventory of the Department of the Navy;

(2) transferred to an eligible entity; or

(3) deaccessioned under a plan approved by the Secretary of Defense that supports the long-term

preservation of such aircraft, consistent with guidelines described in the committee report accompanying this Act.

(c) WAIVER AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense may waive the prohibition under subsection (a) on a case-by-case basis only if—

(1) the aircraft is determined by qualified personnel of the Department of the Navy or another eligible entity to be beyond practical restoration or preservation;

(2) no eligible entity expresses interest in accepting the aircraft during the one-year period following the publication of public notice of the availability of the aircraft for transfer;

(3) the Secretary submits to the congressional defense committees written notification and justification of the waiver; and

(4) a period of 30 days has elapsed following the date of such submission.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) AIRCRAFT.—The term ''aircraft'' includes fixed-wing and rotary-wing manned aircraft.

(2) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ''eligible entity'' means—

(A) the National Naval Aviation Museum, the National Museum of the Marine Corps, or another official Department of Defense museum; or

(B) a Federal department or agency, nonprofit institution, or museum, with demonstrated indoor preservation and public display capabilities.

SEC. 126. PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY FOR E–2D ADVANCED HAWKEYE AIRCRAFT PROGRAM.

(a) AUTHORITY FOR BLOCK BUY CONTRACT.—Subject to the availability of appropriations for such purposes, the Secretary of the Navy may procure twelve or more E–2D Advanced Hawkeye aircraft during fiscal years 2027 through 2029 by entering into one block buy contract.

(b) ADVANCE PROCUREMENT AND ECONOMIC ORDER QUANTITIES.—The Secretary of the Navy may enter into one or more contracts, beginning in fiscal year 2027, for advance procurement and economic order quantities of components and material associated with the aircraft for which authorization to enter into a block buy contract is provided under subsection (a).

(c) LIABILITY.—Any contract entered into under subsection (a) shall provide that—

(1) any obligation of the United States to make a payment under the contract is subject to the availability of appropriations for that purpose; and

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

Subtitle D—Air Force Programs

SEC. 131. MODIFICATION OF INVENTORY REQUIREMENTS FOR AIR FORCE FIGHTER AIRCRAFT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (i) of section 9062 of title 10, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

''(i)(1) The Secretary of the Air Force shall—

''(A) during the period beginning on October 1, 2026, and ending on October 1, 2035, maintain a total aircraft inventory of fighter aircraft of not less than 1,800 aircraft; and

''(B) maintain a total aircraft inventory of combat-coded fighter aircraft of not less than 1,369 aircraft by December 31, 2030.

''(2) In this subsection:

''(A) The term 'attrition reserve' means aircraft procured and held specifically to replace anticipated

aircraft losses resulting from peacetime accidents (mishaps) or wartime attrition.

''(B) The term 'backup aircraft inventory' means aircraft authorized in addition to the primary mission aircraft inventory to allow for scheduled and unscheduled depot-level maintenance, modifications, inspections, and repair without reducing the combat-ready fleet.

''(C) The term 'combat-coded' with respect to an aircraft means an aircraft that is—

''(i) assigned to a combat-designated operational squadron or unit for the performance of its wartime mission;

''(ii) formally categorized within the Department of the Air Force inventory management system as primary mission aircraft inventory, backup aircraft inventory, or attrition reserve; and

''(iii) resourced and maintained to provide immediate operational capacity and the necessary organic depth required to sustain combat mission effectiveness through modernization cycles, scheduled and unscheduled maintenance, and combat attrition.

''(D) The term 'fighter aircraft'—

''(i) means an aircraft that—

''(I) is designated by a mission design series prefix of F– or A–;

''(II) is manned by one or two crewmembers; and

''(III) executes single-role or multi-role missions, including air-to-air combat, air-to-ground attack, air interdiction, suppression or destruction of enemy air defenses, close air support, strike control and reconnaissance, combat search and rescue support, or airborne forward air control; and

''(ii) does not include collaborative combat aircraft.

''(E) The term 'primary mission aircraft inventory' means aircraft assigned to meet the primary aircraft authorization to a unit for the performance of its wartime mission.''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect on October 1, 2026.

SEC. 132. MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY FOR F–35 AIRCRAFT.

(a) MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY.—Subject to section 3501 of title 10, United States Code, except

as provided in this section, the Secretary of Defense may enter into one or more multiyear contracts for the procurement of F–35A, F–35B, and F–35C aircraft.

(b) FINDINGS REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—A contract described in subsection (a) is deemed to meet the requirements of section 3501(a) of such title.

(2) REQUEST.—Section 3501(i)(2) of such title shall not apply for purposes of this section.

(3) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report with respect to contracts described in subsection (a) containing preliminary findings of the agency head described in paragraphs (1) through (6) of section 3501(a) of such title, together with the basis for such findings.

(c) ADVANCE PROCUREMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense may enter into one or more contracts for advance procurement of key components of F–35A, F–35B, and F–35C aircraft in economic order quantities.

(2) CERTIFICATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall include in any certification submitted under section 3501(i)(3) of such title a description of the

specific components the Secretary intends to procure under the authority provided by paragraph (1).

SEC. 133. MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY FOR F–15EX AIRCRAFT.

(a) MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY.—Subject to section 3501 of title 10, United States Code, except as provided in this section, the Secretary of Defense may enter into one or more multiyear contracts for the procurement of F–15EX aircraft.

(b) FINDINGS REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—A contract described in subsection (a) is deemed to meet the requirements of section 3501(a) of such title.

(2) REQUEST.—Section 3501(i)(2) of such title shall not apply for purposes of this section.

(3) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report with respect to contracts described in subsection (a) containing preliminary findings of the agency head described in paragraphs (1) through (6) of section 3501(a) of such title, together with the basis for such findings.

(c) CERTIFICATION.—The Secretary of Defense may not exercise the authority provided by subsection (a) until

the Secretary submits to Congress a certification that the contractor concerned has the ability to increase production to achieve the objective inventory goal of not less than 268 F–15EX aircraft by 2035.

(d) ADVANCE PROCUREMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense may enter into one or more contracts for advance procurement of key components of F–15EX aircraft in economic order quantities.

(2) CERTIFICATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall include in any certification submitted under section 3501(i)(3) of such title a description of the specific components the Secretary intends to procure under the authority provided by paragraph (1).

SEC. 134. MQ–9 AIRCRAFT.

(a) LIMITATION ON DIVESTMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the Secretary of the Air Force may not divest, retire, or otherwise reduce the inventory of MQ–9 aircraft below the baseline inventory level until September 30, 2031.

(2) EXCEPTION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Any reduction in the inventory of MQ–9 aircraft resulting from combat loss, attrition, or other unplanned damage

shall not be considered divestment or other reduction for purposes of paragraph (1).

(B) RESTORATION.—The Secretary of the Air Force shall, to the maximum extent practicable, take actions to restore the inventory of MQ–9 aircraft to the baseline inventory level following any reduction in inventory described in subparagraph (A).

(C) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 30 days after any reduction in inventory described in subparagraph (A), the Secretary of the Air Force shall submit to the congressional defense committees a notification that includes the following:

(i) A description of the circumstances resulting in the combat loss, attrition, or other unplanned damage of the aircraft.

(ii) An assessment of the impact of such reduction in inventory on operational capability.

(iii) A plan, if any, to replace the aircraft or otherwise mitigate the reduction in inventory.

(3) BASELINE INVENTORY LEVEL DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term ''baseline inventory

level'' means the total number of MQ–9 primary mission aircraft in the inventory of the Air Force as of the date of the enactment of this Act.

(b) MINIMUM INVENTORY REQUIREMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Air Force shall ensure that the total inventory of MQ–9 aircraft is not fewer than 180 aircraft on and after October 1, 2028.

(2) INCLUSIONS.—The total inventory described in paragraph (1) may include a mix of all variants of MQ–9 aircraft.

(c) ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Air Force shall, in consultation with the Chief of the National Guard Bureau, conduct an analysis of alternatives for a medium-altitude intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance capability to replace the MQ–9 aircraft.

(2) EVALUATION.—The analysis required by paragraph (1) shall evaluate options that meet or exceed the operational capabilities provided by the MQ–9 aircraft as of the date of the analysis, including endurance, survivability, sensor capability, and mission flexibility.

(d) REPORT AND BRIEFING.—Not later than December 1, 2027, the Secretary of the Air Force shall—

(1) submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the results of the analysis required by subsection (c); and

(2) provide a briefing to such committees on such results.

SEC. 135. AIRBORNE WARNING AND CONTROL SYSTEM AIRCRAFT.

Section 9062 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(o)(1)(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the Secretary of the Air Force may not retire, prepare to retire, or place in storage or in backup aircraft inventory any E–3 aircraft if such actions would reduce the total aircraft inventory for such aircraft below 16.

''(B) If the Secretary of the Air Force procures enough E–7 Wedgetail aircraft to accomplish the required mission load, the prohibition under subparagraph (A) shall not apply to actions taken to reduce the total aircraft inventory for E–3 aircraft to below 16 after the date on which such E–7 Wedgetail aircraft are delivered.

''(2) The Secretary of the Air Force may not pause, cancel, or terminate the E–7 Wedgetail aircraft program or prepare to pause, cancel, or terminate such program.''.

SEC. 136. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS PENDING SUBMISSION OF REPORT ON ACQUISITION STRATEGY FOR AIRBORNE COMMAND POST CAPABILITY.

Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for operation and maintenance, Air Force, and available to the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force for travel expenses, not more than 60 percent may be obligated or expended until the Secretary of the Air Force submits to the congressional defense committees the report required by section 154 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 767).

SEC. 137. MOBILITY CAPABILITIES STRATEGIC PLAN.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January 1, 2027, the Secretary of the Air Force, in coordination with the Commander of the United States Transportation Command and in consultation with the commanders of the geographic combatant commands, shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a report that includes a comprehensive and detailed stra-

tegic plan for the development, acquisition, modernization, and integration of total force mobility capabilities of the Department of Defense through fiscal year 2047.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The plan required by subsection (a) shall include each of the following:

(1) An assessment of—

(A) contested operations across all domains over great distances;

(B) contested lines of communication extending from the United States to operational theaters;

(C) adversary capabilities designed to target United States mobility forces, mobility infrastructure, and logistics networks; and

(D) the requirement for mobility forces to operate in degraded, contested, and highly contested environments, including austere locations, battle-damaged airfields, degraded runways, ramps, taxiways, and other runway-agnostic operating environments.

(2) An assessment of the current mobility force, including—

(A) the ability of Air Mobility Command to support the requirements of all of the Armed Forces in competition, crisis, and conflict;

(B) the ability of Air Mobility Command to support agility concepts for all of the Armed Forces simultaneously in conflict, including agile combat employment, multi-domain task force operations, expeditionary advanced base operations, and distributed maritime operations;

(C) the vulnerability of mobility forces, mobility infrastructure, and global logistics networks in contested environments; and

(D) the degree to which existing mobility capability and capacity meet homeland defense priorities, nuclear mission obligations, and simultaneous global operational demands.

(3) An identification of the attributes required of future mobility forces, including—

(A) secure beyond line-of-sight connectivity with—

(i) service and joint data links;

(ii) service and joint battle management networks; and

(iii) service and joint command and control networks;

(B) automation and autonomous aviation capabilities;

(C) the ability to operate across the full spectrum of threat environments;

(D) flexibility across the full scale of mobility missions, including—

(i) small and distributed missions;

(ii) tactical, operational, and strategic missions; and

(iii) oversized and large-volume movements;

(E) the ability to operate from runway-agnostic and degraded operating locations;

(F) fuel-resilient aviation concepts, including aircraft capable of operating on traditional fuels and emerging propulsion systems, such as electric, hybrid-electric, and hydrogen;

(G) consideration of aircraft designed with open architecture enabling rapid integration of mission systems, including palletized effects, electronic warfare, battle management, and intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance capabilities; and

(H) signature management capabilities that enable mobility aircraft to operate globally while maintaining operational security, including the ability to comply with international

aviation safety requirements while limiting exposure of aircraft identity, position, and mission information through publicly accessible tracking systems or other unclassified means.

(4) An evaluation of future tanker capabilities, including—

(A) collaborative tanker aircraft supporting collaborative, distant, and distributed refueling operations in contested environments;

(B) penetrating low-observable tanker aircraft capable of operating in highly contested environments;

(C) low-signature tanker concepts, including blended-wing body tanker aircraft;

(D) tactical tanker aircraft capable of supporting distributed tanker and airlift operations;

(E) modernization of legacy tanker aircraft through connectivity and full automation;

(F) tanker aircraft designed with open architecture and multi-role capability enabling complementary missions, including electronic warfare, battle management, and intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance capabilities;

(G) opportunities to expand tanker capacity through commercial tanker constructs, including Government-owned, contractor-operated models; and

(H) the establishment of a Civil Reserve Air Fleet tanker capability that would enable the commercial operation of tanker aircraft to provide immediate and dependable augmentation of United States tanker capacity.

(5) An evaluation of future airlift capabilities across mission scales, including—

(A) autonomous airlift platforms supporting small and tactical missions;

(B) the establishment of a distributed maneuver pool composed of autonomous and highly automated mobility platforms capable of supporting maneuvering units and distributed operations, with mobility capabilities owned or controlled by lower-echelon multi-service operational units and integrated into the broader mobility enterprise;

(C) improved and automated tactical and operational airlift capabilities supporting maneuver and distributed operations;

(D) new and improved strategic airlift capabilities supporting global force flow and theater reinforcement, including the development of a next-generation strategic airlifter to augment or replace the C–17 aircraft and establishing a new standard for military airlift through improved capability, capacity, survivability, connectivity, automation, and operational flexibility;

(E) oversized and large-volume airlift systems, including plans to support current and future needs of the United States Space Force and other agencies;

(F) vertical takeoff and landing and short-field takeoff and landing airlift platforms supporting multi-service agility and distributed operations;

(G) delivery systems, including automated airdrop, glider, towable, and hybrid aircraft logistics platforms; and

(H) opportunities to expand airlift capacity through commercial operation of strategic airlift aircraft, Civil Reserve Air Fleet participation, and service-based acquisition models, such as effects-as-a-service.

(6) An assessment of command and control architecture required to support mobility operations in contested environments, including—

(A) the use of maneuver battle management using technologies such as artificial intelligence, algorithmic allocation systems, and advanced data architectures to integrate logistics, maneuver, and mobility operations across the Joint Force; and

(B) integration of distributed traditional air battle management capabilities within mobility forces.

(7) An assessment of opportunities to expand mobility capability and capacity through commercial aviation capabilities, including—

(A) the expansion of the Civil Reserve Air Fleet;

(B) the establishment of the Civil Reserve Air Fleet tanker capability;

(C) the commercial operation of excess, transitioned, or Government-owned strategic airlift and tanker aircraft;

(D) the use of service-based acquisition models such as mobility-as-a-service or effects-as-a-service; and

(E) the role of nonprime aviation companies in enabling the building of the future mobility enterprise.

(c) FORM.—The plan required by subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

SEC. 138. EXTENSION OF REQUIREMENT AND PROHIBITION RELATED TO C–130 AIRCRAFT.

(a) EXTENSION OF MINIMUM INVENTORY REQUIREMENT.—Section 146(a)(3)(B) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2455), as most recently amended by section 145(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 760), is further amended by striking ''2026'' and inserting ''2028''.

(b) EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON REDUCTION OF C–130 AIRCRAFT ASSIGNED TO NATIONAL GUARD.—Section 146(b)(1) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2455), as most recently amended by section 145(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 760), is further amended by striking ''2026'' and inserting ''2028''.

TITLE II—RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION

Subtitle A—Authorization of Appropriations

SEC. 201. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027 for the use of the Department of Defense for research, development, test, and evaluation, as specified in the funding table in section 4201.

Subtitle B—Program Requirements, Restrictions, and Limitations

SEC. 211. IMPROVING THE REQUIREMENT FOR AN ALTERNATIVE TEST AND EVALUATION PATHWAY FOR DESIGNATED DEFENSE ACQUISITION PROGRAMS.

Section 218(f) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 10 U.S.C. 4171 note) is amended by striking ''relating to software and covered hardware'' and inserting ''under the Software Acquisition Pathways pursuant to section 3603 of title 10, United States Code,''.

SEC. 212. DEVELOPMENT, TEST, EVALUATION, DEMONSTRATION, AND TRANSITION TO PRODUCTION OF ALTERNATIVE LOW-COST WEAPON SYSTEMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall, acting through the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment and in coordination with secretaries of the military departments and the Director of the Missile Defense Agency, as the Secretary of Defense considers appropriate, develop, test, evaluate, demonstrate, and transition to production a portfolio of alternative, affordable, low-cost weapon systems in each of the following categories:

(1) Hypersonic strike systems.

(2) Cruise missiles.

(3) Shoulder-launched missiles.

(4) Extended range munitions.

(5) Mid-range integrated air and missile defense interceptors.

(6) Exo-atmospheric interceptors.

(7) Short-range integrated air and missile defense interceptors.

(8) Medium-range air-to-air missiles.

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—Programs carried out under paragraph (1) shall—

(1) employ innovative acquisition strategies, including rapid prototyping, digital engineering, mod-

ular open-system architectures, commercial-off-the-shelf components where feasible, and other cost-reduction initiatives to achieve significantly lower unit costs than current baseline systems while maintaining operationally relevant performance;

(2) prioritize expendable designs optimized for attritable, high-volume employment, compatibility with existing launch platforms, logistics infrastructure, and command-and-control networks, and the ability to complement existing programs of record;

(3) be designed to enable production at scale in significantly greater quantities than current program of record systems through the prioritization of manufacturing ease and speed;

(4) include technology maturation, risk reduction, flight testing, and transition planning to low-rate initial production no later than fiscal year 2030 for each category specified in subsection (a); and

(5) establish specific cost and performance targets through competitive analysis, market research, prototyping, and experimentation.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''alternative low-cost'' systems means weapon systems in the categories listed in subsection (a) that are designed to achieve unit pro-

curement costs significantly lower than existing program of record systems while delivering the minimum requirements set forth by the Secretary.

(2) The term ''cruise missiles'' means turbojet-powered missiles designed for standoff precision strike against land or sea targets at ranges generally exceeding 250 nautical miles, with simplified guidance, propulsion, and airframe designs.

(3) The term ''exo-atmospheric interceptors'' means kinetic hit-to-kill interceptors designed for ballistic missile defense in the exo-atmosphere, with engagement ranges generally exceeding 300 nautical miles (or equivalent altitudes above 50 nautical miles) and closing speeds of not less than Mach 8.

(4) The term ''extended range munitions'' means ground-launched precision munitions designed for extended standoff strike at ranges generally exceeding 50 nautical miles.

(5) The term ''hypersonic strike systems'' means systems capable of Mach 5 or greater flight with maneuverability, designed for long-range precision strike against time-sensitive, defended, or high-value targets at ranges generally exceeding 550 nautical miles.

(6) The term ''medium-range air-to-air missiles'' means guided missiles providing beyond-visual-range air-to-air intercept capability with diverse target-set engagement potential, performing intercepts at not less than 60 nautical miles and with a maximum speed of not less than Mach 3.

(7) The term ''mid-range integrated air and missile defense interceptors'' means interceptors optimized for integrated air and missile defense against cruise missiles, aircraft, and short- to medium-range ballistic missiles, with engagement ranges of not less than 30 nautical miles and speeds of not less than Mach 3.5.

(8) The term ''short-range integrated air and missile defense interceptors'' means interceptors for terminal defense against aircraft, cruise missiles, and unmanned aerial systems, with engagement ranges of not less than five nautical miles and maximum speeds of not less than Mach 2.

(9) The term ''shoulder-launched missiles'' means man-portable or vehicle-launched missiles providing fire-and-forget or command-guided anti-armor capability at ranges of not less than one nautical mile.

SEC. 213. MODIFICATION TO THE ADVISORY ROLE OF THE JASON SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY GROUP.

Section 222(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92) is amended—

(1) paragraph (1), by striking ''Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment'' and inserting ''Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering'';

(2) in paragraph (2), by striking ''Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment'' and inserting ''Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering'';

(3) in paragraph (4)—

(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking ''for all or a portion of the overhead costs incurred in support of the arrangement'' and inserting ''for the overhead and infrastructure costs needed to support delivery of JASON's technical assessments''; and

(B) in subparagraph (C), by striking ''a Federal agency that engages JASON'' and all that follows through the period at the end and inserting ''the Department of Defense may engage with another Federal agency that routinely uses JASON services to arrange for that agen-

cy to pay a proportional percentage of the total overhead and infrastructure costs needed to support delivery of JASON's technical assessments.''; and

(4) in paragraph (6), in the matter before subparagraph (A), by inserting ''until December 31, 2035'' after ''this Act''.

SEC. 214. MODIFIED AND STREAMLINED PROCESS FOR DEVELOPING, NEGOTIATING, AND CONCLUDING CERTAIN INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall promulgate a modified and streamlined process for developing, negotiating and concluding international agreements relating to science and technology cooperation, including memoranda of understanding and project agreements.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The process promulgated under subsection (a) shall—

(1) comply with all other statutory requirements;

(2) delegate authority to the maximum extent practicable;

(3) minimize administrative tasks;

(4) eliminate duplicative reviews; and

(5) impose reasonable timelines for intra-Department of Defense coordination.

SEC. 215. REPEAL OF AUTHORITY RELATING TO TEMPORARY HIRING OF STUDENTS AND UNIVERSITY FACULTY.

Section 249 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 4001 note) is repealed.

SEC. 216. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR TEST RESOURCE MANAGEMENT CENTER CONTAINERIZED INSTRUMENTATION PROGRAMS PENDING REPORT ON A COMMON ARCHITECTURE FOR UNMANNED MARITIME TEST INSTRUMENTATION.

(a) LIMITATION.—Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for containerized instrumentation programs of the Test Resource Management Center, not more than 75 percent may be obligated or expended until the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, in consultation with the Director of the Test Resource Management Center and the Secretaries of the military departments, submits to the congressional defense committees the report described in subsection (b).

(b) REPORT ON COMMON ARCHITECTURE FOR UNMANNED MARITIME TEST INSTRUMENTATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The report described in this subsection is a report that details the feasibility, advisability, and cost-benefit analysis of establishing a common architecture for integrating unmanned systems to act as instrumentation platforms for telemetry, flight safety systems, and multi-modal data collection.

(2) CONTENTS.—The report described in paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) A comparative evaluation of the total lifecycle costs, operational benefits, and limitations of alternative manned, containerized, and unmanned vessel instrumentation capabilities. Such evaluation shall include the following:

(i) A direct comparison of the Blue Water Instrumentation (BWI) program at Point Mugu Sea Range with containerized approaches such as the Broad Ocean Area Data Collection System (BOADCS) and the Mobile Open-System Architecture Instrumentation Containers (MOSAIC) program.

(ii) An analysis of scalability, adaptability, and agility, contrasting the unmanned systems model of Blue Water Instrumentation with the logistics and crewing demands of containerized systems.

(iii) A cost-per-event and cost-per-stream analysis for each approach, accounting for platform, personnel, logistics, and sustainment costs.

(B) An evaluation of whether distributed, unmanned platforms can meet or exceed the data collection requirements for the most stressing test scenarios, including hypersonic vehicle tracking, exoatmospheric intercepts, and terminal area data collection.

(C) A time-phased investment and transition strategy for making an unmanned architecture the primary approach for future maritime test instrumentation investments. The strategy shall identify specific legacy or containerized programs to be divested or consolidated to fund this transition.

(3) FORM.—The report described in paragraph (1) shall be in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(c) DEFINITION OF CONTAINERIZED INSTRUMENTATION PROGRAM.—In this section, the term ''containerized instrumentation program'' means any program of the Test Resource Management Center that primarily relies on packaging test and evaluation instrumentation in roll-on and roll-off shipping containers for deployment on manned vessels, including—

(1) the Broad Ocean Area Data Collection System (BOADCS), which includes the Maritime Networked Telemetry Asset (MaNTA) system; and

(2) the Mobile Open-System Architecture Instrumentation Containers (MOSAIC) program.

SEC. 217. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING TRAVEL.

Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for Operation and Maintenance, Defense-wide, and available to the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering for travel purposes, not more than 90 percent may be obligated or expended until the Directed Energy Working Group provides to the congressional defense committees a briefing as required by section 219(d)(6) of the National Defense Authorization Act for

Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328; 10 U.S.C. 4205 note).

SEC. 218. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR INTEGRATED COMBAT SYSTEMS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY.

(a) LIMITATION.—Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for Integrated Combat Systems of the Department of the Navy, not more than 75 percent may be obligated or expended until the date on which the Secretary of the Navy submits to the congressional defense committees the certification required by subsection (c).

(b) INSTALLATION AND DEMONSTRATION.—The Secretary of the Navy shall install and demonstrate, aboard one or more destroyers, an operational prototype of the warfighting data ecosystem that includes—

(1) a shipboard artificial intelligence data engine and sensor-integration layer that provides standardized application programming interfaces to shipboard sensors and enables cross-modal data fusion and artificial intelligence-enabled detection and classification applications;

(2) a common shipboard graphics processing unit-centric compute and software platform that integrates data workflows across combat systems,

command, control, communications, computers, and intelligence systems, and hull, mechanical, and electrical systems; and

(3) a commercially derived development and test pipeline, including software-in-the-loop and hardware-in-the-loop capabilities, that automate integration, verification, certification, and deployment of shipboard software on representative hardware.

(c) CERTIFICATION.—After completion of the installation and demonstration required by subsection (b), the Secretary of the Navy shall submit to the congressional defense committees a certification that the Secretary has installed and demonstrated the operational prototype of the warfighting data ecosystem as required by subsection (b).

SEC. 219. LIMITATION ON THE USE OF TRAVEL FUNDS FOR THE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING.

Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for operations and maintenance, Defense-wide, and available for travel expenses for the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, not more than 85 percent may be obligated or expended until the date

on which the Secretary of Defense provides each of the following to the congressional defense committees:

(1) The strategy and plan required by section 236(e) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 10 U.S.C. 4001 note).

(2) The report on ''Gaming, exercising, modeling, and simulation to support great power competition'' requested in Senate report 117–130 accompanying the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263).

SEC. 220. CODIFICATION OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE RESEARCH SECURITY PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 305 of title 10, United States Code is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

''§ 4146. Department of Defense Research Security Program

''(a) PROGRAM ESTABLISHED.—The Secretary of Defense shall, in consultation with such other government organizations as the Secretary considers appropriate, establish a program to work with institutions of higher education that perform fundamental basic research activities—

''(1) to support protection of intellectual property, controlled information, key personnel, and information about critical technologies relevant to national security;

''(2) to limit undue influence, including through foreign talent programs, by countries to exploit United States technology within the Department of Defense research, science and technology, and innovation enterprise;

''(3) to support efforts toward development of domestic talent in relevant scientific and engineering fields; and

''(4) to prepare United States students studying abroad through the National Security Education Program of the Department or other similar undergraduate or post-graduate programs to recognize and protect themselves against recruitment or exploitation efforts by agents of a foreign power (as defined in section 101 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 (50 U.S.C. 1801)).

''(b) INSTITUTIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The program required by subsection (a) shall be developed and executed to the maximum extent practicable with institutions of higher education and other educational and research

organizations conducting fundamental basic research for the Department of Defense, and aligned to the maximum extent practicable with similar efforts across the Federal Government.

''(2) RECORD OF EXCELLENCE.—In selecting institutions of higher education under this subsection, the Secretary shall prioritize selection of institutions of higher education that the Secretary determines demonstrate a record of excellence in industrial security in academia and in research and development.

''(c) REQUIREMENTS.—The program required by subsection (a) shall include development of the following:

''(1) Information exchange fora and information repositories to enable awareness of security threats and influence operations being executed against the United States research, technology, and innovation enterprise, including support coordinating relevant elements of the Department of Defense and the rest of the Federal Government.

''(2) Training and other support for institutions of higher education to promote security and limit undue influence on institutions and personnel, including financial support for execution for such activities.

''(3) The capacity of government and academic institutions and institutions of higher education to assess whether individuals affiliated with Department of Defense programs have participated in or are currently participating in foreign talent programs or expert recruitment programs, or are otherwise being targeted for exploitation by an agent of a foreign power.

''(4) Opportunities to collaborate with defense researchers and research organizations in secure facilities to promote protection of critical information and strengthen defense against agents of foreign powers.

''(5) Regulations and procedures—

''(A) for government and academic organizations and personnel to support the goals of the program; and

''(B) that are consistent with policies that protect open and scientific exchange in fundamental research and coordinated to the maximum extent practicable with similar efforts across the Federal Government.

''(6) Policies to limit or prohibit funding provided by the Department of Defense for institutions of higher education or individual researchers who

knowingly violate regulations developed under the program, including regulations relating to foreign talent programs.

''(7) Policies to limit or prohibit funding provided by the Department of Defense for institutions of higher education or individual researchers who knowingly conduct joint research activities or projects, co-author scholarly publications, technical reports, or research outputs, contract, or make other financial arrangements with entities or individuals employed by such entities in the list described in paragraph (9), which policies shall include—

''(A) use of such list as part of a risk assessment decision matrix during proposal evaluations, including the development of a question for proposers or broad area announcements that require proposers to disclose any joint research activities or projects, co-authored scholarly publications, technical reports, research outputs, or contractual or financial connections with such entities or individuals employed by such entities;

''(B) a requirement that the Department shall notify a proposer of suspected noncompliance with a policy issued under this paragraph

and provide not less than 30 days to take actions to remedy such noncompliance;

''(C) the establishment of an appeals procedure under which a proposer may appeal a negative decision on a proposal if the decision is based on a determination informed by such list;

''(D) a requirement that each awardee of funding provided by the Department shall disclose to the Department any joint research activities or projects, co-authored scholarly publications, technical reports, research outputs, contract, or financial arrangement made with such an entity or individual employed by such entity during the period of the award; and

''(E) a requirement that each awardee of funding provided by the Department shall provide to the Department an annual certification of compliance with policies promulgated pursuant to this paragraph.

''(8) Initiatives to support the transition of the results of academic institution research programs into defense capabilities.

''(9)(A) A list of entities of the People's Republic of China, the Russian Federation, and other countries that—

''(i) have a history of improper technology transfer, intellectual property theft, or cyber or human espionage;

''(ii) operate under the direction of the armed forces or intelligence agency of the applicable country;

''(iii) are known—

''(I) to recruit foreign individuals for the purpose of transferring knowledge to advance military or intelligence efforts of a foreign government; or

''(II) to provide misleading information or otherwise attempt to conceal the connections of an individual or institution to a defense or an intelligence agency of the applicable country;

''(iv) pose a serious risk of improper technology transfer of data, technology, or research that is not published or publicly available; or

''(v) are on any of the following lists:

''(I) Any of the following lists maintained by the Bureau of Industry and Security of th Department of Commerce:

''(aa) The Entity List set forth in Supplement No. 4 to part 744 of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations.

''(bb) The Universal List set forth in Supplement No. 6 of part 744 of that title.

''(cc) The Military-End User List set forth in Supplement No. 7 to part 744 of that title.

''(dd) The Denied Persons List maintained pursuant to section 764.3(a)(2) of that title.

''(II) The list of specially designed nationals and blocked persons maintained by the Office of Foreign Asserts Control of the Department of the Treasury (commonly referred to as the 'SDN list').

''(III) The list of Chinese military companies operating in the United States required by section 1260H of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021

(Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 113 note).

''(IV) The lists of debarred parties maintained by the Directorate of Defense Trade Controls of the Department of State pursuant to section 38(g)(4)of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2778(g))(4).

''(V) The list of telecommunications companies of the People's Republic of China described in section 889(f)(3) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorizations Act of 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 41 U.S.C. 3901 note prec.).

''(VI) The list of semiconductor companies of the People's Republic of China described in section 5949(i)(3) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 41 U.S.C. 4713 note).

''(VII) The list of biotechnology companies of concern maintained under section 851(f) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 41 U.S.C. 3901 note prec.).

"(VIII) The list of entities that produce or provide communications equipment or service on the list published by the Federal Communications Commission under section 2(a) of the Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Act of 2019 (47 U.S.C. 1601(a)).

"(IX) A list maintained under clause (i), (ii), (iv), or (v) of section 2(d)(2)(B) of the Act entitled 'An Act to ensure that the goods made with forced labor in Xinjiang Autonomous Region of the People's Republic of China do not enter the United States market, and for other purposes'(Public Law 117–18; 22 U.S.C. 6901 note), approved December 23, 2021 (commonly referred to as the 'Uyghur Forced Labor Prevention Act').

"(B) The list described in subparagraph (A) shall be developed and continuously updated in consultation with the Bureau of Industry and Security of the Department of Commerce, the Director of National Intelligence, United States institutions of higher education that conduct significant Depart-

ment of Defense research or engineering activities, and other appropriate individuals and organizations.

''(10)(A) A list, developed and continuously updated in consultation with the National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine and such Government agencies as the Secretary considers appropriate, of foreign talent programs that the Secretary determines pose a threat to the national security interests of the United States.

''(B) In developing and updating such list, the Secretary shall consider—

''(i) the extent to which a foreign talent program or an agent of a foreign power—

''(I) poses a threat to research funded by the Department of Defense; and

''(II) engages in, or facilitates, cyber attacks, theft, espionage, attempts to gain ownership of or influence over companies, or otherwise interferes in the affairs of the United States; and

''(ii) any other factor the Secretary considers appropriate.

''(11) Development of measures of effectiveness and performance to assess and track progress of the

Department of Defense across the program, which measures shall include—

"(A) the evaluation of currently available data to support the assessment of such measures, including the identification of areas in which gaps exist that may require collection of completely new data, or modifications to existing data sets;

"(B) current means and methods for the collection of data in an automated manner, including the identification of areas in which gaps exist that may require new means for data collection or visualization of such data; and

"(C) the development of an analysis and assessment methodology framework to make tradeoffs between the measures developed under this paragraph and other metrics related to assessing undue foreign influence on the Department of Defense research enterprise, such as commercial due diligence, beneficial ownership, and foreign ownership, control, and influence.

"(d) ANNUAL REVIEWS REQUIRED.—Not later than March 30, 2025, and each March 30 thereafter until December 31, 2040—

''(1) each head of a Department of Defense component that awards grants for research shall carry out a review of a representative sample of the research grants awarded by the respective component in the previous fiscal year to ensure that the component is awarding grants in compliance with the applicable policies of the Department; and

''(2) the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering shall carry out a separate review of a representative sample of the research grants awarded by such components in the previous fiscal year.

''(e) PROCEDURES FOR ENHANCED INFORMATION SHARING.—

''(1) COLLECTION OF INFORMATION.—(A) Not later than October 1, 2020, for the purpose of maintaining appropriate security controls over research activities, technical information, and intellectual property, the Secretary shall, in conjunction with such public and private entities as the Secretary considers appropriate, establish streamlined procedures to collect appropriate information relating to individuals, including United States citizens and foreign nationals, who participate in defense research and development activities.

''(B) With respect to fundamental research programs, the academic liaison designated under subsection (h) shall establish policies and procedures to collect, consistent with the best practices of Government agencies that fund academic research, appropriate information relating to individuals who participate in fundamental research programs.

''(2) PROTECTION FROM RELEASE.—The procedures required by paragraph (1) shall include procedures to protect such information from release, consistent with applicable regulations.

''(3) REPORTING TO GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND REPOSITORIES.—The procedures required by paragraph (1) may include procedures developed, in coordination with such public and private entities as the Secretary considers appropriate, to report such information to existing Government information systems and repositories.

''(f) PERIODIC REPORTS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 30, 2027, and not later than March 30 of each year thereafter until December 31, 2040, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the activities carried out under the program required by subsection (a), the periodic reviews

conducted pursuant to subsection (d), and the waivers issued under section 4147 of this title.

''(2) CONTENTS.—Each report submitted pursuant to paragraph (1) shall include the following:

''(A) A description of the activities conducted and the progress made under the program.

''(B) With respect to the periodic reviews conducted pursuant to subsection (d), the following:

''(i) The total number of research grants awarded by the Department in the fiscal year covered by the reviews.

''(ii) The number of reviews carried out pursuant to subsection (d)(1).

''(iii) The number of reviews carried out pursuant to subsection (d)(2).

''(iv) A description of the processes by which the heads of the components described in paragraph (1) of subsection (d) and the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering conducted the reviews under such subsection.

''(v) An assessment of issues identified during the reviews carried out under

subsection (d), including a list of grants that were identified as having not been awarded in compliance with applicable policies of the Department of Defense.

''(C) The findings of the Secretary with respect to the program.

''(D) Such recommendations as the Secretary may have for legislative or administrative action relating to the matters described in subsection (a), including actions relating to foreign talent programs.

''(E) Identification and discussion of the gaps in legal authorities that need to be improve to enhance the security of research institutions of higher education performing defense research.

''(F) A description of the actions taken by such institutions to comply with such best practices and guidelines as may be established by under the program.

''(G) A description of the status of the measures of effectiveness and performance described in subsection (c)(11) for the period covered by such report, including an analytical as-

sessment of the impact of such measures on the goals of the program.

''(H) With respect to waivers described in paragraph (1), the following:

''(i) The terms and contents of any waivers issued under section 4147 of this title in the period covered by the report;

''(ii) any trends in—

''(I) the number of waivers issued under such section over time; and

''(II) the types of contracts to which such waivers pertain; and

''(iii) the processes used by the Secretary to verify that covered institutions (as defined in such section) are in compliance with the requirements of such section.

''(3) FORM.—The report submitted under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

''(g) PUBLICATION OF UPDATED LISTS.—

''(1) SUBMITTAL TO CONGRESS.—Not later than January 1, 2021, and annually thereafter until December 31, 2032, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees the most re-

cently updated lists described in paragraphs (9) and (10) of subsection (c).

''(2) FORM.—Each list submitted under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

''(3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—Each list submitted under paragraph (1) shall be published on a publicly accessible website of the Department of Defense in a searchable format.

''(4) INTERVENING SUBMITTAL AND PUBLICATION.—The Secretary may submit and publish an updated list described in paragraph (1) more frequently than required by that paragraph, as the Secretary considers necessary.

''(h) DESIGNATION OF ACADEMIC LIAISON.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall, acting through the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, designate an academic liaison with principal responsibility for working with the academic and research communities to protect Department-sponsored academic research of concern from undue foreign influence and threats.

''(2) QUALIFICATION.—The Secretary shall designate an individual under paragraph (1) who is an official of the Office of the Under Secretary of De-

fense for Research and Engineering with experience—

"(A) working in security, counterintelligence, or academic research environments; and

"(B) with complex managerial tasks.

"(3) DUTIES.—The duties of the academic liaison designated under paragraph (1) shall be as follows:

"(A) To serve as the liaison of the Department with the academic and research communities.

"(B) To execute initiatives of the Department relating to the protection of Department-sponsored academic research of concern from undue foreign influence and threats, including the program required by subsection (a).

"(C) To conduct outreach and education activities for the academic and research communities on undue foreign influence and threats to Department-sponsored academic research of concern.

"(D) To coordinate and align academic security policies with Department component agencies, the Office of Science and Technology Policy, the intelligence community, and such

Federal agencies as the Secretary considers appropriate.

''(E) To the extent practicable, to coordinate with the intelligence community to share, not less frequently than annually, with the academic and research communities unclassified information, including counterintelligence information, on threats from undue foreign influence.

''(F) Any other related responsibility, as determined by the Secretary in consultation with the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering.

''(i) DESIGNATION OF CHIEF RESEARCH SECURITY OFFICERS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Each institution of higher education that receives Department of Defense funding and more than $50,000,000 in total Federal research funding annually shall designate at least one senior official to serve as the institution's Chief Research Security Officer.

''(2) QUALIFICATIONS AND DUTIES.—Each Chief Research Security Officer designated under (h) shall—

''(A) be a Vice President for Research, Chief Research Officer, or another designated senior official at the institution with responsibility for research administration, compliance, or institutional security, as determined appropriate by the institution; and

''(B) serve as the principal institutional officer and primary point of contact with the Department of Defense, and other appropriate Federal authorities on matters relating to research security associated with Department of Defense–funded research, including undue foreign influence, cybersecurity pertaining to such research, insider risk, and related threats.

''(3) ELIGIBILITY FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SECURITY CLEARANCES AND TRAINING.—(A) The Chief Research Security Officer shall be eligible for sponsorship for an appropriate personnel security clearance for purposes of Department of Defense–funded research security, as determined by the Secretary of Defense.

''(B) The Secretary of Defense, acting through the appropriate Department of Defense security and counterintelligence authorities, and in coordination

with other appropriate Federal intelligence agencies, shall establish processes—

"(i) to facilitate the sponsorship, adjudication, and issuance of appropriate personnel security clearances for Chief Research Security Officers, including through Department of Defense security clearance processes;

"(ii) to provide threat-related training, briefings, and information, including classified briefings as appropriate, related to risks to Department of Defense-funded research; and

"(iii) to ensure that information shared is relevant, timely, and provided solely for defensive, awareness, and protective purposes.

"(4) SCOPE AND LIMITATIONS.—(A) Information shared pursuant to this section shall be limited to information necessary to protect Department of Defense–funded research and associated research activities.

"(B) Nothing in this section shall be construed—

"(i) to require institutions of higher education to conduct classified research;

"(ii) to reclassify or otherwise restrict fundamental research;

''(iii) to impose new export control, classification, or security requirements on research that is otherwise unrestricted under applicable law or policy; or

''(iv) to infringe upon academic freedom, freedom of expression, or other lawful academic activities.

''(5) ALIGNMENT WITH EXISTING DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE RESEARCH SECURITY REQUIREMENTS.—The requirements of this section shall be implemented consistent with Department of Defense research security policies and programs, including National Security Presidential Memorandum–33 (relating to supported research and development national policy), issued January 2021, applicable Department of Defense directives and instructions, and guidance issued by the Office of Science and Technology Policy, as relevant to Department of Defense-funded research.

''(j) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

''(1) The term 'agent of a foreign power' has the meaning given such term in section 101 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 (50 U.S.C. 1801).

''(2) The term 'institution of higher education' has the meaning given such term in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001).

''(3) The term 'intelligence community' has the meaning given such term in section 3 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003).

"§ 4147. Prohibition on contracts between certain foreign entities and institutions of higher education conducting Department of Defense-funded research

''(a) PROHIBITION.—Beginning on January 1, 2028, a covered institution may not enter into a contract with a covered nation or a foreign entity of concern.

''(b) WAIVERS.—

''(1) AUTHORITY.—Subject to the provisions of this subsection and subsection (c), the Secretary of Defense may, pursuant to a request submitted under paragraph (2) of this subsection, issue a waiver of the prohibition set forth in subsection (a).

''(2) SUBMISSION.—(A)(i) A covered institution that desires to enter into a contract with a foreign entity of concern or a covered nation may submit to the Secretary of Defense, not later than 120 days before the institution enters into such a contract, a

request to waive the prohibition set forth in subsection (a) with respect to such contract.

''(ii) A waiver request submitted by a covered institution under clause (i) shall include—

''(I) the complete and unredacted text of the proposed contract for which the waiver is being requested, and if such original contract is not in English, a translated copy of the text into English (in a manner that complies with subsection (e)); and

''(II) a statement that—

''(aa) is signed by the President or compliance officer of the institution designated in accordance with subsection (f); and

''(bb) includes information that demonstrates that such contract is for the benefit of the institution's mission and students and will promote the security, stability, and economic vitality of the United States.

''(B)(i) A covered institution that has entered into a contract pursuant to a waiver issued under this section, the term of which is longer than the 1-year waiver period and the terms and conditions of

which remain the same as the proposed contract submitted as part of the request for such waiver, may submit, not later than 120 days before the expiration of such waiver period, a request for a renewal of such waiver for the remainder of the contract term, but not to exceed a 4-year period (which shall include any information requested by the Secretary).

''(ii) If a covered institution fails to submit a request under clause (i) or is not granted a renewal under such clause, such institution shall terminate such contract on the last day of the original 1-year waiver period.

''(3) WAIVER ISSUANCE.—The Secretary of Defense—

''(A) not later than 60 days before a covered institution enters into a contract pursuant to a waiver request under paragraph (2)(A), or before a contract described in paragraph (2)(B)(i) is renewed pursuant to a renewal request under such paragraph, shall notify the covered institution—

''(i) if the waiver or renewal will be issued by the Secretary; and

"(ii) in a case in which the waiver or renewal will be issued, the date on which the 1-year waiver period starts;

"(B) may only issue a waiver under this subsection to a covered institution if the Secretary of Defense determines that the contract for which the waiver is being requested will both—

"(i) benefit the institution's mission and students; and

"(ii) promote the security, stability, and economic vitality of the United States; and

"(C) shall, when making the determination described in subparagraph (B)(ii), base such determination on the following factors:

"(i) The reasons for which the foreign entity of concern or covered nation has been so designated, and why those reasons do not apply to the contract for which waiver is being sought.

"(ii) The foreign entity of concern or covered nation's history of involvement with covered institutions.

''(iii) The degree to which such a contract could provide access to information or technology which could materially benefit the national security of a covered nation or harm the national security of the United States.

''(4) NOTIFICATION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 15 calendar days prior to issuing a waiver under this subsection, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives written notice of the intent of the Secretary to issue such waiver together with a justification for such waiver.

''(5) APPLICATION OF WAIVERS.—A waiver issued under this subsection to a covered institution with respect to a contract shall only—

''(A) waive the prohibition under subsection (a) for a 1-year period, or for the remainder of the term of the contract, but not to exceed 4 years; and

''(B) apply to the terms and conditions of the proposed contract submitted as part of the request for such waiver.

''(c) CONTRACTS PRIOR TO DATE OF ENACTMENT.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a covered institution that entered into contract with a covered nation or foreign entity of concern prior to January 1, 2028, and which contract remains in effect on such date, the Secretary shall notify the congressional defense committees within 90 days of enactment of this section.

''(2) RENEWAL.—A covered institution that has entered into a contract described in paragraph (1), the term of which is longer than the waiver period described in subparagraph (B) of such paragraph and the terms and conditions of which remain the same as the contract submitted as part of the request required under subparagraph (A) of such paragraph, may submit a request for renewal of the waiver issued under such paragraph in accordance with subsection (c)(2)(B).

''(d) DESIGNATION DURING CONTRACT TERM.—In the case of a covered institution that enters into a contract with a foreign source that is not a covered nation or a foreign entity of concern but which, during the term of such contract, is redesignated as a covered nation or foreign entity of concern, such institution shall terminate such contract not later than 120 days after the Secretary

notifies the covered institution of such designation or immediately requests a waiver.

''(e) TRANSLATION REQUIREMENT.—Any information required to be disclosed under this section with respect to a contract that is not in English shall be translated, for purposes of such disclosure, by a person that is not an affiliated entity or agent of the covered nation or foreign entity of concern involved with such contract.

''(f) COMPLIANCE OFFICER.—Each covered institution applying for a waiver under subsection (c), shall identify a compliance officer, who shall—

''(1) be a current employee or legally authorized agent of such institution; and

''(2) be responsible, on behalf of such institution, for personally certifying—

''(A) compliance with the prohibition under this section; and

''(B) the truth and accuracy of any information contained in such a waiver request.

''(g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

''(1)(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the term 'contract' means—

''(i) any agreement or memorandum of understanding for the acquisition, by purchase, lease, or barter, of property or services by or

from a covered nation or foreign entity of concern; or

"(ii) any affiliation, agreement, or similar transaction with a covered nation or foreign entity of concern that involves the use or exchange of the name, likeness, time, services, or resources of a covered institution.

"(B) The term 'contract' does not include—

"(i) an agreement solely or primarily for the purposes of conducting a study-abroad program wherein students at covered institutions in the United States travel to a covered nation to study;

"(ii) short-term, ancillary agreements such as employment contracts for visiting professorships or sponsored travel or visas of foreign nationals employed by institutions of higher education, excluding those affiliated with foreign entities of concern;

"(iii) an arms-length agreement for the acquisition by purchase, lease, or barter of property or services for the covered institution from a foreign entity of concern; or

"(iv) an agreement pertaining to a pre-existing campus or other satellite facility of a cov-

ered institution located in a covered nation or a joint facility of a covered institution and another entity located in a covered nation, including assignment or license of a trademark or copyright related to the name, likeness, mascot or similar image, unless that facility could provide access to information or technology which could materially benefit the national security of a covered nation or harm the national security of the United States.

''(2) The term 'covered institution' means an institution of higher education that conducts research funded by the Department of Defense.

''(3) The term 'covered nation' has the meaning given that term in section 4872(d) of this title.

''(4) The term 'foreign entity of concern' means any person or entity on any of the following lists:

''(A) Any of the following lists maintained by the Bureau of Industry and Security of the Department of Commerce:

''(i) The Entity List set forth in Supplement No. 4 to part 744 of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations.

''(ii) The Unverified List set forth in Supplement No. 6 part 744 of that title.

"(iii) The Military End-User List set forth in Supplement No. 7 to part 744 of that title.

"(iv) The Denied Persons List maintained pursuant to section 764.3(a)(2) of that title.

"(B) The list of specifically designated nationals and blocked persons maintained by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of Treasury (commonly referred to as the 'SDN list').

"(C) The list of Chinese military companies operating in the United States required by section 1260H of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 113 note).

"(D) The lists of debarred parties maintained by the Directorate of Defense Trade Controls of the Department of State pursuant to section 38(g)(4)of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2778(g)(4)).

"(E) The list of telecommunications companies of the People's Republic of China described in section 889(f)(3) of the John S.

McCain National Defense Authorizations Act of 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 41 U.S.C. 3901 note prec.).

''(F) The list of semiconductor companies of the People's Republic of China described in section 5949(i)(3) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year2023 (Public Law 117–263; 41 U.S.C. 4713 note).

''(G) The list of biotechnology companies of concern maintained under section 851(f) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 41 U.S.C. 3901 note prec.).

''(H) The list of entities that produce or provide communications equipment or service on the list published by the Federal Communications Commission under section 2(a) of the Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Act of 2019 (47 U.S.C. 1601(a)).

''(I) A list maintained under clause (i), (ii), (iv), or (v) of section 2(d)(2)(B) of the Act entitled 'An Act to ensure that the goods made with forced labor in Xinjiang Autonomous Region of the People's Republic of China d o not

enter the United States market, and for other purposes', approved December 23, 2021 (Public Law 117–18; 22 U.S.C. 6901 note) (commonly referred to as the 'Uyghur Forced Labor Prevention Act').

''(5) The term 'institution of higher education' has the meaning given that term in section 102 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002).''.

(b) CONFORMING REPEALS.—The following sections are hereby repealed:

(1) Section 1277 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91; 50 U.S.C. 1914).

(2) Section 1286 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C. 4001 note).

(c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 1062(b)(2) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 2241 note) is amended by striking ''subsection (g) of section 1286 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (10 U.S.C. 2358 note), as amended by section 1299C of this

Act,'' and inserting ''section 4146(h) of title 10, United States Code,''.

SEC. 221. CODIFICATION OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND INNOVATION BOARD.

Subchapter I of chapter 303 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

''§ 4068. Department of Defense Science, Technology, and Innovation Board

''(a) ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED.—The Secretary of Defense shall, acting through the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, establish and maintain a Science, Technology, and Innovation Board (in this section referred to as the 'Board') for the purposes set forth in subsection (b).

''(b) PURPOSE.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The purpose of the Board is to advise, in response to taskings, the Secretary of Defense, the Deputy Secretary of Defense, the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the other Under Secretaries of the Department of Defense on matters relating to science, technology, research, engineering, manufacturing, acqui-

sition process, and other matters that are of special interest to the Department of Defense.

''(2) MATTERS OF CONCERN TO THE BOARD; IDENTIFICATION OF TECHNOLOGIES.—The Board shall—

''(A) be concerned with the pressing and complex technology problems facing the Department of Defense in such areas as research, engineering, and manufacturing; and

''(B) ensure the identification of new technologies and new applications of technology in those areas to strengthen national security.

''(c) CHARTER.—The Board shall maintain a public charter describing its functions, which shall be updated periodically as the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering considers necessary.

''(d) AGENCY PROVIDING SUPPORT; STAFF.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The Board shall report to the Secretary of Defense through the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering.

''(2) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND SUPPORT STAFF.—The Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering shall provide the Board with an Executive Director and the necessary support

staff to manage the day-to-day operations of the Board and its ad hoc task forces.

''(3) COMPLIANCE OFFICER.—The Board shall have a designated Federal officer to ensure compliance of the Board with all Department of Defense policies and procedures and relevant Federal regulations.

''(4) DETAILEES AND LIAISONS.—The Board may accept detailees from the military departments or components of the Department of Defense to serve as Armed Forces liaisons to the Board and support Board activities.

''(e) MEMBERSHIP.—

''(1) COMPOSITION.—The Board shall be composed of not more than 50 members as full board members, who shall be eminent authorities in the fields of science, technology, innovation, and other matters germane to scientific, technological, and innovation topics of special interest to the Department of Defense.

''(2) TERMS.—(A) The appointment of Board members shall be approved by the Department of Defense Appointing Authority for a term of service of one to four years, with annual renewals, in ac-

cordance with Department of Defense policy and procedures.

''(B) No member, unless approved by the Department of Defense Appointing Authority, may serve more than two consecutive terms of service on the Board, including its subcommittees, unless a waiver is approved by the Under Secretary.

''(3) LEADERSHIP.—The Department of Defense Appointing Authority shall appoint the leadership of the Board from among the members of the Board, in accordance with Department of Defense policy and procedures, for a term of service of one to two years, with annual renewal, which shall not exceed the term of a member's appointment to the Board.

''(4) COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS.—Except for reimbursement for official Board-related travel and per diem, members of the Board members shall serve without compensation.

''(f) SUBCOMMITTEES, TASK FORCES, PANELS, OR WORKING GROUPS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—(A) When necessary and consistent with the Board's mission, the Board may establish subcommittees, task forces, panels, or

working groups (hereafter referred to as 'subcommittees') to support Board activities.

''(B) The establishment of subcommittees shall be based upon a written determination, which shall include terms of reference, by the Department of Defense Appointing Authority or the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, as the Board's sponsor.

''(2) FACA AND COMPLIANCE.—All subcommittees operate in accordance with chapter 10 of title 5 (commonly known as the 'Federal Advisory Committee Act'), governing Federal statutes and regulations, and Department of Defense policy and procedures.

''(3) OPERATIONS.—(A) A subcommittee shall not work independently of the Board and shall report all of its recommendations and advice solely to the Board for its thorough deliberation and discussion at a properly noticed and open Board meeting, unless the meeting must be closed in accordance with one or more of the exemptions found in section 552b of title 5.

''(B) A subcommittee has no authority to make decisions and recommendations, orally or in writing, on behalf of the Board.

''(4) APPOINTMENT TO SUBCOMMITTEES.—Individual appointments to serve on subcommittees, which are separate and distinct from appointments to the Board itself, shall be approved by the Department of Defense Appointing Authority for a term of service of one to four years, with annual renewals, in accordance with Department of Defense policy and procedures.

''(g) FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS.—The Board shall meet not less frequently than four times each year on a quarterly basis to update the Secretary and senior leadership on the activities of the Board.''.

SEC. 222. ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS TO EXPAND INVENTORY OF AIR DEFENSE INTERCEPTORS.

(a) ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS REQUIRED.—The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, in coordination with the Secretaries of the military departments, shall explore, establish, and carry out efforts to increase the inventory of air defense interceptors by pursuing each of the following pathways:

(1) Cost-reduction initiatives for existing missile systems, including value engineering, design-for-manufacturability improvements, and supply-chain efficiencies.

(2) Delivery of technical data packages on a contract-manufacturing basis to additional manufacturers, including manufacturers in the commercial sector, consistent with applicable technical data rights or agreements with the technical data owners.

(3) Sourcing of interceptors from allies and partners and the exploration of opportunities to establish or expand domestic production lines for such interceptors, including through co-production, licensed manufacturing, or foreign military sales arrangements.

(4) Performance of market research across industry and the Department of Defense science and technology reinvention laboratories to identify critical components for air defense interceptors and to support the rapid integration, testing, and qualification of a new or modified interceptor design.

(b) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report describing—

(1) the specific activities conducted under each of the pathways required by subsection (a);

(2) for each pathway, the potential improvements in unit cost, schedule, and production volume

that could be achieved, as compared to any identified impacts on the performance, reliability, or other capabilities of the affected missile systems; and

(3) the Secretary's recommended path or paths forward, including any legislative or budgetary proposals necessary to implement or expand successful efforts.

SEC. 223. IMPROVEMENTS TO PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY TO ATTRACT EXPERTS IN SCIENCE, ENGINEERING, AND CERTAIN OTHER DISCIPLINES AT DEFENSE ADVANCED RESEARCH PROJECTS AGENCY.

Section 4092(b)(1)(B) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking the semicolon and inserting '', of which not more than 40 of the 140 positions may be occupied concurrently by 2 individuals, for a period not to exceed 90 days, for the purposes of accommodating recruitment cycles and managing personnel rotations, and any such concurrent occupancy shall be counted as a single position against the total number of positions set forth in this subparagraph;''.

SEC. 224. EXTENSION OF LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR FUNDAMENTAL RESEARCH COLLABORATION WITH CERTAIN ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS.

Section 238(a) of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159), as amended by section 215 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60), is amended by striking ''or fiscal year 2026'' and inserting '', fiscal year 2026, or fiscal year 2027''.

Subtitle C—Plans, Reports, and Other Matters

SEC. 231. ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK FOR FUTURE QUANTUM COMPUTING PROGRAMS.

(a) FRAMEWORK REQUIRED.—Not later than June 15, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall, in coordination with the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, develop a framework for assessing the development or acquisition of future quantum computing systems, algorithms, or hybrid-quantum computing services informed by the practices developed under the Quantum Benchmarking Initiative.

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—In developing the framework required under subsection (a), the Secretary shall leverage

the work products, insights, and lessons learned from the Quantum Benchmarking Initiative to help programs, technical developers, or source selection evaluators assess the following:

(1) The ability of a system, algorithm, or service to achieve mission-relevant capability for the Department of Defense.

(2) Risks and the sufficiency of risk mitigation steps in developing or acquiring a relevant system, algorithm, or service.

(3) Timelines, technical enabling infrastructure, user requirements, doctrinal or employment conceptual needs, and training needs associated with the development or acquisition of a system, algorithm, or service.

(c) ISSUANCE OF POLICY GUIDANCE.—Not later than December 1, 2027, the Secretary shall issue policy guidance to the Department regarding the use of the assessment framework required under subsection (a).

SEC. 232. EXECUTION OF THE ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING FOR ROCKET PROPELLANT SYSTEMS.

(a) PROGRAM OF RECORD DETERMINATION.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Com-

mittee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a determination confirming whether the Additive Manufacturing for Rocket Propellant systems should be formally established as a program of record.

(b) BRIEFING REQUIREMENT.—Not later than April 15, 2027, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a briefing on Army efforts relating to Additive Manufacturing for Rocket Propellant systems, including its procurement funding, and integration strategies.

SEC. 233. REPORT ON EMERGING TECHNOLOGY AND COGNITIVE WARFARE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 270 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall, in coordination with the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering and the Director of the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the implications of emerging technologies to support Department of Defense cognitive warfare.

(b) CONTENTS.—The report submitted pursuant to subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) An identification and assessment of emerging technologies that have current or near-term application to cognitive warfare and operations in the

information environment of the Department of Defense, including artificial intelligence and machine learning tools, synthetic media generation, analytical tools, including narrative intelligence, and neuroscience-based influence technologies.

(2) An assessment of how adversaries of the United States, including China and Russia, are researching, developing, or employing such technologies in support of cognitive warfare objectives.

(3) An assessment of how allies and partners of the United States, including the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, are researching, developing, or employing such technologies in support of cognitive warfare objectives.

(4) An assessment of opportunities for the Department of Defense to leverage the defense industrial base, academic research institutions, and allied and partner countries in accelerating the development and fielding of relevant cognitive warfare technologies, including recommendations for public-private partnership mechanisms and international cooperation agreements.

(5) Such other matters as the Secretary considers appropriate.

SEC. 234. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ELECTRONICS REQUIREMENTS STUDY.

(a) AGREEMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall seek to enter into an agreement with an organization the Secretary considers qualified, to perform the services covered by this section.

(2) TIMING.—The Secretary shall seek to enter into the agreement described in paragraph (1) such that the services covered by this section are completed before the date that is 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(b) STUDY.—Under an agreement between the Secretary and an organization under subsection (a), the organization shall carry out a comprehensive study analyzing current and future electronics requirements for defense systems, with particular emphasis on electronic warfare capabilities and semiconductor packaging solutions.

(c) ELEMENTS.—The study carried out under subsection (b) shall include the following:

(1) CURRENT STATE ASSESSMENT.—An assessment that includes—

(A) a system-level analysis of electronics needs and core functions across existing defense platforms;

(B) documentation of current operational requirements, including—

(i) electronic warfare systems' parallel target acquisition capabilities;

(ii) threat differentiation and classification requirements; and

(iii) counter-electronic warfare response timeframes and performance specifications;

(C) a catalog and categorization of existing technology implementations by type and application; and

(D) an assessment of current semiconductor packaging functions and their relationship to system performance.

(2) TECHNOLOGY LANDSCAPE ANALYSIS.—An analysis that includes engagement with semiconductor industry experts, including Intel Corporation and other leading manufacturers—

(A) to map system-level requirements to semiconductor-level specifications;

(B) to identify current technology gaps and limitations; and

(C) to analyze existing supply chain dependencies and vulnerabilities.

(3) FUTURE REQUIREMENTS DEFINITION.—Development of a definition of future requirements that includes—

(A) a survey of stakeholders to identify desired future capabilities and performance targets;

(B) next-generation electronics requirements across multiple domains;

(C) scalability requirements and capability roadmaps; and

(D) documentation of emerging technology scenarios.

(4) MODULAR ARCHITECTURE FRAMEWORK.—Development of a framework that includes—

(A) recommendations for standardized, modular electronics building blocks;

(B) interface specifications to enable interoperable capabilities;

(C) a framework for aggregate demand forecasting;

(D) strategies for mitigating diminishing manufacturing sources and material shortages; and

(E) upgrade pathways that minimize system-wide impacts.

(d) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the findings of the organization with whom the Secretary entered into a contract under subsection (a) with regards to the study carried out under subsection (b).

(2) CONTENTS.—The report submitted under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) The findings described in paragraph (1).

(B) An implementation roadmap with timeline and resource requirements.

(C) Risk assessment and mitigation strategies.

(3) FORM.—The report submitted under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

TITLE III—OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Subtitle A—Authorization of Appropriations

SEC. 301. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027 for the use of the Armed Forces and other activities and agencies of the Department of Defense for expenses, not otherwise provided for, for operation and maintenance, as specified in the funding table in section 4301.

Subtitle B—Energy and Environment

SEC. 311. MODIFICATIONS TO ADVANCED NUCLEAR TRANSITION WORKING GROUP.

Section 319 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)(1), by striking ''The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment'' and inserting ''The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nuclear Deterrence, Chemical, and Biological Defense Policy and Programs''; and

(2) in subsection (c), by striking ''The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nuclear Deterrence, Chemical, and Biological Defense Policy and Programs'' and inserting ''The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment''.

SEC. 312. PRIORITIZATION OF DEPLOYMENT OF EXPEDITIONARY SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS.

The Secretary of Defense shall prioritize deployment of expeditionary solid waste disposal systems to contingency locations where open air burn pits remain in use, including Ar Riyan (Owen), Yemen, and other locations where members of the Armed Forces face elevated exposure risk due to the absence of feasible waste disposal alternatives.

SEC. 313. AUTHORIZATION OF SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUEL PROCUREMENT.

Section 2911 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(k) SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUEL PROCUREMENT.—The Secretary of Defense may procure sustainable aviation fuel for operational or training purposes at a cost that exceeds the cost of conventional petroleum-based aviation fuel.''.

SEC. 314. GRID RESILIENCY AND ENERGY REDUNDANCY.

Section 2911(e) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraphs (9) through (13) as paragraphs (10) through (14), respectively; and

(2) by inserting after paragraph (8) the following new paragraph (9):

''(9) The value of establishing operational redundancy in both the primary procurement sourcing of energy and the specific physical categories of energy utilized to support critical mission infrastructure, ensuring the continuous availability of independent baseload generation capacities in the event of commercial or regional utility disruption.''.

SEC. 315. MANDATORY GRID IMPACT AND INFRASTRUCTURE POWER REQUIREMENTS FOR ENHANCED USE LEASES.

(a) REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that any enhanced use lease executed, extended, or renewed under section 2667 and 2662 of title 10, United States Code, for purposes of infrastructure, facility modernization, or energy production of the Department of Defense shall include a comprehensive, formalized assessment of localized grid impacts and infrastructure power demands.

(b) ELEMENTS OF ASSESSMENT.—The assessment required under subsection (a) shall explicitly document and discuss the following:

(1) The projected net effects of the proposed enhanced use lease on the stability, capacity, and reliability of the surrounding local commercial electric grid, including potential impacts on voltage regulation, transmission congestion, and utility-scale baseline capacity.

(2) The total peak and baseline electrical power required to fully sustain and operate all new infrastructure, facilities, or capabilities constructed on the leased property under the enhanced use lease.

SEC. 316. STORAGE CAPACITY ENHANCEMENTS.

(a) PLAN REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Commander of the United States Transportation Command, the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency, and the Secretary of each military department, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a comprehensive master plan to expand, harden, and optimize bulk storage capacity at strategic locations worldwide.

(2) ELEMENTS OF THE PLAN.—The plan required under paragraph (1) shall include the following elements:

(A) The establishment of theater-specific minimum operational storage capacity floors for all types of fuel used by the Department of Defense, including any high-priority strategic nodes capable of sustaining critical mission essential tasks for a minimum period of time determined by the Department without external replenishment.

(B) A program and engineering assessment to construct hardened, semi-buried, underground, distributed, or geologic storage infrastructure and modular fueling nodes designed to withstand kinetic, cyber, and environmental threats.

(C) A strategy to transition from single, large-scale vulnerable bulk fuel hubs to decentralized and redundant storage networks within individual installation footprints to mitigate single points of failure.

(b) CONGRESSIONAL SUBMISSION.—

(1) SUBMISSION OF MASTER PLAN.—Upon completion of the plan required under subsection (a),

and not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit the master plan to the congressional defense committees.

(2) FORM OF REPORT.—The plan submitted under paragraph (1) and any accompanying project list shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex to protect specific operational readiness thresholds and vulnerability profiles of designated strategic locations.

SEC. 317. REVISION OF POLICY ON USE OF OPEN-AIR BURN PITS NOT CONTROLLED BY DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall revise the policy of the Department of Defense governing the use of open-air burn pits consistent with the findings and recommendations contained in the report by the Inspector General of the Department of Defense dated July 11, 2024, and entitled ''Management Advisory: Non-DoD Solid Waste Burning At or Near DoD-Occupied Sites'' (DODIG–2024–107).

SEC. 318. ASSESSMENT OF ENERGY SUPPLIED TO INSTALLATIONS AND OPERATIONAL FORCES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Commander of the United States Transportation Command and the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a comprehensive assessment of the current status, sourcing, and security of all forms of energy supplied to installations and operational forces of the Department of Defense.

(b) ELEMENTS OF ASSESSMENT.—The assessment required under subsection (a) shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(1) A complete accounting of the geographic origin and supply chain pathways of all forms of energy, including hydrocarbons, purchased by the Department of Defense, explicitly identifying any direct or indirect reliance on foreign energy sources.

(2) An evaluation of the systemic vulnerabilities within current energy supply lines of the Department, including single points of failure and military installations reliant on single-source commercial transmission or entities backed by a foreign country.

(3) An inventory of current on-site energy storage capacities, including an assessment of whether existing capacities meet baseline operational requirements.

(4) An assessment of potential disruptions to energy supplies of the Department under various kinetic and cyber conflict scenarios.

SEC. 319. REQUIREMENT OF NOTICE ON UPDATES TO PUBLIC DASHBOARD ON REMEDIATION OF PERFLUOROALKYL AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES.

Section 322 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 10 U.S.C. 2701 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)(2), by striking ''removal'' and inserting ''remedial'';

(2) by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection (d);

(3) by inserting after subsection (b) the following new subsection (c):

''(c) NOTICE OF UPDATES TO DASHBOARD.—Not less frequently than semiannually, the Secretary shall provide prompt notice to regional offices of the Environmental Protection Agency, appropriate State and local authorities, restoration advisory boards established under

section 2705(d) of title 10, United States Code, and the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives of updates to the dashboard under subsection (b).''; and

(4) in subsection (d)(1), as redesignated by paragraph (2), by striking '' 'removal',''.

SEC. 320. REVISIONS TO TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN DEFENSE ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION ACTIVITIES.

The Secretary of Defense shall modify section 203.4 of title 32, Code of Federal Regulations, or successor regulations, to increase the limitation on the combined sum of purchase orders for technical assistance for public participation in defense environmental restoration activities under that section for an installation of the Department of Defense to a combined sum of purchase orders not to exceed $1,000,000 or, during any one year, the lesser of $100,000 or 1 percent of the total projected environmental restoration cost-to-complete of the installation.

SEC. 320A. STUDY ON CONTRACTING PROCESS OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FOR REMEDIATION OF PERFLUOROALKYL AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct a study evaluating the cleanup

and acquisition processes used by the Department of Defense as of the date of the enactment of this Act relating to remediation of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances resulting from activities of the Department of Defense.

(b) ELEMENTS.—In conducting the study under subsection (a), the Comptroller General shall assess—

(1) the extent to which the Department has identified and developed requirements for remediation of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances across military installations where cleanup may be needed by the Department, including any fragmentation of requirements across military installations;

(2) the extent to which the Department has analyzed the effectiveness of acquisition strategies and contracting approaches used to procure technologies and services for the remediation of such substances;

(3) whether the cleanup and acquisition strategies of the Department account for the current state of remediation technologies for such substances;

(4) whether the Department reviews the effectiveness of technologies previously employed at installations of the Department and considers the find-

ings from such reviews when approaching future remediation efforts; and

(5) any risks, gaps, or inefficiencies in the approach taken by the Department to remediate such substances, and any opportunities to improve speed, affordability, and outcomes.

(c) BRIEFING.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General shall brief the congressional defense committees on the study conducted under subsection (a), with a report to follow at a mutually agreed upon time.

SEC. 320B. INITIATION OF REMEDIAL ACTIONS WITH RESPECT TO PERFLUOROALKYL AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES.

(a) INITIATION OF REMEDIAL ACTIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—To the extent that it is consistent with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.) and any other applicable law, and except as provided in paragraph (2), not later than two years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall initiate interim remedial actions with respect to perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances at not fewer than 50 covered sites.

(2) EXCEPTION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may initiate interim remedial actions with respect to perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances at fewer than 50 covered sites only if the Secretary cannot find enough covered sites meeting the factor specified under section 300.415(b)(2)(i) of title 40, Code of Federal Regulations, or successor regulations.

(B) REPORT.—If the Secretary utilizes the exception under subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report verifying that the Secretary assessed each covered site and was unable to find a sufficient number of covered sites meeting the factor specified in such subparagraph.

(b) TIMELY COMPLETION OF ONGOING ACTIONS.—The Secretary shall ensure the timely completion of interim remedial actions at installations of the Department of Defense that are ongoing as of the date of the enactment of this Act.

(c) COVERED SITE DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''covered site''—

(1) means, of the 723 installations of the Department assessed for use or potential use of

perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances set forth in the publication of the Department dated March 31, 2025, the installations at which the estimated remedial investigation or feasibility study end date is delayed as compared to the date specified for such site in the similar publication of the Department dated December 2024; and

(2) shall be interpreted consistent with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.) and any other applicable law.

Subtitle C—Logistics and Sustainment

SEC. 321. IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPTROLLER GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS ON EXERCISES AND WARGAMES IN THE INDO-PACIFIC REGION.

(a) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, each Secretary concerned shall submit to the congressional defense committees and the Comptroller General of the United States a plan to address the following recommendations made by the Comptroller General:

(A) Recommendations 16 through 20 in the report entitled ''Weapon Systems Maintenance: DOD Needs Enhanced Assessments and Exercises to Prepare for an Indo-Pacific Conflict''(GAO–26–107710C).

(B) Recommendations 7 through 11 in the report entitled ''Fuel Supply: DOD Is Not Prepared for a Contested Environment in the Indo-Pacific''(GAO–25–107216C).

(C) Recommendations 7 and 8 in the report entitled ''Force Structure: Army and Marine Corps Face Challenges Developing New Multi-Domain Units''(GAO–24–106266C).

(D) Recommendations 1 and 2 in the report entitled ''Military Readiness: Actions Needed to Ensure the Reserve Component Will Be Ready to Rapidly Respond to a Potential Conflict''(GAO–26–107579C).

(2) IDENTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE IMPLEMENTED.—Each plan under paragraph (1) shall include, with respect to each recommendation described in such paragraph that the Secretary concerned has implemented or intends to implement—

(A) a summary of actions that have been taken or will be taken to implement the recommendation; and

(B) a schedule, with specific milestones, for completing implementation of the recommendation.

(3) IDENTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS NOT TO BE IMPLEMENTED.—Each plan under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) An identification of any recommendation described in such paragraph that the Secretary concerned does not intend to implement.

(B) A discussion of the reasons not to implement each such recommendation.

(C) A description of alternative actions taken or intended to be taken to address the matters identified by the Comptroller General.

(b) IMPLEMENTATION REPORT.—Not later than one year after submission by the Secretary concerned of the plan under subsection (a), the Secretary concerned shall carry out activities to implement the plan and provide a report to the congressional defense committees and the Comptroller General of the United States on the following:

(1) The specific maintenance and repair objectives developed for exercises and wargames in the Indo-Pacific region.

(2) Guidance on incorporating fuel storage and delivery missions into live exercises.

(3) With respect to the Army and the Marine Corps, the specific sustainment and transportation objectives in exercises for multi-domain units of the Army and the Marine Corps in the Indo-Pacific region.

(4) With respect to the Army and the Air Force, the specific realistic and accurate assessments conducted to evaluate the ability of relevant reserve component units of the Army and the Air Force to build the required readiness to meet contingency response missions.

(c) SECRETARY CONCERNED DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''Secretary concerned'' means—

(1) the Secretary of Defense, with respect to actions taken by the United States Indo-Pacific Command;

(2) the Secretary of the Army, with respect to actions taken by the Army;

(3) the Secretary of the Air Force, with respect to actions taken by the Air Force; and

(4) the Secretary of the Navy, with respect to actions taken by the Navy and the Marine Corps.

SEC. 322. INTEGRATION OF UNMANNED SYSTEMS INTO THE INSTALLATION PHYSICAL SECURITY PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Army, in coordination with the heads of relevant organizations of the Department of Defense, shall develop a plan for integrating unmanned aerial systems into the Installation Physical Security Program to expand physical security monitoring capabilities for installations and facilities of the Department of the Army within the United States.

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

(1) A proposal for the development and implementation of a cost-effective, scalable solution to physical security of installations of the Department of the Army that employs unmanned aerial systems to identify and monitor potential threats to such installations.

(2) An identification of one installation to potentially host the initial development of the integration required under such subsection and two locations for additional activities related to such integra-

tion, including the criteria used to determine proposed locations, which shall—

(A) serve as potential demonstration locations for installation defense architecture that utilizes autonomous threat detection and small unmanned aerial system deployment for purposes of persistent surveillance; and

(B) be chosen based on geographical diversity and the strategic importance of such installation and locations to the overall security infrastructure of the Army.

(3) A comprehensive breakdown of the full costs of the integration required under such subsection, including—

(A) initial capital expenditure for system implementation;

(B) the cost of deploying unmanned aerial systems, sensors, and other related infrastructure at all organic industrial base sites operated by the Department of the Army in the United States;

(C) estimated operation and maintenance costs;

(D) a detailed funding schedule with expenditures projected across the period covered

by the most recent future-years defense program submitted to Congress under section 221 of title 10, United States Code (as of the date of the plan); and

(E) identification of potential cost-saving opportunities from the proliferation of small unmanned aerial systems and other sensors for installation security purposes across the installation footprint of the Army.

(4) An assessment of the viability of funding and sustaining the integration required under such subsection across the period covered by the most recent future-years defense program submitted to Congress under section 221 of title 10, United States Code (as of the date of the plan), considering—

(A) the financial impact relative to existing security infrastructure budgets of the Army, including potential impact on force structure or equipment procurement costs;

(B) the cost-benefit analysis of upgrading existing systems versus implementing new technologies at each selected location; and

(C) identification of technological or policy challenges or barriers to implementing small unmanned aerial system-based persistent moni-

toring solutions across the footprint of the Army in the United States.

(5) A list of any additional authorities, appropriations, or other resources necessary to ensure the success of the integration required under such subsection.

(c) SUBMITTAL TO CONGRESS.—Not later than September 1, 2027, the Secretary of the Army shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a completed version of the plan developed under subsection (a).

SEC. 323. GUIDANCE REGARDING GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE OF ORGANIC INDUSTRIAL BASE OF THE ARMY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army shall establish and publish guidance regarding updated governance of the organic industrial base of the Army.

(b) ELEMENTS OF GUIDANCE.—The guidance required under subsection (a) shall do the following:

(1) Clearly delineate how decisions regarding resourcing and site operations that are currently overseen by the United States Army Materiel Command and workload and acquisition requirements

that are currently overseen by the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology will be reconciled to ensure the efficient functioning of the organic industrial base of the Army.

(2) Clearly delineate the relationship of the organic industrial base of the Army with the Army Sustainment Command and the Joint Energetics Transition Office.

(3) Establish, maintain, and disseminate, not less frequently than annually, to all leadership responsible for sites of the organic industrial base of the Army a comprehensive plan for the type and quantity of production and repair activities that will occur at each site, which shall—

(A) account for the current and projected needs of the Army, other military departments, and foreign partners;

(B) be coordinated with other production and repair activities across the Department of Defense;

(C) fulfill the requirements of section 351 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60); and

(D) cover not less than the next three years of production or repair activities.

(4) Establish an updated resourcing model for the organic industrial base of the Army that—

(A) is focused on reducing the production costs at each site of the organic industrial base of the Army to ensure such costs are competitive with other similar facilities;

(B) describes any modifications to the Army Working Capital Fund resulting from such model; and

(C) describes any use of direct appropriations to fund overhead or other costs resulting from such model.

(5) Oversee and implement ongoing modernization efforts of the Army, including by establishing, maintaining, and disseminating a comprehensive plan that—

(A) accounts for modernization needs across all sites of the organic industrial base of the Army;

(B) includes the criteria used to allocate modernization funds across those sites; and

(C) shall be submitted to the congressional defense committees not less frequently than annually.

(6) Not later than 30 days after any decision that will decrease the workload of a site of the organic industrial base of the Army by 10 percent or more, notify the congressional defense committees of such decision, which shall include an explanation for the decrease and a plan to shift other work required by the Army to the site in order to maintain workforce capability.

(c) ORGANIC INDUSTRIAL BASE OF THE ARMY DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''organic industrial base of the Army'' means the arsenals, ammunition plants, activities, and depots of the Army.

SEC. 324. EXTENSION OF DEADLINE FOR DESIGNATION OF ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES RELATING TO SUSTAINMENT AND READINESS OF CERTAIN NAVAL SURFACE VESSELS.

Section 8698(a)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is amended, in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking ''the date that is one year after the date of the enactment of this section'' and inserting ''January 31, 2028''.

SEC. 325. ACQUISITION AND SUSTAINMENT STRATEGY FOR SPARE PARTS FOR LOW MISSION CAPABLE AIRCRAFT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall establish an acquisition and sustainment strategy for aircraft spare parts, applicable to any covered aircraft platform, to maximize competition and expand the defense industrial base supply chain for sustainment.

(b) DIMINISHING MANUFACTURING SOURCES.—In carrying out the strategy established under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall—

(1) identify spare parts of any covered aircraft platform that is subject to diminishing manufacturing sources or material shortages;

(2) prioritize such parts for competitive resourcing; and

(3) incorporate lifecycle obsolescence planning into sustainment strategies for all covered aircraft platforms.

(c) PROCUREMENT.—In carrying out the strategy established under subsection (a), the Secretary shall competitively source spare parts identified under subsection (b) by enabling the use of—

(1) reverse engineering;

(2) advanced manufacturing;

(3) additive manufacturing; and

(4) digital engineering and technical data package development.

(d) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter for three years, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes—

(1) a list of covered aircraft platforms;

(2) mission capable rates for each such platform;

(3) actions taken to expand competition and qualify additional vendors;

(4) contract obligations awarded to small business concerns pursuant to this section; and

(5) measurable changes in aircraft availability attributable to actions under this section.

(e) COVERED AIRCRAFT PLATFORM DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''covered aircraft platform'' means any fixed-wing or rotary-wing aircraft operated by the Department of Defense with—

(1) a fleet-wide full mission capable rate of 50 percent or less during the preceding fiscal year; or

(2) a critical mission capable rate of 40 percent or less for primary mission aircraft inventory, as determined by the Secretary concerned.

SEC. 326. HELICOPTER SUPPORT FOR KWAJALEIN ATOLL AND RONALD REAGAN SPACE AND MISSILE TEST RANGE, MARSHALL ISLANDS.

(a) PROVISION OF ROTARY WING ASSETS.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army shall ensure that a sufficient quantity of rotary wing assets, including air and maintenance crews, spares and support equipment, and any other mission critical personnel or material, necessary to support all planned test events, installation maintenance requirements, and personnel movement or evacuation contingencies are located on Kwajalein Atoll and available for mission support and tasking by the Army at Kwajalein Atoll and the Ronald Reagan Space and Missile Test Range, Marshall Islands.

(b) REQUIREMENT FULFILLMENT OPTIONS.—To implement the requirements under subsection (a), the Secretary of the Army may—

(1) consistent with section 2571 of title 10, United States Code, coordinate with the Secretary of the Air Force to obtain excess UH–1N Huey light-lift utility helicopters and any associated spares and equipment from Air Force Global Strike Command as the Air Force divests those aircraft in support of its transition to the MH–139 Grey Wolf;

(2) obtain new or excess UH–72 Lakota light utility helicopters and any associated spares and equipment from the Army Aviation Center of Excellence as the Army transitions those aircraft in from the training fleet; or

(3) obtain rotary wing assets for the purposes described in subsection (a) via other means, if—

(A) such assets fulfill the capability and timeline availability requirements described in such subsection; and

(B) the Secretary of the Army provides a written certification to the congressional defense committees not later than 30 days prior to the end of the 90-day period specified in such subsection of the intent of the Secretary to pursue such other means and that such means will fulfill the requirements of such subsection.

(c) LONG TERM CAPABILITY SUSTAINMENT PLAN.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army shall submit to the congressional defense committees a plan outlining the enduring approach of the Army to providing rotary wing assets for mission support and tasking by the Army at

Kwajalein Atoll and the Ronald Reagan Space and Missile Test Range, Marshall Islands.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The plan required under paragraph (1) shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(A) An identification of the rotary wing assets to be made available over the next 5, 10, and 15 years.

(B) An initial acquisition strategy for any assets not already in the inventory of the Army, as applicable.

(C) A detailed lifecycle sustainment plan for any rotary wing assets provided for mission support and tasking by the Army at Kwajalein Atoll and the Ronald Reagan Space and Missile Test Range, Marshall Islands.

(D) A projection of anticipated costs over the upcoming future-years defense program submitted to Congress under section 221 of title 10, United States Code, for providing the capabilities described in subsection (a).

(E) Such other matters or recommendations as the Secretary of the Army considers relevant.

SEC. 327. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE WRITE-OFFS FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE DEPOTS AND ARSENALS.

(a) WRITE-OFFS.—With respect to any depot or arsenal of the Department of Defense, the Secretary of Defense may write-off or eliminate any internal Department accounting charges, such as remaining depreciation or internal debt from an account of a military department or the Department associated with capital assets that do not generate revenue due to mission realignments directed by the Federal Government.

(b) RECOVERY OF REVOLVING FUND CASH OUTLAY.—Any write-off conducted under subsection (a) shall be done in a manner such that any previous revolving fund cash outlay is recovered.

(c) APPLICATION OF AUTHORITY.—The authority under subsection (a) applies only to financial balances within the accounts of a military department or the Department of Defense, not to payments owned to commercial contractors.

(d) DELEGATION.—The Secretary of Defense may delegate the authority under subsection (a) to the Secretary of a military department.

SEC. 328. MODIFICATION OF REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO PRODUCTION IN FACTORIES OR ARSENALS OWNED BY THE UNITED STATES.

Section 7532 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking ''The Secretary'' and inserting ''(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary'';

(2) in subsection (a), as designated by paragraph (1), by striking '', so far as those factories or arsenals can make those supplies on an economical basis'' and inserting ''when it is economical to do so''; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

''(b) CERTIFICATION TO USE OTHER FACILITIES.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary of the Army chooses to make munitions or weapons systems outside the organic industrial base of the Army, the Secretary, acting through the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology, or any successor official, shall certify that—

''(A) the choice will not undermine the capacity of sites of the organic industrial base of the Army within the continental United States to produce munitions or weapons systems to meet requirements of the Department of De-

fense and foreign allies or partner nations of the United States;

"(B) due consideration was given to whether it was in the interest of ensuring adequate workloads at sites of the organic industrial base of the Army to establish the capability to produce the munition or weapons system at such a site;

"(C) preference was given to a production facility within the continental United States; and

"(D) a site in the organic industrial base of the Army was not deemed ineligible for production solely because the munition or weapons systems is not currently being made at the site and consideration was given to the feasibility of increasing capability at such a site to allow it to meet the production need.

"(2) EXPLANATION.—If the Secretary of the Army cannot make the certification required under paragraph (1) with respect to a choice described in that paragraph, not later than 30 days before such choice is finalized, the Secretary of the Army shall submit to the Secretary of Defense and the congressional defense committees an explanation for why

such choice is in the interest of the national security of the United States.

''(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

''(1) The term 'economical' means providing a cost comparable to that of other viable production options while also—

''(A) efficiently and quickly meeting the needs of the Army and the Department of Defense; and

''(B) addressing the needs of the Army to effectively and efficiently balance workload across the organic industrial base of the Army to maintain the health of the organic industrial base.

''(2) The term 'organic industrial base of the Army' means any operational arsenal, ammunition plant, activity, or depot of the Army.''.

Subtitle D—Reports

SEC. 341. REPORT ON STRATEGY TO MAINTAIN AND UPGRADE CONVENTIONAL MUNITIONS STORAGE FACILITIES.

(a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the strategy of the Department of De-

fense to maintain and upgrade conventional munitions storage facilities (both in the continental United States and outside the continental United States) in order to ensure the safe, effective, and long-term storage of current and future conventional munitions inventories.

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

(1) A comprehensive description of the current strategy and practices of the United States Army Materiel Command for maintaining, repairing, and upgrading conventional munitions storage facilities, including any ongoing or planned investments in infrastructure modernization.

(2) A detailed assessment of the current condition of all conventional munitions storage facilities, including—

(A) the percentage or proportion of facilities at each installation of the Department of Defense that meet applicable standards of the Department of Defense, the Department of the Army, and industry for conventional munitions storage;

(B) the percentage or proportion of storage capacity currently housing obsolete, outdated, or operationally irrelevant munitions; and

(C) an identification of the funds necessary to invest in sustained conventional munitions readiness.

(3) An evaluation of the sufficiency of climate-controlled storage facilities to support the full execution of conventional munitions acquisition, storage, and prepositioning plans, including the ability to preposition stocks at installations outside the continental United States in support of requirements of the commanders of the combatant commands, including by specifically addressing projected shortfalls (by location and capacity) and any associated risks to conventional munitions readiness.

(4) A strategy for coordinating conventional munitions storage requirements and facility modernization priorities across the Department of Defense, including mechanisms to align storage needs with service-specific and theater-specific operational plans.

(5) A detailed plan to ensure that adequate storage facilities are available under conventional munitions procurement planned under the Munitions Acceleration Council of the Department of Defense in conditions that preserve the effectiveness of such munitions.

(c) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required by subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex if necessary to protect sensitive operational or force-protection information.

SEC. 342. RISK ASSESSMENT OF AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEMS OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall conduct a risk assessment to evaluate the air traffic control systems owned and operated by any entity of the Department of Defense and operated within the airspace of the United States and develop a modernization plan to update those systems.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The assessment required by subsection (a) shall be comprehensive across all branches of the Armed Forces and shall—

(1) review the air traffic control systems assessed by the Department in the report dated December 2018 and entitled, ''Report to Congress on Air Traffic Control Facilities'' and assess any new systems implemented after the date of such report;

(2) assess the status, as of the date of the assessment under subsection (a), of the functionality for the air traffic control systems specified in paragraph (1), including—

(A) an assessment of facility condition;

(B) an assessment of technology and equipment condition;

(C) an identification of deficiencies in conditions assessed under subparagraphs (A) and (B);

(D) the cost of addressing such deficiencies; and

(E) a timeline for addressing such deficiencies;

(3) identify the ongoing investments by the Department to modernize air traffic control systems;

(4) assess the progress made in implementing modernization investments to such systems, including—

(A) barriers or challenges to such implementation;

(B) existing mitigation strategies; and

(C) recommendations for authorities, resources, or policy changes; and

(5) assess system compatibility and modernization alignment with efforts by the Department of Transportation and the Federal Aviation Administration to modernize the air traffic control system of the United States through the ''Brand New Air Traffic Control System''.

(c) SUBMITTAL OF ASSESSMENT AND PLAN.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees the assessment and plan required under subsection (a).

(d) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report detailing the status of modernizing the air traffic control systems used by the Department.

Subtitle E—Other Matters

SEC. 351. MODIFICATION OF DEPOTS FOR WHICH MINIMUM CAPITAL INVESTMENT IS REQUIRED.

Section 2476(f)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(J) Blue Grass Army Depot, Kentucky.

''(K) Sierra Army Depot, California.

''(L) Hawthorne Army Depot, Nevada.''.

SEC. 352. IMPLEMENTATION OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE INSPECTOR GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO EVALUATION OF MANAGEMENT OF CANINE WELFARE UNDER MILITARY WORKING DOG PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and except as provided in subsection (b), the Secretary of the Air Force shall implement each recommendation of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense contained in the report dated February 17, 2026, and entitled, ''Evaluation of the DoD Military Working Dog Program's Management of Canine Welfare'' (DODIG–2026–057).

(b) NON-IMPLEMENTATION REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—If the Secretary of the Air Force elects to not implement a recommendation specified under subsection (a), the Secretary shall, not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report that includes a justification for such election.

SEC. 353. PROHIBITION ON OPERATION OF CONNECTED VEHICLES OF CONCERN ON MILITARY INSTALLATIONS AND OTHER PROPERTY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

(a) PROHIBITION PHASE I.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—After July 1, 2027, no connected vehicle designated under paragraph (2) may be operated on a military installation or on any other property of the Department of Defense.

(2) DESIGNATED VEHICLES.—A connected vehicle is designated under this paragraph if it is prohibited under part 791 of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations (or successor regulations).

(b) PROHIBITION PHASE II.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—After January 1, 2029, no connected vehicle designated under paragraph (2) may be operated on a military installation or on any other property of the Department of Defense.

(2) DESIGNATED VEHICLES.—A connected vehicle is designated under this paragraph if it is—

(A) designated under subsection (a)(2); and

(B) determined by the Secretary of Defense, pursuant to the process established in the implementation plan under subsection (c)—

(i) to be designed, developed, manufactured, or supplied by a person or persons owned by, controlled by, or subject to the jurisdiction or direction of a foreign entity of concern; and

(ii) to pose—

(I) an undue risk of sabotage to or subversion of the information and communications technology and services of a military installation;

(II) an undue risk of catastrophic effects on the security or resiliency of defense critical infrastructure; or

(III) an unacceptable risk to the national security of the United States or the security and safety of United States persons.

(3) PUBLICATION OF LIST.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall publish and maintain on a publicly available website of the Department a list of connected vehicles designated under paragraph (2).

(B) ANNUAL REVIEW.—Not less frequently than annually, the Secretary shall review the list required under subparagraph (A) and shall make such additions, subtractions, supplements, or amendments to the list as the Secretary determines appropriate.

(C) EXPLANATION OF REMOVALS.—Any review under subparagraph (B) that removes a

vehicle from the list under subparagraph (A) shall include a written explanation of the basis for such removal.

(c) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than April 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees an implementation plan for carrying out the prohibitions under subsections (a) and (b).

(2) ELEMENTS.—The implementation plan under paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) identification of the lead office within the Department of Defense responsible for implementing and overseeing this section, and an assessment of personnel and funding required to sustain that office to meet the requirements of annual reviews conducted under subsection (e);

(B) a verification mechanism through which military installations will identify connected vehicles designated under subsection (a)(2) or (b)(2) that are seeking access to the installation, including an evaluation of vehicle registration database and point-of-entry screen-

ing, as well as consultation with State motor vehicle authorities;

(C) the analytical process and criteria through which the lead office will designate connected vehicles under subsection (b)(2), including methodology for assessing ownership and supply chain relationships to foreign entities of concern and the risk factors under subparagraph (B)(ii) of such subsection, incorporating existing Federal rules and interagency coordination; and

(D) an assessment of the impact on individuals with authorized access to military installations, including military retirees, military families, and civilian employees, and measures to balance security requirements with minimizing the burden on such individuals and minimizing the impact to readiness of the Armed Forces.

(d) NOTICE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall provide not less than 180 days notice before a prohibition under subsection (a) or (b) takes effect with respect to any newly designated vehicle under such subsection, during which period individuals

with authorized access to a military installation who own or operate such a vehicle may continue to access the installation.

(2) FORM.—The Secretary shall provide notice under paragraph (1) by publication on a publicly available website of the Department of Defense and by such other means as the Secretary determines appropriate to reach affected individuals.

(e) CERTIFICATION.—The prohibitions under subsections (a) and (b) shall take effect only upon the submission by the Secretary of Defense of a certification to the congressional defense committees that the Department of Defense has—

(1) the resources, personnel, and screening mechanisms in place to enforce the prohibition at military installations; and

(2) in the case of a prohibition under subsection (b), the resources, personnel, and analytical capacity in place to conduct the designation review process under paragraph (3)(B) of such subsection on an ongoing basis.

(f) NOTIFICATION IF UNABLE TO CERTIFY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary of Defense is unable to make a certification under subsection (e) with respect to a prohibition under subsection (a)

or (b), the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a notification of that fact, including—

(A) an explanation of why the Secretary is not ready to implement the relevant prohibition;

(B) an identification of the steps the Secretary has taken to prepare for implementation of such prohibition;

(C) an identification of the additional steps that remain before the Secretary is ready to implement such prohibition; and

(D) a timeline for each step to be carried out under subparagraph (C).

(2) TIMING.—The Secretary shall submit the notifications required under paragraph (1)—

(A) with respect to the prohibition under subsection (a), not later than July 1, 2027, and not less frequently than every 180 days thereafter; and

(B) with respect to the prohibition under subsection (b), not later than January 1, 2029, and not less frequently than every 180 days thereafter.

(g) WAIVER.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense may waive a prohibition under subsection (a) or (b) with respect to a military installation, category of installations, or class of connected vehicles upon a determination that operational requirements or national security considerations warrant such waiver, and may delegate such waiver authority to such officials or commanders as the Secretary considers appropriate.

(2) NOTIFICATION.—The Secretary shall notify the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives of any waiver issued under paragraph (1) not later than 30 days after issuance of the waiver, including a rationale for the waiver.

(h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) CONNECTED VEHICLE.—The term ''connected vehicle'' has the meaning given that term in section 791.301 of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, or successor regulations.

(2) DEFENSE CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE.—The term ''defense critical infrastructure'' has the meaning given the term ''critical infrastructure of the Department of Defense'' in section 1650(e) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal

Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328; 10 U.S.C. 2224 note).

(3) FOREIGN ENTITY OF CONCERN.—The term ''foreign entity of concern'' has the meaning given that term in section 9901 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (15 U.S.C. 4651).

(4) MILITARY INSTALLATION.—The term ''military installation'' has the meaning given that term in section 2801(c) of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 354. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR TRAVEL EXPENSES OF THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for operation and maintenance, defense-wide, and available for the Office of the Secretary of Defense for travel expenses, not more than 25 percent may be obligated or expended until the Secretary of Defense carries out the following:

(1) Complies with the requirements of section 1067 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 2071).

(2) Submits to the congressional defense committees the procedures for notifications relating to Department of Defense sensitive activities required by section 130g of title 10, United States Code.

(3) Submits to the congressional defense committees, the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate, and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives a certification that the requirements of section 430e of title 10, United States Code, have been implemented.

(4) Submits to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives the unredacted investigation, including relevant supporting documents, directed by the Commander of the United States Special Operations Command on January 20, 2026.

(5) Submits to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives unredacted civilian harm investigations, including all relevant supporting documents, for the strikes on the Ras Isa Port in Yemen on April 17, 2025, the Ayn Wadi Barracks Warehouses in Yemen on April 28, 2025, a residence in Yemen on April 6, 2025, and the Minab girls school in Iran on February 28, 2026.

(6) Submits to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives the report relating to allied and partner support to Ukraine required by section 1243 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 137 Stat. 460), as amended by section 1245 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1104).

(7) Provides to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives unedited video of strikes conducted against designated terrorist organizations in the area of responsibility of the United States Southern Command.

(b) REPORTS REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and every 30 days thereafter until the Secretary submits the matters specified in subsection (a), the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report detailing the status of funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for operation and maintenance, defense-wide, and

available for the Office of the Secretary of Defense for travel expenses.

(2) ELEMENTS.—At a minimum, each report required by paragraph (1) shall specify the amounts available, obligated, and expended for travel expenses.

SEC. 355. LIMITATION ON USE OF TRAVEL FUNDS FOR SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE UNTIL BRIEFING ON WEST LAB PROJECT AT LINCOLN LABORATORY.

Of the amounts authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for operation and maintenance, Air Force, and available for travel expenses for the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force, not more than 85 percent may be obligated or expended until the date on which the Secretary of the Air Force provides to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives an unclassified briefing on—

(1) the status of the West Lab Project at the Lincoln Laboratory of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, including planning and construction timelines and milestones as of the date of the briefing;

(2) the resources needed to complete the West Lab Project, disaggregated by phase of construction and fiscal year when funds are needed;

(3) with respect to delays of the West Lab Project—

(A) the causes of any such delay;

(B) the impact of any additional delays on the cost and schedule of construction of such project; and

(C) the impact of delays on the activities and projects funded by the Department of Defense at the Lincoln Laboratory; and

(4) the plan of the Secretary of the Air Force to award a construction contract for the rest of the West Lab Project by not later than June 2027, with construction to be completed by June 2029.

SEC. 356. NAMING OF CERTAIN ASSETS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA.

(a) NAMING OF ASSETS IN VIRGINIA.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act the Secretary of Defense shall implement the naming recommendations for assets of the Department of Defense in the Commonwealth of Virginia that were adopted by the Commission.

(b) PROHIBITION RELATING TO OVERRIDING RECOMMENDATIONS.—The Secretary of Defense may not change the name of an asset described in subsection (a) to any name other than the name required under such subsection.

(c) COMMISSION DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''Commission'' means the commission established under section 370(b) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 113 note).

SEC. 357. ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS FOR MILITARY AVIATION AND INSTALLATION ASSURANCE CLEARINGHOUSE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 183a of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (h) as subsection (i); and

(2) by inserting after subsection (g) the following:

''(h) TIMELINES.—(1) For any project for which the Secretary of Defense determines, based on the preliminary review conducted under subsection (c), that the proposed action may have an adverse impact on operations and readiness of the armed forces, the Secretary shall complete the review under subsection (d), conduct any mitigation

discussions the Secretary determines appropriate, and issue a final determination consistent with subsections (c) and (e), including whether the proposed project would result in an unacceptable risk to the national security of the United States, not later than 180 days after the date on which the Clearinghouse receives the relevant notice, filing, or request for review, unless the applicant agrees in writing to an extension.

''(2) For any project for which the Secretary of Defense determines, based on the preliminary review conducted under subsection (c), that the proposed action does not have an adverse impact on operations and readiness of the armed forces, the Secretary shall issue a final determination consistent with subsections (c) and (e), including whether the proposed project would result in an unacceptable risk to the national security of the United States, not later than five days after completion of the preliminary review.

''(3) The Secretary may not extend, restart, or otherwise delay a deadline established under this subsection based on requests for additional information, recharacterization of previously identified issues, ongoing mitigation discussions, or the absence of an executed mitigation agreement.

''(4) For purposes of this subsection, a notice, filing, or request for review shall be deemed received by the Clearinghouse on the earlier of—

''(A) the date on which the Clearinghouse actually receives such notice, filing, or request; or

''(B) the date that is 60 days after the applicant provides notice to the Clearinghouse that it has submitted to a Federal agency information sufficient to initiate review under this section.

''(5) Failure to meet any deadline under this subsection shall constitute an unreasonable delay.

''(6) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to modify or alter the substantive standards or national security authorities applicable under this section, but only to establish procedural requirements governing the timing and completion of review by the Department of Defense.''.

(b) APPLICABILITY.—With respect to a project described in subsection (h)(1) of section 183a of title 10, United States Code, for which the relevant notice, filing, or request for review was submitted before the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall comply with the requirements under such subsection by not later than the later of—

(1) 180 days after the date on which the Military Aviation and Installation Assurance Siting

Clearinghouse received and recorded the relevant notice, filing, or request for review; or

(2) 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

TITLE IV—MILITARY PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATIONS

Subtitle A—Active Forces

SEC. 401. END STRENGTHS FOR ACTIVE FORCES.

The Armed Forces are authorized strengths for active duty personnel as of September 30, 2027, as follows:

(1) The Army, 469,000.

(2) The Navy, 356,600.

(3) The Marine Corps, 173,700.

(4) The Air Force, 330,400.

(5) The Space Force, 13,200.

Subtitle B—Reserve Forces

SEC. 411. END STRENGTHS FOR SELECTED RESERVE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Armed Forces are authorized strengths for Selected Reserve personnel of the reserve components as of September 30, 2027, as follows:

(1) The Army National Guard of the United States, 331,300.

(2) The Army Reserve, 172,000.

(3) The Navy Reserve, 56,500.

(4) The Marine Corps Reserve, 34,700.

(5) The Air National Guard of the United States, 107,400.

(6) The Air Force Reserve, 67,400.

(7) The Coast Guard Reserve, 8,500.

(b) END STRENGTH REDUCTIONS.—The end strengths prescribed by subsection (a) for the Selected Reserve of any reserve component shall be proportionately reduced by—

(1) the total authorized strength of units organized to serve as units of the Selected Reserve of such component which are on active duty (other than for training) at the end of the fiscal year; and

(2) the total number of individual members not in units organized to serve as units of the Selected Reserve of such component who are on active duty (other than for training or for unsatisfactory participation in training) without their consent at the end of the fiscal year.

(c) END STRENGTH INCREASES.—Whenever units or individual members of the Selected Reserve for any reserve component are released from active duty during any fiscal year, the end strength prescribed for such fiscal year for the Selected Reserve of such reserve component shall be increased proportionately by the total authorized strengths

of such units and by the total number of such individual members.

SEC. 412. END STRENGTHS FOR RESERVES ON ACTIVE DUTY IN SUPPORT OF THE RESERVES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Within the end strengths prescribed in section 411(a), the reserve components of the Armed Forces are authorized, as of September 30, 2027, the following number of Reserves to be serving on full-time active duty or full-time duty, in the case of members of the National Guard, for the purpose of organizing, administering, recruiting, instructing, or training the reserve components:

(1) The Army National Guard of the United States, 31,154.

(2) The Army Reserve, 16,511.

(3) The Navy Reserve, 10,649.

(4) The Marine Corps Reserve, 2,400.

(5) The Air National Guard of the United States, 25,533.

(6) The Air Force Reserve, 6,278.

(b) ADHERENCE TO AGREEMENTS WITH STATES.—In executing these authorizations for fiscal year 2027, the Department of Defense—

(1) shall adhere to any agreements made with states as a result of releveling efforts or manning studies; and

(2) may use authorized variance authority to meet these requirements.

SEC. 413. END STRENGTHS FOR MILITARY TECHNICIANS (DUAL STATUS).

(a) IN GENERAL.—The minimum number of military technicians (dual status) as of the last day of fiscal year 2027 for the reserve components of the Army and the Air Force (notwithstanding section 129 of title 10, United States Code) shall be the following:

(1) For the Army National Guard of the United States, 20,037.

(2) For the Army Reserve, 5,870.

(3) For the Air National Guard of the United States, 10,824.

(4) For the Air Force Reserve, 6,450.

(b) LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF TEMPORARY MILITARY TECHNICIANS (DUAL STATUS).—The number of temporary military technicians (dual status) employed under the authority of subsection (a) may not exceed 25 percent of the total authorized number specified in such subsection.

(c) LIMITATION.—Under no circumstances may a military technician (dual status) employed under the authority of this section be coerced by a State into accepting an offer of realignment or conversion to any other military status, including as a member of the Active, Guard, and Reserve component. If a military technician (dual status) declines to participate in such realignment or conversion, no further action will be taken against the individual or the individual's position.

SEC. 414. MAXIMUM NUMBER OF RESERVE PERSONNEL AUTHORIZED TO BE ON ACTIVE DUTY FOR OPERATIONAL SUPPORT.

During fiscal year 2027, the maximum number of members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces who may be serving at any time on full-time operational support duty under section 115(b) of title 10, United States Code, is the following:

(1) The Army National Guard of the United States, 17,000.

(2) The Army Reserve, 13,000.

(3) The Navy Reserve, 6,200.

(4) The Marine Corps Reserve, 3,000.

(5) The Air National Guard of the United States, 16,000.

(6) The Air Force Reserve, 14,000.

Subtitle C—Authorization of Appropriations

SEC. 421. MILITARY PERSONNEL.

(a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027 for the use of the Armed Forces and other activities and agencies of the Department of Defense for expenses, not otherwise 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 2027.

TITLE V—MILITARY PERSONNEL POLICY

Subtitle A—Officer Personnel Policy

SEC. 501. NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR DELAYED PROMOTIONS.

Section 624(d) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2), by adding at the end the following: ''In the case of an officer whose promotion is delayed pursuant to this subsection, the Secretary of Defense shall notify the congressional defense

committees of such delay not later than 30 days after the date on which the delay is imposed. Such notification shall include—

''(A) the reason for the delay, including a description of any adverse information or basis for concern;

''(B) the anticipated duration of the delay;

''(C) the status of any review or investigation associated with the delay; and

''(D) such other information as the Secretary considers appropriate.''; and

(2) in paragraph (4)(A), by striking '', unless it is impracticable to give such written notice before the effective date of the appointment, in which case such written notice shall be given as soon as practicable''.

SEC. 502. TEMPORARY WITHHOLDING OF OFFICER NOMINATIONS AND PROMOTION RECOMMENDATIONS.

(a) AUTHORITY.—Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary may temporarily withhold the forwarding or processing of an officer nomination or promotion recommendation for not more than 30 days.

(b) DISPOSITION.—Upon expiration of the period under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall—

(1) forward the nomination or recommendation for further processing;

(2) take appropriate action to permanently remove the officer from consideration due to a substantiated finding of misconduct; or

(3) provide a written determination to the Secretary concerned, including the basis for continued withholding, to justify an extension under subsection (c).

(c) EXTENSION AND NOTIFICATION.—Any withholding that exceeds 30 days shall be accompanied by written notification to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives, including a detailed explanation of the basis for such continued withholding.

(d) CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authority of the President to remove an officer from a promotion list under section 629 of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 503. ENHANCED AUTHORITY FOR EARLY DISCHARGES.

Section 580a(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''October 1, 2015, and ending on Oc-

tober 1, 2019'' and inserting ''October 1, 2025, and ending on October 1, 2030''.

SEC. 504. OFFICER RETIREMENT DETERMINATIONS.

(a) CONDITIONAL RETIREMENTS PENDING INVESTIGATIONS, ADVERSE ACTIONS, AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS.—

(1) ELIMINATION OF LIMITATION ON REDUCTION OR WAIVER OF REQUIREMENT FOR OFFICERS UNDER INVESTIGATION OR PENDING MISCONDUCT.—Section 1370 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(A) in subsection (b)—

(i) by striking paragraph (4); and

(ii) by redesignating paragraphs (5) through (7) as paragraphs (4) through (6), respectively; and

(B) in subsection (c)(4), by striking ''subsection (b)(6)'' and inserting ''subsection (b)(5)''.

(2) ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS.—Subsection (d) of such section is amended—

(A) in the subsection heading, by striking ''PENDING INVESTIGATION OR ADVERSE ACTION'' and inserting ''PENDING INVESTIGA-

tion, Adverse Action, or Other Administrative Action'';

(B) in paragraph (1)—

(i) by inserting ''or other administrative action'' after ''adverse personnel action''; and

(ii) in subparagraph (A), by striking ''highest permanent grade of satisfactory service'' and inserting ''highest grade of satisfactory service'';

(C) in paragraph (2)—

(i) by inserting ''or other administrative action'' after ''adverse personnel action''; and

(ii) in subparagraph (A), by striking ''highest permanent grade of satisfactory service'' and inserting ''highest grade of satisfactory service'';

(D) by striking paragraph (3); and

(E) by redesignating paragraph (4) as paragraph (3).

(b) Limitation on Determinations of Unsatisfactory Service.—

(1) REGULAR COMMISSIONED OFFICERS.—Section 1370 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(A) by redesignating subsection (g) as subsection (h); and

(B) by inserting after subsection (f) the following new subsection:

''(g) LIMITATION ON DETERMINATIONS OF UNSATISFACTORY SERVICE.—(1) The Secretary concerned, or the Secretary of Defense, as the case may be, may not make a determination that an officer has not performed satisfactory service for purposes of this section unless the officer is the subject of credible adverse information.

''(2) For the purposes of this subsection, adverse information is any substantiated finding or conclusion from an officially documented investigation or inquiry. To be credible, the information must be resolved and supported by a preponderance of the evidence. To be adverse, the information must be derogatory, unfavorable, or of a nature that reflects clearly unacceptable conduct, integrity, or judgment on the part of the individual.''.

(2) OFFICERS ENTITLED TO RETIRED PAY FOR NON-REGULAR SERVICE.—Section 1370a of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(A) by redesignating subsection (h) as subsection (i); and

(B) by inserting after subsection (g) the following new subsection:

''(h) LIMITATION ON DETERMINATIONS OF UNSATISFACTORY SERVICE.—(1) The Secretary concerned, or the Secretary of Defense, as the case may be, may not make a determination that an officer has not performed satisfactory service for purposes of this section unless the officer is the subject of credible adverse information.

''(2) For the purposes of this subsection, adverse information is any substantiated finding or conclusion from an officially documented investigation or inquiry. To be credible, the information must be resolved and supported by a preponderance of the evidence. To be adverse, the information must be derogatory, unfavorable, or of a nature that reflects clearly unacceptable conduct, integrity, or judgment on the part of the individual.''.

(3) SELECTED RESERVE OF THE READY RESERVE.—Section 12741 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(e) LIMITATION ON DETERMINATIONS OF UNSATISFACTORY SERVICE.—(1) The Secretary concerned may not make a determination that a person has not performed

satisfactory service for purposes of this section unless the person is the subject of credible adverse information.

''(2) For the purposes of this subsection, adverse information is any substantiated finding or conclusion from an officially documented investigation or inquiry. To be credible, the information must be resolved and supported by a preponderance of the evidence. To be adverse, the information must be derogatory, unfavorable, or of a nature that reflects clearly unacceptable conduct, integrity, or judgment on the part of the individual.''.

SEC. 505. RETIREMENT OF REGULAR NAVY WARRANT OFFICERS AND MARINE CORPS MARINE GUNNER WARRANT OFFICERS FOR YEARS OF SERVICE.

Section 1305(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (3), by striking ''33 years'' and inserting ''35 years''; and

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

''(4) In the case of a regular Navy warrant officer in the grade of chief warrant officer, W–4, or a Marine Corps Marine Gunner warrant officer in such grade, the officer shall be retired 60 days after the date on which the officer completes 32 years of total active service.''.

SEC. 506. AUTHORITY TO IMPROVE RETENTION FOR PERMANENT PROFESSORS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY WAR COLLEGE.

(a) APPOINTMENT OF PROFESSORS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY WAR COLLEGE.—Section 7153(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking ''branches and as professors'' and inserting ''branches, as professors''; and

(2) by inserting '', and professors of the United States Army War College'' before the period at the end.

(b) APPOINTMENTS, GRADES, AND LEAVES OF ABSENCE FOR PERMANENT PROFESSORS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY WAR COLLEGE.—Chapter 723 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

''§ 7219. Permanent Military Professors of the United States Army War College: appointments, grades, and leaves of absence

''(a) APPOINTMENTS.—The permanent military professors of the United States Army War College shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

''(b) GRADES AND PROMOTIONS.—A permanent military professor of the United States Army War College, who has served as such a professor for more than six

years, has the grade of colonel. However, a permanent military professor appointed from the Regular Army has the grade of colonel after the date when the officer completes six years of service as a professor, or after the date on which the officer would have been promoted had the officer been selected for promotion from among officers in the promotion zone, whichever is earlier. All other permanent military professors have the grade of lieutenant colonel.

''(c) LEAVES OF ABSENCE.—The Commandant of the United States Army War College may grant a leave of absence for the period of the suspension of the ordinary academic studies, without deduction of pay or allowances, to a military professor, associate professor, assistant professor, instructor, or other officer of the United States Army War College.''.

(c) RATES OF PAY FOR PERMANENT PROFESSORS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY WAR COLLEGE.—Section 203 of title 37, United States Code, is amended by inserting ''the United States Army War College,'' after ''the United States Military Academy,'' both places it appears.

(d) RETIREMENT OF PERMANENT PROFESSORS.—

(1) RETIREMENT OF PERMANENT PROFESSORS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY WAR COLLEGE.—Section 7320(b)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is

amended by inserting ''and the United States Army War College'' before the period at the end.

(2) MANDATORY RETIREMENT AGE FOR PERMANENT PROFESSORS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY WAR COLLEGE.—Section 1252 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(A) in the section heading, by inserting ''**and the United States Army War College**'' after ''**at academies**''; and

(B) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(4) An officer who is a permanent professor of the United States Army War College.''.

SEC. 507. CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION OF RELIEF OR EARLY DEPARTURE OF CERTAIN GENERAL AND FLAG OFFICERS.

Chapter 35 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

''§ 606. Notification of relief or early departure of certain general and flag officers

''(a) COVERED OFFICER DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'covered officer' means an officer serving in the grade of general, admiral, lieutenant general, or vice admiral in—

''(1) a position of importance and responsibility under section 601 of this title; or

''(2) any other position designated by the Secretary of Defense for purposes of this section.

''(b) NOTICE REQUIRED.—Not later than 5 days after the relief, removal, reassignment, resignation, retirement, request for retirement, or other separation from position of a covered officer before the expected completion of service in that position, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives written notice of such action.

''(c) EARLY DEPARTURE.—For purposes of this section, a covered officer shall be considered to separate from a position before the expected completion of service in that position if the officer departs before—

''(1) the date of a publicly announced or officially scheduled change of command, retirement, reassignment, or end date for a tour of duty;

''(2) the date on which a successor is scheduled to assume the position; or

''(3) if no such date has been established, 24 months after the officer assumed the position.

''(d) APPLICABILITY TO RESIGNATION OR RETIREMENT.—The notice requirement under subsection (b) ap-

plies regardless of whether the resignation, retirement, or request for retirement—

''(1) was initiated by the Department or by the officer;

''(2) occurred in lieu of relief, removal, or reassignment; or

''(3) occurred without a formal written direction to depart the position.

''(e) CONTENTS OF NOTICE.—A notice under subsection (b) shall include—

''(1) the name, grade, and position of the covered officer;

''(2) the effective date of the action;

''(3) the nature of the action, including whether the action was a relief, removal, reassignment, resignation, retirement, request for retirement, or other departure;

''(4) whether the action was initiated by the Department or by the officer;

''(5) a statement of the stated basis for the action; and

''(6) whether any investigation, command inquiry, Inspector General review, or other fact-finding has been initiated in connection with the action.

''(f) DETAILED REPORT.—Not later than 30 days after submitting a notice under subsection (b), the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the committees specified in subsection (b) a detailed report on the action, which may be submitted in whole or in part in classified form consistent with subsection (g), including—

''(1) a statement of the basis for the action signed by the Secretary of Defense, or by the Secretary of the military department concerned if designated by the Secretary of Defense;

''(2) any findings of investigation, command inquiry, Inspector General review, or other fact-finding completed as of the date of the report;

''(3) whether the covered officer was afforded an opportunity to provide a written statement for inclusion in the report, and any such statement if provided;

''(4) a certification by the Secretary of Defense whether the action was taken principally on the basis of misconduct, performance, loss of confidence, force management, reorganization, or other legitimate military or civilian leadership considerations, and not principally in retaliation for the good-faith provision, in the course of official duties, of military,

operational, intelligence, readiness, legal, or risk assessments to civilian or military superiors; and

''(5) whether the Joint Staff, the Secretary of the military department concerned, the Chief of Staff of the Army, the Chief of Naval Operations, the Commandant of the Marine Corps, the Chief of Staff of the Air Force, the Chief of Space Operations, the Chief of the National Guard Bureau, or the commander of the combatant command concerned recommended the action.

''(g) CLASSIFIED ANNEX.—If the Secretary of Defense determines that any information required under subsection (e) or (f) cannot be provided in unclassified form without harm to national security, the Secretary may submit such information in classified form, provided that—

''(1) the Secretary submits concurrently an unclassified notice or report containing the maximum amount of information that may be provided in unclassified form; and

''(2) the classified submission is provided as a classified annex to the notice or report otherwise required under this section.

''(h) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the constitutional authority of the President as Commander in Chief or the authority

of the Secretary of Defense to assign, reassign, or relieve officers. The exercise of such authority shall remain subject to the notification and reporting requirements of this section.''.

Subtitle B—Reserve Component Management

SEC. 511. CLARIFICATION ON COMPUTATION OF TOTAL YEARS OF SERVICE.

Section 14706 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(3)—

(A) by striking ''while in a program'' and inserting ''while participating in a service-approved program''; and

(B) by striking '', but only'' and all that follows through ''such a degree'';

(2) in subsection (b), by striking ''other than a student status'' and all that follows through the period at the end and inserting ''a capacity other than such officer's participation in the service-approved program of advanced education.''; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(d) SERVICE-APPROVED PROGRAM DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'service-approved program' means

a service-approved educational delay of active duty, active guard and reserve, or selected reserve service for a graduate of a pre-commissioning program, including a Senior Reserve Officer Training Corps program, in order attend an advanced education program to obtain a professional degree that would be required for appointment, designation, or assignment to a professional specialty in such military service.''.

SEC. 512. AUTHORIZED STRENGTHS FOR NAVY RESERVES AND MARINE CORPS RESERVES ON FULL-TIME RESERVE COMPONENT DUTY.

(a) NAVY RESERVE OFFICERS.—Section 12011(a)(2) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking the table and inserting the following:

''Total number of members of Navy Reserve serving on full-time reserve component duty:	Number of officers who may be serving in the grade of:		
	Lieutenant Command	Command	Captain
10,000	917	467	151
11,000	988	489	164
12,000	1,056	509	175
13,000	1,123	529	186
14,000	1,189	549	197
15,000	1,253	568	208
16,000	1,142	555	203
17,000	1,195	565	213
18,000	1,246	575	223
19,000	1,291	585	233
20,000	1,334	595	242
21,000	1,364	603	250
22,000	1,384	610	258
23,000	1,400	615	265
24,000	1,410	620	270''.

(b) NAVY RESERVE SENIOR ENLISTED MEMBERS.—Section 12012(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking those parts of the table pertaining to the Navy Reserve and inserting the following:

"Navy Reserve:		
10,000	355	160
11,000	381	173
12,000	404	187
13,000	427	202
14,000	444	216
15,000	458	231
16,000	447	221
17,000	459	234
18,000	471	247
19,000	483	260
20,000	495	273
21,000	507	286
22,000	519	299
23,000	531	312
24,000	540	325".

(c) MARINE CORPS RESERVE SENIOR ENLISTED MEMBERS.—Section 12012(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking those parts of the table pertaining to the Marine Corps Reserve and inserting the following:

"Marine Corps Reserve:		
1,100	68	18
1,200	75	20
1,300	81	21
1,400	87	23
1,500	93	24
1,600	99	26
1,700	106	28
1,800	112	29
1,900	118	31
2,000	124	33
2,100	130	34
2,200	137	36
2,300	143	37
2,400	149	39
2,500	155	41
2,600	161	42
2,700	168	44

2,800	174	46
2,900	180	47
3,000	186	49''.

SEC. 513. NATIONAL GUARD MILITARY TECHNICIAN (DUAL STATUS) CONVERSIONS AND PHASE-OUT.

(a) CONVERSION AUTHORITY.—Subject to subsection (c), the Secretary of Defense may convert a National Guard military technician (dual status) position filled by an individual employed under section 709 of title 32, United States Code, to either of the following:

(1) A position filled by an individual employed under section 3101 of title 5, United States Code, or sections 1601, 1762, and 10508 of title 10, United States Code.

(2) A position filled by an individual who is performing Active Guard and Reserve duty under section 328 of title 32, United States Code, unless prohibited by section 101(d)(6)(B)(iv) of title 10, United States Code.

(b) TRANSFER AUTHORITY.—In addition to the conversion authority under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense may, with agreement by the applicable State Governor, for the purpose of reducing the number of National Guard military technician (dual status) positions, provide a State with funding for a non-Federal position for an individual employed in such position. Any such funding shall be provided through a cooperative agreement entered

into with the State Governor under section 6305 of title 31, United States Code.

(c) CONSENT OF EMPLOYEE TO CONVERSION OR TRANSFER.—The Secretary of Defense may not convert a position under subsection (a) or transfer a position under subsection (b) that is not vacant without the written consent of the individual filling the position being converted or transferred.

(d) RE-EMPLOYMENT.—An individual filling a military technician (dual status) position that is converted to Active Guard and Reserve duty under subsection (a)(2), waives any re-employment entitlement under section 4314 of title 38, United States Code, to another National Guard military technician (dual status) position but may assert re-employment rights to a civilian position employed under section 3101 of title 5, United States Code, or sections 1601, 1762, and 10508 of title 10, United States Code if a similar position is reasonably available.

(e) ADJUSTMENT TO END STRENGTH REQUIREMENTS.—(1) Whenever a military technician (dual status) position is converted under the authority in subsection (a)(2), the applicable statutory annual end strength limitation for Active Guard and Reserve personnel within the Army and Air National Guards of the United States in

accordance with section 115 of title 10, United States Code, shall be increased accordingly.

(2) Whenever a military technician (dual status) position converted under subsection (a)(2), the applicable statutory annual minimum end strength required for National Guard military technician (dual status) within the Army and Air National Guard of the United States in accordance with section 115 of title 10, United States Code, shall be decreased accordingly.

(f) NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU PERSONNEL.—Section 10508(b)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting ''sections 1601 and 1762 of title 10,'' before ''or section 328 of title 32''.

(g) MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR DUTIES.—Section 328(b) of title 32, United States Code, is amended by inserting ''maintaining and repairing supplies issued to the National Guard or the Armed Forces,'' before ''and training the reserve components''.

(h) HIRING FREEZE.—Beginning on October 1, 2028, no individual may be newly hired or employed, or rehired or reemployed, as a National Guard military technician (dual status) under section 709 of title 32, United States Code.

(i) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—Section 709 of title 32, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following subsection:

''(k) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), this section shall cease to be in effect as of October 1, 2038.

''(2) The Secretary of Defense may, with agreement by the applicable State governor, authorize the continued employment of military technicians (dual status) to the extent necessary to ensure adequate State disaster response capabilities within such States.

''(3) The termination of authority under this subsection shall not affect the employment, rights, and benefits of individual employees who, as of such date, are within three years of earning an unreduced Federal civilian annuity.''.

(j) MILITARY TECHNICIAN (DUAL STATUS) END STRENGTHS.—(1) Section 115(d) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''each reserve component of the Army and Air Force'' and inserting ''the Army Reserve and the Air Force Reserve''.

(2) The amendment made by subparagraph (A) shall take effect on October 1, 2038.

(k) DEFINITION OF MILITARY TECHNICIAN (DUAL STATUS).—Section 10216(a)(1)(A) of title 10, United

States Code, is amended by striking ''or section 709(b) of title 32'' before the semicolon.

(l) PROHIBITION ON USE OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FUNDING FOR NATIONAL GUARD MILITARY TECHNICIAN (DUAL STATUS) COMPENSATION.—Subject to the provisions of section 709(k) of title 32, United States Code, funds appropriated for the Department of Defense may not be used for compensation of any individual employed as a National Guard military technician (dual status) after October 1, 2048.

(m) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''military technician (dual status)'' has the meaning given such term in section 709(a) of title 32, United States Code.

(2) The term ''State'' includes the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands.

SEC. 514. STUDY AND ANALYSIS FOR ENHANCED MARITIME SURGE MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, AND PRODUCTION CAPACITY.

(a) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of the Navy shall conduct a feasibility study and business case analysis to evaluate the requirements necessary to expand and optimize existing Navy Reserve maintenance programs, including the Navy Reserve Engineering Duty Officer (NR

EDO) Program 29 and the SurgeMain program, to provide enhanced maritime surge maintenance, repair, and production capacity.

(b) REPORT.—The Secretary of the Navy shall submit a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives of the results of the feasibility study and business case analysis required by subsection (a) not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, which addresses the following elements:

(1) An assessment of the expansion and optimization of existing Navy Reserve maintenance capabilities, including the Navy Reserve Engineering Duty Officer Program 29 and the SurgeMain construct, and the associated end-strength requirements for supporting both public and private shipyards without degrading current fleet readiness support.

(2) An evaluation of the integration of advanced industrial skillsets into existing Reserve ratings and designators.

(3) An analysis of the utilization of existing funding mechanisms, including established Navy Reserve training authorities.

(4) An evaluation of public-private vocational and technical training partnerships to support work-

force development and reduce the need for the Navy to independently develop new training pipelines.

(5) An assessment of a legal and operational framework to allow Navy Reserve personnel to support production and maintenance backlogs at private shipyards holding Department of Defense contracts, including an assessment of labor relations, collective bargaining considerations, potential impacts on civilian overtime, recruitment, and retention, and requirements to ensure Reserve personnel supplement rather than displace skilled private-sector workers.

(6) Identification of statutory, regulatory, funding, manpower, and other barriers associated with implementation and recommendations for necessary legislative or policy relief.

(c) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ''SurgeMain program'' means the Navy Reserve Surge Maintenance program.

Subtitle C—General Service Authorities and Military Records

SEC. 521. REMOTE PERSONNEL PROCESSING IN THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS.

(a) REQUIREMENT FOR REMOTE PERSONNEL PROCESSING.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Each Secretary of a military department shall implement capabilities to enable the remote in-processing and out-processing of covered personnel.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The capabilities required under paragraph (1) shall, at a minimum—

(A) permit covered personnel to complete in-processing and out-processing requirements remotely, including through the use of electronic forms and digital signatures;

(B) reduce the number of hours required for in-processing and out-processing associated with a permanent change of station, separation, or retirement; and

(C) provide covered personnel and commanders with timely electronic access to records related to such processing.

(b) BRIEFINGS.—Not later than September 30, 2027, and annually thereafter through September 30, 2030, each Secretary of a military department shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on the implementation of subsection (a), including—

(1) a description of capabilities implemented;

(2) metrics on time required for in-processing and out-processing before and after implementation;

(3) any challenges or limitations in execution; and

(4) plans, if any, to expand or improve such capabilities.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

(1) COVERED PERSONNEL.—The term ''covered personnel'' includes members of the Armed Forces and civilian employees of the military department.

(2) IN-PROCESSING.—The term ''in-processing'' means the administrative activities that covered personnel undertake pursuant to a permanent change of station.

(3) OUT-PROCESSING.—The term ''out-processing'' means the administrative activities that covered personnel undertake pursuant to a permanent change of station, separation from the Armed Forces, or end of employment with the military department.

SEC. 522. REPEAL OF SUNSET OF AUTHORITY RELATING TO NON-MEDICAL COUNSELING SERVICES FOR MILITARY FAMILIES.

Section 1781(d) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking paragraph (4); and

(2) by redesignating paragraph (5) as paragraph (4).

SEC. 523. GUIDANCE ON PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.

(a) GUIDANCE REQUIRED.—Not later than March 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall issue or update guidance regarding the public release of personally identifiable information of members of the Armed Forces in administrative announcements made through official public affairs channels, including announcements related to command selections, promotion selections, and board results.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The guidance required under subsection (a) shall—

(1) establish appropriate safeguards to mitigate security and counterintelligence risks associated with the public disclosure of personally identifiable information;

(2) account for the unique risks to members assigned to sensitive, specialized, or high-risk units, including members of special operations forces;

(3) provide standards, as appropriate, for the review and approval of information prior to public release; and

(4) ensure consistency in the application of such safeguards across the military departments.

(c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authority of the Secretary of Defense or the Secretaries of the military departments to determine what information may be publicly released in accordance with applicable law and policy.

SEC. 524. PROHIBITION ON REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO A SERVICE REVIEW AGENCY.

(a) PERSONNEL LIMITATION.—Section 1559 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking ''December 31, 2025'' and inserting ''December 31, 2031'';

(2) by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

''(b) BASELINE NUMBER.—The baseline number for a service review agency under this section is the number of military and civilian personnel assigned to that agency as of January 1, 2026.''; and

(3) in subsection (c)(2), by inserting ''and the Secretary of the Navy Council of Review Boards (formerly known as the Navy Council of Personnel Boards)'' after ''Board of Correction for Naval Records''.

SEC. 525. REAUTHORIZATION OF TEMPORARY AUTHORITY TO DEVELOP AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL RECRUITMENT INCENTIVES.

Section 522(h) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law 114–92; 10 U.S.C. 503 note) is amended by striking ''December 31, 2025'' and inserting ''December 31, 2028''.

SEC. 526. RELIEF FOR FORMER SERVICE MEMBERS REQUESTING REVIEW OF DISCHARGE OR DISMISSAL ON THE BASIS OF POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER OR TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY RELATED TO COMBAT OR MILITARY SEXUAL TRAUMA.

Section 1552(h) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

''(3) As a result of its review under paragraph (2), a board established under subsection (a)(1) may—

''(A) grant a claimant's request to upgrade the characterization of a discharge or dismissal;

''(B) grant a claimant's request to correct the following for a discharge or dismissal: the narrative reason for separation, the separation code, and the re-enlistment code; and

''(C) deny any part of the claimant's application for relief after liberal consideration of the evidence of record.

''(4) If a claimant described in paragraph (1) requests retirement or separation for physical disability as defined by chapter 61 of this title, the board established under subsection (a)(1) shall review such request under the evidentiary standards established by the Department of Defense for current service members in the Disability Evaluation System. If the claimant submits multiple bases or requests for relief, the board shall review any eligible requests for relief that do not involve retirement or separation for physical disability as defined by chapter 61 this title, under the liberal consideration standard established in paragraph (2).''.

SEC. 527. MODIFICATION OF WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTIONS.

Section 1034 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)(2)(A), by adding at the end the following new clauses:

''(vi) The conducting of, or a threat to order, a retaliatory security clearance review.

''(vii) The conducting of, or a threat to order, a retaliatory psychiatric examination, mental health

evaluation, psychological assessment, or other medical testing or examination.'';

(2) by redesignating subsection (j) as subsection (k); and

(3) by inserting after subsection (i) the following new subsection:

''(j) INAPPLICABILITY OF NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS.—No nondisclosure policy, form, or agreement shall be construed as limiting or otherwise affecting the rights and protections provided under this section.''.

SEC. 528. AUTHORITY FOR COLLECTION OF PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION REGARDING PROSPECTIVE RECRUITS.

(a) COLLECTION OF PROSPECTIVE RECRUIT INFORMATION; DIGITAL COLLECTION.—The Secretary concerned may collect Prospective Recruit Information with respect to prospective recruits for the Armed Forces who are at least 17 years of age for the purpose of enhancing marketing, advertising, and outreach to possible prospective recruits for recruitment for service in the Armed Forces. In the case of any such prospective recruit, such information may only be collected—

(1) with the express consent of the prospective recruit; or

(2) in the case of a prospective recruit who is 17 years of age, with parental consent.

(b) RESPONSIBLE PERSON.—The process for obtaining consent under subsection (a) shall be carried out so that—

(1) the person whose consent is requested is provided information before such consent is obtained that outlines the purpose of the collection, the authority for the collection, routine uses to be made of the collection and the effects on the individual, if any, of not providing all or any part of the requested information, consistent with section 552a of title 5, United States Code; and

(2) the person has the opportunity to establish consent preferences.

(c) CONSENT.—Consent may be granted, and Prospective Recruit Information may be collected, under subsection (a) through a military recruiting digital website or platform. The collection of Prospective Recruit Information may be accomplished by the use of cookies or similar technology.

(d) PROSPECTIVE RECRUIT INFORMATION.—

(1) MAINTENANCE OF INFORMATION.—Prospective Recruit Information pertaining to any person may not be maintained for more than 3 years after

the date the information pertaining to such person is first collected under this section.

(2) PRIVACY.—The maintenance of information collected under this subsection is subject to subchapter II of chapter 35 of title 44 and section 552a of title 5.

(e) PROSPECTIVE RECRUIT INFORMATION DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''Prospective Recruit Information'' means, with respect to a prospective recruit for the Armed Forces, the following:

(1) Name, mailing address, physical address, email address, mobile/cell phone number, and home phone number (if any).

(2) Age, sex, household composition, education level, birth date, marital status, and military/veteran status.

(3) Information about browser types, connected devices, cookie data, and usage metadata.

(4) Unique identifiers such as IP addresses and social media handles.

(5) Fitness activity data.

(6) Such other data elements as determined necessary for effective recruiting, as provided in regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense and

maintained in accordance with the applicable system of records notice of the department concerned.

(f) SUNSET.—The authority established under subsection (a) shall terminate on December 31, 2031.

SEC. 529. MODIFICATION OF SERVICE OBLIGATIONS FOR CADETS OBTAINING EMPLOYMENT AS PROFESSIONAL ATHLETES.

(a) AUTHORITY.—

(1) UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY.—Section 7448 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(A) in subsection (a), by amending paragraph (5) to read as follows:

''(5)(A) That the cadet may not obtain employment as a professional athlete under this paragraph until 2 years after graduating from the Academy, except as otherwise authorized by the Secretary under subparagraph (B).

''(B) The Secretary may authorize not more than 10 cadets during any academic year to obtain employment as a professional athlete before completing the active-duty service obligation otherwise required under this subsection.

''(C) The Secretary may waive the numerical limitation under subparagraph (B) and authorize

participation for more than 10 graduates in a fiscal year if the Secretary determines that—

"(i) such a waiver is in the national interest; and

"(ii) participation by additional graduates will provide significant recruiting, retention, public affairs, or strategic benefit to the Armed Forces.

"(D) A cadet authorized under subparagraph (B) shall—

"(i) accept an appointment as a commissioned officer in an appropriate reserve component, as determined by the Secretary;

"(ii) serve in the Selected Reserve in an appropriate status, grade, and assignment, as determined by the Secretary; and

"(iii) participate in recruiting, retention, public affairs or other activities that strategically benefit the armed forces, as determined by the Secretary.

"(E) The Secretary shall prescribe the period of obligated service required under this paragraph, except that such obligated service shall be served in the Selected Reserve for a period of not more than 10 years.

''(F) Upon completion of employment as a professional athlete, or upon termination of authorization under this paragraph, the Secretary may require the officer to serve on active duty for such period as the Secretary determines appropriate, except that the combined period of service required under subparagraph (E) and this subparagraph may not exceed 10 years.

''(G) If an officer authorized under this paragraph is unable or unwilling to satisfy the service obligations required under this paragraph, and is determined by the Secretary concerned to be ineligible for further military service, the Secretary may require the officer to reimburse the United States for all or a portion of the cost of the education provided by the Academy, under such terms and conditions as the Secretary may prescribe.'';

(B) in subsection (b)—

(i) in paragraph (1), by striking ''Subject to paragraph (4), the Secretary'' and inserting ''The Secretary''; and

(ii) by striking paragraph (4); and

(C) in subsection (c)—

(i) by striking paragraph (2); and

(ii) by redesignating paragraphs (3) and (4) as paragraphs (2) and (3), respectively.

(2) UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY.—Section 8459 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(A) in subsection (a), by amending paragraph (5) to read as follows:

''(5)(A) That the midshipman may not obtain employment as a professional athlete under this paragraph until 2 years after graduating from the Academy, except as otherwise authorized by the Secretary under subparagraph (B).

''(B) The Secretary may authorize not more than 10 midshipmen during any academic year to obtain employment as a professional athlete before completing the active-duty service obligation otherwise required under this subsection.

''(C) The Secretary may waive the numerical limitation under subparagraph (B) and authorize participation for more than 10 graduates in a fiscal year if the Secretary determines that—

''(i) such a waiver is in the national interest; and

''(ii) participation by additional graduates will provide significant recruiting, retention,

public affairs, or strategic benefit to the Armed Forces.

''(D) A midshipman authorized under subparagraph (B) shall—

''(i) accept an appointment as a commissioned officer in an appropriate reserve component, as determined by the Secretary;

''(ii) serve in the Selected Reserve in an appropriate status, grade, and assignment, as determined by the Secretary; and

''(iii) participate in recruiting, retention, public affairs or other activities that strategically benefit the armed forces, as determined by the Secretary.

''(E) The Secretary shall prescribe the period of obligated service required under this paragraph, except that such obligated service shall be served in the Selected Reserve for a period of not more than 10 years.

''(F) Upon completion of employment as a professional athlete, or upon termination of authorization under this paragraph, the Secretary may require the officer to serve on active duty for such period as the Secretary determines appropriate, except that the combined period of service required under

subparagraph (E) and this subparagraph may not exceed 10 years.

''(G) If an officer authorized under this paragraph is unable or unwilling to satisfy the service obligations required under this paragraph, and is determined by the Secretary concerned to be ineligible for further military service, the Secretary may require the officer to reimburse the United States for all or a portion of the cost of the education provided by the Academy, under such terms and conditions as the Secretary may prescribe.'';

(B) in subsection (b)—

(i) in paragraph (1), by striking ''Subject to paragraph (4), the Secretary'' and inserting ''The Secretary''; and

(ii) by striking paragraph (4); and

(C) in subsection (c)—

(i) by striking paragraph (2); and

(ii) by redesignating paragraphs (3) and (4) as paragraphs (2) and (3), respectively.

(3) UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY.—Section 9448 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(A) in subsection (a), by amending paragraph (5) to read as follows:

''(5)(A) That the cadet may not obtain employment as a professional athlete under this paragraph until 2 years after graduating from the Academy, except as otherwise authorized by the Secretary under subparagraph (B).

''(B) The Secretary may authorize not more than 10 cadets during any academic year to obtain employment as a professional athlete before completing the active-duty service obligation otherwise required under this subsection.

''(C) The Secretary may waive the numerical limitation under subparagraph (B) and authorize participation for more than 10 graduates in a fiscal year if the Secretary determines that—

''(i) such a waiver is in the national interest; and

''(ii) participation by additional graduates will provide significant recruiting, retention, public affairs, or strategic benefit to the Armed Forces.

''(D) A cadet authorized under subparagraph (B) shall—

''(i) accept an appointment as a commissioned officer in an appropriate reserve component, as determined by the Secretary;

''(ii) serve in the Selected Reserve in an appropriate status, grade, and assignment, as determined by the Secretary; and

''(iii) participate in recruiting, retention, public affairs or other activities that strategically benefit the armed forces, as determined by the Secretary.

''(E) The Secretary shall prescribe the period of obligated service required under this paragraph, except that such obligated service shall be served in the Selected Reserve for a period of not more than 10 years.

''(F) Upon completion of employment as a professional athlete, or upon termination of authorization under this paragraph, the Secretary may require the officer to serve on active duty for such period as the Secretary determines appropriate, except that the combined period of service required under subparagraph (E) and this subparagraph may not exceed 10 years.

''(G) If an officer authorized under this paragraph is unable or unwilling to satisfy the service

obligations required under this paragraph, and is determined by the Secretary concerned to be ineligible for further military service, the Secretary may require the officer to reimburse the United States for all or a portion of the cost of the education provided by the Academy, under such terms and conditions as the Secretary may prescribe.'';

(B) in subsection (b)—

(i) in paragraph (1), by striking ''Subject to paragraph (4), the Secretary'' and inserting ''The Secretary''; and

(ii) by striking paragraph (4); and

(C) in subsection (c)—

(i) by striking paragraph (2); and

(ii) by redesignating paragraphs (3) and (4) as paragraphs (2) and (3), respectively.

(b) REGULATIONS.—Each Secretary concerned shall prescribe regulations to carry out this section and the amendments made by this section, including eligibility criteria, performance standards, and procedures for monitoring compliance.

SEC. 529A. REQUIREMENT OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITY, RACIAL NEUTRALITY, AND EXCLUSIVE USE OF MERIT IN MILITARY PERSONNEL ACTIONS.

(a) MERIT REQUIREMENT.—Any Department of Defense military personnel action related to promotions, nominative assignments, command selection, and military and civil schooling selection shall be based exclusively on individual merit, fitness, capability, and performance.

(b) CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN ATTRIBUTES PROHIBITED.—Consideration of an individual's sex, race, ethnicity, or national origin in any military personnel action described in subsection (a) is prohibited throughout the Department of Defense.

(c) LIMITED EXCEPTION FOR TASKING OF SPECIFIC MISSIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—This section shall not be construed to prohibit tasking for specific, unconventional missions in foreign countries, where the anticipated ground operating environment of indigenous populations may justify consideration of race, ethnicity, or national origin when tasking for the mission to optimize mission success.

(2) COMBATANT COMMANDER APPROVAL REQUIRED.—Any tasking pursuant to the exception described in paragraph (1) shall require the approval of the combatant commander concerned.

(3) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 60 days after a tasking pursuant to the exception described in paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense shall report the tasking to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives. The report shall describe—

(A) the mission, including location and duration;

(B) the staffing of the mission;

(C) the demographic factors warranting the tasking;

(D) the number of personnel involved, including their rank, position, and race, ethnicity, and national origin; and

(E) the rationale for the tasking.

SEC. 529B. PROHIBITION ON PARTICIPATION OF MALES IN ATHLETIC PROGRAMS OR ACTIVITIES, AND MALES ENTERING PRIVACY SPACES, AT THE MILITARY SERVICE ACADEMIES THAT ARE DESIGNATED FOR WOMEN OR GIRLS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—

(1) PROHIBITION ON PARTICIPATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that the United States Military Academy, the United States Naval Academy, the United States Air Force Academy,

and all primary and secondary schools under the control of the Department of Defense, including the Department of Defense Education Activity Schools, do not permit a person enrolled at such an Academy or school whose sex is male to participate in an athletic program or activity that is designated for women or girls.

(2) PRIVACY IN WOMEN'S SPACES.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that the United States Military Academy, the United States Naval Academy, the United States Air Force Academy, and all primary and secondary schools under the control of the Department of Defense, including the Department of Defense Education Activity Schools—

(A) designate each multi-occupancy restroom or changing room in a facility under its control for the exclusive use of males or females and take reasonable steps to prevent individuals from using a restroom or changing room designated for the opposite sex;

(B) if only one restroom or changing room exists in a facility under its control, clearly designate that restroom or changing room for the

sole use by the sex of the team or group using the facility at the time; and

(C) provide students the option to be housed in permanent sleeping quarters only with persons of the same sex at any student housing facilities under its control or during any academy or school-sponsored trips.

(b) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—

(1) PARTICIPATION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the United States Military Academy, the United States Naval Academy, the United States Air Force Academy, and all primary and secondary schools under the control of the Department of Defense, including the Department of Defense Education Activity Schools, from permitting males to train or practice with an athletic program or activity that is designated for women or girls so long as no female is deprived of a roster spot on a team or sport, opportunity to participate in a practice or competition, scholarship, admission to an educational institution, or any other benefit that accompanies participating in the athletic program or activity.

(2) RESTROOMS AND CHANGING ROOMS.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit

the United States Military Academy, the United States Naval Academy, the United States Air Force Academy, and all primary and secondary schools under the control of the Department of Defense, including the Department of Defense Education Activity Schools, from—

(A) establishing single-occupancy restrooms, changing rooms, or permanent sleeping quarters;

(B) allowing individuals to enter a restroom or changing room designated for the opposite sex—

(i) to perform custodial services or maintenance;

(ii) to render medical assistance;

(iii) to provide childcare, disability support, or age-appropriate parental assistance in Department of Defense Education Activity School environments;

(iv) to provide services or render aid during a natural disaster, a declared emergency, or when necessary to prevent a serious threat to good order or safety; or

(v) to provide coaching or athletic training during athletic events by coaching

staff in changing rooms, provided that the individual ensures that no person of the opposite sex is in a state of undress prior to entering the room; or

(C) utilizing temporary co-ed sleeping arrangements necessary for training exercises, deployments, or other operational environments.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

(1) the term ''athletic programs and activities'' includes all programs or activities that are provided conditional upon participation with any athletic team;

(2) the term ''changing room'' means a locker room, shower room, or other area designated for individuals to change clothing;

(3) the term ''female'' means an individual who naturally has, had, will have, or would have, but for a congenital anomaly or intentional or unintentional disruption, the reproductive system that at some point produces, transports, and utilizes eggs for fertilization;

(4) the term ''male'' means an individual who naturally has, had, will have, or would have, but for a congenital anomaly or intentional or unintentional disruption, the reproductive system that at some

point produces, transports, and utilizes sperm for fertilization;

(5) the term ''restroom'' means a room that includes one or more toilets or urinals;

(6) the term ''sex'' means an individual's biological sex, either male or female; and

(7) the term ''sleeping quarters'' means a room with a bed in which more than one individual is housed overnight.

SEC. 529C. MODIFICATION OF PROVISIONS RELATED TO DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION.

(a) DIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS FOR SELECTION BOARDS.—Title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in section 573(b), by striking the last sentence;

(2) in section 612(a)(1), by striking the last sentence; and

(3) in section 14102(b), by striking the last sentence.

(b) PRONOUN POLICY REPEAL.—Section 986 of title 10, United States Code, is repealed.

(c) HUMAN RELATIONS TRAINING.—Section 2001(a)(1)(B) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''include'' and all that follows through the pe-

riod at the end and inserting ''include honor, excellence, courage, and commitment.''.

SEC. 529D. SEX-NEUTRAL OCCUPATIONAL PERFORMANCE STANDARDS.

Section 543 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1994 (Public Law 103–160; 10 U.S.C. 113 note) is amended—

(1) in the section heading, by striking ''**GENDER-NEUTRAL**'' and inserting ''**SEX-NEUTRAL**'';

(2) in subsection (a)—

(A) in the subsection heading, by striking ''GENDER NEUTRALITY'' and inserting ''SEX NEUTRALITY'';

(B) by striking ''that is open to both male and female members of the Armed Forces'' and inserting ''in the Armed Forces'';

(C) in paragraph (1), by striking ''on the basis of gender'' and inserting ''on the basis of sex'';

(D) by redesignating paragraphs (2) and (3) as paragraphs (3) and (4), respectively;

(E) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following new paragraph:

''(2) shall ensure that any member of the Armed Forces who meets the occupational standards

for such occupational career field shall be eligible for qualification, assignment, and continuance in that occupational career field without differential standards or evaluation on the basis of sex;'';

(F) in paragraph (3), as redesignated by subparagraph (D), by striking ''gender quota'' and inserting ''sex quota''; and

(G) in paragraph (4), as so redesignated, by inserting ''men or'' before ''women'';

(3) in subsection (b)—

(A) in the subsection heading, by striking ''PHYSICAL'' and inserting ''OCCUPATIONAL''; and

(B) in paragraph (1)—

(i) by striking ''physical requirements for'' and inserting ''requirements for technical, tactical, cognitive, and physical abilities, including'';

(ii) by striking ''strength and endurance'' and inserting ''strength, endurance,'';

(iii) by striking ''physical requirements as'' and inserting ''requirements as'';

(iv) by striking ''gender-neutral occupational standard'' and inserting ''sex-neutral occupational standard'';

(v) by striking ''(in the case of a career designator that is open to both male and female members of the Armed Forces)''; and

(vi) by striking ''gender-neutral basis'' and inserting ''sex-neutral basis'';

(4) in subsection (c), by striking ''gender-neutral occupational standard'' and inserting ''sex-neutral occupational standard'';

(5) by redesignating subsection (d) as subsection (e);

(6) by inserting after subsection (c) the following new subsection:

''(d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the Secretary from revising occupational performance standards, where such standards are based on validated operational requirements and applied on a sex-neutral basis.''; and

(7) in subsection (e)(1), as redesignated by paragraph (4)—

(A) in the paragraph heading, by striking ''GENDER-NEUTRAL'' and inserting ''SEX-NEUTRAL''; and

(B) by striking ''gender-neutral occupational standard'' and inserting ''sex-neutral occupational standard''.

Subtitle D—Military Justice and Other Legal Matters

SEC. 531. WRONGFUL BROADCAST OR DISTRIBUTION OF INTIMATE VISUAL IMAGES.

(a) ANALYSIS REGARDING POTENTIAL REMOVAL OF MILITARY MISSION OR ENVIRONMENT AS REQUIRED ELEMENT OF OFFENSE.—The Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Joint Service Committee on Military Justice, shall analyze the feasibility and advisability of amending section 917a(a) of title 10, United States Code, (article 117a(a) of the Uniform Code of Military Justice) to remove paragraph (4) (relating to requiring as an element of the offense, ''conduct [that has] a reasonably direct and palpable connection to a military mission or military environment'').

(b) REPORT.—Not later than December 31, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report detailing the results of the analysis

conducted under subsection (a) and any associated recommendations.

SEC. 532. EXPANSION OF VICTIM ACCESS TO COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES.

Section 806b of title 10, United States Code (article 6b of the Uniform Code of Military Justice), is amended—

(1) in subsection (e)(3), by striking subparagraph (C); and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(g) REVIEW BY THE COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES.—(1) The Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces may review all decisions or dispositions taken by a Court of Criminal Appeals pursuant to a petition filed by the victim of an offense under this chapter under subsection (e) and on good cause shown.

''(2) The Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces shall take action only with respect to matters of law.

''(3) The victim of an offense under this chapter may petition the Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces for review pursuant to paragraph (1) not later than 21 days after the earlier of—

''(A) the date on which the victim is notified of the decision or disposition of the Court of Criminal

Appeals on a petition pursuant to subsection (e); and

''(B) the date on which a copy of the decision or disposition of the Court of Criminal Appeals, after being served on counsel for the victim (if the victim has counsel), is deposited into the United States mails for delivery by first-class certified mail to the victim at an address provided by the victim or at the latest address listed for the victim in the record of any proceedings held pursuant to section 830(a) or 832 of this title (article 30(a) or 32) or during trial.

''(4) Review of any decision or disposition of the Court of Criminal Appeals on a petition for writ of mandamus described in this subsection shall have priority in the Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, as determined under the rules of the Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces.''.

SEC. 533. TECHNICAL AMENDMENT TO COMPLETION OF APPELLATE REVIEW UNDER ARTICLE 57 OF THE UNIFORM CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE.

Section 857(c) of title 10, United States Code (article 57(c) of the Uniform Code of Military Justice), is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraph (2) as paragraph (3);

(2) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking ''Appeals and—'' and all that follows through the period at the end and inserting ''Appeals and the review and time requirements described in paragraph (2) are satisfied.''; and

(3) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following new paragraph (2):

''(2) REVIEW AND TIME REQUIREMENTS.—The review and time requirements referred to in paragraph (1)(B) are satisfied if any of the following applies:

''(A) The time for the accused to file a petition for review by the Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces has expired and the accused has not filed a petition for such review in a timely manner and the case is not otherwise under review by that Court.

''(B) The petition for review is withdrawn by the accused.

''(C) The petition for review having been filed—

''(i) either—

''(I) the petition is denied or otherwise rejected by the Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces; or

''(II) the review requested by the petition is completed in accordance with the judgment of the Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces; and

''(ii) with respect to subsequent review by the Supreme Court—

''(I) a petition for a writ of certiorari as provided in section 1259 of title 28 is not filed within the time limits prescribed by the Supreme Court;

''(II) such a petition is rejected by the Supreme Court;

''(III) such a petition is withdrawn by the petitioner; or

''(IV) review is otherwise completed in accordance with the judgment of the Supreme Court.''.

SEC. 534. REVIEW OF COURTS-MARTIAL RECORDS.

(a) REVIEW WHEN DIRECT APPEAL IS WAIVED, WITHDRAWN, OR NOT FILED.—Section 865(d) of title 10,

United States Code (article 65(d) of the Uniform Code of Military Justice), is amended—

(1) by striking paragraph (2);

(2) by redesignating paragraph (3) as paragraph (2); and

(3) in paragraph (2), as so redesignated—

(A) in subparagraph (A)(ii), by striking ''subparagraph (A), (B), or (C)'' and inserting ''subparagraph (A) or (B)''; and

(B) in subparagraph (B), by striking ''conclusions'' and all that follows through the period at the end and inserting ''a conclusion on each of the following matters:

''(i) Whether the court had jurisdiction over the accused and the offense.

''(ii) Whether the charge and specification stated an offense.

''(iii) Whether the sentence was within the limits prescribed as a matter of law.''.

(b) TECHNICAL CORRECTION.—Section 869(c)(2) of title 10, United States Code (article 69(c)(2) of the Uniform Code of Military Justice), is amended by striking ''section 865(b) of this title (article 65(b))'' and inserting ''section 865(d) of this title (article 65(d))''.

SEC. 535. AUTHORITY OF SPECIAL TRIAL COUNSEL TO ENTER INTO PRETRIAL AGREEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN OFFENSES OCCURRING BEFORE EFFECTIVE DATE OF MILITARY JUSTICE REFORMS.

Section 824a(c) of title 10, United States Code (article 24a(c) of the Uniform Code of Military Justice), is amended—

(1) in paragraph (3)—

(A) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking ''paragraph (5)'' and inserting ''paragraphs (4) and (6)''; and

(B) in subparagraph (C), by inserting ''or pretrial agreement'' after ''plea agreement'';

(2) by redesignating paragraphs (4) and (5) as paragraphs (5) and (6), respectively; and

(3) by inserting after paragraph (3) the following new paragraph:

''(4) PRETRIAL AGREEMENTS.—If a special trial counsel exercises authority pursuant to subsection (d) over an offense committed before January 1, 2019, the special trial counsel may enter into a pretrial agreement with the accused in accordance with regulations prescribed by the President. Upon acceptance of such an agreement by the military judge of a general or special court-martial, the

agreement shall bind the parties and the convening authority.''.

SEC. 536. CLARIFICATION OF COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS REVIEW OF SENTENCING.

Section 866(e)(1) of title 10, United States Code (article 66(e)(1) of the Uniform Code of Military Justice), is amended—

(1) by amending subparagraph (B) to read as follows:

''(B) whether the portion of the sentence extending to confinement is inappropriately severe, except that in the case of an offense for which the President has established a sentencing parameter for such portion pursuant to section 539E(e) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (10 U.S.C. 856 note), the Court may not consider such portion inappropriately severe if such portion is at or below the upper range of such sentencing parameter;''; and

(2) in subparagraph (C), by striking ''the sentence'' and inserting ''the portion of the sentence extending to confinement''.

SEC. 537. UPDATING SUBPOENA AUTHORITY FOR MILITARY INVESTIGATIONS.

(a) PRE-REFERRAL SUBPOENAS FOR ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS.—Section 830a(a)(1)(B) of title 10, United States Code (article 30a(a)(1)(B) of the Uniform Code of Military Justice), is amended by striking ''warrants or orders'' and inserting ''warrants, orders, or subpoenas''.

(b) AUTHORITY TO ISSUE INVESTIGATIVE SUBPOENAS RELATED TO WIRE AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS.—Section 846(d)(3) of title 10, United States Code (article 46(d)(3) of the Uniform Code of Military Justice), is amended—

(1) in the paragraph heading, by striking ''WARRANT OR ORDER'' and inserting ''WARRANT, ORDER, OR SUBPOENA'';

(2) by striking ''may issue warrants or court orders'' and inserting ''may issue warrants, court orders, or investigative subpoenas''; and

(3) by striking ''as such warrants and orders'' and inserting ''as such warrants, orders, or subpoenas''.

SEC. 538. EXTENSION OF SPECIAL VICTIMS' COUNSEL SERVICES TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS.

(a) AMENDMENTS.—Section 1044e of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in the section heading, by inserting ''**domestic violence and**'' before ''**sex-related offenses**'';

(2) by inserting ''domestic violence or'' before ''sex-related offense'' each place it appears;

(3) in subsection (b)(3), by striking ''domestic abuse advocate'' and inserting ''domestic abuse victim advocate'';

(4) in subsection (f)(1), by inserting ''domestic abuse victim advocate,'' after ''healthcare provider,''; and

(5) in subsection (h)—

(A) in the subsection heading, by inserting ''DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR'' before ''SEX-RELATED OFFENSE''; and

(B) in paragraph (1), by striking ''or 930 of this title (article 120, 120b, 120c,'' and inserting ''928b, or 930 of this title (article 120, 120b, 120c, 128b,''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by subsection (a) shall take effect two years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(c) BRIEFING.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Serv-

ices of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the implementation of policies and procedures to carry out the changes required pursuant to subsection (a).

SEC. 539. TREATMENT OF HAZING UNDER UNIFORM CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE.

(a) ANALYSIS REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Joint Service Committee on Military Justice, shall analyze the feasibility and advisability of, and develop recommendations with respect to, modifying chapter 47 of title 10, United States Code (the Uniform Code of Military Justice) to provide for one or more of the following changes:

(A) To establish hazing as a sentence modifier for offenses where hazing was present.

(B) To establish hazing as a lesser included offense under section 893 of title 10, United States Code (article 93 of the Uniform Code of Military justice; relating to cruelty and maltreatment).

(C) To establish another method of codifying hazing as a standalone punitive article of the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

(2) HAZING DEFINITION.—As part of the analysis conducted under paragraph (1), the Secretary

shall develop a proposed definition of the term ''hazing'' for purposes of such modifier, article, or alternative.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 270 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the results of the analysis under subsection (a), including a justification for any decision not to codify hazing as a punitive article under the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

SEC. 539A. NOTIFICATION OF THE ISSUANCE OR TERMINATION OF MILITARY PROTECTIVE ORDERS TO VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT.

Section 1567a of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in the section heading, by inserting ''**and victims of domestic abuse or sexual assault**'' after ''**civilian law enforcement**'';

(2) in subsection (a), by inserting ''and, in a case involving domestic abuse or sexual assault, the victim or requesting individual,'' after ''appropriate civilian authorities''; and

(3) in subsection (c), by inserting ''and, in a case involving domestic abuse or sexual assault, the

victim or requesting individual,'' after ''appropriate civilian authorities''.

SEC. 539B. MILITARY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE EMERGENT HOUSING POLICY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall establish and implement Department of Defense policy to require commanders, in response to domestic violence reports or complaints, to make an initial determination as to the credibility of the report or complaint. If the report is deemed credible, in consultation with the victim, the commander should—

(1) impose military protective orders; and

(2) whenever practicable, separate the victim and the alleged offender into separate housing;

(b) BRIEFING.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Department of Defense shall provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives concerning any additional authorities necessary to properly implement the policy referenced in subsection (a), as well as the establishment of a process to maintain emergent housing entitlements to basic allowance for housing or military housing units in support of domestic violence victims for up to 180 days.

SEC. 539C. ANNUAL REPORT ON FINDINGS OF THE DEPARTMENT-WIDE REVIEW OF THE MILITARY LEGAL SYSTEM.

(a) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than December 1, 2027, and annually thereafter by December 1 through 2031, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a comprehensive report on the findings, recommendations, and implementation status of the Department-wide review of the military legal system initiated pursuant to the Secretary of Defense memorandum dated May 8, 2026.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The report required under paragraph (1) shall include the following elements:

(A) A detailed summary of the reviews conducted by the special review panel established by the General Counsel, including a list of all final recommendations submitted to the Secretary during the preceding fiscal year.

(B) Details on the specific timeline, implementation status, and systemic changes executed or planned by the Department based on the panel's recommendations.

(C) An assessment of how any administrative, structural, or policy changes resulting from the review impact the statutory independence and authorities of the special trial counsel established under part I of subtitle D of title V of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 1692).

(D) The specific metrics, criteria, and legal justifications used to differentiate ''operational'' military legal workloads from ''civilian'' workloads, alongside a quantification of any legal personnel or billets shifted from military to civilian oversight.

(E) A summary of the comparative data and criteria used by the Department to benchmark the military legal system against the Department of Justice and State criminal justice systems, including any findings on system efficiencies or deficiencies.

(F) An evaluation of how proposed changes affect the professional responsibility, rating chains, and statutory duty of the Judge Advocates General of the Armed Forces to provide independent legal advice.

(3) FORM.—The report required under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex if necessary.

(b) BRIEFING REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of Defense shall brief the congressional defense committees not later than 30 days after implementing any changes based on the recommendations of the panel and review described in subsection (a)(1).

SEC. 539D. CLARIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO ORDER TO ACTIVE-DUTY CERTAIN PERSONS SUBJECT TO THE UNIFORM CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE FOR MATTERS RELATING TO OFFENSES DURING SPECIFIED PERIODS INCIDENT TO INACTIVE-DUTY TRAINING.

(a) PERSONS SUBJECT TO UCMJ.—Section 802(d)(2)(B) of title 10, United States Code (article 2(d)(2)(B) of the Uniform Code of Military Justice), is amended by inserting ''or during a period specified in subsection (a)(3)(B)'' after ''on inactive-duty training''.

(b) JURISDICTION TO TRY CERTAIN PERSONNEL.—Section 803(d) of such title (article 3(d) of the Uniform Code of Military Justice) is amended—

(1) by inserting ''or a period specified in section 802(a)(3)(B) of this title (article 2(a)(3)(B))'' after

''a period of active duty or inactive-duty training''; and

(2) by striking ''of active-duty or inactive-duty training'' before the period at the end.

SEC. 539E. INAPPLICABILITY TO RETIRED MEMBERS OF PUNITIVE ARTICLES AFFECTING POLITICAL SPEECH.

Section 802 of title 10, United States Code (article 2 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking ''The following persons'' and inserting ''Except as provided in subsection (e), the following persons'';

(2) by redesignating subsection (e) as subsection (f); and

(3) by inserting after subsection (d) the following new subsection:

''(e)(1) With respect to members to whom the provisions of this chapter are made applicable by paragraphs (4), (5), (6), and (14) of subsection (a), except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the provisions of subchapter X shall not be applicable to any—

''(A) conduct of such members which constitutes or pertains to political speech;

''(B) expressions pertaining to the actions, character, motivations, qualifications, or other attributes of government officials; or

''(C) statements of the law.

''(2) The exception under paragraph (1) shall not apply to a member—

''(A) to whom this chapter is applicable under a paragraph of subsection (a) other than one of the paragraphs referenced in paragraph (1) of this subsection; or

''(B) who is wearing a military uniform.''.

Subtitle E—Member Education, Training, and Transition

SEC. 541. LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY TO REORGANIZE THE SENIOR RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS.

(a) LIMITATIONS.—

(1) BRIEFING PRIOR TO REORGANIZATION.—The Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of the Navy, and the Secretary of the Air Force may not reorganize a unit of the program of their respective military service until the date that is 90 days after the date on which the Secretary provides to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives a briefing with respect to

the reorganization of such unit that includes the following:

(A) Each position of such unit to be eliminated.

(B) A risk analysis regarding the impact of the reorganization on officer accessions that justifies such reorganization.

(C) Anticipated cost savings or expenses to the United States.

(D) The number of members of the program affected by the reorganization, including the number of members who will have to travel to another educational institution to participate in the program after the reorganization.

(E) Any change to a scholarship awarded under section 2107 or 2107a of title 10, United States Code, due to the reorganization.

(2) COMPLETION OF COMMISSIONING REQUIREMENTS BY CURRENT STUDENTS.—The Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of the Navy, and the Secretary of the Air Force shall ensure that any reorganization of a unit of the program of their respective military service allows a member of the program receiving financial assistance under section 2107 or 2107a of title 10, United States Code, who is af-

fected by such reorganization to complete any requirements for receiving a commission as an officer in the military service without the member being required to transfer to another educational institution.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The terms ''program'' and ''member of the program'' have the meanings given such terms in section 2101 of title 10, United States Code.

(2) The term ''reorganize'', with respect to a unit of the program, includes closing, restructuring, reclassifying, merging, or realigning.

SEC. 542. DISCHARGE OF MIDSHIPMEN FOR UNSATISFACTORY CONDUCT OR INAPTITUDE.

Section 8462 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) by striking ''Superintendent of the Naval Academy'' and all that follows through ''report of the facts—'' and inserting ''Secretary of the Navy may discharge a midshipman from the Naval Academy and from the naval service—'';

(B) in paragraph (1), by striking ''Superintendent'' and inserting ''Secretary''; and

(C) in paragraph (2), by striking ''Academic Board unanimously determines'' and inserting ''Secretary determines''; and

(2) by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

''(b) The authority of the Secretary under subsection (a) may be delegated to the Superintendent of the Naval Academy.''.

SEC. 543. MODIFICATION TO PROGRAM ON ENCOURAGEMENT OF POSTSEPARATION PUBLIC AND COMMUNITY SERVICE.

(a) MODIFICATION OF APPLICABILITY OF REPEALED SECTION.—Section 553(c)(2) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 132 Stat. 1773) is amended by striking ''The repeal made under paragraph (1)'' and inserting ''The amendments made by this section''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect as if included in the enactment of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232).

SEC. 544. LIMITED AUTHORITY TO WAIVE TIME-IN-GRADE REQUIREMENT FOR SERVICE ACADEMY GRADUATES DETAILED AS STUDENTS AT LAW SCHOOLS.

Section 2004 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(2), by striking ''Not more than 25 officers and enlisted members from each military department'' and inserting ''Not more than 35 members from each military service''; and

(2) in subsection (c)—

(A) by inserting ''(1)'' before ''Officers and enlisted members''; and

(B) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(2) The Secretaries of the military departments are authorized to waive the time in service minimum of two years in subsection (b)(1)(A)(i) for up to five officers who are graduates of the United States Military Academy established under section 7431 of title 10, United States Code, up to five officers who are graduates of the Air Force Academy established under section 9431 of title 10, United States Code, and up to five officers who are graduates of the Naval Academy established under section 8451 of title 10, United States Code, respectively.''.

SEC. 545. ELIMINATION OF THE RIGHT OF CADETS TO AUTOMATIC REEXAMINATION.

(a) UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY.—Section 7451 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (b);

(2) by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection (b); and

(3) in subsection (b), as so redesignated, by striking ''the course'' and inserting ''a course''.

(b) UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY.—Section 9451 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (b);

(2) by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection (b); and

(3) in subsection (b), as so redesignated, by striking ''the course'' and inserting ''a course''.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to the first academic year beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 546. REVISION TO DECISION TIMEFRAME FOR EXPEDITED TRANSFERS AT THE MILITARY SERVICE ACADEMIES.

(a) UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY.—Subsection (e)(2)(C)(i) of section 7461 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''72 hours'' each place it appears and inserting ''five calendar days''.

(b) UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY.—Subsection (e)(2)(C)(i) of section 8480 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''72 hours'' each place it appears and inserting ''five calendar days''.

(c) UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY.—Subsection (e)(2)(C)(i) of section 9461 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''72 hours'' each place it appears and inserting ''five calendar days''.

SEC. 547. ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM TO PROMOTE PARTICIPATION OF FOREIGN STUDENTS IN THE SENIOR RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January 1, 2028, the Secretary of Defense shall establish a program using the authority provided under section 2103(b) of title 10, United States Code, to promote the participation of foreign students in the Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (in this section referred to as the ''Program'').

(2) ORGANIZATION.—The Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the Defense Security Cooperation Agency, the Secretaries of the military departments, the commanders of the combatant commands, the participant institutions in the

Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps program, and any other individual the Secretary of Defense considers appropriate, shall be responsible for, and shall oversee, the Program.

(b) OBJECTIVE.—The objective of the Program is to promote the readiness and interoperability of the United States Armed Forces and the military forces of partner countries by providing a high-quality, cost effective military-based educational experience for foreign students in furtherance of the military-to-military program objectives of the Department of Defense and to enhance the educational experience and preparation of future United States military leaders through increased, extended interaction with highly qualified potential foreign military leaders.

(c) ACTIVITIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Under the Program, the Secretary of Defense shall—

(A) identify to the military services' Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps program the foreign students who, based on criteria established by the Secretary, the Secretary recommends be considered for admission under the Program;

(B) coordinate with partner countries to evaluate interest in and promote awareness of the Program;

(C) establish a mechanism for tracking an alumni network of foreign students who participate in the Program; and

(D) to the extent practicable, work with the participant institutions in the Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps program and partner countries to identify academic institutions and programs that—

(i) have specialized academic programs in areas of study of interest to participating countries; or

(ii) have high participation from or significant diaspora populations from participating countries.

(d) STRATEGY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than September 30, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a strategy for the implementation of the Program.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The strategy required by paragraph (1) shall include the following elements:

(A) A governance structure for the Program, including—

(i) the officials tasked to oversee the Program;

(ii) the format of the governing body of the Program;

(iii) the functions and duties of such governing body with respect to establishing and maintaining the Program; and

(iv) mechanisms for coordinating with partner countries whose students are selected to participate in the Program.

(B) A list of additional authorities, appropriations, or other congressional support necessary to ensure the success of the Program.

(C) A description of targeted partner countries and participant institutions in the Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps for the first three fiscal years of the Program, including a rationale for selecting such initial partners.

(D) A description of opportunities and potential timelines for future Program expansion, as appropriate.

(E) A description of the mechanism for tracking the alumni network of participants of the Program.

(F) Any other information the Secretary of Defense considers appropriate.

