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## AN ACT

To make revisions in title 51, United States Code, as necessary to keep the title current, and to make technical amendments to improve the United States Code.

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

1 **SECTION 1. TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

2 The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Table of contents.

Sec. 2. Purposes; restatement does not change meaning or effect of existing law.

Sec. 3. Revision of title 51, United States Code.

Sec. 4. Technical amendments.

Sec. 5. Transitional and savings provisions.

Sec. 6. Repeals.

3 **SEC. 2. PURPOSES; RESTATEMENT DOES NOT CHANGE**  
 4 **MEANING OR EFFECT OF EXISTING LAW.**

5 (a) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this Act are—

6 (1) to make revisions in title 51, United States  
 7 Code, as necessary to keep the title current; and

8 (2) to make technical amendments to improve  
 9 the United States Code.

10 (b) RESTATEMENT DOES NOT CHANGE MEANING OR  
 11 EFFECT OF EXISTING LAW.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—The restatement of existing  
 13 law enacted by this Act does not change the mean-  
 14 ing or effect of the existing law. The restatement in-  
 15 corporates in title 51, United States Code, various  
 16 provisions that were enacted separately over a period  
 17 of years, reorganizing them, conforming style and  
 18 terminology, modernizing obsolete language, and cor-  
 19 recting drafting errors. These changes serve to re-  
 20 move ambiguities, contradictions, and other imper-  
 21 fections, but they do not change the meaning or ef-  
 22 fect of the existing law or impair the precedential

1 value of earlier judicial decisions or other interpreta-  
 2 tions.

3 (2) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—

4 (A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding the  
 5 plain meaning rule or other rules of statutory  
 6 construction, a change in wording made in the  
 7 restatement of existing law enacted by this Act  
 8 serves to clarify the existing law as indicated in  
 9 paragraph (1), but not to change the meaning  
 10 or effect of the existing law.

11 (B) REVISION NOTES.—Subparagraph (A)  
 12 applies whether or not a change in wording is  
 13 explained by a revision note appearing in a con-  
 14 gressional report accompanying this Act. If  
 15 such a revision note does appear, a court shall  
 16 consider the revision note in interpreting the  
 17 change.

18 **SEC. 3. REVISION OF TITLE 51, UNITED STATES CODE.**

19 (a) REVISION OF TITLE TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The  
 20 title table of contents of title 51, United States Code, is  
 21 amended—

22 (1) by striking the item relating to chapter 301  
 23 and inserting the following:

“301. Funding ..... 30101”;

24 (2) by striking the item relating to chapter 315  
 25 and inserting the following:

“315. Facilities and Infrastructure ..... 31501  
 “317 Through 397 .....Reserved  
 “399. Miscellaneous ..... 39901”;

1                   (3) by striking the item relating to chapter 409

2                   and inserting the following:

“409. Aeronautics and Space Technology ..... 40901  
 “411 Through 497 .....Reserved  
 “499. Miscellaneous ..... 49901”;

3                   (4) by striking the items relating to chapters

4                   513 and 515 and inserting the following:

“513. Space Resource Commercial Exploration and Utilization ..... 51301  
 “515. Office of Spaceports ..... 51501  
 “517. Development and Use of Commercial Cargo and Crew Transportation Capabilities ..... 51701”;

5                   (5) by striking the item relating to chapter 701

6                   and inserting the following:

“701. Use of Space Launch System or Alternatives ..... 70101”;

7                   and

8                   (6) by inserting after the item relating to chap-

9                   ter 713 the following:

“715. Human Space Flight and Exploration ..... 71501  
 “717. Advancing Human Space Exploration ..... 71701”.

10                  (b) REVISION OF SECTION 20144.—

11                   (1) AMENDMENTS.—Section 20144 of title 51,

12                  United States Code, is amended—

13                   (A) in subsection (a), by striking “The Ad-

14                   ministration may carry out a program to award

15                   prizes only in conformity with this section.”;

16                   and

17                   (B) in subsection (i)(4), by striking “Com-

18                   mittee on Science and Technology” and insert-

1 ing “Committee on Science, Space, and Tech-  
2 nology”.

3 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made  
4 by paragraph (1)(A) is effective on January 4, 2011.

5 (c) REVISION OF SECTION 20145.—Section 20145 of  
6 title 51, United States Code, is amended—

7 (1) by redesignating subsections (f) through (h)  
8 as subsections (g) through (i), respectively;

9 (2) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-  
10 lowing:

11 “(f) PROCEEDS.—Proceeds from leases entered into  
12 under this section shall be deposited in the Administration  
13 Construction and Environmental Compliance and Restora-  
14 tion appropriations account. The proceeds shall be avail-  
15 able for a period of 5 years, to the extent and in amounts  
16 provided in appropriations acts.”; and

17 (3) in subsection (h) (as redesignated by para-  
18 graph (1)), in the matter before paragraph (1), by  
19 striking “the date of the enactment of the National  
20 Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization  
21 Act of 2022,” and inserting “August 9, 2022,”.

22 (d) REVISION OF SECTION 20303.—Section 20303 of  
23 title 51, United States Code, is amended—

1           (1) in subsection (c), by striking “(42 U.S.C.  
2       16611(d))” and inserting “(Public Law 109–155,  
3       119 Stat. 2900)”;

4           (2) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-  
5       section (e); and

6           (3) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-  
7       lowing:

8       “(d) EVALUATION AND EXPANSION OF INTER-  
9       AGENCY CONTRIBUTION.—

10           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall  
11       evaluate and, to the extent possible—

12           “(A) expand efforts to maximize the Ad-  
13       ministration’s contribution to interagency ef-  
14       forts to enhance science, technology, engineer-  
15       ing, and mathematics education capabilities;  
16       and

17           “(B) enhance the Nation’s technological  
18       excellence and global competitiveness.

19           “(2) IDENTIFICATION IN REPORT.—The Admin-  
20       istrator shall identify the expanded efforts and en-  
21       hancements made under paragraph (1) in the annual  
22       reports required by subsection (e).”.

23       (e) REVISION OF CHAPTER 301.—

24           (1) CHAPTER HEADING.—The chapter heading  
25       of chapter 301 of title 51, United States Code, is

1 amended by striking “**APPROPRIATIONS,**  
 2 **BUDGETS, AND ACCOUNTING**” and insert-  
 3 ing “**FUNDING**”.

4 (2) CHAPTER TABLE OF CONTENTS.—

5 (A) CONTENTS.—The chapter table of con-  
 6 tents of chapter 301 of title 51, United States

7 Code is amended to read as follows:

**“SUBCHAPTER I—GENERAL PROVISIONS**

“Sec.

“30101. Prior authorization of appropriations required.

“30102. Working capital fund.

“30103. Baselines and cost controls.

“30104. Reports on estimated costs for certain programs.

“30105. Annual report on program cost and control.

**“SUBCHAPTER II—BUDGET PROVISIONS**

“30121. General budget documentation requirements.

“30122. Consideration of decadal surveys.

“30123. Two-year budget request with third-year estimate.”.

8 (B) TYPEFACE.—The chapter table of con-  
 9 tents of chapter 301 of title 51, United States  
 10 Code, as amended by subparagraph (A), is  
 11 amended so that the typeface of the subchapter  
 12 headings and the typeface of the subchapter  
 13 items conform to those appearing in other chap-  
 14 ter table of contents of title 51.

15 (3) REDESIGNATION OF EXISTING SECTIONS.—

16 Chapter 301 of title 51, United States Code, is  
 17 amended as follows:

18 (A) Section 30103 (Budgets) is redesign-  
 19 nated as section 30121, and transferred to ap-

1           pear after section 30104 (Baselines and cost  
2           controls).

3           (B) Section 30104 (Baselines and cost  
4           controls) is redesignated as section 30103.

5           (4) DESIGNATION OF SUBCHAPTERS.—Chapter  
6           301 of title 51, United States Code, is amended  
7           by—

8           (A) inserting a subchapter heading (in  
9           typeface styled like other subchapter headings  
10          in title 51) before section 30101 as follows:  
11          “SUBCHAPTER I—GENERAL PROVI-  
12          SIONS”; and

13          (B) inserting a subchapter heading (in  
14          typeface styled like other subchapter headings  
15          in title 51) before section 30121 (as redesign-  
16          ated and transferred by paragraph (3)(A)) as  
17          follows: “SUBCHAPTER II—BUDGET PRO-  
18          VISIONS”.

19          (5) REVISION OF SECTION 30103.—Section  
20          30103 (Baselines and cost controls) of title 51,  
21          United States Code (as redesignated by paragraph  
22          (3)(B)), is amended by striking “Committee on  
23          Science and Technology” and inserting “Committee  
24          on Science, Space, and Technology” in—

25                 (A) subsection (b)(2);



1 (B) subsection (c)(1);

2 (C) subsection (d)(3);

3 (D) subsection (e)(1)(A) (matter before  
4 clause (i)); and

5 (E) subsection (e)(2).

6 (6) ENACTMENT OF SECTIONS 30104 AND  
7 30105.—Chapter 301 of title 51, United States Code,  
8 is amended by inserting after section 30103 (Base-  
9 lines and cost controls) (as redesignated by para-  
10 graph (3)(B) and amended by paragraph (5)) the  
11 following:

12 **“§ 30104. Reports on estimated costs for certain pro-**  
13 **grams**

14 “For each program under the jurisdiction of the Ad-  
15 ministration for which development costs are expected to  
16 exceed \$200,000,000, the Administrator shall submit to  
17 Congress, at the time of submission of the President’s an-  
18 nual budget—

19 “(1) a 5-year budget detailing the estimated de-  
20 velopment costs of the program; and

21 “(2) an estimate of the life-cycle costs associ-  
22 ated with the program.

23 **“§ 30105. Annual report on program cost and control**

24 “(a) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than April 30 of  
25 each year, the Administrator shall submit to the Com-

1 mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the  
2 Senate and the Committee on Science, Space, and Tech-  
3 nology of the House of Representatives a report on the  
4 implementation during the preceding year of the corrective  
5 action plan referred to in section 1203(a)(4) of the Na-  
6 tional Aeronautics and Space Administration Authoriza-  
7 tion Act of 2010 (Public Law 111–267, 124 Stat. 2842).

8 “(b) CONTENTS.—A report under this section shall  
9 contain the following:

10 “(1) DESCRIPTION OF OVER-BUDGET OR DE-  
11 LAYED PROGRAMS.—For the year covered by the re-  
12 port, a description of each Administration program  
13 that has exceeded its cost baseline by 15 percent or  
14 more or is more than 2 years behind its projected  
15 development schedule.

16 “(2) CORRECTIVE PLANS.—For each program  
17 described under paragraph (1), a plan for a decrease  
18 in scope or requirements, or other measures, to be  
19 undertaken to control cost and schedule, including  
20 any cost monitoring or corrective actions undertaken  
21 pursuant to the National Aeronautics and Space Ad-  
22 ministration Authorization Act of 2005 (Public Law  
23 109–155, 119 Stat. 2895), and the amendments  
24 made by that Act.”.

1           (7) REVISION OF SECTION 30121.—Section  
2       30121 of title 51, United States Code (as redesign-  
3       nated and transferred by paragraph (3)(A)), is  
4       amended—

5           (A) in the section heading, by striking  
6       **“Budgets”** and inserting **“General budget**  
7       **documentation requirements”**; and

8           (B) in subsection (b) (matter before para-  
9       graph (1)), by striking “Committee on Science  
10      and Technology” and inserting “Committee on  
11      Science, Space, and Technology”.

12          (8) ENACTMENT OF SECTIONS 30122 AND  
13      30123.—Chapter 301 of title 51, United States Code,  
14      is amended by adding at the end the following:

15   **“§ 30122. Consideration of decadal surveys**

16      “The Administration shall take into account the cur-  
17      rent decadal surveys from the National Academies’ Space  
18      Studies Board when submitting the President’s budget re-  
19      quest to Congress.

20   **“§ 30123. Two-year budget request with third-year es-**  
21      **timate**

22      “Each fiscal year, the President shall submit to Con-  
23      gress a budget request for the Administration that in-  
24      cludes—

1 “(1) a budget request for the immediate fiscal  
2 year and the following fiscal year; and

3 “(2) budget estimates for the third fiscal  
4 year.”.

5 (f) REVISION OF SECTION 30310.—Section 30310 of  
6 title 51, United States Code, is amended by striking “Sec-  
7 tion 526(a) of the Energy Independence and Security Act  
8 of 2007 (42 U.S.C. 17142(a))” and inserting “Section  
9 526 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007  
10 (42 U.S.C. 17142)”.

11 (g) ENACTMENT OF SECTION 30311.—

12 (1) CHAPTER TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The  
13 chapter table of contents of chapter 303 of title 51,  
14 United States Code, is amended by adding at the  
15 end the following:

“30311. Counterfeit parts.”.

16 (2) ENACTMENT OF SECTION.—Chapter 303 of  
17 title 51, United States Code, is amended by adding  
18 at the end the following:

19 **“§ 30311. Counterfeit parts**

20 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall plan,  
21 develop, and implement a program, in coordination with  
22 other Federal agencies, to detect, track, catalog, and re-  
23 duce the number of counterfeit electronic parts in the Ad-  
24 ministration supply chain.

1       “(b) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out the program,  
2 the Administrator shall establish—

3               “(1) counterfeit part identification training for  
4 all employees who procure, process, distribute, and  
5 install electronic parts that will—

6                       “(A) teach employees how to identify coun-  
7 terfeit parts;

8                       “(B) educate employees on procedures to  
9 follow if they suspect a part is counterfeit;

10                      “(C) regularly update employees on new  
11 threats, identification techniques, and reporting  
12 requirements; and

13                      “(D) integrate industry associations, man-  
14 ufacturers, suppliers, and other Federal agen-  
15 cies, as appropriate;

16               “(2) an internal database to track all suspected  
17 and confirmed counterfeit electronic parts that will  
18 maintain, at a minimum—

19                      “(A) companies and individuals known and  
20 suspected of selling counterfeit parts;

21                      “(B) parts known and suspected of being  
22 counterfeit, including lot and date codes, part  
23 numbers, and part images;

24                      “(C) countries of origin;

25                      “(D) sources of reporting;

1 “(E) United States Customs seizures; and

2 “(F) Government-Industry Data Exchange

3 Program reports and other public- or private-

4 sector database notifications; and

5 “(3) a mechanism—

6 “(A) to report all information on suspected

7 and confirmed counterfeit electronic parts to

8 law enforcement agency databases, industry as-

9 sociation databases, and other databases; and

10 “(B) to issue bulletins to industry on coun-

11 terfeit electronic parts and related counterfeit

12 activity.

13 “(c) REVIEW OF PROCUREMENT AND ACQUISITION

14 POLICY.—

15 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In establishing the pro-

16 gram, the Administrator shall amend acquisition and

17 procurement policy in effect on October 11, 2010, to

18 require the purchase of electronic parts from trusted

19 or approved manufacturers. To determine trusted or

20 approved manufacturers, the Administrator shall es-

21 tablish a list, assessed and adjusted at least annu-

22 ally, and create criteria for manufacturers to meet

23 in order to be placed on the list.

24 “(2) CRITERIA.—The criteria may include—

25 “(A) authentication or encryption codes;

1 “(B) embedded security markings in parts;

2 “(C) unique, hard-to-copy labels and mark-

3 ings;

4 “(D) identification of distinct lot and serial

5 codes on external packaging;

6 “(E) radio frequency identification embed-

7 ded into high-value parts;

8 “(F) physical destruction of all defective,

9 damaged, and sub-standard parts that are by-

10 products of the manufacturing process;

11 “(G) testing certifications;

12 “(H) maintenance of procedures for han-

13 dling any counterfeit parts that slip through;

14 “(I) maintenance of secure facilities to pre-

15 vent unauthorized access to proprietary infor-

16 mation; and

17 “(J) maintenance of product return, buy

18 back, and inventory control practices that limit

19 counterfeiting.”.

20 (h) ENACTMENT OF SECTIONS 30505 AND 30506.—

21 (1) CHAPTER TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The

22 chapter table of contents of chapter 305 of title 51,

23 United States Code, is amended by adding at the

24 end the following:

“30505. Information security.

“30506. Workforce development for minority and underrepresented groups.”.

1           (2) ENACTMENT OF SECTIONS.—Chapter 305  
2           of title 51, United States Code, is amended by add-  
3           ing at the end the following:

4   **“§ 30505. Information security**

5           “(a) DEFINITION OF INFORMATION INFRASTRUC-  
6   TURE.—In this section, the term ‘information infrastruc-  
7   ture’ means the underlying framework that information  
8   systems and assets rely on to process, transmit, receive,  
9   or store information electronically, including program-  
10   mable electronic devices and communications networks  
11   and any associated hardware, software, or data.

12          “(b) MONITORING RISK.—

13               “(1) BIENNIAL UPDATE ON SYSTEM IMPLEMEN-  
14   TATION.—On a biennial basis, the Chief Information  
15   Officer of the Administration, in coordination with  
16   other national security agencies, shall provide to the  
17   Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-  
18   tation of the Senate and the Committee on Science,  
19   Space, and Technology of the House of Representa-  
20   tives—

21                   “(A) an update on efforts to implement a  
22                   system to provide dynamic, comprehensive, real-  
23                   time information regarding risk of unauthorized  
24                   remote, proximity, and insider use or access, for  
25                   all information infrastructure under the respon-



sibility of the Chief Information Officer, and mission-related networks, including contractor networks;

“(B) an assessment of whether the system has demonstrably and quantifiably reduced network risk compared with alternative methods of measuring security; and

“(C) an assessment of the progress that each center and facility has made toward implementing the system.

“(2) EXISTING ASSESSMENTS.—The assessments required of the Inspector General under section 3555 of title 44 shall evaluate the effectiveness of the system described in this subsection.

“(c) INFORMATION SECURITY AWARENESS AND EDUCATION.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—In consultation with the Department of Education, other national security agencies, and other agency directorates, the Chief Information Officer shall institute an information security awareness and education program for all operators and users of Administration information infrastructure, with the goal of reducing unauthorized remote, proximity, and insider use or access.

“(2) PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS.—

1           “(A) BRIEFINGS, EXERCISES, AND EXAMI-  
2           NATIONS.—The program shall include, at a  
3           minimum, ongoing classified and unclassified  
4           threat-based briefings, and automated exercises  
5           and examinations that simulate common attack  
6           techniques.

7           “(B) PARTICIPATION.—All agency employ-  
8           ees and contractors engaged in the operation or  
9           use of agency information infrastructure shall  
10          participate in the program.

11          “(C) ACCESS.—Access to Administration  
12          information infrastructure shall be granted only  
13          to operators and users who regularly satisfy the  
14          requirements of the program.

15          “(D) REWARDING ACHIEVEMENT.—The  
16          Chief Human Capital Officer of the Administra-  
17          tion, in consultation with the Chief Information  
18          Officer, shall create a system to reward opera-  
19          tors and users of agency information infrastruc-  
20          ture for continuous high achievement in the  
21          program.

22   **“§ 30506. Workforce development for minority and**  
23           **underrepresented groups**

24          “(a) ADDRESSING IMPEDIMENTS.—To the extent  
25          practicable, the Administrator shall take all necessary

1 steps to address any impediments identified in the assess-  
 2 ment described in subsection (b).

