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# PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL (H.R. 3838) TO AUTHORIZE APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 FOR MILITARY ACTIVITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, FOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AND FOR DEFENSE ACTIVITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, TO PRESCRIBE MILITARY PERSONNEL STRENGTHS FOR SUCH FISCAL YEAR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL (H.R. 3486) TO AMEND THE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT TO INCREASE PENALTIES FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ILLEGALLY ENTER AND REENTER THE UNITED STATES AFTER BEING REMOVED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

SEPTEMBER 9, 2025.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, from the Committee on Rules, submitted the following

## REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 682]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 682, by a record vote of 9 to 4, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

### SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 3838, the Streamlining Procurement for Effective Execution and Delivery and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026, under a structured rule. The resolution waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The resolution provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services or their respective designees. The resolution provides that in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Armed Services now printed in the bill, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 119–8 shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The resolution waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The resolution makes in order only those further amendments printed in part A of the report and amendments en bloc described in section 3 of the resolution. Each further amendment shall be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a

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Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The resolution waives all points of order against the further amendments printed in part A of the report and amendments en bloc described in section 3 of the resolution. The resolution provides that the chair of the Committee on Armed Services or his designee may offer amendments en bloc consisting of further amendments printed in part A of the report not earlier disposed of. Amendments en bloc shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 40 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services or their respective designees, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The resolution provides for one motion to recommit. The resolution further provides for consideration of H.R. 3486, the Stop Illegal Entry Act of 2025, under a closed rule. The resolution waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The resolution provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill, modified by the amendment printed in part B of the report, shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The resolution waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The resolution provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary or their respective designees. The resolution provides for one motion to recommit.

EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

The waiver of all points of order against consideration of H.R. 3838 includes:

—Clause 3(e)(1) of rule XIII, which requires the inclusion of a comparative print for a bill proposing to repeal or amend a statute.

—Section 306 of the Congressional Budget Act, which prohibits consideration of legislation within the jurisdiction of the Committee on the Budget unless referred to or reported by the Budget Committee.

The waiver of all points of order against provisions in H.R. 3838, as amended, includes:

—Clause 4 of rule XXI, which prohibits reporting a bill carrying an appropriation from a committee not having jurisdiction to report an appropriation.

Although the resolution waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part A of the report and against amendments en bloc described in section 3, the Committee is not aware of any points of order. The waiver is prophylactic in nature.

The waiver of all points of order against consideration of H.R. 3486 includes:

—Clause 3(d) of rule XIII, which requires the inclusion of a committee cost estimate in a committee report.

Although the resolution waives all points of order against provisions in H.R. 3486, as amended, the Committee is not aware of any points of order. The waiver is prophylactic in nature.

COMMITTEE VOTES

The results of each record vote on an amendment or motion to report, together with the names of those voting for and against, are printed below:

*Rules Committee record vote No. 171*

Motion by Mr. McGovern to make in order amendment #485 to H.R. 3838, offered by Representative McGovern, which authorizes appropriations for the World Food Programme to address global food insecurity and starvation. Defeated: 4–7

| Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Fischbach | Nay | Mr. McGovern | Yea |
| Mr. Norman | Nay | Ms. Scanlon | Yea |
| Mr. Roy | Nay | Mr. Neguse | Yea |
| Mrs. Houchin | | Ms. Leger Fernandez | Yea |
| Mr. Langworthy | | | |
| Mr. Austin Scott | Nay | | |
| Mr. Griffith | Nay | | |
| Mr. Jack | Nay | | |
| Ms. Foxx, Chairwoman | Nay | | |

*Rules Committee record vote No. 172*

Motion by Mr. McGovern to make in order amendment #806 to H.R. 3838, offered by Representative Meeks, which would repeal the 2002 and 1991 Authorizations for Use of Military Force (AUMFs). Adopted: 7–4

| Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Fischbach | Nay | Mr. McGovern | Yea |
| Mr. Norman | Yea | Ms. Scanlon | Yea |
| Mr. Roy | Yea | Mr. Neguse | Yea |
| Mrs. Houchin | | Ms. Leger Fernandez | Yea |
| Mr. Langworthy | | | |
| Mr. Austin Scott | Nay | | |
| Mr. Griffith | Yea | | |
| Mr. Jack | Nay | | |
| Ms. Foxx, Chairwoman | Nay | | |

*Rules Committee record vote No. 173*

Motion by Mr. McGovern to make in order amendment #489 to H.R. 3838, offered by Representative McGovern, which requires an annual report from the Secretary of State to Congress, in consultation with Secretary of Defense, that assesses the status of Israeli settlement activity in the West Bank. Defeated: 4–7

| Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Fischbach | Nay | Mr. McGovern | Yea |
| Mr. Norman | Nay | Ms. Scanlon | Yea |
| Mr. Roy | Nay | Mr. Neguse | Yea |
| Mrs. Houchin | | Ms. Leger Fernandez | Yea |
| Mr. Langworthy | | | |
| Mr. Austin Scott | Nay | | |
| Mr. Griffith | Nay | | |
| Mr. Jack | Nay | | |
| Ms. Foxx, Chairwoman | Nay | | |

*Rules Committee record vote No. 174*

Motion by Mr. McGovern to make in order amendment #492 to H.R. 3838, offered by Representative McGovern, which restricts certain security assistance to Pakistan unless the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense, certifies the Government of Pakistan has taken measures to prevent human rights violations. Defeated: 4–7

| Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Fischbach | Nay | Mr. McGovern | Yea |
| Mr. Norman | Nay | Ms. Scanlon | Yea |
| Mr. Roy | Nay | Mr. Neguse | Yea |
| Mrs. Houchin | | Ms. Leger Fernandez | Yea |
| Mr. Langworthy | | | |
| Mr. Austin Scott | Nay | | |
| Mr. Griffith | Nay | | |
| Mr. Jack | Nay | | |
| Ms. Foxx, Chairwoman | Nay | | |

*Rules Committee record vote No. 175*

Motion by Mr. McGovern to make in order amendment #494 to H.R. 3838, offered by Representative McGovern, which prohibits the use of Department of Defense funds to transport individuals to countries in which they would be at risk of being subjected to torture. Defeated: 4–8

| Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Fischbach | Nay | Mr. McGovern | Yea |
| Mr. Norman | Nay | Ms. Scanlon | Yea |
| Mr. Roy | Nay | Mr. Neguse | Yea |
| Mrs. Houchin | | Ms. Leger Fernandez | Yea |
| Mr. Langworthy | Nay | | |
| Mr. Austin Scott | Nay | | |
| Mr. Griffith | Nay | | |
| Mr. Jack | Nay | | |
| Ms. Foxx, Chairwoman | Nay | | |

*Rules Committee record vote No. 176*

Motion by Mr. McGovern to make in order amendments #29 and #30 to H.R. 3838, offered by Representative Hayes, which would respectively exempt veterans from the new Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) work requirements in the Republicans' reconciliation bill; and expand eligibility for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) for certain disabled veterans, including those determined to be catastrophically disabled. Defeated: 4–8

| Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Fischbach | Nay | Mr. McGovern | Yea |
| Mr. Norman | Nay | Ms. Scanlon | Yea |
| Mr. Roy | Nay | Mr. Neguse | Yea |
| Mrs. Houchin | | Ms. Leger Fernandez | Yea |
| Mr. Langworthy | Nay | | |
| Mr. Austin Scott | Nay | | |
| Mr. Griffith | Nay | | |
| Mr. Jack | Nay | | |
| Ms. Foxx, Chairwoman | Nay | | |

*Rules Committee record vote No. 177*

Motion by Mr. McGovern to provide that immediately upon adoption of the resolution, the House shall consider H.R. 4405, the bipartisan Epstein Files Transparency Act introduced by Representatives Khanna and Massie, under a closed rule with one hour of debate. Defeated: 4–8

| Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Fischbach | Nay | Mr. McGovern | Yea |
| Mr. Norman | Nay | Ms. Scanlon | Yea |
| Mr. Roy | Nay | Mr. Neguse | Yea |
| Mrs. Houchin | | Ms. Leger Fernandez | Yea |
| Mr. Langworthy | Nay | | |
| Mr. Austin Scott | Nay | | |
| Mr. Griffith | Nay | | |
| Mr. Jack | Nay | | |
| Ms. Foxx, Chairwoman | Nay | | |

*Rules Committee record vote No. 178*

Motion by Ms. Scanlon to make in order amendment #141 to H.R. 3838, offered by Representative Crow, which would authorize a two-year extension of the Afghan Special Immigrant Visa program through December 31, 2027. Defeated: 4–9

| Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Fischbach | Nay | Mr. McGovern | Yea |
| Mr. Norman | Nay | Ms. Scanlon | Yea |
| Mr. Roy | Nay | Mr. Neguse | Yea |
| Mrs. Houchin | Nay | Ms. Leger Fernandez | Yea |
| Mr. Langworthy | Nay | | |
| Mr. Austin Scott | Nay | | |
| Mr. Griffith | Nay | | |
| Mr. Jack | Nay | | |
| Ms. Foxx, Chairwoman | Nay | | |

*Rules Committee record vote No. 179*

Motion by Ms. Scanlon to make in order amendment #611 to H.R. 3838, offered by Representative Sherrill, which would require the consent of the chief executive officer of a state or DC for the deployment of the National Guard to their state under Title 32. Defeated: 4–9

| Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Fischbach | Nay | Mr. McGovern | Yea |
| Mr. Norman | Nay | Ms. Scanlon | Yea |
| Mr. Roy | Nay | Mr. Neguse | Yea |
| Mrs. Houchin | Nay | Ms. Leger Fernandez | Yea |
| Mr. Langworthy | Nay | | |
| Mr. Austin Scott | Nay | | |
| Mr. Griffith | Nay | | |
| Mr. Jack | Nay | | |
| Ms. Foxx, Chairwoman | Nay | | |

*Rules Committee record vote No. 180*

Motion by Ms. Scanlon to make in order amendment #1001 to H.R. 3838, offered by Representative Casar, which would prohibit funding to the Iron Dome for America, or the Golden Dome, until (1) the Pentagon passes an audit and (2) the GAO certifies that

contracts for the development of Golden Dome are not being awarded in a corrupt manner with politically connected firms receiving undue favor. Defeated: 4–9

| Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Fischbach | Nay | Mr. McGovern | Yea |
| Mr. Norman | Nay | Ms. Scanlon | Yea |
| Mr. Roy | Nay | Mr. Neguse | Yea |
| Mrs. Houchin | Nay | Ms. Leger Fernandez | Yea |
| Mr. Langworthy | Nay | | |
| Mr. Austin Scott | Nay | | |
| Mr. Griffith | Nay | | |
| Mr. Jack | Nay | | |
| Ms. Foxx, Chairwoman | Nay | | |

*Rules Committee record vote No. 181*

Motion by Mr. Neguse to make in order amendment #220 to H.R. 3838, offered by Representative Neguse, which would facilitate the transfer and demilitarization of certain aircraft to the State of Colorado for Wildfire Suppression purpose. Defeated: 4–9

| Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Fischbach | Nay | Mr. McGovern | Yea |
| Mr. Norman | Nay | Ms. Scanlon | Yea |
| Mr. Roy | Nay | Mr. Neguse | Yea |
| Mrs. Houchin | Nay | Ms. Leger Fernandez | Yea |
| Mr. Langworthy | Nay | | |
| Mr. Austin Scott | Nay | | |
| Mr. Griffith | Nay | | |
| Mr. Jack | Nay | | |
| Ms. Foxx, Chairwoman | Nay | | |

*Rules Committee record vote No. 182*

Motion by Mr. Neguse make in order amendment #1145 to H.R. 3838, offered by Representative Neguse, which would raise the annual pay cap that limits total compensation for federal wildland firefighters, including overtime and premium pay. Defeated: 4–9

| Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Fischbach | Nay | Mr. McGovern | Yea |
| Mr. Norman | Nay | Ms. Scanlon | Yea |
| Mr. Roy | Nay | Mr. Neguse | Yea |
| Mrs. Houchin | Nay | Ms. Leger Fernandez | Yea |
| Mr. Langworthy | Nay | | |
| Mr. Austin Scott | Nay | | |
| Mr. Griffith | Nay | | |
| Mr. Jack | Nay | | |
| Ms. Foxx, Chairwoman | Nay | | |

*Rules Committee record vote No. 183*

Motion by Ms. Leger Fernandez to make in order amendment #936 to H.R. 3838, offered by Representative Kennedy of New York, which would prohibit the implementation of the VA's proposed rule to reinstate a near total ban on abortion and counseling for veterans and their families. Defeated: 4–9

| Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Fischbach | Nay | Mr. McGovern | Yea |
| Mr. Norman | Nay | Ms. Scanlon | Yea |

| Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mr. Roy | Nay | Mr. Neguse | Yea |
| Mrs. Houchin | Nay | Ms. Leger Fernandez | Yea |
| Mr. Langworthy | Nay | | |
| Mr. Austin Scott | Nay | | |
| Mr. Griffith | Nay | | |
| Mr. Jack | Nay | | |
| Ms. Foxx, Chairwoman | Nay | | |

*Rules Committee record vote No. 184*

Motion by Ms. Leger Fernandez to make in order amendment #228 to H.R. 3838, offered by Representative Vasquez, which would increase the GI Bill's annual book and school supplies stipend from $1,000 per year to $1,400 per year. Defeated: 4–9

| Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Fischbach | Nay | Mr. McGovern | Yea |
| Mr. Norman | Nay | Ms. Scanlon | Yea |
| Mr. Roy | Nay | Mr. Neguse | Yea |
| Mrs. Houchin | Nay | Ms. Leger Fernandez | Yea |
| Mr. Langworthy | Nay | | |
| Mr. Austin Scott | Nay | | |
| Mr. Griffith | Nay | | |
| Mr. Jack | Nay | | |
| Ms. Foxx, Chairwoman | Nay | | |

*Rules Committee record vote No. 185*

Motion by Ms. Leger Fernandez to make in order amendment #631 to H.R. 3838, offered by Representative Sherrill, which would repeal restrictions on the use of funds and facilities for abortion care through the Department of Defense. Defeated: 4–9

| Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Fischbach | Nay | Mr. McGovern | Yea |
| Mr. Norman | Nay | Ms. Scanlon | Yea |
| Mr. Roy | Nay | Mr. Neguse | Yea |
| Mrs. Houchin | Nay | Ms. Leger Fernandez | Yea |
| Mr. Langworthy | Nay | | |
| Mr. Austin Scott | Nay | | |
| Mr. Griffith | Nay | | |
| Mr. Jack | Nay | | |
| Ms. Foxx, Chairwoman | Nay | | |

*Rules Committee record vote No. 186*

Motion by Mr. Austin Scott to report the rule. Adopted: 9–4

| Majority Members | Vote | Minority Members | Vote |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Fischbach | Yea | Mr. McGovern | Nay |
| Mr. Norman | Yea | Ms. Scanlon | Nay |
| Mr. Roy | Yea | Mr. Neguse | Nay |
| Mrs. Houchin | Yea | Ms. Leger Fernandez | Nay |
| Mr. Langworthy | Yea | | |
| Mr. Austin Scott | Yea | | |
| Mr. Griffith | Yea | | |
| Mr. Jack | Yea | | |
| Ms. Foxx, Chairwoman | Yea | | |

SUMMARY OF THE AMENDMENTS TO H.R. 3838 IN PART A MADE IN ORDER

1. Gottheimer (NJ), Tenney (NY): Includes a sense of Congress that the Secretaries of Defense and State must use every opportunity at forums involving NATO or major non-NATO allies to ensure that such allied countries do not enforce warrants issued by the ICC against members of the armed forces of the U.S. or of its other allies. (10 minutes)

2. Ogles (TN): Establishes the sense of Congress that the Department of Defense and its agencies should not participate in international defense exhibitions if they or the jurisdictions in which they are held block the participation of Israeli companies or use restrictions or the threat of restrictions as a means of deterring Israel from defending itself. (10 minutes)

3. Boebert (CO): Prohibits the entering into contracts with entities engaged in a boycott of the state of Israel. (10 minutes)

4. Steube (FL), Tenney (NY): Requires briefing on the status of deliveries to the Government of Israel of any military aircraft or air-launched munitions approved for transfer that are undelivered or partially delivered. (10 minutes)

5. Finstad (MN), Tenney (NY): Extends and modifies the Annual Report on Military and Security Developments Involving the People's Republic of China. (10 minutes)

6. Crane (AZ): Directs DoD to share intelligence with former Afghan Army and police units still in Afghanistan or other existing resistance units for the purposes of resisting the Taliban. (10 minutes)

7. Smith (NJ): Requires the Secretary of Defense to certify that offshore wind projects in the North Atlantic and Mid-Atlantic Planning Areas will not interfere with radar capabilities. Requires the Inspector General of the Department of Transportation to conduct a study to determine whether offshore wind projects in the North Atlantic and Mid-Atlantic Planning Areas will interfere with radar capabilities. (10 minutes)

8. Palmer (AL): Terminates the prohibition of clean agent fire suppression (F-Gas) in the Department of Defense. Clean agent fire suppression is product that involves an electrically nonconducting, volatile, or gaseous fire extinguishing agent that does not leave a residue upon evaporation and is highly effective in preventing catastrophic failure in military vehicles. (10 minutes)

9. Patronis (FL), Moore (AL): Eliminates the preference for Motor Vehicles using Electric or Hybrid propulsion systems and related requirements of the department of defense. (10 minutes)

10. Pfluger (TX): Modifies the Civilian Marksmanship program to include additional surplus firearms for training and educating U.S. citizens in the responsible use of firearms. (10 minutes)

11. Wilson (SC): Modifies federal statutes 50 USC 797 and 18 USC 1382. (10 minutes)

12. Clyde (GA): Ensures no recommendation, procedure, or plan of the commission established under section 370 of Public Law 116–283 shall apply to any civil works project of the Department of Defense. (10 minutes)

13. Norman (SC), Tenney (NY), Brecheen (OK): Prohibits the provision of gender transition procedures, including surgery or medica-

tion, through the Exceptional Family Medical Program. (10 minutes)

14. Mace (SC), Tenney (NY), Brecheen (OK): Prohibits DoD from covering or furnishing gender-related medical treatment under TRICARE. (10 minutes)

15. Mace (SC), Tenney (NY): Prohibits the Superintendent of a Service Academy from allowing a cadet or midshipman who is male from participating in an athletic program or activity that is designated exclusively for females. (10 minutes)

16. Mace (SC), Tenney (NY): Prohibits the Secretary of Defense from soliciting information through a form or survey regarding the gender identity of an individual, providing an option to indicate the sex or gender of an individual is something other than male or female, and requiring the Secretary reject a response other than male or female to a required question on a form or survey regarding sex or gender. (10 minutes)

17. Mace (SC), Tenney (NY): Prohibits individuals from accessing or using single-sex spaces on military installations which do not correspond to the biological sex of the individual. (10 minutes)

18. Mills (FL): Restricts base commanders' ability to fly unauthorized flags at their discretion. (10 minutes)

19. Onder (MO), Perry (PA), Fulcher (ID): Strikes Section 1110, which would prohibit DoD from implementing President Trump's Executive Order 14251, issued on March 27, 2025. The Executive Order exempts certain agencies from collective bargaining agreement protections, including the DoD. (10 minutes)

20. Davidson (OH): Bans the research, development, procurement and promotion of cell cultured meat by the DOD. (10 minutes)

21. Scott, Austin (GA), Panetta (CA), Wilson (SC), Bacon (NE), Moore (UT), Carbajal (CA), Bell (MO), Tenney (NY), Doggett (TX), Stauber (MN), Turner (OH), Harris (MD), Keating (MA), Fitzpatrick (PA), Meeks (NY): Authorizes the Baltic Security Initiative to strengthen the armed forces of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania to deter Russian aggression, increase interoperability, and support modernization. (10 minutes)

22. Greene (GA): Prohibits assistance to Ukraine. (10 minutes)

23. Greene (GA): Strikes funding for Overseas Humanitarian, Disaster, and Civic Aid program. (10 minutes)

24. Greene (GA): Strikes foreign aid funding for the Taiwan Security Cooperation Initiative. (10 minutes)

25. McCormick (GA), Tenney (NY): Amends Section 1555 of the FY24 NDAA regarding contracting for military recruitment to prohibit the Department of Defense from contracting with entities that perform fact-checking and information-grading services for purposes of censoring their political opponents. (10 minutes)

26. Moolenaar (MI), Tenney (NY): Prohibits federal research awards from going to individuals or institutions with affiliations or partnerships with hostile foreign entities, including those listed on U.S. government entity lists (e.g., the Department of Defense 1260H List and the BIS Entity List). Requires applicants to disclose past foreign ties, funding, and activities. Imposes ongoing restrictions on sharing research results with adversaries and mandates congressional notification of any national security waivers. (10 minutes)

27. Stefanik (NY): Bans non-US citizens from maintaining, administering, operating, accessing, using, or receiving information about any Department of Defense cloud computing system, Department data, or Department-related data. (10 minutes)

28. McDowell (NC): Directs the Secretaries of State, DOD, DHS, and the AG, and the Director of National Intelligence to submit a report to Congress on the military power and illicit activities of covered cartels. (10 minutes)

29. Biggs (AZ): Prohibits the designation of military and certain National Guard lands as critical habitats under the Endangered Species Act when deemed necessary by the Department of Defense. Exempts military personnel from Endangered Species Act prohibitions during national defense-related operations, including incidental harm to protected species. (10 minutes)

30. Graves (MO), Larsen (WA): Reauthorizes appropriations for the Coast Guard through Fiscal Year 2029. (10 minutes)

31. Griffith (VA): Amends Section 1021(b) of the FY12 NDAA to limit the authority of the U.S. military to indefinitely detain individuals pursuant to the 2001 AUMF, to exclude American citizens from being subject to detention. (10 minutes)

32. Messmer (IN): Modifies the Industrial Base Fund (IBF) authorities, established under section 4817 of title 10, to strengthen and grant additional flexibilities, so that the Department of Defense can act swiftly in expanding key supply chains, mitigating single points of failure, and addressing critical national security shortfalls within the Defense Industrial Base (DIB). (10 minutes)

33. Rouzer (NC), McDowell (NC), Harris (NC), Hudson (NC), Moore (NC): Incorporates the text of H.R. 474—Lumbee Fairness Act, extends federal recognition to the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina and makes its members eligible for the services and benefits provided to members of federally recognized tribes. The Department of the Interior and the Department of Health and Human Services must develop, in consultation with the tribe, a determination of needs to provide the services for which members of the tribe are eligible. (10 minutes)

34. Meeks (NY), Roy (TX), Jacobs (CA), Massie (KY), Brecheen (OK), Crane (AZ), Burlison (MO): Inserts the text of H.R. 1488, repealing the 2002 and 1991 AUMFs. (10 minutes)

35. Jack (GA): Strikes section 708 and directs the Secretary of Defense to establish a pilot program allowing members of the Armed Forces and their dependents to purchase fixed indemnity supplemental insurance plans for cancer-related noncovered expenses.

Requires the Secretary to contract with up to two licensed insurance companies, provide enrollment and benefit information through TRICARE, and submit a report to Congress within three years on program outcomes. (10 minutes)

36. Aderholt (AL): Requires a report to address certain textile shortages in defense procurement. (10 minutes)

37. Aderholt (AL), Houlahan (PA), Tenney (NY): Provides authorization for the Department of Defense Education Activity to enter into arrangements with institutions of higher education to provide students of DODEA schools with access to postsecondary course credit through dual or concurrent enrollment programs and to pro-

vide financial assistance to students to cover the costs associated with such programs. (10 minutes)

38. Amo (RI), Case (HI): Requires a report on the impact and potential of AUKUS Pillar 1. (10 minutes)

39. Amo (RI), Courtney (CT): Expresses the sense of Congress that domestic production of defense articles for AUKUS boosts local economies and improves national security by enhancing domestic defense article production capabilities and the DOD should promote and prioritize domestic manufacturing, supply chain, and research for AUKUS defense articles. (10 minutes)

40. Amo (RI), Courtney (CT), Tenney (NY), Magaziner (RI): Authorizes APEX Accelerators to assist small businesses in acquiring procurement contracts for defense articles for AUKUS. (10 minutes)

41. Amo (RI), Kelly (MS): Requires a report on the Low-Cost Undersea Effectors Commercial Solutions Opening. (10 minutes)

42. Arrington (TX): Prohibits certain reductions to B–1 bomber aircraft squadrons through September 30, 2030. (10 minutes)

43. Arrington (TX): Requires the creation and implementation of wellness checks to ensure accountability for servicemembers who sustain injuries or illnesses and are on sick call (10 minutes)

44. Babin (TX): Requires the DOD Inspector General to conduct a study into the implementation of Section 744(b)(4) of the National Defense Authorization Act of 2021 with regard to the accreditation of military dental treatment facilities. (10 minutes)

45. Bacon (NE): Directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a recommendation to the president and the Senate on restoring the rank of General John D. Lavelle to general based on recently declassified information, the position of the Air Force, and his record. (10 minutes)

46. Baird (IN): Directs the Secretary of Defense to brief Congress within 90 days on the effectiveness and feasibility of using pulsed lasers to defend against drone swarms in the near term and missile threats in the medium term. (10 minutes)

47. Barr (KY): Includes Blue Grass Army Depot in Section 342 of the underlying text to prohibit the reduction of employed civilian personnel at the Army facility. (10 minutes)

48. Barr (KY): Directs the Department of Defense to assess the national security implications of the reliance on China and other foreign adversaries for the production of shipping containers and to establish a requirement to establish a domestic production facility at an existing Army depot with a consolidated shipping center. (10 minutes)

49. Barrett (MI), Kiggans (VA), Mills (FL), Stauber (MN), Rose (TN), Begich (AK): Requires two reports from the Department of Defense on the installation of certain collision avoidance systems in military rotary-wing aircraft. Identical to H.R. 1898. (10 minutes)

50. Begich (AK): Prevents the Department of Defense from reducing sustainment or shutting down the AN/FPS–108 Cobra Dane radar at Shemya Island, Alaska, until a certified replacement is fully operational. It ensures the radar's availability for combatant commands and preserves its role in missile warning, missile defense, and space surveillance missions. (10 minutes)

51. Bergman (MI): Authorizes funding for Virtual Engineering for Army Readiness and Sustainment. (10 minutes)

52. Bergman (MI): Authorizes funding for Humanitarian Airborne Mobile Infrastructure Capability. (10 minutes)

53. Bergman (MI): Authorizes funding for Fuel Cell Multi-Modular Use Utilizing Hydrogen for Army ground vehicles. (10 minutes)

54. Beyer (VA), Kiggans (VA), Wittman (VA), Goldman (NY): Authorizes a Visitor Education Center adjacent to the 9/11 Pentagon Memorial. (10 minutes)

55. Bice (OK): Authorizes a member of the Armed Forces (without a waiver) to take parental leave during the two-year period after the birth of a child, adoption of a child, or placement of a minor child in the custody of such member. Exempts a member of the Armed Forces from a performance evaluation when such member is taking parental leave that exceeds 31 consecutive days. This is identical to H.R. 10200 (118th Congress) and H.R. 656 (119th Congress). (10 minutes)

56. Biggs (AZ): Prohibits the use of funds to acquire information or communication technology from entities with substantial ownership or control by the People's Republic of China. (10 minutes)

57. Biggs (AZ): Directs the Secretary of Defense to conduct a comprehensive study on the feasibility, costs, and benefits of deploying small modular nuclear reactors (SMRs) at Department of Defense installations. Requires the study to assess potential sites, evaluate benefits to mission readiness and energy resilience, analyze regulatory and safety factors, review pilot projects, and recommend future implementation. (10 minutes)

58. Biggs (AZ), Crane (AZ), Pocan (WI): Requires the Department of Defense to perform an audit. If it fails to, the discretionary budget authority available for the Department of Defense, the military department, or the Defense Agency shall be reduced by .5 percent. (10 minutes)

59. Biggs (SC): Requires the Secretary of Defense in coordination with the Defense Logistics Agency to evaluate the feasibility, safety, and potential benefits of adding creatine supplements to Meals Ready to Eat (MREs). The report will include an assessment of scientific evidence, operational logistics and potential impact on military readiness and performance. (10 minutes)

60. Biggs (SC): Requires that each five-year assessment of STRACNET will include an annex, created in coordination between the Secretary of Defense, Secretary of Transportation, and the Secretary of Homeland Security, with assessment of cybersecurity vulnerabilities to our strategic rail network, recommended fixes, and timelines for implementation. (10 minutes)

61. Biggs (SC): Calls for a study exploring the feasibility of allowing departments and agencies to have critical mineral purchasing and reselling capabilities for the purpose of reducing the bureaucratic burden and increasing the speed of purchasing minerals for projects within those departments and agencies. (10 minutes)

62. Biggs (SC), Bacon (NE), Case (HI): Requires DoD to conduct a study examining the current role of the National Guard in cyber incident response, assessing both federal-level engagements and state-level deployments. The findings should inform recommendations on potential enhancements to the National Guard's cyber response capabilities to ensure a more robust and coordinated national cyber defense strategy. (10 minutes)

63. Biggs (SC), Moylan (GU): Requires an annual update of the list of defense articles that may only be sold via the Foreign Military Sales program versus the Direct Commercial Sales program. It would also enhance reporting requirements to Congress on the review of the FMS Only List. Identical to HR 4216 (119th Congress). (10 minutes)

64. Bilirakis (FL), Turner (OH), Castor (FL), Tenney (NY): Requires the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs to submit to Congress an assessment of whether targeted protection of bone marrow using gamma radiation shielding personal protective equipment (PPE) is likely to reduce the risk of acute radiation syndrome. If it does, the Secretary of Defense shall develop an acquisition plan for procuring this PPE for use by covered personnel. (10 minutes)

65. Boebert (CO): Prohibits the use of funds for non-tactical electric vehicle components produced by child and slave labor. (10 minutes)

66. Boebert (CO): Requires the DoD to report on institutions of higher education that have received DoD funding and hosted a Confucius Institute. (10 minutes)

67. Bost (IL), Tenney (NY), Ciscomani (AZ): Improves the Transition Assistance Program by adding accountability in the program and improving pathways for servicemembers and spouses to take TAP. (10 minutes)

68. Buchanan (FL): Requires the Department of Defense to report to Congress on the threat of fiber optic-controlled drones to US military installations, operations and personnel. This report should evaluate the use of these drones by foreign adversaries for surveillance and targeting. (10 minutes)

69. Buchanan (FL): Requires a GAO report to assess vulnerabilities in U.S. supply chains for critical minerals essential to defense manufacturing, including rare earth elements, lithium, cobalt and nickel. The report should identify current sources, evaluate barriers to expanding mining and processing capacity and recommend actions that federal agencies and Congress should take to incentivize domestic production. (10 minutes)

70. Buchanan (FL): Directs the Secretary of Defense to carry out a pilot program to provide certain members of the Armed Forces with continuous glucose monitoring technology. (10 minutes)

71. Buchanan (FL): Requires the Department of Defense to maintain prescription drop boxes on all military bases to allow for the safe disposal of unused prescription drugs, including opioids. (10 minutes)

72. Buchanan (FL), Tenney (NY): Mandates the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of Commerce, submit a report to Congress that:

1. Identifies the types and estimated number of dual-use technologies developed or manufactured in the United States that have been acquired by entities linked to the Chinese Communist Party over the past 5 years;

2. Describes the primary methods of acquisition;

3. Provides recommendations to strengthen protections against foreign acquisition of dual-use technologies. (10 minutes)

73. Buchanan (FL), Tenney (NY): Requires the Department of Defense to replace the use of dogs, cats, nonhuman primates and

marine mammals in live fire trauma training with advanced simulators, mannequins, cadavers or actors. (10 minutes)

74. Buchanan (FL), Tenney (NY): Prohibits the use of foreign social media platforms on all government-issued devices while on military instillations. (10 minutes)

75. Buchanan (FL), Tenney (NY): Requires the Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, to develop a strategy and report to Congress on their plan to increase the export of domestically manufactured defense-related components and materials. (10 minutes)

76. Burlison (MO): Authorizes the President of the United States to award the Medal of Honor to Gregory McManus for acts of valor while serving in the United States Army. (10 minutes)

77. Cammack (FL): Requires the Secretary of the Navy to report to Congress within 180 days on aviation fleet maintenance backlogs, aircraft availability rates, and plans to reduce downtime, with a specific focus on bases in Florida. (10 minutes)

78. Cammack (FL): Requires the Department of Defense to establish a timeline to achieve a clean financial audit and to submit annual reports to Congress detailing progress and barriers. (10 minutes)

79. Cammack (FL): Authorizes the National Security Agency to support the cybersecurity of the defense industrial base, telecommunications sector, and cybersecurity service providers by sharing cyber threat intelligence, coordinating with the private sector, and providing direct assistance to strengthen defenses and respond to incidents. (10 minutes)

80. Cammack (FL): Directs GAO to conduct a component-level assessment of the Department of Defense's reliance on Chinese-sourced materials in munitions, microelectronics, and energy storage systems, and to provide recommendations for alternative sourcing strategies. (10 minutes)

81. Cammack (FL): Requires the Department of Defense to prioritize partnerships with institutions of higher education conducting research in hypersonics, biotechnology, and artificial intelligence, and to report to Congress within 180 days on existing partnerships in these areas. (10 minutes)

82. Cammack (FL): Requires the Secretary of Defense to report within one year on the interoperability of cyber training programs across the Armed Forces, including the use of standardized curricula and whether establishing a DOD cyber academy would improve preparedness. (10 minutes)

83. Cammack (FL): Directs the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with FEMA, to report annually on National Guard equipment shortfalls in each state, their impact on disaster response (including hurricanes), and recommendations for addressing them through modernization and prepositioning of equipment. (10 minutes)

84. Cammack (FL), Tenney (NY): Directs the Secretary of Defense to expand interagency coordination targeting fentanyl and precursor chemicals, including joint operations with HHS and DOJ, and requires a report to Congress within 180 days identifying gaps in detection, monitoring, and interdiction. (10 minutes)

85. Cammack (FL), Tenney (NY): Directs the Secretary of Defense to assess vulnerabilities in military medical supply chains, including reliance on China for active pharmaceutical ingredients

and medical devices, and report findings to the Armed Services Committees within 180 days. (10 minutes)

86. Carter (TX): Provides the US Armed Forces with a pilot program to conduct military construction with additive manufacturing. (10 minutes)

87. Case (HI): Directs the Army to conduct a study and send Congress a report on options for expanding a reserve contracted wartime sealift capacity in the Indo-Pacific region. (10 minutes)

88. Case (HI): Directs the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment and United States Indo-Pacific Command to carry out a joint study to assess the critical infrastructure investments in Hawaii for any potential conflict-related military needs operations in the Indo-Pacific region. (10 minutes)

89. Case (HI): Directs the GAO to examine how to improve the DOD's foreign exchange programs. Note: This amendment will be updated with minor technical corrections. (10 minutes)

90. Case (HI): Directs the Secretary of the Navy, in coordination with the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command, shall conduct a study to assess the capacity of each United States public and private shipyard, and each foreign shipyard of an allied or partner country, to support battle damage repair in the event of an armed conflict in the Indo-Pacific. (10 minutes)

91. Case (HI), Moylan (GU), King-Hinds (MP), Radewagen (AS), Sherman (CA): Makes Joint Task Force-Micronesia responsible for strengthening community relationships between the U.S. Armed Forces and Freely Associated States (FAS) citizens impacted by military installations, installations, and operating locations in the FAS. (10 minutes)

92. Castor (FL), Bilirakis (FL): Requires the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the Office of Personnel Management, to submit a report assessing the locality pay system for Department of Defense employees. (10 minutes)

93. Castor (FL), Lee (FL): Prohibits funds to be used for the closing of a military treatment facility without an appropriate risk analysis and report to Congress. (10 minutes)

94. Castro (TX), Gonzales (TX), Moylan (GU), Horsford (NV), Casar (TX): Requires the Department of Defense to publicly disclose annual statistics on civilian care at military treatment facilities (MTFs) including: the total civilian medical debt held at each MTF, the number of civilians treated, the number of patients receiving debt waivers or reductions since the modified waiver program was implemented, and the average size of reduced bills. (10 minutes)

95. Ciscomani (AZ): Requires the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development, and Acquisition, to submit to Congress an unclassified report on the plans to develop a configurable, low-cost, expendable electronic warfare capability to support unmanned surface vessel (USV) survivability. This report will include current available capabilities and limitations of USV technology, current available funding, and a list of possible technical requirements. (10 minutes)

96. Cisneros (CA), Begich (AK): Reauthorizes FY23 NDAA program that allowed service secretaries to reimburse home-of-record travel for junior enlisted servicemembers stationed in Alaska. (10 minutes)

97. Cloud (TX): Includes the Corpus Christi Army Depot in Section 342 of the underlying text. (10 minutes)

98. Cloud (TX), Davis (NC), Gonzalez (TX): Authorizes Department of Defense Depots to conduct work for the U.S. Coast Guard on rotary aircraft. (10 minutes)

99. Cloud (TX), Moore (UT), Gonzalez (TX): Authorizes the Secretary of Defense to address outstanding debt and depreciated capital for our Defense Depots and Arsenals due to government-directed mission changes. (10 minutes)

100. Cloud (TX), Moore (UT), Gonzalez (TX): Requires a study and Report to Congress on the effects of Defense Logistics Agency Class IX Recovery Rates on Military Depots and Arsenals. (10 minutes)

101. Courtney (CT): Requires the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on military housing to be monitored for levels of radon, requires service secretaries to establish testing procedures, and requires installations to notify service secretaries of instances of radon mitigation in military housing. (10 minutes)

102. Crane (AZ): Directs the DoD to work with institutions of higher learning to develop a college credit equivalency for special operations with medical training that gives their training and field experience elevated college credits when applying for medical degrees like nursing or a medical doctorate degree. (10 minutes)

103. Crane (AZ): Amends Department of Defense (DoD) Instruction 5505.07 (DoD_Instruct_5505.07_2012.pdf) and any similar, relevant, or updated instructions on titling to mandate that DoD delete, remove, or rescind from the Defense Central Index of Investigations (DCII) or titling file and all relevant material 10-years after a service member leaves/discharged from the armed forces if, the serve member will not be charged with a crime (contained in the DCII or titling file) or court martialed in the next 12-months, unless the service member was found guilty at a court martial for the offenses in the DCII (titling) file. (10 minutes)

104. Crane (AZ): Requires the Secretary of Defense to study the number of forward-deployed DoD civilians exposed to toxic substances in combat zones. The study will assess the types of jobs affected, the benefits and protections currently available (such as health care, workers' compensation, and insurance), and compare them to those provided to service members. It will also examine potential gaps, feasibility of a registry, and options for expanded coverage or compensation, with findings reported to Congress within 180 days. (10 minutes)

105. Davis (NC): Adds two additional alternative smokeless products to Section 748 that the Secretary may allow smokers to use if the Secretary determines to move forward with the pilot program. (10 minutes)

106. Davis (NC), Johnson (TX), Kean (NJ), Tenney (NY): Establishes a pilot program to examine the benefits of virtual reality headsets in supplementing mental health training for military personnel experiencing suicidal ideation and related conditions. (10 minutes)

107. DesJarlais (TN): Requires the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment and the Under Secretary of Energy for Nuclear Security to jointly submit a report on the dismantlement of legacy nuclear weapons. This report shall include a

description of the current plans, identification of materials planned to be recovered, and a summary of the reuse potential, in addition to the assessment of the defense and nondefense needs for recovered materials and the plan for the disposition of any plutonium previously declared to be excess to defense needs. (10 minutes)

108. Dunn (FL), Moolenaar (MI): Requires the Secretary of the Air Force to conduct an assessment of the feasibility and advisability of incorporating additional federal, commercial, or state-operate spaceports into the Department of Defense's national security launch infrastructure. (10 minutes)

109. Dunn (FL), Moolenaar (MI), Case (HI): Requires an annual report on the presence and activities of European Union and NATO militaries in the Indo-Pacific region. Included in this report would be the best available estimate of the total number of land, maritime, and air personnel of both US forces and NATO/EU forces; an analysis of how the presence of the militaries of such countries contributes to deterrence against PRC aggression, including a discussion of posture, capability, multilateral operations, and strategic signaling effects. (10 minutes)

110. Dunn (FL), Moolenaar (MI), Tokuda (HI), Tenney (NY), Castor (FL): Requires the Defense Health Agency to conduct a supply chain risk assessment and develop and maintain a list of critical medical products that rely on covered items originating from China. (10 minutes)

111. Edwards (NC): Requires the Department of Defense to submit an annual report to the Administrator of the General Services Administration on certain office space occupancy data. Requires the Secretary of Defense to draft and finalize written procedures to govern the return of unused office space to the General Services Administration. (10 minutes)

112. Edwards (NC): Requires the Department of Defense to conduct an assessment of the western most counties in North Carolina as potential locations for future defense assets and to prepare a report for Congress. (10 minutes)

113. Elfreth (MD), Scott, Austin (GA), McCormick (GA): Raises the maximum number of years of service required for eligibility for the Funded Legal Education Program, allowing more enlisted members the opportunity to become lawyers in the military. Current maximums prevent qualified enlisted members from participating. (10 minutes)

114. Ellzey (TX), Womack (AR), Pfluger (TX), Van Orden (WI), Franklin (FL): Revises Title 10 to achieve parity across the US Service Academies by requiring the Director of Admissions of the US Naval Academy to be a uniformed officer, not a civilian. (10 minutes)

115. Evans (CO): Requires the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment to conduct a comprehensive security assessment of non-domestic additive manufacturing equipment and associated software which supplies the defense industrial base. (10 minutes)

116. Ezell (MS): Adds language to match the Senate version of the NDAA included language supporting sea launch of missile defense targets. (10 minutes)

117. Ezell (MS), Kelly (MS), Guest (MS): Authorizes $3M in FY2026 for SOCOM Program Element 1160405BB to procure ultra-

light (<6 lb) Group-1 small unmanned aerial systems (sUAS). Mirrors verbatim the Senate NDAA report (S. 2296—S. Rept. 119–39). Special Operations Forces need agile, resilient tools to sustain dominance in contested environments. (10 minutes)

118. Fallon (TX): Authorizes the Defense Health Agency to use Defense Health Program and Army medical readiness funds to procure, pre-position, and sustain medical countermeasures such as vaccines, therapeutics, diagnostics, and advanced wound care products for deployed forces. It also requires the Secretary of Defense to report annually for three years on the types, locations, and shortfalls of such countermeasures provided. (10 minutes)

119. Finstad (MN), Wittman (VA), Kiggans (VA), Courtney (CT): Authorizes the use of contracts using cost-plus incentive-fee contracting for certain military construction projects associated with the Shipyard Infrastructure Optimization Program of the Department of Defense. (10 minutes)

120. Fitzgerald (WI): Requires DoD, SBA, and IRS to report on resources available to small businesses for Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) compliance. (10 minutes)

121. Fitzpatrick (PA), Vasquez (NM), Pappas (NH), Leger Fernandez (NM): Establishes within the DoD a Coordinator for Engagement with PFAS Impacted Defense Communities. (10 minutes)

122. Fong (CA): Requires an assessment on the health care services available to the military and civilian personnel workforce at NAWS China Lake. (10 minutes)

123. Fong (CA): Requires a biennial assessment of the Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division. (10 minutes)

124. Fong (CA): Extends the biennial assessment of the Air Force Test Center. (10 minutes)

125. Frost (FL), Horsford (NV): Requires an annual report for 4 years on taxpayer money saved through oversight of fraud, waste, and abuse in defense spending. (10 minutes)

126. Fry (SC): Establishes a permanent magnet traceability pilot program to validate domestic supply chain integrity for rare earths and critical materials, including examples from mine to magnet and from end-of-life recycled products to magnet. The pilot program under which the Department of Defense shall validate the sources of rare earth elements and critical materials used in permanent magnets used by the Department, including sources of recycled rare earth elements and critical materials used in such permanent magnets, to ensure the accuracy of the information reported by contractors providing such permanent magnets to the Department and the integrity of the supply chains for such permanent magnets against foreign adversaries. (10 minutes)

127. Fry (SC): Requires the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency, to submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a report on the Department's efforts to prioritize the recovery of rare earth elements from end-of-life Department of Defense equipment through the Strategic Materials Recovery and Reuse Program, not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act. (10 minutes)

128. Garbarino (NY), Morelle (NY), McClain Delaney (MD): Requires the Army provide a report to Congress on funding plans for any new tactical communications procurements before full radio

communications funding shall be accessible, as well as how new procurements will meet resiliency and encryption requirements and ensure interoperability with currently fielded systems. (10 minutes)

129. Gillen (NY): Directs the Defense Department to issue recommendations to improve the transition of Air Traffic Controllers in the Armed Forces to civilian Air Traffic Control Occupations. (10 minutes)

130. Gimenez (FL): Authorizes conveyance of land at Naval Air Station Key West to be eligible for local township development. (10 minutes)

131. Goldman (NY), Bacon (NE), Kaptur (OH), Bell (MO), Min (CA), Cohen (TN), Panetta (CA), Budzinski (IL), Thanedar (MI): Requires a report on Russia's sabotage operations against US, NATO allies and partners, specifically with regard to industrial, commercial, and military targets. (10 minutes)

132. Gonzales (TX): Directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on delays in the accreditation of Sensitive Compartmented Information Facilities, including current timelines, causes of delays, and recommendations to ensure timely accreditation. (10 minutes)

133. Gonzales (TX): Directs the Secretary of Defense to brief Congress on housing and quality-of-life needs for servicemembers deployed in support of Joint Task Force—Southern Border. (10 minutes)

134. Gonzales (TX): Requires the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of Homeland Security with respect to the Coast Guard, to report on staffing levels and access to child development centers across the Armed Forces. (10 minutes)

135. Gonzales (TX): Requires the Secretary of Defense to report on the adequacy of commissaries and dining facilities at military installations supporting critical national security missions, with an assessment of impacts on servicemember readiness, morale, and retention. (10 minutes)

136. Gonzales (TX), Castro (TX), Roy (TX), Cuellar (TX), Casar (TX): Directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a report on the proposed consolidation of U.S. Army North and U.S. Army South into a Western Hemisphere Command and provide a detailed analysis of potential headquarters locations, with specific consideration of San Antonio's operational, strategic, and infrastructure advantages. (10 minutes)

137. Gonzales (TX), Tenney (NY), Alford (MO), Ciscomani (AZ), Crank (CO): Authorizes the award of an Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, to be known as the "Operation Midnight Hammer Medal," to eligible personnel who served during the 2025 Iran-Israel conflict, including Operation Midnight Hammer. (10 minutes)

138. Gonzalez (TX), Garcia (TX), Casar (TX): Requires the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to Congress on how many missing service members found deceased over the last 10 years were first designated as "Absent Without Leave (AWOL)" or "Unauthorized Absence (UA)" instead of "Duty Status Whereabouts Unknown (DUSTWUN)." (10 minutes)

139. Gosar (AZ): Authorizes Department of Defense employees at Yuma Proving Ground to use nonelectric vehicles in the performance of their official duties. (10 minutes)

140. Gosar (AZ): Requires expeditious disclosure of all records relating to the January 28, 2024, attack on Tower 22 in Jordan. (10 minutes)

141. Gosar (AZ): Requires a report on the sources of rare earth materials and elements extracted, processed, and refined to support new technologies of the DOD. (10 minutes)

142. Gottheimer (NJ): Requires a briefing on the NATO Procurement and Supply Agency (NPSA) procurement exposure and supply chain risks with respect to China. (10 minutes)

143. Gottheimer (NJ): Requires a study on steps Israel, the U.S., and Egypt can take to enhance international security measures on the border between Gaza and Egypt to ensure Hamas and other actors cannot use tunnels or methods via the Mediterranean Sea to smuggle weapons and illicit goods. Additionally, report will outline/map existing tunnel networks. (10 minutes)

144. Gottheimer (NJ), Moylan (GU), Harder (CA): Increases funding for the National Defense Education Program by $5 million to strengthen and expand STEM education opportunities and workforce initiatives targeted at military students. (10 minutes)

145. Harris (MD): Allows anesthesia to be covered by TRICARE for in-office dental procedures for pediatric dentistry. (10 minutes)

146. Hayes (CT): Requires a review and the update of online information relating to suicide prevention and behavioral health. (10 minutes)

147. Hill (AR): Requires the Secretary of the Air Force to submit a written report about the Air National Guard C–130J Formal Training Unit. (10 minutes)

148. Hill (AR): Supports the accreditation of the National Guard Marksmanship Training Center located at Robinson Maneuver Training Center, Arkansas. (10 minutes)

149. Himes (CT): Require annual reporting on Department of Defense use of AI tools to modernize its business practices, in an effort to ensure it's being done in a cost-effective and market-informed way. (10 minutes)

150. Hinson (IA), Pettersen (CO): Modifies requirements for prime contractors of certain telecommunications contracts. (10 minutes)

151. Horsford (NV), Bacon (NE), Houlahan (PA), Kiggans (VA), Lee (NV), Harder (CA), Moylan (GU): Directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a report assessing the adequacy of Permanent Change of Station (PCS) move reimbursements. (10 minutes)

152. Horsford (NV), Bacon (NE), Houlahan (PA), Lee (NV), Moylan (GU): Directs the Department of Defense to study the unique mental health effects of Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPA) combat operations and recommend improvements to support services for affected personnel. (10 minutes)

153. Horsford (NV), Lee (NV): Directs the Secretary of the Air Force to submit a report to Congress on the sustainment and modernization needs of the United States Air Force Thunderbirds, including readiness and future platform considerations. (10 minutes)

154. Houchin (IN): Modifies language in the FY2026 NDAA to prioritize the deployment of advanced nuclear reactor technology at installations. (10 minutes)

155. Houlahan (PA), Bilirakis (FL), Khanna (CA), Sessions (TX): Directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a strategy on the na-

tional security implications of emerging biotechnologies. (10 minutes)

156. Hudson (NC): Provides funding for the development, test, and integration of adaptable radar capabilities. (10 minutes)

157. Hudson (NC): Provides funding for advanced drone development for Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict. (10 minutes)

158. Huizenga (MI), Tenney (NY): Expresses that each NATO member state should annually commit to providing, at a minimum, 3.5 percent of GDP to core defense spending and an additional 1.5 percent of GDP to defense-related infrastructure spending to ensure NATO military readiness. (10 minutes)

159. Huizenga (MI), Wittman (VA), Tenney (NY): Requires the Secretary of Defense to compile a report and global mapping of the PRC's efforts to build or buy strategic foreign ports. (10 minutes)

160. Issa (CA): Directs the Department of Defense (and the Department of Homeland Security when the Coast Guard is not operating as part of the Navy) to establish standardized procedures granting unescorted access to military installations for eligible Surviving Gold Star Family Members. (10 minutes)

161. Issa (CA), Jackson (TX), Franklin (FL), Messmer (IN), Levin (CA), Calvert (CA), Salazar (FL), Obernolte (CA), Thompson (CA), Higgins (LA), Fallon (TX): Awards the Congressional Medal of Honor to E. Royce Williams for acts of valor during the Korean War. (10 minutes)

162. Jackson (IL): Directs the Secretary of Defense to assess Russian private military corporations' human rights violations in Africa, including human rights violations against religious groups, and assess the extent to which the Russian military and Russian private military corporations are collaborating with the People's Republic of China (PRC) to secure mining assets that are linked to the PRC. (10 minutes)

163. Jackson (TX): Authorizes the Administrator for Nuclear Security to accelerate and modernize material staging capabilities to replace aged, over-subscribed facilities at the Pantex plant. (10 minutes)

164. Jackson (TX): Revises the grade of the Attending Physician to the Congress to that of 0–6 and removes exclusions for the Attending Physician to the Congress from the distribution of commissioned officers on active duty for the armed forces. (10 minutes)

165. Joyce (OH): Authorizes Project Spectrum, a DoD Small Business Office program launched under the first Trump Administration that provides grants to small businesses to help them shore up their cybersecurity so they can compete for DoD contracts. (10 minutes)

166. Joyce (OH): Requires the Department of Defense (DoD) to carry out a two-year pilot program to insert suicide prevention resources onto smart devices issued to members of the Armed Forces and to provide training on these resources. (10 minutes)

167. Joyce (OH), Titus (NV): Directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a report outlining a plan to establish and disseminate a clear definition of the reenlistment waiver process. The report should clarify that existing enlistment standards allow waivers for individuals seeking to reenlist after a positive tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) toxicology test and assess the feasi-

bility of contacting those previously denied for legal cannabis use. (10 minutes)

168. Joyce (PA): Requires a briefing from the Chief of Staff of the Army to the House Armed Services Committee on the sustainment plan for Army's Directed Energy Programs of Record. (10 minutes)

169. Kean (NJ): Updates the definition of conventional ammunition to include lethal or non-lethal armed/attack unmanned aerial vehicle/systems. (10 minutes)

170. Keating (MA), Aderholt (AL), Bergman (MI): Requires the update and preservation of memorials to Chaplains at Arlington National Cemetery by the Secretary of the Army. (10 minutes)

171. Kelly (IL): Expands the period of eligibility for the Military OneSource program from 12-months to 18-months upon retirement, discharge, or release. (10 minutes)

172. Kelly (IL): Establishes a pilot program to provide a nutrition rating system through the Commissary CLICK2GO mobile application that indicates the overall nutritional value of foods based of nutrient density and ingredient quality. (10 minutes)

173. Kiggans (VA): Requires the Department of Defense to provide TRICARE beneficiaries with timely electronic notices before any coverage transition requirement takes effect, to ensure servicemembers and their families are fully informed of enrollment changes such as aging into TRICARE for Life. (10 minutes)

174. Kiggans (VA), Davis (NC), Horsford (NV), McCormick (GA), Moylan (GU), Panetta (CA), Bacon (NE), Randall (WA): Directs DoD to submit a report to Congress by March 1, 2026, evaluating the costs, savings, and family impacts of reducing the frequency of PCS moves and Navy sea/shore rotations. The report will identify where extended tours are feasible and provide recommendations to inform future reforms aimed at improving stability for military families while maintaining readiness. (10 minutes)

175. King-Hinds (MP): Authorizes the use of funds under the Innovative Readiness Training program for the procurement of supplies and materials necessary to complete ongoing training activities. (10 minutes)

176. King-Hinds (MP): Includes the Northern Mariana Islands as an eligible location for the overhaul, repair, and maintenance of naval vessels. (10 minutes)

177. King-Hinds (MP), Moylan (GU), Case (HI): Requires a study of the Defense Access Road Program current authorities and limitations preventing routine maintenance. (10 minutes)

178. Krishnamoorthi (IL): Requires the Secretary of Defense to analyze the proliferation of Chinese medical equipment in DOD facilities and other DOD contexts. (10 minutes)

179. Krishnamoorthi (IL), Johnson (SD), Case (HI), Moylan (GU): Requires the Department of Defense to develop and implement a strategy to enhance defense industrial cooperation between the United States and allies and partners of the United States in the Indo-Pacific region over the next 5 years, including incorporating lessons learned from defense industrial cooperation initiatives with European allies and identifying priority armaments for joint development, production, or sustainment with Indo-Pacific allies and partners including Taiwan. (10 minutes)

180. Krishnamoorthi (IL), Stefanik (NY): Prohibits heads of executive agencies from procuring or operating and federal funds from

being used to procure or operate covered unmanned ground vehicle systems that are manufactured or assembled by a covered foreign entity with exemptions in the national interest of the United States. (10 minutes)

181. LaLota (NY): Requires DOD in consultation with DHS to conduct a study on potential adjustments to Basic Allowance for Housing calculations, including costs, savings, and impacts on quality of life, recruitment, and retention, with special attention to unique geographic areas such as Montauk and Shinnecock, NY, and Nantucket, MA, and to report findings to Congress within 180 days. (10 minutes)

182. Lawler (NY), Norton (DC), Harder (CA): Recognizes former Cadet Nurses' service to the country and provide them with honorary veterans status, honorable discharges, a service medal, a burial plaque or grave marker, and other privileges. (10 minutes)

183. Lee (NV): Authorizes the Department of Defense to provide retention incentive pay to enlisted servicemembers that have a college degree in a field related to their military specialty to help improve recruitment and retention. (10 minutes)

184. Lee (NV): Requires the delivery of a report on DoD's progress to meeting DFARS Case 2021–D015 (Restriction of Certain Metal Products), which bans the DoD from sourcing magnets from covered entities (e.g., China) over two phases which conclude with a full ban on 1 January 2027. (10 minutes)

185. Lee (NV): Requires the submission of a report to Congress outlining the cost, schedule, and implementation plan to establish classified and unclassified communication enclaves between the DoD and Congress as annotated in the 2024 PPBE reform commission's final report. (10 minutes)

186. Lee (NV), Fields (LA), Sorensen (IL), Fleischmann (TN), Case (HI), Davids (KS), Bergman (MI): Establishes a data sharing process to enable states to access military enlistment data to better inform high school students and educators on military careers and more accurately track the outcome of students who choose a career in the military after graduation. Identical to H.R. 9925 introduced in the 118th Congress, and HR 1573 introduced in the 119th Congress. (10 minutes)

187. Lee (NV), Horsford (NV): Designates Creech Air Force Base, Indian Springs, Nevada, as a remote or isolated installation. (10 minutes)

188. Lee (NV), Horsford (NV): Requires the delivery of a report from DoD outlining ongoing encroachment management projects, landscape partnerships, and stakeholder engagements to ensure the long term viability of the Nevada Test and Training Range (NTTR). (10 minutes)

189. Levin (CA), Kiggans (VA): Lowers threshold for the Secretary to provide a temporary BAH adjustment for area cost-of-living increases from 20% to 15%, and makes the Secretary's temporary BAH adjustment authority permanent. Identical to H.R. 4060 (119th Congress). (10 minutes)

190. Levin (CA), Van Orden (WI), Harder (CA): Adds to DoD Transition Assistance Program (TAP) counseling pathway factors. (10 minutes)

191. Liccardo (CA): States that it should be the policy of the Department of Defense to ensure that requirements management ca-

pabilities used in acquisition programs are open, interoperable, vendor agnostic and reflect modern software engineering practices, and requires DoD to update acquisition and contracting guidance accordingly. (10 minutes)

192. Luttrell (TX): Directs the Secretary of Defense to carry out activities to support the research, development, implementation, and oversight of unattended robotic process automation within the Department of Defense. (10 minutes)

193. Luttrell (TX), Crank (CO), Crow (CO), Schmidt (KS), Guthrie (KY): Provides $35M in flight hour funding for the Expeditionary Combat Aviation Brigades. (10 minutes)

194. Mace (SC): Provides that statutory exceptions to DoD Buy America procurement requirements shall not apply with respect to the procurement of fish, shellfish, or a seafood product. (10 minutes)

195. Mackenzie (PA): Requires an updated study on opioid prescribing to ensure health professionals in the military health system conform with clinical practice guidelines and other guidance provided by the CDC and FDA. (10 minutes)

196. Magaziner (RI), Amo (RI): Requires a report on the development and integration of next-generation fuel cells into the rotorcraft fleets of the Army, Navy, and Air Force. (10 minutes)

197. McCormick (GA): Directs the Secretary of Defense to report to Congress on the strategic importance and potential expansion of the US Bahrain Comprehensive Security Integration and Prosperity Agreement signed on September 13, 2023. (10 minutes)

198. Messmer (IN): Provides $50,000,000 in RDT&E for the development of a quantum communications corridor linking certain Department of Defense installations, national laboratories, and universities conducting Department of Defense research. Reduces $50,000,000 from O&M Force Readiness Operations Support, Line070. (10 minutes)