(e) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than September 20, 2028, and annually thereafter, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees (as that term is defined in section 101 of title 10, United States Code) a report on the Program.

(2) ELEMENTS.—Each report required by paragraph (1) shall include the following elements:

(A) A narrative summary of activities conducted as part of the Program during the preceding fiscal year.

(B) An overview of participant Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps programs, individuals, and countries, to include a description of the areas of study entered into by the students participating in the Program.

(C) A description of opportunities and potential timelines for future Program expansion, as appropriate.

(D) Any other information the Secretary of Defense considers appropriate.

(f) LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense may not use the authority provided under this section to pay for tuition or room and board for foreign students who participate in the Program.

(g) TERMINATION.—The Program shall terminate on December 31, 2032.

SEC. 548. DESIGNATION OF SENIOR OFFICIAL FOR MILITARY-TO-CIVILIAN TRANSITION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 58 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"§ 1156. Senior official for military-to-civilian transition

''(a) DESIGNATION.—The Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness shall designate a senior official of the Department of Defense to oversee policy and programs related to the transition of members of the armed forces from active duty to civilian life or reserve components.

''(b) QUALIFICATIONS.—The official designated under paragraph (1) shall be designated from among individuals with appropriate experience in military personnel

policy, transition assistance, veterans' affairs, or related matters.

''(c) ROLE, RESPONSIBILITY, AND AUTHORITY.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness shall prescribe the roles, responsibilities, and authorities of the official designated under subsection (a).

''(2) The roles, responsibilities, and authorities prescribed under paragraph (1) shall include, with respect to the transition of members of the armed forces from active duty to civilian life and reserve components and the families of such members experiencing such transition—

''(A) serving as the principal advisor to the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness on policies, operations, and programs and activities relating to the transition of members;

''(B) assisting the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness with policies, operations, and programs and activities relating to the transition of members;

''(C) working, in consultation with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the Secretary of Labor, and the Secretary of Education, to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of all activities relating to the transition of members;

''(D) serving as the principal coordinator for military-to-civilian transition policy within the Department of Defense, with the mission of coordinating and overseeing the effectiveness of transition programs of the Department of Defense and ensuring all members of the armed forces are well equipped for civilian life or the reserve components, as the case may be;

''(E) overseeing the implementation of transition programs in the Department of Defense;

''(F) conducting a review and assessment of all transition programs and services offered by the Department of Defense, including the programs under this chapter, and proposing legislative or administrative action—

''(i) to improve the efficacy and efficiency of the programs; and

''(ii) to ensure compliance with all legal requirements related to transition assistance; and

''(G) working with Federal agencies, State and local governments, and nongovernmental organizations to improve the delivery of transition support services to members and families of members.''.

(b) IMPLEMENTATION AND BRIEFING.—

(1) IMPLEMENTATION.—The Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness shall designate a senior official under section 1156(a) of title 10, United States Code, as added by subsection (a) of this section, not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(2) BRIEFING.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees on—

(A) the status of the designation of the official described under subsection (1); and

(B) the implementation of the roles, responsibilities, and authorities of such official.

SEC. 549. PAYMENT OF TUITION FOR OFF-DUTY TRAINING OR EDUCATION.

(a) AUTHORITY.—Section 2007 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in the section heading, by inserting ''**and institution fees**'' after ''**Payment of tuition**'';

(2) in subsection (a), by striking ''or expenses'' and inserting '', expenses, or institution fees''; and

(3) in subsection (c), by striking ''or expenses'' each place it appears and inserting '', expenses, or institution fees''.

(b) INCREASE IN PER-SEMESTER-HOUR CAP.—The Secretary of Defense may prescribe regulations increasing the per-semester-hour cap for tuition assistance offered by the military services to not more than $350 per semester-hour.

(c) ANNUAL REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on Off-Duty and Voluntary Education and Training Account (''Accounts'') outcomes.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The report required under paragraph (1) shall include the following elements:

(A) Fiscal, volume, compliance, and distribution metrics.

(B) Metrics linking investment in the Accounts to outcomes including educational attainment, recruitment/retention, mission readiness, and transition readiness.

(C) An analysis of compliance with sections 2005, 2006a, and 2007 of title 10, United States Code.

(D) An analysis of the severability of annual ceiling requirements from per-semester-hour caps under part 68 of title 32, Code of Federal Regulations.

SEC. 549A. IMPROVEMENT OF TRANSITION OF MEDICS IN THE ARMED FORCES TO THE CIVILIAN WORKFORCE IN HEALTH CARE OCCUPATIONS.

(a) RECOMMENDATIONS REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense, in consultation with each of the States (through the Defense-State Liaison Office of the Department of Defense), the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Secretary of Labor, and the Secretary of Homeland Security (with respect to matters concerning the Coast Guard when it is not operating as a service in the Department of the Navy), shall develop recommendations to improve the transition of medics serving in the Armed Forces into the civilian workforce in health care occupations, including as certified nurse aides, licensed practical nurses, or medical assistants.

(b) CONSIDERATIONS.—In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall—

(1) identify any barriers—

(A) to improving the ability of the Secretary to determine and communicate how the military credentials and experience of a medic separating from the Armed Forces translate to credentialed civilian employment in health care occupations;

(B) that exist to the standardization among the Armed Forces of military medic credentials and experience and the alignment of such credentials and experience to credentialed civilian employment in health care occupations;

(C) that exist to ensuring members of the Armed Forces with military medic credentials and experience have earned the equivalent civilian credential prior to separation from the Armed Forces in addition to receiving their military credentials;

(D) to the increased establishment and uptake of accelerated or bridge programs to assist separating members of the Armed Forces in translating military credentials and experience into civilian health care credentials and employment;

(E) to increasing the availability and accessibility of preparatory activities under the SkillBridge program established under section 1143(e) of title 10, United States Code, in the health care sector for members of the Armed Forces preparing for separation, to include—

(i) the approval timeline for separating members to participate in SkillBridge programs in the health care sector; and

(ii) requirements to return to their duty station for out-processing; and

(F) to providing information on civilian health care credentials and employment under the Transition Assistance Program to medics separating from the Armed Forces, including information on State-by-State licensing and credentialing; and

(2) consider the potential impact of—

(A) clarification by States through legislation, actions of State licensing boards, or actions of State credentialing boards of the civilian equivalents of certain military credentials and experience in health care;

(B) implementation, including through State-provided incentives, of accelerated programs to bridge military medic credentials and experience with civilian health care credentials and licenses;

(C) financial support or incentives by States to increase the availability and accessibility of such programs;

(D) requiring the military departments to align military health care credentials with civilian equivalents; and

(E) tracking and reporting, in consultation with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the Secretary of Labor, and the Secretary of Homeland Security (with respect to matters concerning the Coast Guard when it is not operating as a service in the Department of the Navy), the number of separated members of the Armed Forces with health care-related military credentials and experience who continue in the civilian health care sector, including the type of employment they pursue.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the

Senate and the House of Representatives a report containing—

(1) the recommendations developed under subsection (a); and

(2) a plan to implement those recommendations.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) MEDIC.—The term ''medic'' means a member of the Armed Forces acting in a clinical health care-related occupation while serving in the Armed Forces.

(2) STATE.—The term ''State'' means each of the several States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, or the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands that have a Defense-State Liaison Office.

(3) TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.—The term ''Transition Assistance Program'' means the program of the Department of Defense for pre-separation counseling, employment assistance, and other transitional services provided under sections 1142 and 1144 of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 549B. STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING SEEKING TO PARTICIPATE IN DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

(a) PROHIBITION ON CATEGORICAL RESTRICTIONS.—Except as provided in subsection (c), the Secretary of Defense may not, by any policy or other action—

(1) prohibit or otherwise restrict the Department of Defense or the military departments from permitting servicemembers to participate in an eligible program at an eligible institution of higher education, as a means to complete an eligible program, including any constituent subsidiary or subelement of such institution, regardless of the source of funds used by the member to pay tuition, fees, or related expenses; or

(2) deny covered funds to members of the Armed Forces who are otherwise eligible for such assistance, or deny covered support to any such member, on the basis that the member has applied to, enrolled in, attends, or has completed an eligible program at an eligible institution of higher education, including any constituent subsidiary or subelement of such institution.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COVERED FUNDS.—The term ''covered funds'' means any program, appropriation, or other authority of the Department of Defense to pay, reimburse, or otherwise provide financial assistance for education or training of members of the Armed Forces, including under section 2007 of title 10, United States Code, and any successor authority.

(2) COVERED SUPPORT.—The term ''covered support'' means any Department of Defense funding or facilitation of a member's participation in education or training conducted in whole or in part at an institution of higher education, whether full-time or part-time, other than professional military education programs conducted by the Department of Defense.

(3) ELIGIBLE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION DEFINED.—The term ''eligible institution of higher education'' means an institution that—

(A) is accredited, and maintains accreditation in good standing, by an accrediting agency or association recognized by the Secretary of Education under part H of title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1099b et seq.); and

(B)(i) operates a program authorized in section 2006a(a) of title 10, United States Code; or

(ii) offers or administers an eligible program under paragraph (4).

(4) ELIGIBLE PROGRAM.—The term ''eligible program'' means—

(A) an educational program authorized by law and established by the Department of Defense under which the Department is authorized to provide covered funds or covered support; or

(B) a fellowship, scholarship, degree, certificate, medical residency, grant, or other training or education program in which members of the Armed Forces are authorized to participate that is funded through—

(i) covered funds;

(ii) personal funds;

(iii) authorized outside fellowships, scholarships, or grants; or

(iv) any combination of sources described in clauses (i) though (iii).

(c) LIMITED EXCEPTIONS FOR CAUSE; TERMINATION OR SUSPENSION OF INSTITUTIONAL ELIGIBILITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may restrict attendance under subsection (a)(1), or suspend or terminate the availability of covered funds or covered support under subsection (a)(2), with respect to an otherwise eligible institution of higher education if—

(A) the institution has materially failed to comply with specific terms of a memorandum of understanding, contract, or other educational partnership agreement applicable to the eligible program;

(B) the restriction, suspension, or termination is required to address a specific, articulable national security risk;

(C) the restriction, suspension, or termination is required by a provision of Federal law or is undertaken upon mutual written agreement between the Department and the institution; or

(D) the institution has been convicted of, or has been the subject of a final civil judgment that the institution violated—

(i) the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.) or regulations issued thereunder;

(ii) the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4801 et seq.) or regulations issued thereunder;

(iii) the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) or regulations issued thereunder; or

(iv) Section 1831 of title 18, United States Code (economic espionage).

(2) LEAST DISRUPTIVE MEANS; PROSPECTIVE APPLICATION.—Any action under paragraph (1) shall be narrowly tailored and implemented using the least disruptive means practicable, including to the maximum extent practicable, applying such action prospectively and permitting enrolled students to finish their current course of study.

(d) NOTICE.—In the event that the Secretary believes that a ''for cause'' exception has been triggered under subsection (c), the Secretary shall provide for the following:

(1) Not later than 90 days before the proposed termination date, the Secretary shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives and the affected institution written notification, including—

(A) the proposed termination date; and

(B) the factual basis for suspension or termination under subsection (c).

(2) The Secretary shall provide an opportunity for the institution to appeal or dispute the findings and cure any material deficiencies in the written notification within 30 days of receipt of such notification. If at any point the institution demonstrates that they have cured the issue, the Secretary shall re-evaluate the suspension or termination and determine whether the institution has addressed the material deficiencies.

(e) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Participation in Department of Defense education programs and activities by institutions of higher education shall be determined based on institution-agnostic eligibility requirements and objective criteria. Nothing in this section shall be construed—

(1) to permit the Secretary to disqualify an institution of higher education from participating in Department of Defense education or training programs or activities on the basis of—

(A) an institution of higher education's First Amendment rights or its protection of student free speech and association rights under section 112 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1011a.); or

(B) an institution of higher education's religious character or affiliation;

(2) to require the Secretary of Defense to approve any individual request for covered funds or covered support where the member or the institution of higher education does not meet program-wide, institution-agnostic eligibility or selection requirements;

(3) to restrict the Secretary's ability to establish institution-agnostic program guidelines, eligibility criteria, or funding caps on covered support programs that are not otherwise inconsistent with this section;

(4) to limit the ability of the Secretary of Defense or the Secretaries of the military departments from entering into program agreements with eligible institutions of higher education to carry out educational programs authorized in law; or

(5) create an entitlement for servicemembers to refuse orders otherwise issued in the due course of normal detailing processes or for military necessity.

(f) EXCLUSION.—The prohibitions in subsection (a) do not apply to an institution of higher education that operates for profit.

SEC. 549C. GOVERNMENT COPYRIGHT FOR WORK PRODUCED AT DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION UNIVERSITY.

Section 105(d)(2) of title 17, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

''(P) Defense Security Cooperation University.''.

SEC. 549D. PROMOTING THE USE OF STANDARDIZED TESTING AT MILITARY SERVICE ACADEMIES AND DODEA SCHOOLS.

(a) MILITARY SERVICE ACADEMIES.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that each of the Service Academies (as that term is defined in section 347(d) of title 10, United States Code) may satisfy any standardized testing requirement through scores from any of not fewer than three nationally recognized standardized assessments that are designed to evaluate college readiness and that measure, at a minimum, mathematics, reading, grammar and writing, and analytical reasoning skills. Such assessments may also evaluate critical and logical reasoning, comprehension of literary, historical, or philosophical texts, and other indicators of postsecondary readiness as determined appropriate by the Secretary.

(b) DODEA SCHOOLS.—The Director of the Department of Defense Education Activity shall ensure that stu-

dents enrolled in the eleventh grade are offered the opportunity to take not fewer than three standardized assessments described in subsection (a).

SEC. 549E. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE-WIDE HATE SYMBOL POLICY AND RECRUITER AND WORKFORCE TRAINING REQUIREMENT.

(a) DEPARTMENT-WIDE POLICY REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall issue a Department-wide policy applicable to members of the Armed Forces and civilian employees of the Department of Defense that—

(1) prohibits the display, possession for display, or use of hate symbols in the workplace or in connection with official duties, including on the body, uniform, civilian work attire, personal equipment, government property, or digital work platforms, including through tattoos, brands, insignia, patches, apparel, or electronic imagery;

(2) establishes uniform minimum standards for identifying and addressing prohibited hate symbols across all military departments and defense agencies;

(3) requires each military department and defense agency to revise its regulations and instructions to comply with such policy; and

(4) provides procedures for review, waiver where appropriate, removal, or remediation consistent with applicable law.

(b) HATE SYMBOL DEFINED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In this section, the term ''hate symbol''—

(A) means any symbol, image, insignia, emblem, tattoo, sign, coded designation, or other visual representation that, in context, would reasonably be understood as expressing, advocating, endorsing, or promoting hatred, unlawful discrimination, violent extremism, or supremacy directed against a protected class or group; and

(B) does not include the good-faith display or use of symbols for legitimate religious, cultural, historical, educational, artistic, intelligence, law enforcement, or investigative purposes where the circumstances do not reasonably indicate support for extremist ideology or unlawful discrimination.

(2) CONSIDERED FACTORS.—In determining whether a symbol constitutes a hate symbol under this section, the Secretary of Defense shall consider—

(A) the historical and cultural meaning of the symbol;

(B) the manner, context, and location in which the symbol is displayed;

(C) whether the symbol is associated with extremist organizations or ideologies;

(D) whether the display would reasonably be interpreted as communicating support for hatred, discrimination, or violent extremism; and

(E) applicable constitutional, statutory, and religious accommodation protections.

(c) IDENTIFICATION GUIDANCE.—The Secretary of Defense shall—

(1) develop and maintain supplemental guidance and reference materials, in consultation with subject matter experts, to assist commanders, supervisors, human resources personnel, and investigators in identifying hate symbols; and

(2) not less than every three years, review and, if necessary, update such guidance and reference

materials in consultation with civil rights experts and organizations with recognized expertise in hate and extremist symbols.

(d) TRAINING REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of Defense shall incorporate instruction on the hate symbol policy and identification guidance into existing training programs for—

(1) members of the Armed Forces; and

(2) civilian employees of the Department of Defense;

(e) IMPLEMENTATION AND OVERSIGHT.—

(1) CERTIFICATION.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, each military department and defense agency shall certify compliance with the requirements under this section.

(2) BRIEFING.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall brief the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives on the implementation of this provision.

Subtitle F—Military Family Readiness and Dependents' Education

PART I—DEPENDENTS' EDUCATION

SEC. 551. CERTAIN ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES THAT BENEFIT DEPENDENTS OF MILITARY AND CIVILIAN PERSONNEL.

(a) CONTINUATION OF AUTHORITY TO ASSIST LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES THAT BENEFIT DEPENDENTS OF MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AND DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES.—

(1) ASSISTANCE TO SCHOOLS WITH SIGNIFICANT NUMBERS OF MILITARY DEPENDENT STUDENTS.—Of the amount authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027 by section 301 and available for operation and maintenance for Defense-wide activities as specified in the funding table in section 4301, $50,000,000 shall be available only for the purpose of providing assistance to local educational agencies under subsection (a) of section 572 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006 (Public Law 109–163; 20 U.S.C. 7703b).

(2) LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term ''local educational agency'' has the meaning given that term in section

7013(9) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7713(9)).

(b) IMPACT AID FOR CHILDREN WITH SEVERE DISABILITIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Of the amount authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027 pursuant to section 301 and available for operation and maintenance for Defense-wide activities as specified in the funding table in section 4301, $10,000,000 shall be available for payments under section 363 of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (as enacted into law by Public Law 106–398; 114 Stat. 1654A–77; 20 U.S.C. 7703a).

(2) ADDITIONAL AMOUNT.—Of the amount authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027 pursuant to section 301 and available for operation and maintenance for Defense-wide activities as specified in the funding table in section 4301, $20,000,000 shall be available for use by the Secretary of Defense to make payments to local educational agencies determined by the Secretary to have higher concentrations of military children with severe disabilities.

(3) REPORT.—Not later than September 30, 2027, the Secretary shall brief the Committees on

Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the Department's evaluation of each local educational agency with higher concentrations of military children with severe disabilities and subsequent determination of the amounts of impact aid each such agency shall receive.

SEC. 552. EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGISTS AT DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY SCHOOLS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Department of Defense Education Activity shall ensure that each school district of such Activity has, at a minimum, one staff member dedicated to facilitating educational technology and related matters.

(b) DUTIES.—A staff member described in subsection (a) shall, at a minimum—

(1) ensure classroom technologies meet policy requirements and the needs of students and teachers;

(2) assist administrators, curriculum teams, instructional support specialists, and teachers in developing and modeling learning opportunities to make the best use of technology in the classroom;

(3) assist in the implementation of technology integration; and

(4) perform other duties related to educational technology as assigned.

(c) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than February 1, 2028, the Director shall brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on—

(1) the implementation of subsections (a) and (b); and

(2) any recommendations for changes to policy or statutes to ensure that the Department of Defense Education Activity has sufficient staff and resources to support the use of beneficial technology in classrooms.

PART II—CHILD CARE AND RELATED MATTERS

SEC. 555. EXPANSION OF ELIGIBLE CHILD CARE PROVIDERS FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PROGRAMS.

(a) REMOVAL OF PRIOR SERVICE REQUIREMENT.—Section 1798(b) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking the semicolon and inserting ''; and'';

(2) by striking paragraph (2); and

(3) by redesignating paragraph (3) as paragraph (2).

(b) NATIONAL SERVICE VOLUNTEERS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense may seek to enter into an interagency partnership with a Federal agency with the ability to place individuals described in paragraph (2) in military child development centers in accordance with national service laws and with all the benefits accorded to such individuals under those laws.

(2) INDIVIDUALS DESCRIBED.—An individual described in this paragraph is a participant, including a volunteer or national senior volunteer, under the national service laws who is trained in education services and is in compliance with hiring requirements for military child development centers.

(3) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection, the terms ''participant'' and ''national service laws'' have the meanings given those terms in section 101 of the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12511)).

SEC. 556. STANDARDIZED REPORTING ON DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CHILD CARE READINESS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall standardize the collection and reporting of data related to child care capacity, workforce readiness, and waitlists across the Armed Forces and military installations.

(b) REQUIRED DATA ELEMENTS.—In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary shall, at a minimum, require the collection and reporting of data with respect to the following:

(1) Child care capacity and utilization, disaggregated by branch of the Armed Forces and military installation.

(2) Child care workforce staffing levels, vacancies, turnover rates, and compensation ranges, disaggregated by branch of the Armed Forces and military installation.

(3) Child care waitlists, disaggregated by—

(A) children that are currently at home with a parent;

(B) children that are currently being cared for by family members, friends, neighbors, or nannies;

(C) children that are currently receiving care through—

(i) a military child development center (as defined in section 1800 of title 10, United States Code) other than the center for which the children are on the waitlist;

(ii) a military family child care program, including identification of whether

the program is supported by subsidies provided by the Department of Defense under section 1796 of title 10, United States Code; or

(iii) community-based child care, including identification of whether such care is supported by financial assistance provided by the Department through the Military Child Care in Your Neighborhood program under section 1798 of title 10, United States Code;

(D) families requiring child care during nontraditional hours; and

(E) children for whom sufficient information is not available to categorize care status, including as a result of incomplete or self-reported data.

(4) Demand for child care by age cohort, with specific identification of the demand for child care for children under age 5.

(5) Utilization and attrition data for fee assistance programs.

(6) Geographic areas with persistent unmet child care needs.

(c) ANALYSIS OF WAITLIST DATA.—The Secretary shall—

(1) analyze data on child care waitlists collected under subsection (b), including—

(A) the extent of duplicate entries across military installations or child care programs; and

(B) the proportion of waitlist entries that—

(i) reflect unmet need for child care; and

(ii) reflect unmet preference for specific child care programs; and

(2) take steps to resolve discrepancies in such data, including duplicate waitlist entries and inclusion of children on waitlists who are receiving care.

(d) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary may prescribe such regulations as are necessary to carry out this section.

(e) BRIEFINGS REQUIRED.—

(1) INITIAL BRIEFING.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on—

(A) existing systems and reporting practices used to track data related to child care capacity, workforce readiness, and waitlists;

(B) the quality, completeness, and limitations of data available as of the date of the briefing;

(C) actions underway to standardize data collection and reporting across the Department of Defense; and

(D) a plan, including timelines, to improve standardization of data collection and reporting.

(2) RECURRING BRIEFINGS.—Not later than December 31, 2027, and annually thereafter for three years, the Secretary shall brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on—

(A) data collected under subsection (b);

(B) trends in child care capacity, workforce readiness, and unmet demand, disaggregated by branch of the Armed Forces and geographic region;

(C) actions taken to address identified gaps in child care availability, including actions taken by each branch of the Armed Forces and in each geographic region; and

(D) any recommendations for legislative or administrative action to improve collection and reporting of data related to child care capacity, workforce readiness, and waitlists.

SEC. 557. UPDATE TO PAY SYSTEM FOR CHILD AND YOUTH PROGRAMS OPERATED BY NON-APPROPRIATED FUND INSTRUMENTALITIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall issue or revise policy relating to the pay system for employees of child and youth programs operated by nonappropriated fund instrumentalities to implement the requirements of section 589A of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–59; 10 U.S.C. 1792 note).

(b) ELEMENTS.—The policy required to be issued or revised under subsection (a) shall—

(1) incorporate a revised staffing model for child development programs that includes positions—

(A) to facilitate classroom operations and provide direct support to staff of child development programs; and

(B) to coordinate and support the needs of children with special needs and provide direct

support to personnel working with such children;

(2) modify the pay band structure and compensation rates to improve recruitment and retention of employees of child and youth programs described in subsection (a); and

(3) provide for the implementation of the policy as soon as practicable, subject to the availability of appropriations.

(c) NONAPPROPRIATED FUND INSTRUMENTALITY DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''nonappropriated fund instrumentality'' has the meaning given that term in section 2488 of title 10, United States Code.

PART III—OTHER MATTERS

SEC. 561. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM FOR MILITARY SPOUSES.

Subchapter I of chapter 88 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 1784a the following new section:

''§ 1784b. Department of Defense Fellowship Program for Military Spouses

''(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than April 1, 2028, the Secretary of Defense shall establish a fellowship program for military spouses, to be known as the 'Department of Defense Military Spouse Fellowship Program' (in

this section referred to as the 'Program'), to enhance career opportunities for military spouses and to support the readiness of military families.

''(b) FELLOWSHIPS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Under the Program, a component of the Department of Defense selected by the Secretary under subsection (c)(1) shall provide to fellowships to military spouses.

''(2) TERM AND CONDITIONS.—A fellowship under the Program—

''(A) shall be for a term of not less than 12 months and not more than 24 months;

''(B) may be full time or part time, with a preference for full time; and

''(C) may be an in-person or remote position.

''(3) COMPENSATION.—A fellow under the Program shall be compensated at a rate of pay under the General Schedule under section 5332 of title 5 appropriate to the role of the fellow.

''(c) ADMINISTRATION.—In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

''(1) select components of the Department of Defense to participate in the Program based on strategic workforce planning and demonstrated need;

''(2) ensure that fellowships offered by components of the Department of Defense selected under paragraph (1) are available across a range of grade levels and provide for a wide array of career fields and experiences; and

''(3) ensure that the Program has the funding and other resources to provide for not less than 500 full-time equivalent fellowships each year.

''(d) RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARTICIPATING COMPONENTS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—A component of the Department of Defense selected under subsection (c)(1) to participate in the Program shall be responsible for—

''(A) providing a meaningful fellowship experience to fellows in the component, including through the provision of professional development and mentorship opportunities;

''(B) documenting the performance of fellows during the terms of their fellowships; and

''(C) subject to paragraph (2), making every effort to identify permanent positions within the component to which a fellow may be non-competitively converted at the end of the term of the fellowship.

''(2) CONVERSION TO PERMANENT POSITIONS.—The conversion under paragraph (1)(C) of a fellowship under the Program to a permanent position shall be contingent upon the performance of the fellow, the availability of a permanent position, and the availability of funding.

''(e) MILITARY SPOUSE DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'military spouse' means any individual who is married (within the meaning of section 7703 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986), as of the first date on which the individual is employed by a component of the Department of Defense under this section, to a member of the uniformed services serving on active duty.''.

SEC. 562. CONSIDERATION IN MEMBER ASSIGNMENTS PROCESS OF COLOCATION OF MEMBERS AND CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE SPOUSES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 1, 2028, the Secretary of Defense shall require each of the Armed Forces to have in place a policy for achieving, as a secondary consideration during the process of assigning members to duty stations, colocation of covered couples.

(b) ELEMENTS.—In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

(1) ensure that, in assigning a member of the Armed Forces who is part of a covered couple to a duty station—

(A) the primary considerations are the member's current qualifications and ability to fill a valid mission requirement; and

(B) colocation is a secondary consideration, to maximize the opportunities for continued employment of the civilian employee of the Department of Defense through all flexibilities available;

(2) ensure civilian personnel policies and processes of the Department are updated to facilitate colocation; and

(3) provide resources, training, and additional flexibilities where appropriate to the Armed Forces and human resources managers of the Department to facilitate retention of civilian employees of the Department during permanent change of station moves of members of the Armed Forces who are part of a covered couple.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.—The term ''civilian employee of the Department of Defense''—

(A) means an employee (as defined in section 2105 of title 5, United States Code) of the Department of Defense;

(B) includes—

(i) a nonappropriated fund instrumentality employee (as defined in section 1587(a) of title 10, United States Code); and

(ii) a temporary employee of the Department; and

(C) does not include an employee of a contractor of the Department of Defense.

(2) COLOCATION.—The term ''colocation'', with respect to a covered couple, means assigning the member of the Armed Forces to a duty location in a manner that results in the retention of the civilian employee of the Department of Defense at the same pay grade and in the same job series within any component of the Department, whether through remote work, alternate work site arrangements, a reassignment, or an internal transfer.

(3) COVERED COUPLE.—The term ''covered couple'' means a couple in which a member of the Armed Forces serving on active duty and a civilian

employee of the Department of Defense are married to each other.

SEC. 563. REVIEW OF EXCEPTIONAL FAMILY MEMBER PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than April 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall initiate a review of how the Exceptional Family Member Program (in this section referred to as the ''Program'') affects assignment decisions, continuity of care, access to medical, behavioral health, and educational services, and retention and career progression of members across the Armed Forces.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The review required by subsection (a) shall—

(1) identify military installations where families with an individual in the Program face unavailable, limited, or difficult-to-access services;

(2) assess whether current assignment screening and coordination processes under the Program—

(A) are effectively ensuring that such families are assigned to locations where needed services are reasonably available; and

(B) adequately evaluate the availability, timeliness, and continuity of educational services and related supports required under an existing individualized education program, individ-

ualized family service plan, or other applicable educational accommodation for an individual in the Program, including whether families experience significant delays, gaps, or barriers in obtaining comparable services after relocation;

(3) evaluate the impact of enrollment of a family member in the Program on assignment opportunities, assignment stability, and readiness of members of the Armed Forces; and

(4) identify best practices across the military departments for improving continuity of care and assignment stability for families with an individual in the Program.

(c) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than April 30, 2028, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the results of the review that includes a corrective action plan describing steps—

(1) to improve assignment screening for families with an individual in the Program;

(2) to increase transparency regarding the availability of services at military installations;

(3) to improve how the Department of Defense assesses the availability of educational services at assignment locations and reduces disruptions in imple-

mentation of such services following a permanent change of station;

(4) to improve coordination among military treatment facilities, the TRICARE program (as defined in section 1072 of title 10, United States Code), and civilian services providers; and

(5) to strengthen relocation support for families with an individual in the Program while moving between duty stations.

SEC. 564. IMPROVED COUNSELING AND ACCESS TO INFORMATION RELATING TO FOSTER CARE FOR MILITARY FAMILIES.

(a) TRAINING FOR COUNSELORS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall require all counselors assigned to a Family Advocacy Program or Military and Family Life program at a military installation in the United States to be trained in the requirements and resources relating to foster care of the State in which the installation is located.

(2) FOSTER CARE LIAISONS.—A counselor who has received training under paragraph (1) shall be known as a ''foster care liaison''.

(b) INCLUSION OF FOSTER CARE INFORMATION ON MILITARY ONESOURCE.—The Secretary shall require

Military OneSource to include a mechanism for military families to obtain information on foster care, including the requirements and resources relating to foster care of each State.

(c) COLLABORATION WITH ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.—The Secretary may consult with the Administration for Children and Families of the Department of Health and Human Services to obtain resources relating to foster care for military families, including curricula for training under subsection (a).

SEC. 565. REPORTING ON GAPS BETWEEN SENIOR AND JUNIOR ENLISTED SECURITY FORCES THAT COULD HINDER EFFECTIVE OVERSIGHT AND LEADERSHIP AT PROTECTION LEVEL ONE LOCATIONS.

Section 585 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 1759) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(2), by striking ''through 2027'' and inserting ''through 2032''; and

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) by redesignating paragraph (9) as paragraph (10); and

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

''(9) A description of gaps between senior and junior enlisted security forces personnel that could hinder effective oversight and leadership at each PL-1 location and actions needed to remedy such gaps.''.

Subtitle G—Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps

SEC. 571. UPDATE OF GUIDANCE AND EVALUATION OF JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS INSTRUCTOR PAY SCALE.

(a) UPDATE OF GUIDANCE.—Not later than January 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretaries concerned shall update Department of Defense issuances governing the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) program, including the applicable Department of Defense Instruction, to—

(1) reflect current statutory requirements relating to the minimum number of Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps units, including any increases enacted in recent National Defense Authorization Acts, and the plan of the Secretary to achieve and sustain such minimums;

(2) an evaluation plan to assess the effects of the JROTC Standardized Instructor Pay Scale, or any successor pay system, on recruitment and reten-

tion of JROTC instructors, including the implementation and utilization of the temporary authority to provide bonuses to such instructors under section 546 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 10 U.S.C. 2031 note); and

(3) standardized metrics for measuring JROTC instructor recruiting outcomes and retention rates across the military services.

(b) REQUIRED METRICS.—The evaluation plan required under subsection (a) shall include, at a minimum, metrics relating to—

(1) instructor vacancy rates and time-to-hire;

(2) retention rates and length of service;

(3) geographic variation in recruiting and retention outcomes, including high-cost-of-living areas, rural, urban, and geographically isolated locations;

(4) comparisons between outcomes under the legacy pay system and the JSIPS;

(5) the identification of recruiting efforts used to attract instructor applicants, including data on how applicants learned about available instructor positions;

(6) the number of applicants who begin, complete, or withdraw from the instructor hiring proc-

ess, including the interview and background investigation stages;

(7) the number of applicants who accept or decline instructor position offers, including to the extent practicable, information on the reasons offers were declined;

(8) the number, amount, and distribution of bonuses provided to JROTC instructors under section 546 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 10 U.S.C. 2031 note), disaggregated by military department, geographic location, and instructor type, as well as any identified barriers to use of the authority; and

(9) any other matters the Secretary determines appropriate.

(c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than one year after the issuance of the updated guidance under subsection (a), and annually thereafter for two years, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report that includes—

(1) a description of the updated guidance and implementation status;

(2) baseline data and metrics collected using the metrics developed under subsection (a);

(3) an assessment of the effects of the pay scale on recruitment and retention;

(4) an assessment of the effectiveness of the bonus authority authorized by section 546 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 10 U.S.C. 2031 note) in improving recruitment and retention of JROTC instructors, including whether such authority should be modified, extended, or made permanent; and

(5) any recommendations for legislative or administrative action.

SEC. 572. JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS PROGRAMS IN DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY SCHOOLS.

(a) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that, by not later than October 1, 2027, each secondary school operated by the Department of Defense Education Activity that meets the eligibility requirements for establishment and maintenance of a Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps unit under section 2031 of title 10, United States Code, establishes and maintains such a unit.

(b) SUSTAINABLE ENROLLMENT THRESHOLD.—The Secretary may waive the requirement under subsection (a) with respect to a school described in that subsection if the

Secretary determines that the school will not be able to meet a threshold for enrollment in a Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps unit sufficient to sustain the viability of the unit over time.

Subtitle H—Decorations and Other Awards, Miscellaneous Reports, and Other Matters

SEC. 581. AUTHORIZATION FOR AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS TO ISAAC "IKE" CAMACHO FOR ACTS OF VALOR IN VIETNAM.

Section 592 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 899) is amended by striking ''**POSTHUMOUS**'' in the section heading.

SEC. 582. AUTHORIZATION FOR AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS FOR JOSEPH P. LYNCH FOR ACTS OF VALOR IN THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM.

(a) WAIVER OF TIME LIMITATIONS.—Notwithstanding the time limitations specified in section 7274 of title 10, United States Code, or any other time limitation with respect to the awarding of certain medals to persons who served in the Armed Forces, the Secretary of the Army may award the Distinguished-Service Cross under section 7272 of such title to Joseph P. Lynch for the acts

of valor in the Republic of Vietnam described in subsection (b).

(b) ACTS OF VALOR DESCRIBED.—The acts of valor referred to in subsection (a) are the actions of Joseph P. Lynch on April 17, 1968, during a combat mission near Khe Sanh, Republic of Vietnam for which he was previously awarded the Silver Star.

SEC. 583. SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS OF INFORMATION FOR CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN MILITARY AWARDS.

(a) ARMY.—Section 7274 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(d) A time limitation under this section may not be waived unless the Secretary of the Army first submits to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives the unredacted package of information considered by the Secretary, including all relevant information relating to any reconsideration of an award.''.

(b) NAVY.—Section 8298 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(c) A time limitation under this section may not be waived unless the Secretary of the Navy first submits to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and

House of Representatives the unredacted package of information considered by the Secretary, including all relevant information relating to any reconsideration of an award.''.

(c) AIR FORCE.—Section 9274 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(d) A time limitation under this section may not be waived unless the Secretary of the Air Force first submits to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives the unredacted package of information considered by the Secretary, including all relevant information relating to any reconsideration of an award.''.

SEC. 584. MEDAL OF HONOR REVIEW PROCEDURES AND RECONSIDERATION AND UPGRADE REQUIREMENTS.

(a) ARMY.—Chapter 737 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 7274 the following new section:

''§ 7274a. Medal of Honor: review procedures; reconsideration and upgrade requirements

''(a) REVIEW RESPONSIBILITIES.—(1) The Secretary of the Army is responsible for establishing and maintaining procedures for the review of Medal of Honor recommendations submitted pursuant to this chapter, including recommendations submitted within statutory time lim-

its under section 7274(b) of this title, recommendations lost or not acted upon due to inadvertence under section 7274(c) of this title, and recommendations submitted pursuant to section 1130 of this title upon request of a Member of Congress.

''(2) Each Medal of Honor recommendation forwarded by the Secretary of the Army to the Secretary of Defense shall—

''(A) include the recommendation of an independent board of review convened specifically to consider the award of the proposed Medal of Honor;

''(B) contain the recommendation of the Secretary of the Army;

''(C) include the recommendation of the Chief of Staff of the Army; and

''(D) contain incontestable proof that the member distinguished himself or herself in accordance with the requirements of section 7271 of this title.

''(3) Upon receipt of a Medal of Honor recommendation, the Secretary of Defense shall—

''(A) obtain the advisory recommendation of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on the merits of the nomination; and

''(B) for nominations submitted within the time limits prescribed by section 7274(b) of this title, or

for actions arising from ongoing combat or military operations, obtain through the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff the advisory recommendation of the applicable combatant commander.

''(4) The Secretary of Defense shall include the Secretary's recommendation to the President for any Medal of Honor recommendation determined to satisfy the criteria in section 7271 of this title.

''(b)STANDARDS FOR RECONSIDERATION AND UPGRADE.—(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, reconsideration of a previously reviewed Medal of Honor nomination, or upgrade of a previously approved award to the Medal of Honor, may be initiated only upon a showing of—

''(A) new, substantive, and material evidence that was not available at the time of the original recommendation and that was not previously considered by the awarding authority; or

''(B) material error or impropriety in the processing or adjudication of the original recommendation, including loss of substantiating documents or witness statements during original routing, clearly incorrect application of official policy, or substantiated discrimination based on race, sex, or religion,

provided that any such conclusion is supported by a preponderance of the evidence.

''(2) Information that adds detail to facts already presented in the original recommendation, but is not new, substantive, or material, does not satisfy the requirement under paragraph (1)(A) for new, substantive, and material evidence.

''(3) Authority to determine whether the requirements of paragraph (1) have been satisfied is as follows:

''(A) The Secretary of Defense shall determine whether material error or impropriety existed in any prior award case adjudicated within the Office of the Secretary of Defense. This authority may not be delegated.

''(B) The Secretary of the Army shall determine whether material error or impropriety existed in any case previously adjudicated within the Department of the Army. This authority may not be delegated.

''(c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authority of the President to award the Medal of Honor pursuant to section 7271 of this title or to modify the time limitations established in section 7274 of this title except as provided herein.''.

(b) NAVY AND MARINE CORPS.—Chapter 837 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 8298 the following new section:

"§ 8299. Medal of Honor: review procedures; reconsideration and upgrade requirements

''(a) REVIEW RESPONSIBILITIES.—(1) The Secretary of the Navy is responsible for establishing and maintaining procedures for the review of Medal of Honor recommendations submitted pursuant to this chapter, including recommendations submitted within statutory time limits under section 8298 (a) of this title, recommendations lost or not acted upon due to inadvertence under section 8298(b) of this title, and recommendations submitted pursuant to section 1130 of this title upon request of a Member of Congress.

''(2) Each Medal of Honor recommendation forwarded by the Secretary of the Navy to the Secretary of Defense shall—

''(A) include the recommendation of an independent board of review convened specifically to consider the award of the proposed Medal of Honor;

''(B) contain the recommendation of the Secretary of the Navy;

''(C) include the recommendation of the Chief of Staff of the Navy; and

''(D) contain incontestable proof that the member distinguished himself or herself in accordance with the requirements of section 8291 of this title.

''(3) Upon receipt of a Medal of Honor recommendation, the Secretary of Defense shall—

''(A) obtain the advisory recommendation of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on the merits of the nomination; and

''(B) for nominations submitted within the time limits prescribed by section 8298(a) of this title, or for actions arising from ongoing combat or military operations, obtain through the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff the advisory recommendation of the applicable combatant commander.

''(4) The Secretary of Defense shall include the Secretary's recommendation to the President for any Medal of Honor recommendation determined to satisfy the criteria in section 8291 of this title.

''(b)STANDARDS FOR RECONSIDERATION AND UPGRADE.—(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, reconsideration of a previously reviewed Medal of Honor nomination, or upgrade of a previously approved award to the Medal of Honor, may be initiated only upon a showing of—

''(A) new, substantive, and material evidence that was not available at the time of the original recommendation and that was not previously considered by the awarding authority; or

''(B) material error or impropriety in the processing or adjudication of the original recommendation, including loss of substantiating documents or witness statements during original routing, clearly incorrect application of official policy, or substantiated discrimination based on race, sex, or religion, provided that any such conclusion is supported by a preponderance of the evidence.

''(2) Information that adds detail to facts already presented in the original recommendation, but is not new, substantive, or material, does not satisfy the requirement under paragraph (1)(A) for new, substantive, and material evidence.

''(3) Authority to determine whether the requirements of paragraph (1) have been satisfied is as follows:

''(A) The Secretary of Defense shall determine whether material error or impropriety existed in any prior award case adjudicated within the Office of the Secretary of Defense. This authority may not be delegated.

''(B) The Secretary of the Navy shall determine whether material error or impropriety existed in any case previously adjudicated within the Department of the Navy. This authority may not be delegated.

''(c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authority of the President to award the Medal of Honor pursuant to section 8291 of this title or to modify the time limitations established in section 8298 of this title except as provided herein.''.

(c) AIR FORCE.—Chapter 937 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 9274 the following new section:

''§ 9274a. Medal of Honor: review procedures; reconsideration and upgrade requirements

''(a) REVIEW RESPONSIBILITIES.—(1) The Secretary of the Air Force is responsible for establishing and maintaining procedures for the review of Medal of Honor recommendations submitted pursuant to this chapter, including recommendations submitted within statutory time limits under section 9274(b) of this title, recommendations lost or not acted upon due to inadvertence under section 9274(c) of this title, and recommendations submitted pursuant to section 1130 of this title upon request of a Member of Congress.

''(2) Each Medal of Honor recommendation forwarded by the Secretary of the Air Force to the Secretary of Defense shall—

''(A) include the recommendation of an independent board of review convened specifically to consider the award of the proposed Medal of Honor;

''(B) contain the recommendation of the Secretary of the Air Force;

''(C) include the recommendation of the Chief of Staff of the Air Force; and

''(D) contain incontestable proof that the member distinguished himself or herself in accordance with the requirements of section 9271 of this title.

''(3) Upon receipt of a Medal of Honor recommendation, the Secretary of Defense shall—

''(A) obtain the advisory recommendation of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on the merits of the nomination; and

''(B) for nominations submitted within the time limits prescribed by section 9274(b) of this title, or for actions arising from ongoing combat or military operations, obtain through the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff the advisory recommendation of the applicable combatant commander.

''(4) The Secretary of Defense shall include the Secretary's recommendation to the President for any Medal of Honor recommendation determined to satisfy the criteria in section 9271 of this title.

''(b)STANDARDS FOR RECONSIDERATION AND UPGRADE.—(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, reconsideration of a previously reviewed Medal of Honor nomination, or upgrade of a previously approved award to the Medal of Honor, may be initiated only upon a showing of—

''(A) new, substantive, and material evidence that was not available at the time of the original recommendation and that was not previously considered by the awarding authority; or

''(B) material error or impropriety in the processing or adjudication of the original recommendation, including loss of substantiating documents or witness statements during original routing, clearly incorrect application of official policy, or substantiated discrimination based on race, sex, or religion, provided that any such conclusion is supported by a preponderance of the evidence.

''(2) Information that adds detail to facts already presented in the original recommendation, but is not new, substantive, or material, does not satisfy the requirement

under paragraph (1)(A) for new, substantive, and material evidence.

''(3) Authority to determine whether the requirements of paragraph (1) have been satisfied is as follows:

''(A) The Secretary of Defense shall determine whether material error or impropriety existed in any prior award case adjudicated within the Office of the Secretary of Defense. This authority may not be delegated.

''(B) The Secretary of the Air Force shall determine whether material error or impropriety existed in any case previously adjudicated within the Department of the Air Force. This authority may not be delegated.

''(c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authority of the President to award the Medal of Honor pursuant to section 9271 of this title or to modify the time limitations established in section 9274 of this title except as provided herein.''.

SEC. 585. TIME LIMITATIONS.

(a) CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS FOR DECORATIONS NOT PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED IN TIMELY FASHION.—Section 1130 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (d) as subsection (f); and

(2) by inserting after subsection (c) the following new subsections:

''(d) Proposals to be considered under this section must originate before the military service concerned operationalized a standardized, online, awards review process.

''(e)(1) An exception to the time limitations under this section shall be granted for a member or former member of the armed forces whose recommendation for a decoration could not be processed due to the classification of the details of the act, achievement, or service. In such cases, a recommendation for a decoration may be considered if it is submitted within three years of the date the information providing the necessary evidence is declassified.

''(2) For purposes of the exception under paragraph (1), the term 'declassification' includes—

''(A) information released through the automatic declassification mechanisms established under Executive Order 13526 (or any successor order), including the 10-year, 25-year, 50-year, or 75-year automatic declassification timelines; and

''(B) information released through a Mandatory Declassification Review (MDR) or a request under section 552 of title 5, United States Code (commonly known as the 'Freedom of Information Act').''.

(b) REVIEW DETERMINATIONS REGARDING CERTAIN DECORATIONS.—Section 1552 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking subsection (j); and

(2) by redesignating subsection (k) as subsection (j).

SEC. 586. PRODUCTION OF AWARD FILES.

(a) PRODUCTION OF FILES.—Not later than March 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives the following information on all decorations awarded under the authorities of sections 7271, 7272, 7279, 8291, 8292, 8295, 9271, 9272, and 9279 of title 10, United States Code, between the January 1, 2025 and December 31, 2026:

(1) Unredacted copies of all supporting documentation, material matters, and information considered by boards of review, the chain of command, and any party employed by the Department of Defense, including the Secretary of Defense, who evalu-

ated the merits of, offered a recommendation about, or approved the decorations.

(2) Unredacted copies of all recommendations made by boards of review, the chain of command, and any party employed by the Department of Defense, including the Secretary of Defense, pertaining to the awarding of the decorations.

(3) For those decorations approved by the Secretary of Defense or the Secretaries of the military departments, a written justification of the basis for awarding such decoration.

(4) A description of the legal authority under which each of the decorations was awarded.

(b) BRIEFING.—Not later than March 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on each of the decorations awarded in (a) and whether any legal discrepancies or errors exist in the awarding of such decorations, along with a legislative proposal to correct any errors so identified.

(c) PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS.—Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for operation and maintenance, defense wide, and available for the Office of the Secretary of Defense for travel expenses, not more

than 90 percent may be obligated or expended until the Secretary of Defense has submitted all documentation for each award specified under subsection (a) to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

TITLE VI—COMPENSATION AND OTHER PERSONNEL BENEFITS

Subtitle A—Pay and Allowances

SEC. 601. MODIFICATION OF REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES RELATING TO TRAVEL FOR INACTIVE-DUTY TRAINING AND MUSTER DUTY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 452(j)(1) of title 37, United States Code, is amended by striking ''more than 50 miles'' and inserting ''to a permanent duty assignment location requiring one-way travel of more than 100 miles''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Section 452(j) of title 37, United States Code, as amended by subsection (a), shall apply to travel on or after January 1, 2028.

(c) CONFORMING REPEAL.—Section 623 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 1933) is amended by striking subsections (b) and (c).

(d) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than September 30, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the

congressional defense committees a report containing the following elements:

(1) The estimated marginal cost of implementation of subsection (j) of section 452 of title 37, United States Code, as amended by subsection (a), to the Department of Defense, and, for members of the Coast Guard, the Department of Homeland Security, disaggregated by reserve component.

(2) The estimated total number of members of the Armed Forces who would be affected by implementation of such subsection (j).

(3) Any recommended change to such subsection in order to improve efficacy or implementation.

(4) Any other matter that the Secretary determines appropriate.

SEC. 602. FISCAL YEAR 2027 INCREASE IN MILITARY BASIC PAY.

(a) WAIVER OF SECTION 1009 ADJUSTMENT.—The adjustment to become effective during fiscal year 2027 required by section 1009 of title 37, United States Code, in the rates of monthly basic pay authorized members of the uniformed services shall not be made.

(b) INCREASE IN BASIC PAY.—Effective on January 1, 2027, the rates of monthly basic pay for members of the uniformed services are increased by 3.6 percent.

SEC. 603. REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS OF LONG COMMUTES FOR MEMBERS ASSIGNED TO REMOTE OR ISOLATED INSTALLATIONS IN AREAS WITHOUT AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

Section 453 of title 37, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(j) REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS OF LONG COMMUTES FOR MEMBERS ASSIGNED TO REMOTE OR ISOLATED INSTALLATIONS IN AREAS WITHOUT AFFORDABLE HOUSING.—(1) The Secretary concerned may reimburse a member of the armed forces described in paragraph (2) for the costs described in paragraph (3).

''(2) A member is described in this paragraph if—

''(A) the duty station of the member is a remote or isolated installation (as defined in section 4705 of title 10);

''(B) the member lives more than 30 miles, or has a commute of longer than one hour, from the member's residence to the member's duty station; and

''(C) the member is unable to live closer to that duty station because of a lack of affordable housing and essential services near the duty station.

''(3) The costs described in this paragraph are—

''(A)(i) the average cost of fuel for the distance the member travels from the member's residence to the member's duty location; and

''(ii) a percentage, to be determined by the Secretary of Defense, of costs associated with maintenance and wear-and-tear on the vehicle of the member as a result of commuting; or

''(B) if available, the cost of taking public transportation from the member's residence to the member's duty location.

''(4) The Secretary of Defense shall establish guidelines for administering this subsection, including guidelines with respect to—

''(A) how a member can apply for reimbursement under this subsection; and

''(B) verification of—

''(i) the distance a member travels from the member's residence to the member's duty location, which may be accomplished through a combination of housing records and tools for

measuring distance using the Global Positioning System; and

''(ii) the lack of affordable housing and essential services near the member's duty station.''.

Subtitle B—Special and Incentive Pay

SEC. 611. ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF CERTAIN EXPIRING BONUS AND SPECIAL PAY AUTHORITIES.

(a) AUTHORITIES RELATING TO RESERVE FORCES.—Section 910(g) of title 37, United States Code, relating to income replacement payments for reserve component members experiencing extended and frequent mobilization for active duty service, is amended by striking ''December 31, 2026'' and inserting ''December 31, 2027''.

(b) TITLE 10 AUTHORITIES RELATING TO HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS.—The following sections of title 10, United States Code, are amended by striking ''December 31, 2026'' and inserting ''December 31, 2027'':

(1) Section 2130a(a)(1), relating to nurse officer candidate accession program.

(2) Section 16302(d), relating to repayment of education loans for certain health professionals who serve in the Selected Reserve.

(c) AUTHORITIES RELATING TO NUCLEAR OFFICERS.—Section 333(i) of title 37, United States Code, is amended by striking ''December 31, 2026'' and inserting ''December 31, 2027''.

(d) AUTHORITIES RELATING TO TITLE 37 CONSOLIDATED SPECIAL PAY, INCENTIVE PAY, AND BONUS AUTHORITIES.—The following sections of title 37, United States Code, are amended by striking ''December 31, 2026'' and inserting ''December 31, 2027'':

(1) Section 331(h), relating to general bonus authority for enlisted members.

(2) Section 332(g), relating to general bonus authority for officers.

(3) Section 334(i), relating to special aviation incentive pay and bonus authorities for officers.

(4) Section 335(k), relating to special bonus and incentive pay authorities for officers in health professions.

(5) Section 336(g), relating to contracting bonus for cadets and midshipmen enrolled in the Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps.

(6) Section 351(h), relating to hazardous duty pay.

(7) Section 352(g), relating to assignment pay or special duty pay.

(8) Section 353(i), relating to skill incentive pay or proficiency bonus.

(9) Section 355(h), relating to retention incentives for members qualified in critical military skills or assigned to high priority units.

(e) AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE TEMPORARY INCREASE IN RATES OF BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR HOUSING.—Section 403(b) of title 37, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (7)(E), relating to an area covered by a major disaster declaration or containing an installation experiencing an influx of military personnel, by striking ''December 31, 2026'' and inserting ''December 31, 2027''; and

(2) in paragraph (8)(C), relating to an area where actual housing costs differ from current rates by more than 20 percent, by striking ''December 31, 2026'' and inserting ''December 31, 2027''.

SEC. 612. INCREASE IN MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF AVIATION BONUS.

Section 334(c)(1)(B) of title 37, United States Code, is amended by striking ''$50,000'' and inserting ''$60,000''.

SEC. 613. AUTHORIZATION OF BOARD CERTIFICATION INCENTIVE PAY FOR VETERINARY COMPARATIVE MEDICINE OFFICERS.

Section 335(c)(2) of title 37, United States Code, is amended by inserting ''or holds a comparable qualifying Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degree, as determined by the Secretary concerned,'' after ''is board certified''.

SEC. 614. MODIFICATION OF BONUS AUTHORITY FOR SENIOR RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS CADETS AND MIDSHIPMEN.

Section 336 of title 37, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (b), by striking ''$5,000'' and inserting ''$15,000''; and

(2) in subsection (c)(1), by striking ''field training or a practice cruise under section 2104(b)(6)(A)(ii) of title 10'' and inserting ''training requirements prescribed by the Secretary concerned''.

SEC. 615. INCREASE IN MAXIMUM AMOUNTS OF HOSTILE FIRE PAY AND IMMINENT DANGER PAY.

Section 351(b) of title 37, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking ''$450'' and inserting ''$600''; and

(2) in paragraph (2), by striking ''$275'' and inserting ''$400''.

SEC. 616. MEDICAL PROVIDERS QUALIFIED TO RECERTIFY CATASTROPHIC INJURIES OR ILLNESSES QUALIFYING MEMBERS FOR SPECIAL COMPENSATION.

Section 439(b) of title 37, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2), by striking ''has been certified'' and inserting ''was initially certified'';

(2) by redesignating paragraphs (3) and (4) as paragraphs (4) and (5), respectively; and

(3) by inserting after paragraph (2) the following new paragraph (3):

''(3) has been recertified (if required), by a licensed physician, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant, as in need of such assistance;''.

Subtitle C—Commissary and Exchange Benefits

SEC. 621. AUTHORIZED PATRONS OF COMMISSARY AND EXCHANGE STORES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 54 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating sections 1061 through 1066 as sections 1062 through 1067, respectively; and

(2) by inserting before section 1062, as so redesignated, the following new section:

"§ 1061. Authorized patrons of commissary and exchange stores

''(a) AUTHORIZED COMMISSARY PATRONS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The following categories of individuals may access commissary stores:

''(A) Members of the uniformed services, as follows:

''(i) Members of the armed forces on active duty.

''(ii) Members of the National Guard and reserve components in any duty status under this title or title 32.

''(iii) Members of the commissioned corps of the Public Health Service.

''(iv) Members of the commissioned officer corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, including wage-marine personnel authorized under section 264 of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned

Officer Corps Act of 2002 (33 U.S.C. 3074) to access commissary stores.

''(v) Cadets and midshipmen of the United States Military Academy, the United States Naval Academy, the United States Air Force Academy, and the United States Coast Guard Academy.

''(B) Retired members of the uniformed services, as follows:

''(i) All members carried on the official retired lists of the uniformed services who are entitled to or eligible for retired or retainer pay.

''(ii) Retired wage-marine personnel of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and its predecessor services.

''(iii) Retired officers and crews of the former Lighthouse Service.

''(C) Other former members of the uniformed services, as follows:

''(i) Veterans—

''(I) discharged or released from service in the armed forces under honorable conditions; and

''(II) who are hospitalized in facilities where commissary stores are available.

''(ii) Any other retired or former members or veterans expressly entitled under this title to access commissary stores.

''(D) Dependents (as defined in section 1072 of this title) of any individual described in subparagraph (A), (B), or (C), including surviving spouses and dependents of members or veterans described in subparagraph (B) or (C).

''(E) Civilian employees of the Department of Defense and nonappropriated fund instrumentality employees (as defined in section 1587(a) of this title) who are—

''(i) are assigned to a military installation—

''(I) outside the United States; or

''(II) in a commonwealth, territory, or possession of the United States; or

''(ii) are designated by the Secretary concerned as serving in a mission-critical

occupation or a position experiencing a significant staffing shortage.

''(F) Subject to paragraph (3)(D), civilian employees of other Federal agencies when serving outside the United States, or in a commonwealth, territory, or possession of the United States, pursuant to a written support agreement authorized under section 2470 of this title or other formal interagency agreement with the Department of Defense.

''(G) Subject to paragraph (3)(D), employees of United States nongovernmental organizations or firms working outside the United States, or in a commonwealth, territory, or possession of the United States, under contracts with the Department of Defense.

''(H) Civil service mariners of the Military Sealift Command and the Army Corps of Engineers.

''(I) Nuclear materials couriers (as defined in section 8331 of title 5).

''(2) LIMITED AND TEMPORARY ACCESS CATEGORIES.—In addition to the categories of individuals described in paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense may authorize access to commissary stores

for the following categories of individuals in the following circumstances:

''(A) Employees of the Defense Commissary Agency assigned to commissary stores within the United States, for personal, on-premise consumption during meals and authorized breaks within scheduled working hours.

''(B) Civilian officials of the Department of Defense appointed by the President who reside in Government quarters on military installations and family members of such officials who reside with such officials.

''(C) Officers and enlisted personnel of the military services of foreign countries when on duty with the United States armed forces or under reciprocal agreements.

''(D) Representatives and employees of the American National Red Cross, United Service Organizations, the United Seamen's Service, the Armed Services Young Men's Christian Association, and the Fisher House Foundation when assigned to duty with or in direct support of the armed forces—

''(i) outside the United States; or

"(ii) in a commonwealth, territory, or possession of the United States.

"(E) Personal agents designated in writing by the commander of a military installation to shop on behalf of individuals who are authorized to access commissary stores under this subsection.

"(F) Individuals or employees of entities granted temporary access, when such access is necessary to restore or sustain military operations, during—

"(i) federally declared disasters (as defined in section 1065 of this title); or

"(ii) humanitarian relief or other emergency operations.

"(G) Members of the armed forces who are involuntarily separated as a result of force reshaping during the two-year period following such separation.

"(H) Members of the armed forces who receive sole survivorship discharges described in section 1174(i) of this title during the two-year period following such separation.

"(3) ADMINISTRATION.—

''(A) DURATION.—An individual is authorized to access commissary stores under this subsection for only so long as the qualifying status, employment, or assignment of the individual remains applicable or as otherwise provided by statute.

''(B) EXCEPTION.—This subsection does not authorize access to commissary stores in foreign countries where treaties or international agreements prohibit such access.

''(C) LIMITATIONS.—The authority under this subsection—

''(i) may not be used to establish a broad or permanent category of individuals authorized to access commissary stores other than a category specifically authorized by this subsection; and

''(ii) shall be implemented in a manner that ensures no additional funds are required to be appropriated.

''(D) OFFSETTING OF COSTS OF ACCESS FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS.—In the case of an individual described in subparagraph (F) or (G) of paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense may impose a fee or surcharge, or use another mech-

anism, as necessary to offset the administrative costs of providing the individual access to commissary stores.

''(E) PROHIBITION ON EXPANSION OF ACCESS WITHOUT APPROVAL OF CONGRESS.—Except as expressly authorized by an Act of Congress, the Secretary of Defense, and any other official or employee of the Department of Defense, may not expand eligibility for access to commissary stores to any additional individual or category of individuals by regulation, policy, memorandum, or other administrative action.

''(b) AUTHORIZED EXCHANGE SYSTEM PATRONS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The categories of individuals authorized to access commissary stores under subsection (a) are also authorized to access the military exchange system operated by the Department of Defense, including the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, the Navy Exchange Service Command, and the Marine Corps Exchange.

''(2) OTHER AUTHORIZED PATRONS.—

''(A) CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES; NUCLEAR MATERIALS COURIERS.—Civilian employees of the Department of Defense and nonappropriated fund instrumentality employees (as defined in

section 1587(a) of this title), and nuclear materials couriers (as defined in section 8331 of title 5), are authorized to access military exchange stores located in the United States and in the commonwealths, territories, or possessions of the United States, including for the purchase of tobacco products and alcoholic beverages.

''(B) VETERANS.—Veterans discharged or released from service in the armed forces under honorable conditions are authorized to access the online military exchange system, consistent with the policy of the Department of Defense in effect before the date of the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2027 governing remote sales of the military exchange system.

''(C) LIMITATIONS.—Access to the military exchange system authorized under this paragraph does not—

''(i) include authorization to purchase military uniforms; or

''(ii) extend to any other programs, facilities, or services operated by nonappropriated fund activities of the Department of Defense for the morale, welfare,

and recreation of members of the armed forces.

''(3) DURATION.—An individual is authorized to access the military exchange system under this subsection for only so long as the qualifying status, employment, or assignment of the individual remains applicable or as otherwise provided by statute.

''(4) PROHIBITION ON EXPANSION OF ACCESS WITHOUT APPROVAL OF CONGRESS.—Except as provided by paragraph (2)(C) or as expressly authorized by an Act of Congress, the Secretary of Defense, and any other officer or employee of the Department of Defense, may not expand eligibility for access to the military exchange system to any additional individual, or category of individuals by regulation, policy, memorandum, or other administrative action.

''(c) TEMPORARY AUTHORIZATIONS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense may authorize temporary access to commissary stores and the military exchange system for a period of not more than one year for categories of individuals not covered by subsection (a) or (b) if—

''(A) those individuals are otherwise authorized to access military installations; and

''(B) the Secretary—

''(i) notifies the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the authorization; and

''(ii) includes in that notification a description of the categories of individuals authorized to access the military exchange system and the rationale for authorizing such access.

''(2) RENEWALS.—The Secretary is authorized to renew an authorization for temporary access provided under paragraph (1) for additional periods of not more than one year each if, for each renewal, the Secretary submits the notification required by paragraph (1)(B) not fewer than 60 days before the effective date of the renewal.''.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Chapter 54 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by subsection (a), is further amended—

(1) in section 1063(c), by striking ''section 1063'' and inserting ''section 1064'';

(2) in section 1065(c)(2), by striking ''section 1063(e)'' and inserting ''section 1064'';

(3) in section 1066(h)(1)(A), by striking ''section 1063(e)'' and inserting ''section 1064''; and

(4) in section 1067(c)(1), by striking ''section 1063'' and inserting ''section 1064''.

SEC. 622. MODIFICATION OF OPERATING EXPENSES OF COMMISSARY STORES.

Section 2483 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

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

''(8) Construction, repair, improvement, and maintenance of physical infrastructure (as defined in section 2484(h)(1)(B) of this title).''; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(d) LIMITATIONS RELATING TO MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.—Amounts used for construction under subsection (b)(8) shall be subject to the requirements and limitations under section 2805 of this title.''.

SEC. 623. PILOT PROGRAM ON ACCESS OF CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES TO COMMISSARY STORES.

(a) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense may carry out a pilot program to assess the feasibility of, demand for, and financial impact of extending access to commissary stores to civilian employees of the Department of Defense while maintaining the benefit of such access for

members and retired members of the Armed Forces and their families.

(b) ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES.—Under the pilot program authorized by subsection (a), the Secretary may provide access to a commissary store selected for participation in the pilot program under subsection (c) to full-time civilian employees of the Department of Defense and nonappropriated fund instrumentality employees (as defined in section 1587(a) of this title) who are assigned to a location within the vicinity of the military installation where the store is located.

(c) SELECTION OF STORES.—The Secretary—

(1) may select up to 16 commissary stores within the continental United States to participate in the pilot program authorized by subsection (a); and

(2) in making selections under paragraph (1), shall ensure representation of diverse geographic regions and types of military installations.

(d) FEES.—The Secretary may impose a fee or surcharge, or use another mechanism—

(1) to offset the administrative costs of providing access to commissary stores to employees described in subsection (b); and

(2) to ensure that no additional amounts are required to be appropriated to carry out the pilot program authorized by subsection (a).

(e) DURATION.—The Secretary may determine the duration of the pilot program authorized by subsection (a), except that the pilot program shall terminate not later than January 1, 2028.

(f) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the termination under subsection (e) of the pilot program authorized by subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report evaluating—

(1) the number and categories of employees described in subsection (b) participating in the pilot program, including participation rates by military installation, grade, and employment type;

(2) the total volume of sales and patronage levels generated by those employees and the proportion of total commissary sales represented by the patronage of those employees;

(3) the gross and net revenue generated from sales to those employees;

(4) the disposition or use of any additional revenues, fees, or surcharges collected under the pilot program;

(5) the impact of the pilot program on the overall operating costs of commissary stores, including with respect to labor, supply chain, and inventory management;

(6) any observed or projected effects of the pilot program on the requirements of the Defense Commissary Agency for appropriations and the subsidies provided for the operations of commissary stores;

(7) the impact of the pilot program on infrastructure, security, parking, and utilities at commissary stores participating in the pilot program;

(8) the effect of the pilot program on access to and wait times at commissary stores, and customer satisfaction, for members of the Armed Forces;

(9) any operational challenges, staffing adjustments, or system modifications required to carry out the pilot program;

(10) any adjustments to procurement or contracting requirements associated with increased patronage resulting from the pilot program; and

(11) the overall feasibility, fiscal sustainability, and advisability of permanent or expanded access to

commissary stores for civilian employees of the Department of Defense, including recommendations for any legislative or policy changes necessary to support such access.

Subtitle D—Other Matters

SEC. 631. AUTHORITY FOR SHIPMENT AND STORAGE OF PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLES OF MEMBERS MOVING BETWEEN AUTHORIZED LOCATIONS.

Section 453(c)(4) of title 37, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

''(4)(A) The Secretary of the military department concerned may authorize the shipment or storage of more than one privately owned vehicle for a member of the armed forces in connection with a temporary or permanent move between authorized locations.

''(B) The exercise of the authority provided by subparagraph (A) shall—

''(i) be subject to the availability of appropriations and operational requirements; and

''(ii) not be conditioned on the implementation of a Department of Defense-wide policy on shipment and storage of personally owned vehicles.''.

SEC. 632. REIMBURSEMENT OF GUARDIANSHIP COSTS INCURRED AS A RESULT OF RELOCATIONS.

Section 453 of title 37, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(j) REIMBURSEMENT OF QUALIFYING GUARDIANSHIP COSTS.—(1) From amounts otherwise made available for a fiscal year to provide travel and transportation allowances under this chapter, the Secretary concerned may reimburse a member of the uniformed services for qualified guardianship costs if—

''(A) the member relocates to a new jurisdiction or geographic area as the result of—

''(i) an assignment to a duty station;

''(ii) a reassignment, either as a result of a permanent change of station or permanent change of assignment, between duty stations;

''(iii) a transfer from a regular component of a uniformed service into the Selected Reserve of the Ready Reserve of a uniformed service, if the member is authorized a final move from the last duty station to the new jurisdiction or geographic area; or

''(iv) placement on the temporary disability retired list under chapter 61 of title 10; and

''(B) the movement of the member's dependents is authorized at the expense of the United States under this section as part of the relocation.

''(2)(A) Reimbursement provided to a member under this subsection for qualified guardianship costs may not exceed $1,000 in connection with each relocation described in paragraph (1).

''(3) No reimbursement may be provided under this subsection for qualified guardianship costs paid or incurred after December 31, 2029.

''(4) In this subsection, the term 'qualified guardianship costs' means costs, including paperwork, travel, or court, legal, or other administrative fees, incurred by a member or the spouse of a member if—

''(A) a State appoints the member or spouse as the guardian of a minor child or an adult adjudicated to be in need of a guardian; and

''(B) the member or spouse needs to seek a new appointment in a new jurisdiction because of the member's relocation described in paragraph (1).''.

SEC. 633. PROVISION OF COUNSELING ON HOUSING FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.

Section 992 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)(2), by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

''(C) The Secretary concerned may, subject to the applicable requirements of this section, enter into contracts to provide counseling under this paragraph with individuals and organizations that provide counseling with respect to housing, including organizations that are certified under section 106(e) of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701x(e)).''; and

(2) in subsection (f)(3), by striking ''and mortgages'' and inserting ''mortgages, and other financial products related to the purchase or lease of a primary residence (and information on fees related to such products)''.

SEC. 634. SPECIAL PRIORITY TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION FOR PERSONNEL STATIONED AT UNITED STATES NAVAL STATION, GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA.

Section 2641b of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (g) as subsection (h); and

(2) by inserting after subsection (f) the following new subsection (g):

''(g) SPECIAL PRIORITY FOR TRAVEL TO AND FROM UNITED STATES NAVAL STATION GUANTANAMO BAY,

CUBA.—(1) An individual eligible pursuant to subsection (c) for the travel program who is stationed at United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, may purchase transportation, at commercially competitive rates (as determined by the agency contracting for the transportation), for travel to and from Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, without regard to subsection (b).

''(2) An individual described in paragraph (1) shall have a priority for transportation under the travel program consistent with other official travelers, as determined by the Secretary.

''(3) Notwithstanding section 3302 of title 31, amounts collected under paragraph (1) shall be credited to the appropriate appropriation of the agency contracting for the transportation. Amounts so collected shall be credited to and merged with the funds in that appropriation and shall be available for the same period and purposes as the appropriation with which merged.''.

SEC. 635. PROGRAM TO ASSIST MEMBERS IN OBTAINING PERSONAL DRIVER'S LICENSES.

Chapter 101 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 2015 the following new section:

''§ 2015a. Authority to assist members in obtaining State driver's licenses

''(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense may provide assistance to a member of the armed forces for expenses of obtaining, while serving in the armed forces, a personal driver's license under the laws of a State.

''(b) STATE DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'State' means the several States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, the United States Virgin Islands, and American Samoa.''.

SEC. 636. STUDENT LOAN RELIEF FOR MEMBERS OF SELECTED RESERVE.

Section 16301(b) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''15 percent'' and inserting ''20 percent''.

SEC. 637. ENHANCEMENT OF AIR FORCE RATED OFFICER RETENTION DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM.

Section 604 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 37 U.S.C. 301b note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)(2), by striking ''and not less than one year''; and

(2) in subsection (d), by striking paragraph (1) and inserting the following:

''(1) FLEXIBILITY OF ASSIGNMENT AND DUTY LOCATIONS.—Under the demonstration program required under subsection (a), the Secretary shall, to the maximum extent practicable and consistent with the needs of the Air Force, offer a rated officer described in subsection (b)—

''(A) assignment to the duty location preferred by the officer, including consecutive assignments to the same duty location; or

''(B) the opportunity to perform a staff assignment that—

''(i) does not require the officer to relocate; or

''(ii) permits the officer to remain in an active flying status while performing such assignment.''.

SEC. 638. PILOT PROGRAM ON CAREER INTERMISSIONS FOR CERTAIN AIR FORCE FIGHTER AIRCREW.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force shall establish a pilot program, under the authority provided by section 710 of title 10, United States Code, to permit officers in Air Force fighter aircrew career fields to take a one-time career intermission in order to evaluate whether targeted career intermissions re-

duce early separations and preserve experienced fighter aircrew subject-matter experts for air staff positions and leadership roles in the active component of the Air Force.

(b) INTERMISSION PERIOD.—An intermission under the pilot program established under subsection (a) shall be for a period of not less than 4 months and not more than one year, as selected by the participant.

(c) TREATMENT OF AVIATION BONUSES.—

(1) ELIGIBILITY.—An officer described in subsection (a) may participate in the pilot program established under that subsection if the officer is subject to an active duty service obligation of not less than two years as of the beginning of the period of intermission of the officer under subsection (b). Participation in the pilot program shall not, by itself, disqualify an officer from eligibility for an aviation bonus under section 334(b) of title 37, United States Code.

(2) SUSPENSION OF PAYMENTS.—Payment of an aviation bonus under section 334(b) of title 37, United States Code, to an officer shall be suspended during any period of intermission of an officer under the pilot program established under subsection (a).

(3) RESUMPTION OF PAYMENTS.—Upon the return of an officer to active duty after an inter-

mission under the pilot program established under subsection (a), payment of an aviation bonus under section 334(b) of title 37, United States Code, may resume for the remaining period of the agreement of the officer under paragraph (3) of that section, subject to the terms of the agreement.

(4) TOLLING.—Any period of intermission under the pilot program established under subsection (a) shall not be counted toward the fulfillment of an agreement with respect to an aviation bonus under section 334(b) of title 37, United States Code.

(5) OTHER SERVICE OBLIGATIONS.—Except as provided in paragraph (4), an officer shall continue to satisfy any other active duty service obligation during a period of intermission under the pilot program established under subsection (a).

(d) APPLICATION OF CAREER INTERMISSION PROGRAM AUTHORITIES.—Except as otherwise provided in this section, the Secretary shall carry out the pilot program established under subsection (a) in accordance with section 710 of title 10, United States Code.

(e) TERMINATION.—The authority to carry out the pilot program under subsection (a) shall terminate on the

date that is 5 years after the date on which the pilot program is established.

(f) REPORTS REQUIRED.—Not later than one year after the establishment of the pilot program under subsection (a), and annually thereafter until termination of the pilot program under subsection (e), the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the implementation and effectiveness of the pilot program.

TITLE VII—HEALTH CARE

Subtitle A—TRICARE and Other Health Care Benefits

SEC. 701. DIGITAL SYSTEM FOR BENEFICIARY ASSISTANCE AT MILITARY MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITIES AND THROUGH MANAGED CARE SUPPORT CONTRACTORS.

(a) DIGITAL SYSTEM FOR ACCESS ASSISTANCE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall establish a digital system under which a covered beneficiary who receives health care at a military medical treatment facility or through a managed care support contractor under the TRICARE program may electronically—

(A) file a complaint, raise awareness about an issue, or provide positive feedback relating to access to care at such military medical treatment facility or through such managed care support contractor; and

(B) view the status of such complaint or issue at any time, including the status of any interim or final action taken to address the complaint or issue.

(2) PROCESS.—The Director of the Defense Health Agency shall develop a process to acknowledge receipt of complaints or issues under paragraph (1)(A) and specify a timeline for response to such complaints or issues.

(3) TRANSMITTAL TO PATIENT ADVOCATES.—Any complaint or issue filed under paragraph (1)(A) shall be promptly transmitted to an appropriate patient advocate of the Department of Defense.

(4) MILITARY MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITY COMPLAINTS OR ISSUES.—Complaints or issues filed under paragraph (1)(A) with respect to a military medical treatment facility may be automatically aggregated and submitted to the Director of the Defense Health Agency on a quarterly basis.

(b) REPORT ON COMPLAINTS FILED UNDER DIGITAL SYSTEM.—

(1) SUBMISSION.—Not later than March 1 of each year during the three-year period following the establishment of the system under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the total number of complaints or issues filed under such system.

(2) ELEMENTS.—Each report under paragraph (1) shall include, for each military medical treatment facility with respect to which a complaint or issue was filed under the system under subsection (a), the following:

(A) An identification of the most common access to care complaints or issues filed by covered beneficiaries with respect to such facility.

(B) A comparison of the number of complaints or issues filed regarding access to specialty care versus access to primary care.

(C) A comparison of the number of complaints or issues filed regarding access to women's health care versus access to health care that is not women's health care.

(D) A comparison of the number of complaints or issues filed regarding access to pediatric care versus access to non-pediatric care.

(E) A comparison of the number of complaints or issues filed regarding administrative hurdles to access to care versus other access to care issues.

(F) A summary of steps taken at such facility to reduce access to care complaints or issues by covered beneficiaries.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COVERED BENEFICIARY.—The term ''covered beneficiary'' means an individual enrolled in a health care plan under the TRICARE program and eligible to receive care at a military medical treatment facility.

(2) MANAGED CARE SUPPORT CONTRACTOR.—The term ''managed care support contractor'' means a health care organization contracted to provide care via a managed support contract in support of the health benefits under the TRICARE program.

(3) TRICARE PROGRAM.—The term ''TRICARE program'' has the meaning given that term in section 1072 of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 702. EXPANSION OF ACCESS TO DENTAL CARE FOR CERTAIN DEPENDENTS.

Paragraph (2) of section 1077(c) of title 10, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

''(2)(A) Dependents who are covered by a dental plan established under section 1076a of this title may be treated by postgraduate dental residents in a dental treatment facility of the uniformed services under a graduate dental education program accredited by the American Dental Association.

''(B) Treatment under subparagraph (A) shall be provided on a space available basis and only if the Secretary of Defense determines that adequate resources exist to provide such treatment.''.

SEC. 703. EXPANSION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR HEARING AIDS TO INCLUDE CHILDREN OF RETIRED MEMBERS OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES ENROLLED IN FAMILY COVERAGE UNDER TRICARE SELECT.

Section 1077(a)(16)(B)(ii) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting ''or TRICARE Select'' before the period at the end.

SEC. 704. EVALUATION OF INCLUSION OF ADDITIONAL ACCREDITING BODIES FOR PURPOSES OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR LICENSURE OF MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS UNDER TRICARE PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Defense Health Agency shall evaluate the feasibility and advisability of permitting reimbursement under the TRICARE program of certified mental health counselors who hold a masters or higher-level degree in counseling from a program that is accredited by a covered institution.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than July 1, 2027, the Director shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the evaluation conducted under subsection (a).

(c) INTERIM FINAL RULE.—If the report submitted under subsection (b) recommends permitting reimbursement of counselors with a degree from a program accredited by a covered institution, the Director shall issue an interim final rule implementing such recommendations not later than two years after submittal of the report.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COVERED INSTITUTION.—The term ''covered institution'' means any of the following:

(A) The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

(B) The Higher Learning Commission.

(C) The Middle States Commission on Higher Education.

(D) The New England Association of Schools and Colleges Commission on Institutions of Higher Education.

(E) The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges.

(F) The Western Association of Schools and Colleges Senior College and University Commission.

(G) The Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools.

(H) The Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges.

(I) The Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools.

(J) The Distance Education Accreditation Commission.

(K) The Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation.

(L) The American Psychology Association.

(2) TRICARE PROGRAM.—The term ''TRICARE program'' has the meaning given that term in section 1072 of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 705. IMPROVEMENT OF PROVIDER DIRECTORY ACCURACY FOR SPECIALTY CARE PROVIDERS UNDER THE TRICARE PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Defense Health Agency shall—

(1) ensure that each managed care contract under the TRICARE program entered into after the date of the enactment of this Act includes requirements that the managed care contractor—

(A) conduct comprehensive outreach campaigns, to include electronic and non-electronic means, and mass email campaigns to network specialty care providers providing—

(i) information relating to penalties associated with inaccurate provider directory information;

(ii) resources for improving directory information; and

(iii) direct links for providers to update their directory information;

(B) make it a condition of joining the network managed by such contractor under the

TRICARE program for specialty care providers to validate their provider directory information not less frequently than quarterly;

(C) ensure that when specialty care providers file for reimbursement, such providers are prompted to review and verify their directory accuracy;

(D) create a mechanism by which beneficiaries under the TRICARE program can report provider directory inaccuracy to the contractor;

(E) conduct random tests (not less frequently than monthly) encompassing all specialty care provider types, of the accuracy of information maintained by the contractor relating to specialty care providers; and

(F) not less frequently than monthly, submit to the Director the results of such random tests, disaggregated by each specialty care provider type, conducted during the month covered by the report; and

(2) develop financial penalties or other contractual remedies for inaccurate provider directory information under such contracts in accordance with the

penalties or remedies imposed as of the date of the enactment of this Act under the T–5 Contract.

(b) OTHER METHODS.—The Director shall carry out any other methods that the Director finds useful for the improvement of provider directory accuracy under the TRICARE program.

(c) TESTING OF DIRECTORY INFORMATION.—Not less frequently than twice each year during the three-year period following the date of the enactment of this Act, the Inspector General of the Defense Health Agency shall—

(1) conduct random tests, encompassing and disaggregating by all specialty care provider types, of the accuracy of information relating to specialty care providers contained in the provider directory under the TRICARE program; and

(2) submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report containing the findings of each random test.

(d) BRIEFINGS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter for the following four years, the Director shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representa-

tives a briefing on progress in carrying out this section.

(2) ELEMENTS.—Each briefing under paragraph (1) shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(A) A description of the techniques that are most effective in improving accuracy of provider directories.

(B) An identification of the authorities or tools that the Defense Health Agency lacks for improving such accuracy.

(C) An identification of challenges specific to each specialty care provider type that limit such accuracy.

(D) An assessment of the impact of efforts of the Defense Health Agency towards improving such accuracy on providers either leaving the TRICARE program or on the willingness of non-network providers to join the TRICARE program.

(e) COMPTROLLER GENERAL REVIEW.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter for the following two years, the Comptroller General of the United States shall—

(1) conduct a holistic review of provider directory accuracy under the TRICARE program,

disaggregated by each specialty care provider type, to measure the progress of the Director towards meeting the existing requirements set forth by each managed care contractor under the TRICARE program, including by providing recommendations that would inform the development of the next managed care support contract competition; and

(2) submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the review conducted under paragraph (1).

(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) RANDOM TEST.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ''random test'', with respect to specialty care providers, means conducting covert calls to offices of a random sample of such providers using phone numbers from the directory available under the TRICARE program with respect to such providers to confirm the accuracy of information contained in such directory.

(B) SPECIAL RULE.—A random test may not be conducted with respect to the same sample of providers in consecutive tests.

(2) TRICARE PROGRAM.—The term ''TRICARE program'' has the meaning given that term in section 1072 of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 706. MODIFICATION OF REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE START-UP TIME FOR CERTAIN TRICARE CONTRACTORS.

Section 1095c(b) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking ''nine months after the date of the award of the contract, but in no case later than one year after the date of such award'' and inserting ''one year after the date on which the transition period of performance begins under the contract to allow for adequate start-up time for an orderly transition''; and

(2) in paragraph (3), by striking ''nine-month'' and inserting ''one-year'' each place it appears.

SEC. 707. CORRECTIONS TO PILOT PROGRAM FOR SUPPLEMENTAL COVERAGE RELATING TO CANCER.

Section 734 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 10 U.S.C. 1071 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking ''September 30, 2027'' and inserting ''January 31, 2028'';

(2) in subsection (c), in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking ''a publicly accessible internet website'' and inserting ''the public-facing website of the TRICARE program'';

(3) in subsection (d)(2), by striking ''establish procedures to determine'' and inserting ''provide a method for verification of'';

(4) in subsection (e), by striking ''2026'' and inserting ''2027''; and

(5) in subsection (g)(2), by inserting ''a health plan option under'' after ''enrolled in''.

SEC. 708. COVERAGE OF CRANIAL ORTHOTIC DEVICES FOR DEFORMATIONAL PLAGIOCEPHALY UNDER TRICARE PROGRAM.

Section 1079(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(21) Cranial orthotic devices (molding helmets) for deformational plagiocephaly may be provided as part of a reconstructive medical treatment.''.

SEC. 709. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 201 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 2 (42 U.S.C. 201)—

(A) in paragraph (p), by striking ''means the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Public Health Service, or Coast and Geodetic Survey; and'' and inserting ''has the meaning given such term in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code;'';

(B) in paragraph (q), by striking the period and inserting ''; and''; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

''(r) The term 'Defense Agency' has the meaning given such term in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code.''; and

(2) in section 543(e) (42 U.S.C. 290dd–2(e))—

(A) in paragraph (1), by inserting ''or the Defense Agency responsible for military health care under chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code,'' after ''Uniformed Services''; and

(B) in paragraph (2), by inserting ''or the Defense Agency responsible for military health care under chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code'' after ''Uniformed Services''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by subsection (a) shall take effect as if included in the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328).

SEC. 710. LICENSURE OF MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS IN TRICARE PROGRAM.

(a) QUALIFICATIONS FOR TRICARE CERTIFIED MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELORS.—For purposes of determining whether a mental health care professional is eligible for reimbursement under the TRICARE program as a certified mental health counselor, an individual who holds a masters or higher-level degree in counseling from a program that is accredited by a covered institution shall be treated as holding such degree from a mental health counseling program or clinical mental health counseling program that is accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs.

(b) IMPLEMENTATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall implement this section beginning not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(c) BRIEFING.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the plan of the Secretary to implement this section.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COVERED INSTITUTION.—The term ''covered institution'' means any of the following:

(A) The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

(B) The Higher Learning Commission.

(C) The Middle States Commission on Higher Education.

(D) The New England Association of Schools and Colleges Commission on Institutions of Higher Education.

(E) The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges.

(F) The Western Association of Schools and Colleges Senior College and University Commission.

(G) The Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools.

(H) The Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges.

(I) The Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools.

(J) The Distance Education Accreditation Commission.

(K) The Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation.

(L) The American Psychology Association.

(2) TRICARE PROGRAM.—The term ''TRICARE program'' has the meaning given that term in section 1072 of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 711. REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO WELLNESS CHECKS FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE OF CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.

(a) WELLNESS CHECKS.—

(1) WELLNESS CHECKS REQUIRED.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall issue such regulations, policies, and procedures as may be necessary to require that, whenever appropriate following a member of the Armed Forces sustaining any significant injury or illness or being on sick call, a wellness check is conducted to account for the health and welfare of such member.

(B) SIGNIFICANT INJURY OR ILLNESS OR SICK CALL.—For purposes of subparagraph (A), a member of the Armed Forces shall be considered to have sustained a significant injury or illness or to be on sick call if a medical professional recommends an absence of the member from regular duties for 24 hours or longer, such as placing the member on quarters or recommending convalescent leave.

(2) METHODS OF CONTACT.—In conducting a wellness check for a member of the Armed Forces pursuant to paragraph (1), if the member does not respond to such check conducted via an electronic or telephone communication method, the individual conducting the check shall progress to an in-person method of contact.

(3) RESULT OF FAILURE TO LOCATE.—If, as a result of a wellness check conducted pursuant to paragraph (1) for a member of the Armed Forces, the individual conducting such check is unable to locate such member, the individual shall refer to the applicable regulations, policies, and procedures of the Department of Defense regarding the determination and reporting of such member as missing, absent unknown, absent without leave, or duty status-whereabouts unknown.

(b) IMPLEMENTATION BY UNIT COMMANDERS.—In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall ensure that each unit commander coordinates with the judge advocates assigned or attached to, or performing duty with, the unit under the command of such commander for assistance in the implementation of any regulation, policy, or procedure required under subsection (a) with respect to such unit.

(c) ADDITIONAL ACTIONS BY UNIT COMMANDERS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—On a routine basis, each unit commander shall—

(A) review the requirements contained in the document titled ''Commander's Critical Information Requirements'', dated January 2020, or any successor document, to ensure such requirements—

(i) have been issued or updated during the three-year period preceding any such review;

(ii) reflect the medical issues or safety incidents of members of the Armed Forces that the commander deems sufficiently significant; and

(iii) have been distributed to the unit under the command of such commander; and

(B) host confidential wellness meetings with subordinate commanders at which such commanders may discuss with one or more medical officers assigned to such unit any significant injuries or illnesses affecting members of the Armed Forces serving in or with such unit.

(2) WELLNESS MEETINGS.—Confidential wellness meetings under paragraph (1)(B) may be integrated with existing command, staff, or health-of-the-force synchronization meetings if the confidentiality of the medical and personal information a member of the Armed Forces is appropriately maintained.

(d) TRAINING.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Each Secretary concerned, and the Secretary of Defense with respect to civilian personnel of the Department of Defense, shall ensure that training on the importance of accountability with respect to health and welfare, and the significant negative outcomes that may occur when accountability procedures fail, is integrated into existing command, leadership, and prevention training programs to the maximum extent practicable

(2) NO NEED FOR SEPARATE TRAINING REQUIREMENT.—A separate standalone training requirement is not required for purposes of carrying out paragraph (1).

(e) SECRETARY CONCERNED DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''Secretary concerned'' has the meaning given that term in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 712. REQUIREMENT TO OFFER MEDICAL CHAPERONES DURING SENSITIVE MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS.

The Secretary of Defense shall establish and implement a policy throughout the Department of Defense to require that a medical chaperone be offered and available to be present with a patient during any sensitive medical examination, as determined by the Secretary, conducted at a military medical treatment facility.

SEC. 713. PILOT PROGRAM ON RECIPROCAL ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE FACILITIES, PERSONNEL, AND SERVICES OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AND DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall jointly carry out a pilot program to assess the feasibility and advisability of expanding reciprocal access to health care facilities, personnel, and services between the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs (in this section referred to as the ''pilot program'').

(b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the pilot program are—

(1) to improve access to timely, high-quality health care for covered beneficiaries;

(2) to improve continuity of care for transitioning members of the Armed Forces and veterans;

(3) to reduce duplication of health care capacity and infrastructure;

(4) to enhance medical readiness and provider proficiency;

(5) to maximize the efficient use of medical facilities and personnel of the Federal Government; and

(6) to assess opportunities for future integration and coordination between the health care systems of the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

(c) AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Under the pilot program, the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs may authorize—

(A) coordinated referral and specialty care arrangements;

(B) integrated scheduling, credentialing, reimbursement, and care coordination processes; and

(C) the sharing and interoperability of electronic health records and related health information systems consistent with applicable privacy and security requirements.

(2) PRIORITY.—Activities under the pilot program shall prioritize arrangements that cannot be readily achieved under sharing agreements in effect as of the date of the enactment of this Act due to administrative, eligibility, or systemic barriers.

(d) PILOT SITES.—

(1) INITIAL SITES.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall jointly designate not fewer than five and not more than 10 pilot sites.

(2) SELECTION CRITERIA.—In selecting pilot sites under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall consider—

(A) geographic areas with overlapping medical infrastructure of the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs;

(B) locations experiencing provider shortages or access challenges;

(C) locations with significant populations of transitioning members of the Armed Forces, former members of the Armed Forces, or veterans;

(D) locations where at least one of the local Federal facilities has the staff and operation capacity to take on the work of the pilot program;

(E) opportunities to improve medical readiness of the Armed Forces; and

(F) existing sharing agreements or integrated care models.

(3) MODIFICATION OF PILOT SITES.—The Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs may jointly add, remove, suspend, or modify pilot sites and services covered under the pilot program as the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs jointly determine necessary based on performance, patient safety, operational requirements, beneficiary access, or other appropriate considerations if the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs provide to the appropriate committees of Congress, not later than 30 days before adding, removing, suspending, or modifying any such site or service, a notification of such action.

(e) ELIGIBILITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall jointly

establish eligibility criteria and priority categories for participation in the pilot program.

(2) PRIORITY.—In establishing criteria under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall prioritize—

(A) transitioning members of the Armed Forces;

(B) members of the Armed Forces and veterans residing in medically underserved areas;

(C) beneficiaries requiring specialty care with extended wait times;

(D) members of the Armed Forces and veterans receiving behavioral health care; and

(E) military families if reciprocal access would improve continuity or access to care for such families.

(f) WAIVER OF ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs may waive or modify administrative requirements that would otherwise unnecessarily impede the operation of the pilot program, except requirements relating to patient safety, quality standards, or statutory eligibility for care.

(g) DATA COLLECTION AND PERFORMANCE METRICS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall jointly establish metrics to evaluate the pilot program, including metrics relating to—

(A) patient access and wait times;

(B) quality of care and patient outcomes;

(C) patient satisfaction and care coordination;

(D) provider productivity and readiness impacts;

(E) cost and resource utilization;

(F) continuity of care for transitioning members of the Armed Forces;

(G) continuity of care for veterans receiving care under the pilot program at facilities other than facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs;

(H) electronic health record interoperability and information sharing; and

(I) comparison of use of the pilot program to use of sharing agreements for similar services under other authorities.

(2) STANDARDIZATION.—The Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall ensure that data collection under this subsection is

standardized across pilot sites to the maximum extent practicable.

(h) APPLICATION OF AUTHORITY.—The pilot program shall—

(1) build upon and not duplicate authorities under section 8111 of title 38, United States Code; and

(2) apply only to the extent necessary to test enhanced reciprocal access to health care facilities, personnel, and services beyond sharing agreements in effect as of the date of the enactment of this Act.

(i) BRIEFINGS AND REPORTS.—

(1) INITIAL BRIEFING.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall jointly provide to the appropriate committees of Congress a briefing regarding implementation plans for the pilot program.

(2) ANNUAL BRIEFINGS.—Not later than April 1 of each year during the duration of the pilot program, the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall jointly provide to the appropriate committees of Congress a briefing regarding—

(A) pilot site performance;

(B) beneficiary participation;

(C) budgetary impacts;

(D) patient safety and quality metrics;

(E) any modifications to pilot sites or covered services; and

(F) legislative recommendations, if any.

(3) INTERIM REPORT.—Not later than two years after commencement of operations under the pilot program at the first pilot site, the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall jointly submit to the appropriate committees of Congress an interim report on the results of the pilot program.

(4) FINAL REPORT.—Not later than one year before the termination of the pilot program under subsection (k), the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall jointly submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a final report containing—

(A) an assessment of the effectiveness of the pilot program;

(B) recommendations regarding expansion, modification, or termination of the pilot program;

(C) an assessment of impacts on medical readiness of the Armed Forces and health care delivery for veterans; and

(D) any recommendations for legislative or administrative action.

(j) VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION AND PRESERVATION OF EXISTING AUTHORITIES.—

(1) VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION.—Participation in the pilot program by veterans shall be voluntary.

(2) PATIENT ELECTION.—A veteran eligible to participate in the pilot program may elect to receive care through—

(A) a facility of the Department of Veterans Affairs;

(B) a military medical treatment facility participating in the pilot program; or

(C) a community provider pursuant to applicable community care authorities of the Department of Veterans Affairs .

(3) NO REQUIREMENT TO USE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FACILITIES.—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may not require a veteran to receive care through a facility of the Department of Defense as a condition of eligibility for, or receipt of, care or services under laws administered by the Secretary.

(4) PATIENT NOTICE.—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall ensure that veterans eligible to participate in the pilot program receive clear notice regarding available health care options, including the availability of community care if otherwise authorized by law.

(5) NO LIMITATION ON COMMUNITY CARE ELIGIBILITY.—Nothing in this section may be construed to limit, alter, delay, or otherwise affect the eligibility of a veteran for care, services, or referrals furnished under the Veterans Community Care Program under section 1703 of title 38, United States Code, or any other authority available under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to receive care from non-Department of Veterans Affairs providers.

(k) DURATION.—The pilot program shall commence not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act and shall terminate five years after the commencement of operations of the pilot program at the first pilot site.

(l) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—The term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(A) the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the House of Representatives.

(2) COVERED BENEFICIARY.—The term ''covered beneficiary'' has the meaning given that term in section 1072 of title 10, United States Code.

(3) MILITARY MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITY.—The term ''military medical treatment facility'' means a facility of the Defense Health Agency, a military department, or another component of the Department of Defense providing health care services.

(4) PILOT SITE.—The term ''pilot site'' means any medical center, hospital, clinic, or other health care facility of the Department of Defense or the Department of Veterans Affairs that is participating in the pilot program.

(5) RECIPROCAL ACCESS.—The term ''reciprocal access'' means systematic, non-excess-capacity access with integrated operations, as opposed to access that is limited to excess capacity only.

SEC. 714. MEDICAL SCREENING FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES WHO SERVED AT DATA MASKED OR CLASSIFIED LOCATIONS.

(a) MODIFICATION TO SERVICE RECORDS.—Not later than January 1, 2029, the Secretary of Defense shall modify the service records of covered members to include a check box or other method to signify that the covered member served at a covered location and would merit additional medical screening.

(b) HAZARD SCREENING.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—During a covered examination, a covered member shall receive—

(A) a screening to determine if such member served at a covered location at any time during service in the Armed Forces; and

(B) if such member served at such a location, additional exposure-specific medical screenings and evaluations to identify potential exposure to hazardous substances, radiation, or other harmful occupational and environmental hazards encountered during service in the Armed Forces, consistent with current clinical practice guidelines and recommendations of the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

(2) INCLUSIONS.—The screenings and evaluations required under paragraph (1) may include—

(A) a targeted assessment of medical histories;

(B) a physical examination;

(C) laboratory testing;

(D) imaging studies; and

(E) other diagnostic procedures that the Secretary determines are medically necessary.

(c) DOCUMENTATION.—A health care provider shall document all exposures identified by the provider and the results of any screenings and evaluations conducted under subsection (b) in the permanent medical record of the relevant covered member and ensure that relevant exposure information is transmitted to the Department of Veterans Affairs upon separation or retirement of such member.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COVERED EXAMINATION.—The term ''covered examination'' means—

(A) a screening conducted by a health care provider of the Department of Defense for any covered member prior to a permanent change of station from a covered location; or

(B) any annual preventive health assessment of a covered member conducted by a health care provider of the Department.

(2) COVERED LOCATION.—The term ''covered location'' means—

(A) a data masked or classified location; or

(B) a facility on the most recent list of facilities covered under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7384 et seq.) published in the Federal Register by the Secretary of Energy.

(3) COVERED MEMBER.—The term ''covered member'' means a member of the Armed Forces currently serving on active duty.

SEC. 715. MEDICAL TESTING AND RELATED SERVICES FOR FIREFIGHTERS OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

(a) PROVISION OF SERVICES.—During the annual periodic health assessment of each firefighter of the Department of Defense, or at such other intervals as may be indicated in subsection (b), the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the firefighter (at no cost to the firefighter) appropriate medical testing and related services

to detect, document the presence or absence of, and prevent, certain cancers.

(b) CRITERIA.—Services required to be provided under subsection (a) shall meet, at a minimum, the following criteria:

(1) BREAST CANCER.—With respect to breast cancer screening, if the firefighter is a female firefighter—

(A) such services shall include the provision of a mammogram to the firefighter—

(i) if the firefighter is 40 years old to 49 years old (inclusive), not less frequently than twice each year;

(ii) if the firefighter is 50 years old or older, not less frequently than annually; and

(iii) as clinically indicated (without regard to age); and

(B) in connection with the provision of a mammogram under subparagraph (A), a licensed radiologist shall review the most recent mammogram provided to the firefighter, as compared to prior mammograms so provided, and provide to the firefighter the results of such review.

(2) COLON CANCER.—With respect to colon cancer screening—

(A) if the firefighter is 40 years old or older, or as clinically indicated without regard to age, such services shall include the communication to the firefighter of the risks and benefits of stool-based blood testing;

(B) if the firefighter is 45 years old or older, or as clinically indicated without regard to age, such services shall include the provision, at regular intervals, of visual examinations (such as a colonoscopy, CT colonoscopy, or flexible sigmoidoscopy) or stool-based blood testing; and

(C) in connection with the provision of a visual examination or stool-based blood testing under subparagraph (B), a licensed physician shall review and provide to the firefighter the results of such examination or testing, as the case may be.

(3) PROSTATE CANCER.—With respect to prostate cancer screening, if the firefighter is a male firefighter, such services shall include the communication to the firefighter of the risks and benefits

of prostate cancer screenings and the provision to the firefighter of a prostate-specific antigen test—

(A) not less frequently than annually if the firefighter—

(i) is 50 years old or older; or

(ii) is 40 years old or older and is a high-risk individual; and

(B) as clinically indicated (without regard to age).

(4) OTHER CANCERS.—Such services shall include routine screenings for any other cancer the risk or occurrence of which the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has identified as higher among firefighters than among the general public, the provision of which shall be carried out during the annual periodic health assessment of the firefighter.

(c) OPTIONAL NATURE.—A firefighter of the Department of Defense may opt out of the receipt of medical testing or a related service provided under subsection (a).

(d) USE OF CONSENSUS TECHNICAL STANDARDS.—In providing medical testing and related services under subsection (a), the Secretary shall use consensus technical standards in accordance with section 12(d) of the National

Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995 (Public Law 104–113; 15 U.S.C. 272 note).

(e) DOCUMENTATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In providing medical testing and related services under subsection (a), the Secretary—

(A) shall document the acceptance rates of such tests offered and the rates of such tests performed;

(B) shall document test results to identify trends in the rates of cancer occurrences among firefighters; and

(C) may collect and maintain additional information from the recipients of such tests and other services to allow for appropriate scientific analysis.

(2) PRIVACY.—In analyzing any information of an individual documented, collected, or maintained under paragraph (1), in addition to complying with other applicable privacy laws, the Secretary shall ensure the name and any other personally identifiable information of the individual is removed from such information prior to the analysis.

(3) SHARING WITH CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION.—The Secretary may

share data from any tests performed under subsection (a) with the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, as appropriate, to increase the knowledge and understanding of cancer occurrences among firefighters.

(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) FIREFIGHTER.—The term ''firefighter'' means someone whose primary job or military occupational specialty is being a firefighter.

(2) HIGH-RISK INDIVIDUAL.—The term ''high-risk individual'' means an individual who—

(A) is African American;

(B) has at least one first-degree relative who has been diagnosed with prostate cancer at an early age; or

(C) is otherwise determined by the Secretary to be high risk with respect to prostate cancer.

Subtitle B—Health Care Administration

SEC. 721. DEVELOPMENT OF CAPABILITY PROTOTYPE ON SECURE ACCESS TO HEALTH RECORD FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.

(a) CAPABILITY PROTOTYPE.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-

retary of Defense shall develop and implement a capability prototype that is interoperable with the electronic health record of the Department of Defense for active duty members of the Armed Forces who receive health care from the Defense Health Agency to digitally collect their medical records through a covered health record platform before separating from active duty.

(b) CONTRACTS.—

(1) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary shall seek to enter into a contract using competitive procedures with an appropriate entity for the provision of the covered health record platform under the capability prototype under subsection (a).

(2) NOTICE OF COMPETITION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall issue a request for proposals for the contract described in paragraph (1).

(B) OPEN COMPETITION.—A request under subparagraph (A) shall be full and open to any contractor that has an existing covered health record platform.

(3) SELECTION.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall award a contract to an appropriate entity pur-

suant to the request for proposals under paragraph (2) if at least one acceptable offer is submitted.

(c) PILOT PROGRAM ON USE OF CAPABILITY PROTOTYPE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall carry out a pilot program under which the Secretary shall assess the feasibility and advisability of using the capability prototype developed under subsection (a) for a period of not less than 180 days.

(2) SELECTION OF ARMED FORCES.—The Secretary shall select not less than one Armed Force in which to carry out the pilot program under paragraph (1).

(3) TERMINATION OR EXTENSION OF USE OF CAPABILITY PROTOTYPE.—At the end of the period specified in paragraph (1), the Secretary shall survey all participants in the pilot program under such paragraph and, based on survey results, may—

(A) terminate the capability prototype developed and implemented under subsection (a);

(B) continue the capability prototype;

(C) expand the capability prototype; or

(D) implement the use of a covered health record platform in the Defense Health Agency throughout the uniformed services.

(d) PROHIBITION ON NEW APPROPRIATIONS.—No additional funds are authorized to be appropriated to carry out the requirements of this section and such requirements shall be carried out using amounts otherwise authorized to be appropriated for the Department of Defense through the Joint Incentive Fund.

(e) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than April 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on the capability prototype developed and implemented under subsection (a).

(f) COVERED HEALTH RECORD PLATFORM DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''covered health record platform'' means a health record platform that meets the following requirements:

(1) Has web-based and native mobile phone application capabilities.

(2) Has the capability to store and share records with the Department of Veterans Affairs or any other designated care provider.

(3) Has the capability to store records in the cloud.

(4) Does not have a requirement for integration to receive or share records.

(5) Has the capability to instantly share data based on a combination of access key and personal identifier.

(6) Has the capability to provide secure data storage and records transfer upon separation of a member of the Armed Forces from active duty.

(7) Does not require a business associate agreement with any party.

(8) Has secure data isolation with access controls.

(9) Has, at a minimum, data security that would require separate encryption for each document, relying on AES256 or better algorithm with keys encryption using RSA2048 or better algorithm, or any successor similar algorithm.

SEC. 722. INVENTORY AND ANNUAL CATCHMENT AREA ASSESSMENT OF MILITARY-CIVILIAN HEALTH CARE PARTNERSHIPS.

(a) CENTRALIZED INVENTORY OF MILITARY-CIVILIAN PARTNERSHIPS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, acting through the Director of the Defense Health Agency, shall develop and maintain a centralized inventory of military–civilian health care partnerships throughout the Department of Defense.

(2) COORDINATION.—In carrying out paragraph (1), the Director of the Defense Health Agency shall coordinate with the Secretary of each military department to ensure the inventory developed and maintained under such paragraph reflects partnerships established and maintained by the Defense Health Agency, the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, and the military departments.

(3) MILITARY DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITIES.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Each Secretary of a military department shall develop and maintain an inventory of military–civilian health care partnerships under the jurisdiction of such Secretary.

(B) INCLUSION IN CENTRALIZED INVENTORY.—The inventories developed under subparagraph (A) shall be provided to the Director of the Defense Health Agency on a recurring basis, as determined by the Secretary of Defense, for inclusion in the centralized inventory under paragraph (1).

(C) USE OF INVENTORIES.—The inventories maintained by the military departments

under this paragraph shall be used to inform and update the centralized inventory maintained by the Defense Health Agency under paragraph (1).

(4) ELEMENTS.—The inventories required under this subsection shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(A) The type and purpose of each military–civilian health care partnership.

(B) Participating organizations, including civilian and other Federal partners.

(C) Geographic location and supported beneficiary population.

(D) Resources shared, including personnel, facilities, and funding.

(E) Duration and terms of the partnerships.

(F) Measures of performance and effectiveness of the partnerships.

(b) ANNUAL CATCHMENT AREA ASSESSMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not less frequently than annually, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Director of the Defense Health Agency, shall conduct a catchment area assessment of military–civil-

ian health care partnerships and resource-sharing agreements of the Department of Defense.

(2) USE OF INVENTORY.—The catchment area assessment conducted under paragraph (1) shall be informed by the centralized inventory developed under subsection (a), including inputs provided by the military departments.

(3) SCOPE.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Each catchment area assessment conducted under paragraph (1) shall focus on the catchment area of a military medical treatment facility and other related organizations.

(B) ELEMENTS.—Each catchment area assessment conducted under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(i) An assessment of the extent to which existing military–civilian health care partnerships fulfill the intended objectives of such partnerships, including access to care, quality, cost-effectiveness, and medical readiness.

(ii) An identification of gaps in care, redundancies, or underutilized resources.

(iii) An evaluation of whether individual partnerships should be expanded, reduced, or maintained.

(iv) An identification of opportunities to establish new partnerships or modify existing agreements.

(v) Consideration of regional health care capacity, including civilian and Federal health care providers.

(vi) An analysis of trends that may affect the performance or sustainability of military–civilian health care partnerships.

(4) METRICS AND BENCHMARKS.—The Secretary of Defense shall establish standardized metrics and benchmarks to evaluate the performance and outcomes of military–civilian health care partnerships assessed under this subsection.

(c) BRIEFING.—Not later than April 1, 2027, and annually thereafter for the following five years, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing containing the results of the most recent catchment area assessment conducted under subsection (b), which shall include the following:

(1) A summary of the centralized inventory developed and maintained under subsection (a).

(2) Key findings regarding the effectiveness of military–civilian health care partnerships.

(3) An identification of any resources that are required to ensure effective military–civilian health care partnerships.

(4) Planned actions to expand, modify, or terminate military–civilian health care partnerships.

(5) Any recommendations for legislative or administrative action to improve military–civilian health care collaboration.

(d) MILITARY–CIVILIAN HEALTH CARE PARTNERSHIP DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''military–civilian health care partnership'' includes any agreement, contract, or arrangement between the Department of Defense and a non-Department entity for the provision, sharing, or coordination of health care services, personnel, training, or resources.

SEC. 723. REQUIREMENT FOR REVIEW BEFORE ACTIONS TO DOWNSIZE, REALIGN, OR REDUCE SCOPE OF SERVICES AT MILITARY MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITIES.

Section 1073d of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(g) LIMITATION ON ACTIONS TO DOWNSIZE, REALIGN, OR REDUCE SCOPE OF SERVICES.—(1) The Secretary of Defense may not carry out any action initiated after the date of the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2027 to downsize, realign, or otherwise reduce the scope of services at a military medical treatment facility until the Secretary conducts a comprehensive review consistent with this subsection.

''(2) A review required under paragraph (1) with respect to an action relating to a military medical treatment facility shall include, at a minimum, the following:

''(A) An assessment of the capacity, capability, and readiness of local civilian health care providers to absorb affected beneficiary populations.

''(B) An assessment of the capacity, capability, and accessibility of facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs in the relevant catchment area.

''(C) An evaluation of the impact on access to care for covered beneficiaries, including wait times, travel distances, and specialty care availability.

''(D) An analysis of the effects on medical readiness, including clinical workload necessary to sustain provider skills within the armed forces.

''(E) An assessment of risks to continuity of care, particularly for complex or chronic conditions.

''(F) Such other factors as the Secretary determines appropriate to ensure a complete understanding of impacts on beneficiaries and mission requirements.

''(3) The Secretary of Defense shall certify to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives that the review required under this subsection has been completed prior to implementing any action described in paragraph (1) and shall include a summary of findings and a justification for the proposed action.

''(4) Not later than one year before conducting any action to downsize, realign, or otherwise reduce the scope of services at a military medical treatment facility, the Secretary of Defense shall have a consultative discussion regarding such action with the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives.''.

SEC. 724. POLICY ON PROVIDER NOTIFICATION TO COMMANDERS REGARDING IMMINENT RISK OF SUICIDE FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.

(a) POLICY REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall develop and implement a policy throughout the Department of Defense regarding the notification of commanders when a health care provider determines that a member of the Armed Forces is at imminent risk of suicide.

(b) DEFINITION OF IMMINENT RISK.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—As part of the policy required under subsection (a), the Secretary shall establish a clear and standardized definition of ''imminent risk of suicide'' for purposes of the military health system.

(2) ELEMENTS OF DEFINITION.—The definition required under paragraph (1) shall—

(A) be informed by evidence-based clinical standards and suicide risk assessment practices;

(B) account for the presence of suicidal ideation, intent, plan, access to means, and temporal proximity of potential self-harm;

(C) distinguish between acute, immediate risk and non-immediate or chronic suicide risk; and

(D) allow for the exercise of professional clinical judgment in individual cases.

(c) ELEMENTS.—The policy required under subsection (a) shall—

(1) establish clear and standardized criteria for determining when a member of the Armed Forces is at imminent risk of suicide, consistent with evidence-based clinical practices;

(2) require timely notification to the appropriate commander when such a determination is made, while ensuring that only the minimum necessary information is disclosed to protect the privacy of the member;

(3) define the roles and responsibilities of health care providers, commanders, and other relevant personnel in responding to such notifications;

(4) ensure that such notifications are made in a manner that supports the safety and well-being of the member, including coordination of appropriate interventions and support services;

(5) incorporate procedures to safeguard the confidentiality of protected health information con-

sistent with section 552a of title 5, United States Code (commonly known as the ''Privacy Act of 1974''), and applicable regulations of the Department of Defense;

(6) provide guidance on documentation and accountability for decisions relating to such notifications; and

(7) include mechanisms to ensure that such notifications do not result in inappropriate adverse personnel actions solely on the basis of a mental health condition.

(d) TRAINING AND IMPLEMENTATION.—The Secretary shall ensure that—

(1) health care providers within the military health system receive training on the policy developed under subsection (a), including criteria for determining imminent risk and procedures for notification of commanders;

(2) commanders receive training on appropriate responses to such notifications, including how to support members of the Armed Forces while maintaining good order and discipline; and

(3) health professionals within the military health system in patient care positions receive training on—

(A) how to respond when a member of the Armed Forces initiates the referral process under section 1090b(e) of title 10, United States Code; and

(B) how to recognize signs indicating mental health distress and imminent risk of suicide.

(e) COORDINATION.—In developing the policy required under subsection (a), the Secretary shall consult with—

(1) the Director of the Defense Health Agency;

(2) the Surgeons General of the Armed Forces; and

(3) other relevant stakeholders, as determined appropriate by the Secretary.

(f) BRIEFING TO CONGRESS.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing that includes—

(1) a description of the policy developed under subsection (a);

(2) an assessment of implementation of such policy across the Armed Forces;

(3) a description of any identified challenges or barriers to such implementation; and

(4) recommendations for legislative or administrative action to improve suicide prevention efforts of the Department of Defense.

SEC. 725. AUTHORITY OVER DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM.

Section 1073 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(c) AUTHORITY.—The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs shall have authority over the entirety of the Defense Health Program.''.

SEC. 726. ENTERPRISE REVENUE CYCLE IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs and the Director of the Defense Health Agency, shall implement an enterprise-wide revenue cycle improvement initiative (in this section referred to as the ''Initiative'') to standardize revenue cycle management processes, strengthen governance and accountability, improve workforce capability, and increase the accuracy, timeliness, and yield of third-party collections and claims management across the military health system.

(b) OBJECTIVES.—The objectives of the Initiative are the following:

(1) To establish and implement standardized revenue cycle management processes, defined stage-by-stage accountability, and enterprise performance standards across all military medical treatment facilities.

(2) To improve the accuracy, timeliness, and completeness of clinical documentation, medical coding, charge capture, claims submission, and denial management, including through the use of advanced analytics, automation, and robotic process automation technologies as appropriate.

(3) To increase third-party collections yield and reduce preventable claim denials across the military health system.

(4) To strengthen the accuracy of medical readiness documentation, including documentation supporting deployment eligibility determinations, disability evaluation processing, and military provider clinical currency sustainment.

(5) To ensure interoperability with the GENESIS electronic health record platform of the military health system to support end-to-end revenue cycle operations and performance visibility.

(6) To establish enterprise workforce training and certification programs to improve revenue cycle

competency across military medical treatment facilities.

(7) To provide actionable performance data and operational feedback to markets, networks, and military medical treatment facilities of the Defense Health Agency to improve accountability and outcomes.

(c) ELEMENTS.—In carrying out the Initiative, the Secretary shall—

(1) designate a senior official within the Defense Health Agency to serve as the enterprise revenue cycle improvement lead, with responsibility for implementation, performance oversight, and reporting;

(2) establish enterprise-wide revenue cycle performance standards and defined accountability for each stage of the revenue cycle, from patient scheduling through final collections;

(3) develop and implement enterprise performance metrics, including leading and lagging indicators, with escalation thresholds and corrective action requirements;

(4) implement workforce training and proficiency assessment programs for personnel per-

forming revenue cycle functions across military medical treatment facilities;

(5) leverage existing investments in the GENESIS electronic health record platform of the military health system, existing analytics capabilities, and enterprise financial systems to support standardized revenue cycle operations; and

(6) incorporate advanced analytics, automation, and artificial intelligence capabilities, consistent with policies of the Department of Defense for responsible use of artificial intelligence, to support coding accuracy, denial prevention, charge capture, and revenue integrity.

(d) IMPLEMENTATION.—

(1) APPLICATION.—The Initiative shall apply to all military medical treatment facilities within the Defense Health Agency.

(2) PRIORITY.—The Secretary shall prioritize initial implementation of the Initiative at facilities with the greatest opportunity for improvement in revenue cycle performance and third-party collections yield.

(3) CONTRACTS AND SUPPORT.—The Secretary may enter into contracts or other agreements using available acquisition methods and competitive proce-

dures, as appropriate, to obtain specialized expertise, technology capabilities, or implementation support necessary to carry out the Initiative.

(4) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to require the establishment of a new acquisition program or program management office for the purpose of revenue cycle management.

(e) REPORTING.—

(1) INITIAL REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report describing—

(A) the baseline performance of military medical treatment facilities across key revenue cycle metrics, including days to final bill, clean claim submission rate, preventable denial rate, coding accuracy rate, and third-party collections yield;

(B) the enterprise revenue cycle governance structure established under the Initiative, including stage-by-stage accountability designations;

(C) implementation milestones and target dates for enterprise-wide deployment; and

(D) the allocation of funds authorized for the Initiative.

(2) QUARTERLY REPORTS.—Not later than 90 days after the submission of the initial report under paragraph (1), and quarterly thereafter for a period of not less than two years, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report describing—

(A) progress in implementing the Initiative as compared to implementation milestones;

(B) performance improvements in the metrics identified under paragraph (1)(A) compared to the established baseline;

(C) the status of workforce training and certification programs;

(D) the impact of revenue cycle accuracy improvements on medical readiness documentation, including any identified effects on deployment eligibility determinations or disability evaluation processing; and

(E) challenges, risks, and recommendations for sustainment or expansion of the Initiative.

(f) SUNSET.—This section shall terminate on the date that is three years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 727. NOTIFICATION TO LICENSING AND MEDICAL BOARDS OF STATES IN CASE OF INVESTIGATION OR MISCONDUCT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after a covered event with respect to misconduct allegedly committed by a licensed medical professional of the Department of Defense, the Secretary of Defense shall notify the relevant State licensing and medical boards regarding such misconduct.

(b) COVERED EVENT DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''covered event'', with respect to a licensed medical professional of the Department, means the date on which—

(1) an investigation that could lead to criminal charges is started into misconduct allegedly committed by such professional; or

(2) such professional is charged with misconduct.

SEC. 728. ADDITIONAL REVIEW OF DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS UNDER PROCESSES AND FORMS RELATING TO HEALTH CARE PROVIDER CREDENTIALING AND PRIVILEGING OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 720 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 10 U.S.C. 1094 note) is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsections (b) and (c) as subsections (c) and (d), respectively;

(2) by inserting after subsection (a) the following new subsection (b):

''(b) ADDITIONAL REVIEW RELATING TO DISCLOSURE OF MENTAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONDITIONS.—Not later than 180 days after implementing the centralized credential system established under subsection (a)(2), the Secretary shall review all processes and forms relating to health care provider credentialing and privileging of covered applicants to—

''(1) identify questions, required disclosures, or other information required to be provided by the applicant that asks or requires the applicant to disclose mental, behavioral, psychological, or other related health conditions of the applicant, including requirements contained in—

''(A) applications for credentialing, peer reference, or competency assessment; and

''(B) employee manuals, guidance, and policies of the Department of Defense governing the requirements for credentialing, privileging, or employment of health care providers; and

''(2) review credentialing, peer reference, and competency assessment forms for health care providers and make a comparison across the military departments and the Defense Health Agency as applicable, including a review of—

''(A) which forms require disclosure of mental, behavioral, psychological, or other related health conditions; and

''(B) whether such disclosure of mental, behavioral, psychological, or other related health conditions include past and current diagnoses and treatment.''; and

(3) in subsection (c), as redesignated by paragraph (1)—

(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by inserting after ''this Act,'' the following: ''and not later than one year after implementing the centralized credential system established under subsection (a)(2)'';

(B) in paragraph (1), by striking ''review required under subsection (a)'' and inserting ''reviews required under subsections (a) and (b)''; and

(C) in paragraph (2), by striking ''such review'' and inserting ''such reviews''.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report containing the following:

(1) The findings of the review required under subsection (b) of section 720 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 10 U.S.C. 1094 note), as added by subsection (a)(2) of this section.

(2) A detailed plan outlining steps the Secretary has taken or will take pursuant to such review, including a timeline for completion of such steps.

SEC. 729. EXPANSION OF INDIVIDUAL LONGITUDINAL EXPOSURE RECORD.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 996 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (e) as subsection (i); and

(2) by inserting after subsection (d) the following new subsections:

''(e) INCLUSION OF FAMILY MEMBER EXPOSURES.—The Secretary may include in the Individual Longitudinal Exposure Record of a member of the armed forces exposures experienced by family members of such member during an accompanied tour while such member is serving on active duty, regardless of whether the location is in the continental United States, outside the continental United States, or a classified location.

''(f) INDIVIDUAL ACCESS TO DATA AND UPDATES OR CORRECTIONS.—(1) The Secretary may provide to members of the armed forces, veterans, designated family members, and survivors password-protected access to view data within the Individual Longitudinal Exposure Record to which the individual is authorized to view.

''(2) An individual may request an update or correction to any data included in the Individual Longitudinal Exposure Record that relates to the individual.

''(g) TOXIC EXPOSURE CAPABILITY.—The Secretary may modify the Individual Longitudinal Exposure Record to provide the capability to notify an individual of a potential toxic exposure of the individual in real time.

''(h) PRESERVATION OF RECORDS AFTER DEATH.—The Secretary may modify the Individual Longitudinal Exposure Record to preserve records of an individual after the death of the individual for purposes of research, survivor benefits, and disease-cluster identification.''.

(b) FULL OPERATING CAPACITY.—Not later than two years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall ensure that the Individual Longitudinal Exposure Record maintained under section 996 of title 10, United States Code, is at full operating capacity in accordance with the requirements and authorities under such section, as amended by subsection (a).

(c) REPORT.—Not later than January 1, 2028, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report detailing—

(1) whether the Secretary intends to implement subsections (e) through (h) of section 996 of title 10, United States Code, as added by subsection (a)(2); and

(2) if the Secretary does not intend to implement any such subsection, the recommendations of the Secretary with respect to the implementation of such subsection.

SEC. 730. PILOT PROGRAM ON MODERNIZATION OF DRUG TESTING USING VOICE-BASED RISK ASSESSMENT.

(a) PILOT PROGRAM REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense shall carry out a pilot program at not more than five military installations, representing a combined total of not less than 40,000 and not more than 50,000 active-duty members of the Armed Forces, to evaluate the use of voice-based risk assessment technology to support targeted drug testing.

(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the pilot program is to determine whether automated voice-based screening tools can improve the efficiency, cost-effectiveness, and operational readiness of the Department of Defense's drug testing programs by enabling risk-informed testing in place of universal urinalysis.

(c) PROGRAM ELEMENTS.—The pilot program shall—

(1) integrate voice-based automated screening technology capable of producing real-time, individualized risk assessments from simple yes/no questions;

(2) be executed as part of the Drug Demand Reduction Program of the Department of Defense;

(3) assess impacts on testing volume, cost savings, personnel time, and operational readiness;

(4) be conducted in a manner that protects individual privacy and complies with applicable law, Department policy, and applicable protections under section 552a of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the ''Privacy Act of 1974''); and

(5) only be conducted if the proposed voice-based automated screening technology or any other proposed screening technology is scientifically validated, peer-reviewed, and legally defensible as defined by the Secretary of Defense.

(d) TERMINATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall determine when to terminate the pilot program established under this section.

Subtitle C—Combat and Operational Health Support

SEC. 741. ESTABLISHMENT OF JOINT DISEASE AND NON-BATTLE INJURY SURVEILLANCE AND READINESS SYSTEM.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 1110b the following new section:

"§ 1110c. Joint Disease and Non-Battle Injury Surveillance and Readiness System

''(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall establish and maintain a Joint Disease and Non-Battle Injury Surveillance and Readiness System (in this section referred to as the 'Joint DNBI System') within the Defense Health Agency to provide standardized, interoperable, and real-time monitoring of disease and non-battle injury across the armed forces.

''(b) APPLICABILITY.—The Joint DNBI System shall apply to—

''(1) the regular components of the armed forces;

''(2) the reserve components of the armed forces when in Federal service; and

''(3) such other personnel of the Department of Defense as the Secretary determines appropriate.

''(c) ELEMENTS.—The Joint DNBI System shall—

''(1) standardize definitions, metrics, and reporting requirements for disease and non-battle injury of members of the armed forces;

''(2) integrate with the electronic health record systems of the Department of Defense;

''(3) integrate with readiness reporting systems and operational reporting platforms;

''(4) provide commanders and combatant commands with near-real-time medical situational awareness;

''(5) incorporate environmental and occupational health surveillance data;

''(6) track lost duty days, medical evacuations, limited duty status, and other readiness impacts attributable to disease and non-battle injury;

''(7) integrate lessons learned with respect to infectious disease and preventive medicine, including through overseas medical laboratories and the Global Emerging Infectious Surveillance program, across the armed forces; and

''(8) ensure interoperability, as appropriate, with joint, interagency, and allied health surveillance systems.

''(d) RESPONSIBILITIES.—

''(1) SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.—The Secretary of Defense shall—

''(A) designate a senior official within the Office of the Secretary of Defense to oversee policy oversight with respect to the Joint DNBI System; and

''(B) ensure adequate resourcing and cybersecurity protections for such system.

''(2) SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS.—Each Secretary of a military department shall—

''(A) implement standardized reporting procedures with respect to the Joint DNBI System;

''(B) ensure compliance with such system at all command levels; and

''(C) incorporate disease and non-battle injury metrics into readiness assessments.

''(3) JOINT STAFF AND COMBATANT COMMANDERS.—The Joint Staff and the commanders of the combatant commands shall incorporate data from the Joint DNBI System into operational risk assessments and campaign planning.

''(4) DIRECTOR OF THE DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY.—The Director of the Defense Health Agency shall—

''(A) develop the concept of operations for the Joint DNBI System; and

''(B) implement policy guidance from the Secretary of Defense and ensure such system achieves full operational capability.

''(e) PRIVACY AND CIVIL LIBERTIES.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that the Joint DNBI System complies with—

''(1) section 552a of title 5 (commonly known as the 'Privacy Act of 1974');

''(2) the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–191); and

''(3) all applicable cybersecurity and data protection requirements.

''(f) ANNUAL BRIEFING.—Not later than March 1 of each year beginning in the first full fiscal year following implementation of the Joint DNBI System, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on trends in disease and non-battle injury and associated readiness impacts.

''(g) SUNSET.—This section shall terminate on September 30, 2032.

''(h) DISEASE AND NON-BATTLE INJURY DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'disease and non-battle injury' means any medical condition not directly attributable to hostile action, including infectious disease, environmental exposure, occupational injury, training-related injury, heat or cold injury, and other non-combat-related conditions affecting readiness.''.

(b) IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE.—The Secretary of Defense shall—

(1) not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, issue implementing guidance for the Joint Disease and Non-Battle Injury Surveillance and Readiness System established under section 1110c of title 10, United States Code, as added by subsection (a);

(2) not later than 18 months after such date of enactment, achieve initial operating capability for such system; and

(3) not later than 36 months after such date of enactment, achieve full operating capability for such system.

(c) INITIAL REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report describing—

(1) progress of implementation of the Joint Disease and Non-Battle Injury Surveillance and Readiness System established under section 1110c of title 10, United States Code, as added by subsection (a);

(2) identified capability gaps with respect to such system; and

(3) resource requirements for such system.

SEC. 742. PRESERVATION OF DEDICATED AEROMEDICAL EVACUATION CAPABILITY OF MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS OF THE ARMY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Medical Service Corps of the Army shall maintain a dedicated aeromedical evacuation capability, including personnel, training, doctrine, and aircraft specifically configured for aeromedical evacuation missions.

(b) CLARIFICATION OF AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of the Army shall ensure that—

(1) the aviation branch of the Army has the authority to organize, train, and equip aviation assets in accordance with operational requirements; and

(2) the medical department of the Army, under the authority delegated to such department by the Surgeon General of the Army, has the authority for medical command and control, patient care responsibilities, and clinical standards for aeromedical evacuation operations.

(c) ELEMENTS OF CAPABILITY.—The Secretary of the Army shall maintain the capability required under subsection (a)—

(1) in alignment with the sufficiency analysis of the Surgeon General of the Army;

(2) consistent with medical evacuation doctrine and operational planning assumptions of the Army; and

(3) in support of—

(A) the commanders of the combatant commands;

(B) contingency operations and operational plans;

(C) civil authorities;

(D) chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear response force missions;

(E) humanitarian assistance and disaster response operations; and

(F) garrison emergency medical response operations at installations of the Department of Defense.

(d) CHANGE IN STRUCTURE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The capability required under subsection (a) shall remain a distinct component within the Medical Service Corps of the Army and may not be restructured into general-purpose aviation elements or dual-use configurations without

prior notification to the congressional defense committees, which shall—

(A) be accompanied by a formal risk assessment on—

(i) operational medical readiness of the Medical Service Corps; and

(ii) readiness of the Medical Service Corps to support the joint force and missions specified under subsection (c)(3); and

(B) contain a report that—

(i) is based on the force structure authorizations outlined in the most current Army Structure Message;

(ii) is informed by the most current Total Army Analysis approved by the Secretary of the Army; and

(iii) does not propose or assume any changes to the aircraft authorizations reflected in the documents specified in clauses (i) and (ii).

(2) OPERATIONAL MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS AND JOINT FORCE NEEDS.—Any adjustments made to the force structure of the aeromedical evacuation capability of the Army must account for operational medical requirements and joint force needs where

the Surgeon General of the Army retains authority over the medical force structure, staffing, clinical oversight, and doctrinal development for aeromedical evacuation units.

(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect on the date that is 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(f) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit augmentation of military patient movement operations with combatant, commercial, or allied assets in contingency or humanitarian operations, as determined necessary by the Secretary of Defense.

SEC. 743. ESTABLISHMENT OF PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM BETWEEN UNITED STATES, INDO-PACIFIC REGION, AND ARCTIC REGION FOR MILITARY TRAUMA CARE, DISEASE AND NON-BATTLE INJURY, HEALTH SYSTEMS SUPPORT, AND RESEARCH.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than June 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense, working in coordination with the commanders of the appropriate combatant commands, shall seek to enter into a partnership with appropriate governmental counterparts in the Indo-Pacific and Arctic

regions to establish a joint program focused on military trauma care and research.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The program required under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) The sharing of relevant lessons learned in combat casualty care derived from prior conflicts.

(2) The conduct of joint conferences, symposia, and professional exchange programs involving military medical professionals from the United States and partner nations in the Indo-Pacific and Arctic regions.

(3) Collaboration on matters related to health policy, health administration, and medical logistics, including medical supplies and equipment, through structured knowledge exchanges.

(4) The conduct of joint research and development initiatives addressing the health effects of new and emerging weapons and methods of warfare.

(5) The establishment of agreements with military medical schools in the Indo-Pacific and Arctic regions to support reciprocal education programs under which—

(A) students of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences receive specialized military medical instruction at partici-

pating military medical schools in the Indo-Pacific and Arctic regions; and

(B) military medical personnel from partner nations in the Indo-Pacific and Arctic regions receive specialized military medical instruction at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, consistent with section 2114(f) of title 10, United States Code.

(6) The provision of assistance to partner nations in the Indo-Pacific and Arctic regions to support the development, sustainment, and modernization of combat casualty care systems and programs.

(7) Coordination, through the Joint Trauma System of the Defense Health Agency, of trauma care doctrine, data collection, performance improvement, and clinical best practices with the armed forces and military medical services of partner nations in the Indo-Pacific and Arctic regions, in coordination with United States Indo-Pacific Command, United States Northern Command, and United States European Command.

(8) The provision of training to the armed forces of partner nations in the Indo-Pacific and Arctic regions in the following areas:

(A) Health effects and medical response related to chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and explosive weapons.

(B) Trauma care.

(C) Preventive medicine and infectious disease.

(D) Post-traumatic stress disorder.

(E) Suicide prevention.

(F) Traumatic brain injury.

(G) Medical and health intelligence.

(H) Health policy and administration.

(9) The maintenance of a list of critical medical supplies and equipment required to support program objectives and regional readiness.

(10) Such other activities or program elements as the Secretary of Defense determines appropriate to advance the purposes of this section.

SEC. 744. AERIAL TRANSPORT AND DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE-WIDE CAPABILITY FOR HIGH-CONSEQUENCE INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than September 30, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall establish, sustain, and resource a program to provide for the safe, long-range aerial transport of personnel of the Department of De-

fense known to be or suspected of being infected by a high-consequence infectious disease.

(b) AEROMEDICAL EVACUATION COMPONENT OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE RESPONSE CAPABILITY.—The program required under subsection (a) shall serve as the aeromedical evacuation component of a capability of the Department for high-consequence infectious disease response that supports independent military operations of the Department and integration with Federal, State, local, civilian, and academic partners.

(c) PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS.—In establishing and sustaining the program required under subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

(1) develop and maintain curriculum and identify qualified instructors to train and certify military and civilian medical personnel on procedures associated with the safe, long-range aerial transport of patients with infectious diseases;

(2) establish and periodically update medical care standards, infection prevention and control measures, and operational safety protocols necessary to maximize patient survival and minimize infection risk to aircrew, medical personnel, and support personnel;

(3) serve as the joint force advocate and executive agent for aerial transport of personnel with high-consequence infectious diseases within the Department;

(4) establish standards, sustainment requirements, and lifecycle management processes for personal protective equipment, transport isolation systems, and associated medical equipment used in transporting infected patients;

(5) develop joint doctrine, concepts of operation, and medical force requirements necessary to support a Department-wide high-consequence infectious disease capability, including patient movement, definitive care, and integration across the continuum of care;

(6) inform the organization, training, and equipping of specialized, organized teams capable of conducting high-consequence infectious disease patient movement and care in operational, austere, and strategic environments;

(7) support interoperability and operational integration with Federal, State, local, civilian, and academic partners to enable coordinated response to tactical incidents, large-scale contingencies, and re-

search activities related to emerging and future infectious disease threats; and

(8) identify capability gaps and support research, development, testing, and evaluation of medical countermeasures, transport systems, protective equipment, and operational procedures necessary to improve survivability, safety, and mission effectiveness in high-consequence infectious disease operations.

(d) ENTERPRISE DOCTRINE AND OVERSIGHT.—The Secretary shall develop and maintain doctrine and policy throughout the Department to guide the development, fielding, sustainment, and employment of high-consequence infectious disease response capabilities across the Department.

SEC. 745. REQUIREMENT FOR ANNUAL LARGE-SCALE COMBAT CASUALTY ESTIMATION REPORT.

(a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to ensure that the Department of Defense, in coordination with the Joint Staff Surgeon and the Director of the Defense Health Agency, maintains accurate, comprehensive, and validated estimates of potential casualties in major combat operations to inform readiness, medical planning, and policy decisions.

(b) REPORT REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter until September 30, 2032, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on projected casualties of the Armed Forces in large-scale combat operations.

(2) FREQUENCY.—Reports under paragraph (1) may be required more frequently upon request of the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

(c) COORDINATION.—Each report required under subsection (b) shall be prepared in coordination with—

(1) the Joint Staff Surgeon;

(2) the Director of the Defense Health Agency; and

(3) the Surgeon General of each military department.

(d) CONTENT OF REPORT.—Each report required under subsection (b) shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(1) Projected casualty estimates (including those killed, wounded, and missing and including non-battle injuries) for major combat scenarios consistent with the national defense strategy required

under section 113(g) of title 10, United States Code, and joint operational planning assumptions.

(2) An assessment of the capacity of the medical system, including—

(A) deployable hospital beds, evacuation assets, and blood supply;

(B) trauma team and medical personnel availability; and

(C) contingency staffing plans under mass casualty scenarios.

(3) A force health protection capability assessment, including preventive medicine, immunization, and disease outbreak mitigation plans.

(4) A joint trauma system integration assessment, including lessons learned and expected survivability outcomes under projected casualty scenarios.

(5) An identification of data sources and methodology, including assumptions, models, and validation procedures used to generate casualty estimates.

(6) A description of gaps in capabilities and an identification of recommendations, including recommendations for resource or policy requirements, to mitigate projected shortfalls.

(e) FORM OF REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Each report required under subsection (b) shall be submitted in classified form, with a summary in unclassified form suitable for congressional oversight.

(2) PROTECTION OF CLASSIFIED DATA.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that classified data included in a report submitted under subsection (b) is properly safeguarded and that methodologies are appropriately documented for internal and congressional review.

SEC. 746. REPORT ON THE ORGANIZATION, PERFORMANCE, AND STANDARDIZATION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

(a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the organization, oversight, capabilities, and performance of emergency medical services across military installations.

(b) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report required under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE.—A description of the current organizational structure respon-

sible for providing emergency medical services across military installations, including the roles of—

(A) the Secretary of Defense;

(B) the Secretary of each military department;

(C) the Director of the Defense Health Agency;

(D) installation commanders;

(E) fire and emergency services organizations; and

(F) military medical treatment facilities.

(2) ASSESSMENT OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES CAPABILITIES.—An assessment of emergency medical services capabilities at military installations, including—

(A) the number and distribution of emergency medical services response units;

(B) ambulance capabilities and equipment levels;

(C) staffing levels and certification levels of emergency medical personnel;

(D) availability of advanced life support services;

(E) integration with military medical treatment facilities and local civilian hospitals; and

(F) an evaluation of systems used to track naloxone distribution, including—

(i) the degree of integration of such tracking systems between emergency medical services reporting systems and medical record systems;

(ii) procedures for documenting naloxone administration during emergency responses; and

(iii) recommendations for establishing a standardized Department-wide tracking framework.

(3) PERFORMANCE METRICS.—Standardized performance metrics for emergency medical services operations across military installations, including—

(A) response-time metrics, including—

(i) the average dispatch-to-arrival response time;

(ii) the percentage of emergency calls with arrival on scene within eight minutes; and

(iii) the time from arrival on scene to patient contact;

(B) patient care metrics, including—

(i) cardiac arrest survival rates;

(ii) time to first defibrillation during cardiac arrest events;

(iii) trauma stabilization and transport intervals; and

(iv) adherence to established pre-hospital clinical protocols;

(C) operational capacity metrics, including—

(i) the number of available ambulances per installation population;

(ii) the availability of advanced life support capabilities; and

(iii) emergency medical services coverage areas and response zones; and

(D) personnel-readiness metrics, including—

(i) certification levels of emergency medical technicians and paramedics;

(ii) training completion rates; and

(iii) participation in joint emergency response exercises.

(4) AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR ASSESSMENT.—An evaluation of the deployment and readiness of automated external defibrillator devices across military installations, including—

(A) the number and distribution of such devices;

(B) identification of high-traffic locations where such devices are deployed;

(C) maintenance and inspection compliance rates for such devices;

(D) training levels for personnel in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and usage of such devices;

(E) the usage of such devices in training and physical fitness evolutions; and

(F) response outcomes for cardiac emergencies in which such devices were used.

(5) INTEGRATION WITH CIVILIAN EMERGENCY SYSTEMS.—An assessment of coordination between installation emergency medical services systems and State or local emergency response systems, including—

(A) mutual aid agreements;

(B) interoperable communications systems;

(C) joint training and response exercises; and

(D) procedures for patient transport to civilian medical facilities.

(6) RESOURCE AND CAPABILITY GAPS.—Identification of any capability gaps or resource deficiencies affecting emergency medical services operations, including—

(A) personnel shortages;

(B) equipment or ambulance shortfalls;

(C) deficiencies in placement or maintenance of automated external defibrillator devices;

(D) limitations affecting response times; and

(E) funding challenges.

(7) RECOMMENDATIONS.—Recommendations of the Secretary of Defense regarding—

(A) the development of emergency medical services standards throughout the Department of Defense;

(B) improvements to emergency response performance;

(C) enhanced automated external defibrillator device deployment and cardiac emergency preparedness;

(D) standardized funding within one organization of the Department;

(E) legislative or administrative actions necessary to standardize emergency medical services operations across the Department; and

(F) other matters that are relevant to standardized emergency medical services and usage of automated external defibrillator devices.

(c) BRIEFING REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 30 days after submission of the report required under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on the findings and recommendations contained in the report.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.—The term ''emergency medical services'' means pre-hospital emergency medical care and patient transport provided by trained personnel in response to medical emergencies.

(2) MILITARY INSTALLATION.—The term ''military installation'' has the meaning given that term in section 2801(c) of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 747. EXPANSION OF HEALTH CARE LICENSE PORTABILITY FOR MEDICAL PROVIDERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD.

Section 1094(d)(3)(B) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking ''or duty under'' and inserting ''or duty—

''(i) under'';

(2) by striking the period at the end and inserting ''; or''; and

(3) adding at the end the following:

''(ii) under title 32 when providing care to a member of the uniformed services.''.

SEC. 748. JOINT FORCES MEDICAL CAPABILITIES DEVELOPMENT AND STANDARDIZATION.

(a) PROCESS REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of each military department, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Director of the Defense Health Agency, shall develop a process to establish required joint force medical capabilities for members of the Armed Forces that meet the operational planning requirements of the combatant commands.

(b) PROCESS ELEMENTS.—The process developed under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) A joint medical estimate to determine the medical requirements for managing members of the Armed Forces who are wounded, ill, or injured during military operations, including with respect to environmental health, public health, health treats, force health protection, and medical material and supply chain risks.

(2) The development of a joint concept of health service support, which shall include a listing of the capabilities (including medical intelligence, blood support, education, and training) required by the defense health and medical enterprise to support the complexities of the future battlespace aligned against the roles of care.

(3) A process to review and revise military health related mission essential tasks in order to ensure that such tasks are aligned with military medical knowledge, skills, abilities, education, and training.

(4) A process to standardize the interoperability of medical equipment and capabilities to support the joint force.

(5) A process to collect and evaluate operational medical lessons of the Department of Defense—

(A) learned through use of the Joint Lessons Learned Information System; or

(B) by leveraging information available through the Joint Trauma System of the Defense Health Agency, process improvement systems, Trauma Registry of the Department of Defense, and other information systems as appropriate.

(6) A process to incorporate operational medical lessons learned into the joint medical estimate.

(7) A process to incorporate operational medical lessons learned into the Universal Joint Task List, the Mission Essential Task Lists of each military department, and the Joint Mission Essential Task List.

(8) A process to incorporate operational medical lessons learned into enlisted medical education and training, undergraduate medical education, and graduate medical education.

(c) ANNUAL BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than April 1 of each year through 2031, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on the process required under subsection (a).

(d) ROLES OF CARE DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''roles of care'' means the standardized levels of medical capability provided to wounded, ill, or injured personnel of the Armed Forces as such personnel move through the military health system from the point of injury to definitive treatment and rehabilitation.

(e) REPEAL OF SUPERSEDED AUTHORITY.—Section 732 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 132 Stat. 1817) is repealed.

SEC. 749. EXPANSION OF AUTHORITIES TO ENABLE INTEROPERABILITY AMONG MILITARY HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS OF THE UNITED STATES AND PARTNER COUNTRIES.

(a) LICENSURE REQUIREMENT FOR HEALTH-CARE PROFESSIONALS.—Section 1094(e)(3) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating subparagraph (E) as subparagraph (J); and

(2) by inserting after subparagraph (D) the following new subparagraphs:

''(E) Japan.

''(F) The Republic of Korea.

''(G) France.

''(H) Germany.

''(I) Qatar.''.

(b) EXCHANGE OF DEFENSE PERSONNEL BETWEEN UNITED STATES AND FRIENDLY FOREIGN COUNTRIES.—Section 311 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)—

(A) by redesignating paragraph (3) as paragraph (4); and

(B) by inserting after paragraph (2) the following new paragraph:

''(3)(A) Subject to certification under subparagraph (B), an agreement for the exchange of health care professionals may provide for assignment of Department of Defense personnel to perform authorized Federal duties in foreign military medical facilities or operational platforms.

''(B) In carrying out subparagraph (A), the commander of the appropriate geographic combatant command, or an authorized designee, following a review of applicable international agreements, national laws, and regulations, shall certify that sufficient mitigation of criminal and civil liability for health care professionals exists in the location in which authorized Federal duties are to be performed.''; and

(2) in subsection (c)—

(A) by striking ''In the case of'' and inserting ''(1) In the case of''; and

(B) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(2) An agreement for the exchange of health care professionals is subject to licensure requirements as defined in section 1094 of this title.''.

SEC. 750. TASK FORCE ON INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS FOR INDO-PACIFIC MEDICAL PARTNERSHIPS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State, shall establish a task force responsible for securing and negotiating the international agreements required to implement the Indo-Pacific Medical Readiness Program established under section 735 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C. 1074 note) to ensure the Armed Forces of the United States can partner with foreign medical facilities during peacetime and wartime operations for military medical care, casualty evacuation, and storage relevant to military medical preparedness (in this section referred to as the ''task force'').

(b) LEAD AND PARTICIPANTS.—

(1) LEAD.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of

Defense shall designate a senior official from the Office of the Secretary of Defense to lead and coordinate the activities of the task force.

(2) PARTICIPANTS.—Participants in the task force shall include senior representatives from the following:

(A) The Joint Staff.

(B) Relevant combatant commands.

(C) Each military department.

(D) The Department of State.

(E) The Defense Health Agency.

(F) The Defense Logistics Agency.

(c) DUTIES.—The duties of the task force shall include the following:

(1) Identifying the possible foreign governments and medical facilities that could meet the priority requirements in the contingency and operational plans of the United States Indo-Pacific Command.

(2) Reviewing existing United States agreements with those foreign governments for medical readiness and identifying necessary expansions or adjustments to ensure that the Department of Defense can leverage medical facilities to carry out those requirements.

(3) Agreeing on a priority target list of foreign governments for diplomatic outreach and developing a diplomatic plan between the Department of Defense and the Department of State for each country, in consultation with the local United States mission with responsibility for the bilateral relationship.

(4) Coordinating outreach to foreign governments and foreign companies to develop or adjust medical readiness agreements as needed, in consultation with the local United States mission with responsibility for the bilateral relationship.

(d) INTERIM PROGRESS REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the task force shall submit to Congress a progress report that—

(1) indicates the senior official designated under subsection (b)(1);

(2) details a list of priority foreign governments with which the task force intends to expand cooperation and, for each such government—

(A) the type of desired cooperation with foreign medical facilities under the jurisdiction of such government;

(B) existing medical readiness agreement frameworks with such government; and

(C) barriers to implementing the medical readiness program under section 735 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C. 1074 note) with such government; and

(3) a strategy and plan for overcoming those barriers by not later than March 2027.

SEC. 751. PILOT PROGRAM FOR INDO-PACIFIC REGIONAL MEDICAL DATA SHARING.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall develop a pilot health information technology platform (in this section referred to as the ''platform'') that can function across military and civilian medical facilities in the United States and foreign countries in the area of operations of the United States Indo-Pacific Command in accordance with the medical readiness program established under section 735 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C. 1074 note).

(b) CONSULTATION.—In developing the platform, the Secretary shall consult with the respective stakeholders, including the Commander of United States Indo-Pacific Command, the Assistant Secretary of Defense of Health

Affairs, the Director of the Defense Health Agency, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Secretary of State, health care providers of the Department of Defense, entities in the business of health data management or maintenance of electronic health records, and other relevant stakeholders in the United States.

(c) LESSONS LEARNED.—In developing the platform, the Secretary should consider best practices developed by the European Union in refining the European Union Early Warning and Response System for medical data-sharing to support wounded Ukrainians during the Russian-Ukrainian War.

(d) AVAILABLE PATIENT INFORMATION.—The Secretary shall ensure elements of patient information included in the platform are appropriate to support timely medical care for members of the Armed Forces and citizens of the United States located in the Indo-Pacific region in the event of a crisis or conflict.

(e) COMPLIANCE AND SECURITY.—The Secretary will strive to ensure that the platform—

(1) is developed with the goal of adhering to applicable privacy and security standards for health information, while establishing a clear framework for data handling that distinguishes between Armed Forces personnel and civilians to ensure appropriate

data sharing for military operations and to protect civilian privacy;

(2) promotes the secure, seamless, and accurate exchange of critical electronic health information by aligning with modern interoperability standards and discouraging information blocking;

(3) incorporates a risk-based approach for health technologies to foster innovation while protecting patient safety;

(4) utilizes certified health information technology where feasible to ensure robust privacy and security protections;

(5) is usable by health care providers in multiple countries and facilitates the exchange of both structured and unstructured electronic health information in compliance with best cybersecurity practices with respect to maintaining patient privacy and confidentiality, maintaining system integrity, securing individual access through encryption and security, and enhancing data availability, including—

(A) the ability to securely aggregate, secure, and exchange information developed and housed on partner systems that do not meet all Department of Defense cybersecurity requirements; and

(B) the use of technologies that protect data at rest, in transit, and in use, such as confidential computing, to the maximum extent practicable;

(6) establishes shared and documented rules, as part of a defined governance structure, for which and to what extent individuals and entities obtain and maintain access to the platform, which may include—

(A) a federated identity, credentialing, and access management system to ensure appropriate personnel from Federal and mission partner entities can securely access information; and

(B) a mechanism to adopt and integrate unique patient identifiers used by mission partners to ensure accurate patient tracking, identification, and matching;

(7) provides a mechanism by which health data and information of patients are available in multiple languages relevant to the Indo-Pacific region in a timely manner for use in urgent medical care, utilizing structured and computable data formats where feasible;

(8) is easily usable by health care providers in multiple countries and facilitates the exchange of both structured and unstructured electronic health information; and

(9) can be used in multiple environments, such as across computers, laptops, mobile devices, instances where there is low internet bandwidth, and when in contested environments.

(f) PLAN.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a plan for establishing the platform.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The plan submitted under paragraph (1) shall include the following elements:

(A) The proposed list of the medical facilities within the Indo-Pacific area of responsibility at which the first iteration of the platform may be used.

(B) A working group, including key stakeholders, established to ensure the platform is in pursuit of compliance under subsection (e), and a strategy for managing any necessary exemp-

tions from certain requirements that could otherwise impede patient care during a crisis.

(C) A proposed timeline for development and deployment of the platform.

(D) A working group established to enable strategy for establishing a data governance structure, a federated identity management system, and a potential unique patient identifier mechanism as described in subsection (e)(6).

(g) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the deployment of the platform under subsection (f)(2)(C), the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the performance of the platform and recommendations on further refinement and utility of the platform. The report shall specifically assess the platform's effectiveness in addressing known interoperability gaps, avoiding blocking information as mandated by the Cures Act, accommodating civilian partner integrations under HIPAA, and overcoming cybersecurity challenges identified in relevant Department of Defense studies.

Subtitle D—Reports and Other Matters

SEC. 761. REVIEW OF CHAPERONE POLICIES WITHIN FACILITIES OF THE DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY.

(a) REVIEW.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Defense Health Agency shall review the compliance by all facilities of the Defense Health Agency with chaperone policies required by the policy memorandum of the Defense Health Agency dated December 15, 2025, and titled ''Chaperones/Standbys within Defense Health Agency Facilities'' (DHA–Policy Memorandum 25–020).

(b) FACILITIES IN NONCOMPLIANCE.—In carrying out the review under subsection (a), the Director shall—

(1) identify facilities that are not in compliance with the memorandum specified in such paragraph; and

(2) not later than seven days after identifying a facility under paragraph (1), submit to Congress resources necessary to verify such compliance.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report containing the following:

(1) The findings of the review under subsection (a).

(2) A detailed plan outlining steps the Director has taken or will take pursuant to such review, including a timeline for completion of such steps.

(3) An evaluation of resourcing constraints of the Defense Health Agency in ensuring compliance with the memorandum specified under such subsection.

(4) A detailed plan outlining additional formalized guidance with respect to the provision of chaperones for sensitive medical examinations to be provided through policy instructions of the Defense Health Agency.

(5) A mechanism for monitoring the effectiveness of the policies contained within such memorandum on an ongoing basis, to include establishing routine inspections and collecting data to assess compliance by facilities of the Defense Health Agency with such memorandum.

(6) An assessment of how existing law affects the provision of chaperones for sensitive medical examinations.

(7) Recommendations for changes to relevant law to more effectively implement the policies contained within such memorandum.

SEC. 762. UNFUNDED PRIORITIES REPORT OF THE DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY.

(a) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than 10 days after the date on which the budget of the President for a fiscal year is submitted to Congress pursuant to section 1105 of title 31, United States Code, the Director of the Defense Health Agency shall submit to the Secretary of Defense, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the congressional defense committees a report on the unfunded priorities of the Defense Health Agency.

(b) ELEMENTS.—Each report required under subsection (a) shall specify, for each unfunded priority covered by such report, the following:

(1) A summary description of such priority, including the objectives outlined in the national defense strategy required under section 113(g) of title 10, United States Code, and the National Military Strategy required under section 153(b) of such title to be advanced if such priority is funded (whether in whole or in part).

(2) The additional amount of funds recommended in connection with the objectives under paragraph (1).

(3) Account information with respect to such priority, including the following (as applicable):

(A) Line Item Number (LIN) for applicable procurement accounts.

(B) Program Element (PE) number for applicable research, development, test, and evaluation accounts.

(C) Sub-activity group (SAG) for applicable operation and maintenance accounts.

(4) A detailed assessment of each specific risk that would be reduced in executing the national defense strategy required under section 113(g) of title 10, United States Code, and the National Military Strategy required under section 153(b) of such title if such priority is funded (whether in whole or in part).

(5) The requirement to be addressed by the unfunded priority.

(6) The reason funding for the priority was not included in the budget of the President.

(7) A description of any funding provided for the requirement for the current and preceding fiscal year.

(8) An assessment of the effect that providing funding for the priority would have on the future-years defense program submitted to Congress under section 221 of title 10, United States Code.

(c) PRIORITIZATION OF PRIORITIES.—Each report required under subsection (a) shall present the unfunded priorities covered by such report as follows:

(1) In overall order of urgency of priority according to the amount of risk reduced.

(2) In overall order of urgency of priority among unfunded priorities (other than covered military construction projects).

(3) In overall order of urgency of priority among covered military construction projects.

(d) SUNSET.—This section shall terminate on the date that is five years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COVERED MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECT.—The term ''covered military construction project'', with respect to a fiscal year, means a military construction project that—

(A) is included in any fiscal year of the future-years defense program under section 221 of title 10, United States Code, that is submitted in connection with the budget of the President for the fiscal year and is executable in the fiscal year; or

(B) is considered by the commander of a combatant command to be an urgent need and is executable in the fiscal year.

(2) UNFUNDED PRIORITY.—The term ''unfunded priority'', with respect to a fiscal year, means a program, activity, or mission requirement, including a covered military construction project, that—

(A) is not funded in the budget of the President for the fiscal year as submitted to Congress pursuant to section 1105 of title 31, United States Code;

(B) is necessary to fulfill a requirement associated with an operational or contingency plan of a combatant command or other validated requirement; and

(C) would have been recommended for funding through the budget specified in subparagraph (A) by the officer submitting the re-

port required by subsection (a) in connection with the budget if—

(i) additional resources had been available for the budget to fund the program, activity, or mission requirement; or

(ii) the program, activity, or mission requirement had emerged before the budget was formulated.

SEC. 763. EVALUATION OF CERTAIN RESEARCH RELATED TO MENOPAUSE, PERIMENOPAUSE, OR MID-LIFE WOMEN'S HEALTH.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall evaluate—

(1) the results of completed research related to menopause, perimenopause, or mid-life women's health among women who are members of the Armed Forces;

(2) the status of such research that is ongoing;

(3) any gaps in knowledge and research on—

(A) treatments for menopause-related symptoms, including hormone and non-hormone treatments;

(B) the safety and effectiveness of treatments for menopause-related symptoms;

(C) the relation of service in the Armed Forces to perimenopause and menopause and the impact of such service on perimenopause and menopause;

(D) the effect of combat roles on symptoms relating to perimenopause and menopause, including exposure to burn pits, toxic chemicals, and perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (commonly known as ''PFAS''); and

(E) the impact of perimenopause and menopause on the mental health of women who are members of the Armed Forces;

(4) the availability of and uptake of professional training resources for covered providers relating to mid-life women's health with respect to the care, treatment, and management of perimenopause and menopausal symptoms, and related support services; and

(5) the availability of and uptake of treatments for women who are members of the Armed Forces who are experiencing perimenopause or menopause.

(b) REPORT; STRATEGIC PLAN.—Not later than January 31, 2028, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report containing—

(1) the findings of the evaluation conducted under subsection (a);

(2) recommendations for improving professional training resources described in subsection (a)(4) for covered providers; and

(3) a strategic plan that—

(A) resolves the gaps in knowledge and research identified in the report; and

(B) identifies topics in need of further research relating to potential treatments for menopause-related symptoms of women who are members of the Armed Forces.

(c) NONDUPLICATION AND SUPPLEMENTATION OF EFFORTS.—In carrying out activities under this section, the Secretary shall ensure that such activities minimize duplication and supplement, not supplant, existing information-sharing efforts with the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Health and Human Services.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COVERED PROVIDER.—The term ''covered provider'' means a health care provider employed by the Department of Defense.

(2) MENOPAUSE.—The term ''menopause'' means the stage of a woman's life—

(A) when menstrual periods stop permanently and she can no longer get pregnant; and

(B) that is not a disease state, but a normal part of aging for women.

(3) MID-LIFE.—The term ''mid-life'' means a life stage that—

(A) coincides with the menopausal transition in women, which may be physical or emotional;

(B) encompasses the late reproductive age, which can begin at approximately 35 years of age, to the late postmenopausal stages of reproductive aging, which can extend to approximately 65 years of age; and

(C) often marks the onset of many chronic diseases.

(4) PERIMENOPAUSE.—The term ''perimenopause'' means the time during a woman's life when levels of the hormone estrogen fall unevenly in a woman's body and is also called the menopausal transition.

(5) POSTMENOPAUSAL.—The term ''postmenopausal'' means the stage of a woman's life after a woman has been without a menstrual period for 12 months that lasts for the rest of a woman's life and

reflects a time when women are at increased risk for osteoporosis and heart disease.

SEC. 764. NOTIFICATION OF MATERIAL FAILURE AT MILITARY MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITIES AFFECTING PATIENT CARE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall notify the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives not later than 30 days after the date on which a material failure affects patient care in an operating room, critical care unit, intensive care unit, or emergency department at a military medical treatment facility.

(b) ELEMENTS.—Each notification under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) The name and location of the military medical treatment facility.

(2) A description of the operating room, critical care unit, intensive care unit, or emergency department affected and the scope of any shutdown.

(3) The reason for any shutdown, including whether the shutdown is planned or unplanned.

(4) The date on which any shutdown began or is expected to begin and the anticipated duration.

(5) The number and types of surgical procedures, bed days, and encounters affected.

(6) A description of mitigation measures to ensure continuity of care, including use of other military medical treatment facilities or civilian providers.

(7) An assessment of the impact on patient safety and access to care.

(8) The cost and funding source of any needed repairs and maintenance.

(c) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than May 1, 2027, and not less frequently than quarterly thereafter for the following three years, the Secretary shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on—

(1) for the period covered by the briefing, the aggregated data on notifications provided under subsection (a);

(2) the funding and source of funding available to mitigate material failures in military medical treatment facilities; and

(3) such recommendations for legislative changes or other pertinent matters as the Secretary considers appropriate.

SEC. 765. STUDY ON MILITARY HEALTH SYSTEM.

(a) STUDY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than June 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall seek to enter

into a contract or other agreement with a federally funded research and development center pursuant to which the center shall carry out a study on the military health system.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The study required under paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) an analysis of the sufficiency of the military health system—

(i) to provide combat casualty care and force health protection to ensure the preservation of the joint force;

(ii) to achieve its goals of ensuring the health and fitness of members of the Armed Forces;

(iii) to meet the needs of the combatant commands in a large scale combat operation;

(iv) to conduct pandemic response;

(v) through military and civilian medical doctors and other health care providers and administrators, to provide forward-deployed medical care during sustained armed conflict; and

(vi) to provide a world-class health care benefit to members of the Armed

Forces, former members of the Armed Forces, and their dependents.

(B) an in-depth analysis of future options for the military health system, including—

(i) maintaining the TRICARE program with its structure as of the date of the enactment of this Act using large managed care support contractors offering provider networks under the military health system;

(ii) creating a marketplace of plans under the TRICARE program analogous to the Federal Employee Health Benefit Plan under chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code;

(iii) eliminating large managed care support contracts and requiring health care providers to accept beneficiaries enrolled in the TRICARE program as a condition of participating in the Medicare program under title XVIII of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395 et seq.) or directly establishing a network of providers without the use of a managed care support contractor;

(iv) the integration of the military health system managed care support contract with the community care model of the Department of Veterans Affairs; and

(v) any other viable model for health coverage that accomplishes the goals in subparagraph (A); and

(C) recommendations for the future of the military health system, including policy and statutory changes.

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—Each option assessed under subsection (a)(2)(B) shall include—

(1) an analysis of the viability of incorporating such option into the direct care system of health care facilities and providers of the Department of Defense, and any possible risks to the effectiveness of such direct care system;

(2) cost assessments; and

(3) the application of game theory and other strategic analytical methods to model and assess the anticipated behavior and incentives of key stakeholders, including health care providers, beneficiaries, managed care contractors, and Federal health programs, under such option.

(c) REPORT TO SECRETARY.—The federally funded research and development center that carries out the study under subsection (a) shall submit to the Secretary of Defense a report on the results of such study.

(d) REPORTS AND BRIEFINGS TO CONGRESS.—Not later than March 1, 2028, the Secretary of Defense shall—

(1) submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives an unaltered copy of the report received by the Secretary under subsection (c), which shall include—

(A) a detailed explanation of the strategy, methodology, assumptions, and economic analysis used to conduct the study under subsection (a), including any force shaping constructs, scenarios, and assumptions used as a part of such study; and

(B) an assessment of operational risk based on the risk management classifications of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff set forth in the Joint Risk Analysis and Methodology on October 12, 2021 (Joint Staff Manual 3105.01A), or successor manual; and

(2) provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on the results of such study.

SEC. 766. ESTABLISHMENT OF WARFIGHTER PERFORMANCE OPTIMIZATION INITIATIVE, TOTAL FORCE FITNESS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretaries concerned, shall establish a comprehensive initiative for warfighter performance optimization to be known as the ''Warfighter Performance Optimization Initiative'' (in this section referred to as the ''Initiative''), within which the Total Force Fitness (TFF) program shall serve as the foundational framework for improving readiness, resilience, and lethality across the Armed Forces. The Initiative shall be housed under the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—

(1) WARFIGHTER PERFORMANCE OPTIMIZATION; WPO.—The terms ''Warfighter Performance Optimization''and ''WPO'' mean a Department-wide initiative to integrate human performance, safety, and resilience programs into a unified strategy that enhances readiness and lethality.

(2) TOTAL FORCE FITNESS.—The term ''Total Force Fitness'' means the leadership-driven program

nested within WPO that optimizes human performance through proactive, holistic approaches across interconnected domains of fitness, including the following activities:

(A) PHYSICAL FITNESS.—Activities to reduce musculoskeletal injuries, accelerate rehabilitation, improve nutrition and sleep, and mitigate occupational and environmental exposures.

(B) PSYCHOLOGICAL AND SOCIAL FITNESS.—Activities to strengthen resilience, reduce stress injuries, prevent suicides and substance abuse, and enhance peer and family support.

(C) SPIRITUAL FITNESS.—Activities to foster meaning, ethical decision-making, and resilience under combat and operational stress.

(D) COGNITIVE FITNESS.—Activities to enhance decision-making, adaptability, memory, and problem-solving under operational conditions, supported by evidence-based training and emerging technologies.

(c) OBJECTIVES.—The objectives of the Initiative are as follows:

(1) Improve overall health, readiness, resilience, and lethality of service members.

(2) Reduce musculoskeletal injuries and accelerate rehabilitation timelines.

(3) Enhance warfighter performance in nutrition, sleep, financial literacy, conflict resolution, stress management, and life skills.

(4) Reduce incidence of harmful behaviors.

(5) Advance cognitive readiness through measurable improvements in decision-making, adaptability, and operational effectiveness.

(d) QUARTERLY REPORTING.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and every 90 days thereafter for three years, the Secretary of Defense shall submit a report to Congress on the implementation and effectiveness of the Initiative.

(e) SECRETARY CONCERNED DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''Secretary concerned'' has the meaning given that term in section 101 of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 767. MILITARY FAMILY LIMB LOSS AND LIMB DIFFERENCE SUPPORT PROGRAM.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Beginning in fiscal year 2028, the Secretary of Defense shall establish a program, to be known as the ''Military Family Limb Loss and Limb

Difference Support Program'' (in this section referred to as the ''Program''), to augment the holistic rehabilitative care for covered beneficiaries with limb loss or limb dysfunction through peer mentoring, education, and community outreach.

(b) ACTIVITIES.—The Program shall include—

(1) peer mentorship and family support services;

(2) education related to limb loss care and services;

(3) community reintegration supports;

(4) coordination of non-clinical resources;

(5) outreach and awareness activities; and

(6) such other activities as the Secretary considers appropriate.

(c) PARTNERSHIPS.—In carrying out the Program, the Secretary may enter into a cooperative agreement or contract with one or more organizations that have demonstrated experience in carrying out the activities described in subsection (b) in virtual or in-person settings to support individuals with limb loss or limb difference, including individuals belonging to pediatric, military, or veteran populations.

(d) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-

retary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a plan for implementing the Program that—

(1) describes the process for selecting and entering into cooperative agreements or contracts with organizations under subsection (c);

(2) estimates the costs and staffing needs of implementing the Program;

(3) assesses the extent to which existing resources and programs of the Department of Defense can support the Program;

(4) includes performance metrics the Secretary will use to evaluate the effectiveness of the Program; and

(5) requires integration of the Program with research efforts of the military health system to improve healthcare quality, access and outcomes for members of the Armed Forces and their families.

(e) REPORTS REQUIRED.—Not later than one year after the date on which the Program is implemented, and annually for three years thereafter, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report that includes, for the year preceding submission of the report—

(1) the number and demographics characteristics of covered beneficiaries served by the Program;

(2) a description of services provided and partnerships established under the Program;

(3) an assessment of gaps in services or geographic coverage of the Program; and

(4) recommendations for legislative or administrative action to improve support for military families affected by limb loss or limb difference.

(f) COVERED BENEFICIARY DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''covered beneficiary'' means—

(1) an individual who has experienced limb loss or limb difference; and

(2) is—

(A) a dependent of a member or retired member of the Armed Forces; or

(B) otherwise eligible for health care under chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code, as determined appropriate by the Secretary.

SEC. 768. BRIEFING ON PRIMARY CARE PROVIDED AT MILITARY MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITIES ON INSTALLATIONS OF THE AIR FORCE.

(a) BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Defense Health Agency, in consultation with the Secretary

of the Air Force, shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing that contains—

(1) an assessment of the force mix of active duty and civilian medical providers at military medical treatment facilities located on installations of the Air Force; and

(2) an accompanying plan to address any primary care shortfalls that could result from a mobilization of the Air Force for military operations, particularly in locations that are remote or medically underserved.

(b) BRIEFING COMPONENTS.—The briefing required under subsection (a) shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(1) A plan of action for each military medical treatment facility at which a primary care shortfall is identified under such subsection—

(A) to improve access to, and the quality of, primary care for members of the Armed Forces and their families by creating a supportive, team-based clinical environment;

(B) to enhance recruitment and retention of qualified medical personnel of the Department of Defense, including physicians, nurse

practitioners, physician assistants, registered nurses, mental health nurse practitioners, licensed practical nurses, and medical assistants; and

(C) to increase the medical readiness of the Armed Forces through improved health outcomes, proactive health management, and ensuring health care providers of the Department maintain clinical skills.

(2) Recommendations on the most effective use of—

(A) hiring authorities, including temporary excepted service appointments and direct hire authorities, consistent with applicable law and regulations;

(B) recruitment, relocation, and retention incentives, such as student loan repayment programs for certain highly qualified civilian candidates; and

(C) appropriate licensing and credentialing flexibilities and authorities.

(3) A description of objectives and quality metrics, including the number of providers hired and retained, patient load, patient wait times for appointments, and other information as determined ap-

propriate by the Director of the Defense Health Agency and the Secretary of the Air Force.

(4) An assessment of the feasibility and advisability of conducting a pilot program under which the Air Force Medical Service hires civilian health care workers to support the operational requirements of military medical treatment facilities described in subsection (a).

SEC. 769. ASSESSMENT OF ACCESS, FAIRNESS, AND TRANSPARENCY UNDER TRICARE PHARMACY BENEFITS PROGRAM.

(a) COMPTROLLER GENERAL AUDIT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and not later than one year after the effective date of the first new contract or agreement entered into by the Secretary of Defense for the administration of the pharmacy benefits program after such date of enactment, the Comptroller General of the United States shall—

(1) conduct an audit of—

(A) data reported by the contractor responsible for the administration of the pharmacy benefits program relating to—

(i) rates of reimbursement and any price concessions, including direct and in-

direct remuneration fees, bonuses, and clawbacks;

(ii) any discrepancies between average reimbursements to various types of pharmacies disaggregated by retail, mail order, specialty pharmacies, and any pharmacy owned by or affiliated with such contractor; and

(iii) the difference between what the contractor charges the TRICARE program for a pharmaceutical agent and what the contractor pays to pharmacies for the same pharmaceutical agent, disaggregated by retail, mail order, and specialty pharmacies;

(B) prior authorizations required by the TRICARE program for prescription drug treatments and services;

(C) the timeliness of dispensing prescription drugs from the various types of pharmacies, disaggregated by retail, mail order, and specialty pharmacies; and

(D) the adequacy of the retail pharmacy network under the TRICARE program and access by eligible covered beneficiaries to such network, including with respect to continuity of

care, geographic accessibility (taking into account factors in addition to travel time to and from a pharmacy, with special consideration for rural and underserved areas), and the extent to which elections by such beneficiaries reflect personal preference; and

(2) submit the results of such audit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

(b) ACCESS TO INFORMATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, as a condition of any contract entered into for the administration of the pharmacy benefits program, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, or any contract, subcontract, agreement, or confidentiality provision to the contrary, shall ensure that the contractor provides the Comptroller General full access to any information the Comptroller General determines necessary to conduct the audit under subsection (a)(1) not later than 30 days after the request for such information by the Comptroller General.

(2) INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED.—Information required under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) Claims-level data.

(B) Information on reimbursement methodologies and payment rates.

(C) An identification of all price concessions, including rebates, fees, discounts, and remuneration of any kind from manufacturers, pharmacies, or other entities.

(D) Information on amounts charged to the Department of Defense and amounts paid to pharmacies for the same drug.

(E) An identification of contracts, subcontracts, and other arrangements with manufacturers, pharmacies, or third parties relevant to the administration of the pharmacy benefits program.

(3) PROHIBITION ON WITHHOLDING OF INFORMATION.—Information required to be provided under this paragraph may not be withheld, redacted, or limited on the basis of claims relating to proprietary information, trade secrets, or confidential commercial information, except that the Comptroller General shall protect such information from public disclosure in accordance with applicable law.

(4) FORM, DETAIL, AND FREQUENCY.—The Comptroller General may determine the form, level

of detail, and frequency of data submissions required under paragraph (1).

(5) TREATMENT AS BREACH.—Failure to provide information required under this subsection shall constitute a material breach of contract.