3 “(b) ASSESSMENT.—The assessment referred to in  
 4 subsection (a) is the independent assessment of impedi-  
 5 ments to space science and engineering workforce develop-  
 6 ment for minority and underrepresented groups at the Ad-  
 7 ministration that was prepared under section 203(a) of  
 8 the America COMPETES Reauthorization Act of 2010  
 9 (Public Law 111–358, 124 Stat. 3994).”.

10 (i) REVISION OF SECTION 30704.—Section 30704(2)  
 11 of title 51, United States Code, is amended by striking  
 12 “the Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. 10a et seq.)” and in-  
 13 serting “chapter 83 of title 41”.

14 (j) ENACTMENT OF SECTION 30705.—

15 (1) CHAPTER TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The  
 16 chapter table of contents of chapter 307 of title 51,  
 17 United States Code, is amended by adding at the  
 18 end the following:

“30705. Limitation on international agreements concerning outer space activi-  
 ties.”.

19 (2) ENACTMENT OF SECTION.—Chapter 307 of  
 20 title 51, United States Code, is amended by adding  
 21 at the end the following:

22 **“§ 30705. Limitation on international agreements con-**  
 23 **cerning outer space activities**

24 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1           “(1) CONGRESSIONAL DEFENSE COMMIT-  
2           TEES.—The term ‘congressional defense committees’  
3           means—

4                   “(A) the Committee on Armed Services  
5                   and the Committee on Appropriations of the  
6                   Senate; and

7                   “(B) the Committee on Armed Services  
8                   and the Committee on Appropriations of the  
9                   House of Representatives.

10           “(2) COVERED CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
11           TEES.—The term ‘covered congressional committees’  
12           means—

13                   “(A) the Committee on Armed Services,  
14                   the Committee on Foreign Relations, and the  
15                   Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate;  
16                   and

17                   “(B) the Committee on Armed Services,  
18                   the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Per-  
19                   manent Select Committee on Intelligence of the  
20                   House of Representatives.

21           “(b) CERTIFICATION.—If the United States becomes  
22 a signatory to a non-legally binding international agree-  
23 ment concerning an International Code of Conduct for  
24 Outer Space Activities or any similar agreement, at the  
25 same time as the United States becomes a signatory—

1           “(1) the President shall submit to the congres-  
2           sional defense committees, the Permanent Select  
3           Committee on Intelligence of the House of Rep-  
4           resentatives, and the Select Committee on Intel-  
5           ligence of the Senate a certification that the agree-  
6           ment has no legally binding effect or basis for lim-  
7           iting the activities of the United States in outer  
8           space; and

9           “(2) the Secretary of Defense, the Chairman of  
10          the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Director of Na-  
11          tional Intelligence shall jointly submit to the con-  
12          gressional defense committees a certification that  
13          the agreement is equitable, enhances national secu-  
14          rity, and has no militarily significant impact on the  
15          ability of the United States to conduct military or  
16          intelligence activities in space.

17          “(c) BRIEFINGS AND NOTIFICATIONS REQUIRED.—

18                 “(1) RESTATEMENT OF POLICY FORMULATION  
19                 UNDER THE ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT ACT  
20                 WITH RESPECT TO OUTER SPACE.—No action shall  
21                 be taken that would obligate the United States to re-  
22                 duce or limit the Armed Forces or armaments of the  
23                 United States in outer space in a militarily signifi-  
24                 cant manner, except pursuant to the treaty-making  
25                 power of the President under article II, section 2,

1 clause II of the Constitution or unless authorized by  
2 the enactment of further affirmative legislation by  
3 Congress.

4 “(2) BRIEFINGS.—

5 “(A) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of  
6 Defense, the Secretary of State, and the Direc-  
7 tor of National Intelligence shall jointly provide  
8 to the covered congressional committees reg-  
9 ular, detailed updates on the negotiation of a  
10 non-legally binding international agreement  
11 concerning an International Code of Conduct  
12 for Outer Space Activities or any similar agree-  
13 ment.

14 “(B) TERMINATION OF REQUIREMENT.—

15 The requirement to provide regular briefings  
16 under subparagraph (A) shall terminate on the  
17 date on which the United States becomes a sig-  
18 natory to an agreement referred to in subpara-  
19 graph (A), or on the date on which the Presi-  
20 dent certifies to Congress that the United  
21 States is no longer negotiating an agreement  
22 referred to in subparagraph (A), whichever is  
23 earlier.

24 “(3) NOTIFICATIONS.—If the United States be-

25 comes a signatory to a non-legally binding inter-

1 national agreement concerning an International  
 2 Code of Conduct for Outer Space Activities or any  
 3 similar agreement, not less than 60 days prior to  
 4 any action that would obligate the United States to  
 5 reduce or limit the Armed Forces, armaments, or ac-  
 6 tivities of the United States in outer space, the head  
 7 of each department or agency of the Federal Gov-  
 8 ernment that would be affected by the action shall  
 9 submit to Congress a notice of the action and its ef-  
 10 fect on the department or agency.”.

11 (k) REDESIGNATION OF CHAPTER 315 AS CHAPTER  
 12 399.—

13 (1) RESERVED CHAPTERS.—Title 51, United  
 14 States Code, is amended by inserting after section  
 15 31302 the following:

16 **“CHAPTERS 317 THROUGH 397—RE-**  
 17 **SERVED”.**

18 (2) REDESIGNATION OF CHAPTER.—Title 51,  
 19 United States Code, is amended by redesignating  
 20 chapter 315 as chapter 399.

21 (3) REDESIGNATION OF SECTIONS.—Chapter  
 22 399 of title 51, United States Code (as redesignated  
 23 by paragraph (2)), is amended—

24 (A) in the chapter table of contents, by re-  
 25 designating the items for sections 31501

1 through 31505 as items for sections 39901  
 2 through 39905, respectively; and

3 (B) by redesignating sections 31501  
 4 through 31505 as sections 39901 through  
 5 39905, respectively.

6 (l) ENACTMENT OF CHAPTER 315.—

7 (1) ENACTMENT OF CHAPTER.—

8 (A) CONTENT.—Title 51, United States  
 9 Code, as amended by subsection (k), is amend-  
 10 ed by inserting after chapter 313 (and before  
 11 “CHAPTERS 317 THROUGH 397—RE-  
 12 SERVED” as inserted by subsection (k)(1)) the  
 13 following:

14 **“Chapter 315—FACILITIES AND**  
 15 **INFRASTRUCTURE**

“Sec.

“31501. Policy and plan.

“31502. Maintenance and upgrade of center facilities.

16 **“§ 31501. Policy and plan**

17 “(a) POLICY.—It is the policy of the United States  
 18 that the Administration maintain reliable and efficient fa-  
 19 cilities and infrastructure and that decisions on whether  
 20 to dispose of, maintain, or modernize existing facilities or  
 21 infrastructure be made in the context of meeting future  
 22 Administration needs.

23 “(b) PLAN.—



1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall  
2       develop a facilities and infrastructure plan.

3           “(2) GOAL.—The goal of the plan is to position  
4       the Administration to have the facilities and infra-  
5       structure, including laboratories, tools, and ap-  
6       proaches, necessary to meet future Administration  
7       and other Federal agencies’ laboratory needs.

8           “(3) CONTENTS.—The plan shall identify—

9               “(A) current Administration and other  
10       Federal agency laboratory needs;

11              “(B) future Administration research and  
12       development and testing needs;

13              “(C) a strategy for identifying facilities  
14       and infrastructure that are candidates for dis-  
15       posal, which strategy is consistent with the na-  
16       tional strategic direction set forth in—

17                   “(i) the National Space Policy;

18                   “(ii) the National Aeronautics Re-  
19       search, Development, Test, and Evaluation  
20       Infrastructure Plan;

21                   “(iii) the National Aeronautics and  
22       Space Administration Authorization Act of  
23       2005 (Public Law 109–155, 119 Stat.  
24       2895), the National Aeronautics and Space  
25       Administration Authorization Act of 2008

(Public Law 110–422, 122 Stat. 4779),  
and the National Aeronautics and Space  
Administration Authorization Act of 2010  
(Public Law 111–267, 124 Stat. 2805);  
and

“(iv) the human exploration roadmap  
under section 71721 of this title;

“(D) a strategy for the maintenance, re-  
pair, upgrading, and modernization of Adminis-  
tration facilities and infrastructure, including  
laboratories and equipment;

“(E) criteria for—

“(i) prioritizing deferred maintenance  
tasks;

“(ii) maintaining, repairing, upgrad-  
ing, or modernizing Administration facili-  
ties and infrastructure; and

“(iii) implementing processes, plans,  
and policies for guiding the Administra-  
tion’s centers on whether to maintain, re-  
pair, upgrade, or modernize a facility or  
infrastructure and for determining the type  
of instrument to be used;

“(F) an assessment of modifications need-  
ed to maximize usage of facilities that offer

1 unique and highly specialized benefits to the  
2 aerospace industry and the American public;  
3 and

4 “(G) implementation steps, including a  
5 timeline, milestones, and an estimate of re-  
6 sources required for carrying out the plan.

7 “(c) REQUIREMENT TO ESTABLISH POLICY.—

8 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
9 after March 21, 2017, the Administrator shall estab-  
10 lish and make publicly available a policy that guides  
11 the Administration’s use of existing authorities to  
12 out-grant, lease, excess to the General Services Ad-  
13 ministration, sell, decommission, demolish, or other-  
14 wise transfer property, facilities, or infrastructure.

15 “(2) CRITERIA.—The policy shall include cri-  
16 teria for the use of authorities, best practices, stand-  
17 ardized procedures, and guidelines for how to appro-  
18 priately manage property, facilities, and infrastruc-  
19 ture.

20 “(d) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 1  
21 year after March 21, 2017, the Administrator shall submit  
22 to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-  
23 tation of the Senate and the Committee on Science, Space,  
24 and Technology of the House of Representatives the plan  
25 developed under subsection (b).”.

(B) TYPEFACE.—The chapter heading of chapter 315 of title 51, United States Code, as inserted by subparagraph (A), is amended so that the typeface of that chapter heading conforms to the typeface of other chapter headings in title 51, United States Code.

(2) REDESIGNATION OF SECTION 39902 AS SECTION 31502.—

(A) REDESIGNATION AND TRANSFER.—Section 39902 of title 51, United States Code, as redesignated by subsection (k)(3)(B), is redesignated as section 31502 of title 51, United States Code, and transferred to appear after section 31501 of title 51, United States Code, as inserted by paragraph (1).

(B) AMENDMENT OF SECTION 31502.—Section 31502 of title 51, United States Code, as redesignated and transferred by subparagraph (A), is amended—

(i) in the heading, by striking “**Maintenance of facilities**” and inserting “**Maintenance and upgrade of center facilities**”;

(ii) by striking “healthy Centers” and inserting “healthy centers”; and

1 (iii) by striking “Center facilities” and  
2 inserting “center facilities”.

3 (C) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO CHAP-  
4 TER 399.—Chapter 399 of title 51, United  
5 States Code, as redesignated and amended by  
6 subsections (k) and (l)(2)(A), is amended—

7 (i) in the chapter table of contents—

8 (I) by striking the item relating  
9 to section 39902; and

10 (II) by redesignating the items  
11 relating to sections 39903, 39904,  
12 and 39905 as items relating to sec-  
13 tions 39902, 39903, and 39904, re-  
14 spectively; and

15 (ii) by redesignating sections 39903,  
16 39904, and 39905 as sections 39902,  
17 39903, and 39904, respectively.

18 (m) REVISION OF SECTION 39901.—Section 39901  
19 of title 51, United States Code (as redesignated by sub-  
20 section (k)(3)), is amended—

21 (1) by redesignating the existing text as sub-  
22 section (a) and inserting the subsection heading  
23 “TECHNOLOGIES TO DECREASE RISK.—”; and

24 (2) by adding at the end the following:

25 “(b) INTERNATIONAL DISCUSSION.—

1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall, in  
2           consultation with such other departments and agen-  
3           cies of the Federal Government as the Administrator  
4           considers appropriate, continue and strengthen dis-  
5           cussions with the representatives of other space-  
6           faring countries, within the Inter-Agency Space De-  
7           bris Coordination Committee and elsewhere, to deal  
8           with orbital debris mitigation.

9           “(2) INTERAGENCY EFFORT.—For purposes of  
10          carrying out this subsection, the Director of the Of-  
11          fice of Science and Technology Policy, in coordina-  
12          tion with the Director of the National Security  
13          Council and using the President’s Council of Advi-  
14          sors on Science and Technology coordinating mecha-  
15          nism, shall develop an overall strategy for review by  
16          the President, with recommendations for proposed  
17          international collaborative efforts to address the  
18          challenge of orbital debris mitigation.”.

19          (n) REDESIGNATION OF CHAPTER 409 AS CHAPTER  
20 499.—

21           (1) RESERVED CHAPTERS.—Title 51, United  
22          States Code, is amended by inserting after section  
23          40704 the following:

24          **“CHAPTERS 411 THROUGH 497—RE-**  
25 **SERVED”.**

1 (2) REDESIGNATION OF CHAPTER.—Title 51,  
 2 United States Code, is amended by redesignating  
 3 chapter 409 as chapter 499.

4 (3) REDESIGNATION OF SECTIONS.—Chapter  
 5 499 of title 51, United States Code (as redesignated  
 6 by paragraph (2)), is amended—

7 (A) in the chapter table of contents, by re-  
 8 designating the items for sections 40901  
 9 through 40909 as items for sections 49901  
 10 through 49909, respectively; and

11 (B) by redesignating sections 40901  
 12 through 40909 as sections 49901 through  
 13 49909, respectively.

14 (o) ENACTMENT OF CHAPTER 409.—Title 51, United  
 15 States Code, is amended by inserting after chapter 407  
 16 (and before “CHAPTERS 411 THROUGH 497—RE-  
 17 SERVED” as inserted by subsection (n)(1)) the following:

18 **“Chapter 409—AERONAUTICS**  
 19 **AND SPACE TECHNOLOGY**

“Sec.

“40901. Aeronautics research goals.

“40902. Research collaboration.

“40903. Goal for Administration space technology.

“40904. National space technology policy.

“40905. Commercial Reusable Suborbital Research Program.

20 **“§ 40901. Aeronautics research goals**

21 “The Administrator should ensure that the Adminis-  
 22 tration maintains a strong aeronautics research portfolio

1 ranging from fundamental research through systems re-  
 2 search with specific research goals, including the following:

3           “(1) AIRSPACE CAPACITY.—The Administra-  
 4 tion’s Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate  
 5 shall address research needs of the Next Generation  
 6 Air Transportation System, including the ability of  
 7 the National Airspace System to handle up to 3  
 8 times the current travel demand by 2025.

9           “(2) ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY.—The  
 10 Directorate shall—

11               “(A) consider and pursue concepts to re-  
 12 duce noise, emissions, and fuel consumption  
 13 while maintaining high safety standards; and

14               “(B) pursue research relating to alter-  
 15 native fuels.

16           “(3) AVIATION SAFETY.—The Directorate shall  
 17 proactively address safety challenges with new and  
 18 current air vehicles and with operations in the Na-  
 19 tion’s current and future air transportation system.

20 **“§ 40902. Research collaboration**

21           “(a) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.—The Adminis-  
 22 trator shall continue to coordinate with the Secretary of  
 23 Defense, through the National Partnership for Aero-  
 24 nautics Testing, to develop and implement joint plans for  
 25 those elements of the Nation’s research, development, test-



1 ing, and engineering infrastructure that are of common  
2 interest and use.

3 “(b) FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION.—The  
4 Administrator shall continue to coordinate with, and work  
5 closely with, the Administrator of the Federal Aviation  
6 Administration, under the framework of the Senior Policy  
7 Council, in the development of the Next Generation Air  
8 Transportation Program. The Administrator shall encour-  
9 age the Council to explore areas for greater collaboration,  
10 including areas in which the Administration can help to  
11 accelerate the development and demonstration of NextGen  
12 technologies.

13 **“§ 40903. Goal for Administration space technology**

14 “Building on its Innovative Partnerships Program  
15 and other partnering approaches, it is critical that the Ad-  
16 ministration maintain an Administration space technology  
17 base that helps align mission directorate investments and  
18 supports long term needs—

19 “(1) to complement mission-directorate funded  
20 research; and

21 “(2) where appropriate, to support multiple  
22 users.

23 **“§ 40904. National space technology policy**

24 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The President, in consultation  
25 with appropriate Federal agencies, shall develop a national

1 policy to guide the space technology development pro-  
2 grams of the United States through 2020. The policy shall  
3 include national goals for technology development and  
4 shall describe the role and responsibilities of each Federal  
5 agency that will carry out the policy. In developing the  
6 policy, the President shall utilize external studies that  
7 have been conducted on the state of United States tech-  
8 nology development and have suggested policies to ensure  
9 continued competitiveness.

10 “(b) CONTENT.—At a minimum, the national space  
11 technology development policy shall describe for the Ad-  
12 ministration—

13 “(1) the priority areas of research for tech-  
14 nology investment;

15 “(2) the basis on which and the process by  
16 which priorities for ensuing fiscal years will be se-  
17 lected;

18 “(3) the facilities and personnel needed to carry  
19 out the technology development program; and

20 “(4) the budget assumptions on which the pol-  
21 icy is based, which for fiscal years 2011, 2012, and  
22 2013 shall be the authorized level for the Adminis-  
23 tration’s technology program authorized by the Na-  
24 tional Aeronautics and Space Administration Au-

1       thorization Act of 2010 (Public Law 111–267, 124  
2       Stat. 2805).

3       “(c) POLICY PREMISE.—The policy shall be based on  
4       the premise that the Federal Government has an estab-  
5       lished interest in conducting research and development  
6       programs that help preserve the role of the United States  
7       as a global leader in space technologies and their applica-  
8       tion.

9       “(d) CONSIDERATIONS.—In developing the national  
10      space technology development policy, the President shall  
11      consider the following issues:

12           “(1) LONG TERM AND INCREMENTAL DEVELOP-  
13      MENT.—The extent to which the Administration  
14      should focus on long term, high-risk research or  
15      more incremental technology development, and the  
16      expected impact of that decision on the United  
17      States economy.

18           “(2) MILITARY AND COMMERCIAL NEEDS.—The  
19      extent to which the Administration should address  
20      military and commercial needs.

21           “(3) COORDINATION WITH FEDERAL AGEN-  
22      CIES.—How the Administration will coordinate its  
23      technology program with other Federal agencies.

24           “(4) ADMINISTRATION, UNIVERSITY, AND IN-  
25      DUSTRY RESEARCH.—The extent to which the Ad-

1       ministration will conduct research in-house, fund  
2       university research, and collaborate on industry re-  
3       search and the expected impact of that mix of fund-  
4       ing on the supply of United States workers for in-  
5       dustry.

6       “(e) CONSULTATION.—In the development of the na-  
7       tional space technology development policy, the President  
8       shall consult widely with academic and industry experts  
9       and with Federal agencies. The Administrator may enter  
10      into an arrangement with the National Academy of  
11      Sciences to help develop the policy.

