

of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation.

“(C) Categorical exclusions B1.24, B1.31, B2.5, and B5.1 in Appendix B to subpart D of part 1021 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation.

“(D) The categorical exclusions described in paragraphs (4) and (13) of section 50.19(b) of title 24, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation.

“(E) Categorical exclusion (c)(1) in Appendix B to part 651 of title 32, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation.

“(F) Categorical exclusions A2.3.8 and A2.3.14 in Appendix B to part 989 of title 32, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation.

“(2) ADDITIONAL CATEGORICAL EXCLUSIONS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, each of the following shall be treated as a category of action categorically excluded from the requirements relating to environmental assessments and environmental impact statements under section 1501.4 of title 40, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation:

“(A) The provision by the Secretary of any Federal financial assistance for a project described in section 9902, if the facility that is the subject of the project is on or adjacent to a site—

“(i) that is owned or leased by the covered entity to which Federal financial assistance is provided for that project; and

“(ii) on which, as of the date on which the Secretary provides that Federal financial assistance, substantially similar construction, expansion, or modernization is being or has been carried out, such that the facility would not more than double existing developed acreage or on-site supporting infrastructure.

“(B) The provision by the Secretary of Defense of any Federal financial assistance relating to—

“(i) the creation, expansion, or modernization of one or more facilities described in the second sentence of section 9903(a)(1); or

“(ii) carrying out section 9903(b), as in effect on the date of enactment of this subsection.

“(C) Any activity undertaken by the Secretary relating to carrying out section 9906, as in effect on the date of enactment of this subsection.

“(e) INCORPORATION OF PRIOR PLANNING DECISIONS.—

“(1) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term ‘prior studies and decisions’ means baseline data, planning documents, studies, analyses, decisions, and documentation that a Federal agency has completed for a project (or that have been completed under the laws and procedures of a State or Indian Tribe), including for determining the reasonable range of alternatives for that project.

“(2) RELIANCE ON PRIOR STUDIES AND DECISIONS.—In completing an environmental review under NEPA for a covered activity, the Secretary may consider and, as appropriate, rely on or adopt prior studies and decisions, if the Secretary determines that—

“(A) those prior studies and decisions meet the standards for an adequate statement, assessment, or determination under applicable procedures of the Department of Commerce implementing the requirements of NEPA;

“(B) in the case of prior studies and decisions completed under the laws and procedures of a State or Indian Tribe, those laws and procedures are of equal or greater rigor than those of each applicable Federal law, including NEPA, implementing procedures of the Department of Commerce; or

“(C) if applicable, the prior studies and decisions are informed by other analysis or documentation that would have been pre-

pared if the prior studies and decisions were prepared by the Secretary under NEPA.

“(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

“(1) COVERED ACTIVITY.—The term ‘covered activity’ means any activity relating to the construction, expansion, or modernization of a facility, the investment in which is eligible for Federal financial assistance under section 9902 or 9906.

“(2) NEPA.—The term ‘NEPA’ means the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.).”.

SA 1922. Mr. PADILLA submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 756, and insert the following:

SEC. 756. BANNING MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The United States, acting through the Administrator, shall release the City of Banning, California, from all restrictions, conditions, and limitations on the use, encumbrance, conveyance, and closure of the Banning Municipal Airport, as described in the most recent airport layout plan approved by the FAA, to the extent such restrictions, conditions, and limitations are enforceable by the Administrator.

(b) CONDITIONS.—The release under subsection (a) shall not be executed before the City of Banning, California, or its designee, transfers to the United States Government the following:

(1) A reimbursement for 1983 grant the City of Banning, California received from the FAA for the purchase of 20 acres of land, at an amount equal to the fair market value for the highest and best use of the Banning Municipal Airport property determined in good faith by 2 independent and qualified real estate appraisers and an independent review appraiser on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(2) An amount equal to the unamortized portion of any Federal development grants other than land paid to the City of Banning for use at the Banning Municipal Airport, which may be paid with, and shall be an allowable use of, airport revenue notwithstanding section 47107 or 47133 of title 49, United States Code.

(3) For no consideration, all airport and aviation-related equipment of the Banning Municipal Airport owned by the City of Banning and determined by the FAA or the Department of Transportation of the State of California to be salvageable for use at other airports.

(c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the applicability of—

(1) the requirements and processes under section 46319 of title 49, United States Code;

(2) the requirements under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.);

(3) the requirements and processes under part 157 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations; or

(4) the public notice requirements under section 47107(h)(2) of title 49, United States Code.

SA 1923. Mr. KAINE (for himself, Mr. WARNER, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Ms. DUCKWORTH,

and Mr. BENNET) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 502.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 1910. Mr. REED (for himself, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. DURBIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title IV, add the following:

SEC. 4. PROTECTION FROM ABUSIVE PASSENGERS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the ‘Protection from Abusive Passengers Act’.

(b) DEFINED TERM.—In this section, the term ‘abusive passenger’ means any individual who, on or after the date of the enactment of this Act, engages in behavior that results in—

(1) the assessment of a civil penalty for—

(A) engaging in conduct prohibited under section 46318 of title 49, United States Code; or

(B) tampering with, interfering with, compromising, modifying, or attempting to circumvent any security system, measure, or procedure related to civil aviation security in violation of section 1540.105(a)(1) of title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, if such violation is committed on an aircraft in flight (as defined in section 46501(1) of title 49, United States Code);

(2) a conviction for a violation of section 46503 or 46504 of title 49, United States Code; or

(3) a conviction for any other Federal offense involving assaults, threats, or intimidation against a crewmember on an aircraft in flight (as defined in section 46501(1) of title 49, United States Code).

(c) REFERRALS.—The Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration or the Attorney General shall provide the identity (including the full name, full date of birth, and gender) of all abusive passengers to the Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration.

(d) BANNED FLIERS.—

(1) LIST.—The Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration shall maintain a list of abusive passengers.

(2) EFFECT OF INCLUSION ON LIST.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Any individual included on the list maintained pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be prohibited from boarding any commercial aircraft flight until such individual is removed from such list in accordance with the procedures established by the Administrator pursuant to subsection (e).

(B) OTHER LISTS.—The placement of an individual on the list maintained pursuant to paragraph (1) shall not preclude the placement of such individual on other lists maintained by the Federal Government and used by the Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration pursuant to sections 114(h) and 44903(j)(2)(C) of title 49,

United States Code, to prohibit such individual from boarding a flight or to take other appropriate action with respect to such individual if the Administrator determines that such individual—

- (i) poses a risk to the transportation system or national security;
- (ii) poses a risk of air piracy or terrorism;
- (iii) poses a threat to airline or passenger safety; or
- (iv) poses a threat to civil aviation or national security.

(e) **POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING ABUSIVE PASSENGERS.**—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration shall develop, and post on a publicly available website of the Transportation Security Administration, policies and procedures for handling individuals included on the list maintained pursuant to subsection (d)(1), including—

- (1) the process for receiving and handling referrals received pursuant to subsection (c);
- (2) the method by which the list of banned fliers required under subsection (d)(1) will be maintained;

(3) specific guidelines and considerations for removing an individual from such list based on the gravity of each offense described in subsection (b);

(4) the procedures for the expeditious removal of the names of individuals who were erroneously included on such list;

(5) the circumstances under which certain individuals rightfully included on such list may petition to be removed from such list, including the procedures for appealing a denial of such petition; and

(6) the process for providing to any individual who is the subject of a referral under subsection (c)—

(A) written notification, not later than 5 days after receiving such referral, including an explanation of the procedures and circumstances referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5); and

(B) an opportunity to seek relief under paragraph (4) during the 5-day period beginning on the date on which the individual received the notification referred to in subparagraph (A) to avoid being erroneously included on the list of abusive passengers referred to in subsection (d)(1).

(f) **CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFING.**—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration shall brief the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives regarding the policies and procedures developed pursuant to subsection (e).

(g) **ANNUAL REPORT.**—The Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration shall submit an annual report to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives that contains nonpersonally identifiable information regarding the composition of the list required under subsection (d)(1), including—

- (1) the number of individuals included on such list;
- (2) the age and sex of the individuals included on such list;
- (3) the underlying offense or offenses of the individuals included on such list;
- (4) the period of time each individual has been included on such list;
- (5) the number of individuals rightfully included on such list who have petitioned for removal and the status of such petitions;
- (6) the number of individuals erroneously included on such list and the time required

to remove such individuals from such list; and

(7) the number of individuals erroneously included on such list who have been prevented from traveling.

(h) **INSPECTOR GENERAL REVIEW.**—Not less frequently than once every 3 years, the Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security shall review and report to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on Homeland Security of the House of Representatives regarding the administration and maintenance of the list required under subsections (d) and (e), including an assessment of any disparities based on race or ethnicity in the treatment of petitions for removal.

(i) **INELIGIBILITY FOR TRUSTED TRAVELER PROGRAMS.**—Except under policies and procedures established by the Secretary of Homeland Security, all abusive passengers shall be permanently ineligible to participate in—

- (1) the Transportation Security Administration's PreCheck program; or
- (2) U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Global Entry program.

(j) **LIMITATION.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The inclusion of a person's name on the list described in subsection (d)(1) may not be used as the basis for denying any right or privilege under Federal law except for the rights and privileges described in subsections (d)(2), (e), and (i).

(2) **RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.**—Nothing in this subsection may be construed to limit the dissemination, or bar the consideration, of the facts and circumstances that prompt placement of a person on the list described in subsection (d)(1).

(k) **PRIVACY.**—Personally identifiable information used to create the list required under subsection (d)(1)—

(1) shall be exempt from disclosure under section 552(b)(3) of title 5, United States Code; and

(2) shall not be made available by any Federal, State, Tribal, or local authority pursuant to any Federal, State, Tribal, or local law requiring public disclosure of information or records.

(l) **SAVINGS PROVISION.**—Nothing in this section may be construed to limit the authority of the Transportation Security Administration or of any other Federal agency to undertake measures to protect passengers, flight crew members, or security officers under any other provision of law.

SA 1924. Mrs. CAPITO (for herself, Mr. CARPER, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. RISCH, Mr. KELLY, Mr. CRAMER, and Mr. CRAPO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . ACCELERATING DEPLOYMENT OF VERSATILE, ADVANCED NUCLEAR FOR CLEAN ENERGY.

(a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This section may be cited as the “Accelerating Deployment of Versatile, Advanced Nuclear for Clean Energy Act of 2024” or the “ADVANCE Act of 2024”.

(b) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

(1) **ACCIDENT TOLERANT FUEL.**—The term “accident tolerant fuel” has the meaning

given the term in section 107(a) of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (Public Law 115-439; 132 Stat. 5577).

(2) **ADMINISTRATOR.**—The term “Administrator” means the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

(3) **ADVANCED NUCLEAR FUEL.**—The term “advanced nuclear fuel” means—

- (A) advanced nuclear reactor fuel; and
- (B) accident tolerant fuel.

(4) **ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTOR.**—The term “advanced nuclear reactor” has the meaning given the term in section 3 of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (42 U.S.C. 2215 note; Public Law 115-439).

(5) **ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTOR FUEL.**—The term “advanced nuclear reactor fuel” has the meaning given the term in section 3 of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (42 U.S.C. 2215 note; Public Law 115-439).

(6) **APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.**—The term “appropriate committees of Congress” means—

- (A) the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate; and
- (B) the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives.

(7) **COMMISSION.**—The term “Commission” means the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

(8) **INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.**—The term “institution of higher education” has the meaning given the term in section 101(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001(a)).

(9) **NATIONAL LABORATORY.**—The term “National Laboratory” has the meaning given the term in section 2 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15801).

(c) **INTERNATIONAL NUCLEAR EXPORT AND INNOVATION ACTIVITIES.**—

(1) **COMMISSION COORDINATION.**—

(A) **IN GENERAL.**—The Commission shall—

- (i) coordinate all work of the Commission relating to—

(I) import and export licensing for nuclear reactors and radioactive materials; and

(II) international regulatory cooperation and assistance relating to nuclear reactors and radioactive materials, including with countries that are members of—

(aa) the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development; or

(bb) the Nuclear Energy Agency; and

(ii) support interagency and international coordination with respect to—

(I) the consideration of international technical standards to establish the licensing and regulatory basis to assist the design, construction, and operation of nuclear reactors and use of radioactive materials;

(II) efforts to help build competent nuclear regulatory organizations and legal frameworks in foreign countries that are seeking to develop civil nuclear industries; and

(III) exchange programs and training provided, in coordination with the Secretary of State, to foreign countries relating to civil nuclear licensing and oversight to improve the regulation of nuclear reactors and radioactive materials, in accordance with subparagraph (B).

(B) **EXCHANGE PROGRAMS AND TRAINING.**—With respect to the exchange programs and training described in subparagraph (A)(ii)(III), the Commission shall coordinate, as applicable, with—

- (i) the Secretary of Energy;
- (ii) the Secretary of State;
- (iii) the National Laboratories;
- (iv) the private sector; and
- (v) institutions of higher education.

(2) **AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH BRANCH.**—The Commission may establish within the Office of International Programs a branch, to be known as the “International Nuclear Export and Innovation Branch”, to carry out the international nuclear export and innovation

activities described in paragraph (1) as the Commission determines to be appropriate and within the mission of the Commission.

(3) EXCLUSION OF INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES FROM THE FEE BASE.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Section 102 of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (42 U.S.C. 2215) is amended—

(i) in subsection (a), by adding at the end the following:

“(4) INTERNATIONAL NUCLEAR EXPORT AND INNOVATION ACTIVITIES.—The Commission shall identify in the annual budget justification international nuclear export and innovation activities described in subsection (c)(1) of the ADVANCE Act of 2024.”; and

(ii) in subsection (b)(1)(B), by adding at the end the following:

“(iv) Costs for international nuclear export and innovation activities described in subsection (c)(1) of the ADVANCE Act of 2024.”.

(B) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by subparagraph (A) shall take effect on October 1, 2025.

(4) INTERAGENCY COORDINATION.—The Commission shall coordinate all international activities under this subsection with the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Energy, and other applicable agencies, as appropriate.

(5) SAVINGS CLAUSE.—Nothing in this subsection alters the authority of the Commission to license and regulate the civilian use of radioactive materials.

(d) DENIAL OF CERTAIN DOMESTIC LICENSES FOR NATIONAL SECURITY PURPOSES.—

(1) DEFINITION OF COVERED FUEL.—In this subsection, the term “covered fuel” means enriched uranium that is fabricated outside the United States into fuel assemblies for commercial nuclear power reactors by an entity that—

(A) is owned or controlled by the Government of the Russian Federation or the Government of the People's Republic of China; or

(B) is organized under the laws of, or otherwise subject to the jurisdiction of, the Russian Federation or the People's Republic of China.

(2) PROHIBITION ON UNLICENSED POSSESSION OR OWNERSHIP OF COVERED FUEL.—Unless specifically authorized by the Commission in a license issued under section 53 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2073) and part 70 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (or successor regulations), no person subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission may possess or own covered fuel.

(3) LICENSE TO POSSESS OR OWN COVERED FUEL.—

(A) CONSULTATION REQUIRED PRIOR TO ISSUANCE.—The Commission shall not issue a license to possess or own covered fuel under section 53 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2073) and part 70 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (or successor regulations), unless the Commission has first consulted with the Secretary of Energy and the Secretary of State before issuing the license.

(B) PROHIBITION ON ISSUANCE OF LICENSE.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Subject to clause (iii), a license to possess or own covered fuel shall not be issued if the Secretary of Energy and the Secretary of State make the determination described in clause (ii)(I)(aa).

(ii) DETERMINATION.—

(I) IN GENERAL.—The determination referred to in clause (i) is a determination that possession or ownership, as applicable, of covered fuel—

(aa) poses a threat to the national security of the United States, including because of an adverse impact on the physical and economic security of the United States; or

(bb) does not pose a threat to the national security of the United States.

(II) JOINT DETERMINATION.—A determination described in subclause (I) shall be jointly made by the Secretary of Energy and the Secretary of State.

(III) TIMELINE.—

(aa) NOTICE OF APPLICATION.—Not later than 30 days after the date on which the Commission receives an application for a license to possess or own covered fuel, the Commission shall notify the Secretary of Energy and the Secretary of State of the application.

(bb) DETERMINATION.—The Secretary of Energy and the Secretary of State shall have a period of 180 days, beginning on the date on which the Commission notifies the Secretary of Energy and the Secretary of State under item (aa) of an application for a license to possess or own covered fuel, in which to make the determination described in subclause (I).

(cc) COMMISSION NOTIFICATION.—On making the determination described in subclause (I), the Secretary of Energy and the Secretary of State shall immediately notify the Commission.

(dd) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 30 days after the date on which the Secretary of Energy and the Secretary of State notify the Commission under item (cc), the Commission shall notify the appropriate committees of Congress, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives of the determination.

(ee) PUBLIC NOTICE.—Not later than 15 days after the date on which the Commission notifies Congress under item (dd) of a determination made under subclause (I), the Commission shall make that determination publicly available.

(iii) EFFECT OF NO DETERMINATION.—The Commission shall not issue a license if the Secretary of Energy and the Secretary of State have not made a determination described in clause (ii).

(4) SAVINGS CLAUSE.—Nothing in this subsection alters any treaty or international agreement in effect on the date of enactment of this Act or that enters into force after the date of enactment of this Act.

(e) EXPORT LICENSE NOTIFICATION.—

(1) DEFINITION OF LOW-ENRICHED URANIUM.—In this subsection, the term “low-enriched uranium” means uranium enriched to less than 20 percent of the uranium-235 isotope.

(2) NOTIFICATION.—If the Commission, after consultation with the Secretary of State and any other relevant agencies, issues an export license for the transfer of any item described in paragraph (4) to a country described in paragraph (3), the Commission shall notify the appropriate committees of Congress, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

(3) COUNTRIES DESCRIBED.—A country referred to in paragraph (2) is a country that—

(A) has not concluded and ratified an Additional Protocol to its safeguards agreement with the International Atomic Energy Agency; or

(B) has not ratified or acceded to the amendment to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material, adopted at Vienna October 26, 1979, and opened for signature at New York March 3, 1980 (TIAS 11080), described in the information circular of the International Atomic Energy Agency numbered INFCIRC/274/Rev.1/Mod.1 and dated May 9, 2016 (TIAS 16-508).

(4) ITEMS DESCRIBED.—An item referred to in paragraph (2) includes—

(A) unirradiated nuclear fuel containing special nuclear material (as defined in section 11 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2014)), excluding low-enriched uranium;

(B) a nuclear reactor that uses nuclear fuel described in subparagraph (A); and

(C) any plant or component listed in Appendix I to part 110 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (or successor regulations), that is involved in—

(i) the reprocessing of irradiated nuclear reactor fuel elements;

(ii) the separation of plutonium; or

(iii) the separation of the uranium-233 isotope.

(f) GLOBAL NUCLEAR ENERGY ASSESSMENT.—

(1) STUDY REQUIRED.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Energy, in consultation with the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Commerce, the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Commission, shall conduct a study on the global status of—

(A) the civilian nuclear energy industry; and

(B) the supply chains of the civilian nuclear energy industry.

(2) CONTENTS.—The study conducted under paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) information on the status of the civilian nuclear energy industry, the long-term risks to that industry, and the bases for those risks;

(B) information on how the use of the civilian nuclear energy industry, relative to other types of energy industries, can reduce the emission of criteria pollutants and carbon dioxide;

(C) information on the role the United States civilian nuclear energy industry plays in United States foreign policy;

(D) information on the importance of the United States civilian nuclear energy industry to countries that are allied to the United States;

(E) information on how the United States may collaborate with those countries in developing, deploying, and investing in nuclear technology;

(F) information on how foreign countries use nuclear energy when crafting and implementing their own foreign policy, including such use by foreign countries that are strategic competitors;

(G) an evaluation of how nuclear non-proliferation and security efforts and nuclear energy safety are affected by the involvement of the United States in—

(i) international markets; and

(ii) setting civilian nuclear energy industry standards;

(H) an evaluation of how industries in the United States, other than the civilian nuclear energy industry, benefit from the generation of electricity by nuclear power plants;

(I) information on utilities and companies in the United States that are involved in the civilian nuclear energy supply chain, including, with respect to those utilities and companies—

(i) financial challenges;

(ii) nuclear liability issues;

(iii) foreign strategic competition; and

(iv) risks to continued operation; and

(J) recommendations for how the United States may—

(i) develop a national strategy to increase the role that nuclear energy plays in diplomacy and strategic energy policy;

(ii) develop a strategy to mitigate foreign competitor's utilization of their civilian nuclear energy industries in diplomacy;

(iii) align the nuclear energy policy of the United States with national security objectives; and

(iv) modernize regulatory requirements to strengthen the United States civilian nuclear energy supply chain.

(3) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 180 days after the study under paragraph (1) is completed, the Secretary of Energy shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress the study, including a classified annex, if necessary.

(g) PROCESS FOR REVIEW AND AMENDMENT OF PART 810 GENERALLY AUTHORIZED DESTINATIONS.—

(1) IDENTIFICATION AND EVALUATION OF FACTORS.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Energy, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, shall identify and evaluate factors, other than agreements for cooperation entered into in accordance with section 123 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2153), that may be used to determine a country's generally authorized destination status under part 810 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, and to list such country as a generally authorized destination in Appendix A to part 810 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations.

(2) PROCESS UPDATE.—The Secretary of Energy shall review and, as appropriate, update the Department of Energy's process for determining a country's generally authorized destination status under part 810 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, and for listing such country as a generally authorized destination in Appendix A to part 810 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, taking into consideration and, as appropriate, incorporating factors identified and evaluated under paragraph (1).

(3) REVISIONS TO LIST.—Not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, and at least once every 5 years thereafter, the Secretary of Energy shall, in accordance with any process updated pursuant to this subsection, review the list in Appendix A to part 810 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, and amend such list as appropriate.

(h) FEES FOR ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTOR APPLICATION REVIEW.—

(1) DEFINITIONS.—Section 3 of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (42 U.S.C. 2215 note; Public Law 115-439) is amended—

(A) by redesignating paragraphs (2) through (15) as paragraphs (3), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (12), (15), (16), (17), (18), (19), (20), and (21), respectively;

(B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following:

“(2) ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTOR APPLICANT.—The term ‘advanced nuclear reactor applicant’ means an entity that has submitted to the Commission an application for a license for an advanced nuclear reactor under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.).”;

(C) by inserting after paragraph (3) (as so redesignated) the following:

“(4) ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTOR PRE-APPLICANT.—The term ‘advanced nuclear reactor pre-applicant’ means an entity that has submitted to the Commission a licensing project plan for the purposes of submitting a future application for a license for an advanced nuclear reactor under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.).”

“(5) AGENCY SUPPORT.—The term ‘agency support’ has the meaning given the term ‘agency support (corporate support and the IG)’ in section 170.3 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation).”;

(D) by inserting after paragraph (10) (as so redesignated) the following:

“(11) HOURLY RATE FOR MISSION-DIRECT PROGRAM SALARIES AND BENEFITS.—The term ‘hourly rate for mission-direct program salaries and benefits’ means the quotient obtained by dividing—

“(A) the full-time equivalent rate (within the meaning of the document of the Commission entitled ‘FY 2023 Final Fee Rule Work Papers’ (or a successor document)) for mission-direct program salaries and benefits for a fiscal year; by

“(B) the productive hours assumption for that fiscal year, determined in accordance with the formula established in the document referred to in subparagraph (A) (or a successor document).”;

(E) by inserting after paragraph (12) (as so redesignated) the following:

“(13) MISSION-DIRECT PROGRAM SALARIES AND BENEFITS.—The term ‘mission-direct program salaries and benefits’ means the resources of the Commission that are allocated to the Nuclear Reactor Safety Program (as determined by the Commission) to perform core work activities committed to fulfilling the mission of the Commission, as described in the document of the Commission entitled ‘FY 2023 Final Fee Rule Work Papers’ (or a successor document).

“(14) MISSION-INDIRECT PROGRAM SUPPORT.—The term ‘mission-indirect program support’ has the meaning given the term in section 170.3 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation).”

(2) EXCLUDED ACTIVITIES.—Section 102(b)(1)(B) of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (42 U.S.C. 2215(b)(1)(B)) (as amended by subsection (c)(3)(A)(ii)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(v) The total costs of mission-indirect program support and agency support that, under paragraph (2)(B), may not be included in the hourly rate charged for fees assessed and collected from advanced nuclear reactor applicants.

“(vi) The total costs of mission-indirect program support and agency support that, under paragraph (2)(C), may not be included in the hourly rate charged for fees assessed and collected from advanced nuclear reactor pre-applicants.”

(3) FEES FOR SERVICE OR THING OF VALUE.—Section 102(b) of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (42 U.S.C. 2215(b)) is amended by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the following:

“(2) FEES FOR SERVICE OR THING OF VALUE.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with section 9701 of title 31, United States Code, the Commission shall assess and collect fees from any person who receives a service or thing of value from the Commission to cover the costs to the Commission of providing the service or thing of value.

“(B) ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTOR APPLICANTS.—The hourly rate charged for fees assessed and collected from an advanced nuclear reactor applicant under this paragraph relating to the review of a submitted application described in section 3(1) may not exceed the hourly rate for mission-direct program salaries and benefits.

“(C) ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTOR PRE-APPLICANTS.—The hourly rate charged for fees assessed and collected from an advanced nuclear reactor pre-applicant under this paragraph relating to the review of submitted materials as described in the licensing project plan of an advanced nuclear reactor pre-applicant may not exceed the hourly rate for mission-direct program salaries and benefits.”

(4) SUNSET.—Section 102 of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (42 U.S.C. 2215) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(g) CESSATION OF EFFECTIVENESS.—Paragraphs (1)(B)(vi) and (2)(C) of subsection (b) shall cease to be effective on September 30, 2030.”

(5) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this subsection shall take effect on October 1, 2025.

(i) ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTOR PRIZES.—Section 103 of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (Public Law 115-439; 132 Stat. 5571) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(f) PRIZES FOR ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTOR LICENSING.—

“(1) DEFINITION OF ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—In this subsection, the term ‘eligible entity’ means—

“(A) a non-Federal entity; and

“(B) the Tennessee Valley Authority.

“(2) PRIZE FOR ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTOR LICENSING.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 169 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2209) and subject to the availability of appropriations, the Secretary is authorized to make, with respect to each award category described in subparagraph (C), an award in an amount described in subparagraph (B) to the first eligible entity—

“(i) to which the Commission issues an operating license for an advanced nuclear reactor under part 50 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (or successor regulations), for which an application has not been approved by the Commission as of the date of enactment of this subsection; or

“(ii) for which the Commission makes a finding described in section 52.103(g) of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (or successor regulations), with respect to a combined license for an advanced nuclear reactor—

“(I) that is issued under subpart C of part 52 of that title (or successor regulations); and

“(II) for which an application has not been approved by the Commission as of the date of enactment of this subsection.

“(B) AMOUNT OF AWARD.—Subject to paragraph (3), an award under subparagraph (A) shall be in an amount equal to the total amount assessed by the Commission and collected under section 102(b)(2) from the eligible entity receiving the award for costs relating to the issuance of the license described in that subparagraph, including, as applicable, costs relating to the issuance of an associated construction permit described in section 50.23 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (or successor regulations), or early site permit (as defined in section 52.1 of that title (or successor regulations)).

“(C) AWARD CATEGORIES.—An award under subparagraph (A) may be made for—

“(i) the first advanced nuclear reactor for which the Commission—

“(I) issues a license in accordance with clause (i) of subparagraph (A); or

“(II) makes a finding in accordance with clause (ii) of that subparagraph;

“(ii) an advanced nuclear reactor that—

“(I) uses isotopes derived from spent nuclear fuel (as defined in section 2 of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 (42 U.S.C. 10101)) or depleted uranium as fuel for the advanced nuclear reactor; and

“(II) is the first advanced nuclear reactor described in subclause (I) for which the Commission—

“(aa) issues a license in accordance with clause (i) of subparagraph (A); or

“(bb) makes a finding in accordance with clause (ii) of that subparagraph;

“(iii) an advanced nuclear reactor that—

“(I) is a nuclear integrated energy system—

“(aa) that is composed of 2 or more co-located or jointly operated subsystems of energy generation, energy storage, or other technologies;

“(bb) in which not fewer than 1 subsystem described in item (aa) is a nuclear energy system; and

“(cc) the purpose of which is—

“(AA) to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in both the power and nonpower sectors; and

“(BB) to maximize energy production and efficiency; and

“(II) is the first advanced nuclear reactor described in subclause (I) for which the Commission—

“(aa) issues a license in accordance with clause (i) of subparagraph (A); or

“(bb) makes a finding in accordance with clause (ii) of that subparagraph;

“(iv) an advanced reactor that—

“(I) operates flexibly to generate electricity or high temperature process heat for nonelectric applications; and

“(II) is the first advanced nuclear reactor described in subclause (I) for which the Commission—

“(aa) issues a license in accordance with clause (i) of subparagraph (A); or

“(bb) makes a finding in accordance with clause (ii) of that subparagraph; and

“(v) the first advanced nuclear reactor for which the Commission grants approval to load nuclear fuel pursuant to the technology-inclusive regulatory framework established under subsection (a)(4).

