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To require the Secretary of Defense to submit to Congress a report on production alternatives for the Joint Strike Fighter program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MCKEON (for himself and Ms. SANCHEZ) 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. STUDY OF PRODUCTION ALTERNATIVES FOR 4 THE JOINT STRIKE FIGHTER PROGRAM.

5 (a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days 6 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary 7 of Defense shall submit to Congress a report providing 8 the results of a study of production alternatives for the 9 Joint Strike Fighter aircraft program and the effects on

1	the tactical fighter aircraft industrial base of each alter-
2	native considered.
3	(b) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report under
4	subsection (a) shall include the following:
5	(1) Examination of alternative production strat-
6	egies for the program, including—
7	(A) production of all aircraft under the
8	program at one location;
9	(B) production at dual locations; and
10	(C) production at multiple locations using
11	facilities of the existing bomber and fighter air-
12	craft production base.
13	(2) Identification of each major Government or
14	industry facility that is a potential location for pro-
15	duction of such aircraft.
16	(3) Identification of the anticipated costs of
17	production of that aircraft at each facility identified
18	pursuant to paragraph (2) under each of the alter-
19	native production strategies examined pursuant to
20	paragraph (1), based upon a reasonable profile for
21	the annual procurement of that aircraft once it en-
22	ters production.
23	(4) A comparison, for each such production
24	strategy, of the anticipated costs of carrying out
25	production of that aircraft at each such location

1	with the costs of carrying out such production at
2	each of the other such locations.
3	(c) Cost Comparison.—In identifying costs under
4	subsection $(b)(3)$ and carrying out the cost comparisons
5	required by subsection (b)(4), the Secretary shall include
6	consideration of each of the following factors:
7	(1) State tax credits.
8	(2) State and local incentives.
9	(3) Skilled resident workforce.
10	(4) Supplier and technical support bases.
11	(5) Available stealth production facilities.
12	(6) Environmental standards.
13	(7) Location, as compared to test facilities.