# AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

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SA 4120. Ms. HIRONO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, supra: which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 4125. Mr. LUJÁN (for himself, Mr. Wyden, and Ms. Cortez Masto) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. Collins and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4126. Mr. CRUZ (for himself, Ms. CANT-WELL, Mr. MORAN, and Ms. DUCKWORTH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4127. Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4128. Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself, Ms. Rosen, and Mr. Curtis) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to

amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COL-LINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4129. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4130. Ms. KLOBUCHAR submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 4016, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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SA 4134. Mr. SHEEHY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. Collins and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4135. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. SCHATZ, Ms. HIRONO, and Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4136. Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. Padilla) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. Collins and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4137. Mr. WARNOCK (for himself and Mr. OSSOFF) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4138. Mr. PADILLA (for himself and Ms. Klobuchar) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4016, supra; which was ordered to lie on the

SA 4139. Mr. WELCH (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. KAINE, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. ALSOBROOKS, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. KIM, Ms. BALDWIN, and Mr. WYDEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4140. Mr. THUNE (for Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. DAINES)) proposed an amendment to the resolution S. Res. 321, commemorating 30 years of diplomatic relations between the United States and Vietnam on July 11, 2025.

SA 4141. Mr. THUNE (for Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. DAINES)) proposed an amendment to the resolution S. Res. 321, supra.

SA 4142. Mr. THUNE (for Mr. MORAN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 787, to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a commission to review operations at the Veterans Health Administration and submit to Congress reports with respect to that review, and for other purposes.

SA 4143. Mr. TILLIS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4144. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4016, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4145. Mr. MURPHY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4016, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4146. Mr. GALLEGO (for himself and Mr. Kelly) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. Collins and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4147. Mr. PADILLA submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. Collins and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table

#### TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

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At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS TO MAKE A PAYMENT FOR THE PERSONAL BENEFIT OF THE PRESIDENT.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) Congress enacted the Federal Tort Claims Act in 1946 (which was subsequently enacted into positive law as chapter 171 of title 28, United States Code (referred to in this section as the "Federal Tort Claims Act")), allowing plaintiffs to file tort claims against the United States in Federal court and waiving the application of a sovereign immunity defense for specific torts committed by Federal employees while acting within their scope of employment.

(2) The Department of Justice defends the Federal Government against claims that arise under the Federal Tort Claims Act (in this section referred to as "FTCA claims"). It is the responsibility of the Department to protect the legal and financial interests of the United States in settlements of FTCA claims.

(3) The Department of Justice is required to assess the legal sufficiency of FTCA claims that are being considered for possible settlement, before payment can be issued under section 1304 of title 31, United States Code, the sole payment mechanism for claims that arise under the FTCA.

(4) President Trump filed 2 FTCA claims in 2023, stemming from investigations related to Russian interference in the 2016 Presidential election and the search conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation of his private residence at Mar-a-Lago.

(5) The unprecedented demand to use taxpayer dollars to pay the President, at his order, is in direct contravention of the system of checks and balances that the Constitution of the United States demands.

(6) Within the Department of Justice, the 2 individuals eligible to effectuate this command by President Trump, who are serving in the positions of Deputy Attorney General and Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Civil Division of the Department of Justice, formerly represented the President or others in his political orbit. These individuals lack objectivity in the review of this request.

(b) Prohibition.—None of the funds made available under any division of this Act may

Act; and

be used by the Department of Justice to approve or facilitate a claim that-

- (1) is subject to the Federal Tort Claims
- (2) results in a personal payment to the President, whether in the form of a settlement or any other payment issued under section 1304 of title 31, United States Code, (commonly known as the "Judgement Fund") for the personal benefit of the Presi-
- SA 4115. Mr. BENNET submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows: At the appropriate place in division B, in-

sert the following:
SEC. \_\_\_\_\_ (a) The United States International Trade Commission shall conduct a study evaluating the effects of tariffs on residential construction materials used in the

- United States. (b) Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the United States International Trade Commission shall submit to Congress a report on the study con-
- ducted under subsection (a). (c) In this section, the term "residential construction materials" means any of the following:
- (1) Timber, lumber, and derivative products like paper, furniture, and cabinetry.
- (2) Steel products and derivatives like anpliances, fasteners, and electrical switches and outlets.
  - (3) Aluminum products and derivatives.
  - (4) Marble and granite.
- (5) Copper ores, copper concentrates, refined copper, copper alloys, scrap copper, and derivative products.
- (6) Carpet and textiles, vinyl, ceramic tile, laminate flooring, and wood flooring prod-
  - (7) Concrete and cement products.
- (8) Gypsum and plasters.
- (9) Doors, windows, and frames.
- (10) Resins.
- (11) Glass.
- (12) Insulation.

SA 4116. Mr. HICKENLOOPER (for himself and Mr. Bennet) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table: as follows:

At the appropriate place in division B, insert the following:

. The National Science Founda-SEC. tion, in awarding base funds to the National Center for Atmospheric Research for fiscal year 2026 from funds appropriated under this Act, shall provide funding in an amount that is not less than the amount provided to the National Center for Atmospheric Research for fiscal year 2024, and the National Science Foundation shall ensure the continuation of all operations, capabilities, and facilities of the National Center for Atmospheric Research.

SA 4117. Mrs. SHAHEEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. Collins and intended to be pro-

posed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes: which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 394, line 5, strike the period at the end and insert ": Provided further, That of the amounts made available under this heading, sufficient funding shall be used to ensure the continuation of data collection and publication of research at long-term experimental areas (commonly referred to as 'Experimental Forests and Ranges')."

SA 4118. Ms. BALDWIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 554, line 7, strike "program." and insert "program: Provided further, That not less than \$13,100,000 is provided for the Maximizing Access to Research Careers (MARC) program: Provided further, That not less than \$18,800,000 is provided for the Post-Baccalaureate Research Education Program: Provided further, That not less than \$21,300,000 is provided for the Undergraduate Research Training Initiative for Student Enhancement program: Provided further, That not less than \$6,400,000 is provided for the Bridges to Doctorate program: Provided further, That not less than \$15,500,000 is provided for the Initiative for Maximizing Student Development program: Provided further, That not less than \$20,800,000 is provided for the Institutional Research and Academic Career Development Award.".

SA 4119. Ms. BALDWIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30. 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title VIII of division A, add

the following: SEC. 8125. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act or any prior Act making appropriations for the Department of Defense may be available for any activities that are in support of the cancellation of the Constellation-class frigates FFG-62 and FFG-63.

SA 4120. Ms. HIRONO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 314 of division D and insert the following:

SEC. 314. (a) Notwithstanding section 430 of the General Education Provisions Act (20 U.S.C. 1231), section 415 or section 419 of the Department of Education Organization Act (20 U.S.C. 3475, 3479), section 1501 or 1535 of title 31, United States Code, or any other provision of law, none of the funds appropriated in this Act or any other appropriations Act may be used—

- (1) to transfer or delegate responsibilities that are administered by the Department of Education from the Department of Education to another Federal department or agency that have not been so transferred or delegated before May 1, 2025; or
- (2) to carry out any interagency agreement or other agreement entered into with another Federal department or agency on or after May 1, 2025, unless the agreement is substantially similar to an agreement in effect before such date.
- (b) The Department of Education shall support staffing levels at the Department of Education necessary to fulfill its statutory responsibilities including carrying out programs, projects, and activities funded under this Act in a timely and effective manner.

SA 4121. Ms. HIRONO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in division D, insert the following:

. Using amounts made available SEC. under this Act, the Secretary of Education shall reappoint and restore each employee of the Department of Education who was wrongfully removed from employment with the Department on or after January 20, 2025.

SA 4122. Ms. HIRONO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30. 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. (a) Section 25F(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

- "(3) INCOME RESTRICTION.—No credit shall be allowed under subsection (a) to any taxpayer whose adjusted gross income for the taxable year is equal to or greater than \$1,000,000.".
- (b) The amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2026.

SA 4123. Ms. HIRONO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30. 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. (a) Section 25F of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended-

(1) in subsection (c), by striking paragraph (1) and inserting the following:

State' means one of the States, or the District of Columbia, that-

"(i) for a calendar year, voluntarily elects to participate under this section and to identify scholarship granting organizations in the State, in accordance with subsection (g),  $\quad \text{and} \quad$ 

- "(ii) as applicable, agrees to make any payments described in subparagraph (C) to the Secretary.
- "(B) EXCEPTION FOR FRAUD.—The term covered State' shall not include any State that, for the preceding calendar year, had identified a scholarship granting organization under subsection (g) that, pursuant to an investigation described in subsection (h)(2)(A), was subsequently determined by the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration to have committed fraud.
- "(C) CLAWBACK.—In the case of a State described in subparagraph (B), the State shall make payment to the Secretary in an amount equal to the total amount of qualified contributions received by the scholarship granting organization described in such subparagraph during any calendar year in which the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration has determined that such organization committed fraud.",
- (2) by redesignating subsection (h) as subsection (i), and
- (3) by inserting after subsection (g) the following new subsection:
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- "(1) REPORTS.—The Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration shall annually submit a report to the applicable Congressional committees detailing the amount of qualified contributions that each scholarship granting organization in each State received during the preceding calendar year pursuant to this section.
- "(2) INVESTIGATIONS.—The Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration shall—
- "(A) investigate cases of fraud committed by scholarship granting organizations (including employees of such organizations) that have received qualified contributions pursuant to this section, and
- "(B) annually submit a report to the applicable Congressional committees regarding the cases described in subparagraph (A).
- "(3) APPLICABLE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—For purposes of this subsection, the term 'applicable Congressional committees' means—
- "(A) the Committees on Finance and Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate, and
- "(B) the Committees on Ways and Means and Education and the Workforce of the House of Representatives.".
- (b) The amendments made by subsection (a) shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2026.
- SA 4124. Ms. HIRONO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. Collins and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:
- At the appropriate place, insert the following:
- SEC. \_\_\_\_. (a) Section 70411 of Public Law 119-21 is repealed, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is restored as if such section 70411 had not been enacted.
- (b) The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect as if included in the enactment of Public Law 119-21.
- SA 4125. Mr. LUJÁN (for himself, Mr. Wyden, and Ms. Cortez Masto) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. Collins and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department

of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table: as follows:

In title I of division B, in the matter under the heading "SALARIES AND EXPENSES" under the heading "DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT", strike ": Provided, That" and insert ": Provided, That, of that amount, not less than \$2,000,000 shall be to support small and medium-sized businesses to conduct activities including navigating the rapidly evolving trade and tariff policies of the United States Government: Provided further, That".