12      **“§ 40905. Commercial Reusable Suborbital Research**  
13                                      **Program**

14      “(a) FINDING THAT SUBORBITAL SCIENCE MISSIONS  
15      ARE CRITICAL.—The report entitled Revitalizing NASA’s  
16      Suborbital Program: Advancing Science, Driving Innova-  
17      tion, and Developing a Workforce (prepared by the Com-  
18      mittee on NASA’s Suborbital Research Capabilities, Space  
19      Studies Board, Division on Engineering and Physical  
20      Sciences, National Research Council of the National Acad-  
21      emies) found that suborbital science missions are abso-  
22      lutely critical to building an aerospace workforce capable  
23      of meeting the needs of current and future human and  
24      robotic space exploration.

1       “(b) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Administrator shall es-  
2     tablish a Commercial Reusable Suborbital Research Pro-  
3     gram within the Space Technology Program.

4       “(c) MANAGEMENT.—The Administrator shall des-  
5     ignate an officer or employee of the Space Technology  
6     Program to act as the responsible official for the Commer-  
7     cial Reusable Suborbital Research Program. The designee  
8     shall be responsible for the development of short- and  
9     long-term strategic plans for maintaining, renewing, and  
10    extending suborbital facilities and capabilities.

11       “(d) ACTIVITIES.—The Commercial Reusable Sub-  
12    orbital Research Program—

13           “(1) shall fund the development of payloads for  
14       scientific research, technology development, and edu-  
15       cation;

16           “(2) shall provide flight opportunities to micro-  
17       gravity environments and suborbital altitudes for the  
18       payloads referred to in paragraph (1);

19           “(3) may fund engineering and integration  
20       demonstrations, proofs of concept, or educational ex-  
21       periments for commercial reusable vehicle flights;  
22       and

23           “(4) shall endeavor to work with the Adminis-  
24       tration’s mission directorates to help achieve the Ad-

1       ministration’s research, technology, and education  
2       goals.

3       “(e) REPORT.—The Administrator shall annually  
4 submit to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and  
5 Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on  
6 Science, Space, and Technology of the House of Rep-  
7 resentatives a report describing progress in carrying out  
8 the Commercial Reusable Suborbital Research program,  
9 including the number and type of suborbital missions  
10 planned in each fiscal year.”.

11       (p) ENACTMENT OF SECTIONS 49910 THROUGH  
12 49912.—

13               (1) CHAPTER TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The  
14 chapter table of contents of chapter 499 of title 51,  
15 United States Code (as redesignated and amended  
16 by subsection (n)), is amended by adding at the end  
17 the following:

“49910. Programs to support STEM education.

“49911. Supporting women’s involvement in the fields of aerospace and space  
exploration.

“49912. Internship and fellowship opportunities.”.

18               (2) ENACTMENT OF SECTIONS.—Chapter 499  
19 of title 51, United States Code (as redesignated and  
20 amended by subsection (n)), is amended by adding  
21 at the end the following:

1 **“§ 49910. Programs to support STEM education**

2 “(a) DEFINITION OF STEM.—In this section, the  
3 term ‘STEM’ means the academic and professional dis-  
4 ciplines of science, technology, engineering, and mathe-  
5 matics.

6 “(b) EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM GOALS.—The Admin-  
7 istration shall develop and maintain educational programs  
8 to—

9 “(1) carry out and support research-based pro-  
10 grams and activities designed to increase student in-  
11 terest and participation in STEM, including stu-  
12 dents from minority and underrepresented groups;

13 “(2) improve public literacy in STEM;

14 “(3) employ proven strategies and methods for  
15 improving student learning and teaching in STEM;

16 “(4) provide curriculum support materials and  
17 other resources that—

18 “(A) are designed to be integrated with  
19 comprehensive STEM education;

20 “(B) are aligned with national science edu-  
21 cation standards; and

22 “(C) promote the adoption and implemen-  
23 tation of high-quality education practices that  
24 build toward college and career-readiness; and

25 “(5) create and support opportunities for en-  
26 hanced and ongoing professional development for

1 teachers using best practices that improve the  
2 STEM content and knowledge of the teachers, in-  
3 cluding through programs linking STEM teachers  
4 with STEM educators at the higher education level.

5 “(c) CYBERSECURITY IN STEM PROGRAMS.—In car-  
6 rying out any STEM education program of the Adminis-  
7 tration, including a program of the Office of STEM En-  
8 gagement, the Administrator shall, to the maximum extent  
9 practicable, encourage the inclusion of cybersecurity edu-  
10 cation opportunities in the program.

11 **“§ 49911. Supporting women’s involvement in the**  
12 **fields of aerospace and space exploration**

13 “The Administrator shall encourage women and girls  
14 to study science, technology, engineering, and mathe-  
15 matics, pursue careers in aerospace, and further advance  
16 the Nation’s space science and exploration efforts through  
17 support of the following initiatives:

18 “(1) NASA GIRLS and NASA BOYS.

19 “(2) Aspire to Inspire.

20 “(3) Summer Institute in Science, Technology,  
21 Engineering, and Research.

22 **“§ 49912. Internship and fellowship opportunities**

23 “Not later than October 1, 2018, the Administrator  
24 shall institute a process to encourage the recruitment of  
25 qualified candidates who are women or individuals who are



1 underrepresented in the fields of science, technology, engi-  
2 neering, and mathematics (STEM) and computer science  
3 for internships and fellowships at the Administration with  
4 relevance to the aerospace sector and related fields.”.

5 (q) REVISION OF SECTION 50905.—Section 50905 of  
6 title 51, United States Code, is amended—

7 (1) in the 2d sentence of subsection (a)(1), by  
8 striking “subsection (b)(2)(D)” and inserting “sub-  
9 section (b)(2)(E)”;

10 (2) in the 3d sentence of subsection (a)(1), by  
11 striking “subsection (b)(2)(D)” and inserting “sub-  
12 section (b)(2)(E)”;

13 (3) in the last sentence of subsection (a)(1), by  
14 striking “Committee on Science” and inserting  
15 “Committee on Science, Space, and Technology”;

16 (4) in subsection (b)(4)(B), by striking “the  
17 date of enactment of the Commercial Space Launch  
18 Amendments Act of 2004” and inserting “December  
19 23, 2004”;

20 (5) in subsection (b)(6)(A), by striking “the  
21 date of enactment of the Commercial Space Launch  
22 Amendments Act of 2004” and inserting “December  
23 23, 2004”; and

24 (6) in subsection (b)(6)(B), by striking “the  
25 date of enactment of the Commercial Space Launch

1 Amendments Act of 2004” and inserting “December  
2 23, 2004”.

3 (r) REVISION OF SECTION 50922.—Section 50922 of  
4 title 51, United States Code, is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a) (matter before paragraph  
6 (1)), by striking “the date of the enactment of this  
7 section,” and inserting “October 28, 1998,”;

8 (2) in subsection (b) (matter before paragraph  
9 (1)), by striking “the date of the enactment of this  
10 section,” and inserting “October 28, 1998,”;

11 (3) in subsection (c)(1)—

12 (A) by striking “the date of enactment of  
13 the Commercial Space Launch Amendments  
14 Act of 2004,” and inserting “December 23,  
15 2004,”;

16 (B) by striking “that Act,” and inserting  
17 “the Commercial Space Launch Amendments  
18 Act of 2004,”; and

19 (C) by striking “such date of enactment,”  
20 and inserting “December 23, 2004,”;

21 (4) in subsection (c)(2)(A)—

22 (A) by striking “the date of enactment of  
23 the Commercial Space Launch Amendments  
24 Act of 2004,” and inserting “December 23,  
25 2004,”; and

1 (B) by striking “the Congress.” and insert-  
 2 ing “Congress.”;

3 (5) in subsection (d)(2)—

4 (A) by striking “the date of enactment of  
 5 the Commercial Space Launch Amendments  
 6 Act of 2004,” and inserting “December 23,  
 7 2004,”; and

8 (B) by striking “that Act” and inserting  
 9 “the Commercial Space Launch Amendments  
 10 Act of 2004”; and

11 (6) in subsection (d)(3), by striking “the date  
 12 of enactment of the Commercial Space Launch  
 13 Amendments Act of 2004” and inserting “December  
 14 23, 2004,”.

15 (s) REVISION OF CHAPTER 515.—

16 (1) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—Chapter 515 of  
 17 title 51, United States Code, is amended by insert-  
 18 ing after the chapter heading the following:

“Sec.

“51501. Establishment of Office of Spaceports.”.

19 (2) REVISION OF SECTION 51501.—Section  
 20 51501 of title 51, United States Code, is amended—

21 (A) by redesignating subsections (a), (b),  
 22 (c), (d), and (e) as subsections (b), (c), (d), (e),  
 23 and (a), respectively, and transferring sub-

1 section (a), as redesignated, to appear at the  
2 beginning of the section;

3 (B) in the heading for subsection (a), as  
4 redesignated, by striking “DEFINITION” and in-  
5 serting “DEFINITION OF SPACEPORT”;

6 (C) in subsection (a), as redesignated, by  
7 inserting a comma after “In this section”;

8 (D) in subsection (b), as redesignated, by  
9 striking “the date of enactment of this section,”  
10 and inserting “October 5, 2018,”; and

11 (E) in subsection (d), as redesignated—

12 (i) by striking “functions assigned in  
13 subsection (b),” and inserting “functions  
14 assigned in subsection (c),”; and

15 (ii) by striking “host” from the end of  
16 the matter before paragraph (1) and in-  
17 serting “host” at the beginning of para-  
18 graph (1).

19 (t) ENACTMENT OF CHAPTER 517.—Title 51, United  
20 States Code, is amended by inserting after chapter 515  
21 the following:

1 **“Chapter 517—DEVELOPMENT**  
 2 **AND USE OF COMMERCIAL**  
 3 **CARGO AND CREW TRANS-**  
 4 **PORTATION CAPABILITIES**

“Sec.

“51701. Commercial development of cargo transportation capabilities.

“51702. Commercial development of crew transportation capabilities.

“51703. Commercial Crew Program.

“51704. Policy regarding fair and open competition for space transportation services.

“51705. Transparency.

5 **“§ 51701. Commercial development of cargo transpor-**  
 6 **tation capabilities**

7 “The Administrator shall continue to support the ex-  
 8 isting Commercial Resupply Services program, aimed at  
 9 enabling the commercial space industry in support of the  
 10 Administration to develop reliable means of launching  
 11 cargo and supplies to the International Space Station  
 12 throughout the duration of the facility’s operation. The  
 13 Administrator may apply funds toward the reduction of  
 14 risk to the timely start of the services, specifically—

15 “(1) efforts to conduct a flight test;

16 “(2) the acceleration of development; and

17 “(3) the development of the ground infrastruc-  
 18 ture needed for commercial cargo capability.

19 **“§ 51702. Commercial development of crew transpor-**  
 20 **tation capabilities**

21 “For the duration of the commercial crew develop-  
 22 ment program, the Administrator may support follow-on

1 commercially developed crew transportation systems de-  
2 pendent on the completion of each of the following:

3           “(1) HUMAN RATING REQUIREMENTS.—The  
4 Administrator shall develop and make available to  
5 the public detailed human rating processes and re-  
6 quirements to guide the design of commercially de-  
7 veloped crew transportation capabilities, which re-  
8 quirements shall be at least equivalent to proven re-  
9 quirements for crew transportation in use as of Oc-  
10 tober 11, 2010.

11           “(2) PROCUREMENT SYSTEM REVIEW.—

12           “(A) REVIEW OF CURRENT PRACTICES  
13 AND PROCESSES.—The Administrator shall re-  
14 view current Government procurement and ac-  
15 quisition practices and processes, including  
16 agreement authorities under chapter 201 of this  
17 title, to determine the most cost-effective means  
18 of procuring commercial crew transportation ca-  
19 pabilities and related services in a manner that  
20 ensures appropriate accountability, trans-  
21 parency, and maximum efficiency in the pro-  
22 curement of the capabilities and services. The  
23 review shall include identification of proposed  
24 measures to address—

1 “(i) risk management and means of  
2 indemnification of commercial providers of  
3 the capabilities and services;

4 “(ii) quality control;

5 “(iii) safety oversight; and

6 “(iv) the application of Federal over-  
7 sight processes within the jurisdiction of  
8 other Federal agencies.

9 “(B) REVIEW OF PROPOSED PROCURE-  
10 MENT.—A description of the proposed procure-  
11 ment process and justification of the proposed  
12 procurement for its selection shall be included  
13 in any proposed initiation of procurement activ-  
14 ity for commercially developed crew transpor-  
15 tation capabilities and services and shall be sub-  
16 ject to review by the Committee on Commerce,  
17 Science, and Transportation of the Senate and  
18 the Committee on Science, Space, and Tech-  
19 nology of the House of Representatives before  
20 the initiation of any competitive process to pro-  
21 cure the capabilities or services. In support of  
22 the review by the committees, the Comptroller  
23 General shall undertake an assessment of the  
24 proposed procurement process and provide a re-  
25 port to the committees not later than 90 days

1 after the date on which the Administrator pro-  
2 vides the description and justification to the  
3 committees.

4 “(3) USE OF GOVERNMENT-SUPPLIED CAPA-  
5 BILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE.—In evaluating any  
6 proposed development activity for commercially de-  
7 veloped crew or cargo launch capabilities, the Ad-  
8 ministrator shall identify the anticipated contribu-  
9 tion of Government personnel, expertise, tech-  
10 nologies, and infrastructure to be utilized in support  
11 of design, development, or operations of the capabili-  
12 ties. This assessment shall include a clear delineation  
13 of the full requirements for the commercial crew  
14 service (including the contingency for crew rescue).  
15 The Administrator shall include details and associ-  
16 ated costs of such support as part of any proposed  
17 development initiative for the procurement of com-  
18 mercially developed crew or cargo launch capabilities  
19 or services.

20 “(4) FLIGHT DEMONSTRATION AND READINESS  
21 REQUIREMENTS.—The Administrator shall establish  
22 appropriate milestones and minimum performance  
23 objectives to be achieved before authority is granted  
24 to proceed to the procurement of commercially devel-  
25 oped crew transportation capabilities or services.



1       The guidelines shall include a procedure to provide  
2       independent assurance of flight safety and flight  
3       readiness before the authorization of United States  
4       government personnel to participate as crew onboard  
5       any commercial launch vehicle developed pursuant to  
6       this section.

7               “(5) COMMERCIAL CREW RESCUE CAPABILI-  
8       TIES.—The provision of a commercial capability to  
9       provide International Space Station crew services  
10      shall include crew rescue requirements, and shall be  
11      undertaken through the procurement process initi-  
12      ated in conformance with this section. In the event  
13      such development is initiated, the Administrator  
14      shall make available any relevant government-owned  
15      intellectual property deriving from the development  
16      of a multipurpose crew vehicle authorized by this  
17      section and sections 71522 and 71523 of this title  
18      to commercial entities involved with such crew res-  
19      cue capability development which shall be relevant to  
20      the design of a crew rescue capability. In addition,  
21      the Administrator shall seek to ensure that contracts  
22      for development of the multipurpose crew vehicle  
23      contain provisions for the licensing of relevant intel-  
24      lectual property to participating commercial pro-  
25      viders of any crew rescue capability development un-

1       dertaken pursuant to this section. If 1 or more con-  
2       tractors involved with development of the multipur-  
3       pose crew vehicle seek to compete in development of  
4       a commercial crew service with crew rescue capa-  
5       bility, separate legislative authority must be enacted  
6       to enable the Administrator to provide funding for  
7       any modifications of the multipurpose crew vehicle  
8       necessary to fulfill the International Space Station  
9       crew rescue function.

10   **“§ 51703. Commercial Crew Program**

11       “(a) OBJECTIVE.—The objective of the Commercial  
12   Crew Program shall be to assist in the development and  
13   certification of commercially provided transportation  
14   that—

15           “(1) can carry United States government astro-  
16   nauts (meaning a United States government astro-  
17   naut as defined in section 50902 of this title, except  
18   it does not include an individual who is an inter-  
19   national partner astronaut) safely, reliably, and  
20   affordably to and from the International Space Sta-  
21   tion;

22           “(2) can serve as a crew rescue vehicle; and

23           “(3) can accomplish the goals stated in para-  
24   graphs (1) and (2) as soon as practicable.

1       “(b) PRIMARY CONSIDERATION.—The objective de-  
2       scribed in subsection (a) shall be the primary consider-  
3       ation in the acquisition strategy for the Commercial Crew  
4       Program.

5       “(c) SAFETY.—

6               “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall  
7       protect the safety of government astronauts (as de-  
8       fined in section 50902 of this title) by ensuring that  
9       each commercially provided transportation system  
10      under this section meets all applicable human rating  
11      requirements in accordance with section 51702(1) of  
12      this title.

13              “(2) LESSONS LEARNED.—Consistent with the  
14      findings and recommendations of the Columbia Acci-  
15      dent Investigation Board, the Administration shall  
16      ensure that safety and the minimization of the prob-  
17      ability of loss of crew are the critical priorities of the  
18      Commercial Crew Program.

19       “(d) COST MINIMIZATION.—The Administrator shall  
20      strive through the competitive selection process to mini-  
21      mize the life cycle cost to the Administration through the  
22      planned period of commercially provided crew transpor-  
23      tation services.

1   **“§ 51704. Policy regarding fair and open competition**  
 2                   **for space transportation services**

3           “It is the policy of the United States that, to foster  
 4 the competitive development, operation, improvement, and  
 5 commercial availability of space transportation services,  
 6 and to minimize the life cycle cost to the Administration,  
 7 the Administrator shall procure services for Federal Gov-  
 8 ernment access to and return from the International  
 9 Space Station, whenever practicable, via fair and open  
 10 competition for well-defined, milestone-based, Federal Ac-  
 11 quisition Regulation-based contracts under section  
 12 71511(a) of this title.

13   **“§ 51705. Transparency**

14           “The Administrator shall, to the greatest extent prac-  
 15 ticable and in a manner that does not add costs or sched-  
 16 ule delays to the program, ensure all Commercial Crew  
 17 Program and Commercial Resupply Services Program pro-  
 18 viders provide evidence-based support for their costs and  
 19 schedules.”.

20           (u) REVISION OF SECTION 60304.—

21                   (1) REVISION OF SECTION.—Section 60304 of  
 22 title 51, United States Code, is amended—

23                           (A) in the section heading, by striking  
 24                   **“Program evaluation”** and inserting **“Ad-**  
 25                   **visory committee”**;

1 (B) in subsection (a), by striking the sub-  
 2 section designation “(a)” and the subsection  
 3 heading “ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—”; and

4 (C) by striking subsection (b).

5 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The chapter  
 6 table of contents of chapter 603 of title 51, United  
 7 States Code, is amended by striking the item relat-  
 8 ing to section 60304 and inserting the following:

“60304. Advisory committee.”.

9 (v) ENACTMENT OF SECTIONS 60507 THROUGH  
 10 60510.—

11 (1) CHAPTER TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The  
 12 chapter table of contents of chapter 605 of title 51,  
 13 United States Code, is amended by adding at the  
 14 end the following:

“60507. Interagency collaboration implementation approach.

“60508. Transitioning experimental research to operations.

“60509. Decadal Survey missions implementation for Earth observation.

“60510. Instrument testbeds and venture class missions.”.