(c) ASSESSMENT OF IMPACT.—If the audit conducted under subsection (a)(1) finds that reimbursement rates paid to retail pharmacies under the pharmacy benefits program are, on average or in a systemic manner, less than the documented acquisition cost to such pharmacies for outpatient prescription drugs covered by such audit, the Comptroller General shall include with the results of such audit submitted under subsection (a)(1) an assessment of the impact of such reimbursement rates on retail pharmacy participation, beneficiary access, network adequacy, and continuity of care.

(d) ACCESS METRICS.—In conducting oversight of the pharmacy benefit program, the Secretary of Defense shall ensure that measures of access to such program include—

(1) continuity of care and beneficiary preference, including the ability of beneficiaries to remain with their pharmacy of choice; and

(2) meaningful geographic access standards beyond drive-time calculations, with special consideration for rural and underserved areas.

(e) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a plan for the implementation of this section.

(f) APPLICABILITY TO EXISTING CONTRACTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—This section shall apply to any contract, agreement, or other arrangement in effect on or after the date of the enactment of this Act, including any contract, agreement, or arrangement entered into before such date.

(2) MODIFICATION OF CONTRACTS.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall modify any existing contract or agreement as necessary to ensure compliance with the requirements of this section.

(3) LIMITATION ON EXTENSION OR RENEWAL.—The Secretary may not exercise any option to extend or renew an existing contract or agreement for the administration of the pharmacy benefits program unless the contractor is in full compliance with the requirements of this section.

(g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ELIGIBLE COVERED BENEFICIARY; PHARMACEUTICAL AGENT; PRESCRIPTION DRUG.—The terms ''eligible covered beneficiary'', ''pharmaceutical agent'', and ''prescription drug'' have the meanings given those terms in section 1074g of title 10, United States Code.

(2) PHARMACY BENEFITS PROGRAM.—The term ''pharmacy benefits program'' means the pharmacy benefit program of the TRICARE program under section 1074g of title 10, United States Code.

(3) TRICARE PROGRAM.—The term ''TRICARE program'' has the meaning given that term in section 1072 of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 770. COMPTROLLER GENERAL REVIEW OF INFLUENZA VACCINE REQUIREMENTS OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct a review of the influenza vaccine requirements of the Department of Defense and the considerations that led to recent policy changes with respect to such requirements as of the date of the enactment of this Act.

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

(1) A description of previous and current influenza vaccination requirements, as of the date of the enactment of this Act, described in—

(A) Department of Defense Instruction 6205.02 relating to the Department of Defense Immunization Program;

(B) updated guidance on influenza vaccination issued by the Secretary of Defense in an April 20, 2026, memorandum; and

(C) relevant implementing guidance for any such requirements or guidance.

(2) An analysis of any risks, benefits, or other matters considered by the Secretary of Defense with respect to the updated guidance specified in paragraph (1)(B).

(3) The impact of such updated guidance on the ability of the Department to meet medical readiness goals established in Department of Defense Instruction 6025.19 relating to the Individual Medical Readiness Program.

(4) Such other matters as the Comptroller General determines relevant.

(c) BRIEFING.—Not later than September 30, 2027, the Comptroller General shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Rep-

resentatives a briefing on the results of the review conducted under subsection (a), with a report to follow at a mutually agreed upon time and in a mutually agreed upon format.

TITLE VIII—ACQUISITION POLICY, ACQUISITION MANAGEMENT, AND RELATED MATTERS

Subtitle A—Acquisition Policy and Management

SEC. 801. MULTI-YEAR PROCUREMENT FOR CERTAIN MUNITIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to section 3501 of title 10, United States Code, the head of an agency is authorized to enter into one or more multi-year contracts, beginning in fiscal year 2027, for the procurement of any of the following systems:

(1) Joint Strike Missile (JSM) systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with JSM systems or a subsystem that performs a critical function of the missile system).

(2) Naval Strike Missile (NSM) systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with NSM systems, including systems procured for the Navy Marine Expeditionary Ship Interdiction

System (NMESIS), or a subsystem that performs a critical function of the missile system).

(3) Precision Strike Missile (PrSM) systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with PrSM systems or a subsystem that performs a critical function of the missile system).

(4) Mk 48 Heavyweight Torpedo (Mk 48) systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with Mk48 systems or a subsystem that performs a critical function of the torpedo system).

(5) Mk 54 Lightweight Torpedo (Mk 54) systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with Mk54 systems or a subsystem that performs a critical function of the torpedo system).

(6) Clandestine-Delivered Mine, Quickstrike Mine, and Hammerhead Mine systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with Clandestine-Delivered Mine, Quickstrike Mine, and Hammerhead Mine systems or a subsystem that performs a critical function of the mine system).

(7) Joint Direct Attack Munition (JDAM) systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with JDAM systems or a subsystem that performs a critical function of the munition system).

(8) Guided Multiple Launch Rocket System (GMLRS) systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with GMLRS systems or a subsystem that performs a critical function of the munition system).

(9) 6.8mm ammunition (and products, services, and logistics support associated with 6.8mm ammunition that performs a critical function of the munition system).

(10) Advanced Precision Kill Weapon System (APKWS) (AGR-20 A/B) systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with APKWS systems or a subsystem that performs a critical function of the munition system).

(11) Fixed-Wing, Air Launched, Counter-Unmanned Aircraft Systems Ordnance (FALCO) (AGR-20F) systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with FALCO systems or a subsystem that performs a critical function of the munition system).

(12) Small Diameter Bomb II (SDB II) systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with SDB II systems or a subsystem that performs a critical function of the munition system).

(13) Air Intercept Missile-9X (AIM-9X) systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with JDAM systems or a subsystem that performs a critical function of the munition system).

(14) Javelin CLU (Command Launch Unit) systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with Javelin CLU systems or a subsystem that performs a critical function of the launch unit system).

(15) FGM-148 Javelin systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with Javelin systems or a subsystem that performs a critical function of the munition system).

(16) Coyote Block 2C interceptor systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with Coyote systems or a subsystem that performs a critical function of the munition system).

(17) Sonobuoys, inclusive of SSQ- 36, SSQ-53, SSQ-62, SSQ-101, SSQ1125, systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with Sonobuoys systems or a subsystem that performs a critical function of the sonobuoy system).

(18) RIM-162 Evolved Sea Sparrow Missile (ESSM) systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with ESSM systems or a

subsystem that performs a critical function of the munition system).

(19) RIM-116 Rolling Airframe Missile (RAM) systems (and products, services, and logistics support associated with RAM systems or a subsystem that performs a critical function of the munition system).

(b) PROCUREMENT IN CONJUNCTION WITH EXISTING CONTRACTS.—The systems and subsystems described in subsection (a) may be procured through modifications or extensions to any existing contract for such systems and subsystems.

(c) AUTHORITY FOR ADVANCE PROCUREMENT.—The head of an agency may enter into one or more contracts for advance procurement, beginning in fiscal year 2027, associated with a system or subsystem described in subsection (a) for which authorization to enter into a multi-year procurement contract is provided under such subsection, which may include procurement of economic order quantities of material and equipment when cost savings are achievable.

(d) CONDITION FOR OUT-YEAR CONTRACT PAYMENTS.—A contract entered into under subsection (a) shall provide that any obligation of the United States to make a payment under the contract for a fiscal year after

fiscal year 2027 is subject to the availability of appropriations for that purpose for such later fiscal year.

(e) HEAD OF AN AGENCY DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''head of an agency'' means—

(1) the Secretary of Defense;

(2) the Secretary of the Army;

(3) the Secretary of the Navy; or

(4) the Secretary of the Air Force.

SEC. 802. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS PENDING REPORT ON AND REVISIONS OF SOFTWARE ACQUISITION PATHWAY IMPLEMENTATION.

(a) LIMITATION.—Of the funds described in subsection (c), not more than 95 percent may be obligated or expended until the date on which the Secretary of Defense submits the report required under subsection (b).

(b) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on implementation of the software acquisition pathway (in this section referred to as the ''Software Pathway'').

(2) ELEMENTS.—The report required under paragraph (1) shall include the following elements:

(A) The implementation plan outlined in the March 6, 2025, memo by the Office of the Secretary of Defense titled ''Directing Modern Software Acquisition to Maximize Lethality''.

(B) A description of progress on the adoption by the Department of Defense components and military departments of the Software Pathway as the preferred pathway for all software development components of business and weapon system programs.

(C) A description of progress on making commercial solutions openings and other transactions authority the default solicitation and contracting award approaches for acquiring capabilities under the Software Pathway.

(c) FUNDS DESCRIBED.—The funds described in this subsection are funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for the Department of Defense and available for travel expenses for the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment.

SEC. 803. REPORT ON MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT.

(a) INCLUSION OF MULTIYEAR PROCUREMENT IN BUDGET JUSTIFICATION MATERIALS.—The Secretary of Defense, acting through the Secretary of Defense for Ac-

quisition and Sustainment and in coordination with the Secretaries of the military departments and the portfolio acquisition executives of each military department, shall include in the budget justification materials submitted to Congress in support of the Department of Defense budget for the fiscal year (as submitted with the President's budget under section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code) a comprehensive report and centralized summary display on critical multiyear procurement requirements for that fiscal year.

(b) CONTENTS OF SUMMARY DISPLAY.—The centralized summary display submitted under subsection (a) shall detail the multiyear procurement activities of the Department of Defense and include, at a minimum, the following information for each affected program:

(1) Each active multiyear procurement authority currently utilized by the Department, including all utilizations under $500,000,000 that require congressional notification and all utilizations over $500,000,000 that require congressional notification.

(2) The specific fiscal years covered by each active multiyear authority.

(3) The total cost and annual funding increments allocated to each authority.

(4) The annual and total production amounts, if applicable, associated with each contract.

(5) A comprehensive list of all multiyear procurement authorities planned for by the Department over the current Future Years Defense Program cycle.

(6) A concise description of any industrial base stabilization, cost-avoidance, any efficiency benefits that justifies each current or planned multiyear request.

(c) LEVERAGE EXISTING MECHANISMS.—To the extent possible, the Secretary of Defense shall leverage existing program acquisition executive mechanisms and office assessment mechanisms to generate the data required by this section, rather than creating new administrative offices or entities.

SEC. 804. MODIFICATIONS TO TECHNICAL DATA RIGHTS.

(a) MODIFICATIONS TO RIGHTS IN TECHNICAL DATA.—Section 3771(b) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (3)(C), by inserting ", and for which the United States shall have government purpose rights, unless the Government and the contractor negotiate different license rights" after "component)"; and

(2) in paragraph (4)(A)—

(A) in clause (ii), by striking ''; or'' and inserting a semicolon;

(B) by redesignating clause (iii) as clause (iv); and

(C) by inserting after clause (ii) the following new clause:

''(iii) is a release, disclosure, or use of detailed manufacturing or process data—

''(I) that is necessary for operation, maintenance, installation, or training and shall be used only for operation, maintenance, installation, or training purposes supporting wartime operations or contingency operations; and

''(II) for which the head of an agency determines that the original supplier of such data will be unable to satisfy military readiness or operational requirements for such operations; or''.

(b) REFORM OF TECHNICAL DATA AND SOFTWARE RIGHTS TO SUPPORT COMPETITION, SUSTAINMENT, AND READINESS.—

(1) DEFAULT GOVERNMENT PURPOSE RIGHTS FOR DELIVERABLES.—Chapter 239 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 3775 the following new section:

"§ 3776. Default government purpose rights for deliverables under Department of Defense contracts

''(a) DEFAULT RIGHTS.—Except as provided in subsection (b), any technical data, computer software, or computer software documentation delivered under a contract, subcontract, or other agreement entered into by the Department of Defense for the acquisition of noncommercial products or services shall be provided with government purpose rights unless the contractor establishes, through clear and convincing evidence, entitlement to more restrictive rights.

''(b) CONTRACTOR BURDEN.—A contractor asserting less-than-government purpose rights shall provide—

''(1) a compliant assertions table identifying each specific item of data or software claimed;

''(2) factual documentation of private development funding;

''(3) clause-specific unlimited-rights exclusions applied at the lowest practicable segregable level; and

''(4) corresponding portion markings on the deliverables.

''(c) FAILURE TO SUBSTANTIATE.—Any failure by a contractor to comply with subsection (b) shall result in the deliverable being treated as provided with government purpose rights.''.

(2) IMPROPER MARKINGS OF CRITICAL ITEMS.—For any critical readiness items of supply (as that term is defined in section 4324(d)(4) of title 10, United States Code) that are noncommercial items, if the Secretary of Defense determines that a contractor—

(A) applied an incorrect restrictive marking;

(B) failed to exclude unlimited- or unrestricted-rights categories;

(C) failed to portion-mark at the required segregable level; or

(D) submitted an incomplete or invalid assertions table;

then all affected technical data, computer software, and documentation shall be deemed as government purpose rights.

(3) CLAWBACK OF EXCESSIVE PAYMENTS ARISING FROM IMPROPER RESTRICTIONS.—

(A) INDEPENDENT ANALYSIS.—The Secretary shall obtain an independent engineering and cost analysis to determine the fair and reasonable price for any item procured under circumstances where improper restrictive markings contributed to an unjustified sole-source environment.

(B) GOVERNMENT CLAIM.—If the amount paid by the Government exceeds the amount determined under paragraph (1), the difference shall constitute a contract debt owed to the United States under chapter 71 of title 41, United States Code (commonly known the ''Contract Disputes Act'').

(C) INTEREST.—Any amount owed under this paragraph shall accrue interest from the date of overpayment in accordance with section 7109 of title 41, United States Code.

(4) ENFORCEMENT AND REMEDIES.—A contractor found to have repeatedly mismarked data or submitted invalid assertions tables shall be ineligible for award of contracts requiring the delivery of technical data or software for a period determined by the Secretary.

SEC. 805. ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRAINING FOR DEFENSE ACQUISITION.

(a) STANDARDIZATION FOR PROGRAM ACQUISITION EXECUTIVES.—

(1) PERFORMANCE INDICATORS FOR PROGRAM ACQUISITION EXECUTIVES.—The Secretary of Defense shall develop key performance indicators to be used by all program acquisition executives, which shall address the following:

(A) The portfolio cost variance from baseline estimates.

(B) Milestone delivery performance and turnaround time across different phases of acquisition.

(C) Market research and competition.

(D) Use of Modular Open System Architecture.

(E) Supply chain and workforce risk mitigation.

(F) Authority utilization, including other transaction authority, commercial solutions opening, middle tier acquisition, and software acquisition pathway.

(G) Derisking activity, including capital market involvement.

(H) Any other metric the Secretary considers relevant.

(2) DATA DASHBOARD.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall develop and implement a phased rollout plan for a centralized, enterprise-grade data dashboard, designed to provide real-time visibility into the operational health, strategic growth, and efficiency of each program acquisition executive portfolio.

(B) CONTENTS.—The dashboard described in subparagraph (A) shall automatically track and visualize performance across the following four critical performance pillars:

(i) Financial and budgeting health.

(ii) Schedule and operational delivery.

(iii) Industrial base and workforce growth.

(iv) Innovation and agility metrics.

(3) WORKFORCE DEFICIENCY ANALYSIS.—The Secretary of Defense shall conduct a comprehensive human capital market analysis of each program acquisition executive portfolio to identify—

(A) immediate and projected workforce deficiencies; and

(B) the staffing ratios required to support expanded portfolios, with a focus on recruiting specialized talent from the private sector, such as data scientists, industrial base analysts, and commercial finance experts.

(4) REPORT ON PERFORMANCE INDICATORS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report that includes the performance indicators developed under paragraph (1), the phased rollout plan developed under paragraph (2), and the analysis conducted under paragraph (3).

(b) PILOT PROGRAM ON COMMERCIAL ACQUISITION PRACTICES.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT OF PILOT PROGRAM.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, shall establish a pilot program (referred to in this section as the ''Pilot Program'') to enhance the use of commercial acquisition practices within the Department of Defense by appointing highly qualified experts to serve in senior decision-making roles for covered acquisitions.

(2) SENIOR COMMERCIAL ACQUISITION EXECUTIVES PIPELINE.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out the Pilot Program, the Secretary of Defense shall appoint not less than 10 and not more than 30 highly qualified experts as ''Senior Commercial Acquisition Executives''—

(i) to actively assist the Secretary in the development, instruction, and continuous refinement of the Gold Tier Capital Certification Training Program established under subsection (c); and

(ii) to align commercial and public practices for defense acquisitions and contracts.

(B) QUALIFICATIONS.—In appointing individuals as Senior Commercial Acquisition Executives under subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall—

(i) select individuals with significant experience in commercial acquisition, including—

(I) not fewer than 8 years of experience in procuring or managing

large-scale commercial products or services; and

(II) demonstrated responsibility for acquisition decisions in competitive commercial markets that involve funding or a project value of more than $50,000,000; and

(ii) prioritize the appointment of individuals with experience in industries such as advanced technology, manufacturing, logistics, or any other sector characterized by large-scale commercial procurement.

(C) APPOINTMENT TERM.—A Senior Commercial Acquisition Executive shall be appointed for a term of four years.

(D) HIRING AUTHORITY AND COMPENSATION.—The Secretary may—

(i) appoint individuals under this section as highly qualified experts pursuant to section 9903 of title 5, United States Code, or any other applicable authority; and

(ii) fix the pay of an individual appointed under this section at the highest rate authorized for highly qualified experts

under section 9903 of title 5, United States Code, and may use any available flexibility under such section to recruit individuals with the expertise required under this section.

(E) DUTIES.—Each Senior Commercial Acquisition Executive shall—

(i) be assigned to a military department, defense agency, or other component of the Department of Defense and report to the senior acquisition executive, or any other official the Secretary considers appropriate, of the assigned department, agency, or component;

(ii) lead or participate in the development and approval of acquisition strategies for covered acquisitions;

(iii) advise and support contracting officers and program officials in the use of commercial acquisition procedures, including—

(I) commercial solution openings;

(II) fixed-price contracting; and

(III) price-based evaluation methods;

(iv) promote the use of commercial practices consistent with the objectives of section 3102 of title 10, United States Code; and

(v) provide input and recommendations for the Gold Tier Capital Certification Training Program.

(F) COVERED ACQUISITIONS.—For covered acquisitions, the Secretary shall ensure that a Senior Commercial Acquisition Executive either serves as the lead acquisition official or provides oversight for the acquisition strategy, which shall include meaningful participation in decisions relating to the contract structure, the pricing approach, and the source selection methodology.

(3) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

(A) INTERIM REPORT.—Not later than two years after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that—

(i) provides the number of Senior Commercial Acquisition Executives and the

portfolio and service assignment of each such executive;

(ii) describes the types of acquisitions in which such executives were involved;

(iii) describes the extent to which the executives influenced acquisition strategy, contract structure, and pricing approaches;

(iv) provides an assessment of the effectiveness of the Pilot Program in improving the use of commercial acquisition practices, including any impacts on cost, speed, and participation by nontraditional defense contractors; and

(v) includes recommendations regarding whether the authority of the Secretary to appoint Senior Commercial Acquisition Executives under this section should be extended, modified, or made permanent.

(B) FINAL REPORT.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days prior to the termination date described in paragraph (4), the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a comprehensive report that evaluates the Pilot Program.

(ii) CONTENTS.—The report shall include an assessment of total cost avoidance, accelerated acquisition timelines, industry feedback, and a formal recommendation on whether to permanently codify the authorities granted under this section.

(4) SUNSET.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The authority of the Secretary to appoint individuals under paragraph (2)(A) shall terminate 5 years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(B) INDIVIDUALS APPOINTED BEFORE TERMINATION DATE.—An individual appointed under paragraph (2)(A) before the termination date described in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph may continue to serve for the duration of the individual's appointment, subject to applicable law.

(5) COVERED ACQUISITIONS DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term ''covered acquisitions'' means an acquisition—

(A) not designated as a major defense acquisition program, as defined in section 4201 of title 10, United States Code; and

(B) for a product or service that includes, as a significant component or purpose—

(i) software or software-intensive systems;

(ii) autonomous systems, including unmanned platforms and associated enabling technologies;

(iii) artificial intelligence, machine learning, or data analytics capabilities;

(iv) cloud computing, data infrastructure, or digital platforms;

(v) cyber capabilities, including cybersecurity and cyber defense tools;

(vi) space-based services or commercially provided space capabilities;

(vii) advanced sensing, networking, or communications technologies; or

(viii) such other technology areas as the Secretary of Defense determines can be effectively acquired using commercial acquisition procedures, including where such procedures would improve speed, cost, competition, or access to innovative suppliers.

(c) PILOT TRAINING PROGRAM FOR GOLD TIER CAPITAL CERTIFICATION.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, shall establish a pilot training program (referred to in this subsection as the ''Training Program'') to establish, evaluate, and refine within the Department of Defense the training and qualifications necessary for an elite advanced financial certification, which shall be known as the ''Gold Tier Capital Certification''.

(2) PARTICIPANT NOMINATION AND SELECTION.—

(A) ANNUAL NOMINATIONS.—For each fiscal year during which the Training Program is active, each service acquisition executive shall nominate not fewer than 10 and not more than 15 contracting officers from their respective military department to participate in the Training Program.

(B) SELECTION CRITERIA.—Nominations shall be based on demonstrated technical com-

petence, leadership potential, and aptitude for advanced commercial acquisition practices.

(3) CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS.—

(A) CORE COMPETENCIES.—The Training Program shall feature a rigorous, advanced curriculum focused on commercial capital markets and corporate and alternative defense financing, including the following instructional areas:

(i) Capital structure fundamentals, including debt, equity, and hybrid financial instruments.

(ii) Risk allocation models and corporate financial incentive alignment.

(iii) Deal structuring and creative financing mechanisms.

(iv) Commercial valuation methodologies and return-on-investment analysis.

(v) Public-private partnership models and execution frameworks.

(vi) Operational and structural distinctions between venture capital, private equity, internal corporate investment, and traditional commercial banking.

(B) EDUCATIONAL PARTNERS.—The curriculum described in subparagraph (A) shall be

developed and delivered in coordination with partner institutions and Senior Commercial Acquisition Executives (appointed in subsection (b)), including top-tier graduate business and economic schools, investment banking firms, venture capital firms, and private equity firms.

(C) ROTATIONAL IMMERSIONS AND INDUSTRY EXCHANGE PROGRAM.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—The curriculum described in subparagraph (A) will include a formalized industry exchange program, through which contracting officers in the Training Program may complete temporary operational rotations with venture capital firms, defense prime contractors, commercial technology startups, and investment banks.

(ii) EXCHANGE PERIOD.—A temporary operational rotation shall last between six and 12 months.

(iii) PURPOSE.—These rotations will provide contracting officers with firsthand experience in commercial business operations, rapid scaling methodologies, and private-sector risk allocation.

(4) ADMINISTRATIVE ROLE OF DEFENSE ACQUISITION UNIVERSITY.—The Defense Acquisition University shall serve the Training Program in a strictly administrative and coordinating capacity, to include the funding and management of travel, lodging, and enabling logistics for participants.

(5) PERFORMANCE METRICS FOR GOLD TIER CAPITAL CERTIFICATION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Any contracting officer who successfully completes the Training Program shall be awarded the Gold Tier Capital Certification.

(B) MAINTENANCE OF DESIGNATION.—To maintain the Gold Tier Capital Certification, an individual who completes the Training Program must meet or exceed the annual performance metrics, as set and evaluated by the relevant portfolio acquisition executive and Senior Commercial Acquisition Executive.

(C) FORFEITURE AND REPLACEMENT.—Any officer who fails to meet the metrics described under subparagraph (B) for two or more evaluation periods shall immediately forfeit the Gold Tier Capital Certification.

(D) REPLACEMENT OF OFFICER.—Not later than 60 days after the forfeiture of a Gold Tier Capital Certification under subparagraph (C), the relevant service acquisition executive shall nominate a qualified replacement for the Training Program.

(6) PERSONNEL INCENTIVES AND AUTHORITIES.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that contracting officers holding a valid Gold Tier Capital Certification receive the incentives and operational authorities described in this paragraph.

(A) PROMOTION CONSIDERATIONS.—In procedures for military and civilian personnel evaluations, the Secretary shall consider the possession of a Gold Tier Capital Certification as an advanced professional qualification and give such certification positive weight for promotion and leadership selection.

(B) STREAMLINED APPROVALS.—The Secretary shall establish expedited, streamlined administrative review and approval pathways for non-traditional financing mechanisms executed by any officer with a Gold Tier Capital Certification.

(C) LIAISON STATUS.—Any officer with a Gold Tier Capital Certification shall possess direct liaison status with the Economic Defense Unit.

(D) INDUSTRY IMMERSIONS.—The Secretary shall provide officers with a Gold Tier Capital Certification with priority access to official operational immersion opportunities within industry, including financial and investment entities and commercial startups.

(7) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

(A) INTERIM BRIEFING.—Not later than two years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the initial implementation of the Training Program, metrics achieved by the participants, and curriculum efficacy.

(B) INTERIM REPORT.—Not later than two years after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that—

(i) provides the number contracting officers that participated in the Training Program, and the portfolio and service designation of each such officer;

(ii) describes the types of acquisitions in which such officers were involved;

(iii) describes the extent to which the Training Program influenced acquisition strategy, contract structure, and pricing approaches;

(iv) provides an assessment of the effectiveness of the Training Program in improving the use of commercial acquisition practices, including any impacts on cost, speed, and participation by nontraditional defense contractors; and

(v) includes recommendations as to whether the authority under this section should be extended, modified, or made permanent.

(C) FINAL REPORT.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days prior to the termination date described in paragraph (8), the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional

defense committees a comprehensive report that evaluates the Training Program.

(ii) CONTENTS.—The report shall include an assessment of total cost avoidance, accelerated acquisition timelines, industry feedback, and a formal recommendation on whether to permanently codify the certification program.

(8) SUNSET.—The Training Program shall terminate on the date that is five years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

Subtitle B—Amendments to General Contracting Authorities, Procedures, and Limitations

SEC. 811. CONSOLIDATION AND RATIONALIZATION OF RESTRICTIONS ON PROCUREMENT FROM CERTAIN FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW CHAPTER IN TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE.—Subpart I of part V of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new chapter:

"CHAPTER 390—RESTRICTIONS ON PROCUREMENT FROM CERTAIN FOREIGN COUNTRIES

"§ 4991. Definitions

''In this chapter:

''(1) The term 'Commerce Control List' means the list maintained by the Bureau of Industry and Security and set forth in Supplement No. 1 to part 774 of the Export Administration Regulations (as defined in section 1742 of the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4801).

''(2) The term 'commercial product' has the meaning given the term in section 103 of title 41.

''(3) The term 'commercially available off-the-shelf item' (COTS) has the meaning given the term in section 104 of title 41.

''(4) The term 'covered country' means—

''(A) the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea);

''(B) the People's Republic of China;

''(C) the Russian Federation; and

''(D) the Islamic Republic of Iran.

''(5) The term 'covered entity' means—

''(A) an entity domiciled in a covered country or subject to the influence or control of the

government of a covered country, as determined by the Secretary of Defense;

''(B) an entity identified as a Communist Chinese military company under section 1260H of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 113 note);

''(C) an entity on the Non-SDN Chinese Military-Industrial Complex Companies List maintained by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury;

''(D) Huawei Technologies Company, ZTE Corporation, Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, Dahua Technology Company, or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities; or

''(E) any other entity designated by the Secretary of Defense as posing a national security risk due to its ties to a covered country.

''(6) The term 'covered item' means goods, services, or materials identified in this chapter as subject to procurement restrictions, including chemical materials, munitions, strategic and critical materials, telecommunications equipment, unmanned air-

craft systems, printed circuit boards, personal protective equipment, and batteries.

''(7) The term 'covered telecommunications equipment or services' means—

''(A) telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate);

''(B) telecommunications or video surveillance equipment used for public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, or other national security purposes, that is produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate);

''(C) telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by the entities described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) or using equipment produced by such entities; and

''(D) telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of Na-

tional Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be owned or controlled by, or otherwise unduly influenced by, the government of a covered country.

''(8) The term 'simplified acquisition threshold' has the meaning given the term in section 134 of title 41.

"§ 4992. Prohibition on procurement from covered countries and entities

''(a) PROHIBITION.—Except as provided in this chapter, the Secretary of Defense may not—

''(1) procure, renew, or extend a contract for the procurement of any covered item that is, or contains materials or components that are mined, refined, processed, manufactured, or assembled, in whole or in part, by a covered country or covered entity;

''(2) enter into, renew, or extend a contract with an entity that uses a covered item as a substantial or essential component of any system or as critical technology as part of any system; or

''(3) enter into, renew, or extend a contract with an entity that uses any equipment, system, or service that itself uses covered telecommunications

equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, regardless of whether such use is in performance of a Department of Defense contract.

''(b) APPLICABILITY.—(1) Paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a) apply to prime contracts and subcontracts at any tier under such contracts.

''(2) Subsection (a)(3) applies only to the prime contractor with whom the Department of Defense enters into a contract.

''(3) Federal bidders and contractors—

''(A) may reasonably rely on certifications of compliance from covered entities and subcontractors when providing proposals to the Department of Defense; and

''(B) are not required to conduct independent third-party audits or other formal reviews related to such certifications.

''(4) Nothing in this section shall permit the Secretary to apply the prohibitions in subsection (a) to existing contracts for goods, services, or technology, including when such contracts are modified, extended, or renewed, entered into prior to the effective date of the relevant prohibited good or service.

''(c) COVERED ITEMS.—This section applies to the following items:

''(1) Chemicals listed under the heading 'Task 1: Domestic Production of Critical Chemicals' in section 3.0E of the document of the Department of Defense titled 'Statement of Objectives (SOO) for Critical Chemicals Production' (FOA: FA8650–19–S–5010, Appendix VI, Call: 012) and dated December 5, 2022, or any successor document.

''(2) Goods, services, or technology provided by an entity identified in the annual list published in the Federal Register by the Department of Defense of Chinese military companies operating in the United States pursuant to section 1260H of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 113 note), except that the prohibition shall not apply to—

''(A) goods, services, or technology to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third party, including backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

''(B) components (as defined in section 105 of title 41).

''(3)(A) Goods and services—

"(i) on the munitions list of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations;

"(ii) on the Commerce Control List that—

"(I) are classified in the 600 series; or

"(II) contain strategic and critical materials, rare earth elements, or energetic materials used to manufacture missiles or munitions.

"(B) The prohibition pursuant to this paragraph does not apply in connection with a visit by a vessel or an aircraft of the United States Armed Forces to the People's Republic of China.

"(4) Strategic and critical materials, including specialty metals and rare earth elements (as referenced in sections 4863 and 4872 of this title, and section 857 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 10 U.S.C. 4811 note)).

"(5) Unmanned aircraft systems (as referenced in section 848 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 10 U.S.C. 4871 note)).

"(6) Printed circuit boards (as referenced in section 4873 of the National Defense Authorization

Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 10 U.S.C.)).

''(7) Personal protective equipment (as referenced in section 4875 of this title).

''(8) Batteries from specified companies (as referenced in section 154 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 10 U.S.C. 4651 note prec.)).

''(9) Covered telecommunications equipment or services (as referenced in section 889 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C. 3901 not prec.)).

''§ 4993. National security waiver

''(a) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense may waive the prohibitions under section 4992 of this title if the Secretary determines in writing that such waiver is necessary to the national security interests of the United States.

''(b) REQUIREMENTS.—A written determination under subsection (a)—

''(1) shall specify the quantity or scope of covered items or materials or the scope of covered telecommunications equipment or services to which the

waiver applies and the time period over which the waiver applies; and

''(2) shall be provided to the congressional defense committees not later than 15 days before issuing the waiver, except that in the case of an urgent national security requirement, such certification may be provided up to 7 days after the waiver is issued.

''(c) DELEGATION.—The authority under subsection (a)—

''(1) may be delegated to either the senior acquisition executive of a military department or the official responsible for all acquisition functions of such other element or organization of the Department of Defense concerned, for a waiver applicable to one or more acquisition programs or procurements within that military department or element of the Department of Defense; or

''(2) may be delegated to the Deputy Secretary of Defense or the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment for a waiver applicable to more than one military department.

''§ 4994. Exceptions for commercial products, COTS items, and thresholds

''(a) COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COTS ITEMS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), this chapter applies to the procurement of commercial products and COTS items.

''(2) EXCEPTION.—This chapter only applies to COTS items that are—

''(A) specialty metals, including mill products, that have not been incorporated into end items, subsystems, assemblies, or components;

''(B) forgings or castings of specialty metals, unless incorporated into COTS end items, subsystems, or assemblies; or

''(C) covered items or covered telecommunications equipment or services that perform a mission-critical function and are not incorporated into end items, subsystems, assemblies, or components.

''(b) SIMPLIFIED ACQUISITION THRESHOLD.—Section 4992 of this title does not apply to acquisitions in amounts below the simplified acquisition threshold.

''(c) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.—Section 4992 of this title does not apply to procurements outside the United States in support of contingency operations or for use outside the United States.''.

(b) IMPLEMENTATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.—

(1) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall take effect on January 1, 2028.

(2) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Defense shall prescribe regulations to implement chapter 390 of title 10, United States Code, as added by subsection (a), including updates to the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS).

SEC. 812. REQUIREMENTS FOR INFORMATION RELATING TO SUPPLY CHAIN RISK.

Section 3252 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by inserting ''officials, general counsels,'' after ''procurement'';

(B) in paragraph (2)(B), by striking ''measures are not reasonably available to reduce'' and inserting ''measures have been taken and are not reasonably expected to reduce'';

(C) in paragraph (3)—

(i) in subparagraph (A)—

(I) by inserting '', including the nature of the supply chain risk,'' after ''risk assessment''; and

(II) by striking ''; and'' and inserting a semicolon; and

(ii) in subparagraph (B)—

(I) by striking ''measures that were considered and why they were not reasonably available to reduce'' and inserting ''measures that were taken and why they were not reasonably expected to reduce''; and

(II) by striking the period at the end and inserting ''; and''; and

(iii) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

''(C) a legal opinion from the Department of Defense Office of General Counsel that the determination required in paragraph (2), as well as the analysis required in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of this paragraph, meets the statutory requirements of this section;''; and

(D) by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

''(4) determining and certifying to the appropriate congressional committees that a foreign entity of concern in the supply chain has carried out nefarious, malicious, or concerning actions warranting such exercise of authority; and

''(5) the Inspector General of the Department of Defense conducts a review and determines that all requirements under this subsection have been met.'';

(2) in subsection (c)(2)—

(A) by redesignating subparagraphs (B) and (C) as subparagraphs (C) and (D), respectively; and

(B) by inserting after subparagraph (A) the following new subparagraph:

''(B) allow the appropriate parties of a covered procurement action a 30-day window to address the Department's concerns or take other remedial actions;'';

(3) by redesignating subsection (d) as subsection (e); and

(4) by inserting after subsection (c) the following new subsection:

''(d) LIMITATIONS ON AUTHORITY.—(1) Unless a complete and detailed notification has been received by the appropriate congressional committees within 5 days of a determination under this section, the determination shall have no effect for purposes of this section until the notification has been so received.

''(2) A determination under this section shall not be invoked for contract disputes or as a negotiating tool and

shall only be invoked to protect critical defense systems from adversary exploitation by screening out suppliers who pose unacceptable risks of sabotage or malicious subversion in the procurement process.''.

SEC. 813. LIMITATIONS ON CERTAIN MISSILE CONTRACTS OR OTHER AGREEMENTS.

(a) LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—None of the funds appropriated by this Act or any previous Act, or otherwise made available to the Department of Defense may be obligated or expended on a covered contract or other agreement unless the Secretary of Defense certifies to the congressional defense committees, in writing, that such contract or other agreement does not contain any clause or provision that would authorize the Secretary to—

(A) remove or install personnel at any prime contractor or subcontractor; or

(B) direct the internal resources of any prime contractor or subcontractor, including independent research and development or capital expenditures, regardless of whether such term is a condition of award, as a penalty for delinquency, or for any other reason, unless the Department of Defense paid for such resources

as a direct cost under the contract or other agreement.

(2) REMOVAL OF NON-CONFORMING CLAUSE.—If the Secretary determines that any covered contract or other agreement awarded prior to the date of the enactment of this Act does not conform to the requirements of paragraph (1), the Secretary shall seek to enter into bilateral negotiations with the contractor to modify such contract or other agreement to remove the non-conforming clause or provision without consideration.

(b) PROHIBITION ON CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as may be necessary to comply with subsection (a)(2), the Secretary of Defense may not make any modification or change to any term of a covered contract or other agreement that is entered into using funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027, to alleviate contractor performance issues, including delinquency, cost overruns, schedule delays, technical performance issues, or any other performance-related grounds, and shall strictly enforce all such terms as written.

(2) EXCEPTION.—Paragraph (1) shall not apply to a modification or change to a covered con-

tract or other agreement if such modification is made pursuant to the extraordinary contractual relief authorities provided in the Act entitled ''An Act to authorize the making, amendment, and modification of contracts to facilitate the national defense'', approved August 28, 1958 (50 U.S.C. 1431 et seq.) and complies with all applicable regulations and procedures implementing such authorities.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the term ''covered contract or other agreement'' means any of the following contract or other agreement entered into using multiyear procurement authorities authorized in section 804 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 10 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.):

(1) Patriot Advanced Capability-3 (PAC-3).

(2) Tomahawk Cruise Missile.

(3) Joint Air-to-Air Standoff Missile (JASSM).

(4) Long-Range Anti-Ship Missile (LRASM).

(5) Standard Missile-6 (SM-6).

(6) Standard Missile-3 (SM-3) Block IB.

(7) Advanced Medium-Range Air-to-Air Missile (AMRAAM).

(8) Terminal High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD).

(9) Low-Cost Hypersonic Strike Systems.

(10) Family of Affordable Mass Munitions (''FAMM''), Extended-Range Attack Munition (''ERAM''), Enterprise Test Vehicle (''ETV''), or ground-launched low-cost cruise missile systems.

SEC. 814. LIMITATIONS ON THE CENTRALIZED COMMERCIAL ITEM CAPABILITY.

(a) LIMITATION.—No funds authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027, or otherwise made available to the Department of Defense, may be obligated or expended for the centralized commercial item capability required by section 3456(a) of title 10, United States Code, until the conditions described in subsection (b) are satisfied.

(b) CONDITIONS.—The conditions referred to in subsection (a) are the following:

(1) The Secretary of Defense certifies that the Department of Defense has—

(A) issued comprehensive Department-wide guidance implementing subtitle C of title XVIII of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1245); and

(B) amended the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement to fully implement such subtitle.

(2) The Secretary of Defense has developed and issued stricter guidance, including higher standards and criteria of evidence, for the approval of non-commercial item determinations (or commercial item exceptions) with respect to the following capabilities:

(A) Software or software-intensive systems.

(B) Autonomous systems, including unmanned platforms and associated enabling technologies.

(C) Artificial intelligence, machine learning, or data analytics capabilities.

(D) Cloud computing, data infrastructure, or digital platforms.

(E) Cyber capabilities, including cybersecurity and cyber defense tools.

(F) Other technology areas as the Secretary of Defense determines are characterized by significant commercial market participation.

(c) COMPTROLLER GENERAL REVIEW AND CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—

(1) REVIEW REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date on which the Secretary of Defense notifies the congressional defense committees that the conditions in subsection (b) have been met,

the Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct and complete—

(A) a review of the guidance issued pursuant to subsection (b)(1) to determine whether such guidance provides adequate implementation of subtitle C of title XVIII of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026; and

(B) a review of a representative sample of noncommercial item determinations (or commercial item exceptions) made under the stricter guidance required by subsection (b)(2) to assess whether such determinations are supported by sufficient evidence and are not being approved through an insufficiently rigorous process.

(2) REPORT.—The Comptroller General shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the findings of the reviews required by paragraph (1), including an assessment of the adequacy and rigor of the guidance and determination processes.

SEC. 815. LIMITATIONS RELATING TO CAPITAL DISTRIBUTIONS FOR DEFENSE CONTRACTORS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection (b), beginning on June 15, 2027, the Secretary of Defense may not enter into a contract for the procurement of goods or services, unless the contractor agrees in writing that the entity shall not—

(1) purchase an equity security of such entity, or any parent entity of such entity, that is listed on a national securities exchange; or

(2) pay dividends or make any other capital distribution with respect to the equity securities of the entity.

(b) WAIVER FOR QUALIFYING DEFENSE INVESTMENT.—The Secretary of Defense may waive the limitation in subsection (a) for the purpose of rewarding contractors that agree to a qualifying defense investment plan that is approved by the Secretary.

(c) REVIEW AND ENFORCEMENT.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT OF FORMAL REVIEW PROCESS.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall establish a formal review mechanism for identifying, on a continuing basis, the Department of Defense contractors that are in violation of the requirements of subsection (a).

(2) EVIDENCE AND NOTIFICATION OF VIOLATION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—If a contracting officer of the Department of Defense finds, or receives and substantiates, an allegation described in subparagraph (B), the Secretary shall immediately notify the contractor of the violation in writing.

(B) ALLEGATION DESCRIBED.—An allegation described in this subparagraph is any allegation relating to—

(i) a contractor of the Department engaging in an activity prohibited under subsection (a), if the requirements of such subsection have not been waived under subsection (b); or

(ii) a contractor who received a waiver under subsection (b) is underperforming with respect to prioritization, investment, or production such that the contractor no longer meets the requirements of the qualifying defense investment plan approved by the Secretary pursuant to subsection (b).

(C) CONTENTS OF NOTICE.—The notice issued under subparagraph (A) shall include,

depending on the basis of the violation, a description of—

(i) the conduct of the contractor that is prohibited under subsection (a); or

(ii) the nature of the underperformance or insufficient prioritization, investment, or production speed of the contractor that fails to meet the requirements described in the qualifying defense investment plan under subsection (b).

(3) REMEDIATION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 15 days after the date on which the contractor receives the notice of a violation under paragraph (3)(A), the contractor may submit to the Secretary a remediation plan, approved by the board of directors of the contractor, for review by the Secretary.

(B) CONTENT OF PLAN.—The remediation plan submitted under subparagraph (A) shall include a description of the manner by which the contractor shall remedy the violation, including, if applicable, a strategy for meeting the requirements described in the qualifying defense

investment plan under subsection (b) or an update of such a plan.

(C) IDENTIFICATION OF DEFICIENCIES.—If the Secretary identifies deficiencies in the remediation plan submitted under subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall engage with the contractor as needed to resolve such deficiencies.

(4) PENALTIES.—If a contractor engages in an activity prohibited under subsection (a) and was not granted a waiver under subsection (b) or if the contractor was granted a waiver under subsection (b) but no longer meets the requirements of the qualifying defense investment plan, the contracting officer of the Department of Defense may take one or more of the following actions against the contractor for any contract entered into on or after the date specified in subsection (a):

(A) Suspend payment under the contract.

(B) Revoke the waiver issued under subsection (b) for the contractor as a whole or for any defined business segment.

(C) Determine that the contractor lacks requisite responsibility for award of competitive contracts or other agreements.

(D) Terminate the eligibility of the contractor to receive progress payments under section 3804 of title 10, United States Code.

(E) Refer the matter to the Secretary for other administrative actions.

(d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter until the date specified in subsection (e), the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a report that includes, for the one-year period preceding submission of the report—

(A) a list of all contractors granted a waiver under subsection (b) and the justification for each waiver; and

(B) a list of all entities that have violated agreements made pursuant to subsection (a) or diverged from the practices that justified the granting of a waiver under subsection (b).

(2) PUBLICATION.—Not later than 30 days after the date of submission of a report under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense shall make such report publicly available.

(e) SUNSET.—This section shall cease to have effect on January 1, 2031.

(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) EQUITY SECURITY.—The term ''equity security'' has the meaning given such term in section 3(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78c(a)).

(2) NATIONAL SECURITIES EXCHANGE.—The term ''national securities exchange'' means an exchange registered as a national securities exchange in accordance with section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78f).

(3) QUALIFYING DEFENSE INVESTMENT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ''qualifying defense investment'' means an expenditure by a contractor that is directly related to increasing the capacity or capability of its defense business segment, including—

(i) construction, expansion, or modernization of manufacturing facilities, shipyards, or production lines dedicated to defense programs;

(ii) acquisition of machine tools, capital equipment, and production technology for defense systems;

(iii) applied non-reimbursable research and development directly supporting defense programs;

(iv) establishment or expansion of workforce training programs and facilities for defense manufacturing skills; and

(v) strategic stockpiling of raw materials and components critical to defense production.

(B) EXCLUSIONS.—A qualifying defense investment does not include—

(i) an allowable cost for reimbursement under any contract; or

(ii) an expenditure used under any contract or other agreement as the basis for the Department of Defense to provide contract financing or advance payments.

SEC. 816. PROHIBITION OF PROCUREMENT OF MOLYBDENUM, GALLIUM, OR GERMANIUM FROM NON-ALLIED FOREIGN NATIONS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PRODUCTION FROM RECOVERED MATERIAL.

Section 844 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 976) is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraph (3) of subsection (b) as subsection (c) and moving such subsection, as so redesignated, two ems to the left; and

(2) in subsection (c), as redesignated by paragraph (1) of this section, by striking ''amendments made by paragraphs (1) and (2)'' and inserting ''amendments made by this section''.

SEC. 817. OTHER TRANSACTION AUTHORITY REPORTING.

Any project carried out by the Department of Defense using other transaction authority under section 4021 of title 10, United States Code, shall be reported in the same manner as other Department of Defense expenditures for inclusion in the searchable public website established by the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note; Public Law 109–282).

SEC. 818. LIMITATION ON PROCUREMENT OF CUT FLOWERS AND CUT GREENS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COVERED ENTITY.—The term ''covered entity'' means—

(A) a foreign government; and

(B) an agent of a foreign principal (as defined section 1 of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended (22 U.S.C 611)).

(2) CUT FLOWER.—The term ''cut flower'' means a flower removed from a living plant for decorative use.

(3) CUT GREEN.—The term ''cut green'' means a green, foliage, or branch removed from a living plant for decorative use.

(4) QUALIFYING AREA.—The term ''qualifying area'' means—

(A) a State;

(B) the District of Columbia;

(C) a territory or possession of the United States; or

(D) an area subject to the jurisdiction of a federally recognized Indian Tribe.

(b) REQUIREMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Funds authorized to be appropriated or otherwise made available to the Department of Defense may only be used for the procurement of a cut flower or cut green if the cut flower or cut green is grown in a qualifying area.

(2) APPLICABILITY.—This subsection shall apply to a procurement made or contracted for—

(A) in the United States; and

(B) on or after the date that is 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(c) GIFTS FOR DISPLAYS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Department of Defense may only accept a gift of a cut flower or cut green that is not grown in a qualifying area from a covered entity for the purpose of displaying the cut flower or cut green if the origin of the cut flower or cut green is clearly displayed at the time of delivery.

(2) REQUIREMENT.—If the Department of Defense accepts a gift of a cut flower or cut green from a covered entity under paragraph (1), it shall clearly display the origin of the cut flower or cut green during the period of display of the cut flower or cut green.

SEC. 819. AUDIT AND MITIGATION OF COVERED CELLULAR MODULES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SYSTEMS AND INFRASTRUCTURE.

(a) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AUDIT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall initiate a Department-wide audit to identify the presence of covered cellular modules within covered systems.

(2) SCOPE.—The audit required under paragraph (1) shall—

(A) cover all military departments, combatant commands, defense agencies, and Department of Defense activities or programs;

(B) prioritize covered systems critical to military mobility, logistics, and installation security;

(C) include both government-owned and contractor-operated covered systems connected to Department of Defense networks or accessing Department of Defense information;

(D) identify to the maximum extent practicable, the manufacturer, model, firmware version, and host product for each covered cellular module identified; and

(E) assess the cybersecurity risk posed by each identified covered cellular module, including data flows, network exposure, and potential for remote access.

(b) MITIGATION AND REPORTING.—

(1) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and biennially thereafter for a period not to exceed 6 years, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the audit and mitigation activities carried out under this section.

(2) CONTENTS.—Each report submitted under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) The preliminary or updated findings of the audit required under subsection (b).

(B) A description of ongoing and planned mitigation measures, including—

(i) rip-and-replace programs;

(ii) accelerated divestiture or retirement of legacy assets;

(iii) network segmentation, isolation, or compensating cybersecurity or engineering controls;

(iv) firmware or software remediation; and

(v) supply-chain substitution with trusted alternatives.

(C) Cost estimates, timelines, and resource requirements for each category of mitigation measure described in subparagraph (B).

(D) An identification of any statutory, regulatory, or acquisition barriers to completing mitigation.

(E) Recommendations for additional legislative authorities, if any, needed to complete mitigation.

(3) FORM.—Each report submitted under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(c) COMPTROLLER GENERAL REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the submission of the report required in subsection (b), the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the implementation and effectiveness of the activities described in subsection (b).

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) CELLULAR MODULE.—The term ''cellular module'' means a modular transmitter, as described in section 15.212 of title 47, Code of Federal Regulations, that provides cellular connectivity to a host product, including an Internet of things device.

(2) COVERED CELLULAR MODULE.—The term ''covered cellular module'' means any cellular module produced, manufactured, or provided by—

(A) an entity identified under section 889 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 41 U.S.C. 3901 note prec.);

(B) an entity that is owned by, controlled by, or subject to the jurisdiction or direction of the People's Republic of China; or

(C) any other entity determined by the Secretary of Defense to present an unacceptable supply-chain risk.

(3) COVERED SYSTEM.—The term ''covered system'' means any item of infrastructure owned, leased, operated, or controlled by the Department of Defense.

(4) INTERNET OF THINGS DEVICE.—The term ''Internet of things device'' has the meaning given to such term in NIST Special Publication 1800–16.

SEC. 820. IMPROVING TRANSPARENCY OF FOREIGN INFLUENCE ON DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CONTRACTORS.

Section 847(a)(3) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 10 U.S.C. 4819 note) is amended by striking ''in excess of $5,000,000'' and inserting ''in excess of $500,000''.

SEC. 821. REPORTING OF PRICE INCREASES.

(a) REPORTING OF INCREASES ABOVE SPECIFIED PRICES.—Chapter 271 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

''§ 3710. Reporting of increases above specified prices

''(a) IN GENERAL.—An offeror shall be required to report to the relevant contracting officer not later than

30 days after becoming aware that the price of a product or service under a covered contract reaches or exceeds—

''(1) 25 percent above the price specified in the contract bid or the government paid for that product or service the previous calendar year; or

''(2) 50 percent above the price paid for such a product or service 5 years earlier.

''(b) COVERED CONTRACT DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'covered contract' means a cost-plus contract awarded without competition under section 3204 of this title and as defined under section 6.302 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.''.

(b) INCLUSION OF NONCOMPLIANCE INFORMATION IN FAPIIS.—Chapter 271 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by subsection (a), is further amended by adding at the end the following new section:

''§ 3711. Inclusion of noncompliance information in Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System

''The Director of the Defense Contract Audit Agency or the relevant service acquisition executive shall report in the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS) housed within the System for Award Management the following information:

''(1) Contractors who fail to report price increases as required under 3705(a)(2) of this title.

''(2) Updated findings from audits conducted by the Agency regarding noncompliance with the requirement.

''(3) With respect to unreported product or service price increases, the product or service's National Stock Number, order quantity, unit cost, total cost, purchasing or reimbursing entity, and date of the order.''.

SEC. 822. LATE SUBMISSION OF COST AND PRICING DATA AS INVALID DEFENSE TO CONTRACT PRICE REDUCTIONS FOR DEFECTIVE COST OR PRICING DATA.

Section 3706(c) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (3), by striking ''; or'' and inserting a semicolon;

(2) in paragraph (4), by striking the period and inserting ''; or''; and

(3) by adding at the end of the following:

''(5) the cost or pricing data were submitted by the prime contractor or subcontractor after the date of agreement on the price of the contract or, if ap-

plicable consistent with subsection (a)(2), such other date agreed upon between the parties.''.

Subtitle C—Industrial Base Matters

SEC. 831. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SUPPLY CHAIN RISK MANAGEMENT INTEGRATION CELL.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than March 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall establish a Supply Chain Risk Management Integration Cell (in this section referred to as ''the Cell'') within the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy.

(b) DUTIES DESCRIBED.—For the purposes of operating the Cell described in subsection (a), the Secretary shall delegate or otherwise assign to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy the authorities and duties to—

(1) direct and conduct oversight of all Department of Defense Supply Chain Risk Management activities, programs, tools, and datasets;

(2) manage and make determinations regarding lists and other restrictions relating to Department of Defense Supply Chain Risk Management, including those authorized in—

(A) section 889 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal

Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 41 U.S.C. 3901 note prec.);

(B) section 1260H of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 113 note); and

(C) section 805 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 10 U.S.C. 4651 note prec.);

(3) manage and make determinations regarding supply chain transparency programs, incentives, and other activities, including those authorized in—

(A) section 849 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C. 3241 note prec.);

(B) section 856 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 10 U.S.C. 3241 note prec.); and

(C) subsection (a)(3) of section 857 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 10 U.S.C. 4811 note);

(4) oversee data and databases related to Department of Defense Supply Chain Risk Management and the integration of such data and databases across the Department of Defense, to include integration with commercial data sources;

(5) select and assign a sufficient number of dedicated staff necessary for the Cell to effectively manage the duties described in paragraphs (1) through (4);

(6) consult with the Supply Chain Risk Management Threat Analysis Center at the Defense Intelligence Agency; and

(7) any other authorities or duties necessary to manage, direct, or otherwise coordinate Supply Chain Risk Management activities and programs.

(c) EXCEPTIONS.—The Secretary of Defense shall not delegate or assign to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy authorities or duties that explicitly relate to cybersecurity.

(d) IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than 90 days after the date on which the Cell described in subsection (a) is established, the Secretary shall amend the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement to support the establishment of the Cell and to implement the changes in authorities and duties described in subsection (b).

(e) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees describing—

(1) estimated staffing and resources requirements to establish and operate the Cell;

(2) plans to reorganize existing offices and functions throughout the Department to ensure the Cell can carry out the authorities and duties described in subsection (b);

(3) plans to provide resources to the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy for the purposes of establishing and operating the Cell; and

(4) estimated timelines to consolidate in the Cell the various authorities and duties described in subsection (b).

SEC. 832. EXPANSION OF REVERSE ENGINEERING AUTHORITY FOR PROTOTYPE PROJECTS.

Section 4022(e)(5)(B) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''to address obsolescence''.

SEC. 833. COMPETITION REQUIREMENT FOR CERTAIN MUNITIONS.

(a) PAC–3 ALTERNATIVE SOURCING.—Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise

made available for fiscal year 2027 for the Patriot Advanced Capability–3 (''PAC–3'') multiyear procurement authorized by section 804(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60), not more than 50 percent may be obligated or expended unless the Secretary of Defense certifies that at least 40 percent of fiscal year 2027 procurement of the Missile Segment Enhancement (MSE) solid rocket motors is sourced from a secondary or additional qualified supplier.

(b) STANDARD MISSILE–6 ALTERNATIVE SOURCING.—The Secretary of Defense shall require the Standard Missile–6 multiyear procurement authorized by this Act and by section 804(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60) to source Mark 72 and Mark 104 solid rocket motors from more than one vendor by the following deadlines:

(1) Beginning in fiscal year 2028, 20 percent or more solid rocket motors shall be ordered by the prime contractor from a secondary or additional qualified supplier.

(2) Beginning in fiscal year 2029, 30 percent or more solid rocket motors shall be ordered by the prime contractor from a secondary or additional qualified supplier.

(3) Beginning in fiscal year 2030, 40 percent or more solid rocket motors shall be ordered by the prime contractor from a secondary or additional qualified supplier.

SEC. 834. ANALYSES OF CERTAIN ACTIVITIES FOR ACTION TO ADDRESS SOURCING AND INDUSTRIAL CAPACITY.

(a) ANALYSIS REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, acting through the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment and other appropriate officials, shall review the list of items under subsection (b) to determine and develop appropriate actions to maintain access to critical defense industry components and materials, including—

(A) restricting procurement, with appropriate waivers for cost, emergency requirements, and nonavailability of suppliers, including restricting procurement to—

(i) suppliers in the United States;

(ii) suppliers in the national technology and industrial base (as defined in section 4801 of title 10, United States Code);

(iii) suppliers in other allied or partner nations; or

(iv) other suppliers;

(B) increasing investment through use of research and development procurement activities and acquisition authorities, including the Defense Production Act and the Industrial Base Analysis and Sustainment program to—

(i) expand production capacity;

(ii) diversify sources of supply; or

(iii) promote alternative approaches for addressing military requirements;

(C) prohibiting procurement from selected sources or nations;

(D) taking a combination of actions described under subparagraphs (A),(B), and (C); or

(E) taking no action.

(2) CONSIDERATIONS.—The analyses conducted pursuant to paragraph (1) shall consider national security, economic, and treaty implications, as well as impacts on current and potential suppliers of goods and services.

(b) LIST OF HIGH-PRIORITY GOODS AND SERVICES FOR ANALYSES, RECOMMENDATIONS, AND ACTIONS.—The items described in this subsection are the following:

(1) Boron carbide.

(2) Copper foil, copper clad laminates, glass, or any other copper-containing inputs for printed circuit boards.

(3) Synthetic diamond.

(4) Silicon carbide.

(c) BRIEFING ON ANALYSES, RECOMMENDATIONS, AND ACTIONS.—Not later than February 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives—

(1) a summary of the findings of the analyses undertaken for each item pursuant to subsection (a);

(2) relevant recommendations resulting from the analyses, including any proposed statutory changes to implement sourcing restrictions; and

(3) descriptions of specific activities undertaken as a result of the analyses, including schedule and resources allocated for any planned actions.

SEC. 835. REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO WEARING OPTIONAL COMBAT BOOTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than two years after the date of the enactment of this section, the Secretary of Defense shall issue regulations requiring that any optional combat boots being sold at military exchanges be certified by the combat boot quality assurance program conducted by the relevant military service, to ensure combat boots meet uniform regulations regarding durability, quality, and uniform standards.

(b) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may provide a military service a waiver for subsection (a) for 90 days until the combat boot quality assurance program is implemented.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''combat boot quality assurance program'' means the requirement in section 865(f) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 10 U.S.C. 4811 note).

(2) The term ''optional combat boots'', with respect to a member of the Armed Forces, means combat boots not furnished to such member of the Armed Forces by the Secretary of Defense.

(3) The term ''required uniform'' means a uniform a member of the Armed Forces is required to wear as a member of the Armed Forces.

SEC. 836. REPORT ON DOMESTIC NONAVAILABILITY DETERMINATIONS GRANTED FOR CRITICAL MATERIALS.

Not later than May 1, 2027, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the issuance of domestic nonavailability determinations (DNADs) for strategic and critical materials covered by sections 4863 and 4872 of title 10, United States Code. The report shall—

(1) identify all DNADs issued over the previous 5 years;

(2) identify whether DNADs were granted for a specific program or end item or granted for a class of material;

(3) assess the Department of Defense's review process for DNADs, including timeframes for approval and communication with industry; and

(4) describe any other matters the Under Secretary determines relevant for issuing DNADs for strategic and critical materials.

SEC. 837. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS PENDING INFORMATION ON THE SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM INDUSTRIAL BASE.

Not more than 80 percent of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 and available to the Defense Autonomous Warfare Group, and not more than 95 percent of the funds authorized to be appropriated or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for operation and maintenance, defense-wide, for the Office of the Secretary of Defense for travel expenses, may be obligated or expended until—

(1) the report required under section 914(e)(1) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 10 U.S.C. 4811 note) is submitted to the congressional defense committees; and

(2) the report required under section 162(c) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C. 4871 note) is submitted to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

SEC. 838. ENERGETICS INDUSTRIAL BASE ROADMAP.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 1, 2027, the Director of the Joint Energetics Transition Office, in coordination with the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy and the Secretaries of the military departments, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a roadmap for the future desired state for the energetics industrial base.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The roadmap under subsection (a) shall include the following elements:

(1) An assessment of the capacity and capability of the energetics industrial base to support the demands of existing munitions programs of record.

(2) An assessment of the capacity and capability of the energetics industrial base to support planned future demands of munitions programs.

(3) Identification of current and potential shortfalls in common precursors and chemicals for energetic materials.

(4) An assessment of emerging technologies or manufacturing processes that would support the modernization or evolution of the energetics industrial base.

(5) A description of United States Government funding to date for the energetics industrial base, whether through programs of record or through De-

fense Production Act (DPA) or Industrial Base Analysis and Sustainment (IBAS) programs, broken out by fiscal year and purpose.

(c) ENERGETIC MATERIALS DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''energetic materials'' means critical chemicals and formulations that—

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

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

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

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

SEC. 839. SUPPLY CHAIN, CAPABILITY, AND CAPACITY STUDY OF HIGH-DEMAND ITEMS IN THE TEXTILE INDUSTRIAL BASE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall contract with a federally funded research and development center to conduct a detailed assessment of the textile industrial base providing uniform items to the military services. The review shall include—

(1) a description of coordination between industry and the military services to understand shortfalls in the textile industrial base over the last five years;

(2) a description of the ability of the military services to provide annual or long-term data for increased stability in long-term contracting for textile manufacturing;

(3) any requested domestic non-availability determinations made to the Defense Logistics Agency or the services and the rationale for the absence of available domestic options;

(4) a review of Defense Logistics Agency contracting processes, including the ability to provide industry with long-term demand, Berry amendment compliance, and responsiveness to the needs of the military services;

(5) an assessment of the supply chains of all Berry-compliant textiles and footwear options, including current challenges, potential for surge capacity, any investments in capital expenditures in the last 10 years, data on sales over the last 10 years, quality assurance procedures, testing, and qualification procedures;

(6) a review of the military services specifications for textiles and footwear, including where spec-

ifications are the limiting factor to higher quality items or if changes in specification can improve manufacturing timelines;

(7) a review of any allied or Trade Agreement Act-compliant partnerships that could be expanded to improve supply chain resilience;

(8) an assessment of the efficacy of the investments made under the automated textile manufacturing program under the Industrial Base Analysis and Sustainment program, including any improvements or best practices that could be implemented;

(9) an assessment of the importance of having multiple supply lines in the textile industrial base and the consequences of single points of failure; and

(10) any other matters determined to be relevant to the review.

(b) DEADLINES.—

(1) FINAL ASSESSMENT.—Not later than September 30, 2028, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives the final review required under subsection (a).

(2) BRIEFING.—Not later than May 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the

House of Representatives a briefing with an initial review of the scope of the assessment required under subsection (a).

(c) AUTHORITY TO USE RELEVANT SUPPLY CHAIN TECHNOLOGIES.—The federally funded research and development center conducting the review under subsection (a) may utilize any relevant supply chain technologies for in-depth review of the textile industrial base.

SEC. 840. PILOT PROGRAM ON PROVIDING SUBSIDIES FOR COMBAT BOOTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than June 1, 2027, the Secretary of the Army shall establish and implement a pilot program to provide subsidies for the cost of certain combat boots to members of the Army that receive a uniform allowance.

(b) SUBSIDY.—

(1) PAYMENT OF SUBSIDY.—Under the pilot program required by subsection (a), the Secretary shall establish a subsidy for an eligible member for the purchase of combat boots that comply with the requirements of section 4862 of title 10, United States Code, in an amount that is equal to 30 percent of the price of such boots.

(2) USE OF SUBSIDY.—A member who receives the subsidy under paragraph (1) shall use the sub-

sidy to purchase from the Army and Air Force Exchange Service not more than one pair of combat boots that comply with the requirements of section 4862 of title 10, United States Code.

(c) ROLE OF EXCHANGE STORES.—

(1) SELECTION OF LOCATIONS.—The Secretary shall select three military installations at which exchange stores operated by the Army and Air Force Exchange Service are located to carry out the pilot program required by subsection (a).

(2) PROVISION OF INFORMATION TO ARMY AND AIR FORCE EXCHANGE SERVICE.—The Secretary shall provide information on eligible members to the exchange stores at the installations selected under paragraph (1).

(3) NOTICE; IMPLEMENTATION.—The Secretary shall—

(A) in collaboration with the exchange stores at the installations selected under paragraph (1), provide appropriate notice to eligible members with respect to the subsidy under subsection (b); and

(B) under the authority provided by section 2491 of title 10, United States Code, reimburse each such store for—

(i) the cost of the subsidies under subsection (b) provided by the store; and

(ii) any incidental marketing costs associated with the pilot program required by subsection (a) incurred by the store.

(4) DATA COLLECTION.—

(A) COLLECTION BY SECRETARY.—The Secretary shall collect data on—

(i) the total population of eligible members; and

(ii) the overall cost of providing the subsidy under subsection (b).

(B) COLLECTION BY EXCHANGE STORES.—The Secretary shall collect data from the exchange stores at the installations selected under paragraph (1) on—

(i) the rates of use of the subsidy under subsection (b) on a quarterly and annual basis; and

(ii) which combat boots are being purchased with the subsidy.

(d) TERMINATION.—The pilot program required by subsection (a) shall terminate on December 31, 2029.

(e) BRIEFINGS REQUIRED.—

(1) IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than March 1, 2027, the Secretary of the Army shall brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on—

(A) a plan to establish and implement the pilot program required by subsection (a); and

(B) the three military installations selected under subsection (c)(1) to carry out the pilot program.

(2) ANNUAL BRIEFING.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter until the termination under subsection (d) of the pilot program required by subsection (a), the Secretary shall brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representative on—

(A) the use of the subsidy provided under subsection (b); and

(B) the data collected under subsection (c)(4).

(f) ELIGIBLE MEMBER DEFINED.—The term ''eligible member'' means a member of the Army authorized to receive a cash clothing replacement allowance under chapter 29 of volume 7A of the Department of Defense Financial Management Regulation.

SEC. 841. CROSS-FUNCTIONAL TEAM FOR THE TEXTILE INDUSTRIAL BASE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than April 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretaries of the military departments, shall institute a cross-functional team on the textile industrial base to improve supply chain stability and resiliency. The cross-functional team shall meet not less than quarterly.

(b) MEMBERSHIP.—The cross-functional team shall include representatives from—

(1) each military service;

(2) the Defense Logistics Agency; and

(3) the Office of the Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy.

(c) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The cross-functional team instituted under subsection (a) shall map the textile industrial base for the service specific requirements and determine which, if any, resiliency measures need to be taken.

(d) COMPETITIVE PILOT PROGRAM.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January 1, 2028, the cross-functional team shall establish a competitive pilot program to revitalize supply chains in the domestic textile industrial base.

(2) COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION.—The program established under paragraph (1) shall establish com-

petitive solicitation for industrial base analysis and sustainment funding to encourage—

(A) surge capacity as required by supply chain mapping;

(B) modernization of relevant textile industrial facilities for vertical integration or flexible manufacturing;

(C) expansion and qualification of second or alternative sources of supply where single points of failure exist in the industrial base;

(D) prioritization of urgent service uniform requirements; and

(E) expansion of competition to ensure higher quality products and improved pricing.

(3) BRIEFING.—The Office of the Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy, in coordination with the members of the cross-functional team instituted under subsection (a), shall brief the congressional defense committees—

(A) not later than 60 days after initial stand up of the cross-functional team, on membership, meeting schedule, and priorities;

(B) not later than 90 days after the completion of initial supply chain mapping, on single points of failure, opportunities for surge ca-

pacity, and concerns regarding foreign investment or influence; and

(C) annually, on the resources required to create competition and supply chain resiliency necessary in the competitive pilot program, progress made on supply chain mapping, and any other matters relevant to the cross-functional team.

SEC. 842. ASSESSING AND ADDRESSING RISK RELATED TO ADVERSARIAL CAPITAL.

(a) DESIGNATION.—Not later than March 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall designate, within the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy, an office with primary responsibility for identifying, assessing, monitoring, and mitigating risks related to adversarial capital in the defense industrial base and broader defense innovation base. The Secretary shall ensure the office assigned is responsible for carrying out the following functions:

(1) COLLABORATION TO IDENTIFY AND MITIGATE RISKS OF ADVERSARIAL CAPITAL.—The following activities related to collaborating to identify and mitigate risks of adversarial capital:

(A) Promoting robust collaboration across the Department of Defense, other Federal

agencies, industry, and academia by coordinating, deconflicting, and synchronizing, adversarial capital risk management activities, including mitigations.

(B) Promulgating and enforcing Department-wide policy related to the monitoring and assessment of adversarial capital in the defense industrial base ecosystem, including the development of risk matrices to support decision making.

(C) Facilitating timely sharing of threat information, vulnerability assessments, and risk indicators with covered defense industrial base entities.

(D) Establishing cooperative research and development agreements to support joint supplier mapping and mitigation research.

(E) Working through the Office of Strategic Capital and service and component acquisition executives to provide targeted support to small and medium-sized defense industrial base entities in implementing effective supply chain risk management measures.

(2) ADVERSARIAL CAPITAL IDENTIFICATION.—The following activities related adversarial capital identification:

(A) Mapping adversarial capital flows for mission-critical weapons systems, technologies, and materials.

(B) Identifying and monitoring dependencies on foreign adversaries across the defense industrial base by identifying foreign adversary-controlled nodes, single points of failure, and critical chokepoints and tactics, techniques, and procedures.

(C) Providing specific recommendations to Secretary of Defense on actions or policies necessary to reduce adversarial capital flows for mission-critical weapons systems, technologies, and materials.

(3) DATA SHARING AND PROTECTION PATHWAYS.—The following activities related to data sharing and protection pathways:

(A) Working with industry to develop clear legal, contractual, and technical procedures to support and enable contractor disclosures of sub-tier sourcing and beneficial ownership data relevant to national security.

(B) Protecting this data ensuring appropriate liability protections for contractors making good-faith disclosures.

(C) Implementing a voluntary risk-sharing framework, modeled on the protections provided under section 104 of the Cybersecurity Information Sharing Act of 2015 (6 U.S.C. 1503), under which industry partners may share supplier risk information and receive validated risk assessments in return, with safeguards for proprietary data.

(4) ECONOMIC SECURITY RISK ASSURANCE CAPABILITY.—The establishment, not later than January 1, 2028, and maintenance of a capability to be known as the ''Economic Security Risk Assurance'' capability, which shall—

(A) consolidate and analyze information related to adversarial capital flows, materials, supplier identifiers, sourcing data, program-supplier linkages, and other information as determined by the office, including the synthesis of commercially available information and, where appropriate, classified information;

(B) develop intelligence reporting and collection requirements for the defense intelligence community;

(C) support analysis of entities to determine when tactics are used to obfuscate the ownership relationships to hide adversarial capital flows;

(D) provide risk visualization;

(E) enable federated access by authorized program offices and acquisition decision authorities, and supply chain illumination programs across the Department; and

(F) enable the office to better perform the responsibilities outlines in paragraphs (1) through (3) of this section.

(5) AUTOMATED RISK MANAGEMENT.—The following activities related to automated risk management:

(A) Implementing and maintaining continuous automated monitoring for changes in corporate control, beneficial ownership, geographic sourcing, and supply chain structure.

(B) Issuing automated alerts to contracting authorities, program leadership, and

affected industry upon detection of significant risk indicators.

(C) Applying corroboration protocols requiring validation of significant risk findings across not fewer than two independent data sources before forming the basis for risk-tier elevation, mitigation action, or referral to appropriate law enforcement or regulatory authorities.

(b) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) INITIAL ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall provide the congressional defense committees notification of the designation of office with primary responsibility in accordance with subsection (a) and the establishment of the Economic Security Risk Assurance tool in accordance with subsection (a)(4).

(2) ANNUAL BRIEFING.—Beginning on December 1, 2027, and each year after for the next three years, the Secretary shall provide the congressional defense committees an annual report on activities, analysis, and findings of the office with primary responsibility for assessing and mitigating risks related to adversarial capital. The report may be provided in classified form and may include any recommendations the Secretary may have to reduce or

further mitigate risks related to adversarial capital in the defense industrial base and broader defense innovation base.

SEC. 843. MODIFICATIONS TO REQUIREMENT FOR PUBLIC REPORTING OF CHINESE MILITARY COMPANIES OPERATING IN THE UNITED STATES.

Section 1260H of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 113 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking ", based on the most recent information available,";

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (3)(A), by striking "based on the latest information available"; and

(B) by striking paragraph (4);

(3) by amending subsection (e) to read as follows:

"(e) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Defense shall prescribe regulations to implement this section."; and

(4) in subsection (g)—

(A) by redesignating paragraphs (2), (3), (4), and (5) as paragraphs (4), (11), (16), and (20), respectively;

(B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following new paragraphs:

''(2) ASSISTANCE.—The term 'assistance' means the provision of any benefit, including monetary compensation in the form of grants, loans, subsidies, tax benefits, real property, tangible or intangible property, discounts, employees, sponsored research, or any other preferential treatment.

''(3) ASSOCIATION.—The term 'association' means a group of two or more entities connected for a common interest.'';

(C) in paragraph (4), as redesignated by subparagraph (A), by amending subparagraph (C) to read as follows:

''(C) includes a wholly owned or wholly controlled subsidiary or wholly owned or wholly controlled affiliate of a parent entity or an entity described in subparagraph (B).'';

(D) by inserting after paragraph (4), as so redesignated, the following new paragraphs:

''(5) CONTRIBUTOR TO CHINESE DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE.—The term 'contributor to the Chinese defense industrial base'—

''(A) means an entity that manufactures, produces, exports, or provides materials, products, or services that—

"(i) can supply, service, or expand China's military-civil fusion strategy; or

"(ii) could be used for military or defense purposes by—

"(I) Chinese military and paramilitary elements, security forces, police, law enforcement, border control, the People's Armed Police, or the Ministry of State Security; or

"(II) any other organization subordinate to the Central Military Commission of the Chinese Communist Party, the Chinese Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, the State-Owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission of the State Council, or the State Administration of Science, Technology, and Industry for National Defense; and

"(B) may include manufacturing, producing, exporting, or providing materials, products, or services that have a substantial military application, even if—

"(i) the particular technology, product, or service is not directly supplied to or

used by an entity described in subclause (I) or (II) of subparagraph (A)(ii); and

''(ii) the particular technology, product, or service also has commercial uses.

''(6) DIRECTLY CONTROLLED BY.—The term 'directly controlled by', with respect to an entity, means that another entity exercises power over, influences, manages, or guides the business decisions or operations of the entity.

''(7) FORMAL ASSOCIATION.—The term 'formal association' includes established or recognized relationships between entities, such as joint ventures, standardization or working groups, task forces, consortiums, or partnerships and projects.

''(8) INDIRECTLY CONTROLLED BY.—The term 'indirectly controlled by', with respect to an entity, means that another entity exercises power, influence, management, or guidance over the business decisions or operations of the entity through an intermediate entity, subsidiary, or affiliate entity.

''(9) INDIRECTLY OWNED BY.—The term 'indirectly owned by', with respect to an entity, means ownership of the entity achieved through investment in, or the purchase of shares or economic or voting

rights in, the entity through an intermediate entity, subsidiary, or affiliate entity, without regard to—

''(A) the percentage of ownership or number of shares owned; or

''(B) whether such ownership results in control of the entity.

''(10) INFORMAL ASSOCIATION.—The term 'informal association' means a lesser recognized, short-term relationship between entities, such as participation in exhibitions, competitions, or joint demonstrations.'';

(E) in paragraph (11), as redesignated by subparagraph (A)—

(i) by redesignating subparagraphs (B) through (H) as subparagraphs (C) through (I), respectively; and

(ii) by striking subparagraph (A) and inserting the following new paragraphs:

''(A) Entities knowingly receiving assistance or that knowingly received assistance from the Government of China or the Chinese Communist Party through science, technology, research, and industrial efforts that may constitute efforts initiated, granted, or created by, provided under, or related to, the Chinese mili-

tary industrial planning apparatus, or in furtherance of Chinese military industrial planning objectives. 'Single Champion' or 'Little Giant' designations associated with Chinese industrial planning, or any other successor selection or designation as an enterprise associated with Chinese industrial planning, may constitute knowing receipt of assistance through science, technology, research, and industrial efforts initiated, granted, or created by, provided under, or related to, the Chinese military industrial planning apparatus or in furtherance of Chinese military industrial planning objectives or military-civil fusion efforts.

''(B) Entities that knowingly contract with, or provide services or components to (including as lower tier suppliers and subcontractors)—

''(i) the People's Liberation Army, Chinese military and paramilitary elements, security forces, police, law enforcement, border control, the People's Armed Police, or the Ministry of State Security; or

"(ii) any other organization subordinate to the Central Military Commission of the Chinese Communist Party, the Chinese Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, the State-Owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission of the State Council, or the State Administration of Science, Technology, and Industry for National Defense.";

(F) by inserting after paragraph (11), as so redesignated, the following new paragraphs:

"(12) MILITARY-CIVIL FUSION ENTERPRISE ZONE.—The term 'military-civil fusion enterprise zone' means a section of territory established by the Government of China for the purpose of advancing China's policy of military-civil fusion through economic activity.

"(13) MILITARY EQUIPMENT PROCUREMENT PLATFORM.—The term 'military equipment procurement platform' means a digital marketplace that advertises or sells equipment, supplies, or services to the military or military suppliers and that are ultimately used by the Chinese military or the Chinese defense industrial base, without regard to whether

the platform is established, sponsored, or run by a private entity or the Government of China.

''(14) MILITARY INDUSTRIAL PLANNING APPARATUS.—The term 'military industrial planning apparatus' means efforts or policies initiated by the Government of China to expand the Chinese defense industrial base, including military-civil fusion integration of dual-use products, technologies, or services.

''(15) MILITARY INDUSTRIAL PLANNING OBJECTIVE.—The term 'military industrial planning objective' means a line of effort (such as a plan, mission, or goal) outlined by the Government of China to expand the Chinese defense industrial base, including by integrating dual-use products, technologies, or services into military equipment, programs, or systems.''; and

(G) by inserting after paragraph (16), as redesignated by subparagraph (A), the following new paragraphs:

''(17) OPERATIONAL DIRECTION; POLICY GUIDANCE.—The terms 'operational direction' and 'policy guidance' mean instructions, decisions, proposals, plans, guidance, or requirements on how an entity should conduct operations.

''(18) OWNED BY.—The term 'owned by', with respect to an entity, mean ownership of the entity achieved through investment in, or the purchase of shares or economic or voting rights in, the entity, without regard to—

''(A) the percentage of ownership or number of shares owned; or

''(B) whether such ownership results in control of the entity.

''(19) PARENT ENTITY.—The term 'parent entity', with respect to an entity, means another entity that directly or indirectly holds at least 50 percent of the economic interest or at least 50 percent of the voting interest in the entity.''.

SEC. 844. AMENDMENTS TO REQUIREMENTS PERTAINING TO PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARDS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4873 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(1), by inserting '', copper clad laminate, copper foil, or glass'' after ''printed circuit board''; and

(2) in subsection (c)—

(A) in paragraph (2), by striking ''that—'' and inserting ''containing copper foil, copper

clad laminates, glass, or any other copper-containing inputs that—''; and

(B) by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

''(7) COPPER CLAD LAMINATE.— The term 'copper clad laminate' means a composite material consisting of copper foil bonded to a dielectric substrate used in the manufacture of printed circuit boards.

''(8) COPPER FOIL.—The term 'copper foil' means thin sheets of copper used as a conductive layer in copper clad laminates or printed circuit boards.

''(9) GLASS.—The term 'glass' means glass fibers used as a dielectric in copper clad laminates or printed circuit boards.''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by subsection (a) shall take effect on January 1, 2029.

SEC. 845. REPORT ON THE FEASIBILITY AND ADVISABILITY OF ESTABLISHING A STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP ON DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL PRIORITIES BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND ISRAEL.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later March 30, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Represent-

atives a report with a plan for the establishment of a partnership between the Department of Defense and appropriate counterparts of the Government of Israel in order—

(1) to enhance market opportunities for United States-based and Israeli-based defense technology companies;

(2) to increase interoperability through dual-use and emerging technologies;

(3) to counter adversarial development of dual-use defense technologies; and

(4) in coordination with appropriate counterpart offices of the Israeli Ministry of Defense—

(A) to enable coordination on defense industrial priorities and set tangible goals for industrial base participation by both nations;

(B) to highlight partnering opportunities for programs in both nations, and to help navigate country-specific acquisition regulations for partners unfamiliar with the regulatory environment of the other;

(C) to streamline emerging defense technology research and development;

(D) to create more effective pathways to market for defense technology startups that allow increased participation in industrial part-

ners from each nation in the industrial bases of the other;

(E) to collaborate on the development of dual-use defense capabilities through coordination; and

(F) to leverage other private capital, equity on venture funding opportunities to augment government funds for technology deployment or scaling;

(5) to create programs that incentivize defense technology companies from both nations to address defense priorities outside of the Middle East; and

(6) to explore innovative mentor-protégé arrangements that partner companies from each nation to help navigate the acquisition regulatory environment of each nation.

(b) FEASIBILITY ASSESSMENT.—The report required under subsection (a) shall include an assessment of the feasibility of implementing the plan.

(c) BRIEFING.—Not later than 30 days after the submission of the report required under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the report's recommendations on feasibility of a partnership on defense industrial base priorities.

SEC. 846. PROHIBITION ON THE USE OF CHINESE-MANUFACTURED OPTICAL FIBER BY THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

(a) PROHIBITION.—The Secretary of Defense may not procure, obtain, or use optical fiber and optical fiber cable that are produced, manufactured, or assembled by an entity that is owned by, controlled by, or subject to the jurisdiction or direction of the People's Republic of China for use in Department of Defense information networks or communications systems.

(b) APPLICABILITY.—This section applies to—

(1) the Department of Defense; and

(2) any contractor or subcontractor at any tier that procures or uses covered optical fiber in the performance of a contract with the Department of Defense.

(c) COVERED OPTICAL FIBER DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''covered optical fiber'' means single-mode or multi-mode optical fiber and optical fiber cable.

(d) IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall amend the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement to require contractor certification and supply-chain disclosure with respect to covered optical fiber.

(e) WAIVER AUTHORITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense may grant a waiver to the prohibition under subsection (a) on a case-by-case basis if the Secretary determines that—

(A) the waiver is necessary for the national security interests of the United States; and

(B) no practicable alternative exists from a source not described in subsection (a).

(2) LIMITATION.—A waiver granted under this subsection shall be time limited and scoped to the minimum extent necessary.

(3) NOTICE.—Not later than 30 days after granting a waiver, the Secretary shall submit written notice to the congressional defense committees describing—

(A) the justification for the waiver;

(B) the duration and scope of the waiver; and

(C) the plan to transition to compliant materials.

(f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply to contracts awarded on or after October 1 of the first fiscal year beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 847. PROMOTING THE UNITED STATES DRONE INDUSTRIAL BASE.

Section 848(a)(1) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 10 USC 4871 note) is amended—

(1) by amending subparagraph (B) to read as follows:

''(B) uses flight controllers, radios, communication devices, navigation systems, data transmission devices, cameras and sensors, or gimbals manufactured in a covered foreign country or by an entity domiciled in a covered foreign country;'';

(2) by redesignating subparagraphs (C) and (D) as subparagraphs (D) and (E), respectively;

(3) by inserting after subparagraph (B) the following new subparagraph:

''(C) uses batteries, battery cells, battery management systems, motors, or electronic speed controllers developed in a covered foreign country or by an entity domiciled in a covered foreign country;'';

(4) in subparagraph (D), as so redesignated, by striking ''; or'' and inserting a semicolon; and

(5) by inserting after subparagraph (E), as so redesignated, the following new subparagraph:

''(F) beginning one year after the date of the enactment of this subparagraph, uses any subcomponents or raw materials, as part of a component listed in subsections (B) through (E) of this section, sourced from, processed in, or manufactured in a covered foreign country or by an entity domiciled in a covered foreign country; or''.

SEC. 848. PILOT PROGRAM FOR DOMESTIC ANTIMONY AND COPPER PRODUCTION FOR DEFENSE APPLICATIONS.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall establish a pilot program to support the recovery of antimony and copper as byproducts of mineral production in the United States.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The pilot program required by subsection (a) shall include methods—

(1) to evaluate multiple processes and techniques for recovery of antimony and copper as byproducts of mineral production;

(2) to develop process design plans necessary for scaling recovery of antimony and copper to demonstration-level production;

(3) to generate sample material for independent testing to verify suitability for defense applications; and

(4) to produce qualified antimony material that meets specifications provided by the Defense Logistics Agency.

(c) CONTRACTING AUTHORITY.—The Secretary may enter into contracts, cooperative agreements, or other transactions with appropriate entities to implement the pilot program required by subsection (a).

(d) TERMINATION.—The pilot program required by subsection (a) shall terminate not later than five years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(e) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter for the next four years, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the status and findings of the pilot program required by subsection (a).

(2) ELEMENTS.—Each report required by paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) a summary of the progress made under the pilot program required by subsection

(a) with respect to recovery and processing of antimony and copper;

(B) technical and economic assessments with respect to such recovery; and

(C) recommendations for expanding domestic antimony and copper production and reducing dependency on foreign sources of antimony and copper.

SEC. 849. FULL ACCOUNTABILITY FOR CHINESE MILITARY COMPANIES.

Section 1260H of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 113 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking ‘‘, based on the most recent information available, is operating directly or indirectly in the United States or any of its territories and possessions,’’;

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking ‘‘2030’’ and inserting ‘‘2035’’; and

(B) by striking paragraph (4);

(3) by amending subsection (e) to read as follows:

‘‘(e) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Defense shall prescribe regulations to implement this section.’’; and

(4) in subsection (g)—

(A) by amending paragraph (2)(C) to read as follows:

''(C) includes a majority-owned or majority-controlled subsidiary or majority-owned or majority-controlled affiliate of a parent entity or an entity described in subparagraph (B);''; and

(B) in paragraph (3)—

(i) by amending subparagraph (A) to read as follows:

''(A) Entities knowingly receiving assistance or that knowingly received assistance from the Government of China or the Chinese Communist Party through science, technology, research, and industrial efforts that may constitute efforts initiated, granted, or created by, or provided under, or related to, the Chinese military industrial planning apparatus, or in furtherance of Chinese military industrial planning objectives. 'Single Champion' or 'Little Giant' designations associated with Chinese industrial planning, or any other successor selection or designation as an enterprise associated with Chinese industrial planning, may con-

stitute knowing receipt of assistance through science, technology, research, and industrial efforts initiated, granted, or created by, or provided under, or related to, the Chinese military industrial planning apparatus, or in furtherance of Chinese military industrial planning objectives or military-civil fusion efforts.'';

(ii) by redesignating subparagraph (H) as subparagraph (J);

(iii) by redesignating subparagraphs (B) through (G) as subparagraphs (C) through (H);

(iv) by inserting after subparagraph (A) the following new subparagraph:

''(B) Entities that knowingly contract with, or provide services or components, which can include lower tier suppliers and subcontractors, to the People's Liberation Army, Chinese military and paramilitary elements, security forces, police, law enforcement, border control, the People's Armed Police, the Ministry of State Security, or any other organization subordinate to the Central Military Commission of the Chinese Communist Party, the Chinese Ministry of Industry and Information Tech-

nology, the State-Owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission of the State Council, or the State Administration of Science, Technology, and Industry for National Defense.''; and

(v) by inserting after subparagraph (H), as redesignated by clause (ii), the following new subparagraph:

''(I) Majority-owned or majority-controlled subsidiaries or majority-owned or majority-controlled affiliates of entities described in subparagraphs (A) through (G).''; and

(C) by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

''(6) ASSISTANCE.—The term 'assistance' means benefits from the Government of China, including monetary compensation in the form of grants, loans, subsidies, tax benefits, real property, tangible or intangible property, discounts, employees, sponsored research, or any other preferential treatment.

''(7) ASSOCIATION.—The term 'association' means a group of two or more entities connected for a common interest.

''(8) CONTRIBUTOR TO CHINESE DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE.—The term 'contributor to the Chinese defense industrial base'—

''(A) means an entity that manufactures, produces, exports, or provides materials, products, or services that can supply, service, or expand China's military-civil fusion strategy or that could be used by Chinese military and paramilitary elements, security forces, police, law enforcement, border control, the People's Armed Police, the Ministry of State Security, or any other organization subordinate to the Central Military Commission of the Chinese Communist Party, the Chinese Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, the State-Owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission of the State Council, or the State Administration of Science, Technology, and Industry for National Defense for military or defense purposes; and

''(B) includes manufacturing, producing, exporting, or providing materials, products, or services that have a substantial military application, even if the particular technology, product, or service is not directly supplied to or used

by the Chinese military or defense and even if the particular technology, product, or service also has commercial uses.

''(9) DIRECTLY CONTROLLED BY.—The term 'directly controlled by' means exercising power over, influencing, managing, or guiding an entity's business decisions or operations.

''(10) FORMAL ASSOCIATION.—The term 'formal association' includes established or recognized relationships, such as joint ventures, standardization or working groups, task forces, consortiums, or partnerships and projects with an entity identified in subsection (b)(1).

''(11) INDIRECTLY CONTROLLED BY.—The term 'indirectly controlled by' means power, influence, management, or guidance of an entity's business decisions or operations through an intermediate entity, subsidiary, or affiliate entity.

''(12) INDIRECTLY OWNED BY.—The term 'indirectly owned by' means ownership achieved through investment in, or the purchase of, shares or economic or voting rights of an entity through an intermediate entity, subsidiary, or affiliate entity, regardless of the percentage of ownership or number of shares owned. Indirect ownership by any entity

identified in subsection (b)(1) does not require that such entity hold control of another entity through its ownership.

''(13) INFORMAL ASSOCIATION.—The term 'informal association' means a lesser-recognized, short-term relationship, such as participation in exhibitions, competitions, or joint demonstrations with any entity identified in subsection (b)(1).

''(14) MILITARY-CIVIL FUSION ENTERPRISE ZONE.—The term 'military-civil fusion enterprise zone' means a section of territory established by the Government of China for the purpose of advancing China's policy of military-civil fusion through economic activity.

''(15) MILITARY EQUIPMENT PROCUREMENT PLATFORMS.—The term 'military equipment procurement platforms' means a digital marketplace that advertises or sells equipment, supplies, or services to the military or military suppliers. A digital marketplace can be established by, sponsored by, or run by private entities or the government of China to advertise and sell equipment, supplies, or services that are ultimately used by the Chinese military or the Chinese defense industrial base.

''(16) MILITARY INDUSTRIAL PLANNING APPARATUS.—The term 'military industrial planning apparatus' means efforts or policies initiated by the Chinese government to expand the Chinese defense industrial base, including military-civil fusion integration of dual-use products, technologies, or services.

''(17) MILITARY INDUSTRIAL PLANNING OBJECTIVES.—The term 'military industrial planning objectives' means lines of effort (such as plans, missions, or goals) outlined by the Chinese government to expand the Chinese defense industrial base, including by integrating dual-use products, technologies, or services into military equipment, programs, or systems.

''(18) OPERATIONAL GUIDANCE; POLICY GUIDANCE.—The terms 'operational guidance' and 'policy guidance' mean instructions, decisions, proposals, plans, guidance, or requirements on how an entity should conduct operations.

''(19) OWNED BY.—The term 'owned by' means ownership achieved through investment in, or the purchase of, shares or economic or voting rights in an entity, regardless of the percentage of ownership or number of shares owned. Ownership by any entity

identified in subsection (b)(1) does not require that such entity hold control of another entity through its ownership.

''(20) PARENT ENTITY.—The term 'parent entity' includes an entity that directly or indirectly holds at least 50 percent of the economic interest or at least 50 percent of the voting interest of an entity.''.

Subtitle D—Small Business Matters

SEC. 861. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE MENTOR-PROTEGE PROGRAM.

Section 4902 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking ''disadvantaged small business'' each place it appears and inserting ''eligible small business'';

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking ''Defense contracts and other contracts and subcontracts'' and inserting ''Defense contracts, subcontracts, agreements, and sub-agreements''; and

(B) in paragraph (2), by striking ''subcontractors and suppliers'' and inserting ''awardees, contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers'';

(3) in subsection (d)(1)(B)(iii)(I)—

(A) by striking ''Defense contracts'' each places it appears and inserting ''Defense contracts or agreements''; and

(B) by striking ''the subcontracts'' and inserting ''the subcontracts or sub-agreements'';

(4) in subsection (e)(1), by striking subparagraph (B) and inserting the following new subparagraph:

''(B) An agreement term for a period not to exceed five years.'';

(5) in subsection (f)(1)—

(A) in subparagraph (B), by striking ''; and'' and inserting a semicolon;

(B) by redesignating subparagraph (C) as subparagraph (D); and

(C) by inserting after subparagraph (B) the following new subparagraph:

''(C) security compliance matters, such as cybersecurity, export controls, and facility clearances; and'';

(6) in subsection (g)—

(A) by striking ''Defense contract'' each place it appears and inserting ''Defense contract or agreement'';

(B) in paragraph (2)—

(i) by striking ''unusual circumstances'' each place it appears and inserting ''mission needs''; and

(ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking ''program participation'' and all that follows through the period and inserting ''agreement term under the mentor-protege agreement.'';

(C) in paragraph (3)(C), by striking ''concerns has declined'' and inserting ''concerns has declined in any relevant category of small business concern under the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 631 et seq.)'';

(D) in paragraph (4), by striking ''would be a small business concern owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals'' and inserting ''would qualify as a small business concern'';

(7) in subsection (k)—

(A) by striking paragraph (7) and inserting the following new paragraph:

''(7) any assistance obtained by the mentor firm for the protege firm from one or more—

''(A) business development, business outreach, or assistance centers or networks for small business concerns established pursuant to the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 631 et seq.);

''(B) entities providing procurement technical assistance pursuant to chapter 388 of this title;

''(C) historically Black colleges or universities, minority institutions of higher education, or other colleges, universities, or institutions of higher education, including innovation and economic development entities of such colleges, universities, or institutions;

''(D) entities providing manufacturing assistance pursuant to section 25 of the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act (15 U.S.C. 278k(e)) or section 4841 of this title; or

''(E) entities providing research and development assistance pursuant to section 23 of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 (15 U.S.C. 3715) or section 4124(f) of this title.''; and

(B) in paragraph (9), by striking ''Defense contracts'' and inserting ''Defense contracts and agreements''; and

(8) in subsection (n)—

(A) by redesignating paragraphs (2) through (9) as paragraphs (3) through (10), respectively;

(B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following new paragraph:

''(2) Except when referring to a mentor-protege agreement entered into under subsection (e), the term 'agreement' means any cooperative agreement, grant, other transaction, prize, or other agreement related to acquisition or to assistance with research and development, production, or manufacturing.''; and

(C) in paragraph (3), as redesignated by subparagraph (A), by striking ''its primary North American Industry Classification System code'' and inserting ''the North American Industry Classification System code pertinent to the objectives of the particular mentor-protege agreement''.

SEC. 862. APEX ACCELERATOR FUNDING.

Section 4955(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking ''$1,500,000'' and inserting ''$2,000,000'';

(2) in paragraph (2), by striking ''$750,000'' and inserting ''$1,000,000''; and

(3) in paragraph (4), by striking ''$1,500,000'' and inserting ''$2,000,000''.

SEC. 863. TEST PROGRAM FOR NEGOTIATION OF COMPREHENSIVE SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING PLANS.

Section 834(e) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 1990 and 1991 (Public Law 101–189; 15 U.S.C. 637 note) is amended by striking ''December 31, 2027'' and inserting ''December 31, 2037''.

SEC. 864. APPLICATION OF THE BONA FIDE PLACE OF BUSINESS TO CERTAIN CONTRACTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 8(a)(11) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 637(a)(11)) and section 124.501(k) of title 13, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation, for purposes of a construction contract awarded by the Department of Defense under such section 8(a), such section 8(a)(11) shall be deemed satisfied if the Program Participant certifies to the Business Opportunity Specialist assigned to the Program Participant that the Program Participant will establish a staffed, physical office in the geographic area required under such section 124.501(k) not later than 60 days after the date of the contract award.

(b) SUNSET.—The authority under subsection (a) shall terminate on December 31, 2032.

(c) BRIEFING.—On an annual basis until the authority under subsection (a) terminates, the Secretary of Defense shall brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the use of the authority under subsection (a), which shall include—

(1) uses of the authority and in which geographic location;

(2) data on the confirmation of the establishment of a physical office within 60 days, as required under subsection (a); and

(3) any other matters the Secretary of Defense determines relevant.

Subtitle E—Other Matters

SEC. 871. TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS RELATED TO NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 PROVISIONS.

(a) SECTION 805.—Section 805(e)(2)(A) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 10 U.S.C. 3771 note) is amended by striking ''by the contractor for are commensurate'' and inserting ''by the contractor are commensurate''.

(b) FURTHER AMENDMENT TO NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025.—The Na-

tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159) is amended—

(1) in section 164(f)(3) (10 U.S.C. 4651 note prec.), as amended by section 162(4) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 769), by inserting ''that'' before ''uses'' both places it appears; and

(2) in section 1522(d)(2)(B)(vi), as amended by section 1521(5) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1156), by striking ''disaggregated each element of the'' and inserting ''disaggregated by each element of the''.

(c) FURTHER AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE.—Title 10 of the United States Code is amended—

(1) in subsection (d) of section 3453, as added by section 1822(a)(3) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1247)—

(A) by striking ''(1) The head of an agency shall establish'' and inserting the following: ''The head of an agency shall—

''(1) establish'';

(B) by moving subparagraphs (A) and (B) two ems to the right; and

(C) by moving paragraph (2) two ems to the right;

(2) in section 3459, as added by section 1824 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1248), by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

''(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection—

''(1) The term 'subcontract' includes a transfer of commercial products and commercial services between divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliates of a contractor or subcontractor and does not include other supply agreements; and

''(2) The term 'other supply agreements' does not include any agreement entered into by a contractor or subcontractor for the supply of products or services that are intended for use in the performance of multiple contracts with the Department of Defense or with other parties, and that are not identifiable to any particular contract.'';

(3) in section 3702(a), as amended by section 1804(c) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat.

1234), by striking ''$2,000,000'' in paragraph (4) and inserting ''$10,000,000''; and

(4) in section 4023(b), as amended by section 1831 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1253), is amended by striking ''Chapter 137 of this title applies'' and inserting ''Legacy provisions of chapter 137 of this title apply''.

SEC. 872. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS PENDING IMPLEMENTATION OF CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO MUNITIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for operation and maintenance, defense-wide, and available for the Office of the Secretary of Defense for travel expenses, not more than 90 percent may be obligated or expended until the Secretary of Defense submits to the congressional defense committees—

(1) the report required under section 364 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 834) detailing the stockpiles of critical munitions required to fight simultaneous conflicts in different theaters of operation and a plan to implement critical munitions re-

quirements to fight simultaneous conflicts in the next budget cycle; and

(2) a certification that the requirement under paragraph (9) of section 222c of title 10, United States Code, as added by section 361 of such Act (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 833), to modify Out-Year Unconstrained Total Munitions Requirement and Out-Year inventory numbers to include an estimate of the annual aggregate demand from United States allies and partners has been met.

SEC. 873. REPEAL OF AMENDMENTS PROVIDING FOR SUBMISSION BY SUBCONTRACT OFFEROR OF RECENT PRICE HISTORY IN SATISFACTION OF COST OR PRICING DATA REQUIREMENTS.

Section 3702(a)(3) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking ''(A) An offeror'' and inserting ''An offeror'';

(2) by striking subparagraph (B); and

(3) by redesignating clauses (i) and (ii) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively.

SEC. 874. COMPETITIVE PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN PHARMACEUTICAL CONTRACTS.

(a) PROHIBITION.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that any contract awarded for the purpose of phar-

maceutical drug, active pharmaceutical ingredients, or other pharmaceutical materials stockpiling, manufacturing, onshoring, or supply chain expansion, is awarded using competitive sourcing procedures.

(b) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 15 days before awarding a contract described in subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a written notification including—

(1) a description of the scope of work to be performed under the contract;

(2) the anticipated value of the contract; and

(3) the statutory or regulatory authorities under which the contract will be awarded.

SEC. 875. ENHANCEMENT OF DEFENSE SUPPLY CHAIN RESILIENCE AND SECONDARY SOURCE QUALIFICATION.

Subsection (f) of section 865 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C. 4811 note), is amended to read as follows:

''(f) EXPEDITED QUALIFICATION PANEL.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than June 30, 2027, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the secretaries of the military departments and the

Director of the Defense Logistics Agency, shall establish a program to expedite the processing of certain Source Approval Requests. The program shall provide that a Source Approval Request Package submitted by an applicant and meeting the requirements under paragraph (2) shall be subject to the expedited source approval process set under paragraph (3) and may be eligible for the incentives described in paragraph (4) .

''(2) QUALIFYING SOURCE APPROVAL REQUEST PACKAGES.—Any Source Approval Request, regardless of category, for an item of supply that is not a critical safety item shall be classified as a Qualifying Source Approval Request Package if it meets the following requirements (as determined by the Secretary concerned):

''(A) MANUFACTURER OF RECORD.—The applicant is a manufacturer of record for the proposed subject item of supply.

''(B) APPROVED SOURCE APPROVAL REQUEST TEMPLATE.—The Source Approval Request is submitted on a standardized template for expedited Source Approval Requests. The standardized templates shall be published by each military department not later than April 1,

2027, and shall include all information required for the supply chain risk management review referenced in subsection (f)(3)(D) of this section on an expedited basis.

''(C) QUALIFIED ENGINEERING DESIGNEE CERTIFICATION.—A Qualified Engineering Designee certifies in writing that the engineering data included in the applicable Source Approval Request, including the technical data Package, conforms to the applicable Technical Data Package or reverse engineering standards required of such item of supply.

''(D) MANUFACTURING CERTIFICATION.—The applicant, or the relevant majority-owned manufacturing subsidiary, holds a current AS9100 Rev D certification (or successor standard) issued by an accredited third-party certification body.

''(E) SMALL BUSINESS PARITY AND MARKET COMPETITION.—The Secretary of Defense shall establish mechanisms to ensure fair access for small businesses, such as subsidized engineering reviews or a waiver of designee fees for qualifying small businesses.

''(3) EXPEDITED SOURCE APPROVAL PROCESS.—Not later than 7 days after receiving a Source Approval Request purporting to be a Qualifying Source Approval Request Package, the Secretary concerned shall determine whether the Source Approval Request qualifies for such treatment. A qualifying Source Approval Request Package shall be subject to the following Expedited Source Approval Process:

''(A) A qualifying Source Approval Request Package shall be referred to an Expedited Qualification Panel for the military department, which shall be established by the Secretary concerned by not later than June 30, 2027.

''(B) Absent the Expedited Qualification Panel's written determination to the applicant that additional engineering evaluation is required solely based on either the criticality or novelty and complexity of the item of supply, the Qualified Engineering Designee's certification under paragraph (2)(C) shall constitute the full engineering evaluation necessary for such Expedited Qualification Panel's review of the Qualifying Source Approval Request Package.

"(C) Not later than 14 days after receipt of a Qualifying Source Approval Request Package, the applicable Expedited Qualification Panel shall issue a determination on whether to grant approval or disapproval of the Source Approval Request.

"(D)(i) The 14-day timeline for final determination shall be paused for a maximum of 30 days to allow for the completion of a comprehensive supply chain risk management and foreign ownership, control, or influence assessment.

"(ii) For qualifying items, particularly non-commercial items with an anticipated contract value exceeding $5,000,000, this review timeframe shall align with standard Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency review schedules to ensure the applicant poses no risk to the Department.

"(4) COMPLETE TECHNICAL DATA PACKAGE INCENTIVES.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—If a Qualifying Source Approval Request Package that meets the requirements of paragraph (2) also includes delivery of a Complete Technical Data Package and

Government purpose rights to such Complete Technical Data Package, and such Qualifying Source Approval Request Package receives a determination of full approval pursuant to paragraph (3)(C), the Defense Logistics Agency, the Secretary concerned, or relevant head of contracting activity shall award to the manufacturer of record a firm-fixed-price indefinite-delivery indefinite-quantity (IDIQ) contract for the item of supply which is the subject of such qualifying Source Approval Request Package.

''(B) CONTRACT TERMS.—A contract awarded under subparagraph (A) shall include the following terms:

''(i) PRICING.—The unit price shall not exceed 90 percent of the weighted average unit price paid by the Defense Logistics Agency for the item of supply during the two-year period preceding the date of receipt of the Qualifying Source Approval Request Package.

''(ii) MINIMUM QUANTITY.—A guaranteed minimum annual order quantity of not less than 60 percent of the average annual quantity of the item of supply ordered

by the Defense Logistics Agency during the 3-year period preceding the date of receipt of the Qualifying Source Approval Request Package.

''(iii) LENGTH.—A period of performance of three years.

''(iv) DEVIATIONS.—Clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) may be deviated from at the discretion of the contracting activity as necessary to establish the awardee as a viable source of supply if it is determined by the contracting activity to be in the best interest of the Government and is bilaterally negotiated with the awardee.

''(C) COMPETITION AUTHORITY.—The award of a contract under this subsection is authorized notwithstanding the requirements of section 3201 of title 10, United States Code, and no justification and approval under section 3204(e) of title 10, United States Code, shall be required for such award.

''(5) REPORT.—Not later than January 1, 2028, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretaries of the military departments and the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency, shall sub-

mit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report containing an evaluation of the program under this subsection, which shall include a quantitative evaluation of—

"(A) the number of Source Approval Request Packages processed;

"(B) average time to qualification compared to prior to the inception of the program;

"(C) processing cost per Source Approval Request review;

"(D) impact on part unit cost; and

"(E) mission readiness.

"(6) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

"(A) The term 'Complete Technical Data Package' means a Technical Data Package that includes a complete set of engineering data, drawings, specifications, inspection criteria, test procedures, quality assurance provisions, and other technical information sufficient to enable a qualified manufacturer to produce an item of supply that conforms to the original design requirements.

"(B) The term 'criticality' means any item of supply which should be a critical safety item.

"(C) The term 'critical safety item' means any item of supply that is either an aviation critical safety item or ship critical safety item, as those terms are defined in section 3243 of title 10, United States Code.

"(D) The term 'Government purpose rights' has the meaning given that term in section 252.227–7013(a) of title 48, Code of Federal Regulations.

"(E) The term 'manufacturer of record' means an entity, or its majority-owned subsidiary, which shall directly, or indirectly through a majority-owned subsidiary, perform the fabrication or manufacture of the item of supply for which such Source Approval Request is being sought.

"(F) The term 'novelty and complexity' means any Source Approval Request Package where the proposed Package introduces a material change in the form, fit, or function relative to the Technical Data Package or reverse engineering standards of such item of supply.

"(G) The term 'Qualified Engineering Designee' means an individual who—

''(i) holds a current appointment as a Designated Engineering Representative issued by the Federal Aviation Administration under part 183 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, in the technical discipline for which the Source Approval Request is being made; or

''(ii) holds an equivalent certification or certifications reflecting engineering competence in an applicable technical field and independence obligations substantially equivalent to the process by which the Federal Aviation Administration appoints Designated Engineering Representatives, as determined by the Secretary of Defense pursuant to an application and qualification process established not later than March 31, 2027, that includes, at a minimum—

''(I) eight years of engineering experience in the technical discipline for which the Source Approval Request is being made;

''(II) knowledge and experience relating to the processing of engineer-

ing data involving the qualification of parts or systems within such technical discipline; and

''(III) an engineering degree or equivalent relevant to such technical discipline.''.

SEC. 876. LIMITATION PENDING ARMY CONFORMANCE WITH PORTFOLIO ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE REQUIREMENTS.

Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for operation and maintenance, Army, and available for travel expenses for the Office of the Secretary of the Army, not more than 75 percent may be obligated or expended until the Secretary of the Army certifies to the congressional defense committees that all portfolio acquisition executives of the Army are certified acquisition officials in accordance with section 1732 of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 877. PROCUREMENT OF MEDICAL COUNTERMEASURES FOR OVERSEAS PERSONNEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FOR ACUTE RADIATION SYNDROME AND THERMAL BURNS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to appropriations for such purpose, the Secretary of Defense may procure, pre-posi-

tion, sustain, and maintain medical countermeasures that are determined to be requirements pursuant to section 734(a) of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C. 1071 note).

(b) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts subject to appropriation under subsection (a) may be used only for medical countermeasures that are identified by the Secretary of Defense, through the program established under subsection (a) of section 734 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C. 1071 note), as requirements for covered personnel, as defined in subsection (c) of such section.

(c) AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES.—Amounts subject to appropriation under subsection (a) may be used for—

(1) procurement and advanced procurement of medical countermeasures to diagnose, prevent, and treat acute radiation syndrome, cutaneous radiation injury, and thermal burns;

(2) stockpiling, pre-positioning, storage, and replenishment;

(3) lifecycle sustainment and maintenance; and

(4) activities necessary to ensure deployment readiness and effective operational use of such countermeasures.

SEC. 878. PROCUREMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR PLANNING, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.

Section 801(d) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Public Law 110–181; 10 U.S.C. 3201 note prec.) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(3) In the case of the procurement of property or services on behalf of the Department of Defense by the Department of Veterans Affairs for planning, design, and construction projects, a certificate of compliance shall not be required.''.

SEC. 879. LEASING OF VESSELS, AIRCRAFT, AND COMBAT VEHICLES.

Section 3671(b)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by amending subparagraph (D) to read as follows:

''(D) the Secretary has certified to such committees that—

''(i) entering into the proposed contract provides an accelerated delivery schedule or is

the most cost-efficient means of obtaining the vessel, aircraft, or combat vehicle; and

''(ii) the Secretary has determined that the lease complies with all applicable laws, Office of Management and Budget circulars, and Department of Defense regulations.''.

SEC. 880. PROHIBITION ON MODEMS OR ROUTERS ACQUISITIONS INVOLVING ENTITIES OWNED OR CONTROLLED BY CHINA.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense may not acquire any modem or router if the manufacturer, bidder, or offeror is a covered Chinese entity.

(b) APPLICABILITY.—This section shall apply only with respect to contracts or other agreements entered into, renewed, or extended after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COVERED CHINESE ENTITY.—The term ''covered Chinese entity'' means an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, determines to be an entity owned, controlled, directed, or subcontracted by, affiliated with, or otherwise connected to, the Government of the People's Republic of China.

(2) MANUFACTURER.—The term ''manufacturer'' means—

(A) the entity that transforms raw materials, miscellaneous parts, or components into the end item;

(B) any entity that subcontracts with the entity described in subparagraph (A) for the entity described in such subparagraph to transform raw materials, miscellaneous parts, or components into the end item;

(C) any entity that otherwise directs the entity described in subparagraph (A) to transform raw materials, miscellaneous parts, or components into the end item; or

(D) any parent company, subsidiary, or affiliate of the entity described in subparagraph (A).

(3) MODEM.—The term ''modem'' means a modulator-demodulator, digital-to-analog, and back, signal converter that allows computers to communicate over telephone wires or cable TV cable.

(4) ROUTER.—The term ''router'' means a device that connects two or more packet-switched networks or subnetworks, serving the two primary functions of—

(A) managing traffic between these networks by forwarding data packets to their intended IP addresses; and

(B) allowing multiple devices to use the same Internet connection.

SEC. 881. PROHIBITION ON TELEVISION ACQUISITIONS INVOLVING ENTITIES OWNED OR CONTROLLED BY CHINA.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense may not acquire any television if the manufacturer, bidder, or offeror is a covered Chinese entity.

(b) APPLICABILITY.—This section shall apply only with respect to contracts or other agreements entered into, renewed, or extended after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COVERED CHINESE ENTITY.—The term ''covered Chinese entity'' means an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, determines to be an entity owned, controlled, directed, or subcontracted by, affiliated with, or otherwise connected to, the Government of the People's Republic of China.

(2) MANUFACTURER.—The term ''manufacturer'' means an entity that—

(A) transforms raw materials, miscellaneous parts, or components into the end item;

(B) subcontracts with an entity described in subparagraph (A) for the entity described in such subparagraph to transform raw materials, miscellaneous parts, or components into the end item;

(C) otherwise directs an entity described in subparagraph (A) to transform raw materials, miscellaneous parts, or components into the end item; or

(D) is a parent company, subsidiary, or affiliate of an entity described in subparagraph (A).

(3) TELEVISION.—The term ''television'' has the meaning given the term ''Television set or TV'' in section 430.2 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations.

SEC. 882. PROHIBITION FOR DEFENSE CONTRACTORS PROVIDING SENSITIVE INFORMATION RELATED TO SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY TO FOREIGN ENTITIES OF CONCERN.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall prohibit a covered entity from providing to a foreign entity of concern a digital sequence of synthetic DNA or RNA or a synthetic protein designed by humans or artificial intelligence systems.

(b) WAIVER.—The Secretary may waive the prohibition under subsection (a) if the Secretary—

(1) determines the waiver is in the national security interests of the United States; and

(2) not less than 30 days before the waiver takes effect, notifies the congressional defense committees with respect to the waiver and the determination under paragraph (1).

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COVERED ENTITY.—The term ''covered entity'' means any entity that does any work with the Department of Defense under a contract, grant, cooperative agreement, or other federally awarded vehicle, including an agreement authorized under section 4021 or 4022 of title 10, United States Code, a cooperative research and development agreement, or a material transfer agreement.

(2) DIGITAL SEQUENCE.—The term ''digital sequence'' means a binary file or other digital representation containing symbols representing the identity, order, and any chemical modification for each position in a DNA, RNA, or protein molecule.

(3) FOREIGN COUNTRY OF CONCERN.—The term ''foreign country of concern'' has the meaning given that term in section 10612(a) of the Research and Development, Competition, and Innovation Act (42 U.S.C. 19221(a)).

(4) FOREIGN ENTITY OF CONCERN.—The term ''foreign entity of concern'' means—

(A) a government entity of a foreign country of concern;

(B) a foreign person subject to the jurisdiction of, or organized under the laws of, a foreign country of concern; or

(C) a foreign person owned, directed, or controlled by an entity described in subparagraph (A) or (B).

(5) SYNTHETIC DNA OR RNA.—The term ''synthetic DNA or RNA'' means—

(A) molecules that are constructed by joining nucleic acid molecules and can replicate in a living cell, such as recombinant nucleic acids;

(B) nucleic acid molecules that are chemically or by other means synthesized, including such molecules that are chemically or otherwise modified but can base pair with naturally occurring nucleic acid molecules, such as synthetic nucleic acids; or

(C) molecules that result from the replication or derivation of molecules described in subparagraph (A) or (B).

(6) SYNTHETIC PROTEIN.—The term ''synthetic protein'' means a non-naturally occurring sequence of amino acids, including short sequences that may combine natural and non-natural amino acids.

SEC. 883. REPORTING ON CONTRACTOR OPERATIONS RELATED TO CHINA.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall require any entity entering into a covered contract with the Department of Defense to submit a report on the entity's operations related to China, including—

(1) sales revenue from China;

(2) profit attributable to its China business;

(3) assets held or located in China;

(4) liabilities associated with China business;

(5) investments in Chinese entities;

(6) loans from Chinese entities;

(7) the number of suppliers located in China down to the second tier of subcontracting; and

(8) the number of Chinese citizen employees, whether located in China or elsewhere and including both regular and contract employees.

(b) REPORTING TO CONGRESS.—The Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a report aggregating the information reported pursuant to subsection (a).

(c) COVERED CONTRACT DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''covered contract'' means a contract for a major defense acquisition program, as that term is defined in section 4201 of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 884. ENSURING DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CONTRACTOR COMPLIANCE WITH DISABILITY HIRING GOALS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—For each of fiscal years 2026 through 2029, the Secretary of Defense shall conduct an audit of the compliance of the contractors of the Department of Defense with the 7-percent utilization goal for employment of qualified individuals with disabilities by contractors established by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs of the Department of Labor under

section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 793).

(b) REPORTS.—Not later than 5 months after the end of a fiscal year for which the Secretary of Defense was required to conduct an audit under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the findings of such audit.

TITLE IX—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT

Subtitle A—Office of the Secretary of Defense and Related Matters

SEC. 901. ECONOMIC DEFENSE UNIT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 4 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"§ 149a. Economic Defense Unit

''(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the Department of Defense an Economic Defense Unit (in this section referred to as the 'Unit').

''(b) DIRECTOR.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The head of the Unit shall be the Director (in this section referred to as the 'Director').

''(2) APPOINTMENT.—The Director shall be appointed by the Secretary of Defense from among—

''(A) employees in Senior Executive Service positions (as defined in section 3132 of title 5); or

''(B) individuals from outside the civil service who have successfully held equivalent positions with relevant experience in strategic planning, economic planning and analysis, or similar activities in the private sector, another component of the Department of Defense, or another Federal agency.

''(3) AUTHORITY OF DIRECTOR.—The Director—

''(A) shall serve as a principal staff assistant to advise the Secretary on matters within the responsibilities of the Unit;

''(B) shall report directly to the Deputy Secretary of Defense without intervening authority; and

''(C) may communicate views on matters within the responsibilities of the Unit directly to the Deputy Secretary without obtaining the approval or concurrence of any other official within the Department of Defense.

''(4) LIMITATION ON HOLDING MULTIPLE OFFICES.—The Director may not hold any other office or title.

''(c) RESPONSIBILITIES.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The Unit shall be responsible for the following:

''(A) Coordinating among, and harmonizing economic competition activities by, components of the Department of Defense, including by serving as a co-chair of the National Defense Economic Competition Research Council.

''(B) Developing and maintaining requirements for economic competition activities to reinforce military advantage, including requirements described in subsection (d).

''(C) Developing and maintaining a campaign plan for economic competition activities to reinforce military advantage.

''(D) Conducting or sponsoring analyses and other net assessment activities to scope economic competition activities, gaps, needs, or requirements related to activities of the United States, allies of the United States, or adversaries.

"(E) Directing the execution of economic competition activities.

"(F) Developing programming and budget submissions for economic competition activities.

"(G) Advising the Secretary and the Deputy Secretary with respect to economic competition activities, including with respect to coordinating integration of economic competition requirements or programs into joint and interagency planning activities.

"(H) Acting as the principal interlocutor for interagency activities related to economic competition activities.

"(I) Leading outreach of the Department of Defense to relevant private actors engaged in economic competition activities, including by liaising with private actors under section 1047 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 10 U.S.C. 113 note).

"(J) Sponsoring or conducting regular tabletop exercises related to economic competition activities in order—

''(i) to assess the economic impacts of decisions of the Department of Defense during crises and conflicts;

''(ii) to evaluate the economic tools available to the United States Government to augment the capabilities of the Department of Defense in competition, crises, and conflicts; or

''(iii) to evaluate planning scenarios or concept development, including to test proposed doctrine, tactics, or other nonmaterial approaches for economic competition activities that might be used by the Department of Defense.

''(K) Selecting economic competition activities projects to be carried out using funds made available to the Unit, allocating funds to organizations to carry out such projects, and monitoring the execution of such projects.

''(L) Serving as the co-chair of the National Security Capital Forum.

''(M) Regularly updating the National Security Council and relevant Federal agencies with respect to the economic competition activities of the Department of Defense.

''(2) NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR NEGOTIATING EQUITY INVESTMENTS.—The Unit—

''(A) shall not be responsible for negotiating or executing any agreements related to—

''(i) taking an equity interest in an entity; or

''(ii) using debt instruments, warrants, options, and other rights to acquire an equity interest in an entity; and

''(B) shall work with and through existing entities within the Department established to negotiate and execute such agreements.

''(d) ECONOMIC COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The requirements for economic competition activities developed and maintained by the Unit under subsection (c)(1)(B) may include requirements for—

''(A) access, basing, and overflight;

''(B) countering mobilization of adversaries;

''(C) countering modernization of adversaries;

''(D) countering defense industrial base activities by adversaries;

''(E) ensuring the access of the United States to critical materials and capabilities; and

''(F) such other matters as the Director considers appropriate.

''(2) CONSULTATIONS.—In developing requirements for economic competition activities under subsection (c)(1)(B), the Director shall consult—

''(A) integrated priorities lists from combatant commanders derived from operational plans or theater campaign plans;

''(B) integrated priorities lists of defense industrial base shortfalls or investment opportunities; and

''(C) the outcomes of experimentation events, science and technology activities, and examinations of issues of economic competition by concept development organizations.

''(e) STAFFING.—In consultation with the Secretary and the Deputy Secretary, the Director shall ensure—

''(1) staffing of the Unit with individuals with relevant expertise and experience, including a diversified mix of individuals with expertise in—

''(A) financial analysis;

''(B) national security economics;

''(C) intelligence analysis;

''(D) international business or finance;

''(E) campaign planning;

''(F) military operations;

''(G) supply chain planning or risk management; and

''(H) complex real estate or construction mega-projects; and

''(2) such individuals are vetted for and abide by conflict-of-interest regulations prescribed under subsection (f) specifically for the Unit to protect the significantly sensitive nature of the economic data and decision-making conducted by staff of the Unit.

''(f) CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST REGULATIONS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall submit to the congressional defense committees—

''(A) not later than July 1, 2027, interim conflict-of-interest regulations required by subsection (e)(2) applicable to the staff of the Unit; and

''(B) not later than January 31, 2028, final such regulations.

''(2) UPDATES.—The conflict-of-interest regulations prescribed under subparagraph (A) shall be updated not less frequently than once every three years.

''(g) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

''(1) QUARTERLY BRIEFINGS.—Not less frequently than quarterly, the Director shall provide to the Secretary and the congressional defense committees a briefing on, for the quarter preceding the briefing—

''(A) the activities of the Unit;

''(B) the outcomes of and advances resulting from such activities; and

''(C) work product of the Unit.

''(2) ANNUAL REPORTS.—Not less frequently than annually, the Director shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the matters described in subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C) of paragraph (1) for the year preceding submission of the report.

''(h) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to confer upon the Director or the Unit any new authority beyond planning, coordinating, and advising the Department of Defense with respect to economic competition activities.

''(i) ECONOMIC COMPETITION ACTIVITIES DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'economic competition activities' means actions that are taken to reinforce mili-

tary advantage in and through the economic domain, including such actions taken—

''(1) to leverage private capital and market actors;

''(2) to acquire or procure items;

''(3) to protect or enhance the economic or technological advantage of the United States or allies of the United States;

''(4) in the information environment or cyber environment or as other sensitive operations; or

''(5) to leverage interagency authorities.''.

(b) PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY.—Section 4092(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(12) ECONOMIC DEFENSE UNIT.—The Director of the Economic Defense Unit may carry out a program of personnel management authority provided in subsection (b) in order to facilitate recruitment of eminent experts described in section 149a(e) of this title.''.

(c) NATIONAL DEFENSE ECONOMIC COMPETITION RESEARCH COUNCIL.—Section 228(c) of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C. 4001 note) is amended—

(1) by amending paragraph (1) to read as follows:

''(1) CHAIR.—The Director of the Economic Defense Unit shall be the chair of the Council.''; and

(2) in paragraph (2)—

(A) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) through (N) as clauses (i) through (xiv), respectively, and by moving such clauses, as so redesignated, two ems to the right; and

(B) by striking ''The co-chairs'' and all that follows through ''the following:'' and inserting in the following: ''The Council shall include the following:

''(A) The Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.

''(B) The Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering.

''(C) The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment.

''(D) Representatives from each of the following:''.

(d) NATIONAL SECURITY CAPITAL FORUM.—Section 1092(b) of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal

Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C. 149 note) is amended to read as follows:

''(b) CO-CHAIRS.—The Director of the Office of Strategic Capital and the Director of the Economic Defense Unit shall serve as co-chairs of the Forum established under subsection (a).''.

SEC. 902. EXTENSION OF PILOT PROGRAM ON CAPITAL ASSISTANCE OF OFFICE OF STRATEGIC CAPITAL.

Section 149(e)(9) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''2028'' each place it appears and inserting ''2038''.

SEC. 903. REQUIREMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL CODE OF CONDUCT FOR CERTAIN DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE POSITIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than August 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall develop a professional code of conduct for individuals serving in positions in the Department of Defense specified in subsection (c), or adopt or modify an existing code of conduct to apply to those positions, to ensure that individuals in those positions have clear guidance on the ethics and standards governing their professional behavior.

(b) ELEMENTS.—In developing, or adopting or modifying, a code of conduct under subsection (a), the Secretary shall ensure that the code—

(1) reinforces the need for integrity, competence, diligence, and exercise of care in professional judgment by individuals serving in positions specified in subsection (c) in all actions representing the United States Government;

(2) ensures the integrity of decision-making by those individuals and of data generated by those individuals that affects global capital markets;

(3) requires those individuals to avoid any action that would potentially distort markets or lead to the perception of distorting or manipulating markets;

(4) requires those individuals to, as representatives of the United States Government, take all care and caution to avoid real or perceived conflicts of interest; and

(5) ensures those individuals conduct thorough documentation of—

(A) all actions taken by those individuals while serving in the positions specified in subsection (c); and

(B) all communication between those individuals and other government entities; and

(C) all communication between those individuals and the private sector.

(c) POSITIONS SPECIFIED.—A position specified in this subsection is any position of an employee or contractor in any of the following components of the Department of Defense:

(1) The Economic Defense Unit.

(2) The Office of Strategic Capital.

(3) The Office of Expanded Competition.

(4) The Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy.

(d) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than September 15, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees regarding—

(1) the implementation of the code of conduct required by subsection (a);

(2) the number of employees and contractors covered by that code; and

(3) the process the Department of Defense will use to regulate breaches of that code.

SEC. 904. REDESIGNATION OF UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR PERSONNEL AND READINESS; REORGANIZATION OF ASSISTANT SECRETARIES OF DEFENSE.

(a) REDESIGATION OF UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR PERSONNEL AND READINESS AS UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR PERSONNEL AND HEALTH AFFAIRS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 136 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(A) in the section heading, by striking ''**Readiness**'' and inserting ''**Health Affairs**''; and

(B) by striking ''and Readiness'' each place it appears and inserting ''and Health Affairs''.

(2) REFERENCES.—Any reference in any law or regulation to the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness or the office of that Under Secretary shall, on and after the effective date described in subsection (d), be deemed to be a reference to Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Health Affairs or the office of that Under Secretary, as the case may be.

(3) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(A) by striking ''Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness'' each place it appears and inserting ''Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Health Affairs''; and

(B) by striking ''Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness'' each place it appears and inserting ''Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Health Affairs''.

(b) REORGANIZATION OF ASSISTANT SECRETARIES OF DEFENSE.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR SUSTAINMENT AND READINESS.—

(A) ESTABLISHMENT.—Section 138(b) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(10) One of the Assistant Secretaries is the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment and Readiness, who shall report directly to the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics. The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment and Readiness shall serve as the principal advisor to the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics and the Secretary of Defense on all matters relating to the sustainment and readiness of the armed forces.''.

(B) RESPONSIBILITY FOR FUNCTIONS OF ASSISTANT SECRETARIES OF DEFENSE FOR SUSTAINMENT AND FOR READINESS.—The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment and Readiness shall exercise—

(i) all functions vested in the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment before the date of the enactment of this Act, including responsibility for logistics, materiel readiness, maintenance policy, transportation, and related sustainment activities; and

(ii) all functions transferred from the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Readiness under paragraph (3)(B), including responsibility for military readiness reporting, readiness policy, training support, and related readiness activities.

(2) REDESIGNATION OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR SUSTAINMENT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment, within the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment (as in effect on the day before the date of the enactment of this

Act), is redesignated as the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment and Readiness, as established by paragraph (10) of section 138(b) of title 10, United States Code, as added by paragraph (1)(A).

(B) REFERENCES.—Any reference in any law, regulation, guidance, directive, or other document to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment shall, on and after the effective date described in subsection (d), be deemed to refer to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment and Readiness.

(3) ELIMINATION OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR READINESS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The position of Assistant Secretary of Defense for Readiness within the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (as in effect on the day before the date of the enactment of this Act) is eliminated.

(B) TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS.—All functions, duties, powers, and authorities of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Readiness are transferred to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment and Readiness estab-

lished by paragraph (10) of section 138(b) of title 10, United States Code, as added by paragraph (1)(A).

(C) REFERENCES.—Any reference in any law, regulation, guidance, directive, or other document to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Readiness shall, on and after the effective date described in subsection (d), be deemed to refer to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment and Readiness established by paragraph (10) of section 138(b) of title 10, United States Code, as added by paragraph (1)(A).

(4) ESTABLISHMENT OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR HOUSING, PERSONNEL MOVEMENT, AND TRAVEL POLICY.—Section 138(b) of title 10, United States Code, as amended by paragraph (1)(A), is further amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(11)(A) One of the Assistant Secretaries is the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Housing, Personnel Movement, and Travel Policy, who shall serve as a principal assistant secretary within the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Health Affairs.

''(B) The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Housing, Personnel Movement, and Travel Policy shall be appointed from among persons who have substantial experience in military housing, personnel policy, or related fields.

''(C) Subject to the authority, direction, and control of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Health Affairs, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Housing, Personnel Movement, and Travel Policy shall have, as the principal duties of the Assistant Secretary, the overall supervision of the policy and programs of the Department of Defense relating to—

''(D) privatized military housing under subchapter IV of chapter 169 of this title, including any privatized military family housing programs;

''(E) unaccompanied personnel housing, including the management, oversight, and policy for all unaccompanied housing programs of the Department;

''(F) travel regulations, including policies and entitlements with respect to permanent changes of station and related travel programs;

''(G) the Defense Travel Management Office and all Department-wide travel management programs; and

''(H) the Defense Personal Property Program, including the household goods and personally procured move programs.''.

(5) DESIGNATION OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR HOUSING, PERSONNEL MOVEMENT, AND TRAVEL POLICY CHIEF HOUSING OFFICER.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Section 2851a(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment'' and inserting ''the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Housing, Personnel Movement, and Travel Policy''.

(B) TRANSFER OF CHIEF HOUSING OFFICER FUNCTIONS.—All functions, duties, and authorities vested in the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment in the capacity of Chief Housing Officer of the Department of Defense are transferred to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Housing, Personnel Movement, and Travel Policy established by paragraph (11) of section 138(b) of title 10, United States Code, as added by paragraph (4).

(C) REFERENCES.—Any reference in any law, regulation, guidance, directive, or other document to the Chief Housing Officer or to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment acting in the capacity of the Chief Housing Officer shall, on and after the effective date described in subsection (d), be deemed to refer to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Housing, Personnel Movement, and Travel Policy established by paragraph (11) of section 138(b) of title 10, United States Code, as added by paragraph (4).

(c) IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall—

(1) submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a plan for implementing this section and the amendments made by this section; and

(2) revise Department of Defense Directive 5124.02 (relating to the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness) and any other relevant documents issued by the Department in accordance with that plan.

(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—This section (other than subsection (c)), and the amendments made by this section, shall take effect on January 20, 2029.

(2) AUTHORITY FOR EARLY IMPLEMENTATION.—Notwithstanding the effective date described in paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense may implement any provision of or amendment made by this section before that effective date if the Secretary determines that doing so is in the best interests of the Department of Defense.

SEC. 905. RESPONSIBILITY FOR CYBER MATTERS IN OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR CYBER, INFORMATION, AND NETWORKS.—

(1) OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.—Section 131(b) of title 10, United States Code is amended—

(A) in paragraph (3), by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

''(G) The Under Secretary of Defense for Cyber, Information, and Networks.'';

(B) by striking paragraph (5); and

(C) by redesignating paragraphs (6) through (9) as paragraphs (5) through (8), respectively.

(2) UNDER SECRETARY.—Chapter 4 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 133b the following:

"§ 133c. Under Secretary of Defense for Cyber, Information, and Networks

''(a) UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.—There is an Under Secretary of Defense for Cyber, Information, and Networks, appointed from civilian life by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Under Secretary shall be appointed from among persons who have an extensive background in management, cyber operations, information technology, or related fields, and have experience with managing complex programs or organizations. A person may not be appointed as Under Secretary within seven years after relief from active duty as a commissioned officer of a regular component of an armed force.

''(b) DUTIES AND POWERS.—Subject to the authority, direction, and control of the Secretary of Defense, the Under Secretary shall perform such duties and exercise such powers as the Secretary may prescribe, including—

''(1) serving as the Principal Cyber Advisor to the Secretary of Defense, with the authorities and responsibilities specified in section 146 of this title;

''(2) serving as the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense, with the authorities and responsibilities specified in section 142 of this title;

''(3) establishing Department of Defense-wide policy, strategy, and investment priorities for the adoption and integration of artificial intelligence and data strategy and management capabilities, including the development and implementation of a comprehensive data strategy to enable decision advantage across the Department;

''(4) establishing and enforcing Department-wide cybersecurity policy, standards, and programs, and the coordination of cybersecurity standards and policies with other Federal agencies, coalition partners, and industry;

''(5) providing strategic direction and policy for the information technology enterprise of the Department, including network modernization, cloud adoption, collaboration capabilities, and the development, fielding, and scaling of digital services and software capabilities across the Department; and

''(6) establishing policy and strategy for the recruitment, development, and retention of the cyber and information technology workforce of the Depart-

ment, including the Cyber Excepted Service and related workforce development programs.

''(c) PRECEDENCE IN DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.—

''(1) PRECEDENCE IN MATTERS OF RESPONSIBILITY.—With regard to all matters for which the Under Secretary has responsibility by the direction of the Secretary of Defense or by law, the Under Secretary takes precedence in the Department of Defense after the Secretary and the Deputy Secretary of Defense.

''(2) PRECEDENCE IN OTHER MATTERS.—With regard to all matters other than the matters for which the Under Secretary has responsibility by the direction of the Secretary or by law, the Under Secretary takes precedence in the Department of Defense after the Secretary, the Deputy Secretary, and the Secretaries of the military departments.

''(d) ORGANIZATION OF OFFICE OF UNDER SECRETARY.—The Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Cyber, Information, and Networks shall consist of the following:

''(1) An Assistant Secretary of Defense for Networks, Infrastructure, and Enterprise Software.

''(2) An Assistant Secretary of Defense for Cyber Policy.

''(3) An Assistant Secretary of Defense for Resources and Forces.

''(4) The Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer of the Department of Defense, who shall serve as the Chief Artificial Intelligence Officer and the Chief Data Officer of the Department of Defense, and who shall report directly to the Under Secretary.

''(5) The Chief Information Security Officer of the Department of Defense, who shall report directly to the Under Secretary.''.

(3) DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY.—Section 137a of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(A) in subsection (a)(1), by striking ''six'' and inserting ''seven''; and

(B) in subsection (c), by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(7) One of the Deputy Under Secretaries is the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Cyber, Information, and Networks.''.

(4) ASSISTANT SECRETARY.—Section 138 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(A) in subsection (a)(1), by striking ''20'' and inserting ''21''; and

(B) by amending subsection (b)(9) to read as follows:

''(9) One of the Assistant Secretaries is the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Cyber Policy. The Assistant Secretary shall report directly to the Under Secretary of Defense for Cyber, Information, and Networks.''.

(b) PRINCIPAL CYBER ADVISOR.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 4 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 145 the following new section:

''§ 146. Principal Cyber Advisor and Deputy Principal Cyber Advisor

''(a) PRINCIPAL CYBER ADVISOR.—

''(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is a Principal Cyber Advisor of the Department of Defense.

''(2) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Principal Cyber Advisor shall do the following:

''(A) Subject to the authority, direction, and control of the Secretary of Defense, exercise authority, direction, and control over all cyber-peculiar administrative matters relating to the organization, training, and equipping of cyber forces across the military departments and the United States Cyber Command.

''(B) Act as the principal civilian advisor to the Secretary on all cyber matters, including military cyber forces and activities.

''(C) After the Secretary and the Deputy Secretary, serve as the principal cyber official within the senior management of the Department of Defense.

''(D) Execute overall integration of the activities of cyberspace operations forces, including associated policy and operational considerations, resources, personnel, technology development and transition, and acquisition.

''(E) Develop, assess, and oversee the implementation of the cyber strategy of the Department and execution of the cyber posture review of the Department on behalf of the Secretary.

''(F) Coordinate activities pursuant to subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (3) with the Principal Information Operations Advisor and other officials as determined by the Secretary, to ensure the integration of activities in support of cyber, information technology, information, and electromagnetic spectrum operations.

''(G) Undertake such other matters relating to the cyberspace operations forces of the Department as the Secretary shall specify for the purposes of this subsection.

''(3) CROSS-FUNCTIONAL TEAM.—Consistent with section 911 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328; 10 U.S.C. 111 note), the Principal Cyber Advisor shall—

''(A) integrate the cyber expertise and perspectives of appropriate organizations within the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Joint Staff, the military departments, the Defense Agencies, the Department of Defense Field Activities, and the combatant commands, by establishing and maintaining a full-time cross-functional team of subject-matter experts from those organizations; and

''(B) select team members, and designate a team leader, from among those personnel nominated by the heads of such organizations.

''(4) BUDGET REVIEW.—

''(A) TRANSMITTAL OF PROPOSED BUDGETS.—The Secretary of Defense, acting through the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller),

shall require the Secretaries of the military departments and the heads of the Defense Agencies with responsibilities associated with any activity specified in paragraph (2) to transmit the proposed budget for such activities for a fiscal year and for the period covered by the future-years defense program submitted to Congress under section 221 of this title for that fiscal year to the Principal Cyber Advisor for review under subparagraph (B) before submitting the proposed budget to the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller).

"(B) REVIEW OF PROPOSED BUDGETS.—The Principal Cyber Advisor shall review each proposed budget transmitted under subparagraph (A) and, not later than January 31 of the year preceding the fiscal year for which the budget is proposed, shall submit to the Secretary of Defense a report containing the comments of the Principal Cyber Advisor with respect to all such proposed budgets, together with the certification of the Principal Cyber Advisor regarding whether each proposed budget is adequate.

''(C) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than March 31 of each year, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report specifying each proposed budget that the Principal Cyber Advisor did not certify to be adequate. The report of the Secretary shall include the following matters:

''(i) A discussion of the actions that the Secretary proposes to take, together with any recommended legislation that the Secretary considers appropriate, to address the inadequacy of the proposed budgets specified in the report.

''(ii) Any additional comments that the Secretary considers appropriate regarding the inadequacy of the proposed budgets.

''(b) SENIOR MILITARY ADVISOR FOR CYBER POLICY AND DEPUTY PRINCIPAL CYBER ADVISOR.—

''(1) ADVISOR.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall, acting through the Joint Staff, designate an officer within the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy to serve within that Office as the Senior Military Advisor for

Cyber Policy, and concurrently, as the Deputy Principal Cyber Advisor of the Department of Defense.

''(B) OFFICERS ELIGIBLE FOR DESIGNATION.—The officer designated pursuant to this paragraph shall be designated from among commissioned regular officers of the armed forces in a general or flag officer grade who are qualified for designation.

''(C) GRADE.—The officer designated pursuant to this paragraph shall have the grade of major general or rear admiral (upper half) while serving in that position, without vacating the officer's permanent grade.

''(2) SCOPE OF POSITIONS.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The officer designated pursuant to paragraph (1) is each of the following:

''(i) The Senior Military Advisor for Cyber Policy to the Principal Cyber Advisor.

''(ii) The Deputy Principal Cyber Advisor to the Secretary of Defense.

''(B) DIRECTION AND CONTROL AND REPORTING.—In carrying out duties under this

section, the officer designated pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be subject to the authority, direction, and control of, and shall report directly to, the Principal Cyber Advisor.

''(3) DUTIES.—

''(A) DUTIES AS SENIOR MILITARY ADVISOR FOR CYBER POLICY.—The duties of the officer designated pursuant to paragraph (1) as Senior Military Advisor for Cyber Policy are as follows:

''(i) To serve as the principal military advisor on military cyber forces and military cyber activities to the Principal Cyber Advisor.

''(ii) To assess and advise the Principal Cyber Advisor on aspects of policy relating to activities of cyberspace operations forces, resources, personnel, cyber force readiness, cyber workforce development, and defense of Department of Defense networks.

''(iii) To advocate, in consultation with the Joint Staff, and senior officers of the armed forces and the combatant commands, for consideration of military issues

within the Office of the Principal Cyber Advisor, including coordination and synchronization of activities of cyberspace operations forces.

''(B) DUTIES AS DEPUTY PRINCIPAL CYBER ADVISOR.—The duties of the officer designated pursuant to paragraph (1) as Deputy Principal Cyber Advisor are as follows:

''(i) To synchronize, coordinate, and oversee implementation of the cyber strategy of the Department of Defense and other relevant policy and planning.

''(ii) To advise the Secretary of Defense on cyber programs, projects, and activities of the Department, including with respect to policy, training, resources, personnel, manpower, and acquisitions and technology.

''(iii) To oversee implementation of Department policy and operational directives on cyber programs, projects, and activities, including with respect to resources, personnel, manpower, and acquisitions and technology.

''(iv) To assist in the overall supervision of military cyber activities relating to offensive missions.

''(v) To assist in the overall supervision of Department defensive cyber operations, including activities of component-level cybersecurity service providers and the integration of such activities with activities of the Cyber Mission Force.

''(vi) To advise senior leadership of the Department on, and advocate for, investment in capabilities to execute Department missions in and through cyberspace.

''(vii) To identify shortfalls in capabilities to conduct Department missions in and through cyberspace, and make recommendations on addressing such shortfalls in the Program Budget Review process.

''(viii) To coordinate and consult with stakeholders in the cyberspace domain across the Department in order to identify other issues on cyberspace for the attention of senior leadership of the Department.

''(ix) On behalf of the Principal Cyber Advisor, to lead the cross-functional team established pursuant to subsection (a)(3) in order to synchronize and coordinate activities of cyberspace operations forces of the Department.

''(c) CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS FORCES DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'cyberspace operations forces' means the military, civilian, and contractor personnel of the Department of Defense in any component of the Department of Defense organized, trained, and equipped to plan, conduct, or enable offensive cyberspace operations, defensive cyberspace operations, and Department of Defense information network operations, as designated by the Secretary of Defense.''.

(2) CONFORMING REPEALS.—Section 392a of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(A) by striking the section heading and inserting the following:

''§ 392a. Cyber governance structures on military cyber force matters'';

(B) by striking subsections (a) and (b);

(C) by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection (a);

(D) in paragraph (2) of subsection (a), as redesignated—

(i) in subparagraph (A), by striking ''military cyberspace operations forces'' and inserting ''cyberspace operations forces''; and

(ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking ''military cyberspace operations'' and inserting ''activities of cyberspace operations forces''; and

(E) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(b) CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS FORCES DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'cyberspace operations forces' has the meaning given that term in section 146 of this title.''.

(3) TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS, PERSONNEL, ASSETS, AND OBLIGATIONS.—All functions, personnel, assets, and obligations of the Department of Defense Chief Information Officer and the Principal Cyber Advisor of the Department of Defense are transferred to the Under Secretary of Defense for Cyber, Information, and Networks.

(4) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(A) SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND.—Section 167b(d)(2)(A) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''section 392a(a)'' and inserting ''section 146(a)''.

(B) FUNDING ASSESSMENTS FOR ZERO TRUST STRATEGY, PRINCIPLES, AND A MODEL ARCHITECTURE.—Section 1528(e)(2) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C. 2224 note) is amended by striking ''section 392a(c)(4)'' and inserting ''section 392a(a)(4)''.

(c) MERGER OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR CRITICAL TECHNOLOGIES AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR MISSION CAPABILITIES.—

(1) CONSOLIDATION REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense shall consolidate the positions of Assistant Secretary of Defense for Critical Technologies and the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Mission Capabilities into a single position, to be known as the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Critical Technologies and Mission Capabilities.

(2) TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS.—All functions, personnel, assets, and obligations of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Critical Technologies and the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Mission Ca-

pabilities are transferred to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Critical Technologies and Mission Capabilities established pursuant to paragraph (1).

(3) REFERENCES.—Any reference in any law, regulation, guidance, instruction, or other document of the Federal Government to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Critical Technologies or the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Mission Capabilities shall be deemed to refer to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Critical Technologies and Mission Capabilities.

(d) EXECUTIVE SCHEDULE LEVEL III.—Section 5314 of title 5, United States Code, is amended by inserting after ''Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security.'' the following:

''Under Secretary of Defense for Cyber, Information, and Networks.''.

(e) EXECUTIVE SCHEDULE LEVEL IV.—Section 5315 of title 5, United States Code is amended by inserting after ''Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security.'' the following:

''Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Cyber, Information, and Networks.''.

(f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsections (a) through (e), and the amendments made by those subsections, shall take effect on January 20, 2029.

(g) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than January 31, 2028, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on how the Department of Defense intends to execute the amendments made by subsections (a) through (e) that includes—

(1) a proposed organizational chart that includes the Deputy Assistant Secretaries of Defense, the Defense Agencies, the Department of Defense Field Activities, and other offices under the new organizational structure; and

(2) any recommendations the Secretary considers appropriate to improve the organizational structure of the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

Subtitle B—Combatant Commands

SEC. 911. UNIFIED COMBATANT COMMAND FOR AFRICA.

Chapter 6 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"§ 168. Unified combatant command for Africa

''(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—(1) With the advice and assistance of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the President, through the Secretary of Defense, shall establish under section 161 of this title a unified combatant

command for activities of the Department of Defense in Africa (in this section referred to as the 'United States Africa Command').

''(2) The principal mission of the United States Africa Command is to direct, synchronize, and coordinate military planning, operations, and security cooperation to defend and advance the national interests of the United States with respect to Africa in collaboration with international partners.

''(b) ASSIGNMENT OF FORCES.—Active and reserve forces of the armed forces shall be assigned to the United States Africa Command through the Global Force Management Process, as approved by the Secretary of Defense.

''(c) GRADE OF COMMANDER.—The Commander of the United States Africa Command shall hold the grade of general or, in the case of an officer of the Navy, admiral while serving in that position, without vacating that officer's permanent grade. The Commander of such Command shall be appointed to that grade by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for service in that position.

''(d) AUTHORITY OF COMBATANT COMMANDER.—In addition to the authority prescribed in section 164(c) of this title, the Commander of the United States Africa

Command shall be responsible for, and shall have the authority to conduct, all affairs of such Command relating to planning, operations, and security cooperation activities of the Department of Defense in Africa.''.

SEC. 912. UNIFIED COMBATANT COMMAND FOR THE MIDDLE EAST AND CENTRAL ASIA.

Chapter 6 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 911, is further amended by adding at the end the following new section:

''§ 168a. Unified combatant command for the Middle East and Central Asia

''(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—(1) With the advice and assistance of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the President, through the Secretary of Defense, shall establish under section 161 of this title a unified combatant command for activities of the Department of Defense in the central region (in this section referred to as the 'United States Central Command').

''(2) The principal mission of the United States Central Command is to direct, synchronize, and coordinate military planning, operations, and security cooperation to defend and advance national interests of the United States with respect to the central region in collaboration with international partners.

''(b) ASSIGNMENT OF FORCES.—Active and reserve forces of the armed forces shall be assigned to the United States Central Command through the Global Force Management Process, as approved by the Secretary of Defense.

''(c) GRADE OF COMMANDER.—The Commander of the United States Central Command shall hold the grade of general or, in the case of an officer of the Navy, admiral while serving in that position, without vacating that officer's permanent grade. The Commander of such Command shall be appointed to that grade by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for service in that position.

''(d) AUTHORITY OF COMBATANT COMMANDER.—In addition to the authority prescribed in section 164(c) of this title, the Commander of the United States Central Command shall be responsible for, and shall have the authority to conduct, all affairs of such Command relating to planning, operations, and security cooperation activities of the Department of Defense in the central region.

''(e) CENTRAL REGION DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'central region' means the region comprising the Middle East, including Egypt, and Central Asia.''.

SEC. 913. UNIFIED COMBATANT COMMAND FOR EUROPE.

Chapter 6 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 912, is further amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"§ 168b. Unified combatant command for Europe

''(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—(1) With the advice and assistance of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the President, through the Secretary of Defense, shall establish under section 161 of this title a unified combatant command for activities of the Department of Defense in Europe (in this section referred to as the 'United States European Command').

''(2) The principal mission of the United States European Command is to direct, synchronize, and coordinate military planning, operations, and security cooperation to defend and advance national interests of the United States with respect to Europe in collaboration with international partners.

''(b) ASSIGNMENT OF FORCES.—Active and reserve forces of the armed forces shall be assigned to the United States European Command through the Global Force Management Process, as approved by the Secretary of Defense.

''(c) GRADE OF COMMANDER.—The Commander of the United States European Command shall hold the grade of general or, in the case of an officer of the Navy,

admiral while serving in that position, without vacating that officer's permanent grade. The Commander of such Command shall be appointed to that grade by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for service in that position.

''(d) AUTHORITY OF COMBATANT COMMANDER.—In addition to the authority prescribed in section 164(c) of this title, the Commander of the United States European Command shall be responsible for, and shall have the authority to conduct, all affairs of such Command relating to planning, operations, and security cooperation activities of the Department of Defense in Europe.''.

SEC. 914. UNIFIED COMBATANT COMMAND FOR NORTH AMERICA.

Chapter 6 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 913, is further amended by adding at the end the following new section:

''§ 168c. Unified combatant command for North America

''(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—(1) With the advice and assistance of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the President, through the Secretary of Defense, shall establish under section 161 of this title a unified combatant command for activities of the Department of Defense in

North America (in this section referred to as the 'United States Northern Command').

''(2) The principal missions of the United States Northern Command are—

''(A) to direct, synchronize, and coordinate military planning, operations, and security cooperation to defend and advance national interests of the United States with respect to North America in collaboration with international partners; and

''(B) to plan, organize, and execute missions relating to homeland defense and defense support for civil authorities.

''(3) The area of responsibility of the United States Northern Command includes Canada, the United States, Mexico, Greenland, the United States Virgin Islands, the British Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, the Bahamas, and Turks and Caicos Islands.

''(b) ASSIGNMENT OF FORCES.—Active and reserve forces of the armed forces shall be assigned to the United States Northern Command through the Global Force Management Process, as approved by the Secretary of Defense.

''(c) GRADE OF COMMANDER.—The Commander of the United States Northern Command shall hold the grade of general or, in the case of an officer of the Navy, admiral

while serving in that position, without vacating that officer's permanent grade. The Commander of such Command shall be appointed to that grade by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for service in that position.

''(d) AUTHORITY OF COMBATANT COMMANDER.—In addition to the authority prescribed in section 164(c) of this title, the Commander of the United States Northern Command shall be responsible for, and shall have the authority to conduct, all affairs of such Command relating to planning, operations, and security cooperation activities of the Department of Defense in North America.''.

SEC. 915. UNIFIED COMBATANT COMMAND FOR CENTRAL AMERICA, SOUTH AMERICA, AND THE CARIBBEAN.

Chapter 6 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 914, is further amended by adding at the end the following new section:

''§ 168d. Unified combatant command for Central America, South America, and the Caribbean

''(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—(1) With the advice and assistance of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the President, through the Secretary of Defense, shall establish under section 161 of this title a unified combatant

command for activities of the Department of Defense in Central America, South America, and the Caribbean (in this section referred to as the 'United States Southern Command').

''(2) The principal mission of the United States Southern Command is to direct, synchronize, and coordinate military planning, operations, and security cooperation to defend and advance national interests of the United States with respect to Central America, South America, and the Caribbean in collaboration with international partners.

''(b) ASSIGNMENT OF FORCES.—Active and reserve forces of the armed forces shall be assigned to the United States Southern Command through the Global Force Management Process, as approved by the Secretary of Defense.

''(c) GRADE OF COMMANDER.—The Commander of the United States Southern Command shall hold the grade of general or, in the case of an officer of the Navy, admiral while serving in that position, without vacating that officer's permanent grade. The Commander of such Command shall be appointed to that grade by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for service in that position.

''(d) AUTHORITY OF COMBATANT COMMANDER.—In addition to the authority prescribed in section 164(c) of this title, the Commander of the United States Southern Command shall be responsible for, and shall have the authority to conduct, all affairs of such Command relating to planning, operations, and security cooperation activities of the Department of Defense in Central America, South America, and the Caribbean.''.

SEC. 916. UNIFIED COMBATANT COMMAND FOR THE INDO-PACIFIC REGION.

Chapter 6 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 915, is further amended by adding at the end the following new section:

''§ 168e. Unified combatant command for the Indo-Pacific region

''(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—(1) With the advice and assistance of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the President, through the Secretary of Defense, shall establish under section 161 of this title a unified combatant command for activities of the Department of Defense in the Indo-Pacific region (in this section referred to as the 'United States Indo-Pacific Command').

''(2) The principal mission of the United States Indo-Pacific Command is to direct, synchronize, and coordinate military planning, operations, and security cooperation to

defend and advance national interests of the United States with respect to the Indo-Pacific region in collaboration with international partners.

''(b) ASSIGNMENT OF FORCES.—Active and reserve forces of the armed forces shall be assigned to the United States Indo-Pacific Command through the Global Force Management Process, as approved by the Secretary of Defense.

''(c) GRADE OF COMMANDER.—The Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command shall hold the grade of general or, in the case of an officer of the Navy, admiral while serving in that position, without vacating that officer's permanent grade. The Commander of such Command shall be appointed to that grade by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for service in that position.

''(d) AUTHORITY OF COMBATANT COMMANDER.—In addition to the authority prescribed in section 164(c) of this title, the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command shall be responsible for, and shall have the authority to conduct, all affairs of such Command relating to planning, operations, and security cooperation activities of the Department of Defense in the Indo-Pacific region.''.

SEC. 917. ESTABLISHMENT OF UNITED STATES ROBOTIC AND AUTONOMOUS SYSTEMS COMMAND.

Chapter 6 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 167 the following new section:

"§ 167a. Unified combatant command for robotic and autonomous systems

''(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—With the advice and assistance of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the President, through the Secretary of Defense, may establish under section 161 of this title a unified combatant command for robotic and autonomous systems, to be known as the 'United States Robotic and Autonomous Systems Command' (in this section referred to as 'RASCOM').

''(b) MISSION.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to the authority prescribed in section 164(c) of this title, if RASCOM is established under subsection (a), the Commander of RASCOM shall be responsible for, and have the authority to conduct, all functions relating to robotic and autonomous systems assigned by the Secretary of Defense, including force generation, joint training, interoperability, doctrine development, and operational employment through other combatant commands.

''(2) EXCLUSIONS.—The Commander of RASCOM shall not be responsible for—

''(A) space systems;

''(B) autonomous cyber capabilities;

''(C) nuclear command, control, and communications systems;

''(D) integrated air and missile defense sensing; or

''(E) Integrated Tactical Warning and Attack Assessment capabilities.

''(c) SERVICE COMPONENT COMMANDS AND FORCE GENERATION.—

''(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—If RASCOM is established under subsection (a), the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force shall each establish a service component command under RASCOM to support force generation, organization, training, and equipping of forces for robotic and autonomous systems operations.

''(2) CAREER PATHS AND TRAINING PIPELINES.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—Each service component command established under paragraph (1) shall include dedicated career paths, military occupational specialties (or equivalent ratings),

promotion tracks, and training pipelines for personnel assigned to robotic and autonomous systems duties.

"(B) INCLUSION IN MANPOWER REPORTS.—If RASCOM is established under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretaries of the military departments concerned, shall ensure that the career paths, specialties, tracks, and pipelines described in subparagraph (A) are integrated into the personnel management systems of the respective armed forces and reported in the annual manpower reports required under section 115a of this title.

"(d) SUBORDINATE UNIFIED COMMANDS.—If RASCOM is established under subsection (a), the Commander of RASCOM shall establish subordinate unified commands to operate under the operational control of each geographic combatant command or other combatant command identified by the Secretary of Defense for the purpose of integrating robotic and autonomous systems capabilities into theater operations. Such subordinate unified commands shall be funded and resourced through RASCOM.

''(e) LIMITATION ON EXERCISE OF COMMAND AUTHORITY.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—If RASCOM is established under subsection (a), the Commander of RASCOM may not command or exercise operational control over operations or forces within the area of responsibility of any other combatant command unless—

''(A) the combatant commander of that command transfers operational control to the Commander of RASCOM; or

''(B) specifically directed by the Secretary of Defense.

''(2) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authority of the Secretary of Defense under section 162 or 164 of this title.

''(f) JOINT SUBORDINATE UNIFIED COMMAND.—If RASCOM is established under subsection (a), the Commander of RASCOM shall establish a joint subordinate unified command to be responsible for—

''(1) generating requirements for robotic and autonomous systems;

''(2) ensuring interoperability and establishing standards across the joint force;

''(3) planning and conducting joint exercises and training;

''(4) developing tactics, techniques, and procedures;

''(5) exercising special test and evaluation authorities for acquisition projects as provided in subsection (h); and

''(6) establishing standards for human systems integration in coordination with the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs and the Surgeons General of the military departments.

''(g) OPERATIONAL TEST AND EVALUATION AUTHORITY.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—If RASCOM is established under subsection (a), the Commander of RASCOM shall—

''(A) serve as the principal operational test and evaluation functional authority for all programs involving robotic and autonomous systems; and

''(B) in that capacity—

''(i) determine operational effectiveness and operational suitability; and

''(ii) have authority to designate and establish test ranges, develop test plans,

and issue independent reports on such programs.

''(2) EXCLUSION OF PROGRAMS ON OVERSIGHT LIST OF DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONAL TEST AND EVALUATION.—Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to limit the oversight responsibilities of the Director of Operational Test and Evaluation with respect to programs on the oversight list of the Director.

''(h) LIMITED ACQUISITION AUTHORITY.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—If RASCOM is established under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense may delegate contracting authorities to the Commander of RASCOM sufficient to enable the Commander—

''(A) subject to paragraph (2), to procure limited quantities of robotic and autonomous systems equipment and associated capabilities (including unmanned platforms, attritable systems, swarms, mission kits, and related artificial intelligence-enabled autonomy, command and control, and counter-unmanned systems) for experimental, test and evaluation, rapid prototyping, and initial fielding purposes; and

''(B) to procure, operate, and sustain robotic and autonomous systems equipment and

capabilities that one or more military departments have included in a marketplace, catalog, or other pre-priced contracting vehicle with established pricing and agreed-upon terms and conditions.

''(2) LIMITATION.—The Commander may not enter into a contract under paragraph (1)(A) to procure robotic and autonomous systems equipment and associated capabilities the cost of which exceeds $20,000,000.

''(i) MAJOR FORCE PROGRAM.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—If RASCOM is established under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall establish and maintain a separate major force program category for RASCOM in—

''(A) the future-years defense program submitted to Congress under section 221 of this title; and

''(B) all budget justification materials submitted to Congress in support of the budget of the Department of Defense for a fiscal year (as submitted to Congress with the budget of the President under section 1105(a) of title 31).

''(2) REQUIREMENTS FOR BUDGET JUSTIFICATION MATERIALS.—If RASCOM is established under

subsection (a), the major force program category for RASCOM required by paragraph (1) shall—

''(A) be presented distinctly in the budget justification materials described in paragraph (1)(B); and

''(B) include all resources required for the force generation, training, equipping, and sustainment of robotic and autonomous systems capabilities.

''(j) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—If RASCOM is established under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2027, and annually thereafter for the following five fiscal years, submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the implementation and status of RASCOM.

''(2) ELEMENTS.—Each report required under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

''(A) A description of the establishment and manning of RASCOM, each service component command, and the subordinate unified commands, including timelines for full operational capability.

"(B) An assessment of the status of dedicated career paths, training pipelines, and force generation activities across the armed forces.

"(C) A summary of interoperability standards, tactics, techniques, and procedures developed, and joint exercises conducted.

"(D) An evaluation of RASCOM's performance as the operational test and evaluation functional authority, including any recommendations for adjustments to the exception for major defense acquisition programs on the oversight list of the Director of Operational Test and Evaluation.

"(E) A detailed accounting of resources allocated through the major force program established under subsection (i), including any challenges in execution or service equities.

"(F) Any other matters the Secretary determines appropriate, including recommendations for legislative changes to improve the effectiveness of RASCOM.

"(k) ROBOTIC AND AUTONOMOUS SYSTEMS DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'robotic and autonomous systems' includes unmanned aerial, maritime, ground, and subsurface platforms, attritable systems,

swarms, and associated artificial intelligence-enabled autonomy and counter-unmanned systems capabilities.''.

Subtitle C—Other Department of Defense Organization and Management Matters

SEC. 921. ORGANIZATION OF RESPONSIBILITIES RELATING TO UNMANNED SYSTEMS.

(a) DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) PLAN FOR CONSOLIDATION OF RESPONSIBILITIES.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Navy shall submit to the congressional defense committees a plan to consolidate the responsibilities for generating, organizing, training, and equipping all unmanned systems in the Department of the Navy (other than Group 4 and Group 5 unmanned aerial systems) under a single accountable official for integrating Marine Corps stand-in forces and Navy hedge forces with unmanned systems across all domains.

(2) PLAN FOR REORGANIZATION OF OFFICE OF CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Chief of Naval Operations shall submit to the congressional defense committees a plan for the reorga-

nization of the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, including an assessment of the feasibility and advisability of—

(A) disestablishing the Director for Integrated Warfare (OPNAV N9I);

(B) the establishment of a dedicated resource sponsor for robotic autonomous systems with full programming, budgeting, and acquisition oversight responsibilities for all unmanned systems (excluding Group 4 and Group 5 unmanned aerial systems); and

(C) alignment of programs and budget line items between that Office and the portfolio acquisition executives.

(b) DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE REQUIREMENTS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force shall submit to the congressional defense committees a plan to consolidate the responsibilities for generating, organizing, training, and equipping Group 1 through Group 3 unmanned aerial systems or runway-independent unmanned systems associated with Mission Area 1 under a single accountable official for unmanned systems requirements, doctrine, and force generation.

(c) JOINT WORKING GROUP WITHIN THE REQUIREMENTS AND RESOURCING ALIGNMENT BOARD.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Requirements and Resourcing Alignment Board shall include a joint working group on robotic autonomous systems.

(2) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The working group established under paragraph (1) shall be responsible for integrating investment strategies, identifying cross-service efficiencies, and providing recommendations to the Board with respect to robotic autonomous systems priorities.

(3) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 270 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Board shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the findings of the working group established under paragraph (1).

(d) UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS GROUPS DEFINED.—In this section, the terms ''Group 1'', ''Group 2'', ''Group 3'', ''Group 4'', and ''Group 5'', with respect to unmanned aerial systems, have the meanings given those terms in Joint Publication 3–30, entitled ''Joint Air Operations'' and dated July 25, 2019, or a successor publication.

SEC. 922. COMPOSITION OF CROSS-FUNCTIONAL TEAM FOR EMERGING THREAT RELATING TO ANOMALOUS HEALTH INCIDENTS; REPORTS.

(a) TEAM COMPOSITION.—Subsection (c) of section 910 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C. 111 note) is amended—

(1) in the subsection heading, by inserting ''AND COMPOSITION'' after ''LEADERSHIP'';

(2) by striking ''The Secretary'' and inserting the following:

''(1) LEADERSHIP.—The Secretary''; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(2) COMPOSITION.—At a minimum, the cross-functional team shall be staffed by at least one full-time employee designated by each of the following:

''(A) The Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.

''(B) The Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness.

''(C) The Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security.

''(D) The Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering.

''(E) The Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency.

''(F) The Director of the Defense Health Agency.

''(G) The Director of the National Security Agency.''.

(b) QUARTERLY REPORTS.—Subsection (e) of such section is amended—

(1) in the subsection heading, by inserting ''AND REPORTS'' after ''BRIEFINGS''; and

(2) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the following new paragraph (2):

''(2) QUARTERLY REPORTS.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2027, and every 90 days thereafter until March 1, 2030, the head of the cross-functional team shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report that includes the following:

''(A) A description of any activities carried out to fulfill the duties specified in subsection (b) during the 90-day period preceding submission of the report.

''(B) A description of any organizational updates to the team, including the status of em-

ployees assigned to the team under subsection (c)(2).

''(C) The number of anomalous health incidents reported during the 90-day period preceding submission of the report, and the date and location of each such incident.

''(D) An assessment of the status of funding, by fiscal year, for research described in subsection (b)(2) and a description of the topics covered by such research.''.

SEC. 923. COMPTROLLER GENERAL REVIEW OF ANOMALOUS HEALTH INCIDENTS CROSS-FUNCTIONAL TEAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct a review of the Anomalous Health Incidents Cross-Functional Team of the Department of Defense established under section 910 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C. 111 note) (in this section referred to as the ''cross-functional team'').

(b) ELEMENTS.—The review required by subsection (a) shall include an assessment of, at a minimum, the following:

(1) The activities of the cross-functional team conducted in fulfillment of each of the duties under

section 910(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C. 111 note), during the period beginning on February 1, 2024, and ending on February 1, 2026.

(2) The composition and resourcing of the cross-functional team during that period, including increases or decreases in the number of assigned or detailed personnel.

(3) Any findings by the cross-functional team regarding the causes and sources of anomalous health incidents, including identification of any individuals, entities, capabilities, or phenomena to which such incidents may plausibly be attributed.

(4) The decision-making process and justification for the transfer of the cross-functional team from the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy to the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering.

(5) Support provided to the cross-functional team by the Defense Intelligence Agency, the National Security Agency, the National Ground Intelligence Center, and other elements of the defense intelligence enterprise since the establishment of the cross-functional team.

(6) Recommendations for clarifying or strengthening the duties of the cross-functional team under section 910(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022.

(7) Any other matters the Comptroller General considers relevant.

(c) BRIEFING AND RESULTS.—The Comptroller General shall—

(1) not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, brief the congressional defense committees, the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate, and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives on the review conducted under subsection (a); and

(2) provide the final results of the review to those committees in a format, and at a time, mutually agreed upon by those committees and the Comptroller General.

SEC. 924. ESTABLISHMENT OF CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF THE NATIONAL GUARD.

Chapter 1 of title 32, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"§ 116. Center for the Study of the National Guard

''(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Chief of the National Guard Bureau, shall establish a center, to be known as the 'Center for the Study of the National Guard' (in this section referred to as the 'Center'), at an appropriate academic institution that—

''(1) maintains an established relationship with the National Guard Bureau;

''(2) possesses a strong academic program in military history; and

''(3) is situated in proximity to a major installation of the National Guard.

''(b) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Center shall—

''(1) serve as the principal repository for historical documents, oral histories, and other records related to the National Guard;

''(2) conduct research, analysis, and educational programs related to the history, evolution, and operational contributions of the National Guard;

''(3) facilitate outreach efforts to increase public awareness of the role of the National Guard in national defense and domestic response operations; and

''(4) support the Department of Defense in shaping policy decisions and strategic planning re-

lated to operations of the National Guard carried out under this title.

''(c) COLLABORATION AND SUPPORT.—The Chief of the National Guard Bureau may—

''(1) collaborate with the Center in the collection, preservation, and dissemination of information about the history of the National Guard;

''(2) provide historical documents, records, and resources to support the research and archival efforts of the Center; and

''(3) facilitate joint initiatives between the National Guard Bureau and the Center to enhance historical preservation, education, and public awareness.

''(d) PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP.—The Secretary of Defense shall seek to establish and maintain the Center as a public-private partnership to minimize costs to the Federal Government.''.

SEC. 925. CIVIL-MILITARY COORDINATION CENTER.

(a) AUTHORIZATION.—The Secretary of Defense may maintain and continue to operate, until December 31, 2027, the Civil-Military Coordination Center established by the Secretary before the date of the enactment of this Act (in this section referred to as the ''Center''), as—

(1) an implementation body for the Board of Peace that oversees the implementation of the Comprehensive Plan to End the Gaza Conflict, dated September 29, 2025; and

(2) a joint civil-military coordination body within the Department of Defense.

(b) PLAN FOR CONTINUING OPERATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 1, 2027, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a plan detailing the requirements for the Center to serve as a joint civil-military coordination body within the Department of Defense for activities related to Israel and the territory of the Gaza Strip in order to support the planning and coordination of civil-military activities relating to security, stabilization, and reconstruction efforts in Gaza.

(2) GOALS.—The plan required by paragraph (1) shall have the goals of ensuring—

(A) the complete and permanent disarmament of Hamas;

(B) the permanent exclusion of leaders and members of Hamas from governance at every administrative level;

(C) the elimination of access by Hamas to financial and material resources, including by preventing Hamas and its affiliates from diverting or exploiting humanitarian aid; and

(D) training an international stabilization force.

(3) ELEMENTS.—The plan required by paragraph (1) shall address the following with respect to the Center:

(A) The mission structure and organization of the Center.

(B) The number and rank of United States personnel required to operate the Center.

(C) The responsibilities of the director of the Center.

(D) The relationship of the Center to the Board of Peace and relevant allies and partners of the United States.

(E) The funding that would be required from the United States to operate the Center and implement the goals described in paragraph (2).

(F) The number of personnel operating out of the Center as of the date of the enactment of this Act.

(G) The roles and responsibilities of the Center as of such date of enactment with respect to—

(i) enforcing the ceasefire in Gaza;

(ii) coordinating the delivery of humanitarian assistance to the people of Gaza; and

(iii) coordination with the Government of Israel and any Palestinian entities.

(H) The goals of the coordination described in subparagraph (G)(iii).

(I) The level of support provided, as of the date of the enactment of this Act, to the International Stabilization Force, including activities, mission objectives, and United States personnel involved.

(J) The level of support provided, as of such date of enactment, for the generation of Palestinian security forces, including activities, mission objectives, and United States personnel involved.

(K) The feasibility of permanently authorizing the Center.

(c) REPORT REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and every 180 days thereafter, the Secretary, in coordination with the Commander of the United States Central Command, shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services Committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the Center that includes the following:

(A) The number of members of the Armed Forces assigned to the Center.

(B) The number of members of the Armed Forces assigned to the International Stabilization Force mission.

(C) A statement of any casualties among employees or contractors of the United States Government assigned to the Center during the year preceding submission of the report.

(D) A list of all the governmental, nongovernmental, and private sector stakeholder partners of the Center.

(E) The number of humanitarian aid trucks and cumulative metric tons of supplies that have entered Gaza from entry points originating in Egypt and Israel, respectively, includ-

ing, to the extent feasible, the following information:

(i) The weight or volume of cooking gas or oil, engine oil, shelter materials, and materials that support the production or distribution of fresh water that have entered Gaza, disaggregated by category and operator.

(ii) The weight or volume of medical supplies by type, including medications, vaccines, and equipment that have entered Gaza, disaggregated by category and operator.

(iii) The weight or volume of food stuffs by type, including fresh produce, meat, and dry staple goods that have entered Gaza, disaggregated by category and operator.

(iv) An accounting by weight or volume and type of humanitarian assistance goods and supplies that have not been permitted into Gaza and the rationale for not permitting such goods and supplies into Gaza.

