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2800	1	Wittman, Robert	CHM	SCC, R - Orders the Navy to have an FFRDC conduct and independent study of the mine warfare capabilities of the Navy.	EB 3
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2676	2	Wittman, Robert	CHM	SCC, R - Requires DOD to ensure that DIU is appropriately screening potential industry partners from foreign influence, particularly by the CCP, and requires reporting on how DOD and DIU attend to and deter CCP influence on current partners.	EB 3
2975	3	Gallagher, Mike	CHM	SCC R: Would direct the SecDef to engage the Ministry of Defense of Taiwan for strengthening military cybersecurity cooperation	EB 3
3413	1	Wittman, Robert	CHM	SCC, R - Orders a report from the Department of Defense on opportunities to enhance supply chain visibility and security for critical minerals and rare earth elements before 2027, with a particular emphasis on reducing reliance on the People's Republic of China.	EB 3
2961	1	Gallagher, Mike	CHM	SCC R: Requires briefing to the House Armed Services Committee on potential of third party allied assistance to enhance Taiwan's resiliency.	EB 3
2977	3	Wittman, Robert	CHM	SCC, R - Expanding international technology focused partnerships and experimentation activities in the Indo-Pacific.	EB 3
2799	1	Wittman, Robert	CHM	SCC, R - Orders certain institutions of professional military education to establish advanced research programs to study the character of near-future, operational-tactical warfighting at the high end of the conflict spectrum in East Asia.	EB 3
3592	0	Gallagher, Mike	CHM	SCC Bipartisan: Sense of Congress submitted on behalf of RM Krishnamoorthi on the important role played by unmanned aerial, surface, and underwater vehicles in reinforcing deterrence.	EB 3
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3443	1	Banks, Jim	CHM	SCC R: Prohibits DOD from contracting with any entity that uses covered logistics software and prohibits covered port authorities from contracting with covered logistics software. Requires negotiations with allies and partners to ban such software.	EB 3
2802	2	Wittman, Robert	CHM	SCC, R - Initiates review of the Department of Defense's coordination activities related to geoeconomic affairs.	EB 3
3362	3	Wittman, Robert	CHM	SCC, R - Foreign Military Sales for Indo-Pacific Allies and Partners.	EB 3
2943	2	Gallagher, Mike	CHM	SCC R: Requires Indo-Pacific Command to submit a report on the implementation of Section 1087, which would include the requirements for establishing a Joint Force Headquarters or Joint Task Force responsible for crisis C2.	EB 3
3514	0	Garamendi, John	CHM	Require DOD to finalize rule from Federal Register Sept 220	EB 3
3600	0	Bergman, Jack	CHM	Extension of Authority to Engage in Certain Commercial Activities	EB 3
3126	1	Slotkin, Elissa	CHM	This section would require DoD to evaluate service members for exposure to PFAS during periodic physical exams, and to provide a blood test to those with indications in order to determine and document their level of exposure.	EB 3
2671	1	Houlahan, Chrissy	CHM	Increases number of authorized contracting, program management, scientific, engineering, and technical positions in National Nuclear Security Administration from 800 to 1,000.	EB 3
2839	3	Panetta, Jimmy	CHM	Allows the USSOCOM Commander to use funds from Major Force Program 11 (MFP-11) to fund joint special operations-peculiar education, leader preparation, and leader development at degree-granting institutions of higher military education.	EB 3
3535	1	Wittman, Robert	CHM	Study and report on the expansion of the Strategic Funding Increase (STRATFI) program of the Air Force.	EB 3
2677	0	Gallagher, Mike	CHM	Would amend competition requirements for federal prison industries	EB 3
3178	0	Turner, Michael	CHM	Bill language that would authorize electronic notarization for members of the Armed Forces.	EB 3
3070	0	Jacobs, Sara	CHM	Requires GAO to submit a report on efforts to track how U.S.-origin defense articles are used by recipients in accordance with the recipient government's obligations under the conditions of the transfer and international law.	EB 3

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3293	2	Kim, Andy	CHM	Good Government and Congressional Notification Amendment for MilCon Projects.	EB 3
2797	0	Wittman, Robert	CHM	This section would require the Secretary of Defense to establish a task force to examine matters relating to the mental health of members of the Armed Forces and a plan to implement the recommendations of the task force.	EB 3
2769	1	Bacon, Don	CHM	Inflation Impact Contract Modifications	EB 3
2647	1	Waltz, Michael	CHM	This section would establish a grant program to increase collaborative research between the United States and Israel on Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder	EB 3
3102	0	Slotkin, Elissa	CHM	Allow the Department to leverage bioindustrial manufacturing investments to produce active pharmaceutical ingredients and their key starting materials	EB 3
3252	1	Veasey, Marc	CHM	DRL for a briefing on the feasibility of joint panel of DoD and industry representatives for purposes of coordinating JADC2 standards and interoperability.	EB 3
3230	6	Kim, Andy	CHM	Increase the authorized amount for the DoD Cyber Scholarship Program by \$10,000,000.	EB 3
3484	2	Luttrell, Morgan	CHM	Study to Improve Military Readiness Through Nutrition and Wellness Initiatives.	EB 3
3541	1	Garamendi, John	CHM	Annual Contract review of funds relating to contract managers and auditors	EB 3
3647	0	Carbajal, Salud O.	CHM	It updates the process for establishing safety zones for space launch vehicles using liquid oxygen and methane fuel.	EB 3
2579	1	Banks, Jim	CHM	SCC R: Ends the waiver which allows DOD to continue funding institutions of higher education which host Confucius Institutes in FY2026.	EB 3
3439	1	Bergman, Jack	CHM	Advanced Training Range Capabilities	EB 3
3458	1	Sherrill, Mikie	CHM	Charges DoD to create definitions and categories of what constitutes foreign phone applications of concern to its personnel and craft an associate risk framework to provide mitigating guidance to its workforce.	EB 3

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2592	0	Gaetz, Matt	CHM	LAND CONVEYANCE, EGLIN AIR FORCE BASE, FLORIDA, Land Conveyance AIR FORCE Enlisted Village	EB 3
3455	5	Kelly, Trent	CHM	HC-130H transfer to CalFire	EB 3
3277	2	Houlahan, Chrissy	CHM	Requires report from Secretary of the Army providing update on funds currently available and being used for the maintenance of military service memorials.	EB 3
3267	0	Turner, Michael	CHM	Report Language requiring the department to report on the scope of contactors (>10 employees or \$100k value) engaged in the anti-Israel Boycott-Divest-Sanction movement against Israel.	EB 3
3158	2	Turner, Michael	CHM	Bill language prohibiting the use of funds to provide strategic nuclear information to the Russian Federation under New Start.	EB 3
3409	1	Lamborn, Doug	CHM	Moves \$2.5M from USAF Basic Research to Space Force Applied Research Space Technology for the University Consortium for Space Technology	EB 3
3607	1	Moulton, Seth	CHM	To restore funding to NNSA nonproliferation, arms control, and weapon dismantlement and recycling activities.	EB 3
2657	1	Jackson (TX), Ronny	CHM	Requires the Stockpile Stewardship and Management Plan to include information about NNSA's assembly and disassembly facilities.	EB 3
3552	5	Bergman, Jack	CHM	Brief on Force Design 2030	EB 3
3092	2	Golden, Jared F.	CHM	Bill language amendment that makes modifications to the Procurement Technical Assistance Program (PTAP) statute.	EB 3
2624	3	Waltz, Michael	CHM	Briefing on DoD's efforts to allow commercial entities to use their space-related facilities to commercial providers of "Day of Launch" range services	EB 3
3569	0	Garamendi, John	CHM	Directs DOD report to Congress on strengthening the provision of the US-flagged vessel requirements for seaborne transportation of military cargo, which brought the military's cargo preference in line with existing cargo preference law for civilian agencies.	EB 3
3259	1	Gallagher, Mike	CHM	Would redefine and expand the purposes of the Industrial Base Analysis and Sustainment Fund	EB 3

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3500	0	Moulton, Seth	CHM	To prevent the sale, license, or transfer to a third party of individually-identifiable information on DoD employees generated in the course of a DoD contract	EB 3
2756	0	Deluzio, Christopher R.	CHM	Publicly Track Companies that Refuse to Provide Certified Cost and Pricing Data	EB 3
3196	0	Mace, Nancy	CHM	CLARIFICATION OF WAIVER AUTHORITY FOR ORGANIZATIONAL AND CONSULTANT CONFLICTS OF INTEREST UNDER THE FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION	EB 3
3058	1	Waltz, Michael	CHM	Prohibits DoD from contracting with any company that has business with the Putin regime, or any natural gas, oil, and coal company operating in Russia.	EB 3
2886	1	Scott, Austin	CHM	This amendment raises a \$5,000 spending cap to \$15,000 on counter-drug equipment procured or leased by the National Guard requiring advance approval from SECDEF.	EB 3
2871	2	Keating, William R.	CHM	Encourages the DoD to pursue domestic partnerships to develop methodologies to extract and processing of rare earth elements and critical minerals.	EB 3
2981	0	Jackson (TX), Ronny	CHM	Direct the Secretary to enable Israel to gain observer status in the ENJJPT.	EB 3
3306	0	Mills, Cory	CHM	Amends the 2008 NDAA to clarify the authority and jurisdiction of SIGAR.	EB 3
3047	4	Wittman, Robert	CHM	Study feasibility of revising ability of dispatch services outside of the U.S. from transporting military department commodities.	EB 3
2924	1	Strickland, Marilyn	CHM	Report on Nursing Staffing Shortages	EB 3
3346	2	Tokuda, Jill N.	CHM	Restricts use of certain authorized funds until the Secretary of Defense submits a previous reporting requirement from Public Law 116-92 on military housing.	EB 3
3631	1	Waltz, Michael	CHM	Create sex-neutral physical fitness standards for combat MOS's.	EB 3
3280	1	Gallego, Ruben	CHM	This section would authorize the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency to validate the remains of World War II veterans whose initial verification showed discrepancies.	EB 3

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3340	2	Mills, Cory	CHM	The amendment requires a report from the Director of the Defense Health Agency on the value of chiropractic preventative care.	EB 3
3612	3	Escobar, Veronica	CHM	Comptroller General Study on the Feasibility of Administering Comprehensive Mental Health Exams for Service Members	EB 3
2572	0	Banks, Jim	CHM	Directs a report describing each service's efforts to implement and conduct required training on religious liberty.	EB 3
3398	2	Lamborn, Doug	CHM	Provide funding to contract out to a private company to assist with DNA collection of families of victims from the USS Arizona in order to collect, archive, and maintain them until such a time as DPAA is prepared to make identifications.	EB 3
2650	0	Banks, Jim	CHM	Requires the Secretary of Defense to determine whether Chinese government officials assisted or were aware of the transportation of fentanyl precursors to Mexican drug cartels.	EB 3
3496	0	Houlahan, Chrissy	CHM	Expands options for remote/telework for military spouses.	EB 3
3499	2	Kiggans, Jennifer A.	CHM	Authorizes an adult individual who is the surviving child or parent of a deceased service member, and has received a Gold Star Lapel Button or Next of Kin Deceased Personnel Lapel Button, access to use commissary stores and MWR retail facilities.	EB 3
2728	1	Kim, Andy	CHM	This section would give the Defense Health Agency the authority to reorganize and redistribute span of control in order to more effectively manage direct reports.	EB 3
2994	1	Golden, Jared F.	CHM	Directs SECDEF to provide an initial mental health counseling evaluation to each member of the Armed Forces who served at HKIA during the Afghanistan noncombatant evacuation (NEO) (August 15, 2021 - August 29, 2021).	EB 3
3066	0	Moulton, Seth	CHM	Clarifies the applicability of required mental health self-initiated referral process per Section 1090b(e) of title 10, United States Code ["Brandon Act"] to exempt the Individual Ready Reserve.	EB 3
3516	4	Horsford, Steven	CHM	Report on Extremism-Related Training and Education Programs for Servicemembers to Protect the U.S. Armed Force	EB 3
2906	3	LaLota, Nick	CHM	Directs the Secretary of Defense and Sec. VA to submit a report to include the total number of United States servicemembers currently affected by Glioblastoma and ways the Department is working to diagnose and treat Glioblastoma.	EB 3
3627	4	Escobar, Veronica	CHM	Study on the Prevention of Sexual Assault or Sexual Harassment for Students in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps	EB 3

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AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. GALLAGHER OF WISCONSIN

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

1 **SEC. 16 ____ . INDO-PACIFIC MISSILE STRATEGY.**

2 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-
3 ings:

4 (1) The 2022 National Defense Strategy states:
5 “The [People’s Republic of China (PRC)] has ex-
6 panded and modernized nearly every aspect of the
7 [People’s Liberation Army (PLA)], with a focus on
8 offsetting U.S. military advantages. The PRC is
9 therefore the pacing challenge for the Department.”.

10 (2) The 2020 report of the Department of De-
11 fense entitled “Annual Report to Congress Involving
12 the People’s Republic of China” states: “Land-based
13 conventional ballistic and cruise missiles: The PRC
14 has more than 1,250 ground-launched ballistic mis-
15 siles (GLBMs) and ground-launched cruise missiles
16 (GLCMs) with ranges between 500 and 5,500 kilo-
17 meters. The United States currently fields one type
18 of conventional GLBM with a range of 70 to 300
19 kilometers and no GLCMs.”.

1 (3) In September 2021, the United States en-
2 tered a security partnership with the United King-
3 dom and Australia (commonly known as
4 “AUKUS”). In April 2022, AUKUS leaders com-
5 mitted to “commence new trilateral cooperation on
6 hypersonic technologies, counter-hypersonic defense
7 systems, and electronic warfare capabilities, as well
8 as to deepen cooperation on defense innovation.”.

9 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
10 gress that—

11 (1) United States ground-based theater-range
12 conventional missile systems in the Indo-Pacific re-
13 gion provide operational and strategy utility in—

14 (A) availability of persistent, prompt, and
15 survivable strike options;

16 (B) deterrence of enemy attack or esca-
17 lation;

18 (C) imposition of operational costs on
19 enemy forces;

20 (D) responsive strikes against time-critical
21 enemy targets; and

22 (E) destruction of high-value targets to en-
23 able other joint forces; and

24 (2) an Indo-Pacific Missile Strategy should—

1 (A) provide coherent direction to concept
2 and capability development, including procure-
3 ment and employment;

4 (B) distribute integrated capabilities at
5 operationally relevant ranges;

6 (C) coordinate and differentiate strike mis-
7 sions among the military forces of the United
8 States and allies; and

9 (D) pursue co-development and co-produc-
10 tion of capabilities with allies and partners, in-
11 cluding through existing institutional mecha-
12 nisms.

13 (c) STRATEGY.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
15 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
16 retary of Defense shall submit to the congressional
17 defense committees a strategy for ground-based the-
18 ater-range conventional missiles in the Indo-Pacific
19 region.

20 (2) ELEMENTS.—The strategy required by
21 paragraph (1) shall include the following:

22 (A) An assessment of gaps in conventional
23 theater-range precision strike capabilities in the
24 area of responsibility of the United States Indo-
25 Pacific Command.

1 (B) An identification of military require-
2 ments for ground-based theater-range conven-
3 tional missile systems, including range, propul-
4 sion, payload, launch platform, weapon effects,
5 and other operationally relevant factors.

6 (C) An identification of prospective basing
7 locations for ground-based theater-range con-
8 ventional missiles in the area of responsibility of
9 the United States Indo-Pacific Command and
10 an assessment of steps required to receive host-
11 nation permission for forward-basing of such
12 weapon systems.

13 (D) A description of operational concepts
14 for employment of such conventional missiles,
15 including integration with other capabilities in
16 the Western Pacific region.

17 (E) An identification of prospective allies,
18 partners, and institutional mechanisms for co-
19 development of new over-the-horizon range and
20 intermediate-range conventional missiles.

21 (F) An assessment of the cost, schedule,
22 and feasibility of ground-based theater-range
23 conventional missile programs, including any
24 potential cost-sharing structures through exist-
25 ing institutional mechanisms.

1 (3) FORM.—The strategy required by para-
2 graph (1) may be submitted in classified form but
3 shall include an unclassified summary.

4 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

5 (1) The term “ground-based theater-range con-
6 ventional missile” means a conventional mobile
7 ground-launched cruise or hypersonic missile system
8 with a range between 500 and 5,500 kilometers.

9 (2) With respect to a missile system, the term
10 “intermediate-range” means a missile system with a
11 range between 3,000 and 5,500 kilometers.



Amendment to H.R. 2670 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024

Offered by: Mr. Wittman

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Proliferation of Chinese Light Detection and Ranging (LIDAR) Technology in the United States

The committee remains concerned with the proliferation of Chinese technology in the United States that gathers critical information on U.S. geography, vehicle traffic, human patterns, and behaviors. Specifically, light detection and ranging (LIDAR) technology, a remote sensing method that uses a pulsed laser to map its environment, is integral to developing computer vision that will serve as the "eyes" of new technology with automated military applications. LIDAR is also a key component in applications automating and surveilling America's critical infrastructure, such as drones, autonomous vehicles, traffic intersections, container terminals, and airports. As a result, LIDAR facilitates the gathering of enormous amounts of information on the areas in which it operates. The committee is aware that Chinese LIDAR companies have been partnering with the Chinese Government and the People's Liberation Army (PLA) for years to enable computer vision for military vehicles and systems, receiving research support and considerable government funding. The committee is concerned that Chinese LIDAR companies have flooded the U.S. market with heavily subsidized Chinese LIDAR, capable of collecting information in many sectors of the economy. In addition, the committee notes that Chinese LIDAR companies have gone public on the United States stock exchanges, allowing U.S. investors to unknowingly provide financial support to Chinese LIDAR companies that are part of the Chinese military industrial complex. Therefore, the committee directs that, no later than March 1, 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the Committee on Armed Services for the House of Representatives, a report on the following matters:

- (1) the extent to which Chinese LIDAR has been and is being used on Department of Defense vehicles and systems;
- (2) an estimate of the extent to which Chinese LIDAR is being used by defense contractors in the fulfillment of defense contracts;
- (3) an analysis of the national security vulnerabilities associated with using Chinese LIDAR in defense, critical infrastructure, and other applications;
- (4) an analysis of the actions being taken by the Department of Defense to identify and list Chinese LIDAR companies with a military-civil nexus on the list maintained by the Department under section 1260h of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021;

- (5) the feasibility and viability of directing the Defense Innovation Unit to develop a list of US domestic manufacturers of LIDAR, similar to the Blue sUAS list; and
- (6) any other matters the Secretary deems relevant.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. GALLAGHER OF WISCONSIN

At the appropriate place in title XII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. __. INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT AND REPORT ON THE**
2 **PROGRESS MADE UNDER THE PACIFIC DE-**
3 **TERRENCE INITIATIVE.**

4 (a) INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after
6 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
7 of Defense shall select and enter into an agreement
8 with a federally funded research and development
9 center, or another appropriate independent entity,
10 with expertise on defense matters pertaining to the
11 Indo-Pacific region to conduct an assessment of the
12 Department of Defense activities carried out pursu-
13 ant to the Pacific Deterrence Initiative established
14 under section 1251 of the William M. (Mac) Thorn-
15 berry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal
16 Year 2021.

