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To provide a schedule for production of elements for a national missile defense system.

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Mr. MCINTOSH (for himself, Mr. PITTS, Mr. ROHRABACHER, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. TANCREDI, Mr. BLILEY, Mrs. CHENOWETH, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. ISTOOK, and Mr. SESSIONS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

A BILL

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “American People Pro-
5 tection Act of 1999”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress makes the following findings:

1 (1) The United States possesses various tech-
2 nologies that are inherently useful for defending
3 against ballistic missiles.

4 (2) The executive branch has heretofore man-
5 aged the development of these technologies in ways
6 that have delayed the availability of missile defense
7 for the United States while raising the cost and re-
8 ducing the usefulness of individual devices.

9 **SEC. 3. DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE.**

10 (a) PROTOTYPE FOR NAVY THEATER WIDE SYS-
11 TEM.—The Secretary of Defense, acting through the Di-
12 rector of the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, shall
13 produce before or during the year 2001 a prototype inter-
14 ceptor missile for the Navy Theater Wide system, with an
15 interceptor velocity of 4.5 kilometers per second or great-
16 er. The Theater Wide system shall be designed—

17 (1) so that the system's interceptor missiles
18 each have the capability to receive information from
19 the Space-Based Infrared Sensors (SBIRS)-low sat-
20 ellite network, allowing them to proceed to terminal
21 homing; and

22 (2) so as to operate with systems that sub-
23 stitute for the radar from which the interceptor is
24 launched.

1 (b) PRODUCTION OF INITIAL SBIRS-LOW SAT-
2 ELLITE.—The Secretary of Defense, acting through the
3 Director of the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization,
4 shall produce before or during the year 2002 the first sat-
5 ellite of the Space-Based Infrared Sensors (SBIRS)-low
6 system. That satellite shall include—

7 (1) a long-wave infrared sensor for viewing the
8 coldest warheads; and

9 (2) software capable of communicating with in-
10 dividual interceptors.

11 (c) SPACE-BASED LASER IN-FLIGHT EXPERI-
12 MENT.—The Secretary of Defense, acting through the Di-
13 rector of the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, shall
14 conduct before or during the year 2003 an in-flight experi-
15 ment of the Space-Based laser.

16 (d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 45 days
17 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
18 of Defense, acting through the Director of the Ballistic
19 Missile Defense Organization, shall submit to Congress a
20 report describing the specific funding required, and any
21 regulatory relief required, to carry out each of subsections
22 (a), (b), and (c) within the time period stated in that sub-
23 section.

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