(v) An assessment of—

(I) whether Hamas has in any way interfered with the distribution of the items described in any of clauses (i) through (iv); and

(II) an assessment of the extent to which Hamas has profited, or attempted to profit, from the distribution, or planned distribution, of those items.

(F) An identification of the general officer who is in operational command of International Stabilization Force and the country of which that officer is a citizen.

(G) An assessment of whether the International Stabilization Force operates under a multinational, coalition, or other framework.

(H) A description of the primary objectives and mission sets of the International Stabilization Force.

(I) An assessment of the extent to which the International Stabilization Force is participating in the disarmament of Hamas.

(J) A map showing the deployment of the International Stabilization Force within Gaza and the areas it controls.

(K) An explanation of the rules of engagement of the International Stabilization Force.

(L) A description of the nature of the relationship of the International Stabilization Force with the Palestinian police force or forces.

(2) FORM.—Each report required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

SEC. 926. MODIFICATIONS TO UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM DEFINITIONS FOR JOINT INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE 401.

Section 199(h) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by inserting ''detecting, identifying, monitoring, tracking,'' after ''safely''; and

(2) in paragraph (3)—

(A) by inserting ''(A)'' after ''(3)''; and

(B) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

''(B) The term 'unmanned aircraft system' includes a control station that enables control of an unmanned aircraft.''.

SEC. 927. MAXIMIZING FUNDING EFFICIENCY FOR HOMELAND DEFENSE.

Section 199 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (d)—

(A) by redesignating paragraph (7) as paragraph (8); and

(B) by inserting after paragraph (6) the following new paragraph (7):

''(7) Identify interagency initiatives and available funding that are aligned with all applicable responsibilities of the Task Force for low-altitude airspace security aligned with covered facilities or assets (as defined in section 130i of this title) and any other initiatives the Director considers appropriate.''; and

(2) in subsection (f)(2)—

(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking ''; and'' and inserting a semicolon; and

(B) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

''(C) to appropriately coordinate the funding and integration priorities of the Task Force with the architecture development, capability requirements, and implementation of Golden Dome for America to enhance alignment on the

defense of the United States against next-generation aerial attacks, including by small unmanned aircraft from peer, near-peer, and rogue adversaries; and''.

SEC. 928. PROHIBITION ON THE REDUCTION OF FUNDING FOR FOREIGN LANGUAGE TRAINING FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.

None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 may be obligated or expended by the Department of Defense to terminate, replace, reduce, or prepare to terminate, replace, or reduce a program of foreign language, regional expertise, and cultural capability training or instruction until 90 days after the Secretary of Defense submits to the congressional defense committees a certification that the Department of Defense has attained a high rate of readiness, as tracked in the DoD Language Readiness Index, for any foreign languages and related competencies identified on DOD Strategic Language Lists.

SEC. 929. RECORDS RETENTION REQUIREMENT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that all records related to United States maritime strikes in the Caribbean and the Eastern Pacific are retained by the Department of Defense, including the following records:

(1) Strike videos.

(2) Investigative documents.

(3) After action reports.

(4) Aircrew debriefing reports.

(5) Chat log communications immediately preceding, during, or immediately after strikes.

(6) Written concepts of operation.

(7) Execute orders.

(8) Legal opinions.

(b) RETENTION AND TRANSFER TO NARA.—Records retained under subsection (a)—

(1) shall be retained in accordance with all otherwise applicable provisions of law relating to retention and archiving of records, including chapters 29, 31, 33, and 35 of title 44, United States Code, and subchapter B of chapter XII of title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, or successor regulations; and

(2) may be transferred to the National Archives and Records Administration in accordance with such provisions of law.

TITLE X—GENERAL PROVISIONS

Subtitle A—Financial Matters

SEC. 1001. GENERAL TRANSFER AUTHORITY.

(a) AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER AUTHORIZATIONS.—

(1) AUTHORITY.—Upon determination by the Secretary of Defense that such action is necessary in the national interest, the Secretary may transfer amounts of authorizations made available to the Department of Defense in this division for fiscal year 2027 between any such authorizations for that fiscal year (or any subdivisions thereof). Amounts of authorizations so transferred shall be merged with and be available for the same purposes as the authorization to which transferred.

(2) LIMITATION.—Except as provided in paragraph (3), the total amount of authorizations that the Secretary may transfer under the authority of this section may not exceed $6,000,000,000.

(3) EXCEPTION FOR TRANSFERS BETWEEN MILITARY PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATIONS.—A transfer of funds between military personnel authorizations under title IV shall not be counted toward the dollar limitation in paragraph (2).

(b) LIMITATIONS.—The authority provided by subsection (a) to transfer authorizations—

(1) may only be used to provide authority for items that have a higher priority than the items from which authority is transferred; and

(2) may not be used to provide authority for an item that has been denied authorization by Congress.

(c) EFFECT ON AUTHORIZATION AMOUNTS.—A transfer made from one account to another under the authority of this section shall be deemed to increase the amount authorized for the account to which the amount is transferred by an amount equal to the amount transferred.

(d) NOTICE TO CONGRESS.—The Secretary shall promptly notify Congress of each transfer made under subsection (a).

SEC. 1002. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT READINESS, REPORTING RELIEF, AND RELATED REFORMS.

(a) CESSATION AND REINSTATEMENT OF CERTAIN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) CESSATION.—The reporting requirements specified in paragraph (2) shall not apply upon the issuance of an unmodified audit opinion on the consolidated financial statements of the Department of Defense, including the military departments and other reporting entities defined by the Office of Management and Budget.

(2) COVERED REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—The reporting requirements referred to in paragraph (1) are the following:

(A) The requirement to submit a report and provide briefings under section 240b of title 10, United States Code, except that all other requirements of such section shall continue to apply.

(B) The requirement to submit annual reports under section 817(d) of the Bob Stump National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2003 (Public Law 107–314; 116 Stat. 2610).

(3) REINSTATEMENT.—If, after the cessation of applicability under paragraph (1), the Department of Defense receives an adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion on its consolidated financial statements in a subsequent fiscal year, the reporting requirements specified in paragraph (2)(A) shall again apply until the Department receives an unmodified audit opinion in a subsequent fiscal year.

(b) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS IF AN UNMODIFIED AUDIT OPINION IS NOT ACHIEVED BY DECEMBER 31, 2028.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Department of Defense does not obtain an unmodified audit opinion on its consolidated financial statements for fiscal year 2028 by December 31, 2028, the requirements of this subsection shall take effect on January 1, 2029.

(2) UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (COMPTROLLER).—

(A) QUALIFICATIONS.—An individual nominated for appointment as Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) under section 135 of title 10, United States Code shall—

(i) be a certified public accountant; or

(ii) have served as a chief financial officer, or in an equivalent position at—

(I) a Federal or State agency that received an unmodified audit opinion during such service; or

(II) a public company that received an unmodified audit opinion during such service.

(B) DUTIES.—In addition to the duties specified in section 135(c) of title 10, United States Code, the Under Secretary shall perform such additional duties relating to the financial

management of the Department of Defense as the Deputy Secretary of Defense, acting in the capacity of Chief Management Officer, may prescribe.

(C) EXCEPTION.—Subparagraph (A) shall not apply if the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) meets the requirements of clause (i) or clause (ii) of such subparagraph.

(3) ASSISTANT SECRETARIES FOR FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT.—

(A) ARMY.—

(i) QUALIFICATIONS.—An individual nominated for appointment as Assistant Secretary of the Army for Financial Management and Comptroller under section 7016 of title 10, United States Code, shall meet the requirements described in paragraph (2)(A)(i).

(ii) RESPONSIBILITIES.—In addition to the responsibilities specified in section 7016(b)(4) of title 10, United States Code, the individual described in clause (i) shall perform such additional responsibilities as the Deputy Secretary of Defense, acting in

the capacity of Chief Management Officer, may prescribe.

(iii) EXCEPTION.—Clause (i) shall not apply if the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Financial Management and Comptroller meets the requirements described in paragraph (2)(A)(i).

(B) NAVY.—

(i) QUALIFICATIONS.—An individual nominated for appointment as Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Financial Management and Comptroller under section 8016 of title 10, United States Code, shall meet the requirements described in paragraph (2)(A)(i).

(ii) RESPONSIBILITIES.—In addition to the responsibilities specified in section 8016(b)(4) of title 10, United States Code, the individual described in clause (i) shall perform such additional responsibilities as the Deputy Secretary of Defense, acting in the capacity of Chief Management Officer, may prescribe.

(iii) EXCEPTION.—Clause (i) shall not apply if the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Financial Management and Comptroller meets the requirements described in paragraph (2)(A)(i).

(C) AIR FORCE.—

(i) QUALIFICATIONS.—An individual nominated for appointment as Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Financial Management and Comptroller under section 9016 of title 10, United States Code, shall meet the requirements described in paragraph (2)(A)(i).

(ii) RESPONSIBILITIES.—In addition to the responsibilities specified in section 9016(b)(4) of title 10, United States Code, the individual described in clause (i) shall perform such additional responsibilities as the Deputy Secretary of Defense, acting in the capacity of Chief Management Officer, may prescribe.

(iii) EXCEPTION.—Clause (i) shall not apply if the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Financial

Management and Comptroller meets the requirements described in paragraph (2)(A)(i).

(4) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection, the term ''public company'' has the meaning given the term ''issuer'' in section 2(a)(7) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 7201(7)).

(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR AUDIT ACCELERATION.—Of the amounts authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2027 for automation and artificial intelligence to accelerate remediation and systems modernization for the audit of Department of Defense financial statements—

(1) $250,000,000 may be made available from Operation and Maintenance, Defense-Wide; and

(2) $250,000,000 may be made available from Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Defense-Wide.

(d) DEPUTY INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDITS.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Defense shall establish within the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense a position of Deputy Inspector General for Financial Statement Audits.

(2) DUTIES.—The Deputy Inspector General shall oversee the selection and performance of independent external auditors conducting audits of the Department's consolidated financial statements.

(3) QUALIFICATIONS.—An individual serving in the position shall be a certified public accountant.

SEC. 1003. EXPANSION OF REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTAL TO CONGRESS OF REPORTS AND JUSTIFICATION BOOKS.

(a) REPORTING ON UNFUNDED PRIORITIES OF THE ARMED FORCES AND COMBATANT COMMANDS.—Section 222a of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by inserting before ''each officer'' the following: ''and not later than seven days after the date on which any covered document is delivered to any of the congressional defense committees,''; and

(2) in subsection (e), by adding at the end the following:

''(3) The term 'covered document' means a document referred to as a 'dash one', including the following:

''(A) Military Personnel Programs (M–1).

''(B) Operation and Maintenance Programs (O–1).

"(C) Revolving and Management Fund (RF–1).

"(D) Procurement Programs (P–1).

"(E) Procurement Programs Reserve Components (P–1R).

"(F) Research Development, Test & Evaluation Programs (R–1).

"(G) Military Construction, Family Housing, and Base Realignment and Closure Program (C–1).

"(H) Any subsequent or successor document.".

(b) REPORTING ON JUSTIFICATION BOOKS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than seven days after the date on which a covered document is delivered to Congress in support of the budget of the President submitted under section 1105 of title 31, United States Code, for a fiscal year, the Secretary of Defense shall transmit to Congress the Justification Books for such covered document, as detailed in the Department of Defense Financial Management Regulation (DoD 7000.14–R).

(2) COVERED DOCUMENT DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term "covered document" has the meaning given that term in section 222a(e) of title

10, United States Code, as amended by subsection (a).

SEC. 1004. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: OPENING BALANCES FOR AUDIT PURPOSES.

Chapter 9A of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 240i the following new section:

"§ 240j. Financial statements: opening balances for audit purposes

''(a) USSGL ACCOUNT DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'USSGL Account' means United States Standard General Ledger Account.

''(b) DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY.—For purposes of an audit conducted under this chapter on the financial statements of the Department of the Army, the opening balances as of October 1, 2025, for the Department of the Army Working Capital Fund shall be as follows:

''(1) For USSGL Account 101000, titled 'Fund Balance with Treasury', $2,010,085,640.47.

''(2) For USSGL Account 310000, titled 'Unexpended Appropriations—Cumulative', $104,620,026.51.

''(3) For USSGL Account 413900, titled 'Contract Authority Carried Forward', $4,448,474,255.57.

''(4) For USSGL Account 420100, titled 'Total Actual Resources—Collected', $1,836,976,540.16.

''(5) For USSGL Account 445000, titled 'Unapportioned—Unexpired Authority', $3,668,585,253.03.

''(c) DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE.—For purposes of an audit conducted under this chapter on the financial statements of the Department of the Air Force, the opening balances as of October 1, 2025, for the Department of the Air Force Working Capital Fund shall be as follows:

''(1) For USSGL Account 310000, titled 'Unexpended Appropriations—Cumulative', $74,131,256.71.

''(2) For USSGL Account 413900, titled 'Contract Authority Carried Forward', $6,333,279,921.52.

''(3) For USSGL Account 420100, titled 'Total Actual Resources—Collected', $2,988,803,908.21.

''(4) For USSGL Account 445000, titled 'Unapportioned—Unexpired Authority', $1,930,040,147.04.

''(d) DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY.—For purposes of an audit conducted under this chapter on the financial

statements of the Defense Logistics Agency, opening and ending balances shall be used as follows:

"(1) DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY WORKING CAPITAL FUND.—For the Defense Logistics Agency Working Capital Fund, opening balances as of October 1, 2024, are as follows:

"(A) For USSGL Account 101000, titled 'Fund Balance with Treasury', $3,483,483,641.67.

"(B) For USSGL Account 310000, titled 'Unexpended Appropriations—Cumulative', $883,887,145.71.

"(C) For USSGL Account 331000, titled 'Cumulative Results of Operations', $27,271,547,121.85.

"(D) For USSGL Account 413900, titled 'Contract Authority Carried Forward', $13,130,151,985.39.

"(E) For USSGL Account 420100, titled 'Total Actual Resources—Collected', $3,578,944,883.86.

"(F) For USSGL Account 445000, titled 'Unapportioned—Unexpired Authority', $507,354,134.72.

"(2) NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUND.—For the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund established by section 9 of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98h), opening and ending balances are as follows:

"(A) The ending balance of $313,633,491.15 reported in the Central Accounting Reporting System of the Department of the Treasury for September 30, 2021, is the Fund Balance with Treasury ending balance on that date.

"(B) For USSGL Account 420100, titled 'Total Actual Resources—Collected', the opening balance as of October 1, 2021 is $314,548,154.42.

"(C) For USSGL Account 445000, titled 'Unapportioned—Unexpired Authority', the ending balance as of September 30, 2021 is $216,976,300.69.

"(e) UNITED STATES TRANSPORTATION COMMAND WORKING CAPITAL FUND.—For purposes of an audit conducted under this chapter on the financial statements of the United States Transportation Command Working

Capital Fund, opening balances as of October 1, 2025, shall be used as follows:

''(1) For USSGL Account 101000, titled 'Fund Balance with Treasury', $1,703,953,150.05.

''(2) For USSGL Account 310000, titled 'Unexpended Appropriations—Cumulative', $9,279,074.12.

''(3) For USSGL Account 413900, titled 'Contract Authority Carried Forward', $7,579,101.52.

''(4) For USSGL Account 420100, titled 'Total Actual Resources—Collected', $1,705,320,750.62.

''(5) For USSGL Account 445000, titled 'Unapportioned—Unexpired Authority', $453,684,782.00.

''(6) For USSGL Account 465000, titled 'Allotments—Expired Authority', $2,135,263.61.''.

(b) CONFORMING REPEALS OF STATUTES CODIFIED IN NEW SECTION 240j.—

(1) DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY WORKING CAPITAL FUND.—Section 1422 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1137) is repealed.

(2) NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUND.—Section 1413 of the National De-

fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 137 Stat. 528) is repealed.

SEC. 1005. PROHIBITION ON PROVISION OF SUPPORT TO DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.

None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 may be obligated or expended for Department of Defense support to the Department of Homeland Security until the Secretary of Defense certifies to the congressional defense committees that the Department of Defense has received reimbursements from the Department of Homeland Security for reimbursable support provided by the Department of Defense to the Department of Homeland Security since October 1, 2025.

Subtitle B—Naval Vessels

SEC. 1011. DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF NEW GLOBAL-CLASS AUXILIARY GENERAL OCEANOGRAPHIC RESEARCH SHIPS.

(a) STRATEGY.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Navy shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a strategy detailing how the Department of the Navy will complete expedited design and construction of new Global-class auxiliary general

oceanographic research (AGOR) ships to replace Global-class AGOR 23–25 ships after funding is provided for such new ships, including a cost estimate and an estimated delivery timeline.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Navy shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a report that includes the following:

(1) The strategy of the Department of the Navy with respect to the replacement of Global-class AGOR 23–25 ships.

(2) If the strategy described in paragraph (1) provides for the replacement of the last of the Global-class AGOR 23–25 ships on a date that is more than five years after the date of the enactment of this Act, a plan to maintain the operational capabilities of the fleet of such ships until the date on which such fleet is projected to be replaced.

(3) An explanation of how the plan described in paragraph (2) specifically implements the goals of Executive Order 14269 (relating to restoring America's maritime dominance).

(4) An explanation of—

(A) the limitations of Global-class AGOR 23–25 ships for operating in the Arctic region; and

(B) how a new Global-class oceanographic research ship design would improve the Navy's overall operational and warfighting capability in the Arctic region.

(5) An assessment of the feasibility of converting current civilian or military operational ship designs to meet the Global-class oceanographic research vessel mission, including the feasibility of adapting the Pathfinder oceanographic ship design or converting retired or obsolete littoral combat ships for that purpose.

(6) An identification of funding in the future-years defense program by appropriation and fiscal year for the annual operation and recapitalization of the Navy's oceanographic research fleet.

(7) An assessment of the feasibility of transferring a retired littoral combat ship to the National Science Foundation to begin to address the Foundation's ocean floor drilling platform requirement to replace the JOIDES Resolution, including an estimate of the costs necessary to make such a retired ship seaworthy again.

SEC. 1012. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS IN THE NATIONAL DEFENSE SEALIFT FUND TO PURCHASE CERTAIN USED FOREIGN CONSTRUCTED VESSELS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2218 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (f)—

(A) in paragraph (3)—

(i) in subparagraph (A), by inserting ''(other than an excluded vessel)'' after ''any used vessel'';

(ii) in subparagraph (B), by inserting ''(other than an excluded vessel)'' after ''a used vessel'';

(iii) by striking subparagraph (C) and inserting the following new subparagraph (C):

''(C) The Secretary may only use the authority under this paragraph to purchase more than 12 foreign-constructed vessels if, for each such vessel so purchased after the twelfth vessel, the Secretary purchases one vessel under paragraph (4).'';

(iv) in subparagraph (D), by striking ''subparagraph (A)'' and inserting ''this paragraph''; and

(v) by striking subparagraph (E) and redesignating subparagraphs (F) and (G) as subparagraphs (E) and (F), respectively; and

(B) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(4) A vessel purchased under this paragraph is a vessel—

''(A) purchased using funds in the National Defense Sealift Fund;

''(B) constructed in a ship yard located in the United States; and

''(C) the construction of which is managed by a commercial vessel construction manager.''; and

(2) in subsection (k), by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(6) The term 'excluded vessel' means a vessel that was—

''(A) constructed or substantially modified by an entity located in the People's Republic of China; or

''(B) constructed by a Chinese military company, as such term is defined in section 1260H(g) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal

Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 113 note).''.

(b) TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.—Section 2218 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by subsection (a), is further amended—

(1) in subsection (f)(2), by striking ''section 1424(b) of Public Law 101–510 (104 Stat. 1683)'' and inserting ''section 1424(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1991 (Public Law 101–510; 10 U.S.C. 8661 note)''; and

(2) in subsection (k)(2)(A), by striking ''section 1424 of Public Law 101–510 (104 Stat. 1683)'' and inserting ''section 1424 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1991 (Public Law 101–510; 10 U.S.C. 8661 note)''.

SEC. 1013. MODIFICATIONS TO VESSEL CONSTRUCTION MANAGERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN NAVY VESSELS.

Section 129 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 757) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(1), by striking ''not more than'' and inserting ''not fewer than'';

(2) in subsection (b), by striking ''The Secretary of the Navy'' and inserting ''If the Secretary

of the Navy seeks the construction of light replenishment oilers (TAO–L), the Secretary''; and

(3) in subsection (c)—

(A) in the subsection heading, by striking ''AUXILIARY AND SUPPORT VESSELS'' and inserting ''OTHER VESSELS''; and

(B) by striking ''or support vessel'' and inserting '', support vessel, unmanned vessel, or vessel that is not included in the battle force''.

SEC. 1014. DEVELOPMENT OF INDUSTRIAL BASE FOR DISTRIBUTED SUBMARINE AND SURFACE VESSEL SHIPBUILDING.

(a) MARITIME INDUSTRIAL BASE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Navy, in coordination with the heads of relevant organizations of the Department of Defense and other departments and agencies of the Federal Government, shall develop a plan to expand cooperation and information sharing with State university systems, community college systems, technical college systems, and State educational agencies in order to scale workforce development efforts to support distributed submarine and surface vessel shipbuilding.

(2) PLAN ELEMENTS.—The plan required by paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) A summary of current and projected critical trade skill requirements of the maritime industrial base of the Navy, including welders, electricians, metal fabricators, machinists, weld engineers, manufacturing engineers, industrial engineers, quality inspectors, test technicians, machine programmers, additive manufacturing professionals, and naval engineers.

(B) An analysis of labor markets that face growing demands on the maritime industrial base workforce, including such markets located in landlocked States.

(C) A plan to catalogue and annually transmit specific workforce requirements of the maritime industrial base to State university systems, community college systems, technical college systems, and State educational agencies.

(3) REPORT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than October 1, 2027, the Secretary of the Navy shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the feasibility and efficacy of establishing a seventh regional talent pipeline as part

of the Navy Talent Pipeline Program focused on non-coastal labor markets that are traditionally underutilized by the maritime industrial base.

(B) FORM.—The report required by subparagraph (A) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may contain a classified annex.

(b) DEVELOPMENT OF INDUSTRIAL BASE OF SUPPLIERS AND MANUFACTURERS FOR SUBMARINES AND SURFACE VESSELS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Navy, in coordination with the heads of relevant organizations of the Department of Defense and other departments and agencies of the Federal Government, shall develop a strategy to further modernize the supply chain of the maritime industrial base by optimizing its geographic reach to incorporate capable suppliers and manufacturers for the Nation's shipbuilding needs.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The strategy developed under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) A plan to grow the Navy's industrial base of suppliers and manufacturers for submarines and surface vessels beyond the traditional centers of shipbuilding.

(B) Plans to build sourcing and logistics capabilities from disperse geographic United States locations.

(C) A plan to develop a single, consolidated online portal for maritime industrial base suppliers to access information about—

(i) parts, components, and systems needed by the maritime industrial base; and

(ii) pathways to become a qualified supplier.

(D) A description of current and projected shortfalls in the supply chains of the maritime industrial base that are negatively impacted by workforce deficits in labor markets that traditionally support the shipbuilding industry.

(3) SUBMITTAL TO CONGRESS.—Not later than October 1, 2027, the Secretary of the Navy shall submit to the congressional defense committees a completed version of the strategy developed under paragraph (1).

SEC. 1015. REPORT AND BRIEFING ON SUBMARINE TENDER REQUIREMENTS AND CAPACITY.

(a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than March 1, 2027, the Secretary of the Navy shall submit to the con-

gressional defense committees a report on the required number of submarine tenders (AS) to support the current and planned force structure of attack submarines (SSN), guided-missile submarines (SSGN), and ballistic missile submarines (SSBN), particularly in the United States Indo-Pacific Command area of responsibility.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The report required under subsection (a) shall include the following elements:

(1) An analysis of the required number of submarine tenders to meet theater maintenance and repair requirements through 2055, accounting for the planned expansion of the submarine fleet.

(2) A detailed timeline and schedule for the procurement and deployment of the next-generation submarine tender (AS(X)) program to prevent operational capability gaps as the current aging fleet of AS–39 Emory S. Land-class tenders are decommissioned.

(3) A detailed analysis of the impact of expeditionary submarine repair and reload capabilities on battle force effectiveness in a contested environment.

(4) A description of how new tenders will provide depot-level maintenance, including repair of advanced weapons systems and unmanned aerial systems/unmanned underwater vehicles (UAS/UUV)

support, as identified in the SSN(X) requirement report.

(5) An assessment of the feasibility of utilizing other ship platforms, such as Expeditionary Sea Base (ESB) or Landing Platform Dock (LPD) vessels, to augment submarine tender capabilities.

(6) An evaluation of optimal homeporting locations for tenders to maximize Pacific operational flexibility, including Japan and Australia.

(c) FORM.—The report shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(d) BRIEFING REQUIREMENT.—Not later than April 1, 2027, the Secretary of the Navy shall provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees on the findings of the report.

SEC. 1016. INCREASE IN MINIMUM NUMBER OF AMPHIBIOUS WARFARE SHIPS.

(a) REQUIREMENT.—Section 8062(b) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''31'' and inserting ''33''.

(b) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Navy shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the plan of the Navy

to achieve a continuous 3.0 amphibious readiness group (ARG)/marine expeditionary unit (MEU) presence.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) A description of any changes to the Optimized Fleet Response Plan for amphibious warfare ships and an explanation of how the revised force generation model will achieve increased forward presence using the same force structure.

(B) An assessment of the total number of amphibious warfare ships, including the number of amphibious assault ships, required to support the 3.0 ARG/MEU presence under the revised force generation model.

(C) A description of any plans to conduct service-life extensions or modernization programs for amphibious warfare ships, including the LHD–1 Wasp.

SEC. 1017. PROHIBITION ON RETIRING AND DECOMMISSIONING OCEANOGRAPHIC RESEARCH VESSELS OF THE NAVY.

None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act for fiscal year 2027 may be obligated or expended

to retire or decommission, prepare to retire or decommission, or place in storage any oceanographic research vessel of the Navy, including the Kilo Moana.

SEC. 1018. SUPERVISORS OF SHIPBUILDING, CONVERSION, AND REPAIR.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 8039 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in the section heading, by striking ''**Deputy Commander of the Naval Sea Systems Command for the Supervision**'' and inserting ''**Supervisors**'';

(2) in subsection (a), by striking ''The Secretary'' and all that follows and inserting ''The Supervisors of Shipbuilding, Conversion, and Repair are the onsite shipbuilding, conversion, and repair oversight presence for naval vessels in private shipyards that perform new construction.'';

(3) by striking subsections (b), (f), (g), and (h);

(4) by redesignating subsections (c), (d), and (e), as subsections (b), (c), and (d), respectively;

(5) in subsection (b), as so redesignated, by striking ''The Deputy Commander'' and all that follows and inserting ''The Supervisors shall align under and report to the designated Portfolio Acquisition Executive for assigned vessels or Milestone

Decision Authority if there is no designated portfolio acquisition executive.'';

(6) in subsection (c), as redesignated by paragraph (4)—

(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking ''Deputy Commander'' and inserting ''Supervisors'';

(B) in paragraph (1), by striking ''independent''; and

(C) in paragraph (4), by striking ''greater quality and economy'' and inserting ''on-time performance, quality, and economy''; and

(7) in subsection (d), as redesignated by paragraph (4)—

(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1)—

(i) by striking ''Deputy Commander'' and inserting ''Supervisors''; and

(ii) by striking ''Program Executives Offices'' and inserting ''Portfolio Acquisition Executives or Milestone Decision Authority, as applicable'';

(B) in paragraph (1)—

(i) in subparagraph (A), by striking ''Commander of Naval Sea Systems Com-

mand'' and inserting ''applicable authority''; and

(ii) in subparagraph (D), by striking ''Contract planning and procurement, including participation'' and inserting ''Participating''; and

(C) in paragraph (2)(B), by striking ''Naval Sea Systems Command'' and inserting ''applicable authority''.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 805 of such title is amended by striking the item relating to section 8039 and inserting the following:

''8039. Supervisors of Shipbuilding, Conversion, and Repair.''.

SEC. 1019. CONSTRUCTION OF VESSELS IN FOREIGN SHIPYARDS.

(a) PROHIBITION.—Section 8679 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking ''Except as provided in subsection (b), no vessel to be constructed for any of the armed forces'' and inserting ''No vessel to be constructed for any of the armed services'';

(2) by striking subsection (b); and

(3) by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection (b).

(b) AUTHORITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 8679 of title 10, United States Code, the Secretary of Defense may construct not more than two vessels for each class of covered vessels in a foreign shipyard, if the Secretary determines that—

(A) such construction is in the national security interest of the United States, supported by evidence, for purposes of interoperability with allies and partners, forward logistics support, or accelerating achievement of fleet capacity requirements;

(B) the foreign country in which construction is proposed—

(i) is a treaty ally of the United States; and

(ii) has the capacity to produce the vessel, including with respect to workforce, physical shipyard constraints, and supply chain; and

(C) such construction ensures concurrent direct capital investments in the maritime industrial base of the United States resulting in, not later than the fourth vessel of the class of

covered vessels, the onshoring of the construction and the supplier base of such class.

(2) REPORT AND CERTIFICATION REQUIRED.—Not later than 30 days before obligating or expending any funds pursuant to the authority under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes the following:

(A) A certification that the conditions described in subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C) of such paragraph will be satisfied.

(B) An identification of—

(i) the specific vessel or class of vessels to be constructed in a foreign shipyard; and

(ii) the specific foreign country and shipyard in which construction is proposed.

(C) A description of the enforceable provisions that will govern the protection of classified information and controlled unclassified information related to the vessel during construction.

(D) The sourcing plan and schedule to onshore the supply chain and the plan for construction of the third and subsequent vessels of

the class of covered vessels in a shipyard in the United States.

(3) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—In exercising the authority under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense shall ensure that—

(A) all critical mission systems, command and control equipment, and secure communications systems are installed in the United States or a secure allied facility;

(B) the vessels are projected to be constructed and delivered faster than if the vessels were constructed at a shipyard in the United States, or construction at a foreign shipyard otherwise provides a material benefit to readiness or force posture;

(C) the software and hardware related to all machinery control systems, cargo and ballast control systems, power and electrical systems, and safety systems are secure; and

(D) a life cycle sustainment plan is approved by the Secretary for the class of covered vessels, including class-standard repair parts.

(4) PROHIBITION ON DELEGATION.—The responsibility to submit a certification under paragraph (2) may not be delegated.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) CLASS OF COVERED VESSELS.—The term ''class of covered vessels'' means the following vessels that do not have combatant classifications:

(A) Bulk fuel vessels designed or intended primarily for the carriage of liquid fuels.

(B) Strategic sealift vessels designed to rapidly deploy heavy military equipment globally in a roll-on/roll-off configuration.

(2) CRITICAL MISSION SYSTEM.—The term ''critical mission system'', with respect to a vessel, means a system (weapon or auxiliary) the failure of which would prevent the successful completion of the mission or severely impact ability to fight.

(3) FOREIGN SHIPYARD.—The term ''foreign shipyard'' means a shipyard located outside the United States.

SEC. 1020. LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY TO CHANGE VESSEL NAMES.

Section 8662 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by inserting ''SAME NAME.—'' after ''(a)''; and

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) by striking ''(b) The Secretary'' and inserting the following:

''(b) NAME CHANGE.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the Secretary''; and

(B) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(2) LIMITATION AND NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Navy may change the name of a vessel after such name has been officially announced by the Secretary only if—

''(i) the Secretary is holding office by and with the advice and consent of the Senate;

''(ii) the Secretary determines that a compelling reason exists for the name change; and

''(iii) not later than 30 days before the date on which the change takes effect, the Secretary submits to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a report explain-

ing, in detail, the justification for the change.

''(B) EXERCISE OF AUTHORITY; NONDELEGATION.—The authority under subparagraph (A) shall be exercised solely by the Secretary of the Navy and may not be delegated.''.

Subtitle C—Counterterrorism

SEC. 1021. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR TRANSFER OR RELEASE OF INDIVIDUALS DETAINED AT UNITED STATES NAVAL STATION, GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA, TO THE UNITED STATES.

Section 1033 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 132 Stat. 1953), as most recently amended by section 1032 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 129 Stat. 1034), is further amended by striking ''December 31, 2026'' and inserting ''December 31, 2027''.

SEC. 1022. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS TO CONSTRUCT OR MODIFY FACILITIES IN THE UNITED STATES TO HOUSE DETAINEES TRANSFERRED FROM UNITED STATES NAVAL STATION, GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA.

Section 1034(a) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 132 Stat. 1954), as most recently amended by section 1033 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1034), is further amended by striking ''December 31, 2026'' and inserting ''December 31, 2027''.

SEC. 1023. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR TRANSFER OR RELEASE OF INDIVIDUALS DETAINED AT UNITED STATES NAVAL STATION, GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA, TO CERTAIN COUNTRIES.

Section 1035 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 132 Stat. 1954), as most recently amended by section 1034 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1034), is further amended by striking ''December 31, 2026'' and inserting ''December 31, 2027''.

SEC. 1024. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS TO CLOSE OR RELINQUISH CONTROL OF UNITED STATES NAVAL STATION, GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA.

Section 1036 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91; 131 Stat. 1551), as most recently amended by section 1035 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1035), is further amended by striking ''2026'' and inserting ''2027''.

Subtitle D—Miscellaneous Authorities and Limitations

SEC. 1031. PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS TO SUPPORT ENTERTAINMENT PROJECTS WITH TIES TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

(a) IN GENERAL.—None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act for the Department of Defense may be used to knowingly provide active and direct support to any film, television, or other entertainment project if the Secretary of Defense has demonstrable evidence that the project has complied or is likely to comply with a demand from the Government of the People's Republic of China or the Chinese Communist Party, or an entity under the direction of the People's Republic of China or the Chinese Communist Party, to censor the content of

the project in a material manner to advance the national interest of the People's Republic of China.

(b) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may waive the prohibition under subsection (a) if the Secretary submits to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives a written certification that such a waiver is in the national interest of the United States.

SEC. 1032. WAIVER AUTHORITY FOR LIMITATION ON LIVE FIRE TRAUMA TRAINING.

Section 1050 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1042) is amended—

(1) by striking ''Beginning'' and inserting the following:

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Beginning''; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(b) WAIVER AUTHORITY.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may waive the application of subsection (a) with respect to a unit or command for a period of one year, and may renew such a waiver for additional one-year periods, if the application of that subsection is demonstrated

to have a direct impact on the operational readiness of the unit or command, as the case may be.

''(2) NOTIFICATION REQUIRED.—Not later than 15 days after issuing or renewing a waiver under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a notification that includes, at a minimum—

''(A) an identification of the unit or command to which the waiver applies;

''(B) a description of the assessed impact to operational readiness that necessitated the waiver;

''(C) a description of ongoing efforts to increase combat medic training in civilian settings; and

''(D) a certification that no technically acceptable alternative exists to replace the use of live animals.''.

SEC. 1033. PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR REMOVAL OF ARMY PREPOSITIONED STOCKS FROM EUROPE.

No funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available may be used to transport Army Prepositioned Stock-2 (APS-2) equipment, so assigned as of March 1, 2026, outside of the European area

of operations for the purposes of maintenance or divestment.

SEC. 1034. IMPLEMENTATION OF NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall implement each recommendation for the Department of Defense and the Department of the Army from the National Transportation Safety Board contained in the report dated January 27, 2026, and entitled, ''Midair Collision over the Potomac River PSA Airlines Flight 5342, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries (MHI) RJ Aviation CL–600–2C10 (CRJ700), and US Army Priority Air Transport Flight 25, Sikorsky UH–60L'' (Aviation Investigation Report AIR–26–02), as the Secretary determines appropriate and practicable.

(b) IMPLEMENTATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall implement the recommendations under subsection (a), as applicable, across the Armed Forces and aviation units under the jurisdiction of the Secretary.

(c) REPORTS.—

(1) INITIAL REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on

Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives—

(A) a certification specifying which recommendations under subsection (a) have been implemented, including a justification for any recommendation not implemented; and

(B) a plan of the Department of Defense to mitigate the risk identified in each such recommendation not implemented.

(2) QUARTERLY REPORT.—Not later than March 1, 2027, and not less frequently than quarterly thereafter until December 31, 2030, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report detailing the status of implementation of this section across each branch of the Armed Forces and any barriers to such implementation.

(d) INSPECTOR GENERAL AUDITS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and not less frequently than annually thereafter, the Inspector General of the Department of Defense shall conduct an audit of oversight by the Department of De-

fense of all operations of aircraft of the Department in the national airspace system.

(2) CONSIDERATIONS.—In conducting each audit under paragraph (1), the Inspector General shall assess the efficacy of implementation by the Department of the recommendations under subsection (a).

(3) BRIEFINGS TO CONGRESS.—Not less frequently than annually after the completion of the first audit under paragraph (1), the Inspector General shall brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the findings of the audits conducted under such paragraph.

SEC. 1035. MODIFICATION OF SUPPORT OF SPECIAL OPERATIONS FOR IRREGULAR WARFARE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 127d of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking ''$20,000,000'' and inserting ''$30,000,000'';

(2) in subsection (c)(2)(E), in the matter preceding clause (i), by inserting ''satisfy the requirements of section 130g to'' after ''shall''; and

(3) in subsection (j)(1)(A), by inserting ''as required by section 130g'' before the semicolon.

(b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—The second section 130g of title 10, United States Code, is redesignated as section 130h.

SEC. 1036. DESIGNATION OF SOUTHWEST LAND BORDER ACTIVITIES, SUPPORT, AND OPERATIONS AS NAMED OPERATION.

(a) DESIGNATION.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall designate activities, support, and operations conducted by the Department of Defense in support of civil authorities at the southwest land border as a named operation.

(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the designation required by subsection (a) is to provide unified identification, planning, budgeting, oversight, and reporting for the activities, support, and operations described in such subsection in efforts to detect, deter, and disrupt transnational criminal organizations and other border-related threats.

(c) ANNUAL BUDGET REQUEST.—In the budget justification materials of the Department of Defense submitted to Congress each year, beginning with the first such submission following the designation required by subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall include, in a distinct line item—

(1) a program title and budgetary line for the named operation showing requested obligational authority by appropriations account and fiscal year;

(2) a narrative justification describing the scope of Department of Defense support, planned activities, and the legal authorities under which support is provided; and

(3) performance metrics and planned outputs for the coming fiscal year.

(d) TRANSPARENCY.—The budget justification materials described in subsection (c) shall include an unclassified summary of the types and estimated value of support provided, with a classified annex as necessary to protect sources and methods.

(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) SOUTHWEST LAND BORDER.—The term ''southwest land border'' means the land border of the United States adjacent to Mexico.

(2) SUPPORT OF CIVIL AUTHORITIES.—The term ''support of civil authorities''—

(A) has the meaning given that term in Department of Defense Directive 3025.18, as amended; and

(B) includes planning, logistics, intelligence support, aviation, engineering, and other non-law-enforcement assistance.

(f) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section may be construed to authorize the use of military force.

Subtitle E—Studies and Reports

SEC. 1041. THREAT ASSESSMENT REGARDING UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS AT OR NEAR THE INTERNATIONAL BORDERS OF THE UNITED STATES.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the ''Border Drone Threat Assessment Act''.

(b) DEFINITIONS.— In this section:

(1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—The term ''appropriate congressional committees'' means—

(A) the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate;

(B) the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate;

(C) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate;

(D) the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate;

(E) the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate;

(F) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate ;

(G) the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives;

(H) the Committee on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives;

(I) the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives;

(J) the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives;

(K) the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives;

(L) the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives; and

(M) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

(2) AT OR NEAR THE INTERNATIONAL BORDERS OF THE UNITED STATES.—The term ''at or near the international borders of the United States'' means at or within 100 air miles of an international land border or coastal border of the United States.

(3) COMMANDER.—The term ''Commander'' means the Commander of the United States Northern Command (USNORTHCOM).

(4) FOREIGN MALIGN INFLUENCE.—The term ''foreign malign influence'' has the meaning given such term in section 119B(f) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3059(f)).

(5) MALIGN ACTOR.—The term ''malign actor'' means any individual, group, or organization that is engaged in foreign malign influence, illicit drug trafficking, or other forms of transnational organized crime.

(6) TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME.—The term ''transnational organized crime'' has the meaning given such term in section 284(i) of title 10, United States Code.

(7) UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.—The term ''Under Secretary of Defense'' means the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security

(8) UNMANNED AIRCRAFT; UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM.—The terms ''unmanned aircraft'' and ''unmanned aircraft system'' have the meanings given such terms in section 44801 of title 49, United States Code.

(c) REPORT ON INCIDENTS INVOLVING UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS AT OR NEAR THE INTERNATIONAL BORDERS OF THE UNITED STATES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Commander shall—

(A) conduct a review of all incidents involving unmanned aerial systems operated at or near the international borders of the United States and counter-unmanned aerial systems actions taken by, or using equipment of, the Department of Defense during February 2026; and

(B) make an assessment and determination on whether modifications should be made to the communications and coordination by and between the Department of Defense and other Federal agencies with regard to unmanned aerial systems operated by a government entity in commercial airspace.

(2) AFTER ACTION REPORT.—Not later than 30 days after completing the review and assessment required under subsection (a), the Commander shall submit a report to—

(A) the Under Secretary of Defense, which shall be included as part of the threat assessment required under subsection (d);

(B) the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate; and

(C) the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives.

(d) THREAT ASSESSMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary of Defense shall complete an assessment of the threat regarding unmanned aircraft systems at or near the international borders of the United States.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The threat assessment required under paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) a description of the malign actors operating unmanned aircraft systems at or near the international borders of the United States, including malign actors who cross such borders;

(B) a description of how a threat is identified and assessed at or near the international borders of the United States, including a description of the capabilities of the United States Government to detect and identify unmanned

aircraft systems operated by, or on behalf of, malign actors;

(C) a description of the data and information collected by operators of unmanned aircraft systems at or near the international borders of the United States, including how such data is used by malign actors;

(D) a description of the tactics, techniques, and procedures used at or near the international borders of the United States by malign actors with regards to unmanned aircraft systems, including how unmanned aircraft systems are acquired, modified, and utilized to conduct malicious activities, including attacks, surveillance, conveyance of contraband, and other forms of threats;

(E) a description of the guidance, policies, and procedures that address the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of persons who lawfully operate unmanned aircraft systems at or near the international borders of the United States;

(F) a description of the capabilities of the United States Government to counter, contain, trace, defeat, or otherwise mitigate threats from

unmanned aircraft systems operated by malign actors at or near the international borders of the United States;

(G) an assessment of whether the capabilities of the United States Government are sufficient for achieving complete air domain awareness at or near the international borders of the United States;

(H) an assessment of the adequacy of current authorities of the United States Government to counter the use of unmanned aircraft systems by malign actors at or near the international borders of the United States, including an accounting of the delineated responsibilities of Federal agencies to counter, contain, trace, or defeat unmanned aircraft systems at or near the international borders of the United States; and

(I) an assessment of the coordination between Federal Government entities for airspace domain awareness, protection, and safety.

(e) CONSULTATION REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out the assessment required under subsection (d), the Under Secretary of Defense may consult with—

(1) the Director of National Intelligence;

(2) the Secretary of Homeland Security;

(3) the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration;

(4) the Secretary of State; and

(5) the heads of other elements of the intelligence community, the defense community, and the Department of Homeland Security as the Under Secretary considers appropriate.

(f) REPORT AND BRIEFING.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after completing the threat assessment required under subsection (d), the Under Secretary of Defense shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees containing findings with respect to such assessment.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The report required under paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) a detailed description of the threats posed to the national security of the United States by unmanned aircraft systems operated by malign actors at or near the international borders of the United States;

(B) a summary of the current responsibilities, authorities, regulations, policies, and procedures of the United States Government for

achieving air domain awareness at and near the international borders of the United States and countering and defeating unmanned aircraft systems used by malign actors along such borders;

(C) a summary of the current responsibilities, authorities, regulations, policies, and procedures of the United States Government for coordinating across Federal agencies for achieving air domain awareness at or near the international borders of the United States and ensuring airspace safety;

(D) an assessment of whether a change in authorities or additional authorities or resources are necessary—

(i) to achieve complete air domain awareness at or near international borders of the United States;

(ii) to provide adequate coordination across agencies on airspace safety; and

(iii) to counter and defeat unmanned aircraft systems used by malign actors along such borders.

(3) FORM.—The report required under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex, as appropriate.

(4) BRIEFING.—Not later than 90 days after the submission of the report required under paragraph (1), the Under Secretary of Defense shall provide a briefing regarding the report to the appropriate congressional committees.

SEC. 1042. EXTENSION OF AFGHANISTAN WAR COMMISSION.

Section 1094(e)(2)(A)(ii)(I) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 1541) is amended by striking ''3'' and inserting ''4''.

SEC. 1043. EXTENSION OF BRIEFING REQUIREMENT REGARDING CIVIL AUTHORITIES AT THE SOUTHWEST BORDER.

Section 1070 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2791), as amended by section 1064 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60), is further amended—

(1) by striking ''through December 31, 2026'' and inserting ''through December 31, 2028'';

(2) in paragraph (5), by striking ''; and'' and inserting a semicolon;

(3) in paragraph (6), by striking the period at the end and inserting ''; and''; and

(4) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(7) a cost analysis and an accompanying report that includes—

''(A) the costs associated with the assistance provided by the Department of Defense to the Department of Homeland Security during the most recently concluded 90-day period;

''(B) the costs associated with the assistance provided by the Department of Defense to the Department of Homeland Security during the most recently concluded 12-month period;

''(C) the projected costs associated with any requests for assistance from the Department of Homeland Security that have been granted by the Secretary of Defense, but have not been delivered; and

''(D) a detailed accounting of—

''(i) costs for assistance that the Department of Defense provided, is providing, or will provide to the Department of

Homeland Security, including whether such assistance is being provided on a reimbursable basis or a nonreimbursable basis; and

''(ii) an accounting of the reimbursements received by the Department of Defense for the assistance described in the report.''.

SEC. 1044. DRONE POSTURE REVIEW.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall conduct a drone posture review for uncrewed aerial, ground, surface, and undersea vehicles and their enabling systems, including an identification of gaps in the capability of United States forces and the vulnerabilities of United States forces to foreign uncrewed systems.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than March 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes the findings of the review required under subsection (a).

SEC. 1045. QUARTERLY REPORTS ON UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEM INCURSIONS OVER MILITARY INSTALLATIONS, SENSITIVE SITES, AND THE SOUTHERN BORDER.

(a) REQUIREMENT FOR REPORTS.—The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense and Americas

Security Affairs (in this section referred to as the ''Assistant Secretary'') shall submit to the congressional defense committees quarterly reports on incidents involving unmanned aerial systems (UAS) incursions—

(1) over military installations and other sensitive sites within the United States and its territories; and

(2) along the international land borders of the United States, with a particular focus on the southern border.

(b) ELEMENTS.—Each report required under subsection (a) shall include, for the preceding quarter—

(1) a comprehensive accounting of all known or suspected UAS incursions over—

(A) military installations; and

(B) other sensitive sites, as determined by the Secretary of Defense;

(2) for each such incursion, to the extent practicable—

(A) the date, time, and location of the incident;

(B) the duration and altitude of the UAS activity;

(C) the assessed origin and operator, if known;

(D) the type and capabilities of the UAS involved; and

(E) any assessed intent or threat posed by the incursion;

(3) a description of actions taken in response to each incursion, including—

(A) detection, tracking, and identification measures;

(B) mitigation or interdiction actions; and

(C) coordination with Federal, State, local, Tribal, and territorial authorities;

(4) an assessment of trends, patterns, and emerging threats related to UAS incursions;

(5) an evaluation of the effectiveness of existing counter-UAS authorities, policies, technologies, and procedures; and

(6) identification of any capability gaps, resource constraints, or legal limitations affecting the Department of Defense's ability to detect, deter, or respond to such incursions.

(c) FORM.—Each report required under subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(d) SENSITIVE SITES DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''sensitive sites'' means military installations and

other facilities and assets located in the United States that are subject to the authority provided under section 130i of title 10, United States Code, relating to the protection of certain facilities and assets from unmanned aircraft.

(e) SUNSET.—The requirement to submit reports under this section shall terminate on December 31, 2031.

SEC. 1046. REPORT ON PROGRESS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE INSTRUCTION ON CIVILIAN HARM MITIGATION AND RESPONSE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 15, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the implementation of Department of Defense Instruction 3000.17, entitled ''Civilian Harm Mitigation and Response'' and dated December 21, 2023.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The report required by subsection (a) shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(1) An assessment of the progress made toward implementation of each responsibility, function, and task assigned in section 2 of Department of Defense Instruction 3000.17.

(2) An assessment of the progress made toward implementation of sections 3, 4, and 5 of that In-

struction, related to mitigating, assessing, and responding to civilian harm, respectively, including any related changes in policy or practice of the Department of Defense.

(3) A breakdown of the number of full-time equivalent staff assigned to implementation of that Instruction across the Department, including the locations, offices, and roles of such staff.

(4) An estimate of the resources required by the Department to effectively implement that Instruction.

(c) FORM.—The report required by subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex if necessary.

SEC. 1047. REPORT ON TRANSFER OF PROPERTY BY DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

Section 2576a of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (g) as subsection (h); and

(2) by inserting after subsection (f) the following new subsection (g):

''(g) SEMI-ANNUAL MONITORING REPORTS.—Not less frequently than once every 180 days, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense com-

mittees a report setting forth, for the preceding 180-day period, the following:

''(1) An identification of the type of controlled and non-controlled property transferred by the Secretary under this section and the quantity transferred.

''(2) An identification of the agency receiving such property.

''(3) The date of any such transfer.''.

SEC. 1048. OVERSIGHT OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE RULES OF ENGAGEMENT.

(a) ANNUAL REPORT ON RULES OF ENGAGEMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 15 of each year for five years beginning one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the rules of engagement in force in the preceding calendar year governing operations conducted pursuant to direction from the President or the Secretary of Defense.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The annual report shall include the following elements:

(A) A description of any changes made to the standing rules of engagement, a legal and

policy explanation for each such change, and a copy of revised standing rules of engagement.

(B) An identification and description of any supplementary or theater-specific rules of engagement issued by the commander of a combatant command.

(C) A list and description of each declared hostile force that could be targeted under the rules of engagement identified under subparagraphs (A) and (B) without the United States Armed Forces observing a hostile act or demonstration of hostile intent, including—

(i) the legal basis for the designation of the declared hostile force; and

(ii) the risk posed by the declared hostile force to United States persons or territory.

(D) A certification signed by the Secretary of Defense, the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, and the Judge Advocate General for each military service branch that all rules of engagement have been reviewed by the appropriate legal officers and comport with the rules and principles of the law of armed conflict.

(3) FORM.—The report required under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may contain a classified annex.

(b) PRELIMINARY REPORT.—Not later than 270 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committee a report with the elements and in the form described in subsection (a) that covers the preceding two calendar years.

SEC. 1049. STRATEGY TO ADDRESS INTELLIGENCE-GATHERING SHORTCOMINGS IN AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY OF UNITED STATES AFRICA COMMAND.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Commander of the United States Africa Command, in consultation with the head of any other relevant Federal agency, as appropriate, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a strategy to address intelligence gathering shortcomings in the area of responsibility of the United States Africa Command.

(b) ELEMENTS.—

(1) INTELLIGENCE, SURVEILLANCE, AND RECONNAISSANCE ARCHITECTURE.—With respect to the intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance ar-

chitecture, the strategy required by subsection (a) shall include the following:

(A) An assessment of the scope, coverage, and operational tempo of existing intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance assets and activities in the area of responsibility of the United States Africa Command.

(B) A description of the manner in which the United States Africa Command could further develop an integrated, multi-layered intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance architecture in such area of responsibility.

(C) A description of the manner in which the United States Africa Command can incorporate emerging technologies into the intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance architecture, including—

(i) artificial intelligence and machine-learning tools for the automated processing, exploitation, and dissemination of intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance data;

(ii) language recognition software and natural language processing tools capable of monitoring, transcribing, and analyzing

communications in regional languages and dialects; and

(iii) other emerging technologies that the Commander of the United States Africa Command determines could improve the speed, accuracy, or coverage of activities conducted by the United States Africa Command in such area of responsibility.

(D) A description of intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance cooperation and information-sharing arrangements with partner countries and allied forces in such area of responsibility, including an analysis of the extent to which partner country capabilities may be integrated into the United States intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance architecture.

(E) An identification of capability gaps, resource shortfalls, or authority limitations that constrain the ability of the United States Africa Command to establish and sustain a persistent, meshed intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance architecture in the area of operation, and recommendations for addressing such gaps.

(2) INFORMATION CAMPAIGN.—With respect to information campaigns carried out by the United

States African Command, the strategy required by subsection (a) shall include the following, which the Secretary of Defense shall develop in consultation with the Secretary of State:

(A) A description of the current information environment in the area of responsibility of the United States Africa Command, including—

(i) an identification of the means and mechanisms through which violent extremist organizations, near-peer competitors, and any other actors of concern to the United States Africa Command disseminate propaganda, recruit members, and foment instability in such area of responsibility;

(ii) an assessment of the relative effectiveness of violent extremist organization information operations in such area of responsibility and the populations most vulnerable to such influence; and

(iii) an assessment of the relative effectiveness of information operations conducted by other state and non-state actors in such area of responsibility and the populations most vulnerable to such influence.

(B) A description of current and planned information campaigns and military information support operations of the United States Africa Command in such area of responsibility, including—

(i) activities conducted through digital means, including social media engagement, counter-narrative campaigns, and efforts to disrupt or degrade adversary and competitor online presence and propaganda distribution networks;

(ii) activities conducted through traditional means, including radio broadcasts, print media, community engagement, and support to trusted local voices and civil society organizations;

(iii) efforts to coordinate and synchronize digital and traditional information activities into a consistent, persistent, and regionally coherent campaign;

(iv) an identification of main information campaign themes and an assessment of the effectiveness of current information campaign activities, including metrics used to measure such effectiveness; and

(v) an identification of gaps, resource shortfalls, or authority limitations that constrain the ability of the United States Africa Command to sustain consistent and effective information campaigns, and recommendations for addressing such gaps.

Subtitle F—Equity Investments and Related Matters

SEC. 1051. AUTHORITY FOR EQUITY INVESTMENTS BY OFFICE OF STRATEGIC CAPITAL.

Section 149 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (h) as subsection (i);

(2) by inserting after subsection (g) the following new subsection (h):

''(h) AUTHORITY FOR EQUITY INVESTMENTS.—

''(1) ESTABLISHMENT OF ACCOUNT.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—There is established in the Treasury of the United States a Department of Defense Equity Investment Account (in this subsection referred to as the 'Equity Investment Account'), to be used to make equity investments under this subsection.

''(B) AMOUNTS IN ACCOUNT.—The Equity Investment Account shall consist of amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations specifically designated for equity investments under this subsection.

''(2) AUTHORITY FOR EQUITY INVESTMENTS.—The Director may use amounts in the Equity Investment Account to make equity investments in entities for the purpose of carrying out this subsection.

''(3) ELIGIBLE USES.—The Director may exercise the authority under paragraph (2) only with respect to—

''(A) critical minerals, materials, and chemicals; and

''(B) batteries.

''(4) LIMITATIONS.—

''(A) LIMITATION ON PER AMOUNT INVESTMENT.—The amount of an equity investment in an entity under paragraph (2) may not exceed the amount that is equal to 40 percent of the total amount of all equity investments made to the entity at the time of the equity investment by the Director under paragraph (2).

''(B) LIMITATION ON AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF INVESTMENTS.—The Director may not

make equity investments under paragraph (2) in an entity that exceed $500,000,000 in the aggregate.

''(C) PROHIBITION ON MAJORITY OWNERSHIP BY DEPARTMENT.—The Department of Defense may not hold more than 50 percent of the ownership interest in an entity in which the Director makes an equity investment under paragraph (2).

''(D) PROHIBITION ON VOTING REPRESENTATION.—The Director shall not take or maintain board seats, directors, or any other form of voting representation in any entity in which the Director makes an equity investment under paragraph (2).

''(5) CERTIFICATION.—The Director may make an equity investment in an entity under paragraph (2) only if the Director certifies to the congressional defense committees that—

''(A) without the investment—

''(i) sufficient commercial credit is not available to the entity under reasonable terms or conditions to finance the activity the entity plans to carry out using the investment; or

''(ii) the entity would be unable to expand operations to support the defense industrial base in the time frame necessary to address a shortfall in such operations;

''(B) the investment is the most cost effective, expedient, and practical alternative available to meet the needs of the Federal Government; and

''(C) the investment is in the national security interests of the United States.

''(6) GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The Director, in coordination with the National Security Capital Forum, shall develop guidelines and criteria for the use of the authority to make equity investments under paragraph (2).

''(B) CONSIDERATIONS.—The guidelines and criteria required by subparagraph (A) shall require, when determining whether to make an equity investment in an entity under paragraph (2), consideration of whether—

''(i) the equity investment in the entity would be more likely than not to substantially reduce or overcome the effect of an identified market failure;

"(ii) the operations of the entity would be terminated or substantially delayed without the equity investment;

"(iii) the investment supports a use described in paragraph (3);

"(iv) the investment would be aligned with incentives provided by commercial partners;

"(v) the investment would have a significant benefit for, or contribute to long-term commercial sustainability of, the defense industrial base;

"(vi) the investment would not unduly harm or hinder competition within the defense industrial base;

"(vii) the investment would further the economic security policy of the United States; and

"(viii) the investment would comply with all applicable laws related to ethics and conflicts of interest.

"(7) LIMIT ON CURRENCY DENOMINATION.—An equity investment under paragraph (2) may be denominated in a foreign currency only if the National Security Capital Forum determines the policy goal

of the investment cannot be achieved using United States dollars.

''(8) DISPOSITION OF EQUITY INVESTMENT.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—The Director may dispose of any equity investment made under paragraph (2) only after taking into consideration the national security interests of the United States.

''(B) REINVESTMENT.—Any proceeds from the disposition of an equity investment made under paragraph (2)—

''(i) may not be used for any purpose; and

''(ii) shall be deposited into the Treasury of the United States.

''(9) SUNSET.—The authorities under this subsection shall terminate on December 31, 2037.''; and

(3) in subsection (i), as redesignated by paragraph (1)—

(A) by redesignating paragraph (5) as paragraph (6); and

(B) by inserting after paragraph (4) the following new paragraph (5):

''(5) The term 'equity investment' means any direct or indirect purchase, acquisition, or commit-

ment of funds by the Department of Defense in exchange for an ownership interest, convertible interest, warrant, revenue-sharing instrument, or other similar financial instrument in a non-Federal entity.''.

SEC. 1052. OWNERSHIP REVIEW FOR EQUITY INVESTMENTS.

Section 149 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 1051 [ROS26896], is further amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (i) as subsection (j);

(2) by inserting after subsection (h) the following new subsection (i):

''(i) OWNERSHIP REVIEW FOR EQUITY INVESTMENTS.—

''(1) MANDATORY REVIEW.—Before the obligation or disbursement of funds for any equity investment made by the Office in any non-Federal entity, the Director shall conduct a review of the ownership structure of the entity.

''(2) SCOPE OF REVIEW.—The review required by paragraph (1) with respect to the ownership structure of an entity shall—

"(A) assess any direct or indirect foreign ownership interest in the entity, including the ability of any foreign person to exercise control or influence over the management, governance, operations, or technology of the entity;

"(B) identify of all owners holding, directly or indirectly, 5 percent or more of any class of equity in the entity;

"(C) identify members of the board of directors, advisory boards, and executive leadership of the entity and any potential conflicts of interest between those individuals and officials of the Federal Government; and

"(D) determine whether mitigation measures are necessary to protect the national security interests of the United States or prevent conflicts of interest described in subparagraph (C).

"(3) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 15 days after completing the review required by paragraph (1) with respect to an equity investment, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the results of the review."; and

(3) in subsection (j), as redesignated paragraph (1)—

(A) by redesignating paragraph (6) as paragraph (7); and

(B) by inserting after paragraph (5) the following new paragraph (6):

''(6) The term 'foreign person' means—

''(A) an individual who is not a citizen of the United States or an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States; and

''(B) an entity that is not organized under the laws of the United States or any jurisdiction within the United States.''.

SEC. 1053. NOTIFICATIONS WITH RESPECT TO DEBT AND EQUITY INVESTMENTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 149 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by sections 1051 and 1052 [ROS26896 and ROS26897], is further amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (j) as subsection (k);

(2) by inserting after subsection (i) the following new subsection (j):

''(j) NOTIFICATIONS WITH RESPECT TO DEBT AND EQUITY INVESTMENTS.—

''(1) INVESTMENTS OF LESS THAN $50,000,000.—With respect to an equity investment or debt investment made by the Office in an amount that is less than $50,000,000, the Director—

''(A) not later than five days after signing a term sheet for the investment, shall—

''(i) notify the congressional defense committee of the investment; and

''(ii) brief the congressional defense committees on the terms of the investment; and

''(B) may only enter into a legally binding agreement to make the investment if 15 business days have elapsed after the briefing required by subparagraph (A)(ii) with respect to the investment.

''(2) INVESTMENTS OF $50,000,000 OR MORE.—With respect to an equity investment or debt investment made by the Office in an amount that is equal to or more than $50,000,000, the Director—

''(A) not later than five days after signing a term sheet for the investment, shall—

''(i) notify the congressional defense committee of the investment; and

''(ii) brief the congressional defense committees on the terms of the investment; and

''(B) may only enter into a legally binding agreement to make the investment if 30 business days have elapsed after the briefing required by subparagraph (A)(ii) with respect to the investment.

''(3) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.—Each notification required under paragraph (1) or (2) with respect to an equity investment or debt investment made by the Office—

''(A) shall include—

''(i) an unredacted copy of the term sheet for the investment;

''(ii) an articulation of the legal authorities supporting each part of the investment;

''(iii) a description of why the investment is—

''(I) necessary; and

''(II) determined to be in the long-term defense interests of the United States; and

''(iv) clear criteria for the Federal Government to sell, liquidate, or otherwise exit the investment; and

''(v) an accounting of the estimated costs to the Federal Government of the investment over the duration of the investment, disaggregated by the type of authority used and appropriation type; and

''(B) may be submitted in a format that contains classified or controlled unclassified information.''; and

(3) in subsection (k), as redesignated paragraph (1)—

(A) by redesignating paragraphs (3) through (7) as paragraphs (4) through (8), respectively; and

(B) by inserting after paragraph (2) the following new paragraph (3):

''(3) The term 'debt investment' means any loan, note, bond, debenture, or other instrument representing an obligation of an entity to repay funds advanced by the Secretary—

''(A) including any such instrument that is convertible into or exchangeable for an equity investment; and

''(B) excluding any instrument that is an equity investment.''.

(b) NOTIFICATIONS FOR PAST INVESTMENTS.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall transmit to the congressional defense committees all unredacted term sheets for each equity investment or debt investment (as defined in section 149 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by subsection (a) and section 1051 [ROS26896]) made by the Department of Defense before such date of enactment.

SEC. 1054. MODIFICATIONS TO AUTHORITIES OF INDUSTRIAL BASE FUND.

(a) EXCLUSION OF AUTHORITY FOR EQUITY INVESTMENTS.—Section 4817 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsections (k) through (m) as subsections (l) through (n), respectively; and

(2) by inserting after subsection (j) the following new subsection (k):

''(k) EXCLUSION OF AUTHORITY FOR EQUITY INVESTMENTS.—The Secretary may not use any authority provided by this section to enter into an equity investment (as defined in section 149). Section 149 provides the sole

authority for entering into equity investments under this title.''.

(b) REPEAL OF LIMITATION ON USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS AND SUNSET.—Section 867 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 996) is amended by striking subsections (b) and (d).

SEC. 1055. BRIEFINGS ON ECONOMIC DEFENSE UNIT; LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS.

(a) BRIEFINGS REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January 31, 2027, and every 90 days thereafter until January 31, 2029, the Deputy Secretary of Defense shall provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on activities of the Economic Defense Unit during the 90-day period preceding the briefing and any supporting classified details.

(2) ELEMENTS.—Each briefing required by paragraph (1) shall address the following:

(A) Projects of the Economic Defense Unit ongoing as of the date of the briefing.

(B) Agreements recently completed before the date of the briefing.

(C) An overarching strategy for the Economic Defense Unit.

(D) Efforts to coordinate activities across the Department of Defense during the 90-day period preceding the briefing.

(E) Matters relating to personnel of the Economic Defense Unit during that period.

(F) Any projects reviewed or approved by the Economic Defense Unit during that period, including—

(i) projects of the Office of Strategic Capital;

(ii) projects carried out under the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4501 et seq.); and

(iii) projects carried out under the Industrial Base Analysis and Sustainment program.

(3) ACCESS TO DOCUMENTATION.—For each briefing required by paragraph (1), the Deputy Secretary of Defense shall provide the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives the ability to review relevant analysis and documentation for all projects reviewed or ap-

proved by the Economic Defense Unit during the 90-day period preceding the briefing.

(b) LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS.—None of the funds appropriated by this Act or any previous Act, or otherwise made available to the Department of Defense, may be used by the Office of the Deputy Secretary of Defense for the Economic Defense Unit or any activities of the Economic Defense Unit until the following actions are complete:

(1) The Deputy Secretary provides the first briefing required by subsection (a).

(2) The Secretary of Defense completes and submits to the congressional defense committees the ownership review required by subsection (i) of section 149 of title 10, United States Code, as added by section 1052 [ROS26897], for all equity investments the Department has made as of the date of the review.

(3) The Secretary certifies to the congressional defense committees that the Department does not hold, and does not have the option to hold, any seat on the board of directors or any other form of voting representation or control in any entity in which the Department holds equity.

SEC. 1056. APPROVAL AUTHORITY FOR EXPENDITURES FROM INDUSTRIAL BASE FUND.

Section 4817 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 1054 [ROS26907], is further amended—

(1) by redesignating subsections (l) through (n) as subsections (m) through (o), respectively; and

(2) by inserting after subsection (k) the following new subsection (l):

''(l) APPROVAL AUTHORITY.—The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall be the authority to review and approve all expenditures from the Fund of less than $75,000,000.''.

SEC. 1057. QUARTERLY BRIEFINGS ON BUSINESS OPERATORS FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE (BOND) PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January 31, 2027, and every 90 days thereafter until January 31, 2029, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on the activities of the Business Operators for National Defense (BOND) Program (in this section referred to as the ''Program'') during the 90-day period preceding the briefing that includes supporting details.

(b) ELEMENTS.—Each briefing required by paragraph (1) shall address the following:

(1) Participants in the Program and where those participants are placed.

(2) Metrics for success.

(3) Conflict of interest guardrails employed.

(4) Cost.

(c) LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS.—None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act, or otherwise made available to the Department of Defense, may be obligated or expended by the Office of the Secretary of Defense for the Program until the Secretary provides the first briefing required by subsection (a).

Subtitle G—Other Matters

SEC. 1061. EXTENSION OF ADMISSION TO GUAM, WAKE ISLAND, AND THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS FOR CERTAIN H–2B NONIMMIGRANTS.

Section 6(b)(1) of the Joint Resolution entitled ''A Joint Resolution to approve the 'Covenant to Establish a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in Political Union with the United States of America', and for other purposes'', approved March 24, 1976 (Public Law 94–241; 48 U.S.C. 1806(b)(1)), is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A), by inserting ", Wake Island," after "Guam"; and

(2) in subparagraph (B)—

(A) in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking "December 31, 2029" and inserting "December 31, 2031"; and

(B) by inserting ", Wake Island," after "Guam" each place such term appears.

SEC. 1062. NOTIFICATION TO CONGRESSIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEES OF COMBAT WOUNDED IN ACTION.

(a) NOTIFICATION REQUIRED.—The Secretary concerned shall provide to the congressional defense committees notification of any member of the Armed Forces wounded in action in a theater of combat within 24 hours of the incident.

(b) CONTENT OF NOTIFICATION.—The notification required under subsection (a) shall include—

(1) the time, date, and location of the incident;

(2) the servicemember's unit;

(3) a brief description of the incident; and

(4) any other information the Secretary concerned determines appropriate.

SEC. 1063. AMERICAS DEFENSE INITIATIVE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall establish an initiative, to be known as the ''Americas Defense Initiative'' (in this section referred to as the ''Initiative''), to carry out prioritized activities to enhance the defense and security of the United States, counter transnational criminal organizations and malign foreign actors, and strengthen the capacity of partner nations in the Western Hemisphere.

(b) ACTIVITIES.—To improve the design and posture of the joint force within the area of responsibility of the United States Southern Command, the Secretary, through the Initiative, shall—

(1) enhance the ability of the United States and partner nations in the detection and monitoring of the aerial and maritime transit of illegal drugs into the United States;

(2) support efforts to identify, disrupt, and degrade transnational criminal organizations;

(3) increase persistent maritime and air domain awareness through the deployment of autonomous and unmanned systems;

(4) provide cost-effective, lower-maintenance, and sustainable capabilities to partner nations in the Western Hemisphere;

(5) strengthen regional security cooperation and interoperability with partner nations by improving the capabilities of partner nations in counter-illicit drug trafficking, counter-transnational organized crime operations, and border security operations;

(6) invest in geographic areas of key strategic terrain, including Panama, Jamaica, and United States Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; and

(7) develop and coordinate planning with the United States Northern Command, Joint Interagency Task Force–Counter Cartel, and relevant interagency partners.

(c) ANNUAL REPORT REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Secretary, in consultation with the Commander of the United States Southern Command, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on future-year activities and resources of the Initiative.

(2) ELEMENTS.—Each report required by paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) A description of the activities and resources of the Initiative for the first fiscal year that begins after the date on which the report

is submitted, and the plan for such activities and resources for not fewer than the four following fiscal years, organized by the activities described in paragraphs (1) through (7) of subsection (b).

(B) A summary of progress made toward achieving the purposes of the Initiative, including through investments in—

(i) the procurement, integration, and deployment of low-cost, low-maintenance autonomous and robotic systems designed for persistent intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance and maritime domain awareness;

(ii) improved interoperability and information sharing with partner nations;

(iii) bilateral and multilateral military exercises and training with partner nations; and

(iv) the use of security cooperation authorities to further build the capacity of partner nations.

(C) A description of any significant parts of the Initiative not achieved and a detailed ex-

planation of the obstacles that prevented achievement of the Initiative.

(D) A detailed explanation of any significant modifications to activities or resources of the Initiative, as compared to reports previously submitted under this subsection.

(E) Any other matter, as determined by the Secretary.

(d) BUDGET DISPLAY INFORMATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall include a detailed budget display for the Initiative in the materials of the Department of Defense submitted to Congress in support of the budget of the President pursuant to section 1105 of title 31, United States Code, for fiscal year 2028 and each fiscal year thereafter.

(2) ELEMENTS.—Each budget display required by paragraph (1) shall include the following information:

(A) The resources necessary for the Initiative to carry out the activities required by subsection (b) for the applicable fiscal year and not fewer than the four following fiscal years, organized by the activities described in paragraphs (1) through (7) of such subsection.

(B) With respect to procurement accounts—

(i) amounts displayed by account, budget activity, line number, line item, and line item title; and

(ii) a description of the requirements for such amounts specific to the Initiative.

(C) With respect to research, development, test, and evaluation accounts—

(i) amounts displayed by account, budget activity, line number, program element, and program element title; and

(ii) a description of the requirements for such amounts specific to the Initiative.

(D) With respect to operation and maintenance accounts—

(i) amounts displayed by account title, budget activity title, line number, and subactivity group title; and

(ii) a description of the specific manner in which such amounts will be used.

(E) With respect to military personnel accounts—

(i) amounts displayed by account, budget activity, budget subactivity, and budget subactivity title; and

(ii) a description of the requirements for such amounts specific to the Initiative.

(F) With respect to each project under military construction accounts (including with respect to unspecified minor military construction and amounts for planning and design), the country, location, project title, and project amount by fiscal year.

(G) With respect to the activities described in subsection (b)—

(i) amounts displayed by account title, budget activity title, line number, and subactivity group title; and

(ii) a description of the specific manner in which such amounts will be used.

(H) With respect to each military service—

(i) amounts displayed by account title, budget activity title, line number, and subactivity group title; and

(ii) a description of the specific manner in which such amounts will be used.

(I) With respect to the amounts described in each of subparagraphs (B)(i), (C)(i), (D)(i), (E)(i), (G)(i), and (H)(i), a comparison between—

(i) the amount in the budget of the President for the following fiscal year; and

(ii) the amount projected in the previous budget of the President for the following fiscal year.

(J) A detailed summary of funds obligated for the Initiative during the previous fiscal year.

(K) A detailed comparison of funds obligated for the Initiative during the previous fiscal year to the amount of funds requested for such fiscal year.

(e) ANNUAL BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than March 1, 2027, and annually thereafter, the Secretary shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the budget proposal for and programs of the Initiative, including the budget display information for the applicable fiscal year required by subsection (d).

SEC. 1064. BRIEFINGS ON HOMELAND DEFENSE.

(a) REQUIREMENT FOR QUARTERLY BRIEFINGS.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and on a quarterly basis thereafter, the Under

Secretary of Defense for Policy, the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, and the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security, in coordination with the Northern Command, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Indo-Pacific Command, shall jointly brief the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives on the status of Department of Defense planning for, and implementation of, core homeland defense priorities, including plans for responding to a major attack on the homeland in the context of military operations in other areas of responsibility, including Hawaii and Alaska.

(b) ELEMENTS.—Each briefing required under subsection (a) shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(1) An update on current homeland defense strategies, plans, and operational concepts.

(2) An assessment of emerging and persistent threats to the homeland, including threats from state and non-state actors.

(3) A description of interagency coordination efforts with the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Transportation, the National Nu-

clear Security Administration, and other relevant Federal, State, local, Tribal, and territorial partners.

(4) An update on capabilities, force posture, force allocation, and resourcing requirements necessary to execute homeland defense missions during peacetime and wartime, including supporting civil authorities during times of crisis such as pandemic and disaster response, protection of defense critical infrastructure, mobilization of the industrial base to support needed capabilities, activation of the Selective Service, and use of national stockpiles.

(5) Any identified resourcing gaps, risks, or challenges in homeland defense planning and mitigation efforts underway.

(6) An update on coordination with United States Northern Command, United States Strategic Command, United States Cyber Command, Indo-Pacific Command, the Director of Golden Dome, and other combatant commands or agencies, as appropriate.

(7) An update on the Integrated CONUS Medical Operations Plan and the available bed capacity within the organizations supporting the National Disaster Medical System, to include an update on medical operations in Hawaii and Alaska.

(8) An update on progress in planning for the management of homeland defense priorities during overseas contingency operations.

(c) FORM.—Each briefing under subsection (a) shall be provided in classified form, but may include an unclassified summary as appropriate.

(d) DURATION.—The requirement to provide quarterly briefings under this section shall terminate five years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 1065. INDEPENDENCE OF STARS AND STRIPES.

(a) EDITORIAL INDEPENDENCE REQUIREMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that—

(A) editorial policies and practices of the Stars and Stripes are in accordance with journalistic standards governing United States news media of the highest quality, with emphasis on matters of interest to the Stars and Stripes readership;

(B) Stars and Stripes' editorial operations are independent of the military chain of command, military public affairs activities, or other external influences, and without censorship or propaganda;

(C) the Stars and Stripes Publisher remains a civilian government employee with independent professional news media experience, who manages and controls the day-to-day business and financial, operational, and administrative activities, and provides editorial oversight of Stars and Stripes;

(D) Stars and Stripes' reporters with access to Department of Defense installations are authorized to cover events or activities open to those with installation access even though commercial news media may not have the same unescorted access;

(E) Stars and Stripes is a digital-first news organization but is also published in a print newspaper edition at a frequency and distribution determined by the Publisher to best serve its readership; and

(F) except as provided in paragraph (3), the Stars and Stripes provides a free flow of news and information to its readership without news management or censorship from the Secretary of Defense or the Department of Defense.

(2) PROHIBITION ON WITHHOLDING OF UNFAVORABLE NEWS.—The calculated withholding from publication in Stars and Stripes of news unfavorable to the Department of Defense, the military services, or the United States Government is prohibited.

(3) EXCEPTIONS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding the requirement under paragraph (1), Stars and Stripes shall not publish original staff-produced news stories based upon classified information or publish information that clearly endangers the lives of United States personnel or would adversely affect national security.

(B) LIMITATION.—The exceptions under subparagraph (A) may not be construed to permit the calculated withholding of news unfavorable to the Department of Defense, the military services, or the United States Government. Any security risk information shall not be withheld without concurrence from both the Stars and Stripes publisher and the relevant combatant commander.

(4) STARS AND STRIPES PERSONNEL.—The exclusion of civilian candidates for consideration for

officer, journalist, or other Stars and Stripes staff positions is prohibited.

(b) STARS AND STRIPES OMBUDSMAN.—The Stars and Stripes Ombudsman is a highly qualified independent news media professional hired from outside of the DoD to serve a three-year term. The Stars and Stripes Ombudsman independently advises the Stripes Publisher and senior editorial leaders, DoD leadership and congressional oversight authorities on matters relating to audience interests, journalistic practices, editorial interference, news management, or censorship.

SEC. 1066. IDENTIFICATION, ASSESSMENT, AND MITIGATION OF CRITICAL DEFENSE SITES.

(a) DESIGNATION OF RESPONSIBLE OFFICE.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall—

(1) designate an existing or new office or official within the Department of Defense to serve as the lead for the identification, assessment, prioritization, and mitigation of risks to critical defense sites, including privately owned or commercially operated, in the defense industrial base, including physical and airspace protection against unmanned aircraft systems incursions and other emerging threats; and

(2) notify the congressional defense committees of the office or official designated under paragraph (1) and the specific authorities and resources assigned to it.

(b) COMPREHENSIVE LIST AND RISK RANKING.—Not later than 180 days after the designation made under subsection (a), the designated office or official shall, in consultation with the Secretaries of the military services, the heads of relevant defense agencies, and appropriate private sector representatives—

(1) compile and maintain a classified list of the critical defense sites in the defense industrial base, including privately owned or commercially operated sites; and

(2) rank such sites by the potential devastating effect on national security if disrupted or compromised, taking into account—

(A) the criticality of the capability to current and future military operations;

(B) the absence or limited availability of alternative sources;

(C) the vulnerability to physical threats, including unmanned aircraft systems incursions, sabotage, or natural disasters; and

(D) any other factors the Secretary determines appropriate.

(c) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes the following elements:

(1) The list of critical defense sites and prioritization of those sites compiled under subsection (b).

(2) A formal, unclassified definition of the term ''single point of failure,'' as a subset of the critical defense sites identified in subsection (b), which shall be used to refer to facilities, sites, production lines, suppliers, or capabilities, whether privately owned or commercially operated, that, if disrupted, would halt or cause undue harm to United States military production, sustainment, or operational readiness due to the lack of viable near-term substitute sources.

(3) A detailed assessment of current protection levels at each identified critical defense site, including any gaps in physical security, airspace protection, or counter-unmanned aircraft systems capabilities.

(4) A description of the risks to national security of failing to protect such sites, including poten-

tial impacts on military readiness, supply chain resilience, and strategic deterrence.

(5) A path forward that includes—

(A) options for the Department of Defense to assume or share responsibility with industry for protecting these sites;

(B) estimated costs and recommended funding mechanisms;

(C) proposed legislative or regulatory changes necessary to close the identified gaps; and

(D) a timeline and milestones for implementation of mitigation measures for the highest-ranked single points of failure.

(6) Any other recommendations the Secretary considers appropriate.

(d) ANNUAL UPDATES.—The Secretary of Defense shall provide annual updates to the report required under subsection (c) for each of the five years following the initial report, including any changes to the definition, list, or ranking and progress on the path forward.

SEC. 1067. ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT FOR COMMISSIONS.

(a) AFGHANISTAN WAR COMMISSION.—Section 1094(f) of the Afghanistan War Commission Act of 2021

(Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 1942) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(7) ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT.—The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate is authorized to approve the use of Senate resources, including IT, to support the Commission in carrying out its official duties.''.

(b) NATIONAL SECURITY COMMISSION ON EMERGING BIO-TECHNOLOGY.—Section 1091(h) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 1929) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(7) ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT.—The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate is authorized to approve the use of Senate resources, including IT, to support the Commission in carrying out its official duties.''.

(c) COMMISSION ON PLANNING, PROGRAMMING, BUDGETING AND EXECUTION REFORM.—Section 1004(h) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 1884) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(5) ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT.—The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate is authorized to approve the use of Senate resources,

including IT, to support the Commission in carrying out its official duties.''.

(d) COMMISSION ON THE NATIONAL DEFENSE STRATEGY OF 2022.—Section 1095(h) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 1943) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(6) ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT.—The use of any Senate resources, including IT, by the Commission in carrying out its official duties is hereby approved.''.

(e) CONGRESSIONAL COMMISSION ON THE STRATEGIC POSTURE OF THE UNITED STATES.—Section 1687(f) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 2126) is amended to read as follows:

''(f) GOVERNMENT COOPERATION.—

''(1) ASSISTANCE FROM FEDERAL AGENCIES.—In addition to information, suggestions, estimates, and statistics provided under subsection (e), departments and agencies of the United States may provide to the Commission such services, funds, facilities, staff, and other support services as those departments and agencies may determine advisable and as may be authorized by law.

''(2) ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT.—The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate is authorized to approve the use of Senate resources, including IT, to support the Commission in carrying out its official duties.''.

(f) NATIONAL COMMISSION ON THE FUTURE OF THE NAVY.—Section 1092(a) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2807) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(5) ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT.—The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate is authorized to approve the use of Senate resources, including IT, to support the Commission in carrying out its official duties.''.

(g) COMMISSION ON THE NATIONAL DEFENSE STRATEGY OF 2026.—Section 1095(d) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60;) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(5) ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT.—The Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate is authorized to approve the use of Senate resources, including IT, to support the Commission in carrying out its official duties.''.

SEC. 1068. REQUIREMENT TO ASSIGN CONVENTIONAL NAMES TO CRITICAL MUNITIONS.

(a) RESPONSIBILITY.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Chief of Staff of the Army, the Chief of Naval Operations, the Chief of Staff of the Air Force, the Commandant of the Marine Corps, and the Chief of Space Operations shall each—

(1) identify critical munitions under primary management responsibility of the respective military service;

(2) in place of any designation consisting solely of an acronym or alphanumeric code, assign to each such munition—

(A) a conventional name in the English language that is memorable and suitable for clear operational communication and training; and

(B) not limited in understanding to specialized personnel of the Armed Forces; and

(3) implement the use of the assigned name in all official documentation, public communications, and relevant material of the Department of Defense related to that munition.

(b) COORDINATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The officials specified in subsection (a) shall coordinate with the Chairman of

the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, and the Director of the Missile Defense Agency to ensure that names assigned under subsection (a) are consistent across joint programs and do not conflict with existing nomenclature for allied or foreign systems.

(2) RESOLUTION OF DISPUTE.—In cases in which primary management under paragraph (1) with respect to a particular munition is unclear, the Deputy Secretary of Defense shall resolve any disputes regarding primary management responsibility.

(c) IMPLEMENTATION DEADLINE.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, each official specified in subsection (a) shall complete full implementation of the names assigned under such subsection, including any necessary updates to logistics systems, labeling, and training curricula.

(d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter for two years, each official specified in subsection (a) shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report containing—

(1) a list of all munitions reviewed and the conventional name assigned to each;

(2) a brief rationale for each name selected;

(3) an assessment of any costs associated with implementation; and

(4) a description of the process used to incorporate operational feedback from end users in the naming decisions.

(e) CRITICAL MUNITIONS DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''critical munitions'' includes munitions designated on the critical munitions list of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

SEC. 1069. TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026.

(a) QUALIFICATIONS FOR JUDGE ADVOCATES.—Subsection (a)(1)(B) of section 806 of title 10, United States Code (article 6 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice), as added by section 561(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 881), is amended to read as follows:

''(B) maintains a license status in good standing that provides eligibility to practice law;''.

(b) AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE SEXUAL ASSAULT MEDICAL FORENSIC EXAMINATIONS ON A NONREIMBURSABLE BASIS TO CERTAIN OTHERWISE INELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS.—Section 702(a)(2) of the National Defense Au-

thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 10 U.S.C. 1561 note) is amended by striking ''Defense Criminal Investigative Organization'' and inserting ''military criminal investigative organization''.

(c) PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT.—Section 1115(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 10 U.S.C. 1580 note prec.) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2)—

(A) by inserting '', except those assigned to the United States Marine Corps,'' after ''Department of the Navy''; and

(B) by striking ''; and'' and inserting a semicolon;

(2) by redesignating paragraph (3) as paragraph (4); and

(3) by inserting after paragraph (2) the following new paragraph:

''(3) with respect to civilian employees of the Department of the Navy assigned to the United States Marine Corps, the Deputy Commandant of the Marine Corps with principal responsibility for manpower and personnel whose responsibilities arise under section 8045 of such title; and''.

SEC. 1070. DEVELOPMENT OF COGNITIVE WARFARE STRATEGY.

(a) STRATEGY REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall develop and submit to the congressional defense committees a comprehensive strategy for cognitive warfare for the Department of Defense.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The strategy required by subsection (a) shall include, at a minimum, the following elements:

(1) A Department-wide definition of cognitive warfare.

(2) An assessment of the cognitive warfare threat landscape, including the cognitive warfare threat posed by China, Russia, Iran, and other adversaries, as appropriate, as well as their capabilities, tactics and techniques, and strategic objectives.

(3) An assessment of the cognitive warfare capabilities and objectives of key partners and allies of the United States, including the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

(4) A plan for integrating cognitive warfare into Department of Defense joint planning, operations, and exercises.

(5) Designation of a Department of Defense entity with responsibility to develop, and continually

refine, capabilities and associated policies for the effective conduct of cognitive warfare.

(6) A framework for coordinating cognitive warfare activities with other elements of the United States Government.

(7) Establishment of lines of effort, objectives, and tasks that are necessary to implement such strategy.

(8) Any other matters deemed relevant by the Secretary.

SEC. 1071. NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR SENSITIVE MILITARY OPERATIONS.

Section 130f of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)

(A) by inserting ''(1)'' before ''The Secretary'';

(B) by striking ''no later than 48 hours following such operation''; and

(C) by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

''(2) Not later than 48 hours following a sensitive military operation, the Secretary shall submit a written notification that includes, with respect to such operation, the following information:

''(A) The date and time of the operation.

''(B) The legal authority under which the operation was executed.

''(C) The name and date of the execute order under which the operation was conducted.

''(D) An identification of the target engagement authority.

''(E) The specific location of the operation.

''(F) The target or objective of the operation.

''(G) The pre-strike assessment with regard to the presence of targeted individuals, civilians, or uncharacterized individuals.

''(H) A battle damage assessment.

''(I) Any indication or assessment of civilian casualties or other civilian harm.

''(J) Any other matters deemed relevant by the Secretary.

''(3) Not later than 7 days following a sensitive military operation, the Secretary shall submit a written notification that includes, with respect to such operation, the following information:

''(A) Updates to the elements required under paragraph (1).

''(B) The strike criteria used by the target engagement authority and a description of how such criteria were satisfied.

''(C) The rules of engagement for such operation.

''(D) The operational chain of command for the operation.

''(E) A detailed description of the intelligence underpinning the operation, including the capabilities and disciplines used such as human, signals, and geospatial.

''(F) The number and type of platforms and munitions used.

''(G) A description of each engagement, including the timing of such engagement.

''(H) A description of the target or objective of the operation, including whether any targeted individuals were armed.

''(I) The status of any civilian harm allegations and investigations.

''(J) For capture operations, the detention plan and plan for ultimate disposition of those captured.

''(K) Any other matters deemed relevant by the Secretary.''; and

(2) in subsection (d)—

(A) by amending paragraph (1) to read as follows:

''(1) a lethal, capture, or kinetic operation conducted by the armed forces;'';

(B) in paragraph (2), by striking ''; or'' and inserting a semicolon;

(C) in paragraph (3), by striking the period at the end and inserting ''; or''; and

(D) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(4) a lethal, capture, or kinetic operation conducted by a foreign partner advised, assisted, or accompanied by the armed forces.''.

SEC. 1071A. DECLASSIFICATION GUIDANCE FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ORIGINAL CLASSIFICATION AUTHORITIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall issue written guidance for the ad hoc declassification of Department of Defense information by Department of Defense original classification authorities.

(b) APPLICABILITY.—The guidance required by subsection (a) shall be applicable to the Secretary of Defense and any other Department of Defense official designated as an original classification authority.

(c) REQUIREMENTS.—At a minimum, the guidance required by subsection (a) shall require that—

(1) not later than 24 hours after an ad hoc decision by an original classification authority to declassify Department of Defense information, the original classification authority shall document their decision and the justification for such decision in writing;

(2) not later than 48 hours after an ad hoc decision by the original classification authority to declassify Department of Defense information, the written documentation and justification required by paragraph (1) shall be provided to—

(A) relevant officials of the Department of Defense and other departments and agencies of the United States Government, as appropriate; and

(B) the congressional defense committees; and

(3) the original classification authority shall document the justification.

(d) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 48 hours after issuing the written guidance required by subsection (a) or making any change to the written guidance required by

subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall submit such guidance to the congressional defense committees.

(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) AD HOC DECLASSIFICATION.—The term ''ad hoc declassification'' means the declassification of Department of Defense information outside the deliberate automatic or systematic declassification processes outlined in Executive Order 13526 ''Classified National Security Information'' issued on December 29, 2009, or a successor executive order.

(2) ORIGINAL CLASSIFICATION AUTHORITY.—The term ''original classification authority'' means a Department of Defense official appropriately authorized to classify information in the first instance or to declassify such information.

SEC. 1072. POST-GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE TO CERTAIN SENIOR MILITARY OFFICERS AND SENIOR CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1045 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91; 10 U.S.C. 971 note prec.) is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 1045. TWO-YEAR POST-GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN SENIOR MILITARY OFFICERS AND SENIOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CIVILIAN PERSONNEL.

''(a) RESTRICTION.—In addition to the restrictions set forth in section 207 of title 18, United States Code, an individual who is an officer or employee described in subsection (b) may not, within two years after the termination of the individual's service or employment as such officer or employee, knowingly make, with the intent to influence, any communication to or appearance before any officer or employee of the department or agency in which such individual served within one year before such termination, on behalf of any other person (except the United States), in connection with any matter on which such individual seeks official action by any officer or employee of such department or agency.

''(b) COVERED INDIVIDUALS.—Subsection (a) shall apply to any individual—

''(1) employed as an active duty commissioned officer of the Armed Forces serving in a grade or rank for which the pay grade (as specified in section 201 of title 37, United States Code) is O–9 or higher; or

''(2) employed as a civilian officer or employee of the Department of Defense in a civilian grade

equivalent to a military grade specified in paragraph (1).

''(c) APPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF SECTION 207 OF TITLE 18, UNITED STATES CODE.—The provisions of subsections (h), (j), and (k) of section 207 of title 18, United States Code, shall apply to the restriction contained in subsection (a) of this section in the same manner as to the restrictions contained in subsection (c) of such section 207.''.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act and shall apply to activities taking place on or after such date, without regard to the termination date of an individual's service or employment as such an officer or employee.

SEC. 1073. REPEALS OF EXISTING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

(a) TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE.—The following provisions of title 10, United States Code, are hereby repealed:

(1) Subsection (c) of section 493a.

(2) Section 6135.

(3) Section 8227.

(4) Subsection (d) of section 8932.

(5) Subsection (e) of section 9516.

(b) NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACTS.—The following provisions are hereby repealed:

(1) Section 909 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 2033).

(2) Of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31)—

(A) section 112 (10 U.S.C. 7013 note);

(B) subsection (c) of section 224 (137 Stat. 194);

(C) paragraph (2) of section 253 (137 Stat. 212);

(D) section 535 (137 Stat. 262);

(E) section 565 (137 Stat. 275);

(F) paragraphs (1) and (2) of section 1247(e) (137 Stat. 463);

(G) paragraph (2) of section 1535(c) (10 U.S.C. 167b note); and

(H) subsection (a) of section 1685 (137 Stat. 620).

(3) Of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263)—

(A) section 218 (136 Stat. 2476);

(B) subsection (g) of section 389 (10 U.S.C. 7013 note);

(C) section 862 (10 U.S.C. 4811 note);

(D) section 1513 (10 U.S.C. 4001 note);

(E) subsection (b) of section 1657 (136 Stat. 2951); and

(F) section 1664 (136 Stat. 2958).

(4) Of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81)—

(A) section 147 (135 Stat. 1584);

(B) subsection (c) of section 228 (10 U.S.C. 2001 note prec.);

(C) section 377 (10 U.S.C. 2001 note prec.);

(D) section 1036 (135 Stat. 1901);

(E) subsection (c) of section 1504 (135 Stat. 2022); and

(F) section 1602(b)(4) (10 U.S.C. 9082 note).

(5) Of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Yea 2021 (Public Law 116–283)—

(A) section 121 (134 Stat. 3424);

(B) subsection (d) of section 364 (6 U.S.C. 106(d));

(C) section 539C (134 Stat. 3609);

(D) paragraph (1) of section 574(a) (10 U.S.C. 8431 note prec.);

(E) section 1299I (134 Stat. 4001);

(F) section 1521(e)(5) (134 Stat. 4035);

(G) subsection (d) of section 1634 (134 Stat. 4059);

(H) section 1673 (134 Stat. 4078);

(I) subsection (d) of section 1723 (10 U.S.C. 394 note);

(J) subsection (b) of section 1727 (10 U.S.C. 2224 note); and

(K) section 1746 (134 Stat. 4139).

(6) Of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92)—

(A) subsection (e) of section 550B (10 U.S.C. 1561 note);

(B) section 597 (133 Stat. 1418);

(C) subsection (d) of section 1674 (133 Stat. 1778);

(D) section 1675 (133 Stat. 1778); and

(E) section 1722 (133 Stat. 1810).

(7) Of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232)—

(A) subsection (b) of section 127 (132 Stat. 1664);

(B) section 1018 (10 U.S.C. 221 note);

(C) subsection (d) of section 1082 (132 Stat. 1988);

(D) section 1276 (132 Stat. 2070); and

(E) section 1657 (132 Stat. 2151).

(8) Section 1267 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91; 132 Stat. 2070).

(9) Of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328)—

(A) section 123 (130 Stat. 2030); and

(B) section 912 (130 Stat. 2349).

(10) Section 1656 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law 114–92).

SEC. 1074. REPORT AND BRIEFING ON WORLDWIDE EXPEDITIONARY MULTIPLE AWARD CONTRACT TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF THE UNITED STATES CONTRACT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit a report and provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House

of Representatives on the Worldwide Expeditionary Multiple Award Contract Territorial Integrity of the United States contract (commonly referred to as the ''WEXMAC–TITUS contract'').

(b) ELEMENTS.—The report required under subsection (a) shall include—

(1) a description of regulations prescribed by the Secretary that govern the provision of humanitarian assistance and logistics support by the Department of Defense for purposes of the detention of migrants;

(2) a description of the procedures used to award contracts for the construction and operation of migrant detention facilities at military installations in the United States;

(3) a list of contracts awarded for the construction and operation of migrant detention facilities at military installations in the United States, including a breakdown of how funding will be allocated at each such facility; and

(4) a summary of any feedback, if applicable, that the Department of Defense has received from local communities on the impact the construction and operation of migrant detention facilities has had

on local resources, including sewage systems and water resources.

SEC. 1075. DOCUMENTATION OF VERBAL APPROVAL OF REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE.

Section 1707 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 10 U.S.C. 113 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking ''approves a Request for Assistance from the Department of Homeland Security or the Department of Health and Human Services'' and inserting ''approves a written Request for Assistance from another Federal agency'';

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) by striking ''submits to the Secretary of Homeland Security or the Secretary of Health and Human Services'' and inserting ''submits to the requesting Federal agency''; and

(B) by striking ''from the Department of Homeland Security or the Department of Health and Human Services, as applicable,''; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new subsections:

''(d) REQUIREMENT FOR DOCUMENTATION OF OTHER THAN WRITTEN REQUESTS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary of Defense approves a Request for Assistance submitted by a Federal agency in other than written form, the Secretary of Defense shall, not later than 7 days following the approval of the Request for Assistance, ensure that such approval is documented in writing and electronically transmitted to the Committees on Armed Services in the Senate and House of Representatives.

''(2) ELEMENTS.—The written documentation required under paragraph (1) shall include, at a minimum—

''(A) the requesting department or agency;

''(B) the date on which the request was received;

''(C) the date on which the request was verbally approved;

''(D) the Department of Defense official who provided the verbal approval;

''(E) a description of the assistance to be provided;

''(F) the legal authority under which the assistance is provided;

''(G) the estimated duration of the assistance; and

''(H) any anticipated reimbursement or cost-sharing arrangement associated with the assistance.

''(e) REQUIREMENT FOR APPROVAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall electronically transmit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives within 7 days of providing support under section 272, 273, or 274 of title 10, United States Code, a notification that includes—

''(1) the agency to which the support was provided;

''(2) the authority under which support was provided;

''(3) the source and amount of funds provided for such purpose or project;

''(4) a description of the arrangements, if any, for the sustainment of such purpose or project and the source of funds to support sustainment of the capabilities and performance outcomes achieved using the support, if applicable; and

''(5) a description of objectives for such purpose or project and the projected timeline.

''(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

''(1) FEDERAL AGENCY.—The term 'Federal agency' means any department, independent establishment, commission, authority, board bureau, office, administrative unit, or other entity of the Federal Government.

''(2) REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE.—The term 'Request for Assistance' means any written, oral, visual, non-verbal, or other communication based on mission requirements and expressed in terms of desired outcome, formally asking the Department of Defense to provide assistance to a local, State, tribal, or other Federal agency.''.

SEC. 1076. INCREASE OF THE WORKING CAPITAL FUND, CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROGRAM THRESHOLD.

Section 2208(k)(2) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''$500,000 for procurements by a major range and test facility installation or a science and technology reinvention laboratory and not less than $250,000 for procurements at all other facilities'' and inserting ''$500,000 for procurements by a major range and test facility installation, a science and technology reinvention laboratory, or any other facility''.

SEC. 1077. NATIONAL GUARD RURAL REVIVAL AND MODERNIZATION PLAN.

(a) STRATEGY AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN REQUIRED.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army, in coordination with the Chief of the National Guard Bureau, shall develop a comprehensive strategy and roadmap to optimize Army National Guard readiness, force posture, and infrastructure in remote or isolated areas to include the Arctic. The strategy shall take into consideration the posture and plans of the United States Northern Command as well as Golden Dome for America in the assessment and development of the strategy, to ensure infrastructure investments meet homeland defense requirements and maximize operational effectiveness. The strategy shall be known as the ''Army National Guard Rural Revival and Modernization Plan'' (referred to in this section as the ''Plan'').

(b) ELEMENTS OF THE PLAN.—The Plan required under subsection (a) shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(1) INFRASTRUCTURE REVIEW.—A comprehensive audit and assessment of all National Guard armories, readiness centers, training support centers, and ranges within remote or isolated areas. The

audit should include an assessment of necessary facilities improvements and include a plan for—

(A) joint-force and extreme-cold-weather tactical training, including integrated survival, mobility, logistics, and combat operations specific to degraded and contested Arctic environments;

(B) forward-operating logistical hubs, cold-weather equipment staging, and intra-theater supply-chain distribution points;

(C) emergency management, disaster response, and homeland defense staging zones; and

(D) communications nodes and remote command-and-control capabilities.

(2) END-STRENGTH AND BILLET OPTIMIZATION STRATEGY.—A feasible plan to address and fill critically vacant, unassigned, or under-strength National Guard billets within the designated regions to meet increasing operational tempo (OPTEMPO). The optimization plan shall include—

(A) an analysis of recruitment and retention barriers unique to rural, isolated, or high-cost geographic areas;

(B) a targeted marketing, recruitment, and localized incentives framework, including specialized remote duty allowances, signing bonuses, and educational stipends, designed to source personnel directly from local and rural communities; and

(C) a potential rotational assignment framework to temporarily bridge immediate operational readiness gaps while permanent personnel pipelines are materialized to include associated funding.

(3) DUAL-USE CENTER MODERNIZATION BLUEPRINT.—A comprehensive capitalization and modernization plan for existing multi-mission, dual-use facilities. The blueprint shall—

(A) identify specific structural and technological upgrades necessary to sustain prolonged, multi-domain operations in austere environments, predicated on a comprehensive cyber-resilience and vulnerability assessment of the existing operational technology at installations and facilities, with an emphasis on—

(i) grid resilience, microgrid integration, and continuous primary power capa-

bilities under extreme environmental degradation;

(ii) communications modernization, including secure tactical satellite integration and redundant high-latitude network systems;

(iii) hangar, maintenance bay, and cold-storage runway and housing upgrades to handle modern tactical, rotary-wing, and autonomous aerial platforms, and personnel; and

(iv) dual-use airfield infrastructure reutilization and expansion of existing runways to accommodate modern military and civilian aircraft; and

(B) ensure all proposed command and control (C2) and facility infrastructure is engineered to operate seamlessly within Denied, Degraded, Intermittent, or Limited environments, incorporating resilient closed and restricted network architectures.

(c) COMMINGLING AND PRIVATE-SECTOR LEVERAGING PLANNING FRAMEWORK.—In developing the facility expansion and modernization elements of the Plan, the Secretary of the Army shall evaluate and identify op-

portunities to leverage enhanced use lease (EUL) authorities or enter into public-private partnerships. The Plan shall—

(1) include specific strategies to co-locate dual-use commercial, community, or telecommunications infrastructure within National Guard footprints to lower Federal infrastructure cost premiums and enhance installation resilience; and

(2) establish or clarify statutory data-sharing authorities and indemnification for the rapid exchange of cyber threat intelligence, risk assessments, and incident response data between the Department of Defense and the co-located commercial entities.

(d) DIRECT FUNDING AND MINOR CONSTRUCTION THRESHOLD RECOMMENDATIONS.—The Plan shall include an assessment of funding mechanisms and potential legislative adjustments required to execute the infrastructure developments, conversions, and modifications identified under the Plan, including an evaluation of how the Secretary may utilize funds available for unspecified minor military construction under section 2805 of title 10, United States Code.

(e) CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFINGS AND REPORTING.—

(1) INITIAL BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the

Secretary of the Army and the Chief of the National Guard Bureau shall provide an interim briefing to the congressional defense committees on the initial findings of the armory audit and the initial personnel recruitment milestones.

(2) FINAL REPORT.—Concurrently with the submission of the President's budget request for the upcoming fiscal year following the completion of the Plan, the Secretary of the Army shall submit to the congressional defense committees a formal report detailing the finalized strategy.

SEC. 1078. REDESIGNATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AS THE DEPARTMENT OF WAR.

(a) CHANGES TO DEPARTMENTAL AND POSITIONAL TITLES IN POSITIVE LAW TITLES OF UNITED STATES CODE.—Titles 10, 32, and 37, United States Code, are amended, in each case with the matter inserted to be in the same typeface and typestyle as the matter stricken, by—

(1) striking ''Department of Defense'' each place it appears and inserting ''Department of War''; and

(2) striking ''Secretary of Defense'' each place it appears and inserting ''Secretary of War''.

(b) CONFORMING CHANGES TO TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE.—Title 10, United States Code, is amended, in each case with the matter inserted to be in the same typeface and typestyle as the matter stricken—

(1) in sections 143, 2701(a)(4), 7381(c), 8226(c), and 9381(c), by striking ''OSD'' each place it appears and inserting ''Office of the Secretary of War'';

(2) in sections 148(c)(6), 165(c), 194(f), 392(e), 430b(d)(2), 1501(b), 1784(g), 2111b(e), 2461(b), 2563(a), 2701(f), 2704(c), 2704(d)(3), 7543(a), and 7687(a), by striking ''DoD'' and ''DOD'' each place it appears and inserting ''Department of War'';

(3) in section 127e(h), by striking ''ASD'' and inserting ''Assistant Secretary of War'';

(4) in sections 1175a(j)(5), 4863(b)(3)(C), and 4872(d)(3), by striking ''Undersecretary of Defense'' each place it appears and inserting ''Under Secretary of War'';

(5) in section 2926(f)(5)(D), by striking ''Secretary for Defense'' and insert ''Secretary of War'';

(6) in sections 131(b), 137a, 138, 139b(b)(3)(B)(vii), 398a(c), 1142(b)(19), by strik-

ing ''Secretaries of Defense'' each place it appears and inserting ''Secretaries of War'';

(7) in section 2164b, by striking ''DODEA'' each place it appears and inserting ''Department of War Education Activity''; and

(8) in section 4091, by striking ''Defense Test Resource Management Center'' each place it appears and inserting ''Department of War Test Resource Management Center''.

(c) EXCEPTIONS FOR DATE SPECIFIC ISSUANCES IN TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE.—(1) The amendments in subsections (a)(1) and (b)(2) shall not apply to sections 120(d), 1721(c), 2216a(c)(1), 2263(b)(2), 2856a(c)(2), 2856b(c), 3138(f)(4), 4505(h)(5), 4506(d)(2)(A), 4506(f), 4832(c)(4), and 5502(c)(3)(B) of title 10, United States Code.

(2) The amendments in subsection (a)(1) shall not apply to the term ''Department of Defense Interim Guidance dated February 29, 2000'' in section 2475(a) of title 10, United States Code.

(3) The amendments in subsection (a)(2) shall not apply to sections 499c(a)(1)(D), 500d(c), 2281(d)(2), 3138(f)(4), 5502(c)(3)(A), and 5502(c)(3)(B) of title 10, United States Code.

(d) OTHER REFERENCES.—Chapter 1 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 102 the following new section:

"§ 103. References to the Secretary of Defense and Department of Defense

''Any reference to the Secretary of Defense and Department of Defense in any law, regulation, map, document, record, or other paper of the United States shall be deemed to be a reference to the Secretary of War and Department of War, respectively.''.

SEC. 1079. SERVICE-WIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGY FOR HUMAN PERFORMANCE.

(a) ENTERPRISE STRATEGY REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of each military department shall establish a service-wide strategy for human performance to identify service-wide requirements and policies to optimize the use and acquisition of human performance technology and services.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The strategy required under subsection (a) shall—

(1) identify a program of primary responsibility for human performance across the service to integrate, synchronize, and optimize human performance technology and services across each service;

(2) identify requirements for the procurement of human performance technology and services;

(3) identify security requirements, including risks stemming from wearable technology devices for which the hardware is assembled in China;

(4) provide a timeline and estimated funding for implementation of the human performance enterprise solution, including acquisition plans, for the period covering fiscal years 2027 through 2031; and

(5) provide metrics and performance indicators for assessing the effectiveness and value of the human performance enterprise solution.

(c) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 270 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, each Secretary of a military department shall submit to the congressional defense committees a description of the strategy required under subsection (a), including a detailed description of the elements required in subsection (b).

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) HUMAN PERFORMANCE.—The term ''human performance'' means optimization of physical and mental health (such as physical readiness, mental readiness, sleep readiness, nutritional readiness, spiritual readiness) required for optimal performance and improved readiness.

(2) HUMAN PERFORMANCE TECHNOLOGY AND SERVICES.—The term ''human performance technology and services'' means wearables and data management platforms that support human performance.

SEC. 1080. RECORDS PRESERVATION PROCESSES FOR CERTAIN AT-RISK AFGHAN ALLIES.

(a) DEFINITION OF AFGHAN ALLY.—In this section and only for the purpose of the Department of Defense records preservation processes established by this section, the term ''Afghan ally'' means an alien who is a citizen or national of Afghanistan, or in the case of an alien having no nationality, an alien who last habitually resided in Afghanistan, who—

(1) was—

(A) a member of—

(i) the special operations forces of the Afghanistan National Defense and Security Forces;

(ii) the Afghanistan National Army Special Operations Command;

(iii) the Afghan Air Force; or

(iv) the Special Mission Wing of Afghanistan;

(B) a female member of any other entity of the Afghanistan National Defense and Security Forces, including—

(i) a cadet or instructor at the Afghanistan National Defense University; and

(ii) a civilian employee of the Ministry of Defense or the Ministry of Interior Affairs;

(C) an individual associated with former Afghan military and police human intelligence activities, including operators and Department of Defense sources;

(D) an individual associated with former Afghan military counterintelligence, counterterrorism, or counternarcotics;

(E) an individual associated with the former Afghan Ministry of Defense, Ministry of Interior Affairs, or court system, and who was involved in the investigation, prosecution, or detention of combatants or members of the Taliban or criminal networks affiliated with the Taliban;

(F) an individual employed in the former justice sector in Afghanistan as a judge, pros-

ecutor, or investigator who was engaged in rule of law activities for which the United States provided funding or training; or

(G) a senior military officer, senior enlisted personnel, or civilian official who served on the staff of the former Ministry of Defense or the former Ministry of Interior Affairs of Afghanistan; and

(2) provided service to an entity or organization described in paragraph (1) for not less than one year during the period beginning on December 22, 2001, and ending on September 1, 2021, and did so in support of the United States mission in Afghanistan.

(b) INCLUSIONS.—For purposes of this section, the Afghanistan National Defense and Security Forces includes members of the security forces under the Ministry of Defense and the Ministry of Interior Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, including the Afghanistan National Army, the Afghan Air Force, the Afghanistan National Police, and any other entity designated by the Secretary of Defense as part of the Afghanistan National Defense and Security Forces during the relevant period of service of the applicant concerned.

(c) AFGHAN ALLIES RECORDS PRESERVATION PROGRAM.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall establish a process by which an individual may apply to the Secretary of Defense for classification as an Afghan ally.

(2) APPLICATION SYSTEM.—The process established under paragraph (1) shall—

(A) include the development and maintenance of a secure online portal through which applicants may provide information verifying their status as Afghan allies and upload supporting documentation; and

(B) allow—

(i) an applicant to submit his or her own application;

(ii) a designee of an applicant to submit an application on behalf of the applicant; and

(iii) the submission of an application regardless of where the applicant is located, provided that the applicant is outside the United States.

(3) REVIEW PROCESS.—As soon as practicable after receiving a request for classification described in paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense shall—

(A) review—

(i) the service record of the applicant, if available;

(ii) if the applicant provides a service record or other supporting documentation, any information within the internal or contractor-held records of the Department of Defense that helps verify the service record concerned, including information or an attestation provided by any current or former official of the Department of Defense who has personal knowledge of the eligibility of the applicant for such classification; and

(iii) available data holdings in the possession of the Department of Defense or any contractor of the Department of Defense, including as applicable biographic and biometric records, iris scans, fingerprints, voice biometric information, hand geometry biometrics, other identifiable information, and any other information re-

lated to the applicant, including relevant derogatory information; and

(B)(i) in a case in which the Secretary of Defense determines that the applicant is an Afghan ally without significant derogatory information, the Secretary shall preserve a complete record of such application for potential future use by the applicant or a designee of the applicant; and

(ii) include with such preserved record—

(I) any service record concerned, if available;

(II) if the applicant provides a service record, any information that helps verify the service record concerned; and

(III) any biometrics for the applicant.

(4) REVIEW PROCESS FOR DENIAL OF REQUEST FOR RECORDS PRESERVATION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of an applicant with respect to whom the Secretary of Defense denies a request for classification and records preservation based on a determination that the applicant is not an Afghan ally or based on derogatory information—

(i) the Secretary shall provide the applicant with a written notice of the denial that provides, to the maximum extent practicable, a description of the basis for the denial, including the facts and inferences, or evidentiary gaps, underlying the individual determination; and

(ii) the applicant shall be provided an opportunity to submit not more than 1 written appeal to the Secretary for each such denial.

(B) DEADLINE FOR APPEAL.—An appeal under clause (ii) of subparagraph (A) shall be submitted—

(i) not more than 120 days after the date on which the applicant concerned receives notice under clause (i) of that subparagraph; or

(ii) on any date thereafter, at the discretion of the Secretary of Defense.

(C) REQUEST TO REOPEN.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—An applicant who receives a denial under subparagraph (A) may submit a request to reopen a request for classification and records preservation

under the process established under paragraph (1) so that the applicant may provide additional information, clarify existing information, or explain any unfavorable information.

(ii) LIMITATION.—After considering one such request to reopen from an applicant, the Secretary of Defense may deny subsequent requests to reopen submitted by the same applicant.

(5) TERMINATION.—The application process under this subsection shall terminate on the date that—

(A) is not earlier than ten years after the date of the enactment of this Act; and

(B) on which the Secretary of Defense makes a determination that such termination is in the national interest of the United States.

(6) GENERAL PROVISIONS.—

(A) PROHIBITION ON FEES.—The Secretary of Defense may not charge any fee in connection with a request for a classification or records preservation under this section.

(B) DEFENSE PERSONNEL.—Any limitation in law with respect to the number of per-

sonnel within the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the military departments, or a Defense Agency (as defined in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code) shall not apply to personnel employed for the primary purpose of carrying out this section.

(C) REPRESENTATION.—An alien applying for records preservation under this section may be represented during the application process, including at relevant interviews and examinations, by an attorney or other accredited representative. Such representation shall not be at the expense of the United States Government.

SEC. 1081. PROHIBITION ON COVERED TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING PREDICTION MARKET CONTRACTS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COVERED INDIVIDUAL.—The term ''covered individual'' means—

(A) a member of the Armed Forces;

(B) a civilian employee of the Department of Defense; or

(C) an employee of a Department of Defense contractor, subcontractor, grantee, or subgrantee or personal services contractor.

(2) DESIGNATED AGENCY ETHICS OFFICIAL.—The term ''designated agency ethics official'' means the designated agency ethics official, as that term is defined in section 13101 of title 5, United States Code, for the Department of Defense.

(3) MATERIAL NONPUBLIC INFORMATION.—The term ''material nonpublic information'' means information—

(A) that a reasonable investor would consider important in making a decision relating to a prediction market contract; and

(B) that is not publicly available.

(4) PREDICTION MARKET CONTRACT.—The term ''prediction market contract'' means any financial instrument, contract, or derivative—

(A) listed on or offered by a platform, regardless of whether the platform is domiciled in the United States; and

(B) tied to the occurrence or non-occurrence of an event, including event contracts, as described in section 5c(c)(5)(C)(i) of the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. 7a-2(c)(5)(C)(i)).

(b) PROHIBITION.—No covered individual may use material nonpublic information derived from the position

of the covered individual as a member of the Armed Forces, civilian employee of the Department of Defense, or employee of a Department of Defense contractor, subcontractor, grantee, or subgrantee or personal services contractor or gained from the performance of the official responsibilities of the covered individual as a means for making a profit through a covered transaction.

(c) REPORTS.—Not later than 30 days after receiving notification of any covered transaction the value of which is more than $250 and to which the covered individual is a party, the covered individual shall submit to the designated agency ethics official a report describing the covered transaction, which shall include—

(1) the value of the prediction market contract, including the purchase price and number of prediction market contracts purchased;

(2) the date and time of the covered transaction;

(3) the name of the prediction market contract and the position taken on the prediction market contract;

(4) the prediction market contract trading platform used to complete the covered transaction; and

(5) the profit or loss of the covered transaction after the prediction market contract closes, or the

covered individual exits the position, provided that if the prediction market contract is not closed on the date on which the report under this section is submitted, an additional report shall be submitted not later than 30 days after the date on which the prediction market contract closes or the covered individual exits the position.

(d) POLICY.—

(1) PENALTIES.—Not later than 45 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall establish appropriate penalties for violating the prohibition under subsection (b).

(2) REPORTING.—A violation of the prohibition under subsection (b) shall be reported by the designated agency ethics official to the Secretary of Defense.

SEC. 1082. PROHIBITION ON USE OF PREDICTION MARKETS BY PERSONNEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

(a) REGULATIONS REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretaries of the military departments, shall issue regulations prohibiting members of the covered Armed Forces and civilian employees of the Department of Defense from entering

into transactions on prediction markets in cases that relate to—

(1) the Department of Defense, the Armed Forces, the military departments, the defense agencies, a combatant command, or any other component of the Department;

(2) military operations, military plans, military activities, mobilization, deployments, force posture, readiness, casualties, military exercises, contingency operations, or the use of force;

(3) intelligence activities, counterintelligence activities, special operations, cybersecurity operations, cyber incidents, or operations in the information environment;

(4) terrorism, armed conflict, foreign military operations, foreign internal instability, sanctions, export controls, foreign military sales, security assistance, or defense articles or services;

(5) defense acquisition, contract awards, bid protests, milestone decisions, program delays, production rates, weapons deliveries, the defense industrial base, or other matters involving Department procurement or acquisition;

(6) authorization, appropriation, apportionment, allotment, obligation, expenditure, rescission,

reprogramming, transfer, or withholding of funds for the Department;

(7) classified information, controlled unclassified information, procurement-sensitive information, deliberative information, predecisional information, or other nonpublic Government information; or

(8) any other category of event, contingency, occurrence, decision, action, outcome, or circumstance that the Secretary determines, by regulation, creates a risk to the integrity of Department operations, the protection of nonpublic Government information, the impartiality of Department personnel, or public confidence in the Department.

(b) CONTRACTOR REGULATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall revise the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement to require an appropriate clause in relevant contracts to prohibit contractor personnel from participating in prediction markets in cases described in subsection (a).

(2) CONTRACTOR REPORTING.—The clause required under paragraph (1) shall require the contractor to report to the contracting officer and appropriate security officials any credible information

indicating that contractor personnel described in paragraph (1) knowingly violated the prohibition required by such clause.

(3) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to limit any other requirement relating to conflicts of interest, procurement integrity, insider threat, cybersecurity, contractor responsibility, or eligibility for access to classified information.

(c) ENFORCEMENT.—The regulations under subsections (a) and (b) shall specify a range of punishments for the use of prediction markets in violation of this section.

(d) COVERED ARMED FORCES DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''covered Armed Forces'' means the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force.

SEC. 1083. BAN ON BETS ON MILITARY OPERATIONS.

(a) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ''wager''—

(1) means the staking or risking by any person of something of value upon the outcome of an event, including the outcome of any portion or aspect thereof, upon an agreement or understanding that the person or another person will receive something of value in the event of a certain outcome; and

(2) does not include insurance for which the insured holds a lawful insurable interest—

(A) under State law, within the meaning of the Act entitled ''An Act to express the intent of the Congress with reference to the regulation of the business of insurance'', approved March 9, 1945 (commonly known as the ''McCarran-Ferguson Act'' (15 U.S.C. 1011 et seq.)); or

(B) under foreign law, with respect—

(i) to risks located outside the United States; or

(ii) the reinsurance of risks covered under clause (i).

(b) PROHIBITED CONDUCT.—

(1) PROHIBITION.—It shall be unlawful for any person to place, accept, or facilitate the placement or acceptance of a wager regarding a military operation, including pursuant to any contingency operation, sensitive military operation, introduction of American forces into hostilities, authorization for the use of military force, or war.

(2) CIVIL ACTION.—The Attorney General may bring a civil action for injunctive relief in an appropriate district court of the United States against any person who violates paragraph (1).

(c) AMENDMENTS.—

(1) INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN TRAVEL OR TRANSPORTATION IN AID OF RACKETEERING ENTERPRISES.—Section 1952(b)(i)(1) of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after ''gambling'' the following: ''(including conduct prohibited by section 3(a) of the Military Operations Bets Ban Act of 2026)''.

(2) PROHIBITION OF ILLEGAL GAMBLING BUSINESSES.—Section 1955(b) of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

(A) in paragraph (1)(i), by inserting ''section 3(a) of the Military Operations Bets Ban Act of 2026 or'' after ''is a violation of''; and

(B) in paragraph (4), by inserting ''conduct prohibited by section 3(a) of the Military Operations Bets Ban Act of 2026,'' after '' 'gambling' includes but is not limited to''.

(3) PROHIBITION ON FUNDING OF UNLAWFUL INTERNET GAMBLING.—Section 5362(1) of title 31, United States Code, is amended—

(A) in subparagraph (D), by striking ''and'' at the end;

(B) by redesignating subparagraph (E) as subparagraph (F); and

(C) by inserting after subparagraph (D) the following:

''(i) includes conduct prohibited by section 3(a) of the Military Operations Bets Ban Act of 2026, without regard to subparagraph (F) of this paragraph; and''.

(4) PROHIBITION ON TRADING EVENT CONTRACTS RELATING TO WAR OR UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES MILITARY OPERATIONS.—Section 5c(c)(5)(C) of the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. 7a–2(c)(5)(C)) is amended—

(A) in clause (i)—

(i) in the matter preceding subclause (I)—

(I) by striking ''the occurrence,'' and inserting ''an occurrence,'';

(II) by striking ''1a(2)(i)),'' and inserting ''1a(19)(i)),''; and

(III) by striking ''or transactions'' each place it appears and inserting ''transactions, or swaps'';

(ii) by striking subclause (IV); and

(iii) by redesignating subclauses (V) and (VI) as subclauses (IV) and (V), respectively; and

(B) by striking clause (ii) and inserting the following:

"(ii) PROHIBITIONS.—No agreement, contract, transaction, or swap may be listed or made available for clearing or trading on or through a registered entity if—

"(I) the agreement, contract, transaction, or swap involves war or United States Armed Forces military operations; or

"(II) the Commission determines the agreement, contract, transaction, or swap is contrary to the public interest under clause (i).".

(d) SEVERABILITY.—If any provision of this section or amendment made by this section, or the application of such provision or amendment to any person or circumstance, is held to be unconstitutional, the remainder of this section and the amendments made by this section, and the application of the provision or amendment to any other person or circumstance, shall not be affected.

(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect on the date that is 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 1084. UNIVERSAL GUIDANCE ON REMOTE AND ISOLATED INSTALLATION DESIGNATIONS.

(a) UNIVERSAL GUIDANCE REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 12 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall issue guidance applicable to all military departments establishing a standardized definition and tiered classification system for determining the remote and isolated designation status of military installations for the purposes of Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (MWR) and resale, workforce shortages, providing critical services to members and families, and infrastructure The guidance shall—

(A) supersede any conflicting definitions, criteria, or designations issued by individual military departments with respect to remote and isolated status, except as otherwise provided in subsection (c);

(B) apply uniformly across all branches of the Armed Forces and all military departments;

(C) align with and support the program eligibility determinations, MWR program category assignments, and NAF activity entitlements established under Department of Defense Instruction 1015.10 (Military Morale, Welfare,

and Recreation Programs and Nonappropriated Fund Instrumentalities) and Department of Defense Instruction 1015.18 (Nonappropriated Fund Instrumentality Procurement Policy); and

(D) establish a tiered system of remote and isolated designations as provided in subsection (b).

(2) CONSOLIDATION OF DoDI 1015.10 AND DoDI 1015.18 WITH NEW GUIDANCE.—In developing the guidance required under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense shall ensure that—

(A) each tier classification established under subsection (b) directly corresponds to specific MWR program categories and funding levels authorized under DoDI 1015.10, such that installations within a given tier are assigned MWR program categories commensurate with their degree of isolation;

(B) the guidance clarifies and reconciles any inconsistencies between current remote and isolated designations used by the military departments and the location category definitions employed by DoDI 1015.10 in determining appropriated fund support levels;

(C) procurement authorizations for non-appropriated fund instrumentalities (NAF) at remote and isolated installations under DoDI 1015.18 are calibrated to reflect the tier designation of such installations, with higher-tier installations receiving proportionally greater procurement flexibility; and

(D) any future revisions to DoDI 1015.10 or DoDI 1015.18 are reviewed for consistency with the universal guidance required by this section within 180 days of such revision, and updated as necessary to maintain alignment.

(3) CONSULTATION.—In developing the guidance required under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense shall consult with—

(A) the Secretaries of the military departments;

(B) the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff;

(C) the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness; and

(D) the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment.

(b) TIERED CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The guidance issued pursuant to subsection (a) shall establish a tiered system for classifying military installations by degree of remoteness and isolation. The Secretary shall designate not fewer than three and not more than five tiers. In developing the tier criteria, the Secretary shall consider, at a minimum, the following factors:

(A) Whether the installation is located CONUS or OCONUS, as defined in subsection (f), recognizing that OCONUS installations generally face a broader range of access limitations that may not be captured by proximity or distance metrics alone.

(B) Commissary availability and off-base subsistence access, including—

(i) the distance and travel time to the nearest on-installation commissary, off-installation grocery store, or supermarket equivalent;

(ii) the hours of operation of such facilities;

(iii) price competitiveness relative to standard retail markets; and

(iv) the variety and adequacy of available goods to support servicemember and family dietary needs.

(C) Childcare and school availability, including—

(i) the capacity and waitlist status of on-installation childcare facilities and Child Development Centers;

(ii) the availability and quality of off-installation licensed childcare providers; and

(iii) the availability, quality, and accreditation status of kindergarten through grade 12 educational institutions both on-installation and in the surrounding community, including Department of Defense Education Activity (DODEA) Schools, local public schools, and private or charter school options.

(D) Housing availability, including—

(i) the quantity, quality, and vacancy rate of on-installation government quarters;

(ii) the availability and affordability of off-installation rental and for-purchase housing in the surrounding community;

(iii) the adequacy of the applicable Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) rate relative to local housing market conditions; and

(iv) the availability of accessible housing for servicemembers with special needs or larger family sizes.

(E) Commute distance and time associated with housing availability, including—

(i) the average driving distance and travel time between available off-installation housing and the installation gate;

(ii) the availability and reliability of public transportation options;

(iii) road infrastructure quality and seasonal road conditions; and

(iv) the degree to which limited off-installation housing inventory forces servicemembers and families to reside at distances that impose an unreasonable commute burden.

(F) Healthcare availability, including—

(i) the capacity and scope of services offered by the on-installation military treatment facility, if any;

(ii) the distance to the nearest off-installation civilian hospital, including consideration if care is only available in a neighboring country, and whether these facilities have emergency and trauma services, urgent care facility, and primary care provider accepting TRICARE and civilian healthcare insurance like the Federal Employee Health Benefits Plan;

(iii) the availability of specialty care including pediatric, mental health, obstetric, and dental services both on and off installation; and

(iv) appointment wait times relative to community standards.

(G) Fitness center and recreational facility availability, including—

(i) the presence, capacity, quality, and hours of operation of on-installation fitness centers, gymnasiums, aquatic facilities, and outdoor recreation areas;

(ii) the extent to which servicemembers and families must rely exclusively on on-installation fitness resources due to the absence or inadequacy of off-installation commercial fitness and recreational options; and

(iii) the condition and modernization status of on-installation MWR facilities.

(H) Regional employment rate and military spouse employment opportunities, including—

(i) the unemployment rate in the surrounding labor market area;

(ii) the availability of career-level civilian employment opportunities accessible to military spouses within a reasonable commute distance;

(iii) the presence of industries or employers known to be military-spouse-friendly;

(iv) access to higher education and vocational training programs; and

(v) the availability of remote or telework employment options given existing

telecommunications infrastructure at the installation location.

(I) Physical accessibility of the installation, including road conditions, distance from the nearest population center, presence of geographic barriers such as mountains, bodies of water, or desert terrain, and seasonal inaccessibility due to weather or environmental conditions.

(J) Access to commercial air transportation, including the distance to the nearest commercial airport, frequency of commercial air service, and availability of reasonable airfares.

(K) The cost-of-living differential between the installation location and relevant baseline comparators, including the availability and cost of off-installation housing.

(L) For OCONUS installations, host nation restrictions on the movement of servicemembers and their families, status of forces agreement limitations, force protection and travel restrictions, foreign language or cultural barriers affecting access to community services, and the operational posture of the installation.

(M) Emergency services, including—

(i) access to critical emergency services, including the availability, response time, and operational capacity of emergency medical services, fire and rescue services, law enforcement support, emergency evacuation capabilities, disaster response infrastructure, and mutual aid agreements with surrounding civilian jurisdictions;

(ii) the reliability of emergency communications systems;

(iii) the extent to which geographic isolation, weather conditions, or transportation limitations impede timely access to emergency assistance for servicemembers and their families.

(2) SCORING METHODOLOGY AND APPEALS.—In assigning a tier designation to an installation, the Secretary shall develop and apply a standardized scoring methodology that—

(A) weights the factors described in paragraph (1) and any additional factors the Secretary deems appropriate on a consistent basis across all military departments;

(B) distinguishes between CONUS and OCONUS installations with separate scoring criteria reflective of the unique circumstances of each category;

(C) permits periodic re-evaluation of an installation's tier designation upon a significant change in circumstances, including changes to base population, infrastructure, or surrounding community development;

(D) includes a formal appeals process by which a Secretary of a military department or an installation commander may request re-evaluation of a tier designation, with a decision required not later than 180 days after submission of such request;

(E) incorporates both quantitative and qualitative measures, including servicemember and military family quality-of-life indicators, workforce vacancy rates, spouse employment outcomes, childcare wait times, healthcare appointment availability, and access to emergency services; and

(F) accounts for cumulative effects of multiple access limitations, such that installations experiencing deficiencies across several cat-

egories may receive a higher tier designation notwithstanding moderate scores in any individual category.

(c) PRESERVATION OF EXISTING DESIGNATIONS.—

(1) CONTINUATION OF EXISTING DESIGNATIONS.—Notwithstanding subsection (a)(1)(A), all military installations that have been designated as remote and isolated by any military department as of the date of the enactment of this Act shall retain their remote and isolated designation until the date that is 12 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, at which time the Secretary of Defense shall publish a new and comprehensive list of installations designated as remote and isolated under the tiered classification system established pursuant to subsection (b).

(2) EFFECT ON PROGRAMS AND ENTITLEMENTS.—During the period in which existing designations are preserved under paragraph (1), servicemembers assigned to installations with an existing remote and isolated designation shall continue to receive all programs, entitlements, and MWR support authorized under such designation. No servicemember or dependent shall lose access to any program solely as a result of the transition to the tiered

classification system prior to the publication of the new list required by paragraph (1).

(3) NEW LIST PUBLICATION.—The new list published pursuant to paragraph (1) shall—

(A) include each military installation designated as remote and isolated, organized by tier designation under the tiered classification system;

(B) identify any installation that held a remote and isolated designation under prior military department criteria that is not included in the new list, together with a written justification for the removal of such designation; and

(C) be published in a manner accessible to all servicemembers, Department of Defense employees, and the general public.

(d) CONGRESSIONAL REPORTING AND NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) INITIAL CONSOLIDATED LIST.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a consolidated list of all military installations currently designated as re-

mote and isolated by each military department. The list shall—

(A) identify each installation by name, location, and military department;

(B) identify the criteria applied by each military department to designate such installations as remote and isolated as of the date of submission;

(C) note the approximate date each installation received its current remote and isolated designation; and

(D) identify any installations for which remote and isolated status is in dispute or under review by a military department as of the date of submission.

(2) PRE-PUBLICATION CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFING.—Not later than 30 days before publishing the new and comprehensive list of remote and isolated installations required under subsection (c)(1), the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on the updated list. The briefing shall include—

(A) a complete draft of the proposed new list, organized by tier designation;

(B) an explanation of the scoring methodology and weighting criteria applied under the tiered classification system to assign tier designations to each installation;

(C) a comparison of the proposed new list to the consolidated list submitted under paragraph (1), identifying installations added to, removed from, or reclassified on the updated list, and the rationale for each such change;

(D) an assessment of the anticipated effects of the new designations on MWR program categories, appropriated fund support levels, and NAF entitlements under DoDI 1015.10 and DoDI 1015.18; and

(E) a summary of any formal requests for re-designation received during the development of the new list and the disposition of each such request.

(3) SUBSEQUENT UPDATES.—Following publication of the initial list under subsection (c)(1), the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives an updated list not less frequently than every three years, or within 180 days of any significant revision to the universal guidance issued under sub-

section (a). Such updated list shall include the same information required under paragraph (2) of this subsection with respect to any changes from the prior list.

(e) PERIODIC REVIEW AND UPDATING OF GUIDANCE.—The Secretary of Defense shall review the universal guidance issued pursuant to subsection (a), including the tiered classification system, not less frequently than once every three years. Such review shall consider—

(1) changes in population, infrastructure, or community development in the vicinity of designated installations;

(2) feedback from installation commanders, servicemember surveys, and military family organizations;

(3) revisions to applicable Department of Defense Instructions or policy directives; and

(4) any significant changes to the global basing posture or force structure of the Armed Forces that may affect the remote and isolated status of installations.

(f) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to—

(1) limit the authority of the Secretary of Defense to designate additional installations as remote

and isolated beyond those identified under the tiered classification system where warranted by unique operational, environmental, or mission requirements;

(2) limit the authority of the Secretary of Defense to revise DoDI 1015.10 or DoDI 1015.18 in accordance with applicable law; or

(3) require the disclosure of any classified information with respect to installations or operations in submitting reports, lists, or briefings required under this section.

(g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) CONUS.—The term ''CONUS'' means the continental United States, excluding Alaska and Hawaii.

(2) COMMUNITY SUPPORT ACCESS.—The term ''community support access'' means the availability, within reasonable proximity of an installation, of commercial retail establishments, medical and dental care providers, recreational and entertainment venues, educational institutions, and other community services routinely used by servicemembers and their families.

(3) MILITARY DEPARTMENT.—The term ''military department'' has the meaning given that term in section 101(a)(8) of title 10, United States Code.

(4) MILITARY INSTALLATION.—The term ''military installation'' has the meaning given that term in section 2801(c)(4) of title 10, United States Code.

(5) OCONUS.—The term ''OCONUS'' means outside the continental United States, including Alaska, Hawaii, United States territories, and all foreign countries.

(6) OFF-BASE SUBSISTENCE ACCESS.—The term ''off-base subsistence access'' means the availability of grocery stores, commissary equivalents, restaurants, and other food retail establishments accessible to servicemembers and their dependents without undue burden.

SEC. 1085. DECLASSIFICATION OF INFORMATION CONCERNING UNITED STATES PERSONNEL CLASSIFIED AS PRISONER OF WAR OR MISSING IN ACTION DURING CERTAIN CONFLICTS.

(a) DECLASSIFICATION OF INFORMATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection (b), the Secretary of Defense shall declassify any information referred to in paragraph (2), or, if such declassification is not possible, make such information available to family members to review.

(2) INFORMATION COVERED.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (1) applies to any record, live-sighting report, or other information in the custody of the Department of Defense that relates to the location, treatment, or condition of any POW/MIA from World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam War on or after the date on which such individual passed from United States control into a status classified as a prisoner of war or missing in action, as the case may be, until that individual is returned to United States control.

(B) POW/MIA DEFINED.—For purposes of this section, a POW/MIA from World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam War is any member of the Armed Forces or civilian employee of the United States who was at any time classified as a prisoner of war or missing in action during World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam War and whose person or remains have not been returned to United States control.

(b) DECLASSIFICATION LIMITATION.—

(1) CONSENT REQUIREMENT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense may not declassify a record or other infor-

mation available to the public pursuant to subsection (a) if the record or other information specifically mentions a person by name unless—

(i) in the case of a person who is alive (and not incapacitated) and whose whereabouts are known, that person expressly consents in writing to the declassification of the record or other information; or

(ii) in the case of a person who is dead or incapacitated or whose whereabouts are unknown, a family member or family members of that person determined by the Secretary of Defense to be appropriate for such purpose expressly consent in writing to the declassification of the record or other information.

(B) LIMITATION ON DELEGATION.—The authority of a person to consent to disclosure of a record or other information for the purposes of subparagraph (A) may be delegated to another person or an organization only by means of an express legal power of attorney granted by the person authorized by that paragraph to consent to the disclosure.

(2) EXCEPTIONS TO LIMITATION.—The limitation on disclosure in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) does not apply—

(A) in the case of a person who is dead or incapacitated or whose whereabouts are unknown if the family member or members of that person determined pursuant to such subparagraph cannot be located after a reasonable effort; or

(B) to the access of an adult member of the family of a person to any record or information to the extent that the record or other information relates to that person.

(c) DEADLINES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In the case of records or other information that are required by subsection (a) to be declassified and that are in the custody of the Department of Defense on the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall declassify such records and other information pursuant to this section not later than three years after such date. Such records or other information shall be declassified as soon as a review carried out for the purposes of subsection (b) is completed.

(2) AUTHORITY TO WITHHOLD.—If the Secretary of Defense determines that the declassification of any record or other information referred to in subsection (a) by the date required by paragraph (1) may compromise the safety of a POW/MIA who may still be alive in the area of conflict, then the Secretary may withhold that record or other information from the disclosure otherwise required by this section. Whenever the Secretary makes a determination under the preceding sentence, the Secretary shall immediately notify the President and Congress of that determination.

(d) COOPERATION WITH OTHER AGENCIES.—The Secretary of Defense shall work with the heads of other Federal departments and agencies to address the disposition of records in possession of such agencies, including records received or discovered after the deadlines referred to in subsection (c).

SEC. 1086. REQUIREMENT FOR MARKINGS ON LETHAL MILITARY PLATFORMS.

Chapter 141 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"§ 2397. Requirement for markings on lethal military platforms

''(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense may not employ a manned platform with offensive lethal weapons capabilities to conduct an attack if such platform does not include markings to—

''(1) signify its affiliation with the United States Armed Forces; and

''(2) distinguish itself from the civilian population, equipment, or platforms when conducting an attack.

''(b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the employment of a manned platform with integrated weapons capabilities of a purely defensive character.''.

SEC. 1087. EXTENSION OF NATIONAL DEFENSE STRATEGY COMMISSION.

Section 1095(e) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1072) is amended by striking ''90 days after'' and inserting ''15 months after''.

SEC. 1088. PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR TRANSFER OF INDIVIDUALS LOCATED AT CAMP AS SAYLIYAH.

(a) IN GENERAL.—None of the amounts authorized to be appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act

for the Department of Defense may be used to transfer or assist in the transfer or involuntary return of an individual described in subsection (b) to—

(1) Afghanistan;

(2) a third country from which it may reasonably be assumed that the individual will be sent to Afghanistan; or

(3) any location the transfer or involuntary return to which would otherwise violate existing law.

(b) INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED.—An individual described in this subsection is an individual housed at Camp As Sayliyah who—

(1) is a national of Afghanistan (or in the case of an individual having no nationality, an individual who last habitually resided in Afghanistan); and

(2) was transported to Camp As Sayliyah by the United States Government for the purpose of consideration for admission to the United States.

(c) WAIVER.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—With respect to Afghanistan or a third country from which it may reasonably assumed that an individual described in subsection (b) will be sent to Afghanistan, the Secretary may waive the application of subsection (a) in the case of such an individual with respect to whom there is pre-ex-

isting derogatory information that would preclude the individual from settling in the United States or Qatar.

(2) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 30 days before the date on which the Secretary intends to exercise the waiver authority under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall notify the relevant committees of Congress of such intent.

SEC. 1089. ANALYSIS OF FORCE REQUIREMENTS FOR ALTERNATIVE WARFIGHTING SCENARIOS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 270 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation and the Program Evaluation Competitive Analysis Cell established under section 139a(e) of title 10, United States Code, shall provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives on force requirements for alternative warfighting scenarios.

(b) SCOPE OF SCENARIOS.—The alternative warfighting scenarios to be addressed under subsection (a) shall include, at a minimum, the following types of scenarios:

(1) A variety of first island chain scenarios in the Pacific, including protracted and simultaneous conflicts.

(2) Regional contingencies from not fewer than two additional geographic combatant command areas of responsibility.

(3) Conflicts with near-peer adversaries that result in horizontal escalation across geographic regions.

(4) Hybrid or gray-zone conflict scenarios combining cyber operations, electronic warfare, space-based disruption, and irregular maritime activity by adversary forces.

(c) ASSESSMENT OF REQUIREMENTS.—For each scenario addressed under subsection (a), the briefing required by that subsection shall assess the following:

(1) Required force composition (naval, air, and land-based units, including joint and allied contributions).

(2) Current readiness levels of United States forces to execute the scenario.

(3) Identified shortfalls in personnel, equipment, logistics, basing access, medical support capabilities, contingency contracting capability, munitions stockpiles, industrial base production capacities, and sustainment capabilities.

(4) Estimated timelines for force reconstitution and sustainment under combat conditions, including

replacement and training of military manpower personnel due to attrition.

(5) Opportunities to increase the quantity and availability of required military effects through the use of lower-cost, rapidly producible, attritable, autonomous, commercial, or otherwise scalable capabilities capable of achieving acceptable operational outcomes, together with an evaluation of the risks, benefits, costs, implementation timelines, and any legislative or regulatory barriers associated with such approaches.

(d) OBJECTIVES.—The purposes of the assessment of alternative warfighting scenarios under this section are—

(1) to test and evaluate United States force readiness across a spectrum of potential contingencies;

(2) to identify risks and gaps in such readiness; and

(3) to inform future force planning, posture, and investment decisions.

SEC. 1090. GUIDANCE ON THE TREATMENT OF CLAIMS UNDER THE HAVANA ACT.

Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall issue guidance on treatment of claims under the HAVANA Act (Public Law

117–46) with respect to the inclusion of current and former members of the Armed Forces.

SEC. 1091. ASSESSMENT OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PHOSPHATE SUPPLY CHAIN VULNERABILITIES; RELATED LAND EXCHANGE AUTHORIZATION.

(a) ASSESSMENT REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense (referred to in this subsection as the ''Secretary'') shall complete a comprehensive assessment of the vulnerabilities in the Department of Defense phosphate supply chain, including—

(A) the reliance of defense-relevant industries and military operations on foreign-sourced phosphate and phosphate-derived products; and

(B) the risks to national security posed by patterns of import dependence, foreign supply concentration, and the susceptibility of global commodity supply chains to disruption in existence as of the date of the assessment.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The assessment required under paragraph (1) shall include, at a minimum, an evaluation of the following:

(A) The extent to which the Department of Defense, the defense industrial base, and defense-related agricultural and manufacturing supply chains depend on phosphate and phosphate-derived products, including—

(i) phosphate-based munitions components, propellants, flame retardants, energy storage, and pyrotechnics;

(ii) phosphoric acid and phosphate compounds used in metal finishing, corrosion protection, and other defense manufacturing processes; and

(iii) phosphate fertilizers essential to domestic agricultural production supporting military food supply chains and civil-military operations during a national emergency.

(B) Current and projected domestic production capacity for phosphate rock and processed phosphate products, including an assessment of the number, location, and operational status of domestic mining and processing facilities.

(C) The vulnerability of the phosphate supply chain to deliberate or inadvertent disruption, including—

(i) the degree of United States net import reliance for phosphate at each stage of the supply chain, from raw ore to finished defense-relevant products;

(ii) the concentration of foreign suppliers, including the market share and geopolitical risk profile of Morocco, China, and other major producers;

(iii) the risk of supply disruption arising from hostile foreign actions, armed conflicts, sanctions, trade restrictions, export controls imposed by foreign governments, or anti-competitive behaviors by state-owned or state-influenced enterprises;

(iv) the risk of disruption arising from single points of failure in domestic transportation, processing, or storage infrastructure; and

(v) the adequacy and feasibility of substitution, including the availability of alternative materials, alternative suppliers, or alternative production methods capable

of replacing phosphate in defense-critical applications within operationally relevant timeframes.

(D) The adequacy of existing United States phosphate stockpiles, including any quantities held in or eligible for inclusion in the National Defense Stockpile established under the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98 et seq.), and the sufficiency of such stockpiles to sustain defense-relevant consumption during a supply disruption of 6, 12, and 24 months, respectively.

(E) The relationship between domestic phosphate production capacity and the long-term ability of the United States to reduce supply chain vulnerability through domestic sourcing.

(F) A comparison of phosphate supply chain vulnerabilities with vulnerabilities of other materials designated, as of the date of the assessment, as strategic and critical materials under the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98 et seq.) or as critical minerals on the list of critical minerals published under section 7002(c)(3) of the En-

ergy Act of 2020 (30 U.S.C. 1606(c)(3)), for the purpose of informing relative prioritization.

(3) RECOMMENDATIONS.—The assessment required under paragraph (1) shall include recommendations with respect to—

(A) actions the Department of Defense should take to reduce identified vulnerabilities in the phosphate supply chain, including through stockpiling, domestic production incentives, or other supply chain resilience measures; and

(B) any legislative or regulatory action necessary to address identified gaps in phosphate supply chain security.

(4) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the date on which the assessment required under paragraph (1) is completed, the Secretary shall submit a report containing the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the assessment to—

(i) the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate;

(ii) the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives;

(iii) the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate; and

(iv) the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives.

(B) CLASSIFIED ANNEX.—The report required under subparagraph (A)—

(i) shall be submitted in an unclassified form; but

(ii) may include a classified annex if the Secretary determines that the inclusion of certain information in an unclassified report would be detrimental to the national security of the United States.

(b) RATIFICATION OF ACTIONS OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the actions of the Secretary of the Interior in the approval and issuance of land patent No. 11-2021-0002 pursuant to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) are reaffirmed and ratified.

(c) CONFIRMATION OF USE OF CERTAIN NON-FEDERAL LAND IN SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, FOR VALID PUBLIC PURPOSES.—

(1) CONFIRMATION OF USES.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The use by the University of Utah of the land described in paragraph (2) as a University research park, as approved by the letter from the Secretary of the Interior to the University of Utah dated December 10, 1970, and any modifications of the approved plan of development and management approved by the Department of the Interior prior to the date of enactment of this Act, is confirmed as a valid public purpose consistent with the requirements of the Act of June 14, 1926 (commonly known as the ''Recreation and Public Purposes Act'') (44 Stat. 741, chapter 578; 43 U.S.C. 869 et seq.), subject to the terms and conditions included in the letter and approvals.

(B) OTHER USES.—Any other uses of the land described in paragraph (2) by the University of Utah that are consistent with use as a University research park and related university purposes (including development of student housing and a transit hub) are confirmed as valid public purposes consistent with the requirements of the Act of June 14, 1926 (commonly known as the ''Recreation and Public

Purposes Act'') (44 Stat. 741, chapter 578; 43 U.S.C. 869 et seq.).

(2) DESCRIPTION OF NON-FEDERAL LAND.—The land referred to in paragraph (1) is the approximately 593.54 acres of land conveyed to the University of Utah under the Act of June 14, 1926 (commonly known as the ''Recreation and Public Purposes Act'') (44 Stat. 741, chapter 578; 43 U.S.C. 869 et seq.), by patent numbered 43–99–0012 and dated October 18, 1968, and more particularly described as tracts D (excluding parcels numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5), G, and J, T. 1 S., R. 1 E., Salt Lake Meridian.

(d) CONTINENTAL DIVIDE NATIONAL SCENIC TRAIL.—

(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

(A) SECRETARY.—The term ''Secretary'' means the Secretary of Agriculture.

(B) TRAIL.—The term ''Trail'' means the Continental Divide National Scenic Trail.

(C) TRAIL COMPLETION TEAM.—The term ''Trail Completion Team'' means the joint Forest Service-Bureau of Land Management Trail completion team established under paragraph (3).

(2) COMPLETION OF CONTINENTAL DIVIDE NATIONAL SCENIC TRAIL.—Subject to the availability of appropriations, the Secretary and the Secretary of the Interior shall seek to complete the Trail as a continuous route not later than 10 years after the date of enactment of this Act.

(3) TRAIL COMPLETION TEAM.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary and the Secretary of the Interior shall establish a joint Forest Service-Bureau of Land Management Trail completion team to work in coordination with the administrator of the Trail—

(i) to facilitate the completion and optimization of the Trail, consistent with the purposes of the Trail; and

(ii) to assist in the development of the comprehensive development plan for the Trail under paragraph (4).

(B) CONSULTATION.—As appropriate, the Trail Completion Team shall consult with other Federal agencies, affected State, Tribal, and local governments, landowners, affected land-

grant mercedes owners and users, acequias, and other interested parties in—

(i) the completion and optimization of the Trail; and

(ii) the development and completion of the comprehensive development plan for the Trail under paragraph (4).

(4) COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE CONTINENTAL DIVIDE NATIONAL SCENIC TRAIL.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years after the date of establishment of the Trail Completion Team under paragraph (3), the Secretary shall complete a comprehensive development plan for the Trail.

(B) PLAN INCLUSIONS.—The comprehensive development plan under subparagraph (A) shall—

(i) identify any gaps in the Trail for which the Secretary and the Secretary of the Interior have not been able to acquire land;

(ii) identify opportunities for the use of easements acquired from willing sellers to facilitate completion of the Trail; and

(iii) include general and site-specific Trail development plans, including anticipated costs of the plans.

(5) PARTNERSHIPS.—The Secretary and the Secretary of the Interior shall seek to enter into agreements with volunteer and nonprofit organizations, as appropriate, to facilitate the completion and administration of the Trail.

(6) EFFECT.—Nothing in this subsection—

(A) provides any authority to acquire land or interests in land for inclusion in the Trail beyond the authorities provided for the Trail in the National Trails System Act (16 U.S.C. 1241 et seq.), including acquisition by eminent domain; or

(B) makes the acquisition of land or interests in land for the Trail a priority over other land acquisition authorizations.

(e) WITHDRAWAL OF CERTAIN BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT LAND, NEW MEXICO.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to valid existing rights, the Federal land described in paragraph (2) is withdrawn from all forms of—

(A) location, entry, and patent under the mining laws; and

(B) disposition under the mineral leasing, mineral materials, and geothermal leasing laws.

(2) DESCRIPTION.—The Federal land referred to in paragraphs (1) and (3) is the approximately 4,288 acres of land administered by the Director of the Bureau of Land Management and generally depicted as ''Tract A'', ''Tract B'', ''Tract C'', and ''Tract D'' on the map entitled ''Placitas, New Mexico Area Map'' and dated November 13, 2019.

(3) SURFACE ESTATE.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the reservation of the mineral estate under subparagraph (B), nothing in this subsection prohibits the Secretary of the Interior from conveying the surface estate of the Federal land described in paragraph (2) in accordance with—

(i) the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.); or

(ii) the Act of June 14, 1926 (commonly known as the ''Recreation and Public Purposes Act'') (43 U.S.C. 869 et seq.).

(B) MINERAL ESTATE.—Any conveyance of the surface estate of the Federal land de-

scribed in paragraph (2) shall require a reservation of the mineral estate to the United States.

SEC. 1092. PLAN FOR DOMAIN AWARENESS AT THE SOUTHERN LAND BORDER.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COMMON OPERATING PICTURE.—The term ''common operating picture'' means an integrated, interoperable, near-real-time geospatial and temporal display and repository of multi-source sensor, analytic, and operational data and intelligence designed to improve situational awareness, deconfliction, and coordinated response among participating agencies.

(2) DOMAIN AWARENESS.—The term ''domain awareness'' means the aggregate understanding of activities, actors, and conditions across the air, land, maritime, cyber, and space domains relevant to border security.

(3) SOUTHERN LAND BORDER.—The term ''southern land border'' means the land border of the United States adjacent to Mexico.

(b) PLAN REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall develop and submit to the congressional defense committees a plan for the De-

partment of Defense to contribute to a common operating picture to improve domain awareness at the southern land border.

(2) COMMUNICATION.—Not later than 60 days after developing the plan required by paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense shall transmit the plan to such interagency partners as the Secretary considers appropriate.

(3) ELEMENTS.—The plan required by paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) A description of the proposed architecture, data sources (including Department of Defense and non-Department of Defense sensors), technical standards for interoperability, and cybersecurity and data protection measures for the common operating picture described in such paragraph.

(B) A description of the procedures and authorities for data sharing.

(C) A concept of operations describing how a common operating picture would support operational coordination, deconfliction, and information sharing among Federal, State, Tribal, local, and authorized international partners.

(D) A phased implementation schedule with milestones and timelines for operationalizing the common operating picture at the southern land border, including benchmarks for capability deployment and full operational capability.

(E) An identification of resource requirements, estimated costs, and funding sources, and a plan for inclusion of requirements for the common operating picture in the annual budget justification materials of the Department of Defense.

(F) Plans for training, sustainment, and technical support for users across participating agencies.

(G) Metrics and procedures for—

(i) assessing effectiveness; and

(ii) periodic review and continuous improvement.

(4) FORM.—The plan required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may contain a classified annex as necessary.

SEC. 1093. PROHIBITION ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ANY POLICY THAT ALTERS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CHAPLAINS TO DISPLAY VISIBLE OFFICER RANK ON MILITARY UNIFORMS.

(a) PROHIBITION.—The Secretary of Defense may not implement any policy that alters the requirements for chaplains to display visible officer rank on military uniforms unless expressly authorized by an Act of Congress.

(b) REQUIREMENT TO WEAR OFFICER RANK INSIGNIA.—The Secretary of Defense shall require chaplains serving in the Armed Forces to display visible officer rank insignia on military uniforms in accordance with the requirements applicable to commissioned officers of the Armed Forces.

(c) LIMITATION ON FUNDING.—None of the funds authorized be appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be obligated or expended to implement, administer, or enforce any policy that removes or obscures the display of visible officer rank on the uniforms of chaplains serving in the Armed Forces.

TITLE XI—CIVILIAN PERSONNEL MATTERS

SEC. 1101. PREVAILING RATE DETERMINATIONS FOR DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 81 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"§ 1599k. Prevailing rate determinations for defense industrial base

''(a) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense, under the sole and exclusive discretion of the Secretary, may establish the pay of prevailing rate employees located at any defense industrial base facility.

''(b) FACTORS.—Pay established under subsection (a) shall be based on the Secretary's assessment of—

''(1) pay rates of private industry for substantially similar work;

''(2) the cost of living in the geographic area of the defense industrial base facility concerned; and

''(3) whether additional compensation is necessary to incentivize recruitment and retention in a specific job at a particular defense industrial base facility.

''(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

''(1) DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE FACILITY.—The term 'defense industrial base facility' has the meaning given that term in section 2208(u)(3) of this title.

''(2) PREVAILING RATE EMPLOYEE.—The term 'prevailing rate employee' has the meaning given that term in section 5342 of title 5.''.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 81 of such title is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

''1599k. Prevailing rate determinations for defense industrial base.''.

SEC. 1102. JOB GRADING SYSTEM FOR PREVAILING RATE EMPLOYEES AT DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE FACILITIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 81 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

''§ 1599k. Job grading system for prevailing rate employees at defense industrial base facilities

''(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, under the sole and exclusive discretion of the Secretary, shall establish and maintain a job grading system for positions to which subchapter IV of chapter 53 of title 5 applies that are located at any defense industrial base facility.

''(b) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

''(1) establish the basic occupational alignment and grade structure or structures for the job grading system;

''(2) establish and define individual occupations and the boundaries of each occupation;

''(3) establish job titles within occupations;

''(4) develop and publish job grading standards; and

''(5) provide a method to ensure consistency in the application of job standards.

''(c) DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE FACILITY DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'defense industrial base facility' has the meaning given that term in section 2208(u)(3) of this title.''.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 81 of such title is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

''1599k. Job grading system for prevailing rate employees at defense industrial base facilities.''.

SEC. 1103. PROBATIONARY PERIOD FOR CIVILIAN PERSONNEL OF THE UNITED STATES CYBER COMMAND.

Section 1599f(i) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in the subsection heading, by striking ''THREE-YEAR''; and

(2) by striking ''three years'' and inserting ''two years''.

SEC. 1104. ENHANCED AUTHORITY FOR TRANSFERS BETWEEN CYBER EXCEPTED SERVICE AND COMPETITIVE SERVICE.

Section 1643(a)(1) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328; 10 U.S.C. 1599f note) is amended—

(1) by striking, ''military departments and Defense Agencies concerned'' and inserting ''the Department of Defense''; and

(2) by striking ''in such military departments and Defense Agencies''.

SEC. 1105. REMOVAL OF DIRECT SUPPORT ACTIVITIES FROM PERSONNEL LIMITATION ON THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.

Section 143(b) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''(including Direct Support Activities of that Office and the Washington Headquarters Services of the Department of Defense)''.

SEC. 1106. PROHIBITION ON THE USE OF FUNDS FOR CARRYING OUT A HIRING FREEZE, REDUCTION IN FORCE, OR HIRING DELAY WITHOUT CAUSE AT A PUBLIC SHIPYARD.

None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for the Department of Defense may be used to—

(1) carry out a hiring freeze at a public shipyard;

(2) carry out a reduction in force at a public shipyard; or

(3) delay without cause the filling of a vacant Federal civilian employee position at a public shipyard.

SEC. 1107. PROHIBITION ON THE USE OF FUNDS FOR CARRYING OUT CERTAIN HIRING FREEZES, REDUCTIONS IN FORCE, AND HIRING DELAYS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for the Department of Defense may be used to—

(1) carry out a hiring freeze applicable to a covered entity;

(2) carry out a reduction in force applicable to a covered entity; or

(3) delay without cause the filling of a vacant Federal civilian employee position in a covered entity.

(b) COVERED ENTITY DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''covered entity'' means any entity financed through a working-capital fund established under section 2208 of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 1108. DISCLOSURE OF TELEWORK, REMOTE WORK, AND EXEMPTIONS FOR RETURN-TO-IN-PERSON-WORK REQUIREMENTS IN DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than June 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense, and the Secretaries of the military departments, shall ensure that the disclosure of telework and remote work eligibility, and exemptions for return-to-in-person-work requirements, is considered for all announcements of vacant positions in the Department of Defense.

(b) MILITARY SPOUSES.—The Secretary of Defense shall encourage all agencies of the Department of Defense to consider, consistent with merit system principles and mission requirements, the use of telework and remote work flexibilities to support the employment of military spouses.

(c) BRIEFING REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of Defense shall brief the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives—

(1) not later than July 1, 2027, on—

(A) the implementation of this section; and

(B) the data collection mechanisms to ensure successful tracking of such implementation; and

(2) annually, for three years thereafter, on—

(A) the implementation of this section; and

(B) how many vacancy announcements include the disclosure described in subsection (a).

SEC. 1109. PILOT PROGRAM TO RETAIN HIGH-PERFORMING SUPERVISORS AND MANAGERS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense may establish a pilot program under which the Secretary may award pay, bonus, or other incentives to civilian supervisors and managers in the Department of Defense, based on performance metrics established by the Secretary (in this section referred to as the ''pilot program'').

(b) DURATION.—The Secretary may carry out the pilot program during the five-year period beginning on the date on which the Secretary establishes the pilot program.

(c) IDENTIFICATION AND NUMBER OF POSITIONS.—The Secretary—

(1) shall identify the positions for which pay, bonus, or other incentives may be awarded under the pilot program; and

(2) may award such pay, bonus, or other incentives for not more than 250 positions at any time.

(d) RATES OF SPECIAL PAY.—If so designated by the President under section 5305(a)(1) of title 5, United States Code, the Secretary may establish a rate for special pay under such section for positions under the pilot program.

(e) PAY, BONUS, AND INCENTIVE AUTHORITIES.—In carrying out the pilot program, the Secretary may use any pay, bonus, or incentive authority available to the Secretary for the recruitment, employment, and retention of civilian personnel within the Department of Defense.

(f) REPORTS.—

(1) INITIAL REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report that includes the following:

(A) The number of personnel expected to participate in the pilot program.

(B) The criteria used to determine which personnel will participate in the pilot program.

(C) The performance metrics used to determine which personnel will receive pay, bonus, or other incentives.

(2) ANNUAL REPORTS.—One year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and each year thereafter until the pilot program terminates, the Secretary shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report that includes the following:

(A) An update on the information included in the report required by paragraph (1).

(B) The pay rate used in carrying out the pilot program, in aggregate and per position.

(C) The metrics by which the Secretary is evaluating the continued performance of the personnel participating in the pilot program.

(3) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term ''appropriate congressional committees'' means—

(A) the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform of the House of Representatives.

SEC. 1110. CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION OF CERTAIN CHANGES TO CIVILIAN WORKFORCE OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

Section 1597 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(f) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION OF CERTAIN CHANGES TO CIVILIAN WORKFORCE.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 45 days before approving any change to the civilian workforce of the Department of Defense that will result in a loss of 50 or more full-time civilian employees of the Department at any facility, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees written notification of such proposed change.

''(2) ELEMENTS.—Any notification submitted under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

''(A) A description of the impact that the proposed change will have on the ability to maintain the missions of the facility.

''(B) A detailed accounting of the costs of implementing the proposed change.

''(C) An assessment of the cost of, and time necessary for, restoration of any lost capability to meet future mission needs.''.

TITLE XII—MATTERS RELATING TO FOREIGN NATIONS

Subtitle A—Assistance and Training

SEC. 1201. AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO MILITARY FORCES OF JORDAN.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense is authorized to provide assistance (including training, equipment, logistics support, supplies, stipends, services, and sustainment) to the military forces associated with the Government of Jordan through December 31, 2027, for the following purposes:

(1) Securing the territory of Jordan, including all international borders of Jordan.

(2) Increasing stability in the Middle East region.

(3) Countering and degrading regional threats, including threats posed by the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria, al-Qaeda and associated and successor organizations, the Muslim Brotherhood, Hamas, Palestinian Islamic Jihad, Iran, and Iranian-backed proxy groups.

(4) Bolstering the capacity of the military forces associated with the Government of Jordan and increasing collaboration and interoperability among such military forces, the United States Armed Forces, and the military forces of allied and partner countries.

(b) NOTICE BEFORE PROVISION OF ASSISTANCE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 15 days before the Secretary intends to exercise the authority to provide assistance under this section, the Secretary shall notify the congressional defense committees in writing of such intent.

(2) ELEMENTS.—Each notification required by paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) The amount, type, and purpose of assistance to be provided.

(B) An identification of the units of the military forces associated with the Government of Jordan that would receive such assistance.

(C) The goals and objectives of the provision of such assistance.

SEC. 1202. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE DEFENSE INSTITUTION CAPACITY BUILDING FOR FRIENDLY FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

Section 332 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(2), by inserting ''for the purposes specified in subsection (b)(1)(A)'' before the period;

(2) in subsection (b)(1)(A)—

(A) by redesignating clauses (iii) and (iv) as clauses (iv) and (v), respectively; and

(B) by inserting after clause (ii) the following new clause (iii):

''(iii) enhancing the legal capacity of the ministry or regional organization to undertake and carry out institutional functions and security missions—

''(I) in accordance with the law of armed conflict; and

''(II) in a manner that respects human rights and fundamental freedoms, the rule of law, and civilian control of the military;''; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(d) FUNDING.—Funds made available to the Defense Security Cooperation Agency and any other funds made available to the Department of Defense for security cooperation programs and activities of the Department of Defense may be used to carry out activities under subsection (a) or (b).''.

SEC. 1203. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO BUILD CAPACITY.

Section 333(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

''(10) Disaster risk reduction or response operations.

''(11) Space domain awareness and space operations.

''(12) Foreign internal defense operations.''.

SEC. 1204. ABRAHAM ACCORDS DEFENSE COOPERATION INITIATIVE.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Defense shall establish an initiative to bolster defense cooperation between the United States and the militaries of covered countries, to be known as the ''United States-Abraham Accords Defense Cooperation Initiative''.

(b) RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING AUTHORITIES.—The Initiative shall be carried out pursuant to the authorities provided in title 10, United States Code.

(c) OBJECTIVES.—The objectives of the Initiative shall include—

(1) deterring aggression by Iran and proxies of Iran in the Middle East;

(2) coordination with the Comprehensive Security Integration and Prosperity Agreement; and

(3) enhancing regional planning and cooperation among the military forces of covered countries, particularly with respect to long-term regional projects such as—

(A) counter-unmanned aircraft systems capabilities;

(B) ground-based air defenses;

(C) theater ballistic missiles and cruise missiles;

(D) intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance and tactical command and control;

(E) special operations forces development;

(F) joint air or naval military exercises; and

(G) any other military capability the Secretary considers appropriate.

(d) REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report setting forth—

(1) a strategy for achieving the objectives described in subsection (c); and

(2) the amount of funding necessary to carry out the Initiative.

(e) SENSE OF CONGRESS ON MATCHING FUNDS.—It is the sense of Congress that the Secretary should seek to require each participating covered country to contribute matching funds to the Initiative.

(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ABRAHAM ACCORDS COUNTRY.—The term ''Abraham Accords country'' means—

(A) a country that is a signatory of the Abraham Accords Declaration, done at Washington September 15, 2020; and

(B) any regional, Arab, or Muslim-majority country that has sought to normalize relations with the State of Israel since 2020.

(2) INITIATIVE.—The term ''Initiative'' means the United States-Abraham Accords Defense Cooperation Initiative established under subsection (a).

SEC. 1205. REDESIGNATION OF NAVAL SMALL CRAFT INSTRUCTION AND TECHNICAL TRAINING SCHOOL AS SPECIAL BOAT TRAINING COMMAND.

Section 352 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in the section heading, by striking ''**Naval Small Craft Instruction and Technical Training School**'' and inserting ''**Special Boat Training Command**'';

(2) in subsection (a)—

(A) by striking ''Naval Small Craft Instruction and Technical Training School'' and inserting ''Special Boat Training Command''; and

(B) by striking ''the 'School' '' and inserting ''the 'Command' '';

(3) in subsection (c), in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking ''School'' and inserting ''Command'';

(4) in subsection (d), by striking ''School'' and inserting ''Command'';

(5) in subsection (e), by striking ''School'' each place it appears and inserting ''Command''; and

(6) in subsection (f), by striking ''School'' and inserting ''Command''.

SEC. 1206. EXTENSION OF DEFENSE OPERATIONAL RESILIENCE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION PILOT PROGRAM.

Section 1212 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (10 U.S.C. 311 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b), by striking ''December 31, 2027'' and inserting ''December 31, 2032'';

(2) in subsection (d), by striking ''2027'' and inserting ''2032''; and

(3) in subsection (g), in the first sentence, by striking ''2027'' and inserting ''2032''.

SEC. 1207. FEASIBILITY REPORT ON MULTINATIONAL JUNGLE WARFARE EXERCISES IN AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY OF UNITED STATES SOUTHERN COMMAND.

(a) STUDY.—The Commander of the United States Southern Command shall conduct a study on the feasibility and advisability of establishing a program of recurring multinational jungle warfare exercises with partner countries in South America.

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

(1) An assessment of the feasibility and advisability of establishing such a program, with a focus on the following exercise purposes:

(A) To enhance interoperability between the United States Armed Forces and the military forces of partner countries in jungle and dense terrain environments.

(B) To improve combined capabilities in small-unit tactics, reconnaissance, logistics, medical support, and communications in austere jungle conditions.

(C) To strengthen regional partnerships and build capacity among participating countries to counter transnational threats, including illicit trafficking and non-state armed groups.

(D) To support the readiness of the United States Armed Forces for operations in tropical and jungle environments.

(2) An identification of recommended invitees for such a program, including partner countries in South America and any additional ally or partner the Commander of the United States Southern Command considers appropriate.

(3) Recommendations on locations within the area of responsibility of the United States Southern Command that should be considered for the conduct of exercises under such a program, including host-

country training areas in South America, as agreed upon with participating countries.

(c) COORDINATION.—The Commander of the United States Southern Command shall coordinate with the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of State, and the head of any other relevant Federal agency, as appropriate, to consider whether a program of exercises under this section would align with United States security cooperation objectives in the Western Hemisphere.

(d) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Commander of the United States Southern Command shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the findings of the study required by subsection (a).

SEC. 1208. REDESIGNATION OF THE AFRICA CENTER FOR STRATEGIC STUDIES AS THE JAMES M. INHOFE CENTER FOR AFRICA SECURITY STUDIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Department of Defense regional center for security studies known as the Africa Center for Strategic Studies is hereby redesignated as the ''James M. Inhofe Center for Africa Security Studies''.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) REFERENCE TO REGIONAL CENTERS FOR STRATEGIC STUDIES.—Section 342(b)(2)(D) of title

10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''Africa Center for Strategic Studies'' and inserting ''James M. Inhofe Center for Africa Security Studies''.

(2) ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS AND DONATIONS.—Section 2611(a)(2)(D) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''Africa Center for Strategic Studies'' and inserting ''James M. Inhofe Center for Africa Security Studies''.

(3) PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE TO SUDAN.—Section 1270A(b)(1) of the Sudan Democratic Transition, Accountability, and Fiscal Transparency Act of 2020 (22 U.S.C. 10010(b)(1)) is amended by striking ''Africa Center for Strategic Studies'' and inserting ''James M. Inhofe Center for Africa Security Studies''.

(c) REFERENCES.—Any reference to the Department of Defense Africa Center for Strategic Studies in any law, regulation, map, document, record, or other paper of the United States shall be deemed to be a reference to the James M. Inhofe Center for Africa Security Studies.

SEC. 1209. NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO DECREASE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES PRESENCE IN NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION MEMBER COUNTRY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not less than 120 days before decreasing the permanent or rotational United States Armed Forces presence in a North Atlantic Treaty Organization member country, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees an assessment of North Atlantic Treaty Organization deterrence efforts, including a description and evaluation of the following:

(1) Current United States force posture in North Atlantic Treaty Organization member countries, and whether such force posture maintains an adequate level of deterrence for such countries.

(2) Allied military force posture in each country on the eastern flank of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

(3) The manner in which decreasing the United States Armed Forces presence, as of the date of the enactment of this Act, will change the overall deterrence posture of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

(4) Consultations with North Atlantic Treaty Organization allies regarding efforts to identify and backfill, or otherwise mitigate, the capability gap re-

sulting from the proposed decrease in the permanent or rotational United States Armed Forces presence in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization member country concerned.

(b) APPLICABILITY.—Subsection (a) shall not apply in the event that the President—

(1) identifies a need for an immediate use of military force that necessitates decreasing the permanent or rotational United States Armed Forces presence in a North Atlantic Treaty Organization member country; and

(2) delivers a War Powers Report to Congress as outlined in section 4(a) of the War Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1543(a)).

Subtitle B—Matters Relating to the Middle East

SEC. 1211. ASSISTANCE TO LEBANESE ARMED FORCES FOR COUNTERING HEZBOLLAH AND OTHER TERRORIST GROUPS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense is authorized to provide assistance for training, equipment, and sustainment to vetted divisions of the Lebanese Armed Forces for purposes of—

(1) taking meaningful steps to prevent Hezbollah, the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria, al-

Qaeda, the Muslim Brotherhood, Hamas, Palestinian Islamic Jihad, and all United States-designated terrorist organizations in the territory of Lebanon from carrying out any attacks, operations, or hostile activities against United States interests and the interests of allies and partners of the United States; and

(2) bolstering the capacity of the Lebanese Armed Forces to disarm Hezbollah completely.