“(3) FEDERAL FUNDING LIMITATIONS.—

“(A) EXCLUSION OF TVA FUNDS.—In this paragraph, the term ‘Federal funds’ does not include funds received under the power program of the Tennessee Valley Authority established pursuant to the Tennessee Valley Authority Act of 1933 (16 U.S.C. 831 et seq.).

“(B) LIMITATION ON AMOUNTS EXPENDED.—An award under this subsection shall not exceed the total amount expended (excluding any expenditures made with Federal funds received for the applicable project and an amount equal to the minimum cost-share required under section 988 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16352)) by the eligible entity receiving the award for licensing costs relating to the project for which the award is made.

“(C) REPAYMENT AND DIVIDENDS NOT REQUIRED.—Notwithstanding section 9104(a)(4) of title 31, United States Code, or any other provision of law, an eligible entity that receives an award under this subsection shall not be required—

“(i) to repay that award or any part of that award; or

“(ii) to pay a dividend, interest, or other similar payment based on the sum of that award.”.

(j) LICENSING CONSIDERATIONS RELATING TO USE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY FOR NONELECTRIC APPLICATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 270 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report addressing any unique licensing issues or requirements relating to—

(A) the flexible operation of advanced nuclear reactors, such as ramping power output and switching between electricity generation and nonelectric applications;

(B) the use of advanced nuclear reactors exclusively for nonelectric applications; and

(C) the colocation of nuclear reactors with industrial plants or other facilities.

(2) STAKEHOLDER INPUT.—In developing the report under paragraph (1), the Commission shall seek input from—

(A) the Secretary of Energy;

(B) the nuclear energy industry;

(C) technology developers;

(D) the industrial, chemical, and medical sectors;

(E) nongovernmental organizations; and

(F) other public stakeholders.

(3) CONTENTS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The report under paragraph (1) shall describe—

(i) any unique licensing issues or requirements relating to the matters described in subparagraphs (A) through (C) of paragraph (1), including, with respect to the nonelectric applications referred to in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of that paragraph, any licensing issues or requirements relating to the use of nuclear energy—

(I) for hydrogen or other liquid and gaseous fuel or chemical production;

(II) for water desalination and wastewater treatment;

(III) for heat used for industrial processes;

(IV) for district heating;

(V) in relation to energy storage;

(VI) for industrial or medical isotope production; and

(VII) for other applications, as identified by the Commission;

(ii) options for addressing those issues or requirements—

(I) within the existing regulatory framework;

(II) as part of the technology-inclusive regulatory framework required under subsection (a)(4) of section 103 of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (42 U.S.C. 2133 note; Public Law 115-439); or

(III) through a new rulemaking; and

(iii) the extent to which Commission action is needed to implement any matter described in the report.

(B) COST ESTIMATES, BUDGETS, AND TIME-FRAMES.—The report shall include cost estimates, proposed budgets, and proposed timeframes for implementing risk-informed and performance-based regulatory guidance in the licensing of nuclear reactors for nonelectric applications.

(k) ENABLING PREPARATIONS FOR THE DEMONSTRATION OF ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTORS ON DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY SITES OR CRITICAL NATIONAL SECURITY INFRASTRUCTURE SITES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 102(b)(1)(B) of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (42 U.S.C. 2215(b)(1)(B)) (as amended by subsection (h)(2)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(vii) Costs for—

“(I) activities to review and approve or disapprove an application for an early site permit (as defined in section 52.1 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation)) to demonstrate an advanced nuclear reactor on a Department of Energy site or critical national security infrastructure (as defined in section 327(d) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115-232; 132 Stat. 1722)) site; and

“(II) pre-application activities relating to an early site permit (as defined in section 52.1 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation)) to demonstrate an advanced nuclear reactor on a Department of Energy site or critical national security infrastructure (as defined in section 327(d) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115-232; 132 Stat. 1722)) site.”.

(2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by paragraph (1) shall take effect on October 1, 2025.

(1) FUSION ENERGY REGULATION.—

(1) DEFINITION.—Section 11 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2041) is amended—

(A) in subsection e.—

(i) in paragraph (3)(B)—

(I) in clause (i), by inserting “, including by use of a fusion machine” after “particle accelerator”; and

(II) in clause (ii), by inserting “if made radioactive by use of a particle accelerator that is not a fusion machine,” before “is produced”;

(B) in each of subsections ee. through hh., by inserting a subsection heading, the text of which comprises the term defined in the subsection;

(C) by redesignating subsections ee., ff., gg., hh., and jj. as subsections jj., gg., hh., ii., and ff., respectively, and moving the subsections so as to appear in alphabetical order;

(D) in subsection dd., by striking “dd. The” and inserting the following:

“ee. HIGH-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE; SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL.—The”; and

(E) by inserting after subsection cc. the following:

“dd. FUSION MACHINE.—The term ‘fusion machine’ means a machine that is capable of—

“(1) transforming atomic nuclei, through fusion processes, into different elements, isotopes, or other particles; and

“(2) directly capturing and using the resultant products, including particles, heat, or other electromagnetic radiation.”.

(2) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Section 103(a) of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (42 U.S.C. 2133 note; Public Law 115-439) is amended—

(i) in paragraph (4), by striking “inclusive,” and inserting “inclusive”; and

(ii) in paragraph (5)(B)(ii), by inserting “(including fusion machine license applications)” after “commercial advanced nuclear reactor license applications”.

(B) DEFINITIONS.—Section 3 of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (42 U.S.C. 2215 note; Public Law 115-439) (as amended by subsection (h)(1)) is amended—

(i) in paragraph (1), in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking “or fusion reactor” and inserting “reactor or fusion machine”; and

(ii) by redesignating paragraphs (11) through (21) as paragraphs (12) through (22), respectively; and

(iii) by inserting after paragraph (10) the following:

“(11) FUSION MACHINE.—The term ‘fusion machine’ has the meaning given the term in section 11 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2041).”.

(3) REPORT.—

(A) DEFINITIONS.—In this paragraph:

(i) AGREEMENT STATE.—The term “Agreement State” has the meaning given the term in section 3 of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (42 U.S.C. 2215 note; Public Law 115-439).

(ii) FUSION MACHINE.—The term “fusion machine” has the meaning given the term in section 11 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2041).

(B) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on—

(i) the results of a study, conducted in consultation with Agreement States and the private fusion sector, on risk- and performance-based, design-specific licensing frameworks for mass-manufactured fusion machines, including an evaluation of the design, manufacturing, and operations certification process used by the Federal Aviation Administration for aircraft as a potential model for mass-manufactured fusion machine regulations; and

(ii) the estimated timeline for the Commission to issue consolidated guidance or regulations for licensing mass-manufactured fusion machines, taking into account—

(I) the results of that study; and

(II) the anticipated need for such guidance or regulations.

(m) REGULATORY ISSUES FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES AT BROWNFIELD SITES.—

(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

(A) BROWNFIELD SITE.—The term “brownfield site” has the meaning given the term in section 101 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9601).

(B) COVERED SITE.—The term “covered site” means a brownfield site, a retired fossil fuel site, or a site that is both a retired fossil fuel site and a brownfield site.

(C) PRODUCTION FACILITY.—The term “production facility” has the meaning given the term in section 11 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2114).

(D) RETIRED FOSSIL FUEL SITE.—The term “retired fossil fuel site” means the site of 1 or more fossil fuel electric generation facilities that are retired or scheduled to retire, including multi-unit facilities that are partially shut down.

(E) UTILIZATION FACILITY.—The term “utilization facility” has the meaning given the term in section 11 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2114).

(2) IDENTIFICATION OF REGULATORY ISSUES.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall evaluate the extent to which modification of regulations, guidance, or policy is needed to enable efficient, timely, and predictable licensing reviews for, and to support the oversight of, production facilities or utilization facilities at covered sites.

(B) REQUIREMENT.—In carrying out subparagraph (A), the Commission shall consider how licensing reviews for production facilities or utilization facilities at covered sites may be expedited by considering matters relating to siting and operating a production facility or a utilization facility at or near a covered site to support—

(i) the reuse of existing site infrastructure, including—

(I) electric switchyard components and transmission infrastructure;

(II) heat-sink components;

(III) steam cycle components;

(IV) roads;

(V) railroad access; and

(VI) water availability;

(ii) the use of early site permits;

(iii) the utilization of plant parameter envelopes or similar standardized site parameters on a portion of a larger site; and

(iv) the use of a standardized application for similar sites.

(C) REPORT.—Not later than 14 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report describing any regulations, guidance, and policies identified under subparagraph (A).

(3) LICENSING.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall—

(i) develop and implement strategies to enable efficient, timely, and predictable licensing reviews for, and to support the oversight of, production facilities or utilization facilities at covered sites; or

(ii) initiate a rulemaking to enable efficient, timely, and predictable licensing reviews for, and to support the oversight of, production facilities or utilization facilities at covered sites.

(B) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out subparagraph (A), consistent with the mission of

the Commission, the Commission shall consider matters relating to—

(i) the use of existing site infrastructure;

(ii) existing emergency preparedness organizations and planning;

(iii) the availability of historical site-specific environmental data;

(iv) previously completed environmental reviews required by the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.);

(v) activities associated with the potential decommissioning of facilities or decontamination and remediation at covered sites; and

(vi) community engagement and historical experience with energy production.

(4) REPORT.—Not later than 3 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report describing the actions taken by the Commission under paragraph (3)(A).

(n) COMBINED LICENSE REVIEW PROCEDURE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with this subsection, the Commission shall establish and carry out an expedited procedure for issuing a combined license pursuant to section 185 b. of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2235(b)).

(2) QUALIFICATIONS.—To qualify for the expedited procedure under paragraph (1), an applicant—

(A) shall submit a combined license application for a new nuclear reactor that—

(i) references a design for which the Commission has issued a design certification (as defined in section 52.1 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation)); or

(ii) has a design that is substantially similar to a design of a nuclear reactor for which the Commission has issued a combined license, an operating license, or a manufacturing license under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.);

(B) shall propose to construct the new nuclear reactor on a site—

(i) on which a licensed commercial nuclear reactor operates or previously operated; or

(ii) that is directly adjacent to a site on which a licensed commercial nuclear reactor operates or previously operated and has site characteristics that are substantially similar to that site; and

(C) may not be subject to an order of the Commission to suspend or revoke a license under section 2.202 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation).

(3) EXPEDITED PROCEDURE.—With respect to a combined license for which the applicant has satisfied the requirements described in paragraph (2), the Commission shall, to the maximum extent practicable—

(A) not later than 18 months after the date on which the application is accepted for docketing—

(i) complete the technical review process and issue a safety evaluation report; and

(ii) issue a final environmental impact statement or environmental assessment, unless the Commission finds that the proposed agency action is excluded pursuant to a categorical exclusion in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.);

(B) not later than 2 years after the date on which the application is accepted for docketing, complete any necessary public licensing hearings and related processes; and

(C) not later than 25 months after the date on which the application is accepted for docketing, make a final decision on whether to issue the combined license.

(4) PERFORMANCE AND REPORTING.—

(A) DELAYS IN ISSUANCE.—Not later than 30 days after the applicable deadline, the Executive Director for Operations of the Commission shall inform the Commission of any failure to meet a deadline under paragraph (3).

(B) DELAYS IN ISSUANCE EXCEEDING 90 DAYS.—If any deadline under paragraph (3) is not met by the date that is 90 days after the applicable date required under that paragraph, the Commission shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report describing the delay, including—

(i) a detailed explanation accounting for the delay; and

(ii) a plan for completion of the applicable action.

(c) REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS FOR MICRO-REACTORS.—

(1) MICRO-REACTOR LICENSING.—The Commission shall—

(A) not later than 18 months after the date of enactment of this Act, develop risk-informed and performance-based strategies and guidance to license and regulate micro-reactors pursuant to section 103 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2133), including strategies and guidance for—

(i) staffing and operations;

(ii) oversight and inspections;

(iii) safeguards and security;

(iv) emergency preparedness;

(v) risk analysis methods, including alternatives to probabilistic risk assessments;

(vi) decommissioning funding assurance methods that permit the use of design- and site-specific cost estimates;

(vii) the transportation of fueled micro-reactors; and

(viii) siting, including in relation to—

(I) the population density criterion limit described in the policy issue paper on population-related siting considerations for advanced reactors dated May 8, 2020, and numbered SECY-20-0045;

(II) licensing mobile deployment; and

(III) environmental reviews; and

(B) not later than 3 years after the date of enactment of this Act, implement, as appropriate, the strategies and guidance developed under subparagraph (A)—

(i) within the existing regulatory framework;

(ii) through the technology-inclusive regulatory framework to be established under section 103(a)(4) of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (42 U.S.C. 2133 note; Public Law 115-439); or

(iii) through a pending or new rulemaking.

(2) CONSIDERATIONS.—In developing and implementing strategies and guidance under paragraph (1), the Commission shall consider—

(A) the unique characteristics of micro-reactors, including characteristics relating to—

(i) physical size;

(ii) design simplicity; and

(iii) source term;

(B) opportunities to address redundancies and inefficiencies;

(C) opportunities to consolidate review phases and reduce transitions between review teams;

(D) opportunities to establish integrated review teams to ensure continuity throughout the review process; and

(E) other relevant considerations discussed in the policy issue paper on policy and licensing considerations related to micro-reactors dated October 6, 2020, and numbered SECY-20-0093.

(3) CONSULTATION.—In carrying out paragraph (1), the Commission shall consult with—

(A) the Secretary of Energy;

(B) the heads of other Federal agencies, as appropriate;

(C) micro-reactor technology developers; and

(D) other stakeholders.

(p) FOREIGN OWNERSHIP.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The prohibitions against issuing certain licenses for utilization facilities to certain aliens, corporations, and other entities described in the second sentence of section 103 d. of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2133(d)) and the second sentence of section 104 d. of that Act (42 U.S.C. 2134(d)) shall not apply to an entity described in paragraph (2) if the Commission determines that issuance of the applicable license to that entity is not inimical to—

(A) the common defense and security; or

(B) the health and safety of the public.

(2) ENTITIES DESCRIBED.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—An entity referred to in paragraph (1) is an alien, corporation, or other entity that is owned, controlled, or dominated by—

(i) the government of—

(I) a country, other than a country described in subparagraph (B), that is a member of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development on the date of enactment of this Act; or

(II) the Republic of India;

(ii) a corporation that is incorporated in a country described in subclause (I) or (II) of clause (i); or

(iii) an alien who is a citizen or national of a country described in subclause (I) or (II) of clause (i).

(B) EXCLUSION.—A country described in this subparagraph is a country—

(i) any department, agency, or instrumentality of the government of which, on the date of enactment of this Act, is subject to sanctions under section 231 of the Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act (22 U.S.C. 9525); or

(ii) any citizen, national, or entity of which, as of the date of enactment of this Act, is included on the List of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons maintained by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury pursuant to sanctions imposed under section 231 of the Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act (22 U.S.C. 9525).

(3) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—Section 103 d. of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2133(d)) is amended, in the second sentence, by striking “any any” and inserting “any”.

(4) SAVINGS CLAUSE.—Nothing in this subsection affects the requirements of section 721 of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4565).

(q) REPORT ON ADVANCED METHODS OF MANUFACTURING AND CONSTRUCTION FOR NUCLEAR ENERGY PROJECTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report (referred to in this subsection as the “report”) on manufacturing and construction for nuclear energy projects.

(2) STAKEHOLDER INPUT.—In developing the report, the Commission shall seek input from—

(A) the Secretary of Energy;

(B) the nuclear energy industry;

(C) National Laboratories;

(D) institutions of higher education;

(E) nuclear and manufacturing technology developers;

(F) the manufacturing and construction industries, including manufacturing and construction companies with operating facilities in the United States;

(G) standards development organizations;

(H) labor unions;

(I) nongovernmental organizations; and

(J) other public stakeholders.

(3) CONTENTS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The report shall—

(i) examine any unique licensing issues or requirements relating to the use, for nuclear energy projects, of—

(I) advanced manufacturing processes;

(II) advanced construction techniques; and

(III) rapid improvement or iterative innovation processes;

(ii) examine—

(I) the requirements for nuclear-grade components in manufacturing and construction for nuclear energy projects;

(II) opportunities to use standard materials, parts, or components in manufacturing and construction for nuclear energy projects;

(III) opportunities to use standard materials that are in compliance with existing codes and standards to provide acceptable approaches to support or encapsulate new materials that do not yet have applicable codes and standards; and

(IV) requirements relating to the transport of a fueled advanced nuclear reactor core from a manufacturing licensee to a licensee that holds a license to construct and operate a facility at a particular site;

(iii) identify safety aspects of advanced manufacturing processes and advanced construction techniques that are not addressed by existing codes and standards, so that generic guidance may be updated or created, as necessary;

(iv) identify options for addressing the issues, requirements, and opportunities examined under clauses (i) and (ii)—

(I) within the existing regulatory framework; or

(II) through a new rulemaking;

(v) identify how addressing the issues, requirements, and opportunities examined under clauses (i) and (ii) will impact opportunities for domestic nuclear manufacturing and construction developers; and

(vi) describe the extent to which Commission action is needed to implement any matter described in the report.

(B) COST ESTIMATES, BUDGETS, AND TIMEFRAMES.—The report shall include cost estimates, proposed budgets, and proposed timeframes for implementing risk-informed and performance-based regulatory guidance for advanced manufacturing and construction for nuclear energy projects.

(r) NUCLEAR ENERGY TRAINEESHIP.—Section 313 of division C of the Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009 (42 U.S.C. 16274a), is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking “Nuclear Regulatory”;

(2) in subsection (b)(1), in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by inserting “and subsection (c)” after “paragraph (2)”;

(3) in subsection (c)—

(A) by redesignating paragraph (2) as paragraph (5); and

(B) by striking paragraph (1) and inserting the following:

“(1) ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTOR.—The term ‘advanced nuclear reactor’ has the meaning given the term in section 951(b) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16271(b)).”

“(2) COMMISSION.—The term ‘Commission’ means the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.”

“(3) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—The term ‘institution of higher education’ has the meaning given the term in section 2 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15801).”

“(4) NATIONAL LABORATORY.—The term ‘National Laboratory’ has the meaning given the term in section 951(b) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16271(b)).”

(4) in subsection (d)(2), by striking “Nuclear Regulatory”;

(5) by redesignating subsections (c) and (d) as subsections (d) and (e), respectively; and

(6) by inserting after subsection (b) the following:

“(c) NUCLEAR ENERGY TRAINEESHIP SUBPROGRAM.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Commission shall establish, as a subprogram of the Program, a nuclear energy traineeship subprogram under which the Commission, in coordination with institutions of higher education and trade schools, shall competitively award traineeships that provide focused training to meet critical mission needs of the Commission and nuclear workforce needs, including needs relating to the nuclear tradecraft workforce.

“(2) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out the nuclear energy traineeship subprogram described in paragraph (1), the Commission shall—

“(A) coordinate with the Secretary of Energy to prioritize the funding of traineeships that focus on—

“(i) nuclear workforce needs; and

“(ii) critical mission needs of the Commission;

“(B) encourage appropriate partnerships among—

“(i) National Laboratories;

“(ii) institutions of higher education;

“(iii) trade schools;

“(iv) the nuclear energy industry; and

“(v) other entities, as the Commission determines to be appropriate; and

“(C) on an annual basis, evaluate nuclear workforce needs for the purpose of implementing traineeships in focused topical areas that—

“(i) address the workforce needs of the nuclear energy community; and

“(ii) support critical mission needs of the Commission.”

(s) BIENNIAL REPORT ON THE SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL AND HIGH-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE INVENTORY IN THE UNITED STATES.—

(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

(A) HIGH-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE.—The term “high-level radioactive waste” has the meaning given the term in section 2 of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 (42 U.S.C. 10101).

(B) SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL.—The term “spent nuclear fuel” has the meaning given the term in section 2 of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 (42 U.S.C. 10101).

(C) STANDARD CONTRACT.—The term “standard contract” has the meaning given the term “contract” in section 961.3 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation).

(2) REPORT.—Not later than January 1, 2026, and biennially thereafter, the Secretary of Energy shall submit to Congress a report that describes—

(A) the annual and cumulative amount of payments made by the United States to the holder of a standard contract due to a partial breach of contract under the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 (42 U.S.C. 10101 et seq.) resulting in financial damages to the holder;

(B) the cumulative amount spent by the Department of Energy since fiscal year 2008 to reduce future payments projected to be made by the United States to any holder of a standard contract due to a partial breach of contract under the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 (42 U.S.C. 10101 et seq.);

(C) the cumulative amount spent by the Department of Energy to store, manage, and dispose of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste in the United States as of the date of the report;

(D) the projected lifecycle costs to store, manage, transport, and dispose of the projected inventory of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste in the United States, including spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste expected to be

generated from existing reactors through 2050;

(E) any mechanisms for better accounting of liabilities for the lifecycle costs of the spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste inventory in the United States;

(F) any recommendations for improving the methods used by the Department of Energy for the accounting of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste costs and liabilities;

(G) any actions taken in the previous fiscal year by the Department of Energy with respect to interim storage; and

(H) any activities taken in the previous fiscal year by the Department of Energy to develop and deploy nuclear technologies and fuels that enhance the safe transportation or storage of spent nuclear fuel or high-level radioactive waste, including technologies to protect against seismic, flooding, and other extreme weather events.

(t) DEVELOPMENT, QUALIFICATION, AND LICENSING OF ADVANCED NUCLEAR FUEL CONCEPTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Commission shall establish an initiative to enhance preparedness and coordination with respect to the qualification and licensing of advanced nuclear fuel.

(2) AGENCY COORDINATION.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission and the Secretary of Energy shall enter into a memorandum of understanding—

(A) to share technical expertise and knowledge through—

(i) enabling the testing and demonstration of accident tolerant fuels for existing commercial nuclear reactors and advanced nuclear reactor fuel concepts to be proposed and funded, in whole or in part, by the private sector;

(ii) operating a database to store and share data and knowledge relevant to nuclear science and engineering between Federal agencies and the private sector;

(iii) leveraging expertise with respect to safety analysis and research relating to advanced nuclear fuel; and

(iv) enabling technical staff to actively observe and learn about technologies, with an emphasis on identification of additional information needed with respect to advanced nuclear fuel; and

(B) to ensure that—

(i) the Department of Energy has sufficient technical expertise to support the timely research, development, demonstration, and commercial application of advanced nuclear fuel;

(ii) the Commission has sufficient technical expertise to support the evaluation of applications for licenses, permits, and design certifications and other requests for regulatory approval for advanced nuclear fuel;

(iii) (I) the Department of Energy maintains and develops the facilities necessary to enable the timely research, development, demonstration, and commercial application by the civilian nuclear industry of advanced nuclear fuel; and

(II) the Commission has access to the facilities described in subclause (I), as needed; and

(iv) the Commission consults, as appropriate, with the modeling and simulation experts at the Office of Nuclear Energy of the Department of Energy, at the National Laboratories, and within industry fuel vendor teams in cooperative agreements with the Department of Energy to leverage physics-based computer modeling and simulation capabilities.

(3) REPORT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall submit to the appropriate

committees of Congress a report describing the efforts of the Commission under paragraph (1), including—

(i) an assessment of the preparedness of the Commission to review and qualify for use—

(I) accident tolerant fuel;

(II) ceramic cladding materials;

(III) fuels containing silicon carbide;

(IV) high-assay, low-enriched uranium fuels;

(V) molten-salt based liquid fuels;

(VI) fuels derived from spent nuclear fuel or depleted uranium; and

(VII) other related fuel concepts, as determined by the Commission;

(ii) activities planned or undertaken under the memorandum of understanding described in paragraph (2);

(iii) an accounting of the areas of research needed with respect to advanced nuclear fuel; and

(iv) any other challenges or considerations identified by the Commission.

(B) CONSULTATION.—In developing the report under subparagraph (A), the Commission shall seek input from—

(i) the Secretary of Energy;

(ii) National Laboratories;

(iii) the nuclear energy industry;

(iv) technology developers;

(v) nongovernmental organizations; and

(vi) other public stakeholders.

(u) MISSION ALIGNMENT.—

(1) UPDATE.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall, while remaining consistent with the policies of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.) and the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5801 et seq.) (including to provide reasonable assurance of adequate protection of the public health and safety, to promote the common defense and security, and to protect the environment), update the mission statement of the Commission to include that licensing and regulation of the civilian use of radioactive materials and nuclear energy be conducted in a manner that is efficient and does not unnecessarily limit—

(A) the civilian use of radioactive materials and deployment of nuclear energy; or

(B) the benefits of civilian use of radioactive materials and nuclear energy technology to society.

(2) REPORT.—On completion of the update to the mission statement required under paragraph (1), the Commission shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report that describes—

(A) the updated mission statement; and

(B) the guidance that the Commission will provide to staff of the Commission to ensure effective performance of the mission of the Commission.

(v) STRENGTHENING THE NRC WORKFORCE.—

(1) COMMISSION WORKFORCE.—

(A) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—The Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.) is amended by inserting after section 161A the following:

“SEC. 161B. COMMISSION WORKFORCE.

“(a) DIRECT HIRE AUTHORITY.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 161 d. of this Act and any provision of Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 1980 (94 Stat. 3585; 5 U.S.C. app.), and without regard to any provision of title 5 (except section 3328), United States Code, governing appointments in the civil service, the Chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (in this section referred to as the ‘Chairman’) may, in order to carry out the Nuclear Regulatory Commission’s (in this section referred to as the ‘Commission’) responsibilities and activities in a timely, efficient, and effective manner and subject to the limitations described in paragraphs (2), (3), and (4)—

“(A) recruit and directly appoint exceptionally well-qualified individuals into the excepted service for covered positions; and

“(B) establish in the excepted service term-limited covered positions and recruit and directly appoint exceptionally well-qualified individuals into such term-limited covered positions, which may not exceed a term of 4 years.

“(2) LIMITATIONS.—

“(A) NUMBER.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—The number of exceptionally well-qualified individuals serving in covered positions pursuant to paragraph (1)(A) may not exceed 210 at any one time.

“(ii) TERM-LIMITED COVERED POSITIONS.—The Chairman may not appoint more than 20 exceptionally well-qualified individuals into term-limited covered positions pursuant to paragraph (1)(B) during any fiscal year.

“(B) COMPENSATION.—

“(i) ANNUAL RATE.—The annual basic rate of pay for any individual appointed under paragraph (1)(A) or paragraph (1)(B) may not exceed the annual basic rate of pay for level III of the Executive Schedule under section 5314 of title 5, United States Code.

“(ii) EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS.—Any individual recruited and directly appointed into a covered position or a term-limited covered position shall be compensated at a rate of pay that is commensurate with such individual’s experience and qualifications.

“(C) SENIOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE POSITION.—The Chairman may not, under paragraph (1)(A) or paragraph (1)(B), appoint exceptionally well-qualified individuals to any Senior Executive Service position, as defined in section 3132 of title 5, United States Code.

“(3) LEVEL OF POSITIONS.—To the extent practicable, in carrying out paragraph (1) the Chairman shall recruit and directly appoint exceptionally well-qualified individuals into the excepted service to entry, mid, and senior level covered positions, including term-limited covered positions.

“(4) CONSIDERATION OF FUTURE WORKFORCE NEEDS.—When recruiting and directly appointing exceptionally well-qualified individuals to covered positions pursuant to paragraph (1)(A), to maintain sufficient flexibility under the limitations of paragraph (2)(A)(i), the Chairman shall consider the future workforce needs of the Commission to carry out its responsibilities and activities in a timely, efficient, and effective manner.

“(b) ADDRESSING INSUFFICIENT COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEES AND OTHER PERSONNEL OF THE COMMISSION.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Chairman may fix the compensation for employees or other personnel serving in a covered position without regard to any provision of title 5, United States Code, governing General Schedule classification and pay rates.

“(2) APPLICABILITY.—The authority under this subsection to fix the compensation of employees or other personnel shall apply with respect to an employee or other personnel serving in a covered position regardless of when the employee or other personnel was hired.

“(3) LIMITATIONS ON COMPENSATION.—

“(A) ANNUAL RATE.—The Chairman may not use the authority under paragraph (1) to fix the compensation of employees or other personnel—

“(i) at an annual rate of basic pay higher than the annual basic rate of pay for level III of the Executive Schedule under section 5314 of title 5, United States Code; or

“(ii) at an annual rate of basic pay that is not commensurate with such an employee or other personnel’s experience and qualifications.