199. Miller (OH): Requires the Secretary of the Navy to submit a report to Congressional Defense Committees detailing the Navy's strategy for procuring two submarine cable laying and repair ships following the decommissioning of the USNS Zeus. The report shall include a description of the full scope of planned capabilities for the vessels, the projected procurement timeline, and an explanation of how the Navy plans to fulfill the Zeus's capabilities in the interim between its decommissioning and the operation of the new vessels. (10 minutes)

200. Miller (WV), Khanna (CA): Requires the Secretary of the Navy to submit to the congressional defense committees a report on evaluation of the experimentation underway by the Naval Information Warfare Center Atlantic and the United States Fourth Fleet on behalf of United States Naval Forces Southern Command that would provide MOCs with machine-assisted dynamic bandwidth allocation and advanced computing power throughout their network architecture to manage vast hybrid sensor constellations conducting activity-based maritime domain awareness. (10 minutes)

201. Mills (FL), Gooden (TX), Cloud (TX), McGuire (VA), Davis (NC), Gonzalez (TX): Establishes a pilot program to evaluate commercially available, next-generation Health and Usage Monitoring

Systems (HUMS) within Marine Corps rotary wing assets. (10 minutes)

202. Mills (FL), Gooden (TX), Cloud (TX), McGuire (VA), Davis (NC), Gonzalez (TX): Establishes a pilot program to evaluate commercially available, next-generation Health and Usage Monitoring Systems (HUMS) within Army rotary wing assets. (10 minutes)

203. Moolenaar (MI): Directs the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, to submit an annual report analyzing arms sales facilitated by entities in the People's Republic of China, including their technical capabilities, proliferation risks, and impact on U.S. interests. Requires the report to include a strategy developed by the Secretary of State and Secretary of Defense to dissuade purchases of new Chinese weapons systems and defense equipment, including reforms to U.S. sales processes, information campaigns, and potential deterrent measures. (10 minutes)

204. Moolenaar (MI), Bergman (MI): Authorizes $5 million through RDTE for Smart Susceptor Technology and offset by decreasing the Washington Headquarters Services account. (10 minutes)

205. Moolenaar (MI), Dunn (FL), Tenney (NY): Directs the Secretary of Defense to develop and maintain a classified and prioritized list of high-risk DoD critical infrastructure dependent on materials or components from foreign countries of concern and conduct a comprehensive risk assessment. Requires biennial classified briefings to Congress with findings, strategies, and recommendations to strengthen supply chain resilience and reduce reliance on vulnerable foreign sources. (10 minutes)

206. Moolenaar (MI), Krishnamoorthi (IL), LaHood (IL), Luttrell (TX), Fitzpatrick (PA), Gottheimer (NJ), Goodlander (NH): Directs the Department of Defense to establish an initiative to prepare to fully harness the transformative potential of advanced artificial intelligence, modernize adoption plans, assess the national security and defense implications of advanced artificial intelligence, and analyze strategic competition factors relating to the People's Republic of China's pursuit of advanced artificial intelligence. (10 minutes)

207. Moore (NC): Directs the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition to prepare a report to be submitted to Congress to later than March 2026.The report must detail the Department of Defense's (DoD) current supply and future needs for lithium, assessing its use in military electronics, vehicles, weapons, and advanced systems like unmanned vessels and AI data centers. It must also evaluate potential supply chain risks and the feasibility of partnering with commercial industry to secure a stable domestic supply of lithium. (10 minutes)

208. Moore (UT), Scott, Austin (GA), Cloud (TX), Gonzalez (TX), Murphy (NC), Tokuda (HI), Sorensen (IL): Modifies the definition of defense industrial base facility for purposes of direct hire authority to include supporting agencies and units of the same military installation/base. (10 minutes)

209. Moulton (MA): Expands Other Transaction Authority (OTA) for the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA). (10 minutes)

210. Moulton (MA), Valadao (CA): Directs the milestone decision authority for the Next Generation Polar Overhead Persistent Infra-

red satellite program to revise the acquisition strategy for such program to include the auxiliary payload (commonly referred to "APS–A") in the program of record. (10 minutes)

211. Moylan (GU): Requires report on military housing in Guam. (10 minutes)

212. Moylan (GU): Requires a report on ship repair in Guam. (10 minutes)

213. Moylan (GU), Case (HI): Directs the release of an unclassified summary of certain independent assessments of the Guam missile defense system. (10 minutes)

214. Moylan (GU), Tokuda (HI): Adjusts authorities for DoD civilian retention bonuses in Guam. (10 minutes)

215. Neguse (CO): Requires DOD to provide a review to Congress on average timelines for service members to receive an electronic copy of their medical records and develop minimum standards to ensure service members receive their records within a reasonable period. (10 minutes)

216. Neguse (CO): Directs Space Command to Coordinate with DHS and DEA to track fentanyl trafficking using satellite technology. (10 minutes)

217. Neguse (CO): Requires an OIG Report on the transition to TriWest for the TRICARE West Region, which will include implementation standards to prevent any future issues with transitions. (10 minutes)

218. Neguse (CO): Requires the DoD to report to Congress who is on the military housing waiting list and why certain members have been placed on the list. This is currently not done and DoD has been unable to explain why certain service members are on the housing waitlist. (10 minutes)

219. Neguse (CO), Wilson (SC), Ciscomani (AZ), Tenney (NY), Harder (CA): Extends the Vietnam Veteran Commemoration Program, which honors and recognizes Vietnam veterans for their service. (10 minutes)

220. Nunn (IA): Directs the DOD to conduct an analysis of the tools currently available to combat the impact and threat of adversarial AI-capabilities. The rapid development of AI by the CCP has raised concerns over the security of America's operational security, our cyber networks, and components of our autonomous weapon systems. Taking inventory of the current deterrence measures on hand will allow the DOD to protect the DIB and modernize its cyber response in a more efficient manner. (10 minutes)

221. Nunn (IA), Davis (NC): Prohibits the Department of Defense from procuring, acquiring or utilizing any blockchain network infrastructure originating from a company or individual stemming from an entity or country of concern. Specifically, this bill aims to tackle the CCP's continued investment in distributed ledger technology. (10 minutes)

222. Nunn (IA), Davis (NC): Requires the Secretary of Defense to submit to Congress a report outlining the status of integrated air and missile defense in the CENTOM AOR, particularly Israel. This report is requested so U.S. and Israeli military commanders can update their operational plans in relation to drone attacks, THAD missile production capabilities, and further expansion of Iron Dome, David's Sling, and Iron Beam capabilities. (10 minutes)

223. Nunn (IA), Davis (NC), Gottheimer (NJ): Directs the Secretary of Defense to work with our counterparts in the Israeli Ministry of Defense to establish a DIU field office within Israeli territory. This effort increases hands-on RDT&E, allows for faster communication, provides live feedback from the field, and shortens go-to-market time for new defense products. This effort is a continuation of 22 U.S.C. § 8606. United States-Israel cooperation on energy, water, homeland security, agriculture, and alternative fuel technologies, in particular under the Statutory Note Strategic Partnership on Defense Industrial Priorities Between the United States and Israel. (10 minutes)

224. Nunn (IA), Horsford (NV): Directs the Undersecretary of Defense, Acquisitions and Sustainment to develop a spend plan of up to $20 million for the Services' towards a comprehensive set of advanced manufacturing practices including AI-optimized robotic forming, additive and subtractive manufacturing, and advanced materials and processing practices for hypersonic research and development. Building factories of the future require software-defined, artificial intelligence (AI)-driven, off-the-shelf commercial solutions to carry out different manufacturing operations in consolidated manufacturing platforms, deployable at the point of need. (10 minutes)

225. Nunn (IA), Norcross (NJ): Expands private capital financing opportunities for programs with Priority Ratings under the Defense Priorities and Allocation System (DPAS) by allowing private credit providers the ability to alleviate defense industrial base (DIB) constraints. This effort spearheads reform by making clear that financing partners participating in this program are not considered contractors and allowing contractors participating in this program to account for the cost of financing in their compliance with FAR/DFAR. (10 minutes)

226. Nunn (IA), Ryan (NY): Formalizes the Defense Innovation Unit's (DIU) Joint Reserve Detachment (JRD). The DIU JRD is responsible for the operational employment of DIU Reservists to support and advise Combatant Commands and the Joint Forces within their areas of operation, as well as for supporting critical DIU missions in furthering the cutting edge of technology partnerships through the active leverage of reservists with experience in both the tech sector and the military. This effort will permanently bring leaders in the private sector into the fold to coordinate on military technology objectives and procurement improvements. (10 minutes)

227. Nunn (IA), Tokuda (HI), Moolenaar (MI), Case (HI): Amends Section 1248 of the FY22 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) by extending and expanding the Department of Defense's annual assessments of Taiwan's military readiness, regional allied responses, and U.S. contingency planning in the face of rising CCP aggression. (10 minutes)

228. Nunn (IA), Tokuda (HI), Moolenaar (MI), Min (CA): Directs the Secretary of Defense to establish a strategic defense technology partnership between the rapid acquisition offices of the DOD and the Taiwan Ministry of National Defense. The partnership will collaborate on defense technology objectives, defense industrial base modernization, measures to counter the CCP in the INOPACOM region, and access to new markets for American defense technology companies. (10 minutes)

229. Obernolte (CA): Requires the Secretaries of the military branches to guarantee that all beginner motorcycle safety trainings provided to service members stationed on base must meet the motorcycle safety requirements/curriculum for licensing for the State in which the military installation is located to ease the burden on soldiers, sailors, and marines. (10 minutes)

230. Obernolte (CA): Directs DOD to assess demand, identify supply chain gaps, and recommend reforms to strengthen domestic product ion of turbojet pyrotechnic. (10 minutes)

231. Obernolte (CA): Directs the Undersecretary for Acquisition and Sustainment to establish procedures that prioritize sourcing from and securing an integrated boron supply chain, from mining, to processing, to advanced material manufacturing, from U.S.-domiciled, U.S.-based facilities for use in military applications. (10 minutes)

232. Obernolte (CA): Requires the Air Force to report on their efforts and work with local municipalities to find potential solutions to the water plume contamination from base activity at former George Air Force Base that do not place the burden of cleanup on the local communities surrounding the base or unduly restrict economic development opportunities for those communities. (10 minutes)

233. Ogles (TN): Requires the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State and the DNI to conduct a continual assessment of the impact of arms embargoes, sanctions, restrictions, or limitations imposed by foreign states or international organizations on Israel's defense capabilities. (10 minutes)

234. Ogles (TN): Orders a report identifying obstacles to US assistance in strengthening Taiwan's self-defense capabilities. (10 minutes)

235. Ogles (TN), Tenney (NY): Directs the Secretary of Defense to invite Taiwan to participate in RIMPAC exercises. (10 minutes)

236. Owens (UT), Moore (UT), Kennedy (UT): Requires report language on the plan of the Department of the Army to require and accelerate the fielding of Link 16 military tactical data networking capabilities throughout the Army, including on UH–60M and CH–47F aircraft. (10 minutes)

237. Panetta (CA): Authorizes Thomas Helmut Griffin to receive the Medal of Honor for acts of valor as a member of the Army during the Vietnam War. (10 minutes)

238. Panetta (CA), Scott, Austin (GA): Conducts a tabletop exercise to test the resiliency and integration of communal and military assets to defend against shared threats, from cyber attacks to extreme weather events. (10 minutes)

239. Panetta (CA), Scott, Austin (GA): Directs USSOCOM to create an Arctic Strategy focused on the use of Special Operations Forces to streamline readiness and project strength in the Arctic. (10 minutes)

240. Panetta (CA), Scott, Austin (GA): Directs USD for P&R to submit a report assessing oculometric biomarker monitoring technologies to support mission sets of the Department of Defense regarding brain health. (10 minutes)

241. Panetta (CA), Scott, Austin (GA), Harder (CA), Tran (CA): Reviews how the Defense Department calculates cost of living ad-

justment (COLA), specifically in high-cost areas of California. (10 minutes)

242. Panetta (CA), Wilson (SC), Zinke (MT), Nunn (IA), Tenney (NY), Gottheimer (NJ): Directs the Director of the Defense Innovation Unit (DIU) to support the development of low-cost, easily scalable, and rapidly deployable technologies to counter internet shutdowns or limitations on network access abroad, particularly those imposed by adversary countries such as Iran. (10 minutes)

243. Pappas (NH), Carter (TX): Requires the Department of Defense to submit a comprehensive report outlining its strategy for the research, development, and deployment of Friction Stir Additive Manufacturing (FSAM) technologies. (10 minutes)

244. Pfluger (TX): Establishes a a pilot program on psychological performance training at USAFA to improve readiness, resilience, and mental health of cadets. (10 minutes)

245. Pfluger (TX), Carter (TX): Amends restrictions placed on the land transferred from the Army (Fort Hood) in Section 2848(a) of the FY 2005 NDAA. (10 minutes)

246. Pfluger (TX), Davis (NC), Tenney (NY): Requires the Secretary of Defense to revoke security clearances for former personnel of the DOD who engage in lobbying activities on behalf of China. (10 minutes)

247. Pfluger (TX), Latta (OH): Prohibits Treasury from charging interest on funds borrowed under section 5404(c) of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 2451). (10 minutes)

248. Pfluger (TX), Turner (OH), Case (HI), Moylan (GU): Directs DoD to conduct a study of U.S. mobilization and sustainment readiness for a major Indo-Pacific conflict with emphasis on reserve forces mobilization. It must assess logistics, vulnerabilities, and allied coordination, and inventory civilian skills in the Reserve Components. (10 minutes)

249. Plaskett (VI): Requires the Department of Defense to study and report to Congress on the readiness of the Henry E. Rohlsen Airport, located on St. Croix, for use by the United States Air Force. The report must provide recommendations to improve the infrastructure and facilities at, and in the immediate vicinity of, the airport to support use of the airport for regional security missions, emergency actions and SOUTHCOM regional priorities. (10 minutes)

250. Randall (WA): Directs the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation (OLDCC), to submit a report to the congressional defense committees within 180 days of enactment assessing barriers to Tribal participation in the Defense Community Infrastructure Program (DCIP) and related initiatives.

The report shall: Provide an overview of infrastructure needs in defense-adjacent Tribal communities. Analyze statutory and regulatory limitations to Tribal eligibility under 10 U.S.C. § 2391. Recommend legislative or programmatic changes to improve Tribal access, including possible amendments to existing law or the establishment of complementary programs. (10 minutes)

251. Randall (WA), Kiggans (VA), Goodlander (NH): Directs the Department of Defense to implement the Comptroller General's

recommendations from the October 30, 2024 report, "Military Housing: DOD Should Address Critical Supply and Affordability Challenges for Service Members" (GAO–25–106208). (10 minutes)

252. Randall (WA), Moylan (GU): Expresses the Sense of Congress that the Defense Community Infrastructure Program (DCIP) should be robustly funded to meet demand and address the program's consistent oversubscription. DCIP provides critical off-base infrastructure that enhances military readiness, supports quality of life for service members and their families, and strengthens community-military resilience. (10 minutes)

253. Rose (TN), Fulcher (ID): Requires the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the House and Senate Committees on Armed Services on the fraud scheme perpetrated by Janet Yamanaka Mello, a civilian employee of the Department of the Army who was indicted and pleaded guilty to stealing over $100 million in 4–H Military Partnership Grant program funds. (10 minutes)

254. Scholten (MI): Directs the Department of Defense to provide Congress with an overview of the types of contracts that are not set-aside for small business competitions despite the value falling under the Simplified Acquisition Threshold. (10 minutes)

255. Schweikert (AZ): Directs the Department of Defense to utilize artificial intelligence in the audit of its financial statements with the goal of achieving a clean audit opinion for the first time. (10 minutes)

256. Schweikert (AZ): Authorizes the use of artificial intelligence in the weapon inventory system for the Department of Defense, for the purpose of creating accurate inventory records. (10 minutes)

257. Scott (VA), Kiggans (VA), Sanchez (CA), Wittman (VA), McClellan (VA): Requires the Department of Defense to submit a report on the status of the Interagency Regional Coordinator for Resilience Pilot Project. (10 minutes)

258. Scott, Austin (GA): Expresses the sense of Congress that the Secretary of the Navy should name an aircraft carrier USS United States. (10 minutes)

259. Scott, Austin (GA): Amends 32 USC 508(d)(13) by adding Young Marines, Naval Sea Cadet Corps, and the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary to the list of youth and charitable organizations eligible to receive assistance. (10 minutes)

260. Scott, Austin (GA): Amends Section 152(b)(1)(B) of title 10, United States Code, to make the Chief of the National Guard Bureau eligible to be appointed Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. (10 minutes)

261. Scott, Austin (GA): Requires each company with $1 billion of revenue or greater seeking a contract with DOD to provide data relating to the numbers of veterans hired in the past 12 and 36 months and that number still with that company 12 and 24 months after hiring—to focus on veteran hiring AND retention. (10 minutes)

262. Scott, Austin (GA): Makes a technical correction to Section 354 of the bill in regards to the USS ConstitutionNaval History & Heritage Command Detachment Boston and adds the Hampton Roads Naval Museum. (10 minutes)

263. Scott, Austin (GA): Requires The Secretary of Defense to develop and implement a strategy to eliminate the reliance of the De-

partment of Defense on any covered nation to acquire computer displays by January 1, 2030. (10 minutes)

264. Scott, Austin (GA): Establishes a system of official Air Force and Space Force museums within the Department of the Air Force. (10 minutes)

265. Scott, Austin (GA), Tenney (NY): Prohibits the Secretary of Defense from entering into, renewing, or extending a contract or other agreement for the procurement of organic light emitting diode (OLED) display technologies that are fabricated in a foreign adversary, by a foreign adversary entity, or by a covered OLED display technologies company. (10 minutes)

266. Self (TX): Increases the pay rate for Department of Defense blue-collar (prevailing rate) employees by the percentage authorized under section 737. (10 minutes)

267. Self (TX): Encourages the Department of Defense to expand artificial intelligence pilot programs and fielding across mission areas and requires biannual reports to Congress on integration efforts for five years. (10 minutes)

268. Sherrill (NJ), Norcross (NJ), Pallone (NJ), Conaway (NJ), Menendez (NJ), Pou (NJ), Gottheimer (NJ): Limits the realignment of Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation functions and funding away from Picatinny Arsenal. (10 minutes)

269. Shreve (IN): Requires a comprehensive review of the current effectiveness of interagency coordination and the DOD's implementation of their existing responsibilities pertaining to the physical safety and cybersecurity of the air, rail, and maritime infrastructure that underpins U.S. military readiness. (10 minutes)

270. Shreve (IN), Huizenga (MI), Salazar (FL), Messmer (IN), Tenney (NY): Requires the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State and the Director of National Intelligence, to develop a comprehensive strategy to counter Iran's and Hezbollah's propaganda, religious networks, and influence operations in Latin America. Identical to H.R. 4531 (119th Congress). (10 minutes)

271. Smith (NJ): Requires the GAO to conduct a review of biological weapons research conducted between January 1, 1945 and December 31, 1972 in relation to ticks and tick-borne diseases and submit a report to Congress detailing the findings of that review. (10 minutes)

272. Sorensen (IL): Extends the Army's online real estate tool pilot program until September 30, 2030. (10 minutes)

273. Stauber (MN): Provides a two-year funding mechanism for the State Partnership Program. (10 minutes)

274. Stauber (MN): Requires the Department of Defense to conduct a study to increase efficiency of the Funeral Honors Program. (10 minutes)

275. Stauber (MN), Tenney (NY): Requires the Secretary of the Air Force to submit a plan to Congress to recapitalize and modernize the Air National Guard's fighter fleet. This report must be made in consultation with the Director of the Air National Guard. (10 minutes)

275. Stauber (MN), Tenney (NY): Requires the Department of Defense to address our dependence on Communist China for critical minerals. (10 minutes)

277. Stefanik (NY): Revises Section 1723 of the Rules Committee Print 119–8 to include cameras to the covered list. (10 minutes)

278. Stefanik (NY), Tenney (NY): Convenes the U.S.-Israel Defense Industrial Base Working Group to study the potential for defense industrial base integration between the United States and Israel, including the possibility of inclusion into the national technology and industrial base (as defined in section 4801 of title 10, United States Code). (10 minutes)

279. Steube (FL): Prioritizes local law enforcement agencies in adopting any ceremonial horse that may no longer be utilized by the U.S. Army. (10 minutes)

280. Steube (FL): Extends and modifies annual report on Iranian military. (10 minutes)

281. Steube (FL): Requires Defense Health Agency to develop a plan to reopen any previously-closed chiropractic clinic on a military installation and to pay chiropractors under the GS scale. (10 minutes)

282. Steube (FL): Requires report on U.S.-Israel cooperation on increased production capacity and inventory of the Arrow interceptor. (10 minutes)

283. Steube (FL), Tenney (NY): Requires annual report on U.S.-Israel military exercises, emphasizes mutual benefit of U.S.-Israel relationship. (10 minutes)

284. Strong (AL): Amends 10 USC 2465 to permit the use of private contractors for security-guard functions at military installations with < 300 permanently assigned enlisted service members below the rank of E–7. (10 minutes)

285. Subramanyam (VA), McGuire (VA): Requires the Air Force to provide a report on the integration potential and value of ultra-short takeoff and landing aircraft. (10 minutes)

286. Tenney (NY): Strikes Section 842(c) from the FY25 NDAA. (10 minutes)

287. Turner (OH): Requires an assessment of integration of Joint Combatant Commander exercise team into large scale exercises of INDOPACOM. (10 minutes)

288. Turner (OH), McGuire (VA), Subramanyam (VA), McClellan (VA): Requires a report on development and deployment of the Naval Autonomous Data Collection System. (10 minutes)

289. Turner (OH), Pappas (NH): Requires the Chief Information Officers within the DoD to provide Congress with a Cybersecurity Regulatory Plan to reduce the regulatory burdens on the Defense Industrial Base. (10 minutes)

290. Van Orden (WI), Tenney (NY): Encourages the President to take such actions as may be necessary to counter Chinese Communist Party efforts to blockade or embargo Taiwan, including by providing training and support to the Taiwan Navy for liquefied natural gas convoy operations. Ensures Taiwan is eligible for U.S. energy security and diversification programs under section 2004 of the European Energy Security and Diversification Act of 2019, including access to liquefied natural gas programs available to European countries. (10 minutes)

291. Van Orden (WI), Wilson (SC), Ellzey (TX), Harrigan (NC), Kelly (MS): Requires the Secretary of Defense to submit a report within 180 days on options for establishing a digital engagement framework to address recruitment, retention, and readiness chal-

lenges. Directs the report to assess existing digital engagement capabilities, evaluate potential nonprofit partnerships, and provide recommendations for pilot programs, including stress-testing under mobilization surge conditions. (10 minutes)

292. Webster (FL): Requires a report on the military camping and recreational park program. (10 minutes)

293. Whitesides (CA): Directs the Secretary of Defense to establish Advanced Technology Centers at community colleges with workforce programs targeted at meeting needs in the defense industrial base. (10 minutes)

294. Whitesides (CA): Commissions a report on research relating to the upper atmosphere and near-space environment. (10 minutes)

295. Williams (GA): Amends Section 744 to include Cervical cancer in the study. (10 minutes)

296. Wilson (SC): Requires a strategy to Armed Services Committees relating to the issue of political prisoners in Pakistan, including former Prime Minister Imran Khan in mil to mil engagement with the military of Pakistan. (10 minutes)

297. Wilson (SC), Mullin (CA): Requires Secretary of Defense to develop a strategy to be submitted to Congress, aimed at encouraging defections by senior Iranian security officials and members of the armed forces. (10 minutes)

298. Wittman (VA): Requires a report from the Secretary of Defense within 180 days regarding the use of waivers for software security requirements within the Department of Defense. (10 minutes)

SUMMARY OF THE AMENDMENT TO H.R. 3486 IN PART B CONSIDERED AS ADOPTED

1. Jordan (OH): Corrects a drafting error and makes related conforming changes.

PART A—TEXT OF AMENDMENTS TO H.R. 3838 MADE IN ORDER

1. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GOTTHEIMER OF NEW JERSEY OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 17___. SENSE OF CONGRESS WITH RESPECT TO EXECUTION OF WARRANTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT.**

It is the sense of Congress that the Secretary of Defense and Secretary of State must use every opportunity at forums involving NATO or major non-NATO allies to ensure that such allied countries do not enforce warrants issued by the International Criminal Court against members of the armed forces of the United States or of its other allies.

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2. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE OGLES OF TENNESSEE OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XII, add the following:

**SEC. 12___. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON INTERNATIONAL DEFENSE EXHIBITIONS.**

It is the sense of Congress that the Department of Defense and its agencies should not participate in international defense exhibitions in any way until the Secretary of Defense certifies that such exhibitions and the jurisdictions in which they are located allow Israeli companies to fully participate in the exhibition and are not using restrictions or the threat of restrictions on any party's participation in the exposition as a means of deterring Israel from defending itself.

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3. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BOEBERT OF COLORADO OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title VIII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 8___. PROHIBITION ON ENTERING INTO CONTRACTS WITH A PERSON ENGAGED IN A BOYCOTT OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL.**

The Secretary of Defense may not enter into a contract with a person if such person is engaged in an activity that is politically motivated and is intended to penalize or otherwise limit significant commercial relations specifically with Israel or persons doing business in Israel or in Israeli-controlled territories.

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4. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE STEUBE OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, add the following:

**SEC. 12___. BRIEFING ON EXPEDITING ARMS TRANSFERS TO ISRAEL.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, and every 180 days thereafter for a period not to exceed 3 years, the Secretary of State, in coordination with Secretary of Defense, shall brief the appropriate congressional committees on the status of deliveries to the Government of Israel of any military aircraft or air-launched munitions approved for transfer that are undelivered or partially delivered.

(b) CONTENTS OF BRIEFING.—The briefing described in subsection (a) shall include—

(1) the estimated delivery timetable and any ongoing or potential measures associated with the items, including advance training and integration challenges;

(2) specific reasons for any delay related to the United States Government, defense suppliers, or a foreign government;

(3) the feasibility and advisability of providing the State of Israel an interim capability;

(4) what measures are being taken or could be taken to expedite delivery to Israel; and

(5) authorities or appropriations that Congress could provide to expedite the delivery.

(c) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this section, the term "appropriate congressional committees" means the congressional defense committees, the Committee on Foreign Affairs in the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Foreign Relations in the Senate.

(d) MILITARY AIRCRAFT DEFINED.—In this section, the term "military aircraft" means aircraft and related articles in 22 CFR 121.10, Category VIII—Aircraft and Related Articles, subsection (a).

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5. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE FINSTAD OF MINNESOTA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title XII, insert the following:

**SEC. 12___. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF ANNUAL REPORT ON MILITARY AND SECURITY DEVELOPMENTS INVOLVING THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.**

(a) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—Subsection (b) of section 1202(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000 (10 U.S.C. 113 note) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (3)(C), by striking the period at the end and inserting ", including nuclear and drone development cooperation.";

(2) in paragraph (7)(A), by inserting ", including foreign farmland acquisitions," after "Chinese overseas investments or projects";

(3) in paragraph (8)(A)—

(A) by striking "infrastructure) and" and inserting "infrastructure),"; ; and

(B) by striking the period at the end and inserting ", and the likely role of Chinese cyber capabilities in a conflict with the United States.";

(4) in paragraph (9)(B), by striking "and other advanced technologies" and inserting "biotechnology, and other advanced and emerging technologies"; and

(5) in paragraph (10)—

(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking "and" at the end;

(B) by redesignating subparagraph (B) as subparagraph (C);

(C) by inserting after subparagraph (A) the following:

"(B) the likely strategic intent of the People's Liberation Army in a conflict over Taiwan, and how the People's Republic of China will conduct a cyber enabled economic warfare campaign, a cross straight invasion campaign, or a blockade campaign; and".

(b) TERMINATION.—Subsection (a) of such section is amended by striking "January 31, 2027" and inserting "January 31, 2030".

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6. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CRANE OF ARIZONA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title XII, add the following:

**SEC. 12___. INTELLIGENCE SHARING WITH RESISTANCE UNITS IN AFGHANISTAN.**

The Secretary of Defense shall provide such intelligence sharing as the Secretary determines appropriate with units of the former Afghan Army and police forces, as well as other units the Secretary determines are resistance units, for purposes of countering the Taliban.

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7. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SMITH OF NEW JERSEY OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 17___. CERTIFICATION AND REPORT BY INSPECTOR GENERAL RELATING TO RADAR IMPACTS AND OFFSHORE WIND DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL PROCESS.**

(a) CERTIFICATION.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, or his designee, shall certify in writing that—

(1) offshore wind projects in the North Atlantic and Mid-Atlantic Planning areas will not weaken, degrade interfere with, or nullify the performance and capabilities of radar relied upon by commercial aviation, military aviation, space launch vehicles, or other commercial space entities; and

(2) the development of offshore wind projects in the North Atlantic and Mid-Atlantic Planning Areas will not degrade the capabilities of the Federal Aviation Administration to monitor United States Airspace, or hinder commercial, private, or military aviation activities.

(b) AUDIT AND REPORT BY INSPECTOR GENERAL.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The inspector general of Department of Transportation shall conduct a study on the effects of offshore wind industrialization related to radar, impacts to commercial air and military traffic, and the sufficiency of the review and approval process for offshore wind projects in the North Atlantic and Mid-Atlantic Planning Areas.

(2) CONTENTS.—In conducting the study required under paragraph (1), the inspector general shall—

(A) investigate—

(i) whether offshore wind projects will weaken, compromise, or interfere with, or nullify the usage of radar utilized by the Federal Aviation Administration, United States Armed Forces, and National Aeronautics and Space Administration, as well as commercial space entities; and

(ii) the sufficiency of the process for approving offshore wind projects, and the impact of such projects on radar, including the consultation process between the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the Military Aviation and Installation Assurance Siting Clearinghouse;

(B) conduct an audit of the approval applications by the Military Aviation and Installation Assurance Siting Clearinghouse regarding concerns voiced over the impact to radar and ability to identify airborne threats, freedom to navigate United States airspace, and ability to train within United States airspace;

(C) determine whether any offshore wind projects will impact, alter, or disrupt commercial, private, or military aviation flight paths;

(D) determine whether any offshore wind projects will impact, compromise, inhibit, or nullify the usage of radar

and sonar technologies utilized by the Armed Forces and any agencies carrying out space launch programs;

(E) determine whether any offshore wind projects will impact, compromise, or inhibit the ability of the United States Coast Guard to conduct maritime safety and life-saving operations;

(F) address how offshore wind energy projects impact low-level military airspace off the Atlantic Coast; and

(G) determine whether mitigation strategies laid out in the 2016 Report on the Impact of Wind Energy Developments on Military Installations are sufficient, achievable and, realistic.

(3) REPORT.—The inspector general shall submit to Congress a report containing the findings of the study conducted under this subsection.

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8. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE PALMER OF ALABAMA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle F of title III, add the following new section:

**SEC. 3___. PROHIBITION ON DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BAN OF CLEAN AGENT FIRE SUPPRESSION PRODUCTS.**

(a) PROHIBITION.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Defense may not prohibit the use of a clean agent fire suppression product on the basis of the presence of a fluorine-carbon bond within such product if there is no covered alternative product and—

(1) the use of the clean agent fire suppression product is required by an applicable Federal or State law or regulation; or

(2) the Secretary determines failure to use the clean agent fire suppression product may cause—

(A) a catastrophic or critical failure resulting in the loss of or serious damage to property; or

(B) an unacceptable risk of personal injury or loss of life.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "clean agent fire suppression product" means a fire suppression product that involves an electrically nonconducting, volatile, or gaseous fire extinguishing agent that does not leave a residue upon evaporation.

(2) The term "covered alternative product" means an alternative product—

(A) the use of which is not prohibited by Federal or State law or regulation;

(B) that is readily available in sufficient quantity and at a comparable cost to the product it is intended to replace; and

(C) that performs as well as or better than such product in a specific application.

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9. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE PATRONIS OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title III, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 3____. ELIMINATION OF PREFERENCE FOR MOTOR VEHICLES USING ELECTRIC OR HYBRID PROPULSION SYSTEMS AND RELATED REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

Chapter 173 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in section 2911(e)—

(A) by striking paragraph (4);

(B) by redesignating paragraphs (5) through (9) as paragraphs (4) through (8), respectively;

(C) by striking paragraph (10); and

(D) by redesignating paragraphs (11) through (15) as paragraphs (9) through (13), respectively; and

(2) by striking section 2922g.

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10. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE PFLUGER OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title XVII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 17____. MODIFICATIONS TO AUTHORITY FOR TRANSFER AND SALE OF CERTAIN SURPLUS FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, AND PARTS.**

(a) MODIFICATIONS TO TRANSFER AUTHORITY.—Section 40728 of title 36, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (h)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by inserting "surplus caliber .45 M45/M45A1 pistols and spare parts and related accessories and ammunition for those pistols, that on the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026, are under the control of the Secretary and are surplus to the requirements of the Department of the Army," after "surplus to the requirements of the Department of the Army,";

(B) in paragraph (2), by inserting ", and may not transfer more than 10,000 surplus caliber .45 M45/M45A1 pistols," after "may not transfer more than 10,000 surplus caliber .45 M1911/M1911A1 pistols"; and

(C) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(3) The Secretary may further transfer to the corporation, in accordance with the procedure prescribed in this subchapter, surplus shotguns, including any shotguns that are surplus to the requirements of the Center of Military History and the Army Museum Enterprise, except for any shotgun that is a modular ancillary addition to a service rifle.";

(2) in subsection (i)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018" and inserting "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025"; and

(B) by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

"(3) Subject to paragraph (4), the Secretary of the Navy may further transfer to the corporation, in accordance with the procedure prescribed in this subchapter, surplus caliber .45 M45/M45A1 pistols and spare parts and related accessories and ammunition for those pistols, and surplus shotguns (except for any shotgun that is a modular ancillary addition to a service rifle), that on the date of

the enactment of this paragraph are under the control of the Secretary and are surplus to the requirements of the Department of the Navy.

"(4) The Secretary of the Navy may not transfer more than 10,000 surplus caliber .45 M45/M45A1 pistols to the corporation during any year and may only transfer such pistols as long as pistols described in paragraph (3) remain available for transfer."; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new subsections:

"(j) AUTHORIZED AIR FORCE TRANSFERS.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the Secretary of the Air Force may transfer to the corporation, in accordance with the procedures prescribed in this subchapter, surplus caliber .45 M45/M45A1 pistols and spare parts and related accessories and ammunition for those pistols, and surplus shotguns (except for any shotgun that is a modular ancillary addition to a service rifle), that on the date of the enactment of this paragraph are under the control of the Secretary and are surplus to the requirements of the Department of the Air Force.

"(2) The Secretary of the Air Force may not transfer more than 10,000 surplus caliber .45 M45/M45A1 pistols to the corporation during any year and may only transfer such pistols as long as pistols described in paragraph (1) remain available for transfer.

"(k) AUTHORIZED TRANSFERS BY OTHER FEDERAL DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES.—(1) The head of any Federal department or agency may transfer to the corporation, in accordance with the procedure prescribed in this subchapter, the firearms and ammunition specified in paragraph (2) that, on the date of the enactment of this subsection, are under the control of that department or agency and are surplus to the requirements of that department or agency.

"(2) The firearms and ammunition specified in this paragraph are the following:

"(A) Any surplus caliber .45 M1911/M1911A1 pistols.

"(B) Any surplus caliber .45 M45/M45A1 pistol.

"(C) Any surplus shotgun except for any shotgun that is modular ancillary addition to a service rifle.

"(D) Any surplus caliber .22 or .30 caliber rifle.

"(E) Any ammunition associated with a firearm described in subparagraph (A) through (D).".

(b) MODIFICATIONS TO SALE AUTHORITY.—Section 40732 of title 36, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking ", and caliber .45 M1911/M1911A1 surplus pistols," each place it appears and inserting ", caliber .45 M1911/M1911A1 surplus pistols, caliber .45 M45/M45A1 surplus pistols, and surplus shotguns (except for any shotgun that is a modular ancillary addition to a service rifle)"; and

(2) in subsection (d)—

(A) by striking "A person" and inserting "(1) A person"; and

(B) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(2) A person who receives a caliber .45 M1911/M1911A1 surplus pistol, a caliber .45 M45/M45A1 surplus pistol, shotgun, or any ammunition, repair parts, or supplies, under section 40728 of this title may sell, at fair market value, such pistol, shotgun, ammunition, repair parts, or supplies.".

11. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, add the following:

**SEC. 17____. PENALTIES FOR UNLAWFUL ENTRY AND VIOLATION OF SECURITY REGULATIONS.**

(a) REVISION TO PENALTY FOR ENTERING MILITARY, NAVAL, OR COAST GUARD PROPERTY UNLAWFULLY.—Section 1382 of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking "or installation," both places it appears and inserting "installation, or property,";

(2) by striking "six months" and inserting "two years"; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new sentence: "This is a general intent crime.".

(b) PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF SECURITY REGULATIONS AND ORDERS RELATING TO DESIGNATED NATIONAL DEFENSE AREAS.— Section 21 of the Internal Security Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 797) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) by redesignating subsection (b) as paragraph (5) (and indenting that paragraph accordingly); and

(B) in such paragraph, as so redesignated, by striking "subsection (a)" and inserting "this subsection"; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(b) FELONY VIOLATION OF NATIONAL DEFENSE AREA SECURITY REGULATIONS.—

"(1) FELONY.—Whoever violates any national defense area security regulation shall be fined under title 18, United States Code, or imprisoned not more than two years, or both. This is a general intent crime.

"(2) NATIONAL DEFENSE AREA SECURITY REGULATION DESCRIBED.—For purposes of paragraph (1), a national defense area security regulation is a property security regulation that, pursuant to lawful authority, has been promulgated or approved by the Secretary of Defense (or by a military commander designated by the Secretary of Defense or by a military officer, or a civilian officer or employee of the Department of Defense, holding a senior Department of Defense director position designated by the Secretary of Defense) for the protection, security, or administration of Department of Defense real property that has been designated by the Secretary of Defense as a national defense area.

"(3) PROPERTY SECURITY REGULATION DESCRIBED.—For purposes of paragraph (2), a property security regulation, with respect to any designated national defense area, is a regulation—

"(A) relating to unauthorized entry to or trespass on such property;

"(B) relating to fire hazards, fire protection, lighting, machinery, guard service, disrepair, disuse, or other unsatisfactory conditions on such property;

"(C) relating to the ingress to, or egress or removal of persons from, such property; or

"(D) otherwise providing for safeguarding such property against destruction, loss, or injury by accident or by enemy

or unauthorized action, sabotage, or other subversive actions.

"(4) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

"(A) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE REAL PROPERTY.—The term 'Department of Defense real property' means real property subject to the jurisdiction, administration, or in the custody of the Department of Defense, any Department or agency of which that Department consists, or any officer or employee of that Department or agency.

"(B) REGULATION AS INCLUDING ORDER.—The term 'regulation' includes an order.".

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12. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CLYDE OF GEORGIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle F of title III, insert the following:

**SEC. 3___. INAPPLICABILITY OF RECOMMENDATIONS, PROCEDURES, AND PLANS OF COMMISSION RELATING TO ASSIGNING, MODIFYING, OR REMOVING OF NAMES, SYMBOLS, DISPLAYS, MONUMENTS, AND PARAPHERNALIA TO ASSETS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE THAT COMMEMORATE THE CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA TO CIVIL WORKS PROJECTS OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

Notwithstanding subsection (a) of section 370 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 113 note), any recommendation, procedure, or plan of the commission established under subsection (b) of such section shall not apply to a civil works project of the Department of Defense.

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13. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE NORMAN OF SOUTH CAROLINA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle H of title V add the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. PROHIBITIONS ON PROVISION OF GENDER TRANSITION SERVICES THROUGH AN EXCEPTIONAL FAMILY MEMBER PROGRAM OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—No gender transition procedures, including surgery or medication, may be provided to a minor dependent child through an EFMP.

(b) REFERRALS.—No referral for procedures described in subsection (a) may be provided to a minor dependent child through an EFMP.

(c) REASSIGNMENT.—No change of duty station may be approved through an EFMP for the purpose of providing a minor dependent child with access to procedures described in subsection (a).

(d) EFMP DEFINED.—In this section, the term "EFMP" means the program referred to as the Exceptional Family Member Program under section 1781c(d)(4)(I) of title 10, United States Code.

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14. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MACE OF SOUTH CAROLINA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title VII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 7___. PROHIBITION ON COVERAGE OF GENDER-RELATED MEDICAL TREATMENT UNDER TRICARE.**

(a) TRICARE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 1076f the following new section:

**"§ 1076g. TRICARE program: prohibition on coverage and furnishment gender-related medical treatment**

"(a) PROHIBITION.—Except as provided by subsection (b), medical care under section 1076 of this title with respect to members of the armed forces and dependents of such members does not include gender-related medical treatment, and the Secretary of Defense may not furnish any such treatment.

"(b) EXCEPTIONS.—The prohibition in subsection (a) shall not apply to medical treatment provided for purposes of treating—

"(1) a disorder of sex development, diagnosed by a physician after such physician has determined through genetic or biochemical testing that such minor does not have normal sex chromosome structure, sex steroid hormone production, or sex steroid hormone action;

"(2) irresolvably ambiguous biological sex characteristics of such minor, including the presence of—

"(A) 46 XX chromosomes with virilization;

"(B) 46 XY chromosomes with undervirilization; or

"(C) both ovarian and testicular tissue; or

"(3) an infection, injury, disease, or disorder caused or exacerbated by gender-related medical treatment.

"(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

"(1) The term 'female' means an individual who naturally has, had, will have, or would have, but for a developmental or genetic anomaly or historical accident, the reproductive system that at some point produces, transports, and utilizes eggs for fertilization.

"(2) The term 'gender'—

"(A) means—

"(i) males, females, or the natural differences between males and females, unless such term is otherwise specified or used alone (rather than with or as an adjective modifying other words); and

"(ii) is a synonym for sex; and

"(B) does not mean gender identity, experienced gender, gender expression, or gender roles.

"(3) The term 'gender-related medical treatment' means—

"(A) with respect to a female individual, medical treatments provided for purposes of addressing the perception of such individual that the gender or sex of such individual is not female, including—

"(i) surgical procedures, including—

"(I) vaginectomy;

"(II) hysterectomy;
"(III) oophorectomy;
"(IV) reconstruction of the urethra;
"(V) metoidioplasty;
"(VI) phalloplasty;
"(VII) salpingo-oophorectomy;
"(VIII) scrotoplasty;
"(IX) implantation of erection or testicular protheses;
"(X) subcutaneous mastectomy;
"(XI) vocal cord surgery;
"(XII) pectoral implants; and
"(XIII) penile transplantation;
"(ii) exogenous doses of testosterone or other androgens; and
"(iii) puberty blockers, including—
"(I) GnRH agonists; and
"(II) synthetic drugs that suppress the production of estrogen and progesterone or delay or suppress pubertal development in female individuals; and
"(B) with respect to a male individual, medical treatments provided for purposes of addressing the perception of such individual that the gender or sex of such individual is not male, including—
"(i) surgical procedures, including—
"(I) penectomy;
"(II) orchiectomy;
"(III) vaginoplasty;
"(IV) clitoroplasty;
"(V) vulvoplasty;
"(VI) augmentation mammoplasty;
"(VII) facial feminization surgery;
"(VIII) vocal cord surgery;
"(IX) chondrolaryngoplasty;
"(X) gluteal augmentation; and
"(XI) uterine transplantation;
"(ii) exogenous doses of estrogen; and
"(iii) puberty blockers, including—
"(I) GnRH agonists; and
"(II) synthetic drugs that suppress the production of testosterone or delay or suppress pubertal development in male individuals.
"(4) The term 'male' means an individual who naturally has, had, will have, or would have, but for a developmental or genetic anomaly or historical accident, the reproductive system that at some point produces, transports, and utilizes sperm for fertilization.
"(5) The term 'sex' means the biological determination as to whether an individual is male or female.
"(d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section may be construed to entitle an individual to medical care under this chapter for which they are not otherwise entitled to under this chapter.".

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Such chapter is further amended as follows:

(1) In section 1077(b), by adding at the end the following:

"(4) Treatment prohibited under section 1076g of this title with respect to members of the armed forces and dependents of such members.".

(2) In section 1079(a)(20), by striking "that could result in sterilization".

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15. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MACE OF SOUTH CAROLINA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title V, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. PROHIBITION OF PARTICIPATION BY MEN IN WOMEN'S SPORTS AT THE SERVICE ACADEMIES.**

(a) PROHIBITION.—The Superintendent of a Service Academy may not allow a cadet or midshipman who is male to participate in an athletic program or activity at such Service Academy that is designated exclusively for cadets or midshipmen who are female.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "female" refers to an individual who naturally has, had, will have, or would have, but for a developmental or genetic anomaly or historical accident, the reproductive system that at some point produces, transports, and uses eggs for fertilization.

(2) The term "male" refers to an individual who naturally has, had, will have, or would have, but for a developmental or genetic anomaly or historical accident, the reproductive system that at some point produces, transports, and uses sperm for fertilization.

(3) The term "Service Academy" has the meaning given such term in section 347 of title 10, United States Code.

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16. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MACE OF SOUTH CAROLINA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle J of title V, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. PROHIBITIONS RELATING TO QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT SEX, GENDER, AND GENDER IDENTITY IN FORMS AND SURVEYS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

(a) PROHIBITION.—With respect to the collection of information conducted by or for the Secretary of Defense through a form or survey, the Secretary—

(1) may not—

(A) solicit or obtain any information regarding the gender identity of an individual; or

(B) provide an option to indicate that the sex or gender of an individual is something other than male or female; and

(2) shall reject a response other than male or female to a required question regarding sex or gender.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "female" means an individual who naturally has, had, will have, or would have, but for a developmental or genetic anomaly or historical accident, the reproductive system that, at some point, produces, transports, and utilizes eggs for fertilization.

(2) The term "gender"—

(A) means male or female; and

(B) does not mean gender identity, experienced gender, gender expression, or gender roles.

(3) The term "gender identity" does not mean sex or gender.

(4) The term "male" means an individual who naturally has, had, will have, or would have, but for a developmental or genetic anomaly or historical accident, the reproductive system that, at some point, produces, transports, and utilizes sperm for fertilization.

(5) The term "sex" means the biological determination as to whether an individual is male or female.

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17. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MACE OF SOUTH CAROLINA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title XXVIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 28___. PROHIBITION ON THE USE OF SINGLE-SEX FACILITIES ON MILITARY INSTALLATIONS THAT DO NOT CORRESPOND TO THE SEX OF AN INDIVIDUAL.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person may, except as provided in subsection (b) or subsection (c), access or use a single-sex facility on a military installation that does not correspond to the sex of such person.

(b) EXCEPTION.—The prohibition in subsection (a) shall not apply with respect to—

(1) emergency medical personnel responding to a medical emergency; or

(2) law enforcement officers in active pursuit of a suspect, or as part of an active investigation.

(c) NATIONAL SECURITY WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may, on a case-by-case basis, waive the prohibition in subsection (a) if the Secretary determines the waiver is necessary to advance the national security interests of the United States.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "female" means an individual who naturally has, had, will have, or would have, but for a developmental or genetic anomaly or historical accident, the reproductive system that at some point produces, transports, and utilizes eggs for fertilization.

(2) The term "male" means an individual who naturally has, had, will have, or would have, but for a developmental or genetic anomaly or historical accident, the reproductive system that at some point produces, transports, and utilizes sperm for fertilization.

(3) The term "military installation" has the meaning given such term in section 2801 of title 10, United States Code.

(4) The term "single-sex facility" means a space intended for the use of one biological sex (male or female), including a—

(A) restroom;

(B) locker room; or

(C) changing room.

(5) The term "sex" means the biological determination as to whether an individual is male or female.

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18. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLS OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10___. ELIMINATION OF DISCRETION OF MILITARY CHAIN OF COMMAND AND SENIOR CIVILIAN LEADERSHIP WITH RESPECT TO DISPLAY OF FLAGS.**

Section 1052(d)(1)(N) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31; 10 U.S.C. 2661 note) is amended by striking subparagraph (N).

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19. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE ONDER OF MISSOURI OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Strike section 1110.

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20. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE DAVIDSON OF OHIO OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR CELL CULTURED MEAT.**

None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2026 for the Department of Defense may be obligated or expended for the research, development, procurement, or promotion of cell cultured meat.

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21. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SCOTT OF GEORGIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title XIII, add the following:

**SEC. 13__. BALTIC SECURITY INITIATIVE.**

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Pursuant to the authority provided in chapter 16 of title 10, United States Code, the Secretary of Defense shall establish and carry out an initiative, to be known as the "Baltic Security Initiative" (in this section referred to as the "Initiative"), for the purpose of deepening security cooperation with the military forces of the Baltic countries.

(b) RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING AUTHORITIES.—The Initiative required by subsection (a) shall be carried out pursuant to the authorities provided in title 10, United States Code.

(c) OBJECTIVES.—The objectives of the Initiative shall be—

(1) to achieve United States national security objectives by—

(A) deterring aggression by the Russian Federation; and

(B) implementing the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's new Strategic Concept, which seeks to strengthen the alliance's deterrence and defense posture by denying potential adversaries any possible opportunities for aggression;

(2) to enhance regional planning and cooperation among the military forces of the Baltic countries, particularly with respect to long-term regional capability projects, including—

(A) long-range precision fire systems and capabilities;

(B) integrated air and missile defense;

(C) maritime domain awareness;

(D) land forces development, including stockpiling large caliber ammunition;

(E) command, control, communications, computers, intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance;

(F) special operations forces development;

(G) coordination with and security enhancements for Poland, which is a neighboring North Atlantic Treaty Organization ally; and

(H) other military capabilities, as determined by the Secretary of Defense; and

(3) with respect to the military forces of the Baltic countries, to improve cyber defenses and resilience to hybrid threats.

(d) STRATEGY.—

(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 setting forth a strategy for the Department of Defense to achieve the objectives described in subsection (b).

(2) CONSIDERATIONS.—The strategy required by this subsection shall include a consideration of—

(A) security assistance programs for the Baltic countries authorized as of the date on which the strategy is submitted;

(B) the ongoing security threats to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's eastern flank posed by Russian aggression, including as a result of the Russian Federation's 2022 invasion of Ukraine with support from Belarus; and

(C) the ongoing security threats to the Baltic countries posed by the presence, coercive economic policies, and other malign activities of the People's Republic of China.

(e) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that the Secretary of Defense should seek to require matching funds from each of the Baltic countries that participate in the Initiative in amounts commensurate with amounts provided by the Department of Defense for the Initiative.

(f) BALTIC COUNTRIES DEFINED.—In this section, the term "Baltic countries" means—

(1) Estonia;

(2) Latvia; and

(3) Lithuania.

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22. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GREENE OF GEORGIA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title XIII, add the following:

**SEC. 13__. PROHIBITION ON ASSISTANCE TO UKRAINE.**

None of the funds made available by this Act may be used for assistance to Ukraine.

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23. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GREENE OF GEORGIA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

In section 4301, strike line 010 and the corresponding item "Overseas Humanitarian, Disaster, and Civil Aid".

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24. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GREENE OF GEORGIA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 793, beginning line 8, strike section 1313.

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25. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCORMICK OF GEORGIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 853, beginning line 8, strike "is amended by striking subsection (c)." and insert the following: "is amended—"

(1) in subsection (a), by striking "does not" and all that follows through the end and inserting the following: "does not—

"(1) rate or rank news or information sources for the factual accuracy of their content;

"(2) provide ratings or opinions on news or in formation sources regarding misinformation, bias, adherence to journalistic standards, or ethics; or

"(3) acquire or use any service that provides any ratings, rankings, or opinions described in paragraph (1) or (2) from any other person."; and

(2) by striking subsection (c).

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26. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MOOLENAAR OF MICHIGAN OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of title XVII, add the following new subtitle:

## Subtitle C—SAFE Research Act

**SEC. 1731. SHORT TITLE.**

This subtitle may be cited as the "Securing American Funding and Expertise from Adversarial Research Exploitation Act of 2025" or the "SAFE Research Act".

**SEC. 1732. PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN FEDERAL AWARDS.**

(a) GOVERNMENT-WIDE PROHIBITION.—Except as provided in subsection (c), no research agency may provide a covered award to support research and development activities by a covered individual if the covered individual or the covered individual's research collaborator(s) is affiliated with a hostile foreign entity—

(1) as of the date of application for the award; or

(2) at any time in the period of five years preceding the date of application for the award unless such affiliation was terminated on or before the date that is 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

(b) DOD-SPECIFIC PROHIBITION.—Except as provided in subsection (c), none of the funds authorized to be appropriated or otherwise made available for any fiscal year for the Department of Defense may be provided to an institution of higher education that maintains a covered partnership with a hostile foreign entity.

(c) NATIONAL SECURITY WAIVER.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The head of a research agency, or an official designated by such agency head at or above the level of an Assistant Secretary (or the equivalent), may waive the prohibitions under subsections (a) and (b) on a case-by-case basis if the head of the agency or the designated official concerned determines that such waiver is in the national security interests of the United States.

(2) CONGRESSIONAL NOTICE.—Not later than 30 days after the date on which an award is made by a research agency with respect to which a waiver is made under paragraph (1), the head of the agency or the designated official concerned shall submit to Congress notice of such waiver and a written justification for such waiver.

**SEC. 1733. DISCLOSURES.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—In any application for a covered award from a research agency, a covered individual shall disclose, with respect to the period of five years preceding the date of such application, the following with respect to the covered individual:

(1) All covered research collaborators who are located in or have an affiliation with an institution located in a foreign adversary country.

(2) Any funding, gift, property (including intellectual property), resources, or award received from an individual or entity located in a foreign adversary country.

(3) Any conference participation, professorship, talent program participation, or other academic, research, or corporate affiliation with an entity located in a foreign adversary country.

(4) Any travel to a foreign adversary country.

(5) For each item disclosed under paragraphs (1) through (4)—

(A) the foreign adversary country associated with that item, and any affiliated individuals or entities;

(B) the total value of any benefits received by the covered individual from such country, individuals, or entities whether monetary or non-monetary; and

(C) details pertaining to the item disclosed, including—

(i) the nature of the actions performed or association entered into by the covered individual;

(ii) any terms, conditions, and benefits associated with such item; and

(iii) such other relevant information as the head of the research agency determines appropriate.

(6) An explanation of any instance in which the covered individual requested permission to share information with a hostile foreign entity or research collaborator affiliated with such an entity pursuant to section 1734(b), including a description of any information proposed to be shared and the results of such request.

(b) USE OF DISCLOSED INFORMATION.—The research agency that receives disclosures under subsection (a)—

(1) shall use the information disclosed to ensure compliance with the prohibitions under sections 1732 and 1734; and

(2) may use such information to analyze potential research security, national security, or economic security risks and the assessment of such risks may be used as factor in determining the allocation of relevant grants, contracts, and other awards.

(b) RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER LAW.—The disclosures required under subsection (a) are in addition to any disclosures that may otherwise be required under section 223 of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (42 U.S.C. 6605),

**SEC. 1734. CONCURRENT AND POST-AWARD RESTRICTIONS.**

(a) CONCURRENT AWARD RESTRICTIONS.—As a condition of receiving a covered award, a covered individual may not maintain an affiliation with a hostile foreign entity or a covered research collaborator affiliated with such an entity for the duration of the award period.

(b) POST-AWARD RESTRICTIONS.—As a condition of receiving a covered award, during the five year period following the conclusion of the award period—

(1) a covered individual may not share with a hostile foreign entity or a covered research collaborator affiliated with such an entity any nonpublished results, expertise, or intellectual property arising from or related to the covered award unless—

(A) the covered individual submits to the research agency that made the award a request for permission to share such information with such an entity or collaborator; and

(B) such request is approved, in writing, by the head of the research agency or an official designated by such agency head at or above the level of an Assistant Secretary (or the equivalent); and

(2) on an annual basis during such five year period, the institution to which the covered award was made shall submit to the research agency that made the award an annual certification, signed by an authorized official of the institution, attesting that neither the institution nor any covered individual has shared with a hostile foreign entity or a covered research collaborator affiliated with such an entity any nonpublished results, expertise, or intellectual property arising from or related to the award, except as expressly approved under paragraph (1)(B).

**SEC. 1735. DEFINITIONS.**

In this subtitle:

(1) The term "affiliation" means any affiliation, partnership, agreement, other research or teaching relationship (including guest or visiting professorships), or similar transaction.

(2) The term "covered award" means support provided to a covered individual affiliated with an institution of higher education by a research agency to carry out research and development activities within any science, technology, engineering, or mathematics field, which may include support in the form of

a grant, contract, cooperative agreement, or other such transaction. The term does not include—

(A) a grant, contract, agreement or other transaction for the procurement of goods or services to meet the administrative needs of a research agency; or

(B) an award made under the Small Business Innovation Research Program or the Small Business Technology Transfer Program (as those terms are defined in section 9(e) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638(e))).

(3) The term "covered individual" has the meaning given that term in section 223(d) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (42 U.S.C. 6605), as interpreted in accordance with the guidance of the National Science and Technology Council titled "Guidance for Implementing National Security Presidential Memorandum 33 (NSPM–33) on National Security Strategy for United States Government-Supported Research and Development", dated January 2022, or any successor guidance.

(4) The term "covered partnership" means an agreement between an institution of higher education and a hostile foreign entity that involves—

(A) the provision of educational services;

(B) collaboration related to scientific or technical research;

(C) any agreement related to the research, development, sale, licensing, or other arrangement involving university-developed, owned, or controlled research, venture, intellectual property (including any assignment or license of a granted patent, trademark, or copyright not listed in the Commerce Control List under Supplement No. 1 to part 774 of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations), or other asset;

(D) access to university assets, such as research, data, models, software, or facilities; or

(E) direct support or coordination by foreign adversary country-linked entities of student groups, language or cultural centers, or other on-campus entities (including Confucius Institutes and Chinese Student and Scholars Associations).

(5) The term "covered research collaborator" means a person located in or affiliated with an entity located in or organized under the laws of a foreign adversary country with whom the covered individual has, in the five years preceding the date of application for a covered award—

(A) conducted joint research;

(B) co-authored publications;

(C) collaborated on grants or other awards; or

(D) formally advised as a graduate student or post-doctoral fellow.

(6) The term "foreign adversary country" means a covered nation as defined in section 4872(f) of title 10, United States Code, and includes any special administrative region or territory under the control of such a nation.