17 (2) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The assess-
18 ment required by paragraph (1) shall include up-

1 dates on the current state of defense posture in the
2 Indo-Pacific region, to include—

3 (A) base infrastructure and resiliency ef-
4 forts;

5 (B) prepositioned equipment and muni-
6 tions stocks;

7 (C) investments required to address con-
8 tested logistics;

9 (D) the status of current and planned mili-
10 tary construction;

11 (E) the planned Indo-Pacom exercise
12 schedule and joint operations;

13 (F) whether Pacific Deterrence Initiative
14 funding has aligned with the purpose described
15 in section 1251 of the William M. (Mac) Thorn-
16 berry National Defense Authorization Act for
17 Fiscal Year 2021; and

18 (G) any recommendations to improve the
19 Department of Defense's posture, resiliency,
20 presence, or lethality in the Indo-Pacific region
21 that may be advisable together with analysis of
22 the feasibility of implementing such rec-
23 ommendations.

24 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 270 days after the date
25 of the enactment of this Act, the independent entity se-

1 lected under subsection (a) shall submit to the congres-
2 sional defense committees a report on the findings of the
3 assessment conducted under that subsection.

4 (c) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SUPPORT.—The Sec-
5 retary of Defense shall provide the independent entity se-
6 lected under subsection (a) with timely access to appro-
7 priate information, data, resources, and analyses nec-
8 essary for the independent entity to conduct the assess-
9 ment required by that subsection in a thorough and inde-
10 pendent manner.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA

At the appropriate place in title X, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 10 ____ . INDEPENDENT STUDY ON NAVAL MINE WAR-**
2 **FARE.**

3 (a) **STUDY REQUIRED.**—Not later than 60 days after
4 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
5 the Navy shall seek to enter into an agreement with a fed-
6 erally funded research and development center to conduct
7 an independent study of the mine warfare capabilities of
8 the Navy.

9 (b) **ELEMENTS.**—The study under subsection (a)
10 shall include an assessment and comprehensive review
11 of—

12 (1) the offensive and defensive mine warfare ca-
13 pabilities of the Navy; and

14 (2) the offensive mine inventories of Navy as of
15 the date of study.

16 (c) **RESULTS.**—Following the completion of the study
17 under subsection (a), the federally funded research and
18 development center that conducts the study shall submit

1 to the Secretary of Defense a report on the results of the
2 study. The report shall include—

3 (1) a summary of the research and other activi-
4 ties carried out as part of the study; and

5 (2) considerations and recommendations to im-
6 prove the mine warfare capabilities of the Navy, in-
7 cluding recommendations for any legislation that
8 may be needed for such purpose.

9 (d) SUBMITTAL TO CONGRESS.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than December 31,
11 2024, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the
12 Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and
13 the House of Representatives—

14 (A) an unaltered copy of the results of the
15 study, as submitted to the Secretary under sub-
16 section (c); and

17 (B) the written responses of the Secretary
18 and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff
19 to such results.

20 (2) FORM.—The submission under paragraph
21 (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may
22 include a classified annex.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. GALLAGHER OF WISCONSIN

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

1 **SEC. 1___ . PLAN TO EXPEDITE INTEGRATION OF LONG-**
2 **RANGE ANTI-SHIP MISSILES INTO LEGACY**
3 **AIRCRAFT FLEETS.**

4 (a) **PLAN REQUIRED.**—Not later than 90 days after
5 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
6 Defense shall submit to the congressional defense commit-
7 tees a plan to expedite the full integration of the Long-
8 Range Anti-Ship Missile into covered legacy aircraft fleets.

9 (b) **ELEMENTS.**—The plan under subsection (a) shall
10 include, with respect to each covered legacy aircraft fleet,
11 the following:

12 (1) An analysis of the operational benefits of
13 integrating Long-Range Anti-Ship Missiles into the
14 fleet.

15 (2) The feasibility of integrating the Universal
16 Armament Interface on Long-Range Anti-Ship Mis-
17 sile weapon platforms.

1 (3) The timeline, cost, and any increased pro-
2 duction capacity requirements associated with such
3 plan.

4 (4) Identification of any obstacles to the timely
5 integration of such capability.

6 (5) Recommendations for expediting the
7 timeline described under paragraph (3), including an
8 explanation of any resources required to expedite
9 such timeline.

10 (6) Recommendations for mitigating the obsta-
11 cles identified under paragraph (4), including an ex-
12 planation of any resources required to mitigate such
13 obstacles.

14 (c) COVERED LEGACY AIRCRAFT DEFINED.—In this
15 section, the term “covered legacy aircraft fleet” means—

16 (1) the B–52 bomber aircraft fleet;

17 (2) the F–16 fighter aircraft fleet; and

18 (3) any other aircraft fleet the Secretary of De-
19 fense determines appropriate for inclusion in the
20 plan under subsection (a).



Amendment to H.R. 2670 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024

Offered by: Mr. Wittman

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Defense Innovation Unit Due Diligence Responsibilities

The committee notes with approval the Department of Defense's elevation of the Defense Innovation Unit (DIU). The committee also notes the acknowledged challenges posed by adversarial countries' theft of intellectual property from U.S. companies, which is particularly pronounced in advanced and dual-use technology sectors. The demonstrated ability of adversaries, in particular the Chinese Communist Party, to compromise and influence U.S. companies is of concern to the committee, and the committee notes the particular need to address these challenges in companies engaged with DIU.

Therefore, not later than February 1, 2024, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services on DIU's foreign influence screening protocols as they pertain to private industry in advanced technology sectors. The briefing shall, at a minimum, address the following:

- (1) a summary of the current policies and procedures in place at DIU to screen potential industry partners for influence by foreign actors;
- (2) planned efforts to bolster DIU's screening policies and procedures, including an assessment of related manpower requirements and a cost estimate;
- (3) efforts being taken by DIU and the Department of Defense to deter, prevent, and mitigate foreign influence on industry partners that are already contracted to work with DIU; and
- (4) any other information as determined by the Secretary.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. GALLAGHER OF WISCONSIN

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

1 **SEC. 15__ . MILITARY CYBERSECURITY COOPERATION**
2 **WITH TAIWAN.**

3 (a) **REQUIREMENT.**—Not later than 180 days after
4 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
5 Defense, acting through the Under Secretary of Defense
6 for Policy, in concurrence with the Secretary of State and
7 in coordination with the Commander of the United States
8 Cyber Command and the Commander of the United States
9 Indo-Pacific Command, shall seek to cooperate with the
10 Ministry of Defense of Taiwan on defensive military cyber-
11 security activities.

12 (b) **IDENTIFICATION OF ACTIVITIES.**—In cooperating
13 on defensive military cybersecurity activities with the Min-
14 istry of Defense of Taiwan under subsection (a), the Sec-
15 retary of Defense may carry out efforts to identify cooper-
16 ative activities to—

17 (1) defend military networks, infrastructure,
18 and systems;

1 (2) counter malicious cyber activity that has
2 compromised such military networks, infrastructure,
3 and systems;

4 (3) leverage United States commercial and mili-
5 tary cybersecurity technology and services to harden
6 and defend such military networks, infrastructure,
7 and systems; and

8 (4) conduct combined cybersecurity training ac-
9 tivities and exercises.

10 (c) BRIEFINGS.—

11 (1) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 180 days
12 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
13 retary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary
14 of State, shall provide to the appropriate congres-
15 sional committees a briefing on the implementation
16 of this section.

17 (2) CONTENTS.—The briefing under paragraph
18 (1) shall include the following:

19 (A) A description of the feasibility and ad-
20 visability of cooperating with the Ministry of
21 Defense of Taiwan on the defensive military cy-
22 bersecurity activities identified pursuant to sub-
23 section (b).

1 (B) An identification of any challenges and
2 resources that would be needed to addressed to
3 conduct such cooperative activities.

4 (C) An overview of efforts undertaken pur-
5 suant to this section.

6 (D) Any other matters the Secretary deter-
7 mines relevant.

8 (d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES
9 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate con-
10 gressional committees” means—

11 (1) the Committee on Armed Services and the
12 Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep-
13 resentatives; and

14 (2) the Committee on Armed Services and the
15 Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate.



Amendment to H.R. 2670

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024

Offered by: Mr. Wittman

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Securing Defense Supply Chains from the People's Republic of China for Critical Minerals

Whenever possible, the Department of Defense must ensure that defense supply chains are protected from a dangerous overreliance on the People's Republic of China for critical minerals and Rare Earth Elements. In July 2021, the House Armed Services Committee's Final Report of the Critical Supply Chain Task Force found that "a significant amount of material in the Defense Industrial Base is sole-sourced from the People's Republic of China," and concluded that a strategic framework should be implemented to illuminate defense supply chains. Further, the Task Force concluded that the Department should use new supply chain information to work with industry, allies, and partner nations to lessen overall reliance on the People's Republic of China. The committee notes positive efforts to review the vulnerabilities of U.S. critical minerals and material supply chains that have been undertaken since, including the Department's efforts in recent years to increase funding for the Industrial Base Analysis and Sustainment (IBAS) program element that can be used to support the domestic production of key minerals and materials.

However, subsequent reports from the Department found that without additional efforts to improve supply chain visibility, the Department of Defense will be challenged to determine where defense programs are vulnerable to supply cutoffs from the People's Republic of China or develop potential responses to such supply chain shocks.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Policy, to provide a report to the congressional defense committees not later than December 15, 2023, addressing the following:

(1) an overview of the reporting requirements currently placed on the Department's industry partners who serve as the prime contractor on a major defense acquisition program for identifying vulnerabilities within their supply chains related to critical minerals and rare earth elements sourced from or processed by the People's Republic of China;

(2) a feasibility and cost-benefit analysis of improving the data collected by the Department on supply chain vulnerabilities for the top three critical minerals and rare earth elements that the Department of Defense considers most at risk to supply chain manipulation or impact by the People's Republic of China;

(3) a summary of the Department's efforts to advance supply chain diversification for critical minerals and rare earth elements away from the People's Republic of China and an assessment of what further improvements could be made before 2027; and,

(4) an assessment of what elements would inform a successful partnership between the Department and industry to increase supply chain security and visibility for the top three critical minerals and rare earth elements that the Department identifies as being most vulnerable to supply chain shocks from the People's Republic of China before 2027.

Amendment to H.R. 2670
National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024

Offered by: Mr. Gallagher

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Cooperation Among U.S. Defense Partners

The committee recognizes the importance of providing military training and capacity building to Taiwan to enhance its self-defense capabilities across all domains. With the assistance of the United States, Taiwan has made significant improvements.

The committee also notes that some United States partners face security challenges that are similar to those of Taiwan and may be able to provide specialized training and advice.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Armed Services Committee not later than January 1, 2024, about the ways in which the Department can encourage and work with partner countries to provide advice and assistance to Taiwan. The briefing shall include efforts to address security challenges involving cybersecurity, reserve force management and conscription, counter-disinformation campaigns, and civil missile defense.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA

At the appropriate place in title XIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. __. EXPANSION OF INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGY FO-**
2 **CUSED PARTNERSHIPS AND EXPERIMEN-**
3 **TATION ACTIVITIES IN THE INDO-PACIFIC.**

4 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 180 days after
5 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
6 shall develop a plan and roadmap to—

7 (1) expand international technology-focused
8 partnerships, agreements, and experimentation ac-
9 tivities in the Indo-Pacific region in order to—

10 (A) accelerate the creation and fielding of
11 new capabilities and critical technologies as out-
12 lined in the National Defense Science and
13 Technology Strategy, as directed by section 211
14 of the National Defense Authorization Act for
15 Fiscal Year 2022 (Public Law 117-81), con-
16 sistent with the strategic plans of the Depart-
17 ment of Defense with respect to the activities of
18 Indo-Pacific Command;

1 (B) leverage the technological and manu-
2 facturing capabilities of private sector and gov-
3 ernment organizations in the United States and
4 international partners;

5 (C) identify opportunities for cost sharing
6 and financial and non-financial contributions by
7 partner countries for activities to develop and
8 deploy new operational capabilities; and

9 (D) coordinate with partner countries and
10 their agencies that are currently involved, or
11 could become involved, in co-production of capa-
12 bilities;

13 (2) enhance capabilities, including those capa-
14 bilities which use unmanned platforms, using lessons
15 learned from Task Force-59, to—

16 (A) respond to grey zone activity; and

17 (B) enhance Indo-Pacific partner capacity
18 to protect national resources against illegal fish-
19 ing and resource extraction; and

20 (3) identify and accelerate the fielding of new
21 capabilities and critical technologies that would im-
22 prove Taiwan's self-defense capabilities.

23 (b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-
24 tion shall be construed to affect section 112b(b) of title
25 1, United States Code.

1 (c) BRIEFING.—Not later than 270 days after the
2 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
3 shall provide the congressional defense committees a brief-
4 ing on the plan and roadmap required under subsection
5 (a).



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5___ . INCLUSION OF ADVANCED RESEARCH PRO-**
2 **GRAMS AT CERTAIN INSTITUTIONS OF PRO-**
3 **FSSIONAL MILITARY EDUCATION.**

4 (a) UNITED STATES ARMY COMMAND AND GENERAL
5 STAFF COLLEGE.—Chapter 751 of title 10, United States
6 Code is amended by adding at the end the following new
7 section:

8 **“§ 7423. Establishment of advanced research program**
9 **at the United States Army Command and**
10 **General Staff College**

11 “Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the
12 Army, the President of the United States Army Command
13 and General Staff College shall establish, within the Col-
14 lege, an advanced research program that examines the
15 character of near-future operational-tactical warfighting
16 at the high end of the conflict spectrum in East Asia. The
17 program shall use wargaming, operations research, and
18 systems analysis as the primary methodologies for devel-
19 oping scenarios for analysis under the program.”.

1 (b) NAVAL WAR COLLEGE.—Chapter 859 of title 10,
2 United States Code is amended by adding at the end the
3 following new section:

4 **“§ 8596. Establishment of advanced research program**
5 **at the Naval War College**

6 “Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the
7 Navy, the President of the Naval War College shall estab-
8 lish, within the College, an advanced research program
9 that examines the character of near-future operational-
10 tactical warfighting at the high end of the conflict spec-
11 trum in East Asia. The program shall use wargaming, op-
12 erations research, and systems analysis as the primary
13 methodologies for developing scenarios for analysis under
14 the program.”.

15 (c) AIR UNIVERSITY.—Chapter 951 of title 10,
16 United States Code is amended by inserting after section
17 9420 the following new section:

18 **“§ 9421. Establishment of advanced research program**
19 **at the Air University**

20 “Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the
21 Air Force, the Commander of the Air University shall es-
22 tablish, within the University, an advanced research pro-
23 gram that examines the character of near-future oper-
24 ational-tactical warfighting at the high end of the conflict
25 spectrum in East Asia. The program shall use wargaming,

1 operations research, and systems analysis as the primary
2 methodologies for developing scenarios for analysis under
3 the program.”.

4 (d) ANNUAL BRIEFINGS.—Not later than February
5 1 of each year, the President of the United States Army
6 Command and General Staff College, the President of the
7 Naval War College, and the Commander of the Air Uni-
8 versity shall each provide to the Committees on Armed
9 Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives
10 a briefing on wargaming outcomes and force structure rec-
11 ommendations resulting from activities conducted under
12 the advanced research programs established under sec-
13 tions 7423, 8596, and 9421 of title 10, United States
14 Code, respectively.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. GALLAGHER OF WISCONSIN

At the appropriate place in title XVIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 18 ____ . SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING UNMANNED**
2 **AERIAL, SURFACE, AND UNDERWATER VEHI-**
3 **CLES.**

4 It is the sense of Congress that—

5 (1) unmanned aerial, surface, and underwater
6 vessels play a critical role in modern warfare;

7 (2) continued investment in the research, devel-
8 opment, and fielding of such systems will help ad-
9 vance the military of the United States;

10 (3) such capabilities are particularly important
11 to bolstering deterrence and maintaining peace and
12 security in the Indo-Pacific region; and

13 (4) the United States should encourage its al-
14 lies and partners, particularly those located in the
15 Indo-Pacific region, to invest in unmanned aerial,
16 surface, and underwater vessels to reinforce deter-
17 rence.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. GALLAGHER OF WISCONSIN

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

1 **SEC. 12 ___ . INDEPENDENT STUDY ON DEFENSE BUDGET**
2 **OF PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.**

3 (a) INDEPENDENT STUDY REQUIRED.—Not later
4 than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,
5 the Secretary of Defense shall seek to enter into an agree-
6 ment with an entity independent of the Department of De-
7 fense under which such entity shall conduct a study of
8 the defense budget of the People’s Republic of China.

9 (b) ESTIMATE.—The independent study conducted
10 under subsection (a) shall include an estimate, based on
11 open-source intelligence, of the amount of defense spend-
12 ing of the People’s Republic of China. Such estimate
13 shall—

14 (1) be generated in a methodologically sound
15 way that—

16 (A) avoids reliance on the aggregate spend-
17 ing amounts announced annually by the Peo-
18 ple’s Republic of China; and

1 (B) employs the most accurate available
2 purchasing power parity exchange rates;

3 (2) be presented in a form that may be com-
4 pared against the defense spending of the United
5 States;

6 (3) exclude any spending related to veterans'
7 benefits; and

8 (4) include an estimate of the amounts of de-
9 fense spending of the People's Republic of China
10 disaggregated by functional defense categories of
11 spending, including—

12 (A) procurement from domestic and for-
13 eign sources;

14 (B) operations and maintenance;

15 (C) pay and benefits;

16 (D) military construction; and

17 (E) research, development, test, and eval-
18 uation.