SA 4126. Mr. CRUZ (for himself, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. MORAN, and Ms. DUCKWORTH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After title IV of division E, insert the following:

### TITLE V—ROTOR ACT

#### SEC. 501. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the "Rotorcraft Operations Transparency and Oversight Reform Act" or the "ROTOR Act".

#### SEC. 502. DEFINITIONS.

- In this title:
- (1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term "Administrator" means the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration.
- (2) ADS-B IN.—The term "ADS-B In" means onboard avionics equipment that receives and processes Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast transmissions that are broadcast in accordance with sections 91.225 and 91.227 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulations), and other aviation advisory information from ground stations, that provides the aircraft with awareness to the location of other aircraft and traffic advisories.
- (3) ADS-B OUT.—The term "ADS-B Out"—
- (A) has the meaning given such term in section 91.227 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations; and
- (B) broadcasts information from the aircraft in accordance with sections 91.225 and 91.227 of such title 14 (or any successor regulations).
- (4) AFFECTED AIRCRAFT.—The term "affected aircraft" means any aircraft that is required to operate in accordance with section 91.225 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation.
- (5) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—The term "appropriate committees of Congress" means the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives.
- (6) Cabinet member.—The term "Cabinet Member" means an individual who is the head (including an acting head) of the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Commerce, the Department of Defense, the Department of Education, the Department of Energy, the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Department of the Interior, the Department of Justice, the Department of Labor, the Department of State, the Department of Transportation, the Department of the Treasury, or the Department of Veterans Affairs, or any other individual who occupies a position des-

- ignated by the President as a Cabinet-level position.
- (7) FAA.—The term "FAA" means the Federal Aviation Administration.
- (8) NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION; NCR.—The terms "National Capital Region" and "NCR" mean the geographic area located within the boundaries of—
  - (A) the District of Columbia;
- (B) Montgomery and Prince Georges Counties in the State of Maryland;
- (C) Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, and Prince William Counties and the City of Alexandria in the Commonwealth of Virginia; and
- (D) all cities and other units of government within the geographic areas described in subparagraphs (A) through (C).
- (9) POWERED-LIFT.—The term "powered-lift"—
- (A) has the meaning given such term in section 1.1 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation); and
- (B) includes vertical-lift flight mode and wing-borne flight mode, as such terms are defined in section 194.103 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation).
- (10) ROTORCRAFT.—The term "rotorcraft" has the meaning given such term in section 1.1 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation).
- (11) TRANSPORT AIRPLANE.—The term "transport airplane" has the meaning given such term in section 44741(i) of title 49, United States Code.
- (12) UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM.—The term "unmanned aircraft system" has the meaning given such term in section 44801 of title 49. United States Code.

## SEC. 503. REVISION TO EXCEPTION FOR ADS-B OUT TRANSMISSION.

- (a) ADS-B OUT REFORMS.-
- (1) IN GENERAL.—
- (A) SENSITIVE GOVERNMENT MISSION.—Beginning on the date of enactment of this section, in applying section 91.225(f)(1) of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, the term "sensitive government mission" shall be narrowly construed and shall not include routine flights, non-classified flights, proficiency flights, or Fights of Federal officials below the rank of Cabinet Member or the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
- (B) Notification.—For the purposes of interpreting section 91.225(f)(1) of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, the operating agency shall—
- (i) when operating a sensitive government mission during which the aircraft will not be transmitting ADS-B Out, notify Air Traffic Control: and
- (ii) notify the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the Committee on the Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Committee on the Armed Services of the House of Representatives on a monthly basis regarding each sensitive government mission within Class B airspace operated during such month.
- (2) RULEMAKING AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION.—
- (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this section, the Administrator shall—
- (i) issue or revise regulations to update section 91.225(f) of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, to comply with the requirements of this section; and
- (ii) revise any memorandum of agreement between the FAA and any other Federal, State, local, or Tribal agency to conform with the revised regulations described in clause (i), including any agreement pursuant to section 1046 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (49 U.S.C. 40101 note).

- (B) REPORT.—If the Administrator fails to issue or revise regulations pursuant to subparagraph (A) or revise any memorandum of agreement between the FAA and any other agency pursuant to such subparagraph, the Administrator shall, within 30 days, submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on the status of such regulations, including the reasons that the Administrator has failed to issue or revise such regulations within the period required under such subparagraph.
- (b) GAO REVIEW AND REPORT.—Not later than the date that is 2 years after the date of enactment of this section, the Comptroller General of the United States shall—
- (1) review the utilization of exceptions under section 91.225(f) of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation), as revised under subsection (a), to determine—
- (A) whether the Department of Defense and other relevant Federal agencies or other applicable operators have utilized such exceptions in accordance with relevant laws and regulations; and
- (B) the extent of such utilization;
- (2) compare the utilization of exceptions specified in such section 91.225(f) before and after the issuance of revised regulations under subsection (a); and
- (3) submit to the Administrator and the appropriate committees of Congress a report on the findings of the review conducted under paragraph (1) and the comparison conducted under paragraph (2).
- (c) FAA REVIEW OF NON-COMPLIANT OPERATORS.—Upon submission of the report under subsection (b)(3), the Administrator shall—
- (1) determine whether any Federal agency or other applicable operator that has been found to have not utilized the exceptions under section 91.225(f) of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation), as revised under subsection (a), in accordance with relevant laws and regulations shall be permitted to continue to utilize such exceptions; and
- (2) not later than 30 days after the date on which the Comptroller General submits the report under subsection (b)(3), brief the appropriate committees of Congress on such determination.
  - (d) Reports.-
- (1) To the administrator.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this section, and on a quarterly basis thereafter, each Federal, State, local, and Tribal agency that performs sensitive government missions as described in section 91.225(f)(1) of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation), as revised under subsection (a), shall submit to the Administrator a report that includes—
- (A) an attestation that such operations are regularly transmitting ADS-B Out and are conducted with proper consideration to aviation safety;
- (B) a list of operations delineated by flight in which the ADS-B Out equipment is not in transmit mode because the aircraft was performing a sensitive government mission, including the airport, airspace location, date, time, duration, and mission type of each such operation; and
- (C) with respect to any classified operation, a classified annex.
- (2) To congress.—
- (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this section, and biannually thereafter, the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on the frequency and nature of the ADS-B Out exceptions granted to Federal, State, local, and Tribal agencies under section 91.225(f)(1) of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regu-

- lation), as revised under subsection (a). Such report—
- (i) shall include—
- (I) aggregated data on the operations in which ADS-B Out equipment is not in transmit mode by each agency described in paragraph (1); and
- $(\Pi)$  a determination from the Administrator as to whether each operation described in paragraph (1)(B) jeopardizes aviation safety; and
  - (ii) may include a classified annex.
- (B) SPECIAL NOTIFICATION.—If an agency described in paragraph (1) operates a flight using an exception granted under section 91.225(f)(1) of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation), as revised under subsection (a), 5 or more times in a calendar month, or fails to provide to the Administrator the attestation required under paragraph (1)(A), the Administrator shall notify the appropriate committees of Congress of such use within 14 days of being notified of such use. For the purposes of this subparagraph, a flight shall be interpreted as the period beginning when an aircraft moves under its own power for the purpose of flight and ending when the aircraft lands.
- (e) ANNUAL INSPECTOR GENERAL AUDITS.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on the date that is 3 years after the date of enactment of this section, the Inspector General of the Department of Transportation (in this section referred to as the "Inspector General") shall conduct an annual audit of FAA oversight of all operations that utilize an exception under section 91.225(f) of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation), as revised under subsection (a), including Federal agency operations.
- (2) CONSIDERATIONS.—In conducting an audit under paragraph (1), the Inspector General shall assess the efficacy of FAA oversight related to the following:
- (A) Ensuring exceptions under such section 91.225(f)(1) (or any successor regulation) are strictly utilized by operators in accordance with relevant laws and regulations.
- (B) Ensuring exceptions under such section 91.225(f)(1) (or any successor regulation) are not routinely used by operators.
- (C) Identifying and engaging with any operator not in compliance with relevant laws and regulations relating to exceptions under such section 91.225(f)(1) (or any successor regulation).
- (D) Any other factor determined appropriate by the Inspector General.
- (3) BRIEFINGS TO CONGRESS.—The Inspector General shall brief the appropriate committees of Congress on an annual basis after the completion of each annual audit.