15 (2) ENACTMENT OF SECTIONS.—Chapter 605  
 16 of title 51, United States Code, is amended by add-  
 17 ing at the end the following:

18 **“§ 60507. Interagency collaboration implementation**  
 19 **approach**

20 “The Director of the Office of Science and Tech-  
 21 nology Policy shall establish a mechanism to ensure great-  
 22 er coordination of the research, operations, and activities

1 relating to civilian Earth observation of Federal agencies,  
2 including the Administration, that have active programs  
3 that contribute either directly or indirectly to those areas.  
4 The mechanism should include the development of a stra-  
5 tegic implementation plan that is updated at least every  
6 3 years with a process for external independent advisory  
7 input. The strategic implementation plan should include—

8           “(1) a description of the responsibilities of the  
9       various Federal agency roles in Earth observations;

10           “(2) recommended cost-sharing and procure-  
11       ment arrangements between Federal agencies and  
12       other entities, including international arrangements;  
13       and

14           “(3) a plan for ensuring the provision of sus-  
15       tained, long-term space-based climate observations.

16 **“§ 60508. Transitioning experimental research to op-**  
17 **erations**

18       “Based on the implementation plan provided to Con-  
19 gress in March 2011, the Administrator shall coordinate  
20 with the Administrator of the National Oceanic and At-  
21 mospheric Administration and the Director of the United  
22 States Geological Survey to establish a formal mechanism  
23 that plans, coordinates, and supports the transitioning of  
24 the research findings, assets, and capabilities of the Ad-  
25 ministration to the operations of the National Oceanic and

1 Atmospheric Administration and the United States Geo-  
2 logical Survey. In defining the mechanism, the Adminis-  
3 tration should consider the establishment of a formal or  
4 informal interagency transition office.

5 **“§ 60509. Decadal Survey missions implementation**  
6 **for Earth observation**

7 “The Administrator shall undertake to implement, as  
8 appropriate, missions identified in the National Research  
9 Council’s Earth Science Decadal Survey within the scope  
10 of the funds authorized for the Earth Science Mission Di-  
11 rectorate.

12 **“§ 60510. Instrument testbeds and venture class mis-**  
13 **sions**

14 “The Administrator shall pursue innovative ways to  
15 fly instrument-level payloads for early demonstration or  
16 as co-manifested payloads. Congress encourages the use  
17 of the International Space Station as an accessible plat-  
18 form for the conduct of such activities. Additionally, in  
19 order to address the cost and schedule challenges associ-  
20 ated with large flight systems, the Administrator should  
21 pursue smaller systems to the extent practicable and war-  
22 ranted.”.

23 (w) REVISION OF CHAPTER 709.—

24 (1) CHAPTER TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The  
25 chapter table of contents of chapter 709 of title 51,

1 United States Code, is amended by adding at the  
 2 end the following:

“70908. Continuation of the International Space Station.

“70909. Maximum utilization of the International Space Station.

“70910. Operation, maintenance, and maximum utilization of United States segment.

“70911. Management of national laboratory.

“70912. Primary objectives of International Space Station program.”.

3 (2) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT TO SECTION  
 4 70902.—Section 70902 of title 51, United States  
 5 Code, is amended by striking “section 40904” and  
 6 inserting “section 49904”.

7 (3) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT TO SECTION  
 8 70903.—Section 70903(1) of title 51, United States  
 9 Code, is amended by striking “section 40904” and  
 10 inserting “section 49904”.

11 (4) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO SECTION  
 12 70904.—Section 70904 of title 51, United States  
 13 Code, is amended—

14 (A) in subsection (b)(2), by striking “sec-  
 15 tion 40904” and inserting “section 49904”;

16 (B) in subsection (b)(3), by striking “Com-  
 17 mittee on Science and Technology” and insert-  
 18 ing “Committee on Science, Space, and Tech-  
 19 nology”; and

20 (C) in subsection (c)(2), by striking “Com-  
 21 mittee on Science and Technology” and insert-



1 ing “Committee on Science, Space, and Tech-  
2 nology”.

3 (5) ENACTMENT OF SECTIONS 70908 THROUGH  
4 70912.—Chapter 709 of title 51, United States Code,  
5 is amended by adding at the end the following:

6 **“§ 70908. Continuation of the International Space**  
7 **Station**

8 “(a) POLICY.—It shall be the policy of the United  
9 States, in consultation with its international partners in  
10 the International Space Station program, to support full  
11 and complete utilization of the International Space Station  
12 through at least September 30, 2030.

13 “(b) ACTIONS.—In furtherance of the policy set forth  
14 in subsection (a), the Administration shall—

15 “(1) pursue international, commercial, and  
16 intragovernmental means to maximize International  
17 Space Station logistics supply, maintenance, and  
18 operational capabilities, reduce risks to International  
19 Space Station systems sustainability, and offset and  
20 minimize United States operations costs relating to  
21 the International Space Station;

22 “(2) utilize, to the extent practicable, the Inter-  
23 national Space Station for the development of capa-  
24 bilities and technologies needed for the future of

1 human space exploration beyond low-Earth orbit;  
2 and

3 “(3) utilize, if practical and cost effective, the  
4 International Space Station for Science Mission Di-  
5 rectorate missions in low-Earth orbit.

6 **“§ 70909. Maximum utilization of the International**  
7 **Space Station**

8 “(a) IN GENERAL.—With assembly of the Inter-  
9 national Space Station complete, the Administration shall  
10 take steps to maximize the productivity and use of the  
11 International Space Station with respect to scientific and  
12 technological research and development, advancement of  
13 space exploration, and international collaboration.

14 “(b) ACTIONS.—In carrying out subsection (a), the  
15 Administration shall, at a minimum, undertake the fol-  
16 lowing:

17 “(1) INNOVATIVE USE OF U.S. SEGMENT.—The  
18 United States segment of the International Space  
19 Station, which has been designated as a national  
20 laboratory, shall be developed, managed, and utilized  
21 in a manner that enables the effective and innovative  
22 use of the facility, as provided in section 70911 of  
23 this title.

24 “(2) INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION.—

1                   “(A)    DEFINITION    OF    NEAR-EARTH  
2                   SPACE.—In this paragraph, the term ‘near-  
3                   Earth space’ means the region of space that in-  
4                   cludes low-Earth orbit and extends out to and  
5                   includes geo-synchronous orbit.

6                   “(B) USE OF INTERNATIONAL SPACE STA-  
7                   TION.—The International Space Station shall  
8                   continue to be utilized as a key component of  
9                   international efforts to build missions and capa-  
10                  bilities that further the development of a  
11                  human presence beyond near-Earth space and  
12                  advance United States security and economic  
13                  goals. The Administrator shall actively seek  
14                  ways to encourage and enable the use of Inter-  
15                  national Space Station capabilities to support  
16                  those efforts.

17                  “(3) DOMESTIC COLLABORATION.—The oper-  
18                  ations, management, and utilization of the Inter-  
19                  national Space Station shall be conducted in a man-  
20                  ner that provides opportunities for collaboration with  
21                  other research programs and objectives of the  
22                  United States Government in cooperation with com-  
23                  mercial suppliers, users, and developers.

1   **“§ 70910. Operation, maintenance, and maximum uti-**  
2                   **lization of United States segment**

3           “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall take all  
4   actions necessary to ensure the safe and effective oper-  
5   ation, maintenance, and maximum utilization of the  
6   United States segment of the International Space Station  
7   through at least September 30, 2030.

8           “(b) PLANNING, MANAGEMENT, AND SUPPORT.—  
9   Utilization of research facilities and capabilities aboard  
10   the International Space Station (other than exploration-  
11   related research and technology development facilities and  
12   capabilities, and associated ground support and logistics)  
13   shall be planned, managed, and supported as provided in  
14   section 70911 of this title. Exploration-related research  
15   and technology development facilities, capabilities, and as-  
16   sociated ground support and logistics shall be planned,  
17   managed, and supported by the appropriate Administra-  
18   tion organizations and officials in a manner that does not  
19   interfere with other activities under section 70911 of this  
20   title.

21   **“§ 70911. Management of national laboratory**

22           “(a) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH NOT-FOR-  
23   PROFIT ORGANIZATION FOR MANAGEMENT OF NATIONAL  
24   LABORATORY.—

25           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall  
26       provide initial financial assistance and enter into a

1 cooperative agreement with an appropriate organiza-  
2 tion that is exempt from taxation under section  
3 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26  
4 U.S.C. 501(c)(3)) to manage the activities of the  
5 International Space Station national laboratory in  
6 accordance with this section.

7 “(2) QUALIFICATIONS.—The organization with  
8 which the Administrator enters into the cooperative  
9 agreement shall develop the capabilities to imple-  
10 ment research and development projects utilizing the  
11 International Space Station national laboratory and  
12 to otherwise manage the activities of the Inter-  
13 national Space Station national laboratory.

14 “(3) PROHIBITION ON OTHER ACTIVITIES.—  
15 The cooperative agreement shall require the organi-  
16 zation entering into the agreement to engage exclu-  
17 sively in activities relating to the management of the  
18 International Space Station national laboratory and  
19 activities that promote its long-term research and  
20 development mission as required by this section,  
21 without any other organizational objectives or re-  
22 sponsibilities on behalf of the organization or any  
23 parent organization or other entity.

24 “(b) ADMINISTRATION LIAISON.—

1           “(1) DESIGNATION.—The Administrator shall  
2       designate an official or employee of the Space Oper-  
3       ations Mission Directorate of the Administration to  
4       act as liaison between the Administration and the  
5       organization with which the Administrator enters  
6       into a cooperative agreement under subsection (a)  
7       with regard to the management of the International  
8       Space Station national laboratory.

9           “(2) CONSULTATION WITH LIAISON.—The coop-  
10      erative agreement shall require the organization en-  
11      tering into the agreement to carry out its respon-  
12      sibilities under the agreement in cooperation and  
13      consultation with the official or employee designated  
14      under paragraph (1).

15      “(c) PLANNING AND COORDINATION OF NATIONAL  
16      LABORATORY RESEARCH ACTIVITIES.—The Adminis-  
17      trator shall provide initial financial assistance to the orga-  
18      nization with which the Administrator enters into a coop-  
19      erative agreement under subsection (a), in order for the  
20      organization to initiate the following:

21           “(1) Planning and coordination of the Inter-  
22      national Space Station national laboratory research  
23      activities.

24           “(2) Development and implementation of guide-  
25      lines, selection criteria, and flight support require-

1       ments for non-Administration scientific utilization of  
2       International Space Station research capabilities and  
3       facilities available in United States-owned modules  
4       of the International Space Station or in partner-  
5       owned facilities of the International Space Station  
6       allocated to United States utilization by inter-  
7       national agreement.

8               “(3) Interaction with and integration of the  
9       International Space Station National Laboratory  
10      Advisory Committee established under section 70906  
11      of this title with the governance of the organization,  
12      and review of recommendations provided by that  
13      Committee regarding agreements with non-Adminis-  
14      tration departments and agencies of the United  
15      States Government, academic institutions and con-  
16      sortia, and commercial entities leading to the utiliza-  
17      tion of the International Space Station national lab-  
18      oratory facilities.

19              “(4) Coordination of transportation require-  
20      ments in support of the International Space Station  
21      national laboratory research and development objec-  
22      tives, including provision for delivery of instruments,  
23      logistics support, and related experiment materials,  
24      and provision for return to Earth of collected sam-

1       ples, materials, and scientific instruments in need of  
2       replacement or upgrade.

3               “(5) Cooperation with the Administration, other  
4       departments and agencies of the United States Gov-  
5       ernment, the States, and commercial entities in en-  
6       suring the enhancement and sustained operations of  
7       non-exploration-related research payload ground  
8       support facilities for the International Space Sta-  
9       tion, including the Space Life Sciences Laboratory,  
10      the Space Station Processing Facility, and the Pay-  
11      load Operations Integration Center.

12              “(6) Development and implementation of sci-  
13      entific outreach and education activities designed to  
14      ensure effective utilization of International Space  
15      Station research capabilities, including the conduct  
16      of scientific assemblies, conferences, and other fora  
17      for the presentation of research findings, methods,  
18      and mechanisms for the dissemination of non-re-  
19      stricted research findings and the development of  
20      educational programs, course supplements, and  
21      interaction with educational programs at all grade  
22      levels, including student-focused research opportuni-  
23      ties for conduct of research in the International  
24      Space Station national laboratory facilities.



1           “(7) Other matters relating to the utilization of  
2           the International Space Station national laboratory  
3           facilities for research and development as the Ad-  
4           ministrator considers appropriate.

5           “(d) RESEARCH CAPACITY ALLOCATION AND INTE-  
6 GRATION OF RESEARCH PAYLOADS.—

7           “(1) ALLOCATION OF INTERNATIONAL SPACE  
8           STATION RESEARCH CAPACITY.—The International  
9           Space Station national laboratory managed experi-  
10          ments shall be guaranteed access to, and utilization  
11          of, not less than 50 percent of the United States re-  
12          search capacity allocation, including power, cold  
13          stowage, and requisite crew time onboard the Inter-  
14          national Space Station through at least September  
15          30, 2030. Access to the International Space Station  
16          research capacity includes provision for the adequate  
17          upmass and downmass capabilities to utilize the  
18          International Space Station research capacity, as  
19          available. The Administrator may allocate additional  
20          capacity to the International Space Station national  
21          laboratory should such capacity be in excess of Ad-  
22          ministration research requirements.

23          “(2) ADDITIONAL RESEARCH CAPABILITIES.—If  
24          any Administration research plan is determined to  
25          require research capacity onboard the International

1       Space Station beyond the percentage allocated under  
2       paragraph (1), the research plan shall be prepared  
3       in the form of a requested research opportunity to  
4       be submitted to the process established under this  
5       section for the consideration of proposed research  
6       within the capacity allocated to the International  
7       Space Station national laboratory. A proposal for  
8       such a research plan may include the establishment  
9       of partnerships with non-Administration institutions  
10      eligible to propose research to be conducted within  
11      the International Space Station national laboratory  
12      capacity. Until at least September 30, 2030, the of-  
13      ficial or employee designated under subsection (b)  
14      may grant an exception to this requirement in the  
15      case of a proposed experiment considered essential  
16      for purposes of preparing for exploration beyond  
17      low-Earth orbit, as determined by joint agreement  
18      between the organization with which the Adminis-  
19      trator enters into a cooperative agreement under  
20      subsection (a) and the official or employee des-  
21      ignated under subsection (b).

22           “(3) RESEARCH PRIORITIES AND ENHANCED  
23      CAPACITY.—The organization with which the Admin-  
24      istrator enters into the cooperative agreement shall  
25      consider recommendations of the National Acad-

1 emies Decadal Survey on Biological and Physical  
 2 Sciences in Space in establishing research priorities  
 3 and in developing proposed enhancements of re-  
 4 search capacity and opportunities for the Inter-  
 5 national Space Station national laboratory.

6 “(4) RESPONSIBILITY FOR RESEARCH PAY-  
 7 LOAD.—The Administration shall retain its roles and  
 8 responsibilities in providing research payload phys-  
 9 ical, analytical, and operations integration during  
 10 pre-flight, post-flight, transportation, and orbital  
 11 phases essential to ensure safe and effective flight  
 12 readiness and vehicle integration of research activi-  
 13 ties approved and prioritized by the organization  
 14 with which the Administrator enters into the cooper-  
 15 ative agreement and the official or employee des-  
 16 ignated under subsection (b).

17 **“§ 70912. Primary objectives of International Space**  
 18 **Station program**

19 “The primary objectives of the International Space  
 20 Station program shall be—

21 “(1) to achieve the long term goal and objec-  
 22 tives under section 71512 of this title; and

23 “(2) to pursue a research program that ad-  
 24 vances knowledge and provides other benefits to the  
 25 Nation.”.

1 (x) REVISION OF SECTION 71102.—Section 71102(1)  
 2 of title 51, United States Code, is amended by striking  
 3 “attaching a tracking device,” and inserting “attaching a  
 4 tracking device to,”.

5 (y) ENACTMENT OF CHAPTER 715.—Title 51, United  
 6 States Code, is amended as follows:

7 (1) CONTENT.—Title 51, United States Code,  
 8 is amended by adding after chapter 713 the fol-  
 9 lowing:

10 **“Chapter 715—HUMAN SPACE**  
 11 **FLIGHT AND EXPLORATION**

**“SUBCHAPTER I—GENERAL PROVISIONS**

“Sec.

“71501. Definitions.

**“SUBCHAPTER II—POLICY, GOALS, AND OBJECTIVES**

“71511. Human space flight policy.

“71512. Goals and objectives.

**“SUBCHAPTER III—EXPANSION OF HUMAN SPACE  
 FLIGHT BEYOND THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STA-  
 TION AND LOW-EARTH ORBIT**

“71521. Space Launch System as follow-on launch vehicle to the space shuttle.

“71522. Multipurpose crew vehicle.

“71523. Utilization of existing workforce and assets in development of Space  
 Launch System and multipurpose crew vehicle.

“71524. Launch support and infrastructure modernization program.

“71525. Development of technologies and in-space capabilities for beyond near-  
 Earth space missions.

**“SUBCHAPTER IV—SPACE SCIENCE**

“71541. Technology development.

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1           **“Subchapter I—GENERAL**  
2                           **PROVISIONS**

3   **“§ 71501. Definitions**

4           “In this chapter:

5                   “(1) CIS-LUNAR SPACE.—The term ‘cis-lunar  
6           space’ means the region of space from the Earth out  
7           to and including the region around the surface of  
8           the Moon.

9                   “(2) DEEP SPACE.—The term ‘deep space’  
10          means the region of space beyond cis-lunar space.

11                   “(3) NEAR-EARTH SPACE.—The term ‘near-  
12          Earth space’ means the region of space that includes  
13          low-Earth orbit and extends out to and includes geo-  
14          synchronous orbit.

15                   “(4) SPACE LAUNCH SYSTEM.—The term  
16          ‘Space Launch System’ means the follow-on Govern-  
17          ment-owned civil launch system developed, managed,  
18          and operated by the Administration to serve as a  
19          key component to expand human presence beyond  
20          low-Earth orbit.

21   **“Subchapter II—POLICY, GOALS,**  
22                           **AND OBJECTIVES**

23   **“§ 71511. Human space flight policy**

24           “(a) USE OF NON-UNITED STATES HUMAN SPACE  
25   FLIGHT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES.—

1 “(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

2 “(A) COMMERCIAL PROVIDER.—The term  
3 ‘commercial provider’ means any person pro-  
4 viding human space flight transportation serv-  
5 ices, primary control of which is held by persons  
6 other than the Federal Government, a State or  
7 local government, or a foreign government.

8 “(B) QUALIFIED FOREIGN ENTITY.—The  
9 term ‘qualified foreign entity’ means a foreign  
10 entity that is in compliance with all applicable  
11 safety standards and is not prohibited from  
12 providing space transportation services under  
13 other law.

14 “(C) UNITED STATES COMMERCIAL PRO-  
15 VIDER.—The term ‘United States commercial  
16 provider’ means a commercial provider, orga-  
17 nized under the laws of the United States or of  
18 a State, that is more than 50 percent owned by  
19 United States nationals.

20 “(2) IN GENERAL.—The Federal Government  
21 may not acquire human space flight transportation  
22 services from a foreign entity unless—

23 “(A) no United States Government-oper-  
24 ated human space flight capability is available;

1 “(B) no United States commercial provider  
2 is available; and

3 “(C) it is a qualified foreign entity.