(b) PRIORITIZATION.—In allocating the funds authorized to be appropriated for the provision of assistance under this section, the Secretary shall prioritize the training and equipping of appropriately vetted special operations units and associated enabling forces of the Lebanese Armed Forces.

(c) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—The total amount of funds used to provide assistance under subsection (a) may not exceed $36,000,000.

(d) NOTICE BEFORE PROVISION OF ASSISTANCE.—Of the funds authorized to be appropriated for the Counter-ISIS Train and Equip Fund, as specified in the funding table in section 4501, not more than five percent of such funds shall be obligated until the date on which the Secretary certifies to the congressional defense committees that—

(1) the Government of Lebanon has declared Hezbollah's military activities illegal;

(2) the Lebanese Armed Forces are acting in accordance with the goal of disarming Hezbollah completely;

(3) the Lebanese Armed Forces are actively denying efforts, including by the Government of Iran, to send weapons, supplies, and financial support to Hezbollah;

(4) the Lebanese Armed Forces are acting to prevent Hezbollah from threatening or attacking the neighboring countries of Lebanon; and

(5) the commander of the Lebanese Armed Forces is following and implementing directives of the Government of Lebanon regarding—

(A) the establishment of a monopoly of force within Lebanon; and

(B) the disarmament of Hezbollah.

(e) QUARTERLY REPORTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 31, 2027, and every 90 days thereafter, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that contains the following:

(A) An explanation of the vetting process used by the Department of Defense to ensure

the commitment of recipients of assistance under subsection (a) to the goals set forth in subsection (d).

(B) An assessment of the willingness and capacity of the Lebanese Armed Forces to confront and disarm Hezbollah.

(C) An assessment of the willingness and capacity of special operations units of the Lebanese Armed Forces to confront and disarm Hezbollah.

(D) An assessment of any significant gaps in the capability of special operations units of the Lebanese Armed Forces to confront and disarm Hezbollah, if any, and a plan to close any such gaps, including metrics over time and an identification of required training and equipment.

(E) For the preceding quarter—

(i) information on the number and type of weapons the Lebanese Armed Forces have seized from Hezbollah;

(ii) an assessment of the extent to which actions taken by the Lebanese Armed Forces against Hezbollah have degraded the capabilities of Hezbollah; and

(iii) an assessment of the extent to which Iran has been able to maintain its support for Hezbollah.

(F) An assessment of the threat posed by Hezbollah to Israel and Syria, and whether such threat has increased or decreased, as compared to the preceding quarter.

(G) The number of personnel of the Lebanese Armed Forces who have been deployed in the counter-Hezbollah mission, and an assessment of whether the Lebanese Armed Forces have deployed sufficient troops to support such mission.

(H) The number of special forces personnel recruited into the Lebanese Armed Forces and the confessional religious makeup of such forces.

(I) With respect to the provision of assistance under this section to such special forces personnel—

(i) the type and amount of training provided;

(ii) a description of the equipment provided; and

(iii) the number of training exercises conducted.

(J) Any other information the Secretary considers appropriate.

(2) FORM.—Each report required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may contain a classified annex.

(f) SUSPENSION OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SUPPORT TO LEBANESE ARMED FORCES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary determines, in any of the quarterly reports required by subsection (e), that the Lebanese Armed Forces has the capability to make progress in confronting and disarming Hezbollah, but is unwilling to do so, or that the Lebanese Armed Forces is not acting against Hezbollah commensurate with the capabilities of the Lebanese Armed Forces, the Secretary shall—

(A) suspend the provision of Department of Defense support to the Lebanese Armed Forces; and

(B) not later than five business days after making such a determination, notify the congressional defense committees of the determination.

(2) INAPPLICABILITY.—A suspension under paragraph (1) shall not apply to assistance provided under section 333 of title 10, United States Code.

(g) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section may be construed to constitute a specific statutory authorization for the introduction of United States Armed Forces into hostilities or into situations in which hostilities are clearly indicated by the circumstances.

(h) TERMINATION.—The authority to provide assistance under this section shall cease to have effect on December 31, 2027.

SEC. 1212. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF CERTAIN COALITION NATIONS FOR SUPPORT PROVIDED TO UNITED STATES MILITARY OPERATIONS.

Section 1233 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Public Law 110–181; 122 Stat. 393) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking ''beginning on October 1, 2025, and ending on December 31, 2026'' and inserting ''beginning on October 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2028''; and

(2) in subsection (d)(1), by striking ''beginning on October 1, 2025, and ending on December 31,

2026'' and inserting ''beginning on October 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2028''.

SEC. 1213. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO VETTED SYRIAN GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS.

Section 1209 of the Carl Levin and Howard P. ''Buck'' McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Public Law 113–291; 128 Stat. 3541) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking ''December 31, 2026'' and inserting ''December 31, 2027''; and

(B) in paragraph (4), in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking ''Islamic State of Iraq and Syria'';

(2) by redesignating subsections (b) through (n) as subsections (c) through (o), respectively;

(3) by inserting after subsection (a) the following new subsection (b):

''(b) LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS.—None of the funds authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section may be expended for cooperation with the Government of Syria until the date on which the Secretary of

Defense certifies to the congressional defense committees that the Government of Syria has taken credible steps—

''(1) to remove all foreign fighters and jihadists from the military forces of Syria and from other services of the Government of Syria;

''(2) to disarm all foreign fighters and jihadists who remain in Syria;

''(3) to implement a system to monitor foreign fighters and jihadists so as to prevent attacks on the United States and allies and partners of the United States, including the Kurdish-led Syrian Democratic Forces;

''(4) with respect to individuals who pose a threat to the security of the United States or the security of allies and partners of the United States, to prohibit the issuance of visas, passports, travel permits, or other legal documents for purposes of entry into Syria;

''(5) to counter al-Qaeda and associated and successor groups;

''(6) to prevent members and leaders of al-Qaeda and associated and successor groups from entering or remaining in Syria, with the aim of preventing such individuals and organizations from

launching external attacks on the United States and allies and partners of the United States;

''(7) to implement a system to fairly integrate into the military forces of Syria the Syrian Defense Forces, which have been long-time partners of the United States in countering the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria; and

''(8) to prevent attacks and violence against the Kurds and Druze of Syria.'';

(4) in subsection (d), as redesignated, by striking ''subsection (b)'' and inserting ''subsection (c)''; and

(5) in subsection (e)(2)(J), as redesignated, in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking ''Islamic State of Iraq and Syria''.

SEC. 1214. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO COUNTER THE ISLAMIC STATE OF IRAQ AND SYRIA.

Section 1236 of the Carl Levin and Howard P. ''Buck'' McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Public Law 113–291; 128 Stat. 3558) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1)—

(i) by inserting ''equipment and training to counter threats from unmanned aerial systems,'' after ''$6,000,000,''; and

(ii) by striking ''December 31, 2026'' and all that follows through ''Defending'' in paragraph (1) and inserting ''December 31, 2027 for defending''; and

(B) by striking paragraph (2);

(2) by redesignating subsections (b), (c), and (e) through (o) as subsections (d), (e), and (f) through (p), respectively;

(3) by inserting after subsection (a) the following new subsections (b) and (c):

''(b) CERTIFICATION.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (3), of the funds authorized to be appropriated under this section, not more than 25 percent of such funds may be obligated or expended until the date on which the Secretary of Defense certifies to the appropriate congressional committees that the Government of Iraq has taken credible steps—

''(A) to prevent attacks by Iran, Iranian-linked proxy groups, and Iranian-backed Shia militia groups against—

''(i) United States forces, facilities, and interests in Iraq; and

''(ii) allies and partners of the United States in Iraq, including such allies and partners in the Kurdistan region of Iraq;

''(B) to investigate and hold accountable any Iraqi who participates in such attacks; and

''(C) to gain further operational control over Iran-backed Shia militia groups under the control of the Iraqi Security Forces, with the Prime Minister of Iraq as the commander in chief, in order to end Iran's financial support to and control over such militia groups.

''(2) DETERMINATION.—In the event that the Secretary of Defense is unable to make the certification described in paragraph (1) because the Government of Iraq has not taken credible steps with respect to an action described in any of subparagraphs (A) through (C) of that paragraph, the Secretary may—

''(A) submit to the appropriate congressional committees a plan to provide direct defensive support to Kurdish Peshmerga forces; and

''(B) not earlier than five business days after the date on which the appropriate congressional committees receive such plan, commence implementation of the plan.

''(3) APPLICABILITY.—The limitation on use of funds and the certification requirement under paragraph (1) shall not apply to funds authorized to be appropriated for the Iraqi Counter Terrorism Service or Kurdish Peshmerga forces.

''(c) FUNDS FOR KURDISH PESHMERGA FORCES.—Of the funds authorized to be appropriated to carry out subsection (a), not less than 50 percent of such funds shall be directed toward provision of assistance to Kurdish Peshmerga forces.'';

(4) in subsection (e), as redesignated, in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking ''subsection (b)(1)(A)'' and inserting ''subsection (d)(1)(A)'';

(5) in subsection (j), as redesignated—

(A) in paragraph (1)(C)(i), by striking ''subsection (k)(2)'' and inserting ''subsection (l)(2)'';

(B) by striking paragraph (2); and

(C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as paragraph (2);

(6) in subsection (l), as redesignated—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking subparagraph (D); and

(B) in paragraph (2)—

(i) in subparagraph (A)—

(I) by striking ''and enhance'' and inserting ''or enhance''; and

(II) by striking ''supporting international coalition efforts'' and inserting ''defending'';

(ii) in subparagraph (B)(ii), by striking ''subsection (i)(1)(C)'' and inserting ''subsection (j)(1)(C)''; and

(iii) in subparagraph (C), by striking ''subsection (j)'' and inserting ''subsection (k)''; and

(7) in subsection (o)(6), as redesignated, by striking ''December 31, 2026'' and inserting ''December 31, 2027''.

SEC. 1215. MODIFICATION OF UNITED STATES-ISRAEL SUBTERRANEAN OPERATIONS COOPERATION.

Section 1279 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law 114–92; 22 U.S.C. 8606 note) is amended—

(1) in the section heading, by striking ''**ANTI-TUNNEL**'' and inserting ''**SUBTERRANEAN OPERATIONS**'';

(2) in subsection (a)—

(A) in the subsection heading, by striking ''ANTI-TUNNEL'' and inserting ''SUBTERRANEAN OPERATIONS''; and

(B) in paragraph (1), in the first sentence, by inserting ''and subterranean operations'' after ''anti-tunnel''; and

(3) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (1), in the first sentence, by inserting ''and subterranean operations'' after ''anti-tunnel'';

(B) in paragraph (3)(B), by inserting ''and subterranean operations'' after ''anti-tunnel''; and

(C) in paragraph (4), by striking ''$80,000,000'' and inserting ''$100,000,000''.

SEC. 1216. MODIFICATION OF UNITED STATES-ISRAEL CO-OPERATION TO COUNTER UNMANNED SYSTEMS IN ALL WARFIGHTING DOMAINS.

Section 1278(b)(4) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (22 U.S.C. 8606 note)

is amended by striking ''$70,000,000'' and inserting ''$100,000,000''.

SEC. 1217. UNITED STATES-ISRAEL FRAMEWORK FOR UPGRADED TECHNOLOGIES, UNIFIED RESEARCH, AND ENHANCED SECURITY (FUTURES) ACT OF 2026.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF THE UNITED STATES–ISRAEL DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY COOPERATION INITIATIVE.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Minister of Defense of Israel, shall establish a cooperative initiative, to be known as the ''United States-Israel Defense Technology Cooperation Initiative'', to expand and accelerate bilateral defense technology research, development, testing, evaluation, coordination, and industrial cooperation by—

(A) identifying jointly developed or Israeli-origin technologies with operational utility for integration into United States systems and programs of record;

(B) conducting collaborative research initiatives involving government, private sector, and academic institutions in the United States and Israel, in a manner that protects sensitive

technology and information and the national security interests of the United States and Israel;

(C) facilitating the transition of technologies from research and development into procurement and acquisition pathways;

(D) establishing frameworks for joint ventures, licensing agreements, and United States-based co-production or manufacturing partnerships with Israeli industry;

(E) coordinating with relevant Department of Defense components, including the Irregular Warfare Technical Support Directorate, capability development and innovation divisions, the Defense Innovation Unit, the United States-Israel Operations Technology Working Group, the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, the Missile Defense Agency and United States Space Command, and the military services, to align efforts and avoid duplication; and

(F) promoting joint training exercises and information-sharing mechanisms to enhance operational readiness to deploy jointly developed technologies.

(2) INITIATIVE DOMAINS.—The Initiative shall be carried out through cooperative efforts in domains such as the following:

(A) Counter-Unmanned Systems including aerial, maritime, and ground platforms.

(B) Anti-tunneling and subterranean threats.

(C) Missile and air defense technologies, including Golden Dome for America.

(D) Artificial intelligence, quantum, machine learning, and autonomous systems.

(E) Directed energy and advanced sensing.

(F) Cyber defense, electronic warfare, and digital resilience.

(G) Biotechnology, biomanufacturing, and medical defense.

(H) Network integration, data fusion, and contested logistics.

(I) Defense industrial base cooperation, manufacturing, and co-production.

(J) Other emerging technologies to address medium- or long-term threats as jointly agreed to by the United States and Israel.

(b) REPORTING.—

(1) INTERIM PROGRESS UPDATE.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the congressional defense committees an interim briefing or written update describing—

(A) steps taken to stand up the Initiative;

(B) early coordination with Israeli counterparts;

(C) initial technology areas identified for accelerated cooperation and technologies with operational utility for integration into United States systems and programs of record;

(D) Department of Defense components designated to lead implementation;

(E) any early transition, prototyping, or integration activities initiated during the period covered by the update; and

(F) any co-production agreements successfully negotiated, including production locations and cost-sharing arrangements.

(2) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report

on implementation of the program established under this section. Each such report shall include—

(A) a description of activities conducted under the program;

(B) an assessment of progress made in advancing shared national security interests;

(C) an assessment of the program's collaboration with other relevant Department programs, including the United States-Israel operations-technology working group and United States-Israel cooperative programs run by the capability development and innovation division and the irregular warfare technical support directorate;

(D) a description of technologies transitioned into United States acquisition programs or fielded systems;

(E) a description of partnerships established with United States and Israeli industry, including production locations and cost-sharing arrangements; and

(F) recommendations for future priorities and assessment of resource needs, including further authorities necessary to promote the

long-term integration of joint capabilities between the United States and Israel.

(3) FORM.—Each report required under paragraph (2) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

(4) PUBLIC TRANSPARENCY.—The Secretary of Defense shall make available on a publicly accessible website of the Department of Defense periodic, unclassified updates, to the maximum extent practicable, on activities conducted under the Initiative, including a description of how these activities contribute to American technological and military supremacy and bolster the United States defense industrial base. Such updates shall be made in a manner that ensures that classified information or other information that would compromise operational security, export controls, or sensitive technology are not released.

Subtitle C—Matters Relating to Europe and the Russian Federation

SEC. 1221. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS RELATING TO SOVEREIGNTY OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION OVER INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED TERRITORY OF UKRAINE.

Section 1245(a) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2847) is amended by striking ''or 2026'' and inserting ''2026, or 2027''.

SEC. 1222. OVERSIGHT OF UNITED STATES MILITARY POSTURE IN EUROPE.

(a) PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS.—Until the date that is 90 days after the date on which the Commander of the United States European Command and the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the heads of other relevant Federal departments and agencies, have each, independently, submitted to the congressional defense committees the certification described in subsection (b) and the applicable assessment described in subsection (c), none of the amounts authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 may be obligated or expended—

(1) to reduce the total number of members of the Armed Forces permanently stationed in or deployed to the area of responsibility of the United States European Command to below 76,000 for longer than a 45-day period;

(2) to divest, consolidate, or otherwise return to a host country any parcel of land or facility located on real property under the jurisdiction of the United States European Command as of June 1, 2025;

(3) to divest, redeploy, withdraw, or otherwise permanently move out of the area of responsibility of the United States European Command any Department of Defense equipment or physical property with an initial purchase value of more than $500,000 and positioned in such area of responsibility as of June 1, 2025; or

(4) to relinquish the role of the Commander of the United States European Command as North Atlantic Treaty Organization Supreme Allied Commander Europe.

(b) CERTIFICATION DESCRIBED.—The certification described in this subsection is a certification that a proposed action described in any of paragraphs (1) through (4) of subsection (a)—

(1) is in the national security interest of the United States; and

(2) is being undertaken only after appropriate consultations with all North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) allies and relevant non-NATO partners.

(c) ASSESSMENT DESCRIBED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—An assessment described in this subsection is the following:

(A) In the case of a proposed action described in any of paragraphs (1) through (3) of subsection (a)—

(i) an analysis of the impact of such an action on—

(I) the security of the United States;

(II) the ability of the Armed Forces to provide forward defense of the United States;

(III) NATO's defense and deterrent posture against current and future Russian aggression, as well as the security of NATO as a whole; and

(IV) the ability of the United States to meet national NATO capa-

bility targets, commitments to the NATO Force Model, regional and theater campaign plans, and other warfighting requirements;

(ii) an analysis of the impact of such an action on the ability of the Armed Forces to execute contingency plans of the Department of Defense, including those in the area of responsibility of United States European Command or in support of operations and crisis response in the areas of responsibility of the United States Central Command and the United States Africa Command;

(iii) a description of the specific requirements being prioritized that necessitate such an action;

(iv) a detailed analysis of the costs, as a result of such an action, for relocation of personnel, equipment, and associated infrastructure;

(v) an analysis of the impact of such an action on military training and major military exercises, including on interoper-

ability and joint activities with NATO allies and partners;

(vi) a description of consultations regarding such an action with each NATO ally and all relevant non-NATO partners;

(vii) an assessment of the impact of such an action on the credibility of United States extended deterrence commitments to NATO allies and the potential for nuclear proliferation in the European theater;

(viii) an assessment of the impact of such an action on transatlantic cooperation to deter potential threats from the People's Republic of China; and

(ix) with respect to an assessment under this subparagraph relating to a proposed action described in subsection (a)(1), an articulation of the plan, generated in coordination with NATO allies, to ensure that other members of NATO have available capabilities and capacity to assume the roles and responsibilities of the United States Armed Forces to be withdrawn as a result of such action.

(B) In the case of a proposed action described in paragraph (4) of subsection (a)—

(i) an explanation of the role of United States nuclear weapons in supporting NATO operations and activities following such action, including changes to command and control relationships and adjustments to the United States nuclear posture;

(ii) a description of consultations regarding such action with all NATO allies and relevant non-NATO partners, including through the Nuclear Planning Group of NATO;

(iii) an assessment of the impact of such action on the effectiveness of NATO nuclear deterrence;

(iv) a risk assessment of—

(I) the nuclear capabilities of NATO allies; and

(II) the potential for nuclear proliferation in Europe; and

(v) a risk assessment of—

(I) the capability and capacity of nuclear-armed NATO allies to effec-

tively deter and, if necessary, defeat likely adversaries in the nuclear domain absent a United States commander serving in the role of North Atlantic Treaty Organization Supreme Allied Commander Europe;

(II) changes to be made to existing United States contingency plans if other NATO member countries with nuclear capabilities were to provide extended nuclear deterrence to NATO; and

(III) the impact of such provision of extended nuclear deterrence on United States nuclear posture and deterrence planning requirements.

(2) COORDINATION REQUIRED.—In independently conducting the assessments described in clauses (iv) and (v) of paragraph (1)(B) with respect to a proposed action described in subsection (a)(4), the Secretary of Defense shall coordinate such assessment—

(A) with the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, with respect to the independent risk assessment described in such clause (iv); and

(B) with the Commander of the United States Strategic Command, with respect to the independent assessment described in such clause (v).

(d) FORM.—

(1) CERTIFICATION.—The certification described in subsection (b) shall be submitted in unclassified form.

(2) ASSESSMENT.—The assessment described in subsection (c) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

(3) PROHIBITION ON MODIFICATION.—Any assessment required under this section shall be submitted to the congressional defense committees without modification or alteration.

(e) SUNSET.—The limitation under subsection (a) shall terminate on December 31, 2028.

SEC. 1223. INTELLIGENCE SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall provide intelligence support, including information, intelligence, and imagery collection authorized under title 10, United States Code, to the Government of Ukraine for the purpose of supporting military operations of the Government of Ukraine that are intended to defend and retake the territory of Ukraine.

(b) TERRITORY OF UKRAINE DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''territory of Ukraine'' includes all territory internationally recognized to be the sovereign territory of Ukraine, including Crimea and the territory the Russian Federation claims to have annexed in Kherson Oblast, Zaporizhzhia Oblast, Donetsk Oblast, and Luhansk Oblast.

SEC. 1224. UNITED STATES-UKRAINE STRATEGIC DEFENSE INNOVATION WORKING GROUP.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, shall seek to engage with relevant stakeholders in Ukraine to establish a United States-Ukraine Strategic Defense Innovation Working Group (referred to in this section as the ''Working Group'') to explore—

(A) pathways for the co-development, co-production, acquisition, and transfer of covered systems;

(B) the development of related mutual technology transfer frameworks; and

(C) the mutual transmission of unmanned aerial systems expertise.

(2) COMPOSITION.—

(A) CO-CHAIRS.—The Working Group shall be co-chaired by the following:

(i) The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment.

(ii) The Director of the Defense Innovation Unit.

(iii) The Director of the Joint Interagency Task Force 401.

(B) ADDITIONAL DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PARTICIPANTS.—The Working Group shall include participation by representatives of the following:

(i) The Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.

(ii) The United States Special Operations Command.

(iii) Any other representative of the Department of Defense the Secretary of Defense considers appropriate.

(C) OTHER PARTICIPANTS.—The Secretary of Defense shall seek the participation in the Working Group of representatives of the following:

(i) The Ministry of Defense of Ukraine.

(ii) The military forces of Ukraine.

(iii) The Brave1 Defense Tech Cluster.

(iv) The North Atlantic Treaty Organization-Ukraine Joint Analysis, Training, and Education Center.

(v) Any other entity mutually agreed upon by the Secretary of Defense and the Minister of Defense of Ukraine.

(b) DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.— The co-chairs of the Working Group shall be responsible for engaging with the other participants in the Working Group—

(A) to systematically analyze and apply lessons learned from the methodologies employed by the military forces of Ukraine and the domestic defense industrial base of Ukraine to accelerate the development, production, and fielding of covered systems;

(B) to identify the Ukraine-designed covered systems that—

(i) have demonstrated high operational utility in active combat; and

(ii) offer strategic capability enhancements for the United States Armed Forces;

(C) to provide recommendations to expand and improve incorporation of Ukraine-designed covered systems into Department of Defense programs, including Blue UAS, the Drone Dominance Program, and service acquisition programs;

(D) to develop defense trade foundational agreements between the United States and Ukraine, including—

(i) a mutual technology transfer framework, which shall include—

(I) mutual data exchange protocols to facilitate the secure sharing of relevant battlefield and military information, such as telemetry data and other electronic warfare signal profiles; and

(II) joint intellectual property ownership frameworks that—

(aa) protect the background intellectual property of all participants; and

(bb) facilitate the co-development and co-production of Ukraine-designed covered systems; and

(ii) a memorandum of understanding on reciprocal defense procurement; and

(E) to assess the feasibility of testing United States-manufactured covered systems in Ukraine, including by deploying United States-manufactured covered systems to operational units of Ukraine for evaluation and use in active combat scenarios.

(2) MEETINGS.—The Working Group shall convene not less frequently than once every 120 days, with meeting frequency determined by the co-chairs, in consultation with the other participants in the Working Group.

(c) PRIORITIZATION OF UKRAINE-DESIGNED COVERED SYSTEMS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The co-chairs of the Working Group shall prioritize the Ukraine-designed covered systems identified under subsection (b)(1)(B) for co-development, co-production, and acquisition, including by—

(A) analyzing the extent to which Ukraine-designed covered systems meet existing statutory requirements with respect to fielding;

(B) identifying authorities that may be used to accelerate the establishment and approval of joint ventures, cooperative production agreements, or licensed production agreements involving the Department of Defense and the military forces of Ukraine;

(C) identifying authorities that may be used to accelerate procurement pathways for Ukraine-designed covered systems;

(D) conducting a detailed supply chain assessment of the components and inputs that would be used in the co-production of Ukraine-designed covered systems;

(E) identifying the costs associated with co-developing and co-producing Ukraine-designed covered systems in the United States; and

(F) identifying the steps necessary to produce Ukraine-designed covered systems at scale in the United States.

(2) UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS EXPERTISE.—In addition to co-development, co-production, and acquisition, the Working Group shall also focus on—

(A) the mutual transmission of—

(i) best practices for the rapid development, cost-effective production, and fielding of unmanned aerial systems and counter-unmanned aerial systems;

(ii) the tactics, techniques, and procedures that enable successful battlefield employment of offensive and defensive unmanned aerial systems; and

(iii) best practices with respect to force protection from unmanned aerial systems and the defense of fixed targets from unmanned aerial systems;

(B) the transmission of lessons learned in Ukraine to the unmanned aerial systems and counter-unmanned aerial systems program of the Department of the Army; and

(C) the transmission of lessons learned through the Joint Interagency Task Force 401 to the military forces of Ukraine.

(3) REMEDIATION PATHWAY.—With respect to Ukraine-designed covered systems identified under

subsection (b)(1)(B) that do not meet existing statutory requirements with respect to fielding, the Working Group shall explore alternative pathways for the fielding of such covered systems, including through—

(A) Army Drone Industrial Base Programs;

(B) the UAS Marketplace; and

(C) Drone Dominance.

(d) REPORTS AND BRIEFINGS.—

(1) INITIAL STRATEGY AND ACTION PLAN.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Working Group shall provide the congressional defense committees with a briefing on the initial strategy for the co-development, co-production, and acquisition of Ukraine-designed covered systems.

(2) SEMIANNUAL UPDATES.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date on which the briefing required by paragraph (1) is provided, and every 180 days thereafter until the date on which the Working Group terminates, the Working Group shall submit to the congressional defense com-

mittees a report on the progress of the Working Group.

(B) ELEMENTS.—Each report required by subparagraph (A) shall, to the maximum extent practicable, include, for the preceding 180-day period, the following:

(i) A list of Ukraine-designed covered systems identified for prioritization, including the current status of such covered systems with respect to technical and legal evaluation, certification, and integration with existing United States force posture and operational needs.

(ii) A detailed list of specific fast-track acquisition or waiver authorities that may be used to accelerate the co-development, co-production, or acquisition of Ukraine-designed covered systems.

(iii) A supply chain analysis of the sourcing of inputs and component parts to eliminate dependence on countries of concern, such as the Russian Federation, the People's Republic of China, Iran, and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

(iv) A comprehensive framework to facilitate the transition of prioritized Ukraine-designed covered systems from identification to co-development and co-production at scale, including an assessment of the feasibility of using the following for such purpose:

(I) Joint ventures.

(II) Cooperative production agreements.

(III) Licensed production agreements.

(v) A detailed description of intellectual property ownership frameworks that could be used to facilitate the co-development and co-production of prioritized Ukraine-designed covered systems.

(vi) A description of any specific regulatory, legal, or policy barriers that hinder the establishment of joint ventures, cooperative production agreements, or licensed production agreements.

(vii) A description of any regulatory, export-control, or certification barriers that

impede the acquisition of Ukraine-designed covered systems.

(C) FORM.—Each report required by subparagraph (A) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

(e) TERMINATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), the Working Group shall terminate on the date that is five years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(2) ONE-YEAR EXTENSION.—The Working Group may continue in effect until the date that is six years after the date of the enactment of this Act if the Secretary of Defense—

(A) determines that a one-year extension is beneficial to United States security interests; and

(B) submits to the congressional defense committees a written justification for such an extension.

(f) COVERED SYSTEM DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''covered system'' means—

(1) an unmanned system that—

(A) is designed for a limited number of missions;

(B) is expendable in high-threat environments; and

(C) is characterized by a low per-unit cost, relative to the value of the targets the unmanned system is designed to engage; and

(2) includes—

(A) the enabling software and hardware of such an unmanned system;

(B) unmanned aerial vehicles, unmanned underwater vehicles, and unmanned surface vehicles;

(C) capabilities to counter unmanned systems, including early warning systems, jamming systems, and interceptors; and

(D) command and control architecture, including software and hardware, to enable the integrated, secure, and resilient operation of unmanned systems and capabilities to counter unmanned systems.

SEC. 1225. NOTIFICATION OF GRAY ZONE ACTIVITIES BY THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION AGAINST NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION ALLIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than seven days after the date on which the Secretary of Defense is made aware of any gray zone activities known or reasonably suspected

to have been carried out by the Russian Federation against a North Atlantic Treaty Organization ally, the Secretary shall notify the appropriate committees of Congress of such activities.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—The term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(A) the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

(2) GRAY ZONE ACTIVITIES.—The term ''gray zone activities'' has the meaning given such term in the document of the National Intelligence Council entitled ''Updated IC Gray Zone Lexicon: Key Terms and Definitions'', issued in July 2024 in response to section 825(c) of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–30; 136 Stat. 1028; 50 U.S.C. 3316c note).

SEC. 1226. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF UKRAINE SECURITY ASSISTANCE INITIATIVE.

Section 1250 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law 114–92; 129 Stat. 1068) is amended—

(1) in subsection (f)(12), by striking ''$400,000,000'' and inserting ''$750,000,000'';

(2) in subsection (h), by striking ''December 31, 2029'' and inserting ''December 31, 2030''; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

''(*l*) FOREIGN CONTRIBUTIONS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for fiscal year 2027 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Secretary of Defense may use contributions, including money, personal property, and services, from foreign governments or other entities to provide assistance under the authority of this section.

''(2) USE OF CONTRIBUTIONS.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—Such contributions shall be available to the Secretary of Defense, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State—

''(i) to provide additional assistance authorized under subsection (a);

''(ii) for the replacement of any weapons or articles provided to entities described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of subsection (a)(1) from the inventory of the United States; and

''(iii) to recover or dispose of equipment previously provided to such entities.

''(B) LIMITATION.—Use of such contributions for the replacement of weapons under subparagraph (A)(ii) shall be limited to the replacement of weapons or articles with respect to which initial notification was provided to Congress after July 14, 2025.

''(3) UNUSED CONTRIBUTIONS.—Not later than seven days before the date on which the authority provided by this section terminates, the Secretary of Defense shall report to the congressional defense committees any contribution originating from a foreign government or other entity intended to provide assistance under this section that is not expended for such purpose before such date of termination.''.

SEC. 1227. SYNCHRONIZATION OF DEFENSE READINESS WITH NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION ALLIES.

(a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and every 180 days thereafter through 2034, the Commander of the United States European Command shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes the following:

(1) An evaluation of allied progress toward meeting the target of spending 3.5 percent of gross domestic product on core defense-related priorities by 2035, as agreed to at the 2025 North Atlantic Treaty Organization Summit in The Hague.

(2) A description of United States and allied forces available to the Supreme Allied Commander Europe under the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Force Model, including—

(A) a description of—

(i) any change made during the preceding year to the United States forces available to the Supreme Allied Commander Europe under such Force Model; and

(ii) any significant change in the security environment that may require changes to force requirements; and

(B) an analysis of the risk any such change poses to the ability of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to fulfill deterrence and defense mission requirements.

(3) A description of any change to the operational readiness of the United States and allied forces available to the Supreme Allied Commander Europe, including a description of—

(A) the criteria used to determine the readiness of a unit; and

(B) the data underpinning the assessment of the Commander of the United States European Command with respect to the readiness of such forces.

(4) A description of North Atlantic Treaty Organization exercises and the accompanying metrics used to validate the readiness of forces.

(5) An evaluation of allied progress toward implementing North Atlantic Treaty Organization capability targets and a description of any priority capability shortfalls, including any change to such progress.

(6) A list of critical capabilities required to execute the regional plans of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, which capabilities are largely or wholly provided by the United States, and a description of any United States efforts to support and synchronize with fellow North Atlantic Treaty Organization allies to develop or procure such capabilities or similar capabilities, including any change to the availability of such capabilities.

(7) In each subsequent report submitted under this subsection—

(A) a description of any change to the United States forces available to the Supreme Allied Commander Europe under the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Force Model in the 90 days preceding the date on which the report is submitted; and

(B) an analysis of the risk any such change poses to the ability of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to fulfill deterrence and defense mission requirements.

(8) In the case of any change described in accordance with paragraph (2) or (3), an assessment of whether Europe has the force structure, readiness levels, and enabling capabilities to assume responsi-

bility for any decrease in United States forces available to the Supreme Allied Commander Europe under the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Force Model.

(9) An assessment of the deterrence and defense posture of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization on the alliance's eastern flank, including—

(A) a description of United States military force posture in each country on the eastern flank, including any changes to United States forces in Europe during the 90-day period preceding the submission of the report;

(B) a description of allied military force posture in each country on the eastern flank;

(C) an evaluation of the capacity of United States and allied forces to reinforce the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's eastern flank in the event of a conflict;

(D) an identification of any obstacle that could delay such reinforcement, including the status of pre-positioned United States materiel in Europe, and an evaluation of the manner in which such obstacles could undermine the deterrence and defense posture of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization; and

(E) a description of efforts by the United States and North Atlantic Treaty Organization allies to address the obstacles identified under subparagraph (D), including efforts to improve mobility, readiness, pre-positioning, infrastructure, and coordination mechanisms necessary to enable timely reinforcement of the eastern flank.

(10) An assessment of North Atlantic Treaty Organization deterrence efforts in Romania, including a description and evaluation of—

(A) the United States force posture in Romania, including any new rotations to Romania intended to enhance deterrence after the 2025 decision to end the rotational presence of a United States brigade;

(B) consultations with North Atlantic Treaty Organization allies regarding efforts to backfill or otherwise mitigate the capability gap resulting from the end of such rotational presence;

(C) the readiness of North Atlantic Treaty Organization Forward Land Forces in Romania;

(D) new or expanded bilateral and multilateral training activities and military exercises conducted to build capacity and improve interoperability among United States forces, Romanian forces, and other North Atlantic Treaty Organization allies; and

(E) efforts undertaken by the United States, Romania, and other North Atlantic Treaty Organization allies to improve critical military infrastructure in Romania, including infrastructure necessary to support collective defense obligations of the alliance and to enable United States contingency operations.

(b) FORM.—Each report required by subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

SEC. 1228. CO-DEVELOPMENT AND CO-PRODUCTION PROGRAM WITH GERMANY FOR CERTAIN MUNITIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of State shall seek to engage with appropriate officials of Germany in a joint program for the purpose of enabling the co-development and co-production of air defense and air-to-air munitions capabilities, including the Patriot surface-to-air missile

system, the Advanced Medium-Range Air-to-Air Missile, and the AIM–9 Sidewinder missile, for the Armed Forces of the United States and the Bundeswehr of Germany, consistent with applicable United States law and existing bilateral defense cooperation agreements.

(b) USE OF AUTHORITIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out a joint program under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, may use the authorities under title 10, United States Code, and other applicable statutory authorities available to the Secretary of Defense.

(2) RECIPROCAL PROCUREMENT.—In carrying out paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, shall leverage the existing United States-Germany Reciprocal Defense Procurement Memorandum of Understanding to the maximum extent practicable to facilitate contracting arrangements, quality assurance, and supply chain integration.

(3) CO-DEVELOPMENT AND CO-PRODUCTION AGREEMENTS.—The Secretary of Defense, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, may enter into co-development agreements, co-production arrangements, and project agreements with Germany

(in accordance with existing authorities for such agreements and arrangements) to carry out the joint program under subsection (a), including arrangements for—

(A) joint research and development of next-generation variants of covered munitions systems;

(B) the establishment of co-production facilities in the United States or Germany, or both;

(C) technology transfer, consistent with applicable law, including the International Traffic in Arms Regulations; and

(D) specialization to optimize defense industrial strengths and avoid duplication.

(c) BRIEFING.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter through 2030, the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of State shall provide the appropriate committees of Congress with a briefing on the joint program under subsection (a).

(2) ELEMENTS.—Each briefing required by paragraph (1) shall include, for the period covered by the briefing, the following:

(A) A summary of engagements under subsection (a).

(B) A description of activities undertaken by the United States and Germany to enable co-development and co-production of munitions systems described in subsection (a).

(C) A description of progress made in finalizing defense trade foundational agreements between the United States and Germany, including—

(i) implementation and use of the existing Reciprocal Defense Procurement Memorandum of Understanding;

(ii) a security of supply agreement for such munitions systems;

(iii) a general security of military information agreement; and

(iv) any cyber maturity model certification or equivalent industrial security arrangements.

(D) A detailed assessment of the use of exemption and other authorities under, and any useful modifications that should be made to, the International Traffic in Arms Regulations and related statutory authorities that would support

the expansion of co-development and co-production of munitions systems with Germany, including—

(i) an assessment of the feasibility and advisability of seeking a Treaty on Defense Trade Cooperation with Germany, or an equivalent bilateral framework, to streamline technology transfer approvals for such munitions systems; and

(ii) a description of any interagency coordination actions taken or planned to synchronize positions regarding technology transfer to Germany for such munitions systems.

(E) An identification of the additional resources or authorities necessary to enable the fielding of munitions capabilities described in subsection (a).

(F) Any other matter the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of State consider appropriate.

(d) ADDITIONAL PARTNERS.—The President is authorized to use the authorities provided in this section to encourage enhanced co-development and co-production

with other European security partners of the United States.

(e) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(1) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Appropriations, and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Appropriations, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

SEC. 1229. REPORT AND ASSESSMENT RELATING TO UNITED STATES FORCE POSTURE ADJUSTMENTS IN EUROPE.

(a) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Commander of the United States European Command shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes the risk assessment of the Commander with respect to United States force posture changes implemented after January 20, 2025, in the area of responsibility of the United States European Command.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall include an assessment of the following:

(A) The ability of the United States to meet military campaign plans in the area of responsibility of the United States European Command.

(B) The ability of the United States to meet the regional plans of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization adopted at the 2023 Vilnius Summit.

(C) The ability of the United States to meet the defense and deterrence requirements of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

(3) FORM.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

(b) INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT BY THE GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE.—

(1) ASSESSMENT REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the submission of the report required by subsection (a), the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to the congressional defense committees an independent assessment of—

(A) the analytical framework, analysis of alternatives, wargaming activities and other operational assessments, intelligence assessments, and operational and strategic risk assessments used in conducting the review of global force posture undertaken during development of the national defense strategy most recently prepared pursuant to section 113(g) of title 10, United States Code, specifically as it pertains to the area of responsibility of the United States European Command;

(B) the conclusions drawn from such review of global force posture; and

(C) the extent to which such analytical framework, analysis of alternatives, wargaming activities and other operational assessments, intelligence assessments, and operational and strategic risk assessments informed and were consistent with changes to United States force posture in the area of responsibility of the United States European Command implemented after January 20, 2025.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The assessment required by paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) An evaluation of the completeness, rigor, and methodological validity of the analytical framework, assumptions, scenarios, intelligence inputs, and analysis of alternatives.

(B) An assessment of the consistency between the analytical conclusions and actual posture decisions implemented after January 20, 2025.

(C) A review of the sensitivity of conclusions to key assumptions and variables.

(D) An identification of any gaps, limitations, or sources of analytical risk.

(E) An evaluation of the implications of each such adjustment for United States national security interests, the deterrence and defense posture of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, and execution of combatant commander campaign plans and North Atlantic Treaty Organization regional plans.

(3) ACCESS TO INFORMATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall provide the Comptroller General with timely access to all data, assumptions, models, briefings, analyses, memoranda, recommendations, dissenting views, decision memoranda, and other information necessary to carry out the assessment re-

quired under this subsection, including classified information, consistent with applicable law.

Subtitle D—Matters Relating to the Indo-Pacific Region

SEC. 1231. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF DESIGNATION OF SENIOR OFFICIAL FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ACTIVITIES RELATING TO, AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR, THE AUKUS PARTNERSHIP.

Section 1332 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (22 U.S.C. 10412) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking ''a senior civilian'' and all that follows through ''who shall be'' and inserting ''the Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Armaments Cooperation as the senior civilian official of the Department of Defense'';

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking ''90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act'' and inserting ''March 1, 2027, and semiannually thereafter''; and

(B) in paragraph (2)—

(i) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking ''The plan'' and inserting ''Each plan'';

(ii) by redesignating subparagraphs (B) through (G) as subparagraphs (C) through (H), respectively; and

(iii) by inserting after subparagraph (A) the following new subparagraph (B):

''(B) A description of the organization, roles, and objectives of all AUKUS implementation working groups.''; and

(3) in subsection (c)—

(A) by striking ''the plan'' and inserting ''a plan''; and

(B) by striking ''2029'' and inserting ''2032''.

SEC. 1232. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF PACIFIC DETERRENCE INITIATIVE.

(a) FUNDING.—Subsection (c) of section 1251 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (10 U.S.C. 113 note) is amended—

(1) by striking ''the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026'' and inserting ''the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2027''; and

(2) by striking ''fiscal year 2026'' and inserting ''fiscal year 2027''.

(b) REPORTS AND BRIEFINGS.—Subsection (d) of such section is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1)—

(A) in subparagraph (A), in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking ''fiscal years 2027 and 2028'' and inserting ''fiscal years 2028 and 2029''; and

(B) in subparagraph (B), by adding at the end the following new clause:

''(viii) The independent assessment of the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command with respect to the activities and resources required for the subordinate unified commands of the United States Indo-Pacific Command, including United States Forces Korea and United States Forces Japan.''; and

(2) in paragraph (2), by striking ''fiscal years 2027 and 2028'' each place it appears and inserting ''fiscal years 2028 and 2029''.

(c) EXTENSION OF PLAN.—Subsection (e) of such section is amended, in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking ''fiscal years 2027 and 2028'' and inserting ''fiscal years 2028 and 2029''.

SEC. 1233. EXTENSION, MODIFICATION, AND REDESIGNATION OF TAIWAN SECURITY COOPERATION INITIATIVE.

Section 1323 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (22 U.S.C. 3302 note) is amended—

(1) in the section heading, by striking ''**TAIWAN**'' and inserting ''**FIRST ISLAND CHAIN**'';

(2) in subsection (a)—

(A) in paragraph (1)—

(i) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking ''Consistent'' and all that follows through ''Defense'' and inserting ''The Secretary of Defense'';

(ii) in subparagraph (A)—

(I) by inserting ''consistent with the Taiwan Relations Act (22 U.S.C. 3301 et seq.),'' before ''the military''; and

(II) by striking ''; and'' and inserting a semicolon;

(iii) in subparagraph (B)—

(I) by inserting ''consistent with the Taiwan Relations Act (22 U.S.C. 3301 et seq.),'' before ''civilian''; and

(II) by striking the period at the end and inserting ''; and''; and

(iv) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

''(C) the national security forces of the Philippines.''; and

(B) in paragraph (2)—

(i) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by inserting ''and the Philippines'' after ''Taiwan''; and

(ii) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

''(C) The national security forces of the Government of the Philippines to defend against coercion and aggression.'';

(3) in subsection (b)(1), in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking ''subparagraph (A)'' and inserting ''subparagraphs (A) and (C)'';

(4) in subsection (d), by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(3) FISCAL YEAR 2027.—Of the amounts authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027 for the Department of Defense, not more than $1,500,000,000 may be made available for the purposes of subsection (a).'';

(5) in subsection (e)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by inserting ''and the national security forces of the Philippines'' after ''Taiwan''; and

(B) in paragraph (2), by inserting ''or the national security forces of the Philippines'' after ''Taiwan''; and

(6) in subsection (h), by striking ''December 31, 2029'' and inserting ''December 31, 2032''.

SEC. 1234. UPDATES TO NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL SECURITY PROGRAM OPERATING MANUAL REGARDING AUKUS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a plan to identify, mitigate, and remove, as appropriate, procedures and regulations contained in the National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual that unnecessarily constrain or impede government and industry from meeting the objectives of the partnership among Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States (commonly known as ''AUKUS'').

(b) ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED.—At a minimum, the plan required by subsection (a) shall address the following

issues related to the National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual:

(1) International security requirements.

(2) Clearance reciprocity.

(3) Marking and classification.

(4) Security training.

(5) Subcontracting.

(6) Foreign ownership, control, or influence.

(7) Delegation and oversight by cognizant security agencies.

(c) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—The plan required by subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) A timeline for updating the National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual.

(2) A plan for mitigating National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual procedures and regulations that unnecessarily constrain AUKUS participants.

(3) Recommendations for any legislative action, as necessary, that would facilitate the AUKUS partnership.

SEC. 1235. OVERSIGHT OF UNITED STATES MILITARY POSTURE ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA.

(a) PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts authorized to be appropriated by this Act may not be obli-

gated or expended to reduce the approximate total number of members of the Armed Forces that are permanently stationed in, or deployed to, the Republic of Korea to below 28,500, or to complete the transition of wartime operational control of the United States-Republic of Korea Combined Forces Command from United States-led command to Republic of Korea-led command, until the date that is 60 days after the date on which the certification described in subsection (b) and the applicable assessment described in subsection (c) are submitted to the appropriate committees of Congress.

(b) CERTIFICATION DESCRIBED.—The certification described in this subsection is a certification by the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Commander of United States Forces Korea, the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command, the Secretary of State, and the Director of National Intelligence, to the appropriate committees of Congress that, as applicable, a reduction in the approximate total number of members of the Armed Forces that are permanently stationed in, or deployed to, the Republic of Korea to below 28,500 or the completion of the transition of wartime operational control of the United States-Republic of Korea Combined Forces Command from United States-led command—

(1) is in the national security interest of the United States; and

(2) is being undertaken only after appropriate consultations with allies of the United States, including the Republic of Korea, Japan, and any country that has sent military contributions to the United Nations Command.

(c) ASSESSMENT DESCRIBED.—An assessment described in this subsection is the following:

(1) In the case of a reduction in the total number of members of the Armed Forces permanently stationed in or deployed to the Republic of Korea to below 28,500, an assessment by the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Commander of United States Forces Korea, the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command, the Secretary of State, and the Director of National Intelligence that includes—

(A) an analysis of the impact of such a reduction on—

(i) the security of the United States;

(ii) the security of the Republic of Korea and Japan;

(iii) United States deterrence; and

(iv) the defense posture of the United States Indo-Pacific Command;

(B) an analysis of the impact of such a reduction on the ability of the Armed Forces to execute contingency plans of the Department of Defense, including in support of operations beyond the Korean Peninsula;

(C) an analysis of the additional costs for relocation of personnel, equipment, and associated infrastructure;

(D) an analysis of the impact of such a reduction on military training and major military exercises, including on interoperability and joint activities with the Republic of Korea and Japan;

(E) a description of consultations with the Republic of Korea, Japan, and countries that have sent military contributions to the United Nations Command;

(F) an assessment of the impact of a substantial reduction in the number of members of the Armed Forces permanently stationed in or deployed to the Republic of Korea on the credibility of United States extended deterrence commitments to the Republic of Korea and

Japan, the potential for nuclear proliferation in the Indo-Pacific region, and the ability of the remaining forces permanently stationed in, or deployed to, the Republic of Korea to support integrated air and missile defense operations in defense of the Republic of Korea and Japan; and

(G) an independent risk assessment by the Commander of United States Forces Korea, the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command, and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff of—

(i) the impact of such a reduction on the security of the United States;

(ii) the ability of the Armed Forces to execute contingency plans of the Department of Defense, including in support of operations beyond the Korean Peninsula; and

(iii) the impact of such a reduction on military training and major military exercises, including on interoperability and joint activities with the Republic of Korea and Japan.

(2) In the case of the completion of the transition of wartime operational control of the United States-Republic of Korea Combined Forces Command from United States-led command to Republic of Korea-led command, an assessment by the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Commander of United States Forces Korea, the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command, the Secretary of State, and the Director of National Intelligence that includes—

(A) an assessment of the extent to which the three conditions set forth in the bilaterally determined conditions-based Operational Control Transition Plan that was signed on October 31, 2018, will be satisfied prior to the completion of such transition;

(B) a detailed description of the manner in which a Republic of Korea-led Combined Forces Command will report to national command authorities in the United States and the Republic of Korea;

(C) a detailed description of the planned command relationship between a Republic of Korea-led Combined Forces Command and the United States-led United Nations Command;

(D) a description of consultations with countries that have sent military contributions to the United Nations Command;

(E) a description of the United States-Republic of Korea wartime operational control consultations with Japan, and an assessment of approaches for deconflicting military operations across the United States-Republic of Korea and the United States-Japan alliances;

(F) an assessment of the effect, if any, of the completion of such transition on the potential for nuclear proliferation in the Indo-Pacific region; and

(G) an independent military risk assessment by the Commander of United States Forces Korea, the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command, and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff of such transition.

(d) FORM.—

(1) CERTIFICATION.—A certification described in subsection (b) shall be submitted in unclassified form.

(2) ASSESSMENT.—An assessment described in subsection (c) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

(e) QUARTERLY REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 1, 2027, and every 90 days thereafter through 2030, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command and the Commander of United States Forces Korea, shall provide the appropriate committees of Congress with a report on the United States-Republic of Korea roadmap for implementation of the bilateral Conditions-based Operational Control Transition Plan, signed on October 31, 2018.

(2) ELEMENTS.—Each report required by paragraph (1) shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(A) The current assessment of the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command and the Commander of United States Forces Korea with respect to the conditions that must be achieved before the Republic of Korea may responsibly assume wartime operational control, including an assessment of the extent to which—

(i) the Republic of Korea has acquired and operationalized the military capabilities required to lead the combined defense;

(ii) comprehensive alliance response capabilities are sufficient to address nuclear and missile threats by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; and

(iii) the security environment on the Korean Peninsula and in the Indo-Pacific region is conducive to a stable transition of wartime operational control.

(B) An articulation of the specific military capabilities, and associated numbers or levels of such capabilities, the Republic of Korea must acquire and operationalize in order for—

(i) the Republic of Korea to be considered prepared to lead the combined defense; and

(ii) comprehensive alliance response capabilities to be considered sufficient to address nuclear and missile threats of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

(C) An articulation of the specific military capabilities, and associated numbers or levels of such capabilities, the United States Armed

Forces must acquire and operationalize in order for comprehensive alliance response capabilities to be considered sufficient to address nuclear and missile threats of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

(D) Any other matter the Secretary of Defense considers appropriate.

(f) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(1) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Appropriations, and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Appropriations, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

SEC. 1236. INDO-PACIFIC REGIONAL SUSTAINMENT FRAMEWORK.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Using lessons learned from the demonstration program carried out under section 842 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (10 U.S.C. 2341 note), the Secretary of Defense shall establish and maintain a regional sustainment framework in the area of responsibility of the United States Indo-Pacific Command, to be known as the ''Indo-Pacific

Regional Sustainment Framework'' (referred to in this section as the ''Framework''), to foster co-sustainment efforts focused on providing the logistics support, sustainment activities, and personnel services necessary to maintain defense platforms, systems, subsystems, and components.

(b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the Framework shall be—

(1) to mitigate the risks associated with operations in a contested logistics environment;

(2) to ensure military readiness and lethality;

(3) to reduce strategic lift requirements;

(4) to leverage the industrial base capabilities of allies and partners, including through co-sustainment and co-production relationships;

(5) to collectively leverage the industrial base capabilities of the United States and its allies and partners to forge agreements, align logistics priorities, exchange best practices, strengthen supply chain resilience, and expand the defense industrial base through co-sustainment relationships, including through key bilateral and multilateral forums such as the Partnership for Indo-Pacific Industrial Resilience and the Five-Eyes Joint Sustainment & Supply Chain Forum;

(6) to provide the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command with a range of flexible and pre-arranged options to meet in-theater sustainment requirements;

(7) to integrate with and leverage regional sustainment frameworks and capabilities in other geographic combatant commands to support greater integration of global co-sustainment activities; and

(8) to provide an integrated, responsive, and comprehensive forward sustainment capability that addresses critical gaps in force readiness.

(c) ADVANCE PLANNING AND PREPARATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—As part of the Framework, the Secretary may establish product support arrangements with a covered product support provider to enable a rapid response in a contingency operation (as defined in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code) to the product support requirements of such contingency operation.

(2) INCLUSION.—Such arrangement may include agreements with covered countries for maintenance, pre-positioning, storage of materials, or distribution.

(d) AUTHORITIES.—In establishing and maintaining the Framework, the Secretary may use, in accordance with

section 3 of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2753), the authorities under sections 2342, 2474, 3601, 4021, and 4022 of title 10, United States Code.

(e) DEVELOPMENT AND PROMULGATION OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE GUIDANCE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall issue guidance implementing the Framework.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The guidance required by paragraph (1) shall include, at a minimum, provisions that require—

(A) the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, in coordination with the Service Acquisition Executives and Life Cycle Managers, to develop and maintain a list of available regional sustainment capabilities as a reference catalog for product support opportunities, including a range of flexible and pre-arranged options for product support arrangements to meet in-theater sustainment requirements;

(B) the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command, in coordination with the applicable service component commands, to identify a prioritized list of requirements for in-

theater sustainment of platforms, information and communication systems, subsystems, or components;

(C) the Secretary of each military department to identify and prioritize projects to address such requirements, including with respect to the certification of repair processes, intermediate testing capabilities, and vendors; and

(D) the integration of explosives safety and risk management principles for all activities relating to munitions sustainment.

(f) REPORT.—Not later than March 1, 2028, and annually thereafter through 2031, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes—

(1) any recommendations for additional resources or new authorities necessary for achieving the purposes under subsection (b) for the Framework or regional sustainment frameworks in the areas of responsibility of other combatant commands;

(2) an assessment of the feasibility and advisability of establishing, or a description of progress in developing, regional sustainment hubs in covered countries to enhance forward readiness and coalition

interoperability, including reviews of agreements and product support integration within the Framework to ensure effective long-term sustainment;

(3) an assessment of the extent to which the options within the reference catalog developed under subsection (e)(2)(A) are being used; and

(4) an assessment of measurable improvements in readiness for priority weapons and platforms resulting from the Framework.

(g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) CONTESTED LOGISTICS ENVIRONMENT.—The term ''contested logistics environment'' has the meaning given such term in section 2926(h) of title 10, United States Code.

(2) COVERED COUNTRY.—The term ''covered country'' means—

(A) the Republic of Korea;

(B) Japan;

(C) Australia;

(D) New Zealand;

(E) the Philippines;

(F) Singapore;

(G) the United Kingdom;

(H) Canada; and

(I) any other country designated by the Secretary for purposes of the Framework.

(3) COVERED PRODUCT SUPPORT PROVIDER.—The term ''covered product support provider'' means—

(A) a product support provider that includes an entity within the government of a covered country;

(B) a private sector product support provider; and

(C) a product support integrator domiciled in the United States or a covered country.

(4) PRODUCT SUPPORT; PRODUCT SUPPORT INTEGRATOR; PRODUCT SUPPORT PROVIDER.—The terms ''product support'', ''product support integrator'', and ''product support provider'' have the meanings given such terms in section 4324(d) of title 10, United States Code.

(5) PRODUCT SUPPORT ARRANGEMENT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ''product support arrangement'' means a contract, task order, or any other type of agreement or arrangement, between the United States and a covered product support provider, for the per-

formance of the functions described in subparagraph (B) with respect to—

(i) a platform or information system operated by the United States and the covered country of such covered product support provider;

(ii) a subsystem or components of such a platform or information system; or

(iii) maintenance, pre-positioning, storage of materials, or distribution.

(B) FUNCTIONS DESCRIBED.—The functions described in this subparagraph, with respect to a platform, information system, subsystem, or component described in subparagraph (A), are the following:

(i) Performance-based logistics.

(ii) Sustainment support.

(iii) Contractor logistics support.

(iv) Life-cycle product support.

(v) Weapon system product support.

SEC. 1237. EXTENSION OF ANNUAL REPORT ON MILITARY POWER OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

Section 1202(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000 (10 U.S.C. 113 note) is

amended by striking ''January 31, 2027'' and inserting ''January 31, 2032''.

SEC. 1238. STRATEGY FOR CRISIS MANAGEMENT IN SOUTH CHINA SEA.

(a) STRATEGY.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the head of any other appropriate Federal department or agency, shall develop a strategy for crisis management in the South China Sea that—

(1) identifies the locations of the most likely flashpoints in the South China Sea that could lead to scenarios of crises short of war that would require heightened interagency and international coordination; and

(2) outlines defense planning scenarios for responding to each such potential flashpoint, including sequenced response options and coordination with foreign partners.

(b) OBJECTIVES.—The strategy required by subsection (a) shall be designed—

(1) to deny the aim of the People's Republic of China and deter further People's Republic of China provocation or actions that expand the crisis;

(2) to ensure the safety of United States citizens and residents in the region and in the United States;

(3) to ensure the safety of members of the United States Armed Forces in the region, including safety from accidents;

(4) to preserve United States economic interests in the region, including protecting key trade and commerce routes;

(5) to uphold treaty obligations and protect allies and partners; and

(6) to manage possible escalation into combat operations by taking opportunities for de-escalation and maintaining strategic stability.

(c) DEFENSE PLANNING SCENARIOS.—Each defense planning scenario required by subsection (a)(2) shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(1) A list of specific indicators that would elevate a scenario from a baseline of gray-zone conditions to the level of a crisis.

(2) An articulation of clearly identified assumptions, phases, and potential evolutions of the crisis.

(3) Anticipated decision points and potential response options, sequenced across all identified phases.

(4) An evaluation of the potential risks and benefits of potential response options.

(5) A list of possible options for de-escalating the crisis situation, including a description of indicators of such options and recommendations of options for the Secretary of Defense to take advantage of such options.

(6) A plan for engagement with foreign partners, including an identification of any action to be pre-coordinated.

(d) INTERIM REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a progress report that—

(A) details the list of locations and scenarios identified under subsection (a)(1);

(B) provides a status update on the development of defense planning scenarios required by subsection (a)(2);

(C) sets forth a plan for the completion of such planning scenarios by not later than one year after such date of enactment; and

(D) details the process by which such planning scenarios will be reviewed, updated as necessary, and validated.

(2) FORM.—The interim report required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

(e) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report that summarizes the strategy developed under subsection (a).

(2) FORM.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

SEC. 1239. MASTER PLAN FOR FACILITY REQUIREMENTS TO SUPPORT ROTATIONAL FORCE PRESENCE IN THE PHILIPPINES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a master plan outlining fa-

cility requirements to support a rotational presence of the United States Armed Forces in the Philippines.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The master plan required by subsection (a) shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(1) An identification of enhanced defense cooperation sites, cooperative security locations, and other locations supporting rotational presence of the United States Armed Forces in the Philippines.

(2) For each location identified under paragraph (1), an identification of validated facility requirements necessary to support rotational forces.

(3) A delineation of funding responsibilities between the Department of Defense and the Government of the Philippines for fulfilling such requirements.

(4) A timeline for fulfilling such requirements.

(5) Any other matter the Secretary considers appropriate.

(c) UPDATES.—Concurrently with the submission of the budget of the President to Congress pursuant to section 1105 of title 31, United States Code, for each of fiscal years 2028 through 2033, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees an update to the master plan required by subsection (a).

SEC. 1240. MASTER PLAN FOR INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENTS TO SUPPORT ROTATIONAL FORCE PRESENCE IN AUSTRALIA.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a master plan outlining infrastructure requirements to support a rotational presence of the United States Armed Forces in Australia.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The master plan required by subsection (a) shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(1) An identification of cooperative security locations and other locations supporting a rotational presence of the United States Armed Forces in Australia, including Marine Rotational Force-Darwin and Submarine Rotational Force-West.

(2) For each location identified under paragraph (1), an identification of validated infrastructure requirements necessary to support rotational forces.

(3) A delineation of funding responsibilities between the Department of Defense and the Government of Australia for fulfilling such requirements.

(4) A timeline for fulfilling such requirements.

(5) Any other matter the Secretary considers appropriate.

(c) UPDATES.—Concurrently with the submission of the budget of the President to Congress pursuant to section 1105 of title 31, United States Code, for each of fiscal years 2028 through 2033, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees an update to the master plan required by subsection (a).

SEC. 1241. EXTENSION OF PILOT PROGRAM TO DEVELOP YOUNG CIVILIAN DEFENSE LEADERS IN THE INDO-PACIFIC REGION.

Section 1261(e) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (10 U.S.C. 311 note) is amended by striking ''December 31, 2026'' and inserting ''December 31, 2031''.

SEC. 1242. EXTENSION OF PILOT PROGRAM TO IMPROVE CYBER COOPERATION WITH COVERED FOREIGN MILITARY PARTNERS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA.

Section 1256(e) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (10 U.S.C. 333 note) is amended by striking ''December 31, 2028'' and inserting ''December 31, 2030''.

SEC. 1243. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER FUNDS FOR BIEN HOA DIOXIN CLEANUP.

Section 1253(b) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat. 3955) is amended by striking ''fiscal year 2026'' and inserting ''fiscal year 2027''.

SEC. 1244. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR TRAVEL EXPENSES OF THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.

Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for Operation and Maintenance, Defense-wide, and available for the Office of the Secretary of Defense for travel expenses, not more than 75 percent may be obligated or expended until the Secretary of Defense submits—

(1) the multi-year plan to fulfill the defensive requirements of the military forces of Taiwan, also known as the ''Taiwan Security Assistance Roadmap'', required by section 5506 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (22 U.S.C. 3355);

(2) the annual progress report due on December 31, 2024, regarding implementation of the pilot program to improve cyber cooperation with covered foreign military partners in Southeast Asia required

by section 1256(c)(2) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (10 U.S.C. 333 note);

(3) briefings on revised program selection guidance and use of the total obligation authority withhold technique for the Pacific Deterrence Initiative, as required by the Joint Explanatory Statement accompanying the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 718);

(4) the briefing required by section 1266 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1120; 22 U.S.C. 3302 note) regarding the establishment of a joint program with Taiwan for the purpose of enabling the fielding of uncrewed systems and counter-uncrewed systems capabilities;

(5) the report required by section 1269 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1124) regarding enhancing the United States defense relationship with the Philippines;

(6) the annual report required by section 1332 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (22 U.S.C. 10412) regarding Department

of Defense activities to implement the AUKUS partnership; and

(7) the annual report on Chinese military companies operating in the United States required by section 1260H of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (10 U.S.C. 113 note).

SEC. 1245. REPORT ON JAPANESE COUNTERSTRIKE CAPABILITIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report outlining Department of Defense efforts to support Japan in the fielding of an operational counterstrike capability.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The report required by subsection (a) shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(1) A description of the activities and objectives of the United States-Japan Roles, Missions, and Capabilities Working Group with respect to the fielding of an operational counterstrike capability by Japan.

(2) A description of the operations, activities, and investments the Department is undertaking in collaboration with the Government of Japan, including—

(A) a description of progress made by the United States and Japan in developing and deploying counterstrike capabilities, including in and across the First Island Chain;

(B) a description of the counterstrike capabilities of Japan and a characterization of the potential for enhancement of such capabilities;

(C) a description of the impediments to fielding a strengthened alliance strike posture, including—

(i) domestic legal constraints;

(ii) regulatory restrictions, including technology and foreign disclosure constraints;

(iii) industrial base-driven capacity limitations; and

(iv) political impediments;

(D) an articulation of the planning assumptions underpinning the assigned and anticipated roles, missions, and capabilities of the respective counterstrike capabilities of the United States and Japan;

(E) a description of the manner in which the United States and Japan will coordinate and deconflict counterstrike operations; and

(F) an assessment of potential alliance posture changes that would support an enhanced alliance counterstrike capability, including in the First Island Chain.

(3) A description of the command and control mechanisms and information-sharing requirements needed to enable coordination and deconfliction of allied counterstrike operations, including—

(A) the adoption of enhanced security protocols to ensure secure networks;

(B) the technical means needed to facilitate integrated planning for counterstrike operations; and

(C) the sharing of targeting information.

(4) An identification of challenges to the implementation of the operations, activities, and investments described in paragraph (2), and any recommended legislative changes, resourcing requirements, bilateral agreements, or other measures that would facilitate the implementation of such operations, activities, and investments.

(c) FORM.—The report required by subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

SEC. 1246. STRATEGY FOR CYBER COOPERATION IN THE INDO-PACIFIC REGION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, in coordination with the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command and the Commander of the United States Cyber Command, shall develop, submit to the congressional defense committees, and commence implementation of a strategy to enhance and institutionalize cyber cooperation between the Department of Defense and allies and partners in the Indo-Pacific region.

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

(1) An identification of the current and projected cyber cooperation requirements of the Department of Defense in the Indo-Pacific region through 2040, including requirements identified in theater security cooperation plans, relating to—

(A) defensive cyberspace operations;

(B) offensive cyber operations;

(C) secure information sharing;

(D) cyber training, exercises, and workforce development;

(E) protection of critical infrastructure, communications networks, and defense industrial base networks;

(F) joint planning and operational integration; and

(G) command and control structures for joint cyber integration.

(2) An identification of existing cyber cooperation activities, agreements, and capability gaps between the Department of Defense and allies and partners in the Indo-Pacific region.

(3) A strategic review of the cybersecurity capacity and cyber resilience of allies and partners in the Indo-Pacific region that includes the following:

(A) With respect to each such ally or partner—

(i) an assessment of the extent to which the ally or partner has expressed interest or has participated in existing United States Government or Department programs to assist in the expansion of cybersecurity capacity across policies, technical architecture, and practices of the ally or partner, the results of any such partici-

pation, and an identification of any barriers to effective participation;

(ii) an assessment of the extent to which the responsibility for cybersecurity capabilities and any exposure resulting from gaps in such capabilities lie with the military, another government entity, or the commercial sector of the ally or partner, and an assessment of the manner in which the structure contributes to opportunities for, or risks to, collaboration with the United States Armed Forces;

(iii) an identification of the cybersecurity standards used by each ally or partner, and an assessment of the extent to which such standards overlap with United States cybersecurity standards; and

(iv) in the case of an ally or partner that does not have shared cybersecurity standards with the United States, a review of the differences between standards, the manner in which such differences may create barriers to interoperability and collaboration with the Department, existing Department mitigation measures to ensure

collaboration, and recommendations for more permanent solutions.

(B) An identification of additional resources or authorities required to help address gaps in the cybersecurity architecture or practices of such allies and partners, including with respect to the National Guard's State Partnership Program and consultations provided by the Department of State and the Department of Homeland Security.

(C) An identification of any capability gaps of such allies and partners with respect to cybersecurity capacity and cyber resilience that the Department may be able to address through security cooperation initiatives.

(4) An identification of—

(A) actions necessary to strengthen cyber cooperation, interoperability, intelligence and information sharing, cyber defense and cybersecurity integration, and combined cyber planning with such allies and partners;

(B) any authorities, force posture adjustments, organizational changes, or legislative actions required to improve cybersecurity in the Indo-Pacific region; and

(C) opportunities—

(i) to expand bilateral and multilateral cyber exercises, cyber workforce exchanges, cyber capacity-building initiatives, and operational collaboration with such allies and partners;

(ii) to leverage existing security cooperation mechanisms and multilateral partnerships to support the objectives of the strategy; and

(iii) to enhance collaboration between the Joint Staff, the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the United States Cyber Command, and the United States Indo-Pacific Command on cybersecurity cooperation with allies and partners in the Indo-Pacific region.

(c) FUNDING PLAN.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, in coordination with the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command and the Commander of the United States Cyber Command, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes—

(1) a plan for funding and resourcing the implementation of the strategy developed under subsection (a) across the period covered by the most recent future-years defense program submitted to Congress under section 221 of title 10, United States Code, as of the date of the report; and

(2) an identification of any resource gaps that would impede implementation of such strategy.

(d) BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff shall provide the congressional defense committees with a briefing on the strategy required by subsection (a).

(e) IMPLEMENTATION REPORT.—Not later than March 15, 2028, the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the progress of the implementation of such strategy, including—

(1) a description of actions taken to implement the strategy;

(2) an assessment of remaining operational and capability gaps;

(3) an identification of any barriers to implementation; and

(4) recommendations for any additional authorities or resources required to carry out the strategy.

(f) FORM.—The strategy, briefing, and report required by this section shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

SEC. 1247. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF INDO-PACIFIC MARITIME SECURITY INITIATIVE.

(a) EXPANSION OF TYPES OF ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING.—Subsection (c) of section 1263 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (10 U.S.C. 333 note) is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraph (2) as paragraph (3); and

(2) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following new paragraph (2):

''(2) DEMONSTRATION AND OPERATIONAL TEST AND EVALUATION OF UNCREWED SYSTEMS AND ASYMMETRIC OPERATIONAL CONCEPTS.—During the period ending on December 31, 2028, assistance provided under subsection (a)(1)(A) may also include the provision, in coordination with the Department of State, of the following:

''(A) Operational test and evaluation of uncrewed systems and asymmetric operational concepts as part of other assistance to the national military or other security forces described in subsection (a)(1)(A)(i) or the other national-level governmental organizations described in subsection (a)(1)(A)(ii).

''(B) Demonstration of uncrewed systems and asymmetric operational concepts as part of other assistance to the national military or other security forces described in subsection (a)(1)(A)(i) or the other national-level governmental organizations described in subsection (a)(1)(A)(ii).''.

(b) MODIFICATION OF REPORTING PERIOD.—Subsection (i)(1) of such section is amended—

(1) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking ''calendar year'' and inserting ''fiscal year''; and

(2) in subparagraph (G), by striking ''calendar year'' and inserting ''fiscal year''.

(c) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS ACROSS FISCAL YEARS.—Such section is further amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (j) as subsection (k); and

(2) by inserting after subsection (i) the following new subsection (j):

''(j) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR PROGRAMS ACROSS FISCAL YEARS.—Amounts available in fiscal year 2027 or any subsequent fiscal year to carry out the authority in subsection (a) may be used for programs under that authority that begin in such fiscal year and end not later than the end of the second fiscal year thereafter.''.

(d) EXTENSION.—Subsection (k) of such section, as redesignated, is amended by striking ''December 31, 2027'' and inserting ''December 31, 2031''.

SEC. 1248. ANNUAL ASSESSMENT OF CONTRIBUTION OF CERTAIN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE CHIPS TO MILITARY CAPABILITIES OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter for a period of five years, the Director of the Defense Technology Security Administration shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives an unclassified report, which may contain a classified annex, on the contribution of covered AI chips to the military capabilities of the People's Republic of China, including resulting threats to the artifi-

cial intelligence leadership and national security of the United States.

(b) ELEMENTS.—Each report required under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) An estimate of the total compute installation base of the People's Republic of China.

(2) An assessment of the methods through which the People's Republic of China is acquiring covered AI chips, including remote access.

(3) An evaluation of the ability of the People's Republic of China to produce indigenous artificial intelligence chips at scale to replace covered AI chips.

(4) An assessment of methods the People's Republic of China uses to acquire covered AI chips through unauthorized channels, covert or illicit networks, or other forms of illegal diversion.

(5) An assessment of specific military capabilities of the People's Republic of China to which covered AI chips are directly contributing.

(6) An assessment of threats to the artificial intelligence leadership of the United States posed by the access by the People's Republic of China to covered AI chips, including effects on development of frontier artificial intelligence and model diffusion.

(7) A net assessment of the military advantage conferred upon the People's Liberation Army by access to covered AI chips, including a comparison of artificial intelligence capabilities without such access.

(8) Policy recommendations for improving the ability of the United States Government to assess the variables described in paragraphs (1) through (7), strengthening artificial intelligence leadership of the United States, and limiting the contribution of covered AI chips to the military capabilities of the People's Republic of China.

(c) COVERED AI CHIP DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''covered AI chip'' means any advanced integrated circuit, computer, or other product that—

(1) is designed by or manufactured using technology originating in the United States, including items produced abroad using intellectual property, design software, or semiconductor manufacturing equipment originating in the United States; and

(2)(A) is classified or classifiable under Export Control Classification Number 3A090.z, 4A090, 5A002.z, related .z Export Control Classification Numbers, or any successor classification; or

(B) is an item that is functionally equivalent to an item classified or classifiable as described in subparagraph (A).

SEC. 1249. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORIZATION OF SALES TO AUSTRALIA OF IN-SERVICE VIRGINIA CLASS SUBMARINES TO PROVIDE FOR SALE OF ADDITIONAL IN-SERVICE SUBMARINE IN LIEU OF NEW CONSTRUCTION SUBMARINE.

(a) MODIFICATION OF AUTHORIZATION.—Subsection (a) of section 1352 of the AUKUS Submarine Transfer Authorization Act (22 U.S.C. 10431) is amended—

(1) by striking ''two'' and inserting ''three''; and

(2) by striking '', and transfer not more than one additional Virginia Class submarine to the Government of Australia on a sale basis''.

(b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—Such section is further amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) by striking ''Effective beginning on'' and all that follows through ''the President'' and inserting ''The President''; and

(B) by striking ''20-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act'' and

inserting ''20-year period beginning on December 22, 2023''; and

(2) in subsection (i)(1)—

(A) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking ''Not later than'' and all that follows through ''15 years'' and inserting ''Not later than July 1 of each year through 2039''; and

(B) in subparagraph (D), by striking ''over the'' and all that follows through ''this Act'' and inserting ''through December 22, 2038''.

SEC. 1250. WAR RESERVE STOCK PROGRAM FOR TAIWAN.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 514 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2321h), the President may transfer to Taiwan any or all of the items described in subsection (b).

(b) ITEMS DESCRIBED.—The items referred to in subsection (a) are humanitarian and medical supplies, armor, artillery, automatic weapons ammunition, missiles, and other munitions that—

(1) are obsolete or surplus items;

(2) are in the inventory of the Department of Defense;

(3) are intended for use as reserve stocks for Taiwan; and

(4) are located in a stockpile in Taiwan.

(c) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 30 days before making a transfer under the authority of this section, the President shall transmit a notification of the proposed transfer to the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives. The notification shall identify the items to be transferred and the concessions to be received.

(d) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the appropriate committees of Congress summarizing items included in each transfer under this section, the concessions received, and timelines for delivery.

(2) SUBMISSION OF SUBSEQUENT REPORTS.—After the submission of the initial report under this subsection, the Secretary of State may combine the submission of the subsequent reports with the reporting requirements under the Taiwan Enhanced Resilience Act (22 U.S.C. 3351 et seq.), as appropriate.

SEC. 1251. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON DEFENSE ALLIANCES AND PARTNERSHIPS IN THE INDO-PACIFIC REGION.

It is the sense of Congress that the Secretary of Defense should continue efforts that strengthen United States defense alliances and partnerships in the Indo-Pacific region so as to further the comparative advantage of the United States in strategic competition with the People's Republic of China, including by—

(1) enhancing cooperation with Japan, consistent with the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security Between the United States of America and Japan, signed at Washington January 19, 1960 (11 UST 1632), including by enhancing deterrence and extended deterrence, developing advanced military capabilities, upgrading command and control relationships, fostering interoperability across all domains, improving sharing of information and intelligence, and fostering multilateral cooperation with the Republic of Korea, the Philippines, Australia, and other partners;

(2) reinforcing the United States alliance with the Republic of Korea, including by maintaining the presence of approximately 28,500 members of the United States Armed Forces deployed to the Republic of Korea, enhancing mutual defense industrial

base cooperation, responsibly implementing the conditions-based transition of wartime operational control, and affirming the United States extended deterrence commitment using the full range of United States defense capabilities, consistent with the Mutual Defense Treaty Between the United States and the Republic of Korea, signed at Washington October 1, 1953 (5 UST 2368), in support of the shared objective of a peaceful and stable Korean Peninsula;

(3) fostering bilateral and multilateral cooperation with Australia, consistent with the Security Treaty Between Australia, New Zealand, and the United States of America, signed at San Francisco September 1, 1951 (3 UST 3420), and the United States-Australia Force Posture Initiatives, and through the defense trade partnership among Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States (commonly known as the ''AUKUS'' partnership)—

(A) to advance shared security objectives;

(B) to accelerate the fielding of advanced military capabilities; and

(C) to build the capacity of emerging partners;

(4) bolstering security cooperation with the Philippines in accordance with the Mutual Defense

Treaty Between the United States and the Republic of the Philippines, signed at Washington August 30, 1951 (3 UST 3947), including through the implementation of the United States-Philippines Security Sector Assistance Roadmap, and other enabling support necessary for the protection of Philippine sovereignty;

(5) advancing United States partnerships with Thailand and other members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations to enhance maritime domain awareness, promote sovereignty and territorial integrity, leverage technology and promote innovation, and support an open, inclusive, and rules-based regional architecture;

(6) broadening United States engagement with India, including through the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue—

(A) to advance the shared objective of a free and open Indo-Pacific region through bilateral and multilateral engagements and participation in military exercises, expanded defense trade, and collaboration on humanitarian aid and disaster response; and

(B) to enable greater cooperation on maritime security;

(7) strengthening the United States partnership with Taiwan, consistent with the Three Communiques, the Taiwan Relations Act (Public Law 96–8; 22 U.S.C. 3301 et seq.), and the Six Assurances, with the goal of improving Taiwan's defensive capabilities, including through the continued provision of security assistance via Foreign Military Sales, authorities contained in chapter 16 of title 10, United States Code, and other authorities available to the Secretary, and promoting peaceful cross-strait relations;

(8) reinforcing the status of Singapore as a Major Security Cooperation Partner of the United States and continuing to strengthen defense and security cooperation between the military forces of Singapore and the United States Armed Forces, including through participation in combined exercises and training;

(9) engaging with the Federated States of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands, Palau, and other Pacific Island countries, with the goal of strengthening regional security and addressing issues of mutual concern, including protecting fisheries from illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing;

(10) collaborating with Canada, the United Kingdom, France, and other members of the European Union and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to build connectivity and advance a shared vision for the Indo-Pacific region that is principled, long-term, and anchored in democratic resilience; and

(11) investing in enhanced military posture and capabilities in the area of responsibility of the United States Indo-Pacific Command and strengthening cooperation in bilateral relationships, multilateral partnerships, and other international fora to uphold global security and shared principles, with the goal of ensuring the maintenance of a free and open Indo-Pacific region.

Subtitle E—Other Matters

SEC. 1261. WESTERN HEMISPHERE STRATEGY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State, the Director of National Intelligence, the Secretary of Homeland Security, and the Attorney General, shall develop and submit to the congressional defense committees a comprehensive strategy for advancing United States interests in the Western Hemisphere.

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

(1) An assessment of current and emerging threats to the national security of the United States in the Western Hemisphere, including regional threats and threats from countries of concern (within the meaning of the term ''covered nation'' under section 4872(f) of title 10, United States Code) across all domains (including the space and cyberspace domains).

(2) An assessment of current security and economic security objectives of the United States in the Western Hemisphere.

(3) A description of any current or proposed Department of Defense programs or activities to achieve such objectives.

(4) A description of the roles and responsibilities of the Department in supporting broader United States Government objectives in the region.

(5) A description of the role of allied and partner countries in achieving United States security objectives in the Western Hemisphere.

(6) An evaluation of current security cooperation activities with partner countries, including capacity-building efforts, training exercises, and intel-

ligence sharing, to achieve United States objectives in the Western Hemisphere.

(7) A plan to strengthen partnerships with allied and partner countries in the Western Hemisphere to counter shared threats.

(8) A description of the efforts of the Department to improve interagency coordination and unity of effort across the United States Government.

(9) A plan for providing military support to the diplomatic, economic, and law enforcement functions of the United States Government to achieve the strategy.

(10) An identification of capability gaps, resource constraints, and authorities required to effectively implement the strategy.

(11) Any recommendations of the Secretary of Defense for additional capabilities, resources, and authorities needed for the purpose of implementing the strategy.

(12) Metrics and benchmarks for assessing progress in achieving the objectives of the strategy.

(c) FORM.—The strategy required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may contain a classified annex.

(d) CLASSIFIED BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days after the date on which the strategy required by subsection (a) is submitted, the Secretary of Defense shall provide the congressional defense committees with a classified briefing on the strategy.

SEC. 1262. ENHANCED COOPERATION IN NORTH ATLANTIC AND ARCTIC REGIONS.

(a) ASSIGNMENT OF PERMANENT LIAISON OFFICER OF THE KINGDOM OF DENMARK TO UNITED STATES NORTHERN COMMAND.—The Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, shall formally invite the Kingdom of Denmark to designate and assign a permanent defense liaison officer to the headquarters of the United States Northern Command.

(b) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The responsibilities of a liaison officer of the Kingdom of Denmark assigned to the United States Northern Command under this section shall include—

(1) facilitating daily coordination and information sharing between the Kingdom of Denmark and the United States Northern Command on security matters relating to the Arctic and North Atlantic regions; and

(2) supporting planning, exercises, and operational integration relating to homeland defense and Arctic domain awareness.

(c) STATUS AND PROTECTIONS.—Such a liaison officer shall be afforded the privileges and immunities customary for foreign liaison officers assigned to a United States combatant command, subject to all applicable United States laws and Department of Defense regulations.

(d) OVERSIGHT.—Not later than 60 days after the date on which a liaison officer is assigned under this section, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a notification that—

(1) describes the role and responsibilities of the liaison officer and the anticipated contributions of the liaison officer to United States and allied defense cooperation; and

(2) includes a strategy to increase the integration of the liaison officer into command policy discussions and operational planning, as appropriate.

(e) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 30 days before entering into an agreement with the Kingdom of Denmark under this section, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress notice of the proposed agreement.

(f) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''appropriate committees of Congress'' means—

(1) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Foreign Relations, and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives.

SEC. 1263. REPORT ON CAPABILITIES AND ILLICIT ACTIVITIES OF CARTELS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State, the Director of National Intelligence, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of Homeland Security, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the capabilities and illicit activities of the cartels specified in subsection (c), including the use of military-grade weaponry, technology, and training.

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

(1) A detailed assessment of the organizational structure, leadership hierarchy, and key operational

figures of each cartel, including, with respect to any individuals affiliated with the cartel, the roles of such individuals in conducting organized military-style operations and illicit activities.

(2) An evaluation of the capabilities of each cartel, including the size, structure, and sophistication of the cartel, including—

(A) a description of the types and quantities of weapons, equipment, and technology (including drones, encrypted communications, and advanced surveillance systems) used by the cartel;

(B) a description of where and how the cartel obtained weapons, equipment, and technology (including drones, encrypted communications, and advanced surveillance systems);

(C) an assessment of the recruitment, training, and operational tactics of the cartel, including an identification of any cross-border operations and coordination with other criminal or terrorist organizations or any government; and

(D) an assessment of how the capabilities of the cartel impact the security of the United States, the security of partner nations in the

Western Hemisphere, and the security of the installations and personnel of the United States Armed Forces.

(3) A comprehensive description and evaluation of the threat of the illicit activities of the cartels to the security of the United States, the security of partner nations in the Western Hemisphere, and the security of installations and personnel of the United States Armed Forces, including—

(A) drug trafficking;

(B) human trafficking and migrant smuggling;

(C) weapons trafficking;

(D) money laundering and illicit financial activities;

(E) extortion and protection rackets;

(F) kidnapping for ransom;

(G) fuel theft, including hydrocarbon smuggling;

(H) cyber-enabled illicit activities; and

(I) theft and exploitation of natural resources, including illegal mining and illegal logging.

(4) A description of the geographic areas, both within the United States and internationally, where

the cartels operate or exert control of territory or influence, including control over border regions and smuggling routes.

(5) An assessment of the direct and indirect threats posed by the cartels to the national security of the United States and its allies.

(6) A summary of current efforts by the Armed Forces, law enforcement, and intelligence community of the United States to counter the activities of the cartels, including interagency coordination and cooperation with foreign governments.

(7) Recommendations for additional authorities, resources, or strategies to enhance the efforts of the United States to disrupt and dismantle the capabilities of the cartels.

(c) SPECIFIED CARTELS.—A cartel specified in this subsection is any entity that is engaged in the production and trafficking of narcotics that—

(1) the Secretary of State has designated as a foreign terrorist organization pursuant to section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189);

(2) is subject to sanctions under Executive Order 13224 (50 U.S.C. 1701 note; relating to blocking property and prohibiting transactions with

persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism);

(3) is subject to sanctions under Executive Order 14059 (relating to imposing sanctions on foreign persons involved in the global illicit drug trade); or

(4) is a transnational criminal organization (as defined in section 3003 of the FEND Off Fentanyl Act (21 U.S.C. 2341)).

(d) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required by subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

(e) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The unclassified portion of the report required by subsection (a) shall be made publicly available on a website of the Department of Defense.

SEC. 1264. REPORT ON THREATS TO UNITED STATES INTERESTS IN AFRICA.

Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Commander of the United States Africa Command shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report that—

(1) identifies and assesses the threats posed to United States interests by terrorist groups, armed non-state actors, and other military forces operating

on the African continent, particularly in, but not limited to, coastal West Africa, Somalia, the Sahel, and Nigeria;

(2) summarizes the actions that have been taken by the Secretary of Defense in response to such identified threats;

(3) sets forth areas in which Department focus and investment could be further strengthened to address such threats;

(4) details the current presence in Nigeria of the United States Armed Forces, the resource requirements relating to such presence, and the areas of focus for United States collaboration with Nigerian partners; and

(5) identifies any additional resources, authorities, or policy modifications that would enable the Commander of the United States Africa Command to more effectively address the threats described in paragraph (1).

SEC. 1265. REPORTS ON ARCTIC AND HIGH NORTH DEFENSE INTEGRATION.

(a) UNITED STATES DEFENSE INTEGRATION WITH CANADA AND NORDIC ALLIES IN THE ARCTIC AND HIGH NORTH.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on United States defense integration with Canada and Nordic allies in the Arctic and High North.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) An assessment of the current United States defense cooperation and force presence across the Arctic and High North region.

(B) An assessment of current efforts to work with Canada and Nordic allies to meet shared security interests, including in—

(i) integrated air and missile defense;

(ii) training, exercises, and operations;

(iii) maritime domain awareness;

(iv) intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance;

(v) logistics, pre-positioning, and sustainment; and

(vi) space and cyber defense cooperation.

(C) An assessment of current infrastructure, access, and basing arrangements, and any recommendation with respect to modifications that would better enable Arctic and High North operations.

(D) An identification of any gaps in existing United States bilateral defense agreements with Canada and Nordic allies that may limit effective defense integration.

(E) Recommendations for strengthening coordination within the North Atlantic Treaty Organization relevant to the Arctic and High North.

(F) An identification of any additional resources or authorities that would enable deeper integration to meet shared security objectives.

(3) FORM.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

(b) UNITED STATES-DENMARK DEFENSE COOPERATION REGARDING GREENLAND.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, shall submit to the Committees on Armed

Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the status of defense coordination and cooperation between the United States and the Kingdom of Denmark with respect to Greenland.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) A description of current United States military activities, posture, and access in Greenland.

(B) A description of ongoing and planned activities with the Kingdom of Denmark related to air, missile, maritime, space, and domain awareness missions in and around Greenland.

(C) An assessment of any recommended infrastructure resilience investments in Greenland to enhance United States and allied operations.

(D) Recommendations for strengthening United States-Denmark defense cooperation in Greenland consistent with allied unity and High North security objectives.

(3) FORM.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) HIGH NORTH.—The term ''High North'' means the territories of Canada, the Kingdom of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, the Russian Federation, Sweden, and the United States located throughout the Arctic region within the Arctic Circle.

(2) NORDIC ALLIES.—The term ''Nordic allies'' means—

(A) the Kingdom of Denmark, including the territory of Greenland;

(B) Finland;

(C) Iceland;

(D) Norway; and

(E) Sweden.

SEC. 1266. BRIEFING ON MILITARY AND INTELLIGENCE PRESENCE OF CUBA IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State and the Director of National Intelligence, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the military and intelligence activities of Cuba in the Western Hemisphere.

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

(1) An overview of military and intelligence facilities and personnel of Cuba in other countries in the Western Hemisphere.

(2) An analysis of the military and intelligence relationship between Cuba and each other country in the Western Hemisphere.

(3) An assessment of the relationship between the military and intelligence networks of Cuba and any entity designated by the Secretary of State as a foreign terrorist organization pursuant to section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189).

(4) An analysis of any cooperation, within the Western Hemisphere, between the military and intelligence agencies of Cuba and the military and intelligence agencies of the People's Republic of China.

(5) An assessment of the threat posed to United States national security by military and intelligence activities of Cuba.

(c) FORM.—The report required by subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

SEC. 1267. CONTINUATION OF JOINT INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE–COUNTER CARTEL.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall continue to support and carry out, through December 31, 2030, the activities and functions of JIATF–Counter Cartel, in coordination with appropriate Federal departments and agencies, consistent with applicable law.

(b) SUPPORT; CONSULTATION.—In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall, as appropriate and consistent with applicable law—

(1) provide personnel, logistics, intelligence support, technical assistance, planning, funding, and any other functions necessary to support the activities and functions of JIATF–Counter Cartel; and

(2) consult with the Secretary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General, the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Director of National Intelligence, and heads of other United States departments and agencies on the provision of personnel, intelligence support, diplomatic support, technical assistance, and any other assistance necessary for execution of the JIATF–Counter Cartel mission.

(c) ANNUAL REPORTS.—On an annual basis, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes a summary of the activi-

ties of JIATF–Counter Cartel over the period covered by the report, including a description of—

(1) the progress of JIATF–Counter Cartel in carrying out the requirements of its mission;

(2) the metrics used to measure such progress; and

(3) recommendations for congressional consideration.

(d) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ''JIATF–Counter Cartel'' means the Joint Interagency Task Force–Counter Cartel established to coordinate interagency efforts to counter transnational cartel activity under the direction of the United States Northern Command.

SEC. 1268. PLAN TO ENHANCE DEFENSE COOPERATION WITH MOROCCO.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a plan to enhance United States defense cooperation with Morocco, consistent with the United States-Morocco Roadmap for Defense Cooperation for 2026 through 2036.

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

(1) Options for establishing cooperative security locations in Morocco to promote regional stability and optimize joint readiness to respond to crises.

(2) A roadmap to deepen collaborative counter-terrorism cooperation to address threats to the United States homeland, Morocco, and the region.

(3) A plan to optimize joint readiness, including—

(A) a consideration of the feasibility and advisability of a cost-sharing plan to refurbish strategic air command runways formerly operated by the United States;

(B) Morocco force modernization through the procurement of United States defense articles; and

(C) the establishment of an all-domain range complex.

(4) A plan to establish a drone center of excellence in Morocco for joint all-domain operations and as a model of tech-driven partnerships for the future of warfighting.

(5) A review of options for increasing the scope and scale of bilateral and multilateral military exercises, such as African Lion, in order to ensure that such exercises include consideration of cybersecurity,

drone operations and counter-drone capabilities, undersea technologies, countering hybrid warfare, protection of critical national infrastructure, logistics, mobility chains, and adaptation to adversarial use of artificial intelligence and autonomous warfighting capabilities.

(c) SUBMISSION OF ROADMAP.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives the United States-Morocco Roadmap for Defense Cooperation for 2026 through 2036.

SEC. 1269. EXTENSION OF PUBLIC LAW 115–68 AND RELATED SECURITY COOPERATION PROGRAMS.

(a) PUBLIC LAW 115–68.—Section 1210E of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (10 U.S.C. 113 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking ''September 30, 2027'' and inserting ''September 30, 2029''; and

(2) in subsection (e), in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking ''2025'' and inserting ''2029''.

(b) SECURITY COOPERATION PROGRAMS.—Section 1208 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (10 U.S.C. 301 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking ''2027'' and inserting ''2029''; and

(2) in subsection (b), by striking ''2027'' and inserting ''2029''.

SEC. 1270. MODIFICATION OF REQUIREMENTS FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE REGIONAL CENTERS FOR SECURITY STUDIES.

Section 342(b)(1)(B) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting ''operational simulation and analysis,'' after ''exchange of ideas,''.

TITLE XIII—COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION

SEC. 1301. COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION FUNDS.

(a) FUNDING ALLOCATION.—Of the $221,332,000 authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2027 in section 301 and made available by the funding table in division D for the Department of Defense Cooperative Threat Reduction Program established under section 1321 of the Department of Defense Cooperative Threat Reduction Act (50 U.S.C. 3711), the

following amounts may be obligated for the purposes specified:

(1) For transportation elimination disposition, $26,414,000.

(2) For chemical security, $23,435,000.

(3) For global nuclear security, $29,950,000.

(4) For biological threat reduction, $66,524,000.

(5) For proliferation prevention, $52,052,000.

(6) For activities designated as Other Assessments/Administrative Costs, $22,957,000.

(b) SPECIFICATION OF COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION FUNDS.—Funds appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 301 and made available by the funding table in division D for the Department of Defense Cooperative Threat Reduction Program shall be available for obligation for fiscal years 2027, 2028, and 2029.

TITLE XIV—OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS

Subtitle A—Military Programs

SEC. 1401. WORKING CAPITAL FUNDS.

Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027 for the use of the Armed Forces and other activities and agencies of the Department of Defense for

providing capital for working capital and revolving funds, as specified in the funding table in section 4501.

SEC. 1402. CHEMICAL AGENTS AND MUNITIONS DESTRUCTION, DEFENSE.

(a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2027 for expenses, not otherwise provided for, for Chemical Agents and Munitions Destruction, Defense, as specified in the funding table in section 4501.

(b) USE.—Amounts authorized to be appropriated under subsection (a) are authorized for the destruction of lethal chemical agents and munitions in accordance with section 1412 of the Department of Defense Authorization Act, 1986 (50 U.S.C. 1521).

SEC. 1403. DRUG INTERDICTION AND COUNTER-DRUG ACTIVITIES, DEFENSE-WIDE.

Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2027 for expenses, not otherwise provided for, for Drug Interdiction and Counter-Drug Activities, Defense-wide, as specified in the funding table in section 4501.

SEC. 1404. DEFENSE INSPECTOR GENERAL.

Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2027 for ex-

penses, not otherwise provided for, for the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense, as specified in the funding table in section 4501.

SEC. 1405. DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM.

Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027 for the Defense Health Program for use of the Armed Forces and other activities and agencies of the Department of Defense for providing for the health of eligible beneficiaries, as specified in the funding table in section 4501.

Subtitle B—National Defense Stockpile

SEC. 1411. AMENDMENTS TO STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MATERIALS STOCK PILING ACT.

The Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 3 (50 U.S.C. 98b)—

(A) in the section heading, by striking ''PRESIDENTIAL'';

(B) in subsection (a), by striking ''President'' and inserting ''Secretary of Defense''; and

(C) in subsections (b) and (c), by striking ''President'' each place it appears and inserting ''Secretary'';

(2) in section 4(a)(4) (50 U.S.C. 98c(a)(4)), by striking ''50 U.S.C. App. 2093'' and inserting ''50 U.S.C. 4533'';

(3) in section 5 (50 U.S.C. 98d)—

(A) in subsection (a)—

(i) in paragraph (1), by striking ''this section'' and inserting ''this subsection''; and

(ii) in paragraph (2)—

(I) by striking ''President proposes'' and inserting ''Secretary of Defense proposes''; and

(II) by striking ''President has submitted'' and inserting ''Secretary has submitted''; and

(B) in subsection (b), by striking ''(as defined in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code)'' both places it appears;

(4) in section 6 (50 U.S.C. 98e)—

(A) in subsection (a)(7), by striking ''(as defined in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code)'';

(B) in subsection (c)—

(i) in paragraph (1), by striking ''President'' and inserting ''Secretary of Defense''; and

(ii) in paragraph (3), by striking ''President'' each place it appears and inserting ''Secretary'';

(C) in subsections (d) and (e), by striking ''President'' each place it appears and inserting ''Secretary'';

(D) in subsection (f)—

(i) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking ''President'' each place it appears and inserting ''Secretary''; and

(ii) in paragraph (2), by striking ''(as defined in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code)''; and

(E) in subsection (g)(2)(A), by striking ''(as defined in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code)'';

(5) in section 8 (50 U.S.C. 98g)—

(A) in subsection (a)(1)—

(i) by striking ''President'' and inserting ''Secretary of Defense''; and

(ii) by striking ''source (B)'' and inserting ''source, (B)''; and

(B) in subsections (b), (c), and (d), by striking ''President'' each place it appears and inserting ''Secretary'';

(6) in section 10(b) (50 U.S.C. 98h–1(b))—

(A) in paragraph (3), by striking ''of the Readiness'' and all that follows and inserting ''of the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives.''; and

(B) in paragraph (4), by striking ''of the Readiness'' and all that follows and inserting ''of the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate.'';

(7) in section 11(b) (50 U.S.C. 98h–2(b))—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking ''(as defined in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code)''; and

(B) in paragraph (2), by striking ''this Act'' and inserting ''this Act.'';

(8) in section 12 (50 U.S.C. 98h–3), by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(4) The term 'congressional defense committees' has the meaning given that term in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code.'';

(9) in section 14 (50 U.S.C. 98h–5)—

(A) by striking subsection (e);

(B) by redesignating subsection (f) as subsection (e); and

(C) in paragraph (2)(F) of subsection (e), as so redesignated, by striking the semicolon and inserting a period; and

(10) in section 16 (50 U.S.C. 98h–7)—

(A) in subsection (a), by striking ''of the President''; and

(B) in subsection (c), by striking ''The President may delegate'' and all that follows through ''Executive order.''.

SEC. 1412. PILOT PROGRAM ON PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS FOR RECYCLING STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MATERIALS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than May 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy, shall establish a pilot program under which the Department of Defense enters into public-private partnerships for the recycling of strategic and critical materials.

(b) PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS.—Public-private partnerships established under subsection (a) may include the recycling of strategic and critical materials contained in—

(1) end-of-life equipment, particularly from night vision;

(2) electronics; and

(3) such other items as the Secretary considers appropriate.

(c) COLLABORATION WITH MILITARY DEPARTMENTS.—The Assistant Secretary shall collaborate with the Secretaries of the military departments to ensure that end-of-life equipment can be properly maintained and disposed of under a public-private partnership entered into under subsection (a).

(d) TERMINATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The authority to enter into public-private partnerships under subsection (a) shall terminate on January 1, 2035.

(2) CONTINUATION OF PARTNERSHIPS.—A public-private partnership entered into under subsection (a) before January 1, 2035, may continue on and after that date.

(e) BRIEFINGS REQUIRED.—The Assistant Secretary shall brief the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives—

(1) not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, on—

(A) the establishment of the pilot program under subsection (a);

(B) the parameters and metrics for success for the pilot program; and

(C) the entities with which the Department of Defense intends to enter into public-private partnerships under subsection (a); and

(2) not later than two years after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter until the termination of the last public-private partnership entered into under subsection (a), on—

(A) activities carried out under public-private partnerships entered into under that subsection; and

(B) any costs associated with such activities.

(f) STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MATERIALS DEFINED.—The term ''strategic and critical materials'' has the meaning given that term in section 12 of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98h–3).

SEC. 1413. INCLUSION OF RECOVERY AND RECYCLING OF STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MATERIALS IN NATIONAL EMERGENCY PLANNING ASSUMPTIONS FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE.

Section 14(b) of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98h–5(b)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (6), by inserting ‘‘, for both essential civilian and defense purposes,’’ after ‘‘production’’;

(2) by redesignating paragraph (7) as paragraph (8); and

(3) by inserting after paragraph (6) the following new paragraph (7):

‘‘(7)(A) The extent to which expanded processing, recovery (including from old mines, industrial slags, fracking wastewater, and all types of e-waste), or recycling capacity in the commercial critical materials markets can assist with meeting defense needs.

‘‘(B) The quantity of e-waste available domestically and the ability to utilize that e-waste to meet defense needs for strategic and critical materials.’’.

Subtitle C—Other Matters

SEC. 1431. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY FOR JOINT DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE–DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS MEDICAL FACILITY DEMONSTRATION FUND.

Section 1704(e) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111–84; 123 Stat. 2573), as most recently amended by section 1421(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1136), is amended by striking ''September 30, 2027'' and inserting ''September 30, 2028''.

SEC. 1432. EXTENSION OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE-DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS HEALTH CARE SHARING INCENTIVE FUND.

Section 8111(d)(3) of title 38, United States Code, is amended by striking ''September 30, 2026'' and inserting ''September 30, 2027''.

SEC. 1433. MODIFICATIONS TO ADVISORY COUNCIL.

Section 1516 of the Armed Forces Retirement Home Act of 1991 (24 U.S.C. 416) is amended—

(1) by striking ''Secretary of Defense'' each place it appears and inserting ''Chief Operating Officer'';

(2) in subsection (b), by striking paragraph (3);

(3) in subsection (c)—

(A) in paragraph (2), by striking ", except that" and all that follows through "the individual";

(B) in paragraph (3)—

(i) by striking subparagraph (E); and

(ii) by redesignating subparagraphs (F) through (K) as subparagraphs (E) through (J), respectively; and

(iii) in subparagraph (E), as redesignated by clause (ii), by striking "the Services' Retiree Advisory Council" and inserting "a retiree council from one of the Armed Forces"; and

(C) by amending paragraph (4) to read as follows:

"(4) The Administrator and Chairperson of the Resident Advisory Committee of each facility of the Retirement Home shall be nonvoting members of the Advisory Council."; and

(4) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(g) INAPPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN LAWS.—The Advisory Council shall not be subject to chapter 10 of title 5, United States Code (commonly known as the 'Federal

Advisory Committee Act') or section 552b of such title (commonly known as the 'Government in the Sunshine Act').''.

TITLE XV—SPACE ACTIVITIES, STRATEGIC PROGRAMS, AND INTELLIGENCE MATTERS

Subtitle A—Space Activities

SEC. 1501. MODIFICATION OF ACQUISITION AND OPERATION OF SPACE SYSTEMS FOR SPACE WARFIGHTING AND CONTROL.

Section 2275d of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in the section heading, by striking ''**space warfighting and control**'' and inserting ''**warfighting in and from space**'';

(2) in subsection (a)—

(A) by inserting '', hold title to,'' after ''acquire''; and

(B) by striking ''space warfighting and control'' and inserting ''warfighting in and from space''; and

(3) in subsection (b), by striking ''space warfighting and control operations'' and inserting ''warfighting in and from space''.

SEC. 1502. MODIFICATION OF SPECIAL AUTHORITY FOR PROVISION OF SPACE LAUNCH SUPPORT SERVICES TO INCREASE SPACE LAUNCH CAPACITY.

Section 2276a of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking ''Secretary of a military department'' and inserting ''Secretary of the Air Force'';

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (1), in the first sentence—

(i) by striking ''Secretary of a military department'' and inserting ''Secretary of the Air Force''; and

(ii) by striking ''a military installation under the jurisdiction of the Secretary'' and inserting ''a Department of the Air Force installation'';

(B) in paragraph (2)—

(i) in subparagraph (A)—

(I) by striking ''Secretary of a military department'' and inserting ''Secretary of the Air Force''; and

(II) by striking ''Department of Defense'' and inserting ''Department of the Air Force''; and

(ii) in subparagraph (B)—

(I) in the first sentence—

(aa) by striking ''Secretary of a military department'' and inserting ''Secretary of the Air Force''; and

(bb) by striking ''Department of Defense'' and inserting ''Department of the Air Force''; and

(II) in the second sentence, by striking ''Secretary concerned'' and inserting ''Secretary''; and

(C) in paragraph (4), by striking ''Secretary of each of the military departments'' and inserting ''Secretary of the Air Force''; and

(3) in subsection (e), in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking ''Secretary of a military department'' and inserting ''Secretary of the Air Force''.

SEC. 1503. EXTENSION OF INDIRECT COST LIMITATIONS AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR SPACE LAUNCH ACTIVITIES ON A MILITARY INSTALLATION.

Section 2276a(e) of title 10, United States Code, is amended, in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking ''2024, 2025, and 2026'' and inserting ''2024 through 2031''.

SEC. 1504. REPLACEMENT OF SPACE LAUNCH COMPLEX 46 AT CAPE CANAVERAL SPACE FORCE STATION.

The Secretary of the Air Force may not require the Navy to transition from Space Launch Complex 46 to the replacement site known as ''Space Launch Complex 51'' until the date on which the conditions set forth in the memorandum of agreement entitled ''Memorandum of Agreement Between Director of Strategic Systems Program and the United States Space Force for the Development and Acceptance of Replacement Facilities for Space Launch Complex 46 (SLC–46)'' dated April 2, 2026, are satisfied.

SEC. 1505. INTEGRATION OF SPACE WEATHER INTO SPACE DOMAIN AWARENESS AND OPERATIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Air Force shall ensure that space weather is integrated into Space

Force space domain awareness doctrine and operations as a core component by—

(1) integrating space weather data, modeling, and forecasting into operational space domain awareness systems and processes;

(2) updating doctrine, operational concepts, and requirements to reflect the role of space weather in space domain awareness;

(3) incorporating space weather considerations into the design, acquisition, and sustainment of space domain awareness capabilities; and

(4) to the maximum extent practicable, leveraging existing capabilities and data from other Federal agencies and the commercial sector.

(b) BRIEFING.—Not later than March 31, 2027, the Secretary of the Air Force shall provide the congressional defense committees with a briefing on the implementation of this section, including—

(1) a description of the manner in which space weather is being incorporated into Space Force space domain awareness doctrine and operations;

(2) an identification of capability gaps, planned investment, and leveraging of the commercial sector to achieve such incorporation; and

(3) a description of roles and responsibilities within the Department of Defense with respect to the implementation of this section.

SEC. 1506. DELIVERY OF PERIMETER ACQUISITION RADAR ATTACK CHARACTERIZATION SYSTEM.

(a) DELIVERY DEADLINE.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that the Perimeter Acquisition Radar Attack Characterization System is delivered not later than December 31, 2028.

(b) ACQUISITION STRATEGY.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives an acquisition strategy for meeting the deadline under subsection (a).

SEC. 1507. ACQUISITION OF SPACE-BASED TACTICAL DATA CAPABILITY.

(a) FINDING.—Congress finds that robust competition in the space industrial base is essential to ensuring United States space superiority and the ability of the Space Force to provide national security mission-critical space warfighting systems and operations across the joint force.

(b) REQUIREMENT TO MAXIMIZE COMPETITION.—Chapter 135 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"§ 2279e. Contracting for space-based functional data capability

''The head of an agency shall, to the maximum extent practicable, ensure that—

''(1) space acquisitions employ procedures that maximize competition; and

''(2) mission-critical national security space-based systems that deliver space-based tactical data within a program and across the armed forces shall, to the greatest extent practicable, be procured from an open competition allowing for competition between multiple vendors, and the products of such vendors shall comply with interfaces and standards that maximize resilience and interoperability with Department of Defense systems.''.

SEC. 1508. SPACE LAUNCH ENTERPRISE BILLET SUFFICIENCY REVIEW AND ALIGNMENT PLAN.

(a) BILLET SUFFICIENCY REVIEW.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force, in coordination with the Chief of Space Operations, the Commander of Space

Systems Command, the Commander of Space Launch Delta 45, and the Commander of Space Launch Delta 30, shall conduct a comprehensive billet sufficiency review of the Space Launch Enterprise to determine whether current military end-strength authorizations are sufficient to support current and projected launch operations through fiscal year 2032.

(2) SCOPE.—The review shall include military billets assigned to—

(A) Space Launch Delta 45;

(B) Space Launch Delta 30;

(C) launch range operations and maintenance organizations;

(D) launch mission assurance and safety organizations;

(E) spaceport operations, sustainment, and infrastructure support organizations;

(F) cybersecurity and communications organizations supporting launch operations; and

(G) any other organization the Secretary of the Air Force considers necessary to support the Space Launch Enterprise.

(3) ELEMENTS.—The review required by paragraph (1) shall assess the following:

(A) The total number of military billets currently authorized throughout the Space Launch Enterprise, as compared to the number required to safely and effectively execute projected launch operations.

(B) Specific functional areas experiencing personnel shortfalls, including launch operations, range safety, mission assurance, range instrumentation, radar operations, telemetry, communications, cybersecurity, meteorological support, flight termination systems, and infrastructure sustainment.

(C) The extent to which automation, commercial services, and process streamlining have been implemented and the residual workforce gaps that remain after use of such measures.

(D) The impact of current billet shortfalls on mission readiness, launch safety, operational risk, resiliency, and the ability to meet national security launch requirements.

(E) Current and projected launch operations requirements at the Eastern and the Western Range through fiscal year 2032.

(F) Options to realign, increase, or otherwise optimize military billet authorizations to

meet mission requirements, including associated costs.

(G) Any other matter the Secretary of the Air Force considers appropriate.

(b) BILLET ALIGNMENT PLAN.—

(1) SUBMISSION.—Not later than 270 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force shall submit to the congressional defense committees a billet alignment plan for the Space Launch Enterprise based on the findings of the review conducted under subsection (a).

(2) ELEMENTS.—The plan required by paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) Recommended increases or realignments in authorized military end-strength across the Space Launch Enterprise, if warranted by the review.

(B) A phased timeline for implementing recommended billet adjustments.

(C) The estimated cost of fully funding recommended billet increases or realignments.

(D) A description of any legislative, budgetary, or policy actions necessary to implement the recommendations.

(E) A separate assessment by the Commander of Space Systems Command regarding whether current billet authorization levels are sufficient to safely execute projected launch operations through fiscal year 2032.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) BILLET SUFFICIENCY REVIEW.—The term ''billet sufficiency review'' means a formal assessment of whether the number of authorized military positions is adequate to accomplish assigned missions at current and projected operational tempos.

(2) EASTERN RANGE.—The term ''Eastern Range'' means the space launch range operated by Space Launch Delta 45 at Cape Canaveral Space Force Station, Florida, and associated downrange assets.

(3) SPACE LAUNCH ENTERPRISE.—The term ''Space Launch Enterprise'' means the organizations, personnel, infrastructure, and operational capabilities of the United States Space Force that support space launch activities, including Space Launch Delta 45, Space Launch Delta 30, the Eastern Range, the Western Range, and associated launch support organizations.

(4) WESTERN RANGE.—The term ''Western Range'' means the space launch range operated by Space Launch Delta 30 at Vandenberg Space Force Base, California, and associated instrumentation and support assets.

SEC. 1509. FLEXIBILITY FOR DEPARTMENT OF AIR FORCE TO IMPLEMENT ACQUISITION STRUCTURE FOR OPTIMAL SUPPORT OF NEW PORTFOLIO ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE SYSTEM WITHIN SPACE FORCE.

(a) REPEALS TO ALLOW REORGANIZATION OF SPACE FORCE ACQUISITION ENTITIES.—

(1) SPACE RAPID CAPABILITIES OFFICE.—Section 2273a of title 10, United States Code, is repealed.

(2) SPACE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY.—Section 9087 of such title is repealed.

(b) PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY TO ATTRACT EXPERTS IN SCIENCE, ENGINEERING, AND CERTAIN OTHER DISCIPLINES.—Section 4092 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(8)—

(A) by striking ''SDA.—The Director of the Space Development Agency'' and inserting

''AIR FORCE.—The Secretary of the Air Force''; and

(B) by striking ''the Agency'' and inserting ''the Space Force'';

(2) in subsection (b)(1)(H)—

(A) by striking ''the Space Development Agency'' and inserting ''the Space Force'';

(B) by striking ''25'' and inserting ''50'';

(C) by striking ''in the Agency'' and inserting ''in the Space Force (in addition to any positions in the Space Force to which appointments are made under subparagraph (A))''; and

(D) by striking ''of the Agency'' and inserting ''of the Space Force''; and

(3) in subsection (c)(2), by striking ''the Space Development Agency'' and inserting ''the Space Force''.

(c) FUNCTIONS OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE FOR SPACE ACQUISITION AND INTEGRATION.—Section 9016(b)(6)(B) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking clause (iii) and (iv);

(2) by redesignating clause (v) and (vi) as clauses (iii) and (iv), respectively;

(3) in clause (iii), as so redesignated—

(A) by striking ''Advise and synchronize'' and inserting ''Oversee and direct'';

(B) by inserting ''Department of the'' before ''Air Force''; and

(C) by striking '', including'' and all that follows through ''Space Force Act''; and

(4) in clause (iv), as so redesignated, by striking ''Effective as of'' and all that follows through ''serve'' and inserting ''Serve''.

(d) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) REMOVAL OF REQUIREMENT FOR CONSULTATION BY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE WITH SPACE RAPID CAPABILITIES OFFICE.—Section 1609(c) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 10 U.S.C. 2273 note) is amended by striking '', including the Space Rapid Capabilities Office''.

(2) REPEAL OF REQUIREMENT TO USE MIDDLE TIER ACQUISITION PROGRAM FOR PROLIFERATED WARFIGHTER SPACE ARCHITECTURE.—Section 1608 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 10 U.S.C. 2271 note) is repealed.

SEC. 1510. ARCTIC CONNECTIVITY AND DOWNLINK RESILIENCY INITIATIVE.

(a) STRATEGY REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Chief of Space Operations and the Commander of United States Northern Command, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a strategy to enhance secure, high-speed downlink capabilities and persistent connectivity in high-longitudinal and polar regions.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The strategy required under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) A plan to winterize and protect existing and future ground-based downlink stations against extreme thermal variance and permafrost degradation.

(2) An assessment of integrating commercial and military low-Earth orbit and highly elliptical orbit satellite constellations to ensure continuous broadband coverage above 65 degrees North latitude.

(3) Provisions for redundant terrestrial fiber-optic or microwave backhaul links to prevent single-point-of-failure scenarios in remote Arctic installations of the Department of Defense.

(4) A framework for data-sharing and downlink hand-offs between the Department of Defense, the

Coast Guard, and allied countries in the Arctic region (including North Atlantic Treaty Organization partners).

(c) FORM OF STRATEGY.—The strategy required under subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

Subtitle B—Nuclear Forces

SEC. 1511. PROHIBITION ON REDUCTION OF INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILES OF THE UNITED STATES.

(a) LIMITATION.—Except as provided in subsection (b), none of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2027 may be obligated or expended for the following, and the Department may not otherwise take any action to do the following:

(1) Reduce, or prepare to reduce, the responsiveness or alert level of the intercontinental ballistic missiles of the United States.

(2) Reduce, or prepare to reduce, the quantity of deployed intercontinental ballistic missiles of the United States to a number less than that specified by section 9062(n) of title 10, United States Code.

(b) EXCEPTION.—The limitation under subsection (a) shall not apply to any of the following activities:

(1) The maintenance or sustainment of intercontinental ballistic missiles.

(2) Ensuring the safety, security, or reliability of intercontinental ballistic missiles.

(3) Facilitating the transition from the LGM-30G Minuteman III intercontinental ballistic missile to the Sentinel LGM-35A intercontinental ballistic missile.

SEC. 1512. EXCEPTION FOR BELOW-THRESHOLD MODIFICATIONS OF NUCLEAR MISSILES TO LIMITATION ON MODIFICATION OF MAJOR ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT SCHEDULED FOR RETIREMENT OR DISPOSAL.

Section 2244a(b) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(4) EXCEPTION FOR BELOW-THRESHOLD NUCLEAR MISSILE MODIFICATIONS.—The prohibition in subsection (a) does not apply to a modification of a nuclear missile for which the cost is less than $500,000 in base year 2027 dollars.''.

SEC. 1513. PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY FOR CERTAIN PARTS OF INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILES, REENTRY VEHICLES, AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Air Force and the Direct Reporting Program Manager for Critical Major Weapon Systems may enter into contracts for the life-of-type procurement of covered parts of intercontinental ballistic missiles, reentry vehicles, and associated equipment.

(b) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Notwithstanding section 1502(a) of title 31, United States Code, of the amount authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027 by section 101 and available for Missile Procurement, Air Force as specified in the funding table in section 4101, $115,000,000 shall be available for the procurement of covered parts pursuant to contracts entered into under subsection (a).

(c) COVERED PART DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''covered part'' means a commercially available off-the-shelf item (as defined in section 104 of title 41, United States Code).

SEC. 1514. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS PENDING SUBMISSION OF THE STRATEGY TO SUSTAIN THE MINUTEMAN III INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE AND MAXIMIZE END OF LIFE MARGIN.

Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for operation and maintenance, Air Force, and available to the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force for travel expenses, not more than 85 percent may be obligated or expended until the Secretary submits to the congressional defense committees the strategy required by section 1641 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1190).

SEC. 1515. INTEGRATION OF ICBM MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT INTO THE LGM-30G WEAPON SYSTEM DESIGNATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force shall develop an inventory of maintenance equipment unique to the LGM-30G weapon system that is used by maintenance groups at F.E. Warren Air Force Base, Malmstrom Air Force Base, Minot Air Force Base, and Vandenberg Space Force Base.

(b) CONTENTS OF INVENTORY.—Such inventory shall include—

(1) guided missile maintenance platforms;

(2) hydraulic actuators to open missile silo doors; and

(3) such other unique maintenance equipment as the Secretary considers appropriate.

(c) BRIEFING.—Not later than 270 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall brief the congressional defense committees on the implementation of subsection (a).

(d) INTEGRATION AND MAINTENANCE.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall include the equipment listed in the inventory required by subsection (a) as part of the LGM-30G weapon system and take such actions as necessary to ensure such equipment receives regular preventive maintenance or replacement by the LGM-30G Weapon System Program Office.

SEC. 1516. CONTRACT AUTHORITY FOR INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILES, REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT, AND REENTRY VEHICLE TEST EQUIPMENT AND COMPONENTS.

(a) CONTRACT AUTHORITY.—Beginning in fiscal year 2027, the Secretary of the Air Force (referred to in this section as the ''Secretary'') and the Direct Reporting Program Manager for Critical Major Weapon Systems (re-

ferred to in this section as the ''Program Manager'') may enter into one or more contracts for the procurement of not more than 125 arming and fuzing assemblies, 48 nuclear certified tractors and trailers, 116 arm/disarm switch replacements, and 13 test support equipment systems.

(b) AUTHORITY FOR ADVANCE PROCUREMENT AND ECONOMIC ORDER QUANTITY.—The Secretary and the Program Manager may enter into one or more contracts for advance procurement and material and equipment in economic order quantities associated with the procurement of the items for which contracts are authorized under subsection (a).

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

(1) any obligation of the United States to make a payment under the contract is subject to the availability of appropriations for that purpose; and

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

SEC. 1517. MODIFICATION TO STRATEGY TO SUSTAIN MINUTEMAN III INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE AND MAXIMIZE END-OF-LIFE MARGIN.

Section 1641 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1190) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) in paragraph (1)—

(i) by striking ''Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment determines'' and inserting ''Direct Reporting Program Manager for Critical Major Weapon Systems, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, and the Commander of Air Force Global Strike Command jointly determine'';

(ii) by striking ''with the Under Secretary'' and inserting ''with the Direct Reporting Program Manager, the Under Secretary, and the Commander''; and

(B) in paragraph (2)—

(i) in subparagraph (A)—

(I) in clause (i), by inserting '', the Direct Reporting Program Manager, the Under Secretary, and the

Commander'' after ''efforts of the Secretary''; and

(II) in clause (ii), by striking ''the Secretary intends'' and inserting ''such officials intend''; and

(ii) in subparagraph (H), by striking ''such funding the Secretary'' and inserting ''such funding the Direct Reporting Program Manager''; and

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking ''Under Secretary'' and inserting ''Commander''; and

(B) in paragraph (2)—

(i) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking ''Under Secretary'' and inserting ''Commander''; and

(ii) in subparagraph (C), by striking ''Under Secretary'' and inserting ''Commander''.

SEC. 1518. MODIFICATIONS TO PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK FOR NUCLEAR FORCES.

Section 499c of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking, ''2024'', and inserting, ''2027'';

(2) in subsection (c), by adding at the end a new paragraph (6):

''(6) The nuclear-armed sea-launched cruise missile program.''; and

(3) in subsection (d)—

(A) in paragraph (3), by striking ''; and'' and inserting a semicolon;

(B) in paragraph (4), by striking the period at the end and inserting ''; and''; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

''(5) the associated military, civilian, and contractor workforces.''.

SEC. 1519. MODIFICATIONS TO REPORTS ON NUCLEAR FORCE REDUCTIONS.

(a) REPEAL OF CERTIFICATIONS WITH RESPECT TO STRATEGIC DELIVERY SYSTEMS.—Section 495 of title 10, United States Code, is repealed.

(b) NUCLEAR FORCE REDUCTIONS.—Section 494 of title 10, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

''§ 494. Nuclear force reductions

''(a) ANNUAL REPORT ON THE NUCLEAR WEAPONS STOCKPILE OF THE UNITED STATES.—Not later than March 1 of each year, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on

the nuclear weapons stockpile of the United States that includes the following:

''(1) An accounting of the weapons in the stockpile as of the end of the fiscal year preceding the submission of the report that includes all weapons in the active and inactive stockpiles, both deployed and non-deployed, and all categories and readiness states of such weapons.

''(2) The planned force levels for each category of nuclear weapon over the course of the future-years defense program submitted to Congress under section 221 for the fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the report is submitted.

''(b) NET ASSESSMENT OF NUCLEAR FORCE LEVELS REQUIRED WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN PROPOSALS TO REDUCE THE NUCLEAR WEAPONS STOCKPILE OF THE UNITED STATES.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—If, during any year beginning after December 31, 2025, the President makes a proposal described in paragraph (2)—

''(A) the Commander of United States Strategic Command shall conduct a net assessment of the current and proposed nuclear forces of the United States and of other countries that possess nuclear weapons to determine whether

the nuclear forces of the United States are anticipated to be capable of meeting the objectives of the United States with respect to nuclear deterrence, extended deterrence, assurance of allies, and defense;

''(B) the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives the assessment described in subparagraph (A), unchanged, together with the explanatory views of the Secretary, as the Secretary deems appropriate; and

''(C) the Administrator for Nuclear Security shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives a report describing the current capacities of the United States nuclear weapons infrastructure to respond to a strategic development or technical problem in the United States nuclear weapons stockpile.

''(2) PROPOSAL DESCRIBED.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B), a proposal described in this paragraph is a proposal to reduce the number of nuclear weapons in the active or inactive

stockpiles of the United States to a level that is lower than the level on December 31, 2025.

''(B) EXCEPTIONS.—A proposal described in this paragraph does not include—

''(i) reductions that are a direct result of activities associated with routine stockpile stewardship, including stockpile surveillance, logistics, or maintenance; or

''(ii) nuclear weapons retired or awaiting dismantlement on December 31, 2025.

''(c) CERTIFICATION REGARDING ASYMMETRY IN REDUCTIONS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—During any year in which the President recommends to reduce the number of nuclear weapons in the active and inactive stockpiles of the United States or recommends a reduction in the nuclear force structure of the Department of Defense by a number that is greater than a de minimis reduction, the President shall certify in writing to the congressional defense committees whether such reductions will cause the number of nuclear weapons in such stockpiles to be fewer than the high-confidence assessment of the intelligence community (as defined in section 3(4) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003(4))) with respect to the

number of nuclear weapons in the active and inactive stockpiles of the Russian Federation or will result in an imbalance in nuclear forces that could undermine continued deterrence of the Russian Federation or the People's Republic of China, as appropriate.

''(2) NOTIFICATION.—If the President certifies under paragraph (1) that the recommended number of nuclear weapons in the active and inactive stockpiles of the United States is fewer than the high-confidence assessment of the intelligence community with respect to the number of nuclear weapons in the active and inactive stockpiles of the Russian Federation, or if a reduction in the nuclear force structure of the Department of Defense would result in an imbalance in nuclear forces that could undermine continued deterrence of the Russian Federation or the People's Republic of China, the President shall transmit to the congressional defense committees a report by the Commander of the United States Strategic Command, without change, detailing whether the recommended reduction would create a strategic imbalance or degrade deterrence and extended deterrence. The President shall transmit such report by not later than 60 days before the

date on which the President carries out any such recommended reductions.

''(3) EXCEPTION.—The notification in paragraph (2) shall not apply to—

''(A) reductions made to ensure the safety, security, reliability, and credibility of the nuclear weapons stockpile and strategic delivery systems, including activities related to surveillance, assessment, certification, testing, and maintenance of nuclear warheads and strategic delivery systems; or

''(B) nuclear warheads that are retired or awaiting dismantlement on the date of the certification under paragraph (1).

''(4) ADDITIONAL VIEWS.—On the date on which the President transmits to the congressional defense committees a report by the Commander of the United States Strategic Command under paragraph (2), the President may transmit to such committees a report by the President with respect to whether the recommended reductions covered by the report of the Commander will impact the deterrence or extended deterrence capabilities of the United States.''.

SEC. 1520. MODIFICATIONS TO BIENNIAL REPORT ON THE PLAN FOR THE NUCLEAR WEAPONS STOCKPILE, NUCLEAR WEAPONS COMPLEX, NUCLEAR WEAPONS DELIVERY SYSTEMS, AND NUCLEAR WEAPONS COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM.

Section 492a of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking ''2013 through 2029'' and inserting ''through 2033'';

(B) by striking paragraphs (2) and (3) inserting the following:

''(2) ELEMENTS.—Each report required under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

''(A) A detailed description of any plans to—

''(i) enhance the safety, security, and effectiveness of the nuclear weapons stockpile of the United States;

''(ii) sustain and modernize the nuclear weapons complex, including improving the safety of facilities and modernizing the infrastructure;

''(iii) maintain, modernize, and replace delivery systems for nuclear weapons;

"(iv) sustain, modernize, and replace the nuclear command, control, and communications system;

"(v) retire, dismantle, or eliminate any nuclear warheads or bombs, nuclear weapons delivery systems, or any platforms which carry such nuclear warheads, bombs, or delivery systems; and

"(vi) maintain the key capabilities and competencies of military, civilian, and contractor workforce associated with the activities described in clauses (i) through (v).

"(B) A detailed estimate, including a description of the estimation methodology used, of the budget requirements associated with the activities described under subparagraph (A), over the duration of the Future Years Defense Program and the Future Years Nuclear Security Program following the date of the report, including the applicable and appropriate costs associated with the procurement, personnel, military construction, operation and maintenance, and research, development, test, and evaluation accounts of the Department of Defense. The Secretary may include information and data for

a period beyond such period if the Secretary determines that such information and data is accurate and useful in understanding the long-term nuclear modernization plan.

''(C) A detailed description of the steps taken to implement the plan submitted in the previous report, including difficulties encountered in implementing the plan in the previous report.''; and

(C) by redesignating paragraph (4) as paragraph (3);

(2) in subsection (b)(1), by striking ''10-year period'' and inserting ''duration of the Future Years Defense Program and the Future Years Nuclear Security Program''; and

(3) in subsection (c)(1), by striking ''paragraphs (2)(F) and (3)'' and inserting ''paragraph (2)(B)''.

SEC. 1521. MULTIPOLAR NUCLEAR DETERRENCE STRATEGY AND THEATER-RANGE NUCLEAR CAPABILITIES.

(a) AUTHORIZATION OF ADDITIONAL THEATER-RANGE NUCLEAR CAPABILITIES.—

(1) NEW OR MODIFIED NUCLEAR WEAPON.—Consistent with the requirements established under

section 6120 of title 10, United States Code, and subject to the availability of appropriations or funds otherwise made available, the Secretary of Energy, acting through the Administrator for Nuclear Security, may establish not more than 2 programs for the research, development, and production of new or modified nuclear weapons, if—

(A) one such weapon is primarily intended to be delivered by a surface-launched system; and

(B) one such weapon is primarily intended to be delivered by an air-launched system.

(2) NEW OR MODIFIED NUCLEAR WEAPON DELIVERY SYSTEM.—Subject to the availability of appropriations or funds otherwise made available, the Secretary of Defense is authorized to direct one or more of the military departments to establish not more than two programs for the research, development, and production of new or modified nuclear weapons delivery systems, if—

(A) one such weapon delivery system is primarily intended to be surface-launched; and

(B) one such weapon is primarily intended to be air-launched.

(b) REPORT ON MULTIPOLAR NUCLEAR DETERRENCE STRATEGY.—

(1) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Commander of United States Strategic Command, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on a revised strategy of the Department of Defense (referred to in this subsection as the ''Department'') for deterring multiple nuclear-armed adversaries.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The report required under paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) a comprehensive assessment of the implications of a multipolar nuclear environment for the deterrence strategy of the United States, including explicit assumptions used for force planning;

(B) a detailed description of how the Department plans to adapt the nuclear forces, posture, and operational concepts of the United States to deter simultaneous or sequential coercion or aggression by multiple nuclear-armed adversaries;

(C) a rigorous analysis of current and projected adversary nuclear force structures, doctrines, and targeting strategies, including implications for the sufficiency and survivability of the United States force;

(D) a specific explanation of the methodology used by the Department to determine the quantity and types of adversary targets that must be held at risk, including how such requirements change under two-peer deterrence scenarios;

(E) an identification of current and projected gaps in the nuclear capabilities of the United States, including theater-range systems, non-strategic nuclear options, and flexible response capabilities;

(F) a plan, with associated timelines and resource requirements, to address identified capability gaps;

(G) a detailed assessment of the role of the nuclear-armed sea-launched cruise missile and any additional theater nuclear capabilities in strengthening regional and extended deterrence;

(H) an evaluation of the resilience, survivability, and adaptability of nuclear command,

control, and communications systems under conditions of simultaneous peer conflict;

(I) an assessment of the strategic and operational risks associated with maintaining a nuclear posture primarily optimized for a bipolar environment; and

(J) recommendations for legislative, budgetary, or policy changes required to implement the strategy.

(3) FORM.—The report shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(c) ANNUAL IMPLEMENTATION BRIEFINGS.—

(1) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 90 days after the submission of the report required by subsection (b), and annually thereafter until September 30, 2032, the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, and the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff shall brief the congressional defense committees on their joint efforts to implement the conclusions and recommendations of the strategy described in subsection (b).

(2) ELEMENTS.—At a minimum, each briefing should address—

(A) the adequacy and effectiveness of the strategy in deterring nuclear and non-nuclear strategic attacks against the Unites States and its allies;

(B) progress in incorporating any adjustments to the role of nuclear forces in United States defense policies and military strategy;

(C) current and projected nuclear force structure requirements for achieving national and military objectives;

(D) completed and projected adjustments to the nuclear weapons stockpile necessary to achieve national and military objectives;

(E) nuclear weapons development, production and sustainment capability and capacity requirements necessary to achieve and maintain desired nuclear weapons stockpile quantities and attributes;

(F) ongoing or planned threat reduction activities contributing to the achievement of national and military objectives; and

(G) other related activities or relevant topics, as determined necessary by the Under Secretaries or the Vice Chairman.

Subtitle C—Missile Defense

SEC. 1531. IRON DOME SHORT-RANGE ROCKET DEFENSE SYSTEM AND ISRAELI COOPERATIVE MISSILE DEFENSE PROGRAM CO-DEVELOPMENT AND CO-PRODUCTION.

(a) IRON DOME SHORT-RANGE ROCKET DEFENSE SYSTEM.—

(1) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act for fiscal year 2027 for procurement, Defense-wide, and available for the Missile Defense Agency, not more than $20,000,000 may be provided to the Government of Israel to procure components for the Iron Dome short-range rocket defense system through co-production of such components in the United States by industry of the United States.

(2) CONDITIONS.—

(A) AGREEMENT.—Funds described in paragraph (1) for the Iron Dome short-range rocket defense program shall be available subject to the terms and conditions in the Agreement Between the Department of Defense of the United States of America and the Ministry of Defense of the State of Israel Concerning Iron Dome Defense System Procurement,

signed on March 5, 2014, as amended to include co-production for Tamir interceptors.

(B) CERTIFICATION.—Not later than 30 days prior to the initial obligation of funds described in paragraph (1), the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees—

(i) a certification that the amended bilateral international agreement specified in subparagraph (A) is being implemented as provided in such agreement;

(ii) an assessment detailing any risks relating to the implementation of such agreement; and

(iii) for system improvements resulting in modified Iron Dome components and Tamir interceptor sub-components, a certification that the Government of Israel has demonstrated successful completion of Production Readiness Reviews, including the validation of production lines, the verification of component conformance, and the verification of performance to specification as defined in the Iron Dome

Defense System Procurement Agreement, as further amended.

(b) ISRAELI COOPERATIVE MISSILE DEFENSE PROGRAM, DAVID'S SLING WEAPON SYSTEM CO-PRODUCTION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (3), of the funds authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027 for procurement, Defense-wide, and available for the Missile Defense Agency not more than $30,000,000 may be provided to the Government of Israel to procure the David's Sling Weapon System, including for co-production of parts and components in the United States by United States industry.

(2) AGREEMENT.—Provision of funds specified in paragraph (1) shall be subject to the terms and conditions in the bilateral co-production agreement, including—

(A) a one-for-one cash match is made by Israel or in another matching amount that otherwise meets best efforts (as mutually agreed to by the United States and Israel); and

(B) co-production of parts, components, and all-up rounds (if appropriate) in the United States by United States industry for the Da-

vid's Sling Weapon System is not less than 50 percent.

(3) CERTIFICATION AND ASSESSMENT.—The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees—

(A) a certification that the Government of Israel has demonstrated the successful completion of the knowledge points, technical milestones, and Production Readiness Reviews required by the research, development, and technology agreement and the bilateral co-production agreement for the David's Sling Weapon System; and

(B) an assessment detailing any risks relating to the implementation of such agreement.

(c) ISRAELI COOPERATIVE MISSILE DEFENSE PROGRAM, ARROW 3 UPPER TIER INTERCEPTOR PROGRAM CO-PRODUCTION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), of the funds authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027 for procurement, Defense-wide, and available for the Missile Defense Agency not more than $150,000,000 may be provided to the Government of Israel for the Arrow 3 Upper Tier Interceptor Pro-

gram, including for co-production of parts and components in the United States by United States industry.

(2) CERTIFICATION.—The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a certification that—

(A) the Government of Israel has demonstrated the successful completion of the knowledge points, technical milestones, and Production Readiness Reviews required by the research, development, and technology agreement for the Arrow 3 Upper Tier Interceptor Program;

(B) funds specified in paragraph (1) will be provided on the basis of a one-for-one cash match made by Israel or in another matching amount that otherwise meets best efforts (as mutually agreed to by the United States and Israel);

(C) the United States has entered into a bilateral international agreement with Israel that establishes, with respect to the use of such funds—

(i) in accordance with subparagraph (D), the terms of co-production of parts and components on the basis of the greatest practicable co-production of parts, components, and all-up rounds (if appropriate) by United States industry and minimizes nonrecurring engineering and facilitization expenses to the costs needed for co-production;

(ii) complete transparency on the requirement of Israel for the number of interceptors and batteries that will be procured, including with respect to the procurement plans, acquisition strategy, and funding profiles of Israel;

(iii) technical milestones for co-production of parts and components and procurement;

(iv) a joint affordability working group to consider cost reduction initiatives; and

(v) joint approval processes for third-party sales; and

(D) the level of co-production described in subparagraph (C)(i) for the Arrow 3 Upper

Tier Interceptor Program is not less than 50 percent.

(d) NUMBER.—In carrying out paragraph (2) of subsection (b) and paragraph (2) of subsection (c), the Under Secretary may submit—

(1) one certification covering both the David's Sling Weapon System and the Arrow 3 Upper Tier Interceptor Program; or

(2) separate certifications for each respective system.

(e) TIMING.—The Under Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees the certification and assessment under subsection (b)(3) and the certification under subsection (c)(2) not later than 30 days before the funds specified in paragraph (1) of subsections (b) and (c) for the respective system covered by the certification are provided to the Government of Israel.

(f) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''appropriate congressional committees'' means the following:

(1) The congressional defense committees.

(2) The Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate.

(3) The Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

SEC. 1532. ENDURING OPERATIONAL CAPABILITY FOR THE GUAM DEFENSE SYSTEM COMMAND AND CONTROL FACILITY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Consistent with section 1660(b)(1) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263), the construction of the Guam Missile Defense System Command and Control Facility shall not be declared operational until such time as the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, as the senior official responsible for the missile defense of Guam, certifies to the congressional defense committees that there is a continuity of operations plan with appropriate backup operational facilities in lieu of the functional incapacitation or operational loss of the Command and Control Facility.

(b) CONTINUITY PLAN.—Not later than 45 days after the date on which the certification described in subsection (a) is submitted, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment and the Commander of United States Indo-Pacific Command shall provide the congressional defense committees a briefing on the continuity plan described in such subsection, including a description of any included facilities or installations to be used.

SEC. 1533. FURTHER LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS PENDING INDEPENDENT ANALYSIS OF SPACE-BASED MISSILE DEFENSE CAPABILITY.

Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for Operation and Maintenance, Defense-Wide, and available to the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering for travel purposes, not more than 75 percent may be obligated or expended until the date on which the Secretary of Defense submits the report required by section 1671(d) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31).

SEC. 1534. MODIFICATION OF GOLDEN DOME MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEM ANNUAL REPORTING.

Section 1652 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60) is amended—

(1) by striking ''the Secretary of Defense'' each place it appears and inserting ''the Direct Reporting Program Manager for Golden Dome for America''; and

(2) by striking ''the Secretary'' each place it appears and inserting ''the Direct Reporting Program Manager''.

SEC. 1535. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS PENDING SUBMISSION OF THE BRIEFING ON SEA-BASED LAUNCH PLATFORMS FOR BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TARGETS.

Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for Operation and Maintenance, Navy, and available to the Office of the Secretary of the Navy for travel expenses, not more than 90 percent may be obligated or expended until the Secretary provides the briefing required on page 278 of Senate Report 119–39, accompanying S.2296 of the 119th Congress.

SEC. 1536. COMPREHENSIVE INTEGRATED AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE SENSOR COVERAGE OF GUAM.

(a) FULL OPERATIONAL CAPABILITY REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment and the Director of the Missile Defense Agency, and in coordination with the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command and the Army Portfolio Acquisition Executive-FIRES, shall take such administrative actions as are required to ensure full operational capability for the Aegis Guam System, which is defined to include no fewer than two AN/TPY–6 radar emplacements to ensure 360-degree sensor coverage of Guam.

(b) EXPEDITED FIELDING AND INTEGRATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall take such actions as are necessary, preferencing the use of existing equipment, to ensure the emplacement of a second AN/TPY–6 radar and its integration into the Aegis Guam System are completed by not later than September 30, 2030.

SEC. 1537. REPEAL OF REQUIREMENT FOR GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE TO REVIEW AND ASSESS MISSILE DEFENSE ACQUISITION PROGRAMS.

Section 232 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 (Public Law 112–81; 125 Stat. 1339), as most recently amended by section 1664 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 137 Stat. 603), is repealed.

SEC. 1538. IMPROVEMENTS TO AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE ACQUISITION.

(a) ASSESSMENT OF AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEMS AND INTERCEPTORS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall, in consultation with the Secretary of State—

(A) complete an assessment of United States Armed Forces and foreign specified part-

ner air and missile defense systems and interceptors in the area of responsibility of the United States Central Command; and

(B) submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the findings of the Secretary with respect to the assessment completed under subparagraph (A).

(2) CONTENTS.—The report submitted pursuant to paragraph (1)(B) shall include the following:

(A) A description of current air and missile defense systems and interceptors used by United States Central Command and foreign specified partners to defend against attacks.

(B) An analysis of current inventories and production rates of air and missile defense systems and interceptors produced by the United States and foreign specified partners.

(C) An assessment of the number of air and missile defense systems deployed and interceptors expended to defend against attacks within the area of responsibility of the United States Central Command since October 7, 2023, disaggregated by—

(i) the United States; and

(ii) foreign specified partners.

(D) An assessment of the air and missile defense systems within the area of the responsibility of the United States Central Command that have been damaged or destroyed in attacks since October 7, 2023.

(E) An assessment of the air and missile defense systems and interceptors developed and produced by the United States for which the United States defense industry cannot fulfill the orders placed by foreign specified partners so as to necessitate acquisition from other sources.

(b) STRATEGY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall, in consultation with the Secretary of State, submit to the congressional defense committees a strategy to facilitate additional cooperation with foreign specified partners to further integrate air and missile defense systems and to implement an interceptor acquisition strategy to defend United States nationals and assets and foreign specified partners from attacks.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The strategy submitted under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) A description of current efforts by the Secretary of Defense to engage foreign specified partners to prioritize air and missile defense needs, including further coordination—

(i) to replenish interceptor stock supplies;

(ii) to facilitate the transfer and delivery of air and missile defense systems from the United States to foreign specified partners; and

(iii) to increase air and missile defense system and interceptor supply bases located within the area of responsibility of United States Central Command.

(B) An assessment of the feasibility and cost of creating an air and missile defense system and interceptor stockpile located within the area of responsibly of United States Central Command to be exclusively used by—

(i) the United States; and

(ii) foreign specified partners.

(C) An assessment of the feasibility of establishing joint ventures, licensing agreements, and co-production and manufacturing partnerships between the United States and foreign

specified partners to accelerate the production of air and missile defense systems and interceptors.

(D) An identification of steps that can be taken to accelerate the joint research, development, acquisition, and transfer of alternative or lower-cost interceptor solutions, and complementary air and missile defense capabilities between the United States and foreign specified partners, and the co-production of interceptors in the United States, where feasible.

(E) An analysis of the legal, economic, and defense policy aspects of a closer air and missile defense acquisition partnership between the United States and foreign specified partners.

(F) An analysis of lessons learned from air defense efforts in regional theaters, including Ukraine, the Middle East and North Africa, the Caucasus, and the Horn of Africa.

(3) PROTECTION OF SENSITIVE INFORMATION.—The strategy and plan submitted under paragraph (1) shall provide that any activity carried out pursuant to the strategy and plan is conducted in a manner that is consistent with protection of intelligence sources and methods and appropriately

protects sensitive information and the national security interests of the United States.

(4) FORM.—The strategy submitted under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''air and missile defense systems'' means air and missile defense articles, unmanned aerial defense articles, rocket defense articles, and non-kinetic articles, and all of their component parts, including command and control centers, sensors, radars, and launchers.

(2) The term ''attacks'' means missile, manned and unmanned aerial system, and rocket attacks from Iran and armed groups linked to Iran.

(3) The term ''foreign specified partners'' means allies and partners in the area of responsibility of the United States Central Command.

(4) The term ''interceptors'' means air and missile, unmanned aerial, non-kinetic payloads, and rocket defense articles designed to detect, track, and destroy incoming missiles, manned and unmanned aerial systems, and rockets.

Subtitle D—Other Matters

SEC. 1541. SENSE OF THE SENATE, INSPECTOR GENERAL REVIEW, AND RESTORATION AND REMEDIATION PLANS FOR UNITED STATES ARMY, KWAJALEIN ATOLL, AND THE RONALD REAGAN SPACE AND MISSILE TEST RANGE.

(a) SENSE OF THE SENATE.—It is the Sense of the Senate that—

(1) Department of Defense test, evaluation, and space situational awareness capabilities residing on Kwajalein Atoll and supporting the missions of the Ronald Reagan Space and Missile Test Range are of paramount importance to the defense of the United States and the maintenance of the military capabilities required to achieve this goal;

(2) the persistent inability of the Army to adequately maintain Department of Defense facilities and infrastructure on the Kwajalein Atoll belies the clear importance of this installation and represents a continuing failure of leadership at all levels of the Army;

(3) this failure presents an ongoing health and safety risk to the military, civilian, and contractor workforce supporting Department of Defense activities on the atoll;

(4) the Test Resource Management Center, at congressional direction, determined that the Ronald Reagan Space and Missile Test Range is functionally incapable of fully executing nearly every mission it has been charged with supporting for several years;

(5) inadequate support and prioritization for sustainment and modernization activities, particularly with regard to the unique testing capabilities resident across the atoll, has placed tens of billions of dollars in critical investments in the modernization of the nuclear deterrent and ballistic missile defense capabilities of the United States at extreme risk due to the inability of the installation to fully support weapon system testing requirements;

(6) such risks will only be magnified as the Department of Defense works to develop the Golden Dome for America integrated air and missile defense system, long-range hypersonic strike systems, and the suite of mass-producible, low-cost munitions envisioned by the Munitions Acceleration Council of the Deputy Secretary of Defense; and

(7) continued failures to rectify these systemic sustainment issues is antithetical to the stated priorities of the Department of Defense to restore

lethality to the Joint Force and undermines efforts of the United States to ensure United States warfighters are equipped with the tools needed to effectively compete against rapidly expanding Chinese, Russian, and North Korean capabilities and deter their aggressive intentions now and in the coming decades.

(b) INSPECTOR GENERAL REVIEW.—Commencing not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act and concluding not later than 150 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Inspector General of the Department of Defense shall conduct a comprehensive review of—

(1) the status of United States facilities and capabilities located on the islands comprising the Kwajalein Atoll, as well as any associated capabilities supporting the Ronald Reagan Space and Missile Test Range not residing on the atoll;

(2) the effectiveness of previous, ongoing, and planned Army sustainment and modernization plans for maintaining the infrastructure and capabilities required to perform the missions assigned to United States Army Kwajalein Atoll and the Ronald Reagan Space and Missile Test Range and support Joint Force weapon system testing needs;

(3) the adequacy of previous, current, and planned funding to achieve the objectives of the sustainment and modernization plans of the Army for maintaining the infrastructure and capabilities required to perform the missions assigned to United States Army Kwajalein Atoll and the Ronald Reagan Space and Missile Test Range and support Joint Force weapon system testing needs;

(4) the analytical and decisionmaking processes within the Army and the Department of Defense generally that have contributed to the current status of United States facilities and capabilities on the atoll; and

(5) the effectiveness of the Army in providing health and welfare services to military, civilian, and contractor personnel assigned to the atoll at a level commensurate to such services provided at other Army installations outside the continental United States, including the determinations and decisionmaking processes that led to the absence of Department of Defense Education Activity, Defense Commissary Agency, and Defense Health Agency support for resident personnel and families.

(c) RESTORATION AND REMEDIATION PLAN.—

(1) INITIAL PLAN.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the completion of the review required by subsection (b), the Deputy Secretary of Defense shall, in coordination with the Secretary of the Army, the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, the Direct Reporting Program Manager for Critical Major Weapon Systems, the Direct Reporting Program Manager for Golden Dome for America, the Commander of United States Strategic Command, and the Commander of United States Space Command, complete an initial plan for restoring and remediating—

(A) the full range of test and evaluation capabilities required to support weapon system program development efforts requiring the use of the Ronald Reagan Space and Missile Test Range; and

(B) any supporting Department of Defense infrastructure deficiencies on Kwajalein Atoll required to fully enable Ronald Reagan Space and Missile Test Range operations, and any other deficiencies identified by the Inspector

General as part of the review described in subsection (b).

(2) INITIAL COST ESTIMATE.—In parallel to the development of the plan required by (1), the Secretary of the Army shall, in coordination with the Director of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation, prepare an initial cost estimate for—

(A) fully remediating not fewer than 75 percent of all identified deficiencies across the fiscal years 2028 to 2032 Future Years Defense Program; and

(B) fully remediating all deficiencies in mission critical testing capabilities as determined jointly by the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, and the Direct Reporting Program Managers for Golden Dome for America and Critical Major Weapon Systems.

(3) ANNUAL UPDATES.—The plan required by paragraph (1) and the cost estimate required by paragraph (2) shall be annually updated by the Secretary of the Army and submitted through the Director of the Test Resource Management Center to the Deputy Secretary of Defense as part of the Program Objective Memoranda request of the Army for

the upcoming fiscal year, along with an independent evaluation by the Director of the sufficiency of the proposed resourcing of the Army to achieve the plan objectives.

(4) SUBMITTAL TO CONGRESS.—No later than 45 days after the receipt of the plan required by paragraph (1), The Deputy Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees an unedited copy of the plan described required by paragraph (1), along with any comments, planned follow-up activities, or recommendations for congressional action.

(d) COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES REVIEW.—

(1) ANNUAL REVIEWS.—Commencing not later than April 1, 2027, and not less frequently than once each year thereafter until December 31, 2032, the Comptroller General of the United States shall—

(A) conduct a review of the condition of Department of Defense facilities and capabilities located on Kwajalein Atoll; and

(B) submit to the congressional defense committees—

(i) an assessment of the efforts of the Department of Defense to restore and re-

mediate the capabilities described in subparagraph (A); and

(ii) such recommendations for legislative or administrative action to improve the efforts described in clause (i) as the Comptroller General considers appropriate.

(2) ANNUAL BRIEFINGS.—Not later than August 1 of each year, the Comptroller General shall provide the congressional defense committees a briefing on the findings of the Comptroller General with respect to the most recent review conducted pursuant to paragraph (1)(A).

SEC. 1542. LIMITATION ON THE REALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR THE RONALD REAGAN SPACE AND MISSILE TEST RANGE AND UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON KWAJALEIN ATOLL.

(a) LIMITATION.—Funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for the Department of Defense for activities at the Ronald Reagan Space and Missile Test Range or United States Army Garrison Kwajalein Atoll may be obligated or expended only for the purposes for which such funds are authorized and appropriated or otherwise made available.

(b) PROHIBITION ON REALLOCATION.—Except as expressly authorized by law, the Secretary of Defense, the heads of the military departments, and the Combatant Commanders may not realign, transfer, reprogram, or otherwise reallocate funds described in subsection (a) for purposes other than those specifically authorized and appropriated or otherwise made available as described in such subsection, and may not authorize any other individual to do so.

SEC. 1543. NOTIFICATIONS WITH RESPECT TO RELOCATING DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SYSTEMS OUT OF CERTAIN SPECTRUM FREQUENCIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the Department of Defense initiates any activity relating to studying the relocation of Department systems out of bands of electromagnetic spectrum that are assigned to a non-Federal entity, the Chief Information Officer of the Department shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a notification with respect to the initiation of the activity that includes—

(1) a list of the spectrum frequencies being studied; and

(2) a list of systems of the Department that reside within those frequencies.

(b) ASSESSMENT, BRIEFING, AND REPORT.—After each notification submitted under subsection (a) with respect to an activity described in that subsection, the Chief Information Officer shall—

(1) not later than 60 days after the date of such submittal—

(A) complete an assessment of—

(i) the costs associated with the activity; and

(ii) any change to current operational readiness of systems described in subsection (a) expected as a result of such activity; and

(B) provide the congressional defense committees a briefing on the findings of the Chief Information Officer with respect to the assessment completed under subparagraph (A); and

(2) not later than 90 days after the date of such submittal, submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the findings of the Chief Information Officer with respect to the assessment completed under paragraph (1)(A).

(c) LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR RELOCATION OF SYSTEMS.—None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available

for fiscal year 2027 for the Department of Defense may be obligated or expended to relocate a system as described in subsection (a) until the Chief Information Officer has—

(1) provided the briefing required by paragraph (1)(B) of subsection (b) for such system; and

(2) submitted the report required by paragraph (2) of such subsection.

SEC. 1544. ANNUAL BRIEFING ON DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH PARTICIPATION IN THE INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION UNION WORLD RADIO CONFERENCE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—No later than the first March 31 occurring after the date of the enactment of this Act and March 31 of each calendar year thereafter through 2031, the Secretary of Defense shall, acting through the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and in consultation with the Chiefs of each of the Armed Forces, provide the congressional defense committees a briefing on actions taken by the Department Defense in the previous calendar year with respect to preparations for or participation by the Department in the International Telecommunication Union World Radio Conference.

(b) SUBJECT MATTER.—Each briefing provided under subsection (a) shall cover the following:

(1) The composition and representation of delegates of the Department participating in World Radio Conference preparatory meetings, including Conference Preparatory Meetings and relevant regional bodies.

(2) The direct participation of the Department in International Telecommunication Union Radiocommunication Sector Study Groups and Working Parties between World Radio Conferences.

(3) Adoption of studies by the World Radio Conference.

(4) Testing and evaluation activities undertaken to assess the vulnerability of Department systems to proposed spectrum changes under consideration at the World Radio Conference, and the outcomes of such activities.

(5) Development of potential recommendations affecting the readiness of the Department, including studies that could be adopted by World Radio Conference.

(6) Potential cost and readiness implications of matters covered by paragraphs (3) through (5).

(7) Such other matters as the Chief Information Officer and the Chairman may consider important to the congressional defense committees.

SEC. 1545. REPORT ON EFFORTS TO COUNTER FOREIGN ESPIONAGE AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY THEFT TARGETING DEFENSE ASSETS.

(a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the heads of such other Federal agencies as the Secretary considers appropriate, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on efforts of the Department of Defense to counter espionage and intellectual property theft by the People's Republic of China targeting Department of Defense installations, research institutions, and the defense industrial base.

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

(1) A description of threats posed by the People's Republic of China to Department of Defense installations, federally funded research and development centers, universities conducting defense-related research, and entities within the defense industrial base, including efforts to obtain sensitive information, technology, or intellectual property.

(2) An assessment of trends in espionage and intellectual property theft targeting such entities, including the role of nontraditional collectors such as researchers, students, and commercial entities.

(3) A description of activities undertaken by the Department, in coordination with interagency partners, to detect, deter, and mitigate such threats.

(4) An accounting of resources dedicated by the Department to counter such threats, including personnel, funding, and programs, and an assessment of the effectiveness of such efforts.

(5) A description of policies, procedures, and safeguards in place to protect civil liberties, academic freedom, and the privacy rights of United States persons in the course of such activities.

(6) An assessment of vulnerabilities within Department installations, research environments, and the defense industrial base, including supply chain risks and insider threat considerations.

(7) A description of coordination mechanisms between the Department and interagency partners to address such threats, including information sharing and joint operational efforts.

(8) Recommendations for legislative, policy, or resource changes necessary to improve the ability of

the Department and interagency partners to counter such threats.

(c) FORM.—The report required under subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

SEC. 1546. DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE ELECTRONIC WARFARE ROADMAP.

Chapter 25 of title 10, United States Code is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"§ 500h. Department of the Air Force electronic warfare roadmap

''(a) IN GENERAL.—(1) Not later than March 31, 2027, the Secretary of the Air Force shall develop an integrated electronic warfare capabilities roadmap for air and space operations.

''(2) The Secretary of the Air Force shall update the plan developed under paragraph (1) not less frequently than once every year ending in an odd number.

''(b) THREAT ASSESSMENT.—The roadmap as developed every other year shall be updated on the threat assessment that is ten years later than the date of production of the roadmap.

''(c) ROADMAP CONTENTS.—The roadmap developed under subsection (a) shall detail an integrated plan for capabilities that are—

''(1) already in effect;

''(2) under development; and

''(3) require a future material acquisition.

''(d) FORCE STRUCTURE.—In the roadmap developed under subsection (a), the Secretary shall outline the force structure requirements in terms of—

''(1) size of personnel;

''(2) types of occupational specialty; and

''(3) expected training requirements.

''(e) SYNERGISTIC CAPABILITIES.—As part the roadmap required by subsection (a), the Secretary shall, to the greatest extent possible, detail synergistic cooperation with respect to—

''(1) waveform transport between threat emitters and weapon systems;

''(2) targeting, including physics-based modeling of different electronic warfare effects;

''(3) battle damage assessment; and

''(4) and such other areas as the Secretary considers appropriate.

''(f) REVIEW BY THE ELECTROMAGNETIC SPECTRUM OPERATIONS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—The Electromagnetic Spectrum Operations Executive Committee established by section 500 of this title shall review the road-

map required by paragraph (1) of subsection (a) and each update under paragraph (2) of such subsection.

''(g) BRIEFING.—Not later than April 30, 2027, and not less frequently than once every year that ends in an odd number, the Secretary shall, in consultation with the Electromagnetic Spectrum Operations Executive Committee, provide the congressional defense committees a briefing on the findings of the Committee with respect to the latest review conducted under subsection (f).''.

SEC. 1547. USING OPERATIONAL ELECTRONIC INTELLIGENCE ASSETS TO ENGAGE HIGH-VALUE TARGETS.

(a) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of Defense shall, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence, direct the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security and the Director of the National Security Agency to approve, direct, and enable the direct and immediate dissemination of all operational electronic intelligence data collected on high-value and potentially hostile military systems in the United States Indo-Pacific Command and European Command areas of responsibility to military command and control nodes and engagement systems and platforms for the purpose of establishing targeting quality tracks of such systems and platforms as an essential component of constructing, fielding, and exercising multi-sen-

sor, cross-domain, long-range kill chains under the operational concept and strategy for combined, joint all-domain command and control.

(b) DEADLINE FOR DIRECTIVE AND DEMONSTRATION.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall—

(1) issue a directive applicable to all components of the Department of Defense to enable the Under Secretary and the Director of the National Security Agency to carry out the direction of the Secretary under subsection (a); and

(2) conduct a demonstration of at least one kill chain of a high-value target set using the data generated by national operational electronic intelligence collection systems that are currently operationally deployed and under the delegated tasking authority of the Director of the National Security Agency as the national functional manager for signals intelligence.

(c) CONSULTATION AND REPORTING.—The Director of the National Security Agency, the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security, and the Director for Operations of the Joint Chiefs of Staff shall—

(1) consult with the congressional defense committees prior to the development of the directive and the demonstration required by subsection (b); and

(2) provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the substance of the directive and the results and lessons learned of the demonstration.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''direct dissemination'' means direct downlinking or communicating of the minimum collected data needed to support target identification and engagement to systems and entities directly responsible for engaging military targets, including the Family of Integrated Targeting Cells developed by the Department of the Army, the Department of the Navy, and the Department of the Air Force, without impacting timeliness and the achievable scale of target engagements.

(2) The term ''kill chain'' means the highly automated, long-range, rapid, and large-scale process of detecting, identifying, locating, tracking, and engaging high-value adversary targets using assets and resources spanning multiple ground, air, sea, space, and cyber operational domains.

(3) The term ''operational electronic intelligence'' (OPELINT) means the detection, location, identification, and tracking of adversary military emitters of radio frequency electronic signals to support military operations, specifically including the peacetime construction and exercising and wartime execution of rapid-response targeting and engagement operations reflected in kill chains against moving and moveable objects enabled by the direct and immediate dissemination of data regarding such detection, location, identification, and tracking to engagement systems and platforms.

(4) The term ''targeting-quality track'' means a location and tracking product that is accurate, sustained, and timely enough to support striking a target with a long-range weapons system.

TITLE XVI—CYBERSPACE-RELATED MATTERS

Subtitle A—Matters Relating to Cyber Operations and Cyber Forces

SEC. 1601. INDEPENDENT STUDY ON THE AUTHORITIES AND ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE PRINCIPAL CYBER ADVISORS.

(a) AGREEMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall seek to enter into an agreement with a federally funded research and development center or other independent entity to perform the services covered by this section.

(2) TIMING.—The Secretary shall seek to enter into the agreement described in paragraph (1) not later than March 1, 2027.

(b) INDEPENDENT STUDY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Under an agreement between the Secretary and a center or entity under subsection (a), the center or entity shall conduct a study on the roles, responsibilities, authorities, organizational constructs, and resourcing of the Principal Cyber Advisors of the military departments.

(2) ELEMENTS.—In conducting the study under paragraph (1), the center or entity shall conduct an assessment of, and develop recommendations on—

(A) the extent to which the responsibilities of the Principal Cyber Advisors of the military departments are clearly delineated from, duplicative of, or ambiguous with respect to, those of the Chief Information Officers of the military departments and the commands or organizations within the Army, the Navy, the Marine

Corps, the Air Force, and the Space Force responsible for network and security operations, including recommendations for any changes to statute, policy, or organizational guidance necessary to resolve identified ambiguities or overlaps;

(B) the degree to which the authorities prescribed under section 392a(c) of title 10, United States Code, are sufficient to enable the Principal Cyber Advisors of the military departments to execute their statutory and implied responsibilities, including specific recommendations for legislative action to resolve ambiguities or overlaps with the authorities of related positions within the Army, the Navy, the Marine Corps, the Air Force, and the Space Force;

(C) the extent to which the current organizational placement of each Principal Cyber Advisor enables effective integration of cyber considerations across departmental activities, including acquisition, operations, personnel, and policy, including recommendations on the optimal organizational construct for each position and the advisability of elevating the position to

the level of Assistant Secretary or Under Secretary of the military department; and

(D) the extent to which current staffing, funding, and administrative support under each organizational construct enables or hinders execution of statutory and implied responsibilities, including a comparative assessment of resourcing models across the military departments and specific recommendations on the appropriate staffing levels, personnel numbers, assigned tasks, and funding required to enable effective execution of those responsibilities.

(c) CONSULTATION.—In conducting the study required under subsection (b), the center or entity shall consult with—

(1) the Principal Cyber Advisor to the Secretary of Defense;

(2) the Principal Cyber Advisors of each of the military departments;

(3) the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense;

(4) the Chief Information Officers of each of the military departments;

(5) the senior officer or civilian of each of the Army, the Navy, the Marine Corps, the Air Force,

and the Space Force responsible for command, control, communications, and information technology;

(6) the senior officer or civilian of each of the Army, the Navy, the Marine Corps, the Air Force, and the Space Force responsible for the operations and employment of cyber capabilities;

(7) the senior officer or civilian of each of the Army, the Navy, the Marine Corps, the Air Force, and the Space Force responsible for military and civilian cyber workforce career field management;

(8) the Director of the Defense Information Systems Agency and Commander of the Department of Defense Cyber Defense Command; and

(9) such other officials and stakeholders as the entity considers appropriate.

(d) REPORT AND BRIEFING.—

(1) REPORT.—Not later than January 1, 2028, the center or entity that conducted the study under subsection (b) shall submit to the Secretary of Defense and the congressional defense committees a report on the findings of the center or entity with respect to study.

(2) BRIEFING.—Not later than January 15, 2028, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the

findings of the center or entity that conducted the study under subsection (b) with respect to such study, which may be incorporated into existing annual or budgetary briefings provided to the congressional defense committees.

SEC. 1602. FUNDING FOR RESERVE COMPONENT SUPPORT TO CYBER-PECULIAR OPERATIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for the use of the Armed Forces and other activities and agencies of the Department of Defense for operation and maintenance, up to $5,000,000 may be obligated or expended by the Commander of United States Cyber Command to carry out cyberspace operations and cyberspace support activities requiring specialized activities by members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces, including the National Guard, in support of cyber-peculiar operations.

(b) LIMITATION.—Nothing in subsection (a) shall be construed to authorize deviation from established personnel and training procedures applicable to members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces, including applicable provisions of titles 10 and 32, United States Code, governing the order, administration, and training of reserve components of the Armed Forces.

(c) NOTIFICATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 15 days after the total amount obligated or expended pursuant to subsection (a) exceeds $500,000, and not later than 15 days after each additional $500,000 increment is obligated or expended thereafter, the Commander of United States Cyber Command shall submit to the congressional defense committees notification of the obligations and expenditures giving rise to each such threshold being crossed.

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

(A) The total amount obligated or expended pursuant to subsection (a) during the fiscal year as of the date of the notification.

(B) The total number of members of the reserve components, including the National Guard, ordered to duty under title 10, United States Code, pursuant to subsection (a) during the fiscal year as of the date of the notification.

(C) A disaggregation of the number included under subparagraph (B) of such members by component of the Armed Forces.

(D) A disaggregation of such members by the specific authority under title 10, United

States Code, under which each member was ordered to duty.

(d) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than December 31, 2027, the Commander of United States Cyber Command shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on obligations and expenditures made pursuant to the authority provided for in subsection (a).

(2) CONTENTS.—The report submitted under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) A full description and evaluation of each cyberspace operation or cyberspace support activity that is the subject of each such obligation or expenditure.

(B) The number and component affiliation of members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces, including the National Guard, who participated in such activities.

(C) The extent to which such activities aligned with established personnel and training procedures for members of the reserve components.

(D) Definitions and standards applied to determine cyber-peculiar requirements for par-

ticipation by reserve components of the Armed Forces, including the National Guard.

(E) Such other matters as the Commander considers appropriate.

SEC. 1603. AMENDMENT OF ANNUAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS ON SUPPORT FOR UNITED STATES CYBER COMMAND.

Section 391a of title 10, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"§ 391a. Annual reporting requirements on support for United States Cyber Command

''(a) ANNUAL REPORTS REQUIRED.—(1) Not later than March 1, 2027, and annually thereafter, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Cyber Policy and Principal Cyber Advisor for the Department of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the readiness and efforts of the military departments to provide support for cyber operations.

''(2) Each report submitted under paragraph (1) shall include an unclassified summary suitable for public release.

''(b) CONSULTATION AND CONTRIBUTION.—(1) In preparing each report required by subsection (a), the Assistant Secretary and Principal Cyber Advisor shall con-

sult with each Secretary of the military departments and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

''(2) For each report submitted under subsection (a), the Commander of United States Cyber Command shall act as a contributor to the report, providing data, assessments, and requirements relating to the operational readiness of the Cyber Mission Force and other assigned forces.

''(c) ELEMENTS.—Each report submitted under subsection (a) shall include, for the period covered by the report, the following:

''(1) A description and assessment of the efforts of each military department to support joint and armed force-specific cyber missions.

''(2) An assessment of the sufficiency of the support provided by each military department to meet the operational requirements of United States Cyber Command, including with respect to readiness, training, and equipping the Cyber Mission Force teams.

''(3) A description of any capability or readiness gaps identified by the Commander of United States Cyber Command, and the steps being taken by the Secretaries of the military departments to address them.

''(4) An assessment of progress made on mitigation plans for identified readiness shortfalls or challenges from previous years.

''(5) Standardized metrics and definitions for readiness, capability gaps, and mitigation plans, as developed by the Assistant Secretary and Principal Cyber Advisor in consultation with the Commander of United States Cyber Command.

''(6) As appropriate, the principal cyber advisors from each of the military departments shall also provide amplifying information, data, analysis or recommendations relating to any of the elements in paragraphs (1) through (4) within their purview.

''(7) Such other matters as the Assistant Secretary and Principal Cyber Advisor determines appropriate.''.

SEC. 1604. SCALING CYBERSPACE ACCESS GENERATION AND MAINTENANCE CAPABILITIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—In order to carry out the pilot program in subsection (c), the Secretary of Defense may enter into a contract with a private sector entity to conduct a cyber operation for the sole purpose of access generation and maintenance using contractor owned, contractor operated means, under the operational authority of the Commander of United States Cyber Command.

(b) LIMITATIONS.—Activities carried out under subsection (a) shall—

(1) only be conducted under direct Federal Government oversight of a civilian employee of the Federal Government or a member of the Armed Forces, with cleared civilian employees of the Department of Defense or cleared members of the Armed Forces present at all times; and

(2) when feasible, conducted in facilities of the Federal Government.

(c) PILOT PROGRAM.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 1, 2027, the Secretary may establish a pilot program under the operational authority of the Commander of United States Cyber Command, to assess the feasibility and advisability of conducting cyber operations limited to access generation and maintenance through contractor owned, contractor operated means, subject to the limitations in subsection (b).

(2) TERMINATION.—The pilot program authorized by paragraph (1) and the authority provided under subsection (a) shall terminate on or before December 31, 2030.

(d) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—

(1) CONTRACT NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 10 days after entering into any contractual arrangement under subsection (a), the Secretary shall notify the congressional defense committees of the following:

(A) The date the contractual arrangement was signed.

(B) Identification of the private sector party to the contractual arrangement.

(C) A description of the scope and terms of the contractual arrangement.

(2) OPERATIONS NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 48 hours after the commencement and subsequent conclusion of any cyber operation conducted under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall notify the congressional defense committees of the following:

(A) The target and nature of the access developed or maintained.

(B) The identity of the cleared civilian employee of the Department or member of the Armed Forces who conducted oversight of the operation.

(C) The contractor who conducted the operation.

(D) The duration and current status of the operation.

(e) BRIEFINGS AND REPORTS.—

(1) QUARTERLY BRIEFINGS.—The Secretary shall include a discussion of activities carried out under this section in the quarterly cyber operations briefings provided to the congressional defense committees pursuant to section 484 of title 10, United States Code.

(2) FINAL REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the termination of the pilot program required by subsection (c), the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the following:

(A) An assessment of the feasibility and advisability of entering into contracts under subsection (a) on a continuing basis.

(B) What constraints were applied in contracts executed under the pilot program.

(C) What capabilities were acquired through contractor owned, contractor operated means.

(D) An assessment of how the pilot program impacted the development of the internal

access and management capabilities and talent development of the Armed Forces.

(E) Recommendations for legislative or administrative action to support or modify operations carried out under subsection (a).

SEC. 1605. CYBER OPERATIONAL READINESS ASSESSMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE INFORMATION NETWORK.

(a) REPORTS REQUIRED.—Not later than March 1, 2027, and not less frequently than once each year thereafter until December 31, 2030, the Secretary of Defense shall, acting through the Commander of United States Cyber Command and the Commander of the Department of Defense Cyber Defense Command, submit to the congressional defense committees an annual report on the implementation of the Cyber Operational Readiness Assessment (CORA) program of the Department of Defense Information Network and the findings from such program.

(b) CONTENTS.—Each report required under subsection (a) shall include, for the period covered by the report, the following:

(1) An overview of the implementation status of the Cyber Operational Readiness Assessment program, including scope, methodology, team certification status, and assessment cadence across the

military departments and the defense agencies and Department of Defense field activities.

(2) Aggregate and component-level findings on remediation efforts during the Cyber Operational Readiness Assessment, and component level trend analysis of such efforts.

(3) Aggregate findings on risks, recurring deficiencies, and trends affecting mission assurance.

(4) A progress report on the planned updates to the Inspection Analysis Tool of the Department of Defense Information Network to include root cause analysis and records of actions taken or planned to address material risks identified through the program, including timelines, responsible organizations, and any resource constraints.

(5) An initial plan, and subsequent progress reports, for incorporating operational technology environments into assessments carried out under the program to ensure a comprehensive operational readiness evaluation of mission-critical systems, weapon platforms, industrial control systems, and supporting infrastructure.

(6) An assessment of how assessments under the program will incorporate and operationalize the pilot Critical Infrastructure Discovery and Evalua-

tion (CIDE) activities conducted by the Department of Defense Cyber Defense Command on operational technology networks, including alignment of scope, methodology, data collection, reporting, and resourcing to ensure unity of effort and avoid duplication.

(7) A description of any policy, authority, or resourcing gaps that inhibit full execution of the program as an operational readiness assessment.

SEC. 1606. INDEPENDENT STUDY ON UNITED STATES CYBER COMMAND ORGANIZATION AND RESOURCING.

(a) AGREEMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall seek to enter into an agreement with a federally funded research and development center or other independent entity to perform the services covered by this section.

(2) TIMING.—The Secretary shall seek to enter into the agreement described in paragraph (1) not later than March 1, 2027.