19 (c) ADDITIONAL ESTIMATE ON OMITTED SPEND-
20 ING.—The independent study conducted under subsection
21 (a) shall include, in addition to the estimate under sub-
22 section (b), an estimate the magnitude of omitted spend-
23 ing from the official People's Republic of China defense
24 budget information.

25 (d) SUBMISSION TO SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.—

1 (1) SUBMISSION.—Not later than one year after
2 the date of the enactment of this Act, the entity that
3 conducts the study under subsection (a) shall submit
4 to the Secretary of Defense a report containing the
5 findings of such study.

6 (2) FORM.—The report under paragraph (1)
7 shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may in-
8 clude a classified annex.

9 (e) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 30
10 days after the date on which the Secretary receives the
11 report under subsection (d), the Secretary shall submit to
12 the congressional defense committees such report (without
13 change), together with any comments of the Secretary
14 with respect to such report.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. BANKS OF INDIANA

At the appropriate place in title VIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 8 ____ . SECURING MARITIME DATA FROM CHINA.**

2 (a) COUNTERING THE SPREAD OF COVERED LOGIS-
3 TICS SOFTWARE.—

4 (1) CONTRACTING PROHIBITION.—

5 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Department of De-
6 fense may not enter into a contract with an en-
7 tity that uses covered logistics software.

8 (B) APPLICABILITY.—This paragraph shall
9 apply with respect to any contract entered into
10 on or after the date that is 180 days after the
11 enactment of this subsection.

12 (2) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may
13 waive the provisions of this subsection for a specific
14 contract—

15 (A) if the Secretary makes a determination
16 that such waiver is vital to the national security
17 of the United States; and

18 (B) submits to Congress a report justifying
19 the use of such waiver and the importance of

1 such waiver to the national security of the
2 United States.

3 (3) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the
4 date of the enactment of this subsection, and annu-
5 ally for three subsequent years, the Secretary of De-
6 fense shall submit to Congress a report on the im-
7 plementation of this subsection.

8 (b) POLICY WITH RESPECT TO PORTS ACCEPTING
9 FEDERAL GRANT MONEY.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 503 of title 46,
11 United States Code, is amended by adding at the
12 end the following:

13 **“§ 50309. Prohibited use**

14 “(a) IN GENERAL.—A covered port authority may
15 not use covered logistics software.

16 “(b) GUIDANCE.—The Secretary of Transportation,
17 in consultation with the Secretary of Defense, shall pub-
18 lish on a website of the Department of Transportation,
19 and update regularly, a list of entities subject to the prohi-
20 bition in subsection (a).

21 “(c) CONSULTATION.—The Secretary of Transpor-
22 tation shall consult with the Department of State in car-
23 rying out this section.

1 “(d) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Transportation, in
2 consultation with the Secretary of State, may waive the
3 provisions of this section for a specific contract—

4 “(A) if the Secretary of Transportation
5 makes a determination that such waiver is vital
6 to the national security of the United States;
7 and

8 “(B) submits to Congress a report justi-
9 fying the use of such waiver and the importance
10 of such waiver to the national security of the
11 United States.

12 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

13 “(1) COVERED LOGISTICS SOFTWARE.—The
14 term ‘covered logistics software’ means—

15 “(A) the public, open, shared logistics in-
16 formation network known as the National Pub-
17 lic Information Platform for Transportation
18 and Logistics by the Ministry of Transport of
19 China or any affiliate or successor entity;

20 “(B) any other transportation logistics
21 software designed to be used by port authorities
22 subject to the jurisdiction, ownership, direction,
23 or control of a foreign adversary; or

1 “(C) any other logistics platform or soft-
2 ware that shares data with a system described
3 in subparagraphs (A) or (B).

4 “(2) COVERED PORT AUTHORITY.—The term
5 ‘covered port authority’ means a port authority that
6 receives funding under a program authorized under
7 part C of this subtitle.”

8 (2) APPLICABILITY.—Section 50309 of title 46,
9 United States Code, as added by paragraph (1),
10 shall apply with respect to any contract entered into
11 on or after the date that is 180 days after the enact-
12 ment of this subsection.

13 (3) REPORTING.—Not later than one year after
14 the date of the enactment of this subsection, and an-
15 nually for three subsequent years, the Secretary of
16 Transportation shall submit to Congress a report on
17 the implementation of section 50309 of title 46,
18 United States Code, as added by paragraph (1).

19 (c) NEGOTIATIONS WITH ALLIES AND PARTNERS.—

20 (1) NEGOTIATIONS REQUIRED.—The Secretary
21 of State shall seek to enter into negotiations with
22 United States ally and partner countries, including
23 those described in paragraph (3), if the President
24 determines that ports or other entities operating
25 within the jurisdiction of such ally or partner coun-

1 tries are using or are considering using covered lo-
2 gistics software.

3 (2) ELEMENTS.—As part of the negotiations
4 described in paragraph (1), the President shall—

5 (A) urge governments of such ally and
6 partner countries to require entities within the
7 jurisdiction of such governments to terminate
8 the use of covered logistics software;

9 (B) describe the threats posed by covered
10 logistics software to United States military and
11 strategic interests and the implications such
12 threats may have for the presence of members
13 of the Armed Forces of the United States in
14 such countries;

15 (C) urge governments to use their voice,
16 influence, and vote to align with the United
17 States and to counter attempts by foreign ad-
18 versaries at international standards-setting bod-
19 ies to adopt standards that incorporate covered
20 logistics software; and

21 (D) attempt to establish, through multilat-
22 eral entities, bilateral or multilateral negotia-
23 tions, military cooperation, and other relevant
24 engagements or agreements, a prohibition on
25 the use of covered logistics software.

1 (3) ALLIES AND PARTNERS DESCRIBED.—The
2 countries and entities with which the President shall
3 conduct negotiations described in this subsection
4 shall include—

5 (A) all countries party to a collective de-
6 fense treaty or other collective defense arrange-
7 ment with the United States;

8 (B) India; and

9 (C) Taiwan.

10 (4) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the
11 date of the enactment of this subsection, the Sec-
12 retary of State shall submit a report to the appro-
13 priate congressional committees describing—

14 (A) the efforts made by the United States
15 Government as of the date of the submission of
16 the report in the negotiations described in this
17 subsection; and

18 (B) the actions taken by the governments
19 of ally and partner countries pursuant to the
20 negotiation priorities described in this sub-
21 section.

22 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

23 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
24 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
25 mittees” means—

1 (A) the Committees on Armed Services,
2 Foreign Affairs, and Transportation and Infra-
3 structure of the House of Representatives; and

4 (B) The Committees on Armed Services,
5 Foreign Relations, and Commerce, Science, and
6 Transportation, and Armed Services of the Sen-
7 ate.

8 (2) COVERED LOGISTICS SOFTWARE.—The term
9 “covered logistics software” means—

10 (A) the public, open, shared logistics infor-
11 mation network known as the National Public
12 Information Platform for Transportation and
13 Logistics by the Ministry of Transport of China
14 or any affiliate or successor entity;

15 (B) any other transportation logistics soft-
16 ware designed to be used by port authorities
17 subject to the jurisdiction, ownership, direction,
18 or control of a foreign adversary; or

19 (C) any other logistics platform or soft-
20 ware that shares data with a system described
21 in subparagraphs (A) or (B).

22 (3) FOREIGN ADVERSARY.—The term “foreign
23 adversary” means—

- 1 (A) the People's Republic of China, includ-
2 ing the Hong Kong and Macau Special Admin-
3 istrative Regions;
- 4 (B) the Republic of Cuba;
- 5 (C) the Islamic Republic of Iran;
- 6 (D) the Democratic People's Republic of
7 Korea;
- 8 (E) the Russian Federation; and
- 9 (F) the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
10 under the regime of Nicolás Maduro Moros.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA

At the appropriate place in title IX, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 9** ____. **ENHANCING DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CO-**
2 **ORDINATION OF GEOECONOMIC AFFAIRS.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 180 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
5 shall conduct a review of the planning, resourcing, and
6 contributions of the Department of Defense to interagency
7 efforts with respect to geoeconomic affairs.

8 (b) **DUTIES.**—The review required under subsection
9 (a) shall include the following:

10 (1) A Department-wide assessment of capabilities
11 ties to—

12 (A) assess geoeconomic competition between the United States and strategic competitors;
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15 (B) identify methods to partner with governments and key commercial entities; and
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17 (C) to support United States national interests.
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19 (2) An assessment of any gaps in—

1 (A) existing departmental commercial due
2 diligence and commercial partnership processes
3 and procedures to enable sustainable coopera-
4 tion with governmental and commercial entities
5 within the United States and between the
6 United States and trusted allies and partners
7 for national defense purposes;

8 (B) efforts by the combatant commands to
9 develop and to coordinate expertise on how
10 strategic competitors may use economic and
11 supply chain strategies within the areas of re-
12 sponsibility of the combatant commands;

13 (C) the contributions of the Department to
14 the coordinated use of existing industrial base
15 and supply chain tools, acquisition and budget
16 authorities, industrial security oversight, tech-
17 nology transfer and export controls, cybersecu-
18 rity standards and oversight, and mergers and
19 acquisition reviews to enhance innovation and
20 industrial cooperation and to protect the de-
21 fense capabilities of the United States and its
22 allies; and

23 (D) the contributions of the Department to
24 existing measures to safeguard the intellectual
25 property and knowledge created from United

1 States Government and private sector research
2 and development funding while encouraging,
3 where appropriate, the sharing of such knowl-
4 edge with trusted allies and partners.

5 (3) A plan to address, to the maximum extent
6 practicable, the gaps assessed under paragraph (2).

7 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date
8 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit
9 to the congressional defense committees a report con-
10 taining—

11 (1) the findings of the review required under
12 subsection (a);

13 (2) a list of gaps identified by the assessment
14 required under subsection (b)(2);

15 (3) for each identified gap, a description of the
16 gap and an assessment of any legal authorities,
17 budgeting and execution processes, or other issues
18 the Secretary deems necessary to address the gap;

19 (4) the plan required under subsection (b)(3);
20 and

21 (5) any other information the Secretary con-
22 siders appropriate.

23 (d) DEFINITION OF GEOECONOMICS.—In this sec-
24 tion, the term “geoeconomics” means the global inter-
25 action between competing national security and economic

1 priorities comprising the various activities undertaken be-
2 tween governments, allies, competitors, producers, and
3 consumers, including—

4 (1) how economics, technological innovation,
5 and geography affect the distribution of capabilities
6 in the international system; and

7 (2) how states use economic and technological
8 instruments in pursuit of their strategic interests.



Amendment to H.R. 2670

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024

Offered by: Mr. Wittman

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Foreign Military Sales for Indo-Pacific Allies and Partners

The committee is cognizant of the importance of enhancing interoperability between the United States and its allies and partners to achieve shared security objectives, particularly in the Indo-Pacific. Countries that share U.S. strategic goals for a free and open Indo-Pacific may benefit from U.S. equipment to deter regional threats more effectively. Enhancing U.S. ally and partner capabilities and capacity should be efficient while ensuring proper technology controls and accountability are maintained.

The committee is committed to monitoring the timely delivery of defense articles and defense services provided to critical allies and partners in the Indo-Pacific via the Foreign Military Sales (FMS) process to enhance regional stability. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services, no later than November 25, 2023, that includes the following:

(1) an itemized accounting of the current, yet to be delivered, FMS contracts being executed with Indo-Pacific allies and partners, including Australia, Japan, and other key allies and partners as determined by the Secretary of Defense, including where in the contracting process these sales fall;

(2) a description of timelines for entering into contracts associated with defense articles for the identified Indo-Pacific allies and partners via FMS over the prior three years;

(3) a description of the degree to which U.S. industrial capacity affects the timeline of each undelivered FMS contract identified;

(4) a cost-benefit analysis of the degree to which industrial base capacity could be expanded for purpose of accelerating the delivery of the identified defense articles over the next three years; and

(3) any other information deemed relevant by the Secretary.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. GALLAGHER OF WISCONSIN

At the appropriate place in title X, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 10 ____ . REPORT ON ESTABLISHMENT OF JOINT FORCE**
2 **HEADQUARTERS IN INDO-PACIFIC REGION.**

3 (a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days
4 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
5 of Defense, in consultation with the Commander of the
6 United States Indo-Pacific Command, shall submit to the
7 congressional defense committees a report on the progress
8 of the implementation plan required under section 1087
9 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization
10 Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117–363; 10 U.S.C.
11 161 note).

12 (b) ELEMENTS.—The report required under sub-
13 section (a) shall include the following elements:

14 (1) A description of the personnel, supporting
15 infrastructure, and operational chain of command
16 relationships associated with the joint force head-
17 quarters that is required to be established by section
18 1087 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Au-

1 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law
2 117–363; 10 U.S.C. 161 note).

3 (2) An evaluation of the personnel, supporting
4 infrastructure, and operational chain of command
5 relationships that would be required to support the
6 potential establishment of an additional fully
7 equipped and persistent joint force headquarters or
8 joint task force that would be responsible for the
9 operational employment of forces in the Western Pa-
10 cific.

11 (3) An identification of the appropriate rank for
12 the commander required to lead the efforts described
13 in paragraphs (1) and (2) and the feasibility of
14 using an existing component commander to lead
15 these efforts.

16 (4) An analysis of how the Department’s plan
17 for Joint Task Force Micronesia aligns with the re-
18 quirements described in paragraphs (1), (2), and
19 (3), and in section 1087 of the James M. Inhofe Na-
20 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year
21 2023 (Public Law 117–363; 10 U.S.C. 161 note).

22 (5) An analysis of the advisability of estab-
23 lishing an additional joint task force or joint force
24 headquarters responsible for the operational employ-
25 ment of forces in the Western Pacific.

1 (c) FORM.—The report required under subsection (a)
2 shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include
3 a classified annex.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7620
OFFERED BY MR. GARAMENDI OF CALIFORNIA

At the appropriate place in XXXV, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . SOURCE RESTRICTIONS ON AUXILIARY SHIP**
2 **COMPONENTS.**

3 Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment
4 of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall finalize the rule
5 published in the Federal Register on September 29, 2020,
6 titled “Source Restrictions on Auxiliary Ship Components
7 (DFARS Case 2020-D017)” (85 Fed. Reg. 60943).



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. BERGMAN OF MICHIGAN

At the appropriate place in title XVIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO ENGAGE IN CER-**
2 **TAIN COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES.**

3 Section 431(a) of title 10, United States Code, is
4 amended by striking “December 31, 2023” and inserting
5 “December 31, 2024”.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2760
OFFERED BY MS. SLOTKIN OF MICHIGAN

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

1 **SEC. 3 ____ . IMPROVEMENTS RELATING TO EXPOSURES TO**
2 **PERFLUOROALKYL AND POLYFLUOROALKYL**
3 **SUBSTANCES.**

4 (a) INCLUSION OF EXPOSURE TO PERFLUOROALKYL
5 AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES AS PART OF PERI-
6 ODIC HEALTH ASSESSMENTS AD DEPLOYMENT ASSESS-
7 MENTS.—

8 (1) PERIODIC HEALTH ASSESSMENTS.—The
9 Secretary of Defense shall ensure that any periodic
10 health assessment provided to a member of the
11 Armed Forces includes an evaluation of whether the
12 member has been—

13 (A) based or stationed at a military instal-
14 lation identified by the Department of Defense
15 as a location with a known or suspected release
16 of perfluoroalkyl substances or polyfluoroalkyl
17 substances during the period in which the mem-
18 ber was based or stationed at the military in-
19 stallation; or

1 (B) exposed to such substances, including
2 by evaluating any information in the health
3 record of the member.

4 (2) DEPLOYMENT ASSESSMENTS.—Section
5 1074f(b)(2) of title 10, United States Code, is
6 amended by adding at the end the following new
7 subparagraph:

8 “(E) An assessment of whether the member
9 was—

10 “(i) based or stationed at a military instal-
11 lation identified by the Department as a loca-
12 tion with a known or suspected release of
13 perfluoroalkyl substances or polyfluoroalkyl sub-
14 stances during the period in which the member
15 was based or stationed at the military installa-
16 tion; or

17 “(ii) exposed to such substances, including
18 by assessing any information in the health
19 record of the member.”.

20 (b) PROVISION OF BLOOD TESTING TO DETERMINE
21 EXPOSURE TO PERFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES OR
22 POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES.—

23 (1) PROVISION.—If a covered evaluation of a
24 member of the Armed Forces results in a positive
25 determination of potential exposure to perfluoroalkyl

1 substances or polyfluoroalkyl substances, the Sec-
2 retary of Defense shall provide to that member, dur-
3 ing that covered evaluation, blood testing to deter-
4 mine and document potential exposure to such sub-
5 stances.

6 (2) INCLUSION IN HEALTH RECORD.—The re-
7 sults of blood testing of a member of the Armed
8 Forces conducted under paragraph (1) shall be in-
9 cluded in the health record of the member.

10 (c) DOCUMENTATION OF EXPOSURE TO
11 PERFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES OR POLYFLUOROALKYL
12 SUBSTANCES.—

13 (1) REGISTRY.—

14 (A) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of
15 Defense shall establish a registry of members of
16 the Armed Forces who have been exposed to, or
17 are suspected to have been exposed to,
18 perfluoroalkyl substances or polyfluoroalkyl sub-
19 stances.

20 (B) INCLUSION IN REGISTRY.—The Sec-
21 retary shall include a member of the Armed
22 Forces in the registry established under sub-
23 paragraph (A) if a covered evaluation of the
24 member establishes that the member—

1 (i) was based or stationed at a loca-
2 tion identified by the Department of De-
3 fense as a location with a known or sus-
4 pected release of perfluoroalkyl substances
5 or polyfluoroalkyl substances during the
6 period in which the member was based or
7 stationed at the location; or

8 (ii) was exposed to such substances.

9 (C) BLOOD TESTING.—The results of any
10 blood test conducted under subsection (b)(1)
11 shall be included in the registry established
12 under subparagraph (A) for any member of the
13 Armed Forces included in the registry.

14 (D) ELECTION.—A member of the Armed
15 Forces may elect not to be included in the reg-
16 istry established under subparagraph (A).