(7) The term "hostile foreign entity" means an entity, or any subsidiary or affiliate of an entity that is located in or orga-

nized under the laws of a foreign adversary country, and that—

(A) is included on—

(i) the Non-SDN Chinese Military-Industrial Complex Companies List maintained by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury;

(ii) 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");

(iii) 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 (10 U.S.C. 113 note);

(iv) the most recently updated list developed pursuant to 1286(c)(9) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–32; 10 U.S.C. 4001 note);

(v) the UFLPA Entity List maintained by the Department of Homeland Security pursuant to the Uyghur Forced Labor Prevention Act (Public Law 117–78);

(vi) the Military End-User List maintained by the Department of Commerce and set forth in Supplement No. 7 to part 744 of the Export Administration Regulations;

(vii) the Entity List maintained by the Bureau of Industry and Security of the Department of Commerce and set forth in Supplement No. 4 to part 744 of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations;

(viii) the Denied Persons List maintained by the Department of Commerce and described in section 764.3(a)(2) of the Export Administration Regulations;

(ix) the Debarred Parties List maintained by the Directorate of Defense Trade Controls of the Department of State;

(x) the list of telecommunications companies of the People's Republic of China designated under section 889 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 41 U.S.C. note prec. 3901) as posing national security risks to the United States;

(xi) the list of semiconductor companies of the People's Republic of China and affiliates designated under section 5949 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 41 U.S.C. 4713 note) as posing national security risks to the United States; or

(xii) the list maintained by the Federal Communications Commission of equipment and services covered by section 2 of the Secure and Trusted Communica-

tions Networks Act of 2019 (commonly referred to as the FCC Covered List);

(B) is an entity that—

(i) is owned, controlled, directed by, or subject to the jurisdiction or influence of a government of a foreign adversary country; and

(ii) performs or supports functions involving—

(I) national defense or military modernization, including the development, application, or integration of civilian capabilities for military, paramilitary, or security purposes;

(II) intelligence, surveillance, or cyber operations, including activities intended to collect, exploit, disrupt, or influence information systems or communications infrastructure;

(III) the development, production, testing, or proliferation of weapons systems, critical technologies, or dual-use items, as defined under applicable United States law or regulation;

(IV) foreign malign influence or interference, involving subversive, undeclared, coercive, or criminal activities, which may include propaganda, censorship, information manipulation, or efforts to influence academic, political, or civic institutions, whether conducted directly by foreign governments, state-linked entities, or through affiliated non-state actors, or their proxies;

(V) human rights abuses or similarly unethical practices, such as the use of forced labor, repression of ethnic or religious groups, or violations of international human rights standards;

(VI) illicit technology transfer efforts that threaten United States research integrity or economic competitiveness; or

(VII) academic, scientific, or technical collaboration that materially contributes to or supports any of the functions described in subclauses (I) through (VI); or

(C) participates in a foreign talent recruitment program as that term is defined by the Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy pursuant to section 10631(c) of the Research and Development, Competition, and Innovation Act (division B of Public Law 117–167; 42 U.S.C. 19231))) from a foreign adversary country or has participated in such a program at any time in the period of 10 years preceding the date of application for a covered award.

(8) 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).

(9) The term "research agency" means any Federal agency with an annual extramural research expenditure.

27. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE STEFANIK OF NEW YORK OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle B of title XVI, insert the following:

**SEC. 16____. PROHIBITION ON ACCESS TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CLOUD-BASED RESOURCES BY INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE NOT CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES OR ALLIED COUNTRIES.**

(a) MAINTENANCE, ADMINISTRATION, OPERATION, AND ACCESS.—

(1) PROHIBITION.—No individual who is a citizen of a foreign country of concern may maintain, administer, operate, use, receive information about, or directly access or indirectly access, regardless of whether the individual is supervised by a citizen of the United States, any Department of Defense cloud computing system.

(2) SAFEGUARDS.—The Secretary of Defense shall establish regulations to carry out this subsection, including safeguards to ensure that only individuals the Secretary determines appropriate may maintain, administer, operate, access, and use the systems, software, and data described in paragraph (1).

(b) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE GUIDANCE, DIRECTIVES, PROCEDURES, REQUIREMENTS, AND REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall—

(1) review all relevant guidance, directives, procedures, requirements, and regulations of the Department of Defense, including the Cloud Computing Security Requirements Guide, the Security Technical Implementation Guides, and related Department instructions; and

(2) make such revisions as may be necessary to ensure conformity and compliance with subsection (a).

(c) REVIEW AND REPORT.—The Secretary shall—

(1) conduct a review of all cloud computing contracts in effect for the Department—

(A) for any violations of section 252.225–7058 of the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement and recommended penalties; and

(B) to determine—

(i) which contracts have allowed unauthorized individuals to maintain, administer, operate, or directly access or indirectly access, whether supervised or unsupervised by a United States citizen, any Government cloud computing system; and

(ii) how many of the individuals described in clause (i) are citizens of foreign countries of concern; and

(2) submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a report on the findings of the Secretary with respect to the review conducted pursuant to paragraph (1).

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "cloud computing" has the meaning given such term in section 239.7601 of the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement, or successor regulation.

(2) The term "directly access", with respect to a system, software, or data, means—

(A) to physically access the system, software, or data; or

(B) to logically access the system, software, or data, through proxy, virtual, administrative, or programmatic means such that an individual can modify, alter, control, administer, configure, or deploy the system, software, or data.

(3) The term "foreign country 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) The term "indirectly access", with respect to a system, software, or data, means to obtain, receive, collect, or derive information from the system, software, or data regarding technical details, operational characteristics, or security-related attributes, including—

(A) system configurations;

(B) network architecture;

(C) security controls;

(D) data schemas;

(E) performance metrics; and

(F) access logs or other information that could compromise the confidentiality, integrity, or availability of the system, software, or data.

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28. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MCDOWELL OF NORTH CAROLINA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10____. ANNUAL REPORT ON MILITARY POWER AND ILLICIT ACTIVITIES OF CERTAIN DRUG CARTELS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter until the date specified in subsection (f), the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, the Director of National Intelligence, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of Homeland Security, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report on the military power and illicit activities of the cartels specified in subsection (b). Each such report shall include each of 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 military and paramilitary activities.

(2) An evaluation of the military and paramilitary capabilities of each cartel, including the size, structure, and sophistication of the armed forces or militias 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) 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

(3) 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 the control of such cartels over border regions and smuggling routes.

(4) An assessment of the direct and indirect threats posed by the cartels to the national security of the United States and its allies.

(5) 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.

(6) Recommendations for additional authorities, resources, or strategies to enhance the efforts of the United States to disrupt and dismantle the military capabilities of the cartels.

(b) SPECIFIED CARTELS.—A cartel specified in this subsection is any organization or 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 determined to a transnational criminal organization pursuant to the Fentanyl Eradication and Narcotics Deterrence Act (division E of Public Law 118–50; 21 U.S.C. 2341 note).

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

(d) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The unclassified portion of the report required under subsection (a) shall be made publicly available on a website of the Department of Defense.

(e) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this section, the term "appropriate congressional committees" means—

(1) the congressional defense committees;

(2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee on the Judiciary, and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives; and

(3) the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate.

(f) DATE SPECIFIED.—The date specified in this subsection is December 31, 2030.

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29. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BIGGS OF ARIZONA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 17___. EXCLUSIONS FROM ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT OF 1973 WITH RESPECT TO MILITARY INSTITUTIONS AND FOR DEFENSE-RELATED OPERATIONS.**

(a) EXCLUSION OF MILITARY INSTITUTIONS AS CRITICAL HABITAT.—Section 4(a)(3)(B) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1533(a)(3)(B)) is amended to read as follows:

"(i) The Secretary shall not designate as critical habitat—

"(I) any military installation or a State-owned National Guard installation, or any portion thereof, as such terms are defined in section 100 of the Sikes Act (16 U.S.C. 670); or

"(II) any other lands, waters, or geographical area not described in subclause (I) that is otherwise designated for use by the Secretary of Defense including by any contractor of the Department of Defense, if the Secretary of Defense determines in writing and submitted to the Secretary of the Interior that such area is necessary for military training, weapons testing, or any other reason determined appropriate by such Secretary of Defense.

"(ii) The Secretary of Defense shall not be required to consult with the Secretary of the Interior, under section 7(a)(2) of this Act with respect to agency action, regardless of whether the area described in clause (i) is subject to an integrated natural resources management plan prepared under section 101 of the Sikes Act (16 U.S.C. 670a).".

(b) EXCLUSION FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE-RELATED OPERATIONS.—Section 10 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1539) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(k) EXCLUSION FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE-RELATED OPERATIONS.—

"(1) EXCLUSIONS.—The prohibitions under section 9 shall not apply with respect to—

"(A) the taking of any endangered species or threatened species, or the importation or exportation of any such species taken as prohibited by such section, by military personnel engaged in a national defense-related operation;

"(B) damaging or destroying any threatened or endangered species, or removing, cutting, digging up, damaging, or destroying any such species, by military personnel engaged in a national defense-related operation; or

"(C) an injury to or mortality of a threatened or endangered species that results from, but is not the purpose of, a national defense-related operation,

regardless of whether the operation is conducted on a military installation or other area described in section 4(a)(3)(B)(i).

"(2) DEFINITIONS.—For the purposes of this subsection—

"(A) the term 'national defense-related operation' means—

"(i) research, development, testing, and evaluation of military munitions, other ordnance, and weapons systems;

"(ii) the training of members of the Armed Forces in the use and handling of military munitions, other ordnance, and weapons systems;

"(iii) general training and military preparedness; or

"(iv) any action or duty that the Secretary of Defense deems necessary to support the Department of Defense in its mission; and

"(B) the term 'military personnel' means—

"(i) a member of the Armed Forces; and

"(ii) a civilian employee or contractor (including a subcontractor at any tier) of the—

"(I) Department of Defense (including a non-appropriated fund instrumentality of the Department); or

"(II) any other Federal agency, or any provisional authority, to the extent such employment relates to supporting the mission of the Department of Defense overseas.".

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30. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAVES OF MISSOURI OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of the bill, add the following:

## DIVISION F—COAST GUARD AUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2025

**SEC. 6101. SHORT TITLE.**

This division may be cited as the "Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2025".

**SEC. 6102. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

Section 4902 of title 14, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1) by striking "fiscal years 2022 and 2023" and inserting "fiscal years 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029";

(2) in paragraph (1)—

(A) in subparagraph (A) by striking clauses (i) and (ii) and inserting the following:

"(i) $11,287,500,000 for fiscal year 2025;

"(ii) $11,851,875,000 for fiscal year 2026;

"(iii) $13,500,000,000 for fiscal year 2027;

"(iv) $14,500,000,000 for fiscal year 2028; and

"(v) $15,500,000,000 for fiscal year 2029.";

(B) in subparagraph (B) by striking "$23,456,000" and inserting "$25,570,000"; and

(C) in subparagraph (C) by striking "subparagraph (A)(ii), $24,353,000" and inserting "clauses (ii), (iii), (iv), and (v) of subparagraph (A), respectively, $26,848,500";

(3) in paragraph (2)(A) by striking clauses (i) and (ii) and inserting the following:

"(i) $3,627,600,000 for fiscal year 2025;

"(ii) $3,651,480,000 for fiscal year 2026;

"(iii) $3,700,000,000 for fiscal year 2027;

"(iv) $3,750,000,000 for fiscal year 2028; and

"(v) $3,800,000,000 for fiscal year 2029."; and

(4) by striking paragraph (4) and inserting the following:

"(4) For retired pay, including the payment of obligations otherwise chargeable to lapsed appropriations for purposes of retired pay, payments under the Retired Serviceman's Family

Protection and Survivor Benefits Plans, payment for career status bonuses, payment of continuation pay under section 356 of title 37, concurrent receipts, combat-related special compensation, and payments for medical care of retired personnel and their dependents under chapter 55 of title 10—

"(A) $1,147,244,000 for fiscal year 2025;

"(B) $1,057,929,000 for fiscal year 2026;

"(C) $1,215,000,000 for fiscal year 2027;

"(D) $1,380,000,000 for fiscal year 2028; and

"(E) $1,650,000,000 for fiscal year 2029.".

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31. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GRIFFITH OF VIRGINIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title X, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 10___. LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY OF ARMED FORCES TO DETAIN CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES.**

Section 1021(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 (Public Law 112–81; 10 U.S.C. 801 note) is amended, in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by inserting ", other than a citizen of the United States," after "any person".

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32. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MESSMER OF INDIANA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle F of title VIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 8___. MODIFICATIONS TO DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE FUND.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4817 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsections:

"(g) ELIGIBLE USES OF AUTHORITIES.—(1) The Secretary may use the authorities provided by this section with respect to upstream, mid-stream, and downstream supply chains, including material, material production, components, subassemblies, and finished products, testing and qualification, infrastructure, facility construction and improvement, and equipment needed directly for the following:

"(A) Castings and forgings.

"(B) Kinetic capabilities, including sensors, targeting systems, and delivery platforms.

"(C) Microelectronics.

"(D) Machine tools, including but not limited to subtractive, additive, convergent, stamping, forging, abrasives, metrology, and other production equipment.

"(E) Critical minerals, materials, and chemicals.

"(F) Workforce for the defense industrial base.

"(G) Advanced manufacturing capacity, including echelon manufacturing forward in the Indo-Pacific Command theater.

"(H) Unmanned vehicles, including subsurface, surface, land, air one-way, attritables, and launch and recovery platforms.

"(I) Manned aircraft.

"(J) Ground systems.

"(K) Power sources.

"(L) Ship and submarine, including assembly and automation technologies and capabilities, new or modernized infrastructure for new construction or maintenance and sustainment and battle damage repair.

"(M) Other materiel solutions required to support Indo-Pacific Command operational plans as required.

"(N) Defense space systems.

"(2) The Secretary may not use the authorities provided by this section for any activity in a covered country.

"(3) The Secretary may not use the authorities provided by this section for a purpose not described in paragraph (1) unless, not less than 30 days before doing so, the Secretary—

"(A) determines that—

"(i) the use of the authority for that purpose is essential to the national security interests of the United States; and

"(ii) without the use of the authority for that purpose, United States industry cannot reasonably be expected to provide the capability needed in a timely manner; and

"(B) submits to the congressional defense committees a report on the determination that includes appropriate explanatory material.

"(h) GRANTS AND OTHER INCENTIVES FOR DOMESTIC INDUSTRIAL BASE CAPABILITIES.—To create, maintain, protect, expand, or restore domestic industrial base capabilities essential for the national security interests of the United States, the Secretary may make provision for—

"(1) use of contracts, grants, or other transaction authorities, including cooperative agreements;

"(2) incentives for the private sector to develop capabilities in areas of national security interest;

"(3) during the 5-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this subsection, making awards to third party entities to support investments in small- and medium-sized entities working in areas of national security interest, including debt and equity investments, that would benefit missions of the Department of Defense; and

"(4) subsidies to offset market manipulation or ensure allied and domestic viability of grants made from other market uncertainties.

"(i) DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE PURCHASE COMMITMENT PROGRAM.—(1) To create, maintain, protect, expand, or restore industrial base capabilities essential for the national security interests of the United States, the Secretary may make provision for purchase commitments for—

"(A) Federal Government use or resale of an industrial resource or a critical technology item;

"(B) the encouragement of exploration, development, and mining of strategic and critical materials;

"(C) development of other materials and components;

"(D) the development of production capabilities; and

"(E) the increased use of emerging technologies in defense program applications and the rapid transition of emerging technologies—

"(i) from Federal Government-sponsored research and development to commercial applications; and

"(ii) from commercial research and development to national defense applications.

"(2)(A) Except as provided by subparagraph (B), purchase commitments under paragraph (1) may be made without regard to the limitations of existing law (other than section 1341 of title 31), for such quantities, and on such terms and conditions, including advance payments, and for such periods, but not extending beyond a date that is not more than 10 years from the date on which such purchase was initially made, as the Secretary deems necessary.

"(B) Purchases commitments under paragraph (1) involving higher than established ceiling prices (or if no such established ceiling prices exist, currently prevailing market prices) or that result in an anticipated loss on resale shall not be made, unless it is determined that supply of the materials could not be effectively increased or provisioned at lower prices or on terms more favorable to the Federal Government, or that such purchases are necessary to assure the availability to the United States of overseas supplies.

"(3)(A) The Secretary may take the actions described in subparagraph (B), if the Secretary finds that—

"(i) under generally fair and equitable ceiling prices, for any raw or nonprocessed material or component, there will result a decrease in supplies from high-cost sources of such material and that the continuation of such supplies is necessary to carry out the objectives of this section; or

"(ii) an increase in cost of transportation is temporary in character and threatens to impair maximum production or supply in any area at stable prices of any materials.

"(B) Upon a finding under subparagraph (A), the Secretary may make provision for subsidy payments on any such produced material from other than covered countries, in such amounts and in such manner (including purchase commitments of such material or component and its resale at a loss, and on such terms and conditions, as the Secretary determines to be necessary to ensure that supplies from such high-cost sources are continued, or that maximum production or supply in such area at stable prices of such materials is maintained, as the case may be.

"(4) If the Secretary determines that such action will aid the national security interests of the United States, the Secretary is authorized—

"(A) to procure and install additional equipment, facilities, processes or improvements to plants, factories, and other industrial facilities owned by the Federal Government;

"(B) to procure and install equipment including owned by the Federal Government in plants, factories, and other industrial facilities owned by private persons;

"(C) to provide for constructing new facilities, the modification, or expansion of privately owned facilities, including the modification or improvement of production processes, when taking actions under this subsection or subsection (h);

"(D) to sell or otherwise transfer equipment owned by the Federal Government and installed under this subsection to the owners of such plants, factories, or other industrial facilities;

"(E) to construct facilities for the purposes described in section subsection (g)(1); and

"(F) to apply contracts, grants, or other transactions authorities.

"(5)(A) Metals, minerals, materials, and components acquired pursuant to this subsection which, in the judgment of the Secretary, are excess to the needs of programs under this section, shall be transferred to the National Defense Stockpile established by the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98 et seq.), or other national reserves if available, when the Secretary deems such action to be in the public interest.

"(B) Transfers made pursuant to this paragraph shall be made without charge against or reimbursement from funds appropriated for the purposes of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98 et seq.), or other national reserves if available, except that costs incident to such transfer, other than acquisition costs, shall be paid or reimbursed from such funds.

"(6) When, in the judgment of the Secretary, it will aid the national security interests of the United States, the Secretary may make provision for the development and qualification a of substitutes for strategic and critical materials, components, critical technology items, and other industrial resources.

"(j) STRENGTHENING DOMESTIC PRODUCTIVE CAPACITY.—(1) The Secretary may provide appropriate incentives to develop, maintain, modernize, restore, and expand the productive capacities of sources for strategic and critical materials, components, critical technology items, and industrial resources essential for the execution of the national security strategy of the United States.

"(2)(A) The Secretary shall take appropriate actions to ensure that strategic and critical materials, components, critical technology items, and industrial resources are available from reliable sources when needed to meet defense requirements during peacetime, graduated mobilization, and national emergency.

"(B) For purposes of this paragraph, appropriate action may include—

"(i) restricting contract solicitations to reliable sources;

"(ii) stockpiling or placing into reserve strategic and critical materials, components, and critical technology items;

"(iii) planning for necessary long-lead times for acquiring such materials, components, and items; or

"(iv) developing and qualifying substitutes for such materials, components, and items.

"(k) FUNDING.—Subsections (g), (h), (i), and (j) may only be carried out using amounts appropriated on or after the date of the enactment of this subsection.

"(l) ANNUAL REPORT.—(1) Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026, and annually thereafter, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committee a report evaluating investments made and any other activities carried out using amounts in the Fund during the year preceding submission of the report.

"(2) Each report required by paragraph (1) shall include—

"(A) measures of effectiveness of the investments and activities described in that paragraph in meeting the needs of the Department of Defense and the defense industrial base;

"(B) an evaluation of the return on investment of all ongoing investments from the Fund; and

"(C) a description of efforts to coordinate activities carried out using amounts in the Fund with activities to support the defense industrial base carried out under other authorities.

"(3) In preparing a report required by paragraph (1), the Secretary shall take into account the advice of the defense industry and such other individuals as the Secretary considers relevant.

"(m) COORDINATION WITH OTHER DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE ACTIVITIES.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report detailing how activities carried out under this section will be coordinated with—

"(1) activities carried out using amounts in the Defense Production Act Fund under section 304 of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4534);

"(2) activities of the Office of Strategic Capital; and

"(3) any other efforts designed to enhance the defense industrial base.

"(n) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

"(1) The term 'chokepoint' means a situation in which—

"(A) components of the munitions supply chains, including all elements of the munitions supply chain such as chemicals, casings, or other materials, are produced by only one reliable source; or

"(B) the increased production of a component would significantly increase total output of munitions.

"(2) The term 'covered country' means—

"(A) the Russian Federation;

"(B) the Democratic People's Republic of Korea;

"(C) the Islamic Republic of Iran; and

"(D) the People's Republic of China.

"(3) The term 'reliable source' means a citizen or business entity organized under the laws of—

"(A) the United States or any territory or possession of the United States;

"(B) a country of the national technology and industrial base, as defined in section 4801; or

"(C) a qualifying country, as defined in section 225.003 of the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement or any successor document.

"(5) The term 'strategic and critical materials' has the meaning given that term in section 12(1) of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98h–3(1)).".

(b) MODIFICATIONS TO THE OFFICE OF STRATEGIC CAPITAL.—Section 149 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (e)—

(A) in paragraph (3)(A)(ii)(l)(bb), by inserting "or with regard to loans that include an equity feature, the Director reasonably believes the rate of return on the portfolio of such loans will exceed the rate of return on investment of

a loan at the yield on marketable securities of a similar maturity to the maturity of the loan on the date of execution of the loan agreement" before the period at the end;

(B) in paragraph (3), by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

"(D)(i) The Director may support an eligible investment selected pursuant to this subsection with funds, or use other mechanisms for the purpose of purchasing, and may make and fund commitments to purchase, invest in, make pledges in respect of, or otherwise acquire, equity of the eligible entity, receiving support for the eligible investment, or any of its parent or subsidiary companies, including as a limited partner or other investor in investment funds, upon such terms and conditions as the Director may determine.

"(ii) The Director shall develop criteria, taking into consideration the national security and economic interests of the United States, pursuant to which the Director may hold, sell, or otherwise liquidate support for an investment described under clause (i).

"(iii) Solely for the purposes of purchasing equity securities under this subparagraph, the Director shall be treated as a qualified purchaser (as defined in section 2(a)(51) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a–2(a)(51))) and as an accredited investor under section 2 of the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. 77d).."; and

(C) in paragraph (8), by striking "after" and all that follows through the period at the end and inserting the following: "after the formal approval of the use of any capital assistance under this subsection."; and

(2) by amending subsection (f)(1) to read as follows:

"(1) The term 'capital assistance' means a loan, loan guarantee, or technical assistance, or the purchase of or investment in equity, (including options, warrants, or other financing in a security with subordination or nonamortization characteristics as the Director determines to be substantially similar to equity financing).".

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33. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE ROUZER OF NORTH CAROLINA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, add the following:

**SEC. 1724. LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA.**

The Act of June 7, 1956 (70 Stat. 254, chapter 375), is amended—

(1) by striking section 2;

(2) in the first sentence of the first section, by striking "That the Indians" and inserting the following:

**"SEC. 3. DESIGNATION OF LUMBEE INDIANS.**

"The Indians—";

(3) in the preamble—

(A) by inserting before the first undesignated clause the following:

**"SECTION 1. FINDINGS.**

"Congress finds that—";

(B) by designating the undesignated clauses as paragraphs (1) through (4), respectively, and indenting appropriately;

(C) by striking "Whereas" each place it appears;

(D) by striking "and" after the semicolon at the end of each of paragraphs (1) and (2) (as so designated); and

(E) in paragraph (4) (as so designated), by striking ": Now, therefore," and inserting a period;

(4) by moving the enacting clause so as to appear before section 1 (as so designated);

(5) by striking the last sentence of section 3 (as designated by paragraph (2));

(6) by inserting before section 3 (as designated by paragraph (2)) the following:

**"SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

"In this Act, the term 'Secretary' means the Secretary of the Interior."; and

(7) by adding at the end the following:

**"SEC. 4. FEDERAL RECOGNITION.**

"(a) IN GENERAL.—Federal recognition is extended to the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina (as designated as petitioner number 65 by the Office of Federal Acknowledgment).

"(b) APPLICABILITY OF LAWS.—All laws and regulations of the United States of general application to Indians and Indian tribes shall apply to the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina and its members.

**"SEC. 5. ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL SERVICES.**

"(a) IN GENERAL.—The Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina and its members shall be eligible for all services and benefits provided by the Federal Government to federally recognized Indian tribes.

"(b) SERVICE AREA.—For the purpose of the delivery of Federal services and benefits described in subsection (a), those members of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina residing in Robeson, Cumberland, Hoke, and Scotland counties in North Carolina shall be deemed to be residing on or near an Indian reservation.

"(c) DETERMINATION OF NEEDS.—On verification by the Secretary of a tribal roll under subsection (d), the Secretary and the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall—

"(1) develop, in consultation with the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, a determination of needs to provide the services for which members of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina are eligible; and

"(2) after the tribal roll is verified, each submit to Congress a written statement of those needs.

"(d) TRIBAL ROLL.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—For purpose of the delivery of Federal services and benefits described in subsection (a), the tribal roll in effect on the date of enactment of this section shall, subject to verification by the Secretary, define the service population of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina.

"(2) VERIFICATION LIMITATION AND DEADLINE.—The verification by the Secretary under paragraph (1) shall—

"(A) be limited to confirming documentary proof of compliance with the membership criteria set out in the constitution of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina adopted on November 16, 2001; and

"(B) be completed not later than 2 years after the submission of a digitized roll by the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina to the Secretary.

**"SEC. 6. AUTHORIZATION TO TAKE LAND INTO TRUST.**

"(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary is hereby authorized to take land into trust for the benefit of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina.

"(b) TREATMENT OF CERTAIN LAND.—An application to take into trust land located within Robeson County, North Carolina, under this section shall be treated by the Secretary as an 'on reservation' trust acquisition under part 151 of title 25, Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor regulation).

**"SEC. 7. JURISDICTION OF STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.**

"(a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to land located within the State of North Carolina that is owned by, or held in trust by the United States for the benefit of, the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, or any dependent Indian community of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, the State of North Carolina shall exercise jurisdiction over—

"(1) all criminal offenses that are committed; and

"(2) all civil actions that arise.

"(b) TRANSFER OF JURISDICTION.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—Pursuant to section 403 of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (25 U.S.C. 1323), and subject to paragraph (2), the Secretary may accept on behalf of the United States, after consulting with the Attorney General of the United States, any transfer by the State of North Carolina to the United States of any portion of the jurisdiction of the State of North Carolina described in subsection (a) over Indian country occupied by the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina pursuant to an agreement between the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina and the State of North Carolina.

"(2) RESTRICTION.—A transfer of jurisdiction described in paragraph (1) may not take effect until 2 years after the effective date of the agreement described in that paragraph.

"(c) EFFECT.—Nothing in this section affects the application of section 109 of the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 1919).".

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34. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MEEKS OF NEW YORK OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, add the following:

**SEC. 17__. REPEAL OF AUTHORIZATIONS FOR USE OF MILITARY FORCE RELATING TO IRAQ.**

The following are hereby repealed:

(1) Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution (Public Law 102–1; 105 Stat. 3; 50 U.S.C. 1541 note) is hereby repealed.

(2) The Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002 (Public Law 107–243; 116 Stat. 1498; 50 U.S.C. 1541 note) is hereby repealed.

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35. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE JACK OF GEORGIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Strike section 708 and insert the following:

**SEC. 708. PILOT PROGRAM TO ASSIST CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AND DEPENDENTS WITH ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL COVERAGE RELATING TO CANCER.**

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than September 30, 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall establish a pilot program under which a covered individual may obtain supplemental insurance for noncovered expenses under a fixed indemnity supplemental benefit plan described in subsection (b)(1) (in this section referred to as the "pilot program").

(b) AGREEMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out the pilot program, the Secretary shall enter into an agreement with not fewer than two companies to each offer one or more fixed indemnity supplemental benefit plans that—

(A) meet the requirements for a supplemental insurance plan under section 199.2 of title 32, Code of Federal Regulations, and the exceptions under section 199.8(b)(4) of such title, as in effect on the date of the enactment of this Act;

(B) are provided under a separate policy, certificate, or contract;

(C) provide no coordination with any other health benefit plan; and

(D) are designed to help participants pay noncovered expenses.

(2) DURATION.—An agreement entered into under paragraph (1) shall be for a period of not less than three years.

(3) REQUIREMENTS.—In entering into an agreement under paragraph (1) with a company, the Secretary—

(A) may not select such company to provide coverage in a State in which such company—

(i) is not licensed; and

(ii) does not meet solvency requirements applicable to such State;

(B) shall award the agreement based on the expertise of such company;

(C) shall negotiate the terms and conditions of the fixed indemnity supplemental benefit plan provided under the agreement, including with respect to the ability of the company to communicate with individuals not enrolled in the plan and whether such communication may include information on other insurance products;

(D) shall negotiate the cost of coverage with the company that will cover the participants who elect to enroll in such plan;

(E) shall provide a method for verification of the eligibility of applicants and procedures for determination of eligibility; and

(F) shall provide a method for payroll deduction of premiums.

(4) PROVISION OF INFORMATION.—The Secretary shall provide information to covered individuals regarding the pilot program by making available on the online portal of the TRICARE program the following information:

(A) A notice of availability of a fixed indemnity supplemental benefit plan provided under the pilot program.

(B) A description of how to enroll in such plan.

(C) A description and explanation of the benefits provided under such plan.

(D) A description of the costs to the individual through premiums and remittances to a company providing such plan.

(c) ELECTION TO ENROLL.—A covered individual may elect to enroll in a fixed indemnity supplemental benefit plan provided under the pilot program.

(d) LIMITATIONS ON AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—None of the amounts authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2026 or any fiscal year thereafter to carry out the pilot program may be used to subsidize the cost of a fixed indemnity supplemental benefit plan provided under the pilot program.

(e) PREEMPTION.—Section 199.17(a)(7)(i) of title 32, Code of Federal Regulations, as in effect on the date of the enactment of this Act, shall apply to the pilot program.

(f) REPORT.—Not later than two years after the date on which the pilot program commences, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report regarding the pilot program, including the following:

(1) A description of the insurance products provided through a fixed indemnity supplemental benefit plan provided under the pilot program.

(2) The number of covered individuals who enrolled in such a plan.

(3) Feedback and examples of use cases by such individuals.

(4) A determination by the Secretary with respect to whether the pilot program should be made permanent.

(g) SUNSET.—Unless the Secretary makes a determination under subsection (f)(4) to make the pilot program permanent, the pilot program shall terminate on the day that is five years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "covered individual" means the following:

(A) A member of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Space Force.

(B) A dependent (as defined in section 1072 of title 10, United States Code) of such a member who is enrolled in the TRICARE program.

(2) The term "noncovered expense" means, with respect to a covered individual, any expenses relating to the screening for

and diagnosis and treatment of cancer that are not otherwise covered by the health care benefits the individual receives under chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code.

(3) The term "State" has the meaning given that term in section 901 of title 32, United States Code.

(4) The term "TRICARE program" has the meaning given that term in section 1072 of title 10, United States Code.

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36. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE ADERHOLT OF ALABAMA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle H of title VIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 8____. REPORT ON LIMITATIONS RELATING TO THE PRODUCTION OF CLOTHING AND TEXTILES FOR PROCUREMENT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

Not later than June 30, 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report—

(1) addressing stockpiling constraints, bottlenecks, and other limitations relating to the production of clothing and textiles for procurement by the Department of Defense; and

(2) containing an assessment of the creation of an "Emergency Textiles Stockpile Fund" to support the expansion of production of clothing and textiles to meet the requirements for contingency operations.

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37. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE ADERHOLT OF ALABAMA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle I of title V, add the following new section:

**SEC. 1____. AUTHORIZATION OF DUAL OR CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS OF DEFENSE DEPENDENT SCHOOLS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, acting through the Director of the Department of Defense Education Activity, may—

(1) enter into arrangements with institutions of higher education to provide students of Defense Dependent Schools with access to postsecondary course credit through dual or concurrent enrollment programs; and

(2) provide financial assistance to cover the costs associated with such programs.

(b) CREDIT TRANSFERABILITY.—The Secretary of Defense shall, to the greatest extent practicable, ensure that the Department of Defense Education Activity, in facilitating dual or concurrent enrollment programs with institutions of higher education under this section—

(1) establishes articulation or credit transfer agreements that promote the transferability of academic credits earned by participating students; and

(2) prioritizes agreements with institutions that offer broad acceptance of such credits across degree programs.

(c) INSTITUTIONAL INTEGRITY.—In entering into contracts or other agreements with institutions of higher education for purposes of

dual or concurrent enrollment programs under this section, the Secretary of Defense shall ensure that such institutions—

(1) are accredited and in good standing with recognized institutional accrediting agencies;

(2) maintain a record of compliance with applicable Federal and State education laws and regulations; and

(3) to the greatest extent practicable, have a demonstrable record of reliability and excellence in matters of financial integrity, academic standards, and student protections.

(d) PREPARATION AND INFORMING FAMILIES AND EDUCATORS.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that funds made available to the Department of Defense Education Activity for the purposes of supporting dual or concurrent enrollment programs are used, to the extent practicable, for the following:

(1) COURSE SEQUENCE ALIGNMENT.—Designing a sequence of courses for such programs to match the academic content standards and level of rigor of the corresponding postsecondary courses, in consultation and collaboration with—

(A) educators from Defense Dependent Schools serving the military-connected community;

(B) faculty members from institutions of higher education offering dual or concurrent enrollment programs; and

(C) the school advisory committee (or the equivalent advisory body) of each Defense Dependent School.

(2) OUTREACH AND INFORMATION DISSEMINATION.—Establishing outreach and awareness efforts targeted toward elementary and secondary school students, particularly those in the middle grades and their families, educators, school counselors, and principals, to provide—

(A) general information regarding the availability and benefits of dual or concurrent enrollment programs;

(B) guidance on eligibility requirements, academic expectations, and necessary preparatory coursework for such programs; and

(C) resources to support informed decision-making and successful student participation in such programs.

(e) TEACHER CERTIFICATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that all dual or concurrent enrollment courses facilitated by the Department of Defense Education Activity are taught by—

(1) a postsecondary faculty member who—

(A) is employed by two-year or four-year institution of higher education (which may include a community college); and

(B) meets the applicable postsecondary accreditation standards for instructional staff; or

(2) a classroom teacher employed by a local educational agency or by the Department of Defense Education Activity, who—

(A) has met the certification and content-area qualifications necessary to teach at the secondary level; and

(B) has received training or certification to deliver the dual or concurrent enrollment course curriculum in alignment with the standards of the partnering institution of higher education.

(f) PROTECTING STATE RESIDENCY.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that the Department of Defense Education Activity, in administering or facilitating access to dual or concurrent enrollment programs under this section, makes every reasonable effort to ensure that participating students retain their State of legal residence as established prior to enrollment in such programs, for purposes of—

(1) eligibility for in-State tuition rates at public institutions of higher education;

(2) qualification for State-based financial aid, scholarships, or academic recognition;

(3) uninterrupted access to dual or concurrent enrollment opportunities made available through State or institutional partnerships; and

(4) other educational benefits connected to State residency.

(g) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out this section, the Secretary of Defense shall—

(1) consult with the School Advisory Committees (or the equivalent advisory bodies) and Parent Teacher Associations of participating Defense Dependent Schools; and

(2) to the maximum extent practicable, use and certify licensed teachers already employed at Defense Dependent Schools to teach courses offering postsecondary credit unless doing so would negatively affect the transferability of such credits.

(h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "Defense Dependent School" means—

(A) a school operated under the Defense Dependents' Education System, as authorized under the Defense Dependents' Education Act of 1978 (20 U.S.C. 921 et seq.); or

(B) a Department of Defense domestic dependent elementary and secondary school, as authorized under section 2164 of title 10, United States Code.

(2) The term "dual or concurrent enrollment program" means a program offered by an arrangement between the Department of Defense Education Activity and an institution of higher education and through which a student enrolled in a Defense Dependent School who has not graduated from high school with a regular high school diploma is able to enroll in one or more postsecondary courses and earn credit that applies—

(A) toward completion of a postsecondary degree or recognized educational credential as described in the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.); and

(B) toward completion of high school.

(3) 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).

(4) The term "recognized institutional accrediting agency" means an agency or association recognized by the Secretary of Education under section 496 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1099b).

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38. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE AMO OF RHODE ISLAND OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title XII, add the following:

**SEC. 12__. REPORT RELATING TO AUKUS PILLAR 1.**

(a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State, shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate, Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives, Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives a report on the impact and potential of Pillar 1 of the Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States partnership (in this section referred to as the "AUKUS partnership") including—

(1) a detailed description of how Pillar 1 of the AUKUS partnership encourages the economic coordination between Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States, including through domestic businesses, the defense industries, and direct investments;

(2) a detailed description of how Pillar 1 of the AUKUS partnership encourages the defense coordination between Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States to protect United States national security and the stability of the Indo-Pacific region;

(3) a detailed description of how Pillar 1 of the AUKUS partnership encourages the diplomatic coordination between Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States to increase the ties among such countries; and

(4) a detailed description and analysis of how terminating the AUKUS partnership would harm the economic, defense, and diplomatic coordination between Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

(b) FORM.—The report required by subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may contain a classified annex if submitted separately from the unclassified portion.

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39. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE AMO OF RHODE ISLAND OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title I, add the following new section:

**SEC. 1___. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON DOMESTIC PROCUREMENT OF DEFENSE ARTICLES FOR AUKUS PARTNERSHIP.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) researching, producing, and procuring defense articles for the AUKUS partnership from within the United States boosts local economies and improves national security by enhancing domestic defense article production capabilities; and

(2) the Secretary of Defense should promote and prioritize domestic manufacturing, supply chains, and research for defense articles intended for use by members of the AUKUS partnership.

(b) AUKUS PARTNERSHIP DEFINED.—In this section, the term "AUKUS partnership" means the enhanced trilateral security part-

nership between Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States announced in September 2021.

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40. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE AMO OF RHODE ISLAND OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle G of title VIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 8___. AUTHORIZATION OF USE OF APEX ACCELERATORS.**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, APEX Accelerators may assist small business concerns (as defined under section 3 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632)) in receiving contracts for the production of and research on defense articles (as defined in section 301 of title 10, United States Code) under the partnership among Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States (commonly known as "AUKUS").

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41. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE AMO OF RHODE ISLAND OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. REPORT ON LOW-COST UNDERSEA EFFECTORS.**

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the Defense Innovation Unit's (DIU) Low Cost Undersea Effectors Commercial Solutions Opening (CSO), which seeks to demonstrate affordable, mission-specific small and medium unmanned underwater vehicles (UUVs) capable of supporting subsea and seabed warfare, intelligence, surveillance, reconnaissance (ISR), and expeditionary warfare, offers the potential to deliver kinetic effects, ISR, and expeditionary capabilities at low cost, with reduced training and logistics burdens, and in quantities sufficient to enable distributed maritime operations;

(2) the Low-Cost Undersea Effectors CSO should be fully funded and executed to its intended scope, with particular emphasis on transitioning viable systems to scaled production rapidly;

(3) the Secretary of the Navy should plan for and execute procurement of successful systems emerging from the Low-Cost Undersea Effectors CSO, including by leveraging Other Transaction Authority, rapid acquisition authorities, and appropriate research, development, test, and evaluation (RDT&E) and procurement accounts; and

(4) early adoption of commercially derived, low-cost unmanned underwater vehicles will complement, rather than compete with, traditional programs of record, and will enable novel operational concepts ensuring our national security edge in undersea warfare.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Navy, in coordination with DIU, shall provide a briefing to the congressional defense committees on the Low-Cost Undersea Effectors CSO, including—

(1) the funding plan and execution status for the Low-Cost Undersea Effectors CSO;

(2) Navy plans to begin limited procurement of successful CSO awardees for operational experimentation and fleet integration;

(3) pathways for scaling production of low-cost UUVs; and

(4) steps to ensure small business and non-traditional defense contractors remain central to future acquisition in this domain.

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42. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE ARRINGTON OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title I, add the following new section:

**SEC. 1___. EXTENSION OF PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN REDUCTIONS TO B–1 BOMBER AIRCRAFT SQUADRONS.**

Subsection (d)(1) of section 133 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 135 Stat. 1574), as most recently amended by section 146 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 1810), is further amended by striking "September 30, 2026" and inserting "September 30, 2030".

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43. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE ARRINGTON OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title VII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 7___. REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO WELLNESS CHECKS FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE OF CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

(a) WELLNESS CHECKS.—

(1) WELLNESS CHECKS REQUIRED.—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.

(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.—On a routine basis, each unit commander shall—

(1) review the requirements contained in the document titled "Commander's Critical Information Requirements", dated January 2020, or such successor document, to ensure such requirements—

(A) have been issued or updated during the three-year period preceding any such review;

(B) reflect such medical issues or safety incidents of members of the Armed Forces that the commander deems sufficiently significant; and

(C) have been distributed to the unit under the command of such commander; and

(2) 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.

(d) TRAINING COURSES.—Each Secretary concerned, and the Secretary of Defense with respect to civilian personnel of the Department of Defense, shall develop and implement training courses to ensure each member of an Armed Force under the jurisdiction of that Secretary (or each civilian employee of the Department of Defense, respectively) is aware of the importance of accountability with respect to health and welfare and of the significant negative outcomes that may occur when accountability procedures fail. Such courses shall be offered at leadership and supervisor trainings and shall include content relating to the conduct of wellness checks in accordance with subsection (a) and other related actions.

(e) SECRETARY CONCERNED DEFINED.—In this section, the term "Secretary concerned" has the meaning given such term in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code.

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## 44. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BABIN OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title VII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 7___. STUDY ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS FOR MILITARY DENTAL TREATMENT FACILITIES.**

(a) STUDY REQUIRED.—The Inspector General of the Department of Defense shall conduct a study on the implementation of section 744(b)(4) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 1071 note) with respect to military dental treatment facilities. Such study shall include the following:

(1) An identification of the number and percentage of military dental treatment facilities that have not achieved accredi-

tation as required under such section 744(b)(4) as of the date of the study.

(2) An analysis of any barriers, including administrative or operational barriers, impeding the achievement of such accreditation requirement with respect to military dental treatment facilities.

(3) An assessment of the resources, including personnel, training, and infrastructure resources, necessary to achieve full compliance with such accreditation requirement.

(4) An estimate of the costs necessary to bring any unaccredited military dental treatment facility into compliance with such accreditation requirement.

(5) Recommendations for any administrative, legislative, or other action necessary to ensure the full implementation of such accreditation requirement.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Inspector General of the Department of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate a report on the study under subsection (a). Such report shall include—

(1) the findings of the study;

(2) a plan to ensure compliance with section 744(b)(4) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10 U.S.C. 1071 note); and

(3) any recommendations by the Inspector General for additional resources or legislative authority necessary to achieve full compliance with such section.

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45. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BACON OF NEBRASKA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Subtitle C of title V is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. RECOMMENDATION WITH RESPECT TO THE RETIRED RANK OF GENERAL JOHN D. LAVELLE.**

Not later than September 30, 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the President and the Senate a recommendation regarding the restoration of the retired rank of General John D. Lavelle to general. Such recommendation shall be—

(1) based on—

(A) recently declassified records; and

(B) the most recent recommendation and directive of the Secretary of the Air Force that adopted and approved the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the Air Force Board for Correction of Military Records; and

(2) supported by the entirety of the record in the matter of General Lavelle.

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46. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BAIRD OF INDIANA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, add the following new section:

**SEC. 10___. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BRIEFING ON PULSED LASERS.**

Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this section, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a briefing on—

(1) the efficacy and feasibility of pulsed lasers to defend both tactical and strategic facilities and installations against offensive unmanned aerial systems, especially in swarms, in the near term; and

(2) pulsed laser defensive capabilities against intermediate to long-range missile threats in the medium term.

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47. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BARR OF KENTUCKY OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 161, beginning line 18, strike "Pine Bluff Arsenal, Arkansas," and insert "Pine Bluff Arsenal, Arkansas, Blue Grass Army Depot, Kentucky,".

Page 161, line 24, insert " Blue Grass Army Depot, Kentucky," after "Arkansas,".

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48. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BARR OF KENTUCKY OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title VIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 8___. SHIPPING CONTAINER SUPPLY CHAIN.**

(a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds the following:

(1) House Report 118–301 accompanying the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 (Public Law 118–31) directed the Secretary of the Army, in coordination with the Commanding General, Army Materiel Command and the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology to provide a briefing on the costs and estimated funding profile as it relates to the organic industrial base modernization strategy, and facility efforts required to support opportunities for organic industrial base augmentation at Blue Grass Army Depot in Kentucky.

(2) The briefing was directed to explore Blue Grass Army Depot as a potential site for the production of metal shipping containers.

(3) China produces most shipping containers and the Department of Defense sources nearly all containers from Asia or assembles container kits in the United States from foreign-producers.

(4) Establishing a domestic source for metal shipping containers would reduce reliance on foreign sources.

(5) The reliance on foreign adversary nations for standard and specialty shipping containers presents a national security risk, particularly in times of crisis.

(6) The Department of Defense must have access to domestically produced shipping containers to meet operational readiness and logistical requirements.

(7) The defense industrial base must be strengthened to ensure secure supply chains and uninterrupted access to critical shipping components.

(8) Establishing domestic production facilities will create jobs, improve economic resilience, and enhance national security.

(9) Domestic production of shipping containers is essential to national security and economic resilience.

(10) To ensure the integrity of the defense industrial base, shipping containers procured under this Act should be manufacturing in the United States by domestic entities using domestically produced steel and other critical materials and components.

(b) NATIONAL SECURITY ASSESSMENT.—

(1) ASSESSMENT OF FOREIGN RELIANCE.—Not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress an assessment on the national security implications of the reliance of the United States on foreign adversary countries for the production of standard and specialty shipping containers.

(2) ASSESSMENT CONTENTS.—The assessment required by paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) a detailed evaluation of the ability of the Department of Defense to acquire standard and specialty shipping containers from sources other than sources located in covered nations (as defined in section 4872 of title 10, United States Code);

(B) an identification of the barriers to the acquisition of standard and specialty shipping contains from domestic sources and recommendations to mitigate such barriers; and

(C) a timeline for transitioning the Department to acquiring standard and specialty shipping containers from sources other than sources located in foreign adversary.

(c) ESTABLISHMENT OF DOMESTIC PRODUCTION CAPABILITY.—

(1) PRIMARY PRODUCTION FACILITY.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than December 31, 2028, the Secretary of Defense shall develop a requirement to establish a facility for the production of standard shipping containers at a depot of the Army that—

(i) has a consolidated shipping center;

(ii) is part of the organic industrial base; and

(iii) is located in the United States.

(B) COORDINATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall seek to enter into a public-private partnership to establish and operate the facility established pursuant to the requirement developed under subparagraph (A).

(2) SECONDARY PRODUCTION FACILITY.—Not later than December 31, 2028, the Secretary shall evaluate locations to establish a second facility for the production of standard shipping containers that is located in the United States.

(d) READINESS AND LOGISTICAL REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) STANDARD SHIPPING CONTAINS.—The Secretary of Defense shall quantify the yearly demand and usage by the Depart-

ment of Defense for the eight standard shipping container types, including—

(A) bill of materials verification; and

(B) model and drawing verification.

(2) SPECIALTY SHIPPING CONTAINS.—The Secretary of Defense shall assess the yearly readiness and logistical requirements of the Department of Defense for specialty shipping containers by weapons system.

(3) INTEGRATION OF SENSOR AND COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall assess and submit to Congress a report on the potential benefits of incorporating into the design and production of standard and specialty shipping containers used by the Department of Defense a diverse set of communications equipment and sensors that are capable of providing real-time data on location, contents, usage, and other critical information relevant to national defense purposes.

(B) REPORT CONTENTS.—The report required by subparagraph (A) shall include—

(i) an assessment of the feasibility of embedding in standard and specialty shipping containers used by the Department of Defense the communications equipment and sensors described in such subparagraph, including sensors integrated into container flooring, for satellite-based tracking and monitoring;

(ii) recommendations for collaboration with private industry partners to develop and implement in such shipping containers such communications equipment and sensors; and

(iii) an evaluation of how such communications equipment and sensors embedded in such shipping containers could enhance the security and resilience of the supply chain of the Department.

(e) INCENTIVIZING COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL BASE PARTICIPATION.—

(1) INDUSTRY PARTICIPATION.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of Commerce, shall develop initiatives to encourage the production of shipping containers for both defense and commercial use by entities other than those located in covered nations (as defined in section 4872 of title 10, United States Code).

(2) COMMON AND UNIQUE COMPONENT IDENTIFICATION.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall assess and identify common and unique components necessary for standard and specialty shipping containers to streamline the production and enhance the cost efficiency of such shipping containers.

(f) REPORTING.—Not later than 60 days after the end of the first fiscal year ending after the date of the enactment of this Act, and not later than 60 days after the end of each fiscal year thereafter, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report detailing the progress on the establishment of domestic facilities for the production of shipping containers under subsection (c)(1).

(g) TERMINATION.—This section shall terminate on the date on which the Secretary of Defense submits to Congress a certification that the sufficient standard and specialty shipping contains are available solely from domestic sources to meet the national security needs of the United States.

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49. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BARRETT OF MICHIGAN OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10____. REPORTS ON INSTALLATION OF CERTAIN COLLISION AVOIDANCE SYSTEMS IN MILITARY ROTARY-WING AIRCRAFT.**

(a) REPORT ON FEASIBILITY OF INSTALLING TRAFFIC ALERT AND COLLISION AVOIDANCE SYSTEMS IN ALL MILITARY ROTARY-WING AIRCRAFT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report on the feasibility of installing a traffic alert and collision avoidance system in each military rotary-wing aircraft. Such report shall include—

(A) an analysis of the cost associated with installing a traffic alert and collision avoidance system in each military rotary-wing aircraft;

(B) an analysis of the effect of installing such systems in such aircraft on the safety of civilian airspace;

(C) an identification of any changes to the configuration of the cockpit of such aircraft that would be necessary in order to install such systems;

(D) any implications the installation of such systems would have for combat, training, or domestic security operations; and

(E) if the Secretary determines that the installation of such systems in such aircraft is not feasible, recommendations regarding similar systems or capabilities that could be installed instead.

(2) TRAFFIC ALERT AND COLLISION AVOIDANCE SYSTEM DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term "traffic alert and collision avoidance system" means a collision avoidance system in compliance with section 121.356 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation.

(b) REPORT ON FEASIBILITY OF INSTALLING AUTOMATIC DEPENDENT SURVEILLANCE–BROADCAST IN CAPABILITIES IN ALL MILITARY ROTARY-WING AIRCRAFT.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report on the feasibility of installing automatic dependent surveillance–broadcast IN capability in each military rotary-wing aircraft. Such report shall include—

(1) an analysis of the cost associated with installing automatic dependent surveillance–broadcast IN capability in each military rotary-wing aircraft;

(2) an analysis of the effect of installing such capabilities in such aircraft on the safety of civilian airspace;

(3) an identification of any changes to the configuration of the cockpit of such aircraft that would be necessary in order to install such capabilities;

(4) any implications the installation of such capabilities would have for combat, training, or domestic security operations; and

(5) if the Secretary determines that the installation of such capabilities in such aircraft is not feasible, recommendations regarding similar systems or capabilities that could be installed instead.

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50. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BEGICH OF ALASKA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle E of title XVI, insert the following:

**SEC. 16___. LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY TO REDUCE SUSTAINMENT FOR OR HALT OPERATION OF THE AN/FPS–108 COBRA DANE RADAR.**

(a) LIMITATION.—Until the date on which the certification described in subsection (b) is submitted to the congressional defense committees, the Secretary of Defense—

(1) may not reduce sustainment efforts for, halt operation of, or prepare to reduce sustainment efforts for or halt operation of, the AN/FPS–108 COBRA DANE radar located at Eareckson Air Station on Shemya Island, Alaska;

(2) shall sustain the AN/FPS–108 COBRA DANE radar in a manner that preserves, at a minimum, the operational availability of the system as of the date of the enactment of this section; and

(3) shall ensure that the AN/FPS–108 COBRA DANE radar continues to meet the operational requirements of the combatant commands that are met by such system as of the date of the enactment of this section.

(b) CERTIFICATION DESCRIBED.—The certification described in this subsection is a written certification from the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Chief of Space Operations and the Director of the Missile Defense Agency, indicating that the replacement capability for the AN/FPS–108 COBRA DANE radar—

(1) will reach initial operational capability at the same time or before the termination of operations for the AN/FPS–108 COBRA DANE radar; and

(2) at the time such replacement capability achieves initial operational capability, will have the ability to meet the operational requirements of the combatant commands that have been, or that are expected to be, assigned to such replacement capability.

(c) EXCEPTION.—The limitation described in subsection (a) shall not apply to temporary interruptions of operational availability for the AN/FPS–108 COBRA DANE radar provided such activities are necessary to support maintenance or modernization activities of the system.

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51. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BERGMAN OF MICHIGAN OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2____. FUNDING FOR VIRTUAL ENGINEERING FOR ARMY READINESS AND SUSTAINMENT.**

(a) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 201 for Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Next-Generation Combat Vehicle Advanced Technology, line 052, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4201, for Virtual Engineering for Army Readiness and Sustainment, is hereby increased by $7,000,000.

(b) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 301 for Operation and Maintenance, Army, for Land Forces Systems Readiness, line 080, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4301, is hereby reduced by $7,000,000.

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52. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BERGMAN OF MICHIGAN OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2____. FUNDING FOR HUMANITARIAN AIRBORNE MOBILE INFRASTRUCTURE CAPABILITY.**

(a) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 201 for Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Army for Ground Advanced Technology, line 043, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4201, for Humanitarian Airborne Mobile Infrastructure Capability, is hereby increased by $4,200,000.

(b) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 301 for Operation and Maintenance, Army, for Land Forces Systems Readiness, line 080, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4301, is hereby reduced by $4,200,000.

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53. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BERGMAN OF MICHIGAN OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2____. FUNDING FOR FUEL CELL MULTI-MODULAR USE UTILIZING HYDROGEN.**

(a) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 201 for Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Army for Ground Advanced Technology, line 043, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4201, for Fuel Cell Multi-Modular Use (FC-MMU) Utilizing Hydrogen, is hereby increased by $10,000,000.

(b) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 301 for Operation and Maintenance, Army, for Land Forces Systems Readiness, line 080, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4301, is hereby reduced by $10,000,000.

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54. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BEYER OF VIRGINIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle F of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10___. CONSTRUCTION OF 9/11 PENTAGON MEMORIAL VISITOR EDUCATION CENTER.**

(a) AUTHORIZATION.—The Secretary of Defense is authorized to construct a visitor education center near the 9/11 Pentagon Memorial in Arlington National Cemetery, Virginia, in order to better inform and educate the public about the terrorist attack on the Pentagon on September 11, 2001, the lives lost during the attack, the historic significance of the 9/11 Pentagon Memorial site, and how the United States responded and moved forward following the attack. The Secretary is authorized to designate an appropriate non-government organization or non-profit organization to complete the visitors education center on behalf of the Secretary.

(b) GRANT AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense, acting through the Director of Washington Headquarters Services, may make a grant, including a supplemental grant, to, or may enter into a cooperative agreement with, a non-government organization or non-profit organization designated under subsection (a), for the purpose of providing assistance with constructing the visitor education center authorized under such subsection.

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55. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BICE OF OKLAHOMA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title VI, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 6___. IMPROVED PARENTAL LEAVE FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) In December 2022, Congress expanded the paid parental leave for members of the Armed Forces to 12 weeks during the 12 months after the "birth or adoption of a child of the member and in order to care for such child" or the "placement of a minor child with the member for adoption or long-term foster care" (10 U.S.C. 701(h)(1)(A)).

(2) The expansion of parental leave raises concerns that members who take such leave may receive lower evaluations compared to those who do not.

(3) There is currently no provision to exempt members from evaluations due to parental leave, potentially deterring eligible members from taking this leave.

(4) Each Secretary of a military department has been given authority to implement the leave policies but have not pro-

vided explicit guidance on how to characterize such leave for the purposes of evaluations.

(5) All Armed Forces have non-rated codes or not observed evaluations to exempt members from evaluations during periods where their performance is not observed, but these do not align across the Armed Forces and do not specifically apply to parental leave.

(6) Members who are parents face unique hardships, and the 12 weeks of paid family leave for both mothers and fathers, for birth and adoption, is designed to balance the care needs of their children with the demands of their unit.

(7) Excessive paperwork required to extend the use of the 12 weeks of military family leave beyond one year additionally burdens members and decreases flexibility.

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this section, the Secretary of Defense shall—

(1) prescribe regulations—

(A) that exempt a member of the Armed Forces who is taking parental leave, under subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of section 701(h) of title 10, United States Code, that exceeds 31 consecutive days, from a performance evaluation; and

(B) under subparagraph (B) of such paragraph, to authorize a member to take leave under such section during the two-year period beginning on the birth, adoption, or placement described in such paragraph without having to request a waiver from the Secretary concerned; and

(2) submit to the Committees on Armed Forces of the Senate and House of Representatives a report regarding the implementation of this section.

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## 56. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BIGGS OF ARIZONA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title VIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 8____. PROHIBITION ON ACQUISITION OF INFORMATION OR COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY FROM CHINESE ENTITIES.**

None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to acquire any information or communication technology, including computers, printers, and video conferencing equipment, from an entity—

(1) in which the People's Republic of China have substantial ownership or controlling interest, directly or indirectly;

(2) that is a subsidiary or affiliate of an entity in which the People's Republic of China have substantial ownership or controlling interest, directly or indirectly; or

(3) that is organized under the laws of or located in the People's Republic of China and is to any law enacted by the government of the People's Republic of China mandating the cooperation of such entity with any national defense or intelligence agency or organization of the People's Republic of China or the Chinese Communist Part People's Liberation Army.

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57. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BIGGS OF ARIZONA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title III, add the following:

**SEC. 3___. STUDY ON SMALL MODULAR NUCLEAR REACTORS.**

(a) STUDY REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense shall conduct a comprehensive study on the feasibility, costs, and benefits of deploying small modular nuclear reactors (in this section referred to as "SMRs") to provide secure, resilient, and reliable power for Department of Defense installations.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The study shall include the following:

(1) An assessment of potential sites for SMR deployment at Department of Defense installations.

(2) An evaluation of the benefits of SMR deployment to mission readiness, energy resilience, and cost savings.

(3) An analysis of regulatory, safety, and security considerations related to SMR deployment.

(4) A review of ongoing pilot projects and partnerships with the Department of Energy and private industry related to SMR deployment.

(5) An assessment of how SMR deployment could enhance future military readiness and national security by mitigating emerging threats to energy infrastructure, including cyber, physical, and natural hazards.

(c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—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 House of Representatives and the Senate a report on the findings of the study, including recommendations for future implementation of such findings.

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58. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BIGGS OF ARIZONA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title X, add the following new section:

**SEC. 10___. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SPENDING REDUCTIONS IN ABSENCE OF SUBMITTED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OR FAILURE TO ACHIEVE UNQUALIFIED OR QUALIFIED INDEPENDENT AUDIT OPINION.**

(a) APPLICABILITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), this section applies to the Department of Defense, including military departments and Defense Agencies thereof.

(2) SEPARATE APPLICABILITY.—If a military department or Defense Agency is identified by the Director of the Office of Management and Budget as required to have its own audited financial statement under section 3515 of title 31, United States Code, that military department and Defense Agency shall be treated separately from the Department of Defense for purposes of application of this section.

(b) ADJUSTMENTS FOR FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—On March 2 of each fiscal year, the discretionary budget authority available for the Department of Defense (or a military department or Defense Agency covered by subsection (a)(2)) for such fiscal year shall be adjusted as provided in paragraph (2).

(2) ADJUSTMENT.—If the Department of Defense (or a military department or Defense Agency covered by subsection (a)(2)) has not submitted a financial statement for the previous fiscal year, or if such financial statement has not received either an unqualified or a qualified audit opinion by an independent external auditor, the discretionary budget authority available for the Department of Defense, the military department, or the Defense Agency (as the case may be) shall be reduced by .5 percent, with the reduction applied proportionately to each account (other than an account listed in subsection (d) or an account for which a waiver is made under subsection (d)).

(3) MINIMIZES NATIONAL SECURITY EFFECTS.—Consistent with applicable laws, the Secretary of Defense may make any reduction under paragraph (2) in a manner that minimizes any effect on national security.