(b) INDEPENDENT STUDY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Under an agreement between the Secretary and a center or entity under subsection (a), the center or entity shall conduct a

study on the organizational constructs and resourcing of the United States Cyber Command.

(2) SCOPE.—The study conducted under paragraph (1) shall be limited to the headquarters element of United States Cyber Command and the personnel, positions, and resources directly assigned to the Command. The study shall not address the organization or resourcing of cyber operations forces assigned to or retained by the military departments or other combatant commands.

(3) ELEMENTS.—In conducting the study under paragraph (1), the center or entity shall conduct an assessment of—

(A) the applicability of the doctrinal organizational construct of a unified combatant command to the unique operational and technological requirements of the cyber domain, including—

(i) the ability of the current organizational construct to support the operational responsibilities of United States Cyber Command as a combatant command under section 164 of title 10, United States Code;

(ii) the ability of the current organizational construct to support the responsibilities of United States Cyber Command under section 167b of title 10, United States Code, including the functions of a service-like combatant command with respect to cyber operations forces; and

(iii) the ability of the current organizational construct to support the acquisition responsibilities of United States Cyber Command, including the program executive office for the Joint Cyber Warfighting Architecture established pursuant to section 1509 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 10 U.S.C. 167b note);

(B) the organizational structure and resourcing of United States Special Operations Command as a comparative model for a service-like combatant command operating across military departments; and

(C) the personnel, workforce development, recruitment and retention, facilities, and infrastructure required to meet the operational and

statutory demands of United States Cyber Command.

(c) CONSULTATION.—In conducting the study required under subsection (b), the center or entity shall consult with—

(1) military and civilian personnel assigned to the headquarters element of United States Cyber Command;

(2) commanders and senior leaders of the military departments responsible for generating cyber forces;

(3) the Joint Staff, including relevant directorates with responsibility for cyber operations planning and resourcing; and

(4) such other officials and stakeholders as the entity considers appropriate.

(d) ALTERNATIVE ORGANIZATIONAL MODELS.—Under the agreement described in subsection (b)(1) between the Secretary and a center or entity, the center or entity shall, based on the study conducted under such subsection, develop not fewer than two alternative models for the organization and resourcing of the headquarters of United States Cyber Command, with analysis of the costs, benefits, and implementation considerations of each model.

(e) PRESENTATION TO THE SECRETARY AND NOTICE TO CONGRESS.—Not later than December 31, 2027, the independent entity shall present the models developed under subsection (d) to the Secretary of Defense. Not later than 30 days after receiving such presentation, the Secretary shall—

(1) select a preferred organizational model; and

(2) notify the congressional defense committees of the preferred model selected and the alternatives considered.

(f) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—Not later than April 30, 2028, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees an implementation plan for the preferred model selected under subsection (e)(1), including—

(1) a detailed description of organizational changes required;

(2) associated resourcing requirements, including any legislative changes necessary to carry out the plan; and

(3) a proposed schedule for implementation.

SEC. 1607. MODIFICATION TO QUARTERLY REPORTING FOR CYBER OPERATIONS.

Section 484 of title 10, United States, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking ''Under Secretary of Defense for Policy'' and inserting ''Assistant Secretary of Defense for Cyber Policy''; and

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by inserting '', including how each such operations contributes to objectives for campaign plans, competition, or shaping for conflict in support of such command'' before the period at the end; and

(B) by amending paragraph (3) to read as follows:

''(3) A description of the campaign plans for each geographic and functional command, including specific objectives, targets, and goals for the campaign and supporting operations and anticipated resources to meet campaign objectives.''.

SEC. 1608. REPEAL OF AUTHORITY TO USE OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE FUNDS FOR CYBER-PECULIAR DEVELOPMENT.

Section 1640 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92) is repealed.

SEC. 1609. STRATEGY FOR INTEGRATION OF NATIONAL GUARD PHYSICAL RANGE CAPABILITIES INTO CYBER TESTING ACTIVITIES.

(a) STRATEGY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January 15, 2028, the Secretary of Defense shall, acting through the Director of the Test Resource Management Center and in coordination with the Principal Cyber Advisor to the Secretary of Defense, the executive agent for cyber test ranges, the executive agent for cyber training ranges, and the Chief of the National Guard Bureau, submit to the congressional defense committees a strategy for integrating National Guard physical ranges with cyber-peculiar or cyber-peculiar test and evaluation capabilities into Department of Defense cyber test and evaluation activities, including within the National Cyber Range Complex.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The strategy required under paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) an assessment of National Guard physical ranges with unique infrastructure relevant to testing cyber capabilities against physical systems;

(B) an identification of existing interoperability between such ranges and cyber test and training platforms and any gaps therein;

(C) an inventory of skills and subject-matter expertise within National Guard units supporting such ranges relevant to cyber, operational technology, and test and evaluation;

(D) an assessment of current utilization of such ranges by the Department of Defense and the military departments for cyber test and evaluation, including frequency, scope, and activity types;

(E) a projection of demand for such ranges during the five-year period beginning on the date of the submission of the strategy under paragraph (1); and

(F) a programming and budgeting approach for utilization of such ranges, including estimated costs disaggregated by fiscal year for the five-year period covered by the strategy based on the demand projections in subparagraph (E).

(b) EVALUATION OF FUNDING MODELS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January 15, 2028, and concurrent with submittal of the strategy under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall, acting through the Director of the Test Resource Management Center and in coordination with the

Principal Cyber Advisor to the Secretary of Defense and the Chief of the National Guard Bureau, submit to the congressional defense committees an evaluation of the adequacy of funding models under Volume 11A of the Department of Defense Financial Management Regulation (DoD 7000.14–R) for resourcing National Guard physical ranges with cyber-peculiar capabilities or cyber-peculiar test and evaluation requirements.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The evaluation required under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) An analysis of the suitability for testing cyber effects on physical systems of the current funding models for such ranges.

(B) An identification of barriers within each such model impeding consistent access to and resourcing of such ranges, including impact of fall outside the Major Range and Test Facility Base designation.

(C) A determination of whether any funding model in effect is sufficient, as currently structured, to ensure sustained resourcing of such ranges.

(D) Recommendations for modifications to the Financial Management Regulation or alter-

native funding mechanisms not currently available thereunder, including any legislative changes required.

SEC. 1610. UPDATED CYBER READINESS REPORTING METHODOLOGY.

(a) UPDATE REQUIRED.—Not later than January 1, 2028, the Commander of United States Cyber Command shall, in coordination with the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Cyber Policy and the Principal Cyber Advisors of the military departments, develop and implement an updated methodology for reporting cyber force readiness.

(b) ELEMENTS.—In developing the updated methodology required by subsection (a), the Commander shall include considerations of the following:

(1) Measurement of mastery level for cyber forces, as defined under the Department of Defense Revised Cyber Force Generation Model.

(2) Extension of readiness reporting to all levels of the cyber operations forces, including cybersecurity service providers, service-specific cyber elements, and reserve component forces.

(3) Standardization of unit organizational elements that input readiness data into the Joint Cyber Command and Control Readiness system.

(4) Interoperability with the Defense Readiness Reporting System, or any successor system.

(5) Ensure readiness reporting metrics account for—

(A) shortfalls in available forces, as well as in on-hand forces that are not fully trained; and

(B) forces at various stages in the training pipeline.

(6) Identification of bottlenecks in the readiness system, including training backlogs, trainer shortages, and shortages in personnel available to certify teams.

(7) Assessment and evaluation of the capabilities of the cyber warfighting architecture, including the systems, tools, and infrastructure required to conduct cyber operations, using defined evaluation metrics for each component, including—

(A) operational availability and mission suitability of systems;

(B) capacity to support assigned cyber missions and force requirements; and

(C) integration and interoperability of systems across the cyber warfighting architecture.

(8) Periodic spot-check auditing by the Inspector General of the Department of Defense to ensure the accuracy of cyber readiness reporting.

(c) BRIEFING REQUIRED.— Not later than January 29, 2027, the Commander of United States Cyber Command shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the development and implementation of the updated methodology pursuant to subsection (a), including timelines for full implementation and any legal or policy constraints impacting such timelines.

SEC. 1611. EXPANSION OF ENTITIES INCLUDED IN COORDINATION BETWEEN UNITED STATES CYBER COMMAND AND PRIVATE SECTOR.

Section 1508 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C. 2224 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking ''information technology and cybersecurity''; and

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking ''March 1, 2026'' and inserting ''March 1, 2031''; and

(B) in paragraph (2)—

(i) by redesignating subparagraph (E) as subparagraph (F); and

(ii) by inserting after subparagraph (D) the following:

''(E) A description of the sectors and types of entities prioritized by the Commander in carrying out subsection (a) and the reasons for that priority.''.

Subtitle B—Matters Relating to Department of Defense Cybersecurity and Information Technology

SEC. 1621. IMPROVING RESERVE COMPONENT NETWORK ACCOUNT CONTINUITY.

(a) POLICY UPDATE.—Not later than March 1, 2027, the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense shall, in coordination with the Chief Information Officers of the military departments, update Department of Defense-wide policy and guidance to establish the following minimum standards for personnel accounts of members of the reserve components on unclassified and classified networks:

(1) Accounts shall be disabled after no less than 180 days of inactivity.

(2) Accounts shall be deleted after no less than 270 days of inactivity.

(b) TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than July 1, 2027, the commanders responsible for information network operations of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Space Force shall implement all technical configurations and group policy objects required to enforce the standards established under subsection (a).

(c) AUDIT.—Commencing not later than July 1, 2027, the Inspector General of the Department of Defense shall conduct a 365-day audit of the implementation of subsections (a) and (b), which shall assess—

(1) the extent to which applicable policies and technical configurations have been updated and implemented as required;

(2) the rate at which personnel of reserve components were required to reactivate or rebuild accounts on unclassified and classified networks following implementation; and

(3) whether the policy and technical changes required under this section have demonstrably reduced account reactivation and rebuild burdens for personnel of the reserve components.

(d) TRANSMITTAL OF FINDINGS.—Not later than September 1, 2028, the Inspector General of the Department of Defense shall transmit to the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense and the Chief Infor-

mation Officers of the military departments the findings of the Inspector General with respect to the audit conducted under subsection (c).

(e) BRIEFING.—Not later than October 1, 2028, the Inspector General of the Department of Defense shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the findings of the Inspector General with respect to the audit conducted under subsection (c).

(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''classified network'' means any Department of Defense network authorized to process or transmit information classified at the Secret level.

(2) The term ''reserve component'' has the meaning given that term in section 101(c) of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 1622. REDUCING ADMINISTRATIVE BURDEN IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK IMPLEMENTATION.

(a) GUIDANCE FOR STANDARDIZED RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK PROCESS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than October 1, 2027, the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense shall issue or update Department of Defense-wide policy guidance relating to stand-

ardized risk management framework procedures applicable to all programs and systems of the Department.

(2) CONTENTS.—The policy required under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) A unified, standardized set of procedures with clearly defined steps by which all programs and systems of the Department shall progress through the risk management framework process.

(B) A mandatory, enumerated list of documentation required from vendors and system owners at each step of the risk management framework process as defined in subparagraph (A), which—

(i) shall be submitted in machine-readable formats; and

(ii) may be submitted in a format other than machine-readable only if the vendor provides written justification that machine-readable delivery is not technically feasible, and such justification is approved in writing by the authorizing official prior to the initiation of any risk management framework activity.

(3) MILITARY DEPARTMENT IMPLEMENTING GUIDANCE.—

(A) ISSUANCE.—Not later than December 1, 2027, the Chief Information Officer of each military department shall publish implementing guidance subordinate to and consistent with the guidance issued under paragraph (1).

(B) LIMITATIONS.—The Chief Information Officer of a military department may not impose requirements beyond those in the guidance issued under paragraph (1) without written approval of the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense.

(b) UNIFIED DIGITAL PLATFORM.—Not later than October 1, 2028, the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense shall modernize or replace the current enterprise application for hosting approvals and documentation for programs and systems of the Department, and ensure that this Department-wide platform used to support the risk management framework process—

(1) is capable of ingesting, assessing, and retrieving machine-readable security data submitted in accordance with subsection (a);

(2) supports real-time progress tracking for all programs and systems engaged in or that have com-

pleted the risk management framework process as established in updated or new guidance required under subsection (a);

(3) serves as the authoritative repository for all risk management framework documentation required under subsection (a); and

(4) is accessible to authorizing officials, program offices, and mission owners across the Department and the military departments, including to support reciprocity determinations under section 1522 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C. 2223 note).

(c) CONTROL INHERITANCE AS THE DEFAULT APPROACH.—

(1) POLICY.—It shall be the policy of the Department that use of available inherited controls shall be required as the default for all programs and systems of the Department, with exceptions to such policy to be approved by the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense.

(2) UPDATE TO DIRECTIVES.—(A) Not later than October 1, 2027, the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense shall update all appli-

cable Department of Defense directives, instructions, guidance, and associated handbooks to establish the inheritance of applicable security controls from authoritative providers as the default approach for all programs and systems of the Department.

(B) The directives, instructions, guidance, and handbooks updated under subparagraph (A) shall—

(i) establish the inheritance of applicable security controls from authoritative providers as the default approach for all programs and systems of the Department of Defense; and

(ii) require that an authorizing official who declines to use available inherited controls document in writing the specific technical or mission justification for that decision prior to initiating an independent assessment of those controls.

(d) ANNUAL BRIEFING TO CONGRESS.—Not later than April 1, 2027, and annually thereafter through April 1, 2032, the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the following:

(1) The status of administration of subsections (a) through (c).

(2) Measurable changes in average risk management framework cycle times before and after im-

plementation of the directive required under subsection (a).

(3) Such recommendations as the Chief Information Officer may have for legislative or administrative action to further reduce administrative burden without reducing security outcomes.

(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''authorizing official'' has the meaning given that term in Department of Defense Instruction 8510.01 (relating to Risk Management Framework for DoD Systems), or successor instruction.

(2) The term ''machine-readable'' has the meaning given that term in section 3502 of title 44, United States Code.

(3) The term ''risk management framework'' means the cybersecurity risk management framework established by the National Institute of Standards and Technology and implemented by the Department of Defense pursuant to Department of Defense Instruction 8510.01 (relating to Risk Management Framework for DoD Systems) for the assessment and authorization of information systems.

SEC. 1623. SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND INNOVATION BOARD STUDY ON SOFTWARE-AS-A-SERVICE IN CLASSIFIED NETWORKS.

(a) STUDY REQUIRED.—Not later than February 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall direct the Science, Technology, and Innovation Board to conduct a study on enabling commercial software-as-a-service offerings on classified networks of the Department of Defense.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The study required under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) An assessment of the strategic and operational benefits of commercial software-as-a-service offerings on classified networks, including the extent to which such offerings could advance the innovation objectives of the Department.

(2) An evaluation of the existing framework by which commercial vendors seek, are authorized, and subsequently given appropriate network and account access to build, certify, procure, and sustain software-as-a-service capabilities on classified networks, including the following:

(A) Technical requirements, including physical facility requirements, compute and networking infrastructure, and mechanisms for vendor access to customer data across classified network enclaves.

(B) Security requirements applicable to offerings serving multiple military departments or components as well as Defense Intelligence Enterprise organizations simultaneously, including authority to operate processes and the feasibility of a reciprocal or common authorization framework.

(C) Contractual and regulatory requirements, including whether the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement and the Department of Defense Financial Management Regulation adequately support such procurements.

(D) Barriers to entry for small businesses and nontraditional defense contractors, and constructs that would enable such entities to effectively compete their offerings.

(3) Recommendations for resolving the barriers identified under paragraph (2)(D), including the organizational roles and responsibilities, resources, authorities, and legislative or administrative action required to establish and sustain the growth of commercial software-as-a-service offerings.

(c) CONSULTATION.—In conducting the study required under subsection (a), the Science, Technology, and Innovation Board shall—

(1) consult with appropriate officials of the Department of Defense and the Defense Intelligence Enterprise; and

(2) to the extent practicable, seek input from representatives of the commercial software industry, including small businesses and nontraditional defense contractors.

(d) INTERIM BRIEFING.—Not later than August 1, 2027, the Science, Technology, and Innovation Board shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the status of the study required under subsection (a), including any preliminary findings or recommendations.

(e) REPORT.—

(1) SUBMISSION.—Not later than January 15, 2028, the Science, Technology, and Innovation Board shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report containing the findings and recommendations of the Science, Technology, and Innovation Board with respect to the study required under subsection (a).

(2) FORM.—The report required under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(f) BRIEFING ON REPORT.—Not later than January 31, 2028, the Chair of the Science, Technology, and Innovation Board shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the findings and recommendations contained in the report submitted under subsection (e).

(g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''classified networks'' means a national security system, as defined in section 3552(b) of title 44, United States Code, that is authorized to process, store, or transmit classified national security information.

(2) The term ''nontraditional defense contractor'' has the meaning given that term in section 3014 of title 10, United States Code.

(3) The term ''software-as-a-service'' means a cloud computing service model in which the capability provided to the consumer is to use the provider's applications running on a cloud infrastructure, accessible from various client devices through a thin client interface such as a web browser or a program interface, in which the consumer does not

manage or control the underlying cloud infrastructure, including network, servers, operating systems, storage, or individual application capabilities.

SEC. 1624. STREAMLINING DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE GOVERNANCE PROCESS FOR CROSS-DOMAIN SOLUTION APPROVALS.

(a) STREAMLINING REQUIRED.—The Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense shall, in consultation with the Chief Information Officers of the military departments, reduce approval timelines and expand secured capabilities for cross-domain solutions through the elimination of unnecessary procedural steps and governance body involvement that does not contribute a priority security benefit.

(b) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than December 15, 2027, the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense shall, in consultation with the Chief Information Officers of the military departments, submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes the following:

(1) An assessment of current approval timelines, organizational constructs, resource requirements, and operational limitations imposed by current cross-domain solution governance processes, including the frequency, structure, and consensus-

based decision requirements of each governance body in the approval chain and whether full governance body review is required for every modification regardless of risk level.

(2) A comparison of Department of Defense cross-domain solution approval timelines, approved file types, file sizes, and bulk and streaming data capabilities with those of other Federal departments and agencies.

(3) An assessment of barriers to full utilization of reciprocity authorities under Department of Defense Instruction 8540.01 (relating to Cross Domain Policy), or successor instruction, and recommendations to remove such barriers.

(4) A plan to carry out subsection (a) that—

(A) reduces approval timelines to be commensurate with the risk level of the requested modification and achieves parity with comparable Federal department and agency processes;

(B) identifies and eliminates governance body involvement that does not contribute a distinct security benefit, including evaluation of whether full board review is warranted for every modification request regardless of risk level;

(C) fully employs available reciprocity authorities to achieve parity of approved capabilities across all enterprise cross-domain solutions;

(D) establishes a risk-tiered review framework that distinguishes high-risk changes requiring full governance body review from lower-risk modifications eligible for expedited technical review;

(E) evaluates a model where the approval of a cross-domain solutions includes a set of pre-authorized parameters, such that any modifications to that cross-domain solution that are within those parameters do not require full re-approval; and

(F) assesses the feasibility of a common tracking and workflow tool to enable asynchronous and continuous review of modification requests in lieu of periodic consensus-based governance meetings, including proposed metrics to measure implementation effectiveness.

(c) IMPLEMENTATION BRIEFING.—Not later than March 1, 2028, the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense shall provide the congressional defense committees a briefing on the status of the implementation of subsection (a) and an assessment of performance

with respect to each of subparagraphs (A) through (F) of subsection (b)(4).

(d) DEFINITION OF CROSS-DOMAIN SOLUTION.—In this section, the term ''cross-domain solution'' has the meaning given such term in Department of Defense Instruction 8540.01 (relating to Cross Domain Policy), or successor instruction.

SEC. 1625. DATA CENTER INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY AND ROADMAP FOR MILITARY INSTALLATIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January 15, 2028, the Secretary of Defense shall, acting through the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense and the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment, develop and submit to the congressional defense committees a data center infrastructure strategy and associated roadmap for the build-out of private data centers on military installations.

(b) CONSULTATION.—In developing the strategy and roadmap required by subsection (a), the Secretary shall act in consultation with the following:

(1) The Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering.

(2) The Secretaries of the military departments and the respective chiefs of the Armed Forces and relevant headquarters elements.

(3) The Joint Chiefs of Staff.

(4) The Director of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation.

(5) The Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security.

(6) Such other officials and organizations as the Secretary considers appropriate.

(c) CAPACITY AND REQUIREMENTS ANALYSIS.—The strategy and roadmap required by subsection (a) shall include an analysis of the following:

(1) The current data center capacity of the Department of Defense across all classification fabrics and network types, including partner networks and available cloud capacity.

(2) Existing and projected future requirements across such classification fabrics and network types.

(3) The gap, if any, between current capacity and existing requirements, and an estimated investment required to close that gap and meet projected future demand.

(4) An assessment of data center configurations and form factors required to meet current and fu-

ture requirements, including permanent fixed facilities, tactical and mobile capabilities, and emerging concepts and capabilities, including orbital data centers.

(5) A framework, developed in coordination with the Director of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation, for evaluating future demand signals and requirements on an ongoing basis.

(d) INSTALLATION INFRASTRUCTURE STUDY.—As part of the development of the strategy required under subsection (a), the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment shall conduct a study that includes the following:

(1) Development of a framework for evaluating future investments required to support proposed private data center build-out on military installations, including potential contracts or agreements with external vendors for the construction or operation of data centers on military installations that may not be servicing Department of Defense information processing needs.

(2) An assessment of installation-level requirements associated with such contracts or agreements, including the following:

(A) Physical security requirements.

(B) Personnel vetting standards.

(C) Power capacity requirements.

(D) Any impacts to utility rates to installations and the surrounding areas.

(E) Supporting infrastructure requirements.

(F) Contractual arrangements to utilize excess data storage or power generation capacity in the event of an emergency, including requirements or liabilities open to the installation in the event such arrangements are utilized.

(G) Contingency plans to address any extreme power fluctuations for the prevention of power outages.

(H) Any market research that has identified data center companies' record of ransomware attacks, or cyberattacks, and any violations of air quality regulations.

(3) An analysis of the current and future data center plans of each military department for private data centers located on military installations.

(4) An analysis by the Department of Defense Clearinghouse to understand the operational impacts of current and future private data center plans based on the analysis in paragraph (3).

(e) CONTENTS OF STRATEGY AND ROADMAP.—The strategy and roadmap submitted under subsection (a) shall—

(1) identify specific military installations designated or planned for private data center capacity, the basis for those designations, and the demand or capacity gap each installation is intended to address;

(2) outline the authorities, frameworks, and terms governing contracts or agreements with external vendors for private data center construction or operation on military installations, including requirements relating to base infrastructure, power, and physical security;

(3) identify the investments required to execute the roadmap, disaggregated by installation and by fiscal year;

(4) describe how the Department will meet projected future demand based on the framework developed under subsection (c)(5); and

(5) include a governance structure as a standalone annex for negotiating for land use rights and related agreements with external vendors, which shall—

(A) designate a lead negotiator for each military department;

(B) require each such lead negotiator to operate within the guidance established by the official designated under subsection (f); and

(C) establish consistent negotiation guidance to ensure standardized terms across agreements and to protect the interests of the Department.

(f) DESIGNATION OF LEAD OFFICIAL.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than February 1, 2027, the Secretary shall designate a senior official within the Office of the Secretary of Defense to serve as the lead official responsible for overseeing and coordinating all activities of the Department relating to private data center build-out on military installations, including the development of the strategy and roadmap required under subsection (a) and all associated negotiations with external vendors.

(2) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The official designated under paragraph (1) shall—

(A) have principal responsibility and accountability for the administration of implementation of the strategy and roadmap required under subsection (e);

(B) establish the terms, frameworks, and negotiating guidance within which the military departments shall operate; and

(C) ensure consistency and coordination across the military departments in the implementation of the strategy and roadmap.

(3) DIRECTION TO MILITARY DEPARTMENTS.—The Secretary shall direct the Secretaries of the military departments to conduct all activities under this section in coordination with and through the official designated under paragraph (1).

(g) FORM.—The strategy and roadmap required under subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(h) DEFINITION OF MILITARY INSTALLATION.—In this section, the term ''military installations'' has the meaning given that term in section 2801(c) of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 1626. CYBERSECURITY MATURITY MODEL CERTIFICATION ASSESSMENT GRANTS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES AND NEW ENTRANTS.

(a) PROGRAM ESTABLISHMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than July 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall, acting through the Chief Information Officer of the Department of De-

fense and in coordination with the Director of the Department of Defense Office of Small Business Programs, establish a program to award grants to small businesses and new entrants to the defense industrial base to offset the costs of Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification assessments conducted by Certified Third-Party Assessment Organizations.

(2) DESIGNATION.—The program established under paragraph (1) shall be known as the ''Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification Assessment Grant Program'' (in this section the ''Program'').

(b) GRANTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Under the Program, the Secretary shall award one-time grants to eligible entities described in paragraph (2) to offset costs they incur for Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification assessments conducted by Certified Third-Party Assessment Organizations.

(2) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES DESCRIBED.—An eligible entity described in this paragraph is a small business concern or a nontraditional defense contractor that—

(A) holds or is actively seeking a Department of Defense contract or subcontract requiring Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification

at Level 2 from a Certified Third-Party Assessment Organization; and

(B) has not previously received a Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification at the applicable level from a Certified Third-Party Assessment Organization.

(3) GRANT AMOUNTS.—

(A) MAXIMUM AMOUNT PER GRANT.—The maximum amount of a grant awarded under the Program to an eligible entity described in paragraph (2) is $100,000.

(B) MAXIMUM AMOUNT FOR ALL GRANTS.—The total amount of all grants awarded under the Program shall not exceed $50,000,000.

(c) SELECTION OF GRANT RECIPIENTS.—In awarding grants to eligible entities described in subsection (b)(2) under the Program, the Secretary shall give priority to eligible entities that have not previously held a Department of Defense prime contract or subcontract.

(d) USE OF FUNDS.—A recipient of a grant awarded under the Program shall use the amount of the grant only to offset direct costs associated with Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification at Level 2 from a Certified Third-Party Assessment Organization.

(e) PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out the Program, the Secretary of Defense shall—

(1) establish an application process that minimizes administrative burden on eligible entities described in subsection (b)(2);

(2) ensure that recipients of grants awarded under the Program demonstrate a good-faith effort toward achieving Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification within one year of receiving an award;

(3) coordinate with the Office of Small Business Programs of the Department of Defense to leverage existing small business support infrastructure, including APEX Accelerators and the Mentor-Protege Program of the Department, to provide technical assistance to grant recipients; and

(4) ensure that the Program does not duplicate or conflict with any other Department of Defense cybersecurity support initiative.

(f) ANNUAL REPORTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than July 1, 2028, and annually thereafter until December 31, 2031, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees an annual report on the activities carried out under the Program.

(2) ELEMENTS.—Each report submitted under paragraph (1) shall include, for the period covered by the report, the following:

(A) The number of grants awarded under the Program, disaggregated by industrial base sectors of the recipients of the grants.

(B) The total amount of funds expended under the Program.

(C) The number of recipients of grants awarded under the Program that successfully achieved Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification at the applicable level following receipt of a grant.

(D) An assessment of the extent to which the Program has reduced barriers to entry for small businesses and nontraditional defense contractors in the defense industrial base.

(g) DERIVATION OF FUNDS.—Subject to the availability of funds appropriated for operation and maintenance, Department-wide, the Secretary shall carry out the Program in a fiscal year using amounts appropriated or otherwise made available for such fiscal year for operation and maintenance, Department-wide.

(h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''Certified Third-Party Assessment Organization'' has the meaning given such term in part 170 of title 32, Code of Federal Regulations.

(2) The term ''nontraditional defense contractor'' has the meaning given such term in section 3014 of title 10, United States Code.

(3) The term ''small business concern'' has the meaning given such term in section 3 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632).

SEC. 1627. HARMONIZATION OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SECURITY BOUNDARIES TO ENABLE RECIPROCITY.

(a) STANDARDIZATION OF SECURITY BOUNDARIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall standardize security boundaries across the Department of Defense to maximize the potential for security control inheritance and reduce duplicative security assessments through the application of reciprocity.

(2) UPDATED DEPARTMENT GUIDANCE.—Not later than October 1, 2027, the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense shall update

all applicable Department of Defense policy and guidance governing security boundaries—

(A) to establish consistent and uniform standards for security boundary determinations across the Department and the military departments; and

(B) to define the conditions under which systems sharing common boundaries or infrastructure are eligible for security control inheritance.

(3) UPDATED MILITARY DEPARTMENT GUIDANCE.—Not later than December 1, 2027, the Chief Information Officer of each military department shall publish implementing guidance subordinate to and consistent with the guidance updated under subsection (a)(2).

(4) PROGRAM COMPLIANCE.—Not later than October 1, 2030, each Secretary of a military department shall bring all programs and systems within their respective portfolios into compliance with the guidance updated under subsection (a)(2), using authority to operate renewal events as the primary mechanism for transitioning systems to updated security boundary constructs.

(b) NOTIFICATION OF GUIDANCE UPDATES.—Not later than 30 days after the publication of guidance under subsection (a), the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense and the Chief Information Officer of the military department, as applicable, shall notify the congressional defense committees of the following:

(1) The specific changes made to applicable policy and guidance.

(2) The directives, instructions, guidance documents, and handbooks that were updated or issued.

(c) ANNUAL BRIEFING TO CONGRESS.—Not later than April 1, 2027, and not less frequently than once each year thereafter until April 1, 2031, the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense and the Chief Information Officer of each military department shall jointly provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the following:

(1) The status of implementation of subsections (a) and (b) by the Department of Defense and each military department.

(2) The extent to which updated security boundary constructs have expanded opportunities for security control inheritance.

(3) Such recommendations as the Chief Information Officers may have for legislative or adminis-

trative action to further enable security control inheritance or reduce duplicative security assessments.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''authorizing official'' has the meaning given that term in Department of Defense Instruction 8510.01 (relating to Risk Management Framework for DoD Systems), or successor instruction.

(2) The term ''security control inheritance'' has the meaning given that term in such instruction, or successor.

SEC. 1628. EXPANSION OF CYBER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM TO INCLUDE OPERATIONAL TECHNOLOGY.

(a) EXPANSION OF COVERED SKILLS.—Section 2200(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''computer and network'' and inserting ''computer, network, and operational technology''.

(b) INCLUSION OF OPERATIONAL TECHNOLOGY IN DEFINITIONS.—Section 2200e(1)(D) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting '', including operational technology,'' after ''Any other information technology''.

SEC. 1629. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR ALPHA-1 DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES.

(a) LIMITATION.—Of the funds authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027 by section 201 for research, development, test, and evaluation and available for Alpha-1 Development Activities (PE 0604133D8Z) as specified in the funding table in section 4201, not more than 85 percent may be obligated or expended until the date on which the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer of the Department of Defense (CDAO) provides to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives the briefing described in subsection (b).

(b) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—The briefing described in this subsection is a briefing that includes the following:

(1) A description of the comprehensive application integration strategy for the War Data Platform (formerly known as ''Advancing Analytics'' or ''ADVANA'') that covers the following:

(A) Establishment of objective criteria for evaluating and prioritizing applications to be onboarded based on—

(i) operational mission impact;

(ii) data sensitivity classification requirements;

(iii) technical compatibility with existing architecture; and

(iv) overall value to the data ecosystem of the Department of Defense.

(B) A definition of standardized reimbursable funding mechanisms or other cost-sharing models, including potential service-level agreements or other appropriate cost-sharing models, between the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer and requesting the Department of Defense components.

(C) Assessment of performance metrics to measure the effectiveness and efficiency of the onboarding and offboarding process.

(D) Alignment with data governance policies and enterprise digital transformation initiatives of the Department that were in effect on the day before the date of the enactment of this Act.

(2) A plan for competing out aspects of the program, both for enterprise support of the overall functionality, as well as for specific applications or capabilities to be hosted within the War Data Platform.

SEC. 1630. LIMITATION ON THE USE OF FUNDS FOR INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT.

(a) LIMITATION.—Of the funds authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027 by section 201 for research, development, test, and evaluation and available for the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) Information Technology Development Initiative (PE 0605027D8Z) as specified in the funding table in section 4201, not more than 75 percent may be obligated or expended until the date on which the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Director of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service and the program managers for the Armed Forces pay and personnel systems, provides to the congressional defense committees the briefing required in subsection (b).

(b) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—The Secretary shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing that includes the following:

(1) The plan by the Defense Finance Accounting Service to update and modernize the pay systems for the Department and the Armed Forces, including projected funding levels across the future years defense plan, milestones for deliveries of capabilities, and measures of performance to assess the delivery of capabilities.

(2) A description of how the plan described in paragraph (1) differs from the cancelled Defense Integrated Human Resource Management System and steps to ensure that an enterprise solution will not repeat the mistakes of past programs.

(3) A description of how the plan described in paragraph (1) will leverage prior investments made in cancelled Armed Forces integrated pay and personnel systems, including—

(A) identification of software components, data architectures, interface designs, or other technical artifacts from cancelled programs that will be incorporated or adapted for use in the modernization effort; and

(B) documentation of lessons learned from cancelled programs, including findings from program post-mortems, independent reviews, and audits, and how those findings have informed the requirements, acquisition strategy, and program management approach for the plan described in paragraph (1).

(4) A description of how the modernization efforts described in paragraph (1) will integrate with each Armed Forces pay and personnel systems, the Defense Enrollment Eligibility System, Defense

Manpower Data Center systems, and other authoritative Department data systems that support member identification, duty status, benefits eligibility, retirement, separation, and financial management, including—

(A) the systems of record that are intended to remain service-specific; and

(B) the data elements that will be exchanged between such systems and the enterprise pay modernization effort.

(5) A comparison of the current projected timelines under the plan in paragraph (1) with the previous Armed Forces programs scheduled for their integrated pay and personnel systems.

(6) Resources programmed for or needed across the future years defense program for service integrated pay and personnel systems to modernize to the plan described in paragraph (1).

(7) Identification of resources needed to sustain or modernize legacy systems now that Armed Forces integrated pay and personnel systems have been cancelled.

(8) Articulation of the desired end state for pay and personnel systems across the Department of Defense and the military departments.

SEC. 1631. POST-QUANTUM CRYPTOGRAPHY ADOPTION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure the cryptographic solutions of the Department of Defense use asymmetric post-quantum cryptography algorithms approved by the National Institute of Standards and Technology—

(1) for key establishment by not later than December 31, 2030; and

(2) for digital signatures by not later than December 31, 2031.

(b) PHASE OUT AND REPLACEMENT.—In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall phase out and replace—

(1) except as provided in paragraph (2), symmetric key establishment protocols, symmetric key agreement protocols, and symmetric key distribution protocols by not later than December 31, 2030; and

(2) any solution certified as a classified commercial solution by the National Security Agency by not later than December 31, 2031.

(c) EXCEPTION.—Subsections (a) and (b) shall not apply to a key that is generated and distributed by the National Security Agency for use in a cryptographic device for the protection of classified and sensitive national security information or with respect to symmetric key distribution protocols in use prior to January 1, 2010.

SEC. 1632. IMPROVEMENTS TO HIGH-PERFORMANCE COMPUTING ROADMAP.

Section 1532(c) of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (10 U.S.C. 4001 note), as amended by section 1531 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60), is further amended—

(1) in paragraph (2)(C)—

(A) in the matter before clause (i)—

(i) by inserting ''supporting operations of the Department, including data centers'' before ''to be built'';

(ii) by striking ''triennial'' and inserting ''annual''; and

(iii) by striking ''additional resource usage resulting from building or expanding'' and inserting ''annual resource usage of'';

(B) in clause (iii), by inserting ''the local community or'' after ''adverse effects on''; and

(C) in clause (iv), by striking ''in which the military installation resides and in which the data center is being built'' and inserting ''in which the data center is located or is being built''; and

(2) in paragraph (3)—

(A) in the paragraph heading, by striking ''TRIENNIAL'' and inserting ''ANNUAL''; and

(B) by striking ''third''.

SEC. 1633. PILOT PROGRAM ON DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PARTNERSHIPS WITH INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION RECOGNIZED IN THE NATIONAL CENTERS OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE IN CYBERSECURITY PROGRAM FOR CYBER RESEARCH.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall establish a pilot program under the Defense Cyber Workforce Framework to assess the feasibility of partnering advanced cyberspace operations and information aggressor units of the Department of Defense with institutions of higher education recognized in the National Centers of Academic Excellence in Cybersecurity program for Cyber Research (CAE–R), Cyber Defense (CAE–CD), or Cyber Operations (CAE–CO) by the National Security Agency—

(1) to improve the cyber workforce pipeline of the United States;

(2) to enhance military cyber training through academic collaboration, research, cyber range exer-

cises, and create direct pathways for students into Federal cybersecurity careers;

(3) to leverage existing scholarship and fellowship opportunities, such as the Cyber Service Academy, the Science, Mathematics and Research for Transformation, and other cyber scholarship for service programs; and

(4) to improve coordination, guidance, and counseling for participating students seeking to pursue careers in cybersecurity or cyber operations in the Department of Defense or elsewhere in the Federal Government.

(b) DURATION.—The pilot program established under subsection (a) shall terminate on September 30, 2031.

(c) ELEMENTS.—The pilot program required by subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) Establishment of a research cell supporting aggressor operations through open-source intelligence, emerging threat analysis, and development of adversary emulation playbooks.

(2) Assessment framework for determining the impact of the program, including a cost-benefit analysis for partnering students with operational units, that—

(A) determines the time to clear students for participation in the program; and

(B) determines the time and cost necessary to get students access to networks required to provide operational support to military cyber operators.

(3) Assessment of the curricula for participating students to determine if such coursework is relevant and impactful in preparing such students to directly support operational military cyber operators.

(4) Tracking students participating in the program to determine how the pilot impacts potential future employment with the Department of Defense or the Federal Government.

SEC. 1634. INSIDER THREAT REPORTING AND VOLUNTARY GUIDANCE FOR LARGE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE CONTRACTORS.

(a) COVERED ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE CONTRACTOR DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''covered artificial intelligence contractor'' means a contractor that—

(1) has entered, or seeks to enter into, one or more contracts, with a total value of not less than $100,000,000, with the Department of Defense for

an artificial intelligence system or services that use an artificial intelligence system; and

(2)(A) has incurred, during the 3-year period preceding the date on which any such contract was entered into, not less than $1,000,000,000 in artificial intelligence-related research and development expenditures, measured on a rolling basis and aggregated with any other person that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with such contractor; or

(B) uses or proposes to use, in the performance of such contract or contracts, an artificial intelligence model developed or controlled by a person that meets the expenditure criteria described in subparagraph (A).

(b) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall issue regulations establishing reporting requirements for covered artificial intelligence contractors to support the protection of Department of Defense systems, missions, personnel, operations, and supply chains from counterintelligence, security, and other national security risks

arising from the security practices of such contractors.

(2) REQUIRED MATTERS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The regulations issued pursuant to paragraph (1) shall require, at a minimum, that a covered artificial intelligence contractor reports to the Secretary—

(i) all policies, practices, and security measures relating to—

(I) personnel vetting;

(II) insider threat mitigation;

(III) access controls, including the circumstances under which contractors, subcontractors, cloud providers, and other third parties are granted access to any artificial intelligence model, model weights, training infrastructure, or other sensitive assets, and the material security controls governing such access;

(IV) supply chain security; and

(V) the prevention of theft, tampering, sabotage, or any other unauthorized transfer or modification of

any artificial intelligence model or model weights; and

(ii) any known or suspected material incident affecting the security, integrity, or availability of any artificial intelligence model or model weights developed or used, including any incident in which a person compromises or exploits any artificial intelligence model or model weights in a manner that could materially affect the performance of a Department contract, national security, or the operations, security, or mission effectiveness of the Department, including through—

(I) espionage;

(II) unauthorized access;

(III) theft;

(IV) exfiltration;

(V) sabotage;

(VI) manipulation;

(VII) a compromise of the software, hardware, cloud, data, or other supply chain component used to develop, train, fine-tune, evaluate, se-

cure, or deploy any such model or model weights;

(VIII) the poisoning, corruption, manipulation, or unauthorized alteration of training data, fine-tuning data, retrieval corpora, model checkpoints, system prompts, safety filters, monitoring systems, evaluation pipelines, or model-update mechanisms;

(IX) the discovery of a material vulnerability, exploit, backdoor, or failure of access controls that could permit unauthorized modification, extraction, degradation, or misuse of any such model or model weights; or

(X) any other effort;

(iii) the defense-relevant and national security-relevant capabilities, access pathways, and material misuse risks, as determined by the Secretary, of the most powerful artificial intelligence models developed, controlled, or used by such contractor in the performance of a contract with the Department;

(iv) any materially concerning model behavior, including materially increased capability for a cyber offense, evasion of safeguards, deceptive behavior, unauthorized autonomous action, or other behavior that could materially affect national security, the performance of a Department contract, or the operations, security, or mission effectiveness of the Department;

(v) any attempt to obtain unauthorized access to, acquire, influence, or exfiltrate sensitive information, systems, or intellectual property relating to any artificial intelligence model developed, controlled, or used by the contractor; and

(vi) any other known or suspected acute national security risk relating to the compromise, misuse, loss, exfiltration, misalignment, or exploitation of artificial intelligence models developed, controlled, or used by the contractor that could materially affect national security, the performance of a Department contract, or the operations, security, or mission effectiveness of the Department.

(B) SCOPE.—The required matters described in subparagraph (A) apply to a covered artificial intelligence contractor, including with respect to any artificial intelligence model developed or controlled by another person and used, or proposed for use, by the covered artificial intelligence contractor in the performance of a contract with the Department. The Secretary may require the covered artificial intelligence contractor to obtain from the person who developed or controls such model any information the Secretary determines necessary to carry out this section.

(C) TIMING OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

(i) INITIAL SUBMISSION.—A covered artificial intelligence contractor shall submit to the Secretary of Defense the required matters described in subparagraph (A) as part of any offer, proposal, bid, or other response to a solicitation for a contract.

(ii) CONTINUING DUTY TO CERTIFY.—Not less frequently than once every 90 days, the covered artificial intelligence con-

tractor shall certify to the Secretary of Defense that the information submitted under clause (i) remains accurate and complete in all material respects.

(3) NOTIFICATION OF ACUTE NATIONAL SECURITY INCIDENTS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The regulations issued pursuant to paragraph (1) shall require that not later than 72 hours after becoming aware of any information, incident, or development that presents an acute national security risk to the United States, the covered artificial intelligence contractor shall—

(i) notify the Secretary of Defense of the nature of national security risk, including any risk relating to model weight security as described in subparagraph (A)(ii), any risk described in clauses (iv), (v), and (vi) or subparagraph (A), and any other category of risk the Secretary may specify; and

(ii) include in such notification, to the extent known at the time of the notification—

(I) a description of the information, incident, or development;

(II) the date or approximate period of occurrence and discovery;

(III) the affected model or deployment environment;

(IV) the actual or suspected means of compromise;

(V) whether any model weights, training data, system prompts, source code, evaluation data, safety systems, or software dependencies were accessed, altered, degraded, poisoned, exfiltrated, or otherwise compromised;

(VI) an assessment of the actual or potential impact on Department of Defense missions, users, systems, operations, or decision-making;

(VII) any actions taken to contain, mitigate, remediate, or investigate the information, incident, or development;

(VIII) whether the information, incident, or development has been re-

ported to any other Federal department or agency, and

(IX) such other information as the Secretary determines appropriate.

(B) NOTIFICATION BY THE SECRETARY.—If the Secretary of Defense receives a notification under subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall promptly transmit such notification to the contracting officer for the relevant contract, the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Office, the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, the Artificial Intelligence Security Center of the National Security Agency, the Commander of the United States Cyber Command, and the head of any other component of the Department or Federal department or agency the Secretary determines appropriate.

(C) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—If the Secretary of Defense receives a notification under subparagraph (A) or discovery an incident that would be reportable under such clause, the Secretary shall—

(i) not later than 7 days after the date on which the notification was received, submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives notice of the information, incident, or development that includes—

(I) a summary description,

(II) the date or approximate period of occurrence and discovery,

(III) the affected model or deployment environment,

(IV) the actual or suspected means of compromise, exfiltration, manipulation, degradation, or misuse,

(V) an initial assessment of actual or potential impact on Department missions, users, systems, or operations, and

(VI) any action taken or planned to contain, mitigate, remediate, or investigate the matter; and

(ii) provide the committees with additional briefings or updates on the informa-

tion, incident, or development as material information becomes available; and

(D) PROTECTION OF INFORMATION.—In the regulations issued under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense shall include procedures for the submission of notifications under this paragraph, including procedures to protect—

(i) classified information;

(ii) proprietary information;

(iii) trade secrets;

(iv) security-sensitive information; and

(v) information regarding vulnerabilities that, if disclosed publicly, could reasonably be expected to harm national security.

(E) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this paragraph may be construed—

(i) to require public disclosure of information in a manner inconsistent with applicable protections for classified or otherwise protected information; or

(ii) to limit any other reporting obligation imposed by statute, regulation, or contract.

(4) CLARITY OF REQUIREMENTS.—In the regulations issued pursuant to paragraph (1), the Secretary shall provide clear requirements with respect to the scope, timing, form, and manner of the reporting, including—

(A) the appropriate protections the Department will take to prevent unauthorized disclosure of classified information, proprietary information, and controlled unclassified information;

(B) any differentiated reporting requirements based on—

(i) the sensitivity of the contract;

(ii) the capabilities of the relevant models;

(iii) the degree of access of the contractor or third parties to artificial intelligence models or model weights; and

(iv) the significance of the risk to Department missions or national security; and

(C) procedures to ensure that, if a covered artificial intelligence contractor uses, or proposes to use, in the performance of a contract with the Department an artificial intelligence

model developed or controlled by another person, any information required under this section is obtained from that person.

(5) CONSULTATION.—In developing the regulations under paragraph (1), the Secretary may consult with—

(A) covered artificial intelligence contractors;

(B) the head of any Federal agency;

(C) industry participants; and

(D) any official of the Department that the Secretary considers relevant, including acquisition, counterintelligence, digital modernization, and operational officials of the Department.

(c) STUDY AND VOLUNTARY GUIDANCE ON INSIDER THREAT RISK REDUCTION FOR COVERED ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE CONTRACTORS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall issue voluntary guidance for covered artificial intelligence contractors to reduce insider threat, espionage, and other personnel-related security risks to sensitive artificial intelligence assets of such contractors, with a focus on threats from highly capable nation-state adversaries that

possess significant resources and the capability to conduct sophisticated espionage or related operations.

(2) ASSESSMENT AND UPDATED GUIDANCE.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall—

(A) complete an assessment of the risks described in paragraph (1); and

(B) updated the guidance issued under such paragraph based on the findings of that assessment.

(3) CONTENTS.—The guidance required under paragraph (1), including any updated guidance issued under paragraph (2)(B), shall, at a minimum—

(A) identify categories of roles, responsibilities, functions, systems, and access that may provide material access to model weights, model internals, training infrastructure, sensitive research information, or other sensitive assets of the covered artificial intelligence contractor, the compromise of which could present a significant risk to Department missions or national security;

(B) establish a tiered framework based on the degree of access, sensitivity, and national security risk involved, under which the most sensitive roles, systems, and categories of access are associated with the most stringent suggested security measures;

(C) assess the practices, and if appropriate suggest preferred practices, relating to personnel vetting, role-based access controls, compartmentation, audit logging, anomaly detection, continuous monitoring, incident escalation, and protection against espionage, theft, sabotage, or unauthorized transfer, including practices designed to address threats from nation-state adversaries;

(D) address, for especially sensitive roles or access, what personnel security measures, access restrictions, or other safeguards are appropriate to reduce heightened risks from nation-state adversaries; and

(E) address such other measures as the Secretary determines appropriate to protect Department missions and national security from insider threat and espionage risks arising from

the security practices of covered artificial intelligence contractors.

(4) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to require a covered artificial intelligence contractor to adopt any measure, practice, personnel policy, access restriction, or other safeguard described in the guidance issued under paragraph (1).

(5) CONSULTATION.—In carrying out this subsection, the Secretary may consult with covered artificial intelligence contractors, the intelligence community, counterintelligence officials, appropriate elements of the Department of Defense, the heads of other Federal agencies, Federally funded research and development centers, and other relevant experts, as determined appropriate by the Secretary.

(d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees an unclassified report, which may include a classified annex, on the implementation of this section.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) a summary of the progress made in developing and implementing the reporting requirements under subsection (b)(1);

(B) a summary of the progress made in issuing the voluntary guidance under paragraph (1) of subsection (c), including the initial guidance and any updated guidance issued under paragraph (2) of such subsection;

(C) an assessment of any challenges, gaps, or limitations identified by the Secretary in carrying out this section; and

(D) any additional steps, authorities, resources, or policy recommendations the Secretary determines would be useful to advance the purposes of this section.

SEC. 1635. REQUIREMENT FOR MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT REGARDING VULNERABILITY DISCLOSURE AND PROHIBITION ON PROCUREMENT FROM IT PROVIDERS WHO SHARE CYBER VULNERABILITIES WITH COUNTRIES OF CONCERN.

(a) REQUIREMENT.—Beginning 270 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall not enter into or renew a contract for information technology with any entity which makes such technology

commercially available to customers in a country of concern or has operations, subsidiaries, or personnel located in a country of concern unless such entity has entered into a memorandum of agreement with the Department of Defense in accordance with subsection (b).

(b) MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT.—the Secretary of Defense shall require an entity covered under subsection (a) to agree to a memorandum of agreement under which the entity shall—

(1) disclose all security vulnerabilities affecting procured products or services to the Department of Defense prior to disclosure to any other person or entity, including through a trusted partners program; and

(2) not provide advance disclosure of such vulnerabilities to any procured company or entity subject to the control of, or organized under the laws of, a country of concern.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ADVANCED DISCLOSURE.—The term ''advanced disclosure'' means any action that preemptively and privately discloses information pertaining to security vulnerabilities to a select number of entities before publicly making such information avail-

able to the general public, including through a trusted partners program.

(2) CONTROL.—The term ''control'' means the power, direct or indirect, whether or not exercised, to determine, direct, dictate, or decide important matters affecting an entity, including through—

(A) the ownership of at least 20 percent of the total outstanding voting interest in an entity;

(B) board representation;

(C) the ability to appoint or discharge any board members, officers, directors, employees, or contractors;

(D) proxy voting, a special share, contractual arrangements, legal obligations, formal or informal arrangements to act in concert; or

(E) other means.

(3) COUNTRY OF CONCERN.—The term ''country of concern'' has the meaning given the term ''covered nation'' in section 4872(f) of title 10, United States Code.

(4) COVERED COMPANIES.—The term ''covered companies'' means—

(A) any entity owned or operated in whole or in part by a country of concern, or subject

to the control of such country of concern, and any subsidiary or parent of such person; or

(B) any entity organized under the laws of a country of concern, or having its principal place of business in a country of concern, and any subsidiary of any such person.

(5) INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.—The term ''information technology'' has the meaning given the term in section 11101 of title 40.

(6) OWNED OR OPERATED IN WHOLE OR IN PART.—The term ''owned or operated in whole or in part'' means that a foreign country of concern—

(A) for a person that is a publicly traded company, has the ability to control the company, has access to any material nonpublic technical information in the possession of the company, or has any other rights or involvement in directing, dictating, controlling, or participating in the decision-making of the company beyond those available to a retail investor holding an equivalent share of ownership; and

(B) for a person that is a privately held company, has any share of ownership of such company.

(7) SECURITY VULNERABILITY.—The term ''security vulnerability'' has the meaning given the term in section 2200 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6U.S.C. 650).

(8) TRUSTED PARTNERS PROGRAM.—The term ''trusted partners program'' means any initiative or program run by an information technology provider to provide advanced warnings of security vulnerabilities to defensive security providers for the purpose of helping such providers proactively develop defenses against such vulnerabilities.

(d) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may waive the requirement under subsection (a) on a case-by-case basis if the Secretary certifies, in writing, to the congressional defense committees that the procurement action is required in the national interest of the United States.

SEC. 1636. STRATEGY FOR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE-ACCELERATED VULNERABILITY DISCOVERY AND REMEDIATION.

(a) STRATEGY REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall develop a strategy to address risks and opportunities arising from the use of advanced artificial intelligence systems to discover, validate, exploit, remediate, or reverse engineer vulnerabilities in software,

firmware, weapon systems, operational technology, and information systems used by the Department of Defense.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The strategy required under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) An assessment of how advanced artificial intelligence systems are likely to affect the volume, speed, severity, and exploitability of vulnerabilities affecting Department systems, including an updated definition of ''vulnerability'' that accounts for artificial intelligence-specific behavioral flaws (such as prompt injection and data poisoning) and the remediation requirements for model retraining.

(2) A risk-based framework for machine-speed vulnerability discoveries, and for prioritizing vulnerability remediation and mitigation, including consideration of mission impact, exploitability, exposure, system criticality, availability of compensating controls, and risks associated with insufficiently tested patches.

(3) A plan to improve the speed, reliability, and safety of patch testing, approval, and deployment, including through automated testing, representative test environments, staged deployment, reciprocity of cybersecurity testing, and emergency mitigation procedures, as appropriate. This includes an assessment

of the impacts of machine-speed vulnerability discovery on the Vulnerability Equities Process (VEP) and other interagency coordination processes, with recommendations for adapting these processes to a near-zero decision timeframe.

(4) Guidance for the use of compensating controls when immediate patching is not feasible.

(5) Policies for the responsible use of artificial intelligence systems by the Department to support vulnerability discovery, exploitability analysis, patch development, patch validation, and prioritization of remediation,

(6) Recommendations for acquisition, contracting, vendor notification, and information-sharing requirements needed to improve timely remediation of vulnerabilities affecting Department systems.

(7) A plan to address vulnerabilities in legacy systems, mission-critical systems, weapon systems, and operational technology for which patching may be operationally difficult.

(8) Metrics to assess implementation of the strategy, including the timeliness of vulnerability validation, mitigation, testing, and remediation.

(c) BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter for three years, the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense and the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Cyber Policy shall jointly provide the congressional defense committees a briefing on the strategy required under subsection (a), including implementation progress, barriers to implementation, and any additional authorities or resources required to implement the strategy.

(d) DEFINITION OR ADVANCED ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE SYSTEM.—In this section, the term ''advanced artificial intelligence system'' means an artificial intelligence system, including a frontier model, cyber-specialized model, agentic system, or automated cyber reasoning system, that is capable of materially assisting in vulnerability discovery, exploit generation, reverse engineering, patch development, or patch validation.

SEC. 1637. ENSURING COMPETITION IN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE PROCUREMENT.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ADVANCED COMPUTING SYSTEM.—The term ''advanced computing system'' has the meaning given the term ''high-end computing'' in section 4 of

the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991 (15 U.S.C. 5503).

(2) ADVANCED COMPUTING SYSTEM PROVIDER.—The term ''advanced computing system provider'' means any person engaged in the provision, sale, or licensing of any advanced computing system to customers, including individuals and businesses.

(3) ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.—The terms ''artificial intelligence'' has the meaning given the term in section 238(g) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C. note prec. 4061).

(4) ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE APPLICATION.—The term ''artificial intelligence application'' means any software or hardware application, product, program, device, equipment, or service that utilizes artificial intelligence.

(5) ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE APPLICATION PROVIDER.—The term ''artificial intelligence application provider'' means any person engaged in the provision, sale, or licensing of artificial intelligence applications to customers, including individuals or businesses.

(6) CLOUD COMPUTING.—The term ''cloud computing'' has the meaning given the term in Special Publication 800–145 of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, or any successor document.

(7) CLOUD PROVIDER.—The term ''cloud provider'' means any company engaged in the provision, sale, or licensing of cloud computing to customers, including individuals and businesses.

(8) CONGRESSIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEES.—The term ''congressional defense committees'' has the meaning given the term in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code.

(9) COVERED PROVIDER.—The term ''covered provider'' means any advanced computing system provider, artificial intelligence application provider, cloud provider, data infrastructure provider, or foundation model provider.

(10) DATA INFRASTRUCTURE.—The term ''data infrastructure'' means the underlying computer, network, and software systems that enable the collection, storage, processing, and analysis of data, including the ability to record, transmit, transform, categorize, integrate, and otherwise process data generated by digital data systems.

(11) DATA INFRASTRUCTURE PROVIDER.—The term ''data infrastructure provider'' means any person engaged in the provision, sale, or licensing of data infrastructure to customers, including individuals and businesses.

(12) FOUNDATION MODEL.—The term ''foundation model'' means an artificial intelligence model that—

(A) generally uses self-supervision;

(B) contains at least 1,000,000,000 parameters; and

(C) is applicable across a wide range of contexts.

(13) FOUNDATION MODEL PROVIDER.—The term ''foundation model provider'' means any person engaged in the provision, sale, or licensing of foundation models to customers, including individuals and businesses.

(14) MULTI-VENDOR TECHNOLOGY.—The term ''multi-vendor technology'' means architecture and services that allow for data, model, application, workload, and program portability, usability, and interoperability including for the purpose of avoiding excessive dependence on any individual vendor, across—

(A) multiple covered providers; and

(B) public, private, and edge computing environments.

(b) ADVANCED COMPUTING, ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE APPLICATION, CLOUD, DATA INFRASTRUCTURE, AND FOUNDATION MODEL PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary of Defense shall, in contracting with covered providers—

(1) require a competitive process for each procurement of advanced computing systems, artificial intelligence applications, cloud computing, data infrastructures, or foundation models;

(2) ensure that the Government maintains exclusive rights to access and use of all Government data;

(3) ensure that the competitive process described in paragraph (1)—

(A) prioritizes the appropriate role for the Government with respect to intellectual property, data rights and security, and auditability requirements;

(B) requires interoperability based on open standards for all user-facing software, data, and interfaces;

(C) includes modular open systems approaches and appropriate work allocation and technical boundaries;

(D) mitigates barriers to entry faced by small businesses and nontraditional contractors;

(E) prioritizes multi-vendor technology unless doing so is infeasible or presents a substantial danger to national security; and

(F) includes protections against vendor lock-in to ensure the Government can, without unreasonable technical, contractual, or financial barriers, move data, models, applications, workloads, and programs between covered providers; and

(4) require that covered providers follow the same competitive process described in paragraph (1) in selecting subcontractors involved in providing advanced computing systems, artificial intelligence applications, cloud computing, data infrastructures, or foundation models to the Department of Defense.

(c) DATA TRAINING AND USE PROTECTION.—The Secretary of Defense shall direct the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Office to update or promulgate provisions of the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to ensure that—

(1) Government-furnished data, provided for purposes of development and operation of artificial intelligence products and services to the Department of Defense, is not disclosed or used without proper authorization by the Department of Defense, including that such data cannot be used to train or improve the functionality of commercial products or services offered by a covered provider without express authorization by the Department of Defense;

(2) Government-furnished data stored on vendor systems, provided for purposes of development and operation of artificial intelligence products and services to the Department of Defense, is appropriately protected from other data on such systems, and is treated in accordance with Department of Defense data decrees, Modular Open System Architectures (MOSA), and Open Data and Applications Government-owned Interoperable Repositories (Open DAGIR) principles;

(3) a covered provider shall certify compliance with paragraphs (1) and (2), and violation of these provisions or false compliance shall be subject to specific penalties, including fines and contract termination; and

(4) component acquisition executives may issue exemptions upon—

(A) determining that issuing an exemption is necessary for national security; and

(B) notifying the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer of the specific provisions exempted, the vendor and program being issued the exemption, and the justification for the exemption.

(d) REPORTING.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January 15, 2028, and annually thereafter for four years, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report assessing competition, innovation, barriers to entry, and concentrations of market power or market share in the artificial intelligence space for each period covered by the report. The report shall also include recommendations of appropriate legislative and administrative action.

(2) PUBLICATION.—The Secretary of Defense, acting through the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs, shall ensure that the report is made available to the public by—

(A) posting a publicly releasable version of the report on a website of the Department of Defense; and

(B) upon request, transmitting the report by other means, as long as such transmission is at no cost to the Department.

SEC. 1638. PHISHING RESISTANT AUTHENTICATION FOR DEFENSE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than two years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall take such actions as may be necessary to ensure that only phishing-resistant authentication is used by all personnel across the Department of Defense, with an exception process for applications where the use of a phishing-resistant authenticator may not be feasible or practicable.

(b) DEFINITION OF PHISHING RESISTANCE.—In this section, the term ''phishing resistance'' has the meaning given such term in National Institute of Standards and Technology Special Publication 800–63B–4 (relating to Digital Identity Guidelines), or any successor publication.

Subtitle C—Data and Artificial Intelligence

SEC. 1641. ESTABLISHING AN ECOSYSTEM FOR USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AGENTS AT SCALE AND SPEED.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall, acting through the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer (CDAO), establish a unified, Department of Defense-wide technical and procedural ecosystem to align activities and investments across the Department on the employment of agents and to enable the discovery, deployment, and enterprise use of agentic artificial intelligence systems at scale and speed across the Department of Defense.

(2) COMPONENTS OF ECOSYSTEM.—This ecosystem required by paragraph (1) shall be comprised of shared technical services, enterprise capabilities and platforms, and procedures and technical governance structures for engaging with and collectively building upon those services and capabilities.

(b) GOVERNANCE STRUCTURES.—The governance structures required by subsection (a)(2) shall include, at minimum, the following:

(1) An agile governance structure capable of evolving with the pace of agentic artificial intelligence system development while maintaining appropriate accountability and oversight.

(2) Standardized best practices, community of practice forums, and operational guidance for developing, deploying, and managing agentic systems, including the development and sharing of tactics, techniques, and procedures for use.

(3) A process for engaging with and incorporating advancements and lessons learned from industry into Department agentic artificial intelligence system practices, governance, training, and policy.

(c) ENTERPRISE CAPABILITIES AND PLATFORMS.—The enterprise capabilities and platforms required by subsection (a)(2) shall include the following:

(1) Hosting and management of approved agentic artificial intelligence systems available for Department-wide discovery and use.

(2) A lifecycle management capability of agentic artificial intelligence systems governing the full continuum of development, testing and evaluation, versioning, deployment, monitoring, updating, and deprecation of agentic artificial intelligence systems, including standards for evaluating agentic artificial

intelligence system performance and behavior prior to and following deployment, and user feedback mechanisms to inform ongoing performance assessment and improvement.

(3) A developer credentialing and access framework establishing which personnel and entities are authorized to develop, publish, and modify agentic artificial intelligence system within the ecosystem, including appropriate privilege tiers.

(4) Minimum interoperability standards enabling agentic artificial intelligence systems to operate across Department environments, connect to Department data sources and systems, and interact with other agentic artificial intelligence systems regardless of development environment or security classification level.

(5) Application of lessons learned from pacesetting projects identified under the Department of Defense Artificial Intelligence Strategy.

(d) SHARED TECHNICAL SERVICES.—The shared technical services required by subsection (a)(2) shall include the following:

(1) A structured agentic artificial intelligence system registry enabling Department-wide discoverability, searchability, and reuse of approved

agentic artificial intelligence systems across multi-cloud and multi-security environments.

(2) A usage tracking and demand analytics capability to monitor agentic artificial intelligence system registration and utilization, identify high-demand use cases, and inform prioritization of agentic artificial intelligence system development and resource investment.

(3) Cost and pricing frameworks, including chargeback models for cost recovery and attribution when agentic artificial intelligence systems are accessed or deployed, including integration with Department-operated large language model infrastructure.

(e) CONSULTATION.—In carrying out this section, the Secretary shall, acting through the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, consult with the following:

(1) The Chief Information Officers of the military departments and the Joint Staff.

(2) The Chief Artificial Intelligence and Data Officers of the military departments and the Joint Staff.

(3) The Chief Information Officers of the Defense Intelligence Enterprise.

(4) The Chief Artificial Intelligence and Data Officers of the Defense Intelligence Enterprise.

(5) Such other officials and organizations as the Secretary determines appropriate.

(f) ROADMAP.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than January 15, 2028, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a roadmap for implementation of the ecosystem required under subsection (a).

(2) ELEMENTS.—The roadmap submitted under paragraph (1) shall address the following:

(A) Each component required under subsections (b) through (d).

(B) Any additional components the Secretary determines necessary.

(C) Projected timelines and resource requirements for implementation.

(g) BRIEFING.—Not later than January 15, 2028, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the roadmap required under subsection (f).

(h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''agentic artificial intelligence system'' means an artificial intelligence system capable

of autonomous or semi-autonomous planning, decision making, and execution of multi-step tasks with limited human intervention.

(2) The term ''artificial intelligence'' has the meaning given that term in section 238(g) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115—232; 10 U.S.C. note prec. 4061).

(3) The term ''military departments'' has the meaning given that term in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 1642. SECURITY STANDARDS AND FRAMEWORK FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AGENTS.

(a) DEVELOPMENT AND ISSUANCE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than December 15, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall, acting through the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense and in coordination with the officials specified in subsection (c), develop and issue authoritative security standards and guidance for agents across the Department.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The standards and guidance developed and issued under paragraph (1) shall address the following:

(A) A risk management framework consistent with applicable standards of the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

(B) Deployment and operation of agents across multi-cloud and multi-level security environments.

(C) Permissions governing the actions agents are authorized to take, the data and systems they may access, and the conditions under which permissions may be modified or revoked.

(D) Continuous monitoring of the security posture and operational behavior of deployed agents, including reporting, assessment, and remediation of observed anomalous behaviors.

(E) Integration of agents into the Zero Trust Architecture and Identity, Credential, and Access Management framework of the Department.

(F) Security boundaries governing agent operation at and beyond Department network boundaries.

(G) Incident response, including procedures for detecting, containing, and recovering from compromise, anomalous behavior, or unauthorized action by an agent.

(b) IMPLEMENTATION.—

(1) DEPARTMENT STANDARDS.—The standards developed and issued under subsection (a) shall be binding on the Department and shall include a transition timeline for achieving compliance.

(2) MILITARY DEPARTMENT IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than March 15, 2028, the Secretary of each military department shall issue implementing guidance for the standards and guidance issued under subsection (a), including a transition timeline for achieving compliance that is consistent with the timeline included under paragraph (1).

(c) COORDINATION.—In carrying out this section, the Secretary shall, acting through the Chief Information Officer, coordinate with—

(1) the Chief Information Officers of the military departments and the Joint Staff;

(2) the Chief Artificial Intelligence and Data Officers of the military departments and the Joint Staff;

(3) the Defense Intelligence Enterprise; and

(4) such other officials and organizations as the Secretary determines appropriate.

(d) BRIEFINGS.—

(1) STANDARDS.—Not later than January 15, 2028, the Secretary shall provide the congressional defense committees a briefing on the standards and guidance developed and issued under subsection (a).

(2) STATUS.—Not later than April 15, 2028, the Secretary shall provide the congressional defense committees a briefing on the status of the implementation of the standards and guidance issued under this section as they pertain to all elements of the Department, including the military departments.

(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''agent'' means an artificial intelligence system capable of autonomously planning, deciding, and executing multi-step tasks, including using tools, automated protocols, or other systems, with limited human intervention to achieve a specified goal.

(2) The term ''artificial intelligence'' has the meaning given that term in section 238(g) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C. note prec. 4061).

(3) The term ''military departments'' has the meaning given that term in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 1643. ASSESSMENT OF GENERATIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE PLATFORM IMPACT ON WORKFORCE ACUMEN.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than April 1, 2027, and annually thereafter through April 1, 2029, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the utilization of the Department of Defense generative artificial intelligence platform (commonly referred to as ''GenAI.mil'') and what that utilization reflects about the state of artificial intelligence adoption and acumen of the general workforce of the Department.

(b) ELEMENTS.—Each briefing required under subsection (a) regarding the platform described in such subsection shall include, with respect to the period covered by the briefing, the following:

(1) The total number of personnel registered to use the platform and the number of new registrants added during the reporting period.

(2) The number of personnel who logged into and actively used the platform on a given day, reported as both a peak count and a daily average over the reporting period.

(3) The share of platform sessions in which each available artificial intelligence model was se-

lected by the user, as a measure of relative model preference across the user population.

(4) The average length, measured in tokens, of inputs (commonly referred to as ''prompts''), submitted by users and the corresponding average length, measured in tokens, of responses generated by the platform, as a general indicator of the depth and complexity of platform interactions.

(5) An analysis of the sophistication of user-submitted inputs through analysis of prompts, including the share of inputs that reflect basic informational queries, multi-turn task-oriented exchanges, and structured prompting techniques that demonstrate deliberate use of the platform's capabilities.

(6) The average number of times per session that a user submits a follow-up or refined input after receiving an initial response, as an indicator of whether users are engaging with the platform in an iterative and sophisticated manner or limiting use to single one-off queries.

(7) The categories of outputs generated through platform interactions, including drafted documents, code, analytical summaries, and information synthesis.

(8) The distribution of platform sessions across functional mission areas, including administrative, analytical, planning, acquisition, and training functions.

(9) The distribution of the number of times registered users returned to use the platform over a 30-day period, as a measure of sustained interest in and reliance on the platform beyond initial or incidental use.

(10) For each training module available through the platform, the rate of completion, the average time spent on the module, and the rate at which users returned to the module after an initial session, disaggregated by Armed Force, military department, and civilian Department of Defense personnel.

(11) An assessment of observed trends in workforce artificial intelligence adoption and acumen over the reporting period and a description of how the Department is using such trends to inform platform development and training priorities.

(12) A description of planned platform capability enhancements for the subsequent reporting period and an assessment of how such enhancements

are expected to improve workforce artificial intelligence adoption and acumen.

(13) Such other metrics and assessments as the Secretary considers appropriate.

(c) DEFINITIONS OF MILITARY DEPARTMENT.—In this section, the term ''military department'' has the meaning given that term in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 1644. DEMAND FORECAST MODEL FOR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.

(a) DEVELOPMENT OF MODEL AND METHODOLOGY.—The Secretary of Defense shall, acting through the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, develop a unified, Department-wide demand forecast model and methodology for consolidating and assessing artificial intelligence demand data across the Department of Defense, including data from Department-wide generative artificial intelligence platforms and applications and artificial intelligence capabilities fielded or operated by the military departments and defense agencies.

(b) REQUIRED ACTIONS.—In carrying out subsection (a), the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer shall—

(1) establish an automated process for collecting and aggregating artificial intelligence pro-

gram and budget data from the military departments and defense agencies, using the artificial intelligence activities data elements and guidance issued in response to section 1533 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C. 221 note);

(2) develop a demand-based forecasting model for artificial intelligence requirements that incorporates metrics, including token consumption, compute utilization, throughput, response latency, user and transaction volume, and such other metrics as the Secretary determines appropriate to assess artificial intelligence demand;

(3) update applicable policy guidance and instructions for use by all elements of the Department elements and military departments on the requirements for the demand forecasting, associated data collection, and analysis; and

(4) provide the Director of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation direct access to all artificial intelligence demand data, the forecasting model required under paragraph (2), and all underlying raw data and supporting metrics used to develop and update that model, at a cadence sufficient to support

annual budget submissions and future years defense program development.

(c) BRIEFINGS.—

(1) INITIAL BRIEFING.—Not later than September 15, 2027, the Secretary, acting through the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, and the Director of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation shall jointly provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on—

(A) the methodology used to consolidate artificial intelligence demand data and the metrics used to quantify that demand;

(B) the policies and processes established to provide the Director of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation direct access to artificial intelligence demand data and the demand-based forecasting model pursuant to subsection (b)(3); and

(C) the status of the demand-based forecasting model, including any gaps in data availability or quality affecting budget forecasting for artificial intelligence requirements across the future years defense program.

(2) ANNUAL BRIEFINGS.—Concurrent with the delivery of budget materials to Congress under sec-

tion 1105 of title 31, United States Code, for each of fiscal years 2028 through 2031, the Secretary, acting through the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on current artificial intelligence demand data across the Department and forecasted artificial intelligence demand for each fiscal year of the then-current future years defense program.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''future years defense program'' means the program a program submitted under section 221(a) of title 10, United States Code.

(2) The term ''token'' means the basic unit of text or data processed by a generative artificial intelligence model, used as the basis for measuring computational usage and associated costs.

SEC. 1645. STRATEGY AND GOVERNANCE FOR ADVERSARIAL ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.

(a) LEAD OFFICIAL.—

(1) DESIGNATION.—Not later than March 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall designate a senior official within the Office of the Secretary of Defense to act as the lead for the Department of

Defense on matters relating to adversarial artificial intelligence.

(2) COORDINATION.—The senior official designated pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be responsible for coordinating all Department activities, programs, and investments as they pertain to adversarial artificial intelligence.

(3) NOTICE.—Not later than 30 days after the date on which the Secretary designates a senior official pursuant to paragraph (1), the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees notice regarding the designation.

(b) STRATEGY AND GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE.—Not later than January 15, 2028, the Secretary shall, acting through the official designated under subsection (a)(1), establish—

(1) a strategy for adversarial artificial intelligence that identifies capability gaps, prioritizes investments, and establishes metrics and milestones for implementation; and

(2) a governance structure, chaired by the designated official, that meets not less frequently than quarterly and includes an industry information-sharing mechanism utilizing authorities under section 2224 of title 10, United States Code, and the De-

fense Industrial Base Cybersecurity program under subpart 236 of title 32, Code of Federal Regulations, as in effect on the day before the date of the enactment of this Act.

(c) BRIEFING.—Not later than March 1, 2028, and annually thereafter until December 31, 2030, the Secretary shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing, at the appropriate level of classification, on administration of this section, including the extent to which the strategy and governance structure established under subsection (b) address the ability of the Department to continuously monitor, in real time, artificial intelligence and machine learning systems in operational use for signs of adversarial manipulation, malfunction, or other unintended behavior.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''adversarial artificial intelligence'' means techniques by which an actor deliberately manipulates, deceives, or exploits artificial intelligence or machine learning systems, including through attacks described in the report National Institute of Standards and Technology Trustworthy and Responsible Artificial Intelligence 100–2e2025 (relating to Adversarial Machine Learning), such as data poisoning, model evasion, model inversion, or supply

chain compromise, to cause malfunction or unintended behavior.

(2) The term ''artificial intelligence'' has the meaning given in section 238(g) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C. note prec. 4061).

SEC. 1646. INCLUSION OF ALTERNATIVE MODELS IN DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE GENERATIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE PLATFORM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall, acting through the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, expand the number and diversity of models and applications available on the enterprise generative artificial intelligence platform of the Department of Defense known as ''GenAI.mil'' (or any successor platform), including models and applications, including multi-modle interface platforms, that support language translation, coding assistance, data analysis, and other mission-relevant capabilities, with particular attention to removing barriers to participation by small business concerns.

(b) FOUR-YEAR EXPANSION STRATEGY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than September 15, 2027, the Secretary shall, acting through the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer and

in coordination with the Directors of the Office of Small Business Programs of the Department of Defense and the military departments and the Chief Artificial Intelligence Officers of each of the military departments, develop and submit to the congressional defense committees a four-year strategy to carry out subsection (a).

(2) ELEMENTS.—The strategy submitted under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) Specific annual goals for models and applications, including multi-modle interface platforms, to be added to the platform described in subsection (a), disaggregated by large providers and small business providers, including—

(i) the intended composition of models, standalone applications, and multi-model interface platforms on the platform; and

(ii) the rationale for prioritizing certain categories over others in a given year.

(B) The governance structure the Department will use to identify and onboard models and applications.

(C) The framework the Department will use to evaluate and approve models and applications for inclusion, including applicable security, performance, and interoperability standards.

(D) The acquisition pathways and competitive procedures the Department will use to onboard and offboard providers, including through the use of other transaction agreements, commercial solutions openings, and other competitive mechanisms.

(E) The coordination mechanisms between the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer and the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense and the Chief Information Officers of the military departments to ensure adequate infrastructure support for platform expansion over time.

(F) A plan for participation by a small business concerns that identifies—

(i) resolution to technical, security, and contractual barriers to participation by small business concerns on the platform;

(ii) specific annual goals for small business providers, both in numbers of

contracts as well as goals for contract funding; and

(iii) metrics and milestones to assess progress of expanding participation by small business concerns.

(c) ANNUAL ROADMAP.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than April 1, 2027, and not less frequently than once each fiscal year thereafter until December 31, 2030, the Secretary shall, acting through the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on an annual roadmap outlining the Secretary's 24-month plan to add to or remove from the platform described in subsection (a).

(2) ELEMENTS.—Each roadmap briefed under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) The models and applications planned for addition or removal and the rationale for each.

(B) The anticipated onboarding timeline for each addition to the platform described in subsection (a).

(C) The criteria used to evaluate and prioritize models and applications for inclusion in such platform.

(D) The contracting approach for acquiring new capabilities for such platform.

(3) NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES.—Not later than 30 days after any addition or removal of an application or model to a roadmap briefed under paragraph (1), the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer shall notify the congressional defense committees of the change and the rationale therefor.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''small business concern'' has the meaning given such term under section 3 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632).

(2) The term ''small business provider'' means a provider that is a small business concern.

SEC. 1647. POLICY AND GUIDANCE RELATED TO AUTONOMOUS WEAPON SYSTEMS AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE CAPABILITIES ACQUISITION.

Chapter 345 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"§ 4577. Autonomous weapon systems and artificial intelligence capabilities acquisition; planning and oversight processes

''(a) POLICY.—It is the policy of the Department of Defense to maximize uses of autonomy and artificial intelligence capabilities to the extent practicable, while ensuring and maintaining that implementation of such autonomy and artificial intelligence capabilities provides appropriate human oversight, to ensure that operations are conducted in accordance with the law of war, applicable treaties, weapon system safety rules, applicable rules of engagement, and long-standing frameworks protecting the privacy and civil liberties of United States persons.

''(b) REQUIREMENT.—In accordance with the policy set forth in subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall—

''(1) ensure personnel exercise appropriate levels of human judgment and consistently monitor any deployed artificial intelligence-enabled autonomous weapon systems, while remaining responsible for the development, deployment, and use of autonomous weapon systems and artificial intelligence capabilities;

''(2) take deliberate steps to ensure accuracy in autonomous weapon systems and artificial intelligence capabilities;

''(3) develop and deploy autonomous weapon systems and artificial intelligence capabilities in a manner that promotes an appropriate understanding of the technology, their development processes, and operational methods applicable to autonomous weapon systems and artificial intelligence capabilities;

''(4) subject prototype and deployed autonomy and artificial intelligence capabilities to routine testing and information assurance across their entire life cycles to ensure that capabilities meet defined safety, security, and effectiveness parameters; and

''(5) design and engineer autonomy and artificial intelligence capabilities to fulfill their intended functions, and deploy these capabilities such that human operators retain—

''(A) the ability to detect and avoid unintended consequences or behaviors; and

''(B) a means for human intervention to disengage or deactivate deployed systems that demonstrate unintended or illegal behavior.

''(c) REVIEW FOR AUTONOMOUS WEAPON SYSTEMS AND SUPPORTING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE CAPABILITIES.—

''(1) LEVELS OF HUMAN JUDGMENT.—(A) The Secretary shall ensure that any autonomous weapon

system or artificial intelligence capability to be utilized by the Department, except as exempted by subsection (c)—

"(i) is designed and employed in a manner that enables commanders and operators to exercise ultimate human responsibility over the use of force; and

"(ii) is categorized by the appropriate level of human judgment required to mitigate risks to life, safety and health of Department personnel or noncombatant civilian harm.

"(B) For purposes of subparagraph (A), appropriate levels of human judgment for an autonomous weapon system shall consist of two levels as follows:

"(i) Level 1, which means that the weapon system poses little to no risk to human life or safety should the system fail to act as designed.

"(ii) Level 2, which means that the weapon system poses moderate to high risk to human life or safety should the system fail to act as designed.

"(C) Appropriate levels of human judgment for an artificial intelligence capability shall consist of two levels as follows:

"(i) Level 1, which means that the artificial intelligence capability poses little to no risk as a result of compromise of data integrity or operational support should the system fail to act as designed.

"(ii) Level 2, which means that the artificial intelligence capability—

"(I) uses data protected by section 552a of title 5 (commonly known as the 'Privacy Act of 1974') or regulations promulgated under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–191); or

"(II) poses a risk such that the failure of the artificial intelligence system to act as designed would severely affect the ability of the Department to perform the designated mission of the artificial intelligence capability.

"(D) To meet the requirements under subparagraph (A), the Secretary of Defense shall ensure that any autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability described in such subsection, to the maximum extent practicable—

"(i) allows human operators to supervise the operation of the weapon system during mission execution when appropriate given system design;

"(ii) includes mechanisms that allow commanders or operators to intervene in or terminate the use of force by the weapon system at all stages during mission execution when appropriate given system design;

"(iii) includes fail-safe mechanisms to enable manual control when autonomous systems are degraded, jammed, spoofed, or under adversarial attack when appropriate given system design;

"(iv) provides sufficient information regarding weapon system status and decision logic to enable operators to understand, oversee, and exercise functional control over system behavior;

"(v) maintains records of target selection data, decision logic, and human operator actions sufficient to enable post-engagement review of compliance with the requirements under subsection (a); and

''(vi) operates consistent with applicable United States law and international law, rules of engagement, the law of armed conflict, applicable treaties, and Department of Defense policy.

''(E)(i) The Secretary of Defense shall establish procedures to ensure that commanders and operators are rigorously trained to provide appropriate levels of human judgment to supervise autonomous weapon systems and artificial intelligence capabilities in operational environments, including regular proficiency assessments in manual target identification, threat assessment, and engagement procedures to ensure operators can effectively execute missions using other capabilities when autonomous systems are unavailable or unreliable.

''(ii) Such procedures shall include a mechanism for operators to report, without fear of reprisal, concerns regarding weapon system reliability or the adequacy of human-machine interfaces.

''(2) REVIEW AND VERIFICATION.—Subject to subsection (d), for any autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability under development or being fielded by the Department, the Secretary

shall ensure that such autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability requires—

"(A) before a decision to enter prototyping or formal development, review and verification by the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering or a designee of the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff that—

"(i) the system design incorporates the necessary capabilities to allow commanders, operators, and analysts to exercise appropriate levels of human judgment over the use of force in the envisioned planning and employment processes for the autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability in such a way that it can accommodate varying levels of human oversight without requiring redesign;

"(ii)(I) the autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability is designed to complete engagements within a timeframe and geographic area, as well as other applicable environmental and operational parameters, consistent with commander and operator intentions; or

''(II) if not designed as described in subclause (I), the autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability will terminate engagements or obtain additional operator input before continuing the engagement;

''(iii) the combination of the design and concept of employment of the autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability, such as its target selection and engagement logic and other relevant processes or measures, accounts for risks to nontargets, consistent with commander and operator intent and the laws of war;

''(iv) the design of the autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability, including system safety, anti-tamper mechanisms, and the cybersecurity of the autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability, in accordance with Department of Defense Instruction 8500.01 (relating to cybersecurity), or successor instruction, addresses and mini-

mizes the probability and consequences of failures;

''(v) plans are in place for verification and validation and test and evaluation to establish the reliability, effectiveness, and suitability of the autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability under realistic conditions, including possible adversary actions, to a sufficient standard consistent with the potential consequences of an unintended engagement or unauthorized parties interfering with the operation of the autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability prior to fielding; and

''(vi) a preliminary legal review of the autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability has been completed—

''(I) in coordination with the General Counsel of the Department of Defense; and

''(II) in accordance with Department of Defense Directive 5000.01 (relating to Defense Acquisition System), or successor directive, Depart-

ment of Defense Directive 2311.01 (relating to Department of Defense Law of War Program), or successor directive, and, where applicable, Department of Defense Directive 3000.03E (relating to Department of Defense Agent for Non-Lethal Weapons and Non-Lethal Weapon Policy), or successor directive; and

''(B) before fielding, review and verification by the Under Secretary for Research and Engineering or a designee of the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff that, with respect to the autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability—

''(i) system capabilities, human-machine interfaces, doctrine, tactics, techniques and procedures, and training have been demonstrated to allow commanders and operators to exercise appropriate levels of human judgment over the use of force and to employ systems with appropriate care and in accordance with the law of war, applicable treaties, weapon system

safety rules, and definable rules of engagement that are applicable or reasonably expected to be applicable;

''(ii) relevant system safety, anti-tamper mechanisms, cyber survivability, operational resilience, and cybersecurity capabilities have been implemented to minimize the probability and consequences of failures;

''(iii) for autonomous weapon systems or artificial intelligence capabilities that are being fielded that may have gone through the development pipeline and verified under subparagraph (A), an updated legal review of the weapon system or artificial intelligence capability has been completed—

''(I) in coordination with the General Counsel of the Department of Defense; and

''(II) in accordance with Department of Defense Directive 5000.01 (relating to Defense Acquisition System), or successor directive, Department of Defense Directive 2311.01

(relating to Department of Defense Law of War Program), or successor directive, and, where applicable, Department of Defense Directive 3000.03E (relating to Department of Defense Agent for Non-Lethal Weapons and Non-Lethal Weapon Policy), or successor directive; and

''(iv) a monitoring regime is in place to identify and address changes in operational environment, data inputs, and use that could contribute to failure of the system or capability to act in a manner consistent with the intent for the system or capability.

''(3) VALIDITY OF VERIFICATION.—(A) The Secretary shall treat each verification under paragraph (2) or paragraph (4) as valid for a period of three years.

''(B) An autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability that is a substantially similar variant of another autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability that is verified under paragraph (2) or paragraph (4) shall also be treated as verified.

''(4) SUBSEQUENT REVIEW AND VERIFICATION.—(A) For any autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability that was previously verified under paragraph (2)(A) or exempted under any predecessor review process under Department of Defense Directive 3000.09 (relating to Autonomy in Weapon Systems), that does not currently have a valid verification pursuant to paragraph (3), the Secretary shall ensure that it undergoes subsequent review and verification under such paragraph.

''(B) For any autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability that was previously verified under paragraph (2)(B) or exempted under any predecessor review process under Department of Defense Directive 3000.09 (relating to Autonomy in Weapon Systems) that does not currently have a valid verification pursuant to paragraph (3), the Secretary shall ensure that it undergoes subsequent review and verification under such paragraph as if it had not been deployed.

''(5) PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENTS.—(A) For each artificial intelligence capability classified under subsection (c)(1)(C)(ii), the Secretary ensure that a

privacy impact assessment is conducted by the Director for Privacy, Civil Liberties and Transparency.

''(B) In carrying out a privacy impact assessment under subparagraph (A), the Director may consult with such technical and policy experts in the Department of Defense or elsewhere in the Federal Government as the Director considers appropriate.

''(d) EXCEPTIONS.—The following categories of autonomous weapon systems are not subject to the policy set forth in subsection (a) or the requirements of subsection (b) and (c):

''(1) Operator-supervised autonomous weapon systems used to select and engage materiel targets to intercept attempted time-critical or saturation attacks.

''(2) Operator-supervised autonomous weapon systems used to select and engage materiel targets for defending operationally deployed remotely piloted or autonomous vehicles or vessels.

''(3) Autonomous or semi-autonomous cyberspace capabilities, reasonably judged to be non-lethal in nature.

''(4) Unarmed platforms, whether remotely operated or operated by onboard personnel, and whether autonomous or semi-autonomous.

''(5) Unguided munitions.

''(6) Munitions manually guided by the operator.

''(7) Mines.

''(8) Unexploded explosive ordnance.

''(9) Autonomous or semi-autonomous systems that are not weapon systems.

''(10) Weapon systems employing autonomous terminal guidance to acquire and track a target individually designated by a human operator prior to or at the time of launch, where the system's autonomous function does not involve discrimination among potential targets.

''(e) PROHIBITIONS ON CERTAIN USES OF AUTONOMY OR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE CAPABILITIES.—Except as may be provided in another statute, the Secretary may not use autonomy or an artificial intelligence capability for any of the following use cases:

''(1) For the decision to initiate the launch or detonation of a nuclear weapon.

''(2) For the monitoring, tracking, profiling, or targeting of an individual or group of individuals reasonably believed to be in the United States or the collection, querying, or analysis of information about the same not otherwise permissible under the Con-

stitution of the United States, regardless of the origin of the data used, except for activities conducted in accordance with applicable provisions of law.

''(3) In the employment of lethal force by autonomous weapon without incorporation of appropriate levels of human judgment.

''(f) VERIFICATION, VALIDATION, TESTING AND EVALUATION OF AUTONOMOUS WEAPON SYSTEMS LEVERAGING AUTONOMY OR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE SYSTEMS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—For each autonomy and artificial intelligence system that is covered by the policy set forth in subsection (a), regardless of the acquisition pathway or test and evaluation oversight status for an autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability, the Director for Operational Test and Evaluation, or the Director's designee, shall ensure the autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability functions as anticipated in realistic operational environments against adaptive adversaries and are sufficiently robust to minimize failures, including by ensuring—

''(A) such autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability goes through rigorous hardware and software verification and

validation and realistic system developmental and operational test and evaluation, including analysis of unanticipated emergent behavior to assess system performance, capability, reliability, effectiveness, and suitability under realistic conditions, including possible adversary actions, consistent with the potential consequences of unintended engagement or unauthorized parties interfering with the operation of the system or capability;

''(B) hardware and software verification and validation include iterative cyber test and evaluation in accordance with Department of Defense Instruction 5000.89 (relating to Test and Evaluation), or successor instruction, to verify that the autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability is resilient and survivable in contested cyberspace, if relevant to the purpose and mission of the system or capability;

''(C) systems incorporating autonomy or artificial intelligence capabilities go through rigorous developmental and operational test and evaluation to verify and validate that the autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence

capability is robust according to design requirements;

''(D) test and evaluation of systems incorporating autonomy or artificial intelligence capabilities include testing to confirm that their autonomy or artificial intelligence algorithms can be rapidly reprogrammed on new input data to enable timely correction of any unintended system behaviors that may be observed or discovered during future system operations;

''(E) adequate training, tactics, techniques, procedures, and doctrine are available, periodically reviewed, and used by system operators and commanders to understand the functioning, capabilities, and limitations of the system's autonomy or artificial intelligence in realistic operational conditions;

''(F) system design and human-machine interfaces are readily understandable to trained operators, with clear ability to activate and deactivate system functions;

''(G) after initial operational testing and evaluation, as directed by the Director, system data is collected and any further changes to the system undergo appropriate verification, valida-

tion, test, and evaluation to ensure that critical safety features have not been degraded;

"(H) system software is tested using the best means and methods available to the Department to validate that critical safety features have not been degraded;

"(I) automated testing tools, such as modeling and simulation, are used whenever feasible;

"(J) testing identifies any new operating states and other relevant changes in the autonomous weapon system or artificial intelligence capability;

"(K) as directed by the Director—

"(i) each new or substantially revised operating state undergoes appropriate and tailored additional test and evaluation to characterize the system behavior in that new operating state; and

"(ii) whole system follow-on operational test and evaluation when required due to changes to the state transition matrix; and

"(L) in coordination with the Under Secretary for Research and Engineering and Direc-

tor, the owning component of the Department provides for monitoring to identify and address when changes to the system design or operational environment require additional testing and evaluation to provide sufficient confidence that the system will continue to avoid unintended engagements and resist interference by unauthorized parties.

''(2) APPLICABILITY OF REQUIREMENTS.—(A) For systems and capabilities assigned Level 1 under subsection (c)(1)(A)(ii), the requirements of subparagraphs (A) through (L) of paragraph (1) shall apply only to the extent relevant to the system's authorized functions and intended operational environment.

''(B) For systems and capabilities assigned Level 2 under subsection (c)(1)(A)(ii), the requirements of subparagraphs (A) through (L) of paragraph (1) shall apply in full.

''(g) AUTONOMY AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE SYSTEMS WORKING GROUP.—

''(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—(A) The Secretary shall establish and charter a working group for the purposes set forth in paragraph (2).

''(B) The working group established under subparagraph (A) shall be known as the 'Autonomy and Artificial Intelligence Working Group'.

''(2) PURPOSES.—The purposes set forth in this paragraph are as follows:

''(A) To support the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, and the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in considering the full range of relevant Department interests during the review of autonomous weapon systems and artificial intelligence capabilities before formal development.

''(B) To support the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, and the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, in considering the full range of relevant Department interests during the review of autonomous weapon systems before deployment.

''(C) When requested by appropriate representatives of the secretaries of the military departments, the Commander of United States Special Operations Command, or, when applica-

ble, a director of a defense agency or a Department of Defense Field Activity—

"(i) to advise whether a given weapon system requires senior-level approval in accordance with this section; and

"(ii) to help identify and advise on addressing potential issues presented by a given weapon system during a potential senior-level review in accordance with this section.

"(D) To develop and issue safety standards for use of autonomy and artificial intelligence capabilities in evaluation of such capabilities.

"(h) INCIDENT REPOSITORY.—

"(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Defense shall establish and maintain a centralized repository for reporting, collecting, and analyzing incidents involving autonomous weapon systems and artificial intelligence capabilities used by the Department of Defense—

"(A) to document operational incidents, weapon system failures, unintended weapon system behaviors, or near-miss events involving au-

tonomous weapon systems and artificial intelligence capabilities;

"(B) to enable the Department to identify systemic risks, software errors, or operational vulnerabilities associated with such weapon systems and capabilities; and

"(C) to promote institutional learning and continuous improvement in the design, testing, and operational employment of autonomous weapon systems and artificial intelligence capabilities.

"(2) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary shall establish procedures requiring the reporting of incidents described in paragraph (1), including—

"(A) operational malfunctions affecting the use of force;

"(B) unintended or anomalous weapon system behavior;

"(C) instances in which autonomous weapon systems or artificial intelligence capabilities selected or engaged targets inconsistent with commander intent or rules of engagement, regardless of whether engagement was ultimately executed;

"(D) human-machine interaction failures affecting command or operator control; and

"(E) other safety-related events determined appropriate by the Secretary.

"(3) SAFETY REPORTING MODEL.—In establishing the repository under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall, to the extent practicable, model reporting practices on aviation safety reporting systems used to identify and mitigate systemic risks in complex operational environments.

"(4) ANALYSIS AND DISSEMINATION.—The Secretary shall ensure that information collected through the repository established under paragraph (1) is analyzed to identify trends and lessons learned, and that appropriate findings are disseminated across the Department of Defense to improve system design, training, and operational procedures.

"(5) PROTECTION OF SENSITIVE INFORMATION.—Information contained in the repository established under paragraph (1) shall be handled in accordance with applicable classification, operational security, and national security requirements.

"(i) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than January 31 of each year until January 31, 2037, the Secretary shall

submit to the congressional defense committees an annual report on the administration of this section.

''(j) APPLICABILITY.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The requirements of this section apply to—

''(A) lethal autonomous weapon systems; and

''(B) artificial intelligence capabilities used in lethal targeting engagements that support the validation of a target, the decision to engage a target, the acquisition of a target during the weapons engagement process, and development of engagement parameters for a designated target.

''(2) EXCLUSION.—Systems and capabilities not described in paragraph (1) are not subject to the requirements of this section.

''(k) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed as preventing the lawful use of military capabilities and platforms or preventing the rapid development and deployment of military capabilities and platforms that rely upon or leverage artificial intelligence in a national security crisis, miliary conflict, or war. This section is intended to be temporary in nature until the

governed technologies mature to the point of requiring less direct oversight in their development and employment.

''(l) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

''(1) The term 'artificial intelligence' has the meaning given the term section 5002 of the National Artificial Intelligence Initiative Act of 2020 (15 U.S.C. 9401).

''(2)(A) The term 'autonomous weapon systems' means a weapon system that, once activated, can select and engage targets without further intervention by an operator. Such term includes operator-supervised autonomous weapon systems that are designed to allow operators to override operation of the weapon system but can select and engage targets without further operator input after activation.

''(B) Such term does not include a weapon system solely because it employs autonomous terminal guidance to acquire and track a target class designated by a human operator prior to or at the time of launch.

''(3) The term 'autonomy' means a capability (or set of capabilities) that enables a particular action of a system to be automatic or, within specified boundaries self-governing with minimal human oversight.

''(4) The term 'decision to engage' means the determination by a human official with weapons release authority to authorize lethal or non-lethal force against a validated target.

''(5) The term 'development of engagement parameters' means the calculation of the conditions, geometry, timing, and constraints under which a designated target will be engaged, consistent with rules of engagement and collateral effect limitations

''(6) The term 'target acquisition' means the process by which a system locates, identifies, and tracks a designated target in preparation for engagement.

''(7) The term 'target validation' means the process of confirming that a potential target meets criteria for engagement under applicable law and rules of engagement, including verification of target identity and status.

''(8) The term 'ultimate human responsibility', with respect to a weapon system, means the ability of a human commander or operator to exercise informed human agency—

''(A) to understand the operational context of the weapon system through continuous training, capacity building, and integration of design

and testing features that strengthen human understanding and effective oversight;

''(B) to supervise, intervene in, or terminate the use of force by the system, thereby guaranteeing human responsibility, when appropriate given system design; and

''(C) to ensure compliance with all applicable United States law and international law, including applicable treaties, weapon system safety rules, the law of armed conflict, and rules of engagement.''.

SEC. 1648. UPDATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE DATA STRATEGY AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.

(a) UPDATED DATA STRATEGY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than September 15, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall, acting through the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer as the Chief Data Officer of the Department of Defense, publish an update to the 2020 Department of Defense Data Strategy (in this section referred to as the ''Strategy'') that serves as the authoritative guiding document for how the Department of Defense hosts, manages, and makes discoverable Department data in support of data sharing

and artificial intelligence readiness across the military departments, combatant commands, defense agencies, and the defense intelligence enterprise.

(2) CONSULTATION.—In developing the updated Strategy under paragraph (1), the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer acting in their role as the Chief Data Officer of the Department of Defense shall consult with—

(A) the Chief Data Officer of each military department;

(B) the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense;

(C) the Chief Information Officer of each military department;

(D) the Chief Data Officer of the Joint Staff; and

(E) the Chief Data Officer of the Director of National Intelligence.

(3) ELEMENTS.—The Strategy shall include the following:

(A) A framework for data ontologies, including how the Department will define, structure, and govern data relationships to advance data-centric approaches and enable federated and scalable access to and discoverability of De-

partment data, informed by the findings and outputs of the Data Ontology Governance Working Group established under section 1504 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 10 U.S.C. note prec. 391).

(B) An identification of existing Department of Defense applications and program offices supporting data-centric approaches and a plan for how such programs will be leveraged, consolidated, or evolved in furtherance of the Strategy.

(C) A plan for ensuring integration with the defense intelligence enterprise for the sharing and exploitation of data in support of national security missions.

(D) Requirements for compliance with global, consensus-based data ontology specifications, including standards that treat the absence of a data assertion as unknown rather than false, to ensure that data can be consistently shared, interpreted, and transferred across Department and commercial systems without loss of meaning or context.

(E) An approach for ensuring data availability, discoverability, and interoperability across all appropriate classification levels.

(F) A plan for streamlining data labeling across the Department, including an evaluation of existing data labeling platforms in use across the Department and the defense intelligence enterprise to assess suitability for enterprise-wide adoption.

(b) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—Not later than December 15, 2027, the Secretary shall, acting through the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer as the Chief Data Officer of the Department of Defense, develop and submit to the congressional defense committees a plan for implementation of the Strategy across the future years defense program.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''artificial intelligence'' has the meaning given in section 238(g) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232).

(2) The term ''combatant command'' has the meaning given that term in section 161(c) of title 10, United States Code.

(3) The term ''data-centric'' means an environment where data is the primary and permanent asset separated from systems and applications making data available to a broad range of tools and analytics within and across security domains for enrichment and discovery.

(4) The term ''data ontology'' has the meaning given that term in section 1504(h) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 10 U.S.C. note prec. 391).

(5) The term ''military department'' has the meaning given that term in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 1649. ASSESSMENT OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE EFFECTS ON WARFIGHTER SKILL RETENTION AND OPERATIONAL READINESS.

(a) ASSESSMENT REQUIRED.—Commencing not later than August 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall conduct a comprehensive assessment of the effects on human performance of the adoption of artificial intelligence systems by personnel of the Department of Defense on the maintenance and retention of essential warfighter skills.

(b) COORDINATION AND LEAD OFFICIAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall designate a senior official—

(1) to coordinate the assessment and research activities required by this section;

(2) to oversee the integration of findings under this section into the policies of the Department, with the objective of maximizing both artificial intelligence-enabled performance and proficiency in critical, hard to recover skills; and

(3) who is authorized to coordinate among the military departments and relevant defense agencies for purposes of carrying out this section.

(c) SCOPE OF ASSESSMENT.—The assessment required under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) Identification of military occupational specialties and operational roles where structured proficiency management will be most critical to sustaining readiness alongside artificial intelligence adoption based on the susceptibility to skill atrophy resulting from reliance on artificial intelligence-enabled systems as well as speed and investments to recover such skill.

(2) Evaluation of the conditions under which artificial intelligence-enabled systems augment warfighter capability and the conditions that call for deliberate proficiency sustainment measures to preserve independent judgment and awareness based on

the cognitive, operational, and manual skills decline among personnel who regularly use artificial intelligence-enabled systems compared to personnel performing equivalent tasks without such systems.

(3) Identification of measurable indicators that distinguish beneficial skill augmentation from conditions requiring proficiency intervention.

(4) Assessment of how current training and certification programs can be structured to build and sustain critical, hard-to-recover proficiency based on a review of the conditions under which reliance on artificial intelligence systems may contribute to over-reliance, miscalibrated confidence in system outputs, diminished trust in independent human judgment, or reduced situation awareness.

(5) Evaluation of whether current training programs and certification standards adequately preserve critical warfighter proficiency for degraded-mode, denied, or contested operational environments, including the adequacy of primary, alternate, contingency, and emergency planning frameworks.

(6) Recommendations for policies, training protocols, doctrine, acquisition requirements, talent management strategies, or readiness metrics to en-

sure that artificial intelligence adoption strengthens operational readiness.

(d) RESEARCH ACTIVITIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The official designated under subsection (b) shall carry out research activities to support the assessment required under subsection (a), which may include controlled experiments or high-fidelity simulations comparing performance with and without artificial intelligence-enabled systems, longitudinal studies measuring skill retention trajectories, full-spectrum performance, and recovery timelines, assessment of operator confidence and decisionmaking accuracy under simulated contested conditions, and development of standardized skill sustainment metrics applicable across the Armed Forces.

(2) COORDINATION.—In carrying out the research activities under paragraph (1), the official designated under subsection (b) shall coordinate with the following entities, as appropriate:

(A) The Army Research Institute for Behavioral and Social Sciences.

(B) The Office of Naval Research.

(C) The Air Force Research Laboratory Human Effectiveness Directorate.

(D) The Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Office.

(E) The military departments.

(F) Assistant Secretary of Defense for Readiness.

(G) Such other research entities and operational commands as the Secretary of Defense considers appropriate.

(3) RESEARCH METHODOLOGY.—Research conducted under this subsection shall—

(A) establish baseline measurements of task performance and cognitive capabilities prior to artificial intelligence system use;

(B) assess performance changes during routine artificial intelligence-assisted operations;

(C) evaluate skill sustainment when artificial intelligence systems are removed or unavailable;

(D) measure recovery timelines to baseline proficiency after extended artificial intelligence-assisted operations; and

(E) identify factors that accelerate or support skill sustainment.

(e) REPORTS.—

(1) INITIAL REPORT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the assessment required under subsection (a).

(B) ELEMENTS.—The report required under subparagraph (A) shall include the following:

(i) An identification of military occupational specialties and operational roles where proficiency sustainment will be most critical based on which are most vulnerable to hard-to-recover skill atrophy.

(ii) Preliminary findings from controlled operational experiments and the design of longitudinal studies under subsection (d)(1).

(iii) An assessment of opportunities to strengthen readiness based on identification of high-level risks to proficiency based on current or planned artificial intelligence deployment practices.

(iv) Recommended changes to policies, training, doctrine, or acquisition require-

ments to optimize human and artificial intelligence integration.

(v) Recommendations for updates, identified as near- or long-term in nature, to existing training programs, certification standards, and operational doctrine to build and sustain critical and hard-to-recover proficiencies and identification of the Department of Defense component or office best positioned to implement each such recommendation.

(vi) An identification of any additional authorities, resources, research partnerships with academic institutions or federally funded research and development centers, or technical expertise needed to conduct the research activities described in subsection (d).

(2) LONGITUDINAL STUDY REPORT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than three years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report containing the findings of the longitudinal studies conducted under subsection (d)(1)(B).

(B) ELEMENTS.—The report required under subparagraph (A) shall include the following:

(i) An identification of measured rates of retention and atrophy of hard-to-recover skills across different military occupational specialties and operational contexts.

(ii) An assessment of skill recovery trajectories and the time required to restore baseline proficiency.

(iii) An evaluation of degraded-mode performance outcomes under simulated contested conditions.

(iv) Updated recommendations for policies, training protocols, doctrine, acquisition requirements, or readiness metrics based on research findings.

(v) Any update to the recommendations made under paragraph (1)(B)(v).

(f) BRIEFINGS.—

(1) INITIAL BRIEFING.—Not later than 90 days after the submittal of the initial report under subsection (e)(1), the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing

on the findings and recommendations contained in such report.

(2) LONGITUDINAL STUDY BRIEFING.—Not later than 90 days after the submittal of the longitudinal study report under subsection (e)(2), the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the findings and recommendations contained in such report.

(g) REVIEW OF TRAINING AND DOCTRINE.—The Secretary of Defense shall assess whether existing training programs, certification standards, and operational doctrine adequately account for the effects of artificial intelligence-enabled systems on skill retention and degraded-mode performance and shall include in the reports required under subsection (e)—

(1) recommendations for updates, as appropriate, identified as near-term or longer-term in nature; and

(2) identification of the Department of Defense component or office best positioned to consider implementation of each such recommendation.

(h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''artificial intelligence system'' has the meaning given the term ''artificial intelligence'' in section 238(g) of the John S. McCain

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C. 4061 note prec.).

(2) The term ''artificial intelligence-enabled system'' means any weapons system, decision support tool, or operational capability that incorporates or relies on an artificial intelligence system.

(3) The term ''degraded-mode operations'' means military operations conducted when artificial intelligence systems or supporting infrastructure are unavailable, partially functional, compromised, or under adversarial attack.

(4) The term ''primary, alternate, contingency, and emergency planning'' means a framework for ensuring continuity of operations when primary systems become unavailable, requiring personnel to employ alternate approaches, contingency plans, or emergency procedures.

SEC. 1650. DERIVED SOURCING REQUIREMENTS FOR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE OUTPUTS.

(a) SOURCING REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall, acting through the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer and in coordination with the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and

Sustainment, require that any vendor providing artificial intelligence capabilities to the Department of Defense implement, as a condition of contract award or continued performance, a sourcing mechanism that affixes clearly cited sources within any output generated by such capabilities and delivered to the Department, in a form approved by the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, indicating, at a minimum—

(A) any source that they originate from or are attributable to; and

(B) any foreign adversary propaganda source and identifying the foreign adversary covered nation associated with that source.

(2) SCOPE OF SOURCING REQUIREMENT.—The sourcing requirement under paragraph (1) shall apply to any artificial intelligence capability used by the Department of Defense to generate, summarize, synthesize, translate, or otherwise produce informational text- or image-based outputs.

(3) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this subsection shall be construed—

(A) to restrict the sources upon which an artificial intelligence model may draw; or

(B) to prohibit a vendor from training, fine-tuning, retrieval-augmenting, or otherwise incorporating into an artificial intelligence model data or content originating from any source.

(b) IMPLEMENTATION.—

(1) SOURCING STANDARDS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer shall establish standards for the sourcing requirement under subsection (a), including—

(A) the form and content of required sourcing;

(B) the form, content, and placement of sourcing to highlight foreign adversary propaganda sources;

(C) the methodology by which vendors shall identify outputs derived from foreign adversary propaganda sources, including provenance tracking and source attribution requirements; and

(D) thresholds for materiality, including when partial derivation from a foreign adversary propaganda source triggers the sourcing requirement.

(2) VENDOR COMPLIANCE.—Each vendor subject to the requirements of subsection (a) shall submit to the Secretary of Defense, through the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, documentation describing the technical mechanism by which the vendor identifies and labels sources in outputs and highlights those sources derived from foreign adversary propaganda sources.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than the date on which the sourcing standards required under subsection (b)(1) are established, the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report detailing the implementation plans for such standards.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term ''artificial intelligence'' has the meaning given that term in section 5002 of the National Artificial Intelligence Initiative Act of 2020 (15 U.S.C. 9401).

(2) The term ''artificial intelligence capability'' means any artificial intelligence model, system, tool, application, service, or component thereof that is provided to, procured by, developed for, or used by the Department of Defense, whether as a standalone product, an embedded feature, or a service accessed

via application programming interface or other means.

(3) The term ''foreign adversary covered nation''—

(A) has the meaning given the term ''covered nation'' in section 4872(f) of title 10, United States Code;

(B) includes any foreign terrorist organization designated by the Secretary of State under section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189); and

(C) includes any media organization affiliated with an entity on the list of specially designated nationals and blocked persons maintained by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury (commonly known as the ''SDN list'').

(4) The term ''foreign adversary propaganda source'' means any media organization, publication, website, social media account, broadcast outlet, or other information channel that—

(A) is owned, operated, controlled, funded, or editorially directed, in whole or in part, by the government of a foreign adversary covered

nation, or by an entity acting on behalf of such government; or

(B) is engaged in foreign malign influence activities (as defined in section 119C(f) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3059(f))) on behalf of, or in coordination with, a foreign adversary covered nation.

(5) The term ''vendor'' means any contractor, subcontractor, or other person who provides an artificial intelligence capability to the Department of Defense under a contract (as described in section 6303 of title 31, United States Code), a subcontract, a grant or cooperative agreement, or any similar instrument.

SEC. 1651. IMPROVEMENTS REGARDING GUIDANCE AND PROHIBITION ON USE OF CERTAIN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.

Section 1532 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119–60; 10 U.S.C. 2224 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) in paragraph (2)—

(i) in the paragraph heading, by striking ''CONSIDERATION OF GUIDANCE'' and inserting ''GUIDANCE''; and

(ii) by striking ''consider issuing'' and inserting ''issue''; and

(B) in paragraph (3)(B) by striking ''if'' and inserting ''after the date that is 90 days after the date on which'';

(2) in subsection (c)—

(A) in paragraph (2)—

(i) in subparagraph (A), by striking ''; or'' and inserting a semicolon;

(ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

(iii) by adding at the end the following new subparagraphs:

''(C) any artificial intelligence, or successor artificial intelligence, developed by the Chinese company Baidu;

''(D) any artificial intelligence, or successor artificial intelligence, developed by the Chinese company Zhipu AI;

''(E) any artificial intelligence, or successor artificial intelligence, developed by the Chinese company Moonshot AI;

''(F) any artificial intelligence, or successor artificial intelligence, developed by the Chinese company 01.AI;

''(G) any artificial intelligence, or successor artificial intelligence, developed by the Chinese company Mistral-rival Minimax;

''(H) any artificial intelligence, or successor artificial intelligence, developed by the Chinese company Alibaba;

''(I) any artificial intelligence, or successor artificial intelligence, developed by the Chinese company Tencent;

''(J) any artificial intelligence, or successor artificial intelligence, developed by the Chinese company Huawei;

''(K) any artificial intelligence, or successor artificial intelligence, developed by the Chinese company Bytedance;

''(L) any artificial intelligence, or successor artificial intelligence, developed by the Chinese company Xiaomi; or

''(M) any artificial intelligence, or successor artificial intelligence, that is a derivative model derived from artificial intelligence identified by subparagraphs (A) through (L).'';

(B) by amending paragraph (4) to read as follows:

"(4) The term ' covered artificial intelligence company' means—

"(A) an entity that—

"(i) produces or provides artificial intelligence models or applications; and

"(ii)(I) is included on—

"(aa) the Consolidated Screening List maintained by the International Trade Administration of the Department of Commerce; or

"(bb) the civil-military fusion list maintained under section 1260H of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283; 10 U.S.C. 113 note);

"(II) is domiciled in a covered nation; or

"(III) is subject to unmitigated foreign ownership, control, or influence by a covered nation, as deter-

mined by the Secretary of Defense in accordance with the National Industrial Security Program or any successor to such program; or

''(B) an entity that produces or provides artificial intelligence models or applications that are derivative models that are derived from artificial models or applications produced or provided by an entity described in subparagraph (A).''; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

''(5) The term 'derivative model' means an artificial intelligence model with weights, parameters, or training outputs that are derived in whole or in material part from another artificial intelligence model, including through fine-tuning, quantization, distillation, merging, or any other adaptation technique.''.

SEC. 1652. ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FUNCTIONAL BILL OF MATERIALS.

(a) ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FUNCTIONAL BILL OF MATERIALS.—The Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, and the Chief Information Officer

shall revise the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement to prohibit the Department of Defense from entering into, renewing, or extending a contract for the procurement of goods or services that utilize artificial intelligence, unless the contractor—

(1) submits to the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer an artificial intelligence functional bill of materials prior to the award, renewal, or extension of the contract; and

(2) maintains the bill of materials such that the contractor can deliver an updated bill of materials to the relevant component of the Department of Defense within 48 hours of a request for such bill of materials.

(b) FORMAT AND CONTENTS OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FUNCTIONAL BILL OF MATERIALS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—A functional bill of materials described under subsection (a) shall—

(A) include details related to the software, data, and hardware underpinning systems utilizing artificial intelligence in accordance with paragraphs (2), (3) and (4) of this subsection.

(B) be machine-readable; and

(C) disclose sufficient detail to enable a timely assessment by the Department of Defense of the impact of—

(i) newly identified vulnerabilities;

(ii) security risks;

(iii) integrity concerns affecting software, models, or data; and

(iv) other newly available risk-relevant information affecting components incorporated into or relied upon by the artificial intelligence system.

(2) MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR SOFTWARE SECTION OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FUNCTIONAL BILL OF MATERIALS.—The software section of the artificial intelligence functional bill of materials required under subsection (a) shall include the following minimum elements:

(A) A description of all models of the artificial intelligence, including—

(i) pre-trained foundation models;

(ii) fine-tuned models customized for specific Department of Defense use cases through transfer learning or additional training;

(iii) internally trained models, including custom architectures and algorithms for the Department of Defense;

(iv) other model versions and configurations deployed in production, along with their hyperparameters and deployment context; and

(v) for each models described in clauses (i) through (iv)—

(I) the model name;

(II) the model identifiers;

(III) the model version or release identifier;

(IV) the model supplier;

(V) the model origin;

(VI) the model lineage;

(VII) the model license;

(VIII) the integrity reference;

(IX) a description of any self-hosted or custom models across containers or virtual machines;

(X) any model source registries and versions; and

(XI) a description of artificial intelligence agents and their functional

boundaries (abilities to read, write, and execute).

(B) A description of the dependencies of the artificial intelligence, including—

(i) the machine-learning frameworks used to build and run the artificial intelligence;

(ii) the developer-level artificial intelligence technologies and software development kits, including integrated development environment extensions;

(iii) any third-party packages, including supporting libraries and open-source components that models of the artificial intelligence depend on;

(iv) the runtime dependencies necessary for training, serving, or orchestrating artificial intelligence models in production; and

(v) any direct and nested transitive relationships.

(C) The security and governance of the artificial intelligence, including—

(i) identity verification and access, including service accounts, roles, permis-

sions, and credentials the artificial intelligence system uses;

(ii) access paths, including external application programming interfaces;

(iii) security controls, such as policies, classifiers, and validation mechanisms that apply to the artificial intelligence components;

(iv) guardrail safety configurations and filters; and

(v) model context protocol server tool configurations.

(D) Any access history and permissions granted by the artificial intelligence, including—

(i) a description of the ownership of and access to the artificial intelligence system by the Department of Defense;

(ii) the change history, including audit trails that show who modified components, when, and why; and

(iii) a description of the approval workflows, including processes that govern how artificial intelligence components move

through development, testing, and production.

(E) The performance metrics and model updates, including—

(i) use cases, prioritizing high-impact use cases; and

(ii) performance metrics, such as accuracy and latency.

(3) DATA SECTION OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE BILL OF MATERIALS.—The data section of the artificial intelligence functional bill of materials required under subsection (a) shall include the following minimum elements:

(A) The training data, including datasets used to train or fine-tune models of the artificial intelligence, including their origin, licensing, and any applied preprocessing.

(B) The inference-time data, such as data sources any model of the artificial intelligence accessed during production, including real-time APIs, feature stores, or data warehouses.

(C) Data storage, including the underlying storage systems, such as cloud storage, databases, or vector databases, that hold artificial intelligence-related data.

(D) Metadata on components' name, precise version, file paths, open-source licenses, package managers, and unique identifiers such as purl or cryptographic hashes.

(E) For each dataset described in subparagraphs (A) through (D)—

(i) the dataset name;

(ii) the dataset version or date of creation or last update, whichever is more recent;

(iii) the dataset location;

(iv) the integrity reference;

(v) the sensitivity of the data;

(vi) the license to use such data;

(vii) the data supplier;

(viii) the creator of the data contained in the dataset;

(ix) the data origin;

(x) the data lineage;

(xi) the country of origin; and

(xii) the data processing history.

(4) HARDWARE SECTION OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FUNCTIONAL BILL OF MATERIALS.—The hardware section of the artificial intelligence functional bill of materials required under subsection (a)

shall include relevant information of the physical infrastructure that the artificial intelligence runs on, including the following minimum elements:

(A) Compute resources, including graphics processing units, tensor processing units, and other acceleration hardware artificial intelligence workloads use.

(B) Any storage and networking that supports the artificial intelligence, including the cloud infrastructure supporting artificial intelligence operations and other network paths between components.

(C) Cloud environments, including accounts, regions, and deployment boundaries on which artificial intelligence workloads run.

(c) APPLICABILITY OF SOFTWARE BILL OF MATERIALS REQUIREMENTS TO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, and the Chief Information Officer shall develop regulations, guidance, and policies to

ensure that current policies, regulations, and guidance relating to the use, submission, or maintenance of a software bill of materials shall apply to the software that underpins artificial intelligence systems used, developed, or procured by the Department of Defense.

(2) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a report on—

(A) the status of the implementation of the regulations, guidance, and policies developed under paragraph (1), including any challenges, recommendations, and legislative or regulatory action needed to enhance the effectiveness of such implementation;

(B) the feasibility and necessity of updating Department of Defense Instruction 5000.87, Operation of the Software Acquisition Pathway (October 2, 2020) and the software acquisition pathway established under section 3603 of title 10, United States Code, with requirements for—

(i) an artificial intelligence software bill of materials; and

(ii) a more detailed software bill of materials in the procurement of software, hardware, artificial intelligence technologies, and cryptographic technologies; and

(C) the estimated costs of implementing the requirements described in subparagraph (B).

(d) CYBERSECURITY CONSIDERATIONS FOR BILL OF MATERIALS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Defense Systems Agency and Chief Information Officer shall issue guidance on to procuring agencies on appropriate storage of any bill of material submitted under subsection (a) to align with the cybersecurity requirements of the Department of Defense.

(2) CONTENTS.—The guidance issued under paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) strict access controls;

(B) digital signing and hashing;

(C) secure sharing mechanisms; and

(D) centralized repositories to prevent tampering and unauthorized access.

(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.—The terms ''artificial intelligence'' have the meanings given such terms, respectively, in section 5001 of the National Artificial Intelligence Initiative Act of 2020 (15 U.S.C. 9401).

(2) SOFTWARE BILL OF MATERIALS.—The term ''software bill of materials'' means the records kept in the normal course of business that identify each component, library, and dependency comprising a software application.

SEC. 1653. REQUIREMENTS FOR HUMAN OVERSIGHT OF USE OF FORCE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall issue regulations to ensure that—

(1) the use of force by the Armed Forces of the United States remains subject to a clear, accountable, and identifiable human chain of command and control;

(2) decisions to authorize, initiate, or terminate the use of force are attributable to human com-

manders and operators acting within established legal authorities;

(3) the employment of any weapon system, whether unguided, autonomous, semi-autonomous, or otherwise enabled by advanced technologies, shall not eliminate human responsibility for the use of force;

(4) all weapon systems shall be designed, fielded, and employed in a manner that preserves human accountability consistent with the law of armed conflict and any applicable law of the United States; and

(5) any weapon system developed or employed by the Department of Defense that incorporates autonomous or artificial intelligence–enabled functions—

(A) is designed and fielded consistent with Department of Defense Directive 3000.09 (relating to Autonomy in Weapon Systems), or any successor directive, including the requirement that all individuals in the human chain of command may exercise control over such system to exercise appropriate levels of human judgment over the use of force;

(B) includes operational plans, rules of engagement, doctrine, and training manuals that clearly specify the roles and responsibilities of commanders and operators in—

(i) authorizing and supervising the use of force by the system; and

(ii) executing manned-unmanned teaming concepts by semi-autonomous and fully autonomous formations;

(C) is subject to exercises, simulations, trainings of relevant personnel, and concepts of employment that assess the risk of automation bias and evaluate the ability of commanders and operators to appropriately question, override, or disengage the system outputs during decisions involving the use of force as appropriate given the design of the system;

(D) is subject to verification, validation, testing, and evaluation processes that assess—

(i) system performance to ensure that the system is sufficiently robust and functions as anticipated in realistic operational environments; and

(ii) the clarity of the human-command relationship and decision authorities; and

(E) has mechanisms in place to ensure that after-action review processes can identify responsible human decision-makers within the chain of command for any employment of force involving the system.

(b) JOINT DOCTRINE FOR AUTONOMOUS WARFARE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, in coordination with the Secretaries of the military departments, shall develop a joint doctrine for autonomous warfare.

(2) CONTENTS.—The doctrine developed under paragraph (1) shall—

(A) establish fundamental principles across the Joint Force that focus on manned-unmanned blended units and fully autonomous units, in which human and machine platforms conduct multi-domain operations;

(B) consider new operational concepts, new command-and-control structures and processes, new training and military education, and new organizational reforms that integrate autonomy into warfighting; and

(C) include the manner by which the Joint Force will incorporate new warfighting tech-

nologies, such as artificial intelligence, autonomous platforms and organizational units, and drone swarms, into existing joint doctrine.

(c) ANNUAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the congressional defense committees a report that includes—

(A) a description of the measures taken to ensure compliance with the requirements of subsection (a);

(B) any identified risks of accountability gaps associated with new weapon systems or emerging technologies; and

(C) any legislative action required to strengthen compliance with the requirements of subsection (a).

(2) FORM.—The annual report required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

SEC. 1654. BIOSECURITY PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR COVERED ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE MODELS.

(a) BIOSECURITY EVALUATION FRAMEWORK.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall develop a framework for the implementation of biosecurity evaluation standards and best practices relating to covered artificial intelligence models to mitigate biosecurity risks to the Department of Defense from the use of such models, including any risk presented by a malicious actor gaining unauthorized access to such models.

(2) COVERAGE OF RELEVANT ASPECTS OF BIOSECURITY RISK.—The framework developed under paragraph (1) shall cover all aspects of biosecurity risks posed by and to covered artificial intelligence models, including the following:

(A) Evaluation of the potential for misuse, including the capability of covered artificial intelligence models to materially enable, meaningfully facilitate, or significantly lower barriers to the design, acquisition, production, or dissemination of biological agents, toxins, or other biological threats.

(B) Evaluation of model behaviors and failure modes relevant to biosecurity, including the propensity to provide actionable assistance for harmful biological activities, including

through prompt-based elicitation, fine-tuning, tool use, or other methods of adaptation.

(C) Biosecurity red-teaming and testing requirements, including the use of qualified subject-matter experts and test protocols designed to simulate realistic misuse attempts.

(D) Mitigation measures and safeguards, including the deployment of technical and operational controls to reduce biosecurity risks, such as access controls, monitoring, logging, usage restrictions, capability gating, safe completion techniques, and limitations on high-risk functionality.

(E) Risks relating to the unintended exposure, theft, or release of covered artificial intelligence models (including model weights, parameters, system prompts, fine-tuning data, or other sensitive model artifacts) and the biosecurity implications of such unauthorized access.

(F) Supply chain and third-party risks relevant to biosecurity, including the risks posed by integration of covered artificial intelligence models into other systems and the risk that downstream deployments or failure by contractors to implement required biosecurity controls.

(G) Processes for re-evaluation over time, including triggers for reassessment based on material changes to a model (including capability improvements, new tooling, fine-tuning, or deployment changes) and updated threat information.

(3) RISK-BASED SCALING.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that the framework developed under paragraph (1)—

(A) prioritizes the covered artificial intelligence models that present the greatest potential biosecurity risk, based on threat reporting, risk assessments, and model capability evaluations;

(B) establishes security and evaluation levels that scale to the biosecurity risk posed by a covered artificial intelligence model, taking into account the sensitivity of the mission context and the potential consequences of misuse; and

(C) is designed to be practicable for acquisition and implementation, including through the use of tiered requirements and appropriate tailoring to the type of technology and deployment.

(4) CONSULTATION.—In developing the framework under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense may consult with—

(A) such officials as the Secretary of Defense considers appropriate; and

(B) any relevant industry, academic, and civil society experts with demonstrated biosecurity expertise.

(b) CONDITION OF PROCUREMENT; IMPLEMENTATION THROUGH ACQUISITION REGULATIONS.—

(1) CONDITION OF PROCUREMENT.—Beginning on the date that is 18 months after the date on which the Secretary of Defense issues implementing guidance under paragraph (2), the Department of Defense may not procure, obtain, renew, or extend the use of a covered artificial intelligence model (including through a contract for cloud-hosted model access) unless the covered artificial intelligence model has undergone biosecurity testing and evaluation consistent with the framework developed under subsection (a) and the Secretary determines that appropriate mitigation measures and safeguards have been implemented commensurate with the risk.

(2) IMPLEMENTING GUIDANCE AND DFARS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-

ment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall issue implementing guidance to carry out the requirements of this section. The Secretary may amend the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement to incorporate requirements consistent with such guidance, including requirements applicable to contractors that develop, deploy, store, host, fine-tune, integrate, or provide access to covered artificial intelligence models for the Department of Defense.

(3) CONTRACTOR ASSURANCES AND DOCUMENTATION.—The implementing guidance under paragraph (2) shall include contractor assurance and documentation requirements sufficient for the Department to verify compliance, which may include—

(A) summaries of testing protocols and results, including biosecurity red-teaming results, limitations, and remediation actions;

(B) descriptions of mitigation measures implemented and evidence of their operation;

(C) supply chain and access-control information relevant to the risk of unauthorized access to the model; and

(D) such additional information as the Secretary determines necessary to evaluate bio-

security risk and compliance, consistent with protection of classified information and proprietary business information.

(4) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may waive the requirements of paragraph (1) with respect to a specific procurement or use if the Secretary determines that exigent circumstances or overriding national security needs require such waiver. Any waiver under this paragraph shall be—

(A) in writing;

(B) time-limited;

(C) accompanied by a description of compensating controls to manage biosecurity risk to the maximum extent practicable; and

(D) provided to the congressional defense committees not later than 30 days after the waiver is issued.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter for 3 years, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report describing—

(1) the framework developed under subsection (a) and the status of implementation under subsection (b);

(2) the categories of covered artificial intelligence models subject to the framework and any updates to the scope of coverage;

(3) the extent to which the Department has incorporated biosecurity evaluation requirements into procurement processes and contract instruments;

(4) challenges and resource needs for implementing biosecurity evaluations and mitigations; and

(5) any recommendations for additional authorities or legislative actions.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE; MACHINE LEARNING.—The terms ''artificial intelligence'' and ''machine learning'' have the meanings given such terms in section 5001 of the National Artificial Intelligence Initiative Act of 2020 (15 U.S.C. 9401).

(2) BIOSECURITY EVALUATION.—The term ''biosecurity evaluation'' means testing, assessment, and analysis conducted to identify and characterize biosecurity-relevant capabilities, misuse potential, and failure modes of a covered artificial intelligence model, including through red-teaming, and the evaluation of mitigation measures to reduce such risks.

(3) COVERED ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE MODEL.—The term ''covered artificial intelligence

model'' means an artificial intelligence model, or class of artificial intelligence models, designated by the Secretary of Defense for purposes of this section based on an assessment that the model's biological or life-sciences-related capabilities, scale, access patterns, or deployment context could present a material biosecurity risk to the Department of Defense if misused or accessed by unauthorized persons.

SEC. 1655. PROTOTYPING SECURE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE DATA CENTERS.

(a) PROTOTYPING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE DATA CENTERS.—The Secretary of Defense shall, acting through the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering and in consultation with the Director of the National Security Agency and the head of the Center for Artificial Intelligence Standards and Innovation at the Department of Commerce, carry out a program to construct, retrofit, prototype, and perform testing and evaluation on highly secure data centers uniquely built for artificial intelligence workloads and capable of—

(1) resisting attacks by nation-state adversaries;

(2) addressing threats from autonomous artificial intelligence agents; and

(3) securing the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of artificial intelligence models and inference pipelines.

(b) FOCUS.—The program required by subsection (a) shall be focused on—

(1) building or retrofitting prototype technologies and security controls needed to protect artificial intelligence data centers from attacks by nation-state adversaries;

(2) building or prototyping crucial components, such as cross-domain solutions, to address specific security needs of artificial intelligence data centers;

(3) protecting model weights and other sensitive assets stored in advanced artificial intelligence data centers from theft, sabotage, unauthorized access, or manipulation by nation-state adversaries;

(4) addressing new challenges associated with highly autonomous artificial intelligence systems, including attempts to autonomously exploit vulnerabilities, evade monitoring, or exfiltrate sensitive assets;

(5) identifying technologies not yet commercially available or sufficiently mature to achieve the elements of the focus set out in this subsection, including hardware tamper resistance, secure and con-

fidential computing at scale, and supply chain verification tools, and recommending research and development investments needed to advance such technologies;

(6) assessing relevant physical security, cybersecurity, supply chain security, insider threat, access control, monitoring, compartmentation, secure compute environment, and incident response requirements for such facilities; and

(7) developing detailed plans, budgets, and cost estimates and recommended courses of action, for constructing or retrofitting facilities to achieve the goals of this subsection.

(c) BRIEFING AND REPORT.—

(1) BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on progress made under the program required by subsection (a), including key findings from prototype activities, threats, vulnerabilities, capability gaps, and resourcing requirements.

(2) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees

a report on the results of the program required by subsection (a), including—

(A) prototype results, technologies, or operational measures needed to improve the security of secure artificial intelligence data centers; and

(B) recommendations for further investments to address threats from nation-state adversaries and autonomous artificial intelligence agents.

DIVISION B—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZATIONS

SEC. 2001. SHORT TITLE.

This division may be cited as the ''Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2027''.

SEC. 2002. EXPIRATION OF AUTHORIZATIONS AND AMOUNTS REQUIRED TO BE SPECIFIED BY LAW.

(a) EXPIRATION OF AUTHORIZATIONS AFTER THREE YEARS.—Except as provided in subsection (b), all authorizations contained in titles XXI through XXVII for military construction projects, land acquisition, facilities sustainment, family housing projects and facilities, and contributions to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization

Security Investment Program (and authorizations of appropriations therefor) shall expire on the later of—

(1) October 1, 2029; or

(2) the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal year 2030.

(b) EXCEPTION.—Subsection (a) shall not apply to authorizations for military construction projects, land acquisition, facilities sustainment, family housing projects and facilities, and contributions to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program (and authorizations of appropriations therefor), for which appropriated funds have been obligated before the later of—

(1) October 1, 2029; or

(2) the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for fiscal year 2030 for military construction projects, land acquisition, facilities sustainment, family housing projects and facilities, or contributions to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program.

SEC. 2003. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Titles XXI through XXVII shall take effect on the later of—

(1) October 1, 2026; or

(2) the date of the enactment of this Act.

TITLE XXI—ARMY MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

SEC. 2101. AUTHORIZED ARMY CONSTRUCTION AND LAND ACQUISITION PROJECTS.

(a) INSIDE THE UNITED STATES.—Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2103(a) and available for military construction projects inside the United States as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Army 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:

Army: Inside the United States

State	Installation	Amount
Alaska	Fort Wainwright	$147,000,000
Guam	Joint Region Marianas	$184,000,000
Hawaii	Schofield Barracks	$30,000,000
	Wheeler Army Air Field	$459,000,000
Indiana	Crane Army Ammunition Activity	$27,000,000
Louisiana	Fort Polk	$157,000,000
New York	Fort Drum	$25,000,000
Oklahoma	Fort Sill	$93,000,000
Texas	Fort Bliss	$35,000,000
	Fort Hood	$81,000,000
	Joint Base San Antonio	$918,000,000

(b) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.—Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2103(a) and available for military construction projects outside the United States as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Army 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:

Army: Outside the United States

Country	Installation or Location	Amount
Honduras	Soto Cano Air Base	$17,000,000
Italy	Caserma Renato Del Din	$17,000,000

SEC. 2102. FAMILY HOUSING.

(a) CONSTRUCTION AND ACQUISITION.—Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2103(a) and available for military family housing functions as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Army may construct or acquire family housing units (including land acquisition and supporting facilities) at the installations or locations, in the number of units, and in the amounts set forth in the following table:

Army: Family Housing

Country	Installation	Units	Amount
Germany	South Camp Vilseck	FH Replacement Construction (44 units).	$95,060,000
Kwajalein	Kwajalein Atoll	FH Replacement Construction (30 units).	$146,359,000

(b) IMPROVEMENTS TO MILITARY FAMILY HOUSING UNITS.—Subject to section 2825 of title 10, United States Code, and using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2103(a) and available for military family housing functions as specified

in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Army may improve existing military family housing units in an amount not to exceed $194,006,000.

(c) PLANNING AND DESIGN.—Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2103(a) and available for military family housing functions as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Army may carry out architectural and engineering services and construction design activities with respect to the construction or improvement of family housing units in an amount not to exceed $90,557,000.

SEC. 2103. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, ARMY.

(a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years beginning after September 30, 2026, for military construction, land acquisition, facilities sustainment, and military family housing functions of the Department of the Army as specified in the funding table in section 4601.

(b) LIMITATION ON TOTAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.—Notwithstanding the cost variations authorized by section 2853 of title 10, United States Code, and any other cost variation authorized by law, the total cost of all projects carried out under sections 2101 and 2102 of this Act may not exceed the total amount authorized

to be appropriated under subsection (a), as specified in the funding table in section 4601.

SEC. 2104. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT FISCAL YEAR 2021 PROJECT AT FORT GILLEM, GEORGIA.

(a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (division B of Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat. 4294), the authorization set forth in the table in subsection (b), as provided in section 2101(a) of that Act (134 Stat. 4295) and most recently extended by section 2104 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (division B of Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1266), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2027, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal year 2028, whichever is later.

(b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is as follows:

Army: Extension of 2021 Project Authorizations

State	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Georgia	Fort Gillem	Forensic Laboratory	$71,000,000

SEC. 2105. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CERTAIN FISCAL YEAR 2022 PROJECTS.

(a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (division B of Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 2161), the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (c), as provided in section 2101 of that Act (135 Stat. 2163) and most recently extended by section 2105 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (division B of Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1267), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2027, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal year 2028, whichever is later.

(b) MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT PROJECT AT FORT STEWART, GEORGIA.—In the case of the authorization set forth in the table in subsection (c), as provided in section 2101 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (division B of Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 2161), for Fort Stewart, Georgia, for construction of a barracks, the Secretary of the Army may construct a facility of 193,347 square feet.

(c) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is as follows:

Army: Extension of 2022 Project Authorizations

State/Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Georgia	Fort Stewart	Barracks	$105,000,000
Germany	Smith Barracks ..	Live Fire Exercise Shoothouse.	$16,000,000

SEC. 2106. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CERTAIN FISCAL YEAR 2023 PROJECTS.

(a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (division B of Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2970), the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b), as provided in section 2101 of that Act (136 Stat. 2971), and extended by section 2106 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (division B of Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1267), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2027, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal year 2028, whichever is later.

(b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is as follows:

Army: Extension of 2023 Project Authorizations

State/Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Germany	East Camp Grafenwoehr.	EDI: Battalion Trng Cplx2 (OPS/Veh Maint).	$64,000,000
Hawaii	Fort Shafter	Water System Upgrade	$33,000,000
	Tripler Army Medical Center.	Upgrade Potable Water System.	$38,000,000
Japan	Kadena Air Force Base.	Vehicle Maintenance Shop	$80,000,000

SEC. 2107. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CERTAIN FISCAL YEAR 2024 PROJECTS.

(a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (division B of Public Law 118–31; 137 Stat. 709), the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b), as provided in section 2101 of that Act (137 Stat. 710), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2027, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal year 2028, whichever is later.

(b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is as follows:

Army: Extension of 2024 Project Authorizations

State/Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Germany	Grafenwoehr	Automated Multi-Purpose Machine Gun Range.	$10,400,000
	Hohenfels	Simulations Center	$88,000,000
Hawaii	Aliamanu Military Reservation.	Water Storage Tank	$20,000,000
	Fort Shafter	Clearwell and Booster Pump.	$80,000,000
	Helemano Military Reservation.	Wells and Storage Tanks	$90,000,000
	Schofield Barracks.	Elevated Tank and Distribution Lines.	$35,000,000
Kentucky	Fort Campbell	Multipurpose Training Range.	$39,000,000
North Carolina.	Fort Liberty	Aircraft Maintenance Hangar.	$61,000,000
		Barracks (Facility Prototyping).	$85,000,000
Texas	Red River Army Depot.	Component Rebuild Shop	$113,000,000

SEC. 2108. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT FISCAL YEAR 2025 PROJECT AT GRAFENWOEHR, GERMANY.

In the case of the authorization contained in the table in section 2101 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (division B of Public Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 2212) for U.S. Army Garrison Bavaria, Germany, for construction of an operational readiness training complex underground electric line as specified in the funding table in section 4601 of such Act, the Secretary of the Army may construct an operational readiness training complex underground electric line at Grafenwoehr, Germany.

SEC. 2109. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT FISCAL YEAR 2026 PROJECT AT JOINT REGION MARIANAS, GUAM.

In the case of the authorization contained in the table in section 2101 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (division B of Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1265) for Joint Region Marianas, Guam, for construction of PDI: Guam Defense System, EIAMD, Phase 2 (Inc), at that location, the Secretary of the Army may construct a 2,496-square-foot pump house and 648,000-gallon non-portable water storage tank.

TITLE XXII—NAVY MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

SEC. 2201. AUTHORIZED NAVY CONSTRUCTION AND LAND ACQUISITION PROJECTS.

(a) INSIDE THE UNITED STATES.—Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2203(a) and available for military construction projects inside the United States as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Navy 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:

Navy and Marine Corps: Inside the United States

State	Installation or Location	Amount
California	Camp Pendleton	$53,150,000
	Naval Base San Diego	$68,000,000
Connecticut	Naval Submarine Base New London	$50,000,000
Florida	Cape Canaveral Space Force Station	$60,990,000
Georgia	Naval Air Station Albany	$86,350,000
	Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay	$490,550,000
Guam	Joint Region Marianas	$1,346,763,000
Hawaii	Ford Island	$183,760,000
	Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay	$340,070,000
Illinois	Naval Station Great Lakes	$247,000,000
Indiana	Naval Weapons Station Crane	$103,380,000
Maryland	United States Naval Academy	$86,000,000
Nevada	Naval Air Station Fallon	$387,570,000
North Carolina	Camp Lejeune	$391,910,000
Virginia	Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek – Fort Story.	$65,640,000
	Naval Air Station Oceana	$104,340,000
	Naval Station Norfolk	$177,980,000
Washington	Naval Air Station Whidbey Island	$277,000,000
	Naval Base Kitsap–Bangor	$679,530,000
	Naval Base Kitsap–Bremerton	$195,227,000
	Puget Sound Naval Shipyard	$14,759,360,000

(b) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.—Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropria-

tions in section 2203(a) and available for military construction projects outside the United States as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Navy 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:

Navy: Outside the United States

Country	Installation or Location	Amount
Japan	Kadena Air Base	$31,780,000
Spain	Naval Station Rota	$64,080,000

SEC. 2202. FAMILY HOUSING.

(a) IMPROVEMENTS TO MILITARY FAMILY HOUSING UNITS.—Subject to section 2825 of title 10, United States Code, and using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2203(a) and available for military family housing functions as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Navy may improve existing military family housing units in an amount not to exceed $511,837,000.

(b) PLANNING AND DESIGN.—Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2203(a) and available for military family housing functions as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Navy may carry out architectural and engineering services and construction design activities

with respect to the construction or improvement of family housing units in an amount not to exceed $57,371,000.

SEC. 2203. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, NAVY.

(a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years beginning after September 30, 2026, for military construction, land acquisition, facilities sustainment, and military family housing functions of the Department of the Navy, as specified in the funding table in section 4601.

(b) LIMITATION ON TOTAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.—Notwithstanding the cost variations authorized by section 2853 of title 10, United States Code, and any other cost variation authorized by law, the total cost of all projects carried out under sections 2201 and 2202 may not exceed the total amount authorized to be appropriated under subsection (a), as specified in the funding table in section 4601.

SEC. 2204. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CERTAIN FISCAL YEAR 2023 PROJECTS.

(a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (division B of Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2970), the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b), as provided in section 2201 of that Act (136 Stat. 2975) and extended by section 2206 of the Military

Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (division B of Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1271), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2027, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal year 2028, whichever is later.

(b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is as follows:

Navy: Extension of 2023 Project Authorizations

State/Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Florida	Naval Air Station Jacksonville	Engine Test Cells Modifications	$100,570,000
Hawaii	Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickman	Missile Magazines	$142,783,000
North Carolina	Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point	CH–53K Gearbox Repair and Test Facility	$44,830,000
South Carolina	Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island	Recruit Barracks	$81,690,000
		Recruit Barracks	$85,040,000
Spain	Naval Station Rota	EDI: Missile Magazines	$92,323,000

SEC. 2205. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CERTAIN FISCAL YEAR 2024 PROJECTS.

(a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (division B of Public Law 118–31; 137 Stat. 709), the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (c), as provided in section 2201 of that Act (137 Stat. 714), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2027,

or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal year 2028, whichever is later.

(b) MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT PROJECT AT MARINE CORPS BASE QUANTICO, VIRGINIA.—In the case of the authorization set forth in the table in subsection (c), as provided in section 2201 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (division B of Public Law 118–31; 137 Stat. 714) for construction of a Water Treatment Plant at Marine Corps Base Quantico, Virginia, the Secretary of the Navy may construct 20,000 linear feet of water supply lines, three pump houses (non-occupied), and one 2,300-square foot pump station/multi-purpose building (occupied) in lieu of a water treatment plant at the installation.

(c) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is as follows:

Navy: Extension of 2024 Project Authorizations

State/Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
California	Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center Twentynine Palms	Communications Towers	$55,341,000
Connecticut	Naval Submarine Base New London	Weapons Magazine & Ordnance Operations Fac	$219,200,000
District of Columbia.	Marine Barracks Washington (8th Street and I)	Bachelor Enlisted Quarters & Support Facility	$131,800,000
Guam	Naval Base Guan	PDI: Consolidated MEB HQ/NCIS Phase II	$19,740,000

Navy: Extension of 2024 Project Authorizations—Continued

State/Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
	.....	PDI: Satellite Communications Facility (INC)	$595,100,000
Hawaii	Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay	Water Reclamation Facility Compliance Upgrade	$318,845,000
Italy	Naval Air Station Sigonella	EDI: Ordnance Magazines	$90,348,000
Maryland	Fort Meade	Cybersecurity Operations Facility	$186,480,000
	Naval Air Station Patuxent River	Aircraft Development and Maintenance Facilities ..	$141,700,000
North Carolina	Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune	10th Marines Maintenance & Operations Complex ...	$117,550,000
Virginia	Marine Corps Base Quantico	Water Treatment Plant	$127,120,000
	Naval Station Norfolk	MQ–25 Aircraft Laydown Facility	$128,678,000
	Naval Weapons Station Yorktown	Weapons Magazines	$283,500,000
Washington	Naval Base Kitsap	Alternate Power Transmission Line	$19,000,000

SEC. 2206. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT FISCAL YEAR 2026 PROJECT AT PACIFIC MISSILE RANGE FACILITY BARKING SANDS, HAWAII.

In the case of the authorization contained in the table in section 2201 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (division B of Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1268) for construction of PDI: Airfield Pavement Upgrades at Pacific Missile Range Facility Barking Sands, Hawaii, the Secretary of the Navy may expand airfield pavement areas to 280,000 square meters to mitigate the risk of aircraft hydroplane.

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

State	Installation or Location	Amount
Alabama	Redstone Arsenal	$2,050,000,000
Alaska	Eielson Air Force Base	$91,000,000
	Joint Base Elmendorf–Richardson	$2,066,050,000
Arkansas	Ebbing Air National Guard Base	$18,000,000
	Little Rock Air Force Base	$27,000,000
Colorado	Schriever Space Force Base	$250,000,000
Florida	Cape Canaveral Space Force Station	$409,800,000
	Eglin Air Force Base	$87,800,000
	Tyndall Air Force Base	$208,000,000
Georgia	Moody Air Force Base	$15,870,000
	Robins Air Force Base	$52,000,000
Illinois	Scott Air Force Base	$79,000,000
Mississippi	Columbus Air Force Base	$11,800,000
Missouri	Whiteman Air Force Base	$169,000,000
Montana	Malmstrom Air Force Base	$1,390,000,000
Nevada	Creech Air Force Base	$159,000,000
	Nellis Air Force Base	$730,700,000
New Mexico	Holloman Air Force Base	$72,750,000
	Kirtland Air Force Base	$250,000,000
North Carolina	Seymour Johnson Air Force Base	$13,000,000
North Dakota	Grand Forks Air Force Base	$321,000,000
	Minot Air Force Base	$232,000,000
Tennessee	Arnold Air Force Base	$17,600,000
Texas	Dyess Air Force Base	$470,000,000
	Joint Base San Antonio	$180,000,000
	Lackland Air Force Base	$96,000,000
Virginia	Joint Base Langley–Eustis	$49,000,000
Wyoming	F.E. Warren Air Force Base	$171,000,000

(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 Force 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:

Air Force: Outside the United States

Country	Installation or Location	Amount
Djibouti	Chabelley Airfield	$27,000,000
Japan	Kadena Air Base	$99,000,000
	Misawa Air Base	$89,000,000
Spain	Morón Air Base	$156,000,000
Wake Island	Wake Island	$335,000,000

SEC. 2302. FAMILY HOUSING.

(a) CONSTRUCTION AND ACQUISITION.—Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2303(a) and available for military family housing functions as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Air Force may construct or acquire family housing units (including land acquisition and supporting facilities) at the installation or location, in the number of units, and in the amount set forth in the following table:

Air Force: Family Housing

Country	Installation	Units	Amount
United Kingdom	Royal Air Force Croughton	Croughton (Replacement) (12 Units)	$24,104,000

(b) IMPROVEMENTS TO MILITARY FAMILY HOUSING UNITS.—Subject to section 2825 of title 10, United States Code, and using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2303(a) and available for military family housing functions as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Air Force may improve existing military family housing units in an amount not to exceed $329,064,000.

(c) PLANNING AND DESIGN.—Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2303(a) and available for military family housing functions as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Air Force may carry out architectural and engineering services and construction design activities with respect to the construction or improvement of family housing units in an amount not to exceed $125,854,000.

SEC. 2303. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, AIR FORCE.

(a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years beginning after September 30, 2026, for military con-

struction, land acquisition, facilities sustainment, and military family housing functions of the Department of the Air Force, as specified in the funding table in section 4601.

(b) LIMITATION ON TOTAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.—Notwithstanding the cost variations authorized by section 2853 of title 10, United States Code, and any other cost variation authorized by law, the total cost of all projects carried out under sections 2301 and 2302 may not exceed the total amount authorized to be appropriated under subsection (a), as specified in the funding table in section 4601.

SEC. 2304. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CERTAIN FISCAL YEAR 2019 PROJECTS.

(a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (division B of Public Law 115–232; 132 Stat. 2240), the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b), as provided in section 2903 of that Act (132 Stat. 2287) and most recently extended by section 2305 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (division B of Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1274), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2027, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal year 2028, whichever is later.

(b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is as follows:

Air Force: Extension of 2019 Project Authorization

Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
United Kingdom	Royal Air Force Fairford	EDI: Construct DABS–FEV Storage	$87,000,000
		EDI: Munitions Holding Area	$19,000,000

SEC. 2305. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CERTAIN FISCAL YEAR 2020 PROJECTS.

(a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (division B of Public Law 116–92; 133 Stat. 1862), the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b), as provided in sections 2301(a) and 2912(a) of that Act (133 Stat. 1867, 1913), and most recently extended by section 2306 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (division B of Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1275), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2027, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal year 2028, whichever is later.

(b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is as follows:

Air Force: Extension of 2020 Project Authorization

State	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Florida	Tyndall Air Force Base	Deployment Center/ Flight Line Dining/AAFES	$43,000,000
Georgia	Moody Air Force Base	41 RQS HH–60W Apron	$12,500,000

SEC. 2306. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CERTAIN FISCAL YEAR 2023 PROJECTS.

(a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (division B of Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2970), the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b), as provided in section 2301 of that Act (136 Stat. 2978), and extended by section 2308 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (division B of Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1276), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2027, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal year 2028, whichever is later.

(b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is as follows:

Air Force: Extension of 2023 Project Authorizations

State/ Counrty	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Florida	Patrick Space Force Base	Consolidated Communications Center	$97,000,000
Norway	Rygge Air Station	EDI: Base Perimeter Security Fence	$8,200,000

Air Force: Extension of 2023 Project Authorizations—Continued

State/ Counrty	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Texas	Joint Base San Antonio–Randolph	Child Development Center	$29,000,000

SEC. 2307. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CERTAIN FISCAL YEAR 2024 PROJECTS.

(a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (division B of Public Law 118–31; 137 Stat. 709), the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b), as provided in sections 2301 and 2302 of that Act (136 Stat. 719), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2027, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal year 2028, whichever is later.

(b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is as follows:

Air Force: Extension of 2024 Project Authorizations

State/ Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Alabama	Maxwell Air Force Base	MHPI Restructure AETC Group II ..	$65,000,000
Colorado	United States Air Force Academy	Construction Improvement	$9,282,000
Florida	Eglin Air Force Base ...	LRSO Hardware Software Development & Test Facility	$15,500,000
	MacDill Air Force Base	KC–46A ADAL Aircraft Corrosion Control	$25,000,000

Air Force: Extension of 2024 Project Authorizations—Continued

State/ Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
		KC–46A ADAL Aircraft Maintenance Hangar	$27,000,000
		KC–46A ADAL Apron & Hydrant Fueling Pits	$78,000,000
		KC–46A ADAL Fuel System Maintenance Dock	$18,000,000
Guam	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: North Aircraft Parking Ramp (INC)	$411,000,000
Hawaii	Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam	MHPI Restructure–Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam	$75,000,000
Massachusetts	Hanscom Air Force Base	Child Development Center	$37,000,000
Mississippi	Keesler Air Force Base	MHPI Restructure–Southern Group	$80,000,000
Montana	Malmstrom Air Force Base	Fire Station Bay/ Storage Area	$10,300,000
Norway	Ryggee Air Station	EDI: DABS–FEV Storage	$96,000,000
		EDI: Munitions Storage Area	$40,000,000
Spain	Morón Air Base	EDI: Munitions Storage	$34,000,000
Texas	Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland	BMT–Chapel For America's Airmen	$90,000,000
United Kingdom	Royal Air Force Fairford	EDI: RADR Storage Facility	$67,000,000
	Royal Air Force Lakenheath	EDI: RADR Storage Facility	$51,000,000
Wyoming	F.E. Warren Air Force Base	GBSD Integrated Training Center	$85,000,000

SEC. 2308. AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT FAMILY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.

The Secretary of the Air Force may carry out family housing improvement projects to restructure agreements under the Military Housing Privatization Initiative under

subchapter IV of chapter 169 of title 10, United States Code, at—

(1) Dover Air Force Base, Delaware, in the amount of $25,000,000;

(2) Tyndall Air Force Base, Florida, in the amount of $150,685,000;

(3) Scott Air Force Base, Illinois, in the amount of $52,000,000; and

(4) Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska, in the amount of $50,000,000.

SEC. 2309. AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT PROJECT AT EGLIN AIR FORCE BASE, FLORIDA.

The Secretary of the Air Force may carry out a military construction project to construct a 6,934 square meter Joint All-Domain Command and Control (JADC2) and Air Battle Management Systems (ABMS) Test Facility at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, in the amount of $87,800,000 using amounts available to the Secretary for research, development, test, and evaluation.

TITLE XXIV—DEFENSE AGENCIES MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

SEC. 2401. AUTHORIZED DEFENSE AGENCIES CONSTRUCTION AND LAND ACQUISITION PROJECTS.

(a) INSIDE THE UNITED STATES.—Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2403(a) and available for military construction projects inside 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 inside the United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the following table:

Defense Agencies: Inside the United States

State	Installation or Location	Amount
Alabama	Maxwell Air Force Base	$44,000,000
Colorado	Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office (DRMO) - Colorado Springs.	$85,000,000
Florida	Homestead Air Reserve Base	$33,000,000
	Naval Air Station Jacksonville	$40,000,000
Guam	Joint Region Marianas	$315,286,000
Kentucky	Fort Knox	$117,000,000
Maryland	Bethesda Naval Hospital	$415,739,000
	Fort Meade	$1,393,465,000
Nebraska	Offutt Air Force Base	$69,000,000
Nevada	Creech Air Force Base	$25,381,000
North Carolina	Camp Lejeune	$72,000,000
	Fort Bragg	$50,000,000
Utah	Camp Williams	$471,000,000
Virginia	Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek – Fort Story.	$36,000,000
Washington	Joint Base Lewis-McChord	$35,000,000

(b) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.—Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2403(a) and available for military con-

struction 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
Belgium	Sterrebeek Annex	$33,000,000
Germany	United States Army Garrison Rheinland-Pfalz	$140,000,000
	Ramstein Air Base	$20,500,000
Japan	Camp Butler	$37,900,000
	Yokota Air Base	$88,200,000
Korea	Kunsan Air Base	$65,000,000
United Kingdom	Menwith Hill Station	$35,000,000
Wake Island	Defense Fuel Support Point	$1,652,000,000

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 the Energy Resilience and Conservation Investment Program as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of Defense may carry out energy resilience and 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
Alabama	Redstone Arsenal	$90,000,000
California	Camp Edwards	$79,000,000
Florida	Eglin Air Force Base	$43,000,000
Pennsylvania	Defense Distribution Center, Susquehanna	$58,000,000
Puerto Rico	Fort Buchanan	$33,500,000
Texas	Brooks Army Medical Center	$55,500,000
Washington	Naval Base Kitsap	$132,690,000
	Yakima Training Center	$73,000,000
Wyoming	F.E. Warren Air Force Base	$51,717,000

(b) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.—Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2403(a) and available for the Energy Resilience and Conservation Investment Program as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of Defense may carry out energy resilience and conservation projects under chapter 173 of title 10, United States Code, for the installations or locations outside the United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the following table:

ERCIP Projects: Outside the United States

Country	Installation or Location	Amount
Bahrain	Naval Support Activity Bahrain	$5,900,000
Germany	United States Army Garrison Ansbach	$72,000,000

(c) IMPROVEMENT OF CONVEYED UTILITY SYSTEMS.—In the case of a utility system that is conveyed under section 2688 of title 10, United States Code, and that only provides utility services to a military installation, notwithstanding subchapters I and III of chapter 169 and chapters 221 and 223 of title 10, United States Code, the

Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of a military department may authorize a contract with the conveyee of the utility system to carry out the military construction projects set forth in the following table:

Improvement of Conveyed Utility Systems

State	Installation or Location	Project
California	Travis Air Force Base	Power Generation and Microgrid
Florida	Eglin Air Force Base	Power Generation and Microgrid
North Carolina	Fort Bragg	Power Generation and Microgrid
Wyoming	F.E. Warren Air Force Base	Microgrid and Battery Storage

SEC. 2403. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, DEFENSE AGENCIES.

(a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years beginning after September 30, 2026, for military construction, land acquisition, facilities sustainment, and military family housing functions of the Department of Defense (other than the military departments), as specified in the funding table in section 4601.

(b) LIMITATION ON TOTAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.—Notwithstanding the cost variations authorized by section 2853 of title 10, United States Code, and any other cost variation authorized by law, the total cost of all projects carried out under sections 2401 and 2402 of this Act may not exceed the total amount authorized

to be appropriated under subsection (a), as specified in the funding table in section 4601.

SEC. 2404. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CERTAIN FISCAL YEAR 2023 PROJECTS.

(a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (division B of Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2970), the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b), as provided in section 2402(a) of that Act (136 Stat. 2983) and most recently extended by section 2406 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (division B of Public Law 119-60; 139 Stat. 1281), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2027, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal year 2028, whichever is later.

(b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is as follows:

Defense Agencies and ERCIP Projects: Extension of 2023 Project Authorizations

State/ Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
California	Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center	Microgrid and Backup Power	$25,560,000
Florida	Naval Air Station Jacksonville	Facility Energy Operations Center Renovation	$2,400,000
Georgia	Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield	Power Generation and Microgrid	$25,400,000

Defense Agencies and ERCIP Projects: Extension of 2023 Project Authorizations—Continued

State/ Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
.....	Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay	SCADA Modernization	$11,200,000
Texas	Fort Hood	Power Generation and Microgrid	$31,500,000

SEC. 2405. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CERTAIN FISCAL YEAR 2024 PROJECTS.

(a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (division B of Public Law 118–31; 137 Stat. 709), the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b), as provided in sections 2401 and 2402 of that Act (137 Stat. 726, 727), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2027, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal year 2028, whichever is later.

(b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is as follows:

Defense Agencies and ERCIP Projects: Extension of 2024 Project Authorizations

State/ Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
California	Marine Corps Air Station Miramar	Electrical Infrastructure, On-Site Generation, and Microgrid Improvements	$30,550,000
	Vandenberg Space Force Base	Microgrid with Backup Power	$57,000,000

Defense Agencies and ERCIP Projects: Extension of 2024 Project Authorizations—Continued

State/ Country	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Georgia	Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay	Electrical Transmission and Distribution Improvements, Phase 2	$74,500,000
Kansas	Forbes Field	Microgrid and Backup Power	$5,850,000
Missouri	Lake City Army Ammunition Plant	Microgrid and Backup Power	$80,100,000
Nebraska	Offutt Air Force Base	Microgrid and Backup Power	$41,000,000
North Carolina	Fort Liberty (Camp Mackall)	Microgrid and Backup Power	$10,500,000
Oklahoma	Fort Sill	Microgrid and Backup Power	$76,650,000
Puerto Rico	Fort Buchanan	Microgrid and Backup Power	$56,000,000
Spain	Naval Station Rota	Bulk Tank Farm, Phase 1	$80,000,000
Texas	Fort Hood	Microgrid and Backup Power	$18,250,000
Wyoming	F.E. Warren Air Force Base	Microgrid and Battery Storage	$25,000,000

TITLE XXV—INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

Subtitle A—North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program

SEC. 2501. AUTHORIZED NATO CONSTRUCTION AND LAND ACQUISITION PROJECTS.

The Secretary of Defense may make contributions for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program as provided in section 2806 of title 10, United States Code, in an amount not to exceed the sum of the amount collected from the North Atlantic Treaty

Organization as a result of construction previously financed by the United States and the amount set forth in the following table:

North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program

Country	Installation or Location	Amount
Worldwide Unspecified	NATO Security Investment Program	$654,270,000

SEC. 2502. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, NATO.

Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years beginning after September 30, 2026, for contributions by the Secretary of Defense under section 2806 of title 10, United States Code, for the share of the United States of the cost of projects for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program authorized by section 2501 as specified in the funding table in section 4601.

Subtitle B—Host Country In-kind Contributions

SEC. 2511. REPUBLIC OF KOREA FUNDED CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.

Pursuant to agreement with the Republic of Korea for required in-kind contributions, the Secretary of Defense may accept military construction projects for the installations or locations in the Republic of Korea, and in the amounts, set forth in the following table:

Republic of Korea Funded Construction Projects

Component	Installation or Location	Project	Amount
Air Force	Osan Air Base	Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Facility, Phase 1.	$78,000,000
Air Force	Osan Air Base	Upgrade Electrical Distribution, East, Phase 2.	$103,000,000
Army	Camp Walker	Elementary School	$91,000,000
Army	USAG Humphreys.	POL Pipeline	$35,000,000
Marine Corps	Camp Mujuk	Administrative District Access Control Point.	$18,500,000
Marine Corps	Yecheon Air Base	Replace Concrete Apron	$47,000,000
Navy	CFA Chinhae	Enlisted Unaccompanied Personnel Housing.	$44,000,000

SEC. 2512. REPUBLIC OF POLAND FUNDED CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.

Pursuant to agreement with the Republic of Poland for required in-kind contributions, the Secretary of Defense may accept military construction projects for the installations or locations in the Republic of Poland, and in the amounts, set forth in the following table:

Republic of Poland Funded Construction Projects

Component	Installation or Location	Project	Amount
Air Force	Wroclaw AB	Dormitory and Multi-Use Support Building.	$32,000,000
Army	Powdiz	Rotary Wing Maintenance Hangers.	$102,000,000

TITLE XXVI—GUARD AND RESERVE FORCES FACILITIES

SEC. 2601. AUTHORIZED ARMY NATIONAL GUARD CONSTRUCTION AND LAND ACQUISITION PROJECTS.

Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2606 and available for

the National Guard and Reserve as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Army may acquire real property and carry out military construction projects for the Army National Guard locations inside the United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the following table:

Army National Guard: Inside the United States

State	Location	Amount
District of Columbia	Armed Forces Retirement Home	$87,000,000
	Hill East RFK Area 02	$3,000,000
Florida	Camp Blanding	$28,000,000
Idaho	Orchard Training Area	$27,000,000
Illinois	Peoria	$8,000,000
Kentucky	Jackson Field	$18,500,000
Louisiana	Abbeville Readiness Center	$23,000,000
Massachusetts	Camp Edwards	$43,000,000
Minnesota	Camp Ripley	$17,000,000
Oklahoma	Tulsa Army Aviation Support Facility	$18,500,000
Washington	Yakima Training Center	$18,000,000
West Virginia	Martinsburg Readiness Center	$20,000,000
Wisconsin	Black River Falls	$20,000,000

SEC. 2602. AUTHORIZED ARMY RESERVE CONSTRUCTION AND LAND ACQUISITION PROJECTS.

Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2606 and available for the National Guard and Reserve as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Army may acquire real property and carry out military construction projects for the Army Reserve locations inside the United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the following table:

Army Reserve: Inside the United States

State	Location	Amount
Colorado	Fort Carson	$92,000,000
Illinois	Fort Sheridan	$38,000,000

Army Reserve: Inside the United States—Continued

State	Location	Amount
Virginia	Richmond Reserve Center	$48,000,000

SEC. 2603. AUTHORIZED NAVY RESERVE AND MARINE CORPS RESERVE CONSTRUCTION AND LAND ACQUISITION PROJECTS.

Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2606 and available for the National Guard and Reserve as specified in the funding table in section 4601, the Secretary of the Navy may acquire real property and carry out military construction projects for the Navy Reserve and Marine Corps Reserve location inside the United States, and in the amount, set forth in the following table:

Navy Reserve and Marine Corps Reserve: Inside the United States

State	Location	Amount
Florida	Naval Air Station Jacksonville	$47,000,000

SEC. 2604. AUTHORIZED AIR NATIONAL GUARD CONSTRUCTION AND LAND ACQUISITION PROJECTS.

Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2606 and available for the National Guard and Reserve 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 Air National Guard locations inside

the United States, and in the amounts, set forth in the following table:

Air National Guard: Inside the United States

State	Location	Amount
Alabama	Sumpter Smith Air National Guard Base	$33,000,000
Michigan	Selfridge Air National Guard Base	$300,000,000
Missouri	Rosecrans Memorial Airport	$63,000,000
South Dakota	Joe Foss Field	$40,000,000
Tennessee	McGee–Tyson Airport	$28,000,000
Texas	Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort Worth	$27,000,000
Wisconsin	Volk Field Air National Guard Base	$18,000,000

SEC. 2605. AUTHORIZED AIR FORCE RESERVE CONSTRUCTION AND LAND ACQUISITION PROJECTS.

Using amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in section 2606 and available for the National Guard and Reserve 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 Air Force Reserve location inside the United States, and in the amount, set forth in the following table:

Air Force Reserve: Inside the United States

State	Location	Amount
Pennsylvania	Pittsburgh Air Reserve Station	$19,500,000

SEC. 2606. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVE.

Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years beginning after September 30, 2026, for the costs of acquisition, architectural and engineering services, facilities sustainment, and construction of facilities for the

Guard and Reserve Forces, and for contributions therefor, under chapter 1803 of title 10, United States Code (including the cost of acquisition of land for those facilities), as specified in the funding table in section 4601.

SEC. 2607. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CERTAIN FISCAL YEAR 2023 PROJECTS.

(a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (division B of Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2970), the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b), as provided in sections 2601, 2602, 2603 and 2604 of that Act (136 Stat. 2986, 2987) and extended by section 2607 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (division B of Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1287), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2027, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal year 2028, whichever is later.

(b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is as follows:

National Guard and Reserve: Extension of 2023 Project Authorizations

State	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Alaska	Joint Base Elmendorf–Richardson	Aircraft Maintenance Hangar	$63,000,000
Arizona	Morris Air National Guard Base	Base Entry Complex	$12,000,000

National Guard and Reserve: Extension of 2023 Project Authorizations—Continued

State	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
	Tucson International Airport	Land Acquisition	$11,700,000
Arkansas	Camp Robinson	Automated Multipurpose Machine Gun Range	$9,500,000
Florida	Gainesville	National Guard Readiness Center	$21,000,000
	Perrine	Army Reserve Center/ AMSA	$46,000,000
Hawaii	Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay	C–40 Aircraft Maintenance Hangar	$116,964,000
Indiana	Fort Wayne International Airport	Munitions Maintenance and Storage Complex	$16,500,000
Puerto Rico	Camp Santiago Joint Maneuver Training Center	Engineering/Housing Maintenance Shops (DPW)	$14,500,000
West Virginia	McLaughlin Air National Guard Base	C–130J Apron Expansion	$12,500,000

SEC. 2608. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT CERTAIN FISCAL YEAR 2024 PROJECTS.

(a) EXTENSION.—Notwithstanding section 2002 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (division B of Public Law 118–31; 137 Stat. 709), the authorizations set forth in the table in subsection (b), as provided in sections 2601, 2602, 2604, and 2605 of that Act (137 Stat. 735–737), shall remain in effect until October 1, 2027, or the date of the enactment of an Act authorizing funds for military construction for fiscal year 2028, whichever is later.

(b) TABLE.—The table referred to in subsection (a) is as follows:

National Guard and Reserve: Extension of 2024 Project Authorizations

State	Installation or Location	Project	Original Authorized Amount
Alabama	Birmingham	Army Reserve Center/ AMSA/ Land	$57,000,000
Arizona	Davis–Monthan Air Force Base	Guardian Angel POTFF Facility	$8,500,000
Arkansas	Ebbing Air National Guard Base	3-Bay Hangar	$54,000,000
		Special Access Program Facility	$21,989,000
Florida	Camp Blanding	Multipurpose Machine Gun Range	$11,000,000
Indiana	Fort Wayne International Airport	Fire Station	$8,900,000
New Mexico	Rio Rancho Training Site	National Guard Vehicle Maintenance Shop Addition	$11,000,000
Oregon	Portland International Airport	Special Tactics Complex, Phase 1	$23,000,000
		Special Tactics Complex, Phase 2	$21,000,000
		Special Tactics Complex, Phase 3	$24,000,000
		Special Tactics Complex, Phase 4	$11,000,000
Pennsylvania	Hermitage Readiness Center	National Guard Readiness Center	$13,600,000
Rhode Island	Quonset Point	National Guard Readiness Center	$41,000,000
South Carolina	Aiken County Readiness Center	National Guard Readiness Center	$20,000,000
	McCrady Training Site	Automated Multipurpose Machine Gun Range	$7,900,000
Texas	Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort Worth	LRS Warehouse	$16,000,000

SEC. 2609. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT FISCAL YEAR 2026 PROJECT AT COLONIE, NEW YORK.

In the case of the authorization contained in the table in section 2601 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (division B of Public Law 119–60; 139 Stat. 1285) for Albany, New York, for construction of a readiness center as specified in the funding table in section 4601 of such Act, the Secretary of the Army may construct a readiness center at Colonie, New York.

TITLE XXVII—BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE ACTIVITIES

SEC. 2701. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE ACTIVITIES FUNDED THROUGH DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BASE CLOSURE ACCOUNT.

Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal years beginning after September 30, 2026, for base realignment and closure activities, including real property acquisition and military construction projects, as authorized by the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990 (part A of title XXIX of Public Law 101–510; 10 U.S.C. 2687 note) and funded through the Department of Defense Base Closure Account established by section

2906 of such Act, as specified in the funding table in section 4601.

TITLE XXVIII—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION GENERAL PROVISIONS

Subtitle A—Military Construction Program

SEC. 2801. MODIFICATION OF MASTER PLANS FOR MAJOR MILITARY INSTALLATIONS.

Section 2864 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by inserting ''emergency management,'' after ''military installation resilience,''; and

(B) in paragraph (2)—

(i) in subparagraph (D), by striking ''; and'' and inserting a semicolon;

(ii) in subparagraph (E), by striking the period at the end and inserting ''; and''; and

(iii) by adding at the end the following:

''(F) risk reduction and mitigation aspects of installation emergency management planning.'';

(2) in subsection (b)(2), by inserting before the period at the end the following: ''and to ensure the resilience of those systems to extreme weather and other hazards'';

(3) in subsection (c)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by inserting ''energy or water disruptions, human-induced hazards with respect to the environment,'' after ''flooding,'';

(B) in paragraph (3), by inserting ''or human-induced hazards with respect to the environment'' after ''extreme weather events'';

(C) in paragraph (5), in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking ''and energy'' and inserting ''emergency response facilities, and energy or water''; and

(D) in paragraph (8), by inserting ''or other measures'' after ''any project'';

(4) by redesignating subsections (d) and (e) as subsections (e) and (f), respectively; and

(5) by inserting after subsection (c) the following:

''(d) CONSIDERATION OF AND CONSISTENCY WITH OTHER INSTALLATION PLANS AND ACTIVITIES.—Each

installation master plan under this section shall include consideration of and be consistent with the following:

''(1) Installation natural resource management plans.