17 (2) PROVISION OF INFORMATION.—The Sec-
18 retary of Defense shall provide to a member of the
19 Armed Forces additional information on
20 perfluoroalkyl substances and polyfluoroalkyl sub-
21 stances and the potential impact of exposure to such
22 substances if a covered evaluation of such member
23 establishes that the member—

24 (A) was based or stationed at a location
25 identified by the Department of Defense as a

1 location with a known or suspected release of
2 perfluoroalkyl substances or polyfluoroalkyl sub-
3 stances during the period in which the member
4 was based or stationed at the location; or

5 (B) was exposed to such substances.

6 (3) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this
7 subsection may be construed to preclude eligibility of
8 a veteran for benefits under the laws administered
9 by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs by reason of
10 the exposure of the veteran to perfluoroalkyl sub-
11 stances or polyfluoroalkyl substances not being re-
12 corded in a covered evaluation.

13 (d) COVERED EVALUATION DEFINED.—In this sec-
14 tion, the term “covered evaluation” means the following:

15 (1) A periodic health assessment conducted in
16 accordance with subsection (a)(1).

17 (2) A deployment assessment conducted under
18 section 1074f(b)(2) of title 10, United States Code,
19 as amended by subsection (a)(2).



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MS. HOULAHAN OF PENNSYLVANIA

At the appropriate place in title XXXII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 32** ____ . **INCREASE IN NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED CON-**
2 **TRACTING, PROGRAM MANAGEMENT, SCI-**
3 **ENTIFIC, ENGINEERING, AND TECHNICAL PO-**
4 **SITIONS IN NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY**
5 **ADMINISTRATION.**

6 Section 3241 of the National Nuclear Security Ad-
7 ministration Act (50 U.S.C. 2441) is amended—

8 (1) in the first sentence, by striking “800” and
9 inserting “1,000”; and

10 (2) by adding at the end the following new sen-
11 tence: “Not fewer than 40 percent of the positions
12 established under the first sentence of this section
13 shall be positions the primary responsibility of which
14 is to support defense programs.”.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. PANETTA OF CALIFORNIA

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5___. MILITARY EDUCATION FOR SPECIAL OPER-**
2 **ATIONS FORCES.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 167 of title 10, United
4 States Code, is amended as follows:

5 (1) In subsection (e)(2), by adding at the end
6 the following new subparagraph:

7 “(K) Providing for the education of members of
8 the special operations forces at degree-granting in-
9 stitutions of higher military education.”.

10 (2) In subsection (g)—

11 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “and” at
12 the end;

13 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking the pe-
14 riod at the end and inserting “; and”; and

15 (C) by adding at the end the following:

16 “(3) joint special operations-peculiar education,
17 leader preparation, and leader development, includ-
18 ing payment of tuition fees for members attending
19 degree-granting education programs.”.

1 (3) By adding at the end the following new sub-
2 section:

3 “(m) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 “(1) The term ‘degree-granting institutions of
5 higher military education’ means—

6 “(A) the professional military education
7 schools;

8 “(B) the senior level service schools;

9 “(C) the intermediate level service schools;

10 “(D) the joint intermediate level service
11 school;

12 “(E) the Naval Postgraduate School;

13 “(F) the United States Air Force Institute
14 of Technology; and

15 “(G) the Service Academies.

16 “(2) The terms ‘intermediate level service
17 school’, ‘joint intermediate level service school’, and
18 ‘senior level service school’ have the meaning given
19 such terms in section 2151 of this title.

20 “(3) The term ‘professional military education
21 schools’ means the schools specified in section 2162
22 of this title.

23 “(4) The term ‘Service Academy’ has the mean-
24 ing given such term in section 347 of this title.

1 “(5) The term ‘special operations-peculiar aca-
2 demic education’ means education at degree-grant-
3 ing institutions of higher military education that in-
4 volves or impacts the United States Special Oper-
5 ations Command.”.

6 (b) **AUTHORITY TO EXPEND CERTAIN FUNDS.**—Con-
7 sistent with such regulations as the Secretary of Defense
8 may prescribe to carry out the amendments made this sec-
9 tion, the Commander of the United States Special Oper-
10 ations Command may expend funds appropriated for
11 Major Force Program 11 for fiscal year 2024 or subse-
12 quent fiscal years to support special operations-peculiar
13 academic education at degree-granting institutions of
14 higher military education.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA

At the appropriate place in subtitle E of title VIII,
insert the following:

1 **SEC. 8 __ . STUDY AND REPORT ON THE EXPANSION OF**
2 **THE STRATEGIC FUNDING INCREASE PRO-**
3 **GRAM OF THE AIR FORCE.**

4 (a) FEASIBILITY STUDY.—The Secretary of Defense
5 shall direct the heads of the offices responsible for car-
6 rying out the Small Business Innovation Research Pro-
7 grams of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps to jointly
8 conduct a study on the feasibility of implementing a cov-
9 ered program.

10 (b) REPORT.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
12 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
13 retary shall submit to the congressional defense com-
14 mittees a report containing the results of the study
15 required by subsection (a).

16 (2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by para-
17 graph (1) shall include the following:

18 (A) Funding levels required to successfully
19 execute covered program.

1 (B) The effect that a covered program
2 might have on the Small Business Innovation
3 Research Programs of the Army, Navy, and
4 Marine Corps, including effect on the number
5 of Phase I and Phase II awards made under
6 Small Business Innovation Research Program if
7 a covered program was carried out.

8 (C) Any additional authorities required to
9 establish and carry out a covered program.

10 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

11 (1) The term “covered program” means a pro-
12 gram similar to the STRATFI program that pro-
13 vides funds to support small business concerns pre-
14 paring to seek a Phase III award with respect to a
15 project or technology for which such small business
16 concern received a Phase II award.

17 (2) The terms “Phase I”, “Phase II”, and
18 “Small Business Innovation Research Program”,
19 have the meanings given, respectively, in section 9(e)
20 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638(e)).

21 (3) The term “small business concern” has the
22 meaning given under section 3 of the Small Business
23 Act (15 U.S.C. 632).

24 (4) The term “STRATFI program” refers to
25 the Strategic Funding Increase program of the Air

1 Force that provides funds to assist small business
2 concerns with securing a Phase III agreement (as
3 such term is defined in section 9(r)(2) of the Small
4 Business Act (15 U.S.C. 5 638(r)(2))).



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. GALLAGHER OF WISCONSIN

At the appropriate place in subtitle B of title VIII,
insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 8 ____ . COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS FOR PURCHASES**
2 **FROM FEDERAL PRISON INDUSTRIES.**

3 (a) COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS FOR PURCHASES
4 FROM FEDERAL PRISON INDUSTRIES.—Section 3905 of
5 title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking sub-
6 sections (a) and (b) and inserting the following new sec-
7 tions:

8 “(a) MARKET RESEARCH.—Before purchasing a
9 product listed in the latest edition of the Federal Prison
10 Industries catalog published under section 4124(d) of title
11 18, the Secretary of Defense shall conduct market re-
12 search to determine whether such product—

13 “(1) is comparable to products available from
14 the private sector; and

15 “(2) best meets the needs of the Department of
16 Defense in terms of price, quality, and time of deliv-
17 ery.

18 “(b) COMPETITION REQUIREMENT.—If the Secretary
19 determines that a Federal Prison Industries product is not

1 comparable to products available from the private sector
2 and does not best meet the needs of the Department of
3 Defense in terms of price, quality, or time of delivery, the
4 Secretary shall use competitive procedures or make an in-
5 dividual purchase under a multiple award contract for the
6 procurement of the product. In conducting such a competi-
7 tion or making such a purchase, the Secretary shall con-
8 sider a timely offer from Federal Prison Industries.”.

9 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
10 subsection (a) shall take effect on February 1, 2024.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. TURNER OF OHIO

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5 ____ . ELECTRONIC NOTARIZATION FOR MEMBERS OF**
2 **THE ARMED FORCES.**

3 Section 1044a of title 10, United States Code, is
4 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
5 section:

6 “(e)(1) A person named in subsection (b) may exer-
7 cise the powers described in subsection (a) through elec-
8 tronic means, including under circumstances where the in-
9 dividual with respect to whom such person is performing
10 the notarial act is not physically present in the same loca-
11 tion as such person.

12 “(2) A determination of the authenticity of a notarial
13 act authorized in this section shall be made without regard
14 to whether the notarial act was performed through elec-
15 tronic means.

16 “(3) A log or journal of a notarial act authorized in
17 this section shall be considered for evidentiary purposes

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1 without regard to whether the log or journal is in elec-
2 tronic form.”.



Amendment to H.R. 2670
National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024

Offered by: Ms. Jacobs

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Report on Misuse in End-Use Monitoring

The committee notes that U.S. policy states that the U.S. will engage in appropriate monitoring aimed at ensuring transferred arms are used responsibly and in accordance with the recipient government's obligations under the conditions of the transfer and international law. The committee also notes that the Comptroller General of the United States has previously reported that the Department of Defense's end-use monitoring program is not designed to track how U.S.-origin defense articles are used. Therefore, the committee directs the Comptroller General of the United States to submit a report to the House Armed Services Committee not later than March 1, 2024 on efforts to ensure recipient obligations are met, including:

- (1) The extent to which the Department of State and Department of Defense have established expectations in policy and in transfer agreements with recipient countries that U.S.-origin defense articles and defense services should be used in accordance with international humanitarian and human rights law;
- (2) The extent to which and how end-use monitoring has addressed reporting and investigation of potential human rights violations; and
- (3) The extent to which the Department of State and Department of Defense have identified guidance or procedures that will need to be updated to comply with U.S. policy.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. KIM OF NEW JERSEY

At the appropriate place in subtitle A of title
XXVIII, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 28 ____ . REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND CONGRES-**
2 **SIONAL NOTIFICATION FOR CERTAIN MILI-**
3 **TARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.**

4 (a) SUPERVISION OF MILITARY CONSTRUCTION
5 PROJECTS.—Section 2851 of title 10, United States Code,
6 is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (c)(1), by inserting “or appro-
8 priated” after “funds authorized” each place such
9 term appears; and

10 (2) in subsection (c)(2)—

11 (A) in subparagraph (A), by inserting “,
12 deadline for bid submissions,” after “solicita-
13 tion date”; and

14 (B) in subparagraph (B), by inserting
15 “(including the address of such recipient)” after
16 “contract recipient”.

17 (b) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION OF COVERED
18 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter III of chapter
2 169 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by
3 inserting after section 2851a the following new sec-
4 tion:

5 **“SEC. 2851b. CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION OF COVERED**
6 **MILITARY CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS.**

7 “(a) NOTICE.—Upon award of a covered military
8 construction contract with an estimated value greater than
9 or equal to \$9,000,000, the Secretary concerned shall no-
10 tify any applicable Member of Congress representing the
11 covered State or territory in which that covered military
12 construction contract is to be performed of such award
13 in a timely manner.

14 “(b) EXCLUSION OF CLASSIFIED PROJECTS.—This
15 section does not apply to a classified covered military con-
16 struction project.

17 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

18 “(1) COVERED MILITARY CONSTRUCTION CON-
19 TRACT.—The term ‘covered military construction
20 contract’ means a contract for work on a military
21 construction project, military family housing project,
22 or Facilities Sustainment, Restoration, and Mod-
23 ernization project carried out in a covered State or
24 territory.

1 “(2) COVERED STATE OR TERRITORY.—The
2 term ‘covered State or territory’ means any of the
3 several States, the District of Columbia, the Com-
4 monwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa,
5 the United States Virgin Islands, or the Common-
6 wealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

7 “(3) MEMBER OF CONGRESS.—The term ‘Mem-
8 ber of Congress’ has the meaning given in section
9 2106 of title 5.”.

10 (2) APPLICABILITY.—Section 2851b of title 10,
11 United States Code, as added by paragraph (1),
12 shall apply with respect to a covered military con-
13 struction contract, as defined in such section, en-
14 tered into on or after the date of the enactment of
15 this section.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA

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

1 **SEC. 7 ____ . TASK FORCE OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ON**
2 **MENTAL HEALTH.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Defense
4 shall establish a task force to examine matters relating
5 to the mental health of members of the Armed Forces (in
6 this section referred to as the “task force”).

7 (b) MEMBERSHIP.—

8 (1) QUALIFICATIONS.—The Secretary of De-
9 fense shall appoint to the task force individuals who
10 have demonstrated expertise in the following areas:

- 11 (A) National mental health policy.
12 (B) Military personnel policy.
13 (C) Research in the field of mental health.
14 (D) Clinical care in mental health.
15 (E) Military chaplain or pastoral care.

16 (2) NUMBER; COMPOSITION.—The Secretary of
17 Defense shall appoint not more than 15 individuals
18 to the task force in accordance with the following:

1 (A) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AP-
2 POINTEES.—The appointees shall include—

3 (i) at least one member of each of the
4 Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and
5 the National Guard;

6 (ii) at least one surgeon general of an
7 Armed Force; and

8 (iii) at least one dependent of a mem-
9 ber of the Armed Forces who has experi-
10 ence working with military families.

11 (B) NON-DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AP-
12 POINTEES.—Not fewer than 7 of the appointees
13 shall be individuals who are not members of the
14 Armed Forces, civilian employees of the Depart-
15 ment of Defense, or dependents of such mem-
16 bers, and shall include—

17 (i) an officer or employee of the De-
18 partment of Veterans Affairs; and

19 (ii) an officer or employee of the Sub-
20 stance Abuse and Mental Health Services
21 Administration of the Department of
22 Health and Human Services.

23 (C) DEADLINE.—The Secretary of Defense
24 shall appoint all members by not later than 90

1 days after the date of the enactment of this
2 Act.

3 (D) CO-CHAIRS.—There shall be two co-
4 chairs of the task force, of whom—

5 (i) one shall be designated by the Sec-
6 retary at the time of appointment from
7 among the individuals appointed under
8 subparagraph (A); and

9 (ii) one shall be selected from among
10 the members appointed under subpara-
11 graph (B) by the members so appointed.

12 (c) ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON MEN-
13 TAL HEALTH SERVICES.—

14 (1) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the
15 date on which all members of the task force have
16 been appointed, the task force shall submit to the
17 Secretary of Defense a report containing an assess-
18 ment of, and recommendations for improving, the ef-
19 ficacy of mental health services provided to members
20 of the Armed Forces by the Secretary of Defense.

21 (2) USE OF OTHER EFFORTS.—In preparing
22 the report under paragraph (1), the task force shall
23 take into consideration completed and ongoing ef-
24 forts by the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary
25 of Veterans Affairs to improve the efficacy of mental

1 health care provided to members of the Armed
2 Forces.

3 (3) ELEMENTS.—The assessment and rec-
4 ommendations specified in paragraph (1) (including
5 recommendations for legislative or administrative ac-
6 tion) shall include measures to improve the fol-
7 lowing:

8 (A) The awareness of the potential for
9 mental health conditions of members of the
10 Armed Forces.

11 (B) The access to, and efficacy of, existing
12 programs (include telehealth programs) in pri-
13 mary care and mental health care to prevent,
14 identify, and treat mental health conditions of
15 members of the Armed Forces, including pro-
16 grams for—

17 (i) forward-deployed troops;

18 (ii) members of the reserve compo-
19 nents; and

20 (iii) members assigned to remote or
21 austere duty locations.

22 (C) The access to adequate telehealth re-
23 sources including for members described in sub-
24 paragraph (B), including access to equipment,
25 bandwidth, and platforms used to deliver care.

1 (D) The assessment of disruptions to men-
2 tal health care as a result of frequent changes
3 to eligibility and coverage for members of the
4 National Guard under the TRICARE program,
5 as well as potential benefits of more consistent
6 care.

7 (E) Analysis of the potential effect on ac-
8 cess and outcomes for members serving on ac-
9 tive duty as a result of proposed cuts to mili-
10 tary end strengths regarding members with
11 medical military occupational specialties.

12 (F) The access to and programs for family
13 members of members of the Armed Forces, in-
14 cluding family members overseas.

15 (G) Access to, and quality of, private men-
16 tal health care received by members of the
17 Armed Forces through the TRICARE program.

18 (H) The reduction or elimination of bar-
19 riers to care, including the stigma associated
20 with mental health conditions, by measures in-
21 cluding enhanced confidentiality for members of
22 the Armed Forces who seek care for such condi-
23 tions.

1 (I) The awareness of mental health serv-
2 ices available to dependents of members of the
3 Armed Forces.

4 (J) The adequacy of outreach, education,
5 and support programs on mental health matters
6 for families of members of the Armed Forces.

7 (K) The early identification and treatment
8 of mental health and substance abuse problems
9 through the use of internal mass media commu-
10 nications (including radio, and television, social
11 media) and other education tools to change atti-
12 tudes within the Armed Forces regarding men-
13 tal health and substance abuse treatment.

14 (L) The transition from mental health care
15 furnished by the Secretary of Defense to such
16 care furnished by the Secretary of Veterans Af-
17 fairs.

18 (M) The availability of long-term follow-up
19 and access to care for mental health conditions
20 for members of the Individual Ready Reserve
21 and the Selected Reserve and for discharged,
22 separated, or retired members of the Armed
23 Forces.

24 (N) Collaboration between the heads of ele-
25 ments of the Department of Defense with re-

1 sponsibility for, or jurisdiction over, the provi-
2 sion of mental health services.

3 (O) Coordination between the Secretary of
4 Defense and civilian communities, including
5 State, local, Tribal, and territorial governments,
6 and local support organizations, with respect to
7 mental health services.

8 (P) Coordination between the Secretary of
9 Defense and the heads of relevant Federal
10 stakeholders, including the Assistant Secretary
11 for Mental Health and Substance Use, the Di-
12 rector of the National Institutes of Health, and
13 the Director of the Centers for Disease Control
14 and Prevention.

15 (Q) The scope and efficacy of curricula
16 and training on mental health matters for com-
17 manders in the Armed Forces.

18 (R) The efficiency and effectiveness of pre-
19 and post-deployment mental health screenings,
20 including mental health screenings for members
21 of the Armed Forces.

22 (S) The effectiveness of mental health pro-
23 grams provided in languages other than
24 English.

1 (T) Tracking the use of behavioral health
2 services and related outcomes, including wait
3 times, continuity of care, symptom resolution,
4 and maintenance of improvements resulting
5 from treatment.

6 (U) Other matters the task force deter-
7 mines appropriate.

8 (d) ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS.—

9 (1) COMPENSATION.—

10 (A) MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES;

11 UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES.—

12 Each member of the task force who is a mem-
13 ber of the Armed Forces or a civilian officer or
14 employee of the United States Government shall
15 serve without compensation (other than com-
16 pensation to which entitled as a member of the
17 Armed Forces or an officer or employee of the
18 United States Government, as the case may
19 be).