4 “(3) ARRANGEMENTS WITH FOREIGN ENTI-  
5 TIES.—Nothing in this subsection shall prevent the  
6 Administrator from negotiating or entering into  
7 human space flight transportation arrangements  
8 with foreign entities to ensure safety of flight and  
9 continued International Space Station operations.

10 “(b) UNITED STATES HUMAN SPACE FLIGHT CAPA-  
11 BILITIES.—Congress reaffirms the policy stated in section  
12 70501(a) of this title that the United States shall main-  
13 tain an uninterrupted capability for human space flight  
14 and operations in low-Earth orbit, and beyond, as an es-  
15 sential instrument of national security and of the capacity  
16 to ensure continued United States participation and lead-  
17 ership in the exploration and utilization of space.

18 **“§ 71512. Goals and objectives**

19 “(a) LONG-TERM GOALS.—The long-term goals of  
20 the human space flight and exploration efforts of the Ad-  
21 ministration shall be—

22 “(1) to expand permanent human presence be-  
23 yond low-Earth orbit and to do so, where practical,  
24 in a manner involving international, academic, and  
25 industry partners;

1           “(2) crewed missions and progress toward  
2           achieving the goal in paragraph (1) to enable the po-  
3           tential for subsequent human exploration and the ex-  
4           tension of human presence throughout the solar sys-  
5           tem; and

6           “(3) to enable a capability to extend human  
7           presence, including potential human habitation on  
8           another celestial body and a thriving space economy  
9           in the 21st century.

10          “(b) KEY OBJECTIVES.—The key objectives of the  
11       United States for human expansion into space shall be—

12           “(1) to sustain the capability for long-duration  
13           presence in low-Earth orbit, initially through con-  
14           tinuation of the International Space Station and full  
15           utilization of the United States segment of the  
16           International Space Station as a national laboratory,  
17           and through assisting and enabling an expanded  
18           commercial presence in, and access to, low-Earth  
19           orbit, as elements of a low-Earth orbit infrastruc-  
20           ture;

21           “(2) to determine whether humans can live for  
22           extended periods in space with decreasing reliance  
23           on Earth, starting with utilization of low-Earth orbit  
24           infrastructure, to—



1           “(A) identify potential roles that space re-  
2           sources such as energy and materials can play;

3           “(B) meet national and global needs and  
4           challenges such as potential cataclysmic threats;  
5           and

6           “(C) explore the viability of and lay the  
7           foundation for sustainable economic activities in  
8           space;

9           “(3) to maximize the role that human explo-  
10          ration of space can play in—

11           “(A) advancing overall knowledge of the  
12          universe;

13           “(B) supporting United States national  
14          and economic security and the United States  
15          global competitive posture; and

16           “(C) inspiring young people in their edu-  
17          cational pursuits;

18           “(4) to build on the cooperative and mutually  
19          beneficial framework established by the International  
20          Space Station partnership agreements and experi-  
21          ence in developing and undertaking programs and  
22          meeting objectives designed to realize the goal of  
23          human space flight set forth in subsection (a); and

24           “(5) to achieve human exploration of Mars and  
25          beyond through the prioritization of those tech-

1 nologies and capabilities best suited for such a mis-  
 2 sion in accordance with the stepping stone approach  
 3 to exploration under section 70504 of this title.

4 **“Subchapter III—EXPANSION OF**  
 5 **HUMAN SPACE FLIGHT BE-**  
 6 **YOND THE INTERNATIONAL**  
 7 **SPACE STATION AND LOW-**  
 8 **EARTH ORBIT**

9 **“§ 71521. Space Launch System as follow-on launch**  
 10 **vehicle to the space shuttle**

11 “(a) POLICY.—It is the policy of the United States  
 12 that the Administration develop a Space Launch System  
 13 as a follow-on to the space shuttle that can access cis-  
 14 lunar space and the regions of space beyond low-Earth  
 15 orbit in order to enable the United States to participate  
 16 in global efforts to access and develop that increasingly  
 17 strategic region.

18 “(b) INITIATION OF DEVELOPMENT.—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable  
 20 after October 11, 2010, the Administrator shall ini-  
 21 tiate development of a Space Launch System meet-  
 22 ing the minimum capability requirements specified  
 23 in subsection (c).

24 “(2) MODIFICATION OF CURRENT CON-  
 25 TRACTS.—In order to limit the Administration’s ter-

1 mination liability costs and support critical capabili-  
2 ties, the Administrator shall, to the extent prac-  
3 ticable, extend or modify existing (as of October 11,  
4 2010) vehicle development and associated contracts  
5 necessary to meet the requirement in paragraph (1),  
6 including contracts for ground testing of solid rocket  
7 motors, if necessary, to ensure their availability for  
8 development of the Space Launch System.

9 “(c) MINIMUM CAPABILITY REQUIREMENTS.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Space Launch System  
11 developed pursuant to subsection (b) shall be de-  
12 signed to have, at a minimum, the following:

13 “(A) The initial capability of the core ele-  
14 ments, without an upper stage, of lifting pay-  
15 loads weighing between 70 and 100 tons into  
16 low-Earth orbit in preparation for transit for  
17 missions beyond low-Earth orbit.

18 “(B) The capability to carry an integrated  
19 upper Earth departure stage bringing the total  
20 lift capability of the Space Launch System to  
21 130 tons or more.

22 “(C) The capability to lift the multipur-  
23 pose crew vehicle.

24 “(D) The capability to serve as a backup  
25 system for supplying and supporting Inter-

1           national Space Station cargo delivery require-  
2           ments or crew delivery requirements not other-  
3           wise met by available commercial or partner-  
4           supplied vehicles.

5           “(E) The capacity for efficient and timely  
6           evolution, including the incorporation of new  
7           technologies, competition of sub-elements, and  
8           commercial operations.

9           “(2) FLEXIBILITY.—The Space Launch System  
10          shall be designed from inception as a fully integrated  
11          vehicle capable of carrying a total payload of 130  
12          tons or more into low-Earth orbit in preparation for  
13          transit for missions beyond low-Earth orbit. The  
14          Space Launch System shall, to the extent prac-  
15          ticable, incorporate capabilities for evolutionary  
16          growth to carry heavier payloads. Developmental  
17          work and testing of the core elements and the upper  
18          stage should proceed in parallel subject to appropria-  
19          tions. Priority should be placed on the core elements  
20          with the goal for operational capability for the core  
21          elements not later than December 31, 2016.

22          “(3) TRANSITION NEEDS.—The Administrator  
23          shall ensure that critical skills and capabilities are  
24          retained, modified, and developed, as appropriate, in  
25          areas relating to solid and liquid engines, large di-

1        ameter fuel tanks, rocket propulsion, and other  
2        ground test capabilities for an effective transition to  
3        the follow-on Space Launch System.

4    **“§ 71522. Multipurpose crew vehicle**

5        “(a) INITIATION OF DEVELOPMENT.—

6            “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall  
7        continue the development of a multipurpose crew ve-  
8        hicle to be available as soon as practicable, and no  
9        later than for use with the Space Launch System.  
10       The vehicle shall continue to advance development of  
11       the human safety features, designs, and systems in  
12       the Orion project.

13           “(2) GOAL FOR OPERATIONAL CAPABILITY.—It  
14        shall be the goal to achieve full operational capa-  
15        bility for the transportation vehicle developed pursu-  
16        ant to this subsection by not later than December  
17        31, 2016. For purposes of meeting such goal, the  
18        Administrator may undertake a test of the transpor-  
19        tation vehicle at the International Space Station be-  
20        fore that date.

21        “(b) MINIMUM CAPABILITY REQUIREMENTS.—The  
22        multipurpose crew vehicle developed pursuant to sub-  
23        section (a) shall be designed to have, at a minimum, the  
24        following:

1           “(1) The capability to serve as the primary  
2       crew vehicle for missions beyond low-Earth orbit.

3           “(2) The capability to conduct regular in-space  
4       operations, such as rendezvous, docking, and extra-  
5       vehicular activities, in conjunction with payloads de-  
6       livered by the Space Launch System developed pur-  
7       suant to section 71521 of this title, or other vehicles,  
8       in preparation for missions beyond low-Earth orbit  
9       or servicing of assets described in section 71543 of  
10      this title, or other assets in cis-lunar space.

11          “(3) The capability to provide an alternative  
12      means of delivery of crew and cargo to the Inter-  
13      national Space Station, in the event other vehicles,  
14      whether commercial vehicles or partner-supplied ve-  
15      hicles, are unable to perform that function.

16          “(4) The capacity for efficient and timely evo-  
17      lution, including the incorporation of new tech-  
18      nologies, competition of sub-elements, and commer-  
19      cial operations.

20   **“§ 71523. Utilization of existing workforce and assets**  
21                   **in development of Space Launch System**  
22                   **and multipurpose crew vehicle**

23          “(a) IN GENERAL.—In developing the Space Launch  
24      System pursuant to section 71521 of this title and the  
25      multipurpose crew vehicle pursuant to section 71522 of

1 this title, the Administrator shall, to the extent prac-  
2 ticable, utilize—

3 “(1) existing (as of October 11, 2010) con-  
4 tracts, investments, workforce, industrial base, and  
5 capabilities from the space shuttle and Orion and  
6 Ares 1 projects, including—

7 “(A) spacesuit development activities for  
8 application to, and coordinated development of,  
9 a multipurpose crew vehicle suit and associated  
10 life-support requirements with potential devel-  
11 opment of standard Administration-certified  
12 suit and life support systems for use in alter-  
13 native commercially developed crew transpor-  
14 tation systems; and

15 “(B) space shuttle-derived components and  
16 Ares 1 components that use existing (as of Oc-  
17 tober 11, 2010) United States propulsion sys-  
18 tems, including liquid fuel engines, external  
19 tank or tank-related capability, and solid rocket  
20 motor engines; and

21 “(2) associated testing facilities in existence or  
22 under construction as of October 11, 2010.

23 “(b) DISCHARGE OF REQUIREMENTS.—In meeting  
24 the requirements of subsection (a), the Administrator—

1           “(1) shall, to the extent practicable, utilize  
2           ground-based manufacturing capability, ground test-  
3           ing activities, launch and operations infrastructure,  
4           and workforce expertise;

5           “(2) shall, to the extent practicable, minimize  
6           the modification and development of ground infra-  
7           structure and maximize the utilization of existing (as  
8           of October 11, 2010) software, vehicle, and mission  
9           operations processes;

10          “(3) shall complete construction and activation  
11          of the A-3 test stand with a completion goal of Sep-  
12          tember 30, 2013;

13          “(4) may procure, develop, and flight test appli-  
14          cable components; and

15          “(5) shall take appropriate actions to ensure  
16          timely and cost-effective development of the Space  
17          Launch System and the multipurpose crew vehicle,  
18          including the use of a procurement approach that in-  
19          corporates adequate and effective oversight, the fa-  
20          cilitation of contractor efficiencies, and the stream-  
21          lining of contract and procurement requirements.

22          “(c) CONTINUATION OF CONTRACTOR SUPPORT.—  
23          The Administrator may not terminate any contract that  
24          provides the system transitions necessary for shuttle-de-  
25          rived hardware to be used on the Space Launch System



1 described in section 71521 of this title or the multipurpose  
2 crew vehicle described in section 71522 of this title.

3 **“§ 71524. Launch support and infrastructure mod-**  
4 **ernization program**

5 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall carry  
6 out a program the primary purpose of which is to prepare  
7 infrastructure at the Kennedy Space Center that is needed  
8 to enable processing and launch of the Space Launch Sys-  
9 tem. Vehicle interfaces and other ground processing and  
10 payload integration areas should be simplified to minimize  
11 overall costs, enhance safety, and complement the purpose  
12 of this section.

13 “(b) ELEMENTS.—The program required by this sec-  
14 tion shall include—

15 “(1) investments to improve civil and national  
16 security operations at the Kennedy Space Center, to  
17 enhance the overall capabilities of the Center, and to  
18 reduce the long-term cost of operations and mainte-  
19 nance;

20 “(2) measures to provide multi-vehicle support,  
21 improvements in payload processing, and partnering  
22 at the Kennedy Space Center; and

23 “(3) other measures that the Administrator  
24 considers appropriate, including investments to im-  
25 prove launch infrastructure at Administration flight

1 facilities scheduled to launch cargo to the Inter-  
2 national Space Station under the program to develop  
3 commercial cargo transportation capabilities.

4 **“§ 71525. Development of technologies and in-space**  
5 **capabilities for beyond near-Earth space**  
6 **missions**

7 “(a) DEVELOPMENT AUTHORIZED.—The Adminis-  
8 trator may initiate activities to develop the following:

9 “(1) Technologies identified as necessary ele-  
10 ments of missions beyond low-Earth orbit.

11 “(2) In-space capabilities such as refueling and  
12 storage technology, orbital transfer stages, innova-  
13 tive in-space propulsion technology, communications,  
14 and data management that facilitate a broad range  
15 of users (including military and commercial).

16 “(3) Applications defining the architecture and  
17 design of missions beyond low-Earth orbit.

18 “(4) Spacesuit development and associated life  
19 support technology.

20 “(5) Flagship missions.

21 “(b) INVESTMENTS.—In developing technologies and  
22 capabilities under subsection (a), the Administrator may  
23 make investments in—

24 “(1) space technologies such as advanced pro-  
25 pulsion, propellant depots, in situ resource utiliza-

1       tion, and robotic payloads or capabilities that enable  
2       human missions beyond low-Earth orbit ultimately  
3       leading to Mars;

4               “(2) a space-based transfer vehicle including  
5       technologies described in paragraph (1) with an abil-  
6       ity to conduct space-based operations that provide  
7       capabilities—

8               “(A) to integrate with the Space Launch  
9       System and other space-based systems;

10              “(B) to provide opportunities for in-space  
11       servicing of and delivery to multiple space-based  
12       platforms; and

13              “(C) to facilitate international efforts to  
14       expand human presence to deep space destina-  
15       tions;

16              “(3) advanced life support technologies and ca-  
17       pabilities;

18              “(4) technologies and capabilities relating to in-  
19       space power, propulsion, and energy systems;

20              “(5) technologies and capabilities relating to in-  
21       space propellant transfer and storage;

22              “(6) technologies and capabilities relating to in  
23       situ resource utilization; and

1           “(7) expanded research to understand the  
2           greatest biological impediments to human deep space  
3           missions, especially the radiation challenge.

4           “(c) UTILIZATION OF INTERNATIONAL SPACE STA-  
5           TION AS TESTBED.—The Administrator may utilize the  
6           International Space Station as a testbed for any tech-  
7           nology or capability developed under subsection (a) in a  
8           manner consistent with sections 70908 through 70911 of  
9           this title.

10          “(d) COORDINATION.—The Administrator shall co-  
11          ordinate development of technologies and capabilities  
12          under this section through an overall Administration tech-  
13          nology approach consistent with the plan required by sec-  
14          tion 905 of the National Aeronautics and Space Adminis-  
15          tration Authorization Act of 2010 (Public Law 111–267,  
16          124 Stat. 2836), which outlines how the Administration’s  
17          space technology program will meet the goal described in  
18          section 40903 of this title, including an explanation of how  
19          the plan will link to other mission-directorate technology  
20          efforts.

## 21       **“Subchapter IV—SPACE SCIENCE**

### 22       **“§ 71541. Technology development**

23          “The Administrator shall ensure that the Science  
24          Mission Directorate maintains a long-term technology de-  
25          velopment program for space and Earth science. That ef-

1 fort should be coordinated with an overall Administration  
2 technology investment approach consistent with the plan  
3 required by section 905 of the National Aeronautics and  
4 Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (Public  
5 Law 111–267, 124 Stat. 2836), which outlines how the  
6 Administration’s space technology program will meet the  
7 goal described in section 40903 of this title, including an  
8 explanation of how the plan will link to other mission-di-  
9 rectorate technology efforts.

10 **“§ 71542. Suborbital research activities**

11 “(a) MANAGEMENT.—The Administrator shall des-  
12 ignate an officer or employee of the Science Mission Direc-  
13 torate to act as the responsible official for all Suborbital  
14 Research in the Science Mission Directorate. The designee  
15 shall be responsible for—

16 “(1) the development of short- and long-term  
17 strategic plans for maintaining, renewing, and ex-  
18 tending suborbital facilities and capabilities;

19 “(2) monitoring progress toward goals in the  
20 plans; and

21 “(3) integration of suborbital activities and  
22 workforce development within the Administration,  
23 thereby ensuring the long-term recognition of their  
24 combined value to the Directorate, to the Adminis-  
25 tration, and to the Nation.

1       “(b) ESTABLISHMENT OF SUBORBITAL RESEARCH  
2 PROGRAM.—The Administrator shall establish a Sub-  
3 orbital Research Program within the Science Mission Di-  
4 rectorate that shall include the use of sounding rockets,  
5 aircraft, high altitude balloons, suborbital reusable launch  
6 vehicles, and commercial launch vehicles to advance  
7 science and train the next generation of scientists and en-  
8 gineers in systems engineering and systems integration,  
9 which are vital to maintaining critical skills in the aero-  
10 space workforce. The program shall integrate existing (as  
11 of October 11, 2010) suborbital research programs with  
12 orbital missions at the discretion of the designated officer  
13 or employee and shall emphasize the participation of un-  
14 dergraduate and graduate students and post-doctoral re-  
15 searchers when formulating announcements of oppor-  
16 tunity.

17       “(c) ANNUAL REPORT.—The Administrator shall re-  
18 port annually to the Committee on Commerce, Science,  
19 and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on  
20 Science, Space, and Technology of the House of Rep-  
21 resentatives on the number and type of suborbital missions  
22 conducted in each fiscal year under this section and the  
23 number of undergraduate and graduate students that par-  
24 ticipated in the missions.

1 **“§ 71543. In-space servicing**

2       “The Administrator shall continue to take all nec-  
3 essary steps to ensure that provisions are made for robotic  
4 or human in-space servicing and repair of all future ob-  
5 servatory-class scientific spacecraft intended to be de-  
6 ployed in Earth-orbit or at a Lagrangian point to the ex-  
7 tent practicable and appropriate. The Administrator  
8 should ensure that Administration investments and future  
9 capabilities for space technology, robotics, and human  
10 space flight take the ability to service and repair observ-  
11 atory-class scientific spacecraft into account, as appro-  
12 priate, and incorporate those capabilities into design and  
13 operational plans.

14 **“§ 71544. Ongoing restoration of radioisotope thermo-**  
15 **electric generator material production**

16       “The Administrator shall, in coordination with the  
17 Secretary of Energy, pursue a joint approach beginning  
18 in fiscal year 2011 toward restarting and sustaining the  
19 domestic production of radioisotope thermoelectric gener-  
20 ator material for deep space and other science and explo-  
21 ration missions. Funds authorized by the National Aero-  
22 nautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of  
23 2010 (Public Law 111–267, 124 Stat. 2805) for the Ad-  
24 ministration shall be made available under a reimbursable  
25 agreement with the Department of Energy for the purpose  
26 of reestablishing facilities to produce fuel required for ra-

1 dioisotope thermoelectric generators to enable future mis-  
2 sions.

