AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670 OFFERED BY MR. BACON OF NEBRASKA

At the appropriate place in title I, insert the following new section:

1	SEC. I LIMITATION ON TERMINATION OF FIGHTER
2	SQUADRONS.
3	(a) Limitation.—The Secretary of the Air Force
4	may not terminate the fighter flying mission of any fighter
5	squadron of the Air National Guard until a period of 180
6	days has elapsed following the date on which the Secretary
7	submits the plan required under subsection (b).
8	(b) Plan Required.—
9	(1) In General.—The Secretary of the Air
10	Force, in coordination with the Director of the Air
11	National Guard, shall develop a notional plan for the
12	recapitalization of all fighter squadrons of the Air
13	National Guard.
14	(2) Elements.—The plan under paragraph (1)
15	shall—
16	(A) provide options for the modernization
17	of fighter squadrons of the Air National Guard
18	and the replacement of the aircraft of such
19	squadrons at a rate that ensures recapitaliza-

1	tion of such squadrons with relevant and more
2	capable replacement fighter aircraft;
3	(B) ensure that each fighter squadron of
4	the Air National Guard has the required min-
5	imum of primary mission assigned fighter air-
6	craft to meet force presentation requirements of
7	geographic combatant commanders for both
8	steady-state and operational contingency plan-
9	ning and execution;
10	(C) include consideration for the tem-
11	porary reassignment of aircraft to such squad-
12	rons from other components of the Air Force,
13	as necessary to meet the requirements of the
14	plan; and
15	(D) include the Secretary of the Air
16	Force's assessment of any effects of the force
17	presentation on—
18	(i) combatant commanders;
19	(ii) aircrew accession absorption ca-
20	pacity;
21	(iii) industrial capacity to support any
22	additional production above programmed
23	quantities; and

1	(iv) costs aside from normal training
2	and personnel costs of unit mission transi-
3	tions.
4	(3) Submittal to congress.—The Secretary
5	of the Air Force shall submit to the congressional
6	defense committees the plan required under para-
7	graph (1) together with an explanation of—
8	(A) any programmatic funding required to
9	implement such plan; and
10	(B) how the plan differs from other plans
11	of the Secretary of the Air Force with respect
12	to fighter aircraft squadrons of the Air Na-
13	tional Guard (including any such plans in effect
14	as of the date of the submittal of the plan
15	under paragraph (1)); and
16	(C) any effects of the plan on operations
17	and efforts to recapitalize or transition existing
18	fighter aircraft squadrons of the Air National
19	Guard as proposed in the future-years defense
20	program submitted to Congress under section
21	221 of title 10, United States Code, for fiscal
22	year 2024.