20 (B) OTHER MEMBERS.—Any member of

21 the task force not described in subparagraph

22 (A) shall be treated for purposes of section

23 3161 of title 5, United States Code, as having

24 been appointed under subsection (b) of such

25 section.

1 (2) OVERSIGHT.—The Under Secretary of De-
2 fense for Personnel and Readiness shall oversee the
3 activities of the task force.

4 (3) ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT.—The Director
5 of the Washington Headquarters Services of the De-
6 partment of Defense shall provide the task force
7 with personnel, facilities, and other administrative
8 support as necessary for the performance of the du-
9 ties of the task force.

10 (4) ACCESS TO FACILITIES.—The Under Sec-
11 retary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, in
12 coordination with the Secretaries of the military de-
13 partments, shall ensure appropriate access by the
14 task force to military installations and facilities for
15 purposes of the discharge of the duties of the task
16 force.

17 (e) TERMINATION.—The task force shall terminate
18 90 days after the date on which the Secretary submits
19 to the appropriate congressional committees the report of
20 the task force under subsection (c)(1).

21 (f) PLAN OF THE SECRETARY.—Not later than 180
22 days after receiving the report of the task force under sub-
23 section (c)(1), the Secretary of Defense shall develop a
24 plan based on the recommendations of the task force and
25 submit such plan to the congressional defense committees.

1 (g) REPORTS BY THE SECRETARY.—For each of the
2 five years following the receipt of the report of the task
3 force under subsection (c)(1), the Secretary of Defense
4 shall submit to the congressional defense committees a re-
5 port on the recommendations made by the task force with
6 respect to the Department of Defense. Each such report
7 shall include—

8 (1) for each such recommendation, the deter-
9 mination of the Secretary of Defense as to whether
10 to implement the recommendation;

11 (2) in the case of a recommendation the Sec-
12 retary intends to implement, the intended timeline
13 for implementation, a description of any additional
14 resources or authorities required for such implemen-
15 tation, and the plan for such implementation;

16 (3) in the case of a recommendation the Sec-
17 retary determines is not advisable or feasible, the
18 analysis and justification of the Secretary in making
19 that determination; and

20 (4) in the case of a recommendation the Sec-
21 retary determines is already being implemented, the
22 analysis and justification of the Secretary in making
23 that determination.

24 (h) BRIEFINGS BY THE SECRETARY.—Not less fre-
25 quently than annually during the five-year period following

1 the receipt of the report of the task force under subsection
2 (c)(1), the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the con-
3 gressional defense committees a briefing on—

4 (1) the progress of the Secretary of Defense in
5 analyzing and implementing the recommendations
6 made by the task force;

7 (2) any programs, projects, or other activities of
8 the Department of Defense that are being carried
9 out to implement such recommendations; and

10 (3) the amount of funding provided for such
11 programs, projects, and activities.

12 (i) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-
13 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-
14 sional committees” means—

15 (1) the Committees on Armed Services and the
16 Committees on Veterans’ Affairs of the House of
17 Representatives; and

18 (2) the Committees on Armed Services and the
19 Committees on Veterans’ Affairs of the Senate.



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

Insert at the appropriate place in subtitle B of title
VIII the following:

1 **SEC. 8 ____ . MODIFICATION AND EXTENSION OF TEM-**
2 **PORARY AUTHORITY TO MODIFY CERTAIN**
3 **CONTRACTS AND OPTIONS BASED ON THE IM-**
4 **PACTS OF INFLATION.**

5 Section 1 of Public Law 85–804 (50 U.S.C. 1431)
6 is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the
8 following new sentence: “If any such amounts are so
9 specifically provided, the Secretary may use them for
10 such purposes.”; and

11 (2) in subsection (e), by striking “December 31,
12 2023” and inserting “December 31, 2024”.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. WALTZ OF FLORIDA

Insert in the appropriate place in the bill the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . UNITED STATES-ISRAEL PTSD COLLABORATIVE**
2 **RESEARCH.**

3 (a) GRANT PROGRAM FOR INCREASED COOPERATION
4 ON POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER RESEARCH BE-
5 TWEEN UNITED STATES AND ISRAEL.—

6 (1) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of
7 Congress that the Secretary of Defense, acting
8 through the Psychological Health and Traumatic
9 Brain Injury Research Program, should seek to ex-
10 plore scientific collaboration between American aca-
11 demic institutions and nonprofit research entities,
12 and Israeli institutions with expertise in researching,
13 diagnosing, and treating post-traumatic stress dis-
14 order.

15 (2) GRANT PROGRAM.—The Secretary of De-
16 fense, in coordination with the Secretary of Veterans
17 Affairs and the Secretary of State, shall award
18 grants to eligible entities to carry out collaborative
19 research between the United States and Israel with

1 respect to post-traumatic stress disorders. The Sec-
2 retary of Defense shall carry out the grant program
3 under this subsection in accordance with the agree-
4 ment titled “Agreement Between the Government of
5 the United States of America and the Government
6 of Israel on the United States-Israel Binational
7 Science Foundation”, dated September 27, 1972.

8 (3) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—To be eligible to re-
9 ceive a grant under this subsection, an entity shall
10 be an academic institution or a nonprofit entity lo-
11 cated in the United States.

12 (4) AWARD.—The Secretary shall award grants
13 under this subsection to eligible entities that—

14 (A) carry out a research project that—

15 (i) addresses a requirement in the
16 area of post-traumatic stress disorders that
17 the Secretary determines appropriate to re-
18 search using such grant; and

19 (ii) is conducted by the eligible entity
20 and an entity in Israel under a joint re-
21 search agreement; and

22 (B) meet such other criteria that the Sec-
23 retary may establish.

24 (5) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a
25 grant under this subsection, an eligible entity shall

1 submit an application to the Secretary at such time,
2 in such manner, and containing such commitments
3 and information as the Secretary may require.

4 (6) GIFT AUTHORITY.—The Secretary may ac-
5 cept, hold, and administer, any gift of money made
6 on the condition that the gift be used for the pur-
7 pose of the grant program under this subsection.
8 Such gifts of money accepted under this paragraph
9 shall be deposited in the Treasury in the Depart-
10 ment of Defense General Gift Fund and shall be
11 available, subject to appropriation, without fiscal
12 year limitation.

13 (7) REPORTS.—Not later than 180 days after
14 the date on which an eligible entity completes a re-
15 search project using a grant under this subsection,
16 the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report that
17 contains—

18 (A) a description of how the eligible entity
19 used the grant; and

20 (B) an evaluation of the level of success of
21 the research project.

22 (b) TERMINATION.—The authority to award grants
23 under subsection (a) shall terminate on the date that is

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1 7 years after the date on which the first such grant is
2 awarded.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MS. SLOTKIN OF MICHIGAN

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

1 **SEC. 2___. MODIFICATION OF SUPPORT FOR RESEARCH**
2 **AND DEVELOPMENT OF BIOINDUSTRIAL**
3 **MANUFACTURING PROCESSES.**

4 Section 215(c)(1) of the James M. Inhofe National
5 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public
6 Law 117–263; 10 U.S.C. 4841 note) is amended by insert-
7 ing “active pharmaceutical ingredients, key starting mate-
8 rials for such ingredients,” after “commodity chemicals,”.



**Amendment to H.R. 2670
National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024**

Offered by: Mr. Veasey

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

JADC2 Advisory Panel

The Committee recognizes the importance of collaboration between DoD and private industry in the identification of enterprise level technical standards and interoperability technologies for the development and deployment of JADC2 enabling capabilities. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services no later than March 29, 2024. The briefing shall include considerations of the feasibility for a joint panel consisting of senior representatives from the Department of Defense and private sector organizations to collaborate on JADC2 standards and interoperability.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670

OFFERED BY MR. ANDY KIM

(funding table amendment)

In section 4201 of division D, relating to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, increase the amount for Information Systems Security Program, Line 218, PE 0303140D8Z, by \$10,000,000 for the DoD Cyber Scholarship Program.

In section 4301 of division D, relating to Operation and Maintenance, Defense-wide, reduce the amount for Office of the Secretary of Defense, Line 490, by \$10,000,000.

Amendment to H.R. 2670

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024

Offered by: Mr. Luttrell

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Study to Improve Military Readiness Through Nutrition and Wellness Initiatives

The committee recognizes the need for service members to maintain a high level of physical and cognitive readiness, which may require dietary supplementation for readiness and performance. The committee understands there may be instances where appropriated funds cannot be used to purchase certain dietary supplements for servicemembers. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than March 1, 2024 on the advisability and feasibility of using appropriated for individual service members and DoD registered dietitians to obtain necessary dietary supplementation. Specifically, the briefing shall address the following:

- (1) identify all military career fields where service members are generally recommended to take dietary supplementation by a medical professional or registered dietitian;
- (2) identify the categories of dietary supplementation recommended to service members in the career fields identified in (1) by a medical professional or registered dietitian;
- (3) provide an overview on when appropriated funds can be used to pay for dietary supplementation and, to the extent possible, an estimate of the average out-of-pocket cost to service members who must purchase recommended dietary supplementation with their personal funds;
- (4) and any recommendations the Secretary may have regarding the advisability, feasibility, and barriers to using appropriated funds to provide dietary supplementation if required for unit readiness and operational effectiveness.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. GARAMENDI OF CALIFORNIA

At the appropriate place in subtitle F of title VIII,
insert the following:

1 **SEC. 8 __ . LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS RE-**
2 **LATING TO CONTRACTS WITH CONTRACT**
3 **MANAGERS AND AUDITORS.**

4 (a) REVIEW.—The Secretary of Defense shall annu-
5 ally review the value of contracts entered into with con-
6 tract managers and auditors for the purpose of managing
7 contracts of the Department of Defense for a specified fis-
8 cal year.

9 (b) CERTIFICATION.—If the Secretary spent an
10 amount greater than or equal to 1 percent of the total
11 value of contracts awarded during such fiscal year on such
12 contracts with contract managers and auditors, the Sec-
13 retary shall submit a certification to the congressional de-
14 fense committees.

15 (c) LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—For
16 each 0.1 percent of funds expended during fiscal year
17 2024 that is greater than 1 percent of total value of con-
18 tracts awarded during such fiscal year on such contracts
19 with contract managers and auditors, of the funds author-

1 ized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made
2 available for fiscal year 2024 for the Deputy Secretary of
3 Defense for the nonemergency travel, such amount shall
4 be reduced by 1 percent.

5 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6 (1) The term “contract managers and auditors”
7 means employees of the Department of Defense, in-
8 cluding members of a covered Armed Force, and
9 does not include contractors of the Department.

10 (2) The term “covered Armed Force” means
11 the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Space
12 Force.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. CARBAJAL OF CALIFORNIA

At the appropriate place in title XVI, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 16** ____. **APPLICATION OF TNT EQUIVALENCY TO**
2 **LAUNCH VEHICLES AND COMPONENTS USING**
3 **METHANE PROPELLANT.**

4 (a) **FINDINGS.**—Congress finds the following:

5 (1) The United States Government supports
6 having a robust space launch services market to sup-
7 port national security, civil, and commercial space
8 activities.

9 (2) A majority of the new launch vehicles in de-
10 velopment, testing, and operation in the United
11 States utilize methane and liquid oxygen as their
12 propellants (LOX/LNG or methalox).

13 (3) The United States Government has access
14 to data and scientific modeling methods that support
15 a TNT equivalency for methalox that is less than
16 the default 100 percent TNT equivalency that is ap-
17 plied when no scientific data exists to characterize
18 the explosive yield.

1 (4) The United States Government is not con-
2 sistently applying data that supports a TNT equiva-
3 lency of 25 percent at United States Government
4 owned or licensed facilities.

5 (5) The United States Government has initiated
6 a LOX-Methane Assessment (LMA) working group;
7 however, the working group's methodology is not
8 grounded in launch vehicle designs or test and
9 launch operations. Further, the working group's ef-
10 forts are expected to take no less than 3 years to
11 complete and cost the United States taxpayer no less
12 than \$80,000,000.

13 (6) United States launch operators are incur-
14 ring significant cost and diminished opportunities to
15 operate as a result of the United States Govern-
16 ment's inconsistent policy on methalox.

17 (7) The People's Republic of China is already
18 launching orbital launch vehicles that utilize liquid
19 oxygen and methane.

20 (b) INTERIM EQUIVALENCY DETERMINATION.—Ef-
21 fective on the date of the enactment of this Act, the in-
22 terim determination of TNT equivalency applied to launch
23 vehicles and components of such vehicles using methane
24 as propellant shall not exceed 25 percent for purposes of
25 the explosive siting and hazardous operations for test and

1 operations of such launch vehicles and their components
2 on or from any facility owned or licensed by the Federal
3 Government.

4 (c) IMPROVED PROCESS FOR YIELD DETERMINA-
5 TIONS.—Not later than one year after the date of the en-
6 actment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, the Sec-
7 retary of Transportation, and the Administrator of the
8 National Aeronautics and Space Administration shall es-
9 tablish a process through which scientifically-valid TNT
10 equivalency determinations can be assessed for launch ve-
11 hicles while in flight.

12 (d) CERTIFICATION AND REPORT.—Not later than
13 90 days after the completion of the joint assessment proc-
14 ess conducted by the LOX-Methane Assessment working
15 group, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Trans-
16 portation, and the Administrator of the National Aero-
17 nautics and Space Administration shall submit to the ap-
18 propriate congressional committees—

19 (1) a certification verifying that the Secretaries
20 and the Administrator reviewed the results of such
21 joint assessment process and have agreed upon a
22 new TNT equivalency determination that will be ap-
23 plied by the Federal Government to launch vehicles
24 and components of such vehicles using methane as
25 propellant; and

1 (2) a report describing how the implementation
2 of that new TNT equivalency determination is ex-
3 pected to affect commercial space launch activities
4 and national security.

5 (e) SUNSET.—Subsection (b) shall have no force or
6 effect after the expiration of the period of 180 days fol-
7 lowing the submittal of the certification and report re-
8 quired under subsection (d).

9 (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) The term “appropriate congressional com-
11 mittees” means the following:

12 (A) The congressional defense committees.

13 (B) The Committee on Commerce, Science,
14 and Transportation of the Senate.

15 (C) The Committee on Science, Space, and
16 Technology of the House of Representatives.

17 (D) The Committee on Transportation and
18 Infrastructure of the House of Representatives.

19 (2) The term “launch vehicle” has the meaning
20 given that term in section 50902 of title 51, United
21 States Code.

22 (3) The term “LOX-Methane Assessment work-
23 ing group” means the interagency working group
24 that—

1 (A) is comprised of representatives from
2 the Department of Defense, the Department of
3 Transportation, and the National Aeronautics
4 and Space Administration; and

5 (B) as of the date of the enactment of this
6 Act, is studying the explosive characteristics of
7 liquid oxygen and methane.

8 (4) The term “TNT equivalency” means a unit
9 of energy equivalent to the energy released during
10 detonation of trinitrotoluene (TNT).



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. BANKS OF INDIANA

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

1 **SEC. 10 ____ . LIMITATION ON PROVISION OF FUNDS TO IN-**
2 **STITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION**
3 **HOSTING CONFUCIUS INSTITUTES.**

4 Section 1062(b) of the National Defense Authoriza-
5 tion Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283; 10
6 U.S.C. 2241 note) is amended—

7 (1) in paragraph (1)—

8 (A) by striking “ if the Secretary, after
9 consultation with the National Academies of
10 Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, deter-
11 mines such a waiver is appropriate.” and insert-
12 ing “if the institution of higher education pro-
13 vides to the Secretary—”; and

14 (B) and by adding at the end the following
15 new subparagraphs:

16 “(A) a commitment that it will not host
17 the Confucius Institute at any time after Sep-
18 tember 30, 2026;

1 “(B) a plan to close the Confucius Insti-
2 tute before such date; and

3 “(C) a justification for why the institution
4 is unable to close the Confucius Institute imme-
5 diately.”;

6 (2) by redesignating paragraph (2) as para-
7 graph (3);

8 (3) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-
9 lowing new paragraph (2):

10 “(2) The Secretary shall issue a waiver under
11 paragraph (1) on a case-by-case basis and may only
12 issue such a waiver for a single year. An institution
13 of higher education that receives a one-year waiver
14 and seeks an additional waiver shall submit to the
15 Secretary an application that includes—

16 “(A) the reason why an additional waiver
17 is necessary; and

18 “(B) a description of the steps the institu-
19 tion has taken during the preceding year to en-
20 sure the Confucius Institute hosted by the insti-
21 tution is closed by not later than September 30,
22 2026.”; and

23 (4) by adding at the end the following new
24 paragraph:

1 “(4) The authority to issue a waiver under
2 paragraph (1) shall terminate on October 1, 2026,
3 and any waiver issued under such paragraph shall
4 not apply on or after such date.”.



Amendment to H.R. 2670
National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024

Offered by: Mr. Bergman

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Advanced Training Range Capabilities

The committee recognizes the need for improved in-theater air range training capabilities in order to meet readiness demands. The committee is aware that capabilities such as Synthetic Inject to Live (SITL) – Live Virtual Constructive (LVC) systems may provide improved capability in support of training against near-peer threats.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing, no later than December 15, 2023, on its plans to develop, procure, and field mobile in-theater, SITL LVC air combat training systems across the services, including joint efforts with coalition partners.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MS. SHERRILL OF NEW JERSEY

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

1 **SEC. 18 ____ . RISK FRAMEWORK FOR FOREIGN PHONE AP-**
2 **PLICATIONS OF CONCERN.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall—

4 (1) create categorical definitions of foreign
5 phone applications of concern with respect to per-
6 sonnel or operations of the Department of Defense,
7 distinguishing among categories such as applications
8 for shopping, social media, entertainment, or health;
9 and

10 (2) create a risk framework with respect to De-
11 partment personnel or operations that assesses each
12 foreign phone application (or, if appropriate, group-
13 ing of similar such applications) that is from a coun-
14 try of concern for any potential impact on Depart-
15 mental personnel and Departmental operations, in-
16 corporating considerations of—

17 (A) the manner and extent of data collec-
18 tion by the application;

1 (B) the ability of the application to influ-
2 ence users;

3 (C) the manner and extent of foreign own-
4 ership or control of the application or data col-
5 lected by the application;

6 (D) any foreign government interests asso-
7 ciated with the applications;

8 (E) known or assessed malicious software
9 embedded in the application, including in prior
10 versions of the application or in other applica-
11 tions created by the owners of such application;
12 and

13 (F) any known impact from prior use of
14 the application to Department personnel or op-
15 erations.

