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To require the Secretary of Defense to establish a program to carry out minor military construction projects to construct child development centers.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. SINEMA (for herself and Mr. CRAMER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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 “Childcare Expansion
5 for Military Families Act of 2020”.

6 **SEC. 2. TEMPORARY PROGRAM TO USE MINOR MILITARY**
7 **CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY FOR CONSTRUC-**
8 **TION OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTERS.**

9 (a) PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of De-
10 fense shall establish a program to carry out minor military

1 construction projects under section 2805 of title 10,
2 United States Code, to construct child development cen-
3 ters.

4 (b) INCREASED MAXIMUM AMOUNTS APPLICABLE TO
5 MINOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.—For the purpose of
6 any military construction project carried out under the
7 program under this section, the amount specified in sec-
8 tion 2805(a)(2) of title 10, United States Code, is deemed
9 to be \$15,000,000.

10 (c) NOTIFICATION AND APPROVAL REQUIRE-
11 MENTS.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—The notification and ap-
13 proval requirements under section 2805(b) of title
14 10, United States Code, shall remain in effect for
15 construction projects carried out under the program
16 under this section.

17 (2) PROCEDURES.—The Secretary shall estab-
18 lish procedures for the review and approval of re-
19 quests from the Secretaries of military departments
20 to carry out construction projects under the program
21 under this section.

22 (d) REPORT REQUIRED.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
24 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
25 retary of Defense shall submit to the congressional

1 defense committees a report on the program under
2 this section.

3 (2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by para-
4 graph (1) shall include a list and description of the
5 construction projects carried out under the program
6 under this section, including the location and cost of
7 each project.

8 (e) EXPIRATION OF AUTHORITY.—The authority to
9 carry out a minor military construction project under the
10 program under this section expires on September 30,
11 2022.

12 (f) CONSTRUCTION OF AUTHORITY.—Nothing in this
13 section may be construed to limit any other authority pro-
14 vided by law for a military construction project at a child
15 development center.

16 (g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

17 (1) CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER.—The term
18 “child development center” includes a facility, and
19 the utilities to support such facility, the function of
20 which is to support the daily care of children aged
21 six weeks old through 12 years old for full-day, part-
22 day, and hourly service.

23 (2) CONGRESSIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEES.—
24 The term “congressional defense committees” has

- 1 the meaning given that term in section 101(a)(16)
- 2 of title 10, United States Code.