''(2) Military construction projects for energy resilience, energy security, and energy conservation.

''(3) Energy and water resilience and energy and water security measures.

''(4) Installation emergency managements plans.''.

SEC. 2802. PROHIBITION ON USE OF REPAIR PROJECTS TO EXPAND FOOTPRINT OF EXISTING FACILITIES OR INFRASTRUCTURE.

Section 2811 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (c), by inserting '', expansion of the footprint of existing facilities or infrastructure,'' before ''or additions''; and

(2) in subsection (e)(1), by striking ''functional purpose; or'' and inserting ''functional purpose, except that any such restoration to a facility, system, or component may not include—

''(A) subject to subparagraph (B), increasing the outside envelope of the facility, system, or component beyond its pre-existing external

dimensions, except in the case of the addition of exterior stairwells, balconies, or similar features if added for safety purposes or the placement of equipment at ground level such as for heating, ventilation, or air conditioning; or

''(B) in the case of a facility that is primarily horizontal, such as a parking area or runway, increasing the footprint of such facility by greater than five percent of its original surface area; or''.

SEC. 2803. INCREASE OF AUTHORITY FOR INDO-PACIFIC POSTURE UNSPECIFIED MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.

Section 2810(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 10 U.S.C. 2805 note) is amended by striking ''$30,000,000'' and inserting ''$35,000,000''.

SEC. 2804. USE OF CERTAIN AMOUNTS FOR ELECTRICAL OR INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADES ON BARBERS POINT, HAWAII.

Section 2814(i)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(D) To make electrical or infrastructure upgrades on any parcel of land located on Barbers

Point, Hawaii, over which the Secretary of Defense has jurisdiction.''.

SEC. 2805. TEMPORARY ADJUSTMENT OF UNSPECIFIED MINOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS.

Section 2805 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) in paragraph (2)—

(i) by inserting ''laboratory project,'' after ''land acquisition,'';

(ii) by striking ''cost equal'' and inserting ''cost—

''(A) except as provided in subparagraph (B), equal'';

(iii) by striking the period at the end and inserting ''; or''; and

(iv) by adding at the end the following:

''(B) for a project commencing during the five-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2027, equal to or less than $15,000,000.''; and

(B) by striking paragraph (3);

(2) by striking subsections (c) and (d) and inserting the following:

''(c) FUNDS AVAILABLE.—(1) The Secretary concerned may spend from appropriations available for operation and maintenance amounts necessary to carry out an unspecified minor military construction project under this section.

''(2) In carrying out an unspecified minor military construction project under this section for a laboratory, the Secretary concerned may, in addition to amounts under paragraph (1), use—

''(A) appropriations available to the Secretary concerned for military construction not otherwise authorized by law; or

''(B) amounts authorized to be made available under section 4123(a) of this title.

''(3) In carrying out an unspecified minor military construction project under this section for a demolition project, the Secretary concerned may, in addition to amounts under paragraph (1), use amounts authorized pursuant to another law or regulation.'';

(3) by redesignating subsections (e) and (f) as subsections (f) and (g), respectively;

(4) in subsection (g), as redesignated by paragraph (3)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking ''$14,000,000'' and inserting ''$20,000,000''; and

(B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following:

''(2) EXCEPTION FOR LOCATIONS IN ALASKA, HAWAII, AND THE INDO-PACIFIC REGION.—During the five-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2027, paragraph (1) shall not apply to unspecified minor military construction projects in Alaska, Hawaii, or the Indo-Pacific region.''; and

(5) by adding at the end the following:

''(h) LABORATORY DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'laboratory' includes—

''(1) a research, engineering, and development center; and

''(2) a test and evaluation activity.''.

SEC. 2806. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITY FOR TRANSACTIONS OTHER THAN CONTRACTS AND GRANTS FOR PURPOSES OF FACILITY CONSTRUCTION OR REPAIR.

Section 2808a of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) by striking ''Subject to the requirements of section 2853 of this title, the'' and inserting ''The''; and

(B) by inserting before the period at the end the following: '', as otherwise authorized by law for such projects, notwithstanding chapters 221 and 223 and section 2851(a) of this title'';

(2) by striking subsection (b); and

(3) by redesignating subsections (c) through (e) as subsections (b) through (d), respectively.

Subtitle B—Military Housing

SEC. 2821. EXCLUSION OF WINDOW OPENING CONTROL DEVICES FROM REQUIREMENT FOR WINDOW FALL PREVENTION DEVICES IN MILITARY FAMILY HOUSING UNITS.

Section 2857(a)(3) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting before the period at the end the following: ''and does not include a device that is solely a window opening control device''.

SEC. 2822. HEALTH AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR MILITARY HOUSING.

(a) HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS FOR PRIVATIZED MILITARY HOUSING.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of each military department shall ensure that all housing project

agreements and renewals for privatized military housing under the jurisdiction of the Secretary concerned entered into on or after the date of the enactment of this Act are compliant with the appropriate environmental health and safety standards established by the Department of Defense.

(2) FUTURE CONTRACT AGREEMENTS AND RENEWALS.—For all housing project agreements and renewals for privatized military housing entered into on or after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall incorporate enforceable provisions related to environmental hazard response and enforceable environmental health and safety clauses.

(b) CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR MOLD ASSESSMENT AND REMEDIATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that all maintenance personnel, contracted mold assessors, indoor environmental professionals, and mold remediators responsible for assessing or remediating mold and water damage in covered housing shall possess and maintain current certifications issued by a nationally recognized, third-party, nonprofit certifying body.

(c) ISSUANCE OF GUIDANCE.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-

retary shall issue guidance with respect to the implementation of this section.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COVERED HOUSING.—The term ''covered housing'' means any military family housing owned, leased, or managed by the Department of Defense, including privatized military housing.

(2) MOLD.—The term ''mold'' means any form of multi-cellular fungi found in water-damaged indoor environments and building materials, including, cladosporium, penicillium, alternaria, aspergillus, fusarium, chaetomium, trichoderma, memnoniella, mucor, stachybotrys chartarum, streptomyces, and epicoccumoften.

(3) PRIVATIZED MILITARY HOUSING.—The term ''privatized military housing'' means military housing under subchapter IV of chapter 169 of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 2823. EXPANSION OF PROTECTION FROM REPRISAL OR RETALIATION AGAINST TENANTS OF PRIVATIZED MILITARY HOUSING UNITS WHO REPORT HOUSING-RELATED ISSUES.

Section 2890(e) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking ''relating to a housing unit.'' and inserting ''relating to a housing unit to any of the following:

''(A) The landlord.

''(B) The chain of command.

''(C) The applicable housing management office.

''(D) The Chief Housing Officer of the Department of Defense.

''(E) An inspector general.

''(F) A Member of Congress.''; and

(2) in paragraph (2)—

(A) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) and (B) as subparagraphs (B) and (C), respectively;

(B) by inserting before subparagraph (B), as so redesignated, the following new subparagraph (A):

''(A) provide notification of that determination to the Secretary of the military department concerned;''; and

(C) in subparagraph (C), as so redesignated, by striking ''the Inspector General has taken final action'' and inserting ''the Secretary of the military department concerned has noti-

fied the Inspector General that the Secretary has taken final action''.

SEC. 2824. TRANSPARENCY AND STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR HOUSING.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that any enhanced-use lease executed, extended, or renewed under section 2662 or 2667 of title 10, United States Code, for the purpose of housing shall consider the following:

(1) A range of total housing units required to accommodate sudden or phased influxes of personnel within a defined operational range, including—

(A) targeted projections for incoming members of the Armed Forces, civilian employees of the Department of Defense, and dependents of such members and employees; and

(B) a timeline of anticipated infrastructure and capacity needs.

(2) A formalized schedule of community engagement events, such as industry days or roundtables, which may be held in person or virtually, to solicit community and vendor input.

(3) The identification and maintenance of a designated local representative point of contact lo-

cated within the affected geographic area who can be directly reached by local stakeholders.

(b) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than February 1, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees on the plan of the Department of Defense to ensure adequate housing is available in geographic locations where the area cost factor is at least 1.5.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The briefing required by paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) A summary of current area cost factors and a comparative analysis of infrastructure premiums paid to the specific locality versus other regional baselines.

(B) An assessment of the utilization by the Department of Defense of enhanced-use lease authorities under sections 2662 and 2667 of title 10, United States Code, including specific tracking of how such leases are leveraged for dual-use infrastructure that serves both military and community housing needs.

(C) An overview of local construction workforce utilization and market availability in affected regions.

(D) An assessment of potential alternative acquisition strategies, including the consolidation of infrastructure requirements, designed to incentivize broader contractor competition, leverage economies of scale, and meet critical production timelines of the Department of Defense.

SEC. 2825. DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF MINIMUM HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS FOR MILITARY FAMILY HOUSING.

(a) STANDARDS.—

(1) INITIAL GUIDANCE.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall issue interim guidance for acceptable levels of relative humidity, ventilation, dampness, and water intrusion to be applied at all covered housing.

(B) EFFECT.—Interim guidance issued under subparagraph (A) shall remain in effect until final standards are published under paragraph (2).

(2) FINAL STANDARDS.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall issue final standards for

acceptable levels of relative humidity, ventilation, dampness, and water intrusion to be applied at all covered housing, which shall include—

(A) acceptable levels of relative humidity indoors;

(B) required ventilation and moisture control measures;

(C) environmental inspection and testing methods; and

(D) the standard of care for mold remediation adopted under subsection (f).

(3) REPORTING AND AVAILABILITY OF TESTING.—The final standards established under paragraph (2) shall require results of environmental inspection and testing methods under subparagraph (C) of such paragraph to be reported to the Secretary of Defense and made available to tenants of affected housing units not later than 10 days after sample collection.

(b) CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE.—Not less frequently than annually, each housing office of the Department shall certify to Congress that the housing office is in compliance with health and safety standards for covered housing required under this section.

(c) ESTABLISHMENT OF INDEPENDENT INSPECTION PROTOCOL FOR PRIVATIZED MILITARY HOUSING.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall ensure that each installation of the Department of Defense conducts, using independent certified third-party inspectors, mold and environmental health inspections for all covered housing that is privatized military housing—

(A) upon receipt of any tenant complaint regarding safety and habitability of a housing unit; and

(B) following any remediation effort, structural repair, or response to an identified environmental hazard at a housing unit.

(2) ELEMENTS OF INSPECTIONS.—Inspections conducted under paragraph (1) shall include, at minimum—

(A) evaluation of heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems, plumbing, electrical systems, and structural integrity;

(B) inspection for signs of water intrusion, dampness, humidity, visible or non-visible mold, microbial growth, and other indoor air quality concerns;

(C) review of current and past work order records and completion timelines; and

(D) review of contractor compliance with privatized military housing contract requirements and housing regulations of the Department of Defense.

(3) RECORDING AND MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS.— All findings of inspections conducted under paragraph (1) shall be—

(A) recorded in a standardized Federal Government inspection record;

(B) certified by the inspector with a clear ''pass'' or ''fail'' status;

(C) maintained in an accessible, historical housing record for each housing unit; and

(D) made available to the relevant installation commander and military housing office.

(4) DOCUMENTATION AND SUBMISSION OF RESULTS.—The commander of each installation of the Department shall—

(A) document results of inspections conducted under paragraph (1); and

(B) submit the results of such inspections to—

(i) the Secretary;

(ii) the Office of Inspector General of the Department of Defense; and

(iii) the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

(5) ACCESS AND TRANSPARENCY.—Inspection reports certified under paragraph (3)(B) and housing history records required under paragraph (3)(C) shall be—

(A) provided in full to current tenants of the inspected unit;

(B) made available upon request to any incoming tenants; and

(C) maintained in a secure portal accessible to staff of the relevant military housing office, the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, and military family advocacy personnel.

(6) REMEDIATION OR TENANT RELOCATION.—In the case of a housing unit failing inspection conducted under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall ensure that the unit is remediated or the tenants of such unit are relocated not later than 30 days after such failed inspection, if such tenants wish to be relocated.

(d) REQUIREMENTS FOR PRIVATIZED MILITARY HOUSING.—

(1) HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS FOR MILITARY HOUSING.—The Secretary of each military department shall ensure that all housing project agreements and renewals for privatized military housing under the jurisdiction of the Secretary concerned entered into on or after the date of the enactment of this Act are compliant with the appropriate environmental health and safety standards established by the Department of Defense.

(2) FUTURE CONTRACT AGREEMENTS AND RENEWALS.—For all housing project agreements and renewals for privatized military housing entered into on or after the date of the enactment of this Act, and to the extent practicable for agreements in place as of such date of enactment, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall incorporate enforceable provisions related to environmental hazard response, inspection, and tenant relocation protections which shall include—

(A) enforceable environmental health and safety clauses; and

(B) requirements that providers of privatized military housing bear full financial responsibility for—

(i) required third-party inspections;

(ii) maintenance;

(iii) mold remediation;

(iv) all relocation expenses for military families forced to vacate uninhabitable units;

(v) property loss; and

(vi) refunding any amounts paid through a basic allowance for housing under section 403 of title 37, United States Code, for military families forced to vacate uninhabitable units.

(e) CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR MOLD ASSESSMENT AND REMEDIATION.—The Secretary shall ensure that all maintenance personnel, contracted mold assessors, indoor environmental professionals, and mold remediators responsible for assessing or remediating mold and water damage in covered housing shall possess and maintain current certifications issued by a nationally recognized, third-party, nonprofit certifying body, which may include the following:

(1) The Institute of Inspection Cleaning and Restoration Certification.

(2) The National Organization of Remediators and Microbial Inspectors.

(3) The American Council for Accredited Certification.

(f) STANDARD OF CARE FOR MOLD REMEDIATION.—All mold remediation activities conducted in covered housing shall comply with the American National Standards Institute and Institute of Inspection Cleaning and Restoration Certification S520 Standard for Professional Mold Remediation, Fourth Edition, or any subsequent edition published by the Institute of Inspection Cleaning and Restoration Certification or successor organization.

(g) ISSUANCE OF GUIDANCE.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall—

(1) issue guidance with respect to the implementation of this section; and

(2) provide written notification to all providers of privatized military housing regarding the requirements of this section.

(h) WITHHOLDING AND ABATEMENT OF AMOUNTS FOR PRIVATIZED MILITARY HOUSING UNITS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, shall establish procedures to allow a tenant living in a unit of privatized military housing that receives a failed inspection result under this section to withhold or abate payment of the basic allowance for housing under section 403 of title 37, United States Code, for such unit.

(2) PERIOD.—The Secretary of Defense shall permit withholding or abatement under paragraph (1) of payment of the basic allowance for housing under section 403 of title 37, United States Code, for a unit of privatized military housing during any period in which the unit maintains a failed inspection and until the violations are remedied.

(3) RELEASE OF PAYMENT.—Amounts withheld or abated under paragraph (1) with respect to a unit of privatized military housing shall be released if—

(A) all violations are remediated; and

(B) an independent inspector provides a written certification to the Secretary of the military department concerned verifying such remediation and the compliance of such unit with the requirements under this section.

(4) CONTINUED NONCOMPLIANCE.—If deficiencies in compliance with the requirements under this section are not corrected within a 30-day period—

(A) the owner or operator of the affected unit of privatized military housing shall not have a right to receive current, future, withheld, or abated payments;

(B) amounts withheld or abated under paragraph (1) may be returned to the tenant; and

(C) the Secretary concerned shall—

(i) pursue additional contractual remedies, including termination of the authority of the owner or operator of the affected unit to provide privatized military housing; and

(ii) ensure that ongoing violations with respect to such unit are disclosed to any prospective tenant before they enter into a rental agreement for such unit.

(5) PROTECTION OF TENANTS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—An owner of a unit of privatized military housing may not terminate the tenancy of any tenant because of the with-

holding or abatement of payment pursuant to paragraph (1).

(B) AUTHORITY OF TENANT TO TERMINATE.—During the period that payment is withheld or abated pursuant to paragraph (1) for a unit of privatized military housing, the tenant of such unit may terminate the tenancy by notifying the owner of such unit.

(6) ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE.—The Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, shall administer this subsection by conducting or authorizing inspections, certifying clearance inspections, administering withholding and abatement functions, and enforcing payment conditions in a manner similar to that used by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development under section 8(o) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)).

(i) PUBLIC REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Secretary shall publish on a publicly available website of the Department of Defense, with respect to covered housing—

(1) the number of mold complaints received, disaggregated by installation of the Department;

(2) the results of inspections under this section and compliance rates;

(3) remediation timelines and costs; and

(4) the number of relocations made.

(j) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ACCEPTABLE LEVELS OF RELATIVE HUMIDITY.—The term ''acceptable levels of *relative* humidity'', with respect to an area, means an area with humidity levels that are less than 50 percent.

(2) COVERED HOUSING.—The term ''covered housing'' means any military family housing owned, leased, or managed by the Department of Defense, including privatized military housing.

(3) ENVIRONMENTAL INSPECTION AND TESTING METHODS.—The term ''environmental *inspection and* testing methods'' means detailed visual inspection substantiated by mold testing measures that include air sampling, tape lifts, swabs, and carpet samples, and official laboratory analysis of such samples.

(4) MOLD.—The term ''mold'' means any form of multi-cellular fungi found in water-damaged indoor environments and building materials, including, cladosporium, penicillium, alternaria, aspergillus, fusarium, chaetomium, trichoderma, memnoniella,

mucor, stachybotrys chartarum, streptomyces, and epicoccumoften.

(5) PRIVATIZED MILITARY HOUSING.—The term ''privatized military housing'' means military housing under subchapter IV of chapter 169 of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 2826. TREATMENT OF NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO PRIVATIZED MILITARY HOUSING.

Section 2890(f) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), in the first sentence—

(A) by striking ''A tenant or prospective tenant of a housing unit may not be required to sign'' and inserting ''A landlord may not request that a tenant, former tenant, or prospective tenant of a housing unit sign''; and

(B) by inserting ''or in connection with the provision of services related to the housing unit'' before the period; and

(2) by striking paragraphs (2) and (3) and inserting the following:

''(2) The prohibition under paragraph (1) shall apply to all housing units, including accompanied family housing and military unaccompanied housing.

''(3) In this subsection, the term 'tenant' includes any party (other than a landlord) to a lease for a housing unit.''.

SEC. 2827. IMPROVEMENT OF PRIVATIZED MILITARY HOUSING COMPLAINT DATABASE.

Section 2894a of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (d), by striking subparagraphs (B) and (C) and inserting the following new subparagraphs:

''(B) The name of the landlord responsible for the covered dwelling unit, including the ultimate parent company and any entity with direct or indirect ownership or control over such landlord, regardless of the legal structure or intermediary entities used.

''(C) A description of the nature of the complaint, disaggregated by complaint type.'';

(2) by redesignating subsection (f) as subsection (i); and

(3) by inserting after subsection (e) the following new subsections:

''(f) PROHIBITION ON FILTERING AND SUPPRESSION.—The Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of each military department shall develop policies to ensure

that complaints filed by tenants under this section cannot be arbitrarily altered, deleted, or suppressed.

''(g) PROTECTION FROM RETALIATION.—The Secretary shall—

''(1) ensure tenants are protected from retaliation; and

''(2) develop and implement policies to prevent violations of whistleblower protections under section 1034 of this title.

''(h) PUBLIC NOTIFICATION AND AWARENESS OF RIGHTS.—(1) The Secretary shall ensure that any agreement with a tenant for a covered dwelling unit includes a standardized notice outlining—

''(A) the right to submit complaints regarding covered dwelling units to the database under this section;

''(B) how to submit feedback; and

''(C) anti-retaliation protections.

''(2) Each military housing office of the Department shall—

''(A) display signage regarding the database under this section; and

''(B) provide onboarding education during in-processing at a new duty station for new tenants of covered dwelling units regarding such database.''.

SEC. 2828. REQUIREMENT RELATING TO ANY REPROGRAMMING REQUEST RELATING TO FUNDING FOR HOUSING OR FACILITIES OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

In any instance in which the Secretary of Defense requests approval from the congressional defense committees to reprogram funding authorized or appropriated by Congress or requests funding in the President's budget for accompanied housing, unaccompanied housing, or any other facility of the Department of Defense, including funding under the Facilities Sustainment, Restoration and Modernization account, the Secretary shall include with such request documentation of the following:

(1) Any assessment of the condition of the facility from which the funding is proposed to be reprogrammed that were completed within the past five years.

(2) The number of outstanding maintenance requests at such facility and the average wait time for maintenance requests to be resolved at such facility.

(3) The level of funding required to address all outstanding maintenance requests, facility upgrades, and any other modifications needed to fully improve the conditions of such facility.

(4) The number of members of the Armed Forces and family members of such members, as applicable, living at or working at such facility.

(5) With respect to an unaccompanied housing facility, the number of barracks managers at such facility, including an identification of whether those managers work in a full-time or part-time capacity, as of the date of the request and each year within the past five years.

(6) Any anticipated impacts to military readiness or morale due to the reprogramming of funding.

(7) An analysis by the Department or the military departments on why the determination was made to reprogram such funding.

Subtitle C—Land Conveyances

SEC. 2841. LAND CONVEYANCE, MILAN ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, TENNESSEE.

(a) CONVEYANCE AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of the Army may convey, without consideration, to the University of Tennessee System (in this section referred to as the ''University'') all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to parcels of real property, including any improvements thereon, at Milan Army Ammunition Plant, Tennessee, that consist of a total of approximately

5,000 acres for the purpose of permitting the University to use the parcels for education research.

(b) REVISIONARY INTEREST.—

(1) INTEREST RETAINED.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary of the Army determines at any time that the property conveyed to the University under subsection (a) is not being used in accordance with the purpose of the conveyance specified in such subsection, all right, title, and interest in and to the conveyed property, including any improvements thereon, shall, at the option of the Secretary, revert to and become the property of the United States, and the United States shall have the right of immediate entry onto the property.

(B) DETERMINATION.—A determination by the Secretary of the Army under subparagraph (A) shall be made on the record after an opportunity for a hearing.

(2) ALTERNATIVE CONSIDERATION OPTION.—In lieu of exercising the reversionary interest retained under paragraph (1), the Secretary of the Army may accept an offer by the University to pay to the Secretary an amount equal to the fair market value of the property conveyed under subsection (a), exclud-

ing the value of any improvements on the conveyed property constructed without Federal funds after the date the conveyance is completed, as determined by the Secretary.

(c) PAYMENT OF COSTS OF CONVEYANCE.—The Secretary of the Army shall require the University to pay costs (except costs for environmental remediation of the property) to be incurred by the Secretary, or to reimburse the Secretary for such costs incurred by the Secretary, to carry out the conveyance authorized under subsection (a), including survey costs, appraisal costs, costs for environmental documentation related to the conveyance, and any other administrative costs related to the conveyance.

(d) TREATMENT OF AMOUNTS RECEIVED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Amounts received as reimbursement under subsection (c) or as alternative consideration under subsection (b)(2) shall be credited to the fund or account that was used to pay the costs incurred by the Secretary of the Army in carrying out the conveyance under subsection (a) or, if the period of availability of obligation for appropriations to that fund or account has expired, to the fund or account that is currently available to the Secretary for the same purpose.

(2) MERGER OF AMOUNTS.—Amounts credited to a fund or account under paragraph (1) shall be merged with amounts in such fund or account and shall be available for the same purposes, and subject to the same conditions and limitations, as amounts in such fund or account.

(e) DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.—The exact acreage and legal description of the parcels of real property to be conveyed under subsection (a) shall be determined by a survey satisfactory to the Secretary of the Army.

(f) ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The Secretary of the Army may require such additional terms and conditions in connection with the conveyance authorized by subsection (a) as the Secretary considers appropriate to protect the interests of the United States.

SEC. 2842. LAND CONVEYANCE, ARMY RESERVE CENTER, OPELIKA, ALABAMA.

(a) CONVEYANCE AUTHORIZED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Army (in this section referred to as the ''Secretary'') may convey to the City of Opelika, Alabama (in this section referred to as the ''City''), all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to a parcel of real property, including any improvements thereon, containing an Army Reserve Center and consisting

of approximately 4.5 acres, located within the City, for the purpose of meeting increased health care demands.

(2) CONTINUATION OF EXISTING EASEMENTS, RESTRICTIONS, AND COVENANTS.—The conveyance of the property under paragraph (1) shall be subject to any easement, restriction, or covenant of record applicable to the property and in existence on the date of the enactment of this Act.

(b) CONSIDERATION.—As consideration for the conveyance of property under subsection (a), the City shall provide the United States, whether by cash payment, in-kind consideration described in section 2667(c) of title 10, United States Code, or a combination thereof, an amount that is not less than the fair market value of the conveyed property, as determined pursuant to an appraisal acceptable to the Secretary.

(c) REVERSIONARY INTEREST.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary determines at any time that the property conveyed under subsection (a) is not being used in accordance with the purpose of the conveyance specified in such subsection, all right, title, and interest in and to the property, including any improvements thereto, may, at the option of the Secretary, revert to and become

the property of the United States, and the United States may have the right of immediate entry onto such property.

(2) DETERMINATION.—A determination by the Secretary under paragraph (1) may be made on the record after an opportunity for a hearing.

(d) PAYMENT OF COSTS OF CONVEYANCE.—

(1) PAYMENT REQUIRED.—The Secretary may require the City to cover all costs (except costs for environmental remediation of the property) to be incurred by the Secretary, or to reimburse the Secretary for costs incurred by the Secretary, to carry out the conveyance under subsection (a), including costs for environmental and real estate due diligence and any other administrative costs related to the conveyance.

(2) REFUND OF EXCESS AMOUNTS.—If amounts are collected from the City under paragraph (1) in advance of the Secretary incurring the actual costs, and the amount collected exceeds the costs actually incurred by the Secretary to carry out the conveyance under subsection (a), the Secretary shall refund the excess amount to the City.

(e) LIMITATION ON SOURCE OF FUNDS.—The City may not use Federal funds to cover any portion of the costs required to be paid by the City under this section.

(f) DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.—The exact acreage and legal description of the property to be conveyed under subsection (a) shall be determined by a survey satisfactory to the Secretary.

(g) ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The Secretary may require such additional terms and conditions in connection with the conveyance under subsection (a) as the Secretary considers appropriate to protect the interests of the United States.

SEC. 2843. REPORT ON LAND WITHDRAWAL AT YUMA PROVING GROUND, ARIZONA.

Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report describing all land withdrawal actions that are necessary to support the training of Armed Forces at Yuma Proving Ground, Arizona.

SEC. 2844. REPORT ON NECESSARY MODIFICATIONS TO MILITARY LAND WITHDRAWAL OF FALLON RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX, NEVADA.

Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Navy shall submit

to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on any modifications that the Secretary determines are necessary to the military land withdrawal of Fallon Range Training Complex, Nevada, under subtitle G of the Military Land Withdrawals Act of 2013 (title XXIX of Public Law 113–66), as added by section 2901 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (division B of Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 3015), regarding the management of withdrawn and reserved land, road reconstruction and treatment of existing roads and rights-of-way, reconstruction and relocation requirements, and treatment of livestock grazing permits.

SEC. 2845. LAND EXCHANGE, CAMP PIKE AND CAMP JOSEPH T. ROBINSON, ARKANSAS.

(a) EXCHANGE AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of the Army (referred to in this section as the ''Secretary'') may convey to the State of Arkansas all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to a parcel of real property, including any improvements thereon, consisting of approximately 16.02 acres at Camp Pike, North Little Rock, Arkansas, containing the facility commonly known as the ''90th Readiness Division Headquarters'' and such additional real property north of Arkansas Avenue as determined by the survey conducted under subsection (e)(1),

which shall be used by the Arkansas National Guard for administration, training, and operational purposes.

(b) CONSIDERATION.—As consideration for the conveyance under subsection (a), the State of Arkansas shall convey to the United States all right, title, and interest of the State of Arkansas in and to a parcel of real property, including any improvements thereon, consisting of approximately 68.16 acres at Camp Joseph T. Robinson, North Little Rock, Arkansas, containing the facility commonly known as the ''Chappell Armory'' and such additional adjoining lands as determined by the survey conducted under subsection (e)(1).

(c) MANNER OF EXCHANGE.—

(1) APPROXIMATELY EQUAL VALUE.—The exchange of real property under this section shall be for parcels of approximately equal value, as determined by the Secretary through an appraisal acceptable to the Secretary.

(2) NO MONETARY CONSIDERATION.—Pursuant to section 18240 of title 10, United States Code, no monetary consideration may be provided or accepted by either party to equalize the value of the properties exchanged under this section.

(d) REVERSIONARY INTERESTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary determines at any time that the real property conveyed under subsection (a) is not being used in accordance with the purpose of the conveyance specified in such subsection, all right, title, and interest in and to the property, including any improvements thereto, may, at the option of the Secretary, revert to and become the property of the United States, and the United States may have the right of immediate entry onto such property.

(2) DETERMINATION.—A determination by the Secretary under paragraph (1) shall be made on the record after an opportunity for a hearing

(3) EXTINGUISHMENT OF EXISTING INTEREST.—In connection with the exchange authorized by this section, the Secretary shall extinguish the reversionary interest of the United States created by the Act entitled ''An Act authorizing the transfer of part of Camp Joseph T. Robinson to the State of Arkansas'', approved June 30, 1950 (64 Stat. 310, chapter 429), applicable to the property to be conveyed by the State of Arkansas under subsection (b).

(e) SURVEYS AND PROPERTY DESCRIPTIONS.—

(1) DETERMINATION.—The exact acreage and legal descriptions of the real property to be ex-

changed under this section shall be determined by surveys satisfactory to the Secretary.

(2) COSTS.—The State of Arkansas shall be responsible for all costs associated with the exchange of real property under this section, including the costs of surveys, appraisals, and any other administrative or environmental documentation required to complete the exchange.

(f) ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The Secretary may require such additional terms and conditions in connection with the conveyances under this section as the Secretary considers appropriate to protect the interests of the United States.

(g) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect or limit the application of, or any requirement for, environmental remediation under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.) or any other law.

SEC. 2846. REMOVAL OF CONDITIONS ON USE OF CERTAIN LAND CONVEYED TO THE STATE OF INDIANA.

Section 2858 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1996 (division B of Public Law 104–106; 110 Stat. 571), as amended by section 2838 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal

Year 1998 (division B of Public Law 105–85; 111 Stat. 2006) and section 2843(i) of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999 (division B of Public Law 105–261; 112 Stat. 2217), is further amended—

(1) in subsection (b), by striking ''The conveyances'' and inserting ''Except as provided in subsection (d), the conveyances''; and

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

''(d) CONDITION ON RELEASE OF COVENANTS.—On the condition that the State convey approximately 80 acres of prior park property to the Indiana Army Ammunition Plant Reuse Authority, the Reuse Authority convey approximately 100 acres of prior industrial use property to the State, and the use of that 100 acres will be restricted by covenant to recreational purposes, the Secretary may release the covenant that requires the 80 acres of prior park property to be used for recreational purposes.''.

SEC. 2847. REVIEW AND REPORT ON CONVEYANCE OF LAMBERT ST. LOUIS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

(a) REVIEW REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall conduct a comprehensive review of, and submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Sen-

ate and the House of Representatives a report on, the feasibility and advisability of conveying to the City of St. Louis, Missouri, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to Lambert St. Louis International Airport, located in St. Louis County, Missouri (in this section referred to as ''Lambert Airport'').

(b) ELEMENTS OF REVIEW.—The review required by subsection (a) shall address, at a minimum, each of the following:

(1) The current and anticipated military utility of Lambert Airport, including its value to the Department of Defense for airlift, training, contingency operations, and strategic access.

(2) The operational impact of any conveyance under such subsection on the Missouri Army National Guard and Missouri Air National Guard units currently based at or using Lambert Airport, including the 131st Bomb Wing and any associated tenant units.

(3) The operational impact of any such conveyance on units of the Navy Reserve and Marine Corps Reserve currently stationed at or using Lambert Airport.

(4) The benefits to the Department of Defense of such a conveyance, including any expected reduc-

tion in maintenance costs, real property obligations, and administrative burdens associated with continued ownership by the Federal Government.

(5) The legal authorities required to effectuate such a conveyance, including any required congressional action, environmental review under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), and compliance with the base realignment and closure process, if applicable.

(6) The terms and conditions, including any reversionary interests, use restrictions, or Federal Government access rights, that should be incorporated into any instrument of conveyance to protect the interests of the Department of Defense.

(7) The estimated fair market value of the Federal Government interest in Lambert Airport and whether any compensation to the United States would be required or appropriate as a condition of conveyance.

(c) ALTERNATIVE LOCATIONS FOR RESERVE COMPONENT UNITS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—As part of the review required by subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall identify and evaluate alternative locations within the State of Missouri to which units of the reserve

components of the Armed Forces currently assigned, stationed, or regularly operating at Lambert Airport could be relocated in the event of a conveyance described in subsection (a).

(2) INCLUSIONS.—The evaluation required under paragraph (1) shall include, with respect to each alternative location identified, each of the following:

(A) The suitability of such location to support the mission requirements, equipment, personnel, and readiness posture of the affected units.

(B) The estimated costs of construction, facility modification, or infrastructure development necessary to accommodate relocated units at each such alternative location.

(C) The anticipated impact of relocation on unit recruitment, retention, and civilian employment, with particular attention to the economic effects on the communities currently served by Lambert Airport.

(D) The timeline required to achieve full operational capability at any such alternative location.

(E) The availability and sufficiency of airfield, runway, hangar, maintenance, armory, and administrative facilities at each such alternative location.

(d) CONSULTATION.—In conducting the review required by subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall consult with each of the following:

(1) The Governor of Missouri.

(2) The Adjutant General of Missouri.

(3) The Mayor of the City of St. Louis, Missouri.

(4) The Secretary of the Air Force, the Secretary of the Army, and the Secretary of the Navy.

(5) The Chief of the National Guard Bureau.

(6) The Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration.

(e) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required by subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(f) NO AUTHORIZATION FOR CONVEYANCE.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize the conveyance of Lambert Airport or any other Federal Government property, or to waive any otherwise applicable requirement of law.

SEC. 2848. REVIEW AND REPORT ON CONVEYANCE OF JOINT BASE ELMENDORF-RICHARDSON, ANCHORAGE, ALASKA.

(a) REVIEW AND REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall conduct a comprehensive review of, and submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on, the feasibility and advisability of conveying to the municipality of Anchorage, Alaska (in this section referred to as the ''Municipality''), all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to approximately 50 acres of land located on Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson in Anchorage, Alaska (in this section referred to as the ''parcel'').

(b) ELEMENTS OF REVIEW.—The review required by subsection (a) shall address, at a minimum, each of the following:

(1) The current and anticipated utility of the parcel to the Department of Defense and the value of the parcel to the Municipality.

(2) The operational impact to the Department of the conveyance under such subsection.

(3) The benefits to the Department of such conveyance, including any expected reduction in maintenance costs, real property obligations, and ad-

ministrative burdens associate with continued ownership of the parcel.

(4) The legal authorities required to effectuate such conveyance, including any required congressional action, environmental review under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), and compliance with the base realignment and closure process, if applicable.

(5) The terms and conditions, including any reversionary interests, use restrictions, or Federal Government access rights, that should be incorporated into any instrument of conveyance of the parcel to protect the interests of the Department.

(6) The estimated fair market value of the Federal Government interest in the parcel.

(c) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required by subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(d) NO AUTHORIZATION FOR CONVEYANCE.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize the conveyance of the parcel or any other Federal Government property, or to waive any otherwise applicable requirement of law.

Subtitle D—Other Matters

SEC. 2861. AUTHORITY OF COMBATANT COMMANDS TO RECOVER AND REINVEST OPERATIONAL ENERGY COST SAVINGS.

Section 2912 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)(1), by inserting ''combatant command,'' after ''agency,''; and

(2) in subsection (c)(3), by inserting ''combatant command,'' after ''agency,''.

SEC. 2862. ENERGY CONTROL REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTRICAL INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADES.

(a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to ensure that electrical systems within facilities of the Department of Defense are capable of supporting distributed energy resources and microgrid operations, thereby enhancing energy resilience, security, and operational continuity.

(b) REQUIREMENT.—Any project described in subsection (c) shall include the installation of energy management and control systems that enable the following:

(1) The capability to—

(A) operate in islanded mode during grid outages;

(B) integrate distributed energy resources, including renewable generation and energy storage; and

(C) provide automated load management and demand response.

(2) Interoperability with existing and future supervisory control and data acquisition systems.

(3) Compliance with cybersecurity standards established by the Department of Defense.

(c) PROJECT DESCRIBED.—A project described in this subsection is a project involving the replacement, upgrade, or major modification of—

(1) electrical panels, switchgear, or associated distribution equipment of the Department of Defense; or

(2) systems serving mission critical or essential operations within facilities of the Department.

(d) STANDARDS AND GUIDANCE.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall issue technical standards and implementation guidance to carry out this section, including the following:

(1) Minimum functional requirements for energy management and control systems to be installed under this section.

(2) Certification criteria for infrastructure that has the capability described in subsection (b)(1).

(3) Approved technologies and protocols for interoperability under subsection (b)(2).

(e) REPORTING.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report summarizing compliance by the Department of Defense with this section and identifying barriers to implementation of this section.

(f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect on the date that is 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 2863. MODIFICATION OF CALCULATION OF MINIMUM CAPITAL INVESTMENT FOR FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION, AND MODERNIZATION.

Section 2680 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(1)—

(A) by striking ''subsection (b)'' and inserting ''subsection (b)(1)''; and

(B) by inserting '', including amounts obligated under eligible performance-based contracts,'' after ''facilities'';

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) by striking ''In making'' and inserting ''(1) In making''; and

(B) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(2) For purposes of the minimum investment required under paragraph (2) of subsection (a), only amounts obligated for execution during the relevant fiscal year, not any planned, projected, or anticipated obligations, may be credited toward such requirement.''; and

(3) in subsection (e)—

(A) by redesignating paragraph (2) as paragraph (3); and

(B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following new paragraph (2):

''(2) The term 'eligible performance-based contract' means an energy savings performance contract, utility energy savings contract, or other performance-based arrangement under which—

''(A) the contract or arrangement is fully executed;

''(B) all private financing associated with such contract or arrangement is secured and obligated; and

''(C) the Department of Defense is legally committed to payments under the contract or arrangement.''.

SEC. 2864. REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO LEASING OF LAND IN HAWAII.

The Secretary of the Army shall—

(1) seek from the State of Hawaii on terms acceptable to both the Department of the Army and the State of Hawaii a renewal of the relevant leases entered into pursuant to section 2667 of title 10, United States Code, relating to the 19,700 acres of the Pohakuloa Training Area and 450 acres of the Kahuku Training Area identified in the environmental impact statement preferred by the Department of the Army;

(2) not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, resubmit a new environmental impact statement for additional review by the Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources that responds to and addresses any deficiencies identified by the Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources; and

(3) not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, submit to the congressional defense committees a report describing the specific

steps and proposals the Secretary has made to promote lease renewals pursuant to this section.

SEC. 2865. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE LABORATORY FACILITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Subchapter I of chapter 169 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"§ 2820a. Department of Defense Laboratory Facility Investment Program

''(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Defense shall establish and carry out a program to be known as the 'Department of Defense Laboratory Facility Investment Program' (in this section referred to as the 'Program') to fund military construction projects that improve, modernize, or recapitalize the physical infrastructure of covered defense laboratories in support of research, development, test, and evaluation missions critical to national security.

''(b) ADMINISTRATION.—The Program shall be administered by the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering (in this section referred to as the 'Under Secretary').

''(c) DUTIES.—In carrying out the Program, the Under Secretary shall—

''(1) establish policies, criteria, and procedures for the submission, evaluation, and prioritization of project proposals under the Program;

''(2) coordinate with the Secretaries of the military departments, the heads of defense agencies, and the commanders of combatant commands to identify and prioritize infrastructure requirements for covered defense laboratories;

''(3) evaluate project proposals using criteria that include—

''(A) the mission criticality of the laboratory and affected facilities;

''(B) the degree of facility degradation, obsolescence, or inadequacy relative to current and projected research requirements;

''(C) the potential impact on the ability of the Department of Defense to develop, test, or evaluate technologies essential to national defense, including critical and emerging technologies designated under the national security strategy submitted under section 4811 of this title;

''(D) the cost-effectiveness of the proposed construction relative to the projected useful

service life and research workload of the laboratory; and

''(E) consistency with the long-term strategic plan of the Department for science and technology infrastructure; and

''(4) issue annual program guidance to components of the Department not later than 90 days before the date on which project submissions for the Program are due each fiscal year.

''(d) ELIGIBLE PROJECTS.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—A military construction project is eligible for funding under the Program if the project—

''(A) is located at, or directly supports the mission of, a covered defense laboratory;

''(B) involves the construction, expansion, replacement, or modernization of a facility or facility system used principally for research, development, test, or evaluation activities;

''(C) has an estimated cost of not less than $2,000,000; and

''(D) has been designed to not less than the 35-percent design stage before submission to Congress as part of a budget request unless progressive design build is being utilized.

''(2) INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES.—The following activities are not eligible for funding under the Program:

''(A) New mission construction not tied to existing research activities at a covered defense laboratory.

''(B) Routine maintenance, repair, or sustainment activities that are properly funded through a facilities sustainment, restoration, and modernization account.

''(C) Projects that duplicate capabilities available under other military construction authorities, including those available under sections 2805, 2811, and 2854 of this title, unless the Under Secretary determines that use of such authorities is impracticable.

''(e) FUNDING.—

''(1) AUTHORIZATIONS.—

''(A) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Under Secretary for each fiscal year $250,000,000 to carry out the Program.

''(B) AVAILABILITY OF AMOUNTS.—Amounts authorized under subparagraph (A)

for the Program shall be available for obligation for a period of three fiscal years.

''(2) ACCOUNT.—Amounts for the Program shall be authorized to a separate budget line item within the Military Construction, Defense-Wide account under the heading 'Department of Defense Laboratory Facility Investment Program'.

''(3) PROJECT AUTHORIZATION REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense may carry out a military construction project under the Program only if the project has been specifically authorized by law.

''(4) PLANNING AND DESIGN.—The Secretary of Defense may use amounts available under the Program for planning and design activities associated with projects proposed for inclusion in a subsequent budget request. Planning and design costs shall be reported separately in the annual budget justification documents for the Program.

''(f) SUBMISSION OF PROJECT PROPOSALS.—As part of the budget justification materials submitted to Congress in connection with the budget of the Department of Defense for a fiscal year (as submitted with the budget of the President under section 1105(a) of title 31), the Secretary of Defense shall include, for each military construction project proposed for funding under the Program

in such fiscal year, a completed Department of Defense Form 1391 (or successor form) that includes—

''(1) the name and location of the covered defense laboratory for which the project is intended;

''(2) a description of the project, the scope of work, and the estimated cost;

''(3) a description of the research, development, test, or evaluation mission supported by the project and the consequences of deferred investment;

''(4) the current facility condition rating and an assessment of the suitability of the facility to support the assigned missions of the laboratory without the proposed investment;

''(5) the status of design completion and the anticipated award date for construction;

''(6) an economic analysis consistent with the procedures under Department of Defense Instruction 7041.03 (relating to economic analysis for decision-making) or successor instruction; and

''(7) any other information the Under Secretary determines appropriate to facilitate congressional review.

''(g) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than March 1 of each year, the Under Secretary shall submit to the con-

gressional defense committees a report on the Program for the preceding fiscal year that includes—

''(1) a summary of all projects funded under the Program, including the name of the covered defense laboratory, the project description, the amount obligated, and the construction status;

''(2) an assessment of the overall condition of covered defense laboratory facilities, including an estimate of the total unfunded facility investment requirement across the defense laboratory enterprise;

''(3) a description of projects proposed for inclusion in the next annual budget request; and

''(4) any recommended changes to policies, criteria, or funding levels for the Program.

''(h) PROJECT CHANGES AND CANCELLATIONS.—

''(1) CHANGES.—Any changes to the cost or scope of a project authorized under the Program shall be subject to the requirements of section 2853 of this title.

''(2) CANCELLATIONS.—The Under Secretary shall notify the congressional defense committees not later than 14 days after deciding to cancel a project authorized under the Program.

''(i) RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER AUTHORITIES.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—The Program shall complement, but not replace, other authorities available to components of the Department of Defense for laboratory facility investment, including—

''(A) the authority to use funds available to the Department for research, development, test, and evaluation for laboratory facility construction under section 4093 of this title;

''(B) the authority for unspecified minor military construction under section 2805 of this title; and

''(C) the authority for restoration or replacement of damaged or destroyed facilities under section 2854 of this title.

''(2) USE OF PROGRAM.—A component of the Department of Defense may use the Program for projects that are not adequately addressed by the authorities described in paragraph (1).

''(j) COVERED DEFENSE LABORATORY DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'covered defense laboratory' means any laboratory, research center, test and evaluation facility, or warfare center of the Department of Defense designated as a science and technology reinvention laboratory under section 4121 of this title, or any other facility of the Department determined by the Under Secretary to

perform research, development, test, or evaluation activities as a primary mission.''.

(b) INITIAL PROGRAM GUIDANCE.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering shall issue initial program guidance for the Department of Defense Laboratory Facility Investment Program established under section 2820a of title 10, United States Code (as added by subsection (a)), including criteria for project submission, evaluation methodology, and the annual timeline for project proposals and congressional budget submissions.

(c) FIRST BUDGET SUBMISSION.—The Secretary of Defense shall include proposed projects under the Department of Defense Laboratory Facility Investment Program established under section 2820a of title 10, United States Code (as added by subsection (a)), in the budget materials submitted to Congress for fiscal year 2029, which shall be the first fiscal year for which projects under the Program may be authorized.

SEC. 2866. CONSIDERATION OF MODULAR CONSTRUCTION METHODS FOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS WITH PROTECTIVE DESIGN ELEMENTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—In determining the requirements for a proposed military construction project with protective design elements, the Secretary of Defense shall consider the use of modular construction methods along with other construction methods to determine the most effective method for such military construction project to meet mission needs.

(b) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the use of modular construction methods as described in subsection (a).

(2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall include the following:

(A) A summary of current policy and guidance of the Department of Defense governing the use of modular construction for military construction projects, including modular construction methodologies with protective design elements.

(B) A cost-benefit analysis that—

(i) compares modular construction methods to other construction methods for military construction projects; and

(ii) describes the effect of modular construction methods on construction timelines and life-cycle costs.

(C) An identification of potential use cases for modular construction methods and any limitations or constraints on the use of such methods.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) MODULAR CONSTRUCTION.—The term ''modular construction'' means a construction process in which components of a construction project are prefabricated off-site under controlled conditions and then transported to the site of such project for assembly.

(2) PROTECTIVE DESIGN ELEMENTS.—The term ''protective design elements'' means, with respect to a military construction project, that such project requires use of materials that have been blast hardened or ballistic hardened, or requires incorporation of measures intended to mitigate blast or ballistic threats, including minimum standoff dis-

tance requirements, berms, or barriers as identified in the security or antiterrorism design criteria for the project.

SEC. 2867. STANDARDIZED METHODOLOGY FOR BASING DECISIONS FOR THE AIR FORCE.

The Secretary of the Air Force shall ensure that all basing decisions for aircraft of the Air Force made on or after the date of the enactment of this Act are conducted using a standardized methodology that—

(1) incorporates lifecycle cost estimates for the aircraft over a period of not less than 10 years;

(2) uses current and validated infrastructure, readiness, and aircraft condition data;

(3) includes transparent weighing of evaluation criteria; and

(4) accounts for operational mission requirements, including projected demand from the combatant commands.

SEC. 2868. PILOT PROGRAM ON REPLACEMENT OF SUBSTANDARD CHILLERS OR FACILITIES THAT SUPPORT SUBSISTENCE RESILIENCY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary concerned may, in accordance with this section, carry out a pilot program under which the Secretary concerned may replace a chiller or chiller-related facility that supports subsistence resil-

iency with a new such chiller or facility not otherwise authorized by law.

(b) LOCATIONS.—The Secretary may carry out the pilot program under subsection (a) at a facility of the Department of Defense within the area of responsibility of the Indo Pacific Command that is deemed to be a remote and isolated facility.

(c) CHILLER AND FACILITY REQUIREMENTS.—A new chiller or facility replaced under subsection (a)—

(1) must be replacing a chiller or facility that is in a substandard condition, as determined by the Secretary concerned;

(2) must be designed and utilized for the same purpose as the chiller or facility being replaced;

(3) must be located on the same installation as the chiller or facility being replaced;

(4) must be designed to meet, at a minimum, current standards for construction, utilization, and force protection; and

(5) may not be more than 125 percent of the footprint of the chiller or facility being replaced unless—

(A) justification is provided under subsection (d) indicating that an increased oper-

ational presence is expected within the next five years; or

(B) multiple chillers or facilities are being consolidated to improve efficiency.

(d) SOURCE OF FUNDS.—The Secretary concerned, in using the authority under this section, may spend amounts available to the Secretary concerned for operation and maintenance or unspecified military construction.

(e) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—When a decision is made to carry out a replacement project under this section with an estimated cost in excess of $15,000,000, the Secretary concerned shall submit, in an electronic medium pursuant to section 480 of title 10, United States Code, to the appropriate committees of Congress a report containing—

(1) the justification for the replacement project and the current estimate of the cost of the project; and

(2) a description of the elements of military construction, including the elements specified in section 2802(b) of such title, incorporated into the project.

(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS; FACILITY; SECRETARY CONCERNED.—The terms ''appropriate committees of Congress'', ''facility'', and ''Secretary concerned'' have the meanings given those terms in section 2801 of title 10, United States Code.

(2) SUBSTANDARD CONDITION.—The term ''substandard condition'', with respect to a chiller or facility, means the chiller or facility, as the case may be, can no longer meet the requirements of current standards without repair that would cost more than 75 percent of the replacement cost.

(g) SUNSET.—The authority under this section shall terminate on the date that is five years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 2869. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PILOT PROGRAM FOR DEVELOPMENT AND USE OF ONLINE REAL ESTATE INVENTORY TOOL.

Section 2866 of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (division B of Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 7771 note prec.) is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 2866. PILOT PROGRAM OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FOR DEVELOPMENT AND USE OF ONLINE REAL ESTATE INVENTORY TOOL.

''(a) PILOT PROGRAM REQUIRED.—

''(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Defense shall establish a pilot program for the development of an online real estate tool to identify the existing inventory of space available at the installations of the Department of Defense selected by the Secretary under paragraph (2) for the purposes specified in subsection (b) (in this section referred to as the 'pilot program').

''(2) SELECTION OF PILOT LOCATIONS.—The Secretary shall evaluate the online inventory tool developed under the pilot program at installations of the Department selected by the Secretary as appropriate locations for evaluation of the online inventory tool, which shall include—

''(A) not less than five, but not more than 10, installations of the Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, or Space Force; and

''(B) all installations selected by the Secretary of the Army under this section as of the day before the date of the enactment of this Act.

''(3) CONSULTATION.—The Secretary shall establish the pilot program and develop the online inventory tool under the pilot program in consultation with the Administrator of General Services and each Secretary of a military department.

''(b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the online inventory tool developed under the pilot program are—

''(1) to achieve efficiencies in real estate property management consistent with the goal under the national defense strategy under section 113(g) of title 10, United States Code, of finding greater efficiencies within operations of the Department and leveraging commercial off-the-shelf technologies to better support members of the Armed Forces; and

''(2) to provide a means to better quantify existing space available at installations of the Department and how it is utilized for current missions and requirements.

''(c) CONSIDERATIONS.—To establish the pilot program, the Secretary shall—

''(1) consider innovative approaches, including the use of other transaction authorities consistent with section 4021 of title 10, United States Code, and the use of commercial off-the-shelf technologies;

''(2) develop appropriate protections of sensitive or classified information from being included with the online inventory tool developed under the pilot program;

''(3) develop appropriate levels of access for private sector users of the online inventory tool; and

''(4) in developing the online inventory tool and the protections, levels of access, and other considerations under this subsection, include lessons learned from the Secretary of the Army on the development of the pilot program under this section before the date of the enactment of this Act.

''(d) ESTABLISHMENT OF USE POLICY.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—In connection with the development of the online inventory tool under the pilot program, the Secretary of Defense shall develop policy requiring the use of the online inventory tool at all installations of the Department selected under subsection (a)(2) to query for existing inventory at such installations before any military construction or off-post leases are agreed to for such installations.

''(2) GUIDELINES.—The Secretary shall prescribe guidelines to be implemented by each Secretary of a military department in using the online inventory tool under the pilot program.

''(3) NOTIFICATIONS.—The Secretary shall ensure that all relevant notifications to the congressional defense committees include a certification that the online inventory tool developed under the pilot program was used.

''(e) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect the application of title V of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11411 et seq.).

''(f) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—

''(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of the Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report evaluating the success of the pilot program in achieving the purposes specified in subsection (b).

''(2) ELEMENTS.—At a minimum, the report required under paragraph (1) shall identify and contain the following:

''(A) An identification of the installations selected under subsection (a)(2) to participate in the pilot program broken out by respective military department.

''(B) The number of real estate agreements entered into by each Secretary of a military department that were facilitated by use of the online inventory tool developed under the pilot program, including for each agreement the installation, amount of space, value, and purpose of the agreement.

''(C) An evaluation of the extent to which use of the online inventory tool reduced the need for military construction or off-post leases.

''(D) An evaluation of any impediments to efficient use of the online inventory tool.

''(E) The recommendations of the Secretary regarding whether the pilot program should be extended, expanded, or made permanent.

''(g) ONLINE INVENTORY TOOL DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'online inventory tool' means the online real estate tool developed under the pilot program to identify existing inventory of space available at installations of the Department of Defense selected to participate in the pilot program.

''(h) DURATION.—The authority of the Secretary of Defense to conduct the pilot program shall expire on September 30, 2031.''.

SEC. 2870. TRANSFER OF AMOUNTS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF FORD ISLAND, HAWAII, AND ELECTRICAL UPGRADES AND BARBERS POINT, HAWAII.

(a) TRANSFER.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Navy shall transfer all amounts contained in an account associated with the Ford Island Master Development Agreement to the Ford Island Improvement Account.

(b) USE OF AMOUNTS.—Amounts transferred under subsection (a) may be used—

(1) pursuant to section 2814 of title 10, United States Code—

(A) to carry out improvements of property or facilities at Ford Island, Hawaii; and

(B) to obtain property support services for property or facilities at Ford Island; and

(2) to make electrical upgrades at Barbers Point, Hawaii.

SEC. 2871. EXPANSION OF DEFENSE COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PILOT PROGRAM TO INCLUDE INSTALLATIONS OF THE COAST GUARD.

Section 2391 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (d)—

(A) in paragraph (1)(B), in the matter preceding clause (i), by inserting ", in consulta-

tion with the Commandant of the Coast Guard,'' after ''The Secretary''; and

(B) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

''(5) In considering grants, agreements, or other funding under paragraph (1)(A) with respect to community infrastructure supportive of a military installation of the Coast Guard, the Secretary of Defense shall consult with the Commandant of the Coast Guard to assess the selection and prioritization of the project concerned.''; and

(2) in subsection (e)(1), by adding at the end the following new sentence: ''For purposes of subsection (d), the term 'military installation' includes an installation of the Coast Guard under the jurisdiction of the Department of Homeland Security.''.

SEC. 2872. PLAN ON REMEDIATION OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT AND COMPUTATIONAL FACILITIES OWNED OR CONTROLLED BY A FOREIGN ADVERSARY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Commander of the United States Northern Command and the Secretaries of the military departments and in consultation with the Secretary of Energy, shall submit to the congressional defense com-

mittees a plan to identify, prioritize, and remediate, to the standards established under sections 394, 2815, and 2920 of title 10, United States Code, the presence of covered equipment and covered computational facilities owned or controlled by a foreign adversary in the electric grid of the United States.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The plan required under subsection (a) shall include—

(1) an assessment of the risks to the national defense and security of the United States posed by covered equipment owned or controlled by a foreign adversary, components, systems, and technologies related to such equipment, and covered computational facilities owned or controlled by a foreign adversary, including risks to—

(A) military installations and defense critical electric infrastructure (as defined in section 215A of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 824o–1));

(B) continuity of operations for critical missions of the Department of Defense; and

(C) the reliability and resilience of the bulk-power system;

(2) criteria for prioritizing remediation actions based on risk to military operations, including prox-

imity to covered military installations and entities of the defense industrial base, and the criticality of affected infrastructure;

(3) a remediation strategy, coordinated with relevant State governments—

(A) to remove, replace, or otherwise mitigate, to the standards established under sections 2815 and 2920 of title 10, United States Code, covered equipment, components, systems, and technologies related to such equipment, and computational facilities;

(B) to incorporate secure and trusted alternatives to such equipment, components, systems, technologies, and facilities, including weapons protection, standard manufactured components, and software; and

(C) to minimize disruption to grid operations; and

(4) such other information and plans as the Secretary determines relevant.

(c) FORM.—The plan required under subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(d) ANNUAL FUNDING, EQUIPMENT, AND PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS.—Beginning in the fiscal year

2028 budget cycle, and annually thereafter, the Commander of the United States Northern Command shall submit to the Secretary and the congressional defense committees an annual budget estimating the funding required to execute the plan submitted under subsection (a).

(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) CONTROL.—The term ''control'' has the meaning given that term in section 800.208 of title 31, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulations.

(2) COVERED COMPUTATIONAL FACILITY.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (B), the term ''covered computational facility'' means a facility used to operate computing equipment in support of continuous, automated computational operations.

(B) ISSUANCE OF GUIDANCE.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary, in consultation with the Commander of the United States Northern Command, shall issue guidance to further define the term ''covered computational facility'' for purposes of this section.

(ii) ANNUAL UPDATE.—Not less frequently than annually, the Secretary, in consultation with the Commander of the United States Northern Command, shall, as appropriate, update guidance under clause (i) in response to technical developments, legal, regulatory, and institutional barriers, and newly identified threats and risks.

(3) COVERED EQUIPMENT.—The term ''covered equipment'' means any equipment that—

(A) is capable of connecting to the internet, a local area network, a wide area network, or any other communications network, whether through wired or wireless means, regardless of ownership or operational control by the government or private industry;

(B) contains software, firmware, or hardware that is remotely updatable or remotely accessible;

(C) is otherwise susceptible to unauthorized access, exploitation, or manipulation through a network-connected vector, including through embedded components, supply chain

vulnerabilities, or third-party software dependencies; and

(D) is directly connected to the grid, the electric distribution system of a military installation or entity of the defense industrial base, or connected to the grid through a transformer, and can be accessed or communicated with via power line or other communication, or that can be physically accessed.

(4) FOREIGN ADVERSARY.—The term ''foreign adversary'' has the meaning given the term ''covered nation'' in section 4872(f) of title 10, United States Code.

(5) SECRETARY.—The term ''Secretary'' means the Secretary of Defense.

DIVISION C—DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY NATIONAL SECURITY AUTHORIZATIONS AND OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS

TITLE XXXI—DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY NATIONAL SECURITY PROGRAMS

Subtitle A—National Security Programs and Authorizations

SEC. 3101. NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRATION.

(a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Energy for fiscal year 2027 for the activities of the National Nuclear Security Administration in carrying out programs as specified in the funding table in section 4701.

(b) AUTHORIZATION OF NEW PLANT PROJECTS.—From funds referred to in subsection (a) that are available for carrying out plant projects, the Secretary of Energy may carry out new plant projects for the National Nuclear Security Administration as follows:

Project 27-D-512 Plutonium Engineering Support Building, Los Alamos National Laboratory, $88,700,000.

SEC. 3102. DEFENSE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP.

Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Energy for fiscal year 2027 for defense environmental cleanup activities in carrying out programs as specified in the funding table in section 4701.

SEC. 3103. OTHER DEFENSE ACTIVITIES.

Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Energy for fiscal year 2027 for other defense activities in carrying out programs as specified in the funding table in section 4701.

SEC. 3104. NUCLEAR ENERGY.

Funds are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Energy for fiscal year 2027 for nuclear energy as specified in the funding table in section 4701.

Subtitle B—Program Authorizations, Restrictions, and Limitations

SEC. 3111. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITIES TO ADMINISTRATOR FOR NUCLEAR SECURITY.

The Secretary of Energy shall delegate to the Administrator for Nuclear Security the approval authority under DOE Order 413.3B with respect to the evaluation and approval for projects of the National Nuclear Security Administration.

SEC. 3112. PROTECTION OF OFFICE OF SECURE TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT FROM UNMANNED AIRCRAFT.

Section 6227 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking ''or asset'' and inserting '', asset, or equipment''; and

(2) in subsection (e)(1)—

(A) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking ''or asset'' each place it appears and inserting '', asset, or equipment''; and

(B) in subparagraph (C), by striking ''or uses'' and inserting, '', uses, or transports''.

SEC. 3113. AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS FOR NUCLEAR EFFECTS TESTING.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Administrator for Nuclear Security, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, may establish one or more public-private partnerships to provide nuclear effects testing capabilities in support of the mission requirements of the National Nuclear Security Administration and the Department of Defense.

(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the public-private partnership authorized under subsection (a) is—

(1) to expand the availability and throughput of nuclear effects testing capabilities, including the use

of pulsed power, radiation, and high-energy plasma physics to generate radiation environments relevant to modern threat systems;

(2) to reduce cost, schedule, and technical risk associated with developing and sustaining advanced nuclear effects testing infrastructure;

(3) to enable milestone-based development and demonstration of capabilities aligned with requirements of the Department of Defense and the National Nuclear Security Administration; and

(4) to complement, rather than replace, existing Federal Government-owned and Federal Government-operated nuclear effects testing facilities.

(c) PARTNERSHIP STRUCTURE.—A public-private partnership established under this section shall include—

(1) commercially owned and operated entities that have operational hardware with validated data that meet the needs of threat environments and can support the nuclear, conventional, missile defense, space, and nuclear command, control, and communications missions of the Department of Defense;

(2) milestone-based agreements, cooperative research and development agreements, leases, service-based arrangements, or other appropriate contractual mechanisms;

(3) cost-sharing arrangements that leverage private capital investment alongside Federal funding; and

(4) provisions for Federal Government access to testing capabilities, data, diagnostics, and results necessary to meet mission requirements.

(d) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 180 days after the establishment of a public-private partnership under this section, the Administrator for Nuclear Security, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes—

(1) a description of the partnership structure and selected contractual mechanisms;

(2) an assessment of how the partnership supports nuclear effects testing requirements of the National Nuclear Security Administration and the Department of Defense;

(3) a summary of anticipated cost, schedule, and risk reduction benefits relative to traditional Federal Government-only approaches;

(4) a description of safeguards implemented to protect safety, security, and sensitive information;

(5) an assessment of intellectual property and data rights considerations associated with the part-

nership, including anticipated data rights, Federal Government purpose rights, or access provisions required to enable reuse, validation, or replication of testing results, and any legal, policy, or regulatory challenges related to data ownership or use; and

(6) any recommendations for additional authorities needed to expand or sustain such partnerships.

SEC. 3114. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS PENDING SUBMISSION OF REPORT ON RESTORATION OF A DOMESTIC URANIUM ENRICHMENT CAPABILITY.

Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for Federal Salaries and Expenses and available to the National Nuclear Security Administration for travel purposes, not more than 80 percent may be obligated or expended until the Administrator for Nuclear Security submits the report required by section 3123 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 2301).

SEC. 3115. BRIEFING ON ACTIVITIES BY THE DIRECTOR FOR COST ESTIMATING AND PROGRAM EVALUATION.

Section 3221(g) of the National Nuclear Security Administration Act (50 U.S.C. 2411) is amended in the matter preceding paragraph (1)—

(1) by striking ''submit to Congress'' and inserting ''brief the congressional defense committees''; and

(2) by striking ''of fiscal years 2015 through 2018, a report that includes'' and inserting ''fiscal year through 2031, activities including''.

SEC. 3116. MODIFICATION TO SELECTED ACQUISITION REPORTS REQUIREMENT.

Section 6125(a)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''At the end of the first quarter of each fiscal year,'' and inserting ''Not later than 30 days after the date on which the President submits to Congress the budget of the President for a fiscal year pursuant to section 1105 of title 31, United States Code,''.

SEC. 3117. MODIFICATION TO THE PROGRAM FOR ACCELERATION OF REPLACEMENT OF CESIUM BLOOD IRRADIATION SOURCES.

Section 6156(b)(2) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''50 percent of the'' and inserting ''the full''.

SEC. 3118. BRIEFINGS ON NUCLEAR-RELATED AUTONOMOUS OR REMOTELY-PILOTED AIRCRAFT INCURSIONS.

(a) BRIEFINGS.—Beginning not later than September 1, 2026, and occurring not less than once every 90 days thereafter, the Administrator for Nuclear Security, in coordination with the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nuclear Deterrence, Chemical and Biological Defense Policy and Programs, shall brief the congressional defense committees on all instances occurring over the previous calendar year of remotely-piloted or autonomous system incursions into secured areas or airspace in or around—

(1) facilities, installations, or transportation equipment owned by the National Nuclear Security Administration;

(2) facilities, installations, or transportation equipment leased by or operated pursuant to contracts with the National Nuclear Security Administration;

(3) facilities or installations owned by the Department of Defense that support operational missions assigned to United States Strategic Command;

(4) facilities or installations leased by, or operated pursuant to contracts with, the Department of

Defense that support operational missions assigned to United States Strategic Command; and

(5) facilities or installations leased by, or operated pursuant to contracts with, the Department of Defense that support military department programs or activities conducted as part or in support of nuclear force operations, nuclear force program sustainment activities, or nuclear force modernization programs.

(b) SUBSTITUTION.—Completion of the annual and semiannual reporting requirements of the Secretary of Defense described in subsections (h) and (i) of section 130i of Title 10, United States Code, may be used to fulfill any two of the briefings required by paragraphs (3), (4), or (5) of subsection (a) in any calendar year.

(c) TERMINATION.—The briefing requirement described by subsection (a) shall terminate on August 31, 2031.

SEC. 3119. CONCEPTUAL AND CONSTRUCTION DESIGN.

Section 6277(b) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking ''$5,000,000'' each place it appears and inserting ''$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 dollars''.

SEC. 3120. ANNUAL PUBLIC WORKSHOPS AND NUCLEAR SCIENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE REVIEWS.

Section 3173(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013 (42 U.S.C. 2065(a)) is amended by striking paragraph(4).

SEC. 3121. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS UNTIL CERTAIN CRITERIA ARE MET.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2027 for Federal Salaries and Expenses and available to the Office of the Administrator for Nuclear Security for travel purposes, not more than—

(1) 50 percent may be obligated or expended until the date on which the Administrator notifies the congressional defense committees that site selection has been completed and site preparation has commenced for covered projects;

(2) 80 percent may be obligated or expended until the date on which the Administrator notifies the congressional defense committees that initial long-lead component, equipment, and commodity requirements have been identified for covered projects; and

(3) 90 percent may be obligated or expended until the date on which the Administrator notifies the congressional defense committees that orders for

not less than 25 percent of the value of the items described in paragraph (2) have been submitted to vendors for covered projects.

(b) COVERED PROJECTS.—In this section, the term ''covered project'' means—

(1) 21-D-510, the High Explosive Synthesis Formulation and Production Facility, Pantex Plant, Amarillo, Texas; and

(2) 18-D-650 Tritium Finishing Facility, Savannah River Site, Aiken, South Carolina.

SEC. 3122. CONTINUATION OF NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRATION PAY AND PERFORMANCE SYSTEM.

Section 3116(a)(1) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91; 50 U.S.C. 2441 note prec.) is amended by striking '', until'' and all that follows through ''this Act''.

Subtitle C—Other Matters

TITLE XXXII—DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD

SEC. 3201. AUTHORIZATION.

There are authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2027, $45,000,000 for the operation of the Defense

Nuclear Facilities Safety Board under chapter 21 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2286 et seq.).

DIVISION D—FUNDING TABLES

SEC. 4001. AUTHORIZATION OF AMOUNTS IN FUNDING TABLES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Whenever a funding table in this division specifies a dollar amount authorized for a project, program, or activity, the obligation and expenditure of the specified dollar amount for the project, program, or activity is hereby authorized, subject to the availability of appropriations.

(b) MERIT-BASED DECISIONS.—A decision to commit, obligate, or expend funds with or to a specific entity on the basis of a dollar amount authorized pursuant to subsection (a) shall—

(1) be based on merit-based selection procedures in accordance with the requirements of sections 3201 and 4024 of title 10, United States Code, or on competitive procedures; and

(2) comply with other applicable provisions of law.

(c) RELATIONSHIP TO TRANSFER AND PROGRAMMING AUTHORITY.—An amount specified in the funding tables in this division may be transferred or reprogrammed under a transfer or reprogramming authority

provided by another provision of this Act or by other law. The transfer or reprogramming of an amount specified in such funding tables shall not count against a ceiling on such transfers or reprogrammings under section 1001 of this Act or any other provision of law, unless such transfer or reprogramming would move funds between appropriation accounts.

(d) APPLICABILITY TO CLASSIFIED ANNEX.—This section applies to any classified annex that accompanies this Act.

(e) ORAL OR WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS.—No oral or written communication concerning any amount specified in the funding tables in this division shall supersede the requirements of this section.

TITLE XLI—PROCUREMENT

SEC. 4101. PROCUREMENT.

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Line	Item	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
	AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, ARMY		
	FIXED WING		
3	SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS	291,472	291,472
4	UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (UAS)	52,398	52,398
5	HADES PLATFORM, PAYLOADS/PED, AND INTEGRATION	227,569	227,569
	ROTARY		
7	AH–64 APACHE BLOCK IIIA REMAN	1,552	1,552
9	FUTURE VERTICAL LIFT FAMILY OF SYSTEMS	127,217	0
	Realignment to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation for operational test aircraft		[–127,217]
10	UH–60 BLACKHAWK M MODEL (MYP)	39,257	39,257
12	CH–47 HELICOPTER	210,645	210,645
	MODIFICATION OF AIRCRAFT		
15	MQ–1 PAYLOAD	53,190	53,190
16	GRAY EAGLE MODS2	2,556	2,556
17	AH–64 MODS	251,645	251,645
18	SCALABLE CONTROL INTERFACE (SCI)	2,061	2,061
19	CH–47 CARGO HELICOPTER MODS (MYP)	108,408	108,408
20	UTILITY HELICOPTER MODS	120,013	120,013
21	NETWORK AND MISSION PLAN	29,235	29,235
22	COMMS, NAV SURVEILLANCE	14,384	14,384
24	AVIATION ASSURED PNT	55,055	55,055
	GROUND SUPPORT AVIONICS		
27	AIRCRAFT SURVIVABILITY EQUIPMENT	125,050	125,050
28	CMWS	21,511	21,511
29	COMMON INFRARED COUNTERMEASURES (CIRCM)	140,636	140,636
	OTHER SUPPORT		
30	COMMON GROUND EQUIPMENT	29,778	29,778

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31	AIRCREW INTEGRATED SYSTEMS	15,229	15,229
32	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL	11,044	11,044
33	LAUNCHER, 2.75 ROCKET	3,864	3,864
	TOTAL AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, ARMY	**1,933,769**	**1,806,552**
	MISSILE PROCUREMENT, ARMY		
	SURFACE-TO-AIR MISSILE SYSTEM		
1	LOWER TIER AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE (AMD) SEN	2,036,358	2,036,358
2	TERMINAL HIGH ALTITUDE AREA DEFENSE (THAAD)	907,162	733,424
	Realignment to Operation and Maintenance		[–173,738]
3	M-SHORAD—PROCUREMENT	712,690	712,690
4	MSE MISSILE	1,297,528	1,297,528
5	PRECISION STRIKE MISSILE (PRSM)	1,226,526	1,226,526
6	INDIRECT FIRE PROTECTION CAPABILITY INC 2–I	1,626,004	1,626,004
7	MID-RANGE CAPABILITY (MRC)	370,351	370,351
	AIR-TO-SURFACE MISSILE SYSTEM		
9	JOINT AIR-TO-GROUND MSLS (JAGM)	104,059	104,059
11	LONG-RANGE HYPERSONIC WEAPON	301,777	301,777
	ANTI-TANK/ASSAULT MISSILE SYS		
12	JAVELIN (AAWS-M) SYSTEM SUMMARY	417,031	417,031
14	GUIDED MLRS ROCKET (GMLRS)	1,014,937	1,014,937
15	GUIDED MLRS ROCKET (GMLRS)	49,106	49,106
16	MLRS REDUCED RANGE PRACTICE ROCKETS (RRPR)	7,412	7,412
17	HIGH MOBILITY ARTILLERY ROCKET SYSTEM (HIMARS	745,682	745,682
20	FAMILY OF LOW ALTITUDE UNMANNED SYSTEMS	139,191	139,191
	MODIFICATIONS		
21	PATRIOT MODS	796,837	796,837
22	STINGER MODS	10,786	10,786
23	AVENGER MODS	6,823	6,823
24	MLRS MODS	289,496	289,496
25	HIMARS MODIFICATIONS	54,363	54,363
	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS		
26	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS	6,698	6,698
	SUPPORT EQUIPMENT & FACILITIES		
27	AIR DEFENSE TARGETS	9,613	9,613
	TOTAL MISSILE PROCUREMENT, ARMY	**12,130,430**	**11,956,692**
	PROCUREMENT OF W&TCV, ARMY		
	TRACKED COMBAT VEHICLES		
1	ARMORED MULTI PURPOSE VEHICLE (AMPV)	1,150,759	1,150,759
3	ASSAULT BREACHER VEHICLE (ABV)	17,807	17,807
5	XM30 MECHANIZED INFANTRY COMBAT VEHICLE (MICV	546,990	546,990
	MODIFICATION OF TRACKED COMBAT VEHICLES		
7	STRYKER UPGRADE	45,725	45,725
8	BRADLEY FIRE SUPPORT TEAM (BFIST) VEHICLE	4,863	4,863
9	BRADLEY PROGRAM (MOD)	161,979	161,979
10	M109 FOV MODIFICATIONS	74,070	74,070
11	PALADIN INTEGRATED MANAGEMENT (PIM)	84,193	84,193
12	IMPROVED RECOVERY VEHICLE (M88 HERCULES)	106,036	106,036
13	JOINT ASSAULT BRIDGE	163,354	163,354
14	ABRAMS UPGRADE PROGRAM	654,969	654,969
15	VEHICLE PROTECTION SYSTEMS (VPS)	16,134	16,134
	WEAPONS & OTHER COMBAT VEHICLES		
19	MORTAR SYSTEMS	3,575	3,575
20	LOCATION & AZIMUTH DETERMINATION SYSTEM (LADS	10,420	10,420
24	NEXT GENERATION SQUAD WEAPON	372,641	372,641
	MOD OF WEAPONS AND OTHER COMBAT VEH		
28	M777 MODS	1,569	1,569
30	M119 MODIFICATIONS	4,453	4,453
	SUPPORT EQUIPMENT & FACILITIES		
31	ITEMS LESS THAN $5.0M (WOCV-WTCV)	512	512
32	PRODUCTION BASE SUPPORT (WOCV-WTCV)	308,110	308,110
	TOTAL PROCUREMENT OF W&TCV, ARMY	**3,728,159**	**3,728,159**
	PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, ARMY		
	SMALL/MEDIUM CAL AMMUNITION		
1	CTG, 5.56MM, ALL TYPES	114,418	134,418
	5.56 Munition Procurement		[20,000]
2	CTG, 7.62MM, ALL TYPES	41,356	91,356
	7.62 Munition Procurement		[50,000]
3	NEXT GENERATION SQUAD WEAPON AMMUNITION	536,695	536,695
4	CTG, HANDGUN, ALL TYPES	6,719	8,719
	9mm Munition Procurement		[2,000]
5	CTG, .50 CAL, ALL TYPES	50,861	70,861
	.50 cal Munition Procurement		[20,000]
6	CTG, 20MM, ALL TYPES	9,427	9,427
7	CTG, 25MM, ALL TYPES	34,038	34,038
8	CTG, 30MM, ALL TYPES	164,116	164,116

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9	CTG, 40MM, ALL TYPES	146,105	146,105
10	CTG, 50MM, ALL TYPES	58,221	58,221
	MORTAR AMMUNITION		
11	60MM MORTAR, ALL TYPES	67,727	67,727
12	81MM MORTAR, ALL TYPES	123,745	123,745
13	120MM MORTAR, ALL TYPES	192,826	192,826
	TANK AMMUNITION		
14	CARTRIDGES, TANK, 105MM AND 120MM, ALL TYPES	421,735	421,735
	ARTILLERY AMMUNITION		
15	ARTILLERY CARTRIDGES, 75MM & 105MM, ALL TYPES	48,841	48,841
16	ARTILLERY PROJECTILE, 155MM, ALL TYPES	120,703	205,703
	155mm Projectile Procurement		[50,000]
	Advanced manufacturing propulsion facility		[35,000]
18	ARTILLERY PROPELLANTS, FUZES AND PRIMERS, ALL	431,328	431,328
	MINES		
19	MINES & CLEARING CHARGES, ALL TYPES	47,012	47,012
21	MINE, AT, VOLCANO, ALL TYPES	4,026	4,026
	ROCKETS		
22	SHOULDER LAUNCHED MUNITIONS, ALL TYPES	50,235	50,235
23	ROCKET, HYDRA 70, ALL TYPES	92,772	92,772
	OTHER AMMUNITION		
24	CAD/PAD, ALL TYPES	11,615	11,615
25	DEMOLITION MUNITIONS, ALL TYPES	21,691	21,691
26	GRENADES, ALL TYPES	66,845	66,845
27	SIGNALS, ALL TYPES	44,927	44,927
28	SIMULATORS, ALL TYPES	11,508	11,508
	MISCELLANEOUS		
30	AMMO COMPONENTS, ALL TYPES	4,109	4,109
31	ITEMS LESS THAN $5 MILLION (AMMO)	16,290	16,290
32	AMMUNITION PECULIAR EQUIPMENT	14,007	14,007
33	FIRST DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION (AMMO)	18,712	18,712
34	CLOSEOUT LIABILITIES	101	101
	PRODUCTION BASE SUPPORT		
35	INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES	2,331,763	2,406,763
	Industrial Facilities Modernization		[75,000]
36	CONVENTIONAL MUNITIONS DEMILITARIZATION	161,179	161,179
37	ARMS INITIATIVE	3,935	3,935
	TOTAL PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, ARMY	**5,469,588**	**5,721,588**
	OTHER PROCUREMENT, ARMY		
	TACTICAL VEHICLES		
1	FAMILY OF SEMITRAILERS	129,602	129,602
2	HI MOB MULTI-PURP WHLD VEH (HMMWV)	0	60,000
	Modernization over 350 HMMWVs for the Army Reserves		[60,000]
3	GROUND MOBILITY VEHICLES (GMV)	526,796	526,796
4	ARNG HMMWV MODERNIZATION PROGRAM	0	140,000
	Modernization over 750 HMMWVs for the Army National Guard		[140,000]
6	TRUCK, DUMP, 20T (CCE)	17,030	52,030
	M917A3 Heavy Dump Truck procurement		[35,000]
7	FAMILY OF MEDIUM TACTICAL VEH (FMTV)	283,344	283,344
8	FAMILY OF COLD WEATHER ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE (C	38,294	38,294
9	FIRETRUCKS & ASSOCIATED FIREFIGHTING EQUIP	40,203	40,203
10	FAMILY OF HEAVY TACTICAL VEHICLES (FHTV)	169,404	169,404
11	FAMILY OF COMMON TACTICAL TRUCKS	80,187	80,187
13	MODIFICATION OF IN SVC EQUIP	28,583	28,583
	NON-TACTICAL VEHICLES		
14	NONTACTICAL VEHICLES, OTHER	12,029	12,029
	COMM—JOINT COMMUNICATIONS		
16	C2 INFRASTRUCTURE	1,293,203	1,293,203
17	C2 TRANSPORT	1,581,863	1,581,863
18	JCSE EQUIPMENT (USRDECOM)	39	39
	COMM—SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS		
21	DEFENSE ENTERPRISE WIDEBAND SATCOM SYSTEMS	73,959	73,959
22	ASSURED POSITIONING, NAVIGATION AND TIMING	243,303	243,303
	COMM—COMBAT COMMUNICATIONS		
25	HANDHELD MANPACK SMALL FORM FIT (HMS)	516,045	516,045
26	ARMY LINK 16 SYSTEMS	33,711	33,711
27	UNIFIED COMMAND SUITE	20,187	20,187
28	COTS COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT	5,188	5,188
30	ARMY COMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONICS	54,428	54,428
	COMM—INTELLIGENCE COMM		
31	CI AUTOMATION ARCHITECTURE-INTEL	16,382	16,382
32	MULTI-DOMAIN INTELLIGENCE	243,732	243,732
	INFORMATION SECURITY		
33	INFORMATION SYSTEM SECURITY PROGRAM-ISSP	853	853
34	COMMUNICATIONS SECURITY (COMSEC)	145,507	145,507
35	BIOMETRIC ENABLING CAPABILITY (BEC)	65	65
	COMM—BASE COMMUNICATIONS		

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36	INFORMATION SYSTEMS	133,046	133,046
37	BASE EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION	50,644	50,644
38	INSTALLATION INFO INFRASTRUCTURE MOD PROGRAM	335,050	335,050
	ELECT EQUIP—TACT INT REL ACT (TIARA)		
42	TITAN	368,672	287,162
	Realignment to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation		[–81,510]
43	TERRESTRIAL LAYER SYSTEMS (TLS)	172,558	172,558
44	COLLECTION CAPABILITY	5,914	5,914
46	DCGS-A-INTEL	1,075	1,075
47	TROJAN	48,885	48,885
48	MOD OF IN-SVC EQUIP (INTEL SPT)	12,441	12,441
	ELECT EQUIP—ELECTRONIC WARFARE (EW)		
50	AIR VIGILANCE (AV)	106,497	106,497
52	ELECTRONIC WARFARE PLANNING & MGMT TOOLS (EWP	46,570	46,570
53	FAMILY OF PERSISTENT SURVEILLANCE CAP.	163	163
54	COUNTERINTELLIGENCE/SECURITY COUNTERMEASURES	8,427	8,427
	ELECT EQUIP—TACTICAL SURV. (TAC SURV)		
56	SENTINEL MODS	485,840	485,840
59	BASE EXPEDITIARY TARGETING AND SURV SYS	1,818	1,818
60	INDIRECT FIRE PROTECTION FAMILY OF SYSTEMS	18,000	18,000
61	FAMILY OF WEAPON SIGHTS (FWS)	15,340	15,340
62	ENHANCED PORTABLE INDUCTIVE ARTILLERY FUZE SE	13,228	13,228
63	SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS	9,848	9,848
64	FORWARD LOOKING INFRARED (IFLIR)	84,134	84,134
65	COUNTER SMALL UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEM (C-SUAS)	994,127	994,127
67	JOINT EFFECTS TARGETING SYSTEM (JETS)	7,663	7,663
68	COMPUTER BALLISTICS: LHMBC XM32	6,382	6,382
69	MORTAR FIRE CONTROL SYSTEM	2,391	2,391
70	MORTAR FIRE CONTROL SYSTEMS MODIFICATIONS	7,139	7,139
71	COUNTERFIRE RADARS	196,522	196,522
72	ADVANCED SITUATIONAL AWARENESS SYSTEMS	397,286	397,286
	ELECT EQUIP—TACTICAL C2 SYSTEMS		
74	FIRE SUPPORT C2 FAMILY	3,559	3,559
75	AIR & MSL DEFENSE PLANNING & CONTROL SYS	61,127	61,127
76	IAMD BATTLE COMMAND SYSTEM	1,052,868	1,052,868
77	AIAMD FAMILY OF SYSTEMS (FOS) COMPONENTS	16,446	16,446
78	LIFE CYCLE SOFTWARE SUPPORT (LCSS)	5,265	5,265
82	MOD OF IN-SVC EQUIPMENT (ENFIRE)	16,673	16,673
	ELECT EQUIP—AUTOMATION		
83	ARMY TRAINING MODERNIZATION	4,303	4,303
84	AUTOMATED DATA PROCESSING EQUIP	99,039	99,039
86	HIGH PERF COMPUTING MOD PGM (HPCMP)	75,004	75,004
	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
9999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	1,577	1,577
	CHEMICAL DEFENSIVE EQUIPMENT		
88	BASE DEFENSE SYSTEMS (BDS)	143	143
89	CBRN DEFENSE	65,020	65,020
	BRIDGING EQUIPMENT		
90	TACTICAL BRIDGE, FLOAT-RIBBON	35,806	35,806
	ENGINEER (NON-CONSTRUCTION) EQUIPMENT		
92	ROBOTICS AND APPLIQUE SYSTEMS	84,303	84,303
93	RENDER SAFE SETS KITS OUTFITS	12,461	12,461
94	FAMILY OF BOATS AND MOTORS	8,028	8,028
	COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
95	HEATERS AND ECU'S	15,021	15,021
97	GROUND SOLDIER SYSTEM	193,491	193,491
101	CARGO AERIAL DEL & PERSONNEL PARACHUTE SYSTEM	39,505	39,505
103	ITEMS LESS THAN $5M (ENG SPT)	4,129	4,129
	PETROLEUM EQUIPMENT		
104	DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS, PETROLEUM & WATER	133,881	133,881
	MEDICAL EQUIPMENT		
105	COMBAT SUPPORT MEDICAL	93,705	93,705
	MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT		
106	MOBILE MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT SYSTEMS	58,997	58,997
	CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT		
107	CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT	72,582	72,582
	RAIL FLOAT CONTAINERIZATION EQUIPMENT		
108	ARMY WATERCRAFT ESP	75,717	75,717
109	MANEUVER SUPPORT VESSEL (MSV)	104,705	104,705
110	ITEMS LESS THAN $5.0M (FLOAT/RAIL)	22,021	22,021
	GENERATORS		
111	GENERATORS AND ASSOCIATED EQUIP	79,456	79,456
	MATERIAL HANDLING EQUIPMENT		
112	FAMILY OF FORKLIFTS	6,238	21,238
	Crane procurement		[15,000]
	TRAINING EQUIPMENT		
113	COMBAT TRAINING CENTERS SUPPORT	141,848	141,848
114	TRAINING DEVICES, NONSYSTEM	140,860	140,860

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115	SYNTHETIC TRAINING ENVIRONMENT (STE)	115,535	115,535
116	GAMING TECHNOLOGY IN SUPPORT OF ARMY TRAINING	4,180	4,180
	TEST MEASURE AND DIG EQUIPMENT (TMD)		
117	INTEGRATED FAMILY OF TEST EQUIPMENT (IFTE)	18,570	18,570
118	TEST EQUIPMENT MODERNIZATION (TEMOD)	53,597	53,597
	OTHER SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
119	PHYSICAL SECURITY SYSTEMS (OPA3)	137,271	137,271
120	BASE LEVEL COMMON EQUIPMENT	19,889	19,889
121	MODIFICATION OF IN-SVC EQUIPMENT (OPA–3)	41,358	41,358
122	PRODUCTION BASE SUPPORT (OTH)	362,356	362,356
123	BUILDING, PRE-FAB, RELOCATABLE	10,878	10,878
124	SPECIAL EQUIPMENT FOR TEST AND EVALUATION	88,721	88,721
	OPA2		
126	INITIAL SPARES—C&E	7,323	7,323
	TOTAL OTHER PROCUREMENT, ARMY	**12,667,053**	**12,835,543**
	AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, NAVY		
	COMBAT AIRCRAFT		
1	F/A–18E/F (FIGHTER) HORNET	49,088	97,088
	F/A–18 IRST capability		[48,000]
2	JOINT STRIKE FIGHTER CV	995,707	995,707
3	JOINT STRIKE FIGHTER CV	651,081	651,081
4	JSF STOVL	62,363	62,363
5	JSF STOVL	77,963	77,963
6	CH–53K (HEAVY LIFT)	3,044,450	3,044,450
7	CH–53K (HEAVY LIFT)	429,295	429,295
9	H–1 UPGRADES (UH–1Y/AH–1Z)	5,974	5,974
10	P–8A POSEIDON	4,227,350	4,099,721
	Early to need		[–127,629]
11	E–2D ADV HAWKEYE	2,075,025	2,075,025
12	E–2D ADV HAWKEYE	550,000	550,000
	OTHER AIRCRAFT		
15	KC–130J	1,601,906	1,601,906
16	MQ–4 TRITON	104,326	104,326
17	MQ–25	771,177	771,177
18	MQ–25	80,965	80,965
19	MARINE GROUP 5 UAS	118,600	118,600
20	OTHER SUPPORT AIRCRAFT	204,476	204,476
	MODIFICATION OF AIRCRAFT		
21	F–18 A-D UNIQUE	36,951	36,951
22	F–18E/F AND EA–18G MODERNIZATION AND SUSTAINM	563,832	563,832
23	MARINE GROUP 5 UAS SERIES	179,603	179,603
24	AEA SYSTEMS	37,125	37,125
26	INFRARED SEARCH AND TRACK (IRST)	171,345	171,345
27	ADVERSARY	24,732	24,732
28	F–18 SERIES	858,716	858,716
29	H–53 SERIES	91,903	91,903
30	MH–60 SERIES	236,555	236,555
31	H–1 SERIES	304,267	304,267
32	E–2 SERIES	96,428	96,428
33	TRAINER A/C SERIES	12,359	12,359
34	C–130 SERIES	185,266	185,266
36	CARGO/TRANSPORT A/C SERIES	20,100	20,100
37	E–6 SERIES	270,832	270,832
38	EXECUTIVE HELICOPTERS SERIES	57,319	57,319
39	T–45 SERIES	191,139	191,139
40	POWER PLANT CHANGES	23,765	23,765
41	JPATS SERIES	28,059	28,059
43	COMMON ECM EQUIPMENT	365,990	365,990
44	COMMON AVIONICS CHANGES	246,728	246,728
45	COMMON DEFENSIVE WEAPON SYSTEM	11,028	11,028
46	ID SYSTEMS	3,199	3,199
47	P–8 SERIES	381,014	381,014
48	MAGTF EW FOR AVIATION	20,686	20,686
49	V–22 (TILT/ROTOR ACFT) OSPREY	641,715	641,715
50	NEXT GENERATION JAMMER (NGJ)	458,658	458,658
51	F–35 STOVL SERIES	428,881	428,881
52	F–35 CV SERIES	135,612	135,612
53	QRC	27,686	27,686
54	MQ–4 SERIES	157,849	157,849
	AIRCRAFT SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS		
58	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS	4,511,417	4,511,417
	AIRCRAFT SUPPORT EQUIP & FACILITIES		
59	COMMON GROUND EQUIPMENT	666,140	666,140
60	AIRCRAFT INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES	113,513	113,513
61	WAR CONSUMABLES	56,577	56,577
62	OTHER PRODUCTION CHARGES	61,970	61,970
63	SPECIAL SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	218,318	218,318

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	TOTAL AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, NAVY	**26,947,023**	**26,867,394**
	WEAPONS PROCUREMENT, NAVY		
	MODIFICATION OF MISSILES		
1	CONVENTIONAL PROMPT STRIKE	750,387	375,193
	CPS six missiles		[–375,194]
2	TRIDENT II MODS	3,912,267	3,912,267
	STRATEGIC MISSILES		
4	TOMAHAWK	1,015,106	1,015,106
	TACTICAL MISSILES		
5	AMRAAM	167,439	167,439
6	SIDEWINDER	174,750	174,750
7	JOINT ADVANCE TACTICAL MISSILE (JATM)	557,806	557,806
8	STANDARD MISSILE	733,159	833,159
	SM–6 solid rocket motor second sourcing		[100,000]
10	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB II	166,688	166,688
11	RAM	119,166	119,166
12	MSE MISSILE	97,835	97,835
13	JOINT AIR GROUND MISSILE (JAGM)	73,226	73,226
15	AERIAL TARGETS	179,931	179,931
16	OTHER MISSILE SUPPORT	3,877	3,877
17	LRASM	670,456	670,456
18	NAVAL STRIKE MISSILE (NSM)	75,972	75,972
19	NAVAL STRIKE MISSILE (NSM)	2,103	2,103
21	PRECISION ATTACK STRIKE MUNITION (PASM)	4,019	4,019
	MODIFICATION OF MISSILES		
22	TOMAHAWK MODS	799,139	799,139
23	ESSM	521,006	521,006
24	AARGM-ER	20	20
25	AARGM-ER	5,210	5,210
26	STANDARD MISSILES MODS	69,579	69,579
	SUPPORT EQUIPMENT & FACILITIES		
27	WEAPONS INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES	62,403	62,403
28	INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS	640	640
	ORDNANCE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
29	ORDNANCE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	43,261	43,261
	TORPEDOES AND RELATED EQUIP		
30	SSTD	3,969	3,969
31	MK–48 TORPEDO	571,274	571,274
32	ASW TARGETS	47,277	47,277
	MOD OF TORPEDOES AND RELATED EQUIP		
33	MK–54 TORPEDO MODS	112,126	112,126
34	MK–48 TORPEDO ADCAP MODS	67,279	67,279
35	MARITIME MINES	251,724	251,724
	SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
36	TORPEDO SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	160,445	160,445
37	ASW RANGE SUPPORT	4,438	4,438
	DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION		
38	FIRST DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION	6,011	6,011
	GUNS AND GUN MOUNTS		
39	SMALL ARMS AND WEAPONS	13,946	13,946
	MODIFICATION OF GUNS AND GUN MOUNTS		
40	CIWS MODS	7,939	7,939
41	COAST GUARD WEAPONS	49,537	49,537
42	GUN MOUNT MODS	84,004	84,004
43	LCS MODULE WEAPONS	2,190	2,190
44	AIRBORNE MINE NEUTRALIZATION SYSTEMS	14,265	14,265
	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS		
46	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS	167,242	167,242
	TOTAL WEAPONS PROCUREMENT, NAVY	**11,769,111**	**11,493,917**
	PROCUREMENT OF AMMO, NAVY & MC		
	NAVY AMMUNITION		
1	GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS	45,607	45,607
2	JDAM	96,935	96,935
3	AIRBORNE ROCKETS, ALL TYPES	92,145	92,145
4	MACHINE GUN AMMUNITION	14,832	14,832
5	PRACTICE BOMBS	46,782	46,782
6	CARTRIDGES & CART ACTUATED DEVICES	63,064	63,064
7	AIR EXPENDABLE COUNTERMEASURES	121,059	121,059
8	JATOS	8,179	8,179
9	5 INCH/54 GUN AMMUNITION	44,136	44,136
10	INTERMEDIATE CALIBER GUN AMMUNITION	40,095	40,095
11	OTHER SHIP GUN AMMUNITION	43,106	43,106
12	SMALL ARMS & LANDING PARTY AMMO	48,801	48,801
13	PYROTECHNIC AND DEMOLITION	9,510	9,510
15	AMMUNITION LESS THAN $5 MILLION	1,692	1,692
16	EXPEDITIONARY LOITERING MUNITIONS	165,662	215,662

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	Increase expeditionary loitering munitions		[50,000]
	MARINE CORPS AMMUNITION		
17	MORTARS	181,464	181,464
18	DIRECT SUPPORT MUNITIONS	29,715	29,715
19	INFANTRY WEAPONS AMMUNITION	142,179	142,179
20	COMBAT SUPPORT MUNITIONS	12,510	12,510
21	AMMO MODERNIZATION	19,009	19,009
22	ARTILLERY MUNITIONS	723,278	723,278
23	ITEMS LESS THAN $5 MILLION	8,837	8,837
	TOTAL PROCUREMENT OF AMMO, NAVY & MC	**1,958,597**	**2,008,597**
	SHIPBUILDING AND CONVERSION, NAVY		
	FLEET BALLISTIC MISSILE SHIPS		
1	COLUMBIA CLASS SUBMARINE	3,329,047	3,329,047
1	COLUMBIA CLASS SUBMARINE	6,904,785	6,904,785
2	COLUMBIA CLASS SUBMARINE	4,763,342	4,763,342
	OTHER WARSHIPS		
3	CARRIER REPLACEMENT PROGRAM	641,907	641,907
4	CARRIER REPLACEMENT PROGRAM	1,940,566	1,940,566
5	CVN–81	1,447,882	1,447,882
6	VIRGINIA CLASS SUBMARINE	8,402,316	8,402,316
7	VIRGINIA CLASS SUBMARINE	4,143,618	4,143,618
8	SURFACE SHIP INDUSTRIAL BASE	0	550,000
	DDG–51 wage commitment		[100,000]
	Surface combatant shipyard infrastructure and strategic sourcing		[450,000]
9	BBG(X)	1,000,000	0
	Advance procurement early to need		[–1,000,000]
10	CVN REFUELING OVERHAULS	4,418,902	2,018,902
	Incremental funding extended		[–2,400,000]
11	CVN REFUELING OVERHAULS	53,070	53,070
12	DDG 1000	66,516	66,516
13	DDG–51	2,954,238	5,454,238
	Second DDG–51 ship for FY27		[2,500,000]
17	FF(X)	1,429,000	1,429,000
	AMPHIBIOUS SHIPS		
18	LPD FLIGHT II	2,188,700	2,188,700
19	LPD FLIGHT II	355,950	355,950
21	LHA REPLACEMENT	3,850,319	3,850,319
	AUXILIARIES, CRAFT AND PRIOR YR PROGRAM COST		
26	AS SUBMARINE TENDER	4,444,000	2,344,000
	Second ship early to need, unjustified savings		[–2,100,000]
28	TAO FLEET OILER	1,946,063	1,946,063
31	TAGOS SURTASS SHIPS	610,664	0
	Third ship early to need		[–610,664]
35	STRATEGIC SEALIFT	450,000	450,000
36	OUTFITTING	741,270	741,270
37	SHIP TO SHORE CONNECTOR	733,895	733,895
38	SERVICE CRAFT	177,079	177,079
39	AUXILIARY PERSONNEL LIGHTER	83,000	83,000
40	BULK FUEL VESSEL	450,000	450,000
43	LCAC SLEP	37,998	37,998
45	COMPLETION OF PY SHIPBUILDING PROGRAMS	2,611,990	2,611,990
	TOTAL SHIPBUILDING AND CONVERSION, NAVY	**60,176,117**	**57,115,453**
	OTHER PROCUREMENT, NAVY		
	SHIP PROPULSION EQUIPMENT		
1	SURFACE POWER EQUIPMENT	22,668	22,668
	GENERATORS		
2	SURFACE COMBATANT HM&E	103,871	103,871
	NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT		
3	OTHER NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT	83,510	83,510
	OTHER SHIPBOARD EQUIPMENT		
4	SUB PERISCOPE, IMAGING AND SUPT EQUIP PROG	344,885	344,885
5	DDG MOD	1,000,278	1,000,278
6	FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT	177,708	177,708
7	COMMAND AND CONTROL SWITCHBOARD	2,259	2,259
8	LHA/LHD MIDLIFE	131,315	131,315
9	LCC 19/20 EXTENDED SERVICE LIFE PROGRAM	766	766
10	POLLUTION CONTROL EQUIPMENT	22,506	22,506
11	SUBMARINE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	330,951	330,951
12	VIRGINIA CLASS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	83,297	83,297
13	LCS CLASS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	15,815	15,815
14	SUBMARINE BATTERIES	26,211	26,211
15	LPD CLASS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	213,723	213,723
16	DDG 1000 CLASS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	58,284	58,284
17	STRATEGIC PLATFORM SUPPORT EQUIP	72,163	72,163
18	DSSP EQUIPMENT	7,440	7,440
19	SMALL UNMANNED SURFACE VEHICLES	585	100,585

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	Increase small unmanned surface vessels		[100,000]
20	LCAC	22,515	22,515
21	UNDERWATER EOD EQUIPMENT	20,575	20,575
22	ITEMS LESS THAN $5 MILLION	69,425	69,425
23	CHEMICAL WARFARE DETECTORS	2,425	2,425
	REACTOR PLANT EQUIPMENT		
24	SHIP MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND MODERNIZATION	2,737,140	2,737,140
25	REACTOR COMPONENTS	519,821	519,821
	OCEAN ENGINEERING		
26	DIVING AND SALVAGE EQUIPMENT	33,013	33,013
	SMALL BOATS		
27	MEDIUM UNMANNED SURFACE VEHICLE (MUSVS)	121,130	121,130
28	STANDARD BOATS	97,746	97,746
	PRODUCTION FACILITIES EQUIPMENT		
29	OPERATING FORCES IPE	492,100	492,100
	OTHER SHIP SUPPORT		
30	LCS COMMON MISSION MODULES EQUIPMENT	30,565	30,565
31	LCS MCM MISSION MODULES	65,113	65,113
32	LCS SUW MISSION MODULES	1,719	1,719
33	LCS IN-SERVICE MODERNIZATION	315,272	315,272
34	SMALL & MEDIUM UUV	110,955	110,955
35	LARGE UUV	222,998	222,998
36	EXTRA LARGE UUV	135,802	135,802
	LOGISTIC SUPPORT		
37	LSD MIDLIFE & MODERNIZATION	240	240
	SHIP SONARS		
39	AN/SQQ–89 SURF ASW COMBAT SYSTEM	142,355	142,355
40	SSN ACOUSTIC EQUIPMENT	454,161	454,161
	ASW ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT		
42	SUBMARINE ACOUSTIC WARFARE SYSTEM	68,881	68,881
43	SSTD	14,857	14,857
44	FIXED SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM	490,548	490,548
45	SURTASS	72,190	72,190
	ELECTRONIC WARFARE EQUIPMENT		
46	AN/SLQ–32	653,483	653,483
	RECONNAISSANCE EQUIPMENT		
47	SHIPBOARD IW EXPLOIT	701,667	701,667
48	MARITIME BATTLESPACE AWARENESS	8,652	8,652
	OTHER SHIP ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT		
49	COOPERATIVE ENGAGEMENT CAPABILITY	33,932	33,932
50	NAVAL TACTICAL COMMAND SUPPORT SYSTEM (NTCSS)	10,108	10,108
51	ATDLS	52,758	52,758
52	NAVY COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM (NCCS)	16,167	16,167
53	MINESWEEPING SYSTEM REPLACEMENT	14,879	14,879
54	NAVSTAR GPS RECEIVERS (SPACE)	43,097	43,097
55	AMERICAN FORCES RADIO AND TV SERVICE	289	289
	AVIATION ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT		
56	ASHORE ATC EQUIPMENT	83,057	83,057
57	AFLOAT ATC EQUIPMENT	62,581	62,581
58	ID SYSTEMS	35,620	35,620
59	JOINT PRECISION APPROACH AND LANDING SYSTEM (	2,976	2,976
60	NAVAL MISSION PLANNING SYSTEMS	54,487	54,487
	OTHER SHORE ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT		
62	TACTICAL/MOBILE C4I SYSTEMS	48,262	48,262
63	INTELLIGENCE SURVEILLANCE AND RECONNAISSANCE (ISR)	11,824	11,824
64	CANES	493,046	493,046
65	RADIAC	38,000	38,000
66	CANES-INTELL	43,028	43,028
67	GPETE	31,462	31,462
68	MASF	5,822	5,822
69	INTEG COMBAT SYSTEM TEST FACILITY	6,454	6,454
70	EMI CONTROL INSTRUMENTATION	3,435	3,435
71	IN-SERVICE RADARS AND SENSORS	338,946	338,946
	SHIPBOARD COMMUNICATIONS		
72	BATTLE FORCE TACTICAL NETWORK	125,661	125,661
73	SHIPBOARD TACTICAL COMMUNICATIONS	50,350	50,350
74	SHIP COMMUNICATIONS AUTOMATION	156,605	156,605
75	COMMUNICATIONS ITEMS UNDER $5M	15,097	15,097
	SUBMARINE COMMUNICATIONS		
76	SUBMARINE BROADCAST SUPPORT	173,069	173,069
77	SUBMARINE COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT	88,071	88,071
	SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS		
78	SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS	57,961	57,961
79	NAVY MULTIBAND TERMINAL (NMT)	57,768	57,768
80	MOBILE ADVANCED EHF TERMINAL (MAT)	202,305	202,305
	CRYPTOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT		
82	INFO SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM (ISSP)	349,099	349,099
83	MIO INTEL EXPLOITATION TEAM	1,063	1,063

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	CRYPTOLOGIC EQUIPMENT		
84	CRYPTOLOGIC COMMUNICATIONS EQUIP	7,419	7,419
	OTHER ELECTRONIC SUPPORT		
91	COAST GUARD EQUIPMENT	67,106	67,106
	DRUG INTERDICTION SUPPORT		
92	OTHER DRUG INTERDICTION SUPPORT	57,568	57,568
	SONOBUOYS		
93	SONOBUOYS—ALL TYPES	300,151	400,151
	Sonobuoys—All Types Increase		[100,000]
	AIRCRAFT SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
94	MINOTAUR	4,831	4,831
95	WEAPONS RANGE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	119,900	119,900
96	AIRCRAFT SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	69,065	69,065
97	ADVANCED ARRESTING GEAR (AAG)	23,551	23,551
98	ELECTROMAGNETIC AIRCRAFT LAUNCH SYSTEM (EMALS	36,908	36,908
99	METEOROLOGICAL EQUIPMENT	7,477	7,477
100	AIRBORNE MCM	9,507	9,507
101	AVIATION SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	116,873	116,873
102	UMCS-UNMAN CARRIER AVIATION(UCA)MISSION CNTRL	211,216	211,216
	SHIP GUN SYSTEM EQUIPMENT		
103	SHIP GUN SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT	6,962	6,962
	SHIP MISSILE SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT		
104	HARPOON SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	195	195
105	SHIP MISSILE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	431,069	431,069
106	TOMAHAWK SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	116,208	116,208
	FBM SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
107	CPS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	188,430	188,430
108	STRATEGIC MISSILE SYSTEMS EQUIP	327,941	327,941
	ASW SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
109	SSN COMBAT CONTROL SYSTEMS	165,416	165,416
110	ASW SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	25,105	25,105
	OTHER ORDNANCE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
111	EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL EQUIP	48,252	48,252
113	ITEMS LESS THAN $5 MILLION	2,592	2,592
	OTHER EXPENDABLE ORDNANCE		
114	ANTI-SHIP MISSILE DECOY SYSTEM	606,241	606,241
115	SUBMARINE TRAINING DEVICE MODS	73,681	73,681
116	SURFACE TRAINING EQUIPMENT	218,181	218,181
	CIVIL ENGINEERING SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
117	PASSENGER CARRYING VEHICLES	3,567	3,567
118	GENERAL PURPOSE TRUCKS	4,801	4,801
120	CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE EQUIP	91,269	91,269
121	FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT	17,107	17,107
122	TACTICAL VEHICLES	46,796	46,796
123	AMPHIBIOUS EQUIPMENT	53,916	53,916
124	POLLUTION CONTROL EQUIPMENT	3,586	3,586
125	ITEMS LESS THAN $5 MILLION	131,449	131,449
126	PHYSICAL SECURITY VEHICLES	998	998
	SUPPLY SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
127	SUPPLY EQUIPMENT	67,828	67,828
128	FIRST DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION	4,732	4,732
129	SPECIAL PURPOSE SUPPLY SYSTEMS	323,644	323,644
	TRAINING DEVICES		
130	TRAINING SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	10,608	10,608
131	TRAINING AND EDUCATION EQUIPMENT	331,016	331,016
	COMMAND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
132	COMMAND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	55,202	55,202
133	MEDICAL SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	54,862	54,862
135	NAVAL MIP SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	5,213	5,213
136	OPERATING FORCES SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	15,107	15,107
137	C4ISR EQUIPMENT	33,975	33,975
138	ENVIRONMENTAL SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	60,467	60,467
139	PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIPMENT	218,037	218,037
140	ENTERPRISE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	40,490	40,490
	OTHER		
142	NEXT GENERATION ENTERPRISE SERVICE	223,647	223,647
143	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	7,131	7,131
	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
9999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	42,813	42,813
	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS		
144	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS	765,711	1,515,711
	Increase for ship spares and repairs		[750,000]
	TOTAL OTHER PROCUREMENT, NAVY	**18,866,679**	**19,816,679**
	PROCUREMENT, MARINE CORPS		
	TRACKED COMBAT VEHICLES		
2	AMPHIBIOUS COMBAT VEHICLE FAMILY OF VEHICLES	237,336	237,336
3	LAV PIP	68,825	68,825

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	ARTILLERY AND OTHER WEAPONS		
4	155MM LIGHTWEIGHT TOWED HOWITZER	5,709	5,709
5	ARTILLERY WEAPONS SYSTEM	341,085	341,085
6	WEAPONS AND COMBAT VEHICLES UNDER $5 MILLION	50,299	50,299
	GUIDED MISSILES		
8	NAVAL STRIKE MISSILE (NSM)	204,639	204,639
9	NAVAL STRIKE MISSILE (NSM)	14,391	14,391
10	GROUND BASED AIR DEFENSE	1,274,446	1,274,446
11	ANTI-ARMOR MISSILE-JAVELIN	63,020	63,020
12	FAMILY ANTI-ARMOR WEAPON SYSTEMS (FOAAWS)	808	808
13	ANTI-ARMOR MISSILE-TOW	1,265	1,265
14	GUIDED MLRS ROCKET (GMLRS)	61,355	61,355
	REPAIR AND TEST EQUIPMENT		
16	REPAIR AND TEST EQUIPMENT	65,665	65,665
	OTHER SUPPORT (TEL)		
17	MODIFICATION KITS	1,047	1,047
	COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM (NON-TEL)		
18	ITEMS UNDER $5 MILLION (COMM & ELEC)	140,929	140,929
	RADAR + EQUIPMENT (NON-TEL)		
20	GROUND/AIR TASK ORIENTED RADAR (G/ATOR)	55,622	55,622
	INTELL/COMM EQUIPMENT (NON-TEL)		
21	ELECTRO MAGNETIC SPECTRUM OPERATIONS (EMSO)	79,269	79,269
22	GCSS-MC	3,435	3,435
23	FIRE SUPPORT SYSTEM	136,070	136,070
24	INTELLIGENCE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	395,854	395,854
26	UNMANNED AIR SYSTEMS (INTEL)	262,815	262,815
28	UAS PAYLOADS	14,834	14,834
	OTHER SUPPORT (NON-TEL)		
29	MARINE CORPS ENTERPRISE NETWORK (MCEN)	190,282	190,282
30	COMMON COMPUTER RESOURCES	15,950	15,950
31	COMMAND POST SYSTEMS	442,308	442,308
32	RADIO SYSTEMS	764,001	764,001
34	COMM & ELEC INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT	37,640	37,640
35	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	19,854	19,854
36	UNMANNED EXPEDITIONARY SYSTEMS	1,001	1,001
	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
9999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	2,029	2,029
	ADMINISTRATIVE VEHICLES		
40	COMMERCIAL CARGO VEHICLES	27,582	27,582
	TACTICAL VEHICLES		
41	MOTOR TRANSPORT MODIFICATIONS	22,460	22,460
42	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE	244,941	244,941
43	TRAILERS	136,438	136,438
	ENGINEER AND OTHER EQUIPMENT		
44	TACTICAL FUEL SYSTEMS	112,197	112,197
45	POWER EQUIPMENT ASSORTED	34,219	34,219
46	AMPHIBIOUS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	29,042	29,042
47	EOD SYSTEMS	24,297	24,297
	MATERIALS HANDLING EQUIPMENT		
48	PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIPMENT	151,740	151,740
	GENERAL PROPERTY		
49	FIELD MEDICAL EQUIPMENT	227,761	227,761
50	TRAINING DEVICES	136,639	136,639
51	FAMILY OF CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT	115,681	115,681
52	ULTRA-LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE (ULTV)	972	972
	OTHER SUPPORT		
53	ITEMS LESS THAN $5 MILLION	54,228	54,228
	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS		
54	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS	18,925	18,925
	TOTAL PROCUREMENT, MARINE CORPS	**6,288,905**	**6,288,905**
	AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE		
	STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE		
1	B–21 RAIDER	2,230,615	2,230,615
2	B–21 RAIDER	1,005,667	1,005,667
	TACTICAL FORCES		
3	F–35	2,393,723	2,626,203
	Program increase		[232,480]
4	F–35	738,103	738,103
5	COLLABORATIVE COMBAT AIRCRAFT	996,528	996,528
6	COLLABORATIVE COMBAT AIRCRAFT	150,500	150,500
7	F–15EX	2,656,716	2,656,716
9	JOINT SIMULATION ENVIRONMENT	52,695	52,695
	TACTICAL AIRLIFT		
10	KC–46A MDAP	3,520,530	3,520,530
	OTHER AIRLIFT		
11	C–130J	636,680	636,680
	UPT TRAINERS		

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12	ADVANCED PILOT TRAINING T–7A	529,464	529,464
13	ADVANCED PILOT TRAINING T–7A	69,690	69,690
	HELICOPTERS		
14	MH–139A	252,949	380,578
	Procure 8 MH–139A aircraft		[127,629]
15	COMBAT RESCUE HELICOPTER	69,395	104,395
	Realignment from HH60W Modifications		[35,000]
	MISSION SUPPORT AIRCRAFT		
16	C–37A	208,000	208,000
18	CIVIL AIR PATROL A/C	3,219	3,219
	OTHER AIRCRAFT		
20	TARGET DRONES	31,912	31,912
21	COMPASS CALL	660,000	660,000
24	RQ–20B PUMA	15,513	15,513
	STRATEGIC AIRCRAFT		
25	B–2A	178,668	178,668
26	B–1B	146,862	146,862
27	B–52	422,399	467,399
	Procurement of 10 F130 engines for B–52 CERP		[45,000]
28	LARGE AIRCRAFT INFRARED COUNTERMEASURES	66,638	66,638
	TACTICAL AIRCRAFT		
29	COLLABORATIVE COMBAT AIRCRAFT MODS	822	822
31	F–15	140,204	140,204
32	F–15EX	214,176	214,176
33	F–16 MODIFICATIONS	946,747	946,747
34	F–22A	1,052,088	1,052,088
35	F–35 MODIFICATIONS	335,973	335,973
36	F–15 EPAW	141,233	141,233
37	KC–46A MDAP	85,515	85,515
	AIRLIFT AIRCRAFT		
38	C–5	10,308	10,308
39	C–17A	59,867	59,867
42	OSA-EA MODIFICATIONS	136,786	136,786
	TRAINER AIRCRAFT		
43	GLIDER MODS	164	164
44	T–6	131,747	131,747
46	T–38	84,452	84,452
	OTHER AIRCRAFT		
47	U–2 MODS	297	297
50	C–130	23,546	23,546
51	C–130J MODS	315,308	315,308
52	C–135	158,715	158,715
53	COMPASS CALL	506,265	506,265
54	CVR (CONNON ULF RECEIVER) INC 2	18	18
55	RC–135	252,846	252,846
56	E–3	841	841
57	E–4	30,779	30,779
58	H–1	17,872	17,872
59	MH–139A MOD	5,021	5,021
61	HH60W MODIFICATIONS	46,662	4,662
	Realignment to Combat Rescue Helicopter		[–35,000]
	Realignment to Initial Spares/Repair Parts		[–7,000]
62	HC/MC–130 MODIFICATIONS	257,742	257,742
63	OTHER AIRCRAFT	102,052	102,052
64	MQ–9 MODS	105,966	105,966
65	SOFTWARE DEFINED USER EQUIPMENT	25,847	25,847
66	SENIOR LEADER C3 SYSTEM—AIRCRAFT	32,654	32,654
67	CV–22 MODS	168,042	168,042
	AIRCRAFT SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS		
68	INITIAL SPARES/REPAIR PARTS	1,441,052	1,448,052
	Realignment from HH60W Modifications		[7,000]
	COMMON SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
71	AIRCRAFT REPLACEMENT SUPPORT EQUIP	252,808	252,808
	POST PRODUCTION SUPPORT		
73	B–2B	95,457	95,457
74	B–52	114	114
75	C–17A	3,027	3,027
76	CV–22 POST PRODUCTION SUPPORT	5,088	5,088
79	F–15EX	16,930	16,930
80	F–16 POST PRODUCTION SUPPORT	57,781	57,781
81	HC/MC–130 POST PROD	20,415	20,415
83	MQ–9 POST PROD	15,365	15,365
	INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS		
84	INDUSTRIAL RESPONSIVENESS	20,590	20,590
	WAR CONSUMABLES		
85	WAR CONSUMABLES	85,387	85,387
	OTHER PRODUCTION CHARGES		
86	OTHER PRODUCTION CHARGES	2,528,401	2,528,401

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	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
9999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	15,800	15,800
	TOTAL AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE	**26,985,236**	**27,390,345**
	MISSILE PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE		
	MISSILE REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT—BALLISTIC		
1	MISSILE REPLACEMENT EQ-BALLISTIC	27,006	27,006
	BALLISTIC MISSILES		
3	GROUND BASED STRATEGIC DETERRENT	107,602	107,602
	STRATEGIC		
	TACTICAL		
5	LONG RANGE STAND-OFF WEAPON	506,047	506,047
6	LONG RANGE STAND-OFF WEAPON	456,810	456,810
7	REPLAC EQUIP & WAR CONSUMABLES	23,575	23,575
9	AGM–183A AIR-LAUNCHED RAPID RESPONSE WEAPON	452,035	452,035
10	FAMILY OF AFFORDABLE MASS MISSILE (FAMM)	55,000	900,000
	3,000 Family of Affordable Mass Missile (FAMM)		[845,000]
11	HYPERSONIC ATTACK CRUISE MISSILE	403,974	403,974
12	JOINT AIR-SURFACE STANDOFF MISSILE	967,866	967,866
13	JOINT ADVANCED TACTICAL MISSILE	608,743	608,743
14	JOINT STRIKE MISSILE	384,607	384,607
15	LRASM0	500,916	500,916
16	SIDEWINDER (AIM–9X)	419,238	419,238
17	AMRAAM	115,856	115,856
19	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB	44,596	44,596
20	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB II	194,509	194,509
21	STAND-IN ATTACK WEAPON (SIAW)	401,607	401,607
	INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES		
22	INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS/POL PREVENTION	931	931
	CLASS IV		
23	ICBM FUZE MOD	169,747	169,747
25	MM III MODIFICATIONS	9,865	9,865
26	AIR LAUNCH CRUISE MISSILE (ALCM)	30,407	30,407
	MISSILE SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS		
27	MSL SPRS/REPAIR PARTS (INITIAL)	15,621	15,621
28	MSL SPRS/REPAIR PARTS (REPLEN)	123,224	123,224
	SPECIAL PROGRAMS		
30	SPECIAL UPDATE PROGRAMS	168,578	168,578
	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
9999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	622,814	622,814
	TOTAL MISSILE PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE	**6,811,174**	**7,656,174**
	PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, AIR FORCE		
	ROCKETS		
1	ROCKETS	102,059	102,059
	CARTRIDGES		
2	CARTRIDGES	157,508	157,508
	BOMBS		
3	GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS	168,469	168,469
4	MASSIVE ORDNANCE PENETRATOR (MOP)	755	755
5	JOINT DIRECT ATTACK MUNITION	129,568	129,568
6	B61–12 TRAINER	24,226	24,226
	OTHER ITEMS		
7	CAD/PAD	45,448	45,448
8	EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL (EOD)	7,168	7,168
9	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS	626	626
10	FIRST DESTINATION TRANSPORTATION	2,873	2,873
11	ITEMS LESS THAN $5,000,000	5,468	5,468
	FLARES		
13	EXPENDABLE COUNTERMEASURES	99,180	99,180
	FUZES		
14	FUZES	141,149	141,149
	SMALL ARMS		
15	SMALL ARMS	25,619	25,619
	TOTAL PROCUREMENT OF AMMUNITION, AIR FORCE	**910,116**	**910,116**
	PROCUREMENT, SPACE FORCE		
	SPACE PROCUREMENT, SF		
1	AF SATELLITE COMM SYSTEM	54,391	64,391
	Bigelow restoration and tri-band antenna construction		[10,000]
3	AUXILIARY PAYLOADS	241,076	241,076
5	COUNTERSPACE SYSTEMS	459,466	379,466
	Realignment to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation for PDM		[–80,000]
7	EVOLVED STRATEGIC SATCOM (ESS)	139,700	139,700
11	GROUND MOVING TARGET INDICATOR (GMTI)	1,016,612	803,428
	Realignment to advance procurement		[–120,000]
	Realignment to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation		[–46,592]
	Realignment to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation for Space-Based Moving Target Indicator		[–46,592]

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12	GROUND MOVING TARGET INDICATOR (GMTI)	0	120,000
	Realignment for advance procurement		[120,000]
13	GENERAL INFORMATION TECH—SPACE	14,895	14,895
14	GPSIII FOLLOW ON	680,875	680,875
17	SPACEBORNE EQUIP (COMSEC)	95,061	95,061
18	MILSATCOM	38,067	38,067
20	SPECIAL SPACE ACTIVITIES	2,021,299	2,021,299
21	MOBILE USER OBJECTIVE SYSTEM	50,640	50,640
22	NATIONAL SECURITY SPACE LAUNCH	3,370,958	3,370,958
24	PTES HUB	12,046	12,046
25	SPACE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY LAUNCH	835,197	835,197
26	SPACE DIGITAL INTEGRATED NETWORK (SDIN)	5,119	5,119
27	SPACE MODS	448,674	624,674
	Realignment from Operation and Maintenance for AEP fielded GPS ground system		[78,000]
	Realignment from Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation for AEP technical refresh		[98,000]
28	SPACELIFT RANGE SYSTEM SPACE	64,885	64,885
29	WIDEBAND SATCOM OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS	81,483	81,483
	SPARES		
30	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS	971	971
	NON-TACTICAL VEHICLES		
31	USSF VEHICLES	6,032	6,032
	SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
33	POWER CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT	7,906	7,906
	TOTAL PROCUREMENT, SPACE FORCE	**9,645,353**	**9,658,169**
	OTHER PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE		
	SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLES		
5	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE	103,304	103,304
	MATERIALS HANDLING EQUIPMENT		
9	MATERIALS HANDLING VEHICLES	2,132	0
	Realignment to Mission Support Vehicles		[–2,132]
	BASE MAINTENANCE SUPPORT		
11	BASE MAINTENANCE SUPPORT VEHICLES	0	25,000
	ICBM base maintenance support vehicle replacement procurement		[25,000]
	MISSION SUPPORT VEHICLES		
12	MISSION SUPPORT VEHICLES	439,892	442,024
	Realignment from Materials Handling Vehicles		[2,132]
	COMM SECURITY EQUIPMENT(COMSEC)		
14	COMSEC EQUIPMENT	374,613	374,613
	INTELLIGENCE PROGRAMS		
16	INTERNATIONAL INTEL TECH & ARCHITECTURES	19,060	19,060
17	INTELLIGENCE TRAINING EQUIPMENT	5,531	5,531
18	INTELLIGENCE COMM EQUIPMENT	37,717	37,717
	ELECTRONICS PROGRAMS		
19	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL & LANDING SYS	58,313	58,313
21	BATTLE CONTROL SYSTEM—FIXED	3,391	3,391
22	THEATER AIR CONTROL SYS IMPROVEMEN	11,640	11,640
23	3D EXPEDITIONARY LONG-RANGE RADAR	430,607	430,607
24	WEATHER OBSERVATION FORECAST	33,111	33,111
25	STRATEGIC COMMAND AND CONTROL	89,931	89,931
26	CHEYENNE MOUNTAIN COMPLEX	7,434	7,434
27	MISSION PLANNING SYSTEMS	23,927	23,927
28	STRATEGIC MISSION PLANNING & EXECUTION SYSTEM	9,435	9,435
	SPCL COMM-ELECTRONICS PROJECTS		
29	GENERAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	234,417	234,417
33	AIR FORCE PHYSICAL SECURITY SYSTEM	1,770,698	1,770,698
34	SAMTEC COMMUNICATIONS	17,641	17,641
35	COMBAT TRAINING RANGES	94,378	94,378
36	MINIMUM ESSENTIAL EMERGENCY COMM N	279,516	279,516
37	WIDE AREA SURVEILLANCE (WAS)	17,000	17,000
38	C3 COUNTERMEASURES	163,127	163,127
40	THEATER BATTLE MGT C2 SYSTEM	460	460
41	AIR & SPACE OPERATIONS CENTER (AOC)	23,778	23,778
	AIR FORCE COMMUNICATIONS		
42	BASE INFORMATION TRANSPT INFRAST (BITI) WIRED	125,702	125,702
43	AFNET	325,839	325,839
44	JOINT COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT ELEMENT (JCSE)	16,267	16,267
45	USCENTCOM	15,328	15,328
46	USSTRATCOM	5,013	5,013
47	USSPACECOM	195,370	195,370
	ORGANIZATION AND BASE		
48	TACTICAL C-E EQUIPMENT	162,835	162,835
49	NEXT GENERATION SURVIVAL RADIO (NGSR)	80,321	80,321
51	RADIO EQUIPMENT	36,874	36,874
52	BASE COMM INFRASTRUCTURE	158,113	158,113
	MODIFICATIONS		
53	COMM ELECT MODS	220,855	210,855

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	Realignment to RDT&E for Over-the-Horizon Backscatter Radar		[–10,000]
	PERSONAL SAFETY & RESCUE EQUIP		
54	PERSONAL SAFETY AND RESCUE EQUIPMENT	87,994	87,994
	DEPOT PLANT+MTRLS HANDLING EQ		
55	POWER CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT	14,444	14,444
56	MECHANIZED MATERIAL HANDLING EQUIP	24,594	24,594
	BASE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
57	BASE PROCURED EQUIPMENT	81,686	81,686
58	ENGINEERING AND EOD EQUIPMENT	247,989	247,989
59	MOBILITY EQUIPMENT	288,930	288,930
60	FUELS SUPPORT EQUIPMENT (FSE)	81,066	81,066
61	BASE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	68,127	68,127
	SPECIAL SUPPORT PROJECTS		
63	DARP RC135	31,496	31,496
64	DCGS-AF	316,157	316,157
66	SPECIAL UPDATE PROGRAM	5,099,420	5,099,420
	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
9999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	27,241,704	27,241,704
	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS		
67	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS (CYBER)	8,657	8,657
68	SPARES AND REPAIR PARTS	14,129	14,129
	TOTAL OTHER PROCUREMENT, AIR FORCE	**39,199,963**	**39,214,963**
	PROCUREMENT, DEFENSE-WIDE		
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DHRA		
37	PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	82,438	82,438
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DISA		
7	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY	27,652	27,652
8	TELEPORT PROGRAM	93,512	93,512
9	ITEMS LESS THAN $5 MILLION	24,013	24,013
10	DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEM NETWORK	392,650	392,650
12	WHITE HOUSE COMMUNICATION AGENCY	611,216	511,216
	Unjustified growth		[–100,000]
13	SENIOR LEADERSHIP ENTERPRISE	81,584	81,584
15	JOINT SERVICE PROVIDER	53,596	53,596
16	FOURTH ESTATE NETWORK OPTIMIZATION (4ENO)	60,808	60,808
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DLA		
22	MAJOR EQUIPMENT	19,707	19,707
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DMACT		
44	MAJOR EQUIPMENT	6,854	6,854
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, DEFENSE THREAT REDUCTION AGENCY		
40	VEHICLES	99	99
41	OTHER MAJOR EQUIPMENT	8,963	8,963
42	DTRA CYBER ACTIVITIES	900	900
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, MISSILE DEFENSE AGENCY		
29	BMDS AN/TPY–2 RADARS	17,840	17,840
30	SM–3 IIAS	778,964	778,964
31	ARROW 3 UPPER TIER SYSTEMS	150,000	150,000
32	SHORT RANGE BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE (SRBMD)	30,000	30,000
35	IRON DOME	20,000	20,000
36	AEGIS BMD HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE	39,256	39,256
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, OSD		
2	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, OSD	213,031	213,031
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, TJS		
24	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, TJS	11,689	11,689
25	COUNTER-SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS	800,000	800,000
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, WHS		
6	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, WHS	453	453
	MAJOR EQUIPMENT, USCYBERCOM		
45	CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS	103,855	123,855
	Hunt kits for reserve component		[20,000]
	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS		
9999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	3,587,405	3,587,405
	AVIATION PROGRAMS		
50	ROTARY WING UPGRADES AND SUSTAINMENT	185,930	257,930
	SOCOM UPL—SOF Mobility combat loss		[72,000]
51	SKYRAIDER II	59,894	0
	Realignment to SOCOM UPL		[–59,894]
53	NON-STANDARD AVIATION	72,650	110,250
	SOCOM UPL—Non-standard aviation		[37,600]
55	MH–47 CHINOOK	168,411	168,411
56	CV–22 MODIFICATION	9,479	9,479
57	MQ–9 UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE	75,841	81,241
	SOCOM UPL—Adaptive Airborne Enterprise Group 3 sUAS		[5,400]
59	AC/MC–130J	366,857	422,607
	SOCOM UPL- SOF Mobility combat loss		[55,750]
	SHIPBUILDING		
60	UNDERWATER SYSTEMS	76,879	90,279

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	SOCOM UPL—Mission critical Dry Combat Submersible battery upgrade		[13,400]
	AMMUNITION PROGRAMS		
61	ORDNANCE ITEMS <$5M	237,153	385,353
	SOCOM UPL—Ground organic precision strike systems		[25,500]
	SOCOM UPL—Munitions War Reserve		[118,000]
	SOCOM UPL—Small cruise missile development		[4,700]
	OTHER PROCUREMENT PROGRAMS		
62	INTELLIGENCE SYSTEMS	319,241	319,241
64	OTHER ITEMS <$5M	119,047	119,047
65	COMBATANT CRAFT SYSTEMS	33,858	42,958
	Special Operations Craft—Riverine		[9,100]
66	SPECIAL PROGRAMS	130,462	130,462
67	TACTICAL VEHICLES	36,983	36,983
68	WARRIOR SYSTEMS <$5M	511,016	701,316
	SOCOM UPL—Electromagnetic warfare family of systems		[79,900]
	SOCOM UPL—Ground infiltration protection system		[39,200]
	SOCOM UPL—SOF-P pre-positioned stocks		[71,200]
69	COMBAT MISSION REQUIREMENTS	4,988	4,988
70	OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS INTELLIGENCE	28,074	28,074
71	OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS	360,595	617,795
	SOCOM UPL—Accelerated fielding of Group 3 UAS		[36,600]
	SOCOM UPL—Armored ground mobility system		[48,000]
	SOCOM UPL—Ground infiltration protection system		[12,000]
	SOCOM UPL—Operational capacity enhancement		[160,600]
	CBDP		
72	CHEMICAL BIOLOGICAL SITUATIONAL AWARENESS	223,166	223,166
73	CB PROTECTION & HAZARD MITIGATION	117,859	117,859
	TOTAL PROCUREMENT, DEFENSE-WIDE	**10,354,868**	**11,003,924**
	DEFENSE STRATEGIC CAPITAL CREDIT PROGRAM		
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1	OFFICE OF STRATEGIC CAPITAL LOAN PROGRAM	216,000	216,000
	TOTAL DEFENSE STRATEGIC CAPITAL CREDIT PROGRAM	**216,000**	**216,000**
	TOTAL PROCUREMENT	**256,058,141**	**255,689,170**

TITLE XLII—RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION

SEC. 4201. RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION.

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Line	Program Element	Item	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
		RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST & EVAL, ARMY		
		BASIC RESEARCH		
1	0601102A	DEFENSE RESEARCH SCIENCES	215,322	300,322
		Increase for basic research activities		[75,000]
		Innovative Energetic Materials		[10,000]
2	0601103A	UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INITIATIVES	63,102	63,102
3	0601104A	UNIVERSITY AND INDUSTRY RESEARCH CENTERS	53,598	78,598
		Increase for basic research activities		[25,000]
4	0601121A	CYBER COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH ALLIANCE	0	
5	0601275A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE BASIC RESEARCH	64,031	64,031
6	0601601A	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING BASIC RESEARCH.	0	
		SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH	**396,053**	**506,053**
		APPLIED RESEARCH		
7	0602002A	ARMY AGILE INNOVATION AND DEVELOPMENT-APPLIED RESEARCH.	0	
8	0602134A	COUNTER IMPROVISED-THREAT ADVANCED STUDIES	0	
9	0602135A	COUNTER SMALL UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS (C-SUAS) APPLIED RESEARCH.	26,523	30,523

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Line	Program Element	Item	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
		C-UAS Detect, track and defeat		[4,000]
10	0602141A	LETHALITY TECHNOLOGY	232,046	232,046
11	0602143A	SOLDIER LETHALITY TECHNOLOGY	68,018	86,018
		Army Pathfinder Airborne		[5,000]
		Domestic Silicon Production Initiative		[5,000]
		Pathfinder Air Assault		[8,000]
12	0602144A	GROUND TECHNOLOGY	44,146	74,146
		Isostatic High-Pressure Advanced Armor Production		[10,000]
		Large Area Additive Deposition		[10,000]
		Polar Proving Ground		[5,000]
		Roadway Repair Materials Development		[5,000]
13	0602145A	NEXT GENERATION COMBAT VEHICLE TECHNOLOGY	70,540	84,540
		Advancing Autonomous Ground Vehicle Research		[5,000]
		Ground Vehicle Research Center Lightweight Prototype		[9,000]
14	0602146A	NETWORK C3I TECHNOLOGY	53,373	53,373
15	0602147A	LONG RANGE PRECISION FIRES TECHNOLOGY	24,086	24,086
16	0602148A	FUTURE VERTICLE LIFT TECHNOLOGY	17,727	17,727
17	0602150A	AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY	36,113	41,113
		Counter-UAS Testing and Research Center		[5,000]
18	0602180A	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES.	0	
20	0602182A	C3I APPLIED RESEARCH	0	
21	0602183A	AIR PLATFORM APPLIED RESEARCH	43,700	53,700
		On-the-Edge Modeling for Next-Gen Passive Sensors		[10,000]
22	0602184A	SOLDIER APPLIED RESEARCH	2,429	2,429
23	0602213A	C3I APPLIED CYBER	63	63
24	0602275A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE APPLIED RESEARCH	51,184	51,184
25	0602276A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE CYBER APPLIED RESEARCH	9,857	9,857
26	0602345A	UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS LAUNCHED EFFECTS APPLIED RESEARCH.	22,871	22,871
27	0602386A	BIOTECHNOLOGY FOR MATERIALS—APPLIED RESEARCH	14,979	14,979
29	0602785A	MANPOWER/PERSONNEL/TRAINING TECHNOLOGY	14,275	17,275
		Musculoskeletal Health Technologies		[3,000]
30	0602787A	MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY	149,221	149,221
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	32,883	32,883
		SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH	**914,034**	**998,034**
		ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT		
31	0603002A	MEDICAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	17,876	27,876
		Drug Development for traumatic brian injury		[10,000]
32	0603007A	MANPOWER, PERSONNEL AND TRAINING ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY.	11,113	11,113
33	0603025A	ARMY AGILE INNOVATION AND DEMONSTRATION	3,325	3,325
34	0603040A	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES.	0	8,000
		Preserving AI performance over time		[8,000]
35	0603041A	ALL DOMAIN CONVERGENCE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	3,575	3,575
36	0603042A	C3I ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	1,211	1,211
37	0603043A	AIR PLATFORM ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	23,471	23,471
38	0603044A	SOLDIER ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	3,951	3,951
39	0603116A	LETHALITY ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	31,812	41,812
		SLING BLADE Mid-Range Kinetic Counter-UAS Capability		[10,000]
40	0603118A	SOLDIER LETHALITY ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	125,121	125,121
41	0603119A	GROUND ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	25,043	47,043
		Autonomous Tip-Extending Robots for the Transparent Battlefield Collaboration.		[5,000]
		Cold Regions Advanced Materials and Manufacturing		[10,000]
		Fuel Cell Multi-Modular Use		[5,000]
		Robotics Autonomous Floating Transit System (RAFTS)		[2,000]
42	0603134A	COUNTER IMPROVISED-THREAT SIMULATION	0	
43	0603135A	COUNTER SMALL UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS (C-SUAS) ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY.	156,520	156,520
44	0603275A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	156,326	156,326
45	0603276A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE CYBER ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	15,278	15,278
46	0603345A	UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS LAUNCHED EFFECTS ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	33,129	33,129
47	0603386A	BIOTECHNOLOGY FOR MATERIALS—ADVANCED RESEARCH.	22,402	22,402
48	0603457A	C3I CYBER ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT	8,509	8,509
49	0603461A	HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING MODERNIZATION PROGRAM.	215,090	225,090
		High performance computing modernization program		[10,000]
50	0603462A	NEXT GENERATION COMBAT VEHICLE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY.	118,207	132,207
		Electronic Signature Management Coatings		[4,000]
		Next Generation Vehicle Automated Testing Infrastructure		[10,000]
51	0603463A	NETWORK C3I ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	48,490	48,490
52	0603464A	LONG RANGE PRECISION FIRES ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	422,590	430,090

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		Missile Delivered Launched Effects – Virtual Test Range		[7,500]
53	0603465A	FUTURE VERTICAL LIFT ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	14,984	14,984
54	0603466A	AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	63,924	74,924
		C-UAS Detect, track and defeat		[11,000]
56	0603920A	HUMANITARIAN DEMINING	7,619	12,619
		Humanitarian Demining		[5,000]
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	80,717	80,717
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	**1,610,283**	**1,707,783**
		ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES		
58	0603305A	ARMY MISSLE DEFENSE SYSTEMS INTEGRATION	8,367	8,367
59	0603308A	ARMY SPACE SYSTEMS INTEGRATION	59,573	59,573
60	0603327A	AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEMS ENGINEERING	0	
61	0603619A	LANDMINE WARFARE AND BARRIER—ADV DEV	31,374	31,374
62	0603627A	SMOKE, OBSCURANT AND TARGET DEFEATING SYS-ADV DEV.	5,596	5,596
63	0603639A	TANK AND MEDIUM CALIBER AMMUNITION	277,248	282,248
		Large caliber automated ammunition resupply		[5,000]
64	0603645A	ARMORED SYSTEM MODERNIZATION—ADV DEV	23,594	23,594
65	0603747A	SOLDIER SUPPORT AND SURVIVABILITY	4,109	4,109
66	0603766A	TACTICAL ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM—ADV DEV.	98,331	98,331
67	0603774A	NIGHT VISION SYSTEMS ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT	5,310	5,310
68	0603779A	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TECHNOLOGY—DEM/VAL	19,499	19,499
69	0603790A	NATO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT	5,145	5,145
71	0603804A	LOGISTICS AND ENGINEER EQUIPMENT—ADV DEV	12,822	12,822
72	0603807A	MEDICAL SYSTEMS—ADV DEV	1,017	1,017
73	0603827A	SOLDIER SYSTEMS—ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT	56,122	56,122
74	0604017A	ROBOTICS DEVELOPMENT	20,290	20,290
75	0604019A	EXPANDED MISSION AREA MISSILE (EMAM)	235,593	235,593
77	0604035A	LOW EARTH ORBIT (LEO) SATELLITE CAPABILITY	319	319
78	0604036A	MULTI-DOMAIN SENSING SYSTEM (MDSS) ADV DEV	99,471	99,471
79	0604037A	TACTICAL INTEL TARGETING ACCESS NODE (TITAN) ADV DEV.	4,123	4,123
80	0604100A	ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVES	10,077	10,077
84	0604114A	LOWER TIER AIR MISSILE DEFENSE (LTAMD) SENSOR	162,074	162,074
85	0604115A	TECHNOLOGY MATURATION INITIATIVES	314,671	414,671
		SRM second sourcing and qualification		[100,000]
86	0604117A	MANEUVER—SHORT RANGE AIR DEFENSE (M-SHORAD)	460,980	460,980
87	0604120A	ASSURED POSITIONING, NAVIGATION AND TIMING (PNT)	18,993	18,993
88	0604121A	SYNTHETIC TRAINING ENVIRONMENT REFINEMENT & PROTOTYPING.	219,137	219,137
89	0604129A	ADVANCED POWER APPLICATIONS	48,000	48,000
90	0604134A	COUNTER IMPROVISED-THREAT DEMONSTRATION, PROTOTYPE DEVELOPMENT, AND TESTING.	0	
91	0604135A	STRATEGIC MID-RANGE FIRES	211,848	211,848
92	0604182A	HYPERSONICS	82,939	82,939
96	0604531A	COUNTER—SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT.	0	
98	0604541A	UNIFIED NETWORK TRANSPORT	0	
99	0305251A	CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS FORCES AND FORCE SUPPORT	22,889	22,889
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	261,466	261,466
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES.	**2,780,977**	**2,885,977**
		SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION		
100	0604201A	AIRCRAFT AVIONICS	30,658	30,658
101	0604270A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT	2,807	7,807
		Electronic Warfare Development increase		[5,000]
102	0604601A	INFANTRY SUPPORT WEAPONS	55,296	55,296
103	0604604A	MEDIUM TACTICAL VEHICLES	23,763	23,763
104	0604611A	JAVELIN	10,217	10,217
105	0604622A	FAMILY OF HEAVY TACTICAL VEHICLES	43,003	53,003
		Data Integration for Ground Systems		[10,000]
108	0604642A	LIGHT TACTICAL WHEELED VEHICLES	6,142	6,142
110	0604710A	NIGHT VISION SYSTEMS—ENG DEV	418,427	418,427
111	0604713A	COMBAT FEEDING, CLOTHING, AND EQUIPMENT	6,701	6,701
112	0604715A	NON-SYSTEM TRAINING DEVICES—ENG DEV	29,685	29,685
113	0604741A	AIR DEFENSE COMMAND, CONTROL AND INTELLIGENCE—ENG DEV.	14,276	14,276
114	0604742A	CONSTRUCTIVE SIMULATION SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	5,618	5,618
115	0604746A	AUTOMATIC TEST EQUIPMENT DEVELOPMENT	9,625	9,625
116	0604760A	DISTRIBUTIVE INTERACTIVE SIMULATIONS (DIS)—ENG DEV.	7,883	7,883
117	0604798A	BRIGADE ANALYSIS, INTEGRATION AND EVALUATION	26,602	26,602
118	0604802A	WEAPONS AND MUNITIONS—ENG DEV	124,881	124,881

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119	0604804A	LOGISTICS AND ENGINEER EQUIPMENT—ENG DEV	65,238	65,238
120	0604805A	COMMAND, CONTROL, COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS—ENG DEV.	5,541	5,541
121	0604807A	MEDICAL MATERIEL/MEDICAL BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE EQUIPMENT—ENG DEV.	9,744	9,744
122	0604808A	LANDMINE WARFARE/BARRIER—ENG DEV	17,586	17,586
123	0604818A	ARMY TACTICAL COMMAND & CONTROL HARDWARE & SOFTWARE.	42,584	42,584
124	0604820A	RADAR DEVELOPMENT	58,260	58,260
126	0604827A	SOLDIER SYSTEMS—WARRIOR DEM/VAL	5,663	5,663
127	0604852A	SUITE OF SURVIVABILITY ENHANCEMENT SYSTEMS—EMD.	78,331	78,331
128	0604854A	ARTILLERY SYSTEMS—EMD	709,192	709,192
129	0605013A	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	121,525	121,525
130	0605018A	INTEGRATED PERSONNEL AND PAY SYSTEM-ARMY (IPPS-A).	102,694	102,694
131	0605030A	JOINT TACTICAL NETWORK CENTER (JTNC)	21,561	21,561
132	0605031A	JOINT TACTICAL NETWORK (JTN)	50,390	50,390
133	0605035A	COMMON INFRARED COUNTERMEASURES (CIRCM)	11,573	11,573
134	0605036A	COMBATING WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION (CWMD)	5,605	5,605
135	0605037A	EVIDENCE COLLECTION AND DETAINEE PROCESSING	5,513	5,513
136	0605038A	NUCLEAR BIOLOGICAL CHEMICAL RECONNAISSANCE VEHICLE (NBCRV) SENSOR SUITE.	13,864	13,864
137	0605041A	DEFENSIVE CYBER TOOL DEVELOPMENT	3,519	3,519
138	0605042A	TACTICAL NETWORK RADIO SYSTEMS (LOW-TIER)	3,804	3,804
139	0605047A	CONTRACT WRITING SYSTEM	4,777	4,777
140	0605049A	MISSILE WARNING SYSTEM MODERNIZATION (MWSM)	0	
141	0605051A	AIRCRAFT SURVIVABILITY DEVELOPMENT	106,621	106,621
142	0605052A	INDIRECT FIRE PROTECTION CAPABILITY INC 2—BLOCK 1	175,352	175,352
143	0605053A	GROUND ROBOTICS	192,185	192,185
144	0605054A	EMERGING TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVES	147,881	147,881
145	0605058A	TERMINAL HIGH ALTITUDE AREA DEFENSE (THAAD) RDTE.	1,053,983	1,053,983
146	0605144A	NEXT GENERATION LOAD DEVICE—MEDIUM	2,380	2,380
147	0605148A	TACTICAL INTEL TARGETING ACCESS NODE (TITAN) EMD	35,769	117,279
		Realignment from procurement		[81,510]
151	0605224A	MULTI-DOMAIN INTELLIGENCE	49,594	49,594
152	0605231A	PRECISION STRIKE MISSILE (PRSM)	288,304	288,304
153	0605232A	HYPERSONICS EMD	446,616	451,616
		Low Cost Hypersonic Test Bed		[5,000]
154	0605233A	ACCESSIONS INFORMATION ENVIRONMENT (AIE)	33,770	33,770
155	0605235A	STRATEGIC MID-RANGE CAPABILITY	82,550	82,550
156	0605236A	INTEGRATED TACTICAL COMMUNICATIONS	0	
157	0605241A	FUTURE LONG RANGE ASSAULT AIRCRAFT DEVELOPMENT.	2,140,569	2,267,786
		Realignment from procurement for operational test aircraft		[127,217]
159	0605244A	JOINT REDUCED RANGE ROCKET (JR3)	16,014	31,014
		Programmatic increase to support HIMARS platforms		[15,000]
161	0605275A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	99,691	99,691
162	0605330A	C2 TRANSPORT	45,370	45,370
163	0605331A	C2 APPLICATIONS	488,401	488,401
164	0605332A	C2 DATA	306,019	306,019
165	0605333A	C2 INFRASTRUCTURE	64,849	64,849
166	0605345A	UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS LAUNCHED EFFECTS SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT.	816,433	816,433
167	0605347A	COUNTER UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS (UAS) DEVELOPMENT.	359,182	359,182
169	0605457A	ARMY INTEGRATED AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE (AIAMD)	126,623	126,623
170	0605531A	COUNTER—SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS SYS DEV & DEMONSTRATION.	695	695
172	0605625A	MANNED GROUND VEHICLE	290,069	310,069
		Unmanned Ground Vehicles Development		[20,000]
173	0605766A	NATIONAL CAPABILITIES INTEGRATION (MIP)	17,211	17,211
174	0605812A	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE (JLTV) ENGINEERING AND MANUFACTURING DEVELOPMENT PHASE (EMD).	2,749	2,749
175	0605830A	AVIATION GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	951	951
176	0303032A	TROJAN—RH12	3,946	3,946
178	0304270A	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT	125,301	125,301
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	89,121	89,121
		SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION.	**9,760,747**	**10,024,474**
		MANAGEMENT SUPPORT		
179	0604256A	THREAT SIMULATOR DEVELOPMENT	60,233	60,233
180	0604258A	TARGET SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	16,488	16,488
181	0604759A	MAJOR T&E INVESTMENT	106,140	126,140
		Ground Based Radar – Kwajalein radome and digital modernization		[20,000]
182	0605103A	RAND ARROYO CENTER	10,737	10,737

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183	0605301A	ARMY KWAJALEIN ATOLL	7,051	147,051
		Deferred maintenance backlog reduction		[140,000]
184	0605326A	CONCEPTS EXPERIMENTATION PROGRAM	55,596	55,596
186	0605601A	ARMY TEST RANGES AND FACILITIES	469,723	469,723
187	0605602A	ARMY TECHNICAL TEST INSTRUMENTATION AND TARGETS.	62,303	62,303
188	0605604A	SURVIVABILITY/LETHALITY ANALYSIS	31,283	31,283
189	0605606A	AIRCRAFT CERTIFICATION	1,983	1,983
190	0605706A	MATERIEL SYSTEMS ANALYSIS	19,013	19,013
191	0605709A	EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN ITEMS	10,481	10,481
192	0605712A	SUPPORT OF OPERATIONAL TESTING	60,733	60,733
193	0605716A	ARMY EVALUATION CENTER	65,565	65,565
194	0605718A	ARMY MODELING & SIM X-CMD COLLABORATION & INTEG	15,608	15,608
195	0605801A	PROGRAMWIDE ACTIVITIES	52,978	52,978
196	0605803A	TECHNICAL INFORMATION ACTIVITIES	27,004	27,004
197	0605805A	MUNITIONS STANDARDIZATION, EFFECTIVENESS AND SAFETY.	44,851	44,851
198	0605857A	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TECHNOLOGY MGMT SUPPORT	3,256	3,256
199	0605898A	ARMY DIRECT REPORT HEADQUARTERS—R&D - MHA	54,276	54,276
200	0606002A	RONALD REAGAN BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TEST SITE.	118,585	208,585
		Deferred maintenance backlog reduction		[90,000]
201	0606003A	COUNTERINTEL AND HUMAN INTEL MODERNIZATION	5,802	5,802
202	0606118A	AIAMD SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT & INTEGRATION	653,653	653,653
203	0606942A	ASSESSMENTS AND EVALUATIONS CYBER VULNERABILITIES.	6,468	6,468
		SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT	**1,959,810**	**2,209,810**
		OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT		
205	0603778A	MLRS PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM	17,780	37,780
		GLSDB integration on HIMARS		[20,000]
206	0605024A	ANTI-TAMPER TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT	6,613	6,613
207	0607101A	COMBATING WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION (CWMD) PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT.	488	488
208	0607131A	WEAPONS AND MUNITIONS PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS.	21,553	31,553
		Weapons and Munitions Product Improvement Programs		[10,000]
209	0607136A	BLACKHAWK PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM	35,147	35,147
210	0607137A	CHINOOK PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM	7,277	7,277
211	0607139A	IMPROVED TURBINE ENGINE PROGRAM	0	
213	0607145A	APACHE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT	30,759	60,759
		Apache Modernization		[30,000]
214	0607148A	AN/TPQ–53 COUNTERFIRE TARGET ACQUISITION RADAR SYSTEM.	90,981	90,981
215	0607150A	INTEL CYBER DEVELOPMENT	13,694	13,694
216	0607212A	TENCAP ENHANCEMENTS	20,982	20,982
219	0607665A	FAMILY OF BIOMETRICS	1,640	1,640
220	0607865A	PATRIOT PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT	219,046	219,046
221	0203728A	JOINT AUTOMATED DEEP OPERATION COORDINATION SYSTEM (JADOCS).	11,255	11,255
222	0203735A	COMBAT VEHICLE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS	492,364	492,364
223	0203743A	155MM SELF-PROPELLED HOWITZER IMPROVEMENTS	0	
224	0203752A	AIRCRAFT ENGINE COMPONENT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM	239	239
225	0203758A	DIGITIZATION	1,615	1,615
226	0203801A	MISSILE/AIR DEFENSE PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.	2,054	2,054
229	0205778A	GUIDED MULTIPLE-LAUNCH ROCKET SYSTEM (GMLRS)	73,639	73,639
232	0303140A	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM	15,932	15,932
234	0303142A	SATCOM GROUND ENVIRONMENT (SPACE)	4,870	4,870
237	0305179A	INTEGRATED BROADCAST SERVICE (IBS)	6,870	6,870
238	0305219A	MQ–1 GRAY EAGLE UAV	2,590	2,590
239	0708045A	END ITEM INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES	68,097	93,097
		Letterkenney Directed Energy Research		[25,000]
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	47,342	47,342
		SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT	**1,192,827**	**1,277,827**
		SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS		
240	0608041A	DEFENSIVE CYBER—SOFTWARE PROTOTYPE DEVELOPMENT.	94,095	94,095
		SUBTOTAL SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS.	**94,095**	**94,095**
		TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST & EVAL, ARMY.	**18,708,826**	**19,704,053**
		RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST & EVAL, NAVY		
		BASIC RESEARCH		

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1	0601103N	UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INITIATIVES	0	75,000
		Increase for basic research activities		[75,000]
2	0601153N	DEFENSE RESEARCH SCIENCES	525,399	540,499
		Precision interferometer at Lowell Observatory		[10,100]
		Quantum algorithms for chemistry and computational fluid dynamics		[5,000]
		SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH	**525,399**	**615,499**
		APPLIED RESEARCH		
3	0602114N	POWER PROJECTION APPLIED RESEARCH	38,838	38,838
4	0602123N	FORCE PROTECTION APPLIED RESEARCH	137,779	137,779
5	0602131M	MARINE CORPS LANDING FORCE TECHNOLOGY	57,567	57,567
6	0602235N	COMMON PICTURE APPLIED RESEARCH	40,433	40,433
7	0602236N	WARFIGHTER SUSTAINMENT APPLIED RESEARCH	60,350	65,350
		Slip Resistance Testing for corrosion resistant marine decking testing		[5,000]
8	0602271N	ELECTROMAGNETIC SYSTEMS APPLIED RESEARCH	74,603	74,603
9	0602435N	OCEAN WARFIGHTING ENVIRONMENT APPLIED RESEARCH.	64,693	94,693
		Autonomous Sense-Making of the Undersea Battlespace		[12,000]
		Ocean Warfighting Environment Applied Research		[3,000]
		Resilient Autonomous Sensing in the Arctic (VIPER)		[15,000]
10	0602651M	JOINT NON-LETHAL WEAPONS APPLIED RESEARCH	4,105	4,105
11	0602747N	UNDERSEA WARFARE APPLIED RESEARCH	52,515	52,515
12	0602750N	FUTURE NAVAL CAPABILITIES APPLIED RESEARCH	305,357	305,357
13	0602782N	MINE AND EXPEDITIONARY WARFARE APPLIED RESEARCH.	24,634	24,634
15	0602861N	SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT—ONR FIELD ACITIVITIES.	74,378	74,378
		SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH	**935,252**	**970,252**
		ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT		
16	0603123N	FORCE PROTECTION ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	50,869	57,869
		Secure power data analytics and AI		[7,000]
17	0603271N	ELECTROMAGNETIC SYSTEMS ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	8,635	8,635
18	0603273N	SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FOR NUCLEAR RE-ENTRY SYSTEMS.	114,767	114,767
19	0603640M	USMC ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATION (ATD)	287,897	327,897
		Bullseye Missile Integration and Demonstration		[40,000]
20	0603651M	JOINT NON-LETHAL WEAPONS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	8,727	8,727
21	0603673N	FUTURE NAVAL CAPABILITIES ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	445,977	445,977
22	0603680N	MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM	79,132	79,132
23	0603729N	WARFIGHTER PROTECTION ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	0	
24	0603758N	NAVY WARFIGHTING EXPERIMENTS AND DEMONSTRATIONS.	66,395	73,895
		Remote and Resilient Edge Computing		[7,500]
25	0603782N	MINE AND EXPEDITIONARY WARFARE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY.	0	
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	**1,062,399**	**1,116,899**
		ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES		
27	0603128N	UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEM	35,706	35,706
29	0603207N	AIR/OCEAN TACTICAL APPLICATIONS	76,141	95,141
		Dual-Modality Large Displacement UUV		[19,000]
30	0603216N	AVIATION SURVIVABILITY	20,010	20,010
31	0603239N	NAVAL CONSTRUCTION FORCES	7,726	7,726
32	0603254N	ASW SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	20,070	20,070
33	0603261N	TACTICAL AIRBORNE RECONNAISSANCE	3,239	3,239
34	0603382N	ADVANCED COMBAT SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY	32,263	32,263
35	0603502N	SURFACE AND SHALLOW WATER MINE COUNTERMEASURES.	32,451	32,451
36	0603506N	SURFACE SHIP TORPEDO DEFENSE	9,920	9,920
37	0603512N	CARRIER SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	8,806	8,806
38	0603525N	PILOT FISH	1,339,052	1,339,052
39	0603536N	RETRACT JUNIPER	275,300	275,300
40	0603542N	RADIOLOGICAL CONTROL	704	704
42	0603561N	UNDERSEA WARFARE SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT	132,885	147,885
		21st Century Polymers for Submarines		[15,000]
44	0603563N	SHIP CONCEPT ADVANCED DESIGN	353,893	176,893
		ARSV unjustified request		[–177,000]
45	0603564N	SHIP PRELIMINARY DESIGN & FEASIBILITY STUDIES	666,640	666,640
46	0603570N	ADVANCED NUCLEAR POWER SYSTEMS	392,426	392,426
47	0603573N	ADVANCED SURFACE MACHINERY SYSTEMS	269,961	269,961
48	0603576N	CHALK EAGLE	149,351	149,351
49	0603581N	LITTORAL COMBAT SHIP (LCS)	12,576	35,152
		FREEDOM-Class LCS Supply Chain Risk Analysis and Radar Remediation Demonstration.		[22,576]

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50	0603582N	COMBAT SYSTEM INTEGRATION	18,819	18,819
51	0603595N	OHIO REPLACEMENT	331,577	331,577
52	0603596N	LCS MISSION MODULES	46,239	46,239
53	0603597N	AUTOMATED TEST AND RE-TEST (ATRT)	18,070	18,070
54	0603598N	ATRT ENTERPRISE RAPID CAPABILITY	87,585	87,585
55	0603599N	FRIGATE DEVELOPMENT	212,041	212,041
56	0603609N	CONVENTIONAL MUNITIONS	10,216	10,216
57	0603635M	MARINE CORPS GROUND COMBAT/SUPPORT SYSTEM	521,995	521,995
58	0603654N	JOINT SERVICE EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DEVELOPMENT	43,568	43,568
59	0603713N	OCEAN ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	15,903	15,903
60	0603721N	ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	19,347	19,347
61	0603724N	NAVY ENERGY PROGRAM	59,591	90,391
		Battery develop safety—accelerate MBSE, field DIU standard batteries, sUAS safety certs.		[8,300]
		High value target protection program		[17,500]
		Power and energy supply chain		[5,000]
62	0603725N	FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT	13,738	13,738
63	0603734N	CHALK CORAL	995,658	995,658
64	0603739N	NAVY LOGISTIC PRODUCTIVITY	929	929
65	0603746N	RETRACT MAPLE	655,551	655,551
66	0603748N	LINK PLUMERIA	498,853	498,853
67	0603751N	RETRACT ELM	87,999	87,999
68	0603764M	LINK EVERGREEN	593,835	593,835
69	0603790N	NATO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT	5,513	5,513
70	0603795N	LAND ATTACK TECHNOLOGY	985	985
71	0603851M	JOINT NON-LETHAL WEAPONS TESTING	14,152	14,152
72	0603860N	JOINT PRECISION APPROACH AND LANDING SYSTEMS—DEM/VAL.	73,813	73,813
73	0603889N	COUNTERDRUG RDT&E PROJECTS	6,500	6,500
74	0603925N	DIRECTED ENERGY AND ELECTRIC WEAPON SYSTEMS	94,825	103,825
		Ship-board high powered microwave counter-UAS development		[9,000]
76	0604027N	DIGITAL WARFARE OFFICE	182,205	182,205
77	0604028N	SMALL AND MEDIUM UNMANNED UNDERSEA VEHICLES	24,598	124,598
		Increase low cost undersea effector		[100,000]
78	0604029N	UNMANNED UNDERSEA VEHICLE CORE TECHNOLOGIES	62,460	87,460
		Liberty Cage—Refuel stations for UUVs (N97)		[5,000]
		Ocean Explorer (OEX) commercial battery for XXL UUV (N97)		[20,000]
80	0604031N	LARGE UNMANNED UNDERSEA VEHICLES	0	120,000
		Increase Liberator and RAPTOR		[120,000]
81	0604112N	GERALD R. FORD CLASS NUCLEAR AIRCRAFT CARRIER (CVN 78—80).	111,241	111,241
82	0604127N	SURFACE MINE COUNTERMEASURES	17,762	17,762
83	0604272N	TACTICAL AIR DIRECTIONAL INFRARED COUNTERMEASURES (TADIRCM).	14,974	14,974
84	0604286N	NAVY ADVANCED MANUFACTURING	10,016	15,016
		Advanced Naval Casting for Hardware and Operational Repairs (ANCHOR).		[5,000]
85	0604289M	NEXT GENERATION LOGISTICS	24	24
86	0604292N	FUTURE VERTICAL LIFT (MARITIME STRIKE)	5,314	5,314
87	0604295M	MARINE AVIATION DEMONSTRATION/VALIDATION	47,152	107,152
		USMC unmanned vertical take off/landing aerial vehicle		[60,000]
88	0604320M	RAPID TECHNOLOGY CAPABILITY PROTOTYPE	125,999	125,999
89	0604454N	LX (R)	18,574	18,574
90	0604536N	ADVANCED UNDERSEA PROTOTYPING	164,512	214,512
		Advanced sea mines project scylla		[50,000]
92	0604636N	COUNTER UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (C-UAS)	20,833	20,833
93	0604659N	PRECISION STRIKE WEAPONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM	206,873	206,873
94	0604707N	SPACE AND ELECTRONIC WARFARE (SEW) ARCHITECTURE/ENGINEERING SUPPORT.	8,657	8,657
95	0604786N	OFFENSIVE ANTI-SURFACE WARFARE WEAPON DEVELOPMENT.	104,527	104,527
97	0605513N	UNMANNED SURFACE VEHICLE ENABLING CAPABILITIES	255,135	632,135
		Containerized payloads for MUSV		[325,000]
		Increase USV enabling capabilities		[52,000]
98	0605514M	GROUND BASED ANTI-SHIP MISSILE	16,307	16,307
100	0605518N	CONVENTIONAL PROMPT STRIKE (CPS)	1,341,416	800,000
		CPS unjustified increase		[–541,416]
101	0105519N	NUCLEAR-ARMED SEA-LAUNCHED CRUISE MISSILE (SLCM-N) SUPPORT.	0	250,000
		Restoration of statutorily-directed funding		[250,000]
102	0207147M	COLLABORATIVE COMBAT AIRCRAFT	213,934	213,934
103	0303260N	DEFENSE MILITARY DECEPTION INITIATIVE	0	
104	0303354N	ASW SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT—MIP	3,206	3,206
105	0304240M	ADVANCED TACTICAL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM	1,979	1,979
106	0304270N	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT—MIP	0	
107	0304797N	UNDERSEA ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE / MACHINE LEARNING (AI/ML).	13,563	13,563
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES.	**11,237,683**	**11,602,643**

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		SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION		
108	0603208N	TRAINING SYSTEM AIRCRAFT	80,617	80,617
109	0604038N	MARITIME TARGETING CELL	216,514	216,514
110	0604212N	OTHER HELO DEVELOPMENT	976	976
112	0604215N	STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT	4,399	4,399
113	0604216N	MULTI-MISSION HELICOPTER UPGRADE DEVELOPMENT	88,855	88,855
114	0604230N	WARFARE SUPPORT SYSTEM	73,080	73,080
115	0604231N	COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEMS	73,534	73,534
116	0604234N	ADVANCED HAWKEYE	390,260	390,260
117	0604245M	H–1 UPGRADES	66,446	66,446
118	0604261N	ACOUSTIC SEARCH SENSORS	48,875	48,875
119	0604262N	V–22	252,335	252,335
120	0604264N	AIR CREW SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	21,582	21,582
121	0604269N	EA–18	131,683	131,683
122	0604270N	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT	168,985	168,985
123	0604273M	EXECUTIVE HELO DEVELOPMENT	69,438	69,438
124	0604274N	NEXT GENERATION JAMMER (NGJ)	50,332	50,332
125	0604280N	JOINT TACTICAL RADIO SYSTEM—NAVY (JTRS-NAVY)	409,318	409,318
126	0604282N	NEXT GENERATION JAMMER (NGJ) INCREMENT II	497,011	497,011
127	0604307N	SURFACE COMBATANT COMBAT SYSTEM ENGINEERING	425,060	425,060
128	0604329N	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB (SDB)	64,428	64,428
129	0604366N	STANDARD MISSILE IMPROVEMENTS	539,279	539,279
130	0604373N	AIRBORNE MCM	8,567	8,567
131	0604378N	NAVAL INTEGRATED FIRE CONTROL—COUNTER AIR SYSTEMS ENGINEERING.	42,177	42,177
132	0604501N	ADVANCED ABOVE WATER SENSORS	67,900	67,900
133	0604503N	SUBMARINE SWFTS MODERNIZATION	195,361	195,361
134	0604504N	AIR CONTROL	41,610	41,610
135	0604512N	SHIPBOARD AVIATION SYSTEMS	30,970	30,970
136	0604516N	SHIP SURVIVABILITY	7,861	7,861
138	0604522N	AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE RADAR (AMDR) SYSTEM	96,642	96,642
139	0604530N	ADVANCED ARRESTING GEAR (AAG)	60,518	60,518
140	0604558N	NEW DESIGN SSN	237,103	237,103
142	0604567N	SHIP CONTRACT DESIGN/ LIVE FIRE T&E	19,429	19,429
143	0604574N	NAVY TACTICAL COMPUTER RESOURCES	3,415	3,415
144	0604601N	MINE DEVELOPMENT	158,666	158,666
145	0604610N	LIGHTWEIGHT TORPEDO DEVELOPMENT	102,159	102,159
146	0604654N	JOINT SERVICE EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DEVELOPMENT	8,509	8,509
147	0604657M	USMC GROUND COMBAT/SUPPORTING ARMS SYSTEMS—ENG DEV.	69,478	69,478
148	0604703N	PERSONNEL, TRAINING, SIMULATION, AND HUMAN FACTORS.	8,316	8,316
149	0604727N	JOINT STANDOFF WEAPON SYSTEMS	1,447	1,447
150	0604755N	SHIP SELF DEFENSE (DETECT & CONTROL)	156,167	156,167
151	0604756N	SHIP SELF DEFENSE (ENGAGE: HARD KILL)	296,261	296,261
152	0604757N	SHIP SELF DEFENSE (ENGAGE: SOFT KILL/EW)	196,761	196,761
153	0604761N	INTELLIGENCE ENGINEERING	6,426	6,426
154	0604771N	MEDICAL DEVELOPMENT	6,900	6,900
155	0604777N	NAVIGATION/ID SYSTEM	3,388	3,388
156	0604850N	SSN(X)	315,914	315,914
157	0605013M	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	14,380	14,380
158	0605013N	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	149,089	149,089
159	0605024N	ANTI-TAMPER TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT	3,459	3,459
160	0605180N	TACAMO MODERNIZATION	1,662,723	1,662,723
161	0605212M	CH–53K RDTE	139,273	139,273
162	0605215N	MISSION PLANNING	82,618	82,618
163	0605217N	COMMON AVIONICS	133,855	133,855
164	0605220N	SHIP TO SHORE CONNECTOR (SSC)	4,519	4,519
165	0605285N	NEXT GENERATION FIGHTER	68,498	68,498
166	0605414N	UNMANNED CARRIER AVIATION (UCA)	0	
167	0605450M	JOINT AIR-TO-GROUND MISSILE (JAGM)	189,866	189,866
168	0605500N	MULTI-MISSION MARITIME AIRCRAFT (MMA)	87,173	87,173
169	0605504N	MULTI-MISSION MARITIME (MMA) INCREMENT III	52,951	52,951
170	0605516N	LONG RANGE FIRES	186,735	186,735
171	0605611M	MARINE CORPS ASSAULT VEHICLES SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT & DEMONSTRATION.	12,461	12,461
172	0605813M	JOINT LIGHT TACTICAL VEHICLE (JLTV) SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT & DEMONSTRATION.	2,413	2,413
173	0204202N	DESTROYERS GUIDED MISSILE (DDG–1000)	50,166	50,166
174	0301377N	COUNTERING ADVANCED CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS (CACW).	15,563	15,563
175	0302315N	NON-KINETIC COUNTERMEASURE SUPPORT	23,146	23,146
181	0304785N	ISR & INFO OPERATIONS	274,478	274,478
183	0306250M	CYBER OPERATIONS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	8,962	8,962
		SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION.	**8,977,280**	**8,977,280**