16 (b) CONSIDERATIONS.—In developing the categorical
17 definitions and risk framework described in subsection (a),
18 the Secretary of Defense—

19 (1) shall include in the risk framework foreign
20 phone applications of concern—

21 (A) from countries that the Secretary de-
22 termines to be engaged in consistent, unauthor-
23 ized conduct that is detrimental to the national
24 security or foreign policy of the United States;

1 (B) that are accessible to be downloaded
2 from major mobile device application market-
3 places by Department personnel; and

4 (C) originating from, authored in, owned
5 by, or otherwise associated with countries or en-
6 tities that are designated on the list maintained
7 and set forth in Supplement No. 4 to part 744
8 of the Export Administration Regulations;

9 (2) may include additional countries or indi-
10 vidual foreign phone applications from other coun-
11 tries to the extent the Secretary determines appro-
12 priate; and

13 (3) shall consider distinguishing within the risk
14 framework the particular interests of a country de-
15 scribed in paragraph (1) or (2) in the use of a for-
16 eign phone application of concern of such country
17 (regardless of device or owner) by—

18 (A) users located at facilities of the De-
19 partment of Defense of varying levels of sensi-
20 tivity;

21 (B) users conducting authorized operations
22 or movements of Department of Defense mate-
23 riel; or

24 (C) specific civilian employees of the De-
25 partment or contractors whom the Secretary

1 determines likely to be a target of a foreign
2 actor.

3 (c) GUIDANCE AND UPDATES.—The Secretary of De-
4 fense shall—

5 (1) issue guidance to all Department personnel
6 incorporating the categories of foreign phone appli-
7 cations of concern and advising how to mitigate the
8 risks identified by the risk framework with respect
9 to such applications;

10 (2) routinely update the categorical definitions
11 and risk framework promulgated pursuant to sub-
12 section (a), at least on an annual basis; and

13 (3) prescribe regulations that prohibit applica-
14 tions on phones provided by the Department of De-
15 fense or on any device used during an activity de-
16 scribed in subsection (b)(3)(B).



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. GAETZ OF FLORIDA

At the appropriate place in title XXVIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 28 ____ . LAND CONVEYANCE, EGLIN AIR FORCE BASE,**
2 **FLORIDA.**

3 (a) CONVEYANCE AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of
4 the Air Force may convey to the Air Force Enlisted Vil-
5 lage, a nonprofit corporation (in this section referred to
6 as the “Village”), all right, title, and interest of the United
7 States in and to a parcel of real property, including im-
8 provements thereon, consisting of approximately 80 acres
9 located adjacent to Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, for the
10 purpose of independent-living and assisted-living apart-
11 ments for veterans. The conveyance under this subsection
12 is subject to valid existing rights.

13 (b) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The conveyance
14 under subsection (a) shall be—

15 (1) subject to valid existing rights;

16 (2) made without consideration; and

17 (3) subject to any other terms and conditions
18 as the Secretary considers appropriate.

19 (c) PAYMENT OF COSTS OF CONVEYANCE.—

1 (1) PAYMENT REQUIRED.—The Secretary may
2 require the Village to cover all costs (except costs for
3 environmental remediation of the property) to be in-
4 curred by the Secretary, or to reimburse the Sec-
5 retary for costs incurred by the Secretary, to carry
6 out the conveyance under this section, including sur-
7 vey costs, costs for environmental documentation,
8 and any other administrative costs related to the
9 conveyance. If amounts are collected from the Vil-
10 lage in advance of the Secretary incurring the actual
11 costs, and the amount collected exceeds the costs ac-
12 tually incurred by the Secretary to carry out the
13 conveyance, the Secretary shall refund the excess
14 amount to the Village.

15 (2) TREATMENT OF AMOUNTS RECEIVED.—
16 Amounts received under paragraph (1) as reim-
17 bursement for costs incurred by the Secretary to
18 carry out the conveyance under subsection (a) shall
19 be credited to the fund or account that was used to
20 cover the costs incurred by the Secretary in carrying
21 out the conveyance, or to an appropriate fund or ac-
22 count currently available to the Secretary for the
23 purposes for which the costs were paid. Amounts so
24 credited shall be merged with amounts in such fund
25 or account and shall be available for the same pur-

1 poses, and subject to the same conditions and limita-
2 tions, as amounts in such fund or account.

3 (d) DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.—The exact acreage
4 and legal description of the property to be conveyed under
5 subsection (a) shall be determined by a survey satisfactory
6 to the Secretary.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. KELLY OF MISSISSIPPI

At the appropriate place in title XVIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. _____ . REVISION OF REQUIREMENT FOR TRANSFER**
2 **OF CERTAIN AIRCRAFT TO STATE OF CALI-**
3 **FORNIA FOR WILDFIRE SUPPRESSION PUR-**
4 **POSES.**

5 (a) TRANSFER OF EXCESS COAST GUARD HC-130H
6 AIRCRAFT.—

7 (1) TRANSFER TO STATE OF CALIFORNIA.—The
8 Secretary of Homeland Security shall transfer to the
9 State of California without reimbursement—

10 (A) the 7 HC-130H aircraft specified in
11 paragraph (2); and

12 (B) initial spares and necessary ground
13 support equipment for such aircraft.

14 (2) AIRCRAFT SPECIFIED.—The aircraft speci-
15 fied in this paragraph are the HC-130H Coast
16 Guard aircraft with serial numbers 1706, 1708,
17 1709, 1713, 1714, 1719, and 1721.

18 (3) TIMING; AIRCRAFT MODIFICATIONS.—The
19 transfers under paragraph (1)—

1 (A) shall be made as soon as practicable
2 after the date of the enactment of this Act; and

3 (B) may be carried out without further
4 modifications to the aircraft by the United
5 States.

6 (b) CONDITIONS OF TRANSFER.—Aircraft trans-
7 ferred to the State of California under this section—

8 (1) may be used only for wildfire suppression
9 purposes, including search and rescue or emergency
10 operations pertaining to wildfires;

11 (2) may not be flown outside of, or otherwise
12 removed from, the United States unless dispatched
13 by the National Interagency Fire Center in support
14 of an international agreement to assist in wildfire
15 suppression efforts or for other disaster-related re-
16 sponse purposes approved by the Governor of Cali-
17 fornia in writing in advance; and

18 (3) may not be sold by the Governor of Cali-
19 fornia after transfer.

20 (c) CALCULATION OF INITIAL SPARES.—For pur-
21 poses of subsection (a)(1)(B), initial spares shall be cal-
22 culated based on shelf stock support for 7 HC-130H air-
23 craft each flying 400 hours each year.

24 (d) TRANSFER OF RESIDUAL KITS AND PARTS HELD
25 BY AIR FORCE.—The Secretary of the Air Force may

1 transfer to the State of California, without reimburse-
2 ment, any residual kits and parts held by the Secretary
3 of the Air Force that were procured in anticipation of the
4 transfer of the aircraft specified in subsection (a)(2).

5 (e) REPEAL OF PRIOR PROVISIONS OF LAW RELAT-
6 ING TO TRANSFER.—The following provisions of law are
7 repealed:

8 (1) Subsections (a), (c), (d), and (f) of section
9 1098 of the National Defense Authorization Act for
10 Fiscal Year 2014 (Public Law 113–66; 127 Stat.
11 881), as amended by subsections (a), (b), (c), and
12 (d) of section 1083 of the John S. McCain National
13 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019
14 (Public Law 115–232; 132 Stat. 1989).

15 (2) Subsections (e) and (f) of section 1083 of
16 the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization
17 Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115–232; 132
18 Stat. 1989).



**Amendment to H.R. 2670
National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024**

Offered by: Ms. Houlahan

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

**Report on Department of Army's Plan to Maintain and Sustain Military Service
Memorials Using Authorized Funds**

The committee supports the efforts of entities that recognize and honor the service that women have provided to the defense of the nation. The committee notes that there is currently uncertainty regarding the maintenance and sustainment of military service memorials and museums that highlight the role of women in the military as authorized by section 362 of the Fiscal Year 2021 National Defense Authorization Act (Public Law 116-283). That authorization allows for the support to be provided without subsequent authorizing language. To better understand the current interpretation of authority and the status of support for sustainment and maintenance of these memorials, the committee directs the Secretary of the Army to provide a report to the House Committee on Armed Services by March 31, 2024. The report shall include information on any current or planned efforts to support the maintenance and sustainment of military service memorials honoring women in the military, locations where these activities may be supported, and expected timelines for support.

Amendment to H.R. 2670 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024

Offered by: Mr. Turner

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Assessment of Participation of Contractors in the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) Movement Against Israel

The committee is concerned about the participation of Department of Defense contractors in the antisemitic Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) movement against the State of Israel. The committee acknowledges that BDS is an effort to delegitimize, isolate, and ultimately destroy the Jewish state. The committee recognizes that both the executive and the House of Representatives have previously opposed the BDS movement on a broad and bipartisan basis.

Accordingly, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide to the Congressional Defense Committees, not later than February 1, 2024, a report assessing whether their contractors participated in or are engaged with the BDS movement during Fiscal Year 2023. The contractors relevant for this report shall include companies wherein the total value of the contract with the Department exceeds \$100,000, or companies who have more than 10 full-time employees. For the instances of this report, the Committee observes that “Boycott action” means refusing to deal, terminating business activities, or limiting commercial relations with a company, when the action is based on race, color, religion, gender, or nationality of the targeted company. The Committee also observes that “Boycott of the State of Israel” means engaging in a boycott action targeting: the State of Israel; and companies or individuals doing business in or with the State of Israel; or companies authorized by, licensed by, or organized under the laws of the State of Israel to do business. The report shall include a full analysis of:

- 1) The number of contractors engaged in business with the Department participating in or engaged with BDS;
- 2) The monetary value of contracts awarded to contractors participating in or engaged with BDS;
- 3) The military departments, services, installations, and programs supported by contractors participating in or engaged with BDS; and
- 4) The sector of industry to which any contractors participating in or engaged with BDS belong.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. TURNER OF OHIO

At the appropriate place in title XII, insert the following:

1 SEC. 12 . PROHIBITION ON NEW START TREATY INFORMA-
2 TION SHARING.

3 (a) PROHIBITION.—None of the funds authorized to
4 be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available
5 for fiscal year 2024 for the Department of Defense may
6 be used to provide the Russian Federation with notifica-
7 tions as required by the New START Treaty.

8 (b) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may waive
9 the prohibition in subsection (a) on a case-by-case basis
10 if the Secretary of Defense certifies to the appropriate
11 congressional committees in writing, 30 days in advance
12 of exercising such a waiver, that—

13 (1) the waiver is in the national security inter-
14 est of the United States; and

15 (2) the Russian Federation is providing similar
16 information to the United States as required by the
17 New START Treaty.

18 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

1 (1) the term “appropriate congressional com-
2 mittees” means—

3 (A) the Committee on Armed Services and
4 the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House
5 of Representatives; and

6 (B) the Committee on Armed Services and
7 the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Sen-
8 ate; and

9 (2) the term “New START Treaty” means the
10 Treaty between the United States of America and
11 the Russian Federation on Measures for the Further
12 Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive
13 Arms, signed at Prague April 8, 2010, and entered
14 into force February 5, 2011.



Amendment to H.R. 2670
National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024

Offered by: Mr. Lamborn

In section 4201 of division D, relating to Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Space Force, increase the amount for Space Technology Line 4 by \$2,500,000 for University Consortium for Space Technology.

In section 4201 of division D, relating to Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Air Force, reduce the amount for University Research Initiatives, Line 2, University Consortium for Space Technology by \$2,500,000.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670

OFFERED BY MR. MOULTON

(funding table amendment)

In section 4701 of division D, relating to Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation Programs, Global material security, increase the amount for International nuclear security, by \$5,000,000 for funding cut restoration.

In section 4701 of division D, relating to Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation Programs, increase the amount for Nonproliferation and arms control, by \$5,000,000 for funding cut restoration.

In section 4701 of division D, relating to Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation Research and Development, increase the amount for Proliferation Detection, by \$5,000,000 for funding cut restoration.

In section 4701 of division D, relating to Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation Research and Development, increase the amount for Nonproliferation Stewardship Program, by \$10,000,000 for funding cut restoration.

In section 4701 of division D, relating to Stockpile Research, Technology, and Engineering, increase the amount for Engineering and Integrated Assessments, by \$10,000,000 for funding cut restoration.

In section 4701 of division D, relating to Stockpile Services, reduce the amount for Stockpile sustainment, by \$12,500,000.

In section 4701 of division D, relating to Infrastructure and Operations, reduce the amount for Recapitalization, Infrastructure and Safety, by \$22,500,000.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. JACKSON OF TEXAS

At the appropriate place in title XXXI, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 31___ . BIENNIAL DETAILED REPORT ON NUCLEAR**
2 **WEAPONS STOCKPILE STEWARDSHIP, MAN-**
3 **AGEMENT, AND RESPONSIVENESS PLAN.**

4 Section 4203(d)(4)(A) of the Atomic Energy Defense
5 Act (50 U.S.C. 2523) is amended by inserting “, including
6 with respect to weapons assembly and disassembly,” after
7 “measures”.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. BERGMAN OF MICHIGAN

At the appropriate place in title X, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 10 ____ . ANNUAL BRIEFINGS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF**
2 **FORCE DESIGN 2030.**

3 (a) BRIEFINGS REQUIRED.—Not later than March
4 31, 2024, and annually thereafter through March 31,
5 2030, the Commandant of the Marine Corps shall provide
6 to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the
7 programmatic choices made to implement Force Design
8 2030, including new developmental and fielded capabilities
9 and capabilities and capacity divested to accelerate the im-
10 plementation of Force Design 2030.

11 (b) ELEMENTS.—Each briefing provided under sub-
12 section (a) shall include—

13 (1) an assessment of changes in the national
14 defense strategy under section 113(g) of title 10,
15 United States Code, defense planning guidance, the
16 Joint Warfighting Concept (and associated Concept
17 Required Capabilities), and other planning processes
18 that informed Force Design 2030;

1 (2) an inventory and assessment of exercises
2 and experiments related to Force Design 2030 be-
3 ginning in fiscal year 2020, including—

4 (A) an identification of any capabilities
5 that were involved in such exercises and experi-
6 ments; and

7 (B) the extent to which such exercises and
8 experiments validated or militated against pro-
9 posed capability investments;

10 (3) an inventory of divestments of capability or
11 capacity, whether force structure or equipment,
12 starting in fiscal year 2020, including—

13 (A) a timeline of the progress of each di-
14 vestment;

15 (B) the type of force structure or equip-
16 ment divested or reduced;

17 (C) the percentage of force structure of
18 equipment divested or reduced, including any
19 equipment entered into inventory management
20 or other form of storage;

21 (D) the rationale and context behind such
22 divestment; and

23 (E) an identification of whether such di-
24 vestment affects the ability of the Marine Corps
25 to meet the requirements of the Global Force

1 Management process and the operational plans,
2 including—

3 (i) an explanation of how the Marine
4 Corps plans to mitigate the loss of such ca-
5 pability or capacity if the divestment af-
6 fects the ability of the Marine Corps to
7 meet the requirements of the Global Force
8 Management process and the operational
9 plans, including through new investments,
10 additional joint planning and training, or
11 other methods; and

12 (ii) an assessment of the actual and
13 projected recruitment and retention per-
14 centages of the Marine Corps, starting in
15 fiscal year 2020;

16 (4) an inventory of extant or planned invest-
17 ments as a part of Force Design 2030, broken down
18 by capability areas including—

19 (A) integrated air and missile defense;

20 (B) littoral mobility and maneuver;

21 (C) sea denial;

22 (D) recon and counter-recon forces;

23 (E) the amphibious warfare ship and mari-
24 time mobility requirements the Marine Corps
25 submitted to the Department of the Navy in

1 support of the Marine Corps organization and
2 concepts under Force Design 2030 and its stat-
3 tutory requirements, including an explicit state-
4 ment of—

5 (i) the planning assumptions about
6 the readiness of amphibious warfare ships
7 and maritime mobility platforms in devel-
8 oping the requirements; and

9 (ii) whether the Navy's 30-year ship-
10 building plan of and budget for the fiscal
11 year covered by the briefing meet the am-
12 phibious ship requirements of the Navy;

13 (5) for each capability included in the inventory
14 under paragraph (4)—

15 (A) the name;

16 (B) the purpose and context;

17 (C) an identification of the capability being
18 replaced, if applicable;

19 (D) the date of initial operational capa-
20 bility;

21 (E) the date of full operational capability;

22 (F) the number of deliveries of units by
23 year; and

24 (G) the approved acquisition objective or
25 similar inventory objective;

1 (6) an assessment of how the capability invest-
2 ments identified in the inventory under paragraph
3 (4) contribute to joint force efficacy in new ways, in-
4 cluding through support of other military depart-
5 ments;

6 (7) an assessment of the ability of the Marine
7 Corps to generate required force elements for the
8 immediate ready force and the contingency ready
9 force over the two fiscal years preceding the year
10 during which the briefing is provided and the ex-
11 pected ability to generate such force elements
12 through fiscal year 2030;

13 (8) an assessment of Marine Corps force struc-
14 ture and readiness of marine expeditionary units
15 compared to availability of amphibious ships com-
16 prising an amphibious ready group over the two fis-
17 cal years preceding the year during which the brief-
18 ing is provided and the expected availability of such
19 ships through fiscal year 2030;

20 (9) an assessment by the Marine Corps of its
21 compliance with the statutory organization pre-
22 scribed in section 8063 of title 10, United States
23 Code, specifically “The Marine Corps, within the
24 Department of the Navy, shall be so organized as to
25 include not less than three combat divisions and

1 three air wings, and such other land combat, avia-
2 tion, and other services as may be organic therein.”;
3 and

4 (10) an assessment by the Marine Corps of its
5 compliance with the statutory functions prescribed
6 in section 8063 of title 10, United States Code, spe-
7 cifically “The Marine Corps shall be organized,
8 trained, and equipped to provide fleet marine forces
9 of combined arms, together with supporting air com-
10 ponents, for service with the fleet in the seizure or
11 defense of advanced naval bases and for the conduct
12 of such land operations as may be essential to the
13 prosecution of a naval campaign.”.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. GOLDEN OF MAINE

At the appropriate place in subtitle D of title VIII,
insert the following:

1 **SEC. 8 ____ . MODIFICATIONS TO THE PROCUREMENT TECH-**
2 **NICAL ASSISTANCE COOPERATIVE AGREE-**
3 **MENT PROGRAM.**

4 (a) MODIFICATION TO DEFINITION OF ELIGIBLE EN-
5 TITY.—Section 4951(1) of title 10, United States Code,
6 is amended—

7 (1) in subparagraph (C), by striking “private”;

8 (2) by redesignating subparagraph (D) as sub-
9 paragraph (E); and

10 (3) by inserting after subparagraph (C) the fol-
11 lowing new subparagraph:

12 “(D) An institution of higher education, as
13 defined in section 101 of the Higher Education
14 Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001).”.

