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To provide installation reutilization authority for arsenals, depots, and plants.

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Mr. LOEBSACK (for himself, Mrs. BUSTOS, Mr. TONKO, and Mr. GIBSON) 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. INSTALLATION REUTILIZATION AUTHORITY**

4 **FOR ARSENALS, DEPOTS, AND PLANTS.**

5 (a) MODIFIED AUTHORITY.—In the case of a military
6 manufacturing arsenal, depot, or plant, the Secretary of
7 the Army may authorize leases and contracts under sec-
8 tion 2667 of title 10, United States Code, for a term of
9 up to 25 years, notwithstanding subsection (b)(1) of such
10 section, if the Secretary determines that a lease or con-

1 tract of that duration will promote the national defense
2 or be in the public interest for the purpose of—

3 (1) helping to maintain the viability of the mili-
4 tary manufacturing arsenal, depot, or plant and any
5 military installations on which it is located;

6 (2) eliminating, or at least reducing, the cost of
7 Government ownership of the military manufac-
8 turing arsenal, depot, or plant, including the costs of
9 operations and maintenance, the costs of environ-
10 mental remediation, and other costs; and

11 (3) leveraging private investment at the military
12 manufacturing arsenal, depot, or plant through long-
13 term facility use contracts, property management
14 contracts, leases, or other agreements that support
15 and advance the preceding purposes.

16 (b) DELEGATION AND REVIEW PROCESS.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Army
18 may delegate the authority provided by this section
19 to the commander of the major subordinate com-
20 mand of the Army that has responsibility for the
21 military manufacturing arsenal, depot, or plant or, if
22 part of a larger military installation, the installation
23 as a whole. The commander may approve a lease or
24 contract under such authority on a case-by-case
25 basis or a class basis.

1 (2) REVIEW PERIOD.—Any lease or contract
2 that is approved utilizing the delegation authority
3 under paragraph (1) is subject to a 90-day hold pe-
4 riod so that the Army real property manager may
5 review the lease or contract pursuant to paragraph
6 (3).

7 (3) DISPOSITION OF REVIEW.—If the Army real
8 property manager disapproves of a contract or lease
9 submitted for review under paragraph (2), the agree-
10 ment shall be null and void upon transmittal by the
11 real property manager to the delegating authority of
12 a written disapproval, including a justification for
13 such disapproval, within the 90-day hold period. If
14 no such disapproval is transmitted within the 90-day
15 hold period, the agreement shall be deemed ap-
16 proved.

17 (4) APPROVAL OF REVISED AGREEMENT.—If,
18 not later than 60 days after receiving a disapproval
19 under paragraph (3), the delegating authority sub-
20 mits to the Army real property manager a new con-
21 tract or lease that addresses the Army real property
22 manager's concerns outlined in such disapproval, the
23 new contract or lease shall be deemed approved un-
24 less the Army real property manager transmits to

1 the delegating authority a disapproval of the new
2 contract or lease within 30 days of such submission.

3 (c) **MILITARY MANUFACTURING ARSENAL, DEPOT,**
4 **OR PLANT DEFINED.**—In this section, the term “military
5 manufacturing arsenal, depot, or plant” means a Govern-
6 ment-owned, Government-operated defense plant of the
7 Department of the Army that manufactures weapons,
8 weapon components, or both.

9 (d) **SUNSET.**—The authority under this section shall
10 terminate at the close of September 30, 2019.

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