## SEC. 504. ADS-B IN REQUIREMENTS.

- (a) REQUIREMENT FOR ADS-B IN OPERATION.—
- (1) IN GENERAL -Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this section. the Administrator shall issue a final rule in accordance with section 553 of title 5. United States Code, to require any person operating an aircraft (other than an unmanned aircraft, as defined in section 44801 of title 49, United States Code) required to be equipped with ADS-B Out in accordance with section 91.225 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation), to be equipped with and operating with ADS-B In equipment that provides the aircraft with awareness to the location of other aircraft and traffic advisories, unless otherwise authorized by air traffic control.
- (2) COMPLIANCE DEADLINES.—In issuing a final rule under paragraph (1), the Administrator shall—
- (A) include an effective date of not later than 60 days after the date on which such final rule is published in the Federal Register: and

- (B) require aircraft described in paragraph (1) to be equipped with ADS-B In not later than December 31, 2031.
- (3) FINAL REGULATION REQUIREMENTS.—In issuing a final rule under paragraph (1), the Administrator shall, at a minimum, do the following:
- (A) Performance Standards.—The Administrator shall establish appropriate performance requirements for ADS-B In equipment to provide integrated safety-enhancing capabilities for a pilot or other flight crew, including by increasing situational awareness to the location of other aircraft and providing traffic advisories with alerting sufficient to provide traffic advisory indications while airborne and on the airport surface, such as visual and aural advisories.
- (B) ALTERNATIVE EQUIPMENT OR TECHNOLOGY.—With respect to aircraft with a maximum certificated takeoff weight of less than 12,500 pounds when operating under part 91 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, and qualifying military aircraft as specified by the Administrator in consultation with the Secretary of Defense, the Administrator shall establish performance requirements for alternative equipment or technology that the Administrator determines acceptable in satisfying the ADS-B In requirement. The performance requirements shall, at a minimum—
- (i) provide similar or improved situational awareness to the location of other airborne traffic, as well as traffic advisory information; and
- (ii) leverage the use of portable ADS-B In receivers or equipment that allow display on an existing or future electronic flight bag or panel mounted display, provided that the installation or use of such equipment does not adversely affect other required avionics or the airworthiness of the aircraft.
- (C) REQUIRED BRIEFING.—The Administrator shall brief the appropriate committees of Congress, the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate, and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives, on at least a monthly basis, regarding the alternative equipment or technology for qualifying military aircraft prior to determining that such equipment or technology is acceptable to satisfy the ADS-B In requirement.
- (D) GUIDANCE.—The Administrator shall issue relevant guidance for aircraft operators and other appropriate stakeholders regarding the types of equipment that satisfy the performance requirements described in this paragraph.
- (4) OTHER REQUIREMENTS.—In issuing a final rule under paragraph (1), the Administrator shall include—
- (A) requirements for ADS-B In equipment and the use of such equipment;
- (B) technical assistance to facilitating ADS-B In equipage across the entire fleet of affected aircraft, including, as appropriate, guidance under part 26 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, to provide support for affected transport airplane operators in complying with the requirements of this section;
- (C) any other associated guidance necessary to assist operators and other stakeholders in identifying equipment that satisfies the ADS-B In performance standards described in paragraph (3) prior to the compliance deadline described in paragraph (2)(B);
- (D) a determination of alternative equipment or technology described in subsection (e); and
- (E) a presumption, absent clear and compelling evidence to the contrary, that ADS—B In equipment is cost beneficial and improves aviation safety.
- (5) CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFINGS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this section, and every 90 days thereafter,

- the Administrator shall brief the appropriate committees of Congress, as well as publish a publicly available report, on the status of—
- (A) the ADS-B In rulemaking required under paragraph (1); and
- (B) after the compliance deadline described in paragraph (2)(A), the implementation and oversight of such ADS-B In requirement.
  - (b) NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING COMMITTEE.-
  - (1) COMMITTEE.—
- (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this section, the Administrator may establish a negotiated rulemaking committee (in this section referred to as the "committee") pursuant to section 565 of title 5, United States Code, to negotiate proposed regulations to implement the requirements described in subsection (a).
- (B) MEMBERSHIP.—If the Administrator elects to establish a committee under this subsection, the committee shall be composed of—
  - (i) representatives of—
  - (I) the FAA;
  - (II) air carriers;
  - (III) avionics manufacturers;
  - (IV) aircraft manufacturers; and
  - (V) general aviation organizations;
- (ii) the exclusive bargaining representative of air traffic controllers of the FAA certified under section 7511 of title 5, United States Code:
- (iii) organizations representing certified collective bargaining representatives of airline pilots, including the principal organization representing the largest certified collective bargaining representative of airline pilots:
- (iv) aviation safety experts outside of the FAA; and
- (v) any other representatives determined appropriate by the Administrator.
- (C) REQUIRED CONSULTATION.—In establishing a committee under this subsection, the Administrator—
- (i) shall consult with the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Homeland Security; and
- (ii) may consult with other Federal agencies as appropriate.
- (2) REQUIREMENTS.—If the Administrator elects to establish a committee under this subsection, the Administrator shall do the following:
- (A) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall direct the committee to make recommendations relating to—
- (i) ADS-B In equipment and its use;
- (ii) ADS-B In equipment performance standards pursuant to subsection (a)(3):
- (iii) the consideration of effective approaches to facilitating ADS-B In equipage across the entire fleet of affected aircraft, including requirements under part 26 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, to provide support for affected transport category airplane operators in complying with the requirements of this section; and
- (iv) with respect to aircraft with a maximum certificated takeoff weight of less than 12,500 pounds when operating under part 91 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, a recommendation for low cost alternative equipment or technology in accordance with subsection (e).
- (B) LACK OF COMMITTEE CONSENSUS.—In the event the committee does not reach a consensus regarding a recommendation for low cost alternative equipment or technology under subparagraph (A)(iv), the Administrator shall, after the submission of the committee under paragraph (3), consider prescribing a low cost alternative that includes the criteria described in subsection (e).
- (3) SUBMISSION TO THE ADMINISTRATOR.—If the Administrator elects to establish a committee under this subsection, not later than

- 1 year after the date of enactment of this section, the committee shall submit to the Administrator—
- (A) a consensus proposal of regulations to implement the requirement described in subsection (a)(1); or
- (B) in the event the committee does not reach a consensus, a report identifying any points of agreement and disagreement with respect to such proposed regulations.
- (4) PROPOSED RULE.—If the Administrator elects to establish a committee under this subsection, not later than 180 days after receiving the submission of the committee under paragraph (3), the Administrator shall issue a proposed rule, in accordance with section 553 of title 5, United States Code, that either—
- (A) to the maximum extent possible consistent with the legal obligations of the FAA, uses the consensus proposal of the committee under paragraph (3)(A) as the basis for the proposed rule for notice and comment, including with respect to any standards or requirements described in subsection (a)(3); or
- (B) in the event the committee does not reach a consensus, considers the points of agreement and disagreement submitted by the committee under paragraph (3)(B).
- (c) CONSULTATION REQUIRED WITHOUT NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING COMMITTEE.—If the Administrator does not establish a committee under subsection (b), prior to issuing a final rule, the Administrator shall consult with appropriate stakeholders in conducting the rulemaking required under subsection (a)(1), including at a minimum the representatives described in subsection (b)(1)(B).
  - (d) Phased-in Retrofit.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—In issuing a final rule under subsection (a)(1), the Administrator shall—
- (A) establish a process by which the operator of an affected aircraft, in service as of the date on which the final rule under subsection (a)(1) is published in the Federal Register in accordance with subsection (a)(2)(A), may apply to the Administrator to request additional time, not to exceed a period of 1 year after the deadline described in subsection (a)(2)(B), to finalize equipage of its fleet and make ADS-B In operational, provided that—
- (i) an aircraft operator, owner, or their agent submits an application deemed acceptable to the Administrator for additional time for compliance, including a justification for such request and an attestation of actions to date demonstrating progress toward achieving compliance;
- (ii) the Administrator, in consultation with the Secretary of Transportation, determines additional time is required to mitigate a significant disruption to air transportation; and
- (iii) the Administrator determines the aircraft operator or owner does not have any uncorrected violations of subchapters F and G of chapter I of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations; and
- (B) notify the appropriate committees of Congress not later than 14 days after making a determination under clause (ii) or (iii) of subparagraph (A).
- (2) SPECIAL RULE FOR AGENTS.—With the exception of an agent representing an owner or operator of transport airplanes, for the purposes of this subsection, an agent may represent more than 1 aircraft operator or owner of the same type, model, or manufacturer and may submit 1 or more applications under paragraph (1)(A)(i), each of which may contain multiple aircraft operators or owners.
- (e) LOW COST ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF COMPLIANCE.—In issuing a final rule under subsection (a)(1), the Administrator shall de-

termine low cost equipment or technologies that provide similar or improved situational awareness to the location of other airborne traffic, as well as traffic advisory information, that satisfy the ADS-B In equipage requirement for aircraft with a maximum certificated takeoff weight of less than 12,500 pounds when operated under part 91 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations. In making such a determination, the Administrator shall consider the use of—

(1) portable ADS-B In receivers; and

- (2) equipment that allows display on an existing or future electronic flight bag or panel mounted display, provided the installation or use does not adversely affect other required avionics or the airworthiness of the aircraft.
- (f) Proactive Equipage.—With respect to any aircraft for which ADS-B In equipment is available and complies with the requirements of the final rule issued under subsection (a)(1), the operator of any such aircraft shall take all appropriate actions necessary to equip such aircraft with ADS-B In prior to the compliance deadline described in subsection (a)(2).