“(B) SENIOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE POSITIONS.—The Chairman may not use the authority under paragraph (1) to fix the compensation of an employee serving in a Senior Executive Service position, as defined in section 3132 of title 5, United States Code.

“(C) ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION AUTHORITY.—

“(1) FOR NEW EMPLOYEES.—The Chairman may pay an individual recruited and directly appointed under subsection (a) a 1-time hiring bonus in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.

“(2) FOR EXISTING EMPLOYEES.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraphs (B) and (C), an employee or other personnel who the Chairman determines exhibited exceptional performance in a fiscal year may be paid a performance bonus in an amount not to exceed the least of—

“(i) \$25,000; and

“(ii) the amount of the limitation that is applicable for a calendar year under section 5307(a)(1) of title 5, United States Code.

“(B) EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMANCE.—Exceptional performance under subparagraph (A) includes—

“(i) leading a project team in a timely and efficient licensing review to enable the safe use of nuclear technology;

“(ii) making significant contributions to a timely and efficient licensing review to enable the safe use of nuclear technology;

“(iii) the resolution of novel or first-of-a-kind regulatory issues;

“(iv) developing or implementing licensing or regulatory oversight processes to improve the effectiveness of the Commission; and

“(v) other performance, as determined by the Chairman.

“(C) LIMITATIONS.—

“(i) SUBSEQUENT BONUSES.—Any person who receives a performance bonus under subparagraph (A) may not receive another performance bonus under that subparagraph for a period of 5 years thereafter.

“(ii) HIRING BONUSES.—Any person who receives a 1-time hiring bonus under paragraph (1) may not receive a performance bonus under subparagraph (A) unless more than one year has elapsed since the payment of such 1-time hiring bonus.

“(iii) NO BONUS FOR SENIOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE POSITIONS.—No person serving in a Senior Executive Service position, as defined in section 3132 of title 5, United States Code, may receive a performance bonus under subparagraph (A).

“(d) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND REPORT.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this section, the Chairman shall develop and implement a plan to carry out this section. Before implementing such plan, the Chairman shall submit to the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate, and the Office of Personnel Management a report on the details of the plan.

“(2) REPORT CONTENT.—The report submitted under paragraph (1) shall include—

“(A) evidence and supporting documentation justifying the plan; and

“(B) budgeting projections on costs and benefits resulting from the plan.

“(3) CONSULTATION.—The Chairman may consult with the Office of Personnel Management, the Office of Management and Budget, and the Comptroller General of the United States in developing the plan under paragraph (1).

“(e) DELEGATION.—The Chairman shall delegate, subject to the direction and supervision of the Chairman, the authority provided by subsections (a), (b), and (c) to the Executive Director for Operations of the Commission.

“(f) INFORMATION ON HIRING, VACANCIES, AND COMPENSATION.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Commission shall include in its budget materials submitted in support of the budget of the President (submitted to Congress pursuant to section 1105 of title 31, United States Code), for fiscal year 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter, information relating to hiring, vacancies, and compensation at the Commission.

“(2) INCLUSIONS.—The information described in paragraph (1) shall include—

“(A) an analysis of any trends with respect to hiring, vacancies, and compensation at the Commission;

“(B) a description of the efforts to retain and attract employees or other personnel to serve in covered positions at the Commission;

“(C) information that describes—

“(i) how the authority provided by subsection (a) is being used to address the hiring needs of the Commission;

“(ii) the total number of exceptionally well-qualified individuals serving in—

“(I) covered positions described in subsection (g)(1) pursuant to subsection (a)(1)(A);

“(II) covered positions described in subsection (g)(2) pursuant to subsection (a)(1)(A);

“(III) term-limited covered positions described in subsection (g)(1) pursuant to subsection (a)(1)(B); and

“(IV) term-limited covered positions described in subsection (g)(2) pursuant to subsection (a)(1)(B);

“(iii) how the authority provided by subsection (b) is being used to address the hiring or retention needs of the Commission;

“(iv) the total number of employees or other personnel serving in a covered position that have their compensation fixed pursuant to subsection (b); and

“(v) the attrition levels with respect to term-limited covered positions appointed under subsection (a)(1)(B), including the number of individuals leaving a term-limited covered position before completion of the applicable term of service and the average length of service for such individuals as a percentage of the applicable term of service; and

“(D) an assessment of—

“(i) the current critical workforce needs of the Commission and any critical workforce needs that the Commission anticipates in the next five years; and

“(ii) additional skillsets that are or likely will be needed for the Commission to fulfill the licensing and oversight responsibilities of the Commission.

“(g) COVERED POSITION.—In this section, the term ‘covered position’ means—

“(1) a position in which an employee or other personnel is responsible for conducting work of a highly-specialized scientific, technical, engineering, mathematical, or otherwise skilled nature to address a critical licensing or regulatory oversight need for the Commission; or

“(2) a position that the Executive Director for Operations of the Commission determines is necessary to fulfill the responsibilities of the Commission in a timely, efficient, and effective manner.

“(h) SUNSET.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the authorities provided by subsections (a) and (b) shall terminate on September 30, 2034.

“(2) CERTIFICATION.—If, no later than the date referenced in paragraph (1), the Commission issues a certification that the authorities provided by subsection (a), subsection (b), or both subsections are necessary for the Commission to carry out its responsibilities and activities in a timely, efficient,

and effective manner, the authorities provided by the applicable subsection shall terminate on September 30, 2039.

“(3) COMPENSATION.—The termination of the authorities provided by subsections (a) and (b) shall not affect the compensation of an employee or other personnel serving in a covered position whose compensation was fixed by the Chairman in accordance with subsection (a) or (b).”

(B) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 161 the following:

“Sec. 161A. Use of firearms by security personnel.

“Sec. 161B. Commission workforce.”

(2) GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE REPORT.—Not later than September 30, 2033, the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to the Committee on Energy and Commerce and the Committee on Oversight and Accountability of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works and the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate a report that—

(A) evaluates the extent to which the authorities provided under subsections (a), (b), and (c) of section 161B of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (as added by this Act) have been utilized;

(B) describes the role in which the exceptionally well-qualified individuals recruited and directly appointed pursuant to section 161B(a) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (as added by this Act) have been utilized to support the licensing of advanced nuclear reactors;

(C) assesses the effectiveness of the authorities provided under subsections (a), (b), and (c) of section 161B of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (as added by this Act) in helping the Commission fulfill its mission;

(D) makes recommendations to improve the Commission's strategic workforce management; and

(E) makes recommendations with respect to whether Congress should extend, enhance, modify, or discontinue the authorities provided under subsections (a), (b), and (c) of section 161B of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (as added by this Act).

(3) ANNUAL SOLICITATION FOR NUCLEAR REGULATOR APPRENTICESHIP NETWORK APPLICATIONS.—The Commission, on an annual basis, shall solicit applications for the Nuclear Regulator Apprenticeship Network.

(W) COMMISSION CORPORATE SUPPORT FUNDING.—

(1) REPORT.—Not later than 3 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress and make publicly available a report that describes—

(A) the progress on the implementation of section 102(a)(3) of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (42 U.S.C. 2215(a)(3)); and

(B) whether the Commission is meeting and is expected to meet the total budget authority caps required for corporate support under that section.

(2) LIMITATION ON CORPORATE SUPPORT COSTS.—Section 102(a)(3) of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (42 U.S.C. 2215(a)(3)) is amended by striking subparagraphs (B) and (C) and inserting the following:

“(B) 30 percent for fiscal year 2025 and each fiscal year thereafter.”

(3) CORPORATE SUPPORT COSTS CLARIFICATION.—Paragraph (10) of section 3 of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (42 U.S.C. 2215 note; Public Law 115-439) (as redesignated by subsection (h)(1)(A)) is amended—

(A) by striking “The term” and inserting the following:

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The term”; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:

“(B) EXCLUSIONS.—The term ‘corporate support costs’ does not include—

“(i) costs for rent and utilities relating to any and all space in the Three White Flint North building that is not occupied by the Commission; or

“(ii) costs for salaries, travel, and other support for the Office of the Commission.”.

(X) PERFORMANCE METRICS AND MILESTONES.—Section 102(c) of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act (42 U.S.C. 2215(c)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (3)—

(A) in the paragraph heading, by striking “180” and inserting “90”; and

(B) by striking “180” and inserting “90”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(4) PERIODIC UPDATES TO METRICS AND SCHEDULES.—

“(A) REVIEW AND ASSESSMENT.—Not less frequently than once every 3 years, the Commission shall review and assess, based on the licensing and regulatory activities of the Commission, the performance metrics and milestone schedules established under paragraph (1).

“(B) REVISIONS.—After each review and assessment under subparagraph (A), the Commission shall revise and improve, as appropriate, the performance metrics and milestone schedules described in that subparagraph to provide the most efficient metrics and schedules reasonably achievable.”.

(Y) NUCLEAR LICENSING EFFICIENCY.—

(1) OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION.—Section 203 of the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5843) is amended—

(A) in subsection (a), by striking “(a) There” and inserting the following:

“(a) ESTABLISHMENT; APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR.—There”;

(B) in subsection (b)—

(i) in the matter preceding paragraph (1)—

(I) by striking “(b) Subject” and inserting the following:

“(b) FUNCTIONS OF DIRECTOR.—Subject”; and

(II) by striking “delegate including:” and inserting “delegate, including the following.”; and

(ii) in paragraph (3), by striking “for the discharge of the” and inserting “to fulfill the licensing and regulatory oversight”;

(C) in subsection (c), by striking “(c) Nothing” and inserting the following:

“(d) RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFE OPERATION OF FACILITIES.—Nothing”; and

(D) by inserting after subsection (b) the following:

“(c) LICENSING PROCESS.—In carrying out the principal licensing and regulation functions under subsection (b)(1), the Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation shall—

“(1) establish techniques and guidance for evaluating applications for licenses for nuclear reactors to support efficient, timely, and predictable reviews of applications for those licenses to enable the safe and secure use of nuclear reactors;

“(2) maintain the techniques and guidance established under paragraph (1) by periodically assessing and, if necessary, modifying those techniques and guidance; and

“(3) obtain approval from the Commission if establishment or modification of the techniques and guidance under paragraph (1) or (2) involves policy formulation.”.

(2) EFFICIENT LICENSING REVIEWS.—

(A) GENERAL.—Section 181 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2231) is amended—

(i) by striking “The provisions of” and inserting the following:

“(a) IN GENERAL.—The provisions of”; and

(ii) by adding at the end the following:

“(b) EFFICIENT LICENSING REVIEWS.—The Commission shall provide for efficient and timely reviews and proceedings for the granting, suspending, revoking, or amending of any—

“(1) license or construction permit; or

“(2) application to transfer control.”.

(3) CONSTRUCTION PERMITS AND OPERATING LICENSES.—Section 185 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2235) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(c) APPLICATION REVIEWS FOR PRODUCTION AND UTILIZATION FACILITIES OF AN EXISTING SITE.—In reviewing an application for an early site permit, construction permit, operating license, or combined construction permit and operating license for a production facility or utilization facility located at the site of a production facility or utilization facility licensed by the Commission, the Commission shall, to the extent practicable, use information that was part of the licensing basis of the licensed production facility or utilization facility.”.

(2) MODERNIZATION OF NUCLEAR REACTOR ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on the efforts of the Commission to facilitate efficient, timely, and predictable environmental reviews of nuclear reactor applications for a license under section 103 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2133), including through expanded use of categorical exclusions, environmental assessments, and generic environmental impact statements.

(2) REPORT.—In completing the report under paragraph (1), the Commission shall—

(A) describe the actions the Commission will take to implement the amendments to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) made by section 321 of the Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2023 (Public Law 118-5; 137 Stat. 38);

(B) consider—

(i) using, through adoption, incorporation by reference, or other appropriate means, categorical exclusions, environmental assessments, and environmental impact statements prepared by other Federal agencies to streamline environmental reviews of applications described in paragraph (1) by the Commission;

(ii) using categorical exclusions, environmental assessments, and environmental impact statements prepared by the Commission to streamline environmental reviews of applications described in paragraph (1) by the Commission;

(iii) using mitigated findings of no significant impact in environmental reviews of applications described in paragraph (1) by the Commission to reduce the impact of a proposed action to a level that is not significant;

(iv) the extent to which the Commission may rely on prior studies or analyses prepared by Federal, State, and local governmental permitting agencies to streamline environmental reviews of applications described in paragraph (1) by the Commission;

(v) opportunities to coordinate the development of environmental assessments and environmental impact statements with other Federal agencies to avoid duplicative environmental reviews and to streamline environmental reviews of applications described in paragraph (1) by the Commission;

(vi) opportunities to streamline formal and informal consultations and coordination with other Federal, State, and local governmental permitting agencies during environmental reviews of applications described in paragraph (1) by the Commission;

(vii) opportunities to streamline the Commission's analyses of alternatives, including the Commission's analysis of alternative sites, in environmental reviews of applications described in paragraph (1) by the Commission;

(viii) establishing new categorical exclusions that could be applied to actions relating to new applications described in paragraph (1);

(ix) amending section 51.20(b) of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, to allow the Commission to determine, on a case-specific basis, whether an environmental assessment (rather than an environmental impact statement or supplemental environmental impact statement) is appropriate for a particular application described in paragraph (1), including in proceedings in which the Commission relies on a generic environmental impact statement for advanced nuclear reactors;

(x) authorizing the use of an applicant's environmental impact statement as the Commission's draft environmental impact statement, consistent with section 107(f) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4336a(f));

(xi) opportunities to adopt online and digital technologies, including technologies that would allow applicants and cooperating agencies to upload documents and coordinate with the Commission to edit documents in real time, that would streamline communications between—

(I) the Commission and applicants; and

(II) the Commission and other relevant cooperating agencies; and

(xii) in addition to implementing measures under subparagraph (C), potential revisions to part 51 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, and relevant Commission guidance documents—

(I) to facilitate efficient, timely, and predictable environmental reviews of applications described in paragraph (1);

(II) to assist decision making about relevant environmental issues;

(III) to maintain openness with the public;

(IV) to meet obligations under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.); and

(V) to reduce burdens on licensees, applicants, and the Commission; and

(C) include a schedule for promulgating a rule for any measures considered by the Commission under clauses (i) through (xi) of subparagraph (B) that require a rulemaking.

(aa) IMPROVING OVERSIGHT AND INSPECTION PROGRAMS.—

(1) DEFINITION OF LICENSEE.—In this subsection, the term “licensee” means a person that holds a license issued under section 103 or 104 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2133, 2134).

(2) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall develop and submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report that identifies specific improvements to the nuclear reactor and materials oversight and inspection programs carried out pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.) that the Commission may implement to maximize the efficiency of such programs through, where appropriate, the use of risk-informed, performance-based procedures, expanded incorporation of information technologies, and staff training.

(3) STAKEHOLDER INPUT.—In developing the report under paragraph (2), the Commission shall, as appropriate, seek input from—

(A) other Federal regulatory agencies that conduct oversight and inspections;

(B) the nuclear energy industry;

(C) nongovernmental organizations; and

(D) other public stakeholders.

(4) CONTENTS.—The report submitted under paragraph (2) shall—

(A) assess specific elements of oversight and inspections that may be modified by the use of technology, improved planning, and continually updated risk-informed, performance-based assessment, including—

(i) use of travel resources;

(ii) planning and preparation for inspections, including entrance and exit meetings with licensees;

(iii) document collection and preparation, including consideration of whether nuclear reactor data are accessible prior to onsite visits or requests to the licensee and that document requests are timely and within the scope of inspections; and

(iv) the cross-cutting issues program;

(B) identify and assess measures to improve oversight and inspections, including—

(i) elimination of areas of duplicative or otherwise unnecessary activities;

(ii) increased use of templates in documenting inspection results; and

(iii) periodic training of Commission staff and leadership on the application of risk-informed criteria for—

(I) inspection planning and assessments;

(II) agency decision-making processes on the application of regulations and guidance; and

(III) the application of the Commission's standard of reasonable assurance of adequate protection;

(C) assess measures to advance risk-informed procedures, including—

(i) increased use of inspection approaches that balance the level of resources commensurate with safety significance;

(ii) increased review of the use of inspection program resources based on licensee performance;

(iii) expansion of modern information technology, including artificial intelligence and machine learning, to risk-inform oversight and inspection decisions; and

(iv) updating the Differing Professional Views or Opinions process to ensure any impacts on agency decisions and schedules are commensurate with the safety significance of the differing opinion;

(D) assess the ability of the Commission, consistent with the mission of the Commission, to enable licensee innovations that may advance nuclear reactor operational efficiency and safety, including the criteria of the Commission for timely acceptance of licensee adoption of advanced technologies, including digital technologies;

(E) identify recommendations resulting from the assessments described in subparagraphs (A) through (D);

(F) identify specific actions that the Commission may take to incorporate into the training, inspection, oversight, and licensing activities, and regulations, of the Commission, without compromising the mission of the Commission, the recommendations identified under subparagraph (E); and

(G) describe when the actions identified under subparagraph (F) may be implemented.

(bb) TECHNICAL CORRECTION.—Section 104 c. of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2134(c)) is amended—

(1) by striking the third sentence and inserting the following:

“(3) LIMITATION ON UTILIZATION FACILITIES.—The Commission may issue a license under this section for a utilization facility useful in the conduct of research and development activities of the types specified in section 31 if—

“(A) not more than 75 percent of the annual costs to the licensee of owning and operating the facility are devoted to the sale, other than for research and development or education and training, of—

“(i) nonenergy services;

“(ii) energy; or

“(iii) a combination of nonenergy services and energy; and

“(B) not more than 50 percent of the annual costs to the licensee of owning and operating the facility are devoted to the sale of energy.”;

(2) in the second sentence, by striking “The Commission” and inserting the following:

“(2) REGULATION.—The Commission”; and

(3) by striking “c. The Commission” and inserting the following:

“c. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), the Commission”.

(cc) REPORT ON ENGAGEMENT WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA WITH RESPECT TO NUCLEAR WASTE ISSUES IN THE GREAT LAKES BASIN.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives a report describing any engagement between the Commission and the Government of Canada with respect to nuclear waste issues in the Great Lakes Basin.

(dd) SAVINGS CLAUSE.—Nothing in this section affects authorities of the Department of State.

SA 1925. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. CHILD LAP SEATING.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in any operation of a civil aircraft in the United States, a person may be held by an adult who is occupying a seat or berth approved by the Administrator, provided that the person being held has not reached his or her second birthday and does not occupy or use any restraining device.

SA 1926. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. PROHIBITION ON USE OF AMOUNTS TO PROCESS OR ADMINISTER ANY APPLICATION FOR THE JOINT USE OF HOMESTEAD AIR RESERVE BASE WITH CIVIL AVIATION.

No amounts appropriated or otherwise made available to the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2024 through 2028 may be used to process or administer any application for the joint use of Homestead Air Reserve Base, Homestead, Florida, by the Air Force and civil aircraft.

SA 1927. Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. DISCLOSURES BY DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, AND PRINCIPAL STOCKHOLDERS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 16(a)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78p(a)(1)) is amended by inserting “(including any such security of a foreign private issuer, as that term is defined in section 240.3b-4 of title 17, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation)” after “pursuant to section 12”.

(b) EFFECT ON REGULATION.—If any provision of section 240.3a12-3(b) of title 17, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation, is inconsistent with the amendment made by subsection (a), that provision of such section 240.3a12-3(b) (or such successor) shall have no force or effect.

(c) ISSUANCE OR AMENDMENT OF REGULATIONS.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Securities and Exchange Commission shall issue final regulations (or amend existing regulations of the Commission) to carry out the amendment made by subsection (a).

SA 1928. Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Mr. CASSIDY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end, add the following:

TITLE XIV—REINVESTING IN SHORELINE ECONOMIES AND ECOSYSTEMS ACT OF 2024

SEC. 1401. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the “Reinvesting In Shoreline Economies and Ecosystems Act of 2024” or the “RISEE Act of 2024”.

SEC. 1402. NATIONAL OCEANS AND COASTAL SECURITY FUND; PARITY IN OFFSHORE WIND REVENUE SHARING.

(a) DEFINITIONS IN THE NATIONAL OCEANS AND COASTAL SECURITY ACT.—Section 902 of the National Oceans and Coastal Security Act (16 U.S.C. 7501) is amended—

(1) by striking paragraph (5) and inserting the following:

“(5) INDIAN TRIBE.—The term ‘Indian tribe’ has the meaning given that term in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).”; and

(2) by striking paragraph (7) and inserting the following:

“(7) TIDAL SHORELINE.—The term ‘tidal shoreline’ means the length of tidal shoreline or Great Lake shoreline based on the most recently available data from or accepted by the Office of Coast Survey of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.”.

(b) NATIONAL OCEANS AND COASTAL SECURITY FUND.—Section 904 of the National

Oceans and Coastal Security Act (16 U.S.C. 7503) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by inserting “and manage” after “establish”;

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

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Fund shall consist of such amounts as—

“(A) are deposited in the Fund under subparagraph (C)(ii)(II) of section 8(p)(2) of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1337(p)(2)); and

“(B) are appropriated or otherwise made available for the Fund.”;

(3) by striking subsection (d) and inserting the following:

“(d) EXPENDITURE.—

“(1) \$34,000,000 OR LESS.—If \$34,000,000 or less is deposited in, or appropriated or otherwise made available for, the Fund for a fiscal year, in that fiscal year—

“(A) not more than 5 percent of such amounts may be used by the Administrator and the Foundation for administrative expenses to carry out this title; and

“(B) any remaining amounts shall be used only for the award of grants under section 906(c).

“(2) MORE THAN \$34,000,000.—If more than \$34,000,000 is deposited in, or appropriated or otherwise made available for, the Fund for a fiscal year, in that fiscal year—

“(A) not more than 5 percent of such amounts may be used by the Administrator and the Foundation for administrative expenses to carry out this title;

“(B) not less than \$34,000,000 shall be used for the award of grants under section 906(c); and

“(C) of any amounts exceeding \$34,000,000—

“(i) not more than 75 percent may be used for the award of grants under section 906(b); and

“(ii) not more than 20 percent may be used for the award of grants under section 906(c).

“(3) DIVISION OF AMOUNTS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.—The amounts referred to in paragraphs (1)(A) and (2)(A) shall be divided between the Administrator and the Foundation pursuant to an agreement reached and documented by both the Administrator and the Foundation.”; and

(4) in subsection (e)(2), by striking “section 906(a)(1)” and inserting “section 906(a)”.

(c) ELIGIBLE USES OF AMOUNTS IN THE NATIONAL OCEANS AND COASTAL SECURITY FUND.—Section 905 of the National Oceans and Coastal Security Act (16 U.S.C. 7504) is amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 905. ELIGIBLE USES.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—Amounts in the Fund may be allocated by the Administrator under section 906(b) and the Foundation, in consultation with the Administrator, under section 906(c) to support programs and activities intended to improve understanding and use of ocean and coastal resources and coastal infrastructure.

“(b) PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES.—The programs and activities referred to in subsection (a) may include scientific research related to changing environmental conditions, ocean observing projects, efforts to enhance resiliency of infrastructure and communities (including project planning and design), habitat protection and restoration, monitoring and reducing damage to natural resources and marine life (including birds, marine mammals, and fish), and efforts to support sustainable seafood production carried out by States, local governments, Indian tribes, regional and interstate collaboratives (such as regional ocean partnerships), non-governmental organizations, public-private partnerships, and academic institutions.

“(c) PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR LITIGATION OR OTHER PURPOSES.—No funds

made available under this title may be used—

“(1) to fund litigation against the Federal Government; or

“(2) to fund the creation of national marine monuments, marine protected areas, or marine spatial plans.”.

(d) GRANTS UNDER THE NATIONAL OCEANS AND COASTAL SECURITY ACT.—Section 906 of the National Oceans and Coastal Security Act (16 U.S.C. 7505) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) by striking paragraph (2);

(B) by striking “(a) ADMINISTRATION OF GRANTS.—” and all that follows through “the following:” and inserting the following:

“(a) ADMINISTRATION OF GRANTS.—Not later than 90 days after funds are deposited in the Fund and made available to the Administrator and the Foundation for administrative purposes, the Administrator and the Foundation shall establish the following:”;

(C) in subparagraph (A), by striking “such subsections” and inserting “this section”;

(D) by striking subparagraph (B) and inserting the following:

“(B) Selection procedures and criteria for the awarding of grants under this section that require consultation with the Administrator and the Secretary of the Interior.”;

(E) in subparagraph (C), by striking clause (i) and inserting the following:

“(ii) under subsection (c) to entities including States, local governments, Indian tribes, regional and interstate collaboratives (such as regional ocean partnerships), non-governmental organizations, public-private partnerships, and academic institutions.”;

(F) in subparagraph (D), by striking “Performance accountability and monitoring” and inserting “Performance, accountability, and monitoring”;

(G) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) through (H) as paragraphs (1) through (8), respectively, and moving such paragraphs, as so redesignated, 2 ems to the left; and

(H) in paragraph (3), as so redesignated, by redesignating clauses (i) and (ii) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively, and moving such subparagraphs, as so redesignated, 2 ems to the left;

(2) by striking subsection (b) and inserting the following:

“(b) GRANTS TO COASTAL STATES.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall award grants to coastal States as follows:

“(A) 70 percent of available amounts shall be allocated equally among coastal States.

“(B) 15 percent of available amounts shall be allocated on the basis of the ratio of tidal shoreline in a coastal State to the tidal shoreline of all coastal States.

“(C) 15 percent of available amounts shall be allocated on the basis of the ratio of population density of the coastal counties of a coastal State to the average population density of all coastal counties based on the most recent data available from the Bureau of the Census.

“(2) MAXIMUM ALLOCATION TO STATES.—Notwithstanding paragraph (1), not more than 5 percent of the total funds distributed under this subsection may be allocated to any single coastal State. Any amount exceeding that limitation shall be redistributed equally among the remaining coastal States.

“(3) OPTIONAL MATCHING FUNDS.—Each entity seeking to receive a grant under this subsection is encouraged, but not required, to demonstrate that funds of any amount are available from non-Federal sources to supplement the amount of the grant.”; and

(3) in subsection (c)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking “The Administrator and the Foundation” and inserting “The Foundation, in consultation with the Administrator.”; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:

“(3) EXCLUSION OF FUNDS FROM LIMITATION.—The amount of a grant awarded under this subsection shall not count toward the limitation under subsection (b)(2) on funding to coastal States through grants awarded under subsection (b).”.

(e) ANNUAL REPORT ON OPERATION OF THE NATIONAL OCEANS AND COASTAL SECURITY FUND.—Section 907(a) of the National Oceans and Coastal Security Act (16 U.S.C. 7506(a)) is amended by striking “Subject to” and all that follows through “the Foundation” and inserting the following: “Not later than 60 days after the end of each fiscal year, the Administrator and the Foundation”.

(f) REPEAL OF AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2017, 2018, AND 2019.—Section 908 of the National Oceans and Coastal Security Act (16 U.S.C. 7507) is repealed.

(g) PARITY IN OFFSHORE WIND REVENUE SHARING.—Section 8(p)(2) of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1337(p)(2)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “(A) The Secretary” and inserting the following: “(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraphs (B) and (C), the Secretary”;

(2) in subparagraph (B), by striking “(B) The Secretary” and inserting the following:

“(B) DISPOSITION OF REVENUES FOR PROJECTS LOCATED WITHIN 3 NAUTICAL MILES SEAWARD OF STATE SUBMERGED LAND.—The Secretary”;

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(C) DISPOSITION OF REVENUES FOR OFFSHORE WIND PROJECTS IN CERTAIN AREAS.—

“(i) DEFINITIONS.—In this subparagraph:

“(I) COVERED OFFSHORE WIND PROJECT.—The term ‘covered offshore wind project’ means a wind-powered electric generation project in a lease area on the outer Continental Shelf that is not wholly or partially located within an area subject to subparagraph (B).

“(II) ELIGIBLE STATE.—The term ‘eligible State’ means a State a point on the coastline of which is located within 75 miles of the geographic center of a lease tract lying wholly or partly within the area of the applicable covered offshore wind project.

“(ii) REQUIREMENT.—Of the operating fees, rentals, bonuses, royalties, and other payments that are paid to the Secretary under subparagraph (A) from covered offshore wind projects carried out under a lease entered into on or after January 1, 2022—

“(I) 50 percent shall be deposited in the Treasury and credited to miscellaneous receipts;

“(II) 12.5 percent shall be deposited in the National Oceans and Coastal Security Fund established under section 904(a) of the National Oceans and Coastal Security Act (16 U.S.C. 7503(a)); and

“(III) 37.5 percent shall be deposited in a special account in the Treasury, from which the Secretary shall disburse to each eligible State an amount (based on a formula established by the Secretary of the Interior by rulemaking not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of the Reinvesting In Shoreline Economies and Ecosystems Act of 2024) that is inversely proportional to the respective distances between—

“(aa) the point on the coastline of each eligible State that is closest to the geographic center of the applicable leased tract; and

“(bb) the geographic center of the leased tract.

