

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE NA-  
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Add at the end the following:

1 **SEC. 12\_\_ . REPORTS ON CONSTRUCTION PROCUREMENT.**

2 (a) REPORT ON OPERATIONAL AND POLICY RE-  
3 FORMS.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the en-  
4 actment of this Act, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs  
5 shall submit to the Committees on Veterans Affairs’ of  
6 the Senate and House of Representatives a report on the  
7 implementation of operational and policy reforms in con-  
8 struction procurement. Such report shall include each of  
9 the following:

10 (1) With respect to minor construction and  
11 non-recurring maintenance projects—

12 (A) a comparison of procurement lead  
13 times and construction completion times for  
14 each of fiscal years 2016 through 2021; and

15 (B) if the Secretary determines that pro-  
16 curement lead times and construction comple-  
17 tion times were successively reduced from fiscal

1 year 2016 through fiscal year 2021, a discus-  
2 sion of how such reduction was accomplished.

3 (2) With respect to major and minor leases—

4 (A) a comparison of procurement lead  
5 times and lease activation completion times for  
6 each of fiscal years 2016 through 2021;

7 (B) if the Secretary determines that pro-  
8 curement lead times and lease activation com-  
9 pletion times were successively reduced from  
10 fiscal year 2016 through fiscal year 2021, a dis-  
11 cussion of how such reduction was accom-  
12 plished; and

13 (C) a discussion of which leases utilized  
14 standardized designs, whether and why any de-  
15 signs were customized, and justifications for in-  
16 stances in which standardized designs were not  
17 utilized.

18 (3) With respect to major construction—

19 (A) a comparison of procurement lead  
20 times and construction completion times for  
21 each of fiscal years 2016 through 2021;

22 (B) if the Secretary determines that pro-  
23 curement lead times and construction comple-  
24 tion times were successively reduced from fiscal  
25 year 2016 through fiscal year 2021, a discus-

1           sion of how such reduction was accomplished;  
2           and

3                   (C) a comparison of actual costs to initial  
4           cost estimates for each project completed dur-  
5           ing each of fiscal years 2019 through 2021.

6           (b) REPORT ON COST AND SCHEDULE VARIANCES.—

7 Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment  
8 of this Act, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, in consulta-  
9 tion with the Commanding General of the Army Corps of  
10 Engineers, shall submit to the Committees on Veterans'  
11 Affairs of the Senate and House of Representatives a re-  
12 port that includes, with respect to each super construction  
13 project included in a report under section 8120 of title  
14 38, United States Code, during any of fiscal years 2017,  
15 2018, 2019, 2020, or 2021—

16           (1) a comparison of the actual cost and sched-  
17           ule variances and the planned cost and schedule for  
18           each such project; and

19           (2) an explanation as to why actual cost and  
20           schedule variances have or have not improved.

21           (c) REPORT ON LOCATIONS FOR CBOCs.—Not later  
22 than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
23 the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall submit to the Com-  
24 mittees on Veterans' Affairs of the House and Representa-  
25 tives and the Senate a report containing a list of potential

1 locations for planned future community-based outpatient  
2 clinics.

3 (d) FUNDING FOR REPORTS.—Of the amounts avail-  
4 able in this Act for the Department of Veterans Affairs  
5 for fiscal year 2022, \$100,000 is to carry out this section.

6 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

7 (1) The term “procurement lead times” means  
8 the number of days between origination of a require-  
9 ment and award of a contract or lease.

10 (2) The term “construction completion times”  
11 means the number of days between the provision of  
12 notice to proceed and beneficial occupancy.

13 (3) The term “lease activation completion  
14 times” means the number of days between origina-  
15 tion of a requirement for a leased facility and activa-  
16 tion of such facility.