  (g) SEPARATION STANDARDS: RELEVANT CON-
- (g) SEPARATION STANDARDS; RELEVANT CONTROLLER TRAINING.—
  - (1) Rulemaking.—
- (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18 months after the effective date of the final rule described in subsection (a), the Administrator shall issue a notice of proposed rulemaking to establish separation standards, as appropriate, that leverage ADS-B Out or ADS-B In equipment, and all other available technological capabilities in the air traffic control system, to achieve safety and efficiency benefits throughout the national airspace system, including on an airport surface and within Class E airspace (as defined in section 71.71 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation).
- (B) CONSULTATION.—In conducting the rule-making under this subsection, the Administrator shall consult with appropriate stake-holders, including, at a minimum—
- (i) representatives of—
- (I) air carriers;
- (II) original equipment manufacturers; and (III) general aviation organizations;
- (ii) organizations representing certified collective bargaining representatives of airline pilots, including the principal organization representing the largest certified collective bargaining representative of airline pilots;
- (iii) the exclusive bargaining representative of air traffic controllers of the FAA certified under section 7111 of title 5, United States Code:
- (iv) aviation safety experts from outside the FAA; and
- (v) any other stakeholder deemed appropriate by the Administrator.
- (2) REQUIRED UPDATES TO FAA ORDERS.—Not later than 18 months after the issuance of the notice of proposed rulemaking under paragraph (1)(A), the Administrator shall complete revisions, as appropriate, to FAA Order 7110.65 and other relevant FAA Orders, to increase safety and efficiency benefits in the national airspace system.
  - (3) Relevant controller training.—
- (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the compliance deadline described in subsection (a)(2), the Administrator shall revise initial and recurrent air traffic controller training, as appropriate, in accordance with FAA Orders 3000.22 and 3120.4 and revise associated orders and directives, as appropriate, to ensure such controllers are trained to apply any new separation standards and procedures.
- (B) Requirements.—In revising training under subparagraph (A), the Administrator shall—

- (i) consider human factors impacts, appropriate phraseology adjustments, and surface movement applications; and
- (ii) consult with the exclusive bargaining representative of air traffic controllers of the FAA certified under section 7111 of title 5. United States Code.
  - (h) ACAS-X ACTION PLAN.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this section, the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress an action plan for advancing the deployment of the Airborne Collision Avoidance System-X (in this section referred to as "ACAS-X"), or any variant or successor technology, in the national airspace system. The Administrator shall publish the action plan in a publicly available format not later than 10 days after submitting such action plan to Congress.
- (2) CONTENTS.—In developing the action plan under paragraph (1), the Administrator shall include—
- (A) a strategic roadmap for the deployment of ACAS-X technology, including steps required for widespread adoption among aircraft operators (including rotorcraft operators):
- (B) actions and funding necessary to complete any applicable research, development, testing, evaluation, and standards development needed to support the certification of such technology;
- (C) plans for engagement with appropriate stakeholders, including—
- (i) aircraft operators, including those in the Department of Defense:
- (ii) aviation safety experts outside the FAA:
  - (iii) avionics manufacturers;
  - (iv) aircraft manufacturers:
- (v) general aviation organizations:
- (vi) the exclusive bargaining representative of air traffic controllers of the FAA certified under section 7511 of title 5, United States Code:
- (vii) organizations representing certified collective bargaining representatives of airline pilots, including the principal organization representing the largest certified collective bargaining representative of airline pilots: and
- (viii) any other stakeholders determined appropriate by the Administrator;
- (D) engagement with foreign civil aviation authorities to harmonize international standards for certification of such technology;
- (E) ACAS-X interoperability considerations for aircraft operators (including rotorcraft operators) equipped with ADS-B Out and ADS-B In equipment;
- (F) an assessment of safety benefits for aircraft operators equipping with such technology, including civil and military operators; and
- (G) any recommendations for administrative or legislative action, as determined appropriate by the Administrator, to advance such technology deployment.
- (3) IMPLEMENTATION.—The Administrator may take actions, as appropriate, to implement the action plan developed under paragraph (1).
- (4) BRIEFING.—Not later than 30 days after the date on which the Administrator submits the action plan under paragraph (1), the Administrator shall brief the appropriate committees of Congress on the contents of such action plan and any prospective actions to implement such plan.
  - (i) ARAC TASKING.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall task the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (in this section referred to as the "ARAC") with reviewing and assessing the need for aircraft operating in Class D air-

- space to be equipped with ADS–B Out and ADS–B In equipment.
- (2) REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS.—Not later than 1 year after initiating the review and assessment under this section, the ARAC shall submit to the Administrator—
- (A) a report on the findings of the review and assessment under paragraph (1); and
- (B) any recommendations for legislative or regulatory action the ARAC determines appropriate.
- (3) BRIEFING.—Not later than 30 days after the date on which the ARAC submits the report under paragraph (2), the Administrator shall brief the appropriate committees of Congress on—
- (A) the findings and recommendations included in such report; and
- (B) any plan to implement such recommendations, including a justification for any recommendations the Administrator determines should not be implemented.

# SEC. 505. REPEAL OF MANNED ROTARY WING AIRCRAFT SAFETY PROVISIONS.

Section 373(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 is repealed, and Chapter 157 of title 10, United States Code, shall be applied as if the amendments made by such section had not been enacted.

## SEC. 506. INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE ARMY AUDIT.

- (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this section, the Inspector General of the Army shall initiate an audit to evaluate the Army's coordination with the FAA, pilot training, and qualification standards, and the Army's use of ADS-B Out and whether it adheres to Army policy, regulation, and law.
- (b) ASSESSMENT.—In conducting the audit required by subsection (a), the Inspector General of the Army shall assess practices and recommendations for the Army, including—
- (1) whether Army policy and United States law was adhered to, and the Army's coordination with the FAA, during National Capital Region ("NCR") operations of pilot training and qualifications standards in the NCR.
- (2) the Army's policy on ADS-B Out equipage, usage, and activation;
- (3) maintenance protocols for UH-60 Black Hawk helicopters operated by the 12th Army Aviation Brigade including, but not limited to, the calibration of any system that transmits altitude and position information outside the aircraft and the calibration of systems that send altitude and position information to the pilots inside the aircraft, and the frequency with which such maintenance protocols occur:
- (4) compliance with the September 29, 2021, Letter of Agreement executed between the Pentagon Heliport Air Traffic Control Tower and the Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport Air Traffic Control Tower regarding flight operations in the NCR; and
- (5) the Army's review of loss of separation incidents involving its rotorcraft in the NCR along with possible mitigations to prevent future mishaps.
- (c) PUBLIC DISCLOSURE.—Not later than 14 days after the audit required by subsection (a) is concluded, the Secretary of the Army shall—
- (1) transmit a report on the results of the audit, without redactions, to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives; and
- (2) publicly release the report without redactions, except to the extent required for national security reasons.

(d) Interim Reporting.—Not later than 180 days after initiating the audit required by subsection (a), and every 180 days thereafter until such audit is concluded, the Inspector General of the Army shall brief the committees of Congress described in subsection (c)(1) regarding the progress of such audit.

#### SEC. 507. SAFETY REVIEWS OF AIRSPACE.

- (a) FAA-DOD COORDINATION.—Not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this section, the Administrator shall establish or designate an office within the FAA as the "Office of FAA-DOD Coordination" (in this section referred to as the "Office"), which shall—
- (1) coordinate airspace usage of military aircraft and rotorcraft with relevant FAA lines of business, including the Air Traffic Organization;
- (2) coordinate with the Office of Audit and Evaluation of the FAA to ensure employee complaints and whistleblower protections are considered;
- (3) consider opportunities to improve management and consolidation of aviation safety information system databases to enhance civil and military aviation incident reporting: and
- (4) carry out the safety review required by subsection (b).
  - (b) SAFETY REVIEWS.—
- (1) REVIEW OF RONALD REAGAN WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT.—
- (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the date on which the Office is established or designated, the Administrator shall initiate a safety review of all military, law enforcement, and civilian rotary wing, powered lift, fixed wing, and unmanned aircraft system flight operations and flight routes in the Washington D.C. Metropolitan Area Special Flight Rules Area, including but not limited to flight operations conducted by the Department of Defense, emergency response providers, and air medical transport operators, to evaluate any associated safety risk to commercial transport airplane operations at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport.
- (B) CONSULTATION.—In conducting a safety review under subparagraph (A), the Administrator shall consult with—
  - (i) the Secretary of Defense;
  - (ii) Federal, State, and local agencies;
  - (iii) law enforcement agencies;
- (iv) emergency response providers, including air medical transport operators;
  - (v) air carriers;
- (vi) a viation labor organizations, including, at a minimum—
- (I) the exclusive bargaining representative of air traffic controllers of the FAA certified under section 7511 of title 5, United States Code; and
- (II) organizations representing certified collective bargaining representatives of airline pilots, including the principal organization representing the largest certified collective bargaining representative of airline pilots: and
- (vii) other stakeholders determined appropriate by the Administrator.
  - (2) OTHER AIRPORT REVIEWS.—
- (A) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall conduct safety reviews of all military, law enforcement and civilian rotary wing, powered lift, fixed wing, and unmanned aircraft system flight operations and flight routes at other Class B airports (as listed in section 1 of Appendix D to part 91 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation)) and within the lateral boundary of Class B airspace, at commercial service Class C airports (as listed in FAA Order JO 7400.11J (or any successor order)) and within the lateral boundary of Class C airspace in the national airspace system, and at Class D airports that provide passenger service under