“(iii) TIMING.—The amounts required to be deposited under subclause (III) of clause (ii) for the applicable fiscal year shall be made available in accordance with that item during the fiscal year immediately following the applicable fiscal year.

“(iv) AUTHORIZED USES.—

“(I) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subclause (II), each State shall use all amounts received

under clause (ii)(III) in accordance with all applicable Federal and State laws, only for 1 or more of the following purposes:

“(aa) Projects and activities for the purposes of coastal protection, including conservation, coastal restoration, hurricane protection, and infrastructure directly affected by coastal wetland losses.

“(bb) Mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife, or natural resources, including through fisheries science and research.

“(cc) Implementation of a federally approved marine, coastal, or comprehensive conservation management plan.

“(dd) Mitigation of the impact of outer Continental Shelf activities through the funding of onshore infrastructure projects, on the condition that the projects are not primarily for entertainment purposes.

“(ee) Planning assistance and the administrative costs of complying with this section.

“(II) LIMITATION.—Of the amounts received by a State under clause (ii)(III), not more than 3 percent shall be used for the purposes described in subclause (I)(ee).

“(v) ADMINISTRATION.—Subject to clause (vi)(III), amounts made available under clause (ii) shall—

“(I) be made available, without further appropriation, in accordance with this paragraph;

“(II) remain available until expended; and

“(III) be in addition to any amount appropriated under any other Act.

“(vi) REPORTING REQUIREMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 AND THEREAFTER.—

“(I) IN GENERAL.—Beginning with fiscal year 2023, not later than 180 days after the end of each fiscal year, each eligible State that receives amounts under clause (ii)(III) for the applicable fiscal year shall submit to the Secretary a report that describes the use of the amounts by the eligible State during the period covered by the report.

“(II) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—On receipt of a report under subclause (I), the Secretary shall make the report available to the public on the website of the Department of the Interior.

“(III) LIMITATION.—If an eligible State that receives amounts under clause (ii)(III) for the applicable fiscal year fails to submit the report required under subclause (I) by the deadline specified in that subclause, any amounts that would otherwise be provided to the eligible State under clause (ii)(III) for the succeeding fiscal year shall be withheld for the succeeding fiscal year until the date on which the report is submitted.

“(IV) CONTENTS OF REPORT.—Each report required under subclause (I) shall include, for each project funded in whole or in part using amounts received under clause (ii)(III)—

“(aa) the name and description of the project;

“(bb) the amount received under clause (ii)(III) that is allocated to the project; and

“(cc) a description of how each project is consistent with the authorized uses under clause (iv)(I).

“(V) CLARIFICATION.—Nothing in this clause—

“(aa) requires or provides authority for the Secretary to delay, modify, or withhold payment under clause (ii)(III), other than for failure to submit a report as required under this clause;

“(bb) requires or provides authority for the Secretary to review or approve uses of funds reported under this clause;

“(cc) requires or provides authority for the Secretary to approve individual projects that receive funds reported under this clause;

“(dd) requires an eligible State to obtain the approval of, or review by, the Secretary

prior to spending funds disbursed under clause (ii)(III);

“(ee) requires or provides authority for the Secretary to issue guidance relating to the contents of, or to determine the completeness of, the report required under this clause;

“(ff) requires an eligible State to obligate or expend funds by a certain date; or

“(gg) requires or provides authority for the Secretary to request an eligible State to return unobligated funds.”.

SEC. 1403. GULF OF MEXICO OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF REVENUES.

(a) AUTHORIZED USES.—Section 105(d)(1)(D) of the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act of 2006 (43 U.S.C. 1331 note; Public Law 109-432) is amended by inserting “, on the condition that the projects are not primarily for entertainment purposes” after “infrastructure projects”.

(b) ADMINISTRATION.—Section 105(e) of the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act of 2006 (43 U.S.C. 1331 note; Public Law 109-432) is amended, in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking “Amounts” and inserting “Subject to subsection (g)(3), amounts”.

(c) ELIMINATION OF LIMITATION ON AMOUNT OF DISTRIBUTED QUALIFIED OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF REVENUES.—Section 105(f) of the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act of 2006 (43 U.S.C. 1331 note; Public Law 109-432) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1)—

(A) in subparagraph (A), by inserting “and” after the semicolon;

(B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “; and” and inserting a period; and

(C) by striking subparagraph (C); and

(2) in paragraph (2), by striking “2055” and inserting “2022”.

(d) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—Section 105 of the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act of 2006 (43 U.S.C. 1331 note; Public Law 109-432) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(g) REPORTING REQUIREMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 AND THEREAFTER.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Beginning with fiscal year 2023, not later than 180 days after the end of each fiscal year, each Gulf producing State that receives amounts under subsection (a)(2)(A) for the applicable fiscal year shall submit to the Secretary a report that describes the use of the amounts by the Gulf producing State during the period covered by the report.

“(2) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—On receipt of a report under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall make the report available to the public on the website of the Department of the Interior.

“(3) LIMITATION.—If a Gulf producing State that receives amounts under subsection (a)(2)(A) for the applicable fiscal year fails to submit the report required under paragraph (1) by the deadline specified in that paragraph, any amounts that would otherwise be provided to the Gulf producing State under subsection (a)(2)(A) for the succeeding fiscal year shall be withheld for the succeeding fiscal year until the date on which the report is submitted.

“(4) CONTENTS OF REPORT.—Each report required under paragraph (1) shall include, for each project funded in whole or in part using amounts received under subsection (a)(2)(A)—

“(A) the name and description of the project;

“(B) the amount received under subsection (a)(2)(A) that is allocated to the project; and

“(C) a description of how each project is consistent with the authorized uses under subsection (d)(1).

“(5) CLARIFICATION.—Nothing in this clause—

“(A) requires or provides authority for the Secretary to delay, modify, or withhold pay-

ment under subsection (a)(2)(A), other than for failure to submit a report as required under this subsection;

“(B) requires or provides authority for the Secretary to review or approve uses of funds reported under this subsection;

“(C) requires or provides authority for the Secretary to approve individual projects that receive funds reported under this subsection;

“(D) requires a Gulf producing State to obtain the approval of, or review by, the Secretary prior to spending funds disbursed under subsection (a)(2)(A);

“(E) requires or provides authority for the Secretary to issue guidance relating to the contents of, or to determine the completeness of, the report required under this subsection;

“(F) requires a Gulf producing State to obligate or expend funds by a certain date; or

“(G) requires or provides authority for the Secretary to request a Gulf producing State to return unobligated funds.”.

SEC. 1404. ELIMINATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE FEE UNDER THE MINERAL LEASING ACT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 35 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 191) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), in the first sentence, by striking “and, subject to the provisions of subsection (b),”;;

(2) by striking subsection (b);

(3) by redesignating subsections (c) and (d) as subsections (b) and (c), respectively;

(4) in paragraph (3)(B)(ii) of subsection (b) (as so redesignated), by striking “subsection (d)” and inserting “subsection (c)”; and

(5) in paragraph (3)(A)(ii) of subsection (c) (as so redesignated), by striking “subsection (c)(2)(B)” and inserting “subsection (b)(2)(B)”.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Section 6(a) of the Mineral Leasing Act for Acquired Lands (30 U.S.C. 355(a)) is amended—

(A) in the first sentence, by striking “Subject to the provisions of section 35(b) of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 191(b)), all” and inserting “All”; and

(B) in the second sentence, by striking “of the Act of February 25, 1920 (41 Stat. 450; 30 U.S.C. 191),” and inserting “of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 191)”.

(2) Section 20(a) of the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 (30 U.S.C. 1019(a)) is amended, in the second sentence of the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking “the provisions of subsection (b) of section 35 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 191(b)) and section 5(a)(2) of this Act” and inserting “section 5(a)(2)”.

(3) Section 205(f) of the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act of 1982 (30 U.S.C. 1735(f)) is amended—

(A) in the first sentence, by striking “this Section” and inserting “this section”; and

(B) by striking the fourth, fifth, and sixth sentences.

SA 1929. Mr. HAGERTY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. . . . REPORTS TO CONGRESS.

Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this section, and every 90 days

thereafter, the Administrator shall submit to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the Committee on Appropriations in the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Committee on Appropriations in the House of Representatives a report containing the following:

(1) The total number of airline passengers served who, at the time of such flight, are a recipient of parole, or utilizing a parole process, described in—

(A) the notice of the Department of Homeland Security entitled “Implementation of a Parole Process for Venezuelans” (87 Fed. Reg. 63507 (October 19, 2022));

(B) the notice of the Department of Homeland Security entitled “Implementation of a Parole Process for Haitians” (88 Fed. Reg. 1243 (January 9, 2023));

(C) the notice of the Department of Homeland Security entitled “Implementation of a Parole Process for Nicaraguans” (88 Fed. Reg. 1255 (January 9, 2023)); or

(D) the notice of the Department of Homeland Security entitled “Implementation of a Parole Process for Cubans” (88 Fed. Reg. 1266 (January 9, 2023));

(2) The total number of airline passengers served on an international flight into the United States who have been approved to enter the United States using the CBP One Mobile App.

(3) The total number of airline passengers whose airline ticket was funded, in whole or in part, by an organization that, within 2 years of the date of enactment of this section, received funding through the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s Shelter and Services Program.

(4) The total increase in the number and length of flight delays resulting from the number of increased airline passengers in the applicable time period under paragraphs (1)–(3), based on available data and averages regarding the impact of such an increased passenger number.

(5) The total increase in the number of flight cancellations resulting from the number of increased airline passengers in the applicable time period under paragraphs (1) through (3), based on available data and averages regarding the impact of such an increased passenger number.

(6) The total increase in the number of airline passengers bumped from flights resulting from the number of increased airline passengers in the applicable time period under paragraphs (1) through (3), based on available data and averages regarding the impact of such an increased passenger number.

(7) The total increase in the number of oversold flights resulting from the number of increased airline passengers in the applicable time period under paragraphs (1) through (3), based on available data and averages regarding the impact of such an increased passenger number.

(8) The total amount and degree of delays in the airport security screening process resulting from the number of increased airline passengers in the applicable time period under paragraphs (1) through (3), based on available data and averages regarding the impact of such an increased passenger number.

(9) The total increase in lost, delayed, or damaged baggage resulting from the number of increased airline passengers in the applicable time period under paragraphs (1) through (3), based on available data and averages regarding the impact of such an increased passenger number.

SA 1930. Mr. HOEVEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms.

CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 925, add the following new subsection:

(d) DISBURSEMENT OF MATCHING FUNDS.—Section 44803(h)(2) of title 49, United States Code, as amended by subsection (a), is amended—

(1) by striking “evenly”; and

(2) by inserting “that enter into contracts described in paragraph (1)(A)” after “under this section”.

SA 1931. Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

TITLE XIV—KIDS ONLINE SAFETY ACT

SEC. 1401. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the “Kids Online Safety Act”.

Subtitle A—Kids Online Safety

SEC. 1402. DEFINITIONS.

In this subtitle:

(1) **CHILD.**—The term “child” means an individual who is under the age of 13.

(2) **COMPULSIVE USAGE.**—The term “compulsive usage” means any response stimulated by external factors that causes an individual to engage in repetitive behavior reasonably likely to cause psychological distress.

(3) **COVERED PLATFORM.**—

(A) **IN GENERAL.**—The term “covered platform” means an online platform, online video game, messaging application, or video streaming service that connects to the internet and that is used, or is reasonably likely to be used, by a minor.

(B) **EXCEPTIONS.**—The term “covered platform” does not include—

(i) an entity acting in its capacity as a provider of—

(I) a common carrier service subject to the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 151 et seq.) and all Acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto;

(II) a broadband internet access service (as such term is defined for purposes of section 8.1(b) of title 47, Code of Federal Regulations, or any successor regulation);

(III) an email service;

(IV) a teleconferencing or video conferencing service that allows reception and transmission of audio or video signals for real-time communication, provided that—

(aa) the service is not an online platform, including a social media service or social network; and

(bb) the real-time communication is initiated by using a unique link or identifier to facilitate access; or

(V) a wireless messaging service, including such a service provided through short messaging service or multimedia messaging service protocols, that is not a component of,

or linked to, an online platform and where the predominant or exclusive function is direct messaging consisting of the transmission of text, photos or videos that are sent by electronic means, where messages are transmitted from the sender to a recipient, and are not posted within an online platform or publicly;

(ii) an organization not organized to carry on business for its own profit or that of its members;

(iii) any public or private preschool, elementary, or secondary school, or any institution of vocational, professional, or higher education;

(iv) a library (as defined in section 213(1) of the Library Services and Technology Act (20 U.S.C. 9122(1)));

(v) a news or sports news and coverage website or app where—

(I) the inclusion of video content on the website or app is related to the website or app’s own gathering, reporting, or publishing of news content or sports news and coverage; and

(II) the website or app is not otherwise an online platform;

(vi) a product or service that primarily functions as business-to-business software, a cloud storage, file sharing, or file collaboration service, provided that the product or service is not an online platform; or

(vii) a virtual private network or similar service that exists solely to route internet traffic between locations.

(4) **DESIGN FEATURE.**—The term “design feature” means any feature or component of a covered platform that will encourage or increase the frequency, time spent, or activity of minors on the covered platform. Design features include but are not limited to—

(A) infinite scrolling or auto play;

(B) rewards for time spent on the platform;

(C) notifications;

(D) personalized recommendation systems;

(E) in-game purchases; or

(F) appearance altering filters.

(5) **GEOLOCATION.**—The term “geolocation” means information sufficient to identify street name and name of a city or town.

(6) **INDIVIDUAL-SPECIFIC ADVERTISING TO MINORS.**—

(A) **IN GENERAL.**—The term “individual-specific advertising to minors” means advertising or any other effort to market a product or service that is directed to a specific minor or a device that is linked or reasonably linkable to a minor based on—

(i) the personal data of—

(I) the minor; or

(II) a group of minors who are similar in sex, age, income level, race, or ethnicity to the specific minor to whom the product or service is marketed;

(ii) profiling of a minor or group of minors; or

(iii) a unique identifier of the device.

(B) **EXCLUSIONS.**—The term “individual-specific advertising to minors” shall not include—

(i) advertising or marketing to an individual or the device of an individual in response to the individual’s specific request for information or feedback, such as a minor’s current search query;

(ii) contextual advertising, such as when an advertisement is displayed based on the content of the covered platform on which the advertisement appears and does not vary based on personal data related to the viewer;

(iii) processing personal data solely for measuring or reporting advertising or content performance, reach, or frequency, including independent measurement;

(C) **RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.**—Nothing in subparagraph (A) shall be construed to prohibit a covered platform that knows an individual is under the age of 17 from delivering

advertising or marketing that is age-appropriate for the individual involved and intended for a child or teen audience (as applicable), so long as the covered platform does not use any personal data other than whether the user is under the age of 17 to deliver such advertising or marketing.

(7) **KNOW OR KNOWS.**—The term “know” or “knows” means to have actual knowledge or knowledge fairly implied on the basis of objective circumstances.

(8) **MENTAL HEALTH DISORDER.**—The term “mental health disorder” has the meaning given the term “mental disorder” in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Health Disorders, 5th Edition (or the most current successor edition).

(9) **MICROTRANSACTION.**—

(A) **IN GENERAL.**—The term “microtransaction” means a purchase made in an online video game (including a purchase made using a virtual currency that is purchasable or redeemable using cash or credit or that is included as part of a paid subscription service).

(B) **INCLUSIONS.**—Such term includes a purchase involving surprise mechanics, new characters, or in-game items.

(C) **EXCLUSIONS.**—Such term does not include—

(i) a purchase made in an online video game using a virtual currency that is earned through gameplay and is not otherwise purchasable or redeemable using cash or credit or included as part of a paid subscription service; or

(ii) a purchase of additional levels within the game or an overall expansion of the game.

(10) **MINOR.**—The term “minor” means an individual who is under the age of 17.

(11) **ONLINE PLATFORM.**—The term “online platform” means any public-facing website, online service, online application, or mobile application that predominantly provides a community forum for user generated content, such as sharing videos, images, games, audio files, or other content, including a social media service, social network, or virtual reality environment.

(12) **ONLINE VIDEO GAME.**—The term “online video game” means a video game, including an educational video game, that connects to the internet and that—

(A) allows a user to—

(i) create and upload content other than content that is incidental to gameplay, such as character or level designs created by the user, preselected phrases, or short interactions with other users;

(ii) engage in microtransactions within the game; or

(iii) communicate with other users; or

(B) incorporates individual-specific advertising to minors.

(13) **PARENT.**—The term “parent” has the meaning given that term in section 1302 of the Children’s Online Privacy Protection Act (15 U.S.C. 6501).

(14) **PERSONAL DATA.**—The term “personal data” has the same meaning as the term “personal information” as defined in section 1302 of the Children’s Online Privacy Protection Act (15 U.S.C. 6501).

(15) **PERSONALIZED RECOMMENDATION SYSTEM.**—The term “personalized recommendation system” means a fully or partially automated system used to suggest, promote, or rank content, including other users, hashtags, or posts, based on the personal data of users. A recommendation system that suggests, promotes, or ranks content based solely on the user’s language, city or town, or age shall not be considered a personalized recommendation system.

(16) **SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND ABUSE.**—The term “sexual exploitation and abuse” means any of the following:

(A) Coercion and enticement, as described in section 2422 of title 18, United States Code.

(B) Child sexual abuse material, as described in sections 2251, 2252, 2252A, and 2260 of title 18, United States Code.

(C) Trafficking for the production of images, as described in section 2251A of title 18, United States Code.

(D) Sex trafficking of children, as described in section 1591 of title 18, United States Code.

(17) **USER.**—The term “user” means, with respect to a covered platform, an individual who registers an account or creates a profile on the covered platform.

SEC. 1403. DUTY OF CARE.

(a) **PREVENTION OF HARM TO MINORS.**—A covered platform shall exercise reasonable care in the creation and implementation of any design feature to prevent and mitigate the following harms to minors:

(1) Consistent with evidence-informed medical information, the following mental health disorders: anxiety, depression, eating disorders, substance use disorders, and suicidal behaviors.

(2) Patterns of use that indicate or encourage addiction-like behaviors by minors.

(3) Physical violence, online bullying, and harassment of the minor.

(4) Sexual exploitation and abuse of minors.

(5) Promotion and marketing of narcotic drugs (as defined in section 102 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 802)), tobacco products, gambling, or alcohol.

(6) Predatory, unfair, or deceptive marketing practices, or other financial harms.

(b) **LIMITATION.**—Nothing in subsection (a) shall be construed to require a covered platform to prevent or preclude—

(1) any minor from deliberately and independently searching for, or specifically requesting, content; or

(2) the covered platform or individuals on the platform from providing resources for the prevention or mitigation of the harms described in subsection (a), including evidence-informed information and clinical resources.

SEC. 1404. SAFEGUARDS FOR MINORS.

(a) **SAFEGUARDS FOR MINORS.**—

(1) **SAFEGUARDS.**—A covered platform shall provide a user or visitor that the covered platform knows is a minor with readily-accessible and easy-to-use safeguards to, as applicable—

(A) limit the ability of other users or visitors to communicate with the minor;

(B) prevent other users or visitors, whether registered or not, from viewing the minor’s personal data collected by or shared on the covered platform, in particular restricting public access to personal data;

(C) limit design features that encourage or increase the frequency, time spent, or activity of minors on the covered platform, such as infinite scrolling, auto playing, rewards for time spent on the platform, notifications, and other design features that result in compulsive usage of the covered platform by the minor;

(D) control personalized recommendation systems, including the ability for a minor to have at least 1 of the following options—

(i) opt out of such personalized recommendation systems, while still allowing the display of content based on a chronological format; or

(ii) limit types or categories of recommendations from such systems; and

(E) restrict the sharing of the geolocation of the minor and provide notice regarding the tracking of the minor’s geolocation.

(2) **OPTIONS.**—A covered platform shall provide a user that the covered platform knows

is a minor with readily-accessible and easy-to-use options to—

(A) delete the minor’s account and delete any personal data collected from, or shared by, the minor on the covered platform; or

(B) limit the amount of time spent by the minor on the covered platform.

(3) **DEFAULT SAFEGUARD SETTINGS FOR MINORS.**—A covered platform shall provide that, in the case of a user or visitor that the platform knows is a minor, the default setting for any safeguard described under paragraph (1) shall be the option available on the platform that provides the most protective level of control that is offered by the platform over privacy and safety for that user or visitor.

(b) **PARENTAL TOOLS.**—

(1) **TOOLS.**—A covered platform shall provide readily-accessible and easy-to-use settings for parents to support a user that the platform knows is a minor with respect to the user’s use of the platform.

(2) **REQUIREMENTS.**—The parental tools provided by a covered platform shall include—

(A) the ability to manage a minor’s privacy and account settings, including the safeguards and options established under subsection (a), in a manner that allows parents to—

(i) view the privacy and account settings; and

(ii) in the case of a user that the platform knows is a child, change and control the privacy and account settings;

(B) the ability to restrict purchases and financial transactions by the minor, where applicable; and

(C) the ability to view metrics of total time spent on the covered platform and restrict time spent on the covered platform by the minor.

(3) **NOTICE TO MINORS.**—A covered platform shall provide clear and conspicuous notice to a user when the tools described in this subsection are in effect and what settings or controls have been applied.

(4) **DEFAULT TOOLS.**—A covered platform shall provide that, in the case of a user that the platform knows is a child, the tools required under paragraph (1) shall be enabled by default.

(5) **APPLICATION TO EXISTING ACCOUNTS.**—If, prior to the effective date of this subsection, a covered platform provided a parent of a user that the platform knows is a child with notice and the ability to enable the parental tools described under this subsection in a manner that would otherwise comply with this subsection, and the parent opted out of enabling such tools, the covered platform is not required to enable such tools with respect to such user by default when this subsection takes effect.

(c) **REPORTING MECHANISM.**—

(1) **REPORTS SUBMITTED BY PARENTS, MINORS, AND SCHOOLS.**—A covered platform shall provide—

(A) a readily-accessible and easy-to-use means to submit reports to the covered platform of harms to a minor;

(B) an electronic point of contact specific to matters involving harms to a minor; and

(C) confirmation of the receipt of such a report and, within the applicable time period described in paragraph (2), a substantive response to the individual that submitted the report.

(2) **TIMING.**—A covered platform shall establish an internal process to receive and substantively respond to such reports in a reasonable and timely manner, but in no case later than—

(A) 10 days after the receipt of a report, if, for the most recent calendar year, the platform averaged more than 10,000,000 active users on a monthly basis in the United States;

(B) 21 days after the receipt of a report, if, for the most recent calendar year, the platform averaged less than 10,000,000 active users on a monthly basis in the United States; and

(C) notwithstanding subparagraphs (A) and (B), if the report involves an imminent threat to the safety of a minor, as promptly as needed to address the reported threat to safety.

(d) **ADVERTISING OF ILLEGAL PRODUCTS.**—A covered platform shall not facilitate the advertising of narcotic drugs (as defined in section 102 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 802)), tobacco products, gambling, or alcohol to an individual that the covered platform knows is a minor.

(e) **RULES OF APPLICATION.**—

(1) **ACCESSIBILITY.**—With respect to safeguards and parental tools described under subsections (a) and (b), a covered platform shall provide—

(A) information and control options in a clear and conspicuous manner that takes into consideration the differing ages, capacities, and developmental needs of the minors most likely to access the covered platform and does not encourage minors or parents to weaken or disable safeguards or parental tools;

(B) readily-accessible and easy-to-use controls to enable or disable safeguards or parental tools, as appropriate; and

(C) information and control options in the same language, form, and manner as the covered platform provides the product or service used by minors and their parents.

(2) **DARK PATTERNS PROHIBITION.**—It shall be unlawful for any covered platform to design, modify, or manipulate a user interface of a covered platform with the purpose or substantial effect of subverting or impairing user autonomy, decision-making, or choice with respect to safeguards or parental tools required under this section.

(3) **TIMING CONSIDERATIONS.**—

(A) **NO INTERRUPTION TO GAMEPLAY.**—Subsections (a)(1)(C) and (b)(3) shall not require an online video game to interrupt the natural sequence of game play, such as progressing through game levels or finishing a competition.

(B) **APPLICATION OF CHANGES TO OFFLINE DEVICES OR ACCOUNTS.**—If a user's device or user account does not have access to the internet at the time of a change to parental tools, a covered platform shall apply changes the next time the device or user is connected to the internet.

(4) **RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.**—Nothing in this section shall be construed to—

(A) prevent a covered platform from taking reasonable measures to—

(i) block, detect, or prevent the distribution of unlawful, obscene, or other harmful material to minors as described in section 1403(a); or

(ii) block or filter spam, prevent criminal activity, or protect the security of a platform or service;

(B) require the disclosure of a minor's browsing behavior, search history, messages, contact list, or other content or metadata of their communications;

(C) prevent a covered platform from using a personalized recommendation system to display content to a minor if the system only uses information on—

- (i) the language spoken by the minor;
- (ii) the city the minor is located in; or
- (iii) the minor's age; or

(D) prevent an online video game from disclosing a username or other user identification for the purpose of competitive gameplay or to allow for the reporting of users.

(f) **DEVICE OR CONSOLE CONTROLS.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a covered plat-

form from integrating its products or service with, or duplicate controls or tools provided by, third-party systems, including operating systems or gaming consoles, to meet the requirements imposed under subsections (a) and (b) relating to safeguards for minors and parental tools, provided that—

(A) the controls or tools meet such requirements; and

(B) the minor or parent is provided sufficient notice of the integration and use of the parental tools.

(2) **PRESERVATION OF PROTECTIONS.**—In the event of a conflict between the controls or tools of a third-party system, including operating systems or gaming consoles, and a covered platform, the covered platform is not required to override the controls or tools of a third-party system if it would undermine the protections for minors from the safeguards or parental tools imposed under subsections (a) and (b).

SEC. 1405. DISCLOSURE.

(a) **NOTICE.**—

(1) **REGISTRATION OR PURCHASE.**—Prior to registration or purchase of a covered platform by an individual that the platform knows is a minor, the platform shall provide clear, conspicuous, and easy-to-understand—

(A) notice of the policies and practices of the covered platform with respect to personal data and safeguards for minors;

(B) information about how to access the safeguards and parental tools required under section 1404; and

(C) notice about whether the covered platform uses or makes available to minors a product, service, or design feature, including any personalized recommendation system, that poses any heightened risk of harm to minors.

(2) **NOTIFICATION.**—

(A) **NOTICE AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT.**—In the case of an individual that a covered platform knows is a child, the platform shall additionally provide information about the parental tools and safeguards required under section 1404 to a parent of the child and obtain verifiable parental consent (as defined in section 1302(9) of the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (15 U.S.C. 6501(9))) from the parent prior to the initial use of the covered platform by the child.

(B) **REASONABLE EFFORT.**—A covered platform shall be deemed to have satisfied the requirement described in subparagraph (A) if the covered platform is in compliance with the requirements of the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (15 U.S.C. 6501 et seq.) to use reasonable efforts (taking into consideration available technology) to provide a parent with the information described in subparagraph (A) and to obtain verifiable parental consent as required.

(3) **CONSOLIDATED NOTICES.**—For purposes of this subtitle, a covered platform may consolidate the process for providing information under this subsection and obtaining verifiable parental consent or the consent of the minor involved (as applicable) as required under this subsection with its obligations to provide relevant notice and obtain verifiable consent under the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (15 U.S.C. 6501 et seq.).

(4) **GUIDANCE.**—The Federal Trade Commission may issue guidance to assist covered platforms in complying with the specific notice requirements of this subsection.

(b) **PERSONALIZED RECOMMENDATION SYSTEM.**—A covered platform that operates a personalized recommendation system shall set out in its terms and conditions, in a clear, conspicuous, and easy-to-understand manner—

(1) an overview of how such personalized recommendation system is used by the cov-

ered platform to provide information to minors, including how such systems use the personal data of minors; and

(2) information about options for minors or their parents to opt out of or control the personalized recommendation system (as applicable).

(c) **ADVERTISING AND MARKETING INFORMATION AND LABELS.**—

(1) **INFORMATION AND LABELS.**—A covered platform that facilitates advertising aimed at users that the platform knows are minors shall provide clear, conspicuous, and easy-to-understand labels and information, which can be provided through a link to another web page or disclosure, to minors on advertisements regarding—

(A) the name of the product, service, or brand and the subject matter of an advertisement;

(B) if the covered platform engages in individual-specific advertising to minors, why a particular advertisement is directed to a specific minor, including material information about how the minor's personal data is used to direct the advertisement to the minor; and

(C) whether particular media displayed to the minor is an advertisement or marketing material, including disclosure of endorsements of products, services, or brands made for commercial consideration by other users of the platform.