15 (b) DEFINITION OF BUSINESS ENTITY.—Section
16 4951 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by add-
17 ing at the end the following new paragraph:

18 “(5) BUSINESS ENTITY.—The term ‘business
19 entity’ means a corporation, association, partnership,

1 limited liability company, limited liability partner-
2 ship, consortia, nonprofit organization, or other legal
3 entity.”.

4 (c) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—Section 4954(c) of
5 title 10, United States Code, is amended to read as fol-
6 lows:

7 “(c) WAIVER.—The Secretary may waive or modify
8 the percentages in subsection (b) on a case-by-case
9 basis.”.

10 (d) FUNDING.—Section 4955 of title 10, United
11 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
12 lowing new subsection:

13 “(e) FUNDING.—The Secretary of Defense may only
14 use amounts appropriated under this chapter for the exe-
15 cution and administration of this chapter.”.



**Amendment to H.R. 2670
National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024**

Offered by: Mr. Waltz

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Commercial Day of Launch Service Providers

The ability to launch and place satellites into orbit on demand is vital to ensure American space superiority. At this time, there are less than 10,000 satellites in orbit, with credible estimates expecting that as many as 100,000 satellites will be in orbit by 2030.

In order to accommodate the anticipated rapid growth in the commercial space economy, the committee directs the Secretary of the Air Force in coordination with the Chief of Space Operations, provide a briefing to the House Armed Services Committee, no later than December 1, 2023 on opportunities for commercial providers to provide of “Day of Launch” range services, including the availability of independent commercial companies to provide services such as security, processing, and integration.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. GARAMENDI OF CALIFORNIA

At the appropriate place in title XXXV, insert the following:

1 SEC. ____ . REPORTS TO CONGRESS.

2 Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment
3 of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Con-
4 gress a report on the implementation by the Department
5 of Defense of the amendments to section 2631 of title 10,
6 United States Code, made by section 1024 of the William
7 M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act
8 for Fiscal Year 2021 (Public Law 116–283).



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. GALLAGHER OF WISCONSIN

Insert at the appropriate place in title VIII the following:

1 **SEC. 8 ____ . REDESIGNATION OF INDUSTRIAL BASE FUND AS**
2 **INDUSTRIAL BASE AND OPERATIONAL INFRA-**
3 **STRUCTURE FUND; ADDITIONAL USES.**

4 Section 4817 of title 10, United States Code, is
5 amended—

6 (1) in the section heading, by inserting “**and**
7 **Operational Infrastructure**” after “**Indus-**
8 **trial Base**”;

9 (2) in subsection (a), by inserting “and Oper-
10 ational Infrastructure” after “Industrial Base”;

11 (3) in subsection (b), by striking “, acting
12 through the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense
13 for Manufacturing and Industrial Base Policy”; and

14 (4) in subsection (d)—

15 (A) in paragraph (3), by striking “and” at
16 the end;

17 (B) in paragraph (4), by striking the pe-
18 riod at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

1 (C) by adding at the end the following new
2 paragraphs:

3 “(5) to acquire—

4 “(A) strategic and critical materials for the
5 National Defense Stockpile; and

6 “(B) munitions for the armed forces;

7 “(6) to provide and expedite infrastructure
8 projects critical to operational readiness within pri-
9 ority theaters as determined by the Secretary, con-
10 sistent with the national defense strategy required
11 under section 113(g) of this title; and

12 “(7) to acquire and deploy capabilities and pro-
13 totypes developed under the authorities of section
14 3601 of title 10, section 804 of the National Defense
15 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (10 U.S.C.
16 3201 note prec.), and any other alternative acquisi-
17 tion pathway or mechanism designed to deploy oper-
18 ational capabilities and operational prototypes for
19 defense purposes within five years.”.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. MOULTON OF MASSACHUSETTS

At the appropriate place in subtitle A of title VIII,
insert the following:

1 **SEC. 8 ____ . PROHIBITION ON THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN**
2 **DATA ON EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT**
3 **OF DEFENSE TO THIRD PARTIES.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 363 of title 10, United
5 States Code, United States Code, is amended by adding
6 at the end the following new section:

7 **“§ 4662. Prohibition on the transfer of certain data on**
8 **employees of the Department of Defense**
9 **to third parties**

10 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Each contract entered into by
11 the Department of Defense on or after the date of the
12 enactment of this section shall include a provision prohib-
13 iting the contractor and each subcontractor under such
14 contract from selling, licensing, or otherwise transferring
15 covered individually identifiable Department employee
16 data to any individual or entity other than the Federal
17 Government, except to the extent required to perform
18 under such contract or a subcontract under such contract.

1 “(b) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may waive
2 subsection (a) with respect to a sale, licensing, or other
3 transfer of covered individually identifiable Department
4 employee data if the Secretary determines that such waiv-
5 er is appropriate.

6 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

7 “(1) COVERED INDIVIDUALLY IDENTIFIABLE
8 DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE DATA.—The term ‘covered
9 individually identifiable Department employee data’
10 means individually identifiable Department employee
11 data obtained by—

12 “(A) a contractor pursuant to the perform-
13 ance of a contract described in subsection (a)
14 by such contractor; or

15 “(B) a subcontractor pursuant to the per-
16 formance of a subcontract under such a con-
17 tract by such subcontractor.

18 “(2) INDIVIDUALLY IDENTIFIABLE DEPART-
19 MENT EMPLOYEE DATA.—The term ‘individually
20 identifiable Department employee data’ means infor-
21 mation related to an employee of the Department of
22 Defense, including a member of the armed forces,
23 that—

24 “(A) identifies such employee; or

1 “(B) which may be used to infer, by either
2 direct or indirect means, the identity of such an
3 employee to whom the information applies.”.

4 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
5 for chapter 363 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
6 ed by adding at the end the following new item:

 “4662. Prohibition on the transfer of certain data on employees of the Depart-
 ment of Defense to third parties.”.

7 (c) REPORT ON COUNTERING IDENTIFYING INFOR-
8 MATION SPREAD.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
10 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
11 retary of Defense shall submit to the congressional
12 defense committees a report on the strategy of the
13 Department of Defense to counter the proliferation
14 of individually identifiable active duty member infor-
15 mation on commercially available datasets.

16 (2) INDIVIDUALLY IDENTIFIABLE ACTIVE DUTY
17 MEMBER INFORMATION.—In this subsection, the
18 term “individually identifiable active duty member
19 information” means individually identifiable infor-
20 mation related to a member of the Armed Forces
21 serving on active duty that—

22 (A) identifies such member; or

1 (B) which may be used to infer, by either
2 direct or indirect means, the identity of such a
3 member to whom the information applies.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. DELUZIO OF PENNSYLVANIA

At the appropriate place in subtitle B of title VIII,
insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 8__ . MODIFICATION TO TRUTHFUL COST OR PRIC-**
2 **ING DATA SUBMISSIONS AND REPORT.**

3 Section 3705(b)(2)(B) of title 10, United States
4 Code, is amended—

5 (1) in the second sentence, by inserting “and
6 shall identify such offerors that incur a delay greater
7 than 200 days in submitting such cost or pricing
8 data” after “should-cost analysis”; and

9 (2) by amending the third sentence to read as
10 follows: “The Secretary of Defense shall include a
11 public notation on such offerors in the system used
12 by the Federal Government to monitor or record
13 contractor integrity and performance.”.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MS. MACE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

At the appropriate place in title XVIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 18 ____ . CLARIFICATION OF WAIVER AUTHORITY FOR**
2 **ORGANIZATIONAL AND CONSULTANT CON-**
3 **FLICTS OF INTEREST UNDER THE FEDERAL**
4 **ACQUISITION REGULATION.**

5 Section 9.503 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation
6 shall be revised to require that—

7 (1) a request for a waiver under such section
8 include a written justification for such waiver; and

9 (2) the head of a Federal agency may not dele-
10 gate such waiver authority below the level of the
11 deputy head of such agency.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. WALTZ OF FLORIDA

At the appropriate place in subtitle A of title VIII,
insert the following:

1 **SEC. 8 ____ . PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH PERSONS**
2 **THAT HAVE BUSINESS OPERATIONS WITH**
3 **THE GOVERNMENT OF THE RUSSIAN FED-**
4 **ERATION OR THE RUSSIAN ENERGY SECTOR.**

5 (a) PROHIBITION.—Except as provided under sub-
6 sections (b), (c), and (d), the Secretary of Defense may
7 not enter into a contract for the procurement of goods
8 or services with any person that has business operations
9 with—

10 (1) an authority of the Government of the Rus-
11 sian Federation; or

12 (2) a fossil fuel company that operates in the
13 Russian Federation, except if the fossil fuel company
14 transports oil or gas—

15 (A) through the Russian Federation for
16 sale outside of the Russian Federation; and

17 (B) that was extracted from a country
18 other than the Russian Federation with respect
19 to the energy sector of which the President has

1 not imposed sanctions as of the date on which
2 the contract is awarded.

3 (b) EXCEPTIONS.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—The prohibition under sub-
5 section (a) does not apply to a contract that the Sec-
6 retary of Defense and the Secretary of State jointly
7 determine—

8 (A) is necessary—

9 (i) for purposes of providing humani-
10 tarian assistance to the people of Russia;
11 or

12 (ii) for purposes of providing disaster
13 relief and other urgent life-saving meas-
14 ures;

15 (B) is vital to the military readiness, bas-
16 ing, or operations of the United States or the
17 North Atlantic Treaty Organization; or

18 (C) is vital to the national security inter-
19 ests of the United States.

20 (2) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—The Sec-
21 retary of Defense shall notify the appropriate con-
22 gressional committees of any contract entered into
23 on the basis of an exception provided for under
24 paragraph (1).

1 (3) OFFICE OF FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL LI-
2 CENSES.—The prohibition in subsection (a) shall not
3 apply to a person that has a valid license to operate
4 in Russia issued by the Office of Foreign Assets
5 Control of the Department of the Treasury or is oth-
6 erwise authorized to operate in Russia by the Fed-
7 eral Government notwithstanding the imposition of
8 sanctions.

9 (4) AMERICAN DIPLOMATIC MISSION IN RUS-
10 SIA.—The prohibition in subsection (a) shall not
11 apply to contracts related to the operation and main-
12 tenance of the United States Government’s consular
13 offices and diplomatic posts in Russia.

14 (c) APPLICABILITY.—This section shall take effect on
15 the date of the enactment of this Act and apply with re-
16 spect to any contract entered into on or after such effec-
17 tive date.

18 (d) SUNSET.—This section shall terminate on the
19 date on which the President submits to the appropriate
20 congressional committees a certification in writing that
21 contains a determination of the President that the Russian
22 Federation—

23 (1) has reached an agreement relating to the
24 withdrawal of Russian forces and cessation of mili-

1 tary hostilities that is accepted by the free and inde-
2 pendent government of Ukraine;

3 (2) poses no immediate military threat of ag-
4 gression to any North Atlantic Treaty Organization
5 member; and

6 (3) recognizes the right of the people of
7 Ukraine to independently and freely choose their
8 own government.

9 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
11 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
12 mittees” means—

13 (A) the Committee on Oversight and Re-
14 form, the Committee on Armed Services, and
15 the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House
16 of Representatives; and

17 (B) the Committee on Homeland Security
18 and Governmental Affairs, the Committee on
19 Armed Services, and the Committee on Foreign
20 Relations of the Senate.

21 (2) BUSINESS OPERATIONS.—The term “busi-
22 ness operations” means engaging in commerce in
23 any form, including acquiring, developing, maintain-
24 ing, owning, selling, possessing, leasing, or operating
25 equipment, facilities, personnel, products, services,

1 personal property, real property, or any other appa-
2 ratus of business or commerce.

3 (3) FOSSIL FUEL COMPANY.—The term “fossil
4 fuel company” means a person that—

5 (A) carries out oil, gas, or coal exploration,
6 development, or production activities;

7 (B) processes or refines oil, gas, or coal; or

8 (C) transports, or constructs facilities for
9 the transportation of, Russian oil, gas, or coal.

10 (4) GOVERNMENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERA-
11 TION.—The term “Government of the Russian Fed-
12 eration” includes the government of any political
13 subdivision of Russia, and any agency or instrumen-
14 tality of the Government of the Russian Federation.
15 For purposes of this paragraph, the term “agency or
16 instrumentality of the Government of the Russian
17 Federation” means an agency or instrumentality of
18 a foreign state as defined in section 1603(b) of title
19 28, United States Code, with each reference in such
20 section to “a foreign state” deemed to be a reference
21 to “Russia”.

22 (5) PERSON.—The term “person” means—

23 (A) a natural person, corporation, com-
24 pany, business association, partnership, society,

1 trust, or any other nongovernmental entity, or-
2 ganization, or group;

3 (B) any governmental entity or instrumen-
4 tality of a government, including a multilateral
5 development institution (as defined in section
6 1701(c)(3) of the International Financial Insti-
7 tutions Act (22 U.S.C. 262r(c)(3))); and

8 (C) any successor, subunit, parent entity,
9 or subsidiary of, or any entity under common
10 ownership or control with, any entity described
11 in subparagraph (A) or (B).



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. AUSTIN SCOTT OF GEORGIA

At the appropriate place in subtitle D of title X, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 10 ____ . DRUG INTERDICTION AND COUNTER-DRUG AC-**
2 **TIVITIES.**

3 Section 112(a)(3) of title 32, United States Code, is
4 amended by striking “\$5,000” and inserting “\$15,000”.



**Amendment to H.R. 2670 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year
2024**

Offered by: Mr. Keating

**In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the
following new Directive Report Language:**

Alternate extraction and processing methods of rare earth elements and critical
minerals

The Committee recognizes the importance of rare earth element and critical mineral production and supply to U.S. national security interests. The Committee understands the risks that continued reliance on foreign nations for rare earth elements and critical minerals has on the defense industrial supply chains. The Committee is aware of advances in biological methods to extract and process rare earth elements and critical minerals essential to supporting the domestic supply chain and the defense industrial base.

The Committee encourages the Secretary of Defense to pursue domestic partnerships and invest in research activities including studies focused on the use of biology to develop scalable and economically viable methodologies to optimize the extraction and processing of rare earth elements and critical minerals. Additionally, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by July 31, 2024, on the status of the Department's efforts to support alternative methods of extracting rare earth elements.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. JACKSON OF TEXAS

At the appropriate place in title XII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. __. PLAN TO ENABLE ISRAEL TO GAIN OBSERVER STA-**
2 **TUS IN THE EURO-NATO JOINT JET PILOT**
3 **TRAINING PROGRAM.**

4 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-
5 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall develop
6 a plan to enable Israel to gain observer status in the Euro-
7 NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training Program (ENJJPT).



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. MILLS OF FLORIDA

At the appropriate place in title XII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . MODIFICATIONS TO THE OFFICE OF THE SPE-**
2 **CIAL INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR AFGHANI-**
3 **STAN RECONSTRUCTION.**

4 Section 1229(m)(1)(B) of the National Defense Au-
5 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Public Law 110-
6 181; 5 App.) is amended by striking “the reconstruction
7 of Afghanistan” and inserting “assistance for the benefit
8 of the Afghan people”.



Amendment to H.R. 2670 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024

Offered by: Mr. Wittman

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Foreign Dispatch Services

The committee is concerned by the unlicensed transportation dispatch services that are based outside of the United States that are utilized in the shipping of sensitive and critical Department of Defense freight. This represents a potential vulnerability in the defense supply chain that could be exploited by adversaries in the event of a conflict. Foreign dispatch services do not operate under the same oversight and cybersecurity regulations of those domiciled within the United States, making them more susceptible to foreign interference and influence. Furthermore, the committee is concerned that the locations of all dispatch offices through which defense-related freight is dispatched is not a data point collected by the Department.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a report to the Senate Committee on Armed Services and the House Committee on Armed Services not later than February 1, 2024, on the Department's use of foreign dispatch services for critical defense freight and the implications of instituting stricter dispatch service regulations. The report shall include the following:

(1) a list of all transportation dispatch services domiciled outside of the United States that are used in shipping what the Secretary deems to be sensitive or critical freight;

(2) vulnerabilities of foreign dispatch services and threats posed to such services by malign foreign actors;

(3) an assessment of the impacts on the Department's ability to quickly mobilize and ship critical military freight using solely American dispatch services; and

(4) any other information the Secretary of Defense considers appropriate.

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Offered by: Ms. Strickland

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Nursing Staffing Levels

The Committee directs the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the House Committee on Armed Services not later than December 1, 2023, on hiring practices for civilian nurses at Military Treatment Facilities.

At a minimum, the report

- (1) should compare the Department's classification, pay scales, and hiring practices to those at other federal agencies, including the Department of Veterans Affairs, Indian Health Service, the Department of Health and Human Services, and the Bureau of Federal Prisons, other agencies the Secretary deems comparable, and the private sector,
- (2) should further identify any authorities that other federal agencies use to hire nurses,
- (3) the frequency that the Department uses its authorities to fill hiring needs,
- (4) the average length of time between an accepted offer and start date,
- (5) delays over 60 days in hiring once the authority has been utilized,
- (6) identify how many additional nurses will be needed to meet the mental health needs of the servicemembers, and
- (7) include recommendations to reduce hiring barriers, such as additional training or certifications that are not required at other places.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MS. TOKUDA OF HAWAII

At the appropriate place in title XXVIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 28 ____ . LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF CERTAIN**
2 **FUNDS UNTIL SUBMISSION OF CERTAIN RE-**
3 **PORT ON MILITARY HOUSING.**

4 Of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this
5 Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2024 for
6 the Department of Defense for travel by the Assistant Sec-
7 retary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environ-
8 ment, not more than 5 percent may be obligated or ex-
9 pended for such travel until the date on which the Sec-
10 retary of Defense submits the report required under sec-
11 tion 3041 of the National Defense Authorization Act for
12 Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92).