(4) DEFICIT REDUCTION.—An amount equal to the total amount of any reduction under paragraph (2) shall be retained in the general fund of the Treasury for the purposes of deficit reduction.

(c) ACCOUNTS EXCLUDED.—The following accounts are excluded from any reductions referred to in subsection (b)(2):

(1) Military personnel, reserve personnel, and National Guard personnel accounts of the Department of Defense.

(2) The Defense Health Program account of the Department of Defense.

(d) WAIVER.—The President may waive subsection (b)(2) with respect to an account if the President certifies that applying the subsection to that account would harm national security or members of the Armed Forces who are deployed in combat zones.

(e) REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after the date on which an adjustment is made under subsection (b), the Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall submit to Congress a report that includes a description of the amount and account of each adjustment.

(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The terms "financial statement" and "external independent auditor" have the meanings given those terms in section 3521(e) of title 31, United States Code.

(3) The term "unqualified", with respect to the audit status of a financial statement, includes the characterizations clean and unmodified.

(2) The term "qualified", with respect to the audit status of a financial statement, includes the characterization modified.

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59. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BIGGS OF SOUTH CAROLINA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title III, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 3____. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE REPORT ON CREATINE SUPPLEMENTS IN MEALS READY-TO-EAT.**

(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 Director of the Defense Logistics Agency, shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of

Representatives a report evaluating the feasibility, safety, and potential benefits of including creatine supplements in Meals Ready-to-Eat (MREs) for members of the Armed Forces.

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

(1) An assessment of the benefits and risks of creatine supplements, including any impact on the strength, muscle health, physical performance, injury prevention, recovery, and overall readiness of members of the Armed Forces.

(2) An evaluation of the logistical considerations for including creatine supplements in MREs, including any implications for storage, distribution, shelf life, and cost.

(3) Recommendations regarding the advisability and manner of including creatine supplements in MREs.

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60. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BIGGS OF SOUTH CAROLINA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 10___. CYBERSECURITY AND RESILIENCE ANNEX IN STRATEGIC RAIL CORRIDOR NETWORK ASSESSMENTS.**

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

(1) the Strategic Rail Corridor Network (hereinafter referred to as "STRACNET") is a crucial asset for military mobility and logistics, increasingly targeted by cyber threats;

(2) cybersecurity vulnerabilities in rail infrastructure could disrupt defense operations and national security during a crisis;

(3) resilience against cyberattacks and physical disruptions is essential to maintain the operational integrity of the Strategic Rail Corridor Network; and

(4) regular assessments with a dedicated cybersecurity and resilience annex are necessary to address evolving risks and ensure network reliability.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that integrating cybersecurity and infrastructure resilience into the Strategic Rail Corridor Network assessments in crucial to protecting this vital defense transportation network.

(c) CYBERSECURITY AND RESILIENCE ANNEX.—The Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of Transportation and the Secretary of Homeland Security, shall include in each assessment of the Strategic Rail Corridor Network carried out after the date of the enactment of this section an annex containing an evaluation of the cybersecurity and the resilience of the physical infrastructure of the Strategic Rail Corridor that includes—

(1) a description of potential cyber threats and vulnerabilities affecting the Strategic Rail Corridor Network operations;

(2) an assessment of the resilience of the Strategic Rail Corridor Network against cyberattacks and other disruptive actions by an adversary of the United States;

(3) recommended actions to be taken by Congress and Federal agencies to improve the cybersecurity defenses and the re-

silience of the physical infrastructure of the Strategic Rail Corridor Network; and

(4) a description of the timelines and resource requirements to implement the recommendations under paragraph (3).

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61. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BIGGS OF SOUTH CAROLINA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 17___. FEASIBILITY STUDY ON EXTENDING CRITICAL MINERALS PROCUREMENT AUTHORITIES TO OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES.**

(a) FINDINGS ON CRITICAL MINERAL ACQUISITION.—The Congress finds the following:

(1) Critical minerals are essential to national security, economic stability, and technological innovation across multiple U.S. government sectors.

(2) The Department of Defense's experience with critical minerals procurement highlights the potential for broader federal application to enhance resource security.

(3) Federal agencies, such as the Departments of Energy and Homeland Security, rely on critical minerals but lack independent procurement and resale authorities.

(4) Extending such authorities could strengthen domestic supply chains and reduce dependence on foreign sources vulnerable to disruption.

(5) Legal and regulatory barriers may limit agencies' ability to procure and manage critical minerals effectively, requiring thorough evaluation.

(6) Allowing resale of excess critical minerals could generate revenue and support strategic goals, provided safeguards prevent market instability.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS ON CRITICAL MINERAL ACQUISITION.—It is the sense of the Congress that a whole-of-government approach to critical minerals procurement could bolster national resilience and economic competitiveness.

(c) STUDY REQUIRED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of the Interior, the Secretary of Commerce, the Administrator of General Services Administration, and the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, shall conduct a study on the feasibility of providing to other Federal agencies authorities similar to Department of Defense critical mineral procurement authorities.

(2) CONTENTS.—The study required by paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) an assessment of the need of other Federal agencies for critical minerals;

(B) an evaluation of the legal, regulatory, and logistical barriers to granting other Federal agencies authorities similar to Department of Defense critical mineral procurement authorities;

(C) an analysis of the economic and strategic effects of allowing other Federal agencies to resell critical minerals

in excess of those required to meet the needs of the Federal agency on the open market, including potential effects on domestic supply chains and international trade; and

(D) recommendations for legislative or regulatory changes necessary to grant other Federal agencies authorities similar to Department of Defense critical mineral procurement authorities, including safeguards to prevent market disruption or misuse of resale proceeds resulting from the use of such similar authorities by other Federal agencies.

(d) 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 Committee on Armed Services of the Senate, the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate, and the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives a report described in paragraph (2).

(2) REPORT DESCRIBED.—The report described in this subsection is a report by the Secretary of Defense containing—

(A) the detailed findings of the study required by subsection (c)(1);

(B) recommendations for granting other Federal agencies authorities similar to Department of Defense critical mineral procurement authorities; and

(C) such other additional information as the Secretary determines appropriate for ensuring a coordinated, whole-of-government approach to the management of critical minerals.

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

(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "critical mineral" has the meaning given such term in section 7002(a) of the Energy Act of 2020 (30 U.S.C. 1606(a)), except that such term includes any mineral, element, substance, or material designated by the Secretary of Defense as a critical mineral.

(2) The term "Department of Defense critical mineral procurement authorities" means the authorities available to the Department of Defense for the Department to independently acquire and dispose of critical minerals.

(3) The term "other Federal agency" means a Federal agency other than the Department of Defense.

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## 62. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BIGGS OF SOUTH CAROLINA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title V, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 5____. STUDY AND REPORT ON NATIONAL GUARD CAPABILITIES IN CYBER INCIDENT RESPONSE.**

(a) STUDY REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Chief of the National Guard Bureau, the Secretary of Homeland Security, and the heads of other relevant federal agen-

cies, shall conduct a comprehensive study to evaluate the capabilities and authorities of the National Guard in responding to cyber incidents affecting national security.

(b) ELEMENTS OF STUDY.—The study required under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) An assessment of the current roles and responsibilities of the National Guard in cyber incident response, including—

(A) engagements under Federal authority, such as those pursuant to title 10, United States Code; and

(B) deployments under State authority, initiated by Governors pursuant to title 32, United States Code, or State law.

(2) An analysis of existing legal authorities governing the National Guard's participation in cyber incident response, including any limitations or gaps in such authorities.

(3) An evaluation of resource allocation for National Guard cyber response capabilities, including personnel, equipment, and funding.

(4) An assessment of training programs and needs for National Guard personnel to effectively respond to cyber incidents, including joint training with Federal agencies and private sector entities.

(5) A review of coordination mechanisms between the National Guard, Federal agencies (including the Department of Defense, the Department of Homeland Security, and the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency), State governments, and private sector partners involved in cyber incident response.

(6) Identification of challenges or barriers to enhancing the National Guard's role in cyber incident response and recommendations to address such challenges.

(c) 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 submit to the congressional defense committees the study required under subsection (a).

(2) FORM.—The report shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex if necessary.

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63. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BIGGS OF SOUTH CAROLINA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title XVII, add the following:

**SEC. 17___. MADE-IN-AMERICA DEFENSE ARTICLES AND SERVICES EXPEDITED THROUGH DIRECT COMMERCIAL SALES.**

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—Congress—

(1) believes the expeditious delivery of defense articles and services to allies and partners strengthens American national security;

(2) notes that the Department of Defense contracting process often adds significant amounts of time to the delivery of defense articles and services to allies and partners, and in some cases these articles and services could be appropriately transferred more quickly using direct commercial sales; and

(3) supports the ongoing and periodic review of the FMS-Only List to ensure that defense articles and services that can be appropriately transferred using direct commercial sales are not included on the FMS-Only list.

(b) REVIEW AND REPORT.—

(1) REVIEW.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Secretary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, shall carry out a review of defense articles and defense services that are eligible to be provided under the foreign military sales program under chapter 2 of the Arms Export Control Act, but not eligible to be provided under direct commercial sales under section 38 of such Act, in order to identify those articles and services that should also be eligible to be provided under direct commercial sales.

(B) MATTERS TO BE ADDRESSED.—The review required by this subsection shall address the following with respect to each defense article and defense services identified under this subsection:

(i) The average length of time to complete a transfer of the article or service under the foreign military sales program compared to such a transfer under a direct commercial sale, measured from the initial submission of the letter of request to the delivery of the article or service.

(ii) The impact on the workload for the Department of State and Department of Defense by reason of a transfer of the article or service under a direct commercial sale.

(iii) The benefits to United States national security and United States competitiveness by reason of a transfer of the article or service under a direct commercial sale.

(2) REPORT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the completion of each review required by subsection (a), the Secretary of State, in coordination of the Secretary of Defense, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report that contains the results of the review, including—

(i) the average time to transfer the reviewed defense articles or services during the previous reporting period through the foreign military sales program and through direct commercial sales and how those averages compare to the averages reported in the previous reporting period;

(ii) the leading causes of delays;

(iii) any steps taken to reduce those delays; and

(iv) any defense articles and services added to or removed from the FMS-Only list during the preceding reporting period, as well as the justification for such decisions.

(B) FORM.—The report required by this subsection shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may contain a classified annex.

(C) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection—

(i) the term "appropriate congressional committees" means—

(I) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives; and

(II) the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate; and

(ii) the term "FMS-only list" means the list maintained by the Secretary of State of defense articles and defense services that are eligible to be provided under the foreign military sales program under chapter 2 of the Arms Export Control Act, but not eligible to be provided under direct commercial sales under section 38 of such Act.

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64. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BILIRAKIS OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title VII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 7___. ASSESSMENT AND PROGRAM ON USE OF RADIATION-SHIELDING PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT TO PREVENT OR REDUCE THE SEVERITY OF ACUTE RADIATION SYNDROME AND ASSOCIATED MORTALITY.**

(a) ASSESSMENT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, acting through the Director of the Armed Forces Radiobiology Research Institute, shall submit to the congressional defense committees an assessment of whether targeted protection of bone marrow using gamma radiation-shielding personal protective equipment is likely to reduce the risk of acute radiation syndrome by reducing the severity of radiation-induced health effects, improving survivability in high-dose radiation environments, or both.

(b) PROGRAM.—If the assessment under subsection (a) finds that protecting bone marrow using gamma radiation-shielding personal protective equipment is likely to reduce the risk of acute radiation syndrome by reducing the severity of radiation-induced health effects, improving survivability in high-dose radiation environments, or both, not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall develop requirements and an acquisition plan for the procurement, prepositioning, and maintenance of gamma radiation-shielding personal protective equipment for use by covered personnel.

(c) ELEMENTS.—In carrying out the program under subsection (b), the Secretary of Defense shall—

(1) develop requirements for the procurement, prepositioning, and maintenance of gamma radiation-shielding personal protective equipment designed to protect bone marrow;

(2) an acquisition plan, including estimated costs, for the procurement, prepositioning, and maintenance of gamma radiation-shielding personal protective equipment designed to protect bone marrow; and

(3) consider, in coordination with the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the commanders of the combatant commands—

(A) the number of covered personnel who are deployed in areas in which the use of tactical nuclear weapons is a substantial threat;

(B) the number of covered personnel who are deployed in areas in which potential nuclear reactor emergencies may pose a substantial threat;

(C) the operational requirements of the Department of Defense;

(D) appropriate doctrine, training, and operational plans for effective use of such personal protective equipment;

(E) a feasible schedule for implementation of the program; and

(F) approaches that could complement carrying out the program on medical countermeasures pursuant to 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).

(d) COVERED PERSONNEL DEFINED.—In this section, the term "covered personnel" means—

(1) members of the Armed Forces deployed either inside or outside the United States;

(2) civilian employees of the Department of Defense deployed outside the United States; and

(3) civilian employees of the Department of Defense and members of the Armed Forces stationed in the National Capital Region (as defined in section 2674 of title 10, United States Code) responsible for the chemical, biological, and nuclear defense mission.

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## 65. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BOEBERT OF COLORADO OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title I, add the following new section:

**SEC. 1___. PROHIBITION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR NON-TACTICAL ELECTRIC VEHICLES OR COMPONENTS PRODUCED BY CHILD AND SLAVE LABOR.**

None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for the Department of Defense may be obligated or expended for the procurement of non-tactical electric vehicles, advanced-biofuel-powered vehicles, hydrogen-powered vehicles, or any components or spare parts associated with such vehicles that are not in compliance with the prohibition on the acquisition of products produced by forced or indentured child labor under subpart 22.15 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (or any successor regulations).

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66. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BOEBERT OF COLORADO OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, add the following new section:

**SEC. 10____. REPORT ON DOD-FUNDED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION HOSTING CONFUCIUS INSTITUTES.**

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 identifying each institution of higher education that has—

(1) received funding from the Department of Defense; and

(2) hosted a Confucius Institute while in receipt of such funding.

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67. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BOST OF ILLINOIS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle G of title V, add the following new section:

**SEC. 5____. TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM: AMENDMENTS; PILOT PROGRAM; REPORTS.**

(a) REQUIREMENT OF PRESEPARATION COUNSELING: NUMBER OF DAYS.—Subsection (a) of section 1142 of title 10, United States Code, is amended, in paragraph (1)—

(1) by inserting "(A)" before "Within"; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

"(B) The Secretary concerned shall ensure that a member described in subparagraph (A) receives preseparation counseling in the following amounts:

"(i) In the case of a member who has accepted an offer of full-time employment, or has enrolled in a program of education or vocational training, that shall commence after the member separates, retires, or is discharged, not fewer than three days.

"(ii) In the case of a member other than a member described in clause (i), not fewer than five days.".

(b) PROVISION OF PRESEPARATION COUNSELING: IN-PERSON TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE.—Such subsection is further amended, in paragraph (2)—

(1) by inserting "(A)" before "In carrying"; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

"(B) Preseparation counseling shall be provided in person to the extent practicable. If the Secretary concerned determines that a member cannot attend such counseling in person, such member may receive such counseling remotely, with online access to modules and reading materials.".

(c) TRACKING OF TIMELINESS.—Such subsection is further amended, in paragraph (3), by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

"(C) The Secretary of Defense shall implement a system to track how many, and what percentage of, members begin to receive preseparation counseling within time periods specified in this paragraph.".

(d) WAIVER FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE RESERVE COMPONENTS.—Such subsection is further amended, in paragraph (4), by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

"(D) The Secretary concerned may waive the requirement for preseparation counseling under paragraph (1) in the case of a member of the reserve components if—

"(i) the member requests such a waiver;

"(ii) the member received preseparation counseling during the period of three years preceding the date of such request; and

"(iii) matters covered by such counseling, specified in subsection (b), have not changed since the member last received such counseling.".

(e) ELIGIBILITY OF A MEMBER WHO REENLISTS TO RECEIVE PRESEPARATION COUNSELING.—Such subsection is further amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(5) The commanding officer of a member described in this subsection may, on a space available basis, authorize such member to receive preseparation counseling, regardless of whether such member reenlists or agrees to a new period of obligated service.".

(f) REPEAT ATTENDANCE.—Such subsection is further amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(6) A member who received preseparation counseling under this section may, before separation, retirement, or discharge, request to receive, on a space-available basis, such preseparation counseling a second time.".

(g) ELECTIVE INCLUSION OF THE SPOUSE OF A MEMBER.—Such section is further amended, in subsection (b), in paragraph (5), by striking "regarding the matters covered by paragraphs (9), (10), and (16)".

(h) MINIMUM AMOUNT OF COUNSELING REGARDING FINANCIAL PLANNING.—Such subsection is further amended, in paragraph (9)—

(1) by inserting "(A)" before "Financial";

(2) by striking "loans" and inserting "loans, debt management, investing"; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new subparagraphs:

"(B) Individualized assistance regarding matters described in subparagraph (A).

"(C) Counseling under subparagraph (A) or (B) shall be provided by an individual who has significant experience in financial planning.".

(i) PATHWAYS: STANDARDIZATION; ESTABLISHMENT OF PATHWAY FOR MEMBERS OF THE RESERVE COMPONENTS.—Such section is further amended, in paragraph (1) of subsection (c), in the matter preceding subparagraph (A)—

(1) by striking "Each Secretary concerned" and inserting "The Secretaries of Defense and Homeland Security"; and

(2) by striking "pathways for members of the military department concerned (including one pathway for members of the reserve components)" and inserting "pathways, standardized across the armed forces and including one pathway for members of the reserve components, for members".

(j) PATHWAYS: RECORD OF PATHWAY ASSIGNMENT.—Such subsection is further amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(4) The Secretary concerned shall ensure that the pathway in which a member is placed, and the reasons for such placement, are noted in the service record of such member.".

(k) COORDINATION BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS OF DEFENSE, VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND LABOR.—Such section is further amended, in subsection (d)—

(1) by striking the heading and inserting "TRANSMISSION OF CERTAIN INFORMATION TO OTHER DEPARTMENTS";

(2) by inserting "(1)" before "In the case"; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

"(2) Before a member described in subsection (a) separates, retires, or is discharged, the Secretary concerned shall transmit to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs the following information:

"(A) The contact information of such member.

"(B) The Department of Defense Form DD-2648 regarding such member.

"(3)(A) In the case of a member described in subsection (a) whom the Secretary concerned determines is at risk for a difficult transition to civilian life, the Secretary concerned shall, before the member separates, retires, or is discharged, provide—

"(i) such member with the contact information of an employee of the Department of Veterans Affairs and an employee of the Department of Labor; and

"(ii) such employees with the contact information of such member.

"(B) Each employee described in subparagraph (A) shall contact the member described in such subparagraph not later than 60 days after such member separates, retires, or is discharged.

"(C) The Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Labor shall each submit to the Committees on Armed Services and on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and House of Representatives an annual report that identifies the number of times, and reasons why, an employee of the department under the jurisdiction of such Secretary failed to carry out subparagraph (B) in the year preceding the date of the report.

"(D) The Secretary of Defense and Secretary of Homeland Security shall prescribe regulations to ensure that, for purposes of this paragraph, each Secretary concerned uses the same definition of the term 'at risk for a difficult transition to civilian life'.".

(l) YEARLY SURPRISE AUDITS.—Such section is further amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(f) AUDITS.—(1)(A) Not less than once each year, an employee or contractor of each department specified in subparagraph (B) shall make unannounced visits to preseparation counseling under this section in order to audit such counseling.

"(B) The departments specified in this subparagraph are the Department of Defense, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and the Department of Labor.

"(2) Not later than 90 days after such a visit, the employee or contractor shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services and on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and House of Representatives a report regarding such audit.

"(3) Such employees or contractors shall have expertise regarding matters described in subsection (b).".

(m) UPDATE OF TAP CURRICULA.—Such section is further amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(g) CURRICULA.—Not less than once each year, the Secretaries of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and Labor shall review and update curricula for counseling and services under this section and section 1144 of this title.".

(n) WEBSITE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS REGARDING PROGRAMS FOR NEW VETERANS.—Section 523 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(c) The Secretary shall maintain a publicly available website of the Department through which a veteran or dependent of a veteran may search by ZIP code for programs for—

"(1) veterans who recently separated from active military, naval, air, or space service; or

"(2) dependents of veterans described in paragraph (1).".

(o) EXPANSION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR A CERTAIN PROGRAM OF JOB COUNSELING, TRAINING, AND PLACEMENT SERVICE FOR VETERANS.—

(1) DEFINITION.—Section 4101 of title 38, United States Code, is amended in paragraph (5)—

(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking the comma at the end and inserting a semicolon;

(B) in subparagraph (B), by striking "power, or" and inserting "power;"

(C) in subparagraph (C), by striking the period at the end and inserting "; or"; and

(D) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

"(D) a member of the Armed Forces eligible for the Transition Assistance Program under sections 1142 and 1144 of title 10.".

(2) OUTREACH.—Section 4103A(a)(1) of such title is amended—

(A) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by inserting "and certain eligible persons" after "eligible veterans";

(B) by redesignating subparagraph (C) as subparagraph (D); and

(C) by inserting after subparagraph (B) the following new subparagraph (C):

"(C) Eligible persons described in paragraph (5)(D) of section 4101 of this title.".

(p) SOLID START PROGRAM: INTERACTION WITH TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.—

(1) CLARIFICATION OF REFERENCE TO TAP.—Subsection (b) of section 6320 of title 38, United States Code, is amended, in of paragraph (1), by striking "transition classes or separation" and inserting "TAP classes or preseparation counseling".

(2) ASSESSMENT OF TAP.—Such paragraph is further amended, in subparagraph (H), by inserting "and of TAP" before the period.

(3) DEFINITIONS.—Such section is further amended—

(A) by striking paragraph (3) of subsection (b); and

(B) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

"(1) The term 'TAP' means the Transition Assistance Program under sections 1142 and 1144 of title 10.

"(2) The term 'Vet Center' has the meaning given such term in section 1712A(h) of this title.

"(3) The term 'veterans service organization' means an organization recognized by the Secretary for the representation of veterans under section 5902 of this title.".

(q) INFORMATION PROVIDED TO STATE VETERANS AGENCIES REGARDING MEMBERS SEPARATING FROM THE ARMED FORCES.—

(1) EXPANSION.—Section 570F of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 10 U.S.C. 1142 note) is amended, in subsection (a)—

(A) by redesignating paragraph (8) as paragraph (9); and

(B) by inserting, after paragraph (7), the following new paragraph (8):

"(8) Benefits for low-income households, including the supplemental nutrition assistance program (as such term is defined in section 3 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (Public Law 88–525; 7 U.S.C. 2012)).".

(2) LIMITATION OF VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION.—Such section is further amended, in subsection (d), by striking "Information" and inserting "Except for information related to whether an individual is eligible for benefits described in paragraph (8) of subsection (a), information".

(r) PILOT PROGRAM FOR MILITARY SPOUSES.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall establish a pilot program for spouses of members of the covered Armed Forces who are eligible to receive preseparation counseling under TAP.

(2) VOLUNTARY BASIS.—Participation in the pilot program shall be on a voluntary basis.

(3) CURRICULUM.—The Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Labor, shall establish a curriculum based on TAP for the pilot program.

(4) COUNSELING.—Counseling under the pilot program shall—

(A) be tailored to the military spouse and family;

(B) be offered at least once per calendar quarter at each location selected under paragraph (5);

(C) be offered at times including nights and weekends; and

(D) include at least one hour regarding benefits and assistance available to military families and veterans from each department under the jurisdiction of the Secretaries specified in subparagraph (C).

(5) LOCATIONS.—The Secretary of Defense shall carry out the pilot program at not fewer than five military installations of each of the covered Armed Forces. One such location shall be located outside the continental United States.

(6) REPORT.—Not later than one year before the pilot program terminates, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives a report to the regarding the pilot program.

Such report shall include elements the Secretary determines appropriate, including whether the pilot program should be made permanent.

(7) TERMINATION.—The pilot program shall terminate three years after the Secretary of Defense establishes the pilot program.

(8) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

(A) The term "covered Armed Force" means the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Space Force.

(B) The term "TAP" means the Transition Assistance Program under sections 1142 and 1144 of title 10, United States Code.

(s) ANNUAL REPORT ON TAP PARTICIPATION.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter for four years, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services and on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and House of Representatives a report on the Transition Assistance Program at military installations where at least 250 members per year receive preseparation counseling under section 1142 of title 10, United States Code. Such report shall include the following elements with regards to the year preceding the date of such report, disaggregated by military installation:

(1) The number of members described in subsection (a)(1)(B)(ii) of such section 1142, as added by subsection (a), who received fewer than five days of preseparation counseling under such section.

(2) The average period of time between when a member begins to receive preseparation counseling and the day the member separates, retires, or is discharged.

(3) The number of members who began to receive preseparation counseling and then re-enlisted or agreed to a new period of obligated service.

(4) The number of members who began to receive preseparation counseling and then were deployed.

(5) The number of members assigned to each pathway under subsection (c) of such section.

(6) The number of members who, in the course of such preseparation counseling, were referred to another Federal agency or department.

(7) The Federal agencies or departments to which members were so referred.

(8) The number of members who should have been, but were not, so referred, and reasons why such referrals did not occur.

(9) The number of members who receive such preseparation counseling and apply for unemployment compensation under subchapter II of chapter 85 of title 5, United States Code.

(10) The total amount of such unemployment compensation paid to members separating from the Armed Forces.

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68. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BUCHANAN OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle F of title XXVIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 28___. REPORT ON THREAT OF FIBER OPTIC-CONTROLLED DRONES.**

The Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report containing an evaluation of—

(1) the threat of fiber optic-controlled unmanned aircraft systems to U.S. military installations, operations, and personnel; and

(2) the use of such systems by foreign adversaries for surveillance and targeting.

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69. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BUCHANAN OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title VIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 8___. ASSESSMENT OF CRITICAL DEFENSE MINERAL SUPPLY CHAIN VULNERABILITIES.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct an assessment of the supply chains of critical defense minerals for the defense industrial base to identify vulnerabilities in such supply chains.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 365 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and Senate a report on the findings of the assessment conducted under subsection (a), including—

(1) an identification of each source of each critical defense mineral described in such subsection;

(2) an evaluation of the barriers to expanding the domestic capacity for mining and producing such critical defense minerals; and

(3) recommendations for Congress and appropriate Federal agencies to incentivize the domestic production of such critical defense minerals.

(c) CRITICAL DEFENSE MINERALS DEFINED.—In this section, the term "critical defense mineral" means a mineral that is essential to manufacturing to supply the military, industrial, and essential civilian needs of the United States for national defense, including rare earth elements, lithium, cobalt, and nickel.

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70. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BUCHANAN OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title VII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 7___. CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE MONITORING PILOT PROGRAM.**

(a) PILOT PROGRAM.—The Secretary of Defense shall carry out a pilot program under the TRICARE program under which the Secretary provides covered members with continuous glucose monitoring technology to assess the effects of real-time metabolic health tracking and early intervention on improving—

(1) the health of the members; and

(2) force readiness.

(b) PARTICIPATION.—The Secretary shall require a covered member to participate in the pilot program under subsection (a) if the Secretary identifies the member as being in either the Partially Medically Ready category or the Not Medically Ready category of the Individual Medical Readiness program.

(c) DATA.—

(1) EXCLUSIVE USES.—The Secretary may use the health information of a covered member collected under the pilot program under subsection (a) only for the purposes of—

(A) carrying out the pilot program, including with respect to furnishing information to the Comptroller General of the United States pursuant to subsection (g)(1);

(B) providing health care, including preventative care, to the member pursuant to chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code; and

(C) conducting the Individual Medical Readiness program.

(2) NO USE FOR MEDICAL DISCHARGES.—The Secretary may not use the health information of a covered member collected under the pilot program under subsection (a) in separating or discharging the member from the Armed Forces under chapter 61 of title 10, United States Code.

(3) PROHIBITION ON NONGOVERNMENTAL USE.—A nongovernmental entity that provides continuous glucose monitoring technology under the pilot program under subsection (a), or otherwise provides services under the pilot program, may not—

(A) retain any rights to health information of a covered member collected under the pilot program;

(B) use such information except as authorized by this section; and

(C) may not retain such information after such authorized use is completed.

(d) PROVISION OF INFORMATION AND SERVICES.—The Secretary shall provide covered members participating in the pilot program under subsection (a) with—

(1) information regarding metabolic health awareness; and

(2) education and services to improve force readiness.

(e) TRAINING.—The Secretary shall—

(1) provide medical professionals of the military departments with in-person training on the background, procedures, and reporting requirements of the pilot program under subsection (a); and

(2) establish shared educational resources and training materials that may be used by all the military departments.

(f) DURATION.—The Secretary shall carry out the pilot program under subsection (a) for a five-year period.

(g) REPORTS.—

(1) COMPTROLLER GENERAL.—

(A) INITIAL.—Not later than three years after the date on which the Secretary commences the pilot program under subsection (a), the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate a report on the pilot program, including—

(i) a comparison of the rates of members in the Partially Medically Ready category or the Not Medically Ready category of the Individual Medical Readiness program during 2025 and during the third year in which the pilot program is carried out; and

(ii) recommendations to improve the pilot program.

(B) FINAL.—Not later than five years after the date on which the Secretary commences the pilot program under subsection (a), the Comptroller General shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate a report on the pilot program, including—

(i) an assessment of the effectiveness of the recommendations under subparagraph (A)(ii); and

(ii) a determination by the Comptroller General regarding whether the pilot program should be extended.

(2) DOD.—Not later than five years after the date on which the Secretary commences the pilot program under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate a report on the pilot program, including—

(A) data regarding the use and efficacy of the pilot program;

(B) how the pilot program affected force readiness; and

(C) any recommendations by the Secretary to improve the pilot program.

(h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "covered member" means a member of the Armed Forces serving on active duty who meets any of the following criteria:

(A) The member has been diagnosed with prediabetes.

(B) The member has been diagnosed with type 2 diabetes and does not take insulin.

(C) The member has had gestational diabetes.

(D) The member is overweight or obese.

(2) The term "Individual Medical Readiness program" means the program specified in Department of Defense Instruction 6025.19, or successor instruction.

(3) The term "TRICARE program" has the meaning given that term in section 1072 of title 10, United States Code.

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71. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BUCHANAN OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title VII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 7___. PRESCRIPTION DROP BOXES.**

The Secretary of Defense shall maintain at each military installation a prescription drop box to allow for the safe disposal of unused prescription drugs, including opioids.

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72. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BUCHANAN OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle H of title VIII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 8__. REPORT BY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE ON FOREIGN ACQUISITION OF DUAL-USE TECHNOLOGIES.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of Commerce, shall submit to Congress a report that—

(1) identifies the types and estimated number of dual-use technologies developed or manufactured in the United States that have been acquired by entities linked to the Chinese Communist Party during the 5-year period preceding the submission of the report;

(2) describes the primary methods by which such technologies were acquired by such entities; and

(3) provides recommendations to strengthen protections against foreign acquisition of dual-use technologies developed or manufactured in the United States.

(b) DUAL-USE DEFINED.—In this section, the term "dual-use" has the meaning given such term in section 4801 of title 10, United States Code.

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73. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BUCHANAN OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle F of title X, add the following new section:

**SEC. 10___. PROHIBITION ON USE OF LIVE ANIMALS IN TRAUMA TRAINING.**

Beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act, live animals, including dogs, cats, nonhuman primates, and marine mammals—

(1) may not used in live fire trauma training; and

(2) to the extent necessary, shall be replaced with advanced simulators, mannequins, cadavers, or actors.

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74. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BUCHANAN OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle F of title XXVIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 28___. PROHIBITION OF USE ON MILITARY INSTALLATIONS OF SOCIAL MEDIA CONTROLLED BY FOREIGN ADVERSARIES.**

(a) PROHIBITION.—No person may use a Government-owned device to access or use social media controlled by a foreign adversary while present on a military installation.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "controlled by a foreign adversary" has the meaning given such term in section 2 of the Protecting Ameri-

cans from Foreign Adversary Controlled Applications Act (division H of Public Law 118–50; 15 U.S.C. 9901).

(2) The term "military installation" has the meaning given such term in section 2801 of title 10, United States Code.

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75. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BUCHANAN OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, add the following:

**SEC. 17___. REPORT ON PLAN TO INCREASE EXPORTATION OF DEFENSE-RELATED COMPONENTS AND MATERIALS.**

Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade and in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, shall submit to Congress a strategy to increase the exportation of domestically manufactured, defense-related components and materials.

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76. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE BURLISON OF MISSOURI OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle J of title V, insert the following:

**SEC. 5___. AUTHORIZATION OF AWARD OF MEDAL OF HONOR TO GREGORY MCMANUS FOR ACTS OF VALOR.**

(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 President is authorized to award the Medal of Honor, under section 7271 of such title, to Gregory McManus for the acts of valor described in subsection (b).

(b) ACTS OF VALOR DESCRIBED.—The acts of valor described in this subsection are the following:

(1) Chief Warrant Officer Gregory McManus distinguished himself for his brave acts of valor while serving in the United States Army by risking his life to save the lives of his fellow servicemembers.

(2) Chief Warrant Officer McManus deserves recognition for his acts of valor while serving as the commander of a single helicopter gunship on an important mission north of Chai Duc.

(3) Discovering an envoy of hundreds of enemy troops along the Cambodian border, Chief Warrant Officer McManus attacked the enemy without hesitation.

(4) Chief Warrant Officer McManus disregarded the tracers that rose to meet him, firing rockets the entire length of the convoy, confusing the enemy, and scattering the troop column.

(5) Chief Warrant Officer McManus then attacked an armored vehicle with a mounted machine gun, destroying it and a large artillery piece which it was towing.

(6) Over and over, Chief Warrant Officer McManus flew through heavy automatic weapons and machine gun fire to attack the enemy, only deciding to return when his ordinance

was expended, and his ship had taken so much damage that further flight was inadvisable.

(7) With this noble deed, Chief Warrant Officer McManus was able to destroy the enemy unit and scattered the rest in disorder with a single ship.

(8) Disregarding the size and scope of the enemy troop's convoy, Chief Warrant Officer McManus put his own life in danger, all in the service of his country and members of the Armed Forces.

(9) Because of the heroic actions of Chief Warrant Officer McManus, countless American soldier's lives were saved.

(10) These actions of heroism by Chief Warrant Officer McManus deserves recognition and demonstrates this hero of the United States more than deserve the medal of honor.

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77. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CAMMACK OF FLORIDA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10___. REPORT ON AVIATION FLEET MAINTENANCE, AIRCRAFT AVAILABILITY RATES, AND PLANS TO REDUCE DOWNTIME.**

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 aviation fleet maintenance backlogs, aircraft availability rates, and plans to reduce downtime, with a focus on bases in Florida.

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78. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CAMMACK OF FLORIDA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10___. CLEAN AUDIT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

(a) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of Defense shall establish a timeline to achieve a clean financial audit for the Department of Defense.

(b) REPORT.—The Secretary shall submit to Congress an annual report on progress and barriers to compliance with subsection (a).

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79. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CAMMACK OF FLORIDA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVI add the following new section:

**SEC. 16___. NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY SUPPORT FOR DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE AND CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE CYBERSECURITY OPERATIONS.**

Subchapter I of chapter 21 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 1611 of this Act, is further amended by adding at the end the following new section:

**"§ 430f. National Security Agency support for defense industrial base and critical infrastructure cybersecurity operations**

"The Director of the National Security Agency may carry out activities to support the cybersecurity of the defense industrial base, the telecommunications sector, and cybersecurity service providers, including—

"(1) programs to facilitate the bidirectional sharing of cyber threat intelligence to—

"(A) share classified and unclassified cyber threat intelligence, security guidance, and technical resources to support threat detection and mitigation; and

"(B) receive voluntarily provided information to support the activities of the National Security Agency and other departments and agencies of the Federal Government, including to—

"(i) conduct offensive and defensive cybersecurity operations; and

"(ii) develop jointly produced cybersecurity products in coordination with the private sector; and

"(2) providing direct cybersecurity support, upon request, to entities within the defense industrial base, the telecommunications sector, and cybersecurity service providers to—

"(A) enhance the capability of such entities to defend such entities and customers of such entities;

"(B) respond swiftly to cyber incidents; and

"(C) implement effective mitigation measures.".

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80. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CAMMACK OF FLORIDA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 17___. GAO STUDY ON DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE RELIANCE ON CHINESE-SOURCED MATERIALS.**

Not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct a component-level assessment on the reliance of the Department of Defense on Chinese-sourced materials in munitions, microelectronics, and energy storage systems, including recommendations for alternative sourcing strategies.

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81. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CAMMACK OF FLORIDA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. PRIORITIZATION OF PARTNERSHIPS WITH INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN CERTAIN RESEARCH AREAS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—In exercising the authority to enter into partnerships to support the research, development, test, and evaluation activities of the Department of Defense, the Secretary of Defense shall prioritize partnerships with institutions of higher education conducting research on hypersonics, biotechnology, and artificial intelligence.

(b) 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 that identifies any ongoing partnerships with institutions of higher education as described in subsection (a).

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82. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CAMMACK OF FLORIDA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title V add the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. REPORT ON INTEROPERABILITY OF CYBER TRAINING OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

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 interoperability of the cyber training programs of the Armed Forces. Such report shall include—

(1) the extent to which each of the Armed Forces use a standardized, common core curriculum for training members of such Armed Force; and

(2) the recommendation of the Secretary as to whether establishment of a Department of Defense cyber academy to provide common training to all of the Armed Forces would improve the cyber preparedness of the United States.

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83. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CAMMACK OF FLORIDA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title V, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. REPORT ON EFFECT OF EQUIPMENT SHORTFALLS ON NATIONAL GUARD ABILITY TO ASSIST IN DISASTER RESPONSE.**

Chapter 9 of title 32, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

**"§ 909. Report on effect of equipment availability to assist in disaster response**

"Not later than March 31 of the next fiscal year, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Administration, shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate a report with respect to each fiscal year on—

"(1) equipment shortfalls in the National Guard of each State;

"(2) the effect of such shortfalls in the ability of the National Guard of a State to provide assistance or conduct operations related to disaster response, including with respect to hurricanes; and

"(3) recommendations for addressing the shortfalls, including through modernization and preposition of equipment in disaster-prone States.".

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84. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CAMMACK OF FLORIDA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, insert the following:

**SEC. 17___. REPORT ON INTERAGENCY COORDINATION TARGETING FENTANYL AND PRECURSOR CHEMICALS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall expand interagency coordination with respect to the targeting of fentanyl and precursor chemicals, including by establishing joint operations with the Secretary of Human Services and the Attorney General.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this section, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the coordination required under subsection (a) that identifies, with respect to fentanyl and precursor chemicals, any gaps between agencies in detection, monitoring, and interdiction activities.

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85. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CAMMACK OF FLORIDA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title VIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 8___. ASSESSMENT OF MILITARY MEDICAL SUPPLY CHAINS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall conduct an assessment of the vulnerabilities to supply chains for the medical supplies and equipment used by the Department of Defense, included a detailed assessment of the reliance of the Department on sources located in China for active pharmaceutical ingredients and medical devices.

(b) 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 House of Representatives and the Senate a report on the findings of the assessment conducted under subsection (a).

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "active pharmaceutical ingredient" has the meaning given such term section 744A of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 379j–41).

(2) The term "medical device" has the meaning given the term "device" in section 201(h) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 321(h)).

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86. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CARTER OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle E of title XXVIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 28___. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PILOT PROGRAM FOR ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGIES IN MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter I of chapter 169 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 2805 the following new section (and conforming the table of contents at the beginning of such chapter accordingly):

**"§ 2805a. Pilot program for use of additive manufacturing technologies in unspecified minor construction projects**

"(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Defense, acting through the Secretaries of the military departments, may establish a pilot program to, in accordance with section 2805 of this title, carry out unspecified minor military construction projects using additive manufacturing technology.

"(b) DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL.—(1) The Secretary of Defense shall designate an individual to be responsible for administering the pilot program under this section. Such individual shall establish guidelines and procedures with respect to carrying out unspecified minor military construction projects using additive manufacturing technology pursuant to the pilot program.

"(2) In developing such guidance and procedures, such individual shall consult with—

"(A) the Commander of the Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command, with respect to matters concerning the Department of the Navy; and

"(B) the Commanding General of the Army Corps of Engineers, with respect to matters concerning the Department of the Army.

"(c) AFTER-ACTION REVIEWS.—(1) With respect to military construction projects under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Navy carried out pursuant to the pilot program under this section, the Commander of the Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command shall develop and issue guidance for documenting after-action reviews and validating lessons learned from such military construction projects.

"(2) With respect to military construction projects under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Army carried out pursuant to the pilot program under this section, the Commanding General of the Army Corps of Engineers shall develop and issue guidance for documenting after-action reviews and validating lessons learned from such military construction projects.

"(d) TERMINATION DATE.—The authority of the Secretary of Defense to carry out the pilot program under this section shall terminate on the date that this ten years after the date of the enactment of this section.".

(b) REVISION TO UNIFIED FACILITIES CRITERIA.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretaries of the military departments, shall revise provisions of the Unified Facilities Criteria applicable to the planning and design of military construction projects to ensure that building practices and standards of the Department of Defense incorporate up-to-date additive manufacturing technologies.

(2) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than February 1, 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report that includes a description of revisions made to the Unified Facilities Criteria pursuant to paragraph (1).

(3) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term "appropriate congressional committees" means—

(A) the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate; and

(B) the Subcommittees on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

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87. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CASE OF HAWAII OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10___. STUDY ON IMPROVEMENT OF ARMY CONTRACTED SEALIFT ASSETS.**

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) there is reason for concern with respect to the adequacy, availability, and alignment of lift assets—both strategic and tactical—within the area of operations of the United States Indo-Pacific Command; and

(2) given ongoing operational requirements, contested logistics challenges, and the need for rapid mobility in support of both deterrence and contingency operations, a comprehensive analysis of current and projected Army sealift capacity is warranted.

(b) STUDY.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on options for expanding a reserve contracted wartime sealift capacity in the Indo-Pacific region. In producing the report, the Assistant Secretary shall take into consideration the effects of contested logistics environments, anti-access/area denial threats, and the necessity of distributed operations under both steady-state and high-end conflict conditions. The report shall include each of the following:

(1) An identification of each Army contracted sealift asset available during fiscal year 2025 in the area of operations of the United States Indo-Pacific Command.

(2) An evaluation of current and projected mission requirements and operational tempo through fiscal year 2028, including an analysis of whether the existing Army contracted sealift assets are sufficient to meet the needs of the United States Indo-Pacific Command and United States Army Pacific in both peacetime and conflict scenarios.

(3) Recommendations for improving the contracted sealift capability, capacity, and responsiveness of the sealift capacity of the Army in the area of operations of the United States Indo-Pacific Command, including through—

(A) budgeting changes to ensure stable and reliable sources of funding;

(B) improved coordination with the contracted options of other military departments;

(C) on-call contracting during quickly escalating crisis and conflict;

(D) posture adjustments;

(E) force structure changes; and

(F) interoperability improvements with allies and partners.

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88. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CASE OF HAWAII OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle F of title XXVIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 28___. STUDY AND REPORT ON CERTAIN INVESTMENTS IN CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE IN HAWAII.**

Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this section, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment and the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command shall carry out a joint study to assess the critical infrastructure investments in Hawaii across each military department and submit to Congress a report with respect to such study that includes—

(1) an identification of existing infrastructure as of the date of the enactment of this section deemed as critical for potential conflict-related needs for military operations in the Indo-Pacific region, disaggregated by—

(A) military infrastructure; and

(B) civilian infrastructure;

(2) estimated future requirements for military infrastructure in the Indo-Pacific region based on mission growth and evolving threats; and

(3) a prioritized list of military construction projects planned to be carried out during the five-year period beginning on the date of the submission of the report that the Assistant Secretary and the Commander determine are critical to potential conflict-related needs that includes, for each such military construction project, an identification of—

(A) the estimated total cost;

(B) the location; and

(C) the military department concerned.

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89. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CASE OF HAWAII OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, add the following:

**SEC. 17___. GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE AUDIT OF NATIONAL SECURITY FOREIGN EXCHANGE PROGRAMS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall provide a briefing, and submit a report to the congressional defense committees containing the results of an audit with respect to the international defense personnel exchange programs of the Department of Defense, to assess the extent to which such programs are coordinated across the Armed Forces, combatant commands, and defense agencies.

(b) PROGRAMS INCLUDED.—The report and briefing required by subsection (a) shall include the following programs:

(1) Military Reserve Exchange Program.

(2) Engineer and Scientist Exchange Program.

(3) Foreign Academy Exchange Program.

(4) Personnel Exchange Program.

(5) All other Department of Defense funded exchange programs that enhance international cooperation and military interoperability.

(c) ADDITIONAL MATTERS.—The report required by subsection (a) shall also include the following:

(1) An assessment of whether a centralized entity within the Department of Defense oversees or coordinates international defense personnel exchange programs.

(2) An assessment of whether any policies, regulations, or directives mandate administration of such programs across military services and defense agencies.

(3) An assessment of whether the lack of coordination has resulted in gaps in strategy, inefficiencies, or duplicative efforts.

(4) An assessment of any key factors that limit the ability of the Department to host foreign personnel in an exchange program.

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90. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CASE OF HAWAII OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, add the following new section:

**SEC. 10____. STUDY ON PUBLIC, PRIVATE, AND ALLIED SHIPYARD CAPABILITIES FOR INDO-PACIFIC REGION CONFLICTS.**

(a) STUDY REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Navy, in coordination with the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command, shall conduct a study to assess the capacity of each United States public and private shipyard, and each foreign shipyard of an allied or partner country, to support battle damage repair in the event of an armed conflict in the Indo-Pacific region.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The study under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) An assessment of the major infrastructure, facilities, and equipment of United States public and private shipyards in the Indo-Pacific region capable of use by the United States Armed Forces for battle damage repair during an armed conflict with a near-peer competitor in such region.

(2) An evaluation of the workforce of United States public and private shipyards in the Indo-Pacific region, including the availability, training, and projected needs of such workforce to support such battle damage repair.

(3) An assessment of the public and private personnel, infrastructure, facilities, and equipment of foreign shipyards of allied or partner countries in the Indo-Pacific region capable of supporting the United States Armed Forces with respect to such battle damage repair.

(4) An analysis of supply chain resilience and vulnerabilities relating to such battle damage repair.

(5) Recommendations for strategic investments or policy changes necessary to expand or modernize public or private shipyard capacity to support such battle damage repair.

(c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 90 days after the date on which the Secretary concludes the study under subsection (a),

the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report containing the results of such study and any recommendations the Secretary considers appropriate.

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91. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CASE OF HAWAII OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XIII, add the following:

**SEC. 13____. REPORT ON CIVILIAN-MILITARY RELATIONS IN THE FREELY ASSOCIATED STATES.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Commander of United States Indo-Pacific Command, acting through Joint Task Force-Micronesia, shall be responsible for assessing and coordinating military efforts to strengthen community relationships between the United States Armed Forces and individuals living in the Freely Associated States (FAS) and impacted by military installations, installations, and operating locations in the FAS. including through consultation with each of the Armed Forces, other elements of United States Indo-Pacific Command, and the Secretary of State.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Commander of United States Indo-Pacific Command, acting through Joint Task Force-Micronesia, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes—

(1) the results of a study on the relationships between civilians living in the FAS and Armed Forces presence in the FAS;

(2) an assessment of such relationships;

(3) a summary of efforts by the Armed Forces to improve such relationships to the extent affected by United States military activities in the FAS;

(4) an identification of legally available, civilian-military community engagement programs, activities, and authorities with respect to the FAS;

(5) an identification of any new authorities needed to implement existing DoD civilian-military community engagement programs, activities, and authorities in the FAS;

(6) an identification of any other components of Federal departments or agencies required to implement any whole-of-government, civilian-military community engagement programs, activities, and authorities in the FAS; and

(7) a plan and estimated cost for improving such community engagement with respect to the impact of United States military activities in the FAS.

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92. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CASTOR OF FLORIDA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title XI of division A, insert the following (and update the table of contents for such title accordingly):

**SEC. 11____. STUDY ON LOCALITY PAY DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EMPLOYEES.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the Office of Personnel Management, shall conduct a study on locality pay Department of Defense employees, including

locality pay under subchapter I of chapter 53 of title 5, United States Code. Such study shall include the following:

(1) A review of current methodologies used to determine locality pay adjustments and their alignment with actual cost of living and labor market data.

(2) An evaluation of regional disparities that impact recruitment and retention of Federal employees in defense-related roles

(3) Consideration of alternative models, including adjustments based on broader economic indicators, private-sector wage comparisons, and regional housing market trends.

(4) Recommendations for legislative or administrative changes necessary to improve the accuracy, fairness, and effectiveness of locality pay adjustments.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than April 1, 2026, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report on the study conducted under subsection (a).

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93. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CASTOR OF FLORIDA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title VII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 7___. EXTENSION OF NOTICE AND WAIT PERIOD FOR PROPOSED RESTRUCTURING, REALIGNMENT, OR MODIFICATION TO MILITARY MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITIES.**

Section 703(d)(4)(C) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328; 130 Stat. 2199), as amended by section 718 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat. 3696), is further amended by striking "180-day" and inserting "one-year".

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94. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CASTRO OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Add at the end of subtitle B of title VII the following new section:

**SEC. 7___. ANNUAL PUBLICATION OF INFORMATION RELATING TO THE TREATMENT OF CIVILIANS IN MILITARY MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITIES.**

Section 1079b of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (e) as subsection (f); and

(2) by inserting after subsection (d) the following new subsection:

"(d) ANNUAL PUBLICATION OF INFORMATION.—On an annual basis, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate, and make publicly available on the internet website of the Department of Defense, the following information with respect to the year covered by the report:

"(1) The total amount of fees owed by civilians for medical care described in subsection (a), disaggregated by military medical treatment facility.

"(2) The number of civilians who received such medical care, disaggregated by military medical treatment facility.

"(3) The number of civilians who received a waiver under subsection (b), and the average amount of fees waived, disaggregated by military medical treatment facility.

"(4) The number of civilians who received a reduction of fees under subsection (c), and the average amount of fees remaining after such reductions, disaggregated by military medical treatment facility.".

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95. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CISCOMANI OF ARIZONA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. REPORT ON ELECTRONIC WARFARE CAPABILITY FOR UNMANNED SURFACE VESSELS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days from the date of the enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development, and Acquisition shall submit to the congressional defense committees an unclassified report on planned development of a configurable, low-cost, expendable electronic warfare capability to support unmanned surface vessel survivability.

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

(1) An assessment of currently available electronic warfare capabilities for unmanned surface vessels and limitations of current technology.

(2) A determination of funding availability for fiscal years 2026 through 2030 by program element to support the rapid development of configurable low-cost electronic warfare capabilities for multi-class unmanned surface vessels.

(3) A determination of funding availability from Public Law 119–21.

(4) An assessment of current and future satellite radar detection capabilities in finding and tracking ocean-going unmanned surface vessels by any country determined by the Secretary of State to be a foreign adversary with such capabilities.

(5) A list of possible technical requirements for a multi-class, affordable, low-power, and expendable electronic warfare system.

(6) A rapid acquisition strategy for this capability.

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96. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CISNEROS JR. OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title VI, add the following new section:

**SEC. 6___. EXTENDING CERTAIN TRAVEL ALLOWANCE FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES ASSIGNED TO ALASKA.**

Section 603(b) of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public law 117–263) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by inserting "and the period specified in paragraph (6)" after "paragraph (5)"; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

"(6) PERIOD SPECIFIED.—The period specified in this paragraph is the period—

"(A) beginning on the date of the enactment of this paragraph; and

"(B) ending on December 31, 2026.".

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97. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CLOUD OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 161, line 24, strike "or" and insert "Corpus Christi Army Depot, Texas, or".

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98. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CLOUD OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 17___. AUTHORIZING UNITED STATES COAST GUARD ROTARY AIRCRAFT WORK AT DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE DEPOTS.**

The Secretary of Defense is authorized to conduct rotary aircraft work for the Department of Homeland Security and the United States Coast Guard at any depot of the Department of Defense.

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99. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CLOUD OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title III, insert the following:

**SEC. 3___. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE WRITE-OFFS FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE DEPOTS AND ARSENALS.**

With respect to any depot or arsenal of the Department of Defense, the Secretary of Defense may write off any depreciated cost or debt associated with capital that does not generate revenue due to Government-directed mission changes. The Secretary may delegate the authority under this section to the Secretary of a military department.

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100. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CLOUD OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title III, insert the following:

**SEC. 3___. STUDY AND REPORT ON EFFECTS OF DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY CLASS IX RECOVERY RATES ON MILITARY DEPOTS AND ARSENALS.**

(a) STUDY.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency and each Secretary of a military department, shall conduct a study on—

(1) the methodology used by Defense Logistics Agency to establish class IX recovery rates; and

(2) the effects such rates have on the organic industrial base, with emphasis on military depots and arsenals.

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

(1) The methodology used by the Defense Logistics Agency to set recovery rates for class IX items for all customers.

(2) How class IX recovery rates affect the cost structures, budgeting, and execution of workload at military depots and arsenals.

(3) Any differences between the effects of recovery rates on depot-level maintenance compared to other customers of the Defense Logistics Agency.

(4) Any unintended consequences resulting from such cost recovery practices, including delays, cost overruns, or degraded readiness in depot and arsenal operations.

(5) Recommendations for improving alignment between Defense Logistics Agency pricing policies and the sustainment, affordability, and readiness goals of military depots and arsenals

(c) 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 committees a report on the findings of the study required under subsection (a), which shall include the recommendations of the Secretary for any legislative or policy changes to address the matters addressed by the study.

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101. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE COURTNEY OF CONNECTICUT OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle B of title XXVIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 28___. RADON TESTING OF MILITARY HOUSING OWNED OR CONTROLLED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.**

(a) REPORT.—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 identifying military housing owned or operated by the Federal Government that should be monitored for levels of radon at or above the action level established by the Environmental Protection Agency, including military housing located on military installations evaluated in the report dated April 30, 2020, titled "Evaluation of the DoD's Management of Health and Safety Hazards in Government-Owned and Government-Controlled Military Family Housing" (DODIG–2020–082).

(b) TESTING PROCEDURES AND STANDARDS.—Each Secretary of a military department shall establish procedures at military installations identified under subsection (a) under the jurisdiction of such Secretary for testing for radon in such housing that are consistent with current national consensus standards and are in compliance with applicable Federal regulations in order to ensure radon levels at such housing are below recommended levels established by the Environmental Protection Agency—

(1) by testing—

(A) at least one time every five years for military housing; or

(B) at least one time every two years for housing that is above recommended radon levels established by the Environmental Protection Agency until radon levels are reduced to at or below such levels; or

(2) through the installation of monitoring equipment in such housing.

(c) NOTIFICATION REGARDING NEED FOR MITIGATION.—If, as a result of testing described in subsection (b), a unit of military housing owned or controlled by the Federal Government requires radon mitigation to ensure radon levels are below recommended levels established by the Environmental Protection Agency, the head of the military installation on which such military housing is located shall submit to the Secretary of the military department concerned, not later than seven days after the determination of the need for radon mitigation, a mitigation plan for the housing unit.

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102. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CRANE OF ARIZONA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle G of title V add the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. ASSISTANCE TO MEMBERS WITH SPECIAL OPERATIONS MEDICAL TRAINING IN OBTAINING CREDIT TOWARDS A DEGREE IN A MEDICAL FIELD.**

Chapter 58 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

**"§ 1156. Assistance to members with special operations medical training in obtaining credit towards a degree in a medical field**

"The Secretary of Defense shall seek to enter into agreements with institutions of higher education (as defined in section 102 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002)) to provide credit towards a degree in a medical field at such institutions for members of the armed forces who have received special operations medical training.".

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103. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CRANE OF ARIZONA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle F of title V, add the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. AUTOMATIC EXPUNGEMENT OF CERTAIN TITLING AND INDEXING RECORDS.**

(a) AUTOMATIC EXPUNGEMENT.—A titling or indexing record pertaining to a covered person in a covered database shall be expunged automatically 10 years after the date on which such person separates from military service, unless—

(1) a finding of guilt by court-martial was made in connection with the conduct to which the record pertains; or

(2) the service member is reasonably expected to be prosecuted for such conduct by court-martial or in a civilian court within one year following the expiration of such 10-year period.

(b) REVISION TO GUIDANCE.—The Secretary of Defense shall revise Department of Defense Instruction 5505.07 and any other related or successor guidance, as necessary, to implement the requirements of subsection (a).

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "covered person" means any individual subject to the jurisdiction of chapter 47 of title 10, United States Code (the Uniform Code of Military Justice), who is—

(A) a current or former civilian employee of the Department of Defense; or

(B) a current or former member of the Armed Forces.

(2) The term "covered database" means the Department of Defense Central Index of Investigations (DCII) or any equivalent investigatory system under the control of the Department of Defense.

(3) The term "titled" or "titling" means the placement of a person's name in the subject or title block of a criminal investigative report or indexing system, including the DCII.

(4) The term "expungement" means the complete and permanent removal of any identifying and investigative information pertaining to a covered person from all covered investigative databases, including any retained, archived, hidden, derivative, or "shadow" records. Expungement shall be total, irreversible, and render the record indistinguishable from one that never existed.

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104. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CRANE OF ARIZONA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title XI of division A, insert the following:

**SEC. 11___. FEASIBILITY STUDY ON DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CIVILIANS FORWARD DEPLOYED INTO COMBAT ZONES AND TOXIC EXPOSURE.**

(a) STUDY REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense shall conduct a feasibility study regarding the number of Department of Defense civilian employees who are forward deployed into designated combat zones and who may have been exposed to toxic substances as a result of their service.

(b) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The study shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(1) The number of Department of Defense civilian employees currently forward deployed into combat zones, disaggregated by region and occupational specialty.

(2) Historical data, to the extent practicable, on the number of such civilians deployed over the past 20 years.

(3) The extent and nature of potential toxic exposures to Department of Defense civilians deployed into combat zones, including exposure to—

(A) open-air burn pits;

(B) contaminated water supplies;

(C) airborne particulates; or

(D) industrial or chemical hazards associated with local environments; and

(E) (E) other environmental or occupational toxins.

(4) The current benefits, entitlements, and protections available to such civilians in cases of toxic exposure, including—

(A) health care benefits and eligibility;

(B) hazard pay and deployment allowances;

(C) workers' compensation and other occupational insurance coverages;

(D) eligibility for Department of Labor's Office of Workers' Compensation Programs; and

(E) eligibility for Department of Veterans Affairs programs (if any).

(5) A comparison of benefits and entitlements provided to forward-deployed Department of Defense civilians with those provided to members of the Armed Forces for toxic exposure and related health conditions.

(6) Identification of any gaps, limitations, or inconsistencies in coverage or protections between military personnel and civilian personnel.

(7) The process by which Department of Defense civilians are informed of potential toxic exposure risks prior to deployment, and any post-deployment medical monitoring or surveillance programs available.

(8) Data on claims submitted by Department of Defense civilians for toxic exposure-related illnesses, including approval and denial rates, and average time to adjudicate such claims.

(9) The extent to which contractors performing Department of Defense missions are covered by similar or different protections compared to direct-hire civilians.

(10) Recommendations for potential legislative or regulatory actions to better protect Department of Defense civilians from toxic exposures while forward deployed, and to ensure adequate long-term health care and compensation for those affected.

(c) REPORT.—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 report on the findings of the study required under subsection (a).

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105. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE DAVIS OF NORTH CAROLINA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 441, after line 17, insert the following paragraphs:

(5) Nicotine pouches.

(6) Heat-not-burn (HNB) products.