(2) **GUIDANCE.**—The Federal Trade Commission may issue guidance to assist covered platforms in complying with the requirements of this subsection, including guidance about the minimum level of information and labels for the disclosures required under paragraph (1).

(d) **RESOURCES FOR PARENTS AND MINORS.**—A covered platform shall provide to minors and parents clear, conspicuous, easy-to-understand, and comprehensive information in a prominent location, which may include a link to a web page, regarding—

(1) its policies and practices with respect to personal data and safeguards for minors; and

(2) how to access the safeguards and tools required under section 1404.

(e) **RESOURCES IN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGES.**—A covered platform shall ensure, to the extent practicable, that the disclosures required by this section are made available in the same language, form, and manner as the covered platform provides any product or service used by minors and their parents.

SEC. 1406. TRANSPARENCY.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Subject to subsection (b), not less frequently than once a year, a covered platform shall issue a public report describing the reasonably foreseeable risks of harms to minors and assessing the prevention and mitigation measures taken to address such risk based on an independent, third-party audit conducted through reasonable inspection of the covered platform.

(b) **SCOPE OF APPLICATION.**—The requirements of this section shall apply to a covered platform if—

(1) for the most recent calendar year, the platform averaged more than 10,000,000 active users on a monthly basis in the United States; and

(2) the platform predominantly provides a community forum for user-generated content and discussion, including sharing videos, images, games, audio files, discussion in a virtual setting, or other content, such as acting as a social media platform, virtual reality environment, or a social network service.

(c) **CONTENT.**—

(1) **TRANSPARENCY.**—The public reports required of a covered platform under this section shall include—

(A) an assessment of the extent to which the platform is likely to be accessed by minors;

(B) a description of the commercial interests of the covered platform in use by minors;

(C) an accounting, based on the data held by the covered platform, of—

(i) the number of users using the covered platform that the platform knows to be minors in the United States;

(ii) the median and mean amounts of time spent on the platform by users known to be minors in the United States who have accessed the platform during the reporting year on a daily, weekly, and monthly basis; and

(iii) the amount of content being accessed by users that the platform knows to be minors in the United States that is in English, and the top 5 non-English languages used by users accessing the platform in the United States;

(D) an accounting of total reports received regarding, and the prevalence (which can be based on scientifically valid sampling methods using the content available to the covered platform in the normal course of business) of content related to, the harms described in section 1403(a), disaggregated by category of harm and language, including English and the top 5 non-English languages used by users accessing the platform from the United States (as identified under subparagraph (C)(iii)); and

(E) a description of any material breaches of parental tools or assurances regarding minors, representations regarding the use of the personal data of minors, and other matters regarding non-compliance with this subtitle.

(2) REASONABLY FORESEEABLE RISK OF HARM TO MINORS.—The public reports required of a covered platform under this section shall include—

(A) an assessment of the reasonably foreseeable risk of harms to minors posed by the covered platform, specifically identifying those physical, mental, developmental, or financial harms described in section 1403(a);

(B) a description of whether and how the covered platform uses design features that encourage or increase the frequency, time spent, or activity of minors on the covered platform, such as infinite scrolling, auto playing, rewards for time spent on the platform, notifications, and other design features that result in compulsive usage of the covered platform by the minor;

(C) a description of whether, how, and for what purpose the platform collects or processes categories of personal data that may cause reasonably foreseeable risk of harms to minors;

(D) an evaluation of the efficacy of safeguards for minors and parental tools under section 1404, and any issues in delivering such safeguards and the associated parental tools;

(E) an evaluation of any other relevant matters of public concern over risk of harms to minors associated with the use of the covered platform; and

(F) an assessment of differences in risk of harm to minors across different English and non-English languages and efficacy of safeguards in those languages.

(3) MITIGATION.—The public reports required of a covered platform under this section shall include, for English and the top 5 non-English languages used by users accessing the platform from the United States (as identified under paragraph (2)(C)(iii))—

(A) a description of the safeguards and parental tools available to minors and parents on the covered platform;

(B) a description of interventions by the covered platform when it had or has reason to believe that harms to minors could occur;

(C) a description of the prevention and mitigation measures intended to be taken in response to the known and emerging risks identified in its assessment of reasonably foreseeable risks of harms to minors, including steps taken to—

(i) prevent harms to minors, including adapting or removing design features or addressing through parental tools;

(ii) provide the most protective level of control over privacy and safety by default; and

(iii) adapt recommendation systems to mitigate reasonably foreseeable risk of harms to minors, as described in section 1403(a);

(D) a description of internal processes for handling reports and automated detection mechanisms for harms to minors, including the rate, timeliness, and effectiveness of responses under the requirement of section 1404(c);

(E) the status of implementing prevention and mitigation measures identified in prior assessments; and

(F) a description of the additional measures to be taken by the covered platform to address the circumvention of safeguards for minors and parental tools.

(d) REASONABLE INSPECTION.—In conducting an inspection of the reasonably foreseeable risk of harm to minors under this section, an independent, third-party auditor shall—

(1) take into consideration the function of personalized recommendation systems;

(2) consult parents and youth experts, including youth and families with relevant past or current experience, public health and mental health nonprofit organizations, health and development organizations, and civil society with respect to the prevention of harms to minors;

(3) conduct research based on experiences of minors that use the covered platform, including reports of harm received by the covered platform and information provided by law enforcement;

(4) take account of research, including research regarding design features, marketing, or product integrity, industry best practices, or outside research;

(5) consider indicia or inferences of age of users, in addition to any self-declared information about the age of users; and

(6) take into consideration differences in risk of reasonably foreseeable harms and effectiveness of safeguards across English and non-English languages.

(e) COOPERATION WITH INDEPENDENT, THIRD-PARTY AUDIT.—To facilitate the report required by subsection (c), a covered platform shall—

(1) provide or otherwise make available to the independent third-party conducting the audit all information and material in its possession, custody, or control that is relevant to the audit;

(2) provide or otherwise make available to the independent third-party conducting the audit access to all network, systems, and assets relevant to the audit; and

(3) disclose all relevant facts to the independent third-party conducting the audit, and not misrepresent in any manner, expressly or by implication, any relevant fact.

(f) PRIVACY SAFEGUARDS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In issuing the public reports required under this section, a covered platform shall take steps to safeguard the privacy of its users, including ensuring that data is presented in a de-identified, aggregated format such that it is not reasonably linkable to any user.

(2) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—This section shall not be construed to require the disclosure of information that will lead to material vulnerabilities for the privacy of users or the security of a covered platform's service or create a significant risk of the violation of Federal or State law.

(3) DEFINITION OF DE-IDENTIFIED.—As used in this subsection, the term “de-identified” means data that does not identify and is not linked or reasonably linkable to a device that is linked or reasonably linkable to an individual, regardless of whether the information is aggregated

(g) LOCATION.—The public reports required under this section should be posted by a covered platform on an easy to find location on a publicly-available website.

SEC. 1407. RESEARCH ON SOCIAL MEDIA AND MINORS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission” means the Federal Trade Commission.

(2) NATIONAL ACADEMY.—The term “National Academy” means the National Academy of Sciences.

(3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

(b) RESEARCH ON SOCIAL MEDIA HARMS.—Not later than 12 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall seek to enter into a contract with the National Academy, under which the National Academy shall conduct no less than 5 scientific, comprehensive studies and reports on the risk of harms to minors by use of social media and other online platforms, including in English and non-English languages.

(c) MATTERS TO BE ADDRESSED.—In contracting with the National Academy, the Commission, in consultation with the Secretary, shall seek to commission separate studies and reports, using the Commission's authority under section 6(b) of the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 46(b)), on the relationship between social media and other online platforms as defined in this subtitle on the following matters:

(1) Anxiety, depression, eating disorders, and suicidal behaviors.

(2) Substance use disorders and the use of narcotic drugs, tobacco products, gambling, or alcohol by minors.

(3) Sexual exploitation and abuse.

(4) Addiction-like use of social media and design factors that lead to unhealthy and harmful overuse of social media.

(d) ADDITIONAL STUDY.—Not earlier than 4 years after enactment, the Commission shall seek to enter into a contract with the National Academy under which the National Academy shall conduct an additional study and report covering the matters described in subsection (c) for the purposes of providing additional information, considering new research, and other matters.

(e) CONTENT OF REPORTS.—The comprehensive studies and reports conducted pursuant to this section shall seek to evaluate impacts and advance understanding, knowledge, and remedies regarding the harms to minors posed by social media and other online platforms, and may include recommendations related to public policy.

(f) ACTIVE STUDIES.—If the National Academy is engaged in any active studies on the matters described in subsection (c) at the time that it enters into a contract with the Commission to conduct a study under this section, it may base the study to be conducted under this section on the active study, so long as it otherwise incorporates the requirements of this section.

(g) COLLABORATION.—In designing and conducting the studies under this section, the Commission, the Secretary, and the National Academy shall consult with the Surgeon General and the Kids Online Safety Council.

(h) ACCESS TO DATA.—

(1) FACT-FINDING AUTHORITY.—The Commission may issue orders under section 6(b) of the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 46(b)) to require covered platforms to provide reports, data, or answers in writing as necessary to conduct the studies required under this section.

(2) SCOPE.—In exercising its authority under paragraph (1), the Commission may issue orders to no more than 5 covered platforms per study under this section.

(3) CONFIDENTIAL ACCESS.—Notwithstanding section 6(f) or 21 of the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 46, 57b-2), the Commission shall enter in agreements with the National Academy to share appropriate information received from a covered platform pursuant to an order under such subsection (b) for a comprehensive study under this section in a confidential and secure manner, and to prohibit the disclosure or sharing of such information by the National Academy. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to preclude the disclosure of any such information if authorized or required by any other law.

SEC. 1408. MARKET RESEARCH.

(a) MARKET RESEARCH BY COVERED PLATFORMS.—The Federal Trade Commission, in consultation with the Secretary of Commerce, shall issue guidance for covered platforms seeking to conduct market- and product-focused research on minors. Such guidance shall include—

(1) a standard consent form that provides minors and their parents a clear, conspicuous, and easy-to-understand explanation of the scope and purpose of the research to be conducted that is available in English and the top 5 non-English languages used in the United States;

(2) information on how to obtain informed consent from the parent of a minor prior to conducting such market- and product-focused research; and

(3) recommendations for research practices for studies that may include minors, disaggregated by the age ranges of 0-5, 6-9, 10-12, and 13-16.

(b) TIMING.—The Federal Trade Commission shall issue such guidance not later than 18 months after the date of enactment of this Act. In doing so, they shall seek input from members of the public and the representatives of the Kids Online Safety Council established under this subtitle.

SEC. 1409. AGE VERIFICATION STUDY AND REPORT.

(a) STUDY.—The Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, in coordination with the Federal Communications Commission, Federal Trade Commission, and the Secretary of Commerce, shall conduct a study evaluating the most technologically feasible methods and options for developing systems to verify age at the device or operating system level.

(b) CONTENTS.—Such study shall consider—

(1) the benefits of creating a device or operating system level age verification system;

(2) what information may need to be collected to create this type of age verification system;

(3) the accuracy of such systems and their impact or steps to improve accessibility, including for individuals with disabilities;

(4) how such a system or systems could verify age while mitigating risks to user privacy and data security and safeguarding minors' personal data, emphasizing minimizing the amount of data collected and processed by covered platforms and age verification providers for such a system;

(5) the technical feasibility, including the need for potential hardware and software

changes, including for devices currently in commerce and owned by consumers; and

(6) the impact of different age verification systems on competition, particularly the risk of different age verification systems creating barriers to entry for small companies.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the agencies described in subsection (a) shall submit a report containing the results of the study conducted under such subsection to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives.

SEC. 1410. GUIDANCE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Federal Trade Commission, in consultation with the Kids Online Safety Council established under this subtitle, shall issue guidance to—

(1) provide information and examples for covered platforms and auditors regarding the following, with consideration given to differences across English and non-English languages—

(A) identifying design features that encourage or increase the frequency, time spent, or activity of minors on the covered platform;

(B) safeguarding minors against the possible misuse of parental tools;

(C) best practices in providing minors and parents the most protective level of control over privacy and safety;

(D) using indicia or inferences of age of users for assessing use of the covered platform by minors;

(E) methods for evaluating the efficacy of safeguards set forth in this subtitle; and

(F) providing additional parental tool options that allow parents to address the harms described in section 1403(a); and

(2) outline conduct that does not have the purpose or substantial effect of subverting or impairing user autonomy, decision-making, or choice, or of causing, increasing, or encouraging compulsive usage for a minor, such as—

(A) de minimis user interface changes derived from testing consumer preferences, including different styles, layouts, or text, where such changes are not done with the purpose of weakening or disabling safeguards or parental tools;

(B) algorithms or data outputs outside the control of a covered platform; and

(C) establishing default settings that provide enhanced privacy protection to users or otherwise enhance their autonomy and decision-making ability.

(b) GUIDANCE TO SCHOOLS.—Not later than 18 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Education, in consultation with the Federal Trade Commission and the Kids Online Safety Council established under this subtitle, shall issue guidance to assist elementary and secondary schools in using the notice, safeguards and tools provided under this subtitle and providing information on online safety for students and teachers.

(c) GUIDANCE ON KNOWLEDGE STANDARD.—Not later than 18 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Federal Trade Commission shall issue guidance to provide information, including best practices and examples, for covered platforms to understand how the Commission would determine whether a covered platform “had knowledge fairly implied on the basis of objective circumstances” for purposes of this subtitle.

(d) LIMITATION ON FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION GUIDANCE.—

(1) EFFECT OF GUIDANCE.—No guidance issued by the Federal Trade Commission with respect to this subtitle shall—

(A) confer any rights on any person, State, or locality; or

(B) operate to bind the Federal Trade Commission or any court, person, State, or locality to the approach recommended in such guidance.

(2) USE IN ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS.—In any enforcement action brought pursuant to this subtitle, the Federal Trade Commission or a State attorney general, as applicable—

(A) shall allege a violation of a provision of this subtitle; and

(B) may not base such enforcement action on, or execute a consent order based on, practices that are alleged to be inconsistent with guidance issued by the Federal Trade Commission with respect to this subtitle, unless the practices are alleged to violate a provision of this subtitle.

SEC. 1411. ENFORCEMENT.

(a) ENFORCEMENT BY FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION.—

(1) UNFAIR AND DECEPTIVE ACTS OR PRACTICES.—A violation of this subtitle shall be treated as a violation of a rule defining an unfair or deceptive act or practice prescribed under section 18(a)(1)(B) of the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 57a(a)(1)(B)).

(2) POWERS OF THE COMMISSION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Federal Trade Commission (referred to in this section as the “Commission”) shall enforce this subtitle in the same manner, by the same means, and with the same jurisdiction, powers, and duties as though all applicable terms and provisions of the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 41 et seq.) were incorporated into and made a part of this subtitle.

(B) PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES.—Any person that violates this subtitle shall be subject to the penalties, and entitled to the privileges and immunities, provided in the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 41 et seq.).

(3) AUTHORITY PRESERVED.—Nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to limit the authority of the Commission under any other provision of law.

(b) ENFORCEMENT BY STATE ATTORNEYS GENERAL.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—

(A) CIVIL ACTIONS.—In any case in which the attorney general of a State has reason to believe that a covered platform has violated or is violating section 1404, 1405, or 1406, the State, as *parens patriae*, may bring a civil action on behalf of the residents of the State in a district court of the United States or a State court of appropriate jurisdiction to—

(i) enjoin any practice that violates section 1404, 1405, or 1406;

(ii) enforce compliance with section 1404, 1405, or 1406;

(iii) on behalf of residents of the State, obtain damages, restitution, or other compensation, each of which shall be distributed in accordance with State law; or

(iv) obtain such other relief as the court may consider to be appropriate.

(B) NOTICE.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Before filing an action under subparagraph (A), the attorney general of the State involved shall provide to the Commission—

(I) written notice of that action; and

(II) a copy of the complaint for that action.

(ii) EXEMPTION.—

(I) IN GENERAL.—Clause (i) shall not apply with respect to the filing of an action by an attorney general of a State under this paragraph if the attorney general of the State determines that it is not feasible to provide the notice described in that clause before the filing of the action.

(II) NOTIFICATION.—In an action described in subclause (I), the attorney general of a State shall provide notice and a copy of the

complaint to the Commission at the same time as the attorney general files the action.

(2) **INTERVENTION.**—

(A) **IN GENERAL.**—On receiving notice under paragraph (1)(B), the Commission shall have the right to intervene in the action that is the subject of the notice.

(B) **EFFECT OF INTERVENTION.**—If the Commission intervenes in an action under paragraph (1), it shall have the right—

(i) to be heard with respect to any matter that arises in that action; and

(ii) to file a petition for appeal.

(3) **CONSTRUCTION.**—For purposes of bringing any civil action under paragraph (1), nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to prevent an attorney general of a State from exercising the powers conferred on the attorney general by the laws of that State to—

(A) conduct investigations;

(B) administer oaths or affirmations; or

(C) compel the attendance of witnesses or the production of documentary and other evidence.

(4) **ACTIONS BY THE COMMISSION.**—In any case in which an action is instituted by or on behalf of the Commission for violation of this subtitle, no State may, during the pendency of that action, institute a separate action under paragraph (1) against any defendant named in the complaint in the action instituted by or on behalf of the Commission for that violation.

(5) **VENUE; SERVICE OF PROCESS.**—

(A) **VENUE.**—Any action brought under paragraph (1) may be brought in—

(i) the district court of the United States that meets applicable requirements relating to venue under section 1391 of title 28, United States Code; or

(ii) a State court of competent jurisdiction.

(B) **SERVICE OF PROCESS.**—In an action brought under paragraph (1) in a district court of the United States, process may be served wherever defendant—

(i) is an inhabitant; or

(ii) may be found.

(6) **LIMITATION.**—A violation of section 1403 shall not form the basis of liability in any action brought by the attorney general of a State under a State law.

SEC. 1412. KIDS ONLINE SAFETY COUNCIL.

(a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Commerce shall establish and convene the Kids Online Safety Council for the purpose of providing advice on matters related to this subtitle.

(b) **PARTICIPATION.**—The Kids Online Safety Council shall include diverse participation from—

(1) academic experts, health professionals, and members of civil society with expertise in mental health, substance use disorders, and the prevention of harms to minors;

(2) representatives in academia and civil society with specific expertise in privacy and civil liberties;

(3) parents and youth representation;

(4) representatives of covered platforms;

(5) representatives of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, the National Institute of Standards and Technology, the Federal Trade Commission, the Department of Justice, and the Department of Health and Human Services;

(6) State attorneys general or their designees acting in State or local government;

(7) educators; and

(8) representatives of communities of socially disadvantaged individuals (as defined in section 8 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 637)).

(c) **ACTIVITIES.**—The matters to be addressed by the Kids Online Safety Council shall include—

(1) identifying emerging or current risks of harms to minors associated with online platforms;

(2) recommending measures and methods for assessing, preventing, and mitigating harms to minors online;

(3) recommending methods and themes for conducting research regarding online harms to minors, including in English and non-English languages; and

(4) recommending best practices and clear, consensus-based technical standards for transparency reports and audits, as required under this subtitle, including methods, criteria, and scope to promote overall accountability.

(d) **NON-APPLICABILITY OF FACIA.**—The Kids Online Safety Council shall not be subject to chapter 10 of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the “Federal Advisory Committee Act”).

SEC. 1413. EFFECTIVE DATE.

Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle, this subtitle shall take effect on the date that is 18 months after the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 1414. RULES OF CONSTRUCTION AND OTHER MATTERS.

(a) **RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER LAWS.**—Nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to—

(1) preempt section 444 of the General Education Provisions Act (20 U.S.C. 1232g, commonly known as the “Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974”) or other Federal or State laws governing student privacy;

(2) preempt the Children’s Online Privacy Protection Act of 1998 (15 U.S.C. 6501 et seq.) or any rule or regulation promulgated under such Act; or

(3) authorize any action that would conflict with section 18(h) of the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 57a(h)).

(b) **DETERMINATION OF “FAIRLY IMPLIED ON THE BASIS OF OBJECTIVE CIRCUMSTANCES”.**—For purposes of enforcing this subtitle, in making a determination as to whether covered platform has knowledge fairly implied on the basis of objective circumstances that a specific user is a minor, the Federal Trade Commission or a State attorney general shall rely on competent and reliable evidence, taking into account the totality of the circumstances, including whether a reasonable and prudent person under the circumstances would have known that the user is a minor.

(c) **PROTECTIONS FOR PRIVACY.**—Nothing in this subtitle, including a determination described in subsection (b), shall be construed to require—

(1) the affirmative collection of any personal data with respect to the age of users that a covered platform is not already collecting in the normal course of business; or

(2) a covered platform to implement an age gating or age verification functionality.

(d) **COMPLIANCE.**—Nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to restrict a covered platform’s ability to—

(1) cooperate with law enforcement agencies regarding activity that the covered platform reasonably and in good faith believes may violate Federal, State, or local laws, rules, or regulations;

(2) comply with a lawful civil, criminal, or regulatory inquiry, subpoena, or summons by Federal, State, local, or other government authorities; or

(3) investigate, establish, exercise, respond to, or defend against legal claims.

(e) **APPLICATION TO VIDEO STREAMING SERVICES.**—A video streaming service shall be deemed to be in compliance with this subtitle if it predominantly consists of news, sports, entertainment, or other video programming content that is preselected by the provider and not user-generated, and—

(1) any chat, comment, or interactive functionality is provided incidental to, directly related to, or dependent on provision of such content;

(2) if such video streaming service requires account owner registration and is not predominantly news or sports, the service includes the capability—

(A) to limit a minor’s access to the service, which may utilize a system of age-rating;

(B) to limit the automatic playing of on-demand content selected by a personalized recommendation system for an individual that the service knows is a minor;

(C) to provide an individual that the service knows is a minor with readily-accessible and easy-to-use options to delete an account held by the minor and delete any personal data collected from the minor on the service, or, in the case of a service that allows a parent to create a profile for a minor, to allow a parent to delete the minor’s profile, and to delete any personal data collected from the minor on the service;

(D) for a parent to manage a minor’s privacy and account settings, and restrict purchases and financial transactions by a minor, where applicable;

(E) to provide an electronic point of contact specific to matters described in this paragraph;

(F) to offer a clear, conspicuous, and easy-to-understand notice of its policies and practices with respect to personal data and the capabilities described in this paragraph; and

(G) when providing on-demand content, to employ measures that safeguard against serving advertising for narcotic drugs (as defined in section 102 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 802)), tobacco products, gambling, or alcohol directly to the account or profile of an individual that the service knows is a minor.

Subtitle B—Filter Bubble Transparency

SEC. 1415. DEFINITIONS.

In this subtitle:

(1) **ALGORITHMIC RANKING SYSTEM.**—The term “algorithmic ranking system” means a computational process, including one derived from algorithmic decision-making, machine learning, statistical analysis, or other data processing or artificial intelligence techniques, used to determine the selection, order, relative prioritization, or relative prominence of content from a set of information that is provided to a user on an online platform, including the ranking of search results, the provision of content recommendations, the display of social media posts, or any other method of automated content selection.

(2) **APPROXIMATE GEOLOCATION INFORMATION.**—The term “approximate geolocation information” means information that identifies the location of an individual, but with a precision of less than 5 miles.

(3) **COMMISSION.**—The term “Commission” means the Federal Trade Commission.

(4) **CONNECTED DEVICE.**—The term “connected device” means an electronic device that—

(A) is capable of connecting to the internet, either directly or indirectly through a network, to communicate information at the direction of an individual;

(B) has computer processing capabilities for collecting, sending, receiving, or analyzing data; and

(C) is primarily designed for or marketed to consumers.

(5) **INPUT-TRANSPARENT ALGORITHM.**—

(A) **IN GENERAL.**—The term “input-transparent algorithm” means an algorithmic ranking system that does not use the user-

specific data of a user to determine the selection, order, relative prioritization, or relative prominence of information that is furnished to such user on an online platform, unless the user-specific data is expressly provided to the platform by the user for such purpose.

(B) DATA EXPRESSLY PROVIDED TO THE PLATFORM.—For purposes of subparagraph (A), user-specific data that is provided by a user for the express purpose of determining the selection, order, relative prioritization, or relative prominence of information that is furnished to such user on an online platform—

(i) shall include user-supplied search terms, filters, speech patterns (if provided for the purpose of enabling the platform to accept spoken input or selecting the language in which the user interacts with the platform), saved preferences, the resumption of a previous search, and the current precise geolocation information that is supplied by the user;

(ii) shall include the user's current approximate geolocation information;

(iii) shall include data submitted to the platform by the user that expresses the user's desire to receive particular information, such as the social media profiles the user follows, the video channels the user subscribes to, or other content or sources of content on the platform the user has selected;

(iv) shall not include the history of the user's connected device, including the user's history of web searches and browsing, previous geographical locations, physical activity, device interaction, and financial transactions; and

(v) shall not include inferences about the user or the user's connected device, without regard to whether such inferences are based on data described in clause (i) or (iii).

(6) ONLINE PLATFORM.—The term “online platform” means any public-facing website, online service, online application, or mobile application that predominantly provides a community forum for user-generated content, such as sharing videos, images, games, audio files, or other content, including a social media service, social network, or virtual reality environment.

(7) OPAQUE ALGORITHM.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The term “opaque algorithm” means an algorithmic ranking system that determines the selection, order, relative prioritization, or relative prominence of information that is furnished to such user on an online platform based, in whole or part, on user-specific data that was not expressly provided by the user to the platform for such purpose.

(B) EXCEPTION FOR AGE-APPROPRIATE CONTENT FILTERS.—Such term shall not include an algorithmic ranking system used by an online platform if—

(i) the only user-specific data (including inferences about the user) that the system uses is information relating to the age of the user; and

(ii) such information is only used to restrict a user's access to content on the basis that the individual is not old enough to access such content.

(8) PRECISE GEOLOCATION INFORMATION.—The term “precise geolocation information” means geolocation information that identifies an individual's location to within a range of 5 miles or less.

(9) USER-SPECIFIC DATA.—The term “user-specific data” means information relating to an individual or a specific connected device that would not necessarily be true of every individual or device.

SEC. 1416. REQUIREMENT TO ALLOW USERS TO SEE UNMANIPULATED CONTENT ON INTERNET PLATFORMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on the date that is 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, it shall be unlawful for any person to operate an online platform that uses an opaque algorithm unless the person complies with the requirements of subsection (b).

(b) OPAQUE ALGORITHM REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The requirements of this subsection with respect to a person that operates an online platform that uses an opaque algorithm are the following:

(A) The person provides users of the platform with the following notices:

(i) Notice that the platform uses an opaque algorithm that uses user-specific data to select the content the user sees. Such notice shall be presented in a clear and conspicuous manner on the platform whenever the user interacts with an opaque algorithm for the first time, and may be a one-time notice that can be dismissed by the user.

(ii) Notice, to be included in the terms and conditions of the online platform, in a clear, accessible, and easily comprehensible manner that is to be updated whenever the online platform makes a material change, of—

(I) the most salient features, inputs, and parameters used by the algorithm;

(II) how any user-specific data used by the algorithm is collected or inferred about a user of the platform, and the categories of such data;

(III) any options that the online platform makes available for a user of the platform to opt out or exercise options under subparagraph (B), modify the profile of the user or to influence the features, inputs, or parameters used by the algorithm; and

(IV) any quantities, such as time spent using a product or specific measures of engagement or social interaction, that the algorithm is designed to optimize, as well as a general description of the relative importance of each quantity for such ranking.

(B) The online platform enables users to easily switch between the opaque algorithm and an input-transparent algorithm in their use of the platform.

(2) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to require an online platform to disclose any information, including data or algorithms—

(A) relating to a trade secret or other protected intellectual property;

(B) that is confidential business information; or

(C) that is privileged.

(3) PROHIBITION ON DIFFERENTIAL PRICING.—An online platform shall not deny, charge different prices or rates for, or condition the provision of a service or product to a user based on the user's election to use an input-transparent algorithm in their use of the platform, as provided under paragraph (1)(B).

(c) ENFORCEMENT BY FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION.—

(1) UNFAIR OR DECEPTIVE ACTS OR PRACTICES.—A violation of this section by an operator of an online platform shall be treated as a violation of a rule defining an unfair or deceptive act or practice prescribed under section 18(a)(1)(B) of the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 57a(a)(1)(B)).

(2) POWERS OF COMMISSION.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Federal Trade Commission shall enforce this section in the same manner, by the same means, and with the same jurisdiction, powers, and duties as though all applicable terms and provisions of the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 41 et seq.) were incorporated into and made a part of this section.

(B) PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES.—Any person who violates this section shall be subject to the penalties and entitled to the privi-

leges and immunities provided in the Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 41 et seq.).