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		MANAGEMENT SUPPORT		
184	0604256N	THREAT SIMULATOR DEVELOPMENT	16,453	16,453
185	0604258N	TARGET SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	22,653	22,653
186	0604759N	MAJOR T&E INVESTMENT	112,458	112,458
187	0605152N	STUDIES AND ANALYSIS SUPPORT—NAVY	4,336	4,336
188	0605154N	CENTER FOR NAVAL ANALYSES	28,310	28,310
191	0605853N	MANAGEMENT, TECHNICAL & INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT	124,898	124,898
192	0605856N	STRATEGIC TECHNICAL SUPPORT	4,260	4,260
193	0605863N	RDT&E SHIP AND AIRCRAFT SUPPORT	170,699	170,699
194	0605864N	TEST AND EVALUATION SUPPORT	470,492	470,492
195	0605865N	OPERATIONAL TEST AND EVALUATION CAPABILITY	31,902	31,902
196	0605866N	NAVY SPACE AND ELECTRONIC WARFARE (SEW) SUPPORT	21,498	21,498
197	0605867N	SEW SURVEILLANCE/RECONNAISSANCE SUPPORT	25,144	25,144
198	0605873M	MARINE CORPS PROGRAM WIDE SUPPORT	70,013	70,013
199	0605898N	MANAGEMENT HQ—R&D	33,533	33,533
200	0606295M	MARINE AVIATION DEVELOPMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT.	19,165	19,165
201	0606355N	WARFARE INNOVATION MANAGEMENT	35,931	35,931
202	0606942N	ASSESSMENTS AND EVALUATIONS CYBER VULNERABILITIES.	11,282	11,282
203	0305327N	INSIDER THREAT	2,214	2,214
204	0902498N	MANAGEMENT HEADQUARTERS (DEPARTMENTAL SUPPORT ACTIVITIES).	2,054	2,054
		SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT	**1,207,295**	**1,207,295**
		OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT		
208	0604840M	F–35 C2D2	469,779	469,779
209	0604840N	F–35 C2D2	428,545	428,545
210	0605520M	MARINE CORPS AIR DEFENSE WEAPONS SYSTEMS	133,041	133,041
211	0607658N	COOPERATIVE ENGAGEMENT CAPABILITY (CEC)	120,782	120,782
212	0101221N	STRATEGIC SUB & WEAPONS SYSTEM SUPPORT	1,051,736	1,051,736
213	0101224N	SSBN SECURITY TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM	65,856	65,856
214	0101226N	SUBMARINE ACOUSTIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT	114,279	114,279
215	0101402N	NAVY STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS	88,572	88,572
216	0204136N	F/A–18 SQUADRONS	271,429	271,429
218	0204229N	TOMAHAWK AND TOMAHAWK MISSION PLANNING CENTER (TMPC).	76,653	76,653
219	0204311N	INTEGRATED SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM	71,901	71,901
220	0204313N	SHIP-TOWED ARRAY SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS	954	954
221	0204413N	AMPHIBIOUS TACTICAL SUPPORT UNITS (DISPLACEMENT CRAFT).	1,526	1,526
222	0204460M	GROUND/AIR TASK ORIENTED RADAR (G/ATOR)	66,255	66,255
223	0204571N	CONSOLIDATED TRAINING SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	115,839	115,839
224	0204575N	ELECTRONIC WARFARE (EW) READINESS SUPPORT	198,560	198,560
225	0205601N	ANTI-RADIATION MISSILE IMPROVEMENT	80,491	80,491
227	0205632N	MK–48 ADCAP	123,011	123,011
228	0205633N	AVIATION IMPROVEMENTS	108,505	108,505
229	0205675N	OPERATIONAL NUCLEAR POWER SYSTEMS	252,893	252,893
230	0206313M	MARINE CORPS COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS	268,983	273,683
		Dismounted microturbine power generation (USMC E2O) supports EABO.		[4,700]
231	0206335M	COMMON AVIATION COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM (CAC2S).	0	
232	0206623M	MARINE CORPS GROUND COMBAT/SUPPORTING ARMS SYSTEMS.	79,031	79,031
233	0206624M	MARINE CORPS COMBAT SERVICES SUPPORT	19,915	19,915
234	0206625M	USMC INTELLIGENCE/ELECTRONIC WARFARE SYSTEMS	149,055	149,055
235	0207161N	TACTICAL AIM MISSILES	122,518	122,518
236	0207163N	ADVANCED MEDIUM RANGE AIR-TO-AIR MISSILE (AMRAAM).	24,675	24,675
237	0207255N	MQ–25 STINGRAY	513,308	513,308
238	0208043N	PLANNING AND DECISION AID SYSTEM (PDAS)	3,491	3,491
242	0303138N	AFLOAT NETWORKS	68,369	68,369
243	0303140N	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM	79,128	79,128
244	0305192N	MILITARY INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM (MIP) ACTIVITIES	5,187	5,187
245	0305205N	UAS INTEGRATION AND INTEROPERABILITY	0	
246	0305208M	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS	0	
247	0305220N	MQ–4C TRITON	10,515	10,515
248	0305232M	RQ–11 UAV	19,842	19,842
249	0305241N	MULTI-INTELLIGENCE SENSOR DEVELOPMENT	49,898	49,898
250	0305242M	UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS (UAS) PAYLOADS (MIP)	20,750	20,750
251	0305421N	MQ–4C TRITON MODERNIZATION	344,890	344,890
252	0307577N	INTELLIGENCE MISSION DATA (IMD)	787	787
253	0308601N	MODELING AND SIMULATION SUPPORT	16,401	16,401
254	0702207N	DEPOT MAINTENANCE (NON-IF)	8,097	8,097
255	0708730N	MARITIME TECHNOLOGY (MARITECH)	1,710	1,710
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	2,755,838	2,755,838
		SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT	**8,402,995**	**8,407,695**

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		SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS		
256	0608013N	RISK MANAGEMENT INFORMATION—SOFTWARE PILOT PROGRAM.	13,017	13,017
257	0608231N	MARITIME TACTICAL COMMAND AND CONTROL (MTC2)—SOFTWARE PILOT PROGRAM.	25,299	25,299
		SUBTOTAL SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS.	**38,316**	**38,316**
		TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST & EVAL, NAVY.	**32,386,619**	**32,935,879**
		RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST & EVAL, AF		
		BASIC RESEARCH		
1	0601102F	DEFENSE RESEARCH SCIENCES	296,535	321,535
		Increase for basic research activities		[25,000]
2	0601103F	UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INITIATIVES	91,394	121,394
		Increase for basic research activities		[30,000]
		SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH	**387,929**	**442,929**
		APPLIED RESEARCH		
3	0602020F	FUTURE AF CAPABILITIES APPLIED RESEARCH	44,029	44,029
4	0602022F	UNIVERSITY AFFILIATED RESEARCH CENTER (UARC)—TACTICAL AUTONOMY.	0	
5	0602102F	MATERIALS	139,872	149,872
		High Energy Synchrotron X-Ray Research		[10,000]
7	0602202F	HUMAN EFFECTIVENESS APPLIED RESEARCH	103,170	105,170
		Ceramic Oxygen Generation System for Airerew Life Support		[2,000]
8	0602203F	AEROSPACE SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGIES	397,809	417,809
		Extreme Environment Power-to-AI Systems for Air and Space Operations.		[10,000]
		Scaling Autonomous Cruise Missile Defense		[10,000]
9	0602204F	AEROSPACE SENSORS	164,962	164,962
11	0602298F	SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT— MAJOR HEADQUARTERS ACTIVITIES.	10,285	10,285
12	0602336F	NUCLEAR DELIVERY SYSTEMS TECH EXPLORATION	27,031	27,031
13	0602602F	CONVENTIONAL MUNITIONS	130,146	130,146
14	0602605F	DIRECTED ENERGY TECHNOLOGY	91,798	91,798
15	0602788F	DOMINANT INFORMATION SCIENCES AND METHODS	149,174	184,174
		Future Flag Operational Experimentation Testbed		[10,000]
		Quantum Technology Innovation Center		[15,000]
		UAS Airspace Integration and Air Domain Awareness for Airspace Safety, Management, and Counter-UAS Operations.		[10,000]
		SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH	**1,258,276**	**1,325,276**
		ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT		
16	0603032F	FUTURE AF INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGY DEMOS	282,004	282,004
17	0603112F	ADVANCED MATERIALS FOR WEAPON SYSTEMS	32,808	42,808
		Metals Affordability Initiative		[10,000]
18	0603199F	SUSTAINMENT SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (S&T)	13,277	13,277
19	0603203F	ADVANCED AEROSPACE SENSORS	72,149	75,149
		Aerospace Thermoplastic Composites		[3,000]
20	0603211F	AEROSPACE TECHNOLOGY DEV/DEMO	260,212	270,212
		Collaborative Combat Aircraft Propulsion Technology Integration		[10,000]
22	0603273F	SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FOR NUCLEAR RE-ENTRY SYSTEMS.	165,949	165,949
23	0603456F	HUMAN EFFECTIVENESS ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	20,338	20,338
24	0603601F	CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS TECHNOLOGY	131,397	131,397
25	0603605F	ADVANCED WEAPONS TECHNOLOGY	13,744	13,744
26	0603680F	MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM	99,908	99,908
27	0603788F	BATTLESPACE KNOWLEDGE DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION.	31,938	31,938
28	0604776F	DEPLOYMENT & DISTRIBUTION ENTERPRISE R&D	29,109	29,109
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	**1,152,833**	**1,175,833**
		ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES		
30	0603036F	MODULAR ADVANCED MISSILE	15,099	15,099
31	0603260F	INTELLIGENCE ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT	4,012	4,012
32	0603677F	IN-TRANSIT VISIBILITY (ITV) MODERNIZATION	0	
33	0603742F	COMBAT IDENTIFICATION TECHNOLOGY	25,888	25,888
34	0603790F	NATO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT	2,320	2,320
35	0603851F	INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE—DEM/VAL	72,112	72,112
36	0604001F	NC3 ADVANCED CONCEPTS	14,394	14,394
37	0604003F	ADVANCED BATTLE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (ABMS)	1,040,945	1,040,945

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38	0604004F	ADVANCED ENGINE DEVELOPMENT	0	
39	0604005F	NC3 COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT & PROTOTYPING	61,355	61,355
40	0604007F	E–7	0	1,500,000
		Restore full funding for E–7		[1,500,000]
41	0604009F	AFWERX	3,589	3,589
42	0604010F	NEXT GENERATION ADAPTIVE PROPULSION	513,681	513,681
43	0604015F	LONG RANGE STRIKE—BOMBER	2,862,677	2,862,677
46	0604033F	HYPERSONICS PROTOTYPING	345,769	345,769
47	0604041F	FAMILY OF AFFORDABLE MASS MISSILES (FAMM)	525,223	525,223
48	0604060F	NORAD & USNORTHCOM (N&NC) EXPERIMENTATION	39,257	39,257
49	0604183F	HYPERSONICS PROTOTYPING—HYPERSONIC ATTACK CRUISE MISSILE (HACM).	806,142	806,142
50	0604257F	ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY AND SENSORS	38,756	38,756
52	0604317F	TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER	2,196	2,196
53	0604327F	HARD AND DEEPLY BURIED TARGET DEFEAT SYSTEM (HDBTDS) PROGRAM.	186,385	186,385
54	0604336F	NUCLEAR DELIVERY SYSTEMS PROTOTYPING	91,550	91,550
55	0604343F	ADVANCED TANKER SYSTEMS	13,036	13,036
56	0604414F	CYBER RESILIENCY OF WEAPON SYSTEMS-ACS	44,377	44,377
57	0604609F	REQUIREMENTS ANALYSIS & CONCEPT MATURATION	57,575	57,575
58	0604668F	JOINT TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (JTMS)	57,802	57,802
59	0604776F	DEPLOYMENT & DISTRIBUTION ENTERPRISE R&D	5,136	5,136
60	0604858F	TECH TRANSITION PROGRAM	166,061	166,061
61	0604860F	OPERATIONAL ENERGY AND INSTALLATION RESILIENCE	61,000	122,000
		Operational energy and installation resilience increase		[61,000]
62	0605057F	NEXT GENERATION AIR-REFUELING SYSTEM	0	
64	0606004F	NUCLEAR ENTERPRISE RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT	1,105	1,105
65	0606005F	DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION OFFICE	183,398	183,398
67	0207147F	COLLABORATIVE COMBAT AIRCRAFT	1,373,740	1,373,740
68	0207179F	AUTONOMOUS COLLABORATIVE PLATFORMS	57,217	57,217
69	0207420F	COMBAT IDENTIFICATION	1,692	1,692
71	0207455F	THREE DIMENSIONAL LONG-RANGE RADAR (3DELRR)	22,335	22,335
72	0207522F	AIRBASE AIR DEFENSE SYSTEMS (ABADS)	85,305	85,305
73	0207606F	JOINT SIMULATION ENVIRONMENT (JSE)	302,801	302,801
74	0208030F	WAR RESERVE MATERIEL—AMMUNITION	14,663	14,663
75	0302060F	LOOKING GLASS NEXT	65,277	65,277
76	0303010F	AF ISR DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE	24,455	24,455
77	0305236F	COMMON DATA LINK EXECUTIVE AGENT (CDL EA)	26,401	26,401
78	0305601F	MISSION PARTNER ENVIRONMENTS	0	
79	0305913F	PERSISTENT SURVEILLANCE	29,325	29,325
80	0701200F	ENTERPRISE SELECT CLASS II	949	949
81	0708051F	RAPID SUSTAINMENT MODERNIZATION (RSM)	27,475	27,475
82	0808736F	SPECIAL VICTIM ACCOUNTABILITY AND INVESTIGATION	1,652	1,652
83	0808737F	INTEGRATED PRIMARY PREVENTION	4,271	4,271
84	0901410F	CONTRACTING INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM	25,815	25,815
85	1206415F	U.S. SPACE COMMAND RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT.	34,719	34,719
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES.	**9,338,932**	**10,899,932**
		SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION		
86	0604200F	FUTURE ADVANCED WEAPON ANALYSIS & PROGRAMS	35,142	35,142
87	0604201F	PNT RESILIENCY, MODS, AND IMPROVEMENTS	710,780	710,780
88	0604222F	NUCLEAR WEAPONS SUPPORT	86,921	86,921
89	0604270F	ELECTRONIC WARFARE DEVELOPMENT	260,233	260,233
90	0604281F	TACTICAL DATA NETWORKS ENTERPRISE	110,151	110,151
91	0604287F	PHYSICAL SECURITY EQUIPMENT	8,743	8,743
92	0604288F	SURVIVABLE AIRBORNE OPERATIONS CENTER (SAOC)	2,218,921	2,218,921
93	0604602F	ARMAMENT/ORDNANCE DEVELOPMENT	96,762	96,762
94	0604604F	SUBMUNITIONS	3,599	3,599
95	0604617F	AGILE COMBAT SUPPORT	19,348	19,348
96	0604706F	LIFE SUPPORT SYSTEMS	21,328	21,328
97	0604735F	COMBAT TRAINING RANGES	132,783	142,783
		Overland electronic warfare test and training range feasibility study		[10,000]
98	0604932F	LONG RANGE STANDOFF WEAPON	565,679	565,679
99	0604933F	ICBM FUZE MODERNIZATION	0	
100	0605056F	OPEN ARCHITECTURE MANAGEMENT	43,482	43,482
101	0605223F	ADVANCED PILOT TRAINING	72,174	72,174
102	0605238F	GROUND BASED STRATEGIC DETERRENT EMD	4,521,370	4,521,370
103	0605296F	MICROELECTRONICS SECURE ENCLAVE	224,664	74,664
		Unjustified growth		[–150,000]
104	0101125F	NUCLEAR WEAPONS MODERNIZATION	23,066	23,066
105	0102417F	OVER-THE-HORIZON BACKSCATTER RADAR	173,975	193,175
		Realignment from Operation and Maintenance and Procurement		[19,200]
106	0207039F	COGNITIVE ELECTROMAGNETIC WARFARE	50,496	50,496
107	0207110F	F–47	5,037,904	5,037,904
108	0207279F	ISOLATED PERSONNEL SURVIVABILITY AND RECOVERY	16,001	16,001
109	0207328F	STAND IN ATTACK WEAPON	115,882	115,882

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110	0207407F	ELECTROMAGNETIC BATTLE MANAGEMENT (EMBM)	45,322	45,322
111	0207701F	FULL COMBAT MISSION TRAINING	6,501	6,501
112	0303008F	SATURN	4,771	4,771
115	0305155F	THEATER NUCLEAR WEAPON STORAGE & SECURITY SYSTEM.	0	
116	0305282F	JOINT FIRES NETWORK (JFN)	313,982	313,982
117	0401221F	KC–46A TANKER SQUADRONS	543,788	543,788
118	0401319F	VC–25B	555,195	555,195
119	0401334F	LARGE AIRCRAFT SURVIVABILITY SYSTEMS (LASS)	17,996	17,996
120	0701212F	AUTOMATED TEST SYSTEMS	15,900	15,900
121	0804772F	TRAINING DEVELOPMENTS	4,947	4,947
		SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION.	**16,057,806**	**15,937,006**
		MANAGEMENT SUPPORT		
123	0604256F	THREAT SIMULATOR DEVELOPMENT	44,526	44,526
124	0604759F	MAJOR T&E INVESTMENT	235,405	235,405
125	0605101F	RAND PROJECT AIR FORCE	13,312	13,312
127	0605712F	INITIAL OPERATIONAL TEST & EVALUATION	13,562	13,562
128	0605807F	TEST AND EVALUATION SUPPORT	1,802,502	1,802,502
131	0605829F	ACQ WORKFORCE- CYBER, NETWORK, & BUS SYS	439,592	439,592
132	0605831F	ACQ WORKFORCE- CAPABILITY INTEGRATION	1,206,669	1,206,669
134	0605833F	ACQ WORKFORCE- NUCLEAR SYSTEMS	342,650	342,650
135	0605898F	MANAGEMENT HQ—R&D	6,209	6,209
136	0605976F	FACILITIES RESTORATION AND MODERNIZATION—TEST AND EVALUATION SUPPORT.	367,369	367,369
137	0605978F	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT—TEST AND EVALUATION SUPPORT.	298,924	298,924
138	0606017F	REQUIREMENTS ANALYSIS AND MATURATION	21,678	21,678
139	0606398F	MANAGEMENT HQ—T&E	7,507	7,507
140	0208201F	OFFENSIVE SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (SUAS).	30,187	30,187
141	0303255F	COMMAND, CONTROL, COMMUNICATION, AND COMPUTERS (C4)—STRATCOM.	18,068	45,068
		Enhanced National Strategic Research Institute research scope		[5,000]
		Evaluation of electromagnetic warfare and dynamic spectrum sharing technologies.		[2,000]
		NC3 network sensor demonstration		[10,000]
		Rapid Engineering Architecture Collaboration Hub—NC3 architecture.		[10,000]
142	0308602F	ENTEPRISE INFORMATION SERVICES (EIS)	80,342	80,342
143	0702806F	ACQUISITION AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT	12,132	12,132
144	0804776F	ADVANCED DISTRIBUTED LEARNING	238	238
145	0901215F	PRODUCTIVITY INVESTMENTS	4,017	4,017
147	1001004F	INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES	4,514	4,514
		SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT	**4,949,403**	**4,976,403**
		OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT		
148	0604222F	NUCLEAR WEAPONS SUPPORT	10,029	10,029
149	0604233F	SPECIALIZED UNDERGRADUATE FLIGHT TRAINING	22,071	22,071
150	0604283F	BATTLE MGMT COM & CTRL SENSOR DEVELOPMENT	44,187	44,187
152	0604840F	F–35 C2D2	1,128,748	1,128,748
153	0605018F	AF INTEGRATED PERSONNEL AND PAY SYSTEM (AF-IPPS)	31,777	0
		Realignment to Service-Wide Support		[–31,777]
154	0605024F	ANTI-TAMPER TECHNOLOGY EXECUTIVE AGENCY	130,610	130,610
155	0605117F	FOREIGN MATERIEL ACQUISITION AND EXPLOITATION	4,676	4,676
156	0605229F	HH–60W	87,881	87,881
157	0605278F	HC/MC–130 RECAP RDT&E	34,932	59,932
		Nonrecurring engineering for the LC–130J program		[25,000]
158	0606018F	NC3 INTEGRATION	36,521	36,521
159	0101113F	B–52 SQUADRONS	1,478,648	1,478,648
160	0101122F	AIR-LAUNCHED CRUISE MISSILE (ALCM)	570	570
161	0101126F	B–1B SQUADRONS	273,552	273,552
162	0101127F	B–2 SQUADRONS	418,178	418,178
163	0101213F	MINUTEMAN SQUADRONS	79,313	79,313
164	0101316F	WORLDWIDE JOINT STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS	44,424	44,424
165	0101318F	SERVICE SUPPORT TO STRATCOM—GLOBAL STRIKE	56,203	56,203
166	0101328F	ICBM REENTRY VEHICLES	733,182	733,182
168	0102110F	MH–139A	7,046	7,046
169	0102326F	REGION/SECTOR OPERATION CONTROL CENTER MODERNIZATION PROGRAM.	709	709
170	0102417F	OVER-THE-HORIZON BACKSCATTER RADAR	0	
171	0202834F	AVIATION SUPPORT EQUIPMENT—GENERAL	1,028	1,028
172	0203345F	OPERATIONS SECURITY (OPSEC)	45,000	45,000
173	0205219F	MQ–9 UAV	16,723	16,723
174	0205671F	JOINT COUNTER RCIED ELECTRONIC WARFARE	2,816	2,816
175	0207040F	MULTI-PLATFORM ELECTRONIC WARFARE EQUIPMENT	0	
176	0207133F	F–16 SQUADRONS	527,739	527,739

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177	0207134F	F–15E SQUADRONS	322,889	370,889
		F–15 IRST capability		[48,000]
178	0207136F	MANNED DESTRUCTIVE SUPPRESSION	8,128	8,128
179	0207138F	F–22A SQUADRONS	950,375	854,375
		Decrement F–22 sensor enhancements		[–96,000]
180	0207142F	F–35 SQUADRONS	47,388	47,388
181	0207146F	F–15EX	133,274	133,274
182	0207161F	TACTICAL AIM MISSILES	98,861	98,861
183	0207163F	ADVANCED MEDIUM RANGE AIR-TO-AIR MISSILE (AMRAAM).	53,277	53,277
184	0207172F	JOINT ADVANCED TACTICAL MISSILE (JATM)	500,422	500,422
186	0207238F	E–11A	0	
187	0207242F	SPECIAL PROGRAM APPLICATIONS	35,149	35,149
188	0207247F	AF TENCAP	50,913	50,913
189	0207249F	PRECISION ATTACK SYSTEMS PROCUREMENT	14,602	14,602
190	0207253F	COMPASS CALL	66,514	66,514
191	0207268F	AIRCRAFT ENGINE COMPONENT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM	205,938	205,938
192	0207325F	JOINT AIR-TO-SURFACE STANDOFF MISSILE (JASSM)	133,092	133,092
193	0207327F	SMALL DIAMETER BOMB (SDB)	25,497	25,497
194	0207410F	AIR & SPACE OPERATIONS CENTER (AOC)	158,871	158,871
195	0207412F	CONTROL AND REPORTING CENTER (CRC)	18,137	18,137
196	0207418F	AFSPECWAR—TACP	5,206	5,206
198	0207431F	COMBAT AIR INTELLIGENCE SYSTEM ACTIVITIES	33,700	33,700
199	0207438F	THEATER BATTLE MANAGEMENT (TBM) C4I	7,014	7,014
200	0207439F	ELECTROMAGNETIC WARFARE INT REPROG (EWIR)	73,523	73,523
202	0207452F	DCAPES	5,254	5,254
203	0207457F	AIR FORCE SPECIAL WARFARE (SPECWAR)	24,423	24,423
204	0207461F	FLIGHT OPERATIONS SYSTEMS	15,978	15,978
205	0207521F	AIR FORCE CALIBRATION PROGRAMS	2,220	2,220
207	0207590F	SEEK EAGLE	36,710	36,710
208	0207611F	READINESS DECISION SUPPORT ENTERPRISE	6,823	6,823
209	0207697F	DISTRIBUTED TRAINING AND EXERCISES	83,659	83,659
210	0207701F	FULL COMBAT MISSION TRAINING	6,644	6,644
211	0208006F	MISSION PLANNING SYSTEMS	122,175	122,175
212	0208007F	TACTICAL DECEPTION	48,857	48,857
213	0208087F	DISTRIBUTED CYBER WARFARE OPERATIONS	71,868	71,868
214	0208088F	AF DEFENSIVE CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS	76,758	76,758
218	0208288F	INTEL DATA APPLICATIONS	7,511	7,511
219	0301025F	GEOBASE	403	403
220	0301113F	CYBER SECURITY INTELLIGENCE SUPPORT	0	
226	0301377F	COUNTERING ADVANCED CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS (CACW).	1,343	1,343
228	0301401F	AF MULTI-DOMAIN NON-TRADITIONAL ISR BATTLESPACE AWARENESS.	2,754	2,754
229	0302015F	E–4B NATIONAL AIRBORNE OPERATIONS CENTER (NAOC)	50,873	50,873
230	0302315F	NON-KINETIC COUNTERMEASURE SUPPORT	4,024	4,024
232	0303089F	CYBERSPACE AND DODIN OPERATIONS	0	
233	0303131F	MINIMUM ESSENTIAL EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK (MEECN).	254,837	254,837
234	0303133F	HIGH FREQUENCY RADIO SYSTEMS	33,215	33,215
235	0303140F	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM	117,658	117,658
236	0303248F	ALL DOMAIN COMMON PLATFORM	71,312	71,312
237	0303260F	JOINT MILITARY DECEPTION INITIATIVE	0	
238	0304100F	STRATEGIC MISSION PLANNING & EXECUTION SYSTEM (SMPES).	89,663	89,663
239	0304109F	THRESHER	109	109
242	0304260F	AIRBORNE SIGINT ENTERPRISE	98,319	98,319
243	0304310F	COMMERCIAL ECONOMIC ANALYSIS	1,713	1,713
246	0304784F	LONG ENDURANCE—AIRBORNE ISR	16,570	16,570
248	0305020F	CCMD INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	0	
249	0305022F	ISR MODERNIZATION & AUTOMATION DVMT (IMAD)	16,188	16,188
250	0305099F	GLOBAL AIR TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT (GATM)	4,210	4,210
251	0305103F	CYBER SECURITY INITIATIVE	318	318
252	0305111F	WEATHER SERVICE	29,331	29,331
253	0305114F	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL, APPROACH, AND LANDING SYSTEM (ATCALS).	61,895	61,895
254	0305116F	AERIAL TARGETS	1,704	1,704
257	0305128F	SECURITY AND INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITIES	9,642	9,642
258	0305146F	DEFENSE JOINT COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES	2,469	2,469
259	0305155F	THEATER NUCLEAR WEAPON STORAGE & SECURITY SYSTEM.	24,364	24,364
260	0305158F	TACTICAL TERMINAL	0	
261	0305179F	INTEGRATED BROADCAST SERVICE (IBS)	18,266	18,266
262	0305206F	AIRBORNE RECONNAISSANCE SYSTEMS	34,273	34,273
263	0305207F	MANNED RECONNAISSANCE SYSTEMS	17,114	17,114
264	0305208F	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS	85,365	85,365
266	0305221F	NETWORK-CENTRIC COLLABORATIVE TARGETING	9,146	9,146
267	0305238F	NATO AGS	0	

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268	0305240F	ISR TRANSPORT AND PROCESSING	312,037	312,037
269	0305249F	AF JWICS ENTERPRISE	19,324	19,324
270	0305600F	INTERNATIONAL INTELLIGENCE TECHNOLOGY AND ARCHITECTURES.	62,000	62,000
271	0305836F	C2IMERA	11,393	11,393
272	0305903F	COCOM MOBILE COMMAND AND CONTROL CENTERS (MCCCS).	2,013	2,013
273	0305984F	PERSONNEL RECOVERY COMMAND & CTRL (PRC2)	1,783	1,783
274	0307577F	INTELLIGENCE MISSION DATA (IMD)	3,151	3,151
275	0401119F	C–5 AIRLIFT SQUADRONS (IF)	76,233	76,233
276	0401130F	C–17 AIRCRAFT (IF)	178,130	185,130
		C–17 data bus recording upgrade		[7,000]
277	0401132F	C–130J PROGRAM	16,628	23,628
		C–130 advanced maintenance analytics data kits		[7,000]
278	0401134F	LARGE AIRCRAFT IR COUNTERMEASURES (LAIRCM)	12,323	12,323
279	0401218F	KC–135S	121,742	128,742
		KC–135 vertical wipers		[7,000]
280	0401318F	CV–22	45,699	45,699
281	0401334F	LARGE AIRCRAFT SURVIVABILITY SYSTEMS (LASS)	50,111	50,111
282	0408011F	SPECIAL TACTICS / COMBAT CONTROL	0	
283	0708610F	LOGISTICS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (LOGIT)	21,518	21,518
284	0801380F	AF LVC OPERATIONAL TRAINING (LVC-OT)	23,472	23,472
285	0804743F	OTHER FLIGHT TRAINING	1,950	1,950
286	0901202F	JOINT PERSONNEL RECOVERY AGENCY	2,035	2,035
287	0901218F	CIVILIAN COMPENSATION PROGRAM	4,248	4,248
288	0901220F	PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	2,678	2,678
289	0901226F	AIR FORCE STUDIES AND ANALYSIS AGENCY	81,252	81,252
291	0901538F	FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT.	3,316	3,316
292	0901554F	DEFENSE ENTERPRISE ACNTNG AND MGT SYS (DEAMS)	38,301	38,301
293	1201921F	SERVICE SUPPORT TO STRATCOM—SPACE ACTIVITIES	700	700
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	29,113,107	29,113,107
		SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT	**39,930,435**	**39,896,658**
		TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST & EVAL, AF.	**73,075,614**	**74,654,037**
		RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST & EVAL, SF		
		BASIC RESEARCH		
1	0601102SF	DEFENSE RESEARCH SCIENCES	20,833	20,833
2	0601103SF	UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INITIATIVES	14,426	14,426
		SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH	**35,259**	**35,259**
		APPLIED RESEARCH		
4	1206601SF	SPACE TECHNOLOGY	234,190	244,190
		Establishment of Modeling, Simulation, and Analysis Hub		[10,000]
		SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH	**234,190**	**244,190**
		ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT		
5	1206310SF	SPACE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.	313,738	313,738
6	1206616SF	SPACE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT/DEMO	126,427	126,427
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	**440,165**	**440,165**
		ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES		
7	0604002SF	SPACE FORCE WEATHER SERVICES RESEARCH	3,581	3,581
8	1203010SF	SPACE FORCE IT, DATA ANALYTICS, DIGITAL SOLUTIONS	45,971	45,971
9	1203164SF	NAVSTAR GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM (USER EQUIPMENT) (SPACE).	0	
10	1203622SF	SPACE WARFIGHTING ANALYSIS	128,546	128,546
11	1203710SF	EO/IR WEATHER SYSTEMS	144,434	144,434
12	1203955SF	SPACE ACCESS, MOBILITY & LOGISTICS (SAML)	9,724	9,724
13	1206410SF	SPACE TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPING	1,246,316	1,246,316
14	1206427SF	SPACE SYSTEMS PROTOTYPE TRANSITIONS (SSPT)	87,730	87,730
15	1206438SF	SPACE CONTROL TECHNOLOGY	62,031	62,031
16	1206458SF	TECH TRANSITION (SPACE)	241,056	241,056
17	1206617SF	OPERATIONAL TEST & TRAINING INFRASTRUCTURE	265,215	265,215
18	1206730SF	SPACE SECURITY AND DEFENSE PROGRAM	102,140	102,140
19	1206760SF	PROTECTED TACTICAL ENTERPRISE SERVICE (PTES)	155,885	155,885
20	1206761SF	PROTECTED TACTICAL SERVICE (PTS)	449,434	449,434
21	1206855SF	EVOLVED STRATEGIC SATCOM (ESS)	0	
22	1206857SF	SPACE RAPID CAPABILITIES OFFICE	9,950	9,950
23	1206862SF	TACTICALLY RESPONSIVE SPACE	86,306	96,306
		Orbital Pre-Positioned Tactically Responsive Space capability enhancement.		[10,000]
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES.	**3,038,319**	**3,048,319**

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		SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION		
24	1203269SF	GPS III FOLLOW-ON (GPS IIIF)	123,793	123,793
25	1206421SF	COUNTERSPACE SYSTEMS	43,702	123,702
		Realignment from procurement for PDM		[80,000]
26	1206422SF	WEATHER SYSTEM FOLLOW-ON	34,756	34,756
27	1206425SF	SPACE SITUATION AWARENESS SYSTEMS	1,317,841	1,317,841
28	1206431SF	ADVANCED EHF MILSATCOM (SPACE)	10,157	10,157
29	1206433SF	WIDEBAND GLOBAL SATCOM (SPACE)	0	
30	1206440SF	NEXT-GEN OPIR—GROUND	761,425	761,425
31	1206442SF	NEXT GENERATION OPIR	209,851	209,851
32	1206443SF	NEXT-GEN OPIR—GEO	485,703	485,703
33	1206444SF	NEXT-GEN OPIR—POLAR	0	500,000
		Restore funding to Next Generation Polar		[500,000]
34	1206445SF	COMMERCIAL SATCOM (COMSATCOM) INTEGRATION	68,554	68,554
35	1206446SF	RESILIENT MISSILE WARNING MISSILE TRACKING—LOW EARTH ORBIT (LEO).	3,564,176	3,564,176
36	1206447SF	RESILIENT MISSILE WARNING MISSILE TRACKING—MEDIUM EARTH ORBIT (MEO).	1,413,662	1,413,662
37	1206771SF	COMMERCIAL SERVICES	23,752	23,752
38	1206853SF	NATIONAL SECURITY SPACE LAUNCH PROGRAM (SPACE)—EMD.	2,748	2,748
39	1206855SF	EVOLVED STRATEGIC SATCOM (ESS)	1,838,718	1,838,718
		SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION.	**9,898,838**	**10,478,838**
		MANAGEMENT SUPPORT		
42	1206392SF	ACQ WORKFORCE—SPACE & MISSILE SYSTEMS	260,731	260,731
43	1206398SF	SPACE & MISSILE SYSTEMS CENTER—MHA	13,717	13,717
44	1206399SF	SSC ENTERPRISE ENGINEERING & INTEGRATION	230,848	230,848
45	1206759SF	MAJOR T&E INVESTMENT—SPACE	65,731	65,731
46	1206860SF	ROCKET SYSTEMS LAUNCH PROGRAM (SPACE)	19,965	19,965
47	1206864SF	SPACE TEST PROGRAM (STP)	29,598	29,598
		SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT	**620,590**	**620,590**
		OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT		
49	1201212SF	SERVICE-WIDE SUPPORT (NOT OTHERWISE ACCOUNTED FOR).	28,425	69,802
		Realignment from AF Integrated Personnel and Pay System		[31,777]
		Realignment from Operation and Maintenance for HR IT automation		[9,600]
50	1203001SF	FAMILY OF ADVANCED BLOS TERMINALS (FAB-T)	0	
51	1203040SF	DCO-SPACE	481,251	481,251
52	1203109SF	NARROWBAND SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS	855,860	855,860
53	1203110SF	SATELLITE CONTROL NETWORK (SPACE)	92,537	92,537
54	1203154SF	LONG RANGE KILL CHAINS	1,392,025	1,392,025
55	1203155SF	SPACE-BASED MOVING TARGET INDICATOR	253,355	336,489
		Realignment for execution		[–10,050]
		Realignment from procurement		[46,592]
		Realignment from procurement for Space-Based Moving Target Indicator.		[46,592]
56	1203156SF	DATA TRANSPORT AND NETWORKING	164,974	164,974
57	1203165SF	NAVSTAR GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM (SPACE AND CONTROL SEGMENTS).	115,000	115,000
58	1203173SF	SPACE AND MISSILE TEST AND EVALUATION CENTER	22,487	22,487
59	1203174SF	SPACE INNOVATION, INTEGRATION AND RAPID TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	10,538	10,538
60	1203182SF	SPACELIFT RANGE SYSTEM (SPACE)	56,781	56,781
61	1203330SF	SPACE SUPERIORITY ISR	64,290	64,290
62	1203636SF	SPACE DATA NETWORK	0	
63	1203873SF	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE RADARS	0	
64	1203906SF	NCMC—ITW/AA SYSTEM	25,092	25,092
65	1203909SF	BALLISTIC MISSILE EARLY WARNING SYSTEM (BMEWS)	128,630	128,630
66	1203913SF	NUDET DETECTION SYSTEM (SPACE)	114,004	114,004
67	1203940SF	SPACE SITUATION AWARENESS OPERATIONS	294,902	294,902
68	1206423SF	GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM III—OPERATIONAL CONTROL SEGMENT.	332,313	234,313
		Realignment to procurement for AEP technical refresh		[–98,000]
72	1206772SF	RAPID RESILIENT COMMAND AND CONTROL (R2C2)	109,190	109,190
73	1207440SF	AUTOMATE SAT C2	1,524,300	24,300
		Unjustified growth		[–1,500,000]
74	1208053SF	JOINT TACTICAL GROUND SYSTEM	92,731	92,731
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	17,330,381	17,090,431
		Program realignment from SB-MTI		[10,050]
		Unjustified growth		[–250,000]
		SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT	**23,489,066**	**21,775,627**
		SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS		

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75	1208248SF	SPACE DOMAIN AWARENESS/PLANNING/TASKING SW	617,062	617,062
		SUBTOTAL SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS.	**617,062**	**617,062**
		TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST & EVAL, SF.	**38,373,489**	**37,260,050**
		RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST & EVAL, DW		
		BASIC RESEARCH		
1	0601000BR	DTRA BASIC RESEARCH	15,070	15,070
3	0601108D8Z	HIGH ENERGY LASER RESEARCH INITIATIVES	17,667	17,667
4	0601110D8Z	BASIC RESEARCH INITIATIVES	87,091	182,091
		Defense Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research		[40,000]
		Increase for Minerva program		[15,000]
		Increase for Vanevar Bush fellowships		[40,000]
6	0601120D8Z	NATIONAL DEFENSE EDUCATION PROGRAM	165,488	165,488
7	0601122E	EMERGING OPPORTUNITIES	387,633	387,633
8	0601228D8Z	HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES/MINORITY INSTITUTIONS.	99,706	119,706
		Historically Black Colleges and Universities/Minority Institutions		[20,000]
9	0601384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM	27,425	27,425
		SUBTOTAL BASIC RESEARCH	**800,080**	**915,080**
		APPLIED RESEARCH		
11	0602000D8Z	JOINT MUNITIONS TECHNOLOGY	32,145	32,145
12	0602023E	ACCESS AND AWARENESS	110,096	110,096
13	0602024E	WARFIGHTING PERFORMANCE	364,141	364,141
14	0602025E	MAKING, MAINTAINING, SUPPLY CHAIN AND LOGISTICS	1,624,523	1,624,523
15	0602026E	EFFECTS	0	
17	0602128D8Z	PROMOTION AND PROTECTION STRATEGIES	4,260	4,260
18	0602230D8Z	DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION	43,405	43,405
19	0602234D8Z	LINCOLN LABORATORY RESEARCH PROGRAM	10,045	10,045
20	0602251D8Z	APPLIED RESEARCH FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF S&T PRIORITIES.	59,560	59,560
22	0602384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM	207,186	207,186
23	0602668D8Z	CYBER SECURITY RESEARCH	18,575	53,575
		Pacific Intelligence and Innovation Initiative		[5,000]
		University Consortium for Cybersecurity		[30,000]
24	0602669D8Z	MICROELECTRONICS COMMONS—APPLIED RESEARCH	0	50,000
		Program increase		[50,000]
29	0602718BR	COUNTER WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION APPLIED RESEARCH.	157,287	157,287
30	0602751D8Z	SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INSTITUTE (SEI) APPLIED RESEARCH.	7,069	7,069
31	0602890D8Z	HIGH ENERGY LASER RESEARCH	50,408	50,408
32	0602891D8Z	FSRM MODELLING	6,635	6,635
33	1160401BB	SOF TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	50,856	60,856
		Cognitive Warfare and Narrative Intelligence		[10,000]
		SUBTOTAL APPLIED RESEARCH	**2,746,191**	**2,841,191**
		ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT		
34	0603000D8Z	JOINT MUNITIONS ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	64,251	64,251
36	0603055D8Z	OPERATIONAL ENERGY CAPABILITY IMPROVEMENT	165,060	165,060
38	0603122D8Z	COMBATING TERRORISM TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT	73,618	273,618
		U.S.-Israel Cooperation to Counter Unmanned Aerial Systems		[100,000]
		U.S.-Israel Subterranean Operations Cooperation		[100,000]
39	0603133D8Z	FOREIGN COMPARATIVE TESTING	24,950	24,950
40	0603142D8Z	MISSION ENGINEERING & INTEGRATION (ME&I)	144,454	144,454
41	0603160BR	COUNTER WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	509,160	509,160
42	0603176C	ADVANCED CONCEPTS AND PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT	0	
43	0603180C	ADVANCED RESEARCH	482,573	507,573
		Advanced Research for Blood Platelet Treatments		[10,000]
		Autonomous Surface Vessel Support		[15,000]
44	0603183D8Z	JOINT HYPERSONIC TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT &TRANSITION.	424,422	439,422
		Hypersonic Ground Test Infrastructure		[15,000]
45	0603225D8Z	JOINT DOD-DOE MUNITIONS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	45,375	45,375
48	0603288D8Z	ANALYTIC ASSESSMENTS	36,917	36,917
49	0603289D8Z	ADVANCED INNOVATIVE ANALYSIS AND CONCEPTS	51,960	51,960
50	0603330D8Z	QUANTUM APPLICATION	60,333	60,333
51	0603331D8Z	FUTURE GENERATION WIRELESS TECHNOLOGIES	5,000	5,000
52	0603342D8Z	DEFENSE INNOVATION UNIT (DIU)	522,559	527,559
		Defense Innovation Unit OnRamp Hub Expansion		[5,000]
53	0603375D8Z	TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION	982,694	632,694
		Unjustified growth		[–350,000]
54	0603379D8Z	ADVANCED TECHNICAL INTEGRATION	79,268	79,268

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55	0603384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM—ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT.	310,308	310,308
56	0603467E	DARPA ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	1,568,124	1,475,124
		Cut to Perfect Victory and HATS		[–93,000]
57	0603468E	ADVANCED COMPLEX SYSTEMS	540,362	540,362
58	0603469E	ADVANCED ENABLING TECHNOLOGIES	331,007	331,007
59	0603618D8Z	JOINT ELECTRONIC ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY	49,083	49,083
60	0603662D8Z	NETWORKED COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITIES	696,297	696,297
62	0603680D8Z	DEFENSE-WIDE MANUFACTURING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM.	581,847	601,847
		Hypersonic Advanced Materials		[8,000]
		Manufacturing Advancement for Novel Technology Innovation and Sustainment (F–47).		[12,000]
63	0603680S	MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM	49,787	49,787
64	0603712S	GENERIC LOGISTICS R&D TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATIONS.	18,791	18,791
65	0603716D8Z	STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH PROGRAM	60,774	60,774
66	0603720S	MICROELECTRONICS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT AND SUPPORT.	139,923	139,923
67	0603727D8Z	JOINT WARFIGHTING PROGRAM	0	
72	0603781D8Z	SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INSTITUTE	10,227	10,227
73	0603834D8Z	BIOSURVEILLANCE PROGRAM ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	9,800	9,800
74	0603838D8Z	DEFENSE INNOVATION ACCELERATION (DIA)	310,977	310,977
75	0603924D8Z	HIGH ENERGY LASER ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM	201,125	206,125
		Ultra-Short Pulsed Laser Weapons		[5,000]
76	0603941D8Z	TEST & EVALUATION SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY	3,834,080	2,378,374
		MACH-XL program increase		[200,000]
		Unjustified growth		[–1,655,706]
77	0603945D8Z	INTERNATIONAL INNOVATION INITIATIVES	158,345	158,345
79	0604055D8Z	OPERATIONAL ENERGY CAPABILITY IMPROVEMENT	0	55,000
		Energy mission planning—program increase		[50,000]
		Innovative high energy density sodium battery		[5,000]
80	1160402BB	SOF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	126,085	126,085
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	**12,669,536**	**11,095,830**
		ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES		
81	0603161D8Z	NUCLEAR MATTERS, ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT & PROTOTYPES.	44,685	59,685
		Advanced prototyping acceleration		[15,000]
82	0603600D8Z	WALKOFF	227,158	227,158
83	0603851D8Z	ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY TECHNICAL CERTIFICATION PROGRAM.	125,066	128,066
		STED program increase—accelerate SOF warfighter technologies		[3,000]
84	0603881C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TERMINAL DEFENSE SEGMENT.	0	
85	0603882C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE MIDCOURSE DEFENSE SEGMENT.	1,360,611	1,285,611
		Unjustified growth		[–75,000]
86	0603884BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM—DEM/VAL.	391,307	391,307
87	0603884C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE SENSORS	865,420	865,420
88	0603890C	BMD ENABLING PROGRAMS	1,457,437	1,442,437
		DEEP SENTRY tool development		[5,000]
		Program decrease		[–20,000]
89	0603891C	SPECIAL PROGRAMS—MDA	1,742,778	1,642,778
		Unjustified growth		[–100,000]
90	0603892C	AEGIS BMD	927,870	927,870
91	0603896C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE COMMAND AND CONTROL, BATTLE MANAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS (C2BMC).	939,987	939,987
92	0603898C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE JOINT WARFIGHTER SUPPORT.	50,430	50,430
93	0603904C	MISSILE DEFENSE INTEGRATION & OPERATIONS CENTER (MDIOC).	57,892	57,892
94	0603906C	REGARDING TRENCH	29,807	29,807
95	0603907C	SEA BASED X-BAND RADAR (SBX)	274,204	274,204
96	0603913C	ISRAELI COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS	300,000	300,000
97	0603914C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TEST	1,065,474	1,065,474
98	0603915C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TARGETS	518,506	545,506
		Advanced Target Front End (ATFE) Configuration 3 (C3) Risk Reduction.		[7,000]
		Development of full-scale, low-cost hypersonic vehicle target		[10,000]
		Expanded operational testing		[10,000]
99	0603923D8Z	COALITION WARFARE	10,082	10,082
100	0604011D8Z	NEXT GENERATION INFORMATION COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY (5G).	0	

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101	0604016D8Z	DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CORROSION PROGRAM	2,675	2,675
102	0604023D8Z	JOINT MUNITIONS COMPONENT PROTOTYPING	7,893	7,893
103	0604102C	GUAM DEFENSE DEVELOPMENT	212,413	312,413
		Program increase		[100,000]
104	0604115C	TECHNOLOGY MATURATION INITIATIVES	59,700	59,700
106	0604125D8Z	ADVANCED MANUFACTURING COMPONENTS AND PROTOTYPES.	52,122	62,122
		Advanced Manufacturing Pilot Research Facility for Large Scale, Large Volume, Agile, Additive and Hybrid Manufacturing.		[10,000]
107	0604162D8Z	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS ELIMINATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT.	945	945
108	0604181C	HYPERSONIC DEFENSE	213,783	213,783
109	0604250D8Z	ADVANCED INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES	2,626,130	2,776,130
		HGWS/MDACS integration and test		[150,000]
110	0604294D8Z	TRUSTED & ASSURED MICROELECTRONICS	156,743	506,743
		Restore funding for microelectronics activities		[350,000]
111	0604331D8Z	RAPID PROTOTYPING PROGRAM	238,800	378,800
		Covert Acoustic Communications		[5,000]
		HALE/HAPS		[5,000]
		Rapidly Scalable Affordable Mass Group 2/3 UAS		[100,000]
		Unmanned Fleet Expansion		[30,000]
113	0604341D8Z	DEFENSE INNOVATION UNIT (DIU) PROTOTYPING	0	330,000
		Alternative low-cost exoatmospheric interceptor		[75,000]
		Alternative low-cost ground-launched extended-range munition		[25,000]
		Alternative low-cost medium air-to-air missile		[35,000]
		Alternative low-cost medium-range integrated air and missile defense interceptor.		[40,000]
		Alternative low-cost short-range integrated air and missile defense interceptor.		[35,000]
		Alternative low-cost shoulder launched missile		[20,000]
		Ramjet munition from a responsive strike aircraft		[100,000]
114	0604400D8Z	DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DOD) UNMANNED SYSTEM COMMON DEVELOPMENT.	2,024	2,024
115	0604539D8Z	DEFENSE AUTONOMOUS WARFARE GROUP	1,000,000	1,000,000
116	0604551BR	CATAPULT INFORMATION SYSTEM	7,500	7,500
117	0604555D8Z	OPERATIONAL ENERGY PROTOTYPING—NON S&T	53,505	93,505
		Operational energy prototyping		[40,000]
119	0604679D8Z	OFFICE OF STRATEGIC CAPITAL (OSC)	18,955	250,000
		Establish OSC equity account		[250,000]
		Reduction for program no longer executed by OSC		[–18,955]
120	0604682D8Z	SUPPORT FOR STRATEGIC ANALYSIS	2,802	2,802
122	0604791D8Z	MULTI-DOMAIN JOINT OPERATIONS (MDJO)	32,001	32,001
123	0604797D8Z	JOINT ENERGETIC TRANSITION OFFICE	6,278	6,278
124	0604826J	JOINT C5 CAPABILITY DEVELOPMENT, INTEGRATION AND INTEROPERABILITY ASSESSMENTS.	28,314	28,314
125	0604834D8Z	BIOSURVEILLANCE PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT & PROTOTYPING.	7,000	7,000
126	0604873C	LONG RANGE DISCRIMINATION RADAR (LRDR)	125,074	125,074
127	0604874C	IMPROVED HOMELAND DEFENSE INTERCEPTORS	1,344,824	1,344,824
128	0604876C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE TERMINAL DEFENSE SEGMENT TEST.	0	
129	0604878C	AEGIS BMD TEST	61,969	61,969
130	0604879C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE SENSOR TEST	52,919	52,919
131	0604880C	LAND-BASED SM–3 (LBSM3)	25,102	25,102
132	0604887C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE MIDCOURSE SEGMENT TEST.	53,761	53,761
133	0604924D8Z	HIGH ENERGY LASER ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT & PROTOTYPE.	44,485	44,485
134	0202057C	SAFETY PROGRAM MANAGEMENT	2,146	2,146
135	0208059JCY	CYBERCOM ACTIVITIES	31,735	31,735
137	0208086JCY	CYBER TRAINING ENVIRONMENT (CTE)	120,814	120,814
139	0305103C	CYBER SECURITY INITIATIVE	2,160	2,160
140	0305245D8Z	INTELLIGENCE CAPABILITIES AND INNOVATION INVESTMENTS.	15,047	20,047
		Geospatial Workforce Development Program		[5,000]
142	1206895C	BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEM SPACE PROGRAMS	95,819	95,819
		SUBTOTAL ADVANCED COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND PROTOTYPES.	**17,094,152**	**18,305,197**
		SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION		
144	0604123D8Z	CHIEF DIGITAL AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE OFFICER (CDAO)—DEM/VAL ACTIVITIES.	11,197	11,197
145	0604133D8Z	ALPHA–1 DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES	969,825	719,825
		Unjustified growth for Alpha–1 activities		[–250,000]
146	0604161D8Z	NUCLEAR MATTERS, SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT & DEMONSTRATION.	14,919	14,919
147	0604384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM—EMD	261,947	261,947
148	0604771D8Z	JOINT TACTICAL INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM (JTIDS).	10,200	10,200

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149	0605000BR	COUNTER WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT.	16,713	16,713
150	0605013BL	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	13,620	13,620
151	0605021SE	HOMELAND PERSONNEL SECURITY INITIATIVE	9,334	9,334
152	0605022D8Z	DEFENSE EXPORTABILITY PROGRAM	5,943	55,943
		Increase for Defense Exportability Features program		[50,000]
153	0605027D8Z	OUSD(C) IT DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES	273,253	223,253
		Unjustified growth for OUSD(C) IT development		[–50,000]
154	0605080S	DEFENSE AGENCY INITIATIVES (DAI)—FINANCIAL SYSTEM.	51,265	51,265
155	0605141BR	MISSION ASSURANCE RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (MARMS).	0	
156	0605210D8Z	DEFENSE-WIDE ELECTRONIC PROCUREMENT CAPABILITIES.	7,918	7,918
157	0605294D8Z	TRUSTED & ASSURED MICROELECTRONICS	51,202	151,202
		Restore funding for microelectronics activities		[100,000]
158	0605310D8Z	MILITARY AVIATION AND INSTALLATION ASSURANCE SITING CLEARINGHOUSE.	4,072	4,072
159	0605649D8Z	ACQUISITION INTEGRATION AND INTEROPERABILITY (AI2).	92,689	92,689
160	0605755D8Z	RADIOLOGICAL AND NUCLEAR DEFENSE MODERNIZATION SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION.	3,090	3,090
161	0605772D8Z	NUCLEAR COMMAND, CONTROL, & COMMUNICATIONS	2,985	2,985
162	0205401JCA	COUNTER—SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (JIATF–401).	580,348	580,348
163	0305282D8Z	JOINT FIRES NETWORK (JFN)	0	
164	0305282K	JOINT FIRES NETWORK (JFN)	35,000	35,000
165	0305304D8Z	REAL PROPERTY ANALYTICS	2,573	2,573
166	0305310D8Z	COUNTERPROLIFERATION ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT	12,751	12,751
		SUBTOTAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION.	**2,430,844**	**2,280,844**
		MANAGEMENT SUPPORT		
168	0603829J	JOINT CAPABILITY EXPERIMENTATION	12,332	12,332
169	0604122D8Z	JADC2 DEVELOPMENT AND EXPERIMENTATION ACTIVITIES.	2,109,895	1,459,895
		Unjustified growth for JADC2		[–650,000]
171	0604774D8Z	DEFENSE READINESS REPORTING SYSTEM (DRRS)	8,921	8,921
172	0604875D8Z	JOINT SYSTEMS ARCHITECTURE DEVELOPMENT	11,094	11,094
173	0604940D8Z	CENTRAL TEST AND EVALUATION INVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT (CTEIP).	1,153,754	1,153,754
174	0604942D8Z	ASSESSMENTS AND EVALUATIONS	0	
175	0605001E	MISSION SUPPORT	108,101	108,101
176	0605100D8Z	JOINT MISSION ENVIRONMENT TEST CAPABILITY (JMETC)	234,700	234,700
177	0605126J	JOINT INTEGRATED AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE ORGANIZATION (JIAMDO).	69,820	69,820
178	0605128D8Z	CLASSIFIED PROGRAM USD(P)	0	
179	0605131D8Z	LIVE FIRE TESTING	9,020	9,020
180	0605142D8Z	SYSTEMS ENGINEERING	21,992	21,992
181	0605151D8Z	STUDIES AND ANALYSIS SUPPORT—OSD	5,255	5,255
182	0605161D8Z	NUCLEAR MATTERS MANAGEMENT SUPPORT	21,862	21,862
183	0605170D8Z	SUPPORT TO NETWORKS AND INFORMATION INTEGRATION.	26,878	29,878
		Third-Party hardware evaluation and independent analysis		[3,000]
184	0605200D8Z	GENERAL SUPPORT TO OUSD(INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY).	10,695	10,695
185	0605384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE PROGRAM	89,467	89,467
192	0605711D8Z	CRITICAL TECHNOLOGY ANALYSIS	10,913	10,913
193	0605790D8Z	SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH (SBIR)/ SMALL BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER (STTR) ADMINISTRATION.	8,435	8,435
194	0605797D8Z	MAINTAINING TECHNOLOGY ADVANTAGE	35,512	35,512
195	0605798D8Z	DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY ANALYSIS	165,450	165,450
196	0605801KA	DEFENSE TECHNICAL INFORMATION CENTER (DTIC)	57,576	57,576
197	0605803SE	R&D IN SUPPORT OF DOD ENLISTMENT, TESTING AND EVALUATION.	34,359	34,359
198	0605804D8Z	DEVELOPMENT TEST AND EVALUATION	35,106	35,106
199	0605898E	MANAGEMENT HQ—R&D	5,383	5,383
200	0605998KA	MANAGEMENT HQ—DEFENSE TECHNICAL INFORMATION CENTER (DTIC).	3,489	3,489
201	0606005D8Z	SPECIAL ACTIVITIES	19,260	19,260
202	0606100D8Z	BUDGET AND PROGRAM ASSESSMENTS	10,678	10,678
203	0606114D8Z	ANALYSIS WORKING GROUP (AWG) SUPPORT	11,668	11,668
205	0606220D8Z	OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR ENTERPRISE TRANSFORMATION AND MODERNIZATION.	75,000	75,000
206	0606225D8Z	ODNA TECHNOLOGY AND RESOURCE ANALYSIS	3,264	3,264
207	0606300D8Z	DEFENSE SCIENCE BOARD	6,307	6,307
208	0606301D8Z	AVIATION SAFETY TECHNOLOGIES	986	986

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Line	Program Element	Item	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
209	0606771D8Z	CYBER RESILIENCY AND CYBERSECURITY POLICY	30,746	30,746
210	0606774D8Z	DEFENSE CIVILIAN TRAINING CORPS	0	20,000
		Defense civilian training corps increase		[20,000]
211	0606775D8Z	JOINT PRODUCTION ACCELERATOR CELL (JPAC)	6,215	6,215
212	0606829D8Z	SUSTAINMENT TRANSITION CAPABILITIES	29,408	29,408
213	0606853BR	MANAGEMENT, TECHNICAL & INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT	0	
214	0203345D8Z	DEFENSE OPERATIONS SECURITY INITIATIVE (DOSI)	0	
215	0204571J	JOINT STAFF ANALYTICAL SUPPORT	5,088	5,088
216	0207834D8Z	BIOSURVEILLANCE PROGRAM	7,000	7,000
217	0208045K	C4I INTEROPERABILITY	72,581	72,581
218	0303169D8Z	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RAPID ACQUISITION	6,416	6,416
219	0305172K	COMBINED ADVANCED APPLICATIONS	5,566	5,566
221	0305208K	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS	2,951	2,951
222	0305248J	JOINT STAFF OFFICE OF THE CHIEF DATA OFFICER (OCDO) ACTIVITIES.	67,007	67,007
223	0804768J	COCOM EXERCISE ENGAGEMENT AND TRAINING TRANSFORMATION (CE2T2)—NON-MHA.	90,424	90,424
224	0808709SE	DEFENSE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE (DEOMI).	0	
225	0808737SE	INTEGRATED PRIMARY PREVENTION	5,768	5,768
226	0901598C	MANAGEMENT HQ—MDA	31,863	31,863
227	0903235K	JOINT SERVICE PROVIDER (JSP)	0	
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	36,977	36,977
		SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT	**4,775,182**	**4,148,182**
		OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT		
229	0604011D8Z	NEXT GENERATION INFORMATION COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY (5G).	5,893	5,893
231	0604538D8Z	ECONOMIC DEFENSE UNIT (EDU)	403,903	53,903
		Transfer to OSC		[–250,000]
		Unjustified growth for Economic Defense Unit		[–100,000]
232	0607162D8Z	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS ELIMINATION TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENT.	2,931	2,931
233	0607210D8Z	INDUSTRIAL BASE ANALYSIS AND SUSTAINMENT SUPPORT.	1,177,356	1,274,356
		Automated textile manufacturing program		[50,000]
		Fan-Out Water-Level Packaging		[10,000]
		MUDCAT: Secure Manufacturing and Integration Capability		[22,000]
		Multi Domain Operations (MDO) and Electromagnetic Spectrum Operations (EMSO) Range.		[10,000]
		Stem+M Shipbuilding Workforce Education Program		[5,000]
234	0607310D8Z	COUNTERPROLIFERATION MODERNIZATION	11,304	11,304
235	0607327T	GLOBAL THEATER SECURITY COOPERATION MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS (G-TSCMIS).	6,010	6,010
236	0607384BP	CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE (OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT).	82,695	82,695
237	0607385BR	COUNTER WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT.	4,108	4,108
238	0607757D8Z	RADIOLOGICAL AND NUCLEAR DEFENSE MODERNIZATION OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT.	2,794	2,794
239	0208085JCY	ROBUST INFRASTRUCTURE AND ACCESS	155,613	155,613
240	0208097JCY	CYBER COMMAND AND CONTROL (CYBER C2)	85,958	85,958
241	0208099JCY	DATA AND UNIFIED PLATFORM (D&UP)	84,687	84,687
245	0302019K	DEFENSE INFO INFRASTRUCTURE ENGINEERING AND INTEGRATION.	13,312	13,312
246	0302609V	COUNTERING THREATS AUTOMATED PLATFORM	11,710	11,710
247	0303126K	LONG-HAUL COMMUNICATIONS—DCS	10,508	10,508
248	0303131K	MINIMUM ESSENTIAL EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK (MEECN).	10,307	10,307
250	0303140D8Z	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM	35,214	35,214
252	0303140K	INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY PROGRAM	33,502	33,502
253	0303153K	DEFENSE SPECTRUM ORGANIZATION	49,466	49,466
254	0303171K	JOINT PLANNING AND EXECUTION SERVICES	10,615	10,615
257	0303430V	FEDERAL INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.	50,900	50,900
265	0305104D8Z	DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE (DIB) CYBER SECURITY INITIATIVE.	17,077	17,077
269	0305146V	DEFENSE JOINT COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES	6,751	6,751
270	0305172D8Z	COMBINED ADVANCED APPLICATIONS	18,912	18,912
272	0305186D8Z	POLICY R&D PROGRAMS	11,740	11,740
275	0305199D8Z	NET CENTRICITY	55,673	55,673
277	0305208BB	DISTRIBUTED COMMON GROUND/SURFACE SYSTEMS	0	
282	0305387D8Z	HOMELAND DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PROGRAM	1,730	1,730
283	0305601K	MISSION PARTNER ENVIRONMENTS	15,464	15,464
293	0306250JCY	CYBER OPERATIONS TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT	1,303,094	1,418,094
		Artificial Intelligence for cyberspace operations		[30,000]
		CYBERCOM 2.0		[35,000]
		Extending technical service support		[50,000]

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294	0307609V	NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL SECURITY SYSTEMS (NISS)	19,840	19,840
297	0708012K	LOGISTICS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES	2,051	2,051
298	0708012S	PACIFIC DISASTER CENTERS	0	9,500
		Pacific Disaster Centers		[9,500]
299	0708047S	DEFENSE PROPERTY ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM	2,829	2,829
302	1160403BB	AVIATION SYSTEMS	216,781	223,291
		SOCOM UPL—Adaptive Airborne Enterprise Group 3 sUAS		[6,510]
303	1160405BB	INTELLIGENCE SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT	109,227	119,227
		Ultra-light Group 1 sUAS		[10,000]
304	1160408BB	OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS	279,478	312,678
		SOCOM UPL—Ground infiltration protection system		[25,700]
		SOCOM UPL—Operational capacity enhancements		[7,500]
305	1160431BB	WARRIOR SYSTEMS	435,074	478,174
		SOCOM UPL—Electromagnetic warfare family of systems		[3,500]
		SOCOM UPL—Ground infiltration protection system		[4,000]
		SOCOM UPL—Ground organic precision strike systems		[5,000]
		SOCOM UPL—Munitions War Reserve		[8,500]
		SOCOM UPL—Small cruise missile development		[22,100]
306	1160432BB	SPECIAL PROGRAMS	25,761	25,761
307	1160434BB	UNMANNED ISR	0	
308	1160480BB	SOF TACTICAL VEHICLES	0	
309	1160483BB	MARITIME SYSTEMS	351,721	364,021
		Open-architecture unmanned surface vessel experimentation		[10,000]
		SOCOM UPL—Mission critical Dry Combat Submersible battery upgrade.		[2,300]
310	1160490BB	OPERATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS INTELLIGENCE	25,747	25,747
311	1203610K	TELEPORT PROGRAM	22,244	22,244
9999	9999999999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	8,923,353	8,923,353
		SUBTOTAL OPERATIONAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT	**14,093,333**	**14,069,943**
		SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS		
312	0608140D8Z	ENTERPRISE PLATFORMS AND CAPABILITIES—SOFTWARE PILOT PROGRAM.	481,775	481,775
313	0608500D8Z	WEAPONEERING CODE SUSTAINMENT	23,071	23,071
314	0608648D8Z	ACQUISITION VISIBILITY—SOFTWARE PILOT PROGRAM	64,364	64,364
315	0608775D8Z	ACCELERATE THE PROCUREMENT AND FIELDING OF INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES (APFIT).	0	
316	0608776D8Z	DEFENSE INNOVATION UNIT FIELDING	433,867	433,867
317	0303150K	GLOBAL COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM	124,329	124,329
		SUBTOTAL SOFTWARE AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAMS.	**1,127,406**	**1,127,406**
		TOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST & EVAL, DW.	**55,736,724**	**54,783,673**
		GOLDEN DOME FOR AMERICA FUND		
		RESEARCH, DEV, TEST & EVAL		
9	0604139D8Z	GOLDEN DOME FOR AMERICA—MDA	367,000	367,000
15	0901159D8Z	GOLDEN DOME FOR AMERICA	30,971	30,971
		SUBTOTAL RESEARCH, DEV, TEST & EVAL	**397,971**	**397,971**
		TOTAL GOLDEN DOME FOR AMERICA FUND	**397,971**	**397,971**
		OPERATIONAL TEST & EVAL, DEFENSE		
		MANAGEMENT SUPPORT		
1	0605118OTE	OPERATIONAL TEST AND EVALUATION	101,365	171,365
		Additional support for data analysis activities and testing for AI systems.		[50,000]
		Cyber assessments		[20,000]
2	0605131OTE	LIVE FIRE TEST AND EVALUATION	11,000	11,000
3	0605814OTE	OPERATIONAL TEST ACTIVITIES AND ANALYSES	0	
		SUBTOTAL MANAGEMENT SUPPORT	**112,365**	**182,365**
		TOTAL OPERATIONAL TEST & EVAL, DEFENSE	**112,365**	**182,365**
		TOTAL RDT&E	**218,791,608**	**219,918,028**

TITLE XLIII—OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

SEC. 4301. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE.

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Line	Item	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY		
	OPERATING FORCES		
010	MANEUVER UNITS	5,309,790	5,352,995
	Winter equipment		[43,205]
020	MODULAR SUPPORT BRIGADES	375,682	375,682
030	ECHELONS ABOVE BRIGADE	1,193,028	1,366,766
	Realignment from procurement for THAAD battery support		[173,738]
040	THEATER LEVEL ASSETS	2,395,049	2,395,049
050	LAND FORCES OPERATIONS SUPPORT	1,273,674	1,273,674
060	AVIATION ASSETS	1,930,557	1,930,557
070	FORCE READINESS OPERATIONS SUPPORT	7,186,195	7,186,195
080	LAND FORCES SYSTEMS READINESS	888,277	888,277
090	LAND FORCES DEPOT MAINTENANCE	2,022,115	2,142,115
	Depot Equipment Maintenance		[120,000]
100	MEDICAL READINESS	786,815	786,815
110	BASE OPERATIONS SUPPORT	10,390,174	10,402,830
	Increase Child and Youth Program Funding		[12,656]
120	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION	5,435,364	0
	Transfer to Division B		[–5,435,364]
130	MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONAL HEADQUARTERS	287,812	287,812
140	ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES	383,610	383,610
150	RESET	117,880	117,880
160	US AFRICA COMMAND	693,812	693,812
170	US EUROPEAN COMMAND	510,862	525,862
	EUCOM -Joint Intelligence Coordination Center		[15,000]
180	US SOUTHERN COMMAND	464,769	464,769
190	US FORCES KOREA	77,775	77,775
200	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS	366,311	366,311
210	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSECURITY	579,954	579,954
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	**42,669,505**	**37,598,740**
	MOBILIZATION		
220	STRATEGIC MOBILITY	53,602	53,602
230	ARMY PREPOSITIONED STOCKS	1,125,709	1,125,709
240	INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS	3,172	3,172
	SUBTOTAL MOBILIZATION	**1,182,483**	**1,182,483**
	TRAINING AND RECRUITING		
250	OFFICER ACQUISITION	193,530	193,530
260	RECRUIT TRAINING	70,431	70,431
270	ONE STATION UNIT TRAINING	96,115	96,115
280	SENIOR RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS	503,896	503,896
290	SPECIALIZED SKILL TRAINING	1,204,230	1,204,230
300	FLIGHT TRAINING	1,381,437	1,381,437
310	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION	201,481	201,481
320	TRAINING SUPPORT	609,925	609,925
330	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING	712,092	712,092
350	OFF-DUTY AND VOLUNTARY EDUCATION	216,256	220,480
	Increase Tuition/Credentialing Assistance		[4,224]
360	CIVILIAN EDUCATION AND TRAINING	218,683	218,683
370	JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS	218,598	218,598
	SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING	**5,626,674**	**5,630,898**
	ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES		
390	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION	1,483,938	1,483,938
400	CENTRAL SUPPLY ACTIVITIES	703,829	703,829
410	LOGISTIC SUPPORT ACTIVITIES	634,879	634,879
420	AMMUNITION MANAGEMENT	525,732	525,732
430	ADMINISTRATION	402,276	402,276
440	SERVICEWIDE COMMUNICATIONS	2,252,914	2,252,914

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Line	Item	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
450	MANPOWER MANAGEMENT	324,069	324,069
460	OTHER PERSONNEL SUPPORT	961,851	961,851
470	OTHER SERVICE SUPPORT	2,179,562	2,245,541
	Increase to Civilian Personnel Compensation		[65,979]
480	ARMY CLAIMS ACTIVITIES	139,480	139,480
490	REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT	308,271	308,271
500	FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT READINESS	434,778	434,778
510	DEF ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT	37,654	37,654
520	INTERNATIONAL MILITARY HEADQUARTERS	760,520	760,520
530	MISC. SUPPORT OF OTHER NATIONS	28,681	28,681
9999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	3,457,587	3,457,587
	SUBTOTAL ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES	**14,636,021**	**14,702,000**
	UNDISTRIBUTED		
600	UNDISTRIBUTED	0	–812,335
	Unobligated balances		[–812,335]
	SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED	**0**	**–812,335**
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY	**64,114,683**	**58,301,786**
	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE, ARMY RES		
	OPERATING FORCES		
010	MODULAR SUPPORT BRIGADES	15,213	15,213
020	ECHELONS ABOVE BRIGADE	674,766	674,766
030	THEATER LEVEL ASSETS	121,223	121,223
040	LAND FORCES OPERATIONS SUPPORT	664,612	664,612
050	AVIATION ASSETS	37,490	37,490
060	FORCE READINESS OPERATIONS SUPPORT	380,473	380,473
070	LAND FORCES SYSTEMS READINESS	41,301	41,301
080	LAND FORCES DEPOT MAINTENANCE	37,429	37,429
090	BASE OPERATIONS SUPPORT	577,337	577,337
100	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION	411,093	0
	Transfer to Division B		[–411,093]
110	MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONAL HEADQUARTERS	27,810	27,810
120	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS	2,725	2,725
130	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSECURITY	19,422	19,422
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	**3,010,894**	**2,599,801**
	ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES		
140	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION	15,237	15,237
150	ADMINISTRATION	11,708	11,708
160	SERVICEWIDE COMMUNICATIONS	4,165	4,165
170	MANPOWER MANAGEMENT	7,300	7,300
180	OTHER PERSONNEL SUPPORT	63,330	63,330
	SUBTOTAL ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES	**101,740**	**101,740**
	UNDISTRIBUTED		
220	UNDISTRIBUTED	0	–10,222
	Unobligated balances		[–10,222]
	SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED	**0**	**–10,222**
	TOTAL OPERATION & MAINTENANCE, ARMY RES	**3,112,634**	**2,691,319**
	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE, ARNG		
	OPERATING FORCES		
010	MANEUVER UNITS	807,777	807,777
020	MODULAR SUPPORT BRIGADES	233,114	233,114
030	ECHELONS ABOVE BRIGADE	1,143,423	1,143,423
040	THEATER LEVEL ASSETS	84,598	84,598
050	LAND FORCES OPERATIONS SUPPORT	344,161	344,161
060	AVIATION ASSETS	1,096,948	1,096,948
070	FORCE READINESS OPERATIONS SUPPORT	864,172	864,172
080	LAND FORCES SYSTEMS READINESS	93,367	93,367
090	LAND FORCES DEPOT MAINTENANCE	171,055	171,055
100	BASE OPERATIONS SUPPORT	1,326,854	1,326,854
110	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION	1,065,363	0
	Transfer to Division B		[–1,065,363]

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Line	Item	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
120	MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONAL HEADQUARTERS	1,116,559	1,116,559
130	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS	6,831	6,831
140	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES—CYBERSECURITY	24,785	24,785
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	**8,379,007**	**7,313,644**
	ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES		
150	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION	6,604	6,604
160	ADMINISTRATION	50,221	50,221
170	SERVICEWIDE COMMUNICATIONS	24,846	24,846
180	OTHER PERSONNEL SUPPORT	239,142	239,142
190	REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT	4,004	4,004
	SUBTOTAL ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES	**324,817**	**324,817**
	UNDISTRIBUTED		
220	UNDISTRIBUTED	0	–246,699
	Unobligated balances		[–246,699]
	SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED	**0**	**–246,699**
	TOTAL OPERATION & MAINTENANCE, ARNG	**8,703,824**	**7,391,762**
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY		
	OPERATING FORCES		
010	MISSION AND OTHER FLIGHT OPERATIONS	8,324,572	8,324,572
020	FLEET AIR TRAINING	3,128,764	3,128,764
030	AIR SYSTEMS SUPPORT	1,469,165	1,469,165
040	AIRCRAFT DEPOT MAINTENANCE	2,219,583	2,219,583
050	AVIATION LOGISTICS	2,664,360	2,664,360
060	MISSION AND OTHER SHIP OPERATIONS	7,424,752	7,654,752
	Maritime unmanned operating forces		[225,000]
	Sailor Quality of Life Survey		[5,000]
070	SHIP OPERATIONS SUPPORT & TRAINING	1,713,065	1,713,065
080	SHIP DEPOT MAINTENANCE	14,292,873	14,292,873
090	SHIP DEPOT OPERATIONS SUPPORT	2,597,722	2,597,722
100	COMBAT COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONIC WARFARE	1,821,744	1,821,744
110	MEDICAL READINESS	661,800	661,800
120	SPACE SYSTEMS AND SURVEILLANCE	572,000	572,000
130	WARFARE TACTICS	1,038,456	1,038,456
140	OPERATIONAL METEOROLOGY AND OCEANOGRAPHY	496,272	496,272
150	COMBAT SUPPORT FORCES	2,476,987	2,477,687
	Special Boat Training Command operations and maintenance enhancement		[700]
160	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND DEPOT OPERATIONS SUPPORT	62,570	62,570
170	COMBATANT COMMANDERS CORE OPERATIONS	105,379	110,379
	INDOPACOM community engagement for Red Hill and training land lease negotiations		[5,000]
180	COMBATANT COMMANDERS DIRECT MISSION SUPPORT	1,994,139	2,044,139
	Contracted Seaplane capacity—INDOPACOM		[50,000]
190	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	662,040	662,040
200	STRATEGIC AND REGIONAL STRIKE DETERRENCE	2,220,083	2,220,083
210	WEAPONS MAINTENANCE	1,833,006	1,855,406
	Mobile utilities support equipment employment		[22,400]
220	OTHER WEAPON SYSTEMS SUPPORT	834,752	834,752
230	ENTERPRISE INFORMATION	2,196,932	2,196,932
240	SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION AND MODERNIZATION	4,891,828	0
	Expeditionary unmanned infrastructure		[65,000]
	Transfer to Division B		[–4,956,828]
250	BASE OPERATING SUPPORT	6,069,456	6,089,347
	Increase Child and Youth Program Funding		[9,891]
	Red Hill long-term monitoring, research, and remediation		[10,000]
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	**71,772,300**	**67,208,463**
	MOBILIZATION		
260	SHIP PREPOSITIONING AND SURGE	378,073	378,073
270	READY RESERVE FORCE	881,029	881,029
280	SHIP ACTIVATIONS/INACTIVATIONS	831,641	831,641
300	COAST GUARD SUPPORT	27,729	27,729
	SUBTOTAL MOBILIZATION	**2,118,472**	**2,118,472**

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	TRAINING AND RECRUITING		
310	OFFICER ACQUISITION	198,743	198,743
320	RECRUIT TRAINING	17,813	17,813
330	RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS	193,797	193,797
340	SPECIALIZED SKILL TRAINING	1,163,755	1,163,755
350	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION	280,521	280,521
360	TRAINING SUPPORT	504,282	504,282
370	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING	261,140	261,140
380	OFF-DUTY AND VOLUNTARY EDUCATION	75,600	94,400
	Increase Tuition/Credentialing Assistance		[18,800]
390	CIVILIAN EDUCATION AND TRAINING	60,191	60,191
400	JUNIOR ROTC	60,219	60,219
	SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING	**2,816,061**	**2,834,861**
	ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES		
410	ADMINISTRATION	1,396,823	1,473,210
	Increase to Civilian Personnel Compensation		[76,387]
430	CIVILIAN MANPOWER AND PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT	244,308	244,308
450	MILITARY MANPOWER AND PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT	642,260	642,260
470	FOREIGN CURRENCY FLUCTUATION	5,517	5,517
480	DEF ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT	60,440	60,440
490	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION	279,134	279,134
510	PLANNING, ENGINEERING, AND PROGRAM SUPPORT	605,530	605,530
520	ACQUISITION, LOGISTICS, AND OVERSIGHT	822,580	822,580
530	INVESTIGATIVE AND SECURITY SERVICES	1,076,664	1,076,664
9999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	728,457	728,457
	SUBTOTAL ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES	**5,861,713**	**5,938,100**
	UNDISTRIBUTED		
770	UNDISTRIBUTED	0	–540,421
	Unobligated balances		[–540,421]
	SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED	**0**	**–540,421**
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY	**82,568,546**	**77,559,475**
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, MARINE CORPS		
	OPERATING FORCES		
010	OPERATIONAL FORCES	3,113,102	3,113,102
020	FIELD LOGISTICS	2,807,429	2,807,429
030	DEPOT MAINTENANCE	344,750	344,750
040	MARITIME PREPOSITIONING	280,543	280,543
050	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	351,199	351,199
060	SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION	3,629,008	0
	Transfer to Division B		[–3,629,008]
070	BASE OPERATING SUPPORT	3,175,027	3,178,250
	Increase Child and Youth Program Funding		[3,223]
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	**13,701,058**	**10,075,273**
	TRAINING AND RECRUITING		
080	RECRUIT TRAINING	45,521	45,521
090	OFFICER ACQUISITION	1,346	1,346
100	SPECIALIZED SKILL TRAINING	242,438	242,438
110	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION	64,994	64,994
120	TRAINING SUPPORT	838,526	838,526
130	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING	363,287	363,287
140	OFF-DUTY AND VOLUNTARY EDUCATION	47,840	48,797
	Increase Tuition/Credentialing Assistance		[957]
150	JUNIOR ROTC	33,292	33,292
	SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING	**1,637,244**	**1,638,201**
	ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES		
180	SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION	154,026	154,026
190	ADMINISTRATION	416,349	428,319
	Increase to Civilian Personnel Compensation		[11,970]
9999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	80,140	80,140
	SUBTOTAL ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES	**650,515**	**662,485**
	UNDISTRIBUTED		
310	UNDISTRIBUTED	0	–89,275

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	Unobligated balances		[–89,275]
	SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED	**0**	**–89,275**
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, MARINE CORPS	**15,988,817**	**12,286,684**
	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE, NAVY RES		
	OPERATING FORCES		
010	MISSION AND OTHER FLIGHT OPERATIONS	787,622	787,622
020	AIR SYSTEMS SUPPORT	9,733	9,733
030	AIRCRAFT DEPOT MAINTENANCE	215,547	215,547
040	AVIATION LOGISTICS	27,703	27,703
050	COMBAT COMMUNICATIONS	19,652	19,652
060	COMBAT SUPPORT FORCES	196,376	196,376
070	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	288	288
080	ENTERPRISE INFORMATION	30,811	30,811
090	SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION AND MODERNIZATION	59,386	0
	Transfer to Division B		[–59,386]
100	BASE OPERATING SUPPORT	111,177	111,177
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	**1,458,295**	**1,398,909**
	ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES		
110	ADMINISTRATION	2,747	2,747
120	MILITARY MANPOWER AND PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT	14,944	14,944
130	ACQUISITION AND PROGRAM MANAGEMENT	1,230	1,230
	SUBTOTAL ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES	**18,921**	**18,921**
	UNDISTRIBUTED		
170	UNDISTRIBUTED	0	–19,763
	Unobligated balances		[–19,763]
	SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED	**0**	**–19,763**
	TOTAL OPERATION & MAINTENANCE, NAVY RES	**1,477,216**	**1,398,067**
	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE, MC RESERVE		
	OPERATING FORCES		
010	OPERATING FORCES	142,416	142,416
020	DEPOT MAINTENANCE	23,213	23,213
030	SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION AND MODERNIZATION	100,709	0
	Transfer to Division B		[–100,709]
040	BASE OPERATING SUPPORT	128,902	128,902
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	**395,240**	**294,531**
	ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES		
050	ADMINISTRATION	9,440	9,440
	SUBTOTAL ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES	**9,440**	**9,440**
	UNDISTRIBUTED		
060	UNDISTRIBUTED	0	–12,267
	Unobligated balances		[–12,267]
	SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED	**0**	**–12,267**
	TOTAL OPERATION & MAINTENANCE, MC RESERVE	**404,680**	**291,704**
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE		
	OPERATING FORCES		
010	PRIMARY COMBAT FORCES	1,798,263	1,948,263
	A–10 service life extension		[150,000]
020	COMBAT ENHANCEMENT FORCES	3,117,205	3,117,205
030	AIR OPERATIONS TRAINING (OJT, MAINTAIN SKILLS)	2,770,832	2,770,832
040	DEPOT PURCHASE EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	6,092,998	6,092,998
050	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION	6,100,395	0
	Transfer to Division B		[–6,100,395]
060	CYBERSPACE SUSTAINMENT	320,297	320,297
070	CONTRACTOR LOGISTICS SUPPORT AND SYSTEM SUPPORT	11,647,415	11,647,415
080	FLYING HOUR PROGRAM	7,265,480	7,265,480
090	BASE SUPPORT	11,318,037	11,345,970

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	AFSAS, MFOQA, Space Safety Support, RPA, BASH		[18,000]
	Increase Child and Youth Program Funding		[9,933]
100	GLOBAL C3I AND EARLY WARNING	1,214,408	1,205,208
	Realignment to RDT&E for Over-the-Horizon Backscatter Radar		[–9,200]
110	OTHER COMBAT OPS SPT PROGRAMS	2,146,977	2,146,977
120	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	1,155,815	1,155,815
130	TACTICAL INTEL AND OTHER SPECIAL ACTIVITIES	1,992,280	1,992,280
140	MEDICAL READINESS	561,626	561,626
150	US NORTHCOM/NORAD	746,165	766,165
	Military Infrastructure and Supply Chain Hardening Program		[20,000]
160	US STRATCOM	656,448	656,448
170	US CENTCOM	405,438	405,438
180	US SOCOM	42,261	42,261
190	US TRANSCOM	694	694
200	CENTCOM CYBERSPACE SUSTAINMENT	0	1,000
	Cyber cooperation with the Kingdom of Jordan		[1,000]
210	USSPACECOM	555,147	555,147
9999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	81,694	81,694
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	**59,989,875**	**54,078,213**
	MOBILIZATION		
220	AIRLIFT OPERATIONS	3,782,668	3,782,668
230	MOBILIZATION PREPAREDNESS	321,889	321,889
	SUBTOTAL MOBILIZATION	**4,104,557**	**4,104,557**
	TRAINING AND RECRUITING		
240	OFFICER ACQUISITION	267,971	267,971
250	RECRUIT TRAINING	70,462	70,462
260	RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS (ROTC)	143,686	143,686
270	SPECIALIZED SKILL TRAINING	589,549	589,549
280	FLIGHT TRAINING	1,122,297	1,122,297
290	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION	280,908	280,908
300	TRAINING SUPPORT	192,608	192,608
310	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING	254,720	254,720
320	EXAMINING	7,261	7,261
330	OFF-DUTY AND VOLUNTARY EDUCATION	232,768	237,013
	Increase Tuition/Credentialing Assistance		[4,245]
340	CIVILIAN EDUCATION AND TRAINING	354,678	354,678
350	JUNIOR ROTC	114,790	114,790
	SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING	**3,631,698**	**3,635,943**
	ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES		
360	LOGISTICS OPERATIONS	1,124,763	1,124,763
370	TECHNICAL SUPPORT ACTIVITIES	159,721	159,721
380	ADMINISTRATION	1,292,758	1,342,035
	Increase to Civilian Personnel Compensation		[58,877]
	Realignment to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation for HR IT automation		[–9,600]
390	SERVICEWIDE COMMUNICATIONS	43,892	43,892
410	OTHER SERVICEWIDE ACTIVITIES	1,666,547	1,689,047
	MEEP to AFGSC, engine sustainment, training support		[22,500]
420	CIVIL AIR PATROL	32,984	32,984
430	DEF ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT	58,936	58,936
440	SECURITY PROGRAMS	202,400	202,400
450	INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT	77,853	77,853
9999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	1,653,652	1,653,652
	SUBTOTAL ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES	**6,313,506**	**6,385,283**
	UNDISTRIBUTED		
460	UNDISTRIBUTED	0	–1,020,189
	Unobligated balances		[–1,020,189]
	SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED	**0**	**–1,020,189**
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE	**74,039,636**	**67,184,807**
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, SPACE FORCE		
	OPERATING FORCES		
010	GLOBAL C3I & EARLY WARNING	1,056,824	1,056,824

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020	SPACE LAUNCH OPERATIONS	415,322	465,322
	Launch Capacity		[50,000]
030	SPACE OPERATIONS	1,266,939	1,188,939
	Realignment to procurement for AEP fielded GPS ground system		[–78,000]
040	EDUCATION & TRAINING	783,168	783,168
050	SPECIAL PROGRAMS	733,761	733,761
060	DEPOT MAINTENANCE	83,803	83,803
070	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION	1,384,326	0
	Transfer to Division B		[–1,384,326]
080	CONTRACTOR LOGISTICS AND SYSTEM SUPPORT	2,096,381	2,096,381
090	SPACE OPERATIONS -BOS	551,196	551,196
100	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	289,958	289,958
9999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	118,478	118,478
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	**8,780,156**	**7,367,830**
	ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES		
110	LOGISTICS OPERATIONS	36,164	36,164
120	ADMINISTRATION	449,597	454,477
	Increase to Civilian Personnel Compensation		[4,880]
	SUBTOTAL ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES	**485,761**	**490,641**
	UNDISTRIBUTED		
140	UNDISTRIBUTED	0	–218,077
	Unobligated balances		[–218,077]
	SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED	**0**	**–218,077**
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, SPACE FORCE	**9,265,917**	**7,640,394**
	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE, AF RESERVE		
	OPERATING FORCES		
010	PRIMARY COMBAT FORCES	2,138,964	2,138,964
020	MISSION SUPPORT OPERATIONS	217,542	217,542
030	DEPOT PURCHASE EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	787,861	787,861
040	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION	187,022	0
	Transfer to Division B		[–187,022]
050	CONTRACTOR LOGISTICS SUPPORT AND SYSTEM SUPPORT	654,233	654,233
060	BASE SUPPORT	632,638	632,638
070	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	1,655	1,655
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	**4,619,915**	**4,432,893**
	ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES		
080	ADMINISTRATION	100,998	100,998
090	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING	11,620	11,620
100	MILITARY MANPOWER AND PERS MGMT (ARPC)	15,893	15,893
110	AUDIOVISUAL	561	561
	SUBTOTAL ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES	**129,072**	**129,072**
	UNDISTRIBUTED		
130	UNDISTRIBUTED	0	–224,891
	Unobligated balances		[–224,891]
	SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED	**0**	**–224,891**
	TOTAL OPERATION & MAINTENANCE, AF RESERVE	**4,748,987**	**4,337,074**
	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE, ANG		
	OPERATING FORCES		
010	AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS	2,744,277	2,744,277
020	MISSION SUPPORT OPERATIONS	663,367	663,367
030	DEPOT PURCHASE EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	1,210,460	1,210,460
040	FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION	531,241	0
	Transfer to Division B		[–531,241]
050	CONTRACTOR LOGISTICS SUPPORT AND SYSTEM SUPPORT	1,632,461	1,632,461
060	BASE SUPPORT	1,128,729	1,128,729

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070	CYBERSPACE SUSTAINMENT	26,354	26,354
080	CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	81,720	81,720
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	**8,018,609**	**7,487,368**
	ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES		
090	ADMINISTRATION	64,249	64,249
100	RECRUITING AND ADVERTISING	47,831	47,831
	SUBTOTAL ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES	**112,080**	**112,080**
	UNDISTRIBUTED		
110	UNDISTRIBUTED	0	–5,861
	Unobligated balances		[–5,861]
	SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED	**0**	**–5,861**
	TOTAL OPERATION & MAINTENANCE, ANG	**8,130,689**	**7,593,587**
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, DEFENSE-WIDE		
	OPERATING FORCES		
010	JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF	534,218	534,218
020	JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF—JTEEP	1,393,798	1,393,798
030	JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF—CYBER	9,103	9,103
040	OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE—PSYOP	325,609	325,609
050	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND COMBAT DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES	2,589,383	3,022,983
	SOCOM UPL—Accelerated fielding of Group 3 UAS		[3,600]
	SOCOM UPL—Operational capacity enhancements		[325,000]
	SOCOM UPL—Strategic airlift		[105,000]
060	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND MAINTENANCE	1,388,865	1,435,065
	SOCOM UPL—Electromagnetic warfare family of systems		[1,300]
	SOCOM UPL—Ground infiltration protection system		[15,300]
	SOCOM UPL—Ground organic precision strike family of systems		[3,600]
	SOCOM UPL—Munitions War Reserve		[2,900]
	SOCOM UPL—Non-standard aviation		[15,600]
	SOCOM UPL—SOF-P pre-positioned stocks		[7,500]
070	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND MANAGEMENT/OPERATIONAL HEADQUARTERS	180,691	180,691
080	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND THEATER FORCES	3,695,859	3,695,859
090	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND CYBERSPACE ACTIVITIES	78,512	78,512
100	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND INTELLIGENCE	1,130,849	1,138,849
	SOCOM UPL—Identity and Signature Management Modernization		[8,000]
110	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND OPERATIONAL SUPPORT	1,796,851	1,807,951
	SOCOM UPL—Identity and Signature Management Modernization		[11,100]
120	CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS	1,880,381	2,010,381
	Combat ready Department of Defense Information Network (DoDIN)		[60,000]
	Extending technical service support		[70,000]
130	USCYBERCOM HEADQUARTERS	303,726	311,726
	Facilities—Pentagon presence		[8,000]
	SUBTOTAL OPERATING FORCES	**15,307,845**	**15,944,745**
	TRAINING AND RECRUITING		
140	DEFENSE ACQUISITION UNIVERSITY	193,017	193,017
150	JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF	173,748	173,748
160	SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND/PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION	30,040	30,040
	SUBTOTAL TRAINING AND RECRUITING	**396,805**	**396,805**
	ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES		
170	CIVIL MILITARY PROGRAMS	118,488	118,488
180	DEFENSE CONTRACT AUDIT AGENCY—CYBER	3,825	3,825
190	DEFENSE CONTRACT AUDIT AGENCY	611,600	611,600
200	DEFENSE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT AGENCY	1,462,988	1,462,988
210	DEFENSE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT AGENCY—CYBER	42,367	42,367
220	DEFENSE COUNTERINTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY AGENCY	1,035,974	1,035,974

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240	DEFENSE COUNTERINTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY AGENCY—CYBER	16,885	16,885
250	DEFENSE HUMAN RESOURCES ACTIVITY—CYBER	49,611	49,611
260	DEFENSE HUMAN RESOURCES ACTIVITY	1,505,352	1,576,319
	Defense Suicide Prevention Office (DSPO)		[10,000]
	Increase Child and Youth Program Funding		[3,075]
	Increase to Civilian Personnel Compensation		[32,892]
	Military Entrance Processing Command (USMEPCOM)		[20,000]
	New Authorization: Guardianship Transfer Fees		[5,000]
290	DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEMS AGENCY	3,873,222	3,873,222
300	DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEMS AGENCY—CYBER	602,017	602,017
310	DEFENSE LEGAL SERVICES AGENCY	147,620	147,620
320	DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY	585,610	585,610
330	DEFENSE MEDIA ACTIVITY	207,551	207,551
340	DEFENSE POW/MIA OFFICE	160,358	215,358
	Defense POW/MIA Office		[40,000]
	Defense POW/MIA Office records scanning and digitization efforts for declassification		[15,000]
350	DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY	3,780,757	5,286,757
	First Island Chain Security Cooperation Initiative (formerly TSCI)		[500,000]
	Innovative International Security Cooperation Programs		[250,000]
	Irregular Warfare Center of Excellence		[6,000]
	Ukraine Security Assistance Initiative		[750,000]
360	DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY SECURITY ADMINISTRATION	47,101	47,101
370	DEFENSE THREAT REDUCTION AGENCY	637,514	637,514
390	DEFENSE THREAT REDUCTION AGENCY—CYBER	73,477	73,477
400	DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY	3,493,232	3,573,232
	Impact Aid		[50,000]
	Impact Aid for children with severe disabilities		[30,000]
410	MISSILE DEFENSE AGENCY	487,235	487,235
420	OFFICE OF THE LOCAL DEFENSE COMMUNITY CO-OPERATION	142,597	142,597
430	JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF—JIATF	431,652	431,652
470	OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE—CYBER	81,163	140,108
	Cyber Service Academies		[50,000]
	Grow ASD Cyber Policy and civilian oversight of cyber		[8,945]
480	OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE	3,832,831	3,963,979
	Afghanistan War Commission		[11,400]
	Anomalous Health Incidents Attribution Research		[10,000]
	AUKUS Pillar 2 Signature Project		[15,000]
	Bien Hoa Dioxin Cleanup		[15,000]
	China Strategic Initiative		[3,000]
	CMMC small business grants		[50,000]
	Commission on the National Defense Strategy		[5,000]
	Establish a deterrence based track 1.5 with the Philippines		[2,500]
	Legacy Resource Management Program		[13,348]
	National Commission on the Future of the Navy		[5,000]
	Reduction for the Business Operatives for National Defense (BOND) program		[–25,100]
	Regional Sustainment Framework for the Indo-Pacific		[5,000]
	REPI		[20,000]
	Support for USTTI training		[1,000]
510	WASHINGTON HEADQUARTERS SERVICES	536,546	536,546
9999	CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS	24,579,358	24,579,358
	SUBTOTAL ADMIN & SRVWD ACTIVITIES	**48,546,931**	**50,448,991**
	UNDISTRIBUTED		
540	UNDISTRIBUTED	0	–900,000
	Unobligated balances		[–900,000]
	SUBTOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED	**0**	**–900,000**
	TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, DEFENSE-WIDE	**64,251,581**	**65,890,541**
	MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS		
	UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES		
010	US COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES, DEFENSE	21,698	21,698

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	SUBTOTAL UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES	**21,698**	**21,698**
	TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS	**21,698**	**21,698**
	MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS OVERSEAS HUMANITARIAN, DISASTER, AND CIVIC AID		
010	OVERSEAS HUMANITARIAN, DISASTER AND CIVIC AID	78,187	108,187
	OHDACA—Humanitarian Assistance		[20,000]
	OHDACA—Humanitarian Mine Action		[10,000]
	SUBTOTAL OVERSEAS HUMANITARIAN, DISASTER, AND CIVIC AID	**78,187**	**108,187**
	TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS	**78,187**	**108,187**
	MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION ACCOUNT		
010	COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION	221,332	221,332
	SUBTOTAL COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION ACCOUNT	**221,332**	**221,332**
	TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS	**221,332**	**221,332**
	MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT		
010	ACQ WORKFORCE DEV FD	37,478	37,478
	SUBTOTAL ACQUISITION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT	**37,478**	**37,478**
	TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS	**37,478**	**37,478**
	MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, ARMY		
050	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, ARMY	282,444	282,444
	SUBTOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, ARMY	**282,444**	**282,444**
	TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS	**282,444**	**282,444**
	MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, NAVY		
060	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, NAVY	305,246	305,246
	SUBTOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, NAVY	**305,246**	**305,246**
	TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS	**305,246**	**305,246**
	MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, AIR FORCE		
070	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, AIR FORCE	320,060	320,060
	SUBTOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, AIR FORCE	**320,060**	**320,060**
	TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS	**320,060**	**320,060**
	MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, DEFENSE		
080	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, DEFENSE	8,957	8,957
	SUBTOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, DEFENSE	**8,957**	**8,957**
	TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS	**8,957**	**8,957**
	MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, FORMERLY USED DEFENSE SITES		
090	ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION FORMERLY USED SITES	238,927	238,927

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Line	Item	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
	SUBTOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION, FORMERLY USED DEFENSE SITES	**238,927**	**238,927**
	TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS	**238,927**	**238,927**
	TOTAL OPERATION & MAINTENANCE	**338,321,539**	**314,111,529**

TITLE XLIV—MILITARY PERSONNEL

SEC. 4401. MILITARY PERSONNEL.

SEC. 4401. MILITARY PERSONNEL
(In Thousands of Dollars)

Item	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
MILITARY PERSONNEL		
MILITARY PERSONNEL APPROPRIATIONS		
MILITARY PERSONNEL APPROPRIATIONS	190,771,931	188,652,405
Increase Air Force Incentive Pays (Enlisted)		1,114
Increase Air Force Incentive Pays (Officers)		8,793
Increase Air Force Special Pays (Enlisted)		11,748
Increase Air Force Special Pays (Officers)		10,912
Increase Army Incentive Pays (Enlisted)		1,646
Increase Army Incentive Pays (Officers)		1,703
Increase Army Special Pays (Enlisted)		20,388
Increase Army Special Pays (Officers)		9,789
Increase Marine Corps Incentive Pays (Enlisted)		178
Increase Marine Corps Incentive Pays (Officers)		1,111
Increase Marine Corps Special Pays (Enlisted)		6,627
Increase Marine Corps Special Pays (Officers)		504
Increase Navy Incentive Pays (Enlisted)		2,388
Increase Navy Incentive Pays (Officers)		4,118
Increase Navy Special Pays (Enlisted)		33,100
Increase Navy Special Pays (Officers)		11,595
Increase Space Force Incentive Pays (Enlisted)		1
Increase Space Force Incentive Pays (Officers)		2
Increase Space Force Special Pays (Enlisted)		1,089
Increase Space Force Special Pays (Officers)		125
Redistribute basic pay increase		[–2,300,000]
Redistribution of 449 AGR positions to National Guard Personnel, Air Force Administration and Support		65,829
Redistribution of 449 DSG positions from National Guard Personnel, Air Force Pay Group A		[–12,286]
SUBTOTAL MILITARY PERSONNEL APPROPRIATIONS	**190,771,931**	**188,652,405**
MEDICARE-ELIGIBLE RETIREE HEALTH CARE FUND CONTRIBUTIONS		
MEDICARE-ELIGIBLE RETIREE HEALTH CARE FUND CONTRIBUTIONS	14,349,269	14,349,269
SUBTOTAL MEDICARE-ELIGIBLE RETIREE HEALTH CARE FUND CONTRIBUTIONS	**14,349,269**	**14,349,269**
TOTAL MILITARY PERSONNEL	**205,121,200**	**203,001,674**

TITLE XLV—OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS

SEC. 4501. OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS.

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Line	Item	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
	WORKING CAPITAL FUND		
	WORKING CAPITAL FUND, ARMY		
010	INDUSTRIAL OPERATIONS	20,563	20,563
	SUBTOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, ARMY	**20,563**	**20,563**
	WORKING CAPITAL FUND, NAVY		
010	NAVAL SURFACE WARFARE CENTERS	266,212	266,212
	SUBTOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, NAVY	**266,212**	**266,212**
	WORKING CAPITAL FUND, AIR FORCE		
020	CRITICAL SPARES	4,245,563	4,245,563
030	SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	194,851	194,851
	SUBTOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, AIR FORCE	**4,440,414**	**4,440,414**
	NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUND		
010	DEFENSE STOCKPILE	5,700	5,700
	SUBTOTAL NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUND	**5,700**	**5,700**
	WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DEFENSE-WIDE		
010	DEFENSE FINANCE OPERATIONS—DIRECT	273,760	273,760
040	UNDISTRIBUTED	1,000,000	1,000,000
	SUBTOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DEFENSE-WIDE	**1,273,760**	**1,273,760**
	WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DECA		
010	WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DECA	1,501,344	1,511,344
	Commissary Operations		[10,000]
	SUBTOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND, DECA	**1,501,344**	**1,511,344**
	TOTAL WORKING CAPITAL FUND	**7,507,993**	**7,517,993**
	CHEM AGENTS & MUNITIONS DESTRUCTION		
	RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION		
2	CHEM DEMILITARIZATION—RDT&E	55,972	55,972
	SUBTOTAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION	**55,972**	**55,972**
	TOTAL CHEM AGENTS & MUNITIONS DESTRUCTION	**55,972**	**55,972**
	DRUG INTERDICTION & CTR-DRUG ACTIVITIES, DEF		
	DRUG INTERDICTION AND COUNTER DRUG ACTIVITIES		
010	COUNTER-NARCOTICS SUPPORT	658,191	658,191
	SUBTOTAL DRUG INTERDICTION AND COUNTER DRUG ACTIVITIES	**658,191**	**658,191**
	DRUG DEMAND REDUCTION PROGRAM		
020	DRUG DEMAND REDUCTION PROGRAM	135,745	135,745
	SUBTOTAL DRUG DEMAND REDUCTION PROGRAM	**135,745**	**135,745**
	NATIONAL GUARD COUNTER-DRUG PROGRAM		
030	NATIONAL GUARD COUNTER-DRUG PROGRAM	117,418	217,418
	Increase to National Guard Counter-Drug Program		[100,000]
	SUBTOTAL NATIONAL GUARD COUNTER-DRUG PROGRAM	**117,418**	**217,418**
	NATIONAL GUARD COUNTER-DRUG SCHOOLS		
040	NATIONAL GUARD COUNTER-DRUG SCHOOLS	6,648	40,000
	Increase to National Guard Counter-Drug Schools		[33,352]
	SUBTOTAL NATIONAL GUARD COUNTER-DRUG SCHOOLS	**6,648**	**40,000**

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Line	Item	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
	TOTAL DRUG INTERDICTION & CTR-DRUG ACTIVITIES, DEF	**918,002**	**1,051,354**
	OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL		
	OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL		
010	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	501,371	528,371
	Restore funding for DOD Office of the Inspector General		[27,000]
020	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	2,073	2,073
030	RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION	1,506	1,506
040	PROCUREMENT	1,393	1,393
	SUBTOTAL OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL	**506,343**	**533,343**
	TOTAL OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL	**506,343**	**533,343**
	DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM		
	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		
010	IN-HOUSE CARE	10,863,317	11,863,317
	Military Treatment Facility Operations and Support		[1,000,000]
030	CONSOLIDATED HEALTH SUPPORT	2,375,175	2,655,175
	Combat Support Agency		[280,000]
040	INFORMATION MANAGEMENT	2,600,177	2,600,177
050	MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES	304,382	304,382
060	EDUCATION AND TRAINING	349,460	389,460
	Graduate Medical Education, Undergraduate Medical Education and Force Health Protection		[40,000]
070	BASE OPERATIONS/COMMUNICATIONS	2,463,042	2,813,042
	Facilities Restoration and Modernization		[350,000]
	SUBTOTAL OPERATION & MAINTENANCE	**18,955,553**	**20,625,553**
	RDT&E		
080	R&D RESEARCH	41,924	41,924
090	R&D EXPLORATRY DEVELOPMENT	185,153	195,153
	Biological Stress, Recovery, and Resilience for Military Readiness		[10,000]
100	R&D ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT	361,241	361,241
110	R&D DEMONSTRATION/VALIDATION	186,018	186,018
120	R&D ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT	124,662	124,662
130	R&D MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT	100,912	100,912
140	R&D CAPABILITIES ENHANCEMENT	19,452	19,452
	SUBTOTAL RDT&E	**1,019,362**	**1,029,362**
	PROCUREMENT		
150	PROC INITIAL OUTFITTING	25,555	25,555
160	PROC REPLACEMENT & MODERNIZATION	231,382	231,382
170	PROC JOINT OPERATIONAL MEDICINE INFORMATION SYSTEM	31,203	31,203
180	PROC MILITARY HEALTH SYSTEM—DESKTOP TO DATACENTER	78,588	78,588
	SUBTOTAL PROCUREMENT	**366,728**	**366,728**
	PRIVATE SECTOR CARE PROGRAM		
010	PRIVATE SECTOR CARE	22,175,472	22,275,472
	Access to care and network adequacy		[100,000]
	SUBTOTAL PRIVATE SECTOR CARE PROGRAM	**22,175,472**	**22,275,472**
	TOTAL DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM	**42,517,115**	**44,297,115**
	COUNTER-ISLAMIC STATE OF IRAQ AND SYRIA TRAIN AND EQUIP		
	COUNTER-ISIL TRAIN AND EQUIP FUND (CTEF)		
010	IRAQ	118,899	118,899
020	SYRIA	130,000	130,000
030	LEBANON	36,000	36,000
040	JORDAN	18,200	18,200
	SUBTOTAL COUNTER-ISIL TRAIN AND EQUIP FUND (CTEF)	**303,099**	**303,099**
	TOTAL COUNTER-ISLAMIC STATE OF IRAQ AND SYRIA TRAIN AND EQUIP	**303,099**	**303,099**

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Line	Item	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
	TOTAL OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS	**51,808,524**	**53,758,876**

TITLE XLVI—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

SEC. 4601. MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.

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Account	State/Country and Installation	Project Title	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
ARMY				
	Alabama			
Army	Anniston Army Depot	COST TO COMPLETE: ACCESS CONTROL POINT	0	53,000
	Alaska			
Army	Fort Wainwright	BARRACKS (INC 2)	24,000	24,000
Army	Fort Wainwright	DINNING FACILITY	0	147,000
	Arizona			
Army	Fort Huachuca	LIBBY ARMY AIRFIELD FLIGHT CONTROL TOWER (DESIGN)	0	4,000
Army	Yuma Proving Ground	POLE LINE ROAD—REPLACE (DESIGN)	0	2,000
	Florida			
Army	Naval Air Station Key West	COMMAND AND CONTROL FACILITY (INC 2)	160,000	10,000
	Georgia			
Army	Fort Gordon	CYBER FACULTY OPERATIONS AND AUDITORIUM FACILITY (DESIGN)	0	14,700
Army	Fort Stewart	ENLISTED UNACCOMPANIED PERSONNEL BARRACKS (DESIGN)	0	12,000
	Germany			
Army	Grafenwoehr	UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC LINES	12,800	12,800
	Guam			
Army	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: GUAM DEF SYS, EIAMD, PHASE 2 (INC 2)	190,000	140,000
Army	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: GUAM DEF SYS, EIAMD, PHASE 3	155,000	60,000
Army	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: LAND ACQUISITION	29,000	29,000
	Hawaii			
Army	Fort Shafter	COST TO COMPLETE: CLEARWELL AND BOOSTER PUMP	71,000	71,000
Army	Helemano	COST TO COMPLETE: WELLS AND STORAGE TANKS	72,000	72,000
Army	Schofield Barracks	COST TO COMPLETE: ELEVATED TANK AND DISTRIBUTION LINES	26,000	26,000
Army	Schofield Barracks	COST TO COMPLETE: WATER STORAGE TANK	21,000	21,000
Army	Schofield Barracks	FIRE STATION	30,000	30,000
Army	Wheeler Army Air Field	AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR (INC 1)	90,000	50,000
Army	Wheeler Army Airfield	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER	0	79,000
Army	Wheeler Army Airfield	AIRCRAFT CLEAR WATER RINSE FACILITY (DESIGN)	0	3,300
	Honduras			
Army	Soto Cano Air Base	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP	0	17,000
	Illinois			
Army	Rock Island Arsenal	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER (DESIGN)	0	5,000
	Indiana			
Army	Crane Army Ammunition Activity	AMMUNITION STORAGE	0	27,000
	Italy			
Army	Caserma Renato Del Din	ACCESS CONTROL POINT	17,000	17,000
	Japan			
Army	Kadena Air Base	COST TO COMPLETE: VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP	69,000	69,000
	Louisiana			
Army	Fort Polk	JRTC ROTATIONAL UNIT BILLETING AREA, INC #3	0	157,000
	Maine			
Army	Lola-Dana Training Site	AUTOMATED QUALIFICATIONS TRAINING RANGE (DESIGN)	0	4,700

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Account	State/Country and Installation	Project Title	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
	Maryland			
Army	Aberdeen Proving Ground-South	REPAIR EDGEWOOD WATER DISTRIBUTION (DESIGN)	0	4,100
	Michigan			
Army	Camp Grayling	COMPANY HEADQUARTERS BUILDING, COLLECTIVE TRAINING (DESIGN)	0	4,400
	Missouri			
Army	Fort Leonard Wood	CENTRAL ISSUING FACILITY (DESIGN)	0	12,000
	New York			
Army	Fort Drum	AIRFIELD FIRE AND RESCUE STATION (DESIGN)	0	4,600
Army	Fort Drum	AUTOMATED RECORD FIRE PLUS RANGE	25,000	25,000
Army	Fort Drum	SIMULATOR BUILDING (DESIGN)	0	2,400
Army	Watervliet	CHROME PLATING FACILITY (DESIGN)	0	11,100
Army	Watervliet	WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT (DESIGN)	0	2,850
	North Carolina			
Army	Fort Bragg	COST TO COMPLETE: AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR	31,000	31,000
Army	Fort Bragg	JOINT DEPLOYMENT WARFIGHTING COMPLEX (DESIGN)	0	54,000
	Oklahoma			
Army	Fort Sill	AUTOMATION AIDED INSTRUCTION BLDG	0	93,000
	Texas			
Army	Fort Bliss	SHIPPING AND RECEIVING BUILDING	35,000	35,000
Army	Fort Hood	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP (MP #72)	0	81,000
Army	Joint Base San Antonio	ADVANCED INDIVIDUAL TRAINING BARRACKS-METC (INC)	303,000	103,000
	Utah			
Army	Dugway Proving Ground	TWO-COMPANY SATELLITE FIRE STATION / THREE-COMPANY HQ FIRE STATION (DESIGN)	0	3,300
	Washington			
Army	Joint Base Lewis-McChord	AIRFIELD FIRE AND RESCUE STATION	89,000	89,000
	Wisconsin			
Army	Fort McCoy	FITNESS CENTER (DESIGN)	0	1,700
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN	173,421	173,421
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FACILITIES, SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION (TRANSFERRED FROM O&M)	0	5,435,364
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	HOST NATION SUPPORT	53,521	53,521
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PDI: MINOR CONSTRUCTION	76,270	101,270
Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION	178,626	278,626
Subtotal Military Construction, Army			**1,931,638**	**7,757,152**
NAVY & MARINE CORPS				
	Australia			
Navy & Marine Corps	Royal Australian Air Force Base Darwin	PDI: AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR (INC)	46,958	46,958
Navy & Marine Corps	Royal Australian Air Force Base Darwin	PDI: MAINTENANCE SUPPORT FACS (INC)	33,955	33,955
	California			
Navy & Marine Corps	Camp Pendleton	FIRE/EMERGENCY RESPONSE STATION (53 AREA) REPLACE	43,000	43,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Camp Pendleton	LANDFILL LINER, PHASE 3 AND 4	53,150	53,150
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Air Station Lemoore	STRIKE FIGHTER CENTER OF EXCELLENCE PACIFIC (INC)	155,939	25,939
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Base Coronado	FORD CLASS CVN INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADE (INC)	33,000	33,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Base San Diego	RECONFIGURABLE CYBER LABORATORY	0	68,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Base Ventura County Point Mugu	COMMUNITY & AIRFIELD AREA FLOOD PROTECTION	164,000	35,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Support Activity Monterey	NAVAL INNOVATION CENTER (INC)	50,000	50,000
	Connecticut			
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Submarine Base New London	SUBMARINE PIER 8 REPLACEMENT (INC)	142,124	20,124

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Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Submarine Base New London	SUBMARINE SUPPORT STORAGE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS FACILITY	0	50,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Submarine Base New London	WEAPONS MAGAZINE & ORDNANCE OPERATIONS FACILITY (INC)	79,600	79,600
	District of Columbia			
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Research Laboratory	BIOMOLECULAR SCIENCE & SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY LAB	157,000	77,000
	Federated States of Micronesia			
Navy & Marine Corps	Palau	PDI: PALAU PORT AND HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS (INC)	384,560	384,560
Navy & Marine Corps	Yap	PDI: YAP PORT AND HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS (INC)	142,235	142,235
	Florida			
Navy & Marine Corps	Cape Canaveral Space Force Station	CAPE CANAVERAL RAILHEAD & TRANSFER FACILITIES	60,990	60,990
Navy & Marine Corps	Marine Corps Support Facility Blount Island	COMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE (INC)	46,075	46,075
	Georgia			
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Air Station Albany	CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATION FACILITY	86,350	86,350
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay	TRANSIT PROTECTION PROGRAM FACILITY (INC)	100,000	100,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay	TRIDENT REFIT FACILITY EXPANSION—COLUMBIA SUB (INC)	30,000	30,000
	Guam			
Navy & Marine Corps	Andersen Air Force Base	PDI: JOINT CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS CENTER (INC)	132,416	132,416
Navy & Marine Corps	Apra Heights	PDI: INNER APRA HARBOR RESILIENCY (INC)	13,400	13,400
Navy & Marine Corps	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: JOINT COMMUNICATION UPGRADE (INC)	60,000	60,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: POLARIS POINT ELECTRICAL CAPACITY UPGRADE	122,000	12,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: POLARIS POINT SUBMARINE PIER (INC)	171,800	81,800
	Hawaii			
Navy & Marine Corps	Ford Island	PACIFIC WARFIGHTING CENTER EXPANSION	183,760	50,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam	DRY DOCK 3 REPLACEMENT (INC)	507,453	507,453
Navy & Marine Corps	Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam	WATER TREATMENT PLANT (INC)	248,170	248,170
Navy & Marine Corps	Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay	3D MLR ARMORY EXPANSION	76,550	76,550
Navy & Marine Corps	Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay	ATC CO M COMPOUND	134,090	22,290
Navy & Marine Corps	Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay	ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION AND MODERNIZATION	0	25,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay	MAIN GATE ENTRY CONTROL POINT	49,260	49,260
Navy & Marine Corps	Pacific Missile Range Facility Barking Sands	PDI: AIRFIELD PAVEMENT UPGRADES (INC)	142,470	142,470
	Illinois			
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Station Great Lakes	FIREFIGHTING, TRAINING AND DAMAGE CONTROL WET TRAINER FACILITY	0	25,000
	Indiana			
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Weapons Station Crane	HIGH ENERGY TEST & ABUSE FACILITY	0	25,000
	Japan			
Navy & Marine Corps	Kadena Air Base	AIRCRAFT INTERMEDIATE MAINTENANCE FACILITY	31,780	31,780
	Maine			
Navy & Marine Corps	Netams Lant Det Cutler	UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING (DESIGN)	0	2,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Portsmouth Naval Shipyard	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER (DESIGN)	0	2,500
Navy & Marine Corps	Portsmouth Naval Shipyard	MULTI-MISSION DRYDOCK #1 EXTENSION (INC)	50,755	50,755
Navy & Marine Corps	Portsmouth Naval Shipyard	POWER RELIABILITY & WATER RESILIENCE UPGRADE (INC)	138,875	138,875
Navy & Marine Corps	Portsmouth Naval Shipyard	UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING (DESIGN)	0	25,000
	Maryland			

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Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Air Station Patuxent River	TC–7 REPLACEMENT (DESIGN)	0	1,100
Navy & Marine Corps	United States Naval Academy	STORM WATER MANAGEMENT FACILITIES	0	86,000
	Mississippi			
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Construction Battalion Center Gulfport	BATTALION MAINTENANCE FACILITIES (DESIGN)	0	2,000
	Nevada			
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Air Station Fallon	RANGE TRAINING COMPLEX IMPROVEMENTS	387,570	387,570
	New Hampshire			
Navy & Marine Corps	Portsmouth Naval Shipyard	SAILOR CAMPUS (DESIGN)	0	1,000
	North Carolina			
Navy & Marine Corps	Camp Lejeune	10TH MARINES OPERATIONAL COMPLEX (INC)	77,520	77,520
Navy & Marine Corps	Camp Lejeune	AMMUNITION SUPPLY POINT UPGRADE PHASE II (INC)	15,451	15,451
Navy & Marine Corps	Camp Lejeune	COMBAT WATER SURVIVAL TRAINING FACILITY	141,880	30,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point	2D LAAD MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS FACILITIES (DESIGN)	0	11,500
Navy & Marine Corps	Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point	COST TO COMPLETE: CH–53K GEARBOX REPAIR AND TEST FACILITY	17,941	17,941
Navy & Marine Corps	Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point	COST TO COMPLETE: AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR	47,560	47,560
Navy & Marine Corps	Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point	F–35 AIRCRAFT SUSTAINMENT CTR (INC)	89,181	89,181
Navy & Marine Corps	Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point	MAINTENANCE FACILITY & MARINE AIR GROUP HQS (INC)	62,575	62,575
	Pennsylvania			
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Support Activity Mechanicsburg	MACHINERY CONTROL DEVELOPMENT CENTER (INC)	79,140	79,140
	Rhode Island			
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Station Newport	CONSOLIDATED RDT&E INTEGRATION LABORATORY	40,000	40,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Station Newport	NEXT GENERATION SUBMARINE PLATFORM FACILITY	73,000	73,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Station Newport	SUBMARINE PAYLOAD INTEGRATION LABORATORY	40,000	40,000
	South Carolina			
Navy & Marine Corps	Charleston Air Force Base	NUCLEAR POWER TRAINING FAC SIMULATION EXPANSION (INC)	161,700	81,700
	Spain			
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Station Rota	UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING FOR PERMANENT PARTY	64,080	64,080
	Virginia			
Navy & Marine Corps	Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek-Fort Story	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	65,640	65,640
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Air Station Oceana	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	104,340	10,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Station Norfolk	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	93,040	10,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Station Norfolk	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	84,940	84,940
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Station Norfolk	ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM UPGRADES (INC)	124,965	124,965
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Station Norfolk	MQ–25 AIRCRAFT LAYDOWN FACILITIES (INC)	54,622	54,622
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Weapons Station Yorktown	COST TO COMPLETE: CONTAINERIZED LONG WEAPONS STORAGE MAGAZINE	16,170	16,170
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Weapons Station Yorktown	COST TO COMPLETE: CONVENTIONAL PROMPT STRIKE TEST FACILITY	13,710	13,710
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Weapons Station Yorktown	WEAPONS MAGAZINES (INC)	100,782	20,782
Navy & Marine Corps	Norfolk Naval Shipyard	DRY DOCK 3 MODERNIZATION (INC)	189,353	189,353
	Washington			
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Air Station Whidbey Island	EA–18G AIRCRAFT REGIONAL SERVICE FACILITY	202,000	22,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Air Station Whidbey Island	NAVAL OCEAN PROCESSING FACILITY EXPANSION	0	15,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Air Station Whidbey Island	P–8A AIRCRAFT RESERVE HANGAR	0	108,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor	COLUMBIA SUBMARINE REPAIR FACILITY EXPANSION (INC)	64,000	64,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor	COLUMBIA SUBMARINE TRAINING FACILITY EXPANSION	90,900	23,900

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Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor	REGIONAL OPTICS REPAIR CENTER	0	35,000
Navy & Marine Corps	Naval Base Kitsap-Bremerton	MISSILE ASSEMBLY BUILDING REPLACEMENT	195,227	32,227
Navy & Marine Corps	Puget Sound Naval Shipyard	MULTI-MISSION DRY DOCK (INC)	245,000	245,000
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Navy & Marine Corps	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN	1,163,477	1,163,477
Navy & Marine Corps	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FACILITIES, SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION (NAVY) (TRANSFERRED FROM O&M)	0	4,956,828
Navy & Marine Corps	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FACILITIES, SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION (MARINE CORPS) (TRANSFERRED FROM O&M)	0	3,629,008
Navy & Marine Corps	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION	289,224	414,224
Subtotal Military Construction, Navy & Marine Corps			**8,266,703**	**15,693,819**
AIR FORCE				
	Alabama			
Air Force	Redstone Arsenal	SPACE FORCE OPERATIONAL FACILITY	250,000	100,000
Air Force	Redstone Arsenal	USSPACECOM HQ	450,000	130,000
	Alaska			
Air Force	Eielson Air Force Base	JPARC RANGE OPERATIONS CENTER	91,000	41,000
Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	FTR: ADAL FIELD TRAINING DETACHMENT (FTD)	56,000	56,000
Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	FTR: CONVENTIONAL MUNITIONS COMPLEX	132,300	132,300
Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	FTR: DORMITORY	451,500	451,500
Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	FTR: FLIGHT SIMULATOR	93,800	93,800
Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	FTR: FUEL CELL MAINTENANCE	31,250	31,250
Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	FTR: INFRASTRUCTURE & UTILITIES	422,100	422,100
Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	FTR: LOW OBSERVABLE AIRCRAFT STRUCTURAL MAINTENANCE	63,250	63,250
Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	FTR: OPERATIONS AND GENERATION HANGAR	127,500	127,500
Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	FTR: PGM RELOCATION	359,100	359,100
Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	FTR: PUBLIC TRAFFIC ROUTE REALIGNMENT	50,000	50,000
Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	FTR: SQUADRON 1–1 AIRFIELD PAVEMENTS	125,250	125,250
Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	FTR: SQUADRON 1–1 FLOWTHROUGH HANGARS	154,000	154,000
Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	JOINT INTEGRATED TEST AND TRAINING CENTER (INC)	42,000	42,000
	Arizona			
Air Force	Davis-Monthan Air Force Base	ADAL CORROSION CONTROL FACILITY (DESIGN)	0	8,250
Air Force	Davis-Monthan Air Force Base	COMPASS CALL TASK FORCE HQ (DESIGN)	0	11,400
Air Force	Davis-Monthan Air Force Base	CONSOLIDATED CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER (DESIGN)	0	8,000
Air Force	Davis-Monthan Air Force Base	DORMITORY (DESIGN)	0	10,200
Air Force	Davis-Monthan Air Force Base	HANGAR/AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE UNIT	15,000	15,000
	Arkansas			
Air Force	Ebbing Air National Guard Base	F–35 GROUP OPS FACILITY	0	18,000
Air Force	Little Rock Air Force Base	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	27,000	27,000
	California			
Air Force	Beale Air Force Base	MULTI-DOMAIN OPERATIONS COMPLEX	126,000	126,000
	Colorado			
Air Force	Schriever Space Force Base	SPACE FORCE OPERATIONAL FACILITY	250,000	100,000
	Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands			

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Air Force	Tinian	COST TO COMPLETE: FUEL TANKS WITH RECEIPT PIPELINE & HYDRANT SYSTEM	0	26,300
	Djibouti			
Air Force	Chabelley Airfield	CHABELLEY POWER PLANT AND PRIMARY DIST	27,000	27,000
	Federated States of Micronesia			
Air Force	Yap	PDI: RUNWAY EXTENSION, INC	27,000	27,000
	Florida			
Air Force	Cape Canaveral Space Force Station	BASE SUPPORT WAREHOUSE	64,000	64,000
Air Force	Cape Canaveral Space Force Station	COMMAND FACILITY	85,000	85,000
Air Force	Cape Canaveral Space Force Station	COMMUNICATIONS PLANT WAREHOUSE	48,400	48,400
Air Force	Cape Canaveral Space Force Station	LAUNCH SUPPORT FACILITY	84,000	84,000
Air Force	Cape Canaveral Space Force Station	LRS VEHICLE MAINTENANCE FACILITY	80,400	80,400
Air Force	Cape Canaveral Space Force Station	SECURITY FORCES OPERATIONS FACILITY	48,000	48,000
Air Force	Eglin Air Force Base	JADC2 AND ABM TEST FACILITY	87,800	87,800
Air Force	Eglin Air Force Base	KING HANGAR BUILDING 130 (DESIGN)	0	7,000
Air Force	Eglin Air Force Base	PHYSICAL FITNESS COMPLEX (DESIGN)	0	4,200
Air Force	Tyndall Air Force Base	AFCEC RDT&E FACILITIES AND GATE	160,000	70,000
Air Force	Tyndall Air Force Base	FIRE/CRASH RESCUE STATION	0	48,000
	Georgia			
Air Force	Moody Air Force Base	MILITARY WORKING DOG KENNEL	0	15,870
Air Force	Robins Air Force Base	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	0	52,000
	Hawaii			
Air Force	Maui Optical and Supercomputing Site	SECURE INTEGRATION SUPPORT LAB W/ LAND ACQ	3,600	3,600
	Illinois			
Air Force	Scott Air Force Base	AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR	0	79,000
	Indiana			
Air Force	Grissom Air Reserve Base	AIRCREW READINESS FACILITY (DESIGN)	0	2,600
	Japan			
Air Force	Kadena Air Base	THEATER STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS HUB	99,000	54,000
Air Force	Misawa Air Base	F–35 FIGHTER JET FLIGHT SIMULATOR	0	89,000
	Mississippi			
Air Force	Columbus Air Force Base	T–7A ALLIED SUPPORT	11,800	11,800
	Missouri			
Air Force	Whiteman Air Force Base	B–21 ADAL FIELD TRAINING DETACHMENT, B152	89,000	89,000
Air Force	Whiteman Air Force Base	B–21 WEAPONS LOADER TRAINER	80,000	80,000
	Montana			
Air Force	Malmstrom Air Force Base	SENTINEL LAND ACQUISITION (INC)	43,500	43,500
Air Force	Malmstrom Air Force Base	SENTINEL OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE COMPLEX, INC	95,000	55,000
	Nebraska			
Air Force	Offutt Air Force Base	REPLACE VEHICLE SEARCH AREA, STRATCOM GATE, B511 (DESIGN)	0	1,500
Air Force	Offutt Air Force Base	SAOC SUPPLY STORAGE FACILITY (DESIGN)	0	15,000
Air Force	Offutt Air Force Base	STRATCOM BASE AND OPERATIONS MOBILITY CENTER (DESIGN)	0	11,200
	Nevada			
Air Force	Creech Air Force Base	MISSION SUPPORT FACILITY	0	55,000
Air Force	Creech Air Force Base	WARRIOR FITNESS TRAINING FACILITY	0	104,000
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F–47 2–BAY FUEL CELL (F–35)	52,000	52,000
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F–47 AGE WASHRACK	500	500
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F–47 AIRCRAFT WASHRACK & SUPPORT FACILITY	4,000	4,000
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F–47 APRON COMPLEX	192,500	192,500
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F–47 COMBINED OPERATIONS MAINTENANCE HANGAR (COMH)	177,800	177,800
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F–47 CONSOLIDATED MAINTENANCE FACILITY	32,000	32,000
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F–47 FUEL CELL	28,000	28,000

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Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F–47 FUEL STATION	10,000	10,000
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F–47 LOW OBSERVABLE CORROSION REPAIR FACILITY	38,700	38,700
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F–47 MAINTENANCE TRAINING FACILITY	29,000	29,000
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F–47 R–11 EAST SIDE SHADE STRUCTURE	1,800	1,800
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F–47 REPAIR MUNITIONS ADMIN FACILITY	4,600	4,600
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F–47 RE-PROGRAMMING LAB	61,000	61,000
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F–47 SIMULATOR FACILITY	62,000	62,000
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F–47 WEAPONS LOAD TRAINING FACILITY	34,000	34,000
Air Force	Nellis Air Force Base	F–47 WEAPONS STORAGE FACILITY	2,800	2,800
	New Jersey			
Air Force	Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst	CYBER OPERATIONS FACILITY (DESIGN)	0	4,000
	New Mexico			
Air Force	Cannon Air Force Base	DORMITORY	10,000	10,000
Air Force	Holloman Air Force Base	HIGH SPEED TEST TRACK	0	72,750
Air Force	Kirtland Air Force Base	EOD Facility (INC)	0	7,750
Air Force	Kirtland Air Force Base	SPACE FORCE OPERATIONAL FACILITY	250,000	100,000
	North Carolina			
Air Force	Seymour Johnson Air Force Base	AIRCREW READINESS FACILITY	0	13,000
	North Dakota			
Air Force	Grand Forks	PAVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE FACILITY	0	71,000
Air Force	Grand Forks Air Force Base	SPACE FORCE OPERATIONAL FACILITY	250,000	100,000
Air Force	Minot Air Force Base	SENTINEL CONSOLIDATED VEHICLE MAINTENANCE COMPLEX	124,000	49,000
Air Force	Minot Air Force Base	SENTINEL SECURITY FORCES OPERATIONS COMPLEX	108,000	108,000
	Ohio			
Air Force	Wright-Patterson Air Force Base	AI SUPERCOMPUTING RESOURCE CENTER (DESIGN)	0	46,000
	Oklahoma			
Air Force	Tinker Air Force Base	BOMBER AGILE COMMON HANGAR (INC)	112,000	7,000
	Oregon			
Air Force	Mountain Home Air Force Base	HOMELAND DEFENSE OVER-THE-HORIZON RADAR (INC)	33,650	33,650
	Spain			
Air Force	Morón Air Base	PARKING APRON	75,500	75,500
	Tennessee			
Air Force	Arnold Air Force Base	INSTALLATION ACP GATE 2 UPGRADE	0	17,600
Air Force	Arnold Air Force Base	COOLING WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FOR DEFENSE GROUND TEST FACILITIES (DESIGN)	0	5,500
	Texas			
Air Force	Dyess Air Force Base	B–21 FLIGHT SIMULATOR FACILITY	63,000	63,000
Air Force	Dyess Air Force Base	B–21 LOW OBSERVABLE CORROSION CONTROL FAC	74,000	74,000
Air Force	Dyess Air Force Base	B–21 UTILITIES SITE IMPROVEMENTS ELECTRIC	23,000	23,000
Air Force	Dyess Air Force Base	B–21 FIELD TRAINING DETACHMENT FACILITY	0	84,000
Air Force	Fort Sam Houston	METC—BARRACKS/SHIPS/DORMS #1 (INC)	308,000	308,000
Air Force	Goodfellow Air Force Base	PIPELINE STUDENT DORMITORY	12,000	12,000
Air Force	Joint Base San Antonio	MILITARY WORKING DOGS LARGE CAPACITY KENNEL	180,000	80,000
Air Force	Lackland Air Force Base	91 CYBER OPERATIONS CENTER	96,000	36,000
	Utah			
Air Force	Hill Air Force Base	F–35 MAINTENANCE FACILITY, PHASE 1 (INC)	100,000	100,000
Air Force	Hill Air Force Base	T–7A DEPOT MAINTENANCE COMPLEX, INC	72,000	72,000
	Virginia			
Air Force	Joint Base Langley-Eustis	FUEL SYSTEM MAINTENANCE DOCK	49,000	49,000
	Wake Island			

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Air Force	Wake Island	PDI: AIRCRAFT PARKING APRON, PHASE 1 (INC)	129,000	129,000
	Washington			
Air Force	Fairchild Air Force Base	KC–135 ADAL PARTS WAREHOUSE (DESIGN)	0	2,500
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN	2,490,612	2,490,612
Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FACILITIES, SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION (AIR FORCE) (TRANSFERRED FROM O&M)	0	6,100,395
Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FACILITIES, SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION (SPACE FORCE) (TRANSFERRED FROM O&M)	0	1,384,326
Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION	315,810	460,810
	Wyoming			
Air Force	F.E. Warren Air Force Base	GBSD OPERATIONS GROUP FACILITY	171,000	30,000
Air Force	F.E. Warren Air Force Base	GBSD UTILITY CORRIDOR (INC)	461,158	461,158
Subtotal Military Construction, Air Force			**10,688,980**	**17,583,321**
DEFENSE-WIDE				
	Alabama			
Defense-Wide	Maxwell Air Force Base	MAXWELL ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL ADDITION	44,000	44,000
Defense-Wide	Redstone Arsenal	POWER GENERATION AND MICROGRID	0	90,000
	Bahrain			
Defense-Wide	Naval Support Activity Bahrain	POWER GENERATION	0	5,900
	Belgium			
Defense-Wide	Sterrebeek Annex	BRUSSELS UNIT SCHOOL ANNEX	33,000	33,000
	California			
Defense-Wide	Camp Edwards	POWER GENERATION AND MICROGRID	0	79,000
Defense-Wide	Naval Base Coronado	MULTI-MISSION DRY SUBMERSIBLE CAMPUS (DESIGN)	0	35,000
	Colorado			
Defense-Wide	Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office (Drmo)—Colorado Springs	GENERAL PURPOSE WAREHOUSE	85,000	85,000
	Florida			
Defense-Wide	Eglin Air Force Base	POWER GENERATION AND MICROGRID	0	43,000
Defense-Wide	Homestead Air Reserve Base	SOF CLIMATE CONTROLLED TACTICAL STORAGE WAREHOUSE	33,000	33,000
Defense-Wide	Naval Air Station Jacksonville	AMBULATORY CARE CENTER SUBSTANCE ABUSE REHABILITATION PROGRAM (SARP) REPLACEMENT	40,000	40,000
	Germany			
Defense-Wide	Ramstein Air Base	VEHICLE FUELING FACILITY	20,500	20,500
Defense-Wide	Rhine Ordnance Barracks	MEDICAL CENTER REPLACEMENT (INC 13)	95,002	95,002
Defense-Wide	U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach	POWER GENERATION AND MICROGRID	0	72,000
Defense-Wide	U.S. Army Garrison Rheinland-Pfalz	BAUMHOLDER MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL	140,000	140,000
	Guam			
Defense-Wide	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: GDS, COMMAND CENTER (INC)	99,700	99,700
Defense-Wide	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: GDS, EIAMD, PHASE 1 (INC)	75,113	75,113
Defense-Wide	Joint Region Marianas	PDI: GDS, EIAMD, PHASE 3	179,446	179,446
	Japan			
Defense-Wide	Camp Butler	PDI: TRUCK OFFLOAD FACILITIES	37,900	37,900
Defense-Wide	Yokota Air Base	PDI: BULK STORAGE TANKS PHASE 2	88,200	88,200
	Kentucky			
Defense-Wide	Fort Knox	SCOTT MIDDLE SCHOOL	117,000	32,000
	Korea			
Defense-Wide	Kunsan Air Base	AMBULATORY CARE CENTER REPLACEMENT	65,000	65,000
	Maryland			
Defense-Wide	Bethesda Naval Hospital	MEDCEN ADDITION/ALTERATION (INC 10)	87,275	87,275
Defense-Wide	Bethesda Naval Hospital	SUPPORT FACILITIES REPLACEMENT (INC)	55,000	55,000
Defense-Wide	Fort Meade	CYBER NATIONAL MISSION FORCE MISSION OPERATIONS FACILITY (INC)	98,411	98,411

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Defense-Wide	Fort Meade	NSAW EAST CAMPUS BUILDING #5 (INC 2)	180,000	180,000
Defense-Wide	Fort Meade	NSAW EAST CAMPUS SITE INFRASTRUCTURE	52,000	52,000
	Nebraska			
Defense-Wide	Offutt Air Force Base	DPAA LABORATORY	0	69,000
	Nevada			
Defense-Wide	Creech Air Force Base	AMBULATORY CARE CENTER ADDITION/ALTERATION	25,381	25,381
	North Carolina			
Defense-Wide	Camp Lejeune	SOF MARINE RAIDER BATTALION OPERATIONS FACILITY	80,000	80,000
Defense-Wide	Camp Lejeune	SOF OPERATIONAL SUPPORT FACILITY	72,000	72,000
Defense-Wide	Fort Bragg	SOF OPERATIONAL TRAINING FACILITY	50,000	50,000
	Pennsylvania			
Defense-Wide	Defense Distribution Center, Susquehanna	MICROGRID	0	58,000
	Puerto Rico			
Defense-Wide	Fort Buchanan	EMERGENCY WATER TREATMENT SYSTEM	0	33,500
	Texas			
Defense-Wide	Brooks Army Medical Center	POWER GENERATION AND ENERGY UPGRADES	0	55,500
	United Kingdom			
Defense-Wide	Menwith Hill Station	FIRE STATION REPLACEMENT	35,000	35,000
Defense-Wide	Royal Air Force Lakenheath	HOSPITAL REPLACEMENT, PHASE 2 (INC)	78,000	78,000
	Utah			
Defense-Wide	Camp Williams	NSAU CONSOLIDATION—MISSION FACILITY (INC)	50,000	50,000
	Virginia			
Defense-Wide	Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek-Fort Story	SOF LAUNCH & RECOVERY FACILITY	36,000	36,000
	Wake Island			
Defense-Wide	Defense Fuel Support Point	PDI: FUELING FACILITIES	100,000	100,000
	Washington			
Defense-Wide	Joint Base Lewis-McChord	SOF TACTICAL EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE FACILITY	35,000	35,000
Defense-Wide	Naval Base Kitsap	POWER GENERATION AND MICROGRID	0	65,000
Defense-Wide	Yakima Training Center	POWER GENERATION AND MICROGRID	0	73,000
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	CHILLERS AND SUBSISTENCE RESILIENCY PILOT	0	150,000
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DEFENSE LABORATORY FACILITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM	0	250,000
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN—JOINT ANALYSIS CENTER OF EXCELLENCE	5,000	5,000
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN (DEFENSE-WIDE)	16,783	16,783
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN (DHA)	45,813	45,813
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN (DLA)	100,511	100,511
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN (DODEA)	26,625	26,625
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN (MDA)	42,846	42,846
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN (NSA)	33,700	33,700
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN (SOCOM)	81,628	81,628
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	ENERGY RESILIENCE AND CONSERV. INVEST. PROG.	694,307	0
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	ERCIP DESIGN	39,346	39,346
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	EXERCISE RELATED MINOR CONSTRUCTION	13,328	63,328
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	PAX SYSTEM SUPPORT	13,000	13,000
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UFC SYSTEM SUPPORT	12,000	12,000
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION (DEFENSE-WIDE)	3,000	53,000

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Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION (DLA)	14,237	34,237
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION (DODEA)	10,000	30,000
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION (MDA)	2,659	27,659
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION (NSA)	9,000	29,000
Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION (SOCOM)	24,500	49,500
	Wyoming			
Defense-Wide	F.E. Warren Air Force Base	POWER GENERATION AND MICROGRID WITH GEOTHERMAL HEATING AND COOLING	0	51,717
Subtotal Military Construction, Defense-Wide			**3,375,211**	**3,936,521**
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD				
	Alabama			
Army National Guard	Fort McClellan Training Center and Clarke Range	REGIONAL TRAINING INSTITUTE (DESIGN)	0	2,250
	District of Columbia			
Army National Guard	Armed Forces Retirement Home	ACCESS CONTROL POINT	0	2,000
Army National Guard	Armed Forces Retirement Home	COLLECTIVE TRAINING UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING	0	10,000
Army National Guard	Armed Forces Retirement Home	COLLECTIVE TRAINING UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING	0	10,000
Army National Guard	Armed Forces Retirement Home	COLLECTIVE TRAINING UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING	0	10,000
Army National Guard	Armed Forces Retirement Home	COLLECTIVE TRAINING UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING	0	10,000
Army National Guard	Armed Forces Retirement Home	MESS HALL (HISTORIC REBUILD)	0	6,000
Army National Guard	Armed Forces Retirement Home	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER-GRANT BLDG	0	21,700
Army National Guard	Armed Forces Retirement Home	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER-LAGARDE	0	16,000
Army National Guard	Armed Forces Retirement Home	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP	0	1,300
Army National Guard	Hill East Rfk Area 02	CIVIL SUPPORT TEAM READY BUILDING	0	3,000
	Florida			
Army National Guard	Camp Blanding	AUTOMATED MULTI PURPOSE TRAINING RANGE	28,000	28,000
	Idaho			
Army National Guard	Orchard Training Area	MISSION TRAINING COMPLEX (SMALL)	27,000	27,000
	Illinois			
Army National Guard	Forest Park	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER (DESIGN)	0	4,300
Army National Guard	Peoria	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	8,000
	Kentucky			
Army National Guard	Jackson Field	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP CONSTRUCTION	0	18,500
	Louisiana			
Army National Guard	Abbeville Readiness Center	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	23,000	23,000
	Maine			
Army National Guard	Camp Keyes Training Site	COMBINED SUPPORT MAINTENANCE SHOP (DESIGN)	0	7,700
Army National Guard	Saco	SOUTHERN MAINE READINESS CENTER (DESIGN)	0	7,900
	Massachusetts			
Army National Guard	Camp Edwards	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	43,000	43,000
	Minnesota			
Army National Guard	Anoka	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER (DESIGN)	0	4,000
Army National Guard	Camp Ripley	ACCESS CONTROL POINT	0	17,000
	Mississippi			
Army National Guard	Camp Shelby	BOBBY CHAIN ARMY AVIATION SUPPORT FACILITY AND READINESS CENTER (DESIGN)	0	12,000
Army National Guard	Camp Shelby	SENSITIVE COMPARTMENTED INFORMATION FACILITY (SCIF) (DESIGN)	0	5,000
	Nevada			

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Army National Guard	Henderson Army National Guard Readiness Center	READINESS CENTER EXPANSION (DESIGN)	0	2,371
	New Hampshire			
Army National Guard	Pease Air National Guard Base	NEWINGTON READINESS CENTER (DESIGN)	0	4,000
	New York			
Army National Guard	Colonie Readiness Center	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	90,000	90,000
	Oklahoma			
Army National Guard	Tulsa Army Aviation Support Facility	AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE BAY	18,500	18,500
	Oregon			
Army National Guard	Raymond F. Rees Training Center	FACILITY ADDITION (DESIGN)	0	1,000
	South Dakota			
Army National Guard	Sturgis	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP (DESIGN)	0	3,700
	Tennessee			
Army National Guard	Volunteer Training Site—Smyrna	AASF ROTARY WING HANGARS (DESIGN)	0	15,000
	Utah			
Army National Guard	Camp Williams	UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING (DESIGN)	0	4,100
	Virginia			
Army National Guard	Sandston	ARMY AVIATION SUPPORT FACILIITY (DESIGN)	0	21,000
	Washington			
Army National Guard	Yakima Training Center	DINING FACILITY	18,000	18,000
	West Virginia			
Army National Guard	Martinsburg Readiness Center	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER ADD/ALT	20,000	20,000
	Wisconsin			
Army National Guard	Black River Falls	NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	0	20,000
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Army National Guard	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN	71,909	71,909
Army National Guard	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FACILITIES, SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION (TRANSFERRED FROM O&M)	0	1,065,363
Army National Guard	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION	19,500	39,500
Subtotal Military Construction, Army National Guard			**358,909**	**1,692,093**
ARMY RESERVE				
	Colorado			
Army Reserve	Fort Carson	EQUIPMENT CONCENTRATION SITE	92,000	92,000
	Illinois			
Army Reserve	Fort Sheridan	AREA MAINTENANCE SUPPORT ACTIVITY	38,000	38,000
	Virginia			
Army Reserve	Richmond Reserve Center	ARMY RESERVE CENTER	48,000	48,000
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Army Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN	10,413	10,413
Army Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FACILITIES, SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION (TRANSFERRED FROM O&M)	0	411,093
Army Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION	21,500	41,500
Subtotal Military Construction, Army Reserve			**209,913**	**641,006**
NAVY RESERVE & MARINE CORPS RESERVE				
	Florida			
Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve	Naval Air Station Jacksonville	RAMP EXPANSION & RTC	47,000	47,000
	Texas			
Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve	Fort Worth	HANGAR 1050 MODERNIZATION (INC)	56,870	56,870
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN	6,578	6,578

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Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FACILITIES, SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION (MARINE CORPS RESERVE) (TRANSFERRED FROM O&M)	0	100,709
Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FACILITIES, SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION (NAVY RESERVE) (TRANSFERRED FROM O&M)	0	59,386
Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MCNR UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION	2,522	22,522
Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	USMCR DESIGN	19,302	19,302
Subtotal Military Construction, Navy Reserve & Marine Corps Reserve			**132,272**	**312,367**
AIR NATIONAL GUARD				
	Alabama			
Air National Guard	Sumpter Smith Air National Guard Base	ADAL AIRCRAFT PARKING APRON	0	33,000
Air National Guard	Sumpter Smith Air National Guard Base	SECURITY AND SERVICES BUILDING (DESIGN)	0	1,500
	Colorado			
Air National Guard	Buckley Space Force Base	MUNITIONS COMPLEX (DESIGN)	0	17,500
	Delaware			
Air National Guard	New Castle Air National Guard	CONSOLIDATED MXS/LRS COMPLEX (DESIGN)	0	7,700
	Indiana			
Air National Guard	Fort Wayne International Airport	F16: MISSION TRAINING FACILITY (DESIGN)	0	1,800
	Maine			
Air National Guard	Bangor	AIRFIELD PAVEMENTS REPAIR (DESIGN)	0	3,800
	Michigan			
Air National Guard	Selfridge Air National Guard Base	F–15EX MAINTENANCE COMPLEX	0	81,000
Air National Guard	Selfridge Air National Guard Base	MITIGATE RUNWAY ENCROACHMENT	110,000	10,000
Air National Guard	Selfridge Air National Guard Base	TAXIWAY ALPHA EXTENSION	28,000	0
Air National Guard	Selfridge Air National Guard Base	TAXIWAY BRAVO EXTENSION	24,000	0
	Minnesota			
Air National Guard	Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport	FUEL CELL HANGAR (DESIGN)	0	5,200
	Mississippi			
Air National Guard	Key Field Air National Guard Base	FUEL HYDRANT SYSTEM (DESIGN)	0	9,000
Air National Guard	Key Field Air National Guard Base	MAINTENANCE HANGAR (DESIGN)	0	7,000
Air National Guard	Key Field Air National Guard Base	SIMULATOR FACILITY BUILDING ADDITION (DESIGN)	0	1,000
	Missouri			
Air National Guard	Rosecrans Memorial Airport	AIRCRAFT PARKING APRON	0	63,000
	New York			
Air National Guard	Eastern Air Defense Sector	AIR CONTROL AND WARNING OPERATIONS BUILDING (DESIGN)	0	10,000
Air National Guard	Gabreski Air National Guard Base	LOGISTICS READINESS COMPLEX (DESIGN)	0	2,900
	Oregon			
Air National Guard	Kingsley Air Force Base	F–35 FTU ACADEMIC TRAINING CENTER	80,000	80,000
Air National Guard	Kingsley Field Air National Guard Base	ACADEMIC TRAINING CENTER (DESIGN)	0	8,000
	South Dakota			
Air National Guard	Joe Foss Field	AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR	0	40,000
	Tennessee			
Air National Guard	McGhee Tyson Airport	ROAD, BRIDGE, AND ECP	0	28,000
Air National Guard	Volunteer Training Site—Smyrna	AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR (DESIGN)	0	4,000
Air National Guard	Volunteer Training Site—Smyrna	BERRY FIELD GATE REPLACEMENT (DESIGN)	0	1,250
	Texas			
Air National Guard	Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort Worth	C–130J ADAL MAINTENANCE HANGAR B1676	27,000	27,000
	Utah			

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Air National Guard	Salt Lake City International Airport	FUEL CELL AND CORROSION CONTROL HANGAR (DESIGN)	0	5,500
	Virginia			
Air National Guard	Joint Base Langley-Eustis	CONSOLIDATED HEADQUARTERS FACILITY (DESIGN)	0	3,200
	West Virginia			
Air National Guard	Mclaughlin Air National Guard Base	C–130J APRON EXPANSION (DESIGN)	0	5,000
Air National Guard	Mclaughlin Air National Guard Base	COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY (DESIGN)	0	3,000
Air National Guard	Mclaughlin Air National Guard Base	SQUADRON OPERATIONS FACILITY (DESIGN)	0	3,300
	Wisconsin			
Air National Guard	Volk Field Air National Guard Base	ADAL ACS COMPLEX	0	18,000
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Air National Guard	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN	247,221	247,221
Air National Guard	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FACILITIES, SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION (TRANSFERRED FROM O&M)	0	531,241
Air National Guard	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION	9,000	29,000
Subtotal Military Construction, Air National Guard			**525,221**	**1,288,112**
AIR FORCE RESERVE				
	Pennsylvania			
Air Force Reserve	Pittsburgh Air Reserve Station	COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY	19,500	19,500
	Nebraska			
Air Force Reserve	Lincoln Air National Guard Base	PARKING APRON (DESIGN)	0	4,000
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Air Force Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN	1,347	1,347
Air Force Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FACILITIES, SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION & MODERNIZATION (TRANSFERRED FROM O&M)	0	187,022
Air Force Reserve	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION	1,325	21,325
Subtotal Military Construction, Air Force Reserve			**22,172**	**233,194**
NATO SECURITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM				
	Worldwide Unspecified			
NATO	NATO Security Investment Program	NATO SECURITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM	604,270	654,270
Subtotal NATO Security Investment Program			**604,270**	**654,270**
INDOPACIFIC COMBATANT COMMAND				
	Worldwide Unspecified			
MILCON, INDOPACOM	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	INDOPACOM MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PILOT PROGRAM	27,740	211,909
Subtotal INDOPACOM MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PILOT PROGRAM			**27,740**	**211,909**
TOTAL MILITARY CONSTRUCTION			**26,143,029**	**50,003,764**
FAMILY HOUSING				
FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, ARMY				
	Germany			
Fam Hsg Con, Army	South Camp Vilseck	FH REPLACEMENT CONSTRUCTION (44 UNITS)	95,060	95,060
	Japan			
Fam Hsg Con, Army	Camp Zama	FH IMPROVEMENT CONSTRUCTION (68 UNITS)	106,356	106,356
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Fam Hsg Con, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FAMILY HOUSING DESIGN	39,079	39,079
Subtotal Family Housing Construction, Army			**240,495**	**240,495**
FAMILY HOUSING O&M, ARMY				
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FURNISHINGS	18,177	18,177

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Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	LEASED HOUSING	132,820	132,820
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MAINTENANCE OF REAL PROPERTY FACILITIES	172,866	172,866
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT	42,802	42,802
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MILITARY HOUSING PRIVATIZATION INITIATIVE	42,026	42,026
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MISCELLANEOUS	92	92
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	SERVICES	10,130	10,130
Fam Hsg O&M, Army	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UTILITIES	49,494	49,494
Subtotal Family Housing Operation And Maintenance, Army			**468,407**	**468,407**
FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, NAVY & MARINE CORPS				
	District of Columbia			
Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Marine Barracks Washington (8th Street & I)	COST TO COMPLETE: W/H REVITALIZATION, QUARTERS #1 (1 UNITS)	1,532	1,532
	Guam			
Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Joint Region Marianas	COST TO COMPLETE: REPLACE ANDERSEN HOUSING, PHASE V (74 UNITS)	25,876	25,876
Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Joint Region Marianas	COST TO COMPLETE: REPLACE ANDERSEN HOUSING, PHASE VI (52 UNITS)	44,920	44,920
Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Joint Region Marianas	COST TO COMPLETE: REPLACE ANDERSEN HOUSING PHASE 8 (62 UNITS)	33,771	33,771
Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Joint Region Marianas	REPLACE ANDERSEN HOUSING PHASE 9 (149 UNITS) (INC)	144,495	144,495
	Japan			
Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Yokosuka Naval Base	WHOLE HOUSE & UTILITY REVITALIZE, IKEGO TH PHASE 6 (32 UNITS)	44,128	44,128
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN	14,971	14,971
Fam Hsg Con, Navy & Marine Corps	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	NAVY SOUTHEAST MHPI (2ND RESTRUCTURE) (100 UNITS)	52,177	52,177
Subtotal Family Housing Construction, Navy & Marine Corps			**361,870**	**361,870**
FAMILY HOUSING O&M, NAVY & MARINE CORPS				
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FURNISHINGS	17,252	17,252
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	HOUSING PRIVATIZATION SUPPORT	60,997	60,997
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	LEASING	66,242	66,242
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MAINTENANCE	119,152	119,152
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MANAGEMENT	54,612	54,612
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MISCELLANEOUS	445	445
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	SERVICES	14,394	14,394
Fam Hsg O&M, Navy & Marine Corps	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UTILITIES	52,515	52,515
Subtotal Family Housing Operation & Maintenance, Navy & Marine Corps.			**385,609**	**385,609**
FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE				
	Alaska			
Fam Hsg Con, Air Force	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson	MHPI RESTRUCTURE—JBER, PHASE 2 (1,194 UNITS)	156,964	156,964
	Japan			
Fam Hsg Con, Air Force	Yokota Air Base	YOKOTA PAIP 10 PHASE 1 (32 UNITS)	36,100	36,100
	United Kingdom			
Fam Hsg Con, Air Force	Royal Air Force Croughton	CROUGHTON (REPLACEMENT) (12 UNITS)	24,104	24,104
	Worldwide Unspecified			

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Fam Hsg Con, Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	DESIGN	25,854	25,854
Subtotal Family Housing Construction, Air Force			**243,022**	**243,022**
FAMILY HOUSING O&M, AIR FORCE				
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FURNISHINGS	28,691	28,691
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	HOUSING PRIVATIZATION SUPPORT	40,627	40,627
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	LEASING	5,523	5,523
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MAINTENANCE	160,528	160,528
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MANAGEMENT	64,841	64,841
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MISCELLANEOUS	2,492	2,492
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	SERVICES	12,957	12,957
Fam Hsg O&M, Air Force	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UTILITIES	51,097	51,097
Subtotal Family Housing Operation And Maintenance, Air Force			**366,756**	**366,756**
FAMILY HOUSING O&M, DEFENSE-WIDE				
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FURNISHINGS (DIA)	566	566
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	FURNISHINGS (NSA)	93	93
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	LEASING (DIA)	34,693	34,693
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	LEASING (DSCA)	8,792	8,792
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	LEASING (NSA)	14,320	14,320
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	MAINTENANCE (NSA)	37	37
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UTILITIES (DIA)	4,548	4,548
Fam Hsg O&M, Defense-Wide	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	UTILITIES (NSA)	15	15
Subtotal Family Housing Operation And Maintenance, Defense-Wide			**63,064**	**63,064**
FAMILY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND				
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Family Housing Improvement Fund	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES—FHIF	8,412	8,412
Subtotal Family Housing Improvement Fund			**8,412**	**8,412**
UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING IMPROVEMENT FUND				
	Worldwide Unspecified			
Unaccompanied Housing Improvement Fund	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES—UHIF	501	501
Subtotal Unaccompanied Housing Improvement Fund			**501**	**501**
TOTAL FAMILY HOUSING			**2,138,136**	**2,138,136**
DEFENSE BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE				
BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE, ARMY				
	Worldwide Unspecified			
BRAC, Army	Base Realignment & Closure, Army	BASE REALIGNMENT & CLOSURE	151,293	151,293
Subtotal Base Realignment and Closure—Army			**151,293**	**151,293**
BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE, NAVY				
	Worldwide Unspecified			
BRAC, Navy	Unspecified Worldwide Locations	BASE REALIGNMENT & CLOSURE	108,325	108,325
Subtotal Base Realignment and Closure—Navy			**108,325**	**108,325**

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BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE, AIR FORCE				
BRAC, Air Force	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	BASE REALIGNMENT & CLOSURE	111,381	111,381
Subtotal Base Realignment and Closure—Air Force			**111,381**	**111,381**
BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE, DEFENSE-WIDE				
BRAC, Defense-Wide	Worldwide Unspecified Unspecified Worldwide Locations	BASE REALIGNMENT & CLOSURE	1,318	1,318
Subtotal Base Realignment and Closure—Defense-Wide			**1,318**	**1,318**
TOTAL DEFENSE BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE			**372,317**	**372,317**
TOTAL MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, FAMILY HOUSING, AND BRAC			**28,653,482**	**52,514,217**

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Discretionary Summary by Appropriation		
Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriation Summary:		
Energy Programs		
Nuclear Energy	160,000	160,000
Atomic Energy Defense Activities		
National Nuclear Security Administration:		
Weapons Activities	26,941,950	27,015,950
Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation	2,389,595	2,389,595
Naval Reactors	2,393,692	2,328,692
Federal Salaries and Expenses	577,097	577,097
Total, National Nuclear Security Administration	**32,302,334**	**32,311,334**
Defense Environmental Cleanup	6,983,318	6,988,318
Defense Uranium Enrichment D&D	253,000	0
Other Defense Activities	1,184,721	1,184,721
Total, Atomic Energy Defense Activities	**41,222,582**	**40,983,582**
Total, Discretionary Funding	**41,382,582**	**41,143,582**
Nuclear Energy		
Safeguards and security	160,000	160,000
Total, Nuclear Energy	**160,000**	**160,000**
National Nuclear Security Administration		
Weapons Activities		
Stockpile management		

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Stockpile modernization		
B61–12 LEP	0	0
B61–13	46,428	46,428
W88 ALT 370	0	150,000
Restoration of statutorily-directed funding		(150,000)
W80–4 LEP	1,048,340	1,048,340
W80–5 Modification Program	0	0
W87–1 Modification Program	913,231	913,231
W93 Program	1,106,106	1,106,106
Future Programs	99,794	99,794
Subtotal, Stockpile modernization	**3,213,899**	**3,363,899**
Stockpile Operation	1,885,290	1,885,290
Weapons dismantlement and disposition	90,760	90,760
Production operations	1,146,586	1,146,586
Nuclear enterprise assurance	121,015	121,015
Realignment of improperly applied reconciliation funds	0	0
Total, Stockpile management	**6,457,550**	**6,607,550**
Production Modernization		
Primary Capability Modernization		
Plutonium Modernization		
Los Alamos Plutonium Modernization		
Los Alamos Pit Production	1,460,791	1,430,791
Unjustified growth		(–30,000)
21–D–512 Plutonium Pit Production Project, LANL	812,100	812,100
15–D–302 TA–55 Reinvestments Project, Phase 3, LANL	0	0
07–D–220-04 Transuranic Liquid Waste Facility, LANL	10,000	10,000
04–D–125 Chemistry and Metallurgy Research Replacement Project, LANL	110,000	110,000
Subtotal, Los Alamos Plutonium Modernization	**2,392,891**	**2,362,891**
Savannah River Plutonium Modernization		
Savannah River Pit Production	302,000	302,000
21–D–511 Savannah River Plutonium Processing Facility, SRS	1,946,523	1,946,523
Subtotal, Savannah River Plutonium Modernization	**2,248,523**	**2,248,523**
Enterprise Pit Production Support	270,897	270,897
Total, Plutonium Modernization	**4,912,311**	**4,882,311**
High Explosives & Energetics		
High Explosives & Energetics	251,765	251,765
21–D–510 HE Synthesis, Formulation, and Production, PX	0	0
Project Continuation	0	42,000
Restoration of statutorily-directed funding		(42,000)
15–D–301 HE Science & Engineering Facility, PX	0	0
Subtotal, High Explosives & Energetics	**251,765**	**293,765**
Total, Primary Capability Modernization	**5,164,076**	**5,176,076**
Secondary Capability Modernization		
Secondary Capability Modernization	1,728,546	1,728,546
18–D–690 Lithium Processing Facility, Y–12	0	0
Project Continuation	0	0
06–D–141 Uranium Processing Facility, Y–12	290,000	290,000
Total, Secondary Capability Modernization	**2,018,546**	**2,018,546**
Tritium and Defense Fuels Program		
Tritium and Defense Fuels Program	880,781	880,781
18–D–650 Tritium Finishing Facility, SRS	0	50,000
Restoration of statutorily-directed funding		(50,000)
Total, Tritium and Domestic Uranium Enrichment	**880,781**	**930,781**
Non-Nuclear Capability Modernization		
Non-Nuclear Capability Modernization	258,008	258,008
26–D–511 MESA Photolithography Capability (MPC), SNL	51,000	51,000
26–D–510 Product Realization Infrastructure for Stockpile Modernization (PRISM), LLNL	0	0
22–D–513 Power Sources Capability, SNL	140,000	140,000
Total, Non-Nuclear Capability Modernization	**449,008**	**449,008**
Capability Based Investments	**203,163**	**203,163**
Warhead Assembly Modernization	47,965	47,965
18–D–680 Material Staging Capability, PX	22,500	27,500
Expedited construction		(5,000)
Total, Warhead Assembly Modernization	**70,465**	**75,465**
Total, Production Modernization	**8,786,039**	**8,853,039**

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Program	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
Stockpile research, technology, and engineering		
Assessment Science		
Assessment Science	1,243,267	1,214,267
Unjustified growth	0	(–29,000)
26–D–512 LANSCE Modernization Project (LAMP), LANL	15,200	15,200
24–D–513 Z-pinch Experimental Underground System (ZEUS) Test Bed Facilities Improvement (ZTBFI), NNSS	91,700	91,700
17–D–640 U1a Complex Enhancements Project, NNSS	154,142	154,142
Total, Assessment Science	**1,504,309**	**1,475,309**
Engineering		
Engineering	230,043	230,043
Establishment of Rapid Capabilities Development Office	0	0
26–D–513 Combined Radiation Environments for Survivability Testing, SNL	105,000	105,000
Total, Engineering	**335,043**	**335,043**
Rapid & Advance Capabilities	499,209	499,209
Inertial Confinement Fusion	829,736	844,736
Enhanced sustainment for Omega Laser Facility	0	0
26–D–514 NIF Enhanced Fusion Yield Capability, LLNL	84,000	84,000
Total, Inertial Confinement Fusion	**913,736**	**928,736**
Advanced simulation and computing	909,765	909,765
Weapons technology and manufacturing maturation	405,413	405,413
Academic programs	0	80,000
Program restoration		(80,000)
Total, Stockpile research, technology, and engineering	**4,068,266**	**4,134,266**
Infrastructure and operations		
Operating		
Operations of facilities	1,752,310	1,752,310
Safety and Environmental Operations	217,902	167,902
Unjustified growth		(–50,000)
Maintenance and Repair of Facilities	1,384,323	1,294,323
Unjustified growth		(–90,000)
Recapitalization	1,203,127	1,203,127
Total, Operating	**4,557,662**	**4,417,662**
Mission enabling construction		
24–D–510 Analytic Gas Laboratory, PX	0	0
23–D–517 Electrical Power Capacity Upgrade, LANL	65,000	65,000
27–D–512 Plutonium Engineering Support Building, LANL	88,700	88,700
25–D–510 Plutonium Mission Safety & Quality Building, LANL	0	0
25–D–511 PULSE New Access, NNSS	50,000	50,000
Total, Mission enabling construction	**203,700**	**203,700**
Total, Infrastructure and operations	**4,761,362**	**4,621,362**
Secure transportation asset		
Operations and equipment-STA	443,075	443,075
Program direction-STA	143,996	143,996
Total, Secure transportation asset	**587,071**	**587,071**
Defense nuclear security		
Operations and maintenance—DNS	1,305,793	1,305,793
Construction:		
17–D–710 West End Protected Area Reduction Project, Y–12	0	0
Subtotal, Construction	**0**	**0**
Total, Defense nuclear security	**1,305,793**	**1,305,793**
Information Technology and Cybersecurity	935,000	866,000
Unjustified growth		(–69,000)
Legacy Contractor Pensions and Settlement Payments	40,869	40,869
Subtotal, Weapons Activities	**27,441,159**	**27,515,159**
Total, Weapons Activities	**27,441,159**	**27,515,159**
Adjustments		
Use of prior year balances	0	0
Total, Adjustments	**0**	**0**
Total, Weapons Activities	**26,941,950**	**27,015,950**

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Program	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation		
Material Management and Minimization		
Conversion	0	0
Reactor conversion and uranium supply	117,820	117,820
Nuclear material removal and elimination	68,945	68,945
Material disposition	0	0
Plutonium Management	79,039	79,039
Total, Material Management and Minimization	**265,804**	**265,804**
Global Material Security		
International nuclear security	61,013	61,013
Radiological security	193,104	193,104
Nuclear smuggling detection and deterrence	136,457	136,457
Total, Global Material Security	**390,574**	**390,574**
Nonproliferation and Arms Control	214,494	214,494
Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation R&D		
Proliferation detection	296,170	296,170
Nonproliferation stewardship program	174,383	174,383
Nuclear detonation detection	318,447	318,447
Restoral of orbital sensors	0	0
Forensics R&D	30,000	30,000
Nonproliferation fuels development	0	0
Total, Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation R&D	**819,000**	**819,000**
Nonproliferation Construction:		
U.S. Construction	0	0
18–D–150 Surplus Plutonium Disposition Project, SRS	0	0
Total, Nonproliferation Construction	**0**	**0**
Total, Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation Programs	**1,689,872**	**1,689,872**
Nuclear Counterterrorism and Incident Response Program		
Emergency Management	35,045	35,045
Counterterrorism and Counterproliferation	650,550	650,550
Total, Nuclear Counterterrorism and Incident Response Program	**685,595**	**685,595**
NNSA Bioassurance Program	0	0
Legacy contractor pensions	14,128	14,128
Subtotal, Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation	**2,389,595**	**2,389,595**
Adjustments		
Use of prior year balances	0	0
Cancellation of Prior Year Balances	0	0
Total, Adjustments	**0**	**0**
Total, Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation	**2,389,595**	**2,389,595**
Naval Reactors		
Naval reactors development	876,824	876,824
Columbia-Class reactor systems development	29,700	29,700
S8G Prototype refueling	0	0
Naval reactors operations and infrastructure	645,050	645,050
Program direction	71,841	71,841
Construction:		
14–D–901 Spent Fuel Handling Recapitalization Project, NRF	691,953	626,953
Unjustified growth		(–65,000)
21–D–530 KL Steam and Condensate Upgrades	0	0
22–D–531 KL Chemistry & Radiological Health Building	0	0
22–D–532 KL Security Upgrades	0	0
23–D–533 BL Component Test Complex	0	0
24–D–530 NRF Medical Science Complex	0	0
25–D–530 Naval Examination Acquisition Project	80,000	80,000
26–D–530 East Side Office Building	0	0
Total, Naval Reactors Construction	**771,953**	**706,953**
Subtotal, Naval Reactor	**2,395,368**	**2,330,368**
Use of prior year balances	–1,676	–1,676
Total, Naval Reactors	**2,393,692**	**2,328,692**
Federal Salaries and Expenses		
Program direction	577,097	577,097

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Program	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
Use of prior year balances	0	0
Total, Federal Salaries and Expenses	**577,097**	**577,097**
TOTAL, National Nuclear Security Administration	**32,302,334**	**32,311,334**
Defense Environmental Cleanup		
Closure sites administration	500	500
Richland		
River corridor and other cleanup operations	69,000	69,000
Central plateau remediation	795,124	795,124
Richland community and regulatory support	12,000	12,000
18–D–404 Modification of Waste Encapsulation and Storage Facility	0	0
22–D–401 L–888 Eastern Plateau Fire Station	0	0
22–D–402 L–897 200 Area Water Treatment Facility	0	0
23–D–404 181D Export Water System Reconfiguration and Upgrade	0	0
23–D–405 181B Export Water System Reconfiguration and Upgrade	0	0
24–D–401 Environmental Restoration Disposal Facility Supercell 11 Expans Proj	0	0
Total, Richland	**876,624**	**876,624**
Office of River Protection:		
Waste Treatment Immobilization Plant Commissioning	466,000	466,000
Rad Liquid Tank Waste Stabilization and Disposition	984,000	984,000
Construction:		
23–D–403 Hanford 200 West Area Tank Farms Risk Management Project	90,000	90,000
15–D–409 Low Activity Waste Pretreatment System	75,000	75,000
18–D–16 Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant—LBL/Direct feed LAW	0	0
01–D–416 Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant, RL	0	0
01–D–16D High-Level Waste Facility	330,000	330,000
Subtotal, Construction	**495,000**	**495,000**
Total, Office of River Protection	**1,945,000**	**1,945,000**
Idaho National Laboratory:		
Idaho cleanup and waste disposition	472,726	472,726
Idaho community and regulatory support	3,295	3,295
Construction:		
22–D–403 Idaho Spent Nuclear Fuel Staging Facility	2,000	2,000
22–D–404 Addl ICDF Landfill Disposal Cell and Evaporation Ponds Project	0	0
22–D–402 Calcine Construction	2,000	2,000
Subtotal, Construction	**4,000**	**4,000**
Total, Idaho National Laboratory	**480,021**	**480,021**
NNSA sites and Nevada off-sites		
Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory	1,955	1,955
LLNL Excess Facilities D&D	0	0
Separations Processing Research Unit	950	950
Nevada	64,835	64,835
Sandia National Laboratory	1,030	1,030
Los Alamos National Laboratory	293,937	293,937
Los Alamos Excess Facilities D&D	0	0
Total, NNSA sites and Nevada off-sites	**362,707**	**362,707**
Oak Ridge Reservation:		
OR Nuclear Facility D&D	289,297	289,297
U233 Disposition Program	70,000	70,000
OR cleanup and waste disposition	85,800	85,800
Construction:		
14–D–403 Outfall 200 Mercury Treatment Facility	0	0
17–D–401 On-site Waste Disposal Facility	57,828	57,828
OR reservation community & regulatory support	5,100	5,100
OR technology development and deployment	3,500	3,500
Total, Oak Ridge Reservation	**511,525**	**511,525**
Savannah River Site:		
Savannah River risk management operations	465,620	465,620
Savannah River legacy pensions	0	0
Savannah River community and regulatory support	5,450	5,450

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Program	FY 2027 Request	Senate Authorized
Payment in lieu of taxes	0	5,000
Program restoration		(5,000)
Savannah River National Laboratory O&M	90,719	90,719
Construction:		
20-D–401 Saltstone Disposal Unit #10, 11, 12	82,500	82,500
19–D–701: SR Security Systems Replacement	0	0
18–D–401 Saltstone Disposal Unit #8, 9, SR (SR-0014C)	0	0
18–D–402 Emergency Operations Center	0	0
Subtotal, Construction	**82,500**	**82,500**
Radioactive liquid tank waste stabilization and disposition	1,066,000	1,066,000
Total, Savannah River Site	**1,710,289**	**1,715,289**
Waste Isolation Pilot Plant		
Waste Isolation Pilot Plant	400,020	400,020
Construction:		
15–D–411 Safety Significant Confinement Ventilation System, WIPP	0	0
15–D–412 Utility Shaft,	0	0
21–D–401 Hoisting Capability Project	72,000	72,000
Total, Construction	**72,000**	**72,000**
Total, Waste Isolation Pilot Plant	**472,020**	**472,020**
Program direction	297,318	297,318
Program support	20,320	20,320
Safeguards and Security—Defense Environmental Cleanup	291,482	291,482
Technology development and deployment	16,012	16,012
TOTAL, Defense Environmental Cleanup	**6,983,318**	**6,988,318**
Defense Uranium Enrichment D&D	**253,000**	**0**
Improper allocation		(–253,000)
Other Defense Activities		
Environment, health, safety and security		
Environment, health, safety and security mission support	150,761	150,761
Program direction	81,179	81,179
Total, Environment, health, safety and security	**231,940**	**231,940**
Office of Enterprise Assessments		
Enterprise assessments	32,183	32,183
Program direction	56,632	56,632
Total, Office of Enterprise Assessments	**88,815**	**88,815**
Specialized security activities	471,082	471,082
Legacy Management		
Legacy Management Activities—Defense	177,716	177,716
Program Direction	22,670	22,670
Total, Legacy Management	**200,386**	**200,386**
Defense-Related Administrative Support	187,475	187,475
Office of Hearings and Appeals	5,023	5,023
Subtotal, Other Defense Activities	**1,184,721**	**1,184,721**
Use of prior year balances	0	0
Total, Other Defense Activities	**1,184,721**	**1,184,721**

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