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106. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE DAVIS OF NORTH CAROLINA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle F of title X, add the following new section:

**SEC. 10___. VIRTUAL REALITY TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAM.**

(a) PILOT PROGRAM.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force shall establish a pilot program under which the Department of the Air Force (including the Space Force) shall use virtual reality technology and natural language processing for the purposes of data collection and proficiency measurement (in this section referred to as the "pilot program").

(2) TRAINING.—Training under the pilot program shall re-enforce existing frameworks of prevention, such as the method-

ology known as "Ask, Care, Excort" or "ACE", assisting unit commanders in identifying areas for improvement.

(3) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that the Air Force currently uses virtual reality technology in many training areas which will help control the costs associated with the pilot program.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force shall submit to Congress a report on the results of the data gathered during the pilot program.

(c) FUNDING.—

(1) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 4301 for Air Force, Operations and Maintenance, Operating Forces, Medical Readiness, Line 140, is hereby increased by $9,000,000.

(2) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 4301 for Army, Operation and Maintenance, Line 460, is hereby reduced by $9,000,000.

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107. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE DESJARLAIS OF TENNESSEE OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle C of title XVI, insert the following:

**SEC. 16____. REPORT ON DISMANTLEMENT OF LEGACY NUCLEAR WEAPONS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 270 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment and the Under Secretary of Energy for Nuclear Security shall jointly submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the dismantlement of legacy nuclear weapons.

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

(1) A description of current plans with respect to dismantlement rates and nuclear weapon types scheduled for dismantlement.

(2) An identification of materials planned to be recovered through dismantlement of legacy nuclear weapons.

(3) A summary of the reuse potential of such materials.

(4) An assessment of defense needs with respect to recovered materials, including nuclear materials.

(5) A description of any recoverable materials excess to defense needs.

(6) A plan for the disposition intended for any plutonium previously declared excess to defense needs, including an assessment of whether any such plutonium should be retained for future defense needs.

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

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108. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE DUNN OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title XXVIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 28___. ESTABLISHMENT OF STRATEGIC SPACEPORT PROGRAM.**

(a) REPORT ON EXPANDING LAUNCH CAPACITY.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes—

(1) an assessment of the feasibility and advisability of incorporating additional Federal, commercial, or State-operated spaceports into the national security launch infrastructure of the Deparmtent of Defense;

(2) a review of the infrastructure, range support, airspace access, and ability of each site to meet national security launch requirements;

(3) identification of other coastal locations throughout the continental United States that would be suitable for development to expand national security launch infrastructure;

(4) a review of Federal authorities, policies, and statutes that inhibit expansion of launch infrastructure at existing launch sites of the Department; and

(5) a framework to assess and prioritize surge launch infrastructure expansion options.

(b) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A STRATEGIC SPACEPORT PROGRAM.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees recommendations for the creation of a strategic spaceport program that includes—

(1) investments required to create or expand the necessary vertical launch infrastructure to support national security and combatant command requirements;

(2) innovative means to expand partnerships with State or local authorities to accelerate launch capacity expansion;

(3) changes to authorities, policy or statute required to foster the expansion of vertical launch infrastructure within the United States and improve efficiency of all existing spaceport operations, including deconfliction of spectrum and airspace use; and

(4) a framework to designate strategic spaceports and integrate such spaceports into Department of Defense operational, mobility, and joint force deployment planning.

(c) AVOIDANCE OF DUPLICATION.—The Secretary shall ensure that the strategic spaceport program—

(1) builds upon but does not duplicate ongoing efforts under the Spaceport of the Future initiative; and

(2) leverages existing infrastructure.

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109. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE DUNN OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XIII, add the following section:

**SEC. 13___. ANNUAL REPORT ON PRESENCE AND ACTIVITIES OF EUROPEAN UNION AND NATO MILITARIES IN THE INDO-PACIFIC REGION.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Commander of United States Indo-Pacific Command, in coordination with the Commander of United States European Command, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a comprehensive report on the military presence and activities of European Union and NATO member countries in the Indo-Pacific region, that also includes—

(1) the best available estimate, over the course of the preceding year, of the sum of—

(A) the number of land, maritime, and air personnel of the United States Armed Forces, who are working jointly with

(B) the reported number of personnel from European Union and NATO-member militaries operating in or deployed to the Indo-Pacific region; and

(2) an analysis of how the presence of the militaries of such countries in the Indo-Pacific region contributes to deterrence against Chinese aggression, including a discussion of posture, capability, multilateral operations, and strategic signaling effects.

(b) CRITERIA.—Each report required under subsection (a) shall include, with respect to each military of a member country of the European Union or NATO with a presence in the Indo-Pacific region, the following:

(1) An estimate of the percentage of each military's total forces, disaggregated by service branch (land, maritime, air), that are typically deployed, stationed, or otherwise present in the Indo-Pacific region on an annual basis.

(2) Types and frequency of military activities, such as maritime patrols, joint training exercises, port visits, freedom of navigation operations, and other relevant operations conducted in the Indo-Pacific region.

(3) Identification and assessment of the specific offensive, defensive, and logistics capabilities deployed or maintained by each military in the region, including platforms, systems, and infrastructure.

(4) An analysis of how the military presence and capabilities of each military complement enhances or increases United States military readiness and capabilities in the Indo-Pacific region.

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110. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE DUNN OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Add at the end of subtitle C of title VII the following new section:

**SEC. 7___. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE MEDICAL SUPPLY CHAIN RISK IDENTIFICATION AND TRANSPARENCY ENHANCEMENT.**

(a) ASSESSMENTS AND LIST.—Not later than 270 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall—

(1) conduct supply chain risk assessments across the Defense Health Agency and relevant acquisition offices of the Department of Defense to determine the origin of covered items; and

(2) develop and maintain a prioritized list, which may be classified, of high-risk critical medical products that rely on covered items originating from the People's Republic of China.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The assessments under subsection (a)(1) shall include—

(1) identification and prioritization of critical medical products for review;

(2) evaluation of dependencies on inputs originating from China;

(3) analysis of vulnerability to supply chain disruption during war, national emergency, or public health crisis;

(4) assessment of domestic manufacturing capacity, including gaps, single points of failure, and economic threats to domestic producers;

(5) identification of the location of design, manufacturing, and packaging facilities; and

(6) evaluation of dependencies in deployable medical units, military medical treatment facilities, and medical logistics systems of the Department.

(c) REPORT.—

(1) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the initial assessment conducted under paragraph (1) of subsection (a), and annually thereafter, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report detailing—

(A) findings from the high-risk medical products list developed under paragraph (2) of such subsection;

(B) strategies to strengthen stockpiles and readiness contracts; and

(C) recommendations to reduce reliance on Chinese supply chains, including procurement policy revisions, alternative sourcing, expansion of domestic manufacturing, and incentives for United States-based production of covered items.

(2) FORM.—The report under paragraph (1) may be submitted in classified form.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "covered items" means pharmaceuticals, active pharmaceutical ingredients, personal protective equipment, medical devices, and medical diagnostic equipment, used by the Department of Defense.

(2) The term "critical medical product" means any covered item identified by the Secretary of Defense as essential to national defense, force health protection, or continuity of operations.

(3) The term "domestic manufacturing" means the conduct in the United States of research and development, engineering, or production activities necessary for manufacturing a critical medical product.

(4) The term "foreign country of concern" has the meaning given the term "covered nations" in section 4872(f)(2) of title

10, United States Code, and any additional countries so designated by the Department of State.

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111. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE EDWARDS OF NORTH CAROLINA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, add the following:

**SEC. 10____. UTILIZATION OF OFFICE SPACE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

(a) REPORT TO GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall annually submit a written report to the Administrator of the General Services Administration that includes the following:

(1) Monthly total occupancy of office space.

(2) The actual utilization of office space.

(3) Monthly space utilization rates.

(4) Any other office space utilization data considered important by the Administrator of the General Services Administration.

(b) FINALIZED PROCEDURES FOR THE RETURN OF OFFICE SPACE TO THE GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall draft and finalize written procedures that provide for the return of office space to the General Services Administration if the occupancy of the Department of Defense falls below a 60 percent space utilization rate for 6 months within any 1-year period.

(c) EXCEPTION FOR INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.—This section shall not apply to office space properties used by an element of the intelligence community.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "actual utilization" means the percentage of capacity used based on the space utilization rate.

(2) The term "capacity" means a usable office space calculated by the square feet of such space divided by 150.

(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).

(4) The term "occupancy" means the total number of employees performing duties in-person, in office space, at least 5 days per week on a recurring basis.

(5) The term "space utilization rate" means total usable square feet divided by occupancy.

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112. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE EDWARDS OF NORTH CAROLINA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle F of title XXVIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 28____. SURVEY OF CERTAIN COUNTIES FOR PLACEMENT OF FACILITIES.**

(a) SURVEY REQUIRED.—Not later than one year afer the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress the results of a survey of the counties described in subsection (b) to assess potential placement of operational, training, or

other facilities for use by the military departments in such counties.

(b) COUNTIES DESCRIBED.—The counties described in this subsection are located in the State of North Carolina and are as follows:

(1) Buncombe County.
(2) Cherokee County.
(3) Clay County.
(4) Graham County.
(5) Haywood County.
(6) Henderson County.
(7) Jackson County.
(8) Macon County.
(9) Madison County.
(10) McDowell County.
(11) Polk County.
(12) Rutherford County.
(13) Swain County.
(14) Transylvania County.
(15) Yancey County.

(c) SURVEY REQUIREMENTS.—The survey required under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) An assessment of the mountainous and varied terrains in the areas described in subsection (b) and the feasibility of programs that use this geography, including programs for basic survival skills, dam and reservoir exercises, whitewater rafting exercises, thick vegetation exercises, air drop exercises, and mountainous warfare exercises.

(2) An evaluation of defense assets located in the State of North Carolina and the lack of defense assets in the area described in subsection (b).

(d) SURVEY CONSIDERATIONS.—The survey shall assesses the feasibility of the placement of operational, training, and other facilities as follows:

(1) Consideration of relevant civilian assets in the area described in subsection (b).

(2) Consideration of assets of Department of Defense contractors in such area.

(3) Proximity of such to current defense assets, including Fort Liberty.

(4) Consideration of the geographic similarities of such area to geographic regions critical to United States defense policy, including the Indo-Pacific region, Europe, the Middle East, and Africa.

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113. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE ELFRETH OF MARYLAND OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title V add the following new section:

**SEC. 5____. MODIFICATION TO MAXIMUM YEARS OF SERVICE FOR ELIGIBILITY DETAIL AS A STUDENT AT A LAW SCHOOL.**

(a) MODIFICATION.—Section 2004(b)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A)—

(A) in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking "detailed pursuant to subsection (a)(1)" and inserting "with respect to whom the Secretary of a military department is providing funding for educational expenses in accordance with subsection (a)(2)"; and

(B) in clause (ii), by striking "eight years" and inserting "10 years"; and

(2) in subparagraph (B) in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking "detailed pursuant to subsection (a)(2)" and inserting "with respect to whom the Secretary of a military department is not providing funding for educational expenses in accordance with subsection (a)(3)".

(b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—

(1) CORRECTION TO AMENDMENT.—Section 552(a)(2)(B) of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118-159; 138 Stat. 1894) is amended to read as follows:

"(B) in paragraph (3)(C), by striking 'period of two years for each year or part thereof of his legal training under subsection (a).' and inserting the following: 'period of—

"'(i) two years for each year or part thereof of legal training under subsection (a)(2); or

"'(ii) one year for each year or part thereof of legal training under subsection (a)(3).'.".

(2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by paragraph (1) shall take effect as if included in the enactment of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159).

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114. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE ELLZEY OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title V add the following new section:

**SEC. 5____. DIRECTOR OF ADMISSIONS OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY.**

Chapter 853 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 8451a the following new section:

**"§ 8451b. Director of admissions**

"(a) ESTABLISHMENT AND APPOINTMENT.—There is a director of admissions of the Naval Academy. The director of admissions shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and shall perform such duties as the Superintendent of the Naval Academy may prescribe with the approval of the Secretary of the Navy.

"(b) GRADE.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), a person appointed as director of admissions of the Naval Academy has the regular grade of commander in the Navy or lieutenant colonel in the Marine Corps.

"(2) A person serving as director of admissions shall have the regular grade of captain in the Navy or colonel in the Marine Corps upon the earlier of—

"(A) the date on which such person completes six years of service as the director of admissions; and

"(B) the date on which such person would have been promoted had the person been selected for promotion from among officers in the promotion zone.

"(c) DETAIL.—The President may detail any officer of the Navy or the Marine Corps in a grade above lieutenant or captain, respectively, to perform the duties of director of admissions without appointing the officer as director of admissions. Such a detail does not affect the position of the officer on the active-duty list.".

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115. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE EVANS OF COLORADO OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle F of title VIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 8___. REVIEW AND ASSESSMENT OF NON-DOMESTIC ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING EQUIPMENT AND ASSOCIATED SOFTWARE SUPPLYING THE DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE.**

(a) REVIEW AND ASSESSMENT REQUIRED.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, in coordination with each Secretary of a military department, shall seek to enter into an agreement with a federally funded research and development center to conduct an independent review, analysis, and assessment of the use of non-domestic additive manufacturing equipment and associated software programs that supply components or capability to the United States defense industrial base and the effect of such use.

(b) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The agreement described in subsection (a) shall require that the federally funded research and development center that is party to such agreement submit to the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment a report on the findings of the review, assessment, and analysis not later than one year after the date on which the center entered into such agreement.

(2) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall submit such report to the congressional defense committees upon receipt of such report.

(3) ELEMENTS.—The report described in paragraph (1) shall include the following elements:

(A) An assessment of manufacturers in the United States defense industrial base using non-domestic additive manufacturing equipment.

(B) An identification of additive manufacturing equipment, including 3D printers, that are of Chinese or Russian origin, and that are in the supply chain of the United States defense industrial base.

(C) A review of non-domestic additive manufacturing equipment suppliers that work with adversarial foreign militaries and have a presence in the United States defense industrial base.

(D) A security assessment of intellectual property risks of software programs associated with additive manufacturing equipment that are provided to—

(i) the United States defense industrial base; and

(ii) additive manufacturing equipment suppliers based in adversarial foreign countries.

(4) FORM; PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The report described in paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(c) INTERIM BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, in coordination with 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 plan to assess the United States defense industrial base for the use and effect of non-domestic additive manufacturing equipment and associated software programs.

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116. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE EZELL OF MISSISSIPPI OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title XVI, add the following new section:

**SEC. 16____. FUNDING FOR SEA-BASED LAUNCH FOR MISSILE DEFENSE TARGETS.**

(a) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 201 for research, development, test, and evaluation, Defense-wide, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4201, Advanced Component Development and Prototypes, line 098, Ballistic Missile Defense Targets, is hereby increased by $10,000,000 (with the amount of such increase to be made available for sea-based launch for missile defense targets).

(b) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 301 for Operations and Maintenance, Army, Other Service Support, line 470, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4301, is hereby reduced by $10,000,000.

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117. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE EZELL OF MISSISSIPPI OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2____. FUNDING FOR ADVANCED GROUP 1 SMALL UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS FOR SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES.**

(a) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 201 for research, development, test, and evaluation, Defense-wide, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4201, Special Operations Command, intelligence systems development, line 290 (program element 1160405BB), is hereby increased by $3,000,000 (with the amount of such increase to be made available for ultra-lightweight Group 1 small unmanned aerial systems—advanced Group 1 small unmanned aerial systems).

(b) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 301 for operation and maintenance, Army, as specified

in the corresponding funding table in section 4301, for maneuver units, line 010, is hereby reduced by $3,000,000.

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118. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE FALLON OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title VII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 7___. AVAILABILITY OF DEFENSE HEALTH PROGRAM AND OTHER FUNDS FOR CERTAIN MEDICAL COUNTERMEASURES.**

(a) AVAILABILITY.—Chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 1100 the following new section:

**"§ 1100a. Availability of Defense Health Program and other funds for certain medical countermeasures**

"(a) AUTHORITY.—Subject to the availability of appropriations for such purpose, amounts available under the Defense Health Program account established under section 1100, and amounts available under the Operation and Maintenance, Army account for medical readiness, may be obligated or expended by the Director of the Defense Health Agency to conduct the activities described in subsection (b) for the protection and sustainment of deployed forces across the roles of medical care.

"(b) ACTIVITIES DESCRIBED.—The activities described in this subsection are the following:

"(1) The procurement or pre-positioning of a medical countermeasure for forward deployment.

"(2) The forward deployment of a medical countermeasure.

"(3) Any associated logistics, storage, or sustainment activity necessary to ensure the availability or readiness of a forward-deployed medical countermeasure.

"(c) COORDINATION.—The Director of the Defense Health Agency shall coordinate with the Secretaries of the military departments and the commanders of the combatant commands with respect to any obligation or expenditure of funds under subsection (a).

"(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

"(1) The term 'medical countermeasure' includes—

"(A) a vaccine, therapeutic, prophylactic, or diagnostic; and

"(B) an advanced wound care product, including antimicrobial and barrier-protective dressings such as silver-plated bandages.

"(2) The term 'roles of medical care' has the meaning given such term in the publication of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff titled 'Joint Publication 4–02: Joint Health Service', dated December 11, 2017, or such successor publication.".

(b) REPORTS.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter for three years, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate a report describing—

(1) the categories of medical countermeasures procured and forward-deployed using funds authorized to be obligated or ex-

pended under section 1100 of title 10, United States Code, as added by subsection (a);

(2) the locations supported by any such use of funds; and

(3) any gaps or shortfalls identified in connection with the provision of such medical countermeasures to deployed forces.

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119. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE FINSTAD OF MINNESOTA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title XXVIII, add the following:

**SEC. 28___. AUTHORIZE COST-PLUS INCENTIVE FEE CONTRACTING FOR SIOP INFRASTRUCTURE.**

Notwithstanding section 3323 of title 10, United States Code, the Secretary of Defense may authorize the use of contracts using cost-plus incentive-fee contracting for military construction projects associated with the Shipyard Infrastructure Optimization Program of the Department of Defense at each of the following locations:

(1) Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Virginia.

(2) Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility, Hawaii.

(3) Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, Maine.

(4) Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility, Washington.

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120. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE FITZGERALD OF WISCONSIN OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle G of title VIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 8___. CMMC CERTIFICATION ASSESSMENT SUPPORT.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Administrator of the Small Business Administration and the Commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service, shall submit to the Committees on Ways and Means and on Small Business of the House of Representatives a report identifying each Federal resource and each business or personal tax credit or deduction that may be available to a small business concern (as defined under section 3 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632)) for the costs of a Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification assessment described in part 170 of title 32, Code of Federal Regulations.

(b) PUBLICATION.—Not later than 30 days after the Secretary of Defense submits the report required by subsection (a), the Secretary shall make publicly available on a website of the Department of Defense a list of the Federal resources and business and personal tax credits and deductions identified in such report, including a description of each such Federal resource and business or personal tax credit or deduction.

(c) FEDERAL RESOURCE DEFINED.—In this section, the term "Federal resource" means a program or activity of the Federal Government under which Federal funds are made available or awarded,

including Federal loans, grants, and other Federal awards and assistance.

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121. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE FITZPATRICK OF PENNSYLVANIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title III, insert the following:

**SEC. 3___. COORDINATOR FOR ENGAGEMENT WITH DEFENSE COMMUNITIES AFFECTED BY PFAS.**

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall designate an official of the Department of Defense as the "Coordinator for Engagement with Defense Communities Affected by PFAS".

(b) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The responsibilities of the Coordinator designated under subsection (a) are—

(1) to improve the outreach, education, and communication efforts of the Department with respect to current or former defense communities located in the United States that have been affected by the contamination or leakage of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (referred to in this section as "PFAS"); and

(2) to serve as a dedicated liaison between the Department and State and local governments, advocacy organizations, and individual citizens in the current and former defense communities where the Department has ongoing or incomplete PFAS remediation projects.

(c) DEFINITION OF PERFLUOROALKYL AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES.—For the purposes of this section, the terms "perfluoroalkyl substance" and "polyfluoroalkyl substance" have the meanings given such terms in section 333(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 134 Stat. 3531; 10 U.S.C. 3062 note).

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122. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE FONG OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title VII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 7___. ASSESSMENT AND REPORT ON HEALTH CARE SERVICES AVAILABLE TO CIVILIAN AND MILITARY PERSONNEL AT NAVAL AIR WEAPONS STATION CHINA LAKE.**

(a) ASSESSMENT.—The Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of the Navy, shall develop an assessment of the adequacy of health care services available to the military and civilian personnel workforce at Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the results of the assessment conducted under subsection (a). Such report shall include the following:

(1) A description of challenges to the provision of health care services to the individuals specified in such subsection through the military health system or the private sector, including—

(A) a description of any such challenge relating to—

(i) insufficient funding or authority to provide adequate services;

(ii) inaccessibility of health care services available; or

(iii) a shortage in providers of emergency care or other specialized health care services; and

(B) a description of any potential effect of such challenges on the mission of Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake, including any tenant command present on such military installation.

(2) Recommendations of the Secretary with respect to legislative proposals to improve such the adequacy of such health care services available to the individuals specified in subsection (a).

(3) The plan of the Secretary to address any challenge, or mitigate any potential effect, under paragraph (1).

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123. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE FONG OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 10___. BIENNIAL ASSESSMENT OF THE NAVAL AIR WARFARE CENTER WEAPONS DIVISION.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than December 1 of each of 2026, 2028, and 2030, the Secretary of the Navy shall submit to the congressional defense committees an assessment of the Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division.

(b) CONTENT.—In each assessment submitted under subsection (a), the Secretary shall include, for the period covered by the assessment, a description of—

(1) any challenges with respect to completing the mission of the Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division; and

(2) the plan of the Secretary to address such challenges.

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124. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE FONG OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10___. EXTENSION OF BIENNIAL ASSESSMENTS OF AIR FORCE TEST CENTER.**

Section 1067 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81) is amended by striking "and 2026" and inserting "2026, 2028, and 2030".

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125. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE FROST OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle H of title VIII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 8___. INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ANNUAL REPORT ON OVERSIGHT OF FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE.**

(a) REPORT REQUIRED.—The Inspector General of the Department of Defense shall submit to Congress and the Comptroller General of the United States a detailed annual report containing—

(1) the total amount and dollar value of oversight investigations into fraud waste and abuse conducted by the Department of Defense Office of Inspector General, and the total amount and dollar value of oversight investigations into fraud, waste, and abuse conducted by the Offices of Inspector General of each of the military departments;

(2) statistical tables showing—

(A) the total number and dollar value of oversight investigations completed and pending, set forth separately by type of oversight investigation;

(B) the priority given to each type of oversight investigation;

(C) the length of time taken for each type of oversight investigation, both from the date of receipt of a qualified incurred cost submission and from the date the oversight investigation begins;

(D) the aggregate cost of performing oversight investigations, set forth separately by type of oversight investigation; and

(E) the total number and dollar value of oversight investigations that are pending for a period longer than one year as of the end of the fiscal year covered by the report, and the fiscal year in which the qualified submission was received, set forth separately by type of oversight investigation;

(3) a summary of any recommendations of actions or resources needed to improve the oversight investigation process; and

(4) any other matters the Inspector General considers appropriate.

(b) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—Each report submitted under subsection (a) shall be made publicly available.

(c) SUNSET.—This section shall cease to have any force or effect after the end of the 4-year period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act.

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126. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE FRY OF SOUTH CAROLINA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title VIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 8___. PERMANENT MAGNET TRACEABILITY PILOT PROGRAM.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than September 30, 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall establish a pilot program under which the Department of Defense shall validate the sources of rare earth elements and critical materials used in permanent magnets used by the Department, including sources of recycled rare earth elements and critical materials used in such permanent magnets, to ensure the accuracy of the information reported by contractors providing

such permanent magnets to the Department and the integrity of the supply chains for such permanent magnets against foreign adversaries.

(b) SUNSET.—The pilot program established under subsection (a) shall terminate on September 30, 2029.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after September 30, 2029, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report on the results of the pilot program required under subsection (a), including the recommendations of the Secretary whether the pilot program should be continued or expanded.

(d) CRITICAL MATERIAL DEFINED.—In this section, the term "critical material" means a material, other than a rare earth element, used in permanent magnets used by the Department of Defense that the Secretary of Defense identifies as necessary to meet the requirements of the Department.

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127. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE FRY OF SOUTH CAROLINA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XIV, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 14___. REPORT ON PRIORITIZATION OF RECOVERY OF RARE EARTH ELEMENTS FROM END-OF-LIFE EQUIPMENT.**

(a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Director of the Defense Logistics Agency, shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the efforts of the Department of Defense to prioritize the recovery of rare earth elements from end-of-life equipment of the Department through the Strategic Materials Recovery and Reuse Program.

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

(1) A description of current activities of the Strategic Materials Recovery and Reuse Program to recover rare earth elements from end-of-life equipment of the Department of Defense.

(2) An assessment of planned expansions of the Strategic Materials Recovery and Reuse Program to increase the recovery and recycling of rare earth elements within the United States.

(3) A description of the management practices, partnerships, and resource requirements necessary to scale the operations of the Strategic Materials Recovery and Reuse Program to increase the recovery and recycling of rare earth elements within the United States.

(4) Recommendations for enhancing the recovery and recycling of rare earth elements domestically under the Strategic Materials Recovery and Reuse Program to support the defense industrial base and reduce the reliance of the Department of Defense on foreign sources for rare earth elements.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "strategic and critical materials" means materials determined by the President to be strategic and critical

materials under section 3(a) of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98b(a)).

(2) The term "Strategic Materials Recovery and Reuse Program" means the program of the Defense Logistics Agency established pursuant to section 6(a)(5) of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98e(a)(5)) for the recovery of strategic and critical materials available from Federal agencies.

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128. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GARBARINO OF NEW YORK OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title I, add the following new section:

**SEC. 1___. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR THE NEXT GENERATION COMMAND AND CONTROL (NGC2) OF THE ARMY.**

Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2026 for the Department of the Army for the Army's Next Generation Command and Control (NGC2) strategy, not more than 50 percent may be obligated or expended until the Secretary of the Army submits to the congressional defense committees a report that includes the following:

(1) The Army's detailed funding plans for current and new procurements for its tactical network, and a cost and capability assessment of current and proposed solutions.

(2) Testing and fielding plans for any new procurements for such network, including an explanation of—

(A) how any new programs meet the resiliency requirements specified in section 168 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 133 Stat. 1251); and

(B) how any new programs will utilize NSA High Assurance certified encryption and decryption.

(3) Plans to integrate existing programs of record with new programs of record and plans to ensure systems are interoperable with both fielded systems the systems of foreign partners.

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129. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GILLEN OF NEW YORK OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle G of title V, add the following:

**SEC. 567. IMPROVEMENT OF TRANSITION OF AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS IN THE ARMED FORCES TO THE CIVILIAN WORKFORCE IN AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL OCCUPATIONS.**

(a) RECOMMENDATIONS REQUIRED.—Within 180 days of passage, 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 Transportation, and the Secretary of Labor, shall develop recommendations to improve the transition of military air traffic controllers under the jurisdiction of the Secretary into the civilian workforce in air traffic control occupations.

(b) CONSIDERATIONS.—In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary shall identify any barriers—

(1) to improving the ability of the Secretary to determine and communicate how the military credentials and experience of a controller separating from the Armed Forces translate to credentialed civilian employment in air traffic control occupations;

(2) that exist to the standardization among the Armed Forces of military controller credentials and experience and the alignment of such credentials and experience to credentialed civilian employment in air traffic control occupations; and

(3) that exist to ensuring members of the Armed Forces with military controller credentials and experience have earned the equivalent civilian credential prior to separation from the Armed Forces in addition to receiving their military credentials.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary concerned shall submit to the relevant committees of Congress a report containing—

(1) the recommendations developed under subsection (a); and

(2) a plan to implement those recommendations.

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130. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GIMENEZ OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle D of title XXVIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 28___. LAND CONVEYANCE, SIGSBEE PARK ANNEX, NAVAL AIR STATION, KEY WEST, FLORIDA.**

(a) CONVEYANCE AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of the Navy (in this section referred to as the "Secretary") may convey some or all right, title and interest of the United States in and to the parcels of real property via sale or lease, consisting of approximately 19 acres and improvements thereon, located at Naval Air Station Key West Sigsbee Park area, that are former sites of military family housing supporting military personnel assigned to the Naval Air Station Key West.

(b) COMPETITIVE REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary shall use competitive procedures for any land conveyance authorized by subsection (a).

(c) CONSIDERATION.—The Secretary shall require as consideration for any conveyance under subsection (a), tendered by cash payment or in-kind consideration, an amount equal to no less than the fair market value, as determined by the Secretary, of the real property and any improvements thereon.

(d) DESCRIPTION OF PARCELS.—The exact acreage and legal description of the parcel(s) to be conveyed under subsection (a) shall be determined by a survey that is satisfactory to the Secretary. The cost of the survey shall be borne by the recipient of the parcels.

(e) 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.

(f) INAPPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF LAW.—Any conveyance of property under this section shall not be subject to sections 2696 of title 10 and 11411 of title 42, United States Code. The acquisition of a facility, construction of a facility, or improvements

to an existing facility using the authority provided by subparagraph (c)(2)(A) or (c)(3) shall not be treated as a military construction project for which an authorization is required by section 2802 of title 10, United States Code.

(g) DEFINITIONS.—

(1) The term "ancillary supporting facilities", "housing unit", and "military unaccompanied housing" have the meanings given such terms in section 2871 of title 10, United States Code.

(2) The term "military housing area" means a "military housing area", as such term is used in section 403 of title 37, United States Code.

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131. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GOLDMAN OF NEW YORK OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVI, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 16___. REPORT ON RUSSIAN ACTIVE MEASURES IN NATO TERRITORY.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of National Intelligence, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of State, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report that includes—

(1) an assessment of the extent of Russia's active measures against NATO allies and partners, specifically with regard to industrial, commercial, and military sabotage;

(2) a detailed description of Russia's recruitment methods of agents in NATO countries, such as blackmail, bribery, and threats of harm;

(3) a threat assessment of these actions toward U.S. and NATO bases and infrastructure; and

(4) an assessment of the extent of direct involvement by the Russian intelligence services in these operations.

(b) FORM.—The report required by subsection (a) shall be submitted in an unclassified form, but portions of the report may contain a classified annex, so long as such annex is provided separately from the unclassified report.

(c) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this section, the term "appropriate congressional committees" means—

(1) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Permanent Select Committee On Intelligence, the Committee on Appropriations, and the Committee on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives; and

(2) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Foreign Relations, the Select Committee on Intelligence, the Committee on Appropriations, and the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate.

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132. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVI add the following new section:

**SEC. 16___. REPORT ON DELAYS IN ACCREDITATION OF SENSITIVE COMPARTMENTED INFORMATION FACILITIES.**

(a) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on delays in the accreditation of sensitive compartmented information facilities.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The report required under subsection (a) shall include—

(1) the average amount of time it takes to accredit a sensitive compartmented information facility;

(2) an identification of each request for accreditation of such a facility that has been pending for more than 30 days, including the amount of time each request has been pending;

(3) an assessment of the primary causes of delays in accreditation of sensitive compartmented information facilities; and

(4) recommendations to ensure timely accreditation of such facilities.

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133. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle J of title V add the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. BRIEFING ON SUPPORT NEEDED FOR JOINT TASK FORCE-SOUTHERN BORDER.**

Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on housing and other quality-of-life needs of members of the Armed Forces deployed in support of Joint Task Force-Southern Border.

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134. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle H of title V, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. REPORT ON MILITARY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER STAFFING AND ACCESS ACROSS THE ARMED FORCES.**

(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 Secretary of Homeland Security with respect to the Coast Guard, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the staffing of, and access to, military child development centers (as such term is defined in section 1800 of title 10, United States Code) for members of the Armed Forces and their families.

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

(1) An assessment of staffing levels at child development centers across the Armed Forces, including factors contributing to any staffing shortages.

(2) An evaluation of how staffing shortages affect the availability of child care for members and their families.

(3) An analysis of how limited access to child care impacts unit readiness and morale.

(4) A description of actions the Secretary of Defense is taking, or plans to take, to address such staffing shortages.

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135. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle J of title V, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 5____. REPORT ON ADEQUACY OF COMMISSARIES AND DINING FACILITIES ON MILITARY INSTALLATIONS THAT SUPPORT CERTAIN MISSIONS.**

(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 congressional defense committees a report on the adequacy of commissaries, dining facilities, and alternatives to dining facilities on military installations that support—

(1) missions along the southern border of the United States; or

(2) arctic missions.

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

(1) An assessment of the adequacy of existing commissary and dining facility infrastructure at such military installations, including capacity, hours of operation, and quality of food service.

(2) An evaluation of whether current commissary and dining facilities meet the needs of members and their families on such military installations.

(3) An analysis of how any inadequacies in such facilities impact readiness, morale, and retention.

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136. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10____. REPORT ON PROPOSED WESTERN HEMISPHERE COMMAND.**

(a) REPORT REQUIRED.—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 the proposed establishment of a Western Hemisphere Command through the consolidation of United States Army North and United States Army South.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The report required under subsection (a) shall include—

(1) a detailed description of the proposed mission and command structure of the Western Hemisphere Command;

(2) an explanation of how the proposed command would support or enhance homeland defense, civil support, disaster response, and regional security cooperation operations currently conducted by United States Army North and United States Army South;

(3) an assessment of the anticipated relationship between the Western Hemisphere Command and the United States Northern Command and the United States Southern Command;

(4) an evaluation of how the proposed structure would improve coordination with interagency, international, and State partners; and

(5) an assessment of potential headquarters locations for the Western Hemisphere Command, including an analysis of the operational, strategic, and fiscal benefits of retaining the headquarters at Joint Base San Antonio–Fort Sam Houston, Texas, taking into account—

(A) the central location of San Antonio in the Western Hemisphere, including its proximity to the border between the United States and Mexico, which enhances border security operations and regional defense cooperation;

(B) the longstanding investments of the city of San Antonio in military infrastructure, including more than $158,000,000 toward Joint Base San Antonio infrastructure priorities;

(C) co-located intelligence, communications, logistics, and national security infrastructure, including National Security Administration Texas and one of the largest concentrations of cybersecurity professionals in the United States;

(D) the presence of the 16th Air Force (Air Forces Cyber) which is the operational headquarters of the Air Force for integrated cyber, electronic warfare, and information operations and is recognized as one of the preeminent cyber defense entities in the United States;

(E) premier Department of Defense health infrastructure at Brooke Army Medical Center and a pipeline for future medical professionals at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio; and

(F) any other matters the Secretary of Defense considers relevant.

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137. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle J of title V add the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. OPERATION MIDNIGHT HAMMER MEDAL.**

(a) MEDAL AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary concerned shall authorize the award of an Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, to be

known as the "Operation Midnight Hammer Medal", to any person eligible under subsection (c).

(b) DESIGN.—The medal shall be of an appropriate design approved by the Secretary of Defense and shall include ribbons, lapel pins, and other appurtenances.

(c) ELIGIBILITY.—Subject to subsection (e), a person shall be eligible for the medal if the person—

(1) served on active duty, including as a member of a reserve component under orders to active duty, in the Armed Forces in support of a designated operation during the armed conflict between Iran and Israel in 2025 (including Operation Midnight Hammer, conducted on June 22, 2025);

(2) was deployed in an area of operations designated by the Secretary concerned as eligible for award of the medal; or

(3) performed such other service as the Secretary concerned may prescribe for purposes of this section.

(d) ONE MEDAL AUTHORIZED.—Not more than one medal may be awarded to any person.

(e) ISSUANCE TO NEXT-OF-KIN.—If a person described in subsection (c) is deceased, the Secretary may provide for the issuance of the medal to the next-of-kin of that person.

(f) REGULATIONS.—The issuance of a medal under this section shall be subject to such regulations as the Secretaries concerned shall prescribe for purposes of this section. The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that any regulations prescribed under this subsection are uniform to the extent practicable.

(g) SECRETARY CONCERNED DEFINED.—In this section, the term "Secretary concerned" has the meaning given the term in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code.

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138. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GONZALEZ OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title V, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. REPORT ON MISSING MEMBERS FOUND DECEASED.**

Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a comprehensive report outlining how many of the members of the Armed Forces who were found deceased during the 10 years preceding such date of were designated absent without leave or on unauthorized absence instead of duty status whereabouts unknown. Such report shall include the following elements with regards to each such member:

(1) Sex.

(2) Age.

(3) Home station.

(4) Whether the member had previously reported sexual assault, sexual abuse, or stalking.

(5) Reasons for the applicable such designation.

(6) Whether family or friends notified the member's commanding officer before such designation.

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139. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GOSAR OF ARIZONA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10___. USE OF NONELECTRIC VEHICLES BY EMPLOYEES AT YUMA PROVING GROUND.**

Department of Defense employees at the Yuma Proving Ground, Yuma, Arizona, may use nonelectric vehicles in the performance of their duties.

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140. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GOSAR OF ARIZONA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle F of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10___. EXPEDITIOUS DISCLOSURE OF RECORDS RELATING TO TOWER 22 ATTACK.**

The Secretary of Defense shall expeditiously disclose of all records relating to the January 28, 2024, attack on Tower 22 in Jordan.

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141. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GOSAR OF ARIZONA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle H of title VIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 8___. REPORT ON SUPPLY OF RARE EARTH MATERIALS AND ELEMENTS.**

Not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of the Interior, shall submit to Congress a report on the supply of rare earth materials and elements extracted, processed, and refined from secure sources of supply to develop and produce advanced technologies of the Department of Defense.

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142. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GOTTHEIMER OF NEW JERSEY OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 17___. BRIEFING ON SUPPLY CHAIN EXPOSURE.**

Not later than August 1, 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall brief the congressional defense committees on NATO Procurement and Supply Agency procurement exposure and supply chain risks with respect to China, including dependency risk, security risk, and resilience risk.

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143. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GOTTHEIMER OF NEW JERSEY OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XII, add the following:

**SEC. 12__. STUDY AND REPORT ON INTERNATIONAL SECURITY MEASURES ON THE BORDER BETWEEN GAZA AND EGYPT.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, shall conduct a study on steps that Israel, Egypt, and the United States can take to enhance international security measures on the border between Gaza and Egypt to ensure Hamas and other actors do not use tunnels or methods via the Mediterranean Sea to smuggle weapons and illicit goods.

(b) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report that contains the results of the study.

(2) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report required by this subsection shall include a description and map indicating existing tunnels on the border between Gaza and Egypt.

(3) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term "appropriate congressional committees" means—

(A) the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives; and

(B) the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate.

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144. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE GOTTHEIMER OF NEW JERSEY OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. FUNDING FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE EDUCATION PROGRAM.**

(a) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 201 for research, development, test, and evaluation, Defense-wide, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4201, for basic research, National Defense Education Program, line 6, is hereby increased by $5,000,000 (with the amount of such increase to be used to strengthen and expand STEM education opportunities and workforce initiatives targeted at military students).

(b) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 4301 for Operation and Maintenance, Defense-wide, for Washington Headquarters Services, line 530, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4301, is hereby reduced by $5,000,000.

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145. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS OF MARYLAND OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title VII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 7___. TRICARE COVERAGE FOR ANESTHESIA FOR IN-OFFICE DENTAL PROCEDURES FOR PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY.**

Section 1077(a)(10) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting before the period the following: ", including with respect to anesthesia for in-office dental procedures for children".

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146. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE HAYES OF CONNECTICUT OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Add at the end of subtitle C of title VII the following new section:

**SEC. 7___. REVIEW AND UPDATE OF ONLINE INFORMATION RELATING TO SUICIDE PREVENTION AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH.**

Not later than August 1, 2027, each Secretary of a military department (as defined in section 101 of title 10, United States Code) shall—

(1) review any information relating to suicide prevention or behavioral health that is published on an internet website of the military department at the installation level;

(2) update such information, including any contact information for suicide prevention or behavioral health resources, as may be necessary; and

(3) submit to the congressional defense committees a certification that such information is accurate as of the date of such certification.

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147. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE HILL OF ARKANSAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title V, add the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. REPORT ON AIR NATIONAL GUARD C-130J FORMAL TRAINING UNIT.**

No later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force, in consultation with the Chief of the National Guard Bureau, shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and Senate a written report regarding the Air National Guard C-130J Formal Training Unit. Elements of such report shall include the following:

(1) The determination and reasoning of the Secretary whether such unit is adequate for the Air National Guard pilot and loadmaster throughputs.

(2) The determination of the Secretary whether there is a backlog of C-130J pilots and loadmasters in the Air Force and Air National Guard.

(3) How many pilots and loadmasters are trained through such unit each year.

(4) The determination of the Secretary whether the plan for training through such unit for fiscal years 2027 through 2030 is adequate for the Air National Guard recapitalization to C-130Js.

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148. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE HILL OF ARKANSAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title V, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. ACCREDITATION OF NATIONAL GUARD MARKSMANSHIP TRAINING CENTER.**

(a) ACCREDITATION.—The Secretary of the Army shall accredit the National Guard Marksmanship Training Center (hereinafter, "NGMTC"), located at Robinson Maneuver Training Center, Arkansas, as a U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command institution.

(b) VALIDATION.—Upon accreditation, the Secretary shall designate the Small Arms Weapons Expert and Squad Designated Marksman programs of instruction taught at NGMTC as Training Operations Management Activity validated, National Guard-centric courses.

(c) ADDITIONAL SKILL IDENTIFIER.—The Secretary shall award the Master Marksman Training additional skill identifier to members of the Army National Guard who successfully complete both programs specified in subsection (b).

(d) INTEGRATION WITH PROGRAM OBJECTIVE MEMORANDUM .—The Secretary shall—

(1) integrate such programs into the Army Program Objective Memorandum; and

(2) consider establishing a Modified Table of Organization and Equipment requirement associated with the additional skill identifier described in subsection (c) to ensure enduring demand and sustainment.

(e) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to transfer operational control, administrative authority, or ownership of the facility of the National Guard Marksmanship Training Center from the Arkansas National Guard to the Department of Defense, the Department of the Army, or the National Guard Bureau.

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149. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE HIMES OF CONNECTICUT OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title XV, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 15___. REPORTS ON AI USE FOR BUSINESS PROCESSES.**

(b) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this section, and annually thereafter as determined necessary, the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense, in coordination with the Chief Information Officers of each military department (as defined in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code), shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report analyzing the use of artificial intelligence tools and capabilities across the business process of the Department of Defense for the purposes of establishing guidelines for the appropriate use of artificial intelligence across the Department.

(c) USE OF MARKET RESEARCH.—The Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense shall use market research in conducting the analysis required for the report under subsection (a).

(d) CONTENTS.—The report required under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) An overview of the use by the Department of Defense of artificial intelligence tools and capabilities, including commercial technologies, in business processes of the Department.

(2) An overview of how the Department of Defense will carry out ongoing market research of emerging and commercial artificial intelligence tools and capabilities for the modernization of defense business systems (as defined in section 2222(i) of title 10, United States Code) to ensure the Department may leverage advancements by domestic industry.

(3) An analysis of the current and future costs to the Department of Defense from the use of artificial intelligence tools and capabilities for the modernization of defense business systems (as defined in section 2222(i) of title 10, United States Code), including the cost of infrastructure required to support such tools and capabilities and cloud computing.

(4) Such other information that the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense determines appropriate.

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150. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE HINSON OF IOWA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle E of title VIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 8___. REQUIREMENTS FOR PRIME CONTRACTORS OF CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONTRACTS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to an eligible contract relating to the procurement of telecommunications for the Department of Defense, the Secretary of Defense shall ensure that the principal office of the prime contractor for such eligible contract is located in the United States.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "eligible contract" means an indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity task order contract or delivery order contract that is—

(A) in an amount greater than the simplified acquisition threshold (as defined in section 3015 of title 10, United States Code); and

(B) that is a commercial product or a commercial service, as such terms are defined, respectively, in section 3011 of such title.

(2) The term "telecommunications" has the meaning given in section 3 of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 153).

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151. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE HORSFORD OF NEVADA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title V add the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. REPORT ON ADEQUACY OF REIMBURSEMENT FOR COSTS OF PERMANENT CHANGE OF STATION.**

(a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than September 30, 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 adequacy of reimbursements for expenses incurred by members of the Armed Forces undergoing a permanent change of station.

(b) SURVEY REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In preparing the report required under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall—

(A) conduct a comprehensive survey of not fewer than 10,000 members of the Armed Forces who complete a permanent change of station during fiscal year 2025 or 2026 that—

(i) collects detailed information on actual expenses incurred, both reimbursed and unreimbursed;

(ii) includes options for members to upload receipts and documentation electronically, provided that such uploads are supplemental and optional;

(iii) is designed to ensure statistical validity;

(iv) achieves response rates sufficient to ensure representative samples from each military department and pay grade category; and

(v) includes questions regarding financial stress, debt incurrence, and impact on military retention decisions;

(B) conduct follow-up surveys with a subset of respondents to gather additional detail on specific cost categories;

(C) survey military spouses separately regarding employment-related costs and career impacts of permanent changes of station; and

(D) consult with military relief societies regarding financial assistance patterns and trends relating to permanent changes of station.

(2) INAPPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN FEDERAL INFORMATION POLICY REQUIREMENTS.—The surveys required under this subsection shall be carried out notwithstanding subchapter I of chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code.

(c) ELEMENTS.—

(1) ANALYSIS OF REIMBURSEMENT CATEGORIES.—

(A) ANALYSIS.—For each of the categories described in subparagraph (B), the report required by subsection (a) shall include—

(i) an identification of all expenses intended to be covered;

(ii) an identification of related expenses that are not covered;

(iii) the average actual costs incurred by members of the Armed Forces for both covered and uncovered expenses, based on survey data from not fewer than 10,000 permanent changes of station conducted during fiscal years 2025 and 2026, accounting for peak and non-peak cycles;

(iv) a comparison of actual costs to reimbursement amounts;

(v) a justification for the inclusion or exclusion of specific expenses; and

(vi) recommendations for modifications to coverage or reimbursement rates.

(B) CATEGORIES.—The categories described in this subparagraph are as follows:

(i) Dislocation allowance.

(ii) Temporary lodging expense and temporary lodging allowance.

(iii) Per diem allowances.

(iv) Monetary allowance in lieu of transportation.

(v) Personally procured move reimbursements.

(vi) Household goods shipment and storage entitlements.

(vii) Dependent travel allowances.

(viii) Pet transportation reimbursement.

(ix) Any other allowances or reimbursements related to permanent changes of station.

(2) UNCOVERED EXPENSE ANALYSIS.—The report required under subsection (a) shall include an examination of expenses commonly incurred but not reimbursed, including—

(A) security deposits and advance rent payments;

(B) utility and telecommunication connection and disconnection fees;

(C) contract termination penalties;

(D) State vehicle registration and driver's license fees;

(E) pet transportation costs;

(F) temporary storage beyond authorized limits;

(G) childcare registration for dependents; and

(H) replacement of household items damaged or unsuitable for new location.

(3) FINANCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT.—The report required under subsection (a) shall include an analysis of the financial impact of permanent changes of station on members of the Armed Forces, including—

(A) average out-of-pocket expenses by pay grade;

(B) percentage of members incurring debt due to expenses related to a permanent change of station;

(C) impact on the emergency savings of members of the Armed Forces; and

(D) utilization rates of military relief society assistance for financial hardship relating to permanent changes of station.

(4) METHODOLOGY FOR FUTURE ADJUSTMENTS.—The report required under subsection (a) shall include recommendations for establishing an annual review and adjustment process for reimbursements for costs relating to a permanent change of station that accounts for—

(A) inflation and cost-of-living changes;

(B) regional variations in moving costs, including those related to status of forces agreements, currency fluctuation, local housing markets, and pet importation or quarantine requirements;

(C) changes in typical household composition and needs; and

(D) emerging categories of relocation expenses.

(d) DISAGGREGATION REQUIREMENTS.—The report required by subsection (a) shall include all data disaggregated by—

(1) permanent changes of station within the continental United States;

(2) permanent changes of station from the continental United States to locations outside the continental United States;

(3) permanent changes of station from locations outside the continental United States to the continental United States;

(4) permanent changes of station between locations outside the continental United States;

(5) pay grade of the members undergoing a permanent change of station;

(6) family status of the member;

(7) distance between the permanent station from which the member is transferring to the permanent station to which the member is transferring;

(8) duty status of the member;

(9) whether the member participates in the Exceptional Family Member Program; and

(10) origin and destination installation.

(e) DATA INTEGRATION.—The report shall, to the maximum extent practicable, incorporate and reconcile data from existing systems of the Department of Defense.

(f) DATA PRIVACY AND CUSTODY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that all data collected to carry out this section remains under the custody and control of the Department of Defense.

(2) USE OF CONTRACTORS.—The Secretary shall prohibit any contractor supporting implementation of this section from use of data collected to carry out this section other than for purposes of this section, including with respect to use in artificial intelligence model training, commercial applications, or other derivative purposes.

(g) INTERIM BRIEFING.—Not later than March 31, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall provide the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives an interim briefing on preliminary findings and anticipated recommendations of the report required under subsection (a).

(h) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—

(1) PUBLICATION.—Not later than 30 days after submission of the report required under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall make such report publicly available on a website of the Department of Defense.

(2) ACCESSIBILITY.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that the report required under subsection (a) is easily accessible to members of the Armed Forces and the families of such members through prominent placement on appropriate Department of Defense and military department websites.

152. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE HORSFORD OF NEVADA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title VII, add the following new subsection:

**SEC. 7_____. STUDY ON PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF AND MENTAL HEALTH IMPACTS OF COMBAT REMOTELY PILOTED AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS.**

(a) STUDY REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense shall conduct a comprehensive study on the psychological effects and mental health impacts of remotely piloted aircraft combat operations on members of the Armed Forces and other personnel engaged in such operations.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The study under subsection (a) shall include the following elements:

(1) An assessment of the prevalence of post-traumatic stress disorder, depression, anxiety, burnout, moral injury, and other mental health conditions among members of the Armed Forces and civilian personnel who—

(A) Pilot or operate combat remotely piloted aircraft systems; or

(B) analyze combat imagery and conduct targeting assessments for such systems.

(2) A comparative analysis of the mental health outcomes of such individuals relative to—

(A) aircrew engaged in crewed combat operations; and

(B) personnel deployed in non-flying combat roles.

(3) An evaluation of operational stressors unique to combat drone operations, including—

(A) shift work and sleep disruption;

(B) remote witnessing of lethal operations;

(C) emotional disengagement and isolation; and

(D) exposure to civilian casualties or traumatic visual content.

(4) An assessment of existing Department of Defense mental health support services available to remotely piloted aircraft personnel and whether such services are adequate, accessible, and appropriately tailored.

(5) Recommendations to improve mental health screening, treatment, and prevention for remotely piloted aircraft operators and support staff.

(c) CONSULTATION.—In conducting the study, the Secretary shall consult with—

(1) the Surgeons General of the Armed Forces;

(2) the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness;

(3) the Defense Health Agency;

(4) behavioral health experts within the Department of Veterans Affairs; and

(5) appropriate scientific institutions with expertise in combat psychology and remote warfare.

(d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 12 months 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 an unclassified report on the results of the study conducted under this section, including the recommendations described in subsection (b)(5).

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153. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE HORSFORD OF NEVADA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, add the following new section:

**SEC. 10_____. REPORT ON MODERNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE THUNDERBIRDS DEMONSTRATION TEAM.**

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the United States Air Force Thunderbirds, based at Nellis Air Force Base, serve a critical role in enhancing military recruitment, national unity, and airpower education;

(2) the Thunderbirds represent the highest standards of professionalism, precision, and public engagement; and

(3) continued investment in the aircraft, training, and personnel of the Thunderbirds is essential to preserving their global reputation and mission readiness.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report evaluating the current and projected aircraft modernization and sustainment needs of the United States Air Force Thunderbirds, including F–16 platform sustainment timelines, readiness rates, and transition considerations for future aircraft platforms.

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154. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE HOUCHIN OF INDIANA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 134, line 12, strike "one or more" and insert "not fewer than two".

Page 134, line 15, strike "coastal".

Page 135, line 5, insert "or reactor technology vendor" after "provider".

Page 135, line 6, insert "designed for standardized and scaleable production" after "a small modular reactor or mobile reactor".

Page 135, beginning line 8, strike "operational forces in the mid-Atlantic region" and insert "operations at mid-Atlantic region installations".

Page 137, after line 25, insert the following new subsection:

(f) MID-ATLANTIC REGION INSTALLATION DEFINED.—The term "mid-Atlantic region installation" means any installation covered under the geographic parameters of the Navy Region Mid-Atlantic on the date of the enactment of this Act.

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155. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE HOULAHAN OF PENNSYLVANIA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BIOTECHNOLOGY STRATEGY.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, 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, submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a strategy on the national security implications of emerging biotechnologies, including the future role that biotechnology will play in defense, and means to improve industry, interagency, and international relationships in this sector.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The strategy required pursuant to subsection (a) shall include the following elements:

(1) How the Department of Defense will develop and expand a network of commercial facilities for the biomanufacture of products that are critical for defense needs.

(2) Review and update of military specifications in order to better incorporate or substitute current products with biotechnology-based products.

(3) Updated plans and policies for the Department to enter into advance market commitments and offtake agreements for biotechnology products that have defense applications.

(4) A description of how the Department could better incorporate military-relevant applications of emerging biotechnology into wargaming exercises, tabletop exercises, or other net assessment analyses.

(5) The benefits and costs of issuing a research grand challenge, or a series of challenges, that focus on making biotechnology predictably engineerable and how the Department would implement such research grand challenge, or challenges.

(6) Development of a biotechnology regulation science and technology program within the Department, including development of digital infrastructure to support simplified regulation and the development of biometrology tools.

(7) Updated plans and policies for inter-governmental support that the Department could provide in encouraging member countries of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) to aggregate demand and pool purchasing power for biotechnology products.

(8) Review of plans and guidance on how the Department can work to develop, integrate, and disseminate biotechnology research initiatives across member countries of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, and how the Department might coordinate with international stakeholders to utilize the combined research capabilities of such member countries to drive a biotechnology development approach.

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156. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE HUDSON OF NORTH CAROLINA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. FUNDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND INTEGRATION OF ADAPTABLE RADAR CAPABILITIES.**

(a) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 201 for Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation Defense-Wide, line 75, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4201, for development, test, and integration of adaptable radar capabilities is hereby increased by $6,000,000.

(b) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 301 for Operation and Maintenance, Army for Additional Activities, line 140, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4301 for program decrease is hereby reduced by $6,000,000.

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157. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE HUDSON OF NORTH CAROLINA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. FUNDING FOR ADVANCED DRONE DEVELOPMENT FOR SPECIAL OPERATIONS AND LOW-INTENSITY CONFLICT.**

(a) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 201 for research, development, test, and evaluation, Defense Wide, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4201, for SO/LIC ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT for drone development is hereby increased by $7,500,000.

(b) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 301 for SERVICEWIDE TRANSPORTATION, ARMY, line 390 as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4301, for program decrease is hereby reduced by $7,500,000.

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158. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE HUIZENGA OF MICHIGAN OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title XIII, add the following:

**SEC. 13___. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON NATO MILITARY READINESS.**

It is the sense of Congress that each member country of NATO should annually commit to providing, at a minimum, 3.5 percent of GDP to core defense spending and an additional 1.5 percent of GDP to defense-related infrastructure spending, to ensure NATO military readiness.

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159. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE HUIZENGA OF MICHIGAN OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title XVII, add the following:

**SEC. 17___. MAPPING AND REPORT ON STRATEGIC PORTS.**

(a) MAPPING AND STRATEGY REQUIRED.—

(1) MAPPING OF GLOBAL PORTS.—The Secretary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, shall—

(A) develop an updated, global mapping of foreign and domestic ports identified to be of importance to the United States, because of a capability to provide military, diplomatic, economic, or resource exploration superiority; and

(B) identify any efforts by the Government of the People's Republic of China (PRC) or other PRC entities to build, buy, or otherwise control, directly or indirectly, such ports.

(2) SUBMISSION OF MAP.—The Secretary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, shall submit the mapping developed pursuant to subsection (a) to the appropriate congressional committees. Such submission shall be in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(b) STUDY AND REPORT ON STRATEGIC PORTS.—

(1) STUDY REQUIRED.—The Secretary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, shall conduct a study of—

(A) strategic ports;

(B) the reasons such ports are of interest to the United States;

(C) the activities and plans of the Government of the People's Republic of China (PRC) to expand its control over strategic ports outside of the People's Republic of China;

(D) the public and private actors, such as China Ocean Shipping Company, that are executing and supporting the activities and plans of the Government of the PRC to expand its control over strategic ports outside of the PRC;

(E) the activities and plans of the Government of the PRC to expand its control over maritime logistics by promoting products, such as LOGINK, and setting industry standards outside the PRC;

(F) how the control by the Government of the PRC over strategic ports outside of the PRC could harm the national security or economic interests of the United States and allies and partners of the United States; and

(G) measures the United States Government could take to ensure open access and security for strategic ports and offer alternatives to PRC investments or stakes in strategic ports.

(2) CONDUCT OF STUDY.—The Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense may enter into an arrangement with a federally funded research and development center under which the center shall conduct the study required under subsection (a).

(3) REPORT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report on the findings of the study conducted under subsection (a).

(B) ELEMENTS.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall include—

(i) a detailed list of all known strategic ports operated, controlled, or owned, directly or indirectly, by the PRC or by a foreign person of the PRC, and an assess-

ment of the national security and economic interests relevant to each such port;

(ii) a detailed list of all known strategic ports operated, controlled, or owned, directly or indirectly, by the United States or United States persons and an assessment of the national security and economic interests relevant to each such port;

(iii) an assessment of vulnerabilities of—

(I) ports operated, controlled, or owned, directly or indirectly, by the United States; and

(II) strategic ports;

(iv) an analysis of the activities and actions of the Government of the PRC to gain control or ownership over strategic ports, including promoting products, such as LOGINK, and setting industry standards;

(v) an assessment of how the Government of the PRC plans to expand its control over strategic ports outside of the PRC;

(vi) a suggested strategy, developed in consultation with the heads of the relevant United States Government offices, that suggests courses of action to secure trusted investment and ownership of strategic ports and maritime infrastructure, protect such ports and infrastructure from PRC control, and ensure open access and security for such ports, that includes—

(I) a list of relevant existing authorities that can be used to carry out the strategy;

(II) a list of any additional authorities necessary to carry out the strategy;

(III) an assessment of products owned by the Government of the PRC or by an entity headquartered in the PRC that are used in connection with strategic ports or maritime infrastructure;

(IV) an assessment of the costs to—

(aa) secure such trusted investment and ownership;

(bb) replace products owned by the Government of the PRC or an entity headquartered in the PRC that are used in connection with such ports; and

(cc) enhance transparency around the negative impacts of PRC control over strategic ports; and

(V) a list of funding sources to secure trusted investment and ownership of strategic ports, which shall include—

(aa) an identification of private funding sources; and

(bb) an identification of public funding sources, including loans, loan guarantees, and tax incentives; and

(vii) a suggested strategy for Federal agencies to maintain an up-to-date list of strategic ports.

(viii) an assessment of any national security threat posed by such investments or activities to United States diplomatic and defense personnel and facilities in the vicinity of such ports, including through cyber threats, electronically enabled espionage, or other means.

(C) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "appropriate congressional committees" means—

(A) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Foreign Relations, and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives.

(2) The term "relevant United States Government offices" means—

(A) the Unified Combatant Commands;

(B) the Office of the Secretary of Defense;

(C) the Office of the Secretary of State;

(D) the United States International Development Finance Corporation;

(E) the Office of the Director of National Intelligence; and

(F) the Maritime Administration of the Department of Transportation.