(C) AUTHORITY PRESERVED.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authority of the Commission under any other provision of law.

(d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION TO PRESERVE PERSONALIZED BLOCKS.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit or prohibit an online platform's ability to, at the direction of an individual user or group of users, restrict another user from searching for, finding, accessing, or interacting with such user's or group's account, content, data, or online community.

Subtitle C—Relationship to State Laws; Severability

SEC. 1418. RELATIONSHIP TO STATE LAWS.

The provisions of this title shall preempt any State law, rule, or regulation only to the extent that such State law, rule, or regulation conflicts with a provision of this title. Nothing in this title shall be construed to prohibit a State from enacting a law, rule, or regulation that provides greater protection to minors than the protection provided by the provisions of this title.

SEC. 1419. SEVERABILITY.

If any provision of this title, or an amendment made by this title, is determined to be unenforceable or invalid, the remaining provisions of this title and the amendments made by this title shall not be affected.

SA 1932. Mr. PETERS (for himself and Mr. JOHNSON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 1112 and insert the following:

SEC. 1112. COUNTER-UAS AUTHORITIES.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the “Safeguarding the Homeland from the Threats Posed by Unmanned Aircraft Systems Act of 2024”.

(b) DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM DETECTION AND MITIGATION ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY.—Subtitle A of title II of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 121 et seq.) is amended by striking section 210G (6 U.S.C. 124n) and inserting the following:

“SEC. 210G. PROTECTION OF CERTAIN FACILITIES AND ASSETS FROM UNMANNED AIRCRAFT.

“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

“(1) The term ‘air navigation facility’ has the meaning given the term in section 40102(a) of title 49, United States Code.

“(2) The term ‘airport’ has the meaning given the term in section 47102 of title 49, United States Code.

“(3) The term ‘appropriate committees of Congress’ means—

“(A) the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate; and

“(B) the Committee on Homeland Security, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives.

“(4) The term ‘budget’, with respect to a fiscal year, means the budget for that fiscal year that is submitted to Congress by the President under section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code.

“(5) The term ‘covered facility or asset’ means any facility or asset that—

“(A) is identified as high-risk and a potential target for unlawful unmanned aircraft or unmanned aircraft system activity by the Secretary or the Attorney General, or by the chief executive of the jurisdiction in which a State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency designated pursuant to subsection (d)(2) operates after review and approval of the Secretary or the Attorney General, in coordination with the Secretary of Transportation with respect to potentially impacted airspace, through a risk-based assessment for purposes of this section (except that in the case of the missions described in clauses (i)(II) and (iii)(I) of subparagraph (C), such missions shall be presumed to be for the protection of a facility or asset that is assessed to be high-risk and a potential target for unlawful unmanned aircraft or unmanned aircraft system activity);

“(B) is located in the United States; and

“(C) directly relates to 1 or more—

“(i) missions authorized to be performed by the Department, consistent with governing statutes, regulations, and orders issued by the Secretary, pertaining to—

“(I) security or protection functions of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, including securing or protecting facilities, aircraft, and vessels, whether moored or underway;

“(II) United States Secret Service protection operations pursuant to sections 3056(a) and 3056A(a) of title 18, United States Code, and the Presidential Protection Assistance Act of 1976 (18 U.S.C. 3056 note);

“(III) protection of facilities pursuant to section 1315(a) of title 40, United States Code;

“(IV) transportation security functions of the Transportation Security Administration; or

“(V) the security or protection functions for facilities, assets, and operations of Homeland Security Investigations;

“(ii) missions authorized to be performed by the Department of Justice, consistent with governing statutes, regulations, and orders issued by the Attorney General, pertaining to—

“(I) personal protection operations by—

“(aa) the Federal Bureau of Investigation as specified in section 533 of title 28, United States Code; or

“(bb) the United States Marshals Service as specified in section 566 of title 28, United States Code;

“(II) protection of penal, detention, and correctional facilities and operations conducted by the Federal Bureau of Prisons and prisoner operations and transport conducted by the United States Marshals Service;

“(III) protection of the buildings and grounds leased, owned, or operated by or for the Department of Justice, and the provision of security for Federal courts, as specified in section 566 of title 28, United States Code; or

“(IV) protection of an airport or air navigation facility;

“(iii) missions authorized to be performed by the Department or the Department of Justice, acting together or separately, consistent with governing statutes, regulations, and orders issued by the Secretary or the Attorney General, respectively, pertaining to—

“(I) protection of National Special Security Events and Special Event Assessment Rating events;

“(II) the provision of support to a State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency, upon request of the chief executive officer of the State or territory, to ensure

protection of people and property at mass gatherings, that is limited to a specified duration and location, within available resources, and without delegating any authority under this section to State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement;

“(III) protection of an active Federal law enforcement investigation, emergency response, or security function, that is limited to a specified duration and location; or

“(IV) the provision of security or protection support to critical infrastructure owners or operators, for static critical infrastructure facilities and assets upon the request of the owner or operator;

“(iv) missions authorized to be performed by the United States Coast Guard, including those described in clause (iii) as directed by the Secretary, and as further set forth in section 528 of title 14, United States Code, and consistent with governing statutes, regulations, and orders issued by the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating; and

“(v) responsibilities of State, local, Tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies designated pursuant to subsection (d)(2) pertaining to—

“(I) protection of National Special Security Events and Special Event Assessment Rating events or other mass gatherings in the jurisdiction of the State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency;

“(II) protection of critical infrastructure assessed by the Secretary as high-risk for unmanned aircraft systems or unmanned aircraft attack or disruption, including airports in the jurisdiction of the State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency;

“(III) protection of government buildings, assets, or facilities in the jurisdiction of the State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency; or

“(IV) protection of disaster response in the jurisdiction of the State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency.

“(6) The term ‘critical infrastructure’ has the meaning given the term in section 1016(e) of the Critical Infrastructure Protection Act of 2001 (42 U.S.C. 5195(e)).

“(7) The terms ‘electronic communication’, ‘intercept’, ‘oral communication’, and ‘wire communication’ have the meanings given those terms in section 2510 of title 18, United States Code.

“(8) The term ‘homeland security or justice budget materials’, with respect to a fiscal year, means the materials submitted to Congress by the Secretary and the Attorney General in support of the budget for that fiscal year.

“(9)(A) The term ‘personnel’ means—

“(i) an officer, employee, or contractor of the Department or the Department of Justice, who is authorized to perform duties that include safety, security, or protection of people, facilities, or assets; or

“(ii) an employee who—

“(I) is authorized to perform law enforcement and security functions on behalf of a State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency designated under subsection (d)(2); and

“(II) is trained and certified to perform those duties, including training specific to countering unmanned aircraft threats and mitigating risks in the national airspace, including with respect to protecting privacy and civil liberties.

“(B) To qualify for use of the authorities described in subsection (b) or (c), respectively, a contractor conducting operations described in those subsections shall—

“(i) be directly contracted by the Department or the Department of Justice;

“(ii) operate at a government-owned or government-leased facility or asset;

“(iii) not conduct inherently governmental functions;

“(iv) be trained to safeguard privacy and civil liberties; and

“(v) be trained and certified by the Department or the Department of Justice to meet the established guidance and regulations of the Department or the Department of Justice, respectively.

“(C) For purposes of subsection (c)(1), the term ‘personnel’ includes any officer, employee, or contractor who is authorized to perform duties that include the safety, security, or protection of people, facilities, or assets, of—

“(i) a State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency; and

“(ii) an owner or operator of an airport or critical infrastructure.

“(10) The term ‘risk-based assessment’ means an evaluation of threat information specific to a covered facility or asset and, with respect to potential impacts on the safety and efficiency of the national airspace system and the needs of law enforcement and national security at each covered facility or asset identified by the Secretary or the Attorney General, respectively, of each of the following factors:

“(A) Potential impacts to safety, efficiency, and use of the national airspace system, including potential effects on manned aircraft and unmanned aircraft systems or unmanned aircraft, aviation safety, airport operations, infrastructure, and air navigation services relating to the use of any system or technology for carrying out the actions described in subsection (e)(2).

“(B) Options for mitigating any identified impacts to the national airspace system relating to the use of any system or technology, including minimizing, when possible, the use of any technology that disrupts the transmission of radio or electronic signals, for carrying out the actions described in subsection (e)(2).

“(C) Potential consequences of the impacts of any actions taken under subsection (e)(2) to the national airspace system and infrastructure if not mitigated.

“(D) The ability to provide reasonable advance notice to aircraft operators consistent with the safety of the national airspace system and the needs of law enforcement and national security.

“(E) The setting and character of any covered facility or asset, including—

“(i) whether the covered facility or asset is located in a populated area or near other structures;

“(ii) whether the covered facility or asset is open to the public;

“(iii) whether the covered facility or asset is used for nongovernmental functions; and

“(iv) any potential for interference with wireless communications or for injury or damage to persons or property.

“(F) The setting, character, duration, and national airspace system impacts of National Special Security Events and Special Event Assessment Rating events, to the extent not already discussed in the National Special Security Event and Special Event Assessment Rating nomination process.

“(G) Potential consequences to national security, public safety, or law enforcement if threats posed by unmanned aircraft systems or unmanned aircraft are not mitigated or defeated.

“(H) Civil rights and civil liberties guaranteed by the First and Fourth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States.

“(11) The terms ‘unmanned aircraft’ and ‘unmanned aircraft system’ have the meanings given those terms in section 44801 of title 49, United States Code.

“(b) AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND DEPARTMENT OF

JUSTICE.—Notwithstanding section 46502 of title 49, United States Code, or sections 32, 1030, 1367, and chapters 119 and 206 of title 18, United States Code, the Secretary and the Attorney General may, for their respective Departments, take, and may authorize personnel with assigned duties that include the safety, security, or protection of people, facilities, or assets to take, actions described in subsection (e)(2) that are necessary to detect, identify, monitor, track, and mitigate a credible threat (as defined by the Secretary and the Attorney General, in consultation with the Secretary of Transportation, acting through the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration) that an unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft poses to the safety or security of a covered facility or asset.

“(C) ADDITIONAL LIMITED AUTHORITY FOR DETECTION, IDENTIFICATION, MONITORING, AND TRACKING.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), and notwithstanding sections 1030 and 1367 and chapters 119 and 206 of title 18, United States Code, any State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency, the Department of Justice, the Department, and any owner or operator of an airport or critical infrastructure may authorize personnel, with assigned duties that include the safety, security, or protection of people, facilities, or assets, to use equipment authorized under this subsection to take actions described in subsection (e)(1) that are necessary to detect, identify, monitor, or track an unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft within the respective areas of responsibility or jurisdiction of the authorized personnel.

“(2) AUTHORIZED EQUIPMENT.—Equipment authorized for unmanned aircraft system detection, identification, monitoring, or tracking under this subsection shall be limited to systems or technologies—

“(A) tested and evaluated by the Department or the Department of Justice, including evaluation of any potential counterintelligence or cybersecurity risks;

“(B) that are annually reevaluated for any changes in risks, including counterintelligence and cybersecurity risks;

“(C) determined by the Federal Communications Commission and the National Telecommunications and Information Administration not to adversely impact the use of the communications spectrum;

“(D) determined by the Federal Aviation Administration not to adversely impact the use of the aviation spectrum or otherwise adversely impact the national airspace system; and

“(E) that are included on a list of authorized equipment maintained by the Department, in coordination with the Department of Justice, the Federal Aviation Administration, the Federal Communications Commission, and the National Telecommunications and Information Administration.

“(3) STATE, LOCAL, TRIBAL, AND TERRITORIAL COMPLIANCE.—Each State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency or owner or operator of an airport or critical infrastructure acting pursuant to this subsection shall—

“(A) prior to any such action, issue a written policy certifying compliance with the privacy protections of subparagraphs (A) through (D) of subsection (j)(2);

“(B) certify compliance with such policy to the Secretary and the Attorney General annually, and immediately notify the Secretary and Attorney General of any non-compliance with such policy or the privacy protections of subparagraphs (A) through (D) of subsection (j)(2); and

“(C) comply with any additional guidance issued by the Secretary or the Attorney Gen-

eral relating to implementation of this subsection.

“(4) PROHIBITION.—Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to authorize the taking of any action described in subsection (e) other than the actions described in paragraph (1) of that subsection.

“(d) PILOT PROGRAM FOR STATE, LOCAL, TRIBAL, AND TERRITORIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary and the Attorney General may carry out a pilot program to evaluate the potential benefits of State, local, Tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies taking actions that are necessary to mitigate a credible threat (as defined by the Secretary and the Attorney General, in consultation with the Secretary of Transportation, acting through the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration) that an unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft poses to the safety or security of a covered facility or asset.

“(2) DESIGNATION.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary or the Attorney General, with the concurrence of the Secretary of Transportation (acting through the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration), may, under the pilot program established under paragraph (1), designate 1 or more State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agencies approved by the respective chief executive officer of the State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency to engage in the activities authorized in paragraph (4) under the direct oversight of the Department or the Department of Justice, in carrying out the responsibilities authorized under subsection (a)(5)(C)(v).

“(B) DESIGNATION PROCESS.—

“(i) NUMBER OF AGENCIES AND DURATION.—On and after the date that is 180 days after the date of enactment of the Safeguarding the Homeland from the Threats Posed by Unmanned Aircraft Systems Act of 2024, the Secretary and the Attorney General, pursuant to subparagraph (A), may designate a combined total of not more than 12 State, local, Tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies for participation in the pilot program, and may designate 12 additional State, local, Tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies each year thereafter, provided that not more than 60 State, local, Tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies in total may be designated during the 5-year period of the pilot program.

“(ii) REVOCATION.—The Secretary and the Attorney General, in consultation with the Secretary of Transportation (acting through the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration)—

“(I) may revoke a designation under subparagraph (A) if the Secretary, Attorney General, and Secretary of Transportation (acting through the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration) concur in the revocation; and

“(II) shall revoke a designation under subparagraph (A) if the Secretary, the Attorney General, or the Secretary of Transportation (acting through the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration) withdraws concurrence.

“(3) TERMINATION OF PILOT PROGRAM.—

“(A) DESIGNATION.—The authority to designate an agency for inclusion in the pilot program established under this subsection shall terminate 5 years after the date that is 180 days after the date of enactment of the Safeguarding the Homeland from the Threats Posed by Unmanned Aircraft Systems Act of 2024.

“(B) AUTHORITY OF PILOT PROGRAM AGENCIES.—The authority of an agency designated under the pilot program established under this subsection to exercise any of the au-

thorities granted under the pilot program shall terminate not later than 6 years after the date that is 180 days after the date of enactment of the Safeguarding the Homeland from the Threats Posed by Unmanned Aircraft Systems Act of 2024, or upon revocation pursuant to paragraph (2)(B)(ii).

“(4) AUTHORIZATION.—Notwithstanding section 46502 of title 49, United States Code, or sections 32, 1030, 1367, and chapters 119 and 206 of title 18, United States Code, any State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency designated pursuant to paragraph (2) may authorize personnel with assigned duties that include the safety, security, or protection of people, facilities, or assets to take such actions as are described in subsection (e)(2) that are necessary to detect, identify, monitor, track, or mitigate a credible threat (as defined by the Secretary and the Attorney General, in consultation with the Secretary of Transportation, acting through the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration) that an unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft poses to the safety or security of a covered facility or asset in carrying out the responsibilities authorized under subsection (a)(5)(C)(v).

“(5) EXEMPTION.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (B), the Chair of the Federal Communications Commission, in consultation with the Administrator of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, shall implement a process for considering the exemption of 1 or more law enforcement agencies designated under paragraph (2), or any station operated by the agency, from any provision of title III of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 151 et seq.) to the extent that the designated law enforcement agency takes such actions as are described in subsection (e)(2) and may establish conditions or requirements for such exemption.

“(B) REQUIREMENTS.—The Chair of the Federal Communications Commission, in consultation with the Administrator of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, may grant an exemption under subparagraph (A) only if the Chair of the Federal Communications Commission in consultation with the Administrator of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration finds that the grant of an exemption—

“(i) is necessary to achieve the purposes of this subsection; and

“(ii) will serve the public interest.

“(C) REVOCATION.—Any exemption granted under subparagraph (A) shall terminate automatically if the designation granted to the law enforcement agency under paragraph (2)(A) is revoked by the Secretary or the Attorney General under paragraph (2)(B)(ii) or is terminated under paragraph (3)(B).

“(6) REPORTING.—Not later than 2 years after the date on which the first law enforcement agency is designated under paragraph (2), and annually thereafter for the duration of the pilot program, the Secretary and the Attorney General shall inform the appropriate committees of Congress in writing of the use by any State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency of any authority granted pursuant to paragraph (4), including a description of any privacy or civil liberties complaints known to the Secretary or Attorney General in connection with the use of that authority by the designated agencies.

“(7) RESTRICTIONS.—Any entity acting pursuant to the authorities granted under this subsection—

“(A) may do so only using equipment authorized by the Department, in coordination with the Department of Justice, the Federal Communications Commission, the National

Telecommunications and Information Administration, and the Department of Transportation (acting through the Federal Aviation Administration) according to the criteria described in subsection (c)(2);

“(B) shall, prior to any such action, issue a written policy certifying compliance with the privacy protections of subparagraphs (A) through (D) of subsection (j)(2);

“(C) shall ensure that all personnel undertaking any actions listed under this subsection are properly trained in accordance with the criteria that the Secretary and Attorney General shall collectively establish, in consultation with the Secretary of Transportation, the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, the Chair of the Federal Communications Commission, the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information, and the Administrator of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration; and

“(D) shall comply with any additional guidance relating to compliance with this subsection issued by the Secretary or Attorney General.

“(e) ACTIONS DESCRIBED.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The actions authorized under subsection (c) that may be taken by a State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency, the Department, the Department of Justice, and any owner or operator of an airport or critical infrastructure, are limited to actions during the operation of an unmanned aircraft system, to detect, identify, monitor, and track the unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft, without prior consent, including by means of intercept or other access of a wire communication, an oral communication, or an electronic communication used to control the unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft.

“(2) CLARIFICATION.—The actions authorized in subsections (b) and (d)(4) are the following:

“(A) During the operation of the unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft, detect, identify, monitor, and track the unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft, without prior consent, including by means of intercept or other access of a wire communication, an oral communication, or an electronic communication used to control the unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft.

“(B) Warn the operator of the unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft, including by passive or active, and direct or indirect, physical, electronic, radio, and electromagnetic means.

“(C) Disrupt control of the unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft, without prior consent of the operator of the unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft, including by disabling the unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft by intercepting, interfering, or causing interference with wire, oral, electronic, or radio communications used to control the unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft.

“(D) Seize or exercise control of the unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft.

“(E) Seize or otherwise confiscate the unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft.

“(F) Use reasonable force, if necessary, to disable, damage, or destroy the unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft.

“(f) RESEARCH, TESTING, TRAINING, AND EVALUATION.—

“(1) REQUIREMENT.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 46502 of title 49, United States Code, or any provision of title 18, United States Code, the Secretary, the Attorney General, and the

heads of the State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agencies designated pursuant to subsection (d)(2) shall conduct research, testing, and training on, and evaluation of, any equipment, including any electronic equipment, to determine the capability and utility of the equipment prior to the use of the equipment in carrying out any action described in subsection (e).

“(B) COORDINATION.—Personnel and contractors who do not have duties that include the safety, security, or protection of people, facilities, or assets may engage in research, testing, training, and evaluation activities pursuant to subparagraph (A).

“(2) TRAINING OF FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL, TERRITORIAL, AND TRIBAL LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL.—The Attorney General, acting through the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, may—

“(A) provide training relating to measures to mitigate a credible threat that an unmanned aircraft or unmanned aircraft system poses to the safety or security of a covered facility or asset to any personnel who are authorized to take such measures, including personnel authorized to take the actions described in subsection (e); and

“(B) establish or designate 1 or more facilities or training centers for the purpose described in subparagraph (A).

“(3) COORDINATION FOR RESEARCH, TESTING, TRAINING, AND EVALUATION.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, the Attorney General, and the heads of the State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agencies designated pursuant to subsection (d)(2) shall coordinate procedures governing research, testing, training, and evaluation to carry out any provision under this subsection with the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration before initiating such activity in order that the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration may ensure the activity does not adversely impact or interfere with safe airport operations, navigation, air traffic services, or the safe and efficient operation of the national airspace system.

“(B) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT.—Each head of a State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency designated pursuant to subsection (d)(2) shall coordinate the procedures governing research, testing, training, and evaluation of the law enforcement agency through the Secretary and the Attorney General, in coordination with the Federal Aviation Administration.

“(g) FORFEITURE.—Any unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft that is lawfully seized by the Secretary or the Attorney General pursuant to subsection (b) is subject to forfeiture to the United States pursuant to the provisions of chapter 46 of title 18, United States Code.

“(h) REGULATIONS AND GUIDANCE.—The Secretary, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of Transportation—

“(1) may prescribe regulations and shall issue guidance in the respective areas of each Secretary or the Attorney General to carry out this section; and

“(2) in developing regulations and guidance described in paragraph (1), shall consult the Chair of the Federal Communications Commission, the Administrator of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, and the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration.

“(i) COORDINATION.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary and the Attorney General shall coordinate with the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration before carrying out any action authorized under this section in order that the Administrator may ensure the action does not adversely impact or interfere with—

“(A) safe airport operations;

“(B) navigation;

“(C) air traffic services; or

“(D) the safe and efficient operation of the national airspace system.

“(2) GUIDANCE.—Before issuing any guidance, or otherwise implementing this section, the Secretary or the Attorney General shall each coordinate with—

“(A) the Secretary of Transportation in order that the Secretary of Transportation may ensure the guidance or implementation does not adversely impact or interfere with any critical infrastructure relating to transportation; and

“(B) the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration in order that the Administrator may ensure the guidance or implementation does not adversely impact or interfere with—

“(i) safe airport operations;

“(ii) navigation;

“(iii) air traffic services; or

“(iv) the safe and efficient operation of the national airspace system.

“(3) COORDINATION WITH THE FAA.—The Secretary and the Attorney General shall coordinate the development of their respective guidance under subsection (h) with the Secretary of Transportation (acting through the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration).

“(4) COORDINATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary and the Attorney General, and the heads of any State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agencies designated pursuant to subsection (d)(2), through the Secretary and the Attorney General, shall coordinate the development for their respective departments or agencies of the actions described in subsection (e) with the Secretary of Transportation (acting through the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration), the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information, and the Administrator of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration.

“(5) STATE, LOCAL, TRIBAL, AND TERRITORIAL IMPLEMENTATION.—Prior to taking any action authorized under subsection (d)(4), each head of a State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency designated under subsection (d)(2) shall coordinate, through the Secretary and the Attorney General—

“(A) with the Secretary of Transportation in order that the Administrators of non-aviation modes of the Department of Transportation may evaluate whether the action may have adverse impacts on critical infrastructure relating to non-aviation transportation;

“(B) with the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration in order that the Administrator may ensure the action will not adversely impact or interfere with—

“(i) safe airport operations;

“(ii) navigation;

“(iii) air traffic services; or

“(iv) the safe and efficient operation of the national airspace system; and

“(C) to allow the Department and the Department of Justice to ensure that any action authorized by this section is consistent with Federal law enforcement or in the interest of national security.

“(j) PRIVACY PROTECTION.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Any regulation or guidance issued to carry out an action under subsection (e) by the Secretary or the Attorney General shall ensure for the Department or the Department of Justice, respectively, that—

“(A) the interception of, acquisition of, access to, maintenance of, or use of any communication to or from an unmanned aircraft

system or unmanned aircraft under this section is conducted in a manner consistent with the First and Fourth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States and any applicable provision of Federal law;

“(B) any communication to or from an unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft are intercepted or acquired only to the extent necessary to support an action described in subsection (e);

“(C) any record of a communication described in subparagraph (B) is maintained only for as long as necessary, and in no event for more than 180 days, unless the Secretary or the Attorney General, as applicable, determines that maintenance of the record is—

“(i) required under Federal law;

“(ii) necessary for the purpose of litigation; and

“(iii) necessary to investigate or prosecute a violation of law, including by—

“(I) directly supporting an ongoing security operation; or

“(II) protecting against dangerous or unauthorized activity by unmanned aircraft systems or unmanned aircraft; and

“(D) a communication described in subparagraph (B) is not disclosed to any person not employed or contracted by the Department or the Department of Justice unless the disclosure—

“(i) is necessary to investigate or prosecute a violation of law;

“(ii) will support—

“(I) the Department of Defense;

“(II) a Federal law enforcement, intelligence, or security agency;

“(III) a State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency; or

“(IV) another relevant entity or person if the entity or person is engaged in a security or protection operation;

“(iii) is necessary to support a department or agency listed in clause (ii) in investigating or prosecuting a violation of law;

“(iv) will support the enforcement activities of a Federal regulatory agency relating to a criminal or civil investigation of, or any regulatory, statutory, or other enforcement action relating to, an action described in subsection (e);

“(v) is between the Department and the Department of Justice in the course of a security or protection operation of either department or a joint operation of those departments; or

“(vi) is otherwise required by law.

“(2) LOCAL PRIVACY PROTECTION.—In exercising any authority described in subsection (c) or (d), a State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency designated under subsection (d)(2) or owner or operator of an airport or critical infrastructure shall ensure that—

“(A) the interception of, acquisition of, access to, maintenance of, or use of communications to or from an unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft under this section is conducted in a manner consistent with—

“(i) the First and Fourth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States; and

“(ii) applicable provisions of Federal law, and where required, State, local, Tribal, and territorial law;

“(B) any communication to or from an unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft is intercepted or acquired only to the extent necessary to support an action described in subsection (e);

“(C) any record of a communication described in subparagraph (B) is maintained only for as long as necessary, and in no event for more than 180 days, unless the Secretary, the Attorney General, or the head of a State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency designated under subsection (d)(2) determines that maintenance of the record is—

“(i) required to be maintained under Federal, State, local, Tribal, or territorial law;

“(ii) necessary for the purpose of any litigation; or

“(iii) necessary to investigate or prosecute a violation of law, including by—

“(I) directly supporting an ongoing security or protection operation; or

“(II) protecting against dangerous or unauthorized activity by an unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft; and

“(D) the communication is not disclosed outside the agency or entity unless the disclosure—

“(i) is necessary to investigate or prosecute a violation of law;

“(ii) would support the Department of Defense, a Federal law enforcement, intelligence, or security agency, or a State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency;

“(iii) would support the enforcement activities of a Federal regulatory agency in connection with a criminal or civil investigation of, or any regulatory, statutory, or other enforcement action relating to, an action described in subsection (e);

“(iv) is to the Department or the Department of Justice in the course of a security or protection operation of either the Department or the Department of Justice, or a joint operation of the Department and Department of Justice; or

“(v) is otherwise required by law.

“(k) BUDGET.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary and the Attorney General shall submit to Congress, as a part of the homeland security or justice budget materials for each fiscal year after fiscal year 2024, a consolidated funding display that identifies the funding source for the actions described in subsection (e) within the Department and the Department of Justice.

“(2) CLASSIFICATION.—Each funding display submitted under paragraph (1) shall be in unclassified form but may contain a classified annex.

“(l) PUBLIC DISCLOSURES.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any provision of State, local, Tribal, or territorial law, information shall be governed by the disclosure obligations set forth in section 552 of title 5, United States Code (commonly known as the ‘Freedom of Information Act’), if the information relates to—

“(A) any capability, limitation, or sensitive detail of the operation of any technology used to carry out an action described in subsection (e)(1) of this section; or

“(B) an operational procedure or protocol used to carry out this section.

“(2) STATE, LOCAL, TRIBAL, OR TERRITORIAL AGENCY USE.—

“(A) CONTROL.—Information described in paragraph (1) that is obtained by a State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency from a Federal agency under this section—

“(i) shall remain subject to the control of the Federal agency, notwithstanding that the State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency has the information described in paragraph (1) in the possession of the State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency; and

“(ii) shall not be subject to any State, local, Tribal, or territorial law authorizing or requiring disclosure of the information described in paragraph (1).

“(B) ACCESS.—Any request for public access to information described in paragraph (1) shall be submitted to the originating Federal agency, which shall process the request as required under section 552(a)(3) of title 5, United States Code.

“(m) ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT.—

“(1) FACILITIES AND SERVICES OF OTHER AGENCIES AND NON-FEDERAL ENTITIES.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary and the Attorney General are authorized to use or accept from any other Federal agency, or any other public or private entity, any supply or service to facilitate or carry out any action described in subsection (e).

“(B) REIMBURSEMENT.—In accordance with subparagraph (A), the Secretary and the Attorney General may accept any supply or service with or without reimbursement to the entity providing the supply or service and notwithstanding any provision of law that would prevent the use or acceptance of the supply or service.