- part 121 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, determined to meet the risk criteria set forth in subparagraph (C), including flight operations conducted by the Department of Defense, emergency response providers, and air medical transport operators, to evaluate any associated safety risk to commercial transport airplane operations.
- (B) CONSULTATION.—In conducting a safety review under subparagraph (A), the Administrator shall consult with—
  - (i) the Secretary of Defense;
- (ii) Federal, State, local, and Tribal agencies:
  - (iii) law enforcement agencies:
- (iv) emergency response providers;
- (v) air carriers:
- (vi) aviation labor organizations, including, at a minimum—
- (I) the exclusive bargaining representative of air traffic controllers of the FAA certified under section 7511 of title 5, United States Code; and
- (II) organizations representing certified collective bargaining representatives of airline pilots, including the principal organization representing the largest certified collective bargaining representative of airline pilots; and
- (vii) other stakeholders determined appropriate by the Administrator.
- (C) PRIORITIZATION AND RISK CRITERIA.—In prioritizing the safety reviews of Class B, Class C, and Class D airports described in subparagraph (A) and conducting the safety reviews pursuant to subparagraph (A), the Administrator shall, at a minimum, consider the following risk criteria:
- (i) The type of airspace the airport is located in and the type of tower at the airport.
- (ii) Whether the airport has radar on the field.
- (iii) The total number of air traffic operations at the airport per calendar year, as reported in the Operations Network (OPSNET) data of the FAA, and the rate of growth measured over a 20-year period prior to the initiation of a safety review under this section.
- (iv) The Traffic Collision Avoidance System (TCAS) resolution advisory rates at the airport compared to the number of arrivals at the airport.
  - (v) The presence of parallel runways.
- (vi) The presence of visual flights (in this subparagraph referred to as "VFR") corridors in proximity to the airport.
- (vii) The presence of a helicopter corridor in proximity to the airport or nearby helicopter operations.
- (viii) The presence of dense VFR operations at the airport.
- (ix) The presence of complex VFR procedures at the airport or in the adjacent airspace.
- (D) DEADLINE OF INITIATION OF REVIEWS.— The Administrator shall initiate the reviews under this paragraph by the following deadlines:
- (i) CLASS B AIRPORTS.—With respect to Class B airports, not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this section.
- (ii) CLASS C AIRPORTS.—With respect to Class C airports, not later than 90 days after the initiation date of the Class B airport reviews.
- (iii) CLASS D AIRPORTS.—With respect to Class D airports, not later than 90 days after the initiation date of the Class C airport reviews.
- (3) REQUIREMENTS.—In conducting the safety reviews required by paragraphs (1) and (2), the Office shall do the following:
- (A) Analyze air traffic and airspace management.
- (B) Evaluate the level of coordination the Administrator exercises with the Secretary of Defense and the heads of any other Fed-

- eral agencies, and emergency response providers as appropriate, to inform the designation and approval of airspace use and flight routes for non-transport airplane operations.
- (C) Assess any risks posed to transport airplanes from military aircraft and rotorcraft, civil rotorcraft, powered lift aircraft, and unmanned aircraft systems operating in Class B, Class C, or Class D airspace in proximity to Class B, Class C, or Class D airports.
- (D) Review relevant incidents submitted to the Administrator through Air Traffic Mandatory Occurrence reports (as documented via FAA Form 7210-13), Aviation Safety Reporting System reports, and Aviation Safety Action Program reports, and relevant reports submitted to the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration through the Aviation Safety Reporting System, to identify any safety trends regarding the operation of military aircraft and rotorcraft, civil rotorcraft, powered lift aircraft, and unmanned aircraft systems in Class B, Class C, or Class D airspace near Class B, Class C, or Class D airspace
- (4) DEADLINES FOR COMPLETION OF SAFETY REVIEWS.—
- (A) RONALD REAGAN WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT.—The Administrator shall complete the safety review required by paragraph (1) not later than 120 days after the date on which such review is initiated.
- (B) OTHER AIRPORTS.—The Administrator shall complete a safety review required by paragraph (2) not later than 180 days after such review is initiated.
- (5) Reports.—
- (A) REVIEW OF RONALD REAGAN WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT.—Not later than 60 days after completing the safety review required by paragraph (1), the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report detailing the analyses and results of such review, together with relevant findings and recommendations, including any corrective action plans to address any risks identified, and recommendations for legislative or administrative action determined appropriate by the Administrator.
- (B) OTHER AIRPORT REVIEWS.—Not later than 6 months after the date of enactment of this section, and every 6 months thereafter, the Administrator shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report detailing the analyses and results of the safety reviews completed pursuant to paragraph (2) since the preceding report under this subparagraph (or, in the case of the first such report, since such date of enactment), together with relevant findings and recommendations, including any corrective action plans to address any risks identified. and recommendations for legislative or administrative actions determined appropriate by the Administrator.
- (6) DESIGNATION.—The Administrator shall designate a person within the Senior Executive Service of the FAA to be directly responsible for the completion of the requirements of this subsection.
- (7) STAFFING.—The Administrator shall ensure adequate staffing to conduct the safety reviews within the deadlines specified in this section.

## SEC. 508. FAA-DOD SAFETY INFORMATION SHARING.

(a) MOU WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY.—Not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this section, the Administrator shall enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Secretary of the Army to permit, as appropriate, the sharing of information from the Army's Safety Management Information System with the FAA, as well as the sharing of information from the FAA's Aviation Safety Information Analysis and Sharing System, Operational Analysis Reporting System, Safety Trend Analytics

- Dashboard, Aviation Risk Identification and Assessment Program, Comprehensive Electronic Data Analysis and Reporting Tool, and Falcon tool with the Army, to facilitate communications and analysis of any applicable impacts to the safety and efficiency of civil aviation operations and to mitigate risk in the national airspace system.
- (b) OTHER DOD MOUS.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this section, the Administrator shall enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the following military departments to permit, as appropriate, the sharing of information from applicable aviation safety information systems to facilitate communications and analysis of any applicable impacts to the safety and efficiency of civil aviation operations and to mitigate risk in the national airspace system:
  - (1) The Department of the Navy.
  - (2) The Department of the Air Force.
  - (3) The Coast Guard.
- (c) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 7 days after the date on which the Administrator enters into any Memorandum of Understanding under subsection (a) or (b), the Administrator shall notify the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives.

# SEC. 509. TREATMENT OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AND FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION.

- (a) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of subsection (b) of section 1046 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 49 U.S.C. 40101 note), the Memorandum of Agreement Between the Department of Defense and the FAA entered into on May 10, 2024, is deemed to be notice jointly submitted to the appropriate congressional committees for purposes of such subsection and subsection (a) of such section shall cease to be effective as of such date.
- (b) UPDATE AND EFFECT OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT.—
- (1) UPDATE.—The Secretary of Transportation and the Secretary of Defense shall update the memorandum of understanding described in subsection (a) consistent with regulations issued by the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration pursuant to section 503(a)(2).
- (2) EFFECT OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREE-MENT.—The memorandum of agreement described in subsection (a) shall remain in force subject to—
- (A) any modifications made jointly by the Secretary of Transportation and the Secretary of Defense;
- (B) termination by either such Secretary; or
  - (C) modification or termination by law.
- SA 4127. Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. Collins and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:
- At the appropriate place in the matter under the heading "UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE" under the heading "DE-PARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR" in title I of division C, insert the following:

COASTAL BARRIER RESOURCES ACT

For necessary expenses to carry out the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (16 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), \$3,000,000.

SA 4128. Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself, Ms. ROSEN, and Mr. CURTIS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In division C, insert after section 130 the following:

REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR THE SHAKEALERT EARTHQUAKE EARLY WARNING SYSTEM

SEC. 131. As soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report that describes any additional resources required by the United States Geological Survey to implement the technical implementation plan required to expand the ShakeAlert earthquake early warning system to additional western States, including the States of Nevada and Utah.

SA 4129. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. Collins and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In division C, strike section 441.

In division C, strike section 448. In division C, strike section 450.

**SA 4130.** Ms. KLOBUCHAR submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

# SEC. \_\_\_\_. ADJUSTING ALLOWABLE DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS FOR NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1861(v)(1) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(v)(1)) is amended by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

"(X)(i) In determining such reasonable costs for nursing and allied health education furnished by a hospital, beginning with respect to cost reporting periods beginning on or after the date of the enactment of this subparagraph, the Secretary shall include as reasonable costs all direct and indirect costs incurred by a hospital participating in a nursing and allied health education program licensed by State law or accredited by a national or regional professional organization, including costs that—

"(I) were directly incurred by the hospital; "(II) were allocated to the hospital by a related entity holding the applicable State license or accreditation by a national or regional professional organization;

"(III) were associated with the training or advanced clinical training of a program participant at the hospital or at a related entity:

ty;
"(IV) were associated with contracts to
provide for faculty for the program when
such faculty are employed by an educational
institution that is not a related entity; or

"(V) were associated with shared services, such as shared payroll and administrative services, to support the operation of an approved nursing or allied health education program, provided by an educational institution or a clinical site that is a related entity.

"(ii) For purposes of clause (i), the term related entity' means, with respect to a hospital, any entity that is related by common ownership or control to—

"(I) the hospital itself; or

"(II) an entity-

"(aa) in which the hospital (or another entity that is a related entity with respect to the hospital) is the sole corporate member;

"(bb) that is the sole corporate member of the hospital;

"(cc) that is part of the same legal entity as the hospital; or

"(dd) that shares a board with the hospital.".

(b) ALLOWING HEALTH SYSTEMS AND HOS-PITAL-BASED SCHOOLS TO PROVIDE CLINICAL TRAINING AND SUPPORT.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this section, the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall issue such rules as are necessary to carry out the amendments made by subsection (a).