(3) The term "strategic port" means an international port or waterway that the heads of the relevant United States Government offices determine is critical to the national security or economic prosperity of the United States.

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160. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE ISSA OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title XXVIII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 28____. ACCESS TO MILITARY INSTALLATIONS FOR CERTAIN SURVIVING GOLD STAR FAMILY MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

(a) PROCEDURES FOR ACCESS OF SURVIVING GOLD STAR FAMILY MEMBERS REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense, acting jointly with the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating when it is not operating as a Service in the Navy, shall establish procedures by which any eligible Surviving Gold Star Family Member of a covered member of the Armed Forces may obtain unescorted access, as appropriate, to military installations, including commissary and exchange stores, notwithstanding the purpose of such access.

(b) CONSIDERATIONS.—Any procedures established under this section shall—

(1) be applied consistently across the Department of Defense and the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating when it is not operating as a Service in the Navy, including all components of the Departments;

(2) minimize any administrative burden on a Surviving Gold Star Family Member;

(3) take into account measures required to ensure the security of military installations, including eligibility for access, renewal periodicity, and installation commander discretion to temporarily limit access only as necessary; and

(4) take into account such other factors as the Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating when it is not operating as a Service in the Navy considers appropriate.

(c) DEADLINE.—The procedures required by subsection (a) shall be established by the date that is not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "eligible Surviving Gold Star Family Member" means an individual who is a widow or widower, unmarried partner, parent, grandparent, child, stepchild, child through adoption, brother, half-brother, sister, half-sister, or stepsibling of a covered member of the Armed Forces, or other family member as the Secretary considers appropriate.

(2) The term "covered member of the Armed Forces" means a member of the Armed Forces who dies while serving—

(A) on active duty; or

(B) on such reserve or National Guard duty as the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating when it is not operating as a Service in the Navy may jointly specify for purposes of this section.

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161. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE ISSA OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle J of title V, add the following new section:

**SEC. 5____. AUTHORIZATION FOR AWARD OF MEDAL OF HONOR TO E. ROYCE WILLIAMS FOR ACTS OF VALOR DURING THE KOREAN WAR.**

(a) WAIVER OF TIME LIMITATIONS.—Notwithstanding the time limitations specified in section 8298 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 President may award the Medal of Honor under section 8291 of such title to E. Royce Williams for the acts of valor described in subsection (b).

(b) ACTS OF VALOR DESCRIBED.—The acts of valor described in this subsection are the actions of E. Royce Williams, as a lieutenant in the Navy, on November 18, 1952.

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162. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON OF ILLINOIS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 772, after line 22, insert the following new paragraphs (and redesignate accordingly):

(15) An assessment of human rights violations committeed by Russian private military corporations in African countries, including human rights violations committed against Christians and other religious groups, during the preceding 10-year period (with respect to the first report submitted after the date of the enactment of this subsection) or since the most recent prior report submitted under this subsection (with respect to each subsequent report).

(16) An assessment of the extent to which the Russian military and Russian private military corporations are collaborating with the People's Republic of China to secure mining assets linked to the People's Republic of China in Africa, including any entity, engaged in prospecting, mining, refining, or smelting materials extracted from the earth, that—

(A) is majority owned by the PRC;

(B) is legally registered or internationally headquartered in the PRC;

(C) is directly operating on behalf of the PRC;

(D) is directly or indirectly controlled or directed by the PRC;

(E) is formed from a spin-off, merger or acquisition, or sale of a business unit involving an entity described in any of subparagraphs (A) through (D) or is otherwise a successor to such an entity; or

(F) provides financial services for an entity described in any of subparagraphs (A) through (E).

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163. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle C of title XXXI, insert the following:

**SEC. 31___. PLAN TO MODERNIZE NUCLEAR SECURITY ENTERPRISE.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this section, the Administrator for Nuclear Security shall develop a plan—

(1) to accelerate and modernize material staging capabilities to replace aged, over-subscribed facilities within the nuclear security enterprise, which shall include a description of all phases and an estimate of the costs required to carry out such plan; and

(2) to accelerate near-term critical decisions milestones in fiscal year 2026.

(b) EXECUTION.—The Administrator for Nuclear Security shall carry out the plan required by subsection (a) concurrently with an infrastructure modernization program for high explosives capabilities, including continued construction of the High Explosives Synthesis Formulation and Production facility (21-D-510).

(c) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this section, the Administrator for Nuclear Se-

curity shall provide to the appropriate congressional committees a briefing with respect to the plan for material staging capabilities required by subsection (a).

(d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term "appropriate congressional committees" means—

(1) the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate; and

(2) the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

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164. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title V add the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. MODIFICATION TO GRADE AND ALLOWANCES AVAILABLE TO ATTENDING PHYSICIAN TO THE CONGRESS.**

(a) GRADE.—

(1) MODIFICATION.—Section 715 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking the first two sentences and inserting the following: "An officer serving as Attending Physician to the Congress, while so serving, holds the grade of colonel, or in the case of an officer of the Navy, captain.".

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 525 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(A) by striking subsection (f); and

(B) by redesignating subsections (g) and (h) as subsections (f) and (g), respectively.

(b) ALLOWANCES.—Section 302(a)(3) of title 37, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking "An officer" and inserting "(A) Subject to subparagraph (B), an officer"; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

"(B) This paragraph shall not apply to an officer serving as the Attending Physician to the Congress.".

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165. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE JOYCE OF OHIO OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 969, insert after line 3 the following:

**SEC. 18___. PROJECT SPECTRUM.**

Chapter 19 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting before section 399 the following new section:

**"§ 398b. Project Spectrum**

"(a) PROJECT SPECTRUM; PURPOSE.—There is within the Office of Small Business Programs of the Department of Defense a program, to be known as 'Project Spectrum', the purpose of which is to provide to covered entities, through an online platform, digital resources and services that increase awareness about cybersecurity risks and help such covered entities to comply with the cybersecurity requirements of the defense acquisition system.

"(b) ELIGIBILITY.—The Director of the Office of Small Business Programs may establish eligibility requirements for the receipt by

a covered entity of a particular resource or service made available through Project Spectrum.

"(c) APPLICATION.—To receive through Project Spectrum a resource or service for which the Director has established an eligibility requirement under subsection (b), a covered entity shall submit to the Director an application at such time, in such form, and containing such information as the Director determines appropriate.

"(d) FUNCTIONS.—In carrying out Project Spectrum, the Director shall maintain an online platform through which the Director shall make available to each covered entity that the Director determines to be eligible under subsection (b) with respect to a given resource or service, the following:

"(1) Educational materials regarding cybersecurity, including cybersecurity training courses and workforce development training.

"(2) Guidance regarding best practices for cybersecurity matters, including guidance for developing internal cybersecurity policies and suggestions for procedures for reviewing any violation of such policies.

"(3) Assessments of the cybersecurity practices and cybersecurity systems used by a covered entity.

"(4) A review and feasibility assessment of products, software, and data security tools available in the commercial marketplace.

"(5) Cybersecurity services, including dashboard monitoring services, continuous threat monitoring services, software patching services, and patch testing services.

"(6) Cybersecurity readiness checks.

"(7) A platform for secure data collaboration between two or more employees of a covered entity and between multiple covered entities.

"(8) Any additional resources or services, as determined by the Director.

"(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

"(1) The term 'covered entity' means a supplier of the Department of Defense that is a small or medium business and registers to access the online platform of Project Spectrum.

"(2) The term 'defense acquisition system' has the meaning given to such term in section 3001 of this title.".

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166. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE JOYCE OF OHIO OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title VII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 7___. PILOT PROGRAM ON PRE-PROGRAMMING OF SUICIDE PREVENTION RESOURCES INTO SMART DEVICES ISSUED TO MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall commence the conduct of a pilot program under which the Secretary—

(1) pre-downloads the Virtual Hope Box application of the Defense Health Agency, or such successor application, on the covered devices of members of the Armed Forces;

(2) pre-programs the National Suicide Hotline number and Veterans Crisis Line number into the contacts for such covered devices; and

(3) provides training, as part of the training on suicide awareness and prevention conducted throughout the Department of Defense, on the preventative resources described in paragraphs (1) and (2).

(b) DURATION.—The Secretary of Defense shall carry out the pilot program under this section for a two-year period.

(c) SCOPE.—The Secretary of Defense shall determine the appropriate scope of individuals participating in the pilot program under this section to best represent each Armed Force and to ensure a relevant sample size.

(d) IDENTIFICATION OF OTHER RESOURCES.—In carrying out the pilot program under this section, the Secretary of Defense shall coordinate with the Director of the Defense Health Agency and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to identify other useful technology-related resources for use in the pilot program.

(e) REPORT.—Not later than 30 days after the date on which the pilot program under this section terminates, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate a report on the pilot program, including recommendations by the Secretary relating to expanding the scope of future pilot programs to include members of the Armed Forces who do not possess covered devices.

(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "covered device" means a smart device (including a mobile phone) that is issued to an individual by the Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of an Armed Force.

(2) The term "Veterans Crisis Line" means the toll-free hotline for veterans established under section 1720F(h) of title 38, United States Code.

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167. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE JOYCE OF OHIO OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title V, insert the following:

**SEC. 5___. WAIVERS FOR POTENTIAL ENLISTEES INTO THE ARMED FORCES TO REAPPLY FOR ENLISTMENT FOLLOWING A POSITIVE TOXICOLOGY TEST FOR TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL.**

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS ON WAIVER SYSTEM TO REAPPLY FOR ENLISTMENT FOLLOWING A POSITIVE TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL TOXICOLOGY TEST.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the Departments of the Army and the Navy have taken positive steps in their work to design and implement a waiver system that permits potential enlistees into the Armed Forces to reapply for enlistment following a positive toxicology test for tetrahydrocannabinol;

(2) given the ongoing recruitment and retention challenges undermining the Armed Forces readiness goals, the Departments of the Air Force, Space Force, and Marine Corps should develop and implement their own permanent waiver system commensurate with the process employed by the Army and Navy; and

(3) the Air Force, Space Force, and Marine Corps should establish permanent waiver programs.

(b) WAIVER PROGRAM ON INDIVIDUALS PREVIOUSLY TURNED AWAY FOR CANNABIS USE.—The Secretary of Defense shall—

(1) develop a program through which to provide waivers for potential enlistees into the Armed Forces who were not permitted to enlist following a positive toxicology test for tetrahydrocannabinol so that such potential enlistees are permitted to reapply for enlistment;

(2) assess the feasibility of contacting any such potential enlistees who were not permitted to enlist following a positive toxicology test for tetrahydrocannabinol in States where marijuna is legal under State laws; and

(3) to the extent feasible, develop a plan to contact such potential enlistees.

(c) WAIVERED RECRUITS REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—No later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes a plan to create, disseminate, and use a clear definition that highlights that all waivered recruits are qualified and eligible to enlist in the Armed Forces, even if they do not meet every enlistment standard, and that existing standards of enlistment allow for waivers.

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## 168. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE JOYCE OF PENNSYLVANIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle E of title III, insert the following:

**SEC. 3___. BRIEFING ON SUSTAINMENT AND FUNDING OF DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY DIRECTED ENERGY PROGRAMS OF RECORD.**

Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this section, the Chief of Staff of the Army, in coordination with the head of Army Aviation and Missile Command, shall provide to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a briefing on the sustainment and funding plan for directed energy programs of record of the Department of the Army. Such briefing shall include an assessment of comparative cost efficiencies and operational advantages to—

(1) support readiness;

(2) reduce dependence on original equipment manufacturers; and

(3) develop a workforce trained to address the requirements and safety aspects of directed energy technology.

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## 169. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE KEAN OF NEW JERSEY OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title VIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 8___. AMENDMENT TO DEFINITION OF CONVENTIONAL AMMUNITION.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 806(c) of the Strom Thurmond National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999 (10 U.S.C. 3241 note prec.) is amended by striking ", dated March 8, 1995".

(b) UPDATE TO DIRECTIVE.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall revise Department of Defense Directive 5160.65 to change the definition of "conventional ammunition management" in such directive to include as conventional ammunition "one way lethal or non-lethal armed/attack unmanned aerial vehicle/system (UAV/UAS)".

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170. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE KEATING OF MASSACHUSETTS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle F of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10___. UPDATES AND PRESERVATION OF MEMORIALS TO CHAPLAINS AT ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY.**

(a) UPDATES AND PRESERVATION OF MEMORIALS.—

(1) PROTESTANT CHAPLAINS MEMORIAL.—The Secretary of the Army shall permit NCMAF—

(A) to modify the memorial to Protestant chaplains located on Chaplains Hill to include a granite, marble, or other stone base for the bronze plaque of the memorial;

(B) to provide an updated bronze plaque that includes the name of each chaplain, verified as described in subsection (b), who died while serving on active duty in the Armed Forces after the date on which the original memorial was placed; and

(C) to make such other updates and corrections to the memorial that the Secretary determines necessary.

(2) CATHOLIC AND JEWISH CHAPLAIN MEMORIALS.—The Secretary of the Army shall permit NCMAF to update and make corrections to the Catholic and Jewish chaplain memorials located on Chaplains Hill that the Secretary determines necessary.

(3) NO COST TO FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.—The activities of NCMAF authorized by this subsection shall be carried out at no cost to the Federal Government.

(b) VERIFICATION OF NAMES.—NCMAF may not include the name of a chaplain on a memorial on Chaplains Hill under subsection (a) unless that name has been verified by the Chief of Chaplains of the Army, Navy, or Air Force or the Chaplain of the United States Marine Corps, depending on the branch of the Armed Forces in which the chaplain served.

(c) PROHIBITION ON EXPANSION OF MEMORIALS.—Except as provided in subsection (a)(1)(A), this section may not be construed as authorizing the expansion of any memorial that is located on Chaplains Hill as of the date of the enactment of this Act.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "Chaplains Hill" means the area in Arlington National Cemetery that, as of the date of the enactment of this Act, is generally identified and recognized as Chaplains Hill.

(2) The term "NCMAF" means the National Conference on Ministry to the Armed Forces or any successor organization recognized in law for purposes of the operation of this section.

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171. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE KELLY OF ILLINOIS OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle G of title V, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 5____. EXTENSION OF PERIOD OF AVAILABILITY OF MILITARY ONESOURCE PROGRAM FOR RETIRED AND DISCHARGED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AND THEIR IMMEDIATE FAMILIES.**

Section 558(a) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C. 1781 note) is amended by striking "one-year period" and inserting "18-month period".

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172. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE KELLY OF ILLINOIS OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle F of title VI, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 6____. PILOT PROGRAM ON NUTRITION RATINGS FOR FOOD SOLD IN COMMISSARIES.**

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than September 30, 2026, , the Secretary of Defense shall carry out a pilot program to provide a nutrition rating system—

(1) that indicates the overall nutritional value of foods based on nutrient density and ingredient quality;

(2) for food sold in at least 10 commissary stores; and

(3) through the Commissary CLICK2GO mobile application and online platform.

(b) THIRD-PARTY SYSTEM AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary may carry out the pilot program by using a system operated by an entity that—

(1) is not owned or operated by food company;

(2) uses transparent, evidence-based methodology, grounded in current nutrition science and public health guidelines; and

(3) can rate the nutritonal value of—

(A) at least 80 percent of foods available at participating commissary stores; and

(B) a wide range of food products, including single-ingredient foods, package goods, and mixed meals.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than September 30, 2028, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report regarding the pilot program that includes recommendations of the Secretary to improve the nutritional value of foods sold in commissary stores.

(d) TERMINATION.—The pilot program under this section shall terminate on September 30, 2030.

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173. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE KIGGANS OF VIRGINIA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title VII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 7____. NOTIFICATION TO TRICARE BENEFICIARIES OF COVERAGE TRANSITION REQUIREMENTS.**

Chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 1097d the following:

**"§ 1097e. TRICARE program: notice of coverage transition requirements**

"(a) PROVISION OF NOTICE.—(1) The Secretary shall provide each covered beneficiary with notices of a TRICARE coverage transition requirement that affects the individual.

"(2) The Secretary shall provide notice under paragraph (1) through electronic means.

"(b) TIMING OF NOTICE.—The Secretary shall provide notices to a covered beneficiary under subsection (a)(1) as follows:

"(1) On the date that is one year before the covered beneficiary will experience a TRICARE coverage transition requirement.

"(2) On the date that is 180 days before the covered beneficiary will experience a TRICARE coverage transition requirement.

"(3) On the date that is 30 days before the covered beneficiary will experience a TRICARE coverage transition requirement.

"(c) OUTREACH.—The Secretary shall conduct an outreach and public awareness campaign to inform covered beneficiaries of TRICARE coverage transition requirements, including through the TRICARE internet website, social media, and through family readiness groups.

"(d) REPORTS.—On an annual basis the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the implementation of this section, including metrics relating to the outreach and public awareness campaign under subsection (c) and any recommendations to improve making covered beneficiaries aware of TRICARE coverage transition requirements.

"(e) TRICARE COVERAGE TRANSITION REQUIREMENT.—In this section, the term 'TRICARE coverage transition requirement' means a requirement under this chapter for a covered beneficiary to make a different election under the TRICARE program to continue enrollment in the TRICARE program, including by reason of attaining a certain age as described in section 1086(d) or 1110b of this title.".

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174. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE KIGGANS OF VIRGINIA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title III, add at the end the following new section:

**SEC. 3___. REPORT ON REDUCING FREQUENCY OF PERMANENT CHANGES OF STATION AND NAVAL VESSEL TO ONSHORE ROTATIONS.**

(a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than March 1, 2026, the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, in coordination with the Secretaries of the military departments, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on options to reduce the frequency of permanent changes of station of members of the Armed Forces and the rotations of such members between assignments to naval vessels and onshore assignments (commonly referred to as "sea-shore rotations").

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

(1) An analysis of the costs associated with the permanent changes of station and rotations specified in subsection (a), disaggregated by military department and occupational specialty, over the five fiscal years preceding the date of the report.

(2) An assessment of the potential cost savings of the Department of Defense to be realized through a reduction in the frequency of such permanent changes of station and rotations.

(3) An evaluation of the effects of a reduction in such frequency on retention of members of the Armed Forces, employment for the spouses of such members, and education of the children of such members.

(4) An identification of billets, duty stations, and communities with respect to which extended tour lengths or rotation adjustments would be operationally feasible while sustaining mission readiness and career progression requirements.

(5) Recommendations for any legislative or policy changes necessary to conduct a pilot program for, or otherwise implement, extensions to tour lengths or rotation adjustments.

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175. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE KING-HINDS OF NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle F of title III, add the following new section:

**SEC. 3___. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR PROCUREMENT OF CERTAIN SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS UNDER INNOVATIVE READINESS TRAINING PROGRAM.**

Funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act for fiscal year 2026 for operation and maintenance for the Innovative Readiness Training program established pursuant to section 2012 of title 10, United States Code, may be obligated or expended to procure supplies and materials necessary for the completion of any training project approved under such section, provided that any such procurement—

(1) directly relates to the training objectives of the project; and

(2) is accounted for in accordance with applicable regulations of the Department of Defense.

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176. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE KING-HINDS OF NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10____. OVERHAUL, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF VESSELS IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS.**

Subsection (a) of section 8680 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking "the United States or Guam" each place it appears and inserting "the United States, Guam, or the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands"; and

(2) in the heading for such subsection, by striking "UNITED STATES OR GUAM" and inserting "UNITED STATES, GUAM, OR COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS".

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177. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE KING-HINDS OF NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle F of title XXVIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 28____. STUDY AND REPORT ON DEFENSE ACCESS ROADS PROGRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE IN THE INDO-PACIFIC REGION.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this section, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment shall carry out a study on the defense access roads program in the Indo-Pacific region and submit to Congress a report that includes the findings of such study.

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

(1) A list of the roads in the Indo-Pacific built by the defense access roads program during the 40-year period that precedes the date of the enactment of this section approved for inclusion in the program but have not been constructed due to funding limitations.

(2) A summary of the current condition of roads funded or approved for funding through the defense access roads program, including an estimate of deferred maintenance costs and the implications for mission accomplishment.

(3) An analysis of the extent to which existing statutory and regulatory authorities constrain the ability of the Department of Defense to support transportation infrastructure maintenance investments that directly enable military readiness, including access routes to military installations, ranges, and other critical defense facilities.

(4) An assessment of the potential benefits and cost savings of amending the defense access roads program to allow for routine road maintenance and repair in addition to the currently authorized improvements, reconstructions, and capacity enhancements.

(5) As assessment of the advisability and suitability of enacting legislative and administrative changes to the defense access roads program to include support for road maintenance and repair activities.

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178. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE KRISHNAMOORTHI OF ILLINOIS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, add the following new section:

**SEC. 10___. REPORT ON PROLIFERATION OF CHINESE MEDICAL DEVICE TECHNOLOGY IN THE UNITED STATES.**

(a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than March 1, 2025, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the proliferation of Chinese medical device technology in the Department of Defense.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The report under subsection (a) shall including the following:

(1) An assessment of the extent to which Chinese medical technology has been and is being used in Department of Defense medical facilities, and, to the extent practicable, an assessment of use by non-Department medical facilities that provide medical care to members of the Armed Forces and their families.

(2) An analysis of the national security vulnerabilities associated with using Chinese medical device technology in Department of Defense medical facilities and in non-Department medical facilities that provide medical care to members of the Armed Forces and their families.

(3) Any other matters the Secretary determines relevant.

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179. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE KRISHNAMOORTHI OF ILLINOIS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XIII, add the following:

**SEC. 13___. STRATEGY TO ENHANCE INDO-PACIFIC DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall develop and implement a strategy to enhance defense industrial cooperation between the United States and allies and partners of the United States in the Indo-Pacific region.

(b) STRATEGY REQUIREMENTS.—The strategy required by subsection (a) shall—

(1) describe current activities and identify future actions to be taken over the next 5 years by the Department of Defense to enhance defense industrial cooperation (as such term is defined in the Security Assistance Management Manual of the Defense Security Cooperation Agency) between the United States and allies and partners of the United States in the Indo-Pacific region, including efforts under the existing Partnership for Indo-Pacific Industrial Resilience;

(2) identify lessons the Department has learned from defense industrial cooperation initiatives with European allies, including through meetings among National Armament Directors of the Ukraine Defense Contact Group, the European Union, and NATO, for efforts to enhance defense industrial cooperation in the Indo-Pacific region;

(3) identify priority armaments for joint development, production, or sustainment with Indo-Pacific allies and partners, including priority weapons systems for joint acquisition and sustainment with Taiwan; and

(4) describe plans for cooperating with the Department of State, the Department of Commerce, and other relevant Federal departments or agencies to resolve bureaucratic hurdles, such as export controls, that could impede deeper defense industrial collaboration with Indo-Pacific allies and partners of the United States.

(c) BRIEFING AND REPORT.—

(1) BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall brief the congressional defense committees on the strategy required by subsection (a), including an identification of any changes to funding or policy required to enhance defense industrial collaboration with Indo-Pacific allies and partners of the United States.

(2) INTERIM REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than March 15, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the progress of the implementation of the strategy required by subsection (a), including any resource or authority gaps identified in the Department's ability to execute the strategy.

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180. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE KRISHNAMOORTHI OF ILLINOIS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of title VIII, add the following new subtitle:

## Subtitle ____.—Robot Security

**SEC. 8___. DEFINITIONS.**

In this subtitle:

(1) COVERED FOREIGN COUNTRY.—The term "covered foreign country" means any of the following:

(A) The People's Republic of China.

(B) The Russian Federation.

(C) The Islamic Republic of Iran.

(D) The Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

(2) COVERED FOREIGN ENTITY.—The term "covered foreign entity" means an entity that is domiciled in a covered foreign country, or subject to influence or control by the government of a covered foreign country as determined by the Secretary of Homeland Security or the Secretary of Defense, and any subsidiary or affiliate of such an entity.

(3) COVERED UNMANNED GROUND VEHICLE SYSTEM.—The term "covered unmanned ground vehicle system"—

(A) means a mechanical device that—

(i) is capable of locomotion, navigation, or movement on the ground; and

(ii) operates at a distance from one or more operators or supervisors based on commands or in response to sensor data, or through any combination thereof; and

(B) includes—

(i) remote surveillance vehicles, autonomous patrol technologies, mobile robotics, and humanoid robots; and

(ii) the vehicle, its payload, and any external device used to control the vehicle.

**SEC. 8___. PROHIBITION ON PROCUREMENT OF COVERED UNMANNED GROUND VEHICLE SYSTEMS FROM COVERED FOREIGN ENTITIES.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided under subsection (b), the head of an executive agency may not procure any covered unmanned ground vehicle system that is manufactured or assembled by a covered foreign entity.

(b) EXEMPTION.—The Secretary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of State, and the Attorney General are exempt from the restriction under subsection (a) if the procurement is required in the national interest of the United States and—

(1) is for the sole purposes of research, evaluation, training, testing, or analysis for electronic warfare, information warfare operations, cybersecurity, or development of unmanned ground vehicle system or counter-unmanned ground vehicle system technology;

(2) is for the sole purposes of conducting counterterrorism or counterintelligence activities, protective missions, or Federal criminal or national security investigations, including forensic examinations, or for electronic warfare, information warfare operations, cybersecurity, or development of an unmanned ground vehicle system or counter-unmanned ground vehicle technology; or

(3) is an unmanned ground vehicle system that, as procured or as modified after procurement but before operational use, can no longer transfer to, or download data from, a covered foreign entity and otherwise poses no national security cybersecurity risks as determined by the exempting official.

**SEC. 8___. PROHIBITION ON OPERATION OF COVERED UNMANNED GROUND VEHICLE SYSTEMS FROM COVERED FOREIGN ENTITIES..**

(a) PROHIBITION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on the date that is one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, no Federal department or agency may operate a covered unmanned ground vehicle system manufactured or assembled by a covered foreign entity.

(2) APPLICABILITY TO CONTRACTED SERVICES.—The prohibition under paragraph (1) applies to any covered unmanned

ground vehicle systems that are being used by any executive agency through the method of contracting for the services of covered unmanned ground vehicle systems.

(b) EXEMPTION.—The Secretary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of State, and the Attorney General are exempt from the restriction under subsection (a) if the operation is required in the national interest of the United States and—

(1) is for the sole purposes of research, evaluation, training, testing, or analysis for electronic warfare, information warfare operations, cybersecurity, or development of unmanned ground vehicle system or counter-unmanned ground vehicle system technology;

(2) is for the sole purposes of conducting counterterrorism or counterintelligence activities, protective missions, or Federal criminal or national security investigations, including forensic examinations, or for electronic warfare, information warfare operations, cybersecurity, or development of an unmanned ground vehicle system or counter-unmanned ground vehicle system technology; or

(3) is an unmanned ground vehicle system that, as procured or as modified after procurement but before operational use, can no longer transfer to, or download data from, a covered foreign entity and otherwise poses no national security cybersecurity risks as determined by the exempting official.

**SEC. 8___. PROHIBITION ON USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS FOR PROCUREMENT AND OPERATION OF COVERED UNMANNED GROUND VEHICLE SYSTEMS MANUFACTURED BY CERTAIN FOREIGN ENTITIES.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on the date that is one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, except as provided in subsection (b), no Federal funds awarded through a contract, grant, or cooperative agreement, or otherwise made available may be used—

(1) to procure a covered unmanned ground vehicle system that is manufactured or assembled by a covered foreign entity; or

(2) in connection with the operation of such a robot or unmanned ground vehicle system.

(b) EXEMPTION.—The Secretary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of State, and the Attorney General are exempt from the restriction under subsection (a) if the procurement or operation is required in the national interest of the United States and—

(1) is for the sole purposes of research, evaluation, training, testing, or analysis for electronic warfare, information warfare operations, cybersecurity, or development of unmanned ground vehicle system or counter-unmanned ground vehicle system technology;

(2) is for the sole purposes of conducting counterterrorism or counterintelligence activities, protective missions, or Federal criminal or national security investigations, including forensic examinations, or for electronic warfare, information warfare operations, cybersecurity, or development of an unmanned ground vehicle system or counter-unmanned ground vehicle system technology; or

(3) is an unmanned ground vehicle system that, as procured or as modified after procurement but before operational use, can no longer transfer to, or download data from, a covered foreign entity and otherwise poses no national security cybersecurity risks as determined by the exempting official.

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181. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE LALOTA OF NEW YORK OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title VI add the following new section:

**SEC. 6___. STUDY ON ADJUSTMENTS TO BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR HOUSING CALCULATION.**

(a) STUDY.—The Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of Homeland Security, shall conduct a study to evaluate potential adjustments to the methods for determining the monthly rates for the basic allowance for housing under section 403 of title 37, United States Code.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The study required by subsection (a) shall include—

(1) an estimate of the additional costs or savings to the Department of Defense of establishing monthly rates for basic allowance for housing based on a market analysis from within a commuting area that is defined as a 120-minute or less round-trip driving time from the residence of a member of the Armed Forces to the assigned duty station of such member; and

(2) an assessment of the impact on the quality of life, recruitment, and retention of members of the Armed Forces if monthly rates are established as described in paragraph (1), particularly with respect to members assigned to unique geographic areas in which local housing conditions create disproportionate challenges, including—

(A) Montauk, New York;

(B) Shinnecock, New York; and

(C) Nantucket, Massachusetts.

(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 the results of the study required by subsection (a).

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182. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE LAWLER OF NEW YORK OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 17___ RECOGNITION AND HONORING OF SERVICE OF INDIVIDUALS WHO SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES CADET NURSE CORPS DURING WORLD WAR II.**

Section 106 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(g)(1)(A) Service as a member of the United States Cadet Nurse Corps during the period beginning on July 1, 1943, and ending on December 31, 1948, of any individual who was honorably discharged therefrom pursuant to subparagraph (B) shall be consid-

ered active duty for purposes of eligibility and entitlement to headstones, markers, and other benefits under chapters 23 and 24 of this title, other than such benefits relating to the interment or inurnment of the individual in Arlington National Cemetery solely by reason of such service. "

"(B)(i) Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this subsection, the Secretary of Defense shall issue to each individual who served as a member of the United States Cadet Nurse Corps during the period beginning on July 1, 1943, and ending on December 31, 1948, a discharge from such service under honorable conditions if the Secretary determines that the nature and duration of the service of the individual so warrants.

"(ii) A discharge under clause (i) shall designate the date of discharge. The date of discharge shall be the date, as determined by the Secretary, of the termination of service of the individual concerned as described in that clause.

"(2) An individual who receives a discharge under paragraph (1)(B) for service as a member of the United States Cadet Nurse Corps shall be honored as a veteran but shall not be entitled by reason of such service to any benefit under a law administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, except as provided in paragraph (1)(A).

"(3) The Secretary of Defense may design and produce a service medal, memorial plaque or gravemarker, or other commendation to honor individuals who receive a discharge under paragraph (1)(B).".".

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183. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE LEE OF NEVADA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title VI, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 6___. PILOT PROGRAM ON IMPROVING RETENTION OF MEMBERS WITH DEGREES IN THEIR FIELDS OF SPECIALTY.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall establish a pilot program to assess the feasibility and advisability of paying incentive pay to certain enlisted members of the Armed Forces with degrees in their fields of specialty to improve the retention of such members.

(b) PAYMENT OF INCENTIVE PAY.—Under the pilot program required by subsection (a), the Secretary concerned may pay monthly incentive pay to a member of the Armed Forces who—

(1) is an enlisted member;

(2) has less than 4 years of service in the Armed Forces;

(3) has a degree in the member's field of specialty, as determined by the Secretary concerned; and

(4) commits to reenlisting.

(c) TERMINATION.—The pilot program required by subsection (a) shall terminate on the date that is 5 years after the date of the enactment of this section.

(d) REPORT REQUIRED.—After the termination under subsection (c) of the pilot program required by subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the effectiveness of the pilot program in retaining highly qualified members that includes an assessment of—

(1) the effect of the pilot program on retention rates;
(2) satisfaction of members with the pilot program; and
(3) the overall cost-effectiveness of the pilot program.

(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.

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184. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE LEE OF NEVADA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title VIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 8___. REPORT ON COMPLIANCE PROGRESS WITH SENSITIVE MATERIAL ACQUISITION PROHIBITION.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a report on the progress of the Department of Defense in implementing the amendments to the prohibition on the acquisition of covered materials under section 4872 of title 10, United States Code, made by section 844 of William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116-283; 134 Stat. 3766), that are effective on January 1, 2027, including—

(1) for each major defense acquisition program (as defined in section 4201 of title 10, United States Code), a detailed explanation of the progress of such major defense acquisition program in meeting such prohibition as so amended; and

(2) an explanation of how the Department is using of funds made available under or pursuant to the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4501 et seq.) with respect to each phase of the process for such covered materials, from mining through final production, to ensure the implementation of such amendments.

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185. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE LEE OF NEVADA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title 10, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 10___. REPORT ON ESTABLISHING COMMUNICATION ENCLAVES BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AND CONGRESS.**

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 report outlining the cost, schedule, and implementation plan to establish a system of classified and unclassified communication enclaves between the Department of Defense and Congress, as annotated in the Commission on Planning, Programming, Budgeting, and Execution Reform's 2024 final report, that—

(1) enables more robust communication between the Department of Defense and Congress;

(2) includes a common set of reports and budget materials that can be readily searched, sorted, and retrieved for analysis across all security classification levels; and

(3) enables efficient and effective communications between the Department of Defense and Congress, increasing trust, transparency, and relevancy.

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186. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE LEE OF NEVADA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title X, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 10____. PROCESS TO FURNISH CERTAIN DEMOGRAPHIC DATA REGARDING MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES TO STATE EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES.**

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretaries concerned, in consultation with the Secretary of Education, State educational agencies, local educational agencies, and experts in student data and privacy, shall, not later than 18 months after the date of enactment of this Act, establish a data sharing process that enables a State educational agency to—

(1) access data described in subsection (b) attributable to individuals who graduated high school in the State of such State educational agency; and

(2) integrate such data into—

(A) such State's statewide longitudinal data system; or

(B) an alternate data system operated by such State.

(b) DATA DESCRIBED.—The data described in this paragraph may include the following information:

(1) With respect to an individual who is a member of an Armed Force who graduated from secondary school:

(A) The highest level of education attained.

(B) The name and location of the educational institution where the member received education described in subparagraph (A).

(C) The name and location of the secondary school from which the individual graduated.

(D) Score on the Armed Forces Qualification Test.

(E) The date the member joined an Armed Force.

(F) The Armed Force of the member.

(G) Rank.

(H) The area of expertise or military occupational specialty.

(I) The date of separation, if applicable.

(J) Any other information determined appropriate by the Secretary concerned.

(2) With respect to an individual who graduated from secondary school and whose application to join an Armed Force was denied:

(A) The highest level of education attained.

(B) The name and location of the school where the individual received education described in subparagraph (A).

(C) The name and location of the secondary school from which the individual graduated.

(D) Score on the Armed Forces Qualification Test.

(c) PRIVACY.—

(1) CONFIDENTIALITY.—Data transmitted through the data sharing process under subsection (a) shall be transmitted confidentially and using the most current standards for data security at the time of transmission.

(2) PROTECTION OF INDIVIDUAL PRIVACY AND DATA SECURITY.—The Secretaries concerned shall carry out subsection (a) in a manner that protects individual privacy and data security, in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and local privacy laws.

(3) DATA SECURITY PRACTICES.—Each Secretary concerned and each State educational agency that accesses data under subsection (a) shall establish, implement, and maintain reasonable data security practices to protect—

(A) the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of data; and

(B) data against unauthorized access.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "Secretary concerned" means—

(A) the Secretary of Defense; or

(B) the Secretary of Homeland Security.

(2) The terms "local educational agency", "secondary school", and "State educational agency" have the meanings given such terms in section 8101 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801).

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187. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE LEE OF NEVADA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle F of title XXVIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 28___. DESIGNATION OF CREECH AIR FORCE BASE AS A REMOTE OR ISOLATED INSTALLATION.**

The Secretary of Defense shall designate Creech Air Force Base, Indian Springs, Nevada, as a remote or isolated installation.

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188. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE LEE OF NEVADA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title III, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 3___. REPORT ON ENCROACHMENT MANAGEMENT RELATED TO THE NEVADA TEST AND TRAINING RANGE.**

Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit a report to the congressional defense committees—

(1) outlining ongoing encroachment management projects, landscape partnerships, and stakeholder engagements to ensure the long term viability of the Nevada Test and Training Range; and

(2) that describes—

(A) the resources needed for such projects, partnerships, and stakeholder engagements;

(B) the specific issues of such encroachment;

(C) the coordination process between the Department of Defense, Department of Interior, Department of Energy, local community leaders, and the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States regarding foreign land acquisitions; and

(D) areas for Congressional engagement.

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189. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE LEVIN OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title VI, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 6___. TEMPORARY ADJUSTMENT TO A RATE OF THE BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR HOUSING FOR MEMBERS OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES: LOWER THRESHOLD; PERMANENT AUTHORITY.**

Section 403(b)(8) of title 37, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A), by striking "20 percent" and inserting "15 percent"; and

(2) by striking subparagraph (C).

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190. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE LEVIN OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle G of title V, insert the following:

**SEC. 5___. AMENDMENTS TO PATHWAYS FOR COUNSELING IN TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.**

Section 1142(c)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating subparagraph (M) as subparagraph (R); and

(2) by inserting after subparagraph (L) the following:

"(M) Child care requirements of the member (including whether a dependent of the member is enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member Program).

"(N) The employment status of other adults in the household of the member.

"(O) The location of the duty station of the member (including whether the member was separated from family while on duty).

"(P) The effects of operating tempo and personnel tempo on the member and the household of the member.".

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191. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE LICCARDO OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle H of title VIII, add the following:

**SEC. 8___. REQUIREMENTS MANAGEMENT TOOLS IN DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ACQUISITION PROGRAMS.**

(a) CONTRACTING POLICY GUIDANCE.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this section, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall, with respect to solicitations, contracts, and task orders for systems and software engineering programs—

(1) require—

(A) the use of open, modular, and offeror-agnostic requirements management tools; and

(B) that such tools be compatible with—

(i) modern data interchange standards (including the Requirements Interchange Format)); and

(ii) publicly available application programming interfaces to facilitate integration with contemporary software development environments and tools;

(2) require that all contractor-developed user requirements data (including traceability, version history, acceptance criteria, and verification links) are delivered in non-proprietary, human-readable, and machine-readable formats that are fully portable across platforms;

(3) require all program executive officers, program managers, and contracting officers to—

(A) ensure that contract requirements are not tied to specific offerors in order to enable full and open competition across software toolsets and platforms;

(B) evaluate the interoperability, data portability, and openness of proposed requirements management solutions during source selection and technical reviews; and

(C) give priority to tools and platforms that demonstrate alignment with modern software engineering principles, including traceability, automation, real-time collaboration, and extensibility through application programming interfaces and plug-in architectures;

(4) prohibit reliance on proprietary or closed-source tools that limit interoperability or constrain access, reuse, or long-term data ownership; and

(5) encourage the use of cloud-native, collaborative, and scalable software solutions for managing user requirements that align with best practices for agile and development, security, and operation development environments.

(b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 270 days after the date of enactment of this section, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report describing—

(1) the actions taken by each Secretary of a military department and Defense Agency to implement subsection (a); and

(2) any challenges with respect to such implementation and strategies for resolving such challenges.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "program executive officer" means an individual described in section 1732(a) of title 10, United States Code.

(2) The term "requirements management tool" means a software capability used to capture, trace, analyze, and manage user, system, and software requirements across the acquisition lifecycle.

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192. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE LUTTRELL OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2____. RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, AND IMPLEMENTATION OF UNATTENDED ROBOTIC PROCESS AUTOMATION.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall carry out activities to support the research, development, implementation, and oversight of unattended robotic process automation within the Department of Defense. Such activities shall include—

(1) the allocation of funding for research and development initiatives to enhance the capabilities of unattended robotic process automation in combat, intelligence analysis, and defense infrastructure management;

(2) the development and implementation of a framework for expanding unattended robotic process automation technologies across mission-critical operations, logistics, and administrative processes of the Department, with priority given to interoperability, cybersecurity protections, and real-time adaptability of automated systems;

(3) the implementation of policies and processes to ensure that any deployment of unattended robotic process automation adheres to existing cybersecurity and defense data protection regulations; and

(4) the establishment of a task force to oversee the implementation, effectiveness, and long-term integration of unattended robotic process automation within the Department.

(b) REPORTING.—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 report on the progress of the Secretary in carrying out the activities required under subsection (a). Such report shall include—

(1) performance metrics for such activities;

(2) an analysis of the cost-effectiveness of such activities; and

(3) an assessment of the potential risks associated with the expansion of unattended robotic process automation within the Department of Defense.

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193. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE LUTTRELL OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle F of title III, add the following new section:

**SEC. 3____. FUNDING FOR FLIGHT HOURS FOR EXPEDITIONARY COMBAT AVIATION BRIGADES.**

(a) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 301 for Operation and Maintenance, Army Reserve, Aviation Assets Line 050, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4301, for flight hour funding for Expeditionary Combat Aviation Brigades, is hereby increased by $35,000,000.

(b) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 301 for Operation and Maintenance, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4301 for Army-Servicewide Transportation, line 390, is hereby reduced by $35,000,000.

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194. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MACE OF SOUTH CAROLINA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle D of title VIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 8___. APPLICABILITY OF BERRY AMENDMENT EXCEPTIONS TO CERTAIN SEAFOOD PURCHASES.**

Section 4862 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(l) CERTAIN SEAFOOD PURCHASES.—The exceptions in subsections (c) through (h) of this section shall not apply with respect to procurement of any fish, shellfish, or seafood product.".

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195. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MACKENZIE OF PENNSYLVANIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title VII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 7___. STUDY ON OPIOID PRESCRIBING PRACTICES.**

The Secretary of Defense shall conduct an updated study on opioid prescribing to ensure that the provider practices of medication-prescribing health professionals across the military health system conform with—

(1) the clinical practice guidelines of the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs; and

(2) the prescribing guidelines published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Food and Drug Administration.

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196. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MAGAZINER OF RHODE ISLAND OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title I, insert the following:

**SEC. 1___. REPORT ON NEXT GENERATION FUEL CELLS.**

Not later than March 15, 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the development and integration of next-generation self-sealing fuel cells (referred to in this section as "NexGen fuel cells") into the rotorcraft fleets of the Army, Navy, and Air Force). The report shall include each of the following:

(1) An assessment of any negative effects on readiness associated with using the fuel cells in use as of the date on the enactment of this Act that are based on World War II-era technology and manufacturing processes.

(2) An identification of any readiness, fiscal, and other benefits of incorporating NexGen fuel cells into the rotorcraft fleets the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

(3) Plans or concepts for developing and incorporating NexGen fuel cells into the H–60 fleets of the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

(4) Such other matters the Secretary determines relevant.

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197. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCORMICK OF GEORGIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title XII, add the following:

**SEC. 12___. REPORT ON STRATEGY FOR INCREASING MEMBERSHIP IN THE COMPREHENSIVE SECURITY INTEGRATION AND PROSPERITY AGREEMENT.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than July 1, 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report describing the strategic importance of the Comprehensive Security Integration and Prosperity Agreement and the benefits of its potential expansion.

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

(1) An assessment of the strategic benefits of CSIPA to regional and global security.

(2) An assessment of CSIPA's operational value to the Department of Defense and partners in the region following the Red Sea attacks.

(3) An assessment of how CSIPA leverages United States military assets such as the Fifth Fleet to address regional threats.

(4) Identification of potential modifications to the CSIPA framework that would support broader regional participation.

(5) An evaluation of the resource and capability requirements necessary to expand CSIPA membership.

(6) Recommendations for further collaboration between the United States Armed Forces and CSIPA members.

(c) DEFINITION OF COMPREHENSIVE SECURITY INTEGRATION AND PROSPERITY AGREEMENT.—In this section, the terms "Comprehensive Security Integration and Prosperity Agreement" and "CSIPA" refers to the cooperative agreement signed by the United States and the Kingdom of Bahrain on September 13, 2023.

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198. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MESSMER OF INDIANA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. FUNDING FOR QUANTUM COMMUNICATIONS CORRIDOR FOR NAVY RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION.**

(a) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 201 for Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Navy, for Future Naval Capabilities Applied Research, Line 012, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4201, is hereby increased by $50,000,000 for the development of a quantum communications corridor linking certain Department of Defense installations, national laboratories, and universities conducting Department of Defense research.

(b) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 301 for Operation and Maintenance, Army, for Force

Readiness Operations Support, Line 070, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4301, is hereby reduced by $50,000,000.

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199. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLER OF OHIO OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title I, add the following new section:

**SEC. 1___. REPORT ON PROCUREMENT STRATEGY FOR SUBMARINE CABLE LAYING AND REPAIR SHIPS.**

(a) 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 strategy of the Navy for procuring at least two cable laying and repair ships to replace the USNS Zeus as it nears the end of its expected service life.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The report under subsection (a) shall include—

(1) a description of the full scope of the planned capabilities for the next generation of cable laying and repair ships to meet anticipated Navy requirements, including the feasibility of establishing organic capabilities;

(2) a projected timeline for the procurement of such ships, including the expected time until such ships will be operational;

(3) an explanation of how the Navy plans to meet Service requirements for submarine cable laying and repair during the period before which the Navy is able to field new capabilities.

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

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200. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLER OF WEST VIRGINIA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title X, add the following new section:

**SEC. 10___. MARITIME REDUNDANT AND RESILIENT COMMUNICATIONS.**

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the scale and complexity of modern warfare will require each military service to invest in resilient network management to ensure information can be sensed, processed and understood, and acted upon to enable critical operations;

(2) edge computing is essential to tenets of Joint All-Domain Command and Control (in this section referred to as the "JADC2") and the JADC2 cross-service procurement programs, such as Project Overmatch, Advanced Battle Management System, and Project Convergence, to allow for real-time decision-making when immediate action is vital, rather than relying on centralized data centers or the cloud;

(3) the Chief of Naval Operations has identified resilient data integrity and distribution as an unfunded priority for fiscal year 2026, with a focus on enabling warfighters to execute fight from the maritime operations center (in this section referred to as the "MOC") scenarios;

(4) experimentation underway by the Naval Information Warfare Center Atlantic and the United States Fourth Fleet on behalf of United States Naval Forces Southern Command would provide MOCs with machine-assisted dynamic bandwidth allocation and advanced computing power throughout their network architecture to manage vast hybrid sensor constellations conducting activity-based maritime domain awareness;

(5) if successful, the project would significantly enhance hybrid fleet operations and network resilience, while significantly increasing the scale and complexity of operations that a MOC can support; and

(6) the Secretary of the Navy, in collaboration with the commander of United States Naval Forces Southern Command, and the Director of the Defense Innovation Unit, should initiate planning for follow-on phases in which advanced capabilities for agile communications, remote asset management, and disconnected operations support will demonstrate even greater resiliency and decision superiority.

(b) EVALUATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Navy, in coordination with the Chief of Naval Operations, and the Director of the Defense Innovation Unit shall evaluate the experimentation described in subsection (a) that is underway in the United States Fourth Fleet.

(2) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 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 results of the evaluation conducted under paragraph (1).

(B) CONTENTS.—The report shall—

(i) summarize the status of such experimentation, including the relationship and benefit to Project Overmatch;

(ii) provide a schedule for any further development, testing, and production necessary for fielding and deployment of edge computing and enterprise network management capability to all United States fleets, prioritizing heavily-sensored theaters, such as the Indo-Pacific and United States Central Command, and the funding required for each phase;

(iii) identify a Department of Defense activity responsible for program management; and

(iv) recommend an acquisition strategy, including establishment of a program of record, to accelerate fielding to the maximum extent practicable.

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201. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLS OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. PILOT PROGRAM ON MODERNIZED HEALTH AND USAGE MONITORING SYSTEMS TO ADDRESS OBSOLESCENCE IN MARINE CORPS ROTARY-WING AND TILTROTOR AIRCRAFT.**

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Navy shall establish and carry out a pilot program to evaluate commercially available, next-generation Health and Usage Monitoring Systems (referred to in this section as "HUMS") technologies intended to address obsolescence issues affecting legacy HUMS currently installed on Marine Corps rotary-wing and tiltrotor aircraft.

(b) OBJECTIVES.—In conducting the pilot program, the Secretary of the Navy shall assess whether modernized HUMS technologies—

(1) effectively mitigate obsolescence risks associated with legacy HUMS systems;

(2) enhance the operational readiness, availability, and sustainment of Marine Corps rotary-wing and tiltrotor aircraft; and

(3) deliver advanced predictive analytics capabilities, reducing maintenance burden and lifecycle costs.

(c) DURATION.—The pilot program shall be carried out for a period not exceeding one year.

(d) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after completion of the pilot program, the Secretary of the Navy shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report summarizing—

(1) the pilot program results, including effectiveness in addressing obsolescence, improving predictive maintenance, and enhancing readiness and aircraft availability; and

(2) recommendations regarding broader adoption of evaluated HUMS technologies across the Marine Corps rotary-wing and tiltrotor aircraft fleet.

(e) FUNDING.—

(1) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 201 for Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Defense-wide, for Management Support, Aviation Safety, Line 201 (PE 0606301D8Z), as set forth in the funding table in section 4201, is hereby increased by $5,000,000.

(2) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 101 for Procurement for Other Procurement, Army, IAMD Battle Command System, Line 116, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4101, is hereby reduced by $5,000,000.

(f) COORDINATION.—The pilot program shall be conducted in coordination with appropriate Marine Corps aviation stakeholders, including operational and technical authorities responsible for aviation maintenance and readiness.

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202. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLS OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. PILOT PROGRAM ON MODERNIZED HEALTH AND USAGE MONITORING SYSTEMS TO ADDRESS OBSOLESCENCE IN ARMY ROTARY-WING AIRCRAFT.**

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army shall establish and carry out a pilot program to evaluate commercially available, next-generation Health and Usage Monitoring Systems (referred to in this section as "HUMS") technologies to address obsolescence issues affecting legacy monitoring systems installed on Army rotary-wing aircraft.

(b) OBJECTIVES.—In carrying out the pilot program, the Secretary of the Army shall assess whether modernized HUMS technologies—

(1) effectively mitigate obsolescence risks associated with legacy HUMS systems;

(2) significantly enhance operational readiness of rotary-wing aircraft;

(3) provide effective predictive maintenance capabilities resulting in reduced maintenance costs and increased aircraft availability; and

(4) extend operational lifespan of existing rotary-wing platforms.

(c) DURATION.—The pilot program shall be carried out for a period not exceeding one year.

(d) PLATFORM SELECTION.—In selecting rotary-wing aircraft for participation in the pilot program, the Secretary of the Army is encouraged to prioritize platforms whose evaluation would yield broadly applicable results, including potential relevance to rotary-wing aircraft operated by other branches of the Armed Forces.

(e) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after completion of the pilot program, the Secretary of the Army shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report that includes—

(1) an assessment of the tested HUMS technologies' effectiveness in addressing obsolescence and improving readiness; and

(2) recommendations for potential broader adoption across the Army rotary-wing fleet, including consideration of applicability to similar rotary-wing aircraft operated by other branches of the Armed Forces.

(f) FUNDING.—

(1) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 201 for Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Defense-wide, for Management Support, Aviation Safety, Line 201 (PE 0606301D8Z), as set forth in the funding table in section 4201, is hereby increased by $5,000,000.

(2) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 101 for Procurement for Other Procurement, Army, IAMD Battle Command System, Line 116, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4101, is hereby reduced by $5,000,000.

(g) COORDINATION.—The pilot program shall be conducted in coordination with the Future Vertical Lift Cross-Functional Team and the Program Executive Office Aviation.

203. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MOOLENAAR OF MICHIGAN OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of title XVII, add the following new subtitle:

# Subtitle ____—Tracking Hostile Industry Networks and Kit While Thwarting Weapons Imports From Chinese Entities Act of 2025

**SEC. 17___. REPORT ON ARMS SALES 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, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report on arms sales facilitated by entities in the People's Republic of China.

(b) CONTENTS.—The report required by subsection (a) shall include an analysis of—

(1) the weapons systems and defense equipment originating from the People's Republic of China available for purchase;

(2) the technical aspects and capabilities of such weapons systems and defense equipment;

(3) how such weapons systems and defense equipment may impact the balance of power in the area of responsibility of each United States Combatant Command, when applicable;

(4) the weapons systems and defense equipment originating from the People's Republic of China that are considered direct alternatives to weapons systems and defense equipment originating from the United States;

(5) the weapons systems and defense equipment originating from the People's Republic of China that present the greatest security risks regarding the potential to collect intelligence on or compromise assets, weapons, or platforms of the United States;

(6) the countries mostly likely to procure weapons systems and defense equipment originating from the People's Republic of China, including the specific type, quantity, and estimated value in United States dollars of weapons, during the 1-year period following the date of the submission of the report;

(7) the weapons systems and defense equipment in development as of the date of the submission of the report by entities in the People's Republic of China that could be available on the global market not later than 5 years after such date;

(8) the factors that incentivize countries to procure such weapons systems and defense equipment, including costs, flexible payment conditions and financing, a lack of end-user agreements, and speed of sale and delivery; and

(9) the strategy of the People's Republic of China regarding arms sales and variables that could influence such strategy.

(c) FORM.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The report required by subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but shall include a classified annex.

(2) CLASSIFIED ANNEX.—The classified annex required by paragraph (1) shall contain—

(A) an assessment by the National Intelligence Council of the contents required by subsection (b); and

(B) an assessment by the Director of National Intelligence of the counterintelligence risks and risks of onward proliferation of technology and defense systems originating in the United States and created through the purchase, deployment, and use of weapons systems and defense equipment originating from the People's Republic of China by United States allies and partners.

(d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this section, the term "appropriate congressional committees" 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. 17___. STRATEGY TO COMBAT ARMS SALES OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, shall develop a strategy to dissuade purchases of new weapons systems and defense equipment, excluding spare parts or parts for maintenance of previously procured weapons, originating from the People's Republic of China.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The strategy shall include the following elements:

(1) An information campaign targeting countries interested in procuring weapons systems and defense equipment originating from the People's Republic of China to warn such countries about—

(A) potential risks, including the lack of a proven track record in combat, insufficient training on the operation of the weapon or weapons system, reliability issues, and the lack of maintenance and spare parts available;

(B) the inability to integrate such weapons systems and defense equipment with weapons systems and defense equipment from the United States; and

(C) the potential limitation of future security cooperation with the United States that could arise if such weapons are acquired.

(2) A description of actions the United States can take, including reforms to the foreign military sales, direct commercial sales, and foreign military financing processes, to make weapons systems and defense equipment from the United States more attractive to prospective buyers of weapons systems or defense equipment originating from the People's Republic of China.

(3) A description of actions defense firms of the United States can take to provide competitive alternatives to prospec-

tive buyers of weapons systems and defense equipment originating from the People's Republic of China.

(4) An analysis of whether the use of sanctions, export controls, or other economic restrictions targeting buyers of new weapons systems or defense equipment originating from the People's Republic of China could serve as an effective deterrent.

(5) A plan to ensure sufficient representation of defense firms of the United States, or trusted allies, at defense expositions where defense firms of the People's Republic of China are also attending.

(6) A plan to combat Chinese disinformation campaigns targeting the performance of weapons or platforms produced by the United States or trusted allies.

(7) A plan to ensure close coordination with Congress to prevent disjointed engagement with countries.

(c) REPORT AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—Not later than the date on which the strategy required by subsection (a) is completed, the Secretary of State shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report detailing the strategy and a plan for implementation.

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

(e) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this section, the term "appropriate congressional committees" means—

(1) the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

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204. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MOOLENAAR OF MICHIGAN OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. FUNDING FOR SMART SUSCEPTOR TECHNOLOGY.**

(a) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in section 201 for Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Manufacturing Technology Program, line 28, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4201, for Smart Susceptor Technology is hereby increased by $5,000,000.

(b) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized to by appropriated in section 301 for Operations and Maintenance, Defense-Wide, for Washington Headquarters Services, line 530, as specified in the corresponding funding table in section 4301, is hereby reduced by $5,000,000.

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205. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MOOLENAAR OF MICHIGAN OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle D of title VIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 8___. ASSESSMENT OF CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE OWNED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE DEPENDENT ON FOREIGN MATERIALS OR COMPONENTS.**

(a) PRIORITIZED LIST OF HIGH-RISK SYSTEMS.—Not later than 270 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall—

(1) develop and maintain a classified and prioritized list of high-risk critical infrastructure owned by the Department of Defense that rely on materials or components the origin of which is a foreign country of concern; and

(2) conduct a risk assessment of the materials or components included in the list under paragraph (1).

(b) CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE VULNERABILITY ANALYSIS AND ASSESSMENT.—The risk assessment under subsection (a) shall include—

(1) an evaluation of the dependence of high-risk critical infrastructure owned by the Department of Defense that on materials or components the origin of which is a foreign country of concern;

(2) an evaluation of vulnerability to supply chain disruption during a national emergency to high-risk critical infrastructure owned by the Department of Defense, including industrial control systems;

(3) an assessment of the resilience and capacity of high-risk critical infrastructure owned by the Department of Defense to support mission-critical operations and readiness during a national emergency;

(4) an identification of the location of design, manufacturing, and packaging facilities for materials or components described in subsection (a)(1); and

(5) an assessment of the manufacturing capacity of the United States to replace materials or components described in subsection (a)(1), including—

(A) gaps in domestic manufacturing capabilities, including nonexistent, extinct, threatened, and single point-of-failure capabilities;

(B) supply chains with single points of failure and limited resiliency; and

(C) economic factors, including global competition, threaten the viability of domestic manufacturers.

(c) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than 120 days after date of completion of the risk assessment required by subsection (a), and biennially thereafter, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the congressional defense committees a classified briefing that includes—

(1) findings on the traceability and provenance of materials or components described in subsection (a)(1);

(2) strategies to strengthen the resilience and readiness of critical infrastructure owned by the Department of Defense; and

(3) recommendations for critical infrastructure supply chain resilience and manufacturing activities, including—

(A) modifications to procurement policies to reduce reliance on high-risk supply chains; and

(B) other matters the Secretary deems appropriate.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "critical infrastructure" means any system or asset so vital to the United States that the degradation or destruction of such system or asset would have a debilitating impact on national security, including economic security and public health or safety.

(2) The term "foreign country of concern" means the People's Republic of China, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, the Islamic Republic of Iran, or any other country determined to be a country of concern by the Secretary of State.

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206. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MOOLENAAR OF MICHIGAN OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title II add the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. INITIATIVE ON STUDYING ADVANCED ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE, NATIONAL SECURITY, AND STRATEGIC COMPETITION.**

(a) INITIATIVE REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense shall establish and carry out an initiative (referred to in this section as the "Initiative") to prepare the Department of Defense to fully harness the transformative potential of advanced artificial intelligence, assess the national security and defense implications of advanced artificial intelligence, and analyze strategic competition factors relating to the People's Republic of China's pursuit of advanced artificial intelligence.

(b) DESIGNATION OF LEAD OFFICE.—The Secretary of Defense shall designate an appropriate agency or office within the Department of Defense to have primary responsibility for carrying out the initiative described in subsection (a). Any such designation shall not prohibit other agencies or offices within the Executive Branch from being consulted or otherwise supporting the efforts of the lead office.

(c) DUTIES.—Under the Initiative, the agency or office designated by the Secretary of Defense under subsection (b) shall do the following:

(1) Review industry documents and assessments of advanced artificial intelligence, including preparedness frameworks, scaling policies, and risk management frameworks of advanced artificial intelligence developers.

(2) Engage with leading artificial intelligence developers and researchers to characterize and anticipate the capabilities of highly advanced artificial intelligence relevant to national security to inform military planning, societal preparedness, and Department of Defense adopt plans, including via interviews,

site visits, roundtables, expert discussions, and other forms of engagement with relevant experts.