3 **“§ 71545. Coordinated approach for robotic missions**

4 “The Administrator shall ensure that the Exploration  
5 Systems Mission Directorate and the Space Operations  
6 Mission Directorate coordinate with the Science Mission  
7 Directorate on an overall approach and plan for inter-  
8 agency and international collaboration on robotic missions  
9 that are developed by the Administration or internation-  
10 ally developed, including lunar, Lagrangian, near-Earth  
11 orbit, and Mars spacecraft, such as the International  
12 Lunar Network.

13 **“§ 71546. Near-Earth object survey and policy with**  
14 **respect to threats posed**

15 “(a) POLICY REAFFIRMATION.—Congress reaffirms  
16 the policy set forth in section 20102(g) of this title relat-  
17 ing to surveying near-Earth asteroids and comets.

18 “(b) IMPLEMENTATION.—Consistent with section  
19 71103 of this title, the Director of the Office of Science  
20 and Technology Policy shall implement, before September  
21 30, 2012, a policy for notifying Federal agencies and rel-  
22 evant emergency response institutions of an impending  
23 near-Earth object threat if near-term public safety is at  
24 risk, and assign a Federal agency or agencies to be respon-



1 sible for protecting the United States and working with  
2 the international community on such threats.”.

3 (2) CHAPTER HEADING TYPEFACE.—The chap-  
4 ter heading of chapter 715 of title 51, United States  
5 Code, as added by paragraph (1), is amended so  
6 that the typeface of that chapter heading conforms  
7 to the typeface of other chapter headings in title 51,  
8 United States Code.

9 (3) CHAPTER TABLE OF CONTENTS TYPE-  
10 FACE.—The chapter table of contents of chapter 715  
11 of title 51, United States Code, as added by para-  
12 graph (1), is amended so that the typeface of the  
13 subchapter headings and the typeface of the sub-  
14 chapter items conform to those appearing in other  
15 chapter table of contents of title 51.

16 (4) SUBCHAPTER HEADING TYPEFACE.—The  
17 subchapter headings for subchapters I through IV of  
18 chapter 715 of title 51, United States Code, as  
19 added by paragraph (1), are amended so that the  
20 typeface of those subchapter headings conforms to  
21 the typeface of subchapter headings in other chap-  
22 ters of title 51, United States Code.

23 (z) ENACTMENT OF CHAPTER 717.—Title 51, United  
24 States Code, is amended as follows:

1           (1) CONTENT.—Title 51, United States Code,  
 2           as amended by subsection (y), is amended by adding  
 3           after chapter 715 the following:

4           **“Chapter 717—ADVANCING**  
 5           **HUMAN SPACE EXPLORATION**

**“SUBCHAPTER I—GENERAL PROVISIONS**

“Sec.

“71701. Definitions.

**“SUBCHAPTER II—ADVANCING HUMAN DEEP SPACE  
EXPLORATION**

**“Part A—Assuring Core Capabilities for Explo-  
ration**

“71711. Space launch system, Orion, and exploration ground systems.

**“Part B—Journey to Mars**

“71721. Human exploration roadmap.

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2                                   **PROVISIONS**

3   **“§ 71701. Definitions**

4           “In this chapter:

5                   “(1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-  
6           GRESS.—The term ‘appropriate committees of Con-  
7           gress’ means—

8                           “(A) the Committee on Commerce,  
9                   Science, and Transportation of the Senate; and

10                           “(B) the Committee on Science, Space,  
11                   and Technology of the House of Representa-  
12                   tives.

13                   “(2) CIS-LUNAR SPACE.—The term ‘cis-lunar  
14           space’ means the region of space from the Earth out  
15           to and including the region around the surface of  
16           the Moon.

17                   “(3) DEEP SPACE.—The term ‘deep space’  
18           means the region of space beyond low-Earth orbit,  
19           to include cis-lunar space.

20                   “(4) ORION.—The term ‘Orion’ means the mul-  
21           tipurpose crew vehicle described under section 71522  
22           of this title.

23                   “(5) SPACE LAUNCH SYSTEM.—The term  
24           ‘Space Launch System’ has the meaning given the  
25           term in section 71501 of this title.

1 **“Subchapter II—ADVANCING**  
2 **HUMAN DEEP SPACE EXPLO-**  
3 **RATION**

4 **“Part A—Assuring Core**  
5 **Capabilities for Exploration**

6 **“§ 71711. Space launch system, Orion, and explo-**  
7 **ration ground systems**

8 “(a) REAFFIRMATION.—Congress reaffirms the pol-  
9 icy and minimum capability requirements for the Space  
10 Launch System under section 71521 of this title.

11 “(b) CONTINUED DEVELOPMENT OF FULLY INTE-  
12 GRATED SPACE LAUNCH SYSTEM.—The Administrator  
13 shall continue the development of the fully integrated  
14 Space Launch System, including an upper stage needed  
15 to go beyond low-Earth orbit, in order to safely enable  
16 human space exploration of the Moon, Mars, and beyond  
17 over the course of the next century as required in section  
18 71521(c) of this title.

19 “(c) EXPLORATION MISSIONS.—The Administrator  
20 shall continue development of—

21 “(1) an uncrewed exploration mission to dem-  
22 onstrate the capability of both the Space Launch  
23 System and Orion as an integrated system by 2018;

24 “(2) subject to applicable human rating proc-  
25 esses and requirements, a crewed exploration mis-

1 sion to demonstrate the Space Launch System, in-  
2 cluding the Core Stage and Exploration Upper  
3 Stages, by 2021;

4 “(3) subsequent missions beginning with  
5 Artemis III at operational flight rate sufficient to  
6 maintain safety and operational readiness using the  
7 Space Launch System and Orion to extend into cis-  
8 lunar space and eventually to Mars; and

9 “(4) a deep space habitat as a key element in  
10 a deep space exploration architecture along with the  
11 Space Launch System and Orion.

12 “(d) OTHER USES.—The Administrator shall assess  
13 the utility of the Space Launch System for use by the  
14 science community and for other Federal Government  
15 launch needs, including consideration of overall cost and  
16 schedule savings from reduced transit times and increased  
17 science returns enabled by the unique capabilities of the  
18 Space Launch System.

## 19 **“Part B—Journey to Mars**

### 20 **“§ 71721. Human exploration roadmap**

21 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall develop  
22 a human exploration roadmap, including a critical decision  
23 plan, to expand human presence beyond low-Earth orbit  
24 to the surface of Mars and beyond, considering potential

1 interim destinations such as cis-lunar space and the moons  
2 of Mars.

3 “(b) SCOPE.—The human exploration roadmap shall  
4 include—

5 “(1) an integrated set of exploration, science,  
6 and other goals and objectives of a United States  
7 human space exploration program to achieve the  
8 long-term goal of human missions near or on the  
9 surface of Mars in the 2030s;

10 “(2) opportunities for international, academic,  
11 and industry partnerships for exploration-related  
12 systems, services, research, and technology if those  
13 opportunities provide cost-savings, accelerate pro-  
14 gram schedules, or otherwise benefit the goals and  
15 objectives developed under paragraph (1);

16 “(3) sets and sequences of precursor missions  
17 in cis-lunar space and other missions or activities  
18 necessary—

19 “(A) to demonstrate the proficiency of the  
20 capabilities and technologies identified under  
21 paragraph (4); and

22 “(B) to meet the goals and objectives de-  
23 veloped under paragraph (1), including antici-  
24 pated timelines and missions for the Space  
25 Launch System and Orion;

1           “(4) an identification of the specific capabilities  
2           and technologies, including the Space Launch Sys-  
3           tem, Orion, a deep space habitat, and other capabili-  
4           ties, that facilitate the goals and objectives developed  
5           under paragraph (1);

6           “(5) a description of how cis-lunar elements,  
7           objectives, and activities advance the human explo-  
8           ration of Mars;

9           “(6) an assessment of potential human health  
10          and other risks, including radiation exposure;

11          “(7) mitigation plans, whenever possible, to ad-  
12          dress the risks identified in paragraph (6);

13          “(8) a description of those technologies already  
14          under development across the Federal Government  
15          or by other entities that facilitate the goals and ob-  
16          jectives developed under paragraph (1);

17          “(9) a specific process for the evolution of the  
18          capabilities of the fully integrated Orion with the  
19          Space Launch System and a description of how  
20          these systems facilitate the goals and objectives de-  
21          veloped under paragraph (1) and demonstrate the  
22          capabilities and technologies described in paragraph  
23          (4);

24          “(10) a description of the capabilities and tech-  
25          nologies that need to be demonstrated or research

1 data that could be gained through the utilization of  
2 the International Space Station and the status of  
3 the development of such capabilities and tech-  
4 nologies;

5 “(11) a framework for international cooperation  
6 in the development of all capabilities and tech-  
7 nologies identified under this section, including an  
8 assessment of the risks posed by relying on inter-  
9 national partners for capabilities and technologies on  
10 the critical path of development;

11 “(12) a process for partnering with nongovern-  
12 mental entities using Space Act Agreements or other  
13 acquisition instruments for future human space ex-  
14 ploration; and

15 “(13) information on the phasing of planned in-  
16 termediate destinations, Mars mission risk areas and  
17 potential risk mitigation approaches, technology re-  
18 quirements and phasing of required technology de-  
19 velopment activities, the management strategy to be  
20 followed, related International Space Station activi-  
21 ties, planned international collaborative activities,  
22 potential commercial contributions, and other activi-  
23 ties relevant to the achievement of the goal estab-  
24 lished in this section.



1       “(c) CONSIDERATIONS.—In developing the human ex-  
2 ploration roadmap, the Administrator shall consider—

3               “(1) using key exploration capabilities, namely  
4 the Space Launch System and Orion;

5               “(2) using existing commercially available tech-  
6 nologies and capabilities or those technologies and  
7 capabilities being developed by industry for commer-  
8 cial purposes;

9               “(3) establishing an organizational approach to  
10 ensure collaboration and coordination among the Ad-  
11 ministration’s mission directorates under section  
12 71761 of this title, when appropriate, including to  
13 collect and return to Earth a sample from the Mar-  
14 tian surface;

15               “(4) building upon the initial uncrewed mission,  
16 Artemis I, and first crewed mission, Artemis II, of  
17 the Space Launch System and Orion to establish a  
18 sustainable cadence of missions extending human ex-  
19 ploration missions into cis-lunar space, including an-  
20 ticipated timelines and milestones;

21               “(5) developing the robotic and precursor mis-  
22 sions and activities that will demonstrate, test, and  
23 develop key technologies and capabilities essential  
24 for achieving human missions to Mars, including  
25 long-duration human operations beyond low-Earth

1 orbit, space suits, solar electric propulsion, deep  
2 space habitats, environmental control life support  
3 systems, Mars lander and ascent vehicle, entry, de-  
4 scent, landing, ascent, Mars surface systems, and in-  
5 situ resource utilization;

6 “(6) demonstrating and testing 1 or more habi-  
7 tat modules in cis-lunar space to prepare for Mars  
8 missions;

9 “(7) using public-private, firm fixed-price part-  
10 nerships, where practicable;

11 “(8) collaborating with international, academic,  
12 and industry partners, when appropriate;

13 “(9) any risks to human health and sensitive  
14 onboard technologies, including radiation exposure;

15 “(10) any risks identified through research out-  
16 comes under the Administration Human Research  
17 Program’s Behavioral Health Element; and

18 “(11) the recommendations and ideas of several  
19 independently developed reports or concepts that de-  
20 scribe potential Mars architectures or concepts and  
21 identify Mars as the long-term goal for human space  
22 exploration, including the reports described under  
23 section 431 of the National Aeronautics and Space  
24 Administration Transition Authorization Act of  
25 2017 (Public Law 115–10, 131 Stat. 38).

1       “(d) CRITICAL DECISION PLAN ON HUMAN SPACE  
2 EXPLORATION.—As part of the human exploration road-  
3 map, the Administrator shall include a critical decision  
4 plan—

5           “(1) identifying and defining key decisions  
6 guiding human space exploration priorities and plans  
7 that need to be made before June 30, 2020, includ-  
8 ing decisions that may guide human space explo-  
9 ration capability development, precursor missions,  
10 long-term missions, and activities;

11          “(2) defining decisions needed to maximize effi-  
12 ciencies and resources for reaching the near-, inter-  
13 mediate-, and long-term goals and objectives of  
14 human space exploration; and

15          “(3) identifying and defining timelines and  
16 milestones for a sustainable cadence of missions be-  
17 ginning with Artemis III for the Space Launch Sys-  
18 tem and Orion to extend human exploration from  
19 cis-lunar space to the surface of Mars.

20       “(e) REPORTS.—

21           “(1) INITIAL HUMAN EXPLORATION ROAD-  
22 MAP.—The Administrator shall submit to the appro-  
23 priate committees of Congress—

1           “(A) an initial human exploration road-  
2           map, including a critical decision plan, before  
3           December 1, 2017; and

4           “(B) an updated human exploration road-  
5           map periodically as the Administrator considers  
6           necessary but not less than biennially.

7           “(2) CONTENTS.—Each human exploration  
8           roadmap under this subsection shall include a de-  
9           scription of—

10           “(A) the achievements and goals accom-  
11           plished in the process of developing capabilities  
12           and technologies described in this section dur-  
13           ing the 2-year period prior to the submission of  
14           the human exploration roadmap; and

15           “(B) the expected goals and achievements  
16           in the following 2-year period.

17           “(3) SUBMISSION WITH BUDGET.—Each human  
18           exploration roadmap under this section shall be in-  
19           cluded in the budget for that fiscal year transmitted  
20           to Congress under section 1105(a) of title 31.

1       **“Subchapter III—ADVANCING**  
2                   **SPACE SCIENCE**

3   **“§ 71731. Policy on maintaining balanced space**  
4                   **science portfolio**

5        “It is the policy of the United States to ensure, to  
6 the extent practicable, a steady cadence of large, medium,  
7 and small science missions.

8   **“§ 71732. Mission priorities for planetary science**

9        “(a) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with the priorities  
10 established in the most recent Planetary Science Decadal  
11 Survey, the Administrator shall ensure, to the greatest ex-  
12 tent practicable, the completion of a balanced set of Dis-  
13 covery, New Frontiers, and Flagship missions at the ca-  
14 dence recommended by the most recent Planetary Science  
15 Decadal Survey.

16       “(b) MISSION PRIORITY ADJUSTMENTS.—Consistent  
17 with the set of missions described in subsection (a), and  
18 while maintaining the continuity of scientific data and  
19 steady development of capabilities and technologies, the  
20 Administrator may seek, if necessary, adjustments to mis-  
21 sion priorities, schedule, and scope in light of changing  
22 budget projections.

23   **“§ 71733. Extrasolar planet exploration strategy**

24       “(a) STRATEGY.—

1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall  
2       enter into an arrangement with the National Acad-  
3       emies to develop a science strategy for the study and  
4       exploration of extrasolar planets, including the use  
5       of the Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite, the  
6       James Webb Space Telescope, a potential Wide-  
7       Field Infrared Survey Telescope mission, or any  
8       other telescope, spacecraft, or instrument, as appro-  
9       priate.

10           “(2) REQUIREMENTS.—The strategy shall—

11                   “(A) outline key scientific questions;

12                   “(B) identify the most promising research  
13       in the field;

14                   “(C) indicate the extent to which the mis-  
15       sion priorities in existing decadal surveys ad-  
16       dress the key extrasolar planet research and ex-  
17       ploration goals;

18                   “(D) identify opportunities for coordina-  
19       tion with international partners, commercial  
20       partners, and not-for-profit partners; and

21                   “(E) make recommendations regarding the  
22       activities under subparagraphs (A) through  
23       (D), as appropriate.

24           “(b) USE OF STRATEGY.—The Administrator shall  
25       use the strategy—

1 “(1) to inform roadmaps, strategic plans, and  
2 other activities of the Administration as they relate  
3 to extrasolar planet research and exploration; and

4 “(2) to provide a foundation for future activi-  
5 ties and initiatives related to extrasolar planet re-  
6 search and exploration.

7 “(c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 18  
8 months after March 21, 2017, the National Academies  
9 shall submit to the Administrator and to the appropriate  
10 committees of Congress a report containing the strategy  
11 developed under subsection (a).

12 **“§ 71734. Astrobiology strategy**

13 “(a) STRATEGY.—

14 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall  
15 enter into an arrangement with the National Acad-  
16 emies to develop a science strategy for astrobiology  
17 that would outline key scientific questions, identify  
18 the most promising research in the field, and indi-  
19 cate the extent to which the mission priorities in ex-  
20 isting decadal surveys address the search for life’s  
21 origin, evolution, distribution, and future in the uni-  
22 verse.

23 “(2) RECOMMENDATIONS.—The strategy shall  
24 include recommendations for coordination with inter-  
25 national partners.

1       “(b) USE OF STRATEGY.—The Administrator shall  
2 use the strategy developed under subsection (a) in plan-  
3 ning and funding research and other activities and initia-  
4 tives in the field of astrobiology.

5       “(c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 18  
6 months after March 21, 2017, the National Academies  
7 shall submit to the Administrator and to the appropriate  
8 committees of Congress a report containing the strategy  
9 developed under subsection (a).

10   **“§ 71735. Collaboration**

11       “The Administration shall continue to develop first-  
12 of-a-kind instruments that, once proved, can be  
13 transitioned to other agencies for operations. Whenever re-  
14 sponsibilities for the development of sensors or for meas-  
15 urements are transferred to the Administration from an-  
16 other agency, the Administration shall seek, to the extent  
17 possible, to be reimbursed for the assumption of such re-  
18 sponsibilities.

19                   **“Subchapter IV—SPACE**  
20                   **TECHNOLOGY**

21   **“§ 71741. Space technology infusion**

22       “(a) POLICY.—It is the policy of the United States  
23 that the Administrator shall develop technologies to sup-  
24 port the Administration’s core missions, as described in  
25 section 2(3) of the National Aeronautics and Space Ad-



1   ministration Authorization Act of 2010 (Public Law 111–  
2   267, 124 Stat. 2807), and support sustained investments  
3   in early stage innovation, fundamental research, and tech-  
4   nologies to expand the boundaries of the national aero-  
5   space enterprise.

6       “(b) PROPULSION TECHNOLOGIES.—A goal of pro-  
7   pulsion technologies developed under subsection (a) shall  
8   be to significantly reduce human travel time to Mars.

9   **“§ 71742. Space technology program**

10       “(a) SPACE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.—  
11   The Administrator shall conduct a space technology pro-  
12   gram (referred to in this section as the ‘Program’) to re-  
13   search and develop advanced space technologies that could  
14   deliver innovative solutions across the Administration’s  
15   space exploration and science missions.

16       “(b) CONSIDERATIONS.—In conducting the Program,  
17   the Administrator shall consider—

18               “(1) the recommendations of the National  
19       Academies’ review of the Administration’s Space  
20       Technology roadmaps and priorities; and

21               “(2) the applicable enabling aspects of the step-  
22       ping stone approach to exploration under section  
23       70504 of this title.

24       “(c) REQUIREMENTS.—In conducting the Program,  
25   the Administrator shall—

1           “(1) to the extent practicable, use a competitive  
2           process to select research and development projects;

3           “(2) to the extent practicable and appropriate,  
4           use small satellites and the Administration’s sub-  
5           orbital and ground-based platforms to demonstrate  
6           space technology concepts and developments; and

7           “(3) as appropriate, partner with other Federal  
8           agencies, universities, private industry, and foreign  
9           countries.