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. WALTZ OF FLORIDA

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

1 **SEC. 5 ____ . SEX-NEUTRAL HIGH FITNESS STANDARDS FOR**
2 **ARMY CLOSE COMBAT FORCE MILITARY OC-**
3 **CUPATIONAL SPECIALTIES.**

4 (a) IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than 180 days
5 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
6 of the Army shall implement sex-neutral fitness standards
7 on the Army Combat Fitness Test that are enhanced in
8 each tested category for members in the following military
9 occupational specialties or areas of concentration:

- 10 (1) 11A
11 (2) 11B.
12 (3) 11C.
13 (4) 12A.
14 (5) 12B.
15 (6) 13A.
16 (7) 13F.
17 (8) 18A.
18 (9) 18B.
19 (10) 18C.

1 (11) 18D.

2 (12) 18E.

3 (13) 18F,

4 (14) 18Z.

5 (15) 19A.

6 (16) 19D.

7 (17) 25C assigned to infantry, calvary, and en-
8 gineer line companies or troops in brigade combat
9 teams and infantry battalions.

10 (18) 68W assigned to infantry, calvary, and en-
11 gineer line companies or troops in brigade combat
12 teams and infantry battalions.

13 (b) BRIEFING.—Not later than 180 days after the
14 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the
15 Army provide a briefing to the Committees on Armed
16 Services of the Senate and House of Representatives de-
17 scribing the methodology used to establish standards
18 under subsection (a).



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. GALLEGO OF ARIZONA

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5 ____ . REQUIREMENT TO CLASSIFY CERTAIN PERSONS**
2 **AS UNACCOUNTED FOR FROM WORLD WAR II**
3 **UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS.**

4 Section 1509 of title 10, United States Code, is
5 amended—

6 (1) by redesignating subsection (f) as sub-
7 section (g); and

8 (2) by inserting after subsection (e), the fol-
9 lowing new subsection:

10 “(f) REINVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN REMAINS.—(1)
11 With respect to a person described in subsection (a)(1)
12 whom the designated Agency Director determined is ac-
13 counted for, such designated Agency Director shall deter-
14 mine such person to be unaccounted for if the identifica-
15 tion, by a practitioner of an appropriate forensic science,
16 of remains as those of such person, demonstrated discrep-
17 ancies.

18 “(2) Upon request of the primary next of kin of a
19 person whom the designated Agency Director determined

1 unaccounted for pursuant to paragraph (1), the des-
2 ignated Agency Director shall—

3 “(A) exhume the remains of such person; and

4 “(B) direct the senior medical examiner as-
5 signed or detailed under subsection (b)(2) to inves-
6 tigate such remains using state-of-the-art tech-
7 nology.”.



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Offered by: Mr. Cory Mills

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

**Potential Benefits of Increasing Availability of Chiropractic Care for
Servicemembers**

The committee directs the Director of the Defense Health Agency to provide a report to the House Committee on Armed Services by March 31, 2024, on the value of chiropractic preventative care in decreasing musculoskeletal injuries and early separation among servicemembers. The report should include the following information:

- (1) the current availability of chiropractic preventative care through TRICARE services;
- (2) the proportion of servicemembers receiving care for musculoskeletal injuries that could benefit from chiropractic care if it were available on their respective installation; and
- (3) the potential benefit on-site chiropractic care for preventative treatment would bring to service members and medical options available to them.

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Offered by: Ms. Escobar

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Comptroller General Study on the Feasibility of Administering Comprehensive Mental Health Exams for Service Members

The committee directs the Comptroller General of the United States to submit a report to the Senate Committee on Armed Services and the House Committee on Armed Services, as well as the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs and the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs, not later than March 1, 2024, on the feasibility and advisability of implementing comprehensive mental health exams for transitioning members of the Armed Forces and veterans, and whether it would have an effect on helping to prevent suicide. The report should, at minimum, include the following:

- (a) an analysis of whether the questions that comprise the Department of Defense's separation mental health assessment adequately consider risk factors and warning signs that lead to suicide;
- (b) an analysis of whether the questions that comprise the Department of Affairs' mental health exams adequately consider risk factors and warning signs that lead to suicide;
- (c) the suicide rates among individuals who are administered-separation mental health assessment-by the Department of Defense, to cover the last five years;
- (d) the suicide rates among individuals who are administered the mental health exam administered by the Department of Veteran's Affairs to cover the last five years;
- (e) an analysis of potential impacts on the national veterans suicide rate should the Department of Defense implement separation mental health assessments, to reflect the Department of Veterans' Affairs mental health exam model, for all transitioning servicemembers;
- (f) an evaluation of the Department of Defense's capacity to conduct thorough separation mental health assessments, to reflect the Department of Veterans' Affairs mental health exam model, through Military Treatment Facilities or various contracts;
- (g) an update on the Department of Defense and Veterans Affairs' progress and hurdles toward implementing the Joint Action Plan established by Executive Order 13822.

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Offered by: Mr. Banks _____

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Religious Freedom Training

The committee notes the Department of Defense Instruction (DODI) 1300.17, “Religious Liberty in the Military Services,” issued on September 1, 2020, requires the military services to implement and conduct religious freedom education and training.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretaries of the military services, to provide a report to the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate no later than March 1, 2024, providing the following:

- (1) A copy of the educational materials relating to religious freedom education and training for each military service; and*
- (2) A description, disaggregated by military service, of—*
 - (A) the number of trainings that have been conducted pursuant to DODI 1300.17;*
 - (B) the number of the members of the Armed Forces who have received the training; and,*
 - (C) the number of members of the Armed Forces who have yet to complete the training.*

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. LAMBORN OF COLORADO

At the appropriate place in title XVIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 18 ____ . GENEALOGY COLLECTION OF FAMILY MEM-**
2 **BERS OF SERVICEMEMBERS KILLED AT**
3 **PEARL HARBOR ON DECEMBER 7, 1941.**

4 (a) CONTRACT FOR GENEALOGY.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense,
6 acting through the Defense POW/MIA Accounting
7 Agency, may enter into a contract with an entity to
8 conduct genealogy of the deceased servicemembers
9 from the U.S.S. Arizona, identify family members of
10 such servicemembers, and solicit genetic samples
11 from such family members and servicemembers.

12 (2) MARKET RESEARCH.—Before soliciting bids
13 for such contract, the Secretary of Defense shall
14 conduct market research to identify available tech-
15 nology and resources to carry out such contract.

16 (3) REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary may allow
17 for genome sequencing for purposes of conducting a
18 comprehensive genealogy under such a contract if
19 the terms of such contract include the following:

1 (A) A requirement that a genealogist con-
2 ducts the genome sequencing.

3 (B) A requirement that the contractor fol-
4 lows protocols established by the Defense POW/
5 MIA Accounting Agency relating to genome se-
6 quencing, including requirements relating to
7 standards, swabs, and storage.

8 (b) REPORTS REQUIRED.—

9 (1) INITIAL REPORT.—Not later than January
10 31, 2024, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination
11 with the Secretary of the Navy and the Director of
12 the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency, shall
13 submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the
14 Senate and House of Representatives an initial re-
15 port regarding the use of a contract described in
16 subsection (a). Such report shall include—

17 (A) a description of the market research
18 conducted pursuant to subsection (a)(2);

19 (B) expected timelines for contract per-
20 formance;

21 (C) the process by which the Secretary se-
22 lected a contractor; and

23 (D) detailed strategy of implementation
24 and for the expenditure of funds.

1 (2) FINAL REPORT.—Not later than November
2 31, 2024, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination
3 with the Secretary of the Navy and the Director of
4 the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency, shall
5 submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the
6 Senate and House of Representatives a final report
7 regarding the use of a contract described in sub-
8 section (a). Such report shall include—

- 9 (A) details of the contract award;
- 10 (B) an update on expected timelines for
11 contract performance; and
- 12 (C) an update on the strategy of imple-
13 mentation and for the expenditure of funds.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. BANKS OF INDIANA

At the appropriate place in title XIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . DETERMINATION ON INVOLVEMENT OF THE PRC**
2 **IN THE MEXICAN FENTANYL TRADE.**

3 Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment
4 of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall certify to the
5 Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the
6 House of Representatives whether officials in the Govern-
7 ment of the People's Republic of China assisted in, or ap-
8 proved with knowledge of the recipient, the transportation
9 of pill presses, fentanyl products, or fentanyl precursors
10 to 1 or more Mexican drug cartels.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670

OFFERED BY MS. HOULAHAN OF PENNSYLVANIA

At the appropriate place in title XI insert the following:

1 **SEC. 11 ____ . MILITARY SPOUSE EMPLOYMENT ACT.**

2 (a) APPOINTMENT OF MILITARY SPOUSES.—Section
3 3330d of title 5, United States Code, is amended—

4 (1) in subsection (a)—

5 (A) by redesignating paragraph (3) as
6 paragraph (4);

7 (B) by inserting after paragraph (2) the
8 following:

9 “(3) The term ‘remote work’ refers to a par-
10 ticular type of telework under which an employee is
11 not expected to report to an officially established
12 agency location on a regular and recurring basis.”;
13 and

14 (C) by adding at the end the following:

15 “(5) The term ‘telework’ has the meaning given
16 the term in section 6501.”;

17 (2) in subsection (b)—

18 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “or” at
19 the end;

1 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking the pe-
2 riod at the end and inserting “; or”; and

3 (C) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(3) a spouse of a member of the Armed Forces
5 on active duty, or a spouse of a disabled or deceased
6 member of the Armed Forces, to a position in which
7 the spouse will engage in remote work.”; and

8 (3) in subsection (e)(1), by striking “subsection
9 (a)(3)” and inserting “subsection (a)(4)”.

10 (b) GAO STUDY AND REPORT.—

11 (1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection—

12 (A) the terms “agency” means an agency
13 described in paragraph (1) or (2) of section
14 901(b) of title 31, United States Code;

15 (B) the term “employee” means an em-
16 ployee of an agency;

17 (C) the term “remote work” means a par-
18 ticular type of telework under which an em-
19 ployee is not expected to report to an officially
20 established agency location on a regular and re-
21 curring basis; and

22 (D) the term “telework” means a work
23 flexibility arrangement under which an em-
24 ployee performs the duties and responsibilities
25 of such employee’s position, and other author-

1 ized activities, from an approved worksite other
2 than the location from which the employee
3 would otherwise work.

4 (2) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 18 months
5 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Comp-
6 troller General of the United States shall conduct a
7 study and publish a report regarding the use of re-
8 mote work by agencies, which shall include a discus-
9 sion of what is known regarding—

10 (A) the number of employees who are en-
11 gaging in remote work;

12 (B) the role of remote work in agency re-
13 cruitment and retention efforts;

14 (C) the geographic location of employees
15 who engage in remote work;

16 (D) the effect that remote work has had on
17 how often employees are reporting to officially
18 established agency locations to perform the du-
19 ties and responsibilities of the positions of those
20 employees and other authorized activities; and

21 (E) how the use of remote work has af-
22 fected Federal office space utilization and
23 spending.



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Offered by: Mrs. Kiggans

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Gold Star Family Commissary Utilization Briefing

The committee recognizes that Gold Star Families made the ultimate sacrifice, and they deserve the benefits of the military support system. Under existing law, surviving dependents age out of Commissary, Exchange, and Moral Welfare and Recreation (MWR) access, but the death of a military parent is a permanent loss to the surviving dependent. Additionally, surviving parents only have commissary access if they depended on the sponsor for over half of their support. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the House Committee on Armed Services by January 31, 2024, on the feasibility of expanding commissary, exchange, and MWR access to Gold Star dependents who have aged out of said access and Gold Star parents who never had said access. The briefing shall examine any potential costs this expansion may have and any challenges implementing this policy may have.

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. KIM OF NEW JERSEY

At the appropriate place in title VII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 7___ . ORGANIZATIONAL FRAMEWORK OF THE MILI-**
2 **TARY HEALTH SYSTEM TO SUPPORT THE**
3 **MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS OF THE COMBAT-**
4 **ANT COMMANDS.**

5 (a) DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY REGIONS IN
6 CONUS.—Section 712(c) of the John S. McCain National
7 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public
8 Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C. 1073c note) is amended—

9 (1) in paragraph (1)—

10 (A) in the paragraph heading, by striking
11 “HEALTHAGENCY” and inserting “HEALTH
12 AGENCY”; and

13 (B) by striking “not more than two”; and

14 (2) in paragraph (2)(A), by striking “military”.

15 (b) DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY REGIONS
16 OCONUS.—Section 712(d) of such Act (Public Law 115–
17 232; 10 U.S.C. 1073c note) is amended—

18 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by
19 striking “not more than two”; and

1 (2) in paragraph (3), by striking “defense
2 health regions” and inserting “Defense Health
3 Agency regions”.

4 (c) PLANNING AND COORDINATION.—Section
5 712(e)(1)(A) of such Act (Public Law 115–232; 10 U.S.C.
6 1073c note) is amended by striking “defense health re-
7 gion” and inserting “Defense Health Agency region”.

8 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
9 this section shall take effect on October 1, 2023.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. GOLDEN OF MAINE

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

1 **SEC. 7___ . PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATIONS FOR CERTAIN**
2 **MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES WHO**
3 **SERVED IN KABUL.**

4 (a) INITIAL EVALUATION.—Not later than 180 days
5 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
6 of Defense shall provide an initial psychological evaluation
7 to each member of the Armed Forces who—

8 (1) served at the Hamid Karzai International
9 Airport in Kabul, Afghanistan, between August 15
10 and August 29, 2021; and

11 (2) has not already received a psychological
12 evaluation with respect to such service.

13 (b) ADDITIONAL EVALUATIONS.—The Secretary of
14 Defense shall provide to each member of the Armed
15 Forces who receives a psychological evaluation under sub-
16 section (a), or would have received such an evaluation but
17 for the application of subsection (a)(2)—

1 (1) an additional psychological evaluation not
2 later than two years after the date of the enactment
3 of this Act; and

4 (2) a second additional psychological evaluation
5 not later than five years after the date of the enact-
6 ment of this Act.

7 (c) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 220
8 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
9 retary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense
10 committees a report on the number of members of the
11 Armed Forces, broken down by component (National
12 Guard, Reserve, and Active), that are eligible for, and re-
13 ceive, an initial psychological evaluation—

14 (1) under subsection (a); or

15 (2) otherwise resulting from service at the
16 Hamid Karzai International Airport in Kabul, Af-
17 ghanistan, between August 15 and August 29, 2021.



AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2670
OFFERED BY MR. MOULTON OF MASSACHUSETTS

At the appropriate place in title VII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 7___ . CLARIFICATION OF APPLICABILITY OF RE-**
2 **QUIRED MENTAL HEALTH SELF-INITIATED**
3 **REFERRAL PROCESS FOR MEMBERS OF THE**
4 **SELECTED RESERVE.**

5 Section 1090b(e) of title 10, United States Code, is
6 amended—

7 (1) in paragraph (1), in the matter preceding
8 subparagraph (A), by inserting “described in para-
9 graph (3)” after “member of the armed forces”; and

10 (2) by adding at the end the following new
11 paragraph:

12 “(3) A member of the armed forces described in
13 this paragraph is a member on active duty for a pe-
14 riod of longer than 30 days or a member of the Se-
15 lected Reserve.”.



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Offered by: Mr. Horsford

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Report on Extremism-Related Training and Education Programs for
Servicemembers

The Secretary of Defense’s “Report on Countering Extremist Activity Within the Department of Defense,” states the Department of Defense (DoD) intended to, “Develop a comprehensive training and education plan that provides regular training to Department of Defense military and civilian personnel and to those advancing to leadership positions.” Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to provide to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives no later than February 5, 2024 a report including the following:

- 1) The status of the implementation of DoD’s current training and education plan for Department personnel to understand extremist threats within the armed forces, including current curriculum and other activities required in training;
- 2) The DoD’s plans for future programming and training;
- 3) How DoD is measuring the program’s effectiveness;
- 4) Whether the Department has implemented, or plans to implement, any other recommendations made in the Secretary’s Report.
- 5) A public version of this assessment, posted to a DoD website.

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Offered by: Mr. LaLota

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Briefing on the Impact of Glioblastomas on Active Duty Service Members and
Veterans

The committee notes that glioblastomas are the third most common cause of cancer-related deaths among Active Duty service members, behind colon cancer and leukemia. According to Department of Veterans Affairs and National Institutes of Health data, glioblastomas occur at a rate 26% higher than that found in the general population among post-9/11 veterans who deployed to Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere. In a study by the American Society of Clinical Oncology, they note that glioblastoma rates were two times higher than those in the non-military population. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, to brief the House Committee on Armed Services, not later than April 5, 2024, on the following regarding glioblastomas among Active Duty service members:

- (1) the percentage of Active Duty service members and veterans diagnosed with a glioblastoma over the last 20 years;
- (2) ways the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs are working to diagnose and treat glioblastoma; and
- (3) what additional resources the Departments need to treat glioblastomas.

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Offered by: Ms. Escobar

In the appropriate place in the report to accompany H.R. 2670, insert the following new Directive Report Language:

Study on the Prevention of Sexual Assault or Sexual Harassment for Students in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps

The committee is concerned about the well-being of all members of the Junior Officers' Training Corps and their access to all school district-provided training and services with respect to sexual assault and sexual harassment training.

Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of Defense to brief the House Committee on Armed Services no later than March 1, 2024, on the training and services on the prevention of sexual assault and sexual harassment at local school districts where students are enrolled in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps. The briefing should include:

- (a) a description of training that JROTC students receive pertaining to sexual assault and harassment;
- (b) a description of reporting procedures for JROTC students with allegations of sexual assault or sexual harassment against JROTC instructors;
- (c) whether or not JROTC instructors are mandatory reporters of sexual assault and sexual harassment at the school districts where they are employed;
- (d) a comprehensive report of all the JROTC instructors relieved from their position for substantiated allegations of sexual assault or sexual harassment against a JROTC and the outcome of each case;
- (e) a description of the selection procedures for JROTC instructors;
- (f) recommendations on how the JROTC program can improve protections for students from sexual assault or sexual harassment .