(3) Identify strategies for the Department of Defense to encourage adoption and fully leverage advanced artificial intelligence systems, assess the comparative adoption to other nations, and manage national security threats from advanced artificial intelligence competition. In assessing adoption strategies, the Secretary shall evaluate the implications of advanced artificial intelligence for the national defense and form a plan for addressing implications for the Department of Defense's processes, systems, functions, capabilities, and adoption pathways. The plan shall include—

(A) an assessment of the steps needed to prepare the Department of Defense workforce to leverage the transformative potential of advanced artificial intelligence;

(B) an assessment of Department of Defense processes and workflows that are most likely to be substantially impacted by the introduction of advanced artificial intelligence within or outside the structure of each process or workflow, and the offices that will be primarily responsible for managing the evolution of those processes;

(C) identifying internal Department of Defense policies that require revision, elimination, or creation to effectively and responsibly harness advanced artificial intelligence;

(D) a framework for developing the artificial intelligence infrastructure to scale the use of advanced artificial intelligence, including requirements for—

(i) artificial intelligence factories that manage the entire artificial intelligence life cycle;

(ii) data foundries that effectively and efficiently manage government, commercial, and synthetic data;

(iii) edge infrastructure for employing advanced artificial intelligence in warfighting use cases at all levels of command; and

(iv) other critical enabling infrastructure, such as information technology systems and energy sources;

(E) recommendations for resourcing the materiel and nonmateriel solutions identified in subparagraphs (A) through (D); and

(F) recommendations for resourcing critical artificial intelligence assurance activities, such as test and evaluation, continuous monitoring, governance, and the creation of assurance case artifacts.

(4) Examine the potential implications of advanced artificial intelligence on key areas of national defense, including chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear capabilities, advanced cyber capabilities, model autonomy, strategic deception, advanced research and development capabilities for producing increasingly powerful artificial intelligence, military applications of artificial intelligence for warfighting functions, and other areas in which advanced artificial intelligence may pose a threat to national security or national defense.

(5) In consultation with the Director of National Intelligence, monitor and assess the progress of the People's Republic of China in developing advanced artificial intelligence and assess

the implications of such development for strategic competition. In assessing such progress, the Secretary shall examine key factors in areas critical for People's Republic of China progress toward advanced artificial intelligence, including—

(A) an assessment of the People's Republic of China's overall efforts toward advanced artificial intelligence, including overall progress, activities to develop or acquire such systems, relative progress compared to United States entities, efforts to prevent loss of control from such systems, and attitudes of the Chinese Communist Party and other influential figures toward advanced artificial intelligence risks and safety approaches;

(B) identification of the primary entities in the People's Republic of China that are leading in the development of advanced artificial intelligence;

(C) identification of the top researchers in the People's Republic of China who are most essential for the development of advanced artificial intelligence;

(D) identification of specific data centers, energy infrastructure, and other resources most critical to the People's Republic of China's progress toward advanced artificial intelligence (including plans for future data centers);

(E) identification and assessment of the top methods to robustly detect advanced artificial intelligence development by the People's Republic of China, including methods to assess the degree to which the People's Republic of China is developing advanced artificial intelligence capabilities that pose significant risks to the national security of the United States;

(F) identification of the top methods that can be used to disrupt advanced artificial intelligence projects of the People's Republic of China and an assessment of their efficacy and limitations;

(G) an assessment of efforts originating in the People's Republic of China to acquire technology and information from entities operating within the United States or other nations to advance progress toward advanced artificial intelligence, including advanced semiconductors, research findings, or insights relating to training or inference; and

(H) a comparative assessment of efforts in the People's Republic of China and United States to characterize and mitigate security risks from advanced artificial intelligence systems, including an evaluation of how leading researchers and policymakers in each country conceptualize the national security risks posed by uncontrolled or misaligned advanced artificial intelligence.

(6) In consultation with the Director of National Intelligence and the Secretary of Homeland Security, assess the security capabilities of leading United States artificial intelligence developers, with a focus on their ability to protect advanced artificial intelligence systems, model weights, and key insights from the People's Republic of China and other highly resourced adversaries.

(7) Assess the national security risks posed by uncontrolled or misaligned advanced artificial intelligence. The assessment,

focusing on the People's Republic of China and the United States, shall include—

(A) an examination of emerging capabilities relevant to misaligned or uncontrolled artificial intelligence, including automated artificial intelligence research, recursive self-improvement, ability to deceive humans, agentic capabilities, and other capabilities or processes that could undermine robust or trustworthy human oversight;

(B) a review of research on AI misalignment, alignment faking, deception, and other related areas in which artificial intelligence systems appear to act in ways that diverge from the intentions or values of their developers or in ways that diverge from United States values or interests;

(C) an assessment of current capabilities within the United States Government to detect and monitor the threats described above, including evaluations of the ability to identify early warning signs or imminent threats relating to recursive self-improvement, offensive cyber use, alignment faking, or other system misbehavior;

(D) recommendations for improving the identification, mitigation, and response to risks from uncontrolled or misaligned artificial intelligence systems, with particular attention to interagency coordination and collaboration with the private sector, academic institutions, and allied governments; and

(E) implications for the Department of Defense's approach toward adopting or deploying advanced artificial intelligence.

(8) Create materials and prepare plans to address acute national security risks or crises involving advanced artificial intelligence, including risks from uncontrolled or misaligned advanced artificial intelligence systems, which shall include—

(A) developing and conducting unclassified and classified scenario exercises, wargames, tabletop exercises, and other similar efforts to understand how advanced artificial intelligence capabilities could present acute national security risks or crises or pose a risk to existing operational plans of the Department of Defense;

(B) developing preparedness plans detailing governmental response strategies to scenarios described in subparagraph (A), including detailed information describing how the Department of Defense would coordinate with relevant entities of the United States (such as advanced artificial intelligence developers, compute cluster providers, and government officials) in the event of an acute national security risk or crisis; and

(C) identifying potential gaps in the Department of Defense's authorities, relationships, personnel, or other factors that could affect the Department's ability to address scenarios described in subparagraph (A) or execute strategies described in subparagraph (B).

(9) Develop potential strategies and recommendations to prevent adversaries from acquiring advanced artificial intelligence that would pose a grave national security threat if acquired or stolen. As part of this effort, the Secretary shall assess the po-

tential of a hypothetical centralized, highly secure, Department of Defense-led project to securely develop advanced artificial intelligence. This evaluation shall consider factors including the governance structure, cybersecurity and physical security protocols, counterintelligence and antiespionage measures against the People's Republic of China and other foreign adversaries, chain-of-command, size and location of the project, resources and personnel required, contingency and emergency response plans, geopolitical considerations, and other elements to ensure that the project supports United States national security objectives. Additional strategies may include export controls, counterespionage measures, and approaches for protecting sensitive information relevant to national security or advanced artificial intelligence development and deployment.

(10) Provide policy and resourcing recommendations to the Secretary of Defense, the President, and Congress relating to the topics covered by the Initiative.

(d) REPORTS AND BRIEFINGS.—

(1) INITIAL REPORT AND BRIEFING.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act—

(A) the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report detailing the organizational structure, staffing requirements, and initial objectives of the Initiative; and

(B) provide to the Committees a briefing on the matters set forth in the report.

(2) ANNUAL REPORTS AND BRIEFINGS.—Not later than 180 days after the submission of the initial report under paragraph (1), and every 180 days thereafter, the Secretary of Defense shall—

(A) submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the activities carried out under the Initiative since the date of the last report under this subsection, including any findings, assessments, and recommendations with respect to the national security implications of advanced artificial intelligence; and

(B) provide to the Committees a briefing on the matters set forth in the report.

(e) SUNSET.—The authority to carry out this section shall terminate 10 years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) 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).

(2) The term "advanced artificial intelligence" means artificial general intelligence and other advanced artificial intelligence systems at the frontier of performance, including systems that match or exceed human expert performance in key skills, tasks, or knowledge areas, such as in the areas of chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear capabilities, cyber of-

fense, model autonomy, persuasion, research and development, self-improvement, or military strategy.

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207. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MOORE OF NORTH CAROLINA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle H of title VIII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 8____. REPORT ON DEFENSE DEPARTMENT'S LITHIUM SUPPLY CHAIN AND APPLICATIONS FOR FUTURE ADVANCED MILITARY CAPABILITIES.**

(a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than March 1, 2026, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment 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 the Department of Defense's current supply and anticipated need for lithium.

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

(1) An assessment of crucial military electronics, communication devices, infrastructure, vehicles, and conventional and nuclear weapons infrastructure that utilize lithium compounds, including lithium carbonate, lithium hydroxide, and lithium metals.

(2) An assessment of the Department's anticipated demand for lithium compounds and lithium-based materials for future advanced weapons systems, including unmanned surface, aerial, and underwater vessels requiring modular battery systems, and for energy storage solutions to enhance power grid resilience and advance artificial intelligence data center systems.

(3) An assessment of potential lithium supply-chain risks that pose a threat to military readiness and the feasibility of leveraging and partnering with commercial industry to strengthen the supply of lithium and address identified vulnerabilities.

(4) A description of the Department's current and anticipated use of procurement authorities for obtaining domestically processed critical minerals, including lithium.

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208. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MOORE OF UTAH OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title XI, add the following new section:

**SEC. 11____. DEFINITION OF DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE FACILITY FOR PURPOSES OF DIRECT HIRE AUTHORITY.**

Section 1125(c) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (10 U.S.C. 1580 note prec.; Public Law 114–328) is amended by inserting "and includes supporting units of a facility at an installation or base" after "United States".

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209. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MOULTON OF MASSACHUSETTS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle C of title XXXI, insert the following:

**SEC. 31___. EXPANSION OF OTHER TRANSACTION AUTHORITY FOR NATIONAL NUCLEAR SAFETY ADMINISTRATION.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4832 of the Atomic Energy Defense Act (50 U.S.C. 2812) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (2) by striking "; and";

(B) by redesignating paragraph (3) as paragraph (4); and

(C) by inserting after paragraph (2), the following new paragraph (3):

"(3) demonstration of novel construction techniques, materials, processes and systems to replace obsolete or aging manufacturing facilities and site infrastructure; and"; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subsection—

"(c) AUTHORITY OF THE ADMINISTRATOR TO CARRY OUT CERTAIN PROTOTYPE PROJECTS.—

"(1) In carrying out this section, the Administrator may exercise the same authority to enter into transactions (other than contracts, cooperative agreements, and grants), subject to the same terms and conditions as the Secretary of Defense and the Secretaries of the military departments under section 4022 of title 10 (other than subsection (i) of that section), as amended from time to time.

"(2) In applying section 4022 of title 10 to the Administrator under paragraph (1)—

"(A) the terms 'Department of Defense' and 'Department' shall be replaced by the term 'National Nuclear Security Administration';

"(B) the phrase 'to improvement of platforms, systems, components, or materials in use by the armed forces' shall be replaced by 'are directly relevant to improvement of manufacturing technologies, production facilities and related site infrastructure at nuclear weapons production facilities';

"(C) the term 'follow-on production' shall be replaced by the term 'follow-on activity';

"(D) the phrase 'a covered official' shall be replaced by the phrase 'the senior procurement executive for the Administration';

"(E) the term 'Secretary of Defense' shall be replaced by the term 'Administrator';

"(F) the phrase 'chapter 221 of this title' shall be replaced by the phrase 'chapter 33 of title 41';

"(G) the phrase 'chapter 137 of this title' shall be replaced by the phrase 'Division C of Subtitle I of title 41'; and

"(H) subsection (d)(6) is amended to read as follows:

"'The term "follow-on activity contract or transaction' means a contract or transaction to further develop, test, produce, license, deploy, operate, maintain

or sustain a capability that was successfully developed under the authority established in subsection (a).

"(3) The authority of the Administrator under paragraph (1) shall not be subject to section 16352 of title 42.".

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210. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MOULTON OF MASSACHUSETTS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title XVI, add the following new section:

**SEC. 16____. AUXILIARY PAYLOAD FOR NEXT GENERATION POLAR OVERHEAD PERSISTENT INFRARED SATELLITES.**

(a) REVISED ACQUISITION STRATEGY.—The Secretary of the Defense shall direct the milestone decision authority for the Next Generation Polar Overhead Persistent Infrared satellite program to revise the acquisition strategy for such program to include the auxiliary payload (commoly referred to "APS-A") in the program of record.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms "acquisition strategy" and "milestone decision authority" have the meanings given those terms in section 4211 of title 10, United States Code.

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211. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MOYLAN OF GUAM OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle C of title XXVIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 28____. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE REPORT ON HOUSING POLICY IN GUAM.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, shall, not later than March 1, 2026, submit to Congress a report that identifies the long term economic impacts of Department of Defense housing policy in Guam.

(b) ELEMENTS.—Such report may include—

(1) an identification of the impact of Department of Defense policies on the cost of new home construction in Guam;

(2) the cost to purchase or rent a home in Guam;

(3) the possibility of excess Department of Defense housing affecting housing markets in Guam;

(4) the relative purchasing power within housing markets of Department of Defense personnel as compared to other Guam residents; and

(5) such other matters as determined relevant by the Secretary.

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212. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MOYLAN OF GUAM OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title X, insert the following

**SEC. 10___. REPORT ON NAVY SHIP REPAIR CAPABILITIES IN GUAM.**

Not later than April 1, 2026, the Secretary of the Navy shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on ship repair capabilities in Guam. Such report shall include—

(1) an assessment of the feasibility of leasing facilities controlled by the Department of the Navy in Guam for the purpose of mooring a dry dock;

(2) an assessment of the feasibility of conducting increased ship repair for Military Sealift Command in Guam;

(3) an identification of the authorities or the Department of the Navy to provide technical assistance to maritime services firms based in Guam seeking Navy Sea Systems Command certifications; and

(4) such other matters as the Secretary determines relevant.

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213. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MOYLAN OF GUAM OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle D of title XVI, insert the following:

**SEC. 16___. SUBMISSION OF SUMMARY OF CERTAIN GUAM MISSILE DEFENSE REPORT.**

Not later than April 1, 2026, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees an unclassified summary of the report required by section 1660 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263).

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214. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE MOYLAN OF GUAM OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title XI of division A, insert the following:

**SEC. 11___. PAYMENT OF RETENTION BONUSES TO DOD CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES IN GUAM.**

Chapter 81 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 1599d the following (and conforming the table of contents for such chapter accordingly):

**"§ 1599e. Payment of retention bonuses to DOD civilian employees in Guam.**

"Notwithstanding subsection (f) of section 5754 of title 5, the Secretary of Defense or Secretary of a military department may waive the limit established under subsection (e)(1) of such section and pay an otherwise eligible employee or category of employees in the territory of Guam retention bonuses of up to 50 percent of basic pay, based on a critical agency need.".

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215. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE NEGUSE OF COLORADO OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title VII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 7__. TIMELINESS OF ELECTRONIC MEDICAL RECORDS DURING TRANSITION FROM THE ARMED FORCES.**

(a) REPORT.—

(1) REQUIREMENT.—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 report on the timeliness of providing members of the Armed Forces who are separating from active duty with a copy of the electronic health records of the members.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The report under paragraph (1) shall include the following, with respect to the one-year period preceding the date of the report:

(A) The average number of days following separation from active duty for a member to receive the electronic health records of the member.

(B) The most number of days a member has waited to receive such records.

(C) An explanation for delays in providing members such records.

(b) STANDARDS.—The Secretary shall establish standards to ensure that a member of the Armed Forces who is separating from active duty receives the electronic health records of the member within a reasonable period.

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216. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE NEGUSE OF COLORADO OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title XVI add the following new section:

**SEC. 16___. ASSISTANCE BY UNITED STATES SPACE COMMAND TO TRACK FENTANYL TRAFFICKING.**

(a) AUTHORITY.—Chapter 135 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

**"§ 2279e. Provision of assistance to track fentanyl trafficking**

"(a) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense and the Commander of the United States Space Command shall use the technology and resources of the United States Space Command to provide assistance to covered departments and agencies with respect to tracking fentanyl trafficking, including precursor chemicals and supplies and the entities carrying out such trafficking.

"(b) COVERED DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES.—In this section, the term 'covered departments and agencies' means the following:

"(1) The Department of Justice.

"(2) The Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"(3) The Drug Enforcement Administration.

"(4) The Office of Homeland Security Investigations of the Department of Homeland Security.

"(5) Any other department or agency of the Federal Government, including elements of the intelligence community, the Secretary determines appropriate.".

(b) REPORT.—Not later than five years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report on assistance provided under section 2279e of title

10, United States Code, as added by subsection (a), including an assessment of—

(1) the effectiveness of the technology used to provide such assistance; and

(2) how such assistance has affected fentanyl trafficking investigations.

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217. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE NEGUSE OF COLORADO OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title VII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 7___. STUDY ON TRICARE PROGRAM CONTRACT TRANSITION.**

(a) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than two years after the date of the enactment of this section, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a study on the TRICARE contract transition.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The study under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) The effects of the TRICARE contract transition on—

(A) members of the Armed Forces and covered beneficiaries who receive health care under the TRICARE program in the West region; and

(B) the providers of such health care.

(2) The average time for such members and covered beneficiaries to resolve any issues relating to the TRICARE contract transition.

(3) A description of how the Department of Defense and the TRICARE program—

(A) prepared for the TRICARE contract transition; and

(B) communicated information to such members and covered beneficiaries regarding the transition and how to resolve any issues relating to the transition.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The terms "covered beneficiary" and "TRICARE program" have the meaning given such terms in section 1072 of title 10, United States Code.

(2) The term "TRICARE contract transition" means the transition to a new contract under the TRICARE program with respect to the administration of the West region occurring on January 1, 2025.

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218. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE NEGUSE OF COLORADO OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle B of title XXVIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 28___. ANNUAL REPORT ON MILITARY FAMILIES ON HOUSING WAITLISTS.**

Subchapter II of chapter 169 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

**"§ 2840. Annual report on military family housing waitlists**

"Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this section, and on an annual basis thereafter, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes—

"(1) installation-specific data on the number of members of the Armed Forces and their dependents on military housing waitlists;

"(2) an identification of the time spent by each such member and their dependents awaiting appropriate housing accommodations;

"(3) the types of military families comprising such waitlists;

"(4) the types of military housing such families are requesting;

"(5) an analysis how such waitlists vary across military installation

"(6) an analysis of the factors that are creating the need for such waitlists; and

"(7) an assessment of the causes of waitlist durations that exceed ten days;

"(8) any other matters the Secretary determines appropriate to convey the status of military housing as of the date of the submission of the report.".

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219. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE NEGUSE OF COLORADO OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle J of title V, add the following new section:

**SEC. 5____. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF PROGRAM TO COMMEMORATE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF VIETNAM WAR.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 598 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Public Law 110–181; 10 U.S.C. 113 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking "may conduct" and inserting "shall conduct";

(2) in subsection (c), by striking "may" and inserting "shall";

(3) in subsection (e)(1), by striking "If the Secretary establishes" and inserting "For purposes of carrying out"; and

(4) in subsection (g)(1)—

(A) by striking "if established by the Secretary of Defense under subsection (a),"; and

(B) by inserting "of Defense" after "Secretary".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by subsection (a) shall take effect on November 11, 2025.

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220. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE NUNN OF IOWA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XV, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 15___. STRATEGY TO DEFEND AGAINST RISKS POSED BY THE USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.**

(a) STRATEGY TO DEFEND AGAINST RISKS POSED BY AUTOMATED AND ENHANCED ADVERSARIAL CYBER OPERATIONS CONDUCTED WITH ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the officials described in paragraph (3), shall submit to Congress a report that includes the following:

(A) A description of interagency policies and procedures to defend the defense industrial base, cybersecurity capabilities, supply chains, and physical and operational security of the United States from the national and economic security risks posed by the use of artificial intelligence in the commission of information espionage and cyber attacks.

(B) An itemized list of readily available resources, hardware, software, and technologies that can be immediately used to combat the use of artificial intelligence in the commission of information espionage and cyber attacks.

(C) An itemized list of resources, hardware, software, technologies, people, and budgetary estimates needed to help Federal agencies combat the use of artificial intelligence in the commission of information espionage and cyber attacks.

(2) CONSIDERATIONS.—Each report required by paragraph (1) shall take the following risks into consideration the following:

(A) Deepfakes.

(B) Voice cloning.

(C) Non-kinetic autonomous weapons systems.

(D) Synthetic Identities.

(E) Enhanced cyber capabilities and automated cyber attacks.

(F) Overall digital flashpoint scenarios and escalation through speed.

(3) OFFICIALS DESCRIBED.—The officials described in this paragraph are the heads of the following:

(A) The Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.

(B) The Defense Innovation Unit.

(C) The United States Cyber Command.

(D) The Office of Science and Technology Policy in the Executive Office of the President.

(E) The Office of Strategic Capital.

(F) The Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Office.

(b) RECOMMENDATIONS.—Not later than 90 days after the submission of a report under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a set of recommendations relating to such report that contains the following:

(1) Recommendations for legislation to address the risks posed by the use of artificial intelligence in the commission of information espionage and cyber attacks.

(2) Best practices to assist United State businesses and government entities with risk mitigation and incident response to

address the risks posed by the use of artificial intelligence in the commission of information espionage and cyber attacks.

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221. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE NUNN OF IOWA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title VIII, add the following:

**SEC. 8___. PROHIBITIONS RELATING TO COVERED DISTRIBUTED LEDGER TECHNOLOGY AND BLOCKCHAIN EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES.**

(a) PROHIBITION ON ACQUISITION.—The Secretary of Defense may not acquire, or enter into, extend, or renew a contract or other agreement for, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered distributed ledger technology and blockchain equipment or services as—

(1) a substantial or essential component of such equipment, system, or service; or

(2) critical technology as part of such equipment, system, or service.

(b) PROHIBITION ON LOAN AND GRANT FUNDS.—

(1) PROHIBITION.—The Secretary of Defense may not obligate or expend loan or grant funds to acquire, or to enter into, extend, or renew a contract or other agreement for, any equipment, system, or service described in subsection (a).

(2) PRIORITIZATION.—In implementing the prohibition under paragraph (1), the Secretary of Defense, in administering a loan, grant, or subsidy program, shall prioritize available funding and technical support to assist affected entities as is reasonably necessary for those affected entities to cease use of covered distributed ledger technology and blockchain equipment or services, to acquire replacement equipment and services, and to ensure that communications service to users and customers is sustained.

(c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in subsection (a) or (b) shall be construed to—

(1) prohibit the Secretary of Defense from acquiring from an entity, or entering into, extending, or renewing a contract or other agreement with an entity for, a service that connects to the facilities of a third party, such as blockchain protocols or interconnection arrangements; or

(2) apply to wireless telecommunications equipment or third-party validators that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The prohibitions under subsections (a) and (b) shall take effect on the date that is two years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(e) WAIVER AUTHORITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), beginning on the effective date under subsection (d), the Secretary of Defense may, upon request of an entity, issue a waiver of the requirements under subsection (a) with respect to such entity for a period of not more than two years.

(2) REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary may only provide a waiver under this subsection if the entity seeking the waiver—

(A) provides a compelling justification for the additional time to implement the requirements of this section; and

(B) submits to the Secretary, who shall not later than 30 days thereafter submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives, a full and complete description of the presence of covered distributed ledger technology and blockchain equipment or services in the entity's supply chain and a phase-out plan to eliminate such covered distributed ledger technology and blockchain equipment or services.

(3) ELEMENTS OF THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.—Beginning on the effective date under subsection (d), a head of an element of the intelligence community may waive the requirements under subsection (a) if such head determines the waiver is in the national security interests of the United States.

(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:

(1) The term "covered distributed ledger technology and blockchain equipment or services" means distributed ledger technology and blockchain equipment or services of or originating from a foreign adversary, including any of the following companies or subsidiaries thereof:

(A) The Blockchain-based Services Network.

(B) The Spartan Network.

(C) The Conflux Network.

(D) iFinex, Inc.

(E) Red Date Technology Co., Ltd.

(2) The term "executive agency" has the meaning given the term in section 133 of title 41, United States Code.

(3) The term "foreign adversary" has the meaning given such term in section 7.2 of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations.

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

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222. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE NUNN OF IOWA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle D of title XVI, insert the following:

**SEC. 16___. MIDDLE EAST INTEGRATED AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE.**

Section 1658 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–263; 136 Stat. 2951) is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection (d); and

(2) by inserting after subsection (b) the following new subsection:

"(c) REPORT.—

"(1) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report containing an update on progress made toward implementing an integrated air and missile defense architecture described in subsection (a).

"(2) MATTERS INCLUDED.—The report under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

"(A) An assessment of the threat of ballistic and cruise missiles, manned and unmanned aerial systems, and rocket attacks from Iran and groups linked to Iran to allies and partners within the area of responsibility of the United States Central Command.

"(B) A description of the missile defense priorities and capability needs of the United States Central Command to defend against the threats described in subparagraph (A), and the planned regional missile defense architectures derived from such priorities and capability needs.

"(C) An analysis of current integrated air and missile defense systems in the area of responsibility of the United States Central Command to defend against threats described in subparagraph (A) and meet the missile defense priorities described in subparagraph (B).

"(D) An assessment of progress made towards addressing challenges identified and meeting benchmarks established in the strategy required by subsection (b), including—

"(i) an identification of elements of the multinational integrated air and missile defense architecture that have been acquired by specified foreign partners since October 7, 2023; and

"(ii) an identification of elements of the multinational integrated air and missile defense architecture that—

"(I) can be acquired and operated by specified foreign partners; and

"(II) can only be provided and operated by members of the Armed Forces.

"(E) Lessons learned in combat operations against aerial threats since the October 7, 2023, Hamas terrorist attacks against Israel, including—

"(i) countering the April 13, 2024, and October 1, 2024, ballistic missile and drone attacks by Iran against Israel, including—

"(I) the adequacy of pre-existing data sharing agreements in facilitating effective joint responses with recommendations for further improvements;

"(II) the extent to which defensive operations were accomplished with personnel and equipment on regularly planned deployments versus personnel and equipment surged to the region on an ad hoc basis;

"(III) a comparative analysis of the performances of systems operated by the United States and operated by Israel in intercepting Iranian fires missiles and drones during the attacks;

"(IV) an estimate of the extent to which a similarly effective defense could be provided to allies and partners in the Middle East if attacked by Iran, and if currently insufficient, what changes to

force structure or pre-staged equipment would be required to effectively do so; and

"(V) the extent to which the strategy under subsection (b) contributed to such defensive operations; and

"(ii) countering the more than 900 projectiles launched by the Houthis in Yemen against maritime targets in the area of responsibility of the United States Central Command.

"(F) Such other matters as the Secretary considers relevant.

"(3) PROTECTION OF SENSITIVE INFORMATION.—Any activity carried out under paragraph (1) shall be 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) FORMAT.—The report submitted under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.".

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223. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE NUNN OF IOWA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XII, add the following:

**SEC. 12___. ESTABLISHMENT OF DEFENSE INNOVATION UNIT OFFICE IN ISRAEL.**

(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 Government of Israel, shall seek to establish an office of the Defense Innovation Unit at a location within the territory of Israel.

(b) FUNCTIONS.—The functions of the office established under subsection (a) shall be—

(1) to engage appropriate counterparts of the Ministry of Defense of Israel and representatives of the private sector in collaborative efforts to counter developments by Iran, China, and other adversaries of dual-use defense technologies;

(2) to leverage resources and innovation activities of the United States and Israel for the benefit of the national security of the United States and Israel;

(3) to identify Israeli innovations and technological competitive advantages that can be incorporated and integrated into the United States defense industrial base; and

(4) to carry out such other functions of the Defense Innovation Unit in Israel as the Director of the Unit considers appropriate.

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224. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE NUNN OF IOWA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. PLAN TO SUPPORT ADVANCED MANUFACTURING AND MATERIALS FOR HYPERSONICS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.**

(a) PLAN REQUIRED.—The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall develop a plan for allocating up to $20,000,000 to develop a comprehensive set of advanced manufacturing practices and advanced materials for hypersonics research and development.

(b) ELEMENTS.—At a minimum, the plan under subsection (a) shall—

(1) address—

(A) intelligence-optimized robotic forming;

(B) additive and subtractive manufacturing methods;

(C) precision joining (laser, e-beam, friction stir) for dissimilar metals and metal/CMC interfaces; and

(D) advanced materials and processing; and

(2) define qualification artifacts (process allowable, non-destructive inspection procedures, and digital-thread data standards) and pilot lines executed by consortia of primes, startups, and Federal labs, with TRL/MRL, cost, and lead-time objectives.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, 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 plan developed under subsection (a).

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225. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE NUNN OF IOWA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle A of title VIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 8___. FINANCING FOR PROGRAMS WITH PRIORITY RATINGS UNDER THE DEFENSE PRIORITIES AND ALLOCATION SYSTEM.**

(a) FINANCING COSTS.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that covered financing costs incurred by a contractor through the performance of a covered contract are allowable and allocable as a direct or an indirect cost for such covered contract if such covered financing costs—

(1) are reasonable and consistent with prevailing market rates for similar financing; and

(2) are incurred to pay a covered financing entity.

(b) AGREEMENTS WITH COVERED FINANCING ENTITIES.—Requirements of the Department of Defense Supplement to the Federal Acquisition Regulation otherwise applicable to a contract or subcontract described in subsection (a) shall not be incorporated into any agreement with a covered financing entity relating to covered financing costs.

(c) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that with respect to a covered contract for which covered financing costs are allowable and allocable pursuant to subsection (a), any obligation of the United States to make a payment under such covered contract is subject to the availability of appropriations for that purpose, and that total liability to the Government for the

termination of such covered contract shall be limited to the total amount of funding obligated at the time of termination.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "covered activity" means an activity of a prime contractor or subcontractor that supports a covered program, including an activity—

(A) to manage an inventory of completed products or components produced for a covered program;

(B) to improve inventory management of products or components necessary for sustainment or maintenance of a covered program;

(C) to materially expand the capacity of production or sustainment and maintenance of a covered program through capital expenditures; or

(D) for any other purpose identified by the Secretary of Defense.

(2) The term "covered contract" means a contract or subcontract entered into by the Secretary of Defense pursuant to a use of the priorities and allocations authorities under the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4501 et seq.), including such a contract or subcontract for export, for performance of a covered activity.

(3) The term "covered financing costs" means interest on debt, bond discounts, or costs of financing and refinancing capital.

(4) The term "covered financing entity" means an entity established pursuant to Federal or State law that—

(A) as part of the regular business activities of the entity, extends credit, loans, or other financing to other persons; and

(B) is not owned by, controlled by, or under common control with the person receiving such financing.

(5) The term "covered program" means any program under title 10, United States Code, for the production and sustainment of naval combatant surface ships and submarines, air defense capabilities, munitions, aircraft, land systems, combat vehicles, or any other capability designated by the Secretary.

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226. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE NUNN OF IOWA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2____. JOINT RESERVE DETACHMENT OF THE DEFENSE INNOVATION UNIT.**

Section 1766(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking "may establish" and inserting "shall establish and maintain".

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227. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE NUNN OF IOWA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 13____. ANNUAL REPORT ON TAIWAN CAPABILITIES AND INTELLIGENCE SUPPORT.**

Section 1248 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) by striking "fiscal year 2027, the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Director of National Intelligence and the heads of other relevant Federal departments and agencies, shall jointly" and inserting "fiscal year 2031, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State and the Director of National Intelligence, shall";

(B) in paragraph (2), by striking "ability of Taiwan" and inserting "readiness of the Taiwan military";

(C) by redesignating paragraph (16) as paragraph (19); and

(D) by adding after paragraph (15) the following:

"(16) An assessment regarding how Japan, the Republic of Korea, the Philippines, Vietnam, and Australia would likely respond to contingencies, including—

"(A) a military strike or invasion of Taiwan or an offshore island of Taiwan, including Kinmen, Matsu, Wuciou, Taiping Island, and Penghu;

"(B) a commercial blockade of Taiwan in which international vessels are subjected to search or seizure by the People's Liberation Army;

"(C) a major cyberattack against the critical infrastructure of Taiwan; and

"(D) a seizure of one or more of Taiwan's offshore islands or territorial claims.

"(17) Guidance for representatives from the military of Taiwan to attend, as observers and as appropriate, joint military exercises led by the United States, such as the biennial Rim of the Pacific exercise.

"(18) An assessment of the feasibility of using economic tools, including export controls, sanctions, and tariffs, to deter China from carrying out the actions described in subparagraphs (A) through (D) of paragraph (16).";; and

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (2), by striking "; and" and inserting a semicolon;

(B) in paragraph (3), by striking the period at the end and inserting "; and"; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

"(4) an assessment of how the United States Armed Forces could marshal resources to respond to the actions described in subparagraphs (A) through (D) of subsection (a)(16), based on the force posture and stockpiles of the Armed Forces.".

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228. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE NUNN OF IOWA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XIII, add the following:

**SEC. 13.__ STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP ON DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL PRIORITIES BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND TAIWAN.**

The Secretary of Defense shall seek to establish a partnership between the Department of Defense and appropriate counterparts of Taiwan in order to—

(1) enhance market opportunities for United States-based and Taiwan-based defense technology companies;

(2) bolster Taiwan's defense industrial base;

(3) harmonize global security posture through emerging technology;

(4) counter the Chinese Communist Party and Chinese Communist Party-aligned adversarial proxy group development of dual-use defense technologies; and

(5) in coordination with appropriate counterpart offices of the Taiwan Ministry of National Defense—

(A) enable coordination on defense industrial priorities;

(B) streamline emerging defense technology research and development;

(C) create more pathways to market for defense technology startups; and

(D) collaborate on the coordinated development of dual-use defense capabilities, such as—

(i) drones;

(ii) microchips.

(iii) directed energy weapons.

(iv) artificial intelligence.

(v) missile technology.

(vi) intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance technology.

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229. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE OBERNOLTE OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title V add the following new section:

**SEC. 5____. REQUIREMENTS WITH RESPECT TO MOTORCYCLE SAFETY TRAINING.**

The Secretaries of the military departments shall ensure that all beginner motorcycle safety training provided to members of the Armed Forces meets the motorcycle safety training requirements for licensing of the State in which the permanent station of the member receiving the training is located.

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230. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE OBERNOLTE OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle F of title VIII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 8____. ASSESSMENT OF INDUSTRIAL BASE FOR TURBOJET PYROTECHNIC DEVICES.**

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) Turbojet pyrotechnic devices are critical for the operation of aerial targets and unmanned systems used in military training and weapons testing and deployment.

(2) Excessive lead times and limited domestic production capacity for such devices pose risks to readiness and operational effectiveness.

(b) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than March 1, 2026, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, in consultation with the Secretary of the Army and the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report assessing—

(1) projected demand for turbojet pyrotechnic devices through fiscal year 2030;

(2) the current United States production capacity, scalability, and lead times for such devices;

(3) vulnerabilities in the supply chain for such devices and the potential effects of such vulnerabilities on military readiness;

(4) potential commercial or dual-use applications for such devices; and

(5) recommendations for reducing lead times, diversifying suppliers, and strengthening the industrial base for such devices.

(c) IMPLEMENTATION AUTHORITY.—Following completion of the report under subsection (b), the Secretary of Defense may carry out activities to implement the recommendations set forth in the report, which may include activities such as pilot programs, entering into partnerships, and such other activities as the Secretary determines appropriate.

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231. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE OBERNOLTE OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title VIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 8___. PRIORITIZATION OF DOMESTIC BORON.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall issue regulations under which the Department of Defense shall prioritize the acquisition of boron for use by the Department, including in goods and services acquired by the Department, from sources in the United States through domestic supply chains.

(b) DOMESTIC SUPPLY CHAIN DEVELOPMENT.—The Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment shall ensure that the procedures established under subsection (a) support the development of domestic supply chains for boron from sources in the United States to meet the needs of the Department of Defense for boron.

(c) DOMESTIC SUPPLY CHAIN DEFINED.—In this section, the term "domestic supply chain" means a supply chain that—

(1) is composed entirely of entities that are organized under the laws of the United States or of any jurisdiction within the United States; and

(2) involves only facilities located in the United States.

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232. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE OBERNOLTE OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title III, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 3___. REPORT ON LOCAL COORDINATION EFFORTS TO ADDRESS CONTAMINATION CAUSED BY ACTIVITIES AT FORMER GEORGE AIR FORCE BASE.**

Not later than January 31, 2026, the Secretary of the Air Force shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the efforts of the Department of the Air Force to coordinate with local officials to identify potential solutions for addressing the contamination caused by activities in connection with the former George Air Force Base. Such report shall include the following:

(1) A description of ongoing and planned efforts to address such contamination.

(2) A description of opportunities for partnership with Federal, State, and local entities with respect to such efforts.

(3) Plans of the Department to ensure that the responsibilities for the cleanup of such contamination is not shifted to affected communities and that such cleanup does not restrict economic development.

(4) An assessment of the estimated costs, timelines, and feasibility of each proposed solution for addressing such contamination.

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233. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE OGLES OF TENNESSEE OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title XVII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 17___. CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT OF IMPACT OF INTERNATIONAL STATE ARMS EMBARGOES ON ISRAEL AND ACTIONS TO ADDRESS DEFENSE CAPABILITY GAPS.**

(a) REQUIREMENT FOR CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State and the Director of National Intelligence, shall conduct a continual assessment of—

(A) the scope, nature, and impact of current and emerging arms embargoes, sanctions, restrictions, or limitations imposed by foreign states or international organizations on Israel's defense capabilities; and

(B) the resulting gaps or vulnerabilities in Israel's security posture, including its ability to maintain its qualitative military edge.

(2) FREQUENCY.—The assessment required under paragraph (1) shall—

(A) be updated not less than once every 180 days; and

(B) be submitted to the congressional defense committees in both unclassified form and, as necessary, a classified annex.

(b) MITIGATION AND SUPPORT MEASURES.—

(1) IDENTIFICATION OF NEEDS.—Each assessment shall include a determination of specific defense capabilities, systems,

or technologies that Israel is unable to procure, sustain, or modernize due to arms embargoes or restrictions.

(2) UNITED STATES ACTIONS.—The Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, shall identify and recommend actions the United States may take to mitigate such gaps, including—

(A) expediting delivery of defense articles or services under the Foreign Military Sales program;

(B) leveraging U.S. industrial base capacity to provide substitute capabilities;

(C) expanding joint research, development, and production of defense technologies; and

(D) enhancing cooperative training, prepositioning, and logistics support.

(c) REPORTS TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of this section, and semiannually thereafter, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the findings of the most recent assessment conducted under subsection (a).

(d) SUNSET.—The requirement under this section shall terminate 5 years after the date of enactment of this section, unless reauthorized by Congress.

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234. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE OGLES OF TENNESSEE OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XIII, add the following new section:

**SEC. ___. REPORTING REQUIREMENT ON OBSTACLES TO TAIWANESE PROCUREMENT.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State, shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report identifying obstacles to United States assistance in strengthening Taiwan's self-defense capabilities as well as any policy recommendations to address those obstacles.

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

(c) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.—In this section, the term "appropriate committees of Congress" means—(1) the Committee on Foreign Relationsand the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate; and (2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives.

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235. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE OGLES OF TENNESSEE OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XIII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 13__. INVITATION TO TAIWAN TO THE RIM OF THE PACIFIC EXERCISE.**

The Secretary of Defense is directed to invite the naval forces of Taiwan to any Rim of the Pacific Exercise that is to take place following the date of enactment of this Act.

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236. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE OWENS OF UTAH OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title I, add the following new section:

**SEC. 1___. REPORT ON FIELDING OF LINK 16 MILITARY TACTICAL DATA NETWORK.**

Not later than December 1, 2025, the Secretary of the Army shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the plan of the Army to require and accelerate the fielding of Link 16 military tactical data networking capabilities throughout the Army, including on UH–60M and CH–47F aircraft—

(1) for command and control and fires;

(2) to ensure maximum interoperability, lethality, and survivability of combat and combat support elements supporting the Joint Force within highly contested airborne combat environments in the area of responsibility of the United States Indo-Pacific Command; and

(3) to meet joint all-domain command and control goals worldwide.

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237. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE PANETTA OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle J of title V of division A, insert the following:

**SEC. 5___. AUTHORIZATION OF AWARD OF MEDAL OF HONOR TO THOMAS HELMUT GRIFFIN FOR ACTS OF VALOR AS A MEMBER OF THE ARMY DURING THE VIETNAM WAR.**

(a) AUTHORIZATION.—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 President is authorized to award the Medal of Honor, under section 7271 of such title, to Thomas Helmut Griffin for the acts of valor described in subsection (b).

(b) ACTS OF VALOR DESCRIBED.—The acts of valor described in this subsection are the actions of Thomas H. Griffin during the period of March 1 through March 3, 1969, while serving as a captain in the Army during the Vietnam War, for which he was previously awarded the Silver Star.

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238. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE PANETTA OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle F of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10____. CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE COMPATIBILITY TABLETOP EXERCISE.**

(a) REQUIREMENTS.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation shall conduct a tabletop exercise designed to assess the resiliency of United States military installations and their surrounding communal capabilities to collaboratively confront weather disasters or adversarial threats made against the United States homeland. Tabletop exercises under this section shall be designed to—

(1) be planned and executed in a fully distributed, virtual format to ensure participation across geographically-dispersed organizations;

(2) involve trusted agents from installations and other stakeholders in a deliberate and methodical exercise planning process to address the critical tasks necessary to maintain military mission assurance;

(3) integrate policies, procedures, capabilities, and appropriate authorities to ensure mission assurance during and after cybersecurity events involving intelligent energy control systems, traffic control systems, and incident response systems;

(4) provide immediate access to exercise data for after action analysis and reporting; and

(5) include as participating organizations appropriate municipal, county, State, and national government entities, and public and private critical infrastructure service providers such as energy, water, wastewater, transportation, and communications, and others as appropriate.

(b) ELEMENTS.—A tabletop exercise required under subsection (a) shall be designed to evaluate, at a minimum, the following elements:

(1) The resilience of community critical infrastructure to enhance, advance, and supplant that of surrounding military installations in the event of attacks upon military critical infrastructure.

(2) The ability of a military installation, in cooperation with community leadership, to coordinate efforts and operationalize available infrastructure and resources presented by defense communities in the area surrounding the military installation.

(3) State and Federal Government response options to ensure the viability of domestic critical infrastructure in the event of a long duration, widespread event.

(4) An assessment of the mobility of the United States Armed Forces from their installations in the event of an attack upon critical infrastructure and logistical chokepoints.

(5) The resiliency of United States military joint-all domain command and control to withstand attacks and—

(A) the ability of community assets to supplant partial or complete loss of command and control; and

(B) local, State, and Federal Government responses to partial or complete loss of such infrastructure.

(6) The importance of nonmilitary actions, including economic and financial measures, by the United States to prepare for, deter and, if necessary, respond to a contingency.

(c) CONSULTATION REQUIREMENT.—In carrying out this section, the Director shall consult with the Secretaries of each of the military departments and the heads of appropriate Federal departments and agencies, as the Director determines appropriate.

(d) LOCATION.—A tabletop exercise required under subsection (a) shall be conducted at a location selected by the Director that is advantageous to studying cooperative efforts between military installations and the local communities.

(e) PLANNING AND PREPARATION.—A tabletop exercise required under this section shall be prepared by appropriate personnel from the Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation, in cooperation with the Armed Forces.

(f) PARTICIPANTS.—The participants in a tabletop exercise required under this section may include appropriate personnel of—

(1) the Department of the Defense;

(2) the military departments;

(3) the United States Northern Command;

(4) appropriate State agencies;

(5) relevant community installations;

(6) relevant think-tanks of the United States; and

(7) such other entities as the Director determines appropriate.

(g) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Following the conclusion of the tabletop exercise required under subsection (a), the Director shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report, an provide to such committees a briefing, on the exercise.

(2) CONTENTS.—The report required under paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) an assessment of the decision-making, capability, and response gaps observed in the tabletop exercise;

(B) recommendations to improve the resiliency of, and reduce vulnerabilities in, the domestic critical infrastructure of the United States in the event of a military contingency;

(C) means to encourage collaboration and coordination between military installations and defense communities, including—

(i) resource planning;

(ii) operational effects on land and airspace;

(iii) legislative initiatives;

(iv) housing availability;

(v) frequency spectrum capacity;

(vi) the use and preservation of scarce natural resources;

(vii) water quality and quantity;

(viii) anti-terrorism and force protection;

(ix) reducing dust, smoke, and steam elements;

(x) energy development projects;

(xi) frequency spectrum enablers and enhancers;

(xii) shared roadway capacity; and

(xiii) protecting the health and safety of nearby residents and workers;

(D) recommendations to enhance cooperation between military installations and local communities that promotes

comprehensive community planning with attention to operational resiliency; and

(E) means to integrate the development policies, plans, and regulations of local jurisdictions and land management agencies with the plans of military installations.

(h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "appropriate congressional committees" means—

(A) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Committee on Oversight and Accountability of the House of Representatives; and

(B) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on Foreign Relations, and the Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs of the Senate.

(2) The term "tabletop exercise" means an activity—

(A) in which key personnel assigned high level roles and responsibilities are gathered to deliberate various simulated emergency or rapid response situations; and

(B) that is designed to be used to assess the adequacy of plans, policies, procedures, training, resources, and relationships or agreements that guide prevention of, response to, and recovery from a defined event.

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239. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE PANETTA OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title XII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 12___. INCLUSION OF SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES IN PLANNING AND STRATEGY RELATING TO THE ARCTIC REGION.**

(a) STRATEGY.—

(1) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Commander of the United States Special Operations Command, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense and the Commander of the United States Northern Command, shall develop and submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate a Special Operations Forces Arctic Security Strategy, applicable across each component of the special operations forces and within each Armed Force (in this section referred to as the "strategy").

(2) REQUIREMENTS.—The strategy shall—

(A) build upon the findings of the report under section 1090(a)(3) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C. 113 note) and the 2022 National Defense Strategy;

(B) facilitate a consistent understanding of Arctic security priorities across the Department of Defense and a common understanding of the use and purpose of special operations forces for Arctic activities across the Armed Forces, combatant commands, and other relevant elements of the Department of Defense; and

(C) promote greater use and prioritization of special operations forces capabilities, particularly with respect to the special operations force of the Army, in Arctic security planning and coordination with Indigenous populations and High North allies and partners.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The strategy shall include the following:

(1) A plan for the leveraging of North American Indigenous Arctic populations, and the establishment of working definitions and parameters for cooperation with such populations in the following areas:

(A) Intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance gathering.

(B) Improved Arctic training and operation tactics, techniques, and procedures.

(C) Empowering local populations to create solutions to regional issues.

(D) Building resilience against invasion and occupation and enhancing deterrence capabilities.

(E) Improving the capacity of allies and partners to build capabilities in the region that produce advantages against adversaries.

(F) Building United States credibility for combat operations in the region.

(G) Demonstrating United States commitment to improving living standards in the region.

(H) Any other area the of the Commander of the United States Special Operations Command determines appropriate.

(2) A requirement that special operations forces achieve readiness with respect to not more than two Arctic environments.

(3) With respect to terminology and working definitions of the Department—

(A) a requirement that—

(i) the use of the terms "Arctic-capable" and "Arctic-ready" may no longer be used in any document or other material produced by the Department of Defense that outlines Arctic strategies;

(ii) the replacement terms "Arctic-trained" and "Arctic-proficient" shall be used in lieu of "Arctic-capable" and "Arctic-ready", respectively; and

(iii) the Department shall provide clear definitions and readiness requirements for each replacement term under clause (ii).

(B) a review of terminology, and the use of such terminology, relating to military doctrinal readiness (such as the terms "trained" and "proficient") in the Arctic context, to ensure that the Armed Forces meet operational expectations and may fully partake in joint-training exercises with allies and partners of the United States.

(4) A description of the conditions necessary to establish a standardized pathway for self-validation for each Armed Force that requires units to be Arctic capable, with such standardized pathway being tailored to each Armed Force but consistent with respect to shared terminology, an agreed upon list

of Arctic environments, and agreed upon standards to become Arctic capable in each such environment.

(5) A requirement that the Commander of the United States Special Operations Command, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense and the Commander of the United States Northern Command, include in any future years plan for the Arctic Security Initiative required under section 1090(b)(2)(B) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117–81; 10 U.S.C. 113 note) the following:

(A) Updates on ongoing priorities for Arctic objectives of the special operations forces.

(B) Assessments of the integration of Arctic operations of the special operations forces, including the use of Indigenous approaches to domain awareness.

(C) A description of the activities and resources needed for the special operations forces to obtain readiness in the Arctic region, including manning, training, equipping, and funding requirements.

(D) Any other matter the Commander of the United States Northern Command and the Secretary of Defense jointly determine appropriate.

(6) A requirement that, on an annual basis, the Commander of the United States Special Operations Command submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate a progress report (in unclassified form, but with the option of including a classified annex) on the implementation and use of the strategy, including—

(A) an assessment of the ability of the strategy to address new and ongoing concerns;

(B) areas relating to the strategy in need of improvement, including any new funding necessary;

(C) use of the strategy across each Armed Force; and

(D) an updated threat assessment with respect to the Arctic region.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the term "special operations forces" means forces described under section 167(j) of title 10, United States Code.

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240. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE PANETTA OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title VII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 7___. REPORT ON USE OF OCULOMETRIC BRAIN HEALTH ASSESSMENT SYSTEMS FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

(a) ASSESSMENT REQUIRED.—The Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, in consultation with the Surgeons General of the Armed Services, or other relevant Department of Defense organizations identified by the Secretary of Defense, shall conduct an assessment on the use of oculometric biomarker monitoring technologies to support mission sets of the Department of Defense

(b) CONTENTS.—The assessment conducted under subsection (a) shall contain each of the following elements:

(1) The anticipated mid- and long-term utility of oculometric monitoring systems in optimizing human performance and enhancing U.S. military readiness and operational effectiveness.

(2) The ability of oculometric biomarker monitoring to detect fatigue, stress, traumatic brain injury, substance use disorder, and post-traumatic stress disorder in servicemembers, including in deployed environments.

(3) The effectiveness of such systems in reducing operational risk and enhancing cognitive resilience in combat and training settings.

(4) The role of oculometric biomarker monitoring in early detection of traumatic brain injury, substance use disorder, and post-traumatic stress disorder for active-duty personnel and veterans, including the utility of monitoring recovery and tailoring rehabilitation plans to individual servicemembers.

(5) Whether use of oculometric monitoring systems enhances mission readiness by providing real-time physiological and cognitive performance feedback

(6) The potential of such systems to reduce costly attrition and improve decision-making under stress.

(7) Opportunities for integration with existing or planned medical, training, and readiness systems of the Department.

(8) The role of brain health monitoring technologies in protecting against performance degradation that may jeopardize mission success.

(9) Potential contributions of oculometric technologies to allied and partner nation capacity building.

(10) A review of outcomes from existing trials funded by the Department of oculometric biomarker monitoring technologies with the Air Force, Army, and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

(11) Identification of any gaps in such trials requiring further research, development, testing, and evaluation.

(c) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than March 1, 2026, the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report containing—

(1) the assessment required under subsection (a); and

(2) recommendations on the optimal use of oculometric biomarker monitoring technologies to support mission sets of the Department of Defense, including on—

(A) expansion of device deployment across field units and military medical centers;

(B) further operational trials to benchmark injury thresholds and readiness indicators; and

(C) integration of cognitive and neurological health metrics into existing health and readiness reporting systems of the Department.

(d) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required by subsection (c) shall be submitted in an unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

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241. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE PANETTA OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X add the following new section:

**SEC. 10___. REPORT ON COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT.**

Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on cost of living adjustment calculations for purposes of pay and benefits for members of the Armed Forces and civilian employees of the Department of Defense whose permanent duty station is located in the 19th Congressional District of California. Such report shall include—

(1) an explanation of the methods used to collect data and the factors used to determine such cost of living adjustment;

(2) an assessment of the appropriateness of including in the calculation of such cost of living adjustment the presence of military commissaries or exchanges;

(3) the evaluation of the Under Secretary of—

(A) whether any locations within the 19th Congressional District of California should be considered a high-cost area for purposes of chapter 67 of volume 7A of the Department of Defense Financial Management Regulation;

(B) whether the existence of a military commissary in Monterey, California, provides substantial financial support that affects the determination of a cost of living adjustment; and

(C) the advisability of providing certain areas within the 19th Congressional District of California with an increased cost of living adjustment; and

(4) a comparison of the factors that contribute to a determination of the cost of living adjustments that are applied to Monterey, California, and Santa Clara, California.

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242. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE PANETTA OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title II, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNET ACCESS TECHNOLOGIES BY THE DEFENSE INNOVATION UNIT.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Defense Innovation Unit (referred to in this section as the "Unit") shall undertake efforts to support the development of low-cost, easily scalable, and rapidly deployable technologies to counter internet shutdowns or limitations on network access abroad, particularly those imposed by adversary countries, to enable populations to overcome such restrictions.

(b) OBJECTIVES.—In carrying out the responsibilities under subsection (a), the Director of the Unit shall prioritize the following objectives:

(1) Identifying and supporting the development of technologies capable of overcoming internet blackouts and network disruptions imposed by an adversary country and facilitating internet and network access, including—

(A) low Earth orbit satellite internet infrastructure;

(B) mesh networking solutions;

(C) portable and deployable communication systems; and

(D) virtual private networks.

(2) Collaborating with industry, academia, and relevant stakeholders to accelerate the research, development, and deployment of such technologies.

(3) Conducting pilot programs and field experiments to test the effectiveness and scalability of developed solutions in real-world settings.

(4) Providing technical assistance and resources to partner organizations, governments, and nongovernmental entities engaged in efforts to expand internet access.

(5) Identifying and evaluating off-the-shelf technologies that could be rapidly procured and deployed to address internet access challenges in targeted regions.

(c) COLLABORATION WITH DEFENSE ACQUISITION UNIVERSITY.—The Director of the Unit shall collaborate with the head of the Defense Acquisition University to leverage expertise in acquisition processes and practices related to carrying out the objectives under subsection (b) with the aim of—

(1) integrating best practices in defense acquisition into the research, development, and deployment processes of technologies developed by the Unit to facilitate internet access;

(2) ensuring that technologies developed by the Unit align with acquisition priorities and strategies of the Department of Defense;

(3) providing training and educational opportunities for Unit personnel on acquisition principles, regulations, and procedures, with a focus on technology development for countering censorship and related restrictions;

(4) fostering dialogue and exchange of knowledge between acquisition professionals and innovation specialists to enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of defense technology acquisition related to internet access technologies; and

(5) collaborating on the development of acquisition strategies that prioritize the rapid acquisition and deployment of technologies aimed at countering censorship and restrictions on internet access.

(d) REPORTING.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and on an annual basis thereafter, the Director of the Unit shall submit to the Secretary of Defense and the congressional defense committees a report detailing the progress, challenges, and outcomes of the efforts undertaken pursuant to this section.

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243. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE PAPPAS OF NEW HAMPSHIRE OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. STRATEGY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF FRICTION STIR ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGIES.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering shall submit to the congressional defense committees a comprehensive report outlining the strategy of the Department of Defense for the research, development, and deployment of friction stir additive manufacturing technologies.

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

(1) An assessment of the strategic importance of developing and deploying friction stir additive manufacturing technologies for national defense, including their potential to enhance supply chain resilience, manufacturing agility, and operational readiness.

(2) A detailed summary of current and planned Department of Defense programs and initiatives that are supporting the development, testing, or implementation of friction stir additive manufacturing technologies.

(3) An analysis of key areas of operational impact of such technologies, including—

(A) expeditionary manufacturing and sustainment capabilities;

(B) deployable micro-factory systems for forward operating bases or contested environments; and

(C) development of ultra-large-scale friction stir additive manufacturing techniques for critical defense infrastructure and platforms.

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244. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE PFLUGER OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title V add the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. PILOT PROGRAM ON PSYCHOLOGICAL PERFORMANCE TRAINING AT THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY.**

(a) PILOT PROGRAM REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense, acting through the Superintendent of the United States Air Force Academy, shall establish a pilot program to integrate psychological performance training into the curriculum and cadet development model at the United States Air Force Academy.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The pilot program established pursuant to subsection (a) shall include—

(1) training for cadets, faculty, Commanders, and Academy Military Trainers in scientifically researched and evidence-based psychological performance skills focused on development of a high-performance mindset to increase readiness, warfighter lethality, and leadership under stress;

(2) the use of cognitive training tools and resources, including technologies and structured skill-building workshops, to improve resilience, focus, decision-making, and recovery under pressure;

(3) a leadership development component equipping faculty, Commanders, and Academy Military Trainers to mentor cadets in psychological performance skills across the course of the cadet experience; and

(4) collection and analysis of data on training effectiveness using established cadet performance and attrition measures.

(c) METRICS.—The Secretary shall ensure the pilot program established pursuant to subsection (a) includes evaluation of the following metrics:

(1) Attrition rates during Basic Cadet Training, the fourth class (freshman) year, and the third class (sophomore) year.

(2) Cadet testing and performance indicators, including graded review, grade point average, military performance average, and physical fitness testing.

(3) Counseling center utilization rates, self-reported stress and sleep quality metrics, and measures of cadet well-being.

(4) Utilization and results of cognitive training tools, including data on attention, relaxation, and workload regulation.

(d) TERMINATION.—The pilot program established pursuant to subsection (a) shall terminate on the date that is one year after the date of the establishment of such pilot program.

(e) REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after the termination of the pilot program under subsection (d), the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report that includes—

(1) the evaluation of the metrics described in subsection (c);

(2) an assessment of whether the pilot program reduced attrition and improved cadet performance and resilience; and

(3) the recommendation of the Secretary as to whether the Department of Defense should establish a Department-wide program for psychological performance training in accession programs.

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245. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE PFLUGER OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle C of title XXVIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 28___. CLARIFICATION OF LAND CONVEYANCE, FORT HOOD, TEXAS.**

Section 2848(a) of the Ronald W. Reagan National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2005 (Public Law 108–375; 118 Stat. 2140) is amended—

(1) by striking "the sole purpose" and inserting "the purpose"; and

(2) by striking "an upper level (junior, senior, and graduate) university" and inserting "a university, which may include other activities that benefit the community,".

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246. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE PFLUGER OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title X add the following new section:

**SEC. 10___. REVOCATION OF SECURITY CLEARANCES FOR CERTAIN PERSONS.**

(a) PROHIBITION.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Defense shall suspend or revoke a security clearance or eligibility for access to classified information for any retired or separated member of the Armed Forces or civilian employee of the Department of Defense who engages in an activity described in subsection (b).

(b) ACTIVITIES DESCRIBED.—The activities described in this subsection are lobbying activities or lobbying contacts for or on behalf of any entity that is—

(1) identified by the Secretary of Defense in the most recent report submitted under section 1260H of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (10 U.S.C. 113 note) as a Chinese military company; or

(2) included in the Non-SDN Chinese Military-Industrial Complex Companies List published by the Department of the Treasury.

(c) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may, for periods not to exceed 180 days, waive the application of the prohibition in subsection (a) for an individual if the Secretary certifies to the congressional defense committees that doing so is in the national security interest of the United States.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "congressional defense committees" has the meaning given the term in section 101(a) of title 10, United States Code.

(2) The term "lobbying activities" has the meaning given such term in section 3 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1602).

(3) The term "lobbying contact" has the meaning given such term in section 3 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1602), except that clause (iv) of paragraph (8)(B)(iv) of such section shall not apply.

