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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. NYE 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 “Restoring Congres-
5 sional Oversight and Strengthening Military Jointness
6 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. OPERATIONS OF UNITED STATES JOINT FORCES**
2 **COMMAND.**

3 (a) CONDITIONS ON DISESTABLISHMENT, CLOSURE,
4 REALIGNMENT, AND WORKLOAD REDUCTIONS.—The Sec-
5 retary of Defense shall not take any action to effect or
6 implement the disestablishment, closure, or realignment of
7 the United States Joint Forces Command or conduct any
8 workload reductions of civilian personnel of the United
9 States Joint Forces Command until—

10 (1) the report required by subsection (b) is sub-
11 mitted to the congressional defense committees;

12 (2) the independent assessment required by
13 subsection (c) is submitted to the congressional de-
14 fense committees; and

15 (3) a period of 30 legislative days or 60 cal-
16 endar days, whichever is longer, expires following the
17 day on which the assessment referred to in para-
18 graph (2) has been submitted.

19 (b) REPORT.—If the Secretary of Defense proposes
20 to disestablish, close, or realign the United States Joint
21 Forces Command or conduct any workload reductions of
22 civilian personnel of the Command, the Secretary shall
23 submit to the congressional defense committees and the
24 Comptroller General of the United States a report con-
25 taining each of the following:

1 (1) The proposal to disestablish, close, realign,
2 or conduct workload reductions of civilian personnel
3 of the United States Joint Forces Command.

4 (2) A detailed plan of action, including func-
5 tions terminated, retained, reduced, or expanded,
6 and the resulting impact on projected contractor and
7 civilian personnel.

8 (3) A list of alternatives considered before the
9 disestablishment of the Command, such as consoli-
10 dation of similar functions into United States Joint
11 Forces Command.

12 (4) An evaluation of the impacts of the proposal
13 on Federal budgets, including specific cost savings
14 and increases anticipated for the Department of De-
15 fense and other Federal agencies.

16 (5) An estimate of the anticipated costs of
17 shifting workload to military and civilian personnel
18 under a new command.

19 (6) An assessment of the local economic and
20 employment impacts of the proposal.

21 (7) An assessment of the impacts of expertise
22 lost if members of the civilian and contractor work-
23 force refuse to relocate under the proposal.

1 (8) A review on the impact of the proposal on
2 the joint training, operations, and activities of the
3 Armed Forces.

4 (9) A notional time-line to implement the pro-
5 posal.

6 (10) A certification that the proposal will not
7 result in a negative degradation to readiness and on-
8 going and future operations.

9 (c) INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT.—Not later than
10 120 days after receiving the report required by subsection
11 (b), the Comptroller General shall submit to the congres-
12 sional defense committees an assessment of the proposal
13 contained in the report.

14 (d) LEGISLATIVE DAY DEFINED.—For purposes of
15 subsection (a)(3), the term “legislative day” means a day
16 on which either House of Congress is in session.

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