(c) PROHIBITING RECOUPMENT OF CERTAIN COSTS UNDER MEDICARE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on the date of the enactment of this section, the Secretary of Health and Human Services may not recoup or reduce payments made to a hospital under part A of title XVIII of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395c et seq.) for costs related to an approved nursing or allied health education program that are included on the Medicare cost report for such hospital if such costs would be allowable after the amendments made by subsection (a) take effect.

(2) REFUND OF AMOUNTS RECOUPED.—If, during the 6-year period ending on the date of the enactment of this section, the Secretary recouped or reduced payments made to a hospital under such part A for costs described in paragraph (1), the Secretary shall refund to the hospital the amount so recouped or reduced.

**SA 4131.** Ms. KLOBUCHAR submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. Section 399NN(h) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 280m(h)) is amended by striking "2026" and inserting "2031"

**SA 4132.** Ms. KLOBUCHAR submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. Section 3021(a) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10701(a)) is amended—

- (1) by redesignating paragraphs (4) through (10) as paragraphs (5) through (11), respectively; and
- (2) by inserting after paragraph (3) the following:

"(4) Providing training and resources for first responders on the use of containment devices to prevent secondary exposure to fentanyl and other potentially lethal substances, and purchasing such containment devices for use by first responders.".

**SA 4133.** Ms. KLOBUCHAR submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_. Title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10101 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

# "PART PP—CIVIL LAW ENFORCEMENT TASK GRANTS

"SEC. 3061. DEFINITIONS.

"In this part:

- "(1) CIVILIAN LAW ENFORCEMENT TASK.—The term 'civilian law enforcement task'—
  - "(A) includes—
  - "(i) assisting in homicide investigations;
  - "(ii) assisting in carjacking investigations;
- "(iii) assisting in financial crimes investigations;
- "(iv) assisting in compliance with reporting requirements;
  - "(v) reviewing camera footage;
  - "(vi) crime scene analysis;
  - "(vii) forensics analysis; and
- "(viii) providing expertise in computers, computer networks, information technology, or the internet; and
- "(B) does not include the ability to make arrests or use force under the color of law.
- "(2) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term 'eligible entity' means a State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency that certifies that retired law enforcement personnel hired using amounts from a grant under this part—
- "(A) have appropriate and reasonably current training and experience to effectively carry out the tasks described in section 3062(a); or
- (B) will participate in appropriate continuing education programs to satisfy subparagraph (A).

### "SEC. 3062. GRANTS AUTHORIZED.

- "(a) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General may award grants to eligible entities for the purpose of hiring retired personnel from law enforcement agencies to—
- "(1) train civilian employees of the eligible entity on civilian law enforcement tasks that can be performed on behalf of a law enforcement agency; and
- "(2) perform civilian law enforcement tasks on behalf of the eligible entity.
  - "(b) DISCIPLINARY RECORDS.—
- "(1) IN GENERAL.—An eligible entity receiving a grant under subsection (a) shall make a good faith effort to determine whether a retired law enforcement officer seeking to be hired by the eligible entity using amounts from a grant under this part has a disciplinary record or an internal investigation record by—
- ``(A) conducting a search of the National Decertification Index; or
- "(B) requesting the personnel record of the retired law enforcement officer from each law enforcement agency that employed the retired law enforcement officer.

"(2) HIRING DETERMINATIONS.—Before making any hiring determination, the highest ranking law enforcement officer of an eligible entity receiving a grant under subsection (a) or a designee of that law enforcement officer shall review any findings of misconduct that arise as a result of a search or request conducted pursuant to paragraph (1).

#### "SEC. 3063. ACCOUNTABILITY PROVISIONS.

"(a) IN GENERAL.—A grant awarded under this part shall be subject to the accountability requirements of this section.

"(b) AUDIT REQUIREMENT.—

"(1) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term 'unresolved audit finding' means a finding in a final audit report of the Inspector General of the Department of Justice that an audited grantee has used grant funds for an unauthorized expenditure or otherwise unallowable cost that is not closed or resolved within 12 months from the date when the final audit report is issued.

"(2) AUDITS.—Beginning in the first fiscal year beginning after the date of enactment of the Defense; Commerce, Justice, Science; Interior, Environment; Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education; and Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act, 2026, and in each fiscal year thereafter, the Inspector General of the Department of Justice shall conduct audits of recipients of grants under this part to prevent waste, fraud, and abuse of funds by grantees. The Inspector General of the Department of Justice shall determine the appropriate number of grantees to be audited each year.

"(3) MANDATORY EXCLUSION.—A recipient of grant funds under this part that is found to have an unresolved audit finding shall not be eligible to receive grant funds under this part during the first 2 fiscal years beginning after the end of the 12-month period described in paragraph (1).

"(4) PRIORITY.—In awarding grants under this part, the Attorney General shall give priority to eligible entities that did not have an unresolved audit finding during the 3 fiscal years before submitting an application for a grant under this part.

"(c) ANNUAL CERTIFICATION.—Beginning in the fiscal year during which audits commence under subsection (b)(2), the Attorney General shall submit to the Committee on the Judiciary and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate and the Committee on the Judiciary and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives an annual certification—

"(1) indicating whether—

"(A) all audits issued by the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Justice under subsection (b) have been completed and reviewed by the appropriate Assistant Attorney General or Director; and

"(B) all mandatory exclusions required under subsection (b)(3) have been issued; and "(2) that includes a list of any grant recipi-

ents excluded under subsection (b)(3) from the previous year.

he previous year.

"(d) Preventing Duplicative Grants.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—Before the Attorney General awards a grant to an eligible entity under this part, the Attorney General shall compare potential grant awards with other grants awarded by the Attorney General to determine if grant awards are or have been awarded for a similar purpose.

"(2) REPORT.—If the Attorney General awards grants to the same applicant for a similar purpose, the Attorney General shall submit to the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate and the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives a report that includes—

"(A) a list of all such grants awarded, including the total dollar amount of any such grants awarded; and

"(B) the reason the Attorney General awarded multiple grants to the same applicant for a similar purpose."

SA 4134. Mr. SHEEHY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. Collins and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 401, line 21, strike the period at the end and insert ": *Provided further*, That of the funds provided under this heading, \$2,000,000 shall be available for the procurement and deployment of high-risk lightning detection sensor technology on National Forest System land.".

SA 4135. Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. SCHATZ, Ms. HIRONO, and Mr. SULLIVAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Beginning on page 623, line 22, strike "Provided further," and all that follows through 'direct administrative costs:' on page 624, line 2, and insert "Provided further, That funds made available in the preceding 2 provisos shall not be available for transfer: Provided further, That \$44,953,000 shall be for part C of title VI, which shall be awarded on a competitive basis, and may be used for construction, and that the 5 percent limitation in section 6305 of the ESEA on the use of funds for administrative purposes shall apply only to direct administrative costs: Provided further, That funds made available in the preceding proviso shall not be available for transfer:

SA 4136. Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. Padilla) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. Collins and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in division C, insert the following:

## SEC. \_\_\_. SITE OF SMITHSONIAN AMERICAN WOMEN'S HISTORY MUSEUM.

(a) Authorizing Site Within Reserve of National Mall.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law or regulation, including section 8908(c) of title 40, United States Code, the Smithsonian American Women's History Museum may be located within the Reserve (as defined in section 8902(a) of title 40, United States Code).

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 107(d) of division T of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (20 U.S.C. 80t-5(d)) is amended by striking ", except that" and all that follows and inserting a period.

(b) USE OF SITE UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF ANOTHER FEDERAL AGENCY.—Section 107(b) of division T of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (20 U.S.C. 80t–5(b)) is amended to read as follows:

"(b) SITE UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF ANOTHER FEDERAL AGENCY.—

"(1) NOTIFICATION TO OTHER AGENCY OR ENTITY.—The Board of Regents shall not designate a site for the Museum that is under the administrative jurisdiction of another Federal agency or entity without first notifying the head of the Federal agency or entity

"(2) NOTIFICATION TO COMMITTEES.—Once notified under paragraph (1), the head of the Federal agency or entity shall promptly submit written notification to the Chair and ranking minority members of the Committee on Rules and Administration, the Committee on Appropriations, and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate, and the Committee on House Administration, the Committee on Natural Resources, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives, stating that the Federal agency or entity was notified by the Board of Regents that a site under its jurisdiction was designated and that a transfer will be initiated as soon as practicable.

"(3) Transfer.—As soon as practicable after the date on which the individuals described in paragraph (2) receive the written notification described in such subparagraph, the head of the Federal agency or entity shall transfer to the Smithsonian Institution its administrative jurisdiction over the land or structure that has been designated as the site for the Museum."

(c) ENSURING DIVERSITY OF POLITICAL VIEW-POINTS AND AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES.—Section 104(b)(4) of division T of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (20 U.S.C. 80t—2(b)(4)) is amended to read as follows:

"(4) Ensuring diversity of political viewpoints and authentic experiences.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—The Council shall ensure that the exhibits and programs of the Museum accurately and comprehensively represent the varied cultures, histories, events, and values held by women in the United States.

"(B) SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out its duties, the Council shall ensure that it seeks and utilizes to its maximum ability guidance from a broad array of knowledgeable and respected sources reflecting the diversity of the political viewpoints and authentic experiences held by women in the United States, and shall seek such guidance for both the creation and substantial revision of exhibits and programs.

"(C) DEFINITIONS.—In this subparagraph—

"(i) the term 'broad array' means a range of experts and publications that represent the broad spectrum of communities of women, to include varied viewpoints, political ideologies, cultures, and lived experiences in the United States; and

"(ii) the term 'knowledgeable and respected source' means an individual who has gained through education, publication, or witnessing an important or historical event, the ability to advise on at least one unique viewpoint or experience of a particular community of women in the United States, and whose knowledge has been relied upon by a notable segment of that community for education, heritage preservation, or historical purposes, and includes the work of such an individual which reflects such ability and knowledge."