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247. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE PFLUGER OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 17__. INTEREST ON FUNDS PROVIDED TO FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Treasury may not charge interest on funds borrowed by the Federal Communications Commission under section 5404(c) of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 2451).

(b) RETURN OF INTEREST.—Any interest described in subsection (a) collected by the Secretary of the Treasury before the date of the enactment of this Act shall be returned to the Federal Communications Commission for use by the Commission for the purpose described in, and consistent with, section 5404(c) of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 138 Stat. 2451) as though such interest had not been paid to the Secretary.

(c) UNPAID INTEREST.—The obligation of the Federal Communications Commission to pay any unpaid interest that has accrued on the funds described in subsection (a) is terminated.

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248. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE PFLUGER OF TEXAS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title III, add the following new section:

**SEC. 3___. RESERVE MOBILIZATION EXERCISE.**

(a) INDO-PACIFIC MOBILIZATION AND READINESS STUDY REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of 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 Indo-Pacific Command, shall conduct a comprehensive joint mobilization and sustainment readiness study (modeled on the 1978 "Nifty Nugget" exercise) to assess the capability of the Armed Forces to respond to a high-intensity contingency in the Indo-Pacific region.

(b) ELEMENTS OF THE STUDY.—The study required under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) An assessment of the ability to rapidly mobilize, deploy, and sustain active and reserve component forces in response to a conflict scenario involving the Taiwan Strait, South China Sea, or similar Indo-Pacific flashpoint.

(2) An evaluation of strategic lift and sustainment capabilities across military departments, including maritime sealift, airlift, rail, road networks, and prepositioned stocks.

(3) Identification of critical logistics vulnerabilities, mobilization bottlenecks, and command and control challenges.

(4) Analysis of interagency coordination procedures and integration with civilian emergency support capabilities.

(5) An evaluation of joint and allied interoperability, with particular attention to coordination mechanisms with Japan, Australia, the Philippines, and Taiwan.

(c) CIVILIAN SKILLS INVENTORY OF THE RESERVE COMPONENT.—The Secretary of Defense, acting through the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, shall conduct a civilian skills inventory of the Reserve Components of the Armed Forces to identify and assess the non-military qualifications and talents of reservists, including—

(1) foreign language proficiency and cultural expertise;

(2) advanced academic credentials, including master's degrees, doctoral degrees, and scientific research experience;

(3) industrial and technical skills, including cybersecurity, software development, engineering, logistics, manufacturing, and data science;

(4) critical infrastructure and emergency response expertise; and

(5) private-sector leadership and innovation experience relevant to defense mobilization and sustainment.

(d) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—Not later than one year after the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes—

(1) the results, findings, and recommendations of the Indo-Pacific mobilization and readiness study required under subsection (a);

(2) a summary of the civilian skills inventory of the Reserve Component, including recommendations for how such skills can be leveraged to support contingency planning, civil-military integration, and surge operations;

(3) a comparative analysis of best practices by each Armed Force with respect to—

(A) mobilizing Reserve Component forces for wartime or emergency augmentation;

(B) identifying, tracking, and utilizing civilian-acquired skills of reservists; and

(C) executing logistical lift and sustainment operations, including Navy-led maritime port operations, Army-managed rail and overland transport, Air Force strategic airlift capacity, and Marine Corps expeditionary logistics; and

(4) an estimate of—

(A) the number of Reserve Component personnel likely to be available and required to reinforce forward-deployed active duty units during the first 30, 60, and 90 days of a major Indo-Pacific contingency; and

(B) the number of Reserve Component personnel required to support full-scale mobilization and logistics surge operations within the United States, including domestic transportation nodes, sustainment hubs, ports of embarkation, mobilization training centers, and other homeland support functions necessary to enable and sustain global operations.

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249. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE PLASKETT OF VIRGIN ISLANDS OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Add at the end of subtitle B of title XVII the following:

**SEC. 17___. REPORT ON HENRY E. ROHLSEN AIRPORT IN ST. CROIX.**

(a) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this section, the Secretary of Defense shall study and submit a report to Congress on the readiness of Henry E. Rohlsen Airport in St. Croix for use by the United States Air Force.

(b) CONTENTS.—The report required under subsection (a) shall contain recommendations to improve the infrastructure and facilities at, and in the immediate vicinity of, Henry E. Rohlsen Airport in order to support use of the airport for regional security missions, emergency actions, and U.S. Southern Command Area regional priorities.

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250. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE RANDALL OF WASHINGTON OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

In subtitle C of title XXVIII, add at the end the following new section:

**SEC. 28___. REPORT ON IMPROVING TRIBAL ACCESS TO DEFENSE INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMS.**

Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation, shall submit a report to the congressional defense committees that—

(1) assesses barriers to Tribal participation in the Defense Community Infrastructure Program and related initiatives;

(2) provides an overview of infrastructure needs in defense-adjacent Tribal communities;

(3) analyzes statutory and regulatory limitations to Tribal eligibility under section 2391 of title 10, United States Code; and

(4) recommends legislative or programmatic changes to improve Tribal access, including possible amendments to existing law or the establishment of complementary programs.

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251. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE RANDALL OF WASHINGTON OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XXVIII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 28____. IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPTROLLER GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO CRITICAL MILITARY HOUSING SUPPLY AND AFFORDABILITY.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and except as provided in subsection (c), the Secretary of Defense shall implement each recommendation of the Comptroller General of the United States contained in the report dated October 30, 2024, and entitled, "Military Housing: DOD Should Address Critical Supply and Affordability Challenges for Service Members" (GAO–25–106208), as those recommendations are modified under subsection (b).

(b) RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE IMPLEMENTED.—In carrying out the requirements under subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall implement the recommendations specified under such subsection as follows:

(1) The Secretary shall—

(A) perform a structured analysis to develop a comprehensive list of housing areas in which members of the Armed Forces and their families may face the most critical challenges in finding and affording private sector housing in the community;

(B) in conducting the analysis under subparagraph (A), consider the unique characteristics of a location, such as vacation rental areas; and

(C) regularly update the list required under subparagraph (A) not less frequently than once every two years.

(2) The Secretary shall obtain and use feedback on the financial and quality-of-life effects of limited supply or unaffordable housing on members of the Armed Forces, through the status of forces survey and other service or installation-specific feedback mechanisms.

(3) The Secretary shall, in coordination with the Secretary of each military department—

(A) develop a plan for how the Department of Defense can respond to and address the financial and quality-of-life effects in housing areas identified under paragraph (1); and

(B) in developing the plan under subparagraph (A), examine strategies for increasing housing supply or providing alternative compensation to offset the effects of limited supply or unaffordable housing in housing areas identified under paragraph (1).

(4) The Secretary shall clarify, through the issuance of guidance to the military departments, the role of the Office of the Secretary of Defense in oversight of the Housing Requirements and Market Analysis process of the military departments to ensure that—

(A) the military departments conduct such process in a timely manner; and

(B) the Secretary submits to Congress any plans or other matters relating to such process for each fiscal year as required by existing law.

(5) The Secretary shall ensure that the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment provides updated guidance to the military departments on how installations of the Department of Defense should coordinate with local communities, including by clearly defining the roles and responsibilities of commanders and military housing offices of such installations in addressing housing needs.

(c) NON-IMPLEMENTATION REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—If the Secretary of Defense elects not to implement a recommendation specified under subsection (a), as modified under subsection (b), 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.

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252. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE RANDALL OF WASHINGTON OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle F of title XXVIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 28___. SENSE OF CONGRESS RELATING THE DEFENSE COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM.**

It is the sense of Congress that:

(1) Defense community infrastructure program ("DCIP") funding should better align with the scale of community requests, which have consistently exceeded available resources.

(2) Increased investment in DCIP would support projects essential to readiness and resilience, including transportation, utilities, schools, medical facilities, and workforce housing in defense communities.

(3) Congress supports strengthening DCIP to meet infrastructure needs in defense communities and ensure continued mission readiness.

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253. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE ROSE OF TENNESSEE OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, add the following new section:

**SEC. 10___. REPORT ON RED FLAGS MISSED IN FRAUD SCHEME PERPETRATED BY JANET YAMANAKA MELLO.**

(a) REPORT REQUIRED.—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 on the fraud scheme perpetrated by Janet Yamanaka Mello, a civilian employee of the Department of the Army, who was indicted and pleaded guilty to stealing over $100,000,000 in 4–H Military Partnership Grant program funds.

(b) CONTENTS OF REPORT.—The report required under subsection (a) shall include each of the following:

(1) A description of the breakdown in the supervision of Mello, including any failures of management or oversight that contributed to the ability of Mello to carry out the fraud scheme undetected.

(2) A description of the breakdown in accountability with respect to the loss of the stolen funds, including any failures to ensure that such funds were actually being spent for the purposes for which such funds were intended.

(3) A description of the failure to ensure that financial program managers, such as Mello, are not able to funnel Government funds to themselves or their own entities.

(4) An identification of any other red flags or warning signs that were missed or ignored by employees of the Department of Defense, including any instances of whistleblower retaliation or suppression of concerns.

(5) An assessment of the policies and procedures of the Department of Defense and Department of the Army, as of the date of the enactment of this Act, designed to prevent employees from perpetrating similar fraud schemes in the future.

(6) Recommendations for improvements to the policies, procedures, and oversight of the Department of Defense and Department of the Army to prevent employees from perpetrating similar fraud schemes in the future.

(7) A description of any disciplinary or administrative actions taken against any individuals or entities found to have contributed to the ability of Mello to carry out the fraud scheme.

(8) A description of any changes made, or planned to be made, to the financial management and oversight processes of the Department of Defense and the Department of the Army as a result of the fraud scheme perpetrated by Mello.

(9) An assessment of the effects of the fraud scheme perpetrated by Mello on the programs and operations of the Department of Defense and the Department of the Army.

(10) Any other information the Secretary of Defense determines relevant to understanding the fraud scheme perpetrated by Mello and preventing employees from perpetrating similar fraud schemes in the future.

(c) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The Secretary of Defense shall make the report required under subsection (a) publicly available on an appropriate website of the Department of Defense.

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254. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHOLTEN OF MICHIGAN OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle G of title VIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 8___. STUDY ON CERTAIN CONTRACTS AND AWARDS TO SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS.**

(a) STUDY REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense, acting through the Office of Small Business Programs, shall carry out a study to review contracts awarded with a value at or below the simplified acquisition threshold (as defined in section 3015 of title 10, United States Code) to determine if the Department of Defense is ensuring full consideration and application of requirements relating to small business concerns (as defined in section 3 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632)).

(b) 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 House of Representatives and the Senate, the Committee on Small Business of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship of the Senate a report on the results of the study required by this section. Such report shall include—

(1) the total dollar amount of contracts awarded with a value at or below the simplified acquisition threshold during the five-year period preceding the date of the report, including the percentage of such contracts and the aggregate dollar amount of such contracts awarded to small business concerns;

(2) an overview of the types of contracts with a value at or below the simplified acquisition threshold, and description of the products or services, that were not awarded to small business concerns;

(3) an overview of the reasons why a contract with a value at or below the simplified acquisition threshold may not be set aside for small business concerns;

(4) any trends, themes, or patterns of contracts with a value at or below the simplified acquisition threshold that were awarded to entities that are not small business concerns when such a contract should have been subject to a requirement to be set aside for small business concerns; and

(5) recommendations for changes to statute, regulation, policy, or guidance that would ensure full consideration and application of requirement to set aside contracts for small business concerns, particularly contracts with a value at or below the simplified acquisition threshold.

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255. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHWEIKERT OF ARIZONA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10___. USE OF TECHNOLOGY USING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE TO FACILITATE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026.**

(a) USE OF AI TECHNOLOGY FOR AUDITS.—The Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of the Navy, and the Secretary of the Air Force shall encourage, to the greatest extent practicable, the use of technology that uses artificial intelligence or machine learning for the purpose of facilitating audits of the financial statements of the Department of Defense.

(b) IMPLEMENTATION OF AI TECHNOLOGY FOR AUDITS.—The Director of the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Office of the Department, in coordination with the Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering and the Inspector General of the Department, shall oversee the adoption of artificial intelligence and machine learning technologies in support of financial management and enterprise business operations.

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256. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHWEIKERT OF ARIZONA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 98, after line 3, insert the following new subsection (and redesignate the succeeding subsections accordingly):

(c) AI INVENTORY SYSTEM.—In conjunction with the activities required under this section, the Secretary of Defense may develop and implement an artificial intelligence capability to create up-to-date and accurate records of the weapons inventory of the Department of Defense.

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257. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SCOTT OF VIRGINIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle F of title XXVIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 28___. REPORT ON INTERAGENCY REGIONAL COORDINATOR FOR RESILIENCE PILOT PROJECT.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this section, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the status of the implementation of the Interagency Regional Coordinator for Resilience pilot project established under section 2872 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (10 U.S.C. 2864 note).

(b) CONTENT.—The report submitted under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) For each established Interagency Regional Coordinator—

(A) which community that supports a military installation was selected for a Coordinator and the reasoning for selecting such community; and

(B) a description of the ongoing work of the Coordinator.

(2) For any Interagency Regional Coordinator position required under the pilot program but not yet established, a plan to establish such position.

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258. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SCOTT OF GEORGIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title X, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 10___. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING NAMING AN AIRCRAFT CARRIER AFTER THE UNITED STATES.**

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) The first USS United States was one of the original six frigates authorized by the Naval Act of 1794, launched in 1797. It saw action in the Quasi-War with France and the War of 1812.

(2) In addition to the frigate, there was a proposed Civil War ironclad that never got built, and the aircraft carrier USS United States (CVA-58) was canceled in 1949.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that the Secretary of the Navy should name an aircraft carrier USS United States.

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259. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SCOTT OF GEORGIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title V, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. ASSISTANCE FOR CERTAIN YOUTH AND CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS.**

Section 508(d) of title 32, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraph (14) as paragraph (17); and

(2) by inserting after paragraph (13) the following:

"(14) The Young Marines.

"(15) The Naval Sea Cadet Corps.

"(16) The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary.".

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260. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SCOTT OF GEORGIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title IX, add the following new section:

**SEC. 9___. ELIGIBILITY OF CHIEF OF THE NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU FOR APPOINTMENT AS CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF.**

Section 152(b)(1)(B) of title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 911 of this title, is further amended by striking "or the Commandant of the Coast Guard" and inserting "the Commandant of the Coast Guard, or the Chief of the National Guard Bureau".

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261. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SCOTT OF GEORGIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title VIII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 8___. ESTABLISHMENT OF SCHEDULE V FOR VETERAN EMPLOYMENT AND PHILANTHROPY REPORTING BY DEFENSE CONTRACTORS AND GRANTEES.**

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Defense shall develop and implement a standardized disclosure schedule, to be known as Schedule V, to be included in all applicable contracts, subcontracts, and grant awardees as specified in this section. These disclosures by contract, subcontract, and grant awardees will contribute to critical long-term recruitment and retention of the Armed Forces.

(b) APPLICABILITY.—Schedule V shall be required as a condition of award for—

(1) any contract or subcontract with an annual value exceeding $5,000,000 with the Department of Defense or any organizations receiving a contract or subcontract with an annual revenue of $1,000,000,000 or more; or

(2) any Department of Defense Federal grant to an institution of higher education or research entity in excess of $10,000,000 annually.

(c) DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS.—Entities subject to subsection (b) shall, on an annual basis, publicly disclose the following:

(1) Veteran employment and retention date, including—

(A) the number of United States military veterans hired annually for the previous 3 years;

(B) the number of those veterans retained 12 and 24 months after hire; and

(C) a summary of the company's United States military veteran retention initiatives, if any.

(2) Philanthropic and community investment, including—

(A) disclosure of a corporate philanthropy program;

(B) the total amount of philanthropic giving in the previous fiscal year;

(C) the amount and percentage of such giving dedicated to military and veteran-related causes; and

(D) any volunteer hours towards veteran or military causes.

(3) EXECUTIVE ENGAGEMENT.—A narrative response describing the direct involvement of the company's Chief Executive Officer and Board of Directors in reviewing and supporting efforts related to paragraphs (1) and (2).

(d) SUBCONTRACTING AND INDIRECT VENDORS.—The Secretary shall ensure Schedule V requirements apply, to the greatest extent practicable, to indirect suppliers and subcontractors at a value of $5,000,000 or above or annual revenue of $1,000,000,000 or more.

(e) PUBLIC ACCESSIBILITY.—The disclosures required under subsection (c) shall be submitted to the relevant contracting or grant officer and made publicly available through the Federal Procurement Data System or another centralized government database designated by the Administrator of General Services.

(f) IMPLEMENTATION.—The Secretary shall issue regulations to implement this section not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act. These regulations may include exemptions for small businesses and provisions for pilot implementation prior to full enforcement.

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262. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SCOTT OF GEORGIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 167, line 19, strike "USS Constitution Museum" and insert "USS Constitution Naval History and Heritage Command, Detachment Boston".

Page 167, after line 24, insert the following new paragraph:

"(11) The Hampton Roads Naval Museum.".

Page 168, line 1, strike "(11)" and insert "(12)".

Page 168, line 7, strike "(10)" and insert "(11)".

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263. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SCOTT OF GEORGIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title VIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 8___. STRATEGY TO ELIMINATE SOURCING OF COMPUTER DISPLAYS FROM CERTAIN NATIONS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall develop and implement a strategy to eliminate the reliance of the Department of Defense on any covered nation to acquire computer displays by January 1, 7 2030.

(b) STRATEGY REQUIREMENTS.—The strategy required by subsection (a) shall—

(1) identify the current requirements of the Department of Defense for computer displays and estimate the projected requirements of the Department for computer displays through the year 2040;

(2) identify the sources of computer displays used to meet the current requirements of the Department described in paragraph (1), including any sources of computer displays produced in a covered nation; and

(3) identify actions to be taken by the Secretary of Defense to ensure the defense industrial base is able to meet the needs of the Department for computer displays without any reliance on a covered nation not later January 1, 2030.

(c) IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than 270 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall begin implementing the strategy required by subsection (a).

(d) BRIEFING AND REPORT.—

(1) BRIEFING.—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 briefing on the strategy required by subsection (a), including an identification of any changes to funding or policy required to eliminate the reliance of the Department of Defense on any covered nation to acquire computer displays by January 1, 2030.

(2) INTERIM REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than March 15, 2027, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the progress of the implementation of the strategy required by subsection (a), including an identification of any risk to the ability of the Secretary to eliminate the reliance of the Department of Defense on any covered nation to acquire computer displays by January 1, 2030.

(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) The term "covered nation" means—

(A) the Democratic People's Republic of North Korea;

(B) the People's Republic of China;

(C) the Russian Federation;

(D) the Republic of Belarus; and

(E) the Islamic Republic of Iran.

(2) The term "computer display" means a device that receives a digital output from a computer and visually displays that output as an electronic image.

264. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SCOTT OF GEORGIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle F of title XXVIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 28____. ESTABLISHMENT OF AIR FORCE AND SPACE FORCE MUSEUM SYSTEM.**

Chapter 979 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

**"§ 9784. Establishment of Air Force and Space Force Museum System**

"(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Air Force shall support a system of official Air Force and Space Force museums within the Department of the Air Force. Such system shall include the National Museum of the United States Air Force and may contain other museums honoring individual installations, units, and branches, as designated by the Secretary of the Air Force, that meet criteria established under subsection (b).

"(b) CRITERIA FOR DESIGNATION.—The Secretary of the Air Force shall establish criteria for designating museums of subsection (a) for inclusion in the Air Force and Space Force museum system. Such criteria shall include—

"(1) historical significance to Air Force and Space Force operations, technology, or personnel;

"(2) public accessibility and educational outreach programs; and

"(3) alignment with the mission of the Air Force and Space Force to preserve the heritage of the Air Force and Space Force.

"(c) CRITERIA FOR CLOSURE.—The Secretary of the Air Force shall establish criteria for closing museums within the Air Force and Space Force museum system. If the Secretary decides to close a museum in such system, the Secretary shall submit to Congress, not later than 90 days before the date on which the museum closes, notice that includes—

"(1) a plan for the preservation, storage, or alternate display of historical collections contained in the museum;

"(2) how any issues relating to museum personnel will be resolved;

"(3) an identification of any efforts to maintain museum operations through public-private partnerships; and

"(4) an analysis of the cost to transport, consolidate, and preserve the historical collections contained in the museum.

"(d) FUNDING AND SUPPORT.—Consistent with applicable law, the Secretary may enter into partnerships, including with nonprofit organizations, to enhance the financial sustainability and public engagement of the museums in the Air Force and Space Force museum system.".

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265. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SCOTT OF GEORGIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle E of title VIII, insert the following:

**SEC. 8___. PROHIBITION ON PROCUREMENT OF CERTAIN ORGANIC LIGHT EMITTING DIODE DISPLAY TECHNOLOGIES.**

Chapter 363 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by section 863 of this Act, is further amended by adding at the end the following new section:

**"§ 4667. Prohibition on procurement of certain organic light emitting diode display technologies**

"(a) IN GENERAL.—Effective June 30, 2027, the Secretary of Defense may not enter into, renew, or extend a contract or other agreement for the procurement of—

"(1) OLED display technologies that are fabricated in a foreign adversary, by a foreign adversary entity, or by a covered OLED display technologies company; or

"(2) goods or services that include any OLED display technologies that are fabricated in a foreign adversary, by a foreign adversary entity, or by a covered OLED display technologies company.

"(b) WAIVER.—(1) The Secretary of Defense may waive the prohibition under subsection (a) if Secretary determines that goods or services that include OLED display technology that conforms to the requirements of this section are not available in the quality and quantity required.

"(2) The Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report describing waivers granted in accordance with this subsection not later than February 15 of the calendar year following the year the waiver was granted. Such report shall include a description of the product or service subject to the waiver, and a brief summary of the rationale for each wavier.

"(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

"(1) The term 'covered OLED display technologies company' means—

"(A) any entity, or a subsidiary, affiliate, or licensee of such entity that produces, develops, or provides OLED display technologies and that is—

"(i) included on the Consolidated Screening List maintained by the International Trade Administration of the Department of Commerce; or

"(ii) identified in the list of Chinese military companies operating in the United States published in the Federal Register by the Department of Defense pursuant to section 1260H of the William H. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (10 U.S.C. 113 note); or

"(B) an entity that produces, develops, or provides OLED display technologies and that is subject to unmitigated foreign ownership, control, or influence by a covered foreign country, as determined by the Secretary of Defense in accordance with the National Industrial Security Program (or any successor to such program).

"(2) The term 'fabricate'—

"(A) means the process of manufacturing display technologies through techniques including material deposition, lithography, etching, and encapsulation, or flexible substrates or silicon wafers to enable image generation; and

"(B) does not include the final assembly and integration of individual display cells cut from large substrates into complete display modules for integration into set products, where such assembly and integration focuses primarily on tasks such as integrated circuit bondings, flexible printed circuit attachment, touch sensor integration, and cover glass lamination (known as the 'module process').

"(3) The term 'foreign adversary' means a country specified in section 4872(f) of title 10, United States Code.

"(4) The term 'foreign adversary entity' means—

"(A) a foreign adversary;

"(B) a person domiciled in, headquartered in, that maintains a principal place of business in, or is organized under the laws of a foreign adversary; and

"(C) a person owned, directed, or controlled by an entity described in subparagraph (A) or (B).

"(5) The term 'OLED display technologies' means an electronic visual output device that renders images, text, or video by modulating light emissions through technologies (such as organic light emitting diodes or microdot arrays) and is composed of an active matrix (including thin-film transistors) or passive matrix that controls pixel operation, light emission or modulation layer, driver electronics to convert input signals into pixel control instructions, and interface mechanisms that may include touchscreen layers, refresh rate controllers, or color calibration.".

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## 266. An Amendment To Be Offered by Representative Self of Texas or His Designee, Debatable for 10 Minutes

At the end of subtitle A of title XI of division A, insert the following;

**SEC. 11___. DOD PREVAILING RATE EMPLOYEE PAY INCREASE.**

(a) In General.—Beginning on the first day of the first pay period beginning on or after the date of the enactment of this Act, the rate of pay for any employee of the Department of Defense who is a prevailing rate employee (as that term is defined in section 5342(a)(2)(A) of title 5, United States Code) shall be increased by the percentage allowed by operation of section 737 of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024, as extended by division A of the American Relief Act, 2025.

(b) Report.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit a report to the congressional defense committees on actions taken to resolve delays in increasing the rates of pay for such employees, the status of the Department of Defense Wage Committee, and any recommendations for preventing future interruptions to wage increases for such employees.

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## 267. An Amendment To Be Offered by Representative Self of Texas or His Designee, Debatable for 10 Minutes

At the end of subtitle E of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10___. RESPONSIBLE USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOR LOGISTICS, INTELLIGENCE, MAINTENANCE, CYBER DEFENSE, AND OTHER MISSION AREAS.**

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the adoption of artificial intelligence ("AI") is critical to United States defense readiness and competitiveness; and

(2) the Secretary of Defense should expand pilot programs and fielding of AI-enabled systems that enhance decision-making, reduce costs, and improve warfighter effectiveness.

(b) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall, not later than the end of the 6-month period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act, and every 6 months thereafter, issue a report to the congressional defense committees on current and planned AI integration efforts, including barriers to implementation and recommendations for accelerating adoption.

(2) SUNSET.—Paragraph (1) shall cease to have any force or effect after the end of the 5-year period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act.

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268. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SHERRILL OF NEW JERSEY OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR REALIGNMENT OF THE RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION FUNCTION FOR ARMY AMMUNITION.**

(a) LIMITATION.—None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2026 for the Department of Defense may be obligated or expended to realign the research, development, test, and evaluation function for Army ammunition away from the current Joint Program Executive Office Armaments and Ammunition or Joint Capabilities Portfolio Executive Ammunition construct until a period of 180 days has elapsed following the date on which the report required under subsection (b) is submitted to the congressional defense committees.

(b) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than November 1, 2026, the Secretary of the Army shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes the following with respect to the proposed realignment of functions described in subsection (a):

(1) An explanation of whether Army personnel, including contractors, would be required to relocate to a new location and if so an estimate of how many personnel would relocate and to what locations.

(2) An explanation of whether the Army expects to build new facilities and infrastructure at new locations to accomplish the research, development, test, and evaluation function for Army ammunition and, if so, identification of—

(A) what new facilities and infrastructure would have to be constructed; and

(B) where such facilities and infrastructure would be constructed.

(3) A detailed estimate of the costs of relocating personnel and equipment and constructing new facilities and infrastructure.

(4) A detailed explanation of the efficiencies, if any, that the Army expects to realize by realigning the research, development, test, and evaluation function for Army ammunition to Capabilities Portfolio Executive Fires.

(5) In consultation with the with the Secretary of the Navy and the Secretary of the Air Force, a determination as to whether realigning the research, development, test, and evaluation function for Army ammunition to Capabilities Portfolio Executive Fires will hinder or impede the joint construct that Joint Program Executive Office Armaments and Ammunition has traditionally maintained with the Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

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269. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SHREVE OF INDIANA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle F of title X, add the following new section:

**SEC. 10___. DEFENSE CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION INTERAGENCY REVIEW.**

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) Defense critical infrastructure, encompassing cyber and physical assets, is essential to national security and military readiness but faces growing threats from adversaries.

(2) Effective interagency coordination is vital to protect this infrastructure.

(3) The Department of Defense plays a key role in safeguarding critical infrastructure, but its efforts must align with broader Federal and private sector initiatives.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that strengthening interagency coordination, and coordination between the administration and the private sector is critical to securing defense-related infrastructure against emerging threats.

(c) INTERAGENCY REVIEW.—

(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 Homeland Security, the Director of National Intelligence, and heads of other relevant departments or agencies of the Federal Government, shall conduct a comprehensive review of interagency coordination mechanisms for the protection of defense critical infrastructure.

(2) REVIEW COMPONENTS.—The review under paragraph (1) shall, at a minimum—

(A) assess the effectiveness of existing frameworks for information sharing, threat response, and risk mitigation among departments or agencies of the Federal Government, State and local governments, and private sector partners;

(B) identify gaps and inefficiencies in interagency efforts to safeguard cyber and physical infrastructure critical to national security;

(C) evaluate the integration of the Defense Information Assurance Program established by section 2224 of title 10,

United States Code, with broader critical infrastructure protection initiatives;

(D) evaluate mission assurance cybersecurity priorities and determine whether the existing list of critical cyber missions, capabilities, functions, systems, and supporting assets is comprehensive;

(E) include any updates to guidance on replacing the Defense Infrastructure Sector Lead Agent and reevaluate the sectors it includes as part of defense critical infrastructure; and

(F) provide recommendations for improving collaboration, reducing bureaucratic obstacles, and enhancing the resilience of defense-related infrastructure.

(d) REVIEW OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Secretary of Defense shall concurrently assess the implementation by the Department of the following responsibilities:

(1) Ensuring proper classification and safeguarding of critical infrastructure security information from public disclosure pursuant to section 130e of title 10, United States Code.

(2) Assessing the role of the Department in ensuring the reliability and security of infrastructure vital to defense and national security pursuant to section 1016 of the USA PATRIOT Act (42 U.S.C. 5195c).

(3) Ensuring Department of Defense compliance with information protection standards under the Critical Infrastructure Information Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 671 et seq.) and part 29 of title 6, Code of Federal Regulations.

(4) Assessing Department of Defense oversight of cybersecurity requirements for contractors handling covered defense information pursuant to sections 252.204–7012 of the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement.

(e) RECOMMENDATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit a report to the congressional defense committees, detailing—

(A) findings of the interagency coordination review;

(B) recommendations to enhance Department of Defense-led critical infrastructure protection efforts;

(C) proposed policy or regulatory changes to improve national defense infrastructure security and cyber resilience; and

(D) recommendations for legislative or regulatory action, if necessary, to strengthen interagency cooperation and Department of Defense implementation of critical infrastructure protection mandates.

(2) FORM.—The report under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in an unclassified form but may contain a classified annex.

(f) REPORT BY THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date on which the Secretary submits the report under subsection (e), the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the Department of Defense's implementation of the review under sub-

section (c) and an assessment of the recommendations under subsection (e).

(2) FORM.—The report under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in an unclassified form but may contain a classified annex.

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270. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SHREVE OF INDIANA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 927, after line 16, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 17___. STRATEGY TO COUNTER IRANIAN AND HEZBOLLAH INFLUENCE OPERATIONS IN LATIN AMERICA.**

(a) STRATEGY REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after 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 appropriate congressional committees a comprehensive strategy to counter Iran's and Hezbollah's propaganda, religious networks, and influence operations in Latin America.

(b) CONTENTS OF THE STRATEGY.—The strategy required under subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) Measures to address the proliferation of Iranian cultural centers in Latin America that promote Iranian ideology, including diplomatic efforts to limit their operations, sanctions on affiliated entities, and public diplomacy to expose their activities.

(2) Actions to restrict the travel and activities of Iranian emissaries, including diplomats, cultural attaches, and other agents who facilitate propaganda, radicalization, and terror-supporting networks in Latin America, through visa denials, sanctions, or other travel restrictions.

(3) Initiatives to strengthen the capacity of U.S. intelligence agencies to identify, monitor, and disrupt Iran's and Hezbollah's networks, including their cooperation academic institutions and non-governmental organizations in Latin America.

(4) A framework for taking actions, similar to those implemented against Al-Manar and Press TV, to disrupt Iran's HispanTV and Hezbollah's Al Mayadeen Espanol platforms, including sanctions, designations, and cooperation with regional partners to limit their broadcasting reach and digital presence.

(5) A plan to address Iran's Al Mustafa International University network and its affiliated entities, including their designations as foreign terrorist organizations or specially designated global terrorists, as appropriate, due to their role in radicalization and recruitment for Iran's ideological and terrorist objectives.

(c) FORM.—The strategy required in subsection (a) shall be transmitted in unclassified form and may include a classified annex.

(d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this section, the term "appropriate congressional committees" means—

(1) the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives;

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

(3) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate;

(4) the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives; and

(5) the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate.

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271. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SMITH OF NEW JERSEY OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Add at the end of subtitle E of title X the following:

**SEC. 10___. GAO REVIEW AND REPORT ON BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS EXPERIMENTS ON AND IN RELATION TO TICKS, TICK-BORNE DISEASE.**

(a) REVIEW.—The Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct a review of research conducted during the period beginning on January 1, 1945, and ending on December 31, 1972, by the Department of Defense, including by the Department of Defense in consultation with the National Institutes of Health, the Department of Agriculture, or any other Federal agency on—

(1) the use of ticks as hosts or delivery mechanisms for biological warfare agents, including experiments involving Spirochaetales and Rickettsiales; and

(2) any efforts to improve the effectiveness and viability of Spirochaetales and Rickettsiales as biological weapons through combination with other diseases or viruses.

(b) LOCATION OF RESEARCH.—In conducting the review under subsection (a), the Comptroller General shall review research conducted at facilities located inside United States and facilities located outside the United States, including laboratories and field work locations.

(c) INFORMATION TO BE REVIEWED.—

(1) CLASSIFIED INFORMATION.—In conducting the review under subsection (a), the Comptroller General shall review any relevant classified information.

(2) DOCUMENTS FOR REVIEW.—In conducting the review under subsection (a), the Comptroller General shall review, among other sources, the following documents:

(A) Technical Reports related to The Summary of Major Events and Problems, US Army Chemical Corps, FY 1951 – FY1969.

(B) Site Holding: CB DT DW 48158 Title: Virus and Rickettsia Waste Disposal Study. Technical Report No. 103, January 1969. Corp Author Name: FORT DETRICK FREDERICK MD Report Number: SMUFD-TR-103 Publish Date: 19690101.

(C) Site Holding: CB DT DW 60538 Title: A Plaque Assay System for Several Species of Rickettsia. Corp Author Name: FORT DETRICK FREDERICK MD Report Number: SMUFD-TM-538 Publish Date: 19690601.

(D) Site Holding: CB DW 531493 Title: Progress Report for Ecology and Epidemiology and Biological Field Test Technology, Third Quarter FY 1967. Corp Author Name: ARMY DUGWAY PROVING GROUND UT Publish Date: 19670508.

(d) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General shall submit to Congress a report that includes the following:

(A) The scope of any research described in subsection (a).

(B) Whether any ticks used in such research were released outside of any facility (including any ticks that were released unintentionally).

(C) Whether any records related to such research were destroyed, and whether such destruction was intentional or unintentional.

(2) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required under paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may contain a classified annex.

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272. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SORENSEN OF ILLINOIS OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of title XXVIII, add the following:

**SEC. 28___. EXTENSION OF DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY PILOT PROGRAM FOR DEVELOPMENT AND USE OF ONLINE REAL ESTATE INVENTORY TOOL.**

Section 2866(h) 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 by striking "September 30, 2026" and inserting "September 30, 2030".

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273. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE STAUBER OF MINNESOTA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle A of title XII, add the following:

**SEC. 12__. MODIFICATION OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE STATE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM.**

Section 341(e)(1)(A) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end before the semicolon the following: ", including costs incurred with respect to activities beginning in one fiscal year and ending not later than the end of the first fiscal year thereafter".

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274. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE STAUBER OF MINNESOTA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title V, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 5___. FEASIBILITY STUDY REGARDING FUNERAL HONORS DUTY.**

(a) STUDY REQUIRED.—The Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Under Secretary of Memorial Affairs of the Department of Veterans Affairs, shall conduct a feasibility study to—

(1) determine how the Secretary can provide funeral honors details under section 1491 of title 10, United States Code, without negatively affecting the ability of the National Guard Bureau to fulfil operational and mission requirements;

(2) identify policies and practices that could prevent lapses in such provision; and

(3) identify ways to fully compensate veterans service organizations for expenses incurred in assisting the Secretary provide funeral honors details.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after completion, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report containing the results of the study under this section.

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275. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE STAUBER OF MINNESOTA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title I, add the following new section:

**SEC. 1___. PLAN FOR RECAPITALIZATION AND MODERNIZATION OF THE FIGHTER FLEET OF THE AIR NATIONAL GUARD.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Air Force, in consultation with the Director of the Air National Guard, shall develop a plan for the recapitalization and modernization of the fighter fleet of the Air National Guard.

(b) ELEMENT.—The plan required under subsection (a) shall include—

(1) measures to sustain and recapitalize the fighter fleet of the Air National Guard, including each of the 25 Air National Guard fighter aircraft squadrons;

(2) a timeline for the recapitalization of such fighter fleet, disaggregated by fighter aircraft squadron and fiscal year;

(3) the estimated costs of the proposed recapitalization plan; and

(4) an explanation of the expected impact of the plan on operational and personnel readiness.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than July 1, 2026, the Secretary of the Air Force shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a report on the plan developed under subsection (a).

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276. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE STAUBER OF MINNESOTA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title VIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 8___. CRITICAL AND RARE EARTH MINERAL SUPPLY CHAIN STUDY.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Resilience, in coordination with the Secretary of the Interior, Secretary of Energy, and the Director of the United States Geological Survey, shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services and Natural Resources of the House of Representatives a report on the feasibility of reshoring domestic critical and rare earth mineral mining and production.

(b) CONTENTS.—The report required under subsection (a) shall include—

(1) an identification of the strategic and critical materials used by the Department of Defense;

(2) an assessment of the reliability of the domestic supply chains for critical and rare earth minerals and the reliance for

such critical and rare earth minerals on sources that are located in People's Republic of China or related to or subject to the control of People's Republic of China or the Chinese Communist Party;

(3) an identification of the domestic and international sources for the strategic and critical materials identified under paragraph (1);

(4) an identification of domestic locations with existing commercial manufacturing interest that are verified as containing large supplies of strategic and critical materials identified under paragraph (1);

(5) a strategy to reshore critical and rare earth mineral production to the United States; and

(6) a plan to implement the strategy required by paragraph (5), including a timeline for such implementation.

(c) STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MATERIALS DEFINED.—In this section, the term "strategic and critical materials" has the meaning given such term in section 12 of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50

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277. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE STEFANIK OF NEW YORK OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 925, line 18, insert "or cameras" after "systems".

Page 925, line 23, insert "or cameras" after "systems".

Page 926, line 6, insert "or in the 5150–5850 MHz band, governed by part 15 of title 47, Code of Federal Regulations (or successor regulations)," before "that is designed".

Page 926, line 7, insert "licensed," after "manufactured,".

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278. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE STEFANIK OF NEW YORK OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XII, add the following:

**SEC. 12___. U.S.-ISRAEL DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE HARMONIZATION.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Under Secretary for Acquisition and Sustainment, shall convene the U.S.-Israel Defense Industrial Base Working Group to study the potential for defense industrial base integration between the United States and Israel, including the possibility of inclusion into the national technology and industrial base (as defined in section 4801 of title 10, United States Code).

(b) PROTECTION OF SENSITIVE INFORMATION.—Any activity carried out pursuant to the authority provided by subsection (a) shall be conducted in a manner that appropriately protects sensitive information and the national security interests of the United States and Israel.

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279. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE STEUBE OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle D of title X, add the following new section:

**SEC. 10____. CEREMONIAL HORSES ADOPTION PROGRAM OF THE ARMY.**

Section 2583(c) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking "A military animal" and inserting, "Except as provided in paragraph (3), a military animal"; and

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

"(3) If the Secretary of the Army determines that an adoption or transfer of a horse used in any ceremonial horse program of the Army is justified under subsection (a), the Secretary shall follow the recommended priority order in paragraph (1) except that the Secretary shall give first priority to making the horse available for transfer to a State, local, municipal, or Tribal law enforcement agency capable of humanely caring for the horse (including by demonstrating the capability to adequately care, house, and train the horse).".

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280. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE STEUBE OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title XII, add the following:

**SEC. 12____. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF ANNUAL REPORT ON MILITARY POWER OF IRAN.**

(a) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—Subsection (b) of section 1245 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (10 U.S.C. 113 note) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1)—

(A) by redesignating subparagraphs (B), (C), (D), and (E) as subparagraphs (D), (E), (F) and (G), respectively;

(B) by adding after subparagraph (A) the following subparagraphs:

"(B) the evolving use of terrorism in Iran's security strategy, be it direct or indirect via proxy;

"(C) evolving thresholds for the use of direct and attributable force by Iran;".

(C) in subparagraph (F), by striking "and" at the end;

(D) in subparagraph (G), by striking the period at the end and inserting "; and"; and

(E) by adding after subparagraph (G) the following subparagraph:

"(H) how Iran believes an integrated American, Arab, and Israeli regional security architecture focused on intelligence sharing, air and missile defense, and maritime security would create challenges for Iranian grand strategy, security strategy, and military strategy.";

(2) in paragraph (2)—

(A) by redesignating subparagraphs (C) and (D) as subparagraphs (D) and (E), respectively;

(B) in subparagraph (D), by striking "; and" at the end; and

(C) by adding after subparagraph (B) the following subparagraph:

"(C) a summary of Iran's procurement of advanced conventional capabilities from Russia and the impact of these procurements on Iran's military capabilities, Israel's Qualitative Military Edge, and Iran's conventional forces as assessed under subparagraph (B);";

(3) in paragraph (3)—

(A) in subparagraph (C), by inserting "any Iraqi Shia-militia operating under the auspices of the 'Islamic Resistance,'" after "the Badr Organization,";

(B) in subparagraph (E), by striking the semicolon at the end and inserting ", including United States forces in Iraq, Syria, Jordan, and the Red Sea;"

(C) in subparagraph (I)(ii), by striking "and activities; and" and inserting ", assets, and critical infrastructure; and";

(D) in subparagraph (J), by striking "ability to manipulate the information environment both domestically and against the interests of the United States and its allies; and" and inserting "information warfare efforts designed to oppress the Iranian people and undermine the United States, its allies, and its interests;"

(C) in subparagraph (K), by striking the period at the end and inserting "; and"; and

(D) by adding at the end the following subparagraph:

"(L) an assessment of the military power of Iranian proxies and partners, including Hezbollah, Hamas, Palestine Islamic Jihad, Ansar Allah, and Iraqi and Syrian proxies.";

(4) in paragraph (4)—

(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking "nuclear weapons capabilities and developments" and inserting "nuclear weapons-related advances, including growth of atomic infrastructure, fissile material inventories and purity, and weaponization-related activities";

(B) by redesignating subparagraphs (G) as subparagraph (I);

(C) in subparagraph (F), by striking "to the Middle East and Europe; and" and inserting "globally;"; and

(D) by adding after subparagraph (F) the following subparagraphs:

"(G) a detailed analysis of the domestic and foreign supply chains supporting Iran's drone program;

"(H) a detailed assessment of the domestic production capacity by Iran's proxies in the Middle East of long-range strike capabilities, to include mortars, IRAMs, rockets, drones, cruise missiles, and ballistic missiles; and";

(5) in paragraph (5), by striking "nuclear development, ballistic missiles, and chemical, biological, and advanced conventional weapons, weapon systems, and delivery vehicles" and inserting "nuclear weapons, missiles and drones, and chemical, biological, and advanced conventional weapons and their delivery vehicles"; and

(6) in paragraph (8)—

(A) by striking "or any foreign terrorist organization." and inserting "the Badr Organization, any other foreign terrorist organization, or any special designated global terrorist.";

(B) by striking "the Bashar al-Assad regime," and inserting "the Russian Federation, elements of the former Bashar al-Assad regime,"; and

(C) by inserting "Ansarallah," after "Hamas,".

(b) DEFINITIONS.—Subsection (c) of such section is amended—

(1) in paragraph (3), by striking the period at the end and inserting "regardless of whether they are surface-to-surface or anti-ship missiles."; and

(2) in paragraph (4), by striking the period at the end and inserting "regardless of whether they are surface-to-surface or anti-ship missiles.".

(c) TERMINATION.—Subsection (d) of such section is amended by striking "December 31, 2026" and inserting "December 31, 2030".

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281. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE STEUBE OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title VII, add the following new section:

**SEC. 7__. PLAN AND REPORT BY DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY RELATING TO CHIROPRACTIC CLINICS AT MILITARY INSTALLATIONS.**

(a) PLAN.—The Director of the Defense Health Agency shall develop a plan to—

(1) reopen any clinic at a military installation if, before the date of the enactment of this Act, such clinic—

(A) offered chiropractic services; and

(B) was closed; and

(2) pay chiropractors stationed at military installations under the General Schedule.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than March 31, 2026, the Director of the Defense Health Agency shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate a report on the plan developed under subsection (a).

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282. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE STEUBE OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the appropriate place in subtitle E of title XVI, insert the following:

**SEC. 16___. SENSE OF CONGRESS WITH RESPECT TO ARROW INTERCEPTOR PRODUCTION CAPACITY AND INVENTORY.**

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) it is in the national security interest of the United States to help allies and partners of the United States, including Israel, strengthen—

(A) the air and missile defense capability of such allies and partners; and

(B) the capacity of such allies and partners against common threats;

(2) such efforts help deter and defeat aggression that threatens—

(A) allies;

(B) forward-positioned members of the Armed Forces; and

(C) Americans residing in allied countries; and

(3) increased partner air and missile defense capacity also reduces demand on the Armed Forces.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than the first March 1 following the date of the enactment of this section, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on cooperation between the United States and Israel with respect to increased production capacity and inventory of the Arrow interceptor. Such report shall include:

(1) An assessment of Israel's Arrow missile defense system capacity as of the date of the enactment of this section, including launchers and interceptors.

(2) An assessment of the current supply base for such system and how such supply base can be strengthened.

(3) A detailed summary of the steps the Department of Defense is taking in cooperation with industry and the State of Israel to increase Arrow missile defense production capacity and inventory.

(4) An identification of any challenges or obstacles encountered and current plans to address such challenges or obstacles.

(5) Specific authorities or appropriations that Congress could provide to expedite and expand efforts to increase Arrow missile defense system production capacity and the number of deployed systems and interceptors.

(6) An assessment of what additional steps would be required to establish a fully redundant Arrow production capacity in the United States.

(c) FORM.—The report described in this section shall be submitted in unclassified form but may contain a classified annex.

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283. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE STEUBE OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XII, add the following:

**SEC. 12__. REPORT ON U.S.-ISRAEL MILITARY EXERCISES.**

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) conducting regular military exercises of increasing complexity with the State of Israel that involve air, sea, ground, space, and cyberspace forces supports the national security interests of the United States;

(2) these military exercises should include other regional partners as well when feasible; and

(3) these military exercises strengthen the readiness of U.S. forces and those of our partners, bolster their ability to operate together, reinforce deterrence, and support regional security.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter for a period not to exceed 3 years, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report that includes the following:

(1) A list of Department of Defense exercises that included Israel over the previous 12 months.

(2) A detailed description of—

(A) the capabilities and missions rehearsed in each exercise;

(B) how each exercise rehearsed new or more challenging combat capabilities and scenarios;

(C) how each exercise improved the readiness and capabilities of participating militaries and strengthened their ability to operate together; and

(D) the resources that would be needed to conduct more frequent and beneficial U.S.-Israel military exercises.

(3) A plan to increase the complexity of exercises and invite other regional partners to participate.

(c) FORM.—The report required by subsection (b) shall be in written form and transmitted in an unclassified manner and may contain a classified annex.

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284. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE STRONG OF ALABAMA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title III, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 3___. REVISING THE PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTS FOR PERFORMANCE OF FIREFIGHTING OR SECURITY-GUARD FUNCTIONS.**

Section 2465 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (4), by inserting "or security-guard" after "firefighting" each place such term appears; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:

"(5) An installation access control security guard contract to be carried out at an installation with less than 300 permanently assigned enlisted members in grades below E-7 and entitled to basic pay."; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

"(c) INAPPLICABILITY DURING WAR OR NATIONAL EMERGENCY.—The provisions of this section shall not apply during war or during a period of war or national emergency declared by the President or an Act of Congress.".

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285. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SUBRAMANYAM OF VIRGINIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title III, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 3___. REPORT ON USE OF ULTRA-SHORT TAKEOFF AND LANDING AIRCRAFT FOR LAST MILE LOGISTICS AND DISASTER RESPONSE OPERATIONS.**

Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Chief of Staff of the Air Force, in coordination with the Commander of United States Special Operations Command, shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives a report on the integration potential and value of ultra-short takeoff and landing aircraft. The report required under this section shall include—

(1) an assessment of the comparative cost efficiencies and operational advantages provided by ultra-short takeoff and landing aircraft in contested logistics and disaster response scenarios;

(2) identification of critical capability gaps in last-mile or last-tactical-mile logistics where such aircraft could serve as a force multiplier;

(3) an evaluation of specific mission sets and end users across the Indo-Pacific theater that could benefit from the deployment of such aircraft, especially mission sets related to homeland disaster response, humanitarian relief, wildfire suppression, or emergency resupply;

(4) options and timelines to accelerate the development, testing, and integration of such aircraft into U.S. Air Force and U.S. Special Operations Command capability portfolios; and

(5) an assessment of current testing and development, the development of operational concept development (CONOPS), and Tactics, Techniques, and Procedures (TTP) formulation for ultra-short takeoff and landing aircraft.

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286. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE TENNEY OF NEW YORK OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title VIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 8___. AMENDMENT TO REQUIREMENT FOR DOMESTIC STAINLESS STEEL FLATWARE AND DINNERWARE.**

Section 842 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (Public Law 118–159; 10 U.S.C. 4862 note) is amended by striking subsection (c).

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287. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER OF OHIO OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10___. ASSESSMENT OF INTEGRATION OF JOINT COMBATANT COMMANDER EXERCISE TEAM INTO LARGE SCALE EXERCISES OF UNITED STATES INDO-PACIFIC COMMAND.**

Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of the Act, the Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command shall submit to the congressional defense committees an assessment of the ways in which a standing Joint and Combatant Commander Exercise Team supported by experienced former members of the Armed Forces could be integrated into Department of Defense con-

cepts of operations in support of coalition, joint, and combatant commander large scale exercises.

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288. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER OF OHIO OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, insert the following:

**SEC. 10___. REPORT ON DEVELOPMENT AND DEPLOYMENT OF THE NAVAL AUTONOMOUS DATA COLLECTION SYSTEM.**

Not later than April 15, 2026, the Secretary of the Navy shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the development and deployment of the Naval Autonomous Data Collection System. Such report shall include information about the progress of establishing the program, projected benchmarks for fiscal year 2027, and any impediments to meeting these goals.

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289. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER OF OHIO OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle H of title VIII, insert the following new section:

**SEC. 8___. CYBERSECURITY REGULATORY PLAN.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than June 1, 2026, the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense, in coordination with the Chief Information Officer of each military department, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a plan to reduce the cybersecurity regulatory burden on the Defense Industrial Base.

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—The plan required by subsection (a) shall include—

(1) a process for assessing future proposed cybersecurity contractual requirements for duplication;

(2) a process for coordinating and centralizing approved cybersecurity requirements; and

(3) a coordination mechanism with industry to characterize the industry position on any new cybersecurity contractual requirements, to include a cost-estimate, a cost-benefit analysis, and an assessment as to whether the control is considered duplicative to existing security controls.

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290. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE VAN ORDEN OF WISCONSIN OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XIII, add the following:

**SEC. 13__. SUPPORT FOR TAIWAN TO IMPROVE THE RESILIENCE AND SECURITY OF ITS ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE.**

The President should take such actions as may be necessary to—

(1) consistent with the Taiwan Relations Act (22 U.S.C. 3301 et seq.), support efforts to strengthen Taiwan's ability to withstand any potential blockade or embargo, in whole or in part, including by exploring opportunities for training and support to the Taiwan Navy with respect to convoy operations involving liquefied natural gas; and

(2) ensure Taiwan is eligible for energy security and diversification efforts undertaken by the United States pursuant to section 2004 of the European Energy Security and Diversification Act of 2019, including by providing Taiwan with access to same liquified natural gas programs as European countries.

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291. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE VAN ORDEN OF WISCONSIN OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle E of title X, add the following new section:

**SEC. 10___. REPORT ON OPTIONS FOR ESTABLISHING A DIGITAL ENGAGEMENT FRAMEWORK FOR ADDRESSING RECRUITMENT, RETENTION, AND READINESS CHALLENGES.**

(a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate a report on options for establishing a digital engagement framework for the purpose of addressing recruitment, retention, and readiness challenges facing the Armed Forces by—

(1) leveraging community-driven digital platforms available to members of the Armed Forces and the family members and caregivers of such members;

(2) improving the use and awareness of benefits or services available under the Transition Assistance Program and other programs of the Department of Defense; and

(3) positioning service in the Armed Forces as a premier pathway for achieving full human potential.

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

(1) With respect to any benefit, service, or program of the Department for members of the Armed Forces (including members of the Armed Forces participating in the Transition Assistance Program), or family members or caregivers of such members, the following:

(A) an assessment of digital engagement capabilities, including—

(i) survey design, implementation, or analysis capabilities to identify any such benefit, service, or program that is underused by such individuals;

(ii) internal marketing capabilities to promote such benefits, services, or programs;

(iii) strategic content development highlighting available opportunities with respect to such benefits, services, or programs;

(iv) collaborative networks with subject matter experts relating to the subject matter of such benefits, services, or programs; and

(v) advanced data management capabilities (including geolocation, demographic, and segment analytics) to ensure targeted outreach connects such individuals with such benefits, services, or programs;

(B) an identification of any such capabilities that have a demonstrated history of high user engagement, involve real-time responsiveness features, and provide resource-ag-

nostic connectivity to any such benefit, service, or program; and

(C) an evaluation of how comprehensive community management across digital platforms that are geographically diverse but interconnected can improve the use and awareness of such benefits, services, or programs, by such individuals.

(2) An assessment of potential partnerships with nonprofit organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 that the Secretary determines have a demonstrated history of—

(A) managing large-scale digital communities serving the individuals specified in paragraph (1), including across multiple time zones; and

(B) funding health and wellness initiatives for such individuals and improving retention in health care services and reduced rates of relapse among such individuals.

(3) Recommendations by the Secretary for the potential establishment of one or more pilot programs to test digital engagement solutions for the purpose specified in paragraph (1), measure the effects of such solutions with respect to the challenges specified in such paragraph, and evaluate the cost-effectiveness of such solutions, including recommendations on—

(A) potential actions under the pilot program to stress-test digital platforms under mobilization surge conditions to simulate the rapid onboarding of large numbers of members of the Armed Forces and family members of such members during contingency operations; and

(B) the potential use of funds appropriated to the Department or other funding mechanisms available to the Department to carry out such pilot program.

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292. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE WEBSTER OF FLORIDA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Subtitle G of title VI is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

**SEC. 6___. REPORT ON MILITARY CAMPING AND RECREATIONAL PARK PROGRAM.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—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 a report describing how each military department administers military camping and recreational parks to ensure such parks are equally accessible to all persons authorized to use such parks.

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

(1) A list of military camping and recreational vehicle parks that includes the location of each park and an identification of the military department that administers such park.

(2) An estimate of the average number of members of the Armed Forces and veterans who use each facility in a year, disaggregated by members of an active component, members of a reserve component, and veterans.

(3) A list of such parks that allow users to stay more than 30 days during any 90-day period.

(4) A list of such parks that allow users to live at a park full-time.

(5) An explanation of the differences between the policies that apply to such parks and the policies that apply to other morale, welfare, and recreation facilities of the Department of Defense that do not allow persons to stay more than 30 days.

(6) A description of any additional authorities or resources the Secretary determines are necessary to increase capacity and to ensure such parks are equally accessible to all persons authorized to use such parks.

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293. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE WHITESIDES OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title III, insert the following:

**SEC. 3___. AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY CENTERS TO ENHANCE WORKFORCE TRAINING IN CERTAIN CRITICAL SKILLS.**

(a) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Defense may establish Advanced Technology Centers at community colleges with workforce programs that include a critical national production facility. An Advanced Technology Center established under this subsection shall provide workforce training in covered critical skills.

(b) COVERED CRITICAL SKILLS.—In this section, the term "covered critical skills" means any of the following:

(1) Advanced composite material layup.

(2) Advanced coatings applications.

(3) Computer numerical control manufacturing.

(4) Aircraft mechanical assembly and integrated circuit development, including with respect to aircraft such as B–21 and F–35.

(5) welding, pipefitting, and metal fabrication related to vessel construction, repair and maintenance.

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294. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE WHITESIDES OF CALIFORNIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle C of title II, add the following new section:

**SEC. 2___. REPORT ON RESEARCH RELATING TO THE UPPER ATMOSPHERE AND NEAR-SPACE ENVIRONMENT.**

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the upper atmosphere and near-space environment are important to Air Force and Joint operations worldwide and the operational and threat environments that U.S. assets are likely to encounter;

(2) research is needed to study atmospheric phenomenology and develop technologies for continuous monitoring and detection of encroachment and adversarial effects in the atmosphere;

(3) research on atmospheric signatures and dynamics in the upper atmosphere and the development of predictive techniques to ensure observational and operational superiority would be beneficial for Air Force missions; and

(4) the Secretary of the Air Force should conduct additional research in these areas.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of the Air Force, shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report that includes the following:

(1) An assessment of intelligence activities and other competitive activities undertaken by foreign nations with respect to the upper atmosphere and near-space environment.

(2) A comprehensive strategy to address the upper atmosphere and near-space environment, which shall include requirements for high-altitude, long-duration, and heavy-lift propulsion systems and platforms.

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295. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLIAMS OF GEORGIA OR HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Page 429, after line 3, insert the following new subparagraph:

(M) Cervical cancer.

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296. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

Add at the end of subtitle D of title XII the following:

**SEC. 12___. STRATEGY.**

Not later than 300 days after the enactment of this Act the Department of Defense shall submit a strategy to the House Armed Services Committee and Senate Armed Services Committee relating to raising the issue of political prisoners in Pakistan, including former Prime Minister Imran Khan, in all military-to-military engagements with the military of Pakistan.

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297. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, add the following:

**SEC. 17__. STRATEGY TO ENCOURAGE DEFECTIONS FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF IRAN.**

(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 develop and submit to Congress a strategy aimed at encouraging defections by senior Iranian security officials and members of the armed forces.

(b) STRATEGY DESCRIBED.—The strategy required under subsection (a) shall include—

(1) identification of mechanisms to securely communicate with potential defectors;

(2) measures providing assurances of safety and security to defectors and their families;

(3) establishment of a dedicated interagency working group tasked with managing defections, ensuring defector safety, verifying information provided by defectors, and mitigating potential intelligence risks;

(4) incentives for defectors who can provide actionable intelligence about regime operations, including potential financial assistance, employment support, and housing assistance in coordination with relevant domestic agencies;

(5) measures for publicizing successful defections, when appropriate and consistent with security protocols, to encourage additional defections within the regime; and

(6) coordination with international partners to share best practices, jointly facilitate defections, and ensure defectors receive international protection, as needed.

(c) FORM.—The strategy required under subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may contain a classified annex if necessary.

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298. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA OR HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES

**SEC. 8___. REPORT ON WAIVERS OF SECURITY REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN SOFTWARE CONTRACTS.**

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 report on contracts awarded to offerors of software applications and software services for which a waiver of security requirements relating to such applications and services has been granted. Such report shall include the following:

(1) The name of the software application or service.

(2) The number and type of waivers that were granted to statutes, regulations, and policies.

(3) A comprehensive justification for granting the waiver instead of awarding the contract to a compliant offeror.

PART B—TEXT OF AMENDMENT TO H.R. 3486 CONSIDERED AS ADOPTED

Page 7, line 2, strike "subsection (a)—" and all that follows through "who was convicted before" and insert "subsection (a) who was convicted before".

Page 7, line 5, redesignate subparagraph (A) as paragraph (1).

Page 7, line 6, resdesignate subparagraph (B) as paragraph (2).

Page 7, line 9, resdesignate subparagraph (C) as paragraph (3).

Page 7, line 10, strike "; or" and insert a comma at the end.

Page 7, strike lines 11 and 12.

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