10          “(d) SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAMS.—The Adminis-  
11       trator shall organize and manage the Administration’s  
12       Small Business Innovation Research Program and Small  
13       Business Technology Transfer Program within the Pro-  
14       gram.

15          “(e) NONDUPLICATION CERTIFICATION.—The Ad-  
16       ministrator shall submit a budget for each fiscal year, as  
17       transmitted to Congress under section 1105(a) of title 31,  
18       that avoids duplication of projects, programs, or missions  
19       conducted by the Program with other projects, programs,  
20       or missions conducted by another office or directorate of  
21       the Administration.

22          “(f) COLLABORATION, COORDINATION, AND ALIGN-  
23       MENT.—The Administrator shall—

24               “(1) ensure that the Administration’s projects,  
25               programs, and activities in support of technology re-

1 search and development of advanced space tech-  
2 nologies are fully coordinated and aligned;

3 “(2) ensure that the results of the projects, pro-  
4 grams, and activities under paragraph (1) are  
5 shared and leveraged within the Administration; and

6 “(3) ensure that the organizational responsi-  
7 bility for research and development activities in sup-  
8 port of human space exploration not initiated as of  
9 March 21, 2017, is established on the basis of a  
10 sound rationale.

11 “(g) ANNUAL REPORT.—The Administrator shall in-  
12 clude in the Administration’s annual budget request for  
13 each fiscal year the rationale for assigning organizational  
14 responsibility for, in the year prior to the budget fiscal  
15 year, each initiated project, program, and mission focused  
16 on research and development of advanced technologies for  
17 human space exploration.

1       **“Subchapter V—MAXIMIZING**  
2                   **EFFICIENCY**  
3       **“Part A—Administration Informa-**  
4           **tion Technology and Cybersecu-**  
5           **rity**

6       **“§ 71751. Information technology governance**

7           “The Administrator shall, in a manner that reflects  
8 the unique nature of the Administration’s mission and ex-  
9 pertise—

10               “(1) ensure the Administration Chief Informa-  
11           tion Officer, mission directorates, and centers have  
12           appropriate roles in the management, governance,  
13           and oversight processes related to information tech-  
14           nology operations and investments and information  
15           security programs for the protection of Administra-  
16           tion systems;

17               “(2) ensure the Administration Chief Informa-  
18           tion Officer has the appropriate resources and in-  
19           sight to oversee Administration information tech-  
20           nology and information security operations and in-  
21           vestments;

22               “(3) provide an information technology program  
23           management framework to increase the efficiency  
24           and effectiveness of information technology invest-

1       ments, including relying on metrics for identifying  
2       and reducing potential duplication, waste, and cost;

3           “(4) improve the operational linkage between  
4       the Administration Chief Information Officer and  
5       each Administration mission directorate, center, and  
6       mission support office to ensure both Administration  
7       and mission needs are considered in Administration-  
8       wide information technology and information secu-  
9       rity management and oversight;

10          “(5) review the portfolio of information tech-  
11       nology investments and spending, including informa-  
12       tion technology-related investments included as part  
13       of activities within Administration mission direc-  
14       torates that may not be considered information tech-  
15       nology, to ensure investments are recognized and re-  
16       ported appropriately based on guidance from the Of-  
17       fice of Management and Budget;

18          “(6) consider appropriate revisions to the char-  
19       ters of information technology boards and councils  
20       that inform information technology investment and  
21       operation decisions; and

22          “(7) consider whether the Administration Chief  
23       Information Officer should have a seat on any  
24       boards or councils described in paragraph (6).

1 **“§ 71752. Information technology strategic plan**

2 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), the  
3 Administrator shall develop an information technology  
4 strategic plan to guide Administration information tech-  
5 nology management and strategic objectives.

6 “(b) REQUIREMENTS.—In developing the strategic  
7 plan, the Administrator shall ensure that the strategic  
8 plan addresses—

9 “(1) the deadline under section 306(a) of title  
10 5; and

11 “(2) the requirements under section 3506 of  
12 title 44.

13 “(c) CONTENTS.—The strategic plan shall address,  
14 in a manner that reflects the unique nature of the Admin-  
15 istration’s mission and expertise—

16 “(1) near- and long-term goals and objectives  
17 for leveraging information technology;

18 “(2) a plan for how the Administration will  
19 submit to Congress a list of information technology  
20 projects, including completion dates and risk levels  
21 in accordance with guidance from the Office of Man-  
22 agement and Budget;

23 “(3) an implementation overview for an Admin-  
24 istration-wide approach to information technology  
25 investments and operations, including reducing bar-  
26 riers to cross-center collaboration;

1           “(4) coordination by the Administration Chief  
2       Information Officer with centers and mission direc-  
3       torates to ensure that information technology poli-  
4       cies are effectively and efficiently implemented  
5       across the Administration;

6           “(5) a plan to increase the efficiency and effec-  
7       tiveness of information technology investments, in-  
8       cluding a description of how unnecessarily duplica-  
9       tive, wasteful, legacy, or outdated information tech-  
10      nology across the Administration will be identified  
11      and eliminated, and a schedule for the identification  
12      and elimination of such information technology;

13          “(6) a plan for improving the information secu-  
14      rity of Administration information and Administra-  
15      tion information systems, including improving secu-  
16      rity control assessments and role-based security  
17      training of employees; and

18          “(7) submission by the Administration to Con-  
19      gress of information regarding high risk projects and  
20      cybersecurity risks.

21          “(d) CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT.—The Adminis-  
22      trator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Con-  
23      gress the strategic plan under subsection (a) and any up-  
24      dates to the strategic plan.

1 **“§ 71753. Information security plan for cybersecurity**

2       “(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after  
3 March 21, 2017, the Administrator shall implement the  
4 information security plan developed under subsection (b)  
5 and take such further actions as the Administrator con-  
6 siderers necessary to improve the information security sys-  
7 tem in accordance with this section.

8       “(b) INFORMATION SECURITY PLAN.—Subject to  
9 subsections (c) and (d), the Administrator shall develop  
10 an Administration-wide information security plan to en-  
11 hance information security for Administration information  
12 and information infrastructure.

13       “(c) REQUIREMENTS.—In developing the plan under  
14 subsection (b), the Administrator shall ensure that the  
15 plan—

16               “(1) reflects the unique nature of the Adminis-  
17 tration’s mission and expertise;

18               “(2) is informed by policies, standards, guide-  
19 lines, and directives on information security required  
20 for Federal agencies;

21               “(3) is consistent with the standards and guide-  
22 lines under section 11331 of title 40; and

23               “(4) meets applicable National Institute of  
24 Standards and Technology information security  
25 standards and guidelines.

26       “(d) CONTENTS.—The plan shall address—



1           “(1) an overview of the requirements of the in-  
2           formation security system;

3           “(2) an Administration-wide risk management  
4           framework for information security;

5           “(3) a description of the information security  
6           system management controls and common controls  
7           that are necessary to ensure compliance with infor-  
8           mation security-related requirements;

9           “(4) an identification and assignment of roles,  
10          responsibilities, and management commitment for  
11          information security at the Administration;

12          “(5) coordination among organizational entities,  
13          including between each center, facility, mission di-  
14          rectorate, and mission support office, and among  
15          Administration entities responsible for different as-  
16          pects of information security;

17          “(6) the need to protect the information secu-  
18          rity of mission-critical systems and activities and  
19          high-impact and moderate-impact information sys-  
20          tems; and

21          “(7) a schedule of frequent reviews and up-  
22          dates, as necessary, of the plan.

1 **“Part B—Collaboration Among Mis-**  
2 **sion Directorates and Other**  
3 **Matters**

4 **“§ 71761. Collaboration among mission directorates**

5 “The Administrator shall encourage an interdiscipli-  
6 nary approach among all Administration mission direc-  
7 torates and divisions, whenever appropriate, for projects  
8 or missions—

9 “(1) to improve coordination, and encourage  
10 collaboration and early planning on scope;

11 “(2) to determine areas of overlap or alignment;

12 “(3) to find ways to leverage across divisional  
13 perspectives to maximize outcomes; and

14 “(4) to be more efficient with resources and  
15 funds.

16 **“§ 71762. Administration launch capabilities collabo-**  
17 **ration**

18 “The Administrator shall pursue a strategy for acqui-  
19 sition of crewed transportation services and non-crewed  
20 launch services that continues to enhance communication,  
21 collaboration, and coordination between the Launch Serv-  
22 ices Program and the Commercial Crew Program.

23 **“§ 71763. Education and outreach**

24 “The Administrator shall continue engagement with  
25 the public and education opportunities for students via all

1 the Administration’s mission directorates to the maximum  
2 extent practicable.

3 **“§ 71764. Leveraging commercial satellite servicing**  
4 **capabilities across mission directorates**

5 “The Administrator shall—

6 “(1) identify orbital assets in both the Science  
7 Mission Directorate and the Human Exploration  
8 and Operations Mission Directorate that could ben-  
9 efit from satellite servicing-related technologies; and  
10 “(2) work across all Administration mission di-  
11 rectorates to evaluate opportunities for the private  
12 sector to perform such services or advance technical  
13 capabilities by leveraging the technologies and tech-  
14 niques developed by Administration programs and  
15 other industry programs.

16 **“§ 71765. Flight opportunities**

17 “(a) DEVELOPMENT OF PAYLOADS.—

18 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In order to conduct nec-  
19 essary research, the Administrator shall continue  
20 and, as the Administrator considers appropriate, ex-  
21 pand the development of technology payloads for—

22 “(A) scientific research; and

23 “(B) investigating new or improved capa-  
24 bilities.

1           “(2) FUNDS.—For the purpose of carrying out  
2       paragraph (1), the Administrator shall make funds  
3       available for—

4                   “(A) flight testing;

5                   “(B) payload development; and

6                   “(C) hardware related to subparagraphs  
7       (A) and (B).

8       “(b) REAFFIRMATION OF POLICY.—Congress reaffirms that the Administrator should provide flight opportunities for payloads to microgravity environments and  
10   suborbital altitudes as authorized by section 40905 of this  
11   title.  
12   title.

13   **“§ 71766. Space Act Agreements**

14       “(a) FUNDED SPACE ACT AGREEMENTS.—To the extent appropriate, the Administrator shall seek to maximize  
15   the value of contributions provided by other parties under  
16   the value of contributions provided by other parties under  
17   a funded Space Act Agreement in order to advance the  
18   Administration’s mission.

19       “(b) NON-EXCLUSIVITY.—

20           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall, to  
21   the greatest extent practicable, issue each Space Act  
22   Agreement—

23                   “(A) except as provided in paragraph (2),  
24                   on a nonexclusive basis;

1                   “(B) in a manner that ensures all non-gov-  
2                   ernment parties have equal access to Adminis-  
3                   tration resources; and

4                   “(C) exercising reasonable care not to re-  
5                   veal unique or proprietary information.

6                   “(2) EXCLUSIVITY.—If the Administrator de-  
7                   termines an exclusive arrangement is necessary, the  
8                   Administrator shall, to the greatest extent prac-  
9                   ticable, issue the Space Act Agreement—

10                   “(A) utilizing a competitive selection proc-  
11                   ess when exclusive arrangements are necessary;  
12                   and

13                   “(B) pursuant to public announcements  
14                   when exclusive arrangements are necessary.

15                   “(c) TRANSPARENCY.—The Administrator shall pub-  
16                   licly disclose on the Administration’s website and make  
17                   available in a searchable format each Space Act Agree-  
18                   ment, including an estimate of committed Administration  
19                   resources and the expected benefits to Administration ob-  
20                   jectives for each agreement, with appropriate redactions  
21                   for proprietary, sensitive, or classified information, not  
22                   later than 60 days after such agreement is signed by the  
23                   parties.

24                   “(d) ANNUAL REPORTS.—

1           “(1) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 90 days  
2           after the end of each fiscal year, the Administrator  
3           shall submit to the appropriate committees of Con-  
4           gress a report on the use of Space Act Agreement  
5           authority by the Administration during the previous  
6           fiscal year.

7           “(2) CONTENTS.—The report shall include for  
8           each Space Act Agreement in effect at the time of  
9           the report—

10                   “(A) an indication of whether the agree-  
11                   ment is a reimbursable, non-reimbursable, or  
12                   funded Space Act Agreement;

13                   “(B) a description of—

14                           “(i) the subject and terms;

15                           “(ii) the parties;

16                           “(iii) the responsible—

17                                   “(I) mission directorate;

18                                   “(II) center; or

19                                   “(III) headquarters element;

20                           “(iv) the value;

21                           “(v) the extent of the cost sharing  
22                   among Federal Government and non-Fed-  
23                   eral sources;

24                           “(vi) the time period or schedule; and

25                           “(vii) all milestones; and

1           “(C) an indication of whether the agree-  
2           ment was renewed during the previous fiscal  
3           year.

4           “(3) ANTICIPATED AGREEMENTS.—The report  
5           shall include a list of all anticipated reimbursable,  
6           non-reimbursable, and funded Space Act Agreements  
7           for the upcoming fiscal year.

8           “(4) CUMULATIVE PROGRAM BENEFITS.—The  
9           report shall include, with respect to each Space Act  
10          Agreement covered by the report, a summary of—

11           “(A) the technology areas in which re-  
12           search projects were conducted under that  
13           agreement;

14           “(B) the extent to which the use of that  
15           agreement—

16           “(i) has contributed to a broadening  
17           of the technology and industrial base avail-  
18           able for meeting Administration needs; and

19           “(ii) has fostered within the tech-  
20           nology and industrial base new relation-  
21           ships and practices that support the  
22           United States; and

23           “(C) the total amount of value received by  
24           the Federal Government during the fiscal year  
25           under that agreement.”.

1           (2) CHAPTER HEADING TYPEFACE.—The chap-  
2       ter heading of chapter 717 of title 51, United States  
3       Code, as added by paragraph (1), is amended so  
4       that the typeface of that chapter heading conforms  
5       to the typeface of other chapter headings in title 51,  
6       United States Code.

7           (3) CHAPTER TABLE OF CONTENTS TYPE-  
8       FACE.—The chapter table of contents of chapter 717  
9       of title 51, United States Code, as added by para-  
10      graph (1), is amended so that the typeface of the  
11      subchapter headings and the typeface of the sub-  
12      chapter items conform to those appearing in other  
13      chapter table of contents of title 51.

14          (4) SUBCHAPTER HEADING TYPEFACE.—The  
15      subchapter headings for subchapters I through V of  
16      chapter 717 of title 51, United States Code, as  
17      added by paragraph (1), are amended so that the  
18      typeface of those subchapter headings conforms to  
19      the typeface of subchapter headings in other chap-  
20      ters of title 51, United States Code.

21      (aa) COMMITTEE NAME CHANGE.—

22          (1) Section 20117(1) of title 51, United States  
23      Code, is amended by striking “Committee on Science  
24      and Technology” and inserting “Committee on  
25      Science, Space, and Technology”.



1           (2) Section 311 of the National Aeronautics  
2           and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2000  
3           (Public Law 106–391, 51 U.S.C. 20143 note) is  
4           amended—

5                   (A) in subsection (a), by striking “Com-  
6                   mittee on Science” and inserting “Committee  
7                   on Science, Space, and Technology”; and

8                   (B) in subsection (b), by striking “Com-  
9                   mittees on Science and Appropriations” and in-  
10                  serting “Committee on Science, Space, and  
11                  Technology and the Committee on Appropria-  
12                  tions”.

13          (3) Section 30303(b) of title 51, United States  
14          Code, is amended by striking “Committee on Science  
15          and Technology” and inserting “Committee on  
16          Science, Space, and Technology”.

17          (4) Section 30305(c) (matter before paragraph  
18          (1)) of title 51, United States Code, is amended by  
19          striking “Committee on Science and Technology”  
20          and inserting “Committee on Science, Space, and  
21          Technology”.

22          (5) Section 203(b) of the America COMPETES  
23          Reauthorization Act of 2010 (Public Law 111–358,  
24          51 U.S.C. note prec. 30501) is amended by striking  
25          “Committee on Science and Technology” and insert-

1 ing “Committee on Science, Space, and Tech-  
2 nology”.

3 (6) Section 30501(a) of title 51, United States  
4 Code, is amended by striking “Committee on Science  
5 and Technology” and inserting “Committee on  
6 Science, Space, and Technology”.

7 (7) Section 30502 of title 51, United States  
8 Code, is amended—

9 (A) in subsection (a), by striking “Com-  
10 mittee on Science and Technology” and insert-  
11 ing “Committee on Science, Space, and Tech-  
12 nology”; and

13 (B) in subsection (d) (matter before para-  
14 graph (1)), by striking “Committee on Science  
15 and Technology” and inserting “Committee on  
16 Science, Space, and Technology”.

17 (8) Section 30503(c) (matter before paragraph  
18 (1)) of title 51, United States Code, is amended by  
19 striking “Committee on Science and Technology”  
20 and inserting “Committee on Science, Space, and  
21 Technology”.

22 (9) Section 102 of the National Aeronautics  
23 and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2005  
24 (Public Law 109–155, 51 U.S.C. note prec. 49901  
25 (formerly 40901)) is amended by striking “Com-

mittee on Science” and inserting “Committee on Science, Space, and Technology” in the following provisions:

(A) Subsection (a)(2)(A).

(B) Subsection (a)(2)(B).

(C) Subsection (b) (matter before paragraph (1)).

(D) Subsection (c)(3).

(E) Subsection (d).

(F) Subsection (e)(2) (matter before subparagraph (A)).

(10) Section 49906(b) (matter before paragraph (1)) of title 51, United States Code (as redesignated by subsection (n)(3)), is amended by striking “Committee on Science and Technology” and inserting “Committee on Science, Space, and Technology”.

(11) Section 50134(b)(1) (matter before subparagraph (A)) of title 51, United States Code, is amended by striking “Committee on Science and Technology” and inserting “Committee on Science, Space, and Technology”.

(12) Section 50505(a) of title 51, United States Code, is amended by striking “Committee on Science

1       and Technology” and inserting “Committee on  
2       Science, Space, and Technology”.

3           (13) Section 50703 of title 51, United States  
4       Code, is amended by striking “Committee on Science  
5       and Technology” and inserting “Committee on  
6       Science, Space, and Technology”.

7           (14) Section 621(b) (matter before paragraph  
8       (1)) of the National Aeronautics and Space Adminis-  
9       tration Authorization Act of 2008 (Public Law 110–  
10      422, 51 U.S.C. 50903 note) is amended by striking  
11      “Committee on Science and Technology” and insert-  
12      ing “Committee on Science, Space, and Tech-  
13      nology”.

14          (15) Section 50906(a) of title 51, United States  
15      Code, is amended by striking “Committee on  
16      Science” and inserting “Committee on Science,  
17      Space, and Technology”.

18          (16) Section 50914(d)(1) of title 51, United  
19      States Code, is amended by striking “Committee on  
20      Science” and inserting “Committee on Science,  
21      Space, and Technology”.

22          (17) Section 60505(b) of title 51, United States  
23      Code, is amended by striking “Committee on Science  
24      and Technology” and inserting “Committee on  
25      Science, Space, and Technology”.