“(C) AGREEMENTS.—To implement the requirements of subsection (a)(5)(C), the Secretary or the Attorney General may enter into 1 or more agreements with the head of another executive agency or with an appropriate official of a non-Federal public or private agency or entity, as may be necessary and proper to carry out the responsibilities of the Secretary and Attorney General under this section.

“(2) MUTUAL SUPPORT.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (B), the Secretary and the Attorney General are authorized to provide support or assistance, upon the request of a Federal agency or department conducting—

“(i) a mission described in subsection (a)(5)(C);

“(ii) a mission described in section 130i of title 10, United States Code; or

“(iii) a mission described in section 4510 of the Atomic Energy Defense Act (50 U.S.C. 2661).

“(B) REQUIREMENTS.—Any support or assistance provided by the Secretary or the Attorney General shall only be granted—

“(i) for the purpose of fulfilling the roles and responsibilities of the Federal agency or department that made the request for the mission for which the request was made;

“(ii) when exigent circumstances exist;

“(iii) for a specified duration and location;

“(iv) within available resources;

“(v) on a non-reimbursable basis; and

“(vi) in coordination with the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration.

“(n) SEMIANNUAL BRIEFINGS AND NOTIFICATIONS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—On a semiannual basis beginning 180 days after the date of enactment of the Safeguarding the Homeland from the Threats Posed by Unmanned Aircraft Systems Act of 2024, the Secretary and the Attorney General shall each provide a briefing to the appropriate committees of Congress on the activities carried out pursuant to this section.

“(2) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary and the Attorney General each shall conduct the briefing required under paragraph (1) jointly with the Secretary of Transportation.

“(3) CONTENT.—Each briefing required under paragraph (1) shall include—

“(A) policies, programs, and procedures to mitigate or eliminate impacts of activities carried out pursuant to this section to the national airspace system and other critical infrastructure relating to national transportation;

“(B) a description of—

“(i) each instance in which any action described in subsection (e) has been taken, including any instances that may have resulted in harm, damage, or loss to a person or to private property;

“(ii) the guidance, policies, or procedures established by the Secretary or the Attorney General to address privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties issues implicated by the actions permitted under this section, as well as any changes or subsequent efforts by the

Secretary or the Attorney General that would significantly affect privacy, civil rights, or civil liberties;

“(iii) options considered and steps taken by the Secretary or the Attorney General to mitigate any identified impacts to the national airspace system relating to the use of any system or technology, including the minimization of the use of any technology that disrupts the transmission of radio or electronic signals, for carrying out the actions described in subsection (e)(2); and

“(iv) each instance in which a communication intercepted or acquired during the course of operations of an unmanned aircraft system or unmanned aircraft was—

“(I) held in the possession of the Department or the Department of Justice for more than 180 days; or

“(II) shared with any entity other than the Department or the Department of Justice;

“(C) an explanation of how the Secretary, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of Transportation have—

“(i) informed the public as to the possible use of authorities granted under this section; and

“(ii) engaged with Federal, State, local, Tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies to implement and use authorities granted under this section;

“(D) an assessment of whether any gaps or insufficiencies remain in laws, regulations, and policies that impede the ability of the Federal Government or State, local, Tribal, and territorial governments and owners or operators of critical infrastructure to counter the threat posed by the malicious use of unmanned aircraft systems and unmanned aircraft;

“(E) an assessment of efforts to integrate unmanned aircraft system threat assessments within National Special Security Event and Special Event Assessment Rating event planning and protection efforts;

“(F) recommendations to remedy any gaps or insufficiencies described in subparagraph (D), including recommendations relating to necessary changes in law, regulations, or policies;

“(G) a description of the impact of the authorities granted under this section on—

“(i) lawful operator access to national airspace; and

“(ii) unmanned aircraft systems and unmanned aircraft integration into the national airspace system; and

“(H) a summary from the Secretary of any data and results obtained pursuant to subsection (r), including an assessment of—

“(i) how the details of the incident were obtained; and

“(ii) whether the operation involved a violation of Federal Aviation Administration aviation regulations.

“(4) UNCLASSIFIED FORM.—Each briefing required under paragraph (1) shall be in unclassified form but may be accompanied by an additional classified briefing.

“(5) NOTIFICATION.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after an authorized department, agency, or owner or operator of an airport or critical infrastructure deploys any new technology to carry out the actions described in subsection (e), the Secretary and the Attorney General shall, individually or jointly, as appropriate, submit a notification of the deployment to the appropriate committees of Congress.

“(B) CONTENTS.—Each notification submitted pursuant to subparagraph (A) shall include a description of options considered to mitigate any identified impacts to the national airspace system relating to the use of any system or technology, including the minimization of the use of any technology that disrupts the transmission of radio or

electronic signals in carrying out the actions described in subsection (e).

“(O) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to—

“(1) vest in the Secretary, the Attorney General, or any State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency that is authorized under subsection (c) or designated under subsection (d)(2) any authority of the Secretary of Transportation or the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration;

“(2) vest in the Secretary of Transportation, the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, or any State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency designated under subsection (d)(2) any authority of the Secretary or the Attorney General;

“(3) vest in the Secretary any authority of the Attorney General;

“(4) vest in the Attorney General any authority of the Secretary; or

“(5) provide a new basis of liability with respect to an officer of a State, local, Tribal, or territorial law enforcement agency designated under subsection (d)(2) or who participates in the protection of a mass gathering identified by the Secretary or Attorney General under subsection (a)(5)(C)(iii)(II), who—

“(A) is acting in the official capacity of the individual as an officer; and

“(B) does not exercise the authority granted to the Secretary and the Attorney General by this section.

“(P) TERMINATION.—

“(1) TERMINATION OF ADDITIONAL LIMITED AUTHORITY FOR DETECTION, IDENTIFICATION, MONITORING, AND TRACKING.—The authority to carry out any action authorized under subsection (c), if performed by a non-Federal entity, shall terminate on the date that is 5 years and 6 months after the date of enactment of the Safeguarding the Homeland from the Threats Posed by Unmanned Aircraft Systems Act of 2024 and the authority under the pilot program established under subsection (d) shall terminate as provided for in paragraph (3) of that subsection.

“(2) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITIES WITH RESPECT TO COVERED FACILITIES AND ASSETS.—The authority to carry out this section with respect to a covered facility or asset shall terminate on the date that is 7 years after the date of enactment of the Safeguarding the Homeland from the Threats Posed by Unmanned Aircraft Systems Act of 2024.

“(q) SCOPE OF AUTHORITY.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to provide the Secretary or the Attorney General with any additional authority other than the authorities described in subsections (a)(5)(C)(iii), (b), (c), (d), (f), (m), and (r).

“(r) UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT DATABASE.—

“(1) AUTHORIZATION.—The Department is authorized to develop a Federal database to enable the transmission of data concerning security-related incidents in the United States involving unmanned aircraft and unmanned aircraft systems between Federal, State, local, Tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies for purposes of conducting analyses of such threats in the United States.

“(2) POLICIES, PLANS, AND PROCEDURES.—

“(A) COORDINATION AND CONSULTATION.—Before implementation of the database developed under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall develop policies, plans, and procedures for the implementation of the database—

“(i) in coordination with the Attorney General, the Secretary of Defense, and the Secretary of Transportation (acting through the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration); and

“(ii) in consultation with State, local, Tribal, and territorial law enforcement agency representatives, including representatives of fusion centers.

“(B) REPORTING.—The policies, plans, and procedures developed under subparagraph (A) shall include criteria for Federal, State, local, Tribal, and territorial reporting of unmanned aircraft systems or unmanned aircraft incidents.

“(C) DATA RETENTION.—The policies, plans, and procedures developed under subparagraph (A) shall ensure that data on security-related incidents in the United States involving unmanned aircraft and unmanned aircraft systems that is retained as criminal intelligence information is retained based on the reasonable suspicion standard, as permitted under part 23 of title 28, Code of Federal Regulations.”.

SA 1933. Mrs. FISCHER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. RAILROAD EMPLOYEE EQUITY AND FAIRNESS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the “Railroad Employee Equity and Fairness Act” or the “REEF Act”.

(b) TREATMENT OF PAYMENTS FROM THE RAILROAD UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACCOUNT.—Section 235 of the Continued Assistance to Rail Workers Act of 2020 (subchapter III of title II of division N of Public Law 116-260; 2 U.S.C. 906 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)—

(A) by striking paragraphs (1) and (2); and

(B) by striking “subsection (a)—” and inserting “subsection (a) shall take effect 7 days after the date of enactment of the Continued Assistance to Rail Workers Act of 2020.”; and

(2) by striking subsection (c).

(c) APPLICABILITY.—The amendments made by subsection (b) shall apply as if enacted on the day before the date on which the national emergency concerning the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak declared by the President on March 13, 2020, under the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.) terminates.

SA 1934. Mrs. MURRAY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 710, insert the following:

SEC. 710A. PILOT PROGRAM FOR SOUND INSULATION REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT.

(a) GOVERNMENT SHARE.—Section 47109 of title 49, United States Code, as amended by section 708, is further amended by adding at the end the following:

“(i) SPECIAL RULE FOR SOUND INSULATION REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT.—With respect to a project to carry out sound insulation that is granted a waiver under section 47110(j), the allowable project cost for such project shall be calculated without consideration of any

costs that were previously paid by the Government.”.

(b) **SOUND INSULATION TREATMENT REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT PROJECTS.**—Section 47110 of title 49, United States Code, as amended by section 710, is further amended by adding at the end the following:

“(j) **PILOT PROGRAM FOR SOUND INSULATION REPAIR AND REPLACEMENTS.**—

“(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Within 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration shall establish a pilot program at up to 4 large hub public-use airports for local airport operators that have established a local program to fund secondary noise using non-aeronautical revenue that provides a one-time waiver of the requirement of subsection (b)(4) for a qualifying airport as applied to projects to carry out repair and replacement of sound insulation for a residential building for which the airport previously received Federal assistance or Federally authorized airport assistance under this subchapter if—

“(A) the Secretary determines that the additional assistance is justified due to the residence containing any sound insulation treatment or other type of sound proofing material previously installed under this subchapter that is determined to be eligible pursuant to paragraph (2); and

“(B) the residence—

“(i) falls within the Day Night Level (DNL) of 65 to 75 decibel (dB) noise contours, according to the most recent noise exposure map (as such term is defined in section 150.7 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations) available as of the date of enactment of this subsection;

“(ii) fell within such noise contours at the time the initial sound insulation treatment was installed, but a qualified noise auditor has determined that—

“(I) such sound insulation treatment caused physical damage to the residence; or

“(II) the materials used for sound insulation treatment were of low quality and have deteriorated, broken, or otherwise no longer function as intended; and

“(iii) is shown through testing that current interior noise levels exceed DNL 45 dB, and the new insulation would have the ability to achieve a 5 dB noise reduction;

“(2) **ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION.**—To be eligible for waiver under this subsection for repair or replacement of sound insulation treatment projects, an applicant shall—

“(A) ensure that the applicant and the property owner have made a good faith effort to exhaust any amounts available through warranties, insurance coverage, and legal remedies for the sound insulation treatment previously installed on the eligible residence;

“(B) verify the sound insulation treatment for which Federal assistance was previously provided was installed prior to the year 2002; and

“(C) demonstrate that a qualified noise auditor, based on an inspection of the residence, determined that—

“(i) the sound insulation treatment for which Federal assistance was previously provided has resulted in structural deterioration that was not caused by failure of the property owner to repair or adequately maintain the residential building or through the negligence of the applicant or the property owner; and

“(ii) the condition of the sound insulation treatment described in subparagraph (A) is not attributed to actions taken by an owner or occupant of the residence.

“(3) **ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY FOR SURVEYS.**—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary shall consider a cost allowable under this subchapter for an airport to conduct periodic surveys of properties in which

repair and replacement of sound insulation treatment was carried out as described in paragraph (1) and for which the airport previously received Federal assistance or Federally authorized airport assistance under this subchapter. The surveys shall be conducted only for those properties for which the airport has identified a property owner who is interested in having a survey be undertaken to assess the current effectiveness of the sound insulation treatment. Such surveys shall be carried out to identify any properties described in the preceding sentence that are eligible for funds under this subsection.”.

SA 1935. Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Ms. HASSAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY TRANSPARENCY.

(a) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

(1) **AGENCY.**—The term “agency”—

(A) has the meaning given the term “Executive agency” in section 105 of title 5, United States Code; and

(B) does not include the Government Accountability Office.

(2) **COMPETITIVE GRANT.**—The term “competitive grant” means a discretionary award (as defined in section 200.1 of title 2, Code of Federal Regulations) awarded by an agency—

(A) through a grant agreement or cooperative agreement under which the agency makes payment in cash or in kind to a recipient to carry out a public purpose authorized by law; and

(B) the recipient of which is selected from a pool of applicants through the use of merit-based selection procedures for the purpose of allocating funds authorized under a grant program of the agency.

(3) **EVALUATION OR SELECTION CRITERIA.**—The term “evaluation or selection criteria” means standards or principles for judging, evaluating, or selecting an application for a competitive grant.

(4) **NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY.**—The term “notice of funding opportunity” has the meaning given the term in section 200.1 of title 2, Code of Federal Regulations.

(5) **RATING SYSTEM.**—The term “rating system”—

(A) means a system of evaluation of competitive grant applications to determine how such applications advance through the selection process; and

(B) includes—

(i) a merit criteria rating rubric;

(ii) an evaluation of merit criteria;

(iii) a methodology to evaluate and rate based on a point scale; and

(iv) an evaluation to determine whether a competitive grant application meets evaluation or selection criteria.

(b) **TRANSPARENCY REQUIREMENTS.**—Each notice of funding opportunity issued by an agency for a competitive grant shall include—

(1) a description of any rating system and evaluation and selection criteria the agency uses to assess applications for the competitive grant;

(2) a statement of whether the agency uses a weighted scoring method and a description of any weighted scoring method the agency uses for the competitive grant, including the amount by which the agency weights each criterion; and

(3) any other qualitative or quantitative merit-based approach the agency uses to evaluate an application for the competitive grant.

(c) **APPLICATIONS; DATA ELEMENTS.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Director of the Office of Management and Budget, in coordination with the Executive department designated under section 6402(a)(1) of title 31, United States Code, shall develop data elements relating to grant applications to ensure common reporting by each agency with respect to applications received in response to each notice of funding opportunity of the agency.

(2) **CONTENTS.**—The data elements developed under paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) the number of applications received; and

(B) the city and State of each organization that submitted an application.

(d) **RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.**—With respect to a particular competitive grant, nothing in this Act shall be construed to supersede any requirement with respect to a notice of funding opportunity for the competitive grant in a law that authorizes the competitive grant.

(e) **NO ADDITIONAL FUNDS.**—No additional funds are authorized to be appropriated for the purpose of carrying out this Act.

(f) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—This Act shall take effect on the date that is 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

(2) **NO RETROACTIVE EFFECT.**—This Act shall not apply to a notice of funding opportunity issued before the date of enactment of this Act.

SA 1936. Mr. MARSHALL (for himself and Mr. DURBIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . CREDIT CARD COMPETITION.

(a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This section may be cited as the “Credit Card Competition Act of 2024”.

(b) **COMPETITION IN CREDIT CARD TRANSACTIONS.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 921 of the Electronic Fund Transfer Act (15 U.S.C. 1693o-2) is amended—

(A) in subsection (b)—

(i) by redesignating paragraphs (2), (3), and (4) as paragraphs (3), (4), and (5), respectively; and

(ii) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following:

“(2) **COMPETITION IN CREDIT CARD TRANSACTIONS.**—

“(A) **NO EXCLUSIVE NETWORK.**—

“(i) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of the Credit Card Competition Act of 2024, the Board shall prescribe regulations providing that a covered card issuer or payment card network shall not directly or through any agent, processor, or licensed member of a payment card network, by contract, requirement, condition, penalty, technological specification,

or otherwise, restrict the number of payment card networks on which an electronic credit transaction may be processed to—

- “(I) 1 such network;
- “(II) 2 or more such networks, if—
- “(aa) each such network is owned, controlled, or otherwise operated by—
- “(AA) affiliated persons; or
- “(BB) networks affiliated with such issuer;

or

“(bb) any such network is identified on the list established and updated under subparagraph (D); or

“(III) subject to clause (ii), the 2 such networks that hold the 2 largest market shares with respect to the number of credit cards issued in the United States by licensed members of such networks (and enabled to be processed through such networks), as determined by the Board on the date on which the Board prescribes the regulations.

“(ii) DETERMINATIONS BY BOARD.—

“(I) IN GENERAL.—The Board, not later than 3 years after the date on which the regulations prescribed under clause (i) take effect, and not less frequently than once every 3 years thereafter, shall determine whether the 2 networks identified under clause (i)(III) have changed, as compared with the most recent such determination by the Board.

“(II) EFFECT OF DETERMINATION.—If the Board, under subclause (I), determines that the 2 networks described in clause (i)(III) have changed (as compared with the most recent such determination by the Board), clause (i)(III) shall no longer have any force or effect.

“(B) NO ROUTING RESTRICTIONS.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of the Credit Card Competition Act of 2024, the Board shall prescribe regulations providing that a covered card issuer or payment card network shall not—

“(i) directly or through any agent, processor, or licensed member of the network, by contract, requirement, condition, penalty, or otherwise—

“(I) inhibit the ability of any person who accepts credit cards for payments to direct the routing of electronic credit transactions for processing over any payment card network that—

“(aa) may process such transactions; and

“(bb) is not on the list established and updated by the Board under subparagraph (D);

“(II) require any person who accepts credit cards for payments to exclusively use, for transactions associated with a particular credit card, an authentication, tokenization, or other security technology that cannot be used by all of the payment card networks that may process electronic credit transactions for that particular credit card; or

“(III) inhibit the ability of another payment card network to handle or process electronic credit transactions using an authentication, tokenization, or other security technology for the processing of those electronic credit transactions; or

“(ii) impose any penalty or disadvantage, financial or otherwise, on any person for—

“(I) choosing to direct the routing of an electronic credit transaction over any payment card network on which the electronic credit transaction may be processed; or

“(II) failing to ensure that a certain number, or aggregate dollar amount, of electronic credit transactions are handled by a particular payment card network.

“(C) APPLICABILITY.—The regulations prescribed under subparagraphs (A) and (B) shall not apply to a credit card issued in a 3-party payment system model.

“(D) DESIGNATION OF NATIONAL SECURITY RISKS.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of the Credit Card Competition Act of 2024, the Board, in

consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury, shall prescribe regulations to establish a public list of any payment card network—

“(I) the processing of electronic credit transactions by which is determined by the Board to pose a risk to the national security of the United States; or

“(II) that is owned, operated, or sponsored by a foreign state entity.

“(ii) UPDATING OF LIST.—Not less frequently than once every 2 years after the date on which the Board establishes the public list required under clause (i), the Board, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury, shall update that list.

“(E) DEFINITIONS.—In this paragraph—

“(i) the terms ‘card issuer’ and ‘creditor’ have the meanings given the terms in section 103 of the Truth in Lending Act (15 U.S.C. 1602);

“(ii) the term ‘covered card issuer’ means a card issuer that, together with the affiliates of the card issuer, has assets of more than \$100,000,000,000;

“(iii) the term ‘credit card issued in a 3-party payment system model’ means a credit card issued by a card issuer that is—

“(I) the payment card network with respect to the credit card; or

“(II) under common ownership with the payment card network with respect to the credit card;

“(iv) the term ‘electronic credit transaction’—

“(I) means a transaction in which a person uses a credit card; and

“(II) includes a transaction in which a person does not physically present a credit card for payment, including a transaction involving the entry of credit card information onto, or use of credit card information in conjunction with, a website interface or a mobile telephone application; and

“(v) the term ‘licensed member’ includes, with respect to a payment card network—

“(I) a creditor or card issuer that is authorized to issue credit cards bearing any logo of the payment card network; and

“(II) any person, including any financial institution and any person that may be referred to as an ‘acquirer’, that is authorized to—

“(aa) screen and accept any person into any program under which that person may accept, for payment for goods or services, a credit card bearing any logo of the payment card network;

“(bb) process transactions on behalf of any person who accepts credit cards for payments; and

“(cc) complete financial settlement of any transaction on behalf of a person who accepts credit cards for payments.”; and

(B) in subsection (d)(1), by inserting “, except that the Bureau shall not have authority to enforce the requirements of this section or any regulations prescribed by the Board under this section” after “section 918”.

(2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Each set of regulations prescribed by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System under paragraph (2) of section 921(b) of the Electronic Fund Transfer Act (15 U.S.C. 1693o–2(b)), as amended by paragraph (1) of this subsection, shall take effect on the date that is 180 days after the date on which the Board prescribes the final version of that set of regulations.

SA 1937. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States

Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . REGULATION OF ZOOTECHNICAL ANIMAL FOOD SUBSTANCES.

(a) DEFINITION.—Section 201 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 321) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(tt)(1) The term ‘zootechnical animal food substance’ means a substance that—

“(A) is added to the food or drinking water of animals;

“(B) is intended to—

“(i) affect the byproducts of the digestive process of an animal;

“(ii) reduce the presence of foodborne pathogens of human health significance in an animal intended to be used for food; or

“(iii) affect the structure or function of the body of the animal, other than by providing nutritive value, by altering the animal’s gastrointestinal microbiome; and

“(C) achieves its intended effect by acting solely within the gastrointestinal tract of the animal.

“(2) Such term does not include a substance that—

“(A) is intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease in an animal;

“(B) is a hormone;

“(C) is an active moiety in an animal drug, which, prior to the filing of a petition under section 409 was approved under section 512, conditionally approved under section 571, indexed under section 572, or for which substantial clinical investigations have been instituted and for which the existence of such investigations has been made public;

“(D) is an ionophore; or

“(E) is otherwise excluded from the definition based on criteria established by the Secretary through notice and comment rulemaking.

“(3) A zootechnical animal food substance shall be deemed to be a food additive within the meaning of paragraph (s) and its introduction into interstate commerce shall be in accordance with a regulation issued under section 409. A zootechnical animal food substance shall not be considered a drug under paragraph (g)(1)(C) solely because the substance has an intended effect described in subparagraph (1).”.

(b) FOOD ADDITIVES.—Section 409 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 348) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)—

(A) by redesignating paragraphs (3) through (5) as paragraphs (4) through (6), respectively; and

(B) by inserting after paragraph (2) the following:

“(3) In the case of a zootechnical animal food substance, such petition shall, in addition to any explanatory or supporting data, contain—

“(A) all relevant data bearing on the effect the zootechnical animal food substance is intended to have and the quantity of such substance required to produce the intended effect; and

“(B) full reports of investigations made with respect to the intended use of such substance, including full information as to the methods and controls used in conducting such investigations.”;

(2) in subsection (c)—

(A) by amending subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) to read as follows:

“(A)(i) by order establish a regulation (whether or not in accord with that proposed by the petitioner) prescribing—

“(I) with respect to one or more proposed uses of the food additive involved, the conditions under which such additive may be safely used (including specifications as to the particular food or classes of food in or on which such additive may be used, the maximum quantity which may be used or permitted to remain in or on such food, the manner in which such additive may be added to or used in or on such food, and any directions or other labeling or packaging requirements for such additive as the Secretary determines necessary to assure the safety of such use); and

“(II) in the case of a zootechnical animal food substance, the conditions under which such substance may be used to achieve the intended effect; and

“(ii) notify the petitioner of such order and the reasons for such action; or”; and

(B) in paragraph (3)—

(i) in subparagraph (A), by striking “; or” and inserting a semicolon;

(ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period and inserting “; or”; and

(iii) by adding at the end the following:

“(C) in the case of a zootechnical animal food substance, fails to establish that the proposed use of the substance, under the conditions of use to be specified in the regulation, will achieve the intended effect.”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(1) ZOOTECHNICAL ANIMAL FOOD SUBSTANCES.—The labeling of a zootechnical animal food substance—

“(1) shall include the statement: ‘Not for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease in animals.’; and

“(2) may include statements regarding the intended effect of the substance on the structure or function of the body of animals, as set forth in section 201(tt)(1).”.

(c) MISBRANDED FOOD.—Section 403 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 343) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(z) If it is a zootechnical animal food substance and the labeling of the food does not include the statement required by section 409(1)(1).”.

(d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section, or the amendments made by this section, shall be construed to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to require the use of any zootechnical food substance or food additive (as those terms are defined in section 201 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, as amended by subsection (a)).

SA 1938. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title X, add the following:

SEC. 1033. SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUEL WORKING GROUP.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Administrator shall establish a Sustainable Aviation Fuel Working Group (in this section, referred to as the “Working Group”).

(b) MEMBERSHIP.—In establishing the Working Group, the Administrator shall appoint members representing the following:

(1) The Bioenergy Technologies Office of the Department of Energy.

(2) The Department of Agriculture.

(3) The commercial aviation alternative fuels initiative.

(4) The FAA.

(5) The national labs.

(6) At least 4 current or future sustainable aviation fuel producers representing 4 of the currently approved ASTM D7566 sustainable aviation fuel production pathways.

(7) A biorefinery.

(8) An engine original equipment manufacturer.

(9) Agriculture research universities.

(c) REPORT.—

(1) CONGRESS.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Working Group shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report that identifies the research and development needs for each partner and cross-fertilization program across Federal agencies necessary for cost-competitive and equivalent safety compared to petroleum-based jet fuel, while offering improved sustainability and energy supply security for aviation.

(2) IRS.—Not later than 3 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Working Group shall submit to the Internal Revenue Service a report that identifies regulatory changes needed to successfully implement the Section 40B Sustainable Aviation Fuel Tax Credit and the Section 45Z Clean Fuel Production Credit and ensure agricultural derived biofuels are able to satisfy Sustainable Aviation Fuel demand.

SA 1939. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ PERMANENT PROHIBITION ON OPERATIONS AT REAGAN WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT FOR AIR CARRIERS THAT PROVIDE, OR FACILITATE THE PROVISION OF, TRANSPORTATION OF ANY ALIEN USING THE CBP ONE MOBILE APPLICATION FOR THE PURPOSES OF IDENTIFICATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 491 of title 49, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 49109 the following new section:

“§ 49109A. Permanent prohibition on operations at Reagan Washington National Airport for air carriers that transport any alien using the CBP One Mobile Application for the purposes of identification

“An air carrier may not operate an aircraft in air transportation between Reagan Washington National Airport and any other airport if the air carrier has provided, or facilitated the provision of, transportation of any alien using the CBP One Mobile Application for the purposes of identification.”.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for chapter 491 of title 49, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 49109 the following:

“49109A. Permanent prohibition on operations at Reagan Washington National Airport for air carriers that transport any alien using the CBP One Mobile Application for the purposes of identification.”.

SA 1940. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ ORGANIC OR NONORGANIC WHOLE MILK PERMISSIBLE.

Section 9(a)(2) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(a)(2)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A)—

(A) in clause (i), by striking “milk.” in the first sentence and all that follows through the semicolon at the end and inserting “milk.”; and

(B) by striking clause (ii) and inserting the following:

“(ii) may offer students flavored and unflavored organic or nonorganic whole, reduced-fat, low-fat, and fat-free fluid milk and lactose-free fluid milk; and”;

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(D) SATURATED FAT.—Milk fat included in any fluid milk provided under subparagraph (A) shall not be considered to be saturated fat for purposes of determining compliance with the allowable average saturated fat content of a meal under section 210.10 of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor regulation).

“(E) PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN PURCHASES.—The Secretary shall prohibit schools participating in the school lunch program under this Act from purchasing or offering milk produced by any state-owned enterprise of the People’s Republic of China.

“(F) LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY.—The Secretary may not prohibit any school participating in the school lunch program under this Act from offering students milk described in subparagraph (A)(ii).”.

SA 1941. Mr. HAWLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

TITLE ____ —RADIATION EXPOSURE COMPENSATION REAUTHORIZATION ACT

SEC. ____ 01. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the “Radiation Exposure Compensation Reauthorization Act”.

Subtitle A—Manhattan Project Waste

SEC. ____ 11. SHORT TITLE.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This subtitle may be cited as the “Radiation Exposure Compensation Expansion Act”.

SEC. ____ 12. CLAIMS RELATING TO MANHATTAN PROJECT WASTE.

The Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (Public Law 101–426; 42 U.S.C. 2210 note) is amended by inserting after section 5 the following:

“SEC. 5A. CLAIMS RELATING TO MANHATTAN PROJECT WASTE.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—A claimant shall receive compensation for a claim made under this Act, as described in subsection (b) or (c), if—

“(1) a claim for compensation is filed with the Attorney General—

“(A) by an individual described in paragraph (2); or

“(B) on behalf of that individual by an authorized agent of that individual, if the individual is deceased or incapacitated, such as—

“(i) an executor of estate of that individual; or

“(ii) a legal guardian or conservator of that individual;

“(2) that individual, or if applicable, an authorized agent of that individual, demonstrates that the individual—

“(A) was physically present in an affected area for a period of at least 2 years after January 1, 1949; and

“(B) contracted a specified disease after such period of physical presence;

“(3) the Attorney General certifies that the identity of that individual, and if applicable, the authorized agent of that individual, is not fraudulent or otherwise misrepresented; and

“(4) the Attorney General determines that the claimant has satisfied the applicable requirements of this Act.