(d) REPORTS TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act and every 2 years thereafter, the Secretary of the Smithsonian shall submit to the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate, the Committee on House Administration of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate,

the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, a report on actions taken by the Director of the Smithsonian American Women's History Museum and the Council of the Museum to comply with the requirements of the amendments made by subsection (c), including a description of actions taken with respect to substantial revisions of current exhibits and programs as well the planning of future exhibits and programs.

(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section and the

(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section and the amendments made by this section shall take effect as if included in the enactment of title I of division T of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (20 U.S.C. 80t et seq.).

SA 4137. Mr. WARNOCK (for himself and Mr. Ossoff) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. Collins and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table: as follows:

At the appropriate place in division D, insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. Of the unobligated balances available in the Nonrecurring Expenses Fund established by section 223 of division G of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008 (42 U.S.C. 3514a), \$100,000,000, in addition to any funds otherwise made available for such purposes in this or subsequent fiscal years, shall be available for purposes of maintaining and improving security on the Roybal campus of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, Georgia, and making repairs to buildings on such campus.

SA 4138. Mr. PADILLA (for himself and Ms. Klobuchar) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

## SEC. \_\_\_. SITE OF SMITHSONIAN NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN LATINO.

- (a) AUTHORIZING SITE WITHIN RESERVE OF NATIONAL MALL.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law or regulation, including section 8908(c) of title 40, United States Code, the Smithsonian National Museum of the American Latino may be located within the Reserve (as defined in section 8902(a) of title 40, United States Code).
- (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 201(g)(4) of division T of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (20 U.S.C. 80u(g)(4)) is amended by striking ", except that" and all that follows and inserting a period.
- (b) Use of Site Under the Jurisdiction of Another Federal Agency.—Section 201(g)(2) of division T of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (20 U.S.C. 80u(g)(2)) is amended to read as follows:
- "(2) SITE UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF ANOTHER FEDERAL AGENCY.—
- "(A) NOTIFICATION TO OTHER AGENCY OR ENTITY.—The Board of Regents shall not designate a site for the Museum that is under the administrative jurisdiction of another Federal agency or entity without first notifying the head of the Federal agency or entity.

- "(B) NOTIFICATION TO COMMITTEES.—Once notified under subparagraph (A), the head of the Federal agency or entity shall promptly submit written notification to the Chair and ranking minority members of the Committee on Rules and Administration, the Committee on Appropriations, and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate, and the Committee on House Administration, the Committee on Natural Resources, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives, stating that the Federal agency or entity was notified by the Board of Regents that a site under its jurisdiction was designated and that a transfer will be initiated as soon as practicable.
- "(C) Transfer.—As soon as practicable after the date on which the individuals described in subparagraph (B) receive the writen notification described in such subparagraph, the head of the Federal agency or entity shall transfer to the Smithsonian Institution its administrative jurisdiction over the land or structure that has been designated as the site for the Museum."
- (c) ENSURING DIVERSITY OF POLITICAL VIEW-POINTS AND AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES.—Section 201(d)(2)(D) of division T of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (20 U.S.C. 80u(d)(2)(D)) is amended to read as follows:
- "(D) ENSURING DIVERSITY OF POLITICAL VIEWPOINTS AND AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCES.—
- "(i) IN GENERAL.—The Board of Trustees shall ensure that the exhibits and programs of the Museum accurately and comprehensively represent the varied cultures, histories, events, and values of Hispanic or Latino communities.
- "(ii) Specific requirements.—In carrying out its duties, the Board of Trustees shall ensure that it seeks and utilizes to its maximum ability guidance from a broad array of knowledgeable and respected sources reflecting the diversity of the political viewpoints and authentic experiences held by Hispanics or Latinos in the United States, and shall seek such guidance for both the creation and substantial revision of exhibits and programs.
- "(iii) DEFINITIONS.—In this subparagraph—
  "(I) the term 'broad array' means a range
  of experts and publications that represent
  the broad spectrum of Hispanic or Latino
  communities, to include varied viewpoints,
  political ideologies, cultures, and lived experiences in the United States; and
- "(II) the term 'knowledgeable and respected source' means an individual who has gained through education, publication, or witnessing an important or historical event, the ability to advise on at least one unique viewpoint or experience of a particular Hispanic or Latino community, and whose knowledge has been relied upon by a notable segment of that community for education, heritage preservation, or historical purposes, and includes the work of such an individual which reflects such ability and knowledge."
- (d) REPORTS TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act and every 2 years thereafter, the Secretary of the Smithsonian shall submit to the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate, the Committee on House Administration of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate. the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives. the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, a report on actions taken by the Director of the Smithsonian National Museum of the American Latino Museum and the Board of Trust-

ees of the Museum to comply with the requirements of the amendments made by subsection (c), including a description of actions taken with respect to substantial revisions of current exhibits and programs as well the planning of future exhibits and programs.

(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section and the amendments made by this section shall take effect as if included in the enactment of section 201 of division T of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (20 U.S.C. 80u).

SA 4139. Mr. WELCH (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. KAINE, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. ALSOBROOKS, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. KIM, Ms. BALDWIN, and Mr. WYDEN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. COLLINS and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

# SEC. \_\_\_\_. PROHIBITION ON USE OF UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES TO CONDUCT HOSTILITIES WITH RESPECT TO VENEZUELA.

- (a) Prohibition.—None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available for the Department of Defense, or for any other department or agency of the United States Government, may be used to conduct hostilities with respect to Venezuela, except—
- (1) pursuant to a specific statutory authorization enacted after the date of the enactment of this Act; or
- (2) pursuant to a congressional authorization consistent with section 2(c) of the War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1541(c)).
- (b) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the United States from—
- acting to defend itself or its citizens from an armed attack or the threat of an imminent armed attack;
- (2) acting to defend the United States Armed Forces or United States personnel from an armed attack:
- (3) conducting lawful counternarcotics operations that do not constitute hostilities; or
- (4) providing humanitarian assistance to the people of Venezuela.
- (c) HOSTILITIES DEFINED.—In this section, the term "hostilities" means any situation involving any use of lethal or potentially lethal force by United States forces, whether such force is deployed remotely and irrespective of the intermittency thereof.
- (d) RELATION TO THE WAR POWERS RESOLUTION.—Nothing in this section supersedes any requirement of the War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1541 et seq.).

SA 4140. Mr. THUNE (for Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. DAINES)) proposed an amendment to the resolution S. Res. 321, commemorating 30 years of diplomatic relations between the United States and Vietnam on July 11, 2025; as follows:

Strike all after the resolved clause and insert the following:
That the Senate—

(1) recognizes—

(A) the significance of the 30th anniversary of normalization of the bilateral relationship

between the United States and Vietnam; and (B) the strong and enduring relationship built by the United States and Vietnam based on mutual respect, trust, and a shared commitment to peace and prosperity;

- (2) honors the contributions of Vietnamese Americans to the United States during the past 50 years, including—
- (A) their tireless commitment to strengthening ties between the United States and Vietnam; and
- (B) facilitating reconciliation and economic prosperity between the 2 countries;
  - (3) honors-
- (A) the service of members of the United States Armed Forces who fought in Vietnam, including those who gave their lives in the conflict; and
- (B) United States veteran-led initiatives established and dedicated to engaging in reconciliation efforts with the Vietnamese people:
- (4) expresses the commitment of the United States to the sustained continuation of funding and operational support to war legacy programs in Vietnam foundational to the bilateral relationship, including—
- (A) dioxin remediation at Bien Hoa Airport;
  - (B) unexploded ordnance removal;
  - (C) support for persons with disabilities;
- (D) capacity building in provincial and national efforts on mine action; and
- (E) accounting for Vietnamese missing and fallen soldiers from the war;
- (5) acknowledges the significant progress in various areas of bilateral cooperation, including political and diplomatic relations, trade and economic ties, defense and security, and people-to-people exchanges, including the United States-supported Fulbright University, Vietnam's first independent non-profit higher education institution;
- (6) reaffirms the commitment of the United States to sustaining and building on the partnership officially established in the U.S.-Vietnam Comprehensive Strategic Partnership in September 2023, underscored by the fundamental principles guiding the bilateral relationship, including respect for the United Nations Charter, international law, and respect for each other's independence, sovereignty, and territorial integrity; and
  - (7) expresses—
- (A) the determination of the United States to continue strengthening cooperation with Vietnam across sectors; and
- (B) the vital importance of the bilateral relationship between the United States and Vietnam to addressing shared challenges and promoting continued peace and stability in the Indo-Pacific region.
- SA 4141. Mr. THUNE (for Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. DAINES)) proposed an amendment to the resolution S. Res. 321, commemorating 30 years of diplomatic relations between the United States and Vietnam on July 11, 2025; as follows:

Strike the preamble and insert the following:

Whereas, since the end of the Vietnam War, hundreds of thousands of Vietnamese have resettled in and built vibrant communities across the United States, which contribute to the rich diversity of our Nation;

Whereas joint efforts across the administrations of President Ronald Reagan and President George H. W. Bush to address questions surrounding United States servicemembers missing in action (MIA) set the foundation for the normalization of bilateral relations between the United States and Vietnam;

Whereas, between 1991 and 1993, the Select Committee on POW/MIA Affairs of the Senate conducted public hearings and issued an extensive report on prisoner of war (POW) and MIA issues, helping to lay the domestic political foundation for subsequent break-

throughs in United States-Vietnam relations:

Whereas efforts to identify and return the remains of service members missing in action on both the United States and Vietnamese sides, alongside unexploded ordnance removal, dioxin remediation, disability programs supporting survivors impacted by these war remnants, and efforts to continue public education on these topics have contributed to ongoing war legacy programs, which are a vital component of the bilateral relationship between Vietnam and the United States:

Whereas section 521 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1994 and 1995 (Public Law 103-236) expressed the Senate's support for the normalization of relations with Vietnam and sent an important political signal to the Executive branch on moving ahead with diplomatic normalization;

Whereas, on February 4, 1994, President Bill Clinton lifted the trade embargo, which had been in place since the end of the Vietnam War, paving the way for the announcement of a normalization of relations between the United States and Vietnam on July 11, 1995:

Whereas significant progress has been made in the bilateral relationship since the normalization of diplomatic relations between the United States and Vietnam, leading to cooperation between the governments and peoples of the United States and Vietnam in an array of areas, extending to political, economic, and cultural ties;

Whereas, in January of 2001, Congress passed the bipartisan Vietnam Education Foundation Act of 2000 (title II of division B of Public Law 106-554) to promote reconciliation between the United States and Vietnam through an international exchange program between the 2 countries, which allowed Vietnamese nationals to pursue advanced studies in the United States and United States citizens to teach in the fields of science, mathematics, medicine, and technology in Vietnam:

Whereas, in September and October of 2001, respectively, the House of Representatives and the Senate approved measures to implement a bilateral trade agreement negotiated during the Presidency of Bill Clinton, which was subsequently signed into law by President George W. Bush on October 3, 2001;

Whereas, in December 2006, Congress granted permanent normal trade relations status to Vietnam under title IV of division D of the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006 (Public Law 109-432):

Whereas, on July 25, 2013, President Barack Obama and Vietnamese President Truong Tan Sang agreed to establish a comprehensive partnership between Vietnam and the United States based on the principles of respect for the United Nations Charter, international law, respect for political institutions, independence and sovereignty, and each other's territorial integrity;

Whereas, on May 23, 2016, President Barack Obama announced the removal of remaining United States restrictions on the sale of lethal weapons and related services to Vietnam, following President George W. Bush's 2007 decision to permit case-by-case sales of nonlethal defense items and defense services and President Obama's 2014 decision to partially ease United States restrictions on the transfer of lethal weapons and articles to Vietnam;

Whereas President Donald Trump became the first United States President to visit Vietnam twice in one presidential term, including a November 2017 state visit during which President Trump and Vietnamese President Tran Dai Quang—

- (1) concluded a 3-year Plan of Action for Defense Cooperation to increase bilateral naval activities:
- (2) agreed on the first visit of a United States aircraft carrier (the USS Carl Vinson) to Vietnam since the end of the Vietnam War:
- (3) reaffirmed the importance of freedom of navigation, overflight, and unfettered commerce in the South China Sea and a bilateral commitment to a rules-based approach to resolving maritime disputes;
- (4) celebrated the conclusion of a joint effort to clean dioxin-contaminated soil and sediment in Da Nang, Vietnam;
- (5) welcomed the United States' commitment to contribute to dioxin remediation efforts at Bien Hoa Airport; and
- (6) pledged to increase bilateral trade and investment relations, including \$12,000,000,000 in commercial agreements;

Whereas, on September 10, 2023, President Joe Biden and General Secretary Nguyen Phú Trong issued a Joint Communiqué that—

- (1) upgraded the bilateral relationship between the United States and Vietnam to the level of Comprehensive Strategic Partnership:
- (2) celebrated the expansion of dioxin remediation at Bien Hoa Air Base, extending the bilateral partnership agreement into 2028, and expanding unexploded ordnance tracking and clearance activities:
- (3) recognized considerable progress made in the bilateral relationship in a short, 10year period; and
- (4) underscored fundamental principles guiding United States-Vietnam relations and respect for each other's independence, sovereignty, and territorial integrity;

Whereas, on October 26, 2025, the United States and Vietnam agreed to a Framework for an Agreement on Reciprocal, Fair and Balanced Trade, which will bolster United States national and economic security, expand bilateral trade, and strengthen supply chain security:

Whereas the United States and Vietnam have formed a partnership in promoting peace, cooperation, prosperity, and security in the Indo-Pacific region, including by—

- (1) recognizing the strategic importance of free and open access to the South China Sea; and
- (2) continuing programs initiated during the administrations of President Obama, President Trump, and President Biden to help Vietnam enhance its maritime capabilities:

Whereas, throughout these positive developments, Congress has consistently offered strong bipartisan support for the continuation and eventual completion of war legacy programs in Vietnam as the basis on which the bilateral relationship was established 30 years ago;

Whereas the United States and Vietnam will continue to deepen cooperation in a wide range of areas, including political and diplomatic relations, economic trade and investment, science and technology, education and health, cultural and people-to-people ties, defense and security, regional and global issues, and the promotion and protection of internationally-recognized human rights, to ensure the interests of the people in the United States and in Vietnam and to contribute to peace, stability, cooperation, and prosperity around the world: Now, therefore, be it

**SA 4142.** Mr. THUNE (for Mr. MORAN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 787, to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a commission to review operations at the Veterans Health

Administration and submit to Congress reports with respect to that review, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 27, strike lines 8 through 17 and insert the following:

"(k) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.— The Commission shall submit requests for appropriations in the same manner as the Comptroller General submits requests for appropriations, but amounts appropriated for the Commission shall be separate from amounts appropriated for the Comptroller General."

SA 4143. Mr. TILLIS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. Collins and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title II of division E, insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. In awarding funds made available in fiscal year 2025 under paragraph (2) of the heading "Homeless Assistance Grants", the Secretary shall prioritize the issuance of awards for expiring renewal projects in Tier 1 of the Continuum of Care Priority Listings after the close of the competition prior to making remaining awards.

**SA 4144.** Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available under any division of this Act may be used by the Department of Justice to approve or facilitate a claim that—

(1) is subject to chapter 171 of title 28, United States Code (commonly known as the "Federal Tort Claims Act"); and

(2) results in a personal payment to the President, whether in the form of a settlement or any other payment issued under section 1304 of title 31, United States Code, (commonly known as the "Judgement Fund") for the personal benefit of the President

**SA 4145.** Mr. MURPHY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act shall be used in a manner that would enable the transfer of a presidential air transport aircraft that has been under foreign registry to a nongovernmental entity

SA 4146. Mr. GALLEGO (for himself and Mr. Kelly) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. Collins and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30,

2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title IV of division C, insert the following:

## DRAGON BRAVO AND WHITE SAGE FIRES RECOVERY

SEC. 4\_\_\_. (a) There are appropriated—
(1) \$160,000,000 to the Forest Service for recovery from the Dragon Bravo and White

Sage fires in the Kaibab National Forest; and (2) \$600,000,000 to the National Park Service for recovery from the Dragon Bravo and

for recovery from the Dragon Bravo and White Sage fires in Grand Canyon National Park.

(b) The amounts made available under this section are designated by Congress as an

(b) The amounts made available under this section are designated by Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 4001(a)(1) of S. Con. Res. 14 (117th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2022, and to legislation establishing fiscal year 2026 budget enforcement in the House of Representatives.

SA 4147. Mr. PADILLA submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3951 submitted by Ms. Collins and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4016, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in division A, insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used for the deployment of federalized members of the Armed Forces for use in, or as a support function to, immigration enforcement in the interior of the United States.

# NOTICE OF INTENT TO OBJECT TO PROCEEDING

I, Senator Ron Wyden, intend to object to proceeding to H.R. 5345, a bill to amend title VII of the Social Security Act to provide for a single point of contact at the Social Security Administration for individuals who are victims of identity theft, dated December 18, 2025.

## NOMINATIONS IN STATUS QUO

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, as if in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that the only nominations received by the Senate during the 119th Congress, First Session, to remain in status quo, notwithstanding the provisions of rule XXXI, paragraph 6, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, be the following: Executive Calendar Nos. 241, 503, and PN Nos. 415, 446, 587, 588, 593, 595, 620, 621, 622, 658, 675, 676, 677, 680, 681, 682, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712-1, 712-2, 713, 714, 715–1, 715–2, 716, 717, 718, 719, and 720.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

## EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. THUNE. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to execu-

tive session to consider the following nomination: Calendar No. 592; that the nomination be confirmed, the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate; that no further motions be in order to the nomination; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action and the Senate then resume legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the following nomination: The following named officer for appointment as Commandant of the United States Coast Guard, and to the grade indicated under title 14, U.S.C., section 302: To be Admiral, Adm. Kevin E. Lunday?

The nomination was confirmed.

#### LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will now resume legislative session.

### APPOINTMENTS AUTHORITY

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that notwith-standing the upcoming adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to Commissions, committees, Boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## APPOINTMENT

The presiding officer. The Chair announces, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 106–398, as amended by Public Law 108–7, and in consultation with the Chairmen of the Senate Committee on Armed Services and the Senate Committee on Finance, the reappointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the United States—China Economic and Security Review Commission: The Honorable Randall Schriver of Virginia.

ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2025, THROUGH MONDAY, JAN-UARY 5, 2026

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn to then convene for pro forma session only, with no business being conducted on the following date and times: Friday, December 19 at 11:30 a.m.; Tuesday, December 23, at 8:30 a.m.; Friday, December 26 at 1:30 p.m.; Tuesday, December 30 at 11 a.m.; Friday, January 2 at 3 p.m.; Saturday, January 3 at 12 noon; further, that when the Senate adjourns on Saturday,