1           (18) Section 502 of the National Aeronautics  
2           and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2005  
3           (Public Law 109–155, 51 U.S.C. 70501 note) is  
4           amended—

5                   (A) in subsection (b) (matter before para-  
6                   graph (1)), by striking “Committee on Science”  
7                   and inserting “Committee on Science, Space,  
8                   and Technology”; and

9                   (B) in subsection (c), by striking “Com-  
10                  mittee on Science” and inserting “Committee  
11                  on Science, Space, and Technology”.

12          (19) Section 313(c) of the National Aeronautics  
13          and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2000  
14          (Public Law 106–391, 51 U.S.C. 70506 note) is  
15          amended by striking “Committee on Science” and  
16          inserting “Committee on Science, Space, and Tech-  
17          nology”.

18          (20) Section 203(b) of the National Aeronautics  
19          and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2000  
20          (Public Law 106–391, 51 U.S.C. 70901 note) is  
21          amended by striking “Committee on Science” and  
22          inserting “Committee on Science, Space, and Tech-  
23          nology”.

24          (21) Section 205(b) (matter before paragraph  
25          (1)) of the National Aeronautics and Space Adminis-

1       tration Authorization Act of 2000 (Public Law 106–  
2       391, 51 U.S.C. 70901 note) is amended by striking  
3       “Committee on Science” and inserting “Committee  
4       on Science, Space, and Technology”.

5   **SEC. 4. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.**

6       (a) TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE.—Section 914  
7       of the Ronald W. Reagan National Defense Authorization  
8       Act for Fiscal Year 2005 (Public Law 108–375, 5 U.S.C.  
9       552 note) is amended—

10           (1) in subsection (b)(1)(B), by striking “the  
11       Land Remote Sensing Policy Act of 1992 (15 U.S.C.  
12       5601 et seq.);” and inserting “chapter 601 of title  
13       51, United States Code;”; and

14           (2) in subsection (e), by striking “section 3 of  
15       the Land Remote Sensing Policy Act of 1992 (15  
16       U.S.C. 5602).” and inserting “section 60101 of title  
17       51, United States Code.”.

18       (b) TITLE 28, UNITED STATES CODE.—

19           (1) The chapter table of contents of chapter  
20       123 of title 28, United States Code, is amended in  
21       the item for section 1932 (relating to revocation of  
22       earned release credit) by striking “1932” and insert-  
23       ing “1933”.

1           (2) Section 1932 of title 28, United States  
2       Code (relating to revocation of earned release cred-  
3       it), is redesignated as section 1933 of that title.

4       (c) TITLE 31, UNITED STATES CODE.—Section 1(4)  
5   of Public Law 107–74 (31 U.S.C. 1113 note), is amended  
6   by striking “Section 206 of the National Aeronautics and  
7   Space Act of 1958 (42 U.S.C. 2476).” and inserting “Sec-  
8   tion 20116 of title 51, United States Code.”.

9       (d) TITLE 36, UNITED STATES CODE.—The title  
10   table of contents of title 36, United States Code, is amend-  
11   ed—

12           (1) in the item for chapter 23, by striking  
13       “Council” and inserting “Museum”; and

14           (2) in the item for chapter 307, by striking  
15       “For” and inserting “for”.

16       (e) TITLE 42, UNITED STATES CODE.—

17           (1) Section 602(b)(1) of the National Aero-  
18       nautics and Space Administration Authorization Act  
19       of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18362(b)(1)) is amended by  
20       striking “section 302 of this Act.” and inserting  
21       “section 71521 of title 51, United States Code.”.

22           (2) Section 603 of the National Aeronautics  
23       and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010  
24       (42 U.S.C. 18363) is amended—

1 (A) in subsection (a), by striking “(42  
2 U.S.C. 17761(a)),” and inserting “(Public Law  
3 110–422, 51 U.S.C. 70501 note),”; and

4 (B) in subsection (b), by striking “(42  
5 U.S.C. 17761(a)).” and inserting “(Public Law  
6 110–422, 51 U.S.C. 70501 note).”.

7 (f) TITLE 51, UNITED STATES CODE.—

8 (1) Section 10802 of the National Aeronautics  
9 and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2022  
10 (Public Law 117–167, 51 U.S.C. 10101 note) is  
11 amended—

12 (A) in paragraph (11), by striking “section  
13 303 of the National Aeronautics and Space Ad-  
14 ministration Authorization Act of 2010 (42  
15 U.S.C. 18323).” and inserting “section 71522  
16 of title 51, United States Code.”; and

17 (B) in paragraph (14), by striking “section  
18 302 of the National Aeronautics and Space Ad-  
19 ministration Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18322).”  
20 and inserting “section 71521 of title 51, United  
21 States Code.”.

22 (2) Section 2 of the National Aeronautics and  
23 Space Administration Transition Authorization Act  
24 of 2017 (Public Law 115–10, 51 U.S.C. 10101  
25 note) is amended—



1 (A) in paragraph (8), by striking “section  
2 504(a) of the National Aeronautics and Space  
3 Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42  
4 U.S.C. 18354(a)).” and inserting “section  
5 70911(a) of title 51, United States Code.”;

6 (B) in paragraph (10), by striking “section  
7 303 of the National Aeronautics and Space Ad-  
8 ministration Authorization Act of 2010 (42  
9 U.S.C. 18323).” and inserting “section 71522  
10 of title 51, United States Code.”; and

11 (C) in paragraph (11), by striking “section  
12 3 of the National Aeronautics and Space Ad-  
13 ministration Authorization Act of 2010 (42  
14 U.S.C. 18302).” and inserting “section 71501  
15 of title 51, United States Code.”.

16 (3) Section 10812 of the National Aeronautics  
17 and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2022  
18 (Public Law 117–167, 51 U.S.C. 20301 note) is  
19 amended—

20 (A) in subsection (e)(1), by striking “sec-  
21 tion 302(c)(2) of the National Aeronautics and  
22 Space Administration Authorization Act of  
23 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18322(c)(2)),” and inserting  
24 “section 71521(c)(2) of title 51, United States  
25 Code,”; and

1 (B) in subsection (f), by striking “section  
2 302(c)(3) of the National Aeronautics and  
3 Space Administration Authorization Act of  
4 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18322(c)(3)),” and inserting  
5 “section 71521(c)(3) of title 51, United States  
6 Code,”.

7 (4) Section 421 of the National Aeronautics  
8 and Space Administration Transition Authorization  
9 Act of 2017 (Public Law 115–10, 51 U.S.C. 20301  
10 note) is amended—

11 (A) in subsection (e)—

12 (i) in paragraph (1), by striking “sec-  
13 tion 303(b)(3) of the National Aeronautics  
14 and Space Administration Authorization  
15 Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18323(b)(3)).”  
16 and inserting “section 71522(b)(3) of title  
17 51, United States Code.”;

18 (ii) in paragraph (2)(A), by striking  
19 “section 303(b)(3) of that Act (42 U.S.C.  
20 18323(b)(3));” and inserting “section  
21 71522(b)(3) of title 51, United States  
22 Code;”; and

23 (iii) in subparagraphs (C) and (D) of  
24 paragraph (2), by striking “section  
25 303(b)(3) of that Act (42 U.S.C.

1           18323(b)(3))” and inserting “section  
2           71522(b)(3) of title 51, United States  
3           Code,”; and

4           (B) in subsection (h)(1), by striking “sec-  
5           tion 302(c) of the National Aeronautics and  
6           Space Administration Authorization Act of  
7           2010 (42 U.S.C. 18322(c)).” and inserting  
8           “section 71521(c) of title 51, United States  
9           Code.”.

10          (5) Section 20302(c) of title 51, United States  
11          Code, is amended—

12                (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “section  
13                303 of the National Aeronautics and Space Ad-  
14                ministration Authorization Act of 2010 (42  
15                U.S.C. 18323).” and inserting “section 71522  
16                of this title.”; and

17                (B) in paragraph (2)—

18                   (i) by striking “means has the mean-  
19                   ing” and inserting “has the meaning”; and

20                   (ii) by striking “section 3 of the Na-  
21                   tional Aeronautics and Space Administra-  
22                   tion Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C.  
23                   18302).” and inserting “section 71501 of  
24                   this title.”.

1           (6) Section 10811 of the National Aeronautics  
2           and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2022  
3           (Public Law 117–167, 51 U.S.C. 20302 note) is  
4           amended—

5                 (A) in subsection (a)(2)(A), by striking  
6                 “section 432 of the National Aeronautics and  
7                 Space Administration Transition Authorization  
8                 Act of 2017 (Public Law 115–10; 51 U.S.C.  
9                 20302 note);” and inserting “section 71721 of  
10                title 51, United States Code;”; and

11                (B) in subsection (b)(2)(C)(ii), by striking  
12                “section 432 of the National Aeronautics and  
13                Space Administration Transition Authorization  
14                Act of 2017 (Public Law 115–10; 51 U.S.C.  
15                20302 note);” and inserting “section 71721 of  
16                title 51, United States Code;”.

17           (7) Section 837(a)(4) of the National Aero-  
18           nautics and Space Administration Transition Au-  
19           thorization Act of 2017 (Public Law 115–10, 51  
20           U.S.C. 31502 note) is amended by striking “section  
21           432 of this Act,” and inserting “section 71721 of  
22           title 51, United States Code;”.

23           (8) Section 202 of the National Space Grant  
24           College and Fellowship Act (Public Law 100–147,  
25           title II, 51 U.S.C. 40301 note) is amended—

1 (A) by striking “The Congress finds” and  
2 inserting “(a) Congress finds”; and

3 (B) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(b) The definitions in section 40302 of title 51,  
5 United States Code, apply in this section.”.

6 (9) Section 50111(c)(2) of title 51, United  
7 States Code, is amended—

8 (A) in subparagraph (E), by striking “sec-  
9 tion 301(b)(2) of the National Aeronautics and  
10 Space Administration Transition Authorization  
11 Act of 2017;” and inserting “section 70912(2)  
12 of this title;”;

13 (B) in subparagraph (G), by striking “sec-  
14 tion 432 of the National Aeronautics and Space  
15 Administration Transition Authorization Act of  
16 2017;” and inserting “section 71721 of this  
17 title;”; and

18 (C) in subparagraph (J) (matter before  
19 clause (i)), by striking “section 503 of the Na-  
20 tional Aeronautics and Space Administration  
21 Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18353),”  
22 and inserting “section 70910 of this title,”.

23 (10) Section 302(c)(1) of the National Aero-  
24 nautics and Space Administration Transition Au-  
25 thorization Act of 2017 (Public Law 115–10, 51

1 U.S.C. 50111 note) is amended by striking “(42  
2 U.S.C. 18301 et seq.);” and inserting “(Public Law  
3 111–267, 124 Stat. 2805);”.

4 (11) Section 303(b)(2) of the National Aero-  
5 nautics and Space Administration Transition Au-  
6 thorization Act of 2017 (Public Law 115–10, 51  
7 U.S.C. 50111 note) is amended by striking “section  
8 432 of this Act.” and inserting “section 71721 of  
9 title 51, United States Code.”.

10 (12) Section 501 of the National Aeronautics  
11 and Space Administration Authorization Act, Fiscal  
12 Year 1993 (Public Law 102–588, 51 U.S.C. 50501  
13 note) is amended by striking “The Congress finds  
14 that—” and inserting the following:

15 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—The definitions in section 50501  
16 of title 51, United States Code, apply in this section.

17 “(b) IN GENERAL.—Congress finds that—”.

18 (13) Section 70104 of title 51, United States  
19 Code, is amended by striking “section 302 of the  
20 National Aeronautics and Space Administration Au-  
21 thorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18322).” and in-  
22 serting “section 71521 of this title.”.

23 (14) Section 70501(a)(2) of title 51, United  
24 States Code, is amended by striking “section 421(f)  
25 of the National Aeronautics and Space Administra-

tion Transition Authorization Act of 2017” and inserting “section 71711(c) of this title”.

(15) Section 70504(a) of title 51, United States Code, is amended—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking “section 202(b)(5) of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 18312(b)(5));” and inserting “section 71512(b)(5) of this title;” and

(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “section 432 of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Transition Authorization Act of 2017.” and inserting “section 71721 of this title.”.

**SEC. 5. TRANSITIONAL AND SAVINGS PROVISIONS.**

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) RESTATED PROVISION.—The term “restated provision” means a provision of title 51, United States Code, that is enacted by section 3.

(2) SOURCE PROVISION.—The term “source provision” means a provision of law that is replaced by a restated provision.

(b) CUTOFF DATE.—The restated provisions replace certain provisions of law enacted on or before January 5, 2023. If a law enacted after that date amends or repeals

1 a source provision, that law is deemed to amend or repeal,  
2 as the case may be, the corresponding restated provision.  
3 If a law enacted after that date is otherwise inconsistent  
4 with a restated provision or a provision of this Act, that  
5 law supersedes the restated provision or provision of this  
6 Act to the extent of the inconsistency.

7 (c) ORIGINAL DATE OF ENACTMENT UNCHANGED.—  
8 A restated provision is deemed to have been enacted on  
9 the date of enactment of the corresponding source provi-  
10 sion.

11 (d) REFERENCES TO RESTATED PROVISIONS.—A  
12 reference to a restated provision is deemed to refer to the  
13 corresponding source provision.

14 (e) REFERENCES TO SOURCE PROVISIONS.—A ref-  
15 erence to a source provision, including a reference in a  
16 regulation, order, or other law, is deemed to refer to the  
17 corresponding restated provision.

18 (f) REGULATIONS, ORDERS, AND OTHER ADMINIS-  
19 TRATIVE ACTIONS.—A regulation, order, or other admin-  
20 istrative action in effect under a source provision con-  
21 tinues in effect under the corresponding restated provi-  
22 sion.

23 (g) ACTIONS TAKEN AND OFFENSES COMMITTED.—  
24 An action taken or an offense committed under a source



1 provision is deemed to have been taken or committed  
 2 under the corresponding restated provision.

### 3 **SEC. 6. REPEALS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The provisions of law listed in  
 5 subsection (b) are repealed, except with respect to rights  
 6 and duties that matured, penalties that were incurred, or  
 7 proceedings that were begun before the date of enactment  
 8 of this Act.

9 (b) SCHEDULE OF LAWS REPEALED.—The repealed  
 10 provisions referred to in subsection (a) are listed in the  
 11 table below.

Schedule of Laws Repealed

Act	Section	United States Code Former Classification
National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 1989 (Public Law 100–685)	104	31 U.S.C. 1105 note
National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 1993 (Public Law 102–588)	210	51 U.S.C. 30103 note
National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (Public Law 111–267)	201	42 U.S.C. 18311
	202	42 U.S.C. 18312
	301(b)	42 U.S.C. 18321(b)
	302	42 U.S.C. 18322
	303	42 U.S.C. 18323
	304	42 U.S.C. 18324
	305	42 U.S.C. 18325
	308	42 U.S.C. 18326
	401	42 U.S.C. 18341
	403	42 U.S.C. 18342
	501	42 U.S.C. 18351
	502	42 U.S.C. 18352
	503(a)	42 U.S.C. 18353(a)
	503(d)	42 U.S.C. 18353(d)
	503(e)	42 U.S.C. 18353(e)
	503(f)	42 U.S.C. 18353(f)
	504	42 U.S.C. 18354
	702	42 U.S.C. 18371
	703	42 U.S.C. 18372
	704	42 U.S.C. 18373
	706	42 U.S.C. 18374
	801	42 U.S.C. 18381
	802(b) through (e)	42 U.S.C. 18382(b) through (e)
	804	42 U.S.C. 18383
	805	42 U.S.C. 18384
	806(b), (c)	42 U.S.C. 18385(b), (c)
	807	42 U.S.C. 18386
	808	42 U.S.C. 18387

## Schedule of Laws Repealed—Continued

Act	Section	United States Code Former Classification
America COMPETES Reauthorization Act of 2010 (Public Law 111–358)	902	42 U.S.C. 18401
	903	42 U.S.C. 18402
	904	42 U.S.C. 18403
	906	42 U.S.C. 18404
	907	42 U.S.C. 18405
	1202(b)	42 U.S.C. 18441(b)
	1203(b)	42 U.S.C. 18442(b)
	1206	42 U.S.C. 18444
	1207	42 U.S.C. 18445
	202(b)	51 U.S.C. note prec. 40901
National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013 (Public Law 112–239)	203(e)	51 U.S.C. note prec. 30501
	204(b)	51 U.S.C. 20303 note
	913(a), (b)	51 U.S.C. 30701 note
Science Appropriations Act, 2013 (Public Law 113–6, div. B, title III)	(1st, 2d provisos under heading “CONSTRUCTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE AND RESTORATION”, at 127 Stat. 263)	51 U.S.C. 20145 note
Inspiring the Next Space Pioneers, Innovators, Researchers, and Explorers (INSPIRE) Women Act (Public Law 115–7)	3	51 U.S.C. note prec. 40901
National Aeronautics and Space Administration Transition Authorization Act of 2017 (Public Law 115–10)	301(b)	51 U.S.C. 50111 note
	301(e)	42 U.S.C. 18351, 51 U.S.C. 50111 note
	302(d)	42 U.S.C. 18311, 51 U.S.C. 50111 note
	302(e)	51 U.S.C. 50111 note
	302(f)	42 U.S.C. 18341, 51 U.S.C. 50111 note
	302(g)	51 U.S.C. 50111 note
	302(h)(2)	51 U.S.C. 50111 note
	421(b)(2)	51 U.S.C. 20301 note
	421(d)	51 U.S.C. 20301 note
	421(f)	51 U.S.C. 20301 note
	421(g)	51 U.S.C. 20301 note
	432(b)	51 U.S.C. 20302 note
	501(b)	51 U.S.C. 20301 note
	502(b)	51 U.S.C. 20301 note
	508	51 U.S.C. 20301 note
	509	51 U.S.C. 20301 note
	517	51 U.S.C. 20113 note
	701(e)	51 U.S.C. 20301 note
	701(d)	51 U.S.C. 20301 note
	702(a)	51 U.S.C. 20301 note
	702(b)	51 U.S.C. 20301 note
	702(e)	51 U.S.C. 20301 note
	702(d)	51 U.S.C. 20301 note
	702(e)	51 U.S.C. 20301 note
	702(f)(1)	51 U.S.C. 20301 note
	702(h)	51 U.S.C. 20301 note
	811(a)	51 U.S.C. 20111 note
	812	51 U.S.C. 20111 note
	813(b)	51 U.S.C. 20111 note
	821	51 U.S.C. 20111 note
	822(e)	51 U.S.C. 50131 note
	824(b)(1)	51 U.S.C. note prec. 40901
	825(e)	51 U.S.C. 50131 note
	826	51 U.S.C. 70102 note
	837(b)	51 U.S.C. 31502 note
	837(e)	51 U.S.C. 31502 note
	837(d)	51 U.S.C. 31502 note
	837(e)	51 U.S.C. 31502 note
	841(b)	51 U.S.C. 20113 note

## Schedule of Laws Repealed—Continued

Act	Section	United States Code Former Classification
Women in Aerospace Education Act (Public Law 115–303)	841(e)	51 U.S.C. 20113 note
	841(d)	51 U.S.C. 20113 note
	841(e)	51 U.S.C. 20113 note
	3	51 U.S.C. note prec. 40901
William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283)	9406	51 U.S.C. note prec. 40901

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