“(b) LOSSES AVAILABLE TO LIVING AFFECTED INDIVIDUALS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—In the event of a claim qualifying for compensation under subsection (a) that is submitted to the Attorney General to be eligible for compensation under this section at a time when the individual described in subsection (a)(2) is living, the amount of compensation under this section shall be in an amount that is the greater of \$50,000 or the total amount of compensation for which the individual is eligible under paragraph (2).

“(2) LOSSES DUE TO MEDICAL EXPENSES.—A claimant described in paragraph (1) shall be eligible to receive, upon submission of contemporaneous written medical records, reports, or billing statements created by or at the direction of a licensed medical professional who provided contemporaneous medical care to the claimant, additional compensation in the amount of all documented out-of-pocket medical expenses incurred as a result of the specified disease suffered by that claimant, such as any medical expenses not covered, paid for, or reimbursed through—

“(A) any public or private health insurance;

“(B) any employee health insurance;

“(C) any workers' compensation program; or

“(D) any other public, private, or employee health program or benefit.

“(c) PAYMENTS TO BENEFICIARIES OF DECEASED INDIVIDUALS.—In the event that an individual described in subsection (a)(2) who qualifies for compensation under subsection (a) is deceased at the time of submission of the claim—

“(1) a surviving spouse may, upon submission of a claim and records sufficient to satisfy the requirements of subsection (a) with respect to the deceased individual, receive compensation in the amount of \$25,000; or

“(2) in the event that there is no surviving spouse, the surviving children, minor or otherwise, of the deceased individual may, upon submission of a claim and records sufficient to satisfy the requirements of subsection (a) with respect to the deceased individual, receive compensation in the total amount of \$25,000, paid in equal shares to each surviving child.

“(d) AFFECTED AREA.—For purposes of this section, the term ‘affected area’ means—

“(1) in the State of Missouri, the ZIP Codes of 63031, 63033, 63034, 63042, 63045, 63074, 63114, 63135, 63138, 63044, 63121, 63140, 63145, 63147, 63102, 63304, 63134, 63043, 63341, 63368, and 63367;

“(2) in the State of Tennessee, the ZIP Codes of 37716, 37840, 37719, 37748, 37763, 37828, 37769, 37710, 37845, 37887, 37829, 37854, 37830, and 37831;

“(3) in the State of Alaska, the ZIP Codes of 99546 and 99547;

“(4) in the State of Kentucky, the ZIP Codes of 42001, 42003, 42053, and 42086;

“(5) in the State of Ohio, the ZIP Codes of 45002, 45013, 45014, 45030, 45053, 45247, 45251, 45252, 45613, 45648, 45661, and 45690;

“(6) in the State of Pennsylvania, the ZIP Codes of 15641, 15656, and 15960; and

“(7) in the State of Washington, the ZIP Codes of 98832, 98837, 98857, 98930, 98944, 99105, 99144, 99159, 99169, 99301, 99320, 99321, 99323, 99324, 99326, 99330, 99333, 99335, 99336, 99337, 99338, 99341, 99343, 99344, 99345, 99346, 99348, 99349, 99350, 99352, 99353, 99354, 99357, 99359, 99360, 99361, 99362, 99363, and 99371.

“(e) SPECIFIED DISEASE.—For purposes of this section, the term ‘specified disease’ means any of the following:

“(1) Any leukemia, other than chronic lymphocytic leukemia, provided that the initial exposure occurred after the age of 20 and the onset of the disease was at least 2 years after first exposure.

“(2) Any of the following diseases, provided that the onset was at least 2 years after the initial exposure:

“(A) Multiple myeloma.

“(B) Lymphoma, other than Hodgkin's disease.

“(C) Primary cancer of the—

“(i) thyroid;

“(ii) male or female breast;

“(iii) esophagus;

“(iv) stomach;

“(v) pharynx;

“(vi) small intestine;

“(vii) pancreas;

“(viii) bile ducts;

“(ix) gall bladder;

“(x) salivary gland;

“(xi) urinary bladder;

“(xii) brain;

“(xiii) colon;

“(xiv) ovary;

“(xv) bone;

“(xvi) renal;

“(xvii) liver, except if cirrhosis or hepatitis B is indicated; or

“(xviii) lung.

“(f) PHYSICAL PRESENCE.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of this section, the Attorney General shall not determine that a claimant has satisfied the requirements of subsection (a) unless demonstrated by submission of—

“(A) contemporaneous written residential documentation and at least 1 additional employer-issued or government-issued document or record that the claimant, for at least 2 years after January 1, 1949, was physically present in an affected area; or

“(B) other documentation determined by the Attorney General to demonstrate that the claimant, for at least 2 years after January 1, 1949, was physically present in an affected area.

“(2) TYPES OF PHYSICAL PRESENCE.—For purposes of determining physical presence under this section, a claimant shall be considered to have been physically present in an affected area if—

“(A) the claimant's primary residence was in the affected area;

“(B) the claimant's place of employment was in the affected area; or

“(C) the claimant attended school in the affected area.

“(g) DISEASE CONTRACTION IN AFFECTED AREAS.—For purposes of this section, the At-

torney General shall not determine that a claimant has satisfied the requirements of subsection (a) unless the claimant submits—

“(1) written medical records or reports created by or at the direction of a licensed medical professional, created contemporaneously with the provision of medical care to the claimant, that the claimant, after a period of physical presence in an affected area, contracted a specified disease; or

“(2) other documentation determined by the Attorney General to demonstrate that the claimant contracted a specified disease after a period of physical presence in an affected area.”.

SEC. 13. CONTRACTS TO SUPPORT HUMAN AND ECOLOGICAL HEALTH AT AMCHITKA, ALASKA, SITE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—In awarding contracts to carry out the Long-Term Surveillance Plan, the Secretary of Energy, acting through the Director of the Office of Legacy Management, shall give preference to eligible associations.

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—A contract awarded to an eligible association by the Secretary of Energy to carry out the Long-Term Surveillance Plan shall require that the eligible association—

(1) engage in stakeholder engagement; and

(2) to the greatest extent practicable, incorporate Indigenous knowledge and the participation of local Indian Tribes in research and development and workforce development activities.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ELIGIBLE ASSOCIATION.—The term “eligible association” means an association of 2 or more of the following:

(A) An institution of higher education (as that term is defined in section 101(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001(a))) located in the State of Alaska.

(B) An agency of the State of Alaska.

(C) A local Indian Tribe.

(D) An organization—

(i) described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of such Code; and

(ii) located in the State of Alaska.

(2) LOCAL INDIAN TRIBE.—The term “local Indian Tribe” means an Indian tribe (as that term is defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304)) that is located in the Aleut Region of the State of Alaska.

(3) LONG-TERM SURVEILLANCE PLAN.—The term “Long-Term Surveillance Plan” means the plan entitled “Long-Term Surveillance Plan for the Amchitka, Alaska, Site”, published by the Office of Legacy Management of the Department of Energy in July 2014.

Subtitle B— Compensation for Workers Involved in Uranium Mining and Individuals Living Downwind of Atmospheric Nuclear Testing**SEC. 21. SHORT TITLE.**

This subtitle may be cited as the “Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2024”.

SEC. 22. REFERENCES.

Except as otherwise specifically provided, whenever in this subtitle an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment to or repeal of a section or other provision of law, the reference shall be considered to be made to a section or other provision of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (Public Law 101-426; 42 U.S.C. 2210 note).

SEC. 23. EXTENSION OF FUND.

Section 3(d) is amended—

(1) by striking the first sentence and inserting “The Fund shall terminate 6 years after the date of the enactment of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2024.”; and

(2) by striking “2-year” and inserting “6-year”.

SEC. 24. CLAIMS RELATING TO ATMOSPHERIC TESTING.

(a) LEUKEMIA CLAIMS RELATING TO TRINITY TEST IN NEW MEXICO AND TESTS AT THE NEVADA SITE AND IN THE PACIFIC.—Section 4(a)(1)(A) is amended—

(1) in clause (i)—

(A) in subclause (I), by striking “October 31, 1958” and inserting “November 6, 1962”;

(B) in subclause (II)—

(i) by striking “in the affected area” and inserting “in an affected area”; and

(ii) by striking “or” after the semicolon;

(C) by redesignating subclause (III) as subclause (V); and

(D) by inserting after subclause (II) the following:

“(III) was physically present in an affected area for a period of at least 1 year during the period beginning on September 24, 1944, and ending on November 6, 1962;

“(IV) was physically present in an affected area—

“(aa) for a period of at least 1 year during the period beginning on July 1, 1946, and ending on November 6, 1962; or

“(bb) for the period beginning on April 25, 1962, and ending on November 6, 1962; or”;

and

(2) in clause (ii)(I), by striking “physical presence described in subclause (I) or (II) of clause (i) or onsite participation described in clause (i)(III)” and inserting “physical presence described in subclause (I), (II), (III), or (IV) of clause (i) or onsite participation described in clause (i)(V)”.

(b) AMOUNTS FOR CLAIMS RELATED TO LEUKEMIA.—Section 4(a)(1) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “an amount” and inserting “the amount”; and

(2) by striking subparagraph (B) and inserting the following:

“(B) AMOUNT.—If the conditions described in subparagraph (C) are met, an individual who is described in subparagraph (A) shall receive \$100,000.”.

(c) CONDITIONS FOR CLAIMS RELATED TO LEUKEMIA.—Section 4(a)(1)(C) is amended—

(1) by striking clause (i); and

(2) by redesignating clauses (ii) and (iii) as clauses (i) and (ii), respectively.

(d) SPECIFIED DISEASES CLAIMS RELATING TO TRINITY TEST IN NEW MEXICO AND TESTS AT THE NEVADA SITE AND IN THE PACIFIC.—Section 4(a)(2) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A)—

(A) by striking “in the affected area” and inserting “in an affected area”;

(B) by striking “2 years” and inserting “1 year”; and

(C) by striking “October 31, 1958” and inserting “November 6, 1962”;

(2) in subparagraph (B)—

(A) by striking “in the affected area” and inserting “in an affected area”; and

(B) by striking “or” at the end;

(3) by redesignating subparagraph (C) as subparagraph (E); and

(4) by inserting after subparagraph (B) the following:

“(C) was physically present in an affected area for a period of at least 1 year during the period beginning on September 24, 1944, and ending on November 6, 1962;

“(D) was physically present in an affected area—

“(i) for a period of at least 1 year during the period beginning on July 1, 1946, and ending on November 6, 1962; or

“(ii) for the period beginning on April 25, 1962, and ending on November 6, 1962; or”.

(e) AMOUNTS FOR CLAIMS RELATED TO SPECIFIED DISEASES.—Section 4(a)(2) is amended in the matter following subparagraph (E) (as redesignated by subsection (d) of this section) by striking “\$50,000 (in the case of an

individual described in subparagraph (A) or (B)) or \$75,000 (in the case of an individual described in subparagraph (C)),” and inserting “\$100,000”.

(f) DOWNWIND STATES.—Section 4(b)(1) is amended to read as follows:

“(1) ‘affected area’ means—

“(A) except as provided under subparagraphs (B) and (C), Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Guam;

“(B) with respect to a claim by an individual under subsection (a)(1)(A)(i)(III) or subsection (a)(2)(C), only New Mexico; and

“(C) with respect to a claim by an individual under subsection (a)(1)(A)(i)(IV) or subsection (a)(2)(D), only Guam.”.

(g) CHRONIC LYMPHOCYTIC LEUKEMIA AS A SPECIFIED DISEASE.—Section 4(b)(2) is amended by striking “other than chronic lymphocytic leukemia” and inserting “including chronic lymphocytic leukemia”.

SEC. 25. CLAIMS RELATING TO URANIUM MINING.

(a) EMPLOYEES OF MINES AND MILLS.—Section 5(a)(1)(A)(i) is amended—

(1) by inserting “(I)” after “(i)”;

(2) by striking “December 31, 1971; and” and inserting “December 31, 1990; or”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(II) was employed as a core driller in a State referred to in subclause (I) during the period described in such subclause; and”.

(b) MINERS.—Section 5(a)(1)(A)(ii)(I) is amended by inserting “or renal cancer or any other chronic renal disease, including nephritis and kidney tubal tissue injury” after “nonmalignant respiratory disease”.

(c) MILLERS, CORE DRILLERS, AND ORE TRANSPORTERS.—Section 5(a)(1)(A)(ii)(II) is amended—

(1) by inserting “, core driller,” after “was a miller”;

(2) by inserting “, or was involved in remediation efforts at such a uranium mine or uranium mill,” after “ore transporter”;

(3) by inserting “(I)” after “clause (i)”; and

(4) by striking all that follows “nonmalignant respiratory disease” and inserting “or renal cancer or any other chronic renal disease, including nephritis and kidney tubal tissue injury; or”.

(d) COMBINED WORK HISTORIES.—Section 5(a)(1)(A)(ii) is further amended—

(1) by striking “or” at the end of subclause (I); and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(III)(aa) does not meet the conditions of subclause (I) or (II);

“(bb) worked, during the period described in clause (i)(I), in two or more of the following positions: miner, miller, core driller, and ore transporter;

“(cc) meets the requirements of paragraph (4) or (5), or both; and

“(dd) submits written medical documentation that the individual developed lung cancer or a nonmalignant respiratory disease or renal cancer or any other chronic renal disease, including nephritis and kidney tubal tissue injury after exposure to radiation through work in one or more of the positions referred to in item (bb);”.

(e) DATES OF OPERATION OF URANIUM MINE.—Section 5(a)(2)(A) is amended by striking “December 31, 1971” and inserting “December 31, 1990”.

(f) SPECIAL RULES RELATING TO COMBINED WORK HISTORIES.—Section 5(a) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(4) SPECIAL RULE RELATING TO COMBINED WORK HISTORIES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH AT LEAST ONE YEAR OF EXPERIENCE.—An individual meets the requirements of this paragraph if the individual worked in one or more of the positions referred to in paragraph (1)(A)(ii)(III)(bb) for a period of at least one year during the period described in paragraph (1)(A)(i)(I).

“(5) SPECIAL RULE RELATING TO COMBINED WORK HISTORIES FOR MINERS.—An individual meets the requirements of this paragraph if the individual, during the period described in paragraph (1)(A)(i)(I), worked as a miner and was exposed to such number of working level months that the Attorney General determines, when combined with the exposure of such individual to radiation through work as a miller, core driller, or ore transporter during the period described in paragraph (1)(A)(i)(I), results in such individual being exposed to a total level of radiation that is greater or equal to the level of exposure of an individual described in paragraph (4).”.

(g) DEFINITION OF CORE DRILLER.—Section 5(b) is amended—

(1) by striking “and” at the end of paragraph (7);

(2) by striking the period at the end of paragraph (8) and inserting “; and”; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(9) the term ‘core driller’ means any individual employed to engage in the act or process of obtaining cylindrical rock samples of uranium or vanadium by means of a borehole drilling machine for the purpose of mining uranium or vanadium.”.

SEC. 26. EXPANSION OF USE OF AFFIDAVITS IN DETERMINATION OF CLAIMS; REGULATIONS.

(a) AFFIDAVITS.—Section 6(b) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(3) AFFIDAVITS.—

“(A) EMPLOYMENT HISTORY.—For purposes of this Act, the Attorney General shall accept a written affidavit or declaration as evidence to substantiate the employment history of an individual as a miner, miller, core driller, or ore transporter if the affidavit—

“(i) is provided in addition to other material that may be used to substantiate the employment history of the individual;

“(ii) attests to the employment history of the individual;

“(iii) is made subject to penalty for perjury; and

“(iv) is made by a person other than the individual filing the claim.

“(B) PHYSICAL PRESENCE IN AFFECTED AREA.—For purposes of this Act, the Attorney General shall accept a written affidavit or declaration as evidence to substantiate an individual’s physical presence in an affected area (as defined in section 4(b)(1)) during a period described in section 4(a)(1)(A)(i) or section 4(a)(2) if the affidavit—

“(i) is provided in addition to other material that may be used to substantiate the individual’s presence in an affected area during that time period;

“(ii) attests to the individual’s presence in an affected area during that period;

“(iii) is made subject to penalty for perjury; and

“(iv) is made by a person other than the individual filing the claim.

“(C) PARTICIPATION AT TESTING SITE.—For purposes of this Act, the Attorney General shall accept a written affidavit or declaration as evidence to substantiate an individual’s participation onsite in a test involving the atmospheric detonation of a nuclear device if the affidavit—

“(i) is provided in addition to other material that may be used to substantiate the individual’s participation onsite in a test involving the atmospheric detonation of a nuclear device;

“(ii) attests to the individual’s participation onsite in a test involving the atmospheric detonation of a nuclear device;

“(iii) is made subject to penalty for perjury; and

“(iv) is made by a person other than the individual filing the claim.”.

(b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 6 is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)(2)(C), by striking “section 4(a)(2)(C)” and inserting “section 4(a)(2)(E)”;

(2) in subsection (c)(2)—

(A) in subparagraph (A)—

(i) in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking “subsection (a)(1), (a)(2)(A), or (a)(2)(B) of section 4” and inserting “subsection (a)(1), (a)(2)(A), (a)(2)(B), (a)(2)(C), or (a)(2)(D) of section 4”;

(ii) in clause (i), by striking “subsection (a)(1), (a)(2)(A), or (a)(2)(B) of section 4” and inserting “subsection (a)(1), (a)(2)(A), (a)(2)(B), (a)(2)(C), or (a)(2)(D) of section 4”;

(B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “section 4(a)(2)(C)” and inserting “section 4(a)(2)(E)”;

(3) in subsection (e), by striking “subsection (a)(1), (a)(2)(A), or (a)(2)(B) of section 4” and inserting “subsection (a)(1), (a)(2)(A), (a)(2)(B), (a)(2)(C), or (a)(2)(D) of section 4”.

(C) REGULATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 6(k) is amended by adding at the end the following: “Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2024, the Attorney General shall issue revised regulations to carry out this Act.”.

(2) CONSIDERATIONS IN REVISIONS.—In issuing revised regulations under section 6(k) of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (Public Law 101-426; 42 U.S.C. 2210 note), as amended under paragraph (1), the Attorney General shall ensure that procedures with respect to the submission and processing of claims under such Act take into account and make allowances for the law, tradition, and customs of Indian tribes, including by accepting as a record of proof of physical presence for a claimant a grazing permit, a homesite lease, a record of being a holder of a post office box, a letter from an elected leader of an Indian tribe, or a record of any recognized tribal association or organization.

SEC. 27. LIMITATION ON CLAIMS.

(a) EXTENSION OF FILING TIME.—Section 8(a) is amended—

(1) by striking “2 years” and inserting “5 years”;

(2) by striking “RECA Extension Act of 2022” and inserting “Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2024”.

(b) RESUBMITTAL OF CLAIMS.—Section 8(b) is amended to read as follows:

“(b) RESUBMITTAL OF CLAIMS.—

“(1) DENIED CLAIMS.—After the date of enactment of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2024, any claimant who has been denied compensation under this Act may resubmit a claim for consideration by the Attorney General in accordance with this Act not more than three times. Any resubmittal made before the date of the enactment of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2024 shall not be applied to the limitation under the preceding sentence.

“(2) PREVIOUSLY SUCCESSFUL CLAIMS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—After the date of enactment of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2024, any claimant who received compensation under this Act may submit a request to the Attorney General for additional compensation and benefits. Such request shall contain—

“(i) the claimant’s name, social security number, and date of birth;

“(ii) the amount of award received under this Act before the date of enactment of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2024;

“(iii) any additional benefits and compensation sought through such request; and

“(iv) any additional information required by the Attorney General.

“(B) ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION.—If the claimant received compensation under this Act before the date of enactment of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2024 and submits a request under subparagraph (A), the Attorney General shall—

“(i) pay the claimant the amount that is equal to any excess of—

“(I) the amount the claimant is eligible to receive under this Act (as amended by the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2024); minus

“(II) the aggregate amount paid to the claimant under this Act before the date of enactment of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2024; and

“(ii) in any case in which the claimant was compensated under section 4, provide the claimant with medical benefits under section 4(a)(5).”.

SEC. 28. GRANT PROGRAM ON EPIDEMIOLOGICAL IMPACTS OF URANIUM MINING AND MILLING.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

(1) the term “institution of higher education” has the meaning given under section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001);

(2) the term “program” means the grant program established under subsection (b); and

(3) the term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

(b) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall establish a grant program relating to the epidemiological impacts of uranium mining and milling. Grants awarded under the program shall be used for the study of the epidemiological impacts of uranium mining and milling among non-occupationally exposed individuals, including family members of uranium miners and millers.

(c) ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary shall administer the program through the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences.

(d) ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION.—Any institution of higher education or nonprofit private entity shall be eligible to apply for a grant. To apply for a grant an eligible institution or entity shall submit to the Secretary an application at such time, in such manner, and containing or accompanied by such information as the Secretary may reasonably require.

(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$3,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2024 through 2026.

SEC. 29. ENERGY EMPLOYEES OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESS COMPENSATION PROGRAM.

(a) COVERED EMPLOYEES WITH CANCER.—Section 3621(9) of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 73841(9)) is amended by striking subparagraph (A) and inserting the following:

“(A) An individual with a specified cancer who is a member of the Special Exposure Cohort, if and only if—

“(i) that individual contracted that specified cancer after beginning employment at a Department of Energy facility (in the case of a Department of Energy employee or Department of Energy contractor employee) or at an atomic weapons employer facility (in the case of an atomic weapons employee); or

“(ii) that individual—

“(I) contracted that specified cancer after beginning employment in a uranium mine or uranium mill described under section 5(a)(1)(A)(i) of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (42 U.S.C. 2210 note) (including any individual who was employed in core drilling or the transport of uranium ore or vanadium-uranium ore from such mine or mill) located in Colorado, New Mexico, Ari-

zona, Wyoming, South Dakota, Washington, Utah, Idaho, North Dakota, Oregon, Texas, or any State the Attorney General makes a determination under section 5(a)(2) of that Act for inclusion of eligibility under section 5(a)(1) of that Act; and

“(II) was employed in a uranium mine or uranium mill described under subclause (I) (including any individual who was employed in core drilling or the transport of uranium ore or vanadium-uranium ore from such mine or mill) at any time during the period beginning on January 1, 1942, and ending on December 31, 1990.”.

(b) MEMBERS OF SPECIAL EXPOSURE COHORT.—Section 3626 of the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 7384q) is amended—

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

“(1) The Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health under section 3624 shall advise the President whether there is a class of employees—

“(A) at any Department of Energy facility who likely were exposed to radiation at that facility but for whom it is not feasible to estimate with sufficient accuracy the radiation dose they received; and

“(B) employed in a uranium mine or uranium mill described under section 5(a)(1)(A)(i) of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (42 U.S.C. 2210 note) (including any individual who was employed in core drilling or the transport of uranium ore or vanadium-uranium ore from such mine or mill) located in Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Wyoming, South Dakota, Washington, Utah, Idaho, North Dakota, Oregon, Texas, and any State the Attorney General makes a determination under section 5(a)(2) of that Act for inclusion of eligibility under section 5(a)(1) of that Act, at any time during the period beginning on January 1, 1942, and ending on December 31, 1990, who likely were exposed to radiation at that mine or mill but for whom it is not feasible to estimate with sufficient accuracy the radiation dose they received.”; and

(2) by striking subsection (b) and inserting the following:

“(b) DESIGNATION OF ADDITIONAL MEMBERS.—

“(1) Subject to the provisions of section 3621(14)(C), the members of a class of employees at a Department of Energy facility, or at an atomic weapons employer facility, may be treated as members of the Special Exposure Cohort for purposes of the compensation program if the President, upon recommendation of the Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health, determines that—

“(A) it is not feasible to estimate with sufficient accuracy the radiation dose that the class received; and

“(B) there is a reasonable likelihood that such radiation dose may have endangered the health of members of the class.

“(2) Subject to the provisions of section 3621(14)(C), the members of a class of employees employed in a uranium mine or uranium mill described under section 5(a)(1)(A)(i) of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (42 U.S.C. 2210 note) (including any individual who was employed in core drilling or the transport of uranium ore or vanadium-uranium ore from such mine or mill) located in Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Wyoming, South Dakota, Washington, Utah, Idaho, North Dakota, Oregon, Texas, and any State the Attorney General makes a determination under section 5(a)(2) of that Act for inclusion of eligibility under section 5(a)(1) of that Act, at any time during the period beginning on January 1, 1942, and ending on December 31, 1990, may be treated as members of the Special Exposure Cohort for purposes of the compensation program if the President, upon

recommendation of the Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health, determines that—

“(A) it is not feasible to estimate with sufficient accuracy the radiation dose that the class received; and

“(B) there is a reasonable likelihood that such radiation dose may have endangered the health of members of the class.”.

SEC. 30. GAO STUDY AND REPORT.

Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct, and submit to Congress a report describing the results of, a study on the importance of, and need for, unmet medical benefits coverage for individuals who were exposed to radiation in atmospheric nuclear tests conducted by the Federal Government, and recommendations to provide such unmet medical benefits coverage for such individuals.

SA 1942. Mr. HAWLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 428, strike line 13 and all that follows through page 429, line 9, and insert the following:

“(a) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a passenger that holds a nonrefundable ticket on a scheduled flight to, from, or within the United States, an air carrier or a foreign air carrier shall provide a full refund, including any taxes and ancillary fees, for the fare such carrier collected for any cancelled flight or significantly delayed or changed flight where the passenger chooses not to—

“(1) fly on the significantly delayed or changed flight or accept rebooking on an alternative flight; or

“(2) accept any voucher, credit, or other form of compensation offered by the air carrier or foreign air carrier pursuant to subsection (c).

“(b) TIMING OF REFUND.—Any refund required under subsection (a) shall be issued by the air carrier or foreign air carrier—

“(1) in the case of a ticket purchased with a credit card, not later than 7 business days after the cancelled flight or significantly delayed or changed flight; or

“(2) in the case of a ticket purchased with cash or another form of payment, not later than 20 days after the cancelled flight or significantly delayed or changed flight.

SA 1943. Mr. WARNOCK submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1911 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MORAN) and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 702, insert the following:

SEC. 702A. CLARIFYING AIRPORT REVENUE USE OF LOCAL GENERAL SALES TAXES.

(a) WRITTEN ASSURANCES ON REVENUE USE.—Section 47107(b) of title 49, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(4) This subsection does not apply to local general sales taxes as provided in section 47133(b)(4).”.

(b) RESTRICTION ON USE OF REVENUES.—Section 47133(b) of title 49, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(4) LOCAL GENERAL SALES TAXES.—Subsection (a) shall not apply to revenues from generally applicable sales taxes imposed by a local government, provided—

“(A) the local government had a generally applicable sales tax that did not exclude aviation fuel in effect prior to December 9, 2014;

“(B) the local government is not a sponsor of a public airport; and

“(C) a large hub airport, which had more than 35,000,000 enplanements in calendar year 2021, is located within the jurisdiction of the local government.”.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Ms. HASSAN. Madam President, I have 11 requests for committees to meet during today's session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority Leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today's session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 1, 2024, at 10 a.m., to conduct an executive session.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Committee on Environment and Public Works is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 1, 2024, at 9:45 a.m., to conduct a business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 1, 2024, at 9 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 1, 2024, at 10:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 1, 2024, at 11:45 a.m., to conduct a business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 1, 2024, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 1, 2024, at 3:30 p.m., to conduct a business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 1, 2024, at 3:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 1, 2024, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a closed briefing.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON READINESS AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

The Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support of the Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 1, 2024, at 2 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SEAPOWER

The Subcommittee on Seapower of the Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, May 1, 2024, at 4:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. CRUZ. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that permanent privileges of the floor be granted to the following members of the majority and minority Commerce Committee staffs throughout the duration of Calendar No. 211, H.R. 3935: William McKenna, Duncan Rankin, Simone Perez, Rachel Devine, Alexander Simpson, Gabrielle Slais.

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

Ms. CANTWELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that Ms. Amber Willitt, a detailee with the Department of Transportation's Federal Aviation Administration, be granted floor privileges for the duration of the 118th Congress.

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

HONORING THE LIFE OF DANIEL ROBERT “BOB” GRAHAM, FORMER SENATOR FOR THE STATE OF FLORIDA

Ms. HASSAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 668, which is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 668) honoring the life of Daniel Robert “Bob” Graham, former Senator for the State of Florida.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Ms. HASSAN. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 